

NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR THE BUSY FARMER

Get Rid of the Barnyard Boarder
In preparing for housing the stock for winter, all surplus work horses finished beef cattle, boarder dairies or decidedly poor type heifer-old ewes and old sows should be culled out and disposed of to the best advantage.

Milk Cooling During The Winter Months

Do not attempt to cool milk by setting the cans out-of-doors, even in freezing weather. It takes far too long for the milk to cool to 50 degrees F., for air is a good insulator but a poor cooling medium. Use a cooling tank with water as cold as possible, and keep the level up to the necks of the cans.

Storing Vegetables for Winter

Select well-grown, disease-free unblemished material and handle it carefully to avoid mechanical injuries. An earth floor basement under a dwelling house or a regular root cellar may be used. Proper ventilation is very important and a temperature of 34 degrees Fahrenheit should be maintained. The best, cabbage, carrot, celery, parsnip, potato and turnip require dark, slightly moist storage space, while onions do best under dry, cold, dark conditions.

Preparing Perennial Borders for Winter

A very good thing to remember when mulching plants for winter is that the ideal protection keeps the plants cold, which means that the mulch should be applied when the ground is frozen hard for the first time that season.

Corn fodder or straw manure, besides being easily obtainable, are to be preferred to leaves as the latter form an almost air-tight mat and very often results in trouble by causing premature growth of the plants.

Wintering the Brood Sow

The brood sow deserves her fair share of winter accommodation. A pen that is well bedded, dry and free from draughts is essential. Place the feed trough some distance away so that she is forced to exercise outdoors daily. Eradicate lice and round worms; there is no market for them. Feed a mixture of grains to maintain the sow in fair flesh, but use barley sparingly unless the sow is very thin. Provide clover or alfalfa hay to be eaten at will. Be kind to the sow, but not "too kind," or weak, unthrifty pigs will result.

Storing Soybeans

By this time no doubt, all soybeans have been threshed and some attention should be paid to the storage of this seed. If the beans have been threshed in good condition, that is with a reasonably low content of moisture, storage will not be difficult. On the other hand, a high moisture content adds to the danger of spoilage when stored. It has been recommended that storage in bags, which may be moved occasionally, will largely prevent the danger of heating which is prevalent in large piles and will facilitate the marketing of the beans in good condition.

The Apple Market

According to fruit crop reports received from various parts of the province, there is little evidence of late scab development and apple maggot infestation is reported to be exceptionally light. High winds early in October blew down a large quantity of apples in Central and Eastern Ontario orchards, as well as many in the Georgian Bay and Northfolk districts. The windfalls will be sold on local markets or readily absorbed by processing plants, so that very little actual loss of apples will result.

Apples have sold this fall at higher prices than for several years. Many growers sold their entire crop for \$3.00 per barrel picked, with culls out, and the buyer furnishing the container. McIntosh have been in good demand at \$3.25 to \$4.00 per barrel tree run and barrels supplied. More apples have been processed than for a number of years, with factories paying from 75 cents to \$2.00 per barrel according to quality, and in some cases more.

Dairy Farmers' Account Book

The Dairy Farmers' Account Book which has been prepared for use in the operations connected with the cost study of milk in Ontario was initiated through the activities of the four milk commodity associations in Ontario, namely, the Ontario Concentrated Milk Producers' Association, the Ontario Cream Patrons' Association, the Ontario Cheese Patrons' Association, and the Ontario Whole Milk Producers League. The purposes of this milk study, as out-

lined by the Ontario Milk Producers' Association and the Ontario Milk Producers' Committee, may be grouped under three heads:—

1. To determine milk production costs in all sections of Ontario and for all markets, in order that the various milk producer groups may deal more effectively with their marketing problems.

2. To assemble unbiased data relative to the milk producing industry and the economic conditions of those engaged in milk production, in order that the requirements of these constituents may be dealt with more intelligently.

3. To focus greater attention on the detail of dairy farm organization, management, expense, and revenue, and through the study to reveal means whereby dairy farmers may increase the net returns from their business.

Winter Care of Calves

Methods of raising calves born in the fall require careful study and carrying out; and this is a subject of considerable concern to Junior Farmers who will have the care of hundreds of calves during the winter. More and more experience teaches that boys can successfully feed and tend calves, and by so doing, learn the essential principles of cattle raising. The calf that gets a good start in life has the best chance of becoming a profitable animal at maturity, be it male or female. And the care of the cow or steer is not essentially different from that of the calf, as regards eating and drinking and sanitation—after weaning age.

It is poor economy to feed and care for calves in any manner other than that which will allow them to grow and develop normally. A well-cared-for heifer has a much better opportunity to develop into a high-producing cow than one which is poorly fed and cared for.

In view of the short feed supply, and in many cases a scarcity of milk, dairymen raising calves this winter need to do a careful job of selecting only the best calves to raise, feed them adequately, and guard carefully against disease.

The importance of culling cannot be over-emphasized. As a rule, about one-fourth of the calves born are required to maintain the herd. Too many dairymen attempt to raise every calf. Obviously, many cows are inferior and should not be allowed to propagate their kind, as they will do if bred to bulls no better than themselves. It costs just about as much to raise an inferior calf as a good one, so one of the first steps in calf raising is to cull out the calves that are inferior from a breeding standpoint.

Eat Fish for Health

Swift once wrote: "fish should swim thrice...first it should swim in the seas (do you mind me?) then it should swim in butter, and at last sirrah, it should swim in good claret." Dispense with the claret, for this would not be in keeping with our effort to help the housewives of Canada stretch their food dollar to the limit. It has been our aim, however, to keep you in touch with seasonal foods...foods that will give you the biggest return for your dollar in health.

From an economic, as well as from a health standpoint, it is desirable that fish should have an important place on our bill-of-fare. It cannot be too strongly emphasized that for working people of all classes those who work with their heads as well as those who work with their hands, fish is an economical source of energy necessary to enable them to carry on their work; and that for children and young people it furnishes the very materials that are needed to enable them to grow healthy and strong.

Fish, as you know, is one of the important protein foods. It makes a pleasing variation of the daily diet and should be included at least twice a week in your menu. There is a wide variety to choose from: fresh or frozen, filleted, boneless, dried, canned, pickled, cured and smoked. Fish are easy to digest—a fact of particular importance in these days when so many people are of sedentary habits.

Large fish are, as a rule, better when steamed or boiled; medium sized ones should be baked, or split open and broiled, and small ones should be fried. Whitefish, trout, mackerel, and small cod should be split down the back and broiled whole. If preferred, cut off the head and tail. Halibut and salmon should be cut into inch slices and turned often while broiling.

To clean fish: wipe with a cloth wet in salt water and dry on a fish towel. Season: oily fish need only

salt and pepper, but dry meated fish should be spread with oil before broiling. Use a double wire broiler greased well with salt pork rind. Put thickest edge of fish next to the middle of broiler and turn often. With split fish, sear the flesh side first and then turn.

The fire should be hot and clear. The time of cooking will vary with the thickness of fish. When ready to serve, loosen the fish from broiler on each side. Open broiler, slide fish on platter, flesh side uppermost. Spread with butter, salt and pepper. Garnish with butter cream and a border of potato balls. There are any number of sauces to be served, too, with scalloped fish, creamed, also baked fish, but these shall be dealt with in another article.

Start to-day planning to serve fish in your weekly menu. Here is a nice recipe for Halibut Steaks, Spanish Style...very timely, don't you think? I am sure many of those Spanish mothers would like to go back to the quiet peaceful days before the revolution and prepare such a dish for their family.

Choose a steak two inches thick, and weighing from two to four lbs., according to the size of your family. Sprinkle with salt on both sides, and let stand for one-half an hour, then drain and pat dry with absorbent paper. Put into a pan of suitable size, one-fourth of a cup of bacon fat, the juice of a large lemon (the Spanish add a cup of non-alcoholic sherry, but that was in the good old days and Canadian mothers I know would like it much better without). Let all heat together, then lay in the fish steak, cover closely, and allow barely to simmer, for twenty to thirty minutes or until done. The moment a fork can be inserted between flesh and bone, the fish is cooked. Serve with shoestring parsnips and paprika garnish.

QUICK SUPPER DISH

- 1 pound can of salmon
 - 1 1/2 cups crackers crushed
 - 1 cup milk
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1/6 teaspoon pepper
 - 1 tablespoon butter
- Heat milk, add crackers, salt, pepper, and then stir in flaked salmon. The addition of one well beaten egg improves this dish. Serve on toast with a slice of lemon or sprinkle finely chopped parsley over the top as a garnish.

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TERMS — CASH

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LARGE MAJORITY FOR BOLTON WATERWORKS

The result of the vote in Bolton on Monday on the question of waterworks was different to what most people anticipated. While it was generally expected that the proposal would carry by a comfortable margin, the more than five to one endorsement it received was a surprise to many. The official vote given to us by the village clerk was—168, against 30.

James Ley, York County's best known plowmaker, celebrated his ninety-first birthday last week. Despite his years he has put many plows in readiness for various contests this fall.

Mr. Ley, who was a boyhood friend of Alexander Muir, the author of "The Maple Leaf Forever," came to Canada as a boy with his parents from Devonshire, England. He settled in Clark's corners as a young man and later opened a blacksmith shop at Ellesmere, Scarborough township.

For the past quarter of a century he has made his home in Markham village. He became famous by manufacturing hand-made plows having a large connection throughout Ontario. For many years he was a leading member of Christie's Methodist Church, where he conducted a Bible class for fifteen years. He still enjoys excellent health.

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 - 1 Hoosier Wagon 1 Hay Rack, new
 - 1 Cutter
 - 1 Open Buggy
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 - 1 New Silo, 14x24
 - 1 Driving Shed 1 Hen House
 - 1 Brooder Tractor
 - 1 Potato Plow
 - 1 Cattle Loader
 - Forks, Shovels, Rakes, Chains, and other articles too numerous to mention
- FURNITURE**
- Kitchen Linoleum, 12'x12'
 - 3 Tanestry Rugs, 10' 6" by 9'
 - Quantity of Carpets
 - 1 Hand Vacuum Cleaner
 - 6 Dining Room Chairs
 - 6 Cane Bottom Chairs
 - 6 Kitchen Chairs 2 Rocking Chairs
 - 1 Sideboard
 - 1 Morris Chair
 - 1 Dougherty Organ
 - 1 Kitchen Cupboard
 - 1 Divanette
 - 1 Couch
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