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CLOVER PASTURE FOR FEEDING YOUNG PIGS

Experiments Carried on in Last Two Years at Kapuskasing Experimental Farm.

Mr. L. H. Hanlon, Assistant Dominion Experimental Farm, Kapuskasing, sends The Advance the following article:—

"With a view to lessening the amount of labour required in the growing of bacon hogs several methods have been tried out, among which may be mentioned the use of the self-feeder and clover pasture. During the years 1922-1923 an experiment has been conducted at the Dominion Experimental Station, Kapuskasing, Ont., the object of which has been to determine the value of red clover pasture for growing pigs and also to compare the results obtained from pail-feeding and the self-feeder.

"In 1922 thirty pigs twelve weeks old were used and the experiment was commenced on August 1, while in 1923 twenty-four pigs from eight to twelve weeks old were used and the experiment did not start until August 27. In both cases the pigs were divided into three lots of equal number and weight. Each lot was fed the same feeds which consisted of middlings, finely ground oats and barley plus five per cent. tankage, and small quantities of skim-milk. The experiment covered a period of ninety-one days each year. The average results obtained for the two years follow.

"The average gain per pig, for the confined pail-fed lot was 50.6 pounds; for the lot on pasture, pail-fed, 83.0 pounds; for the lot self-fed on clover pasture 86.0 pounds. The cost to produce 100 pounds gain in the three lots including labour charges was respectively \$17.20, \$12.62, \$10.78, with labour charged at 35 cents per hour and feeds at cost price.

"It will be noted from these results that the cheapest gains were made on the clover pasture and when cost of labour is included the use of the self-feeder was also a paying proposition.

"The results in 1922 were much more in favour of clover pasture than those obtained in 1923, and this may be explained by the fact that in 1923 some of the pigs were too young and the season too far advanced when the experiment was commenced.

"In conclusion we may say that clover pasture and a self-feeder may be used to good advantage in the production of bacon hogs, provided the pigs are at least twelve weeks old or more and that they are put on the pasture before the weather gets too cold."

MOTOR BURNED OUT AND CAUSED ALARM OF FIRE

At 9:10 p.m. on Friday the brigade had a still alarm to N. Blahy's store, and the amount of dense smoke made it look like a real fire. However, the incident was only the burning out of the motor that runs the freezing plant for the Blahy refrigerator system. It is figured that the fire was caused by the coming on of the power after being off for a short time and a short circuit perhaps occurring. The alarm was sent in by Mr. Roy Upton, who was passing the store. He noticed a citizen anxiously gazing into the store and on enquiring what was going on was directed to the smoke coming up from the basement where the motor was located. Mr. Upton at once phoned in the alarm and in the usual record time the brigade was on the scene. The cause of the dense smoke was at once found to be the burning out of the motor. Although a line of hose was laid it was not necessary to turn on the water. The power was turned off the motor and the motor watched until it cooled off. The only damage was to the motor, which will likely cost \$200.00 or so to put back in shape again. Indeed, a new motor may be found necessary.

TRACTOR OVERTURNS AND KILLS DRIVER AT LISKEARD

Mr. Harry Males, brother of Miss Flora Males, of Schumacher, met death on June 5th, at Mr. A. J. Kennedy's farm near New Liskeard through an unusual type of accident. The New Liskeard Speaker last week gave an account of the sad event, and the funeral, an abridged report of The Speaker's article being given below:—

"The news of the sudden death of Harry Males, and the manner in which it was caused, was indeed a shock to the towns-people as well as to those living in the adjacent townships, and nearer his home.

"Harry was employed by Mr. A. J. Kennedy, M.P.P., on his farm and this afternoon, Thursday last, was engaged in plowing, using the tractor. While going through a low spot in the field, the bed of a creek, the tractor toppled over backwards, crushing the unfortunate young man between it and the plow. Death must have been instantaneous, no warning, no suffering. Gregory Watters, working in another part of the same field, saw the happening, hastened over, found he could do nothing and hurried to the house of the manager, Mr. Scott, when the doctor was called and other help arrived.

"Harry was the third son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Males, of Dymond township. He was born on the farm of his parents and was twenty-two years of age. This is the second fatal accident in the family, as some years ago, their son, Norman, while an employee of the Temiskaming Telephone Co., was killed by the falling of a pole. Sincerest sympathy has been expressed, on all sides in their extremely sad loss.

"The funeral Sunday afternoon was largely attended by townspeople and those of adjoining townships where Harry was a general favourite and the family well known. The cortage extended over a mile and a half. Many beautiful floral tributes accompanied the remains to their earthly abiding place, and expressions of sympathy and regret were many from wide circles of friends. Among the surviving members of the family are the father and mother; sisters, Mrs. Hilt and Mrs. Dan Taylor, of Hanbury, and Misses Flora, of Schumacher, Nellie and Verna, at home; brothers, Gordon, of New Liskeard, and George, the twin brother of Harry, at home."

HAILEYBURY NOW AFTER TEMPORARY BUILDINGS

At a recent meeting of the Haileybury Town Council the matter of the fire risk from temporary buildings was taken up. The Haileyburian reports the matter as follows:—

"That all occupants of temporary premises in the fire area would be required to either remove or make their buildings comply with the by-laws of the town was the decision arrived at by the town council at the regular meeting on Monday night. At the instance of the town, a special act was passed by the Legislature giving the council power to compel the removal of all structures which were built following the great fire in a manner contrary to the building by-law, which forbids the erection of buildings other than of solid construction. This has not been put into effect up to the present, the council feeling that all reasonable leniency should be shown in the matter. However, it has now been decided that the time has come when, taking into consideration the fact that others have erected fire-proof buildings, all occupants of temporary structures are required to either move them or make them comply with the by-laws. The resolution reads that "orders are given that all temporary buildings in Fire Areas Nos. 1 and 2 must be removed or made to comply with the by-laws of the town."

The Haileyburian last week says:—"Mr. and Mrs. Archie Briden and little son left on Sunday for Vancouver, after spending the past three months in Haileybury."

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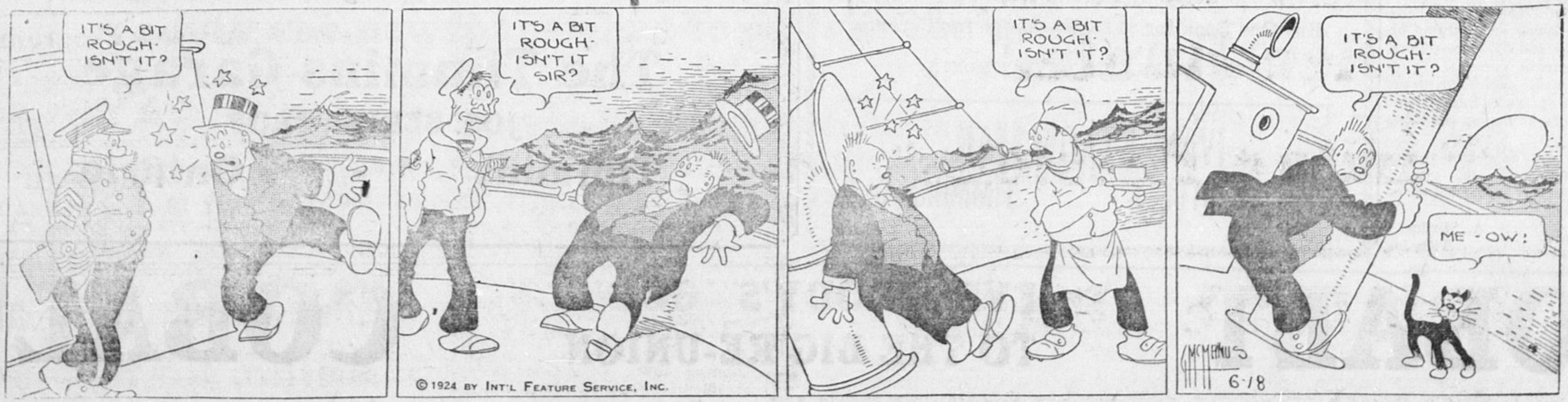
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