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**Late Sown Vegetables**  
Fine quality vegetables may be  
produced from late seeding. Swede  
turnips, carrots and beets may be  
sown as late as the middle of June  
and still have time to develop to a  
desirable size for winter use. The  
land should be well prepared and  
rich in plant food. Should dry condi-  
tions prevail the seed should be  
sown on the level rather on ridges.

**Field Crop Situation**  
Over 13,000,000 acres of land in  
Ontario are used for the production  
of field crops, which have a market  
value of more than \$140,000,000 an-  
nually. The maintenance of high  
crop production is closely associated  
with livestock-raising and other  
branches of farming. Most of the  
grain and root crops for the last  
five-year period are below the acre-  
age level of a few years ago. Some  
of the land is in grass. Considera-  
tion should be given to the breaking-  
up of more old meadow lands on  
which the crop has become thin and  
weedy. Higher per acre yields,  
greater purity and better quality in  
crops harvested would help to in-  
crease returns. Seed-cleaning plants  
have been established within the  
reach of many farmers and full ad-  
vantage should be taken of every  
opportunity to clean and grade the  
seed which will be used this year.

**Raspberry Plantations**  
Where manure is not applied to  
raspberry plantations until spring, a  
cover crop is also advisable to pre-  
vent too late growth of cane. As  
the advent of mosaic disease is mak-  
ing advisable to renew plantations  
more frequently, the grower who is  
unable to get large quantities of  
manure will find that shorter rota-  
tion lends itself more to the cover  
crop and mulch system, for each new  
plantation may be preceded for a  
season by a crop of clover or alsike  
which, when turned over, will leave  
the soil in excellent condition for the  
new plantation. This method of re-  
newal, say every six years, with pro-  
per green manuring, cover crop or  
mulch, and adequate quantities of  
commercial fertilizers, will render it  
possible for raspberry growing to  
take its place beside orcharding, in  
being more or less independent of  
the failing and increasingly expensive  
supply of manure.

**Cattle Exports to U.S.**  
Canada sold the United States ap-  
proximately 103,000 head of cattle  
during 1935, the largest number in  
many years, and in addition moved  
across the border approximately 21,-  
000 head of calves, the largest num-  
ber of that class since 1930. There  
were also approximately 6,000,000  
lbs. of beef sold to the United States  
in 1935, as against approximately  
330,000 pounds in 1934.  
Exports to the United States since  
the 1st of January, 1936, up to mid-  
March have been more moderate than  
during the corresponding period of  
1935 and have been made at some-  
what lower price levels. This situa-  
tion is reflected in the domestic  
prices in Canada. Late in February,

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order-bought cattle were going for-  
ward to Great Britain in moderate  
volume, with bookings to the extent  
of between 2,500 and 3,000 head ex-  
tending to the middle of April. The  
outcome of these shipments will not  
necessarily determine the direction  
of export movement during the rest  
of the year.

An upward reaction to prices is  
expected as the year advances. The  
situation as it existed during the  
first quarter of 1936 was therefore  
complex and rather hard to analyse.  
Undoubtedly, some further increase  
in cattle marketings in Canada over  
the very substantial increase which  
occurred in 1935 is anticipated.

**Weed Seeds on Farms**  
The seeds of most annual weeds  
when embedded in the soil retain  
their vitality for several years. The  
seeds of the mustard family and oth-  
ers, when ploughed down after ripen-  
ing, seldom germinate the following  
year and not until they are brought  
near the surface by further cultiva-  
tion. Light surface cultivation dur-  
ing the early autumn serves to stim-  
ulate germination in freshly ripen-  
ing weed seeds. Thus, a consider-  
able proportion of them may be de-  
stroyed, while, on the other hand, by  
deep ploughing the difficulty is sim-  
ply deferred to succeeding years.

The germination of weeds, as well  
as other seeds, is affected by heat.  
Some kinds of weed seeds, such as  
many grasses and mustard will ger-  
minate in the late autumn or early  
spring when the soil is cold. Others,  
such as buckwheat and lamb's quar-  
ters, require a warmer soil, and the  
seeds of foxtail and purslane continue  
dormant until stimulated by the heat  
of summer. Late autumn or early  
spring cultivation is not effective in  
destroying the seeds of weeds that  
will not germinate unless the soil is  
warm.

Some of the worst seeds are so  
prolific in the production of seeds  
that relatively clean fields may be-  
come badly contaminated in two or  
three years if the weeds are allowed  
to go to seed. For instance, a single  
plant of wild mustard, stinkweed,  
foxtail, pigweed or campion produces  
from 10,000 to 20,000 seeds; worm-  
seed mustard about 25,000; shep-  
herd's purse about 50,000 and tumb-  
ling mustard about 1,500,000. With  
such productivity, soils become  
quickly infested with weed seeds, al-  
though, on account of their incon-  
spicuousness, their presence is not  
fully realized.

**Crops and Markets**  
"The Ontario Agricultural Outlook  
Report 1936" is the title of a very  
interesting booklet summarizing crop  
prospects for the current year, re-  
cently issued by the Department in  
cooperation with the Ontario Agri-  
cultural College. Copies can be se-  
cured from the Department or  
through your local agricultural rep-  
resentative. Brief extracts from the  
booklet will appear in this column  
during the next few weeks.

One of the features is a survey  
of the extent and important of On-  
tario agriculture. More than 39 per  
cent of Ontario's population live on  
the 192,000 farms. In 1935 Ontario  
agricultural products were valued at  
over \$300,000,000. The new wealth  
created through farm output and the  
increased buying power of this large  
farm group has an important bear-  
ing on the welfare and progress of  
trade and commerce.

Ontario farmers are favoured and  
receive a direct benefit from the local  
market. Ontario has a popula-  
tion of 3,500,000 which receives nearly  
41 per cent of the total income of  
Canada. It is estimated that 41  
per cent of all Canadian sales of  
food products to consumers are made  
by Ontario stores. It is important  
therefore to Ontario producers to  
cater to the home demand and to  
place upon the Ontario market the  
highest quality foodstuffs which are  
always in keen demand.

Ontario farmers are deeply inter-  
ested also in wider markets. A sur-  
plus of beef cattle, hogs, cheese, but-  
ter, fruit, honey, tobacco, poultry and  
other products must be sold in other  
provinces and in markets outside of  
Canada. For instance, of the beef  
cattle exported to the United States  
in 1935, Ontario farmers supplied  
nearly 30 per cent, while nearly 74  
per cent of the cheese produced in  
Canada was made in Ontario fac-  
tories. In the export of many mil-  
lions of pounds of bacon and lard to  
Great Britain, United States and  
other countries during the past year,  
Ontario producers have played an  
important part, since on their farms  
have been produced nearly 37 per  
cent of the total hogs raised in Can-  
ada.

**LASKAY**

Laskay Church Anniversary Ser-  
vices drew record attendances to the  
United Church there. It was the  
holiday weekend and the weather  
was of the best and friends from  
near and far gathered with the reg-  
ular congregation for these special  
services. Mr. Gratton Riggs and his  
Choral group from Toronto gave  
generously of their talent. The ren-  
dering of the sacred selections dis-  
played careful training and harmo-  
nizing. They gave a real musical  
feast.

Rev. T. W. F. G. Andrews of Trin-  
ity Church, Newmarket, was the af-  
ternoon preacher. His message was  
a direct challenge to live the Chris-  
tian Life. First by self-examination  
and then in response to the teaching  
of Christ, a commitment of heart,  
mind, soul and strength.

Rev. A. H. Halbert of Newton-  
brook was the evening preacher. A  
former Pastor, he was most cordially  
welcomed back to renew former  
friendships and to bring a strong  
Gospel message based on the fami-  
liar words "Be sure your sin will  
find you out," and unfolded in the  
stories of "The Good Shepherd" and  
"The Prodigal's Father."

Monday night the Hall was packed  
to capacity to see the Laskay Dram-  
atic Club present a 3 Act Comedy  
Drama "The Purple Tantrum." These  
young people achieved marked suc-  
cess with "Wild Ginger," presenting  
it 24 times. But the general con-  
sensus of opinion is that this play  
exceeds any former production. The  
characters are well chosen, no one  
particular star, but all playing good  
parts well. The story carries interest  
through to the end, there is not a  
dull moment for it is rich in good  
humour.

An interesting feature of this eve-  
ning was a presentation to the two  
Directors of the Play, Mrs. Boys and  
Rev. Davis. To Mrs. Boys was given  
a beautiful silk dressing gown and  
slippers and to our Minister, Rev.  
Davis, a beautiful floor lamp. Suit-  
able replies were made by both and  
the evening closed with the National  
Anthem.

**AGINCOURT**

The C. G. I. T. Mother and Daugh-  
ter banquet held in Knox Presby-  
terian Church on Friday evening,  
May 15th was a pronounced success.  
The tables, gaily decorated with  
spring flowers and cunning C.G.I.T.  
favours, were most alluring as was  
the sumptuous banquet.

The toast to "The King," "The  
Church" and "The Canadian Girls in  
Training" were proposed by Lorine  
Elliott, Marion Little and Ainslie  
Hood respectively. Mrs. W. B. Dav-  
idson responded to the toast to "The  
Church." Assisting in the program  
of music were Miss Nellie Clark, Jean  
Muirhead, Margaret McCowan and  
Marion Little. Margaret McCowan  
was toast mistress.

The girls were honored in having  
as guest speaker Elsie Bell Gardner,  
noted authoress of the "Maxie" books  
and lecturer. Holding her audience  
spellbound, she told humorously of  
her childhood in Trinidad where her  
father was a British officer, also of  
her education later in Scotland.

She said to the girls "If there is  
something you really want to do,  
work hard and you will accomplish  
it." She advised mothers to have  
their children tell them stories. "It  
will help develop their imagination,"  
she explained. "If your daughter has  
a speech to give at school, let her  
make it before you. That would be  
better than having her shut herself  
up in a room and talk to bare walls."

"It is a mistake for mothers to live  
entirely for their children," said Mrs.  
Gardner. "They should maintain  
some outside interests, such as the  
Church, to which they can turn, when  
their children grow up and leave  
home."

She strongly commended the C. G.  
I. T. organization which is training  
girls to take their places in life.  
"They will not develop an inferiority  
complex. When asked later in life  
to speak at a W.M.S. meeting, they  
will not be afraid of their own  
voices," said Mrs. Gardner.

Mrs. W. A. Newall is leader of  
Knox Presbyterian Girls in Training,  
with Miss Agnes Davidson as as-  
sistant. Under their efficient guid-  
ance marked progress has been made,  
the membership having trebled since  
organization in 1931.

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| 1 Bay Horse, 9 years old                | 40 Gal. Gas Drum   |
| 1 Bay Horse, 10 years old               | 1 Scalding Furnace   |
| <b>CATTLE</b>                           | 1 Paris Green Blower   |
| 1 White Cow, fresh                      | 1 Scuffer  |
| 1 Part Jersey, due July 2nd             | 2 Water Barrels  |
| 1 Black Cow, due Sept. 23rd             | 1 Bag Truck  |
| 1 Black and White Cow                   | 1 Iron Pot   |
| 1 White Heifer, 18 months old           | Number of Chicken Coops  |
| 1 Black and White Heifer, 17 months old | Number of Planks   |
| 1 Jersey Heifer, 10 months old          | About 10 ton of Hay  |
| 1 Black Heifer, 7 months old            | Hoes, Forks, Shovels and other Arti-<br>cles too numerous to mention |
| 1 White Calf                            | <b>HARNESS</b>   |
| <b>IMPLEMENTS</b>                       | 1 Set Team Harness   |
| 1 M.-H. Binder, 6 ft. cut               | <b>FURNITURE</b>   |
| 1 M.-H. Disc Drill, 13 hose             | 1 Lawn Mower   |
| 1 M.-H. Cultivator                      | 1 Gramophone, 59 records   |
| 1 Horse Rake                            | 1 Dining Room Table, 4 leaves  |
| 2 Sets 4-section Harrows                | 1 Buffet   |
| 1 Set 5-section Harrows                 | 1 Couch  |
| 1 Disc                                  | 6 Dining Room Chairs   |
| 1 Spring Tooth Oliver Cultivator        | 1 Baby Walker  |
| 1 Houger Wagon                          | 1 High Chair   |
| 1 Spring Wagon                          | 1 Set Scales up to 25 lbs. (3 lbs.<br>on beam)                       |
| 1 Hay Rack                              | 1 Daisy Churn  |
| 3 Ladders                               | 1 Vega G. Cream Separator  |
| 1 Oliver Tractor Plow                   | 1 Quebec Heater  |
| 1 Tractor Cultivator                    | <b>FOWL</b>  |
| 1 Set of Platform Scales                | About 50 Hens  |
|   | 6 Geese  |
|   | 2 Ganders  |
|   | 4 Ducks  |
|   | 2 Drakes   |
|   | About 40 young Goslings  |

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