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EDGELEY

Edgeley Women's Institute 1939-40 officers, elected when the annual meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Allan Aitchison, are as follows: Hon. presidents, Mrs. Wakefield and Mrs. J. Hoover; Acting Hon. Pres., Mrs. J. W. Dalziel; President, Mrs. E. Phillips; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. Bagg; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. Anderson; Sec.-Treas., Gladys Smith; Asst. Sec.-Treas., Mrs. W. Thompson; District Director, Mrs. J. W. Dalziel; Directors, Mrs. H. Smith, Mrs. E. Stong, Mrs. N. Lewis; Standing Committees, Education, Mrs. E. Keffer; Agriculture, Mrs. Dr. Harvey; Health, Mrs. W. Watson; Relief, Mrs. E. Phillips; Historical Research, Mrs. L. Espey; Peace, Mrs. J. Snider; Home Economics, Mrs. A. Aitchison; Program Committee, Helen Newton, Mrs. Thompson, Edith Jackson, Bertha Thompson, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. E. Keffer; Sewing Com., Mrs. E. Stong, Mrs. G. Walker, Mrs. W. Anderson, Mrs. Peelar, Miss Bertie Hoover, Mrs. Lockhurst, Mrs. F. Locke, Mrs. C. Agnew, Mrs. A. Aitchison; Social Com., Mrs. A. Bagg, Mrs. E. Stong, Bertha Stong; Visiting Com., Mrs. L. Espey, Mrs. A. Aitchison; Pianists, Bertha Stong, Helen Newton; Auditors, Mrs. Dr. Harvey, Mrs. N. Lewis; Press reporters, Ruth Smith, Mrs. Lockhurst.

NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR THE BUSY FARMER

With the good prices that quality potatoes are now commanding, farmers with good potato lands in this district are planting larger crops this coming year. Generally speaking there has been a shortage and the prospects for potato crops of quality appear good.

One of the reasons for the present potato situation is that there has been too many potatoes lost through disease. This means total loss to the farmer for his efforts. Steps to improve the potato crops therefore, are now being given attention.

Discussing the growing of better potato crops, John Tucker, chief inspector of Plant disease department of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, warns against the planting of cull potatoes, for, he pointed out, like produces like. Unfortunately, a large percentage of the table potato fields in Canada are planted with culls every year, sometimes with the full knowledge of the grower and the hope that the growing season may be favourable, and sometimes quite unknowingly. It takes more than hope and favourable growing seasons to control potato disease; it takes action. Luck plays a very minor part in successful potato production; interest and work are the important factors. The farm will produce good mealy potatoes or bitter, green, soggy potatoes, small potatoes or big potatoes, knobby potatoes or smooth potatoes. It is up to the grower.

Highlight of the poultry market at the present time is the keen demand for well fleshed hens. Prices have kept at a relatively high level and on principal eastern market hens are bringing as much or more than chickens.

Market supplies of hens during recent months have been light in contrast with the past two or three years when supplies were steady throughout the late winter and spring months.

This year, producers have not been marketing hens. Lowered prices may be expected for hens once broilers and roasters become plentiful on Canadian markets, say officials of Poultry Products Inspection and Grading Service, Dominion Department of Agriculture.

Producers are advised to take advantage of the present strong market if they wish to realize on hens which have gone off production and are in fit condition for market. Methods of selecting such birds are well known to Canadian producers and birds which have gone off production can be easily picked out.

It is not necessary nor advisable to market the entire flock at once. If a few birds are selected each time the producer goes to market systematic marketing and a minimum of price fluctuation would result.

York County Holstein Club Picnic June 3rd

To Be Held at Woodbridge and Hon. G. S. Henry to Speak

The directors of the York County Holstein Club have just completed arrangements to hold their annual picnic at Elm Park, Woodbridge, on Saturday next, June 3rd, commencing with lunch at 12 o'clock standard time. Last year was the first strictly county picnic and since the York Club can now boast of being the largest county club in Canada, the officers and committees are preparing for a real gathering of those interested in this breed.

The guest speaker will be Hon. Geo. S. Henry, one of the first members of this organization which has carried on so successfully during the past quarter of a century. The history of the Club and the development of the breed has attracted the inquiring mind of our popular Claire Wallace who is interviewing some of the original officers to get material for a broadcast some evening this week.

Following the address by the guest speaker, there will be judging competitions for ladies, gents and one for the boys and girls. This will be in charge of R. M. Holtby, Fieldman for the Canadian Association. Next will come the sports with fun for everybody. These appropriately enough will include a "milking contest".

YORK MARKET

North Toronto market house was fragrant with lilac blossoms on Saturday, large bunches of the flowers cost only 10c. Boxed annuals in great variety for garden planting were 15c. a box and 2 for 25c., perennials, shrubs and evergreen trees, as well as cabbage and tomato plants were there in plenty, and wild flower roots and ferns were on many stands.

Asparagus, which is at its best, was the popular vegetable, large quantities sold at 5c. bunch. Spinach was 15c. and 20c. basket, mushrooms 30c. lb., lettuce, radishes, green onions, watercress and peppercress were 4 for 10c., cucumbers from 10c. up, potatoes were 15c. and 20c. basket, carrots, parsnips and turnips were still on the market, and among the imports were peas, beans, cauliflowers and new potatoes. Strawberries were 20c. box, and pineapples 10c. each.

Cooked meats were in demand, and a nice variety selling from 15c. lb. up, included headcheese, bologna, liverwurst, special beef, boiled ham and roast pork. Several stands had roasted dressed chickens. Eggs sold at 22c., 25c. and 28c. dozen; bantam eggs were on one stand, 20c. dozen, and duck eggs were 3 for 10c. Roasting chickens were 28c. and 30c. lb., boiling 23c., and broilers 3 for \$1. Fresh meat prices were unchanged.

MISSION BAND EVENT IS WELL PATRONIZED

The Woodbridge United Church Mission Band held a successful "Lilac Tea" and sale of homemade baking Saturday, May 27th. An enjoyable programme was presented during the afternoon, contributions including a piano duet by Margaret Watson and Lillian McLean, piano and vocal selections by Mary and Jean Simpson, a vocal duet by John Watson and Carl Ingbuston, and a story told by John Watson. The sale of baking was well patronized during the afternoon.

2,000 German castles have been fitted up as hotels for the tourist trade.

ASSESSMENT ROLL COURT OF REVISION

Municipality of Vaughan COUNTY OF YORK

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a Court of Revision of the Assessment Roll for the Township of Vaughan will be held in the Township Hall, Vellore, on

MONDAY, JUNE 5th, 1939 at 10 o'clock a.m.

to hear and adjudicate upon any complaints against the Assessment Roll of the Municipality of the Township of Vaughan for the said year 1939. All parties interested are requested to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

J. M. McDONALD, Clerk of the said Municipality. Maple, May 17, 1939.

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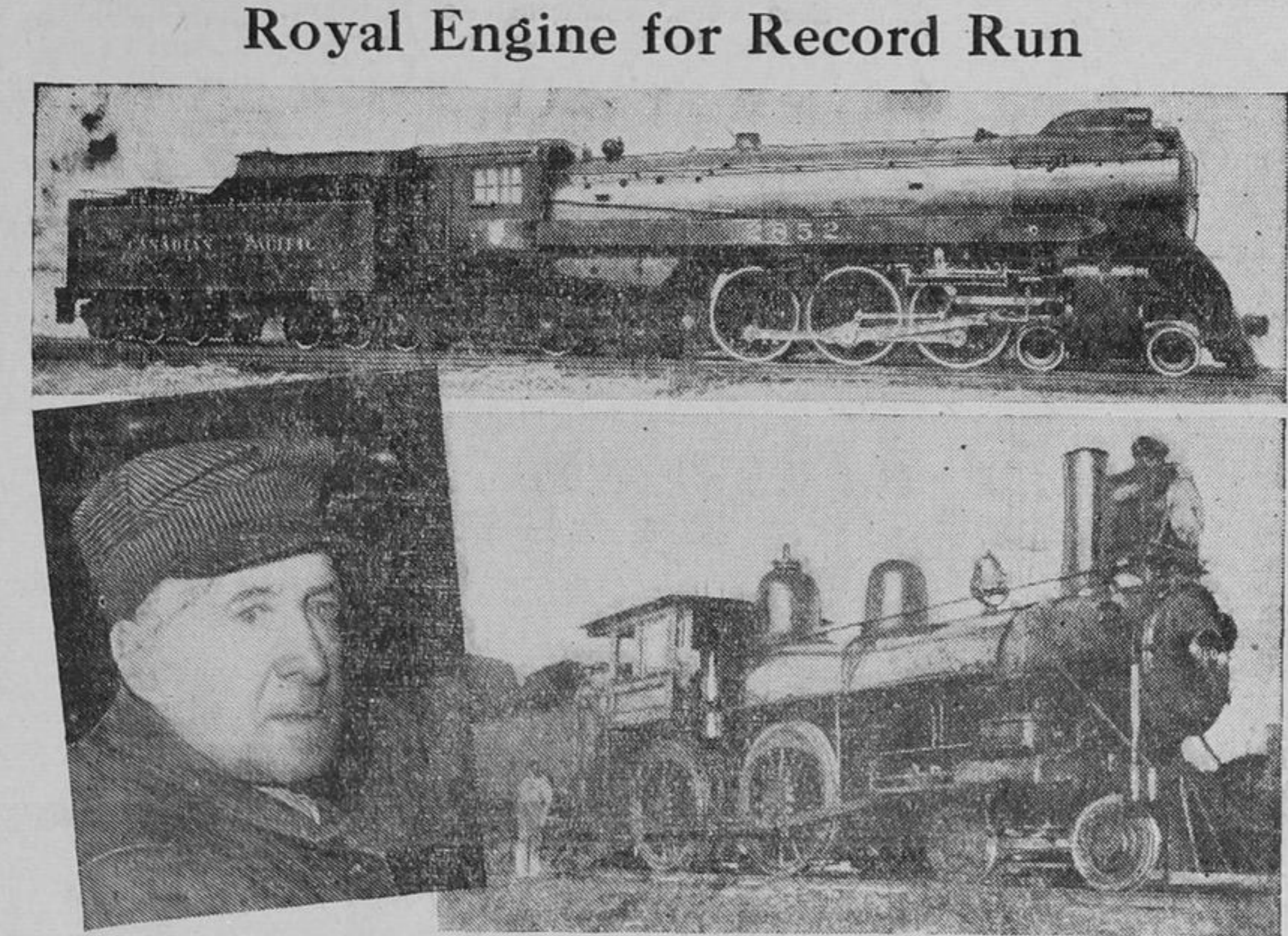
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Engine 2850 of the Canadian Pacific motive power fleet—semi-streamlined Hudson type, last-minute word in locomotive construction—will haul the Royal Train from Quebec to Vancouver and 25 Canadian Pacific engineers, each selected for his record and ability, will in turn handle the throttle during the coast-to-coast run. From the time the royal train leaves Quebec City May 16 until it arrives in Vancouver May 29, the engine will provide the power for the trip of more than three thousand miles, a run not heretofore carried out by any one engine on the North American Continent.

Canadian Pacific engineers, firemen, conductors and trainmen to a total of 110 men will man the Royal Train on the Company's

lines, and an equal number selected with equal care will handle the Pilot Train which has been provided for newspapermen, police and accompanying officials. The honor of being first engineer to pilot the locomotive of the train bearing Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth when they visit Canada, however, goes to Eugene Leclerc, (inset) quiet-spoken French-Canadian locomotive engineer who has 48 years' service with the Canadian Pacific Railway. Nearly 38 years ago when the late King George V and Queen Mary, then Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, visited Canada, Eugene Leclerc was fireman on their train from Quebec City to Montreal. This time he will be engineer for the same run.

Comparison of the above pictures of the new locomotive of the same series as 2850 and old No. 360, which powered the royal train on the 1901 tour, and which was one of the best in service at that time, shows the great strides made in engineering in the past four decades.

Locomotive 2850 is one of the new semi-streamlined engines built last year for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. It weighs 363,900 pounds, more than four times as much as the original 90,000-pound engine, and has a tractive effort of 57,000 pounds as compared to the 13,400 pounds of old 360. No. 2850 is being carefully checked for the trip and will be beautifully painted in royal colors for the tour over Canadian Pacific lines.

"I suppose you carry a memento of some sort in that locket?" said one woman to another.
"Yes, a lock of my husband's hair."
"But your husband is alive."
"Sure; but his hair is gone."

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