

# NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR THE BUSY FARMER

(Furnished by the Ontario Department of Agriculture)

## ALSIKE PRODUCTION

Alsike has been a dependable seed crop in Ontario for generations but its production has declined sharply in recent years due to abnormal weather conditions. It would seem opportune to revive the production of this seed crop as market prospects for the future are good.

Alsike has brought profitable prices for many years in the United Kingdom and the United States. Other European countries and New Zealand also buy Canadian alsike seed. It is reasonable to expect that good prices will continue for well-grown alsike seed reasonably free of weed seeds. This clover usually produces from 4 to 10 bushels per acre, and prices paid growers seldom have been lower than \$5 per bushel for average seed in the rough. The price in 1938 to the grower is about \$12.

## FERTILIZER RECOMMENDATIONS

An Ontario Department of Agriculture publication, "Fertilizer Recommendations" looked upon by many progressive farmers as the most valuable of all booklets published by the Department from year to year, is just off the press for 1938 and ready for distribution free to every farmer. This important pamphlet of 20 pages can be obtained, Mr. Farmer, from either your Agricultural representative, the Chemistry Department, O.A.C., or by writing Publications Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture, Parliament Buildings, Toronto. Obey that impulse and write for it now. It will mean money to you this year in the opinion of prominent agriculturists.

The booklet does not contain any "hit or miss" information. It is the result of much careful work by the Advisory Board in conjunction with farmer users, government officials and manufacturers. It is considered the most reliable information on fertilizers in the province. Every single recommendation is backed by experimental data, in some cases gathered over a long period of years. It is checked and double checked by the Board, every member of which having been chosen for outstanding ability. One of the board's functions is "to examine experimental data from all reliable sources having to do with the use of fertilizers and methods of application, and to make recommendations justified by such data or by approved farm practices".

Space will not permit outlining the contents of the booklet in detail. The two pages on soil management and conservation of barnyard manure are distinctly worth while. You grow general crops? Well, you will find general fertilizer recommendations for barley, beans, buckwheat, corn, fall wheat, mangels, mixed grain, oats, peas, late potatoes, spring wheat, sugar beets and turnips.

Dairy farmers and beef men will find recommendations for fertilizers to be placed on dairy and beef pastures as well as for hay crops. Several pages are devoted to fertilizers for market garden crops, while four pages are given to best fertilizer mixtures for grapes, raspberries, strawberries and tree fruits. There is information for the tobacco farmer too, whether he grows flue-cured, burley or dark tobacco. There is also valuable data on the home mixing of fertilizers; methods of application, and soil testing service. This latter service can be obtained at O.A.C. Guelph; Kemptonville Agricultural School, Kemptonville; Western Ontario Experimental Farm Ridgetown; Horticultural Experimental Station, Vineland; Dominion Experimental Station, Harrow.

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## ONTARIO POTATOES IN ONTARIO MARKETS

(By J. T. Cassin, Potato Fieldman)

Why are Ontario Potatoes being discriminated against to the extent of 25c to 35c per bag on Ontario markets? Is it because potatoes of good cooking quality cannot be produced in Ontario? No.

But too many Ontario potatoes are poorly graded and have not good cooking quality, resulting from immaturity, frost injury and diseases. Many of the consuming public have been so dissatisfied with Ontario potatoes that they refuse to buy them. In Toronto some chain stores and many independents do not handle Ontario at all, others report that 75 per cent of their potato stock is with Maritime stock.

It appears that in October and November many potatoes affected with field frost, Fusarium Wilt and Fusarium Eumarti and poorly graded were rushed to market. They were unsatisfactory to the consumers and many of them turned to Maritime potatoes. The demand for Ontario potatoes has fallen off and many growers are receiving only 35c to 40c per bag while Prince Edward Islands are selling at 90c per bag in carloads on tract Toronto. Even well graded Ontario of good quality move slowly at 15c below P.E.I.'s because so many are afraid to buy Ontario potatoes. Confidence once lost is difficult to regain. At the present time some well graded potatoes are being offered with 75 per cent Fusarium Wilt and Fusarium Eumarti and some hollow heart and frost injury to make conditions worse.

There is very little that can be done this season to correct or improve conditions, but efforts should be made to make preparations for the 1938 crop.

Where seed potatoes infected with these diseases are planted in the soil these fields will become infected and another crop of diseased potatoes produced with results similar to those existing at present. The importance of using seed that is free from diseases cannot be too strongly impressed upon potato growers. Farmers who have potatoes bearing these diseases should cook them when feeding them to livestock. If fed uncooked infection will be carried to the soil in the manure and succeeding potato crops will be infected.

The amount of certified seed potatoes in Ontario is very limited. There were less than 1,300 acres of potatoes that received and passed inspection in Ontario last year. This is less than 1 per cent of the Ontario crop. There were very few fields of uncertified stock that did not have these diseases in them. Much of the certified crop has been marketed for table use. Growers who need a change of seed should not delay in arranging for their supplies, while it is yet possible to get them.

District representatives will be furnished with the names of certified seed growers and the varieties grown.

Ontario potato growers are losing many thousands of dollars by using seed that is disease infected. They are also encouraging Maritime growers to increase their acreage, when there is such a demand in Ontario markets for their potatoes. Forty per cent of the P.E.I. crop was planted from certified seed and less than 1 per cent of Ontario's crops. This very well explains the difference in price in Ontario markets. Diseased seed cannot produce good potatoes.

## NOT RID OF EDENISM

(Toronto Saturday Night)

In Germany and Italy, when a man is kicked out of an influential office (even if he is not assassinated in the process), his influence can quite safely be assumed to be at an end. Messrs. Hitler and Mussolini may easily have failed to understand that that is not necessarily the case in Great Britain, and may have assumed that in getting rid of Eden they were sure of getting rid of Edenism. There are certainly indications that they are prepared to be less exigent towards another Foreign Minister; the concessions regarding Italian troops in Spain, concessions carefully postponed until an hour after Eden's resignation and the Vatican's move regarding religion in Loyalist Spain, are both full of significance.

All the same it appears regrettable that the British Government should have given the autocracies, at this critical moment, so plausible a semblance of cause for triumph, even if there is to be little or no real cause for triumph in the long run. For the autocracies are engaged in extending their power, partly by bluff and partly by threats, over a large portion of Europe, and Mr. Eden is perfectly right in his belief that all signs of weakness among the opponents of that extension will make the process easier. Autocrats must have success to boast of. It is true that if they have none they will invent them, but the real ones are better, and they should not be presented with real ones when it can possibly be helped.

He that hath the patience to attend small profits may quickly grow to thrive and purchase. They be easier to accomplish and come thicker. So he that from everything collects something shall in time get a treasure of wisdom.

## EDWARDS

The Y.P.S. held their weekly meeting on Friday evening, Feb. 25th, at 8.00 o'clock in the church. After regular business the meeting was taken over by the Christian Culture Convener, Mrs. Wm. Prophet, who gave a very interesting message on "What Science Says of Alcohol."

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Birch, of Hammond, spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Quinn.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryson Mitchell and Keith, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McCooeye spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Leonard Denison.

Mr. Steward Bradley is visiting with his son, Ernest.

Mr. John James and Jean spent Friday with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. David James, of Metcalfe.

Mr. and Mrs. John James spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. Sheldrick, who have reached their 60th wedding anniversary.

Mr. Forest Waddell spent the weekend with friends at Richmond.

Mr. George James is now employed at the home of Mr. John Stearns, in Metcalfe.

Mr. Durant Harrison and Mr. Douglas Harrison spent Sunday at the latter's home here.

Miss Anetta McCooeye has returned to her work in North Russell.

Almost everyone from the entire district attended the funeral on Thursday last of our highly respected citizen, Mr. S. J. Loney.

Rev. Mr. Bunt, of Metcalfe, spent Friday at Mr. Thos. Quinn's.

Some of the neighbors spent Monday evening at the home of Charles Sheldrick in honor of his parents' 60th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. John Graham, of Ottawa, attended the funeral of Mr. S. J. Loney on Thursday. The pallbearers at the funeral were Messrs. Thos. Waddell, Thos. Quinn, John Mitchell, Stuart Bradley, Wm. Hall and C. N. Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Birch, of Hammond, spent a couple of days the last of February at the home of the latter's parents.

Mr. C. N. Latimer, of Metcalfe, spent Sunday with his sister, Miss A. E. Latimer.

Mrs. Geo. McCooeye spent Saturday in the city.

Mr. Stuart Bradley spent a few days recently with his son, Mr. E. W. Bradley.

We are sorry to hear Mr. Eddie James, who is employed in the lumber woods, had his leg hurt and is now a patient in the hospital at Wye, Ont.

## THOSE WHO WON'T WORK

(Owen Sound Sun-Times)

We have said before and we say again that our welfare system and our judicial system both "fall down" when it comes to dealing with those who go on the principle that the world owes them a living and that they are going to collect it without giving any value in return. They form, we believe, only a small part of the population; but they are a most difficult lot to handle. Common humanity forbids that they be allowed to starve; but if they were given the choice of working or starving, our opinion is

## THE WEEKLY NEWSPAPER

(Leamington Post and News)

We have just completed the job of reading 76 weekly and semi-weekly newspapers that come to our desk every week, and believe us when we tell you, it is no small task. We have respect enough for our weekly "brothers-in-crime" to read every one of their sheets every week, regardless of how busy we might be. If we haven't the time to read them at the office we take them home and read them there. Being in the business of publishing, we get "a big kick" out of scrutinizing the different weeklies. Like our own paper, some of these publications are filled to overflowing some weeks while at other times the news columns are "lean" as the saying goes. When we look over a weekly and fail to see anything that might be classed as intensely interesting, we are not like the grouchy subscriber and remark: "There is nothing in that sheet," but on the other hand, a feeling of sympathy runs through our mind, because we know what it is to issue a paper when news is none too plentiful. If subscribers of the weekly newspapers possessed half as much understanding as the editor of a weekly sheet, particularly in a small town, we know there would be less grumbling during the weeks when news is scarce. A good thing for subscribers to bear in mind is that when the weekly paper arrives and does not contain much news—there is no person in the community who feels worse about it than the editor. In other words, if there is no news to print, it just simply can't be printed, and that's all there is to it. Taking the weekly papers as a whole, our own included, readers seldom have very little to complain about. There is no country in the world that has a finer crop of weekly newspapers than this fair Dominion of Canada.

## "CANADA 1938"

Walter Bowles, "Canada-1938" Roving Reporter, will be half way across Canada again when he speaks from Fort William, Ontario, next Friday evening, March 11th. Starting from Sydney, Nova Scotia, on November 5th, when he opened the first of the second series of "Canada 1937-1938" broadcasts sponsored by the Imperial Tobacco Company, and travelling to Victoria, British Columbia, from where he broadcast on Friday, February 11th, Mr. Bowles has "covered" Canada. His interviews with interesting citizens and intimate chats on the economic and social activities in all parts of the Dominion have been an outstanding feature on this very enterprising series of broadcasts.

## Y'BET YOUR LIFE

(Smiths Falls Record-News)

There are many jokes about a "mother-in-law," but when there is sickness in the family the wife's mother seems to be the first person to be summoned.

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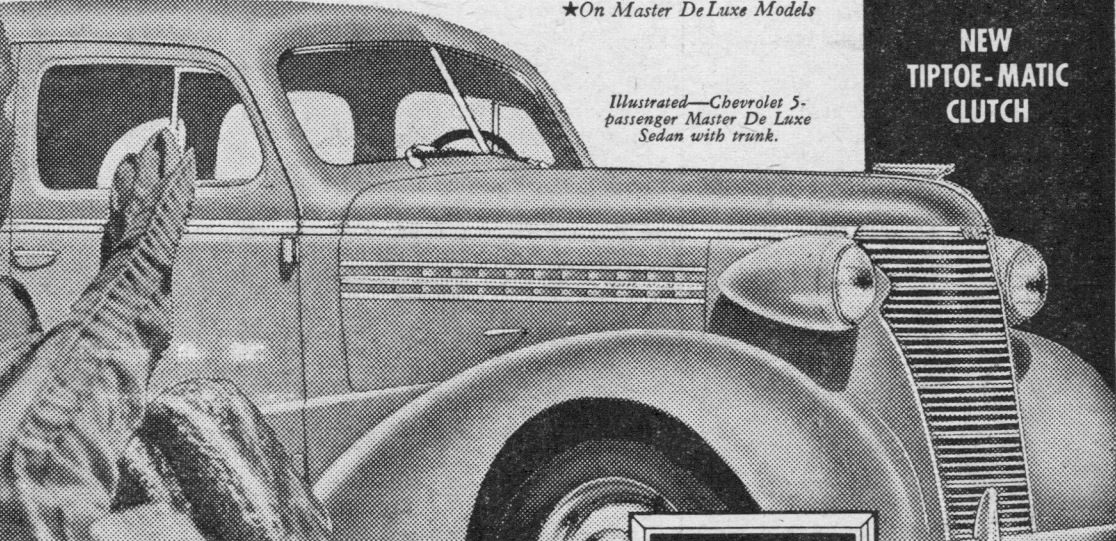
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