

NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR THE BUSY FARMER

(Furnished by Provincial and Dominion Departments of Agriculture)

Prof. J. Eaton Howitt, head of the Botany Department, O.A.C., has prepared a booklet which delves thoroughly into the various types of weeds found in Ontario.

Trap the Borer

The suggestion has been advanced that a trap crop of corn consisting of about half a dozen rows of early sown rapid growing corn, if put in as early as the ground is fit, will in most years lessen the amount of injury done the main crop by corn borer.

A greatly increased demand for fertilizers for the 1932 crop season is reported much of the business being done on a credit sales basis. Thus it is apparent that the Department's policy of promoting the use of fertilizers is bearing fruit.

Reducing Crop Costs

The ever present problem with the farmer is how to reduce crop costs. This can be done in two obvious ways: first, producing more at the same costs; and second, producing the same at a lower cost.

Perhaps the most important method of reducing the cost of producing crops is to increase the yield. Most of the items incurred in the most of producing crops are the same, whether the crop is large or small.

Poultry—A Farm Asset

Official records show that the poultry population of Canada has doubled each ten years during the period of the past thirty years. Each succeeding period of low prices for farm products finds the poultry flock coming to the farmer's rescue.

Finishing Beef Steers

Much of the value in marketing beef cattle is lost when they lack proper finish. George W. Muir, B.S.A., Dominion Animal Husbandman, offers the following suggestions for finishing beef steers.

The purpose of reducing the succulent part of the ration toward the last of the finishing period is to harden up the flesh with the idea of preventing shrink in transit. This can be further aided entirely just before shipment and allowing the animals to fill up on dry hay, grass hay being preferable to clover in this case.

The appearance of the animals counts considerably when selling, both in the feed and on the market. They should be clean and trim as is possible to have them. Grading them in uniform lots, as to size and finish, will also help greatly in realizing a higher price.

Weed Control

Careful and thorough cultivation, a short rotation of crops using varieties of grain suitable to the soil will solve the weed problem, stated Arthur H. Martin, assistant director, Crops and Markets Branch, in a recent address to weed inspectors.

Agricultural Limestone

Agricultural limestone, because of its relatively low cost, is oftentimes overlooked in the well planted soils program of the up-to-date farmer. In those sections of the province where acid or sour soils are found, and where difficulty is experienced in obtaining stands of alfalfa and red clover, limestone may be used to good advantage in correcting this condition.

The time to apply limestone is when it is most convenient to do so. It is applied usually in the fall or early spring on land that is to be sown to spring grain and seeded down.

From one to two tons per acre, depending on the acidity of the soil and degree of fineness of the limestone, should be applied. This may be done by spreading with a shovel or by use of a limestone spreader.

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IN OTHER COMMUNITIES

Educational Association The Bruce County Educational Association will hold its annual convention, Wednesday afternoon, June 1, Southampton is chosen as the convention town this year.

M. A. Campbell, secretary, and Mr. Corbett, president, of the Ontario Trustees' and Ratepayers' Association, are expected as speakers. As these men are well posted on all matters of interest to trustees, such as the system of grants, and the Township School Board Act, they will be able to answer many questions on problems of trustees.

Teachers are closely associated with matters of interest to trustees and ratepayers, and to get their viewpoint, a former president of East Bruce Teachers' Federation will also speak.—Chesley Enterprise.

Stolen Goods Recovered

Investigation by Chief Murray of Southampton, and Sid Solomon, of Saugeen Indian Village into the theft of two bicycles from Southampton, led to the recovery of a part of the goods stolen from Mr. J. McVittie's store here on March 13 last.

Bentnick Pioneer Passes

Mr. Chas. Meyer a Bentnick pioneer, passed away at his home on 8th Concession Bentnick on Thursday, May 12, at the advanced age of 84 years from pneumonia following an attack of the flu.

Kincardine Man Heads Bowling Club

Neil McKay, of the Kincardine Bowling Club was chosen vice-president of the Grey and Bruce Lawn Bowlers Association when they held their annual meeting in Chesley, Friday, with representatives present from Paisley, Walkerton, Owen Sound, Wiarton, Meaford, Southampton, Port Elgin, Chesley and Kincardine.

E. A. Roseborough of Owen Sound was elected president for the year, Mr. McKay, vice-president and J. C. McDonald of Chesley, secretary-treasurer.

Tournament dates for the district were arranged, with the association tournament set for June 8, in Owen Sound. The rinks play as follows: Paisley, June 23; Chesley, July 1; Port Elgin, July 7; Southampton, July 20; Hanover, August 1; Kincardine, August 4; Lucknow, August 18; Walkerton, September 7.

The doubles tournaments start in Walkerton on June 15 and continue in Lucknow, July 7; Chesley, August 10; Southampton, August 17; Paisley, September 8; Kincardine, September 15 and Port Elgin, September 1.—Kincardine Review-Reporter.

Slight Damage in Storm

Storm Damage at Mount Forest The violent wind on Monday afternoon, preceding and during the thunderstorm, did a good deal of damage here and in other parts of the Province. The worst of the storm seems to have passed just south of the town, and

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to have done most damage along a line from the Harrison road out past Conn and Kingscote.

In town Mr. J. A. Douglas had a hen-house overturned.

During the storm three young cattle were killed in the lane on the farm of D. Murphy and Sons here. The hydro wire, by which the premises are supplied with power and light was broken, and the cattle apparently came in contact with it in some way and were killed instantly.

There seems to have been a cyclone in the vicinity of Conn. Mr. Dan Keith's barn was unroofed. Damage was done to Mr. Herriott's buildings in Conn. The names of Messrs. Rice and Morley are given as residents further east who suffered. Fence were levelled and many telephone poles broken down.

West of here Mr. Ronald Johnston's barn was totally destroyed and Mr. Nelson Williamson's barn lost a large section of the roof.—Mount Forest Confederation.

APPLE SEASON CLOSES

The current issue of the Federal Fruit Market Report shows that practically all of last year's apple crop has moved into consumption. The amount in cold storage at the principal centres is now only 18,475 barrels and 227,844 boxes; with a further 15,600 barrels and 52,639 boxes in common storage and at the principal marketing centres.

SHOULD WE SPRAY POTATOES?

One must spray his potatoes if he wants to grow them with profit. Spraying is recommended for two main reasons:

First. It is a protection to the crop. When early and thorough applications of fungicides are made and continued regularly during the growing season, plants are protection against the attacks of fungi and the depredations of insects. Several growers have objected that such protection could not be realized but after inquiring upon their method of preparing Bordeaux mixture, the time they started spraying, the number and thoroughness of fungicidal applications, they realized they had faulted in one or more of these points.

Second. It favors the development of potato plants and thereby assures a larger crop. In certain regions, where diseases that can be controlled by fungicides, particularly late blight, make their appearance only once in several years, growers do not go to the trouble of spraying. According to them the risk is worth while taking. To these may we say that experiments carried on for several years at the Dominion Laboratory of Plant Pathology at Ste. Anne de la Pocatiere show that during blight-free years potato plots that were sprayed regularly throughout the season showed considerable increase in yield over those plots that were not sprayed, and it would seem advisable that growers in these regions should

spray a few times to ensure a larger yield and protect their potato fields against sudden appearance of the disease.

TEST WARBLE-FLY POWDER

Barrie Island in the Manitoulin District is the centre of interest for five stock and dairy men at the moment because of the fact that it has been selected for the purpose of testing out a new type of powder for the control and elimination of the warble fly. Dr. Lionel Stevenson, Zoologist for the Province of Ontario, is in charge of the "clean-up," and all cattle on the Island have been treated. Warble-fly losses annually are enormous; not only does the fly spoil the hide, but infested cattle can not put on flesh or produce milk as they should.

LICKED

A young school boy halted before the blacksmith's forge and watched the smith with great interest. Very much annoyed, the smith suddenly held a red hot piece under the boy's nose, hoping to make him back away.

The Boy: "If you'll give me a dollar I'll lick it."

The smith took a dollar from his pocket and held it out. The boy took the money, licked it, placed it in his pocket and slowly walked away.

"TELLING TOMMY"

By Pim



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