

INFORMATION FOR BUSY FARMER**Valuable Crops**

Hay and pasture crops, including grasses, clover, and other forage plants constitute the most valuable group of plants grown on Ontario farms. Over seven million acres of land, which is about half of the total area in cultivation, are used to produce the hay and pasture crops of the province. This hay and clover crop is valued annually at more than \$50,000,000 for the past 45 years, and over \$80,000,000 annually for the past five years, 1924-8.

Spray Early and Often

At the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, it has been found that in some seasons, six or more applications of spray material are required to entirely control the apple scab, but it is well worth the extra labor and cost when one obtains clean fruit. The first application must be made very soon after growth begins, if not when the tree is still dormant. The best plan is to have the spray machinery and materials ready at the earliest possible date and prepare to begin in time.

Interesting Figures

Interesting statistics issued at Ottawa recently show that Canadians drink a pint of milk a day on an average, making an increase of approximately one hundred per cent since 1921. Canadians are also said to eat more butter per capita than any other people in the world as indicated by a figure of 29.31 pounds per man, woman and child annually. The per capita consumption of milk is 470.8 pounds a year, which is compared with 458 pounds per capita for the United States. Ice cream, likewise, has shown an increase, the 1928 figure being 7.04 pints per capita as compared with 5.26 pints for 1921. The consumption of cheese in the past seven years has also risen from 2.51 pounds to 3.54 lbs. per capita per year.

Farm Machinery

It has been proved that the use of modern machinery can reduce the costs of production on all crops. However, the buying of machinery should be done only after careful consideration, and machinery will not turn a deficit into a profit. Machinery will not take the place of good seed and good cultural practices nor will it serve as a substitute for intelligent management. In fact, the more machinery there is on a farm, the greater is the necessity for following the best farm practices because investment costs are higher, risks are greater and losses may be heavier.

Sow Correct Seed

Farmers should remember the value of sowing weed-free seeds and seeds of tested varieties of grain. By so doing one may increase the yield from 30 per cent. to 63 per cent. above the lowest yielding varieties. In oats, it has been shown that large plump seed will average 62 bushels to the acre while the small seed yields only 46.6 bushels; in barley the ratio is 53.8 and 43.2 bushels. Farmers are advised to get a copy of the analysis of the same before buying seed. Your local agricultural office can furnish desired information on this subject.

Apple Prices Poor

The latest bulletin of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association based upon the reports of the overseas representatives, indicates a low price for the last lot of Canadian apples received at Liverpool due to poor condition. It is recommended that growers shipping overseas use shredded oil paper for packing as a large part of the last shipment was affected greatly by scald. South African plums, peaches and pears are being offered in large quantities and are quite cheap, affecting somewhat the sales of Canadian apples. The fruit is of excellent quality and well packed and commands a ready sale on the British market.

Weekly Crop Report

The weekly crop report of the Ontario Department of Agriculture indicates that farmers throughout the province are experiencing a hard winter in feeds particularly due to the fact that live stock went into winter quarters in a poor condition. Algoma is an exception, however, and rough feed is plentiful in that district. Hay is being brought into Carleton in large quantities and the possibility of a feed shortage is apparent in Dufferin. Good prices were obtained by Durham farmers for cattle shipped while egg production there is reported as being only fair. In Frontenac milch and cream is plentiful. Halimand has had a great demand for good seed grain, which indicates a renewed interest in good seed. Huron farmers are having a shortage of root and silage feeds. Milk is far below the average in Lennox and Addington, while Peel indicates a surplus in the supply. Importation of New Zealand butter has lowered the price of that commodity in Lincoln. In Temiskaming seed grain is said to be moving slowly with a light demand. Potatoes however, are good.

IT CAN'T BE DONE!

There has been such a demand for tickets from many points about Stouffville that to accommodate everybody it may truly be said, "It can't be done!" However, the management are going to allow 40 more in at 8:00 p.m. on Friday night the first 40 there to be served.

Patrons holding reserved seats are requested to try and be there shortly before 8 as the orchestra starts promptly at 8 and we cannot place the extra 40 until everyone is seated. Curtains rise sharp at 8:15 p.m. Please take notice.

The management, in closing, guarantees that no effort is being spared to give the public the amateur theatrical treat of the season! Costumes, scenery, lighting effects, stage technique, musical effects, etc., are being prepared in every detail. There are 17 in the play and 14 behind the scenes.

The Literary Society is much indebted to Miss Esie Lovinsborough, the play secretary, who has handled the position of ticket distributor so capably.

AUCTION SALE

FARM STOCK, IMPLEMENTS, ETC. The undersigned has been instructed to sell by Public Auction at **LOT 16, REAR CON. 10, MARKHAM ON**

THURSDAY MARCH 6th 1930, the following property belonging to **THEO. MADILL**

Horses and Cattle—Bay Gelding, 8 years old H.D. Bay Mare, 3 years old H.D. Black Gelding, aged G.P.; Roan Durham, bred in Oct. reg.; Roan Cow, fresh; Ayrshire Cow, fresh; Holstein, bred Jan. 12; Red Cow, bred July 1; Farrow, Cow; Holstein Heifer, bred Feb. 18; 3 Heifers, 2 year-old; 3 Heifers, 1 yearling; 2 Veal Calves.

Hogs Implements Tractor—6 Shoots White Sow, bred Jan. 5; Binder, M. H. 6 ft. cut; Fordson Tractor and Plow; Fanningmill; Gasoline Engine; Disc Thresher; Horse Rake, 1916; Deering; Set Wagon; Springs with Bolster; Cuttingbox; Fleury; Set Scales, cap. 2000 lbs.; 2 Set Harrows Land Roller; Hay Rack; Root Pulper; Cream Separator; DeLaval, nearly new; 2 Farm Trucks; 2 Sets Sleighs; Funace Pot; Mower, Dain; Walking Plow; Sulky Plow; Oliver Gang Plow, M.H.; Corn Sculler; Pint Cart and Cutter; Double Mould-board Plow; Turnip Drill, P.H.; Logging Chains; Turnip Plow; Democrat; Quantity Lumber; Hardwood Plank; Wagon Reaches; Doubtless and Neckyokes; Forks; Hoes; many other articles.

TERMS—Veal Calves, Pigs, and all sums of \$15 and under, Cash, 7 months' credit, 4 per cent per annum off for cash.

F. POSTILL, Auctioneer

PLAN DIAMOND WEDDING

Quiet celebration of their diamond wedding, to take place February 23, is planned by Mr. and Mrs. Kay Reesor, Markham residents. Mr. Reesor having been critically ill for the past few weeks.

Well known in the district, the couple have a host of friends in Markham and the surrounding countryside. Mr. Reesor, once warden of York county, has always taken an active interest in community affairs. For the past number of years he has been actively engaged in his real estate business. Mrs. Reesor, of early pioneer stock, is the eldest daughter of John and Sarah McCleight, of Scarborough.

Of the union there are five sons and one daughter, Mrs. Young and granddaughter, Miss Margaret, living at home.

BETHESDA

Mrs. Simeon Atkinson and Miss Lottie expect to move early in March to their new home in Aurora. As good neighbors and valued friends we will be sorry to see them leave our locality.

We understand the Chapman farm is without a tenant, and we are wondering if it will be our pleasure to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Chapman back from Stouffville.

Councillor Ward of Stouffville is serving in the United church pulpit a regular minister not coming to this circuit for the present.

Since the spring-like weather the road men have opened the 5th con. for auto traffic.

LEMONVILLE

Our roads are open for motor traffic again.

Mr. Mike Wallace was a city visitor on Friday.

Mrs. Thos Spence spent a week in Toronto visiting her sister Mrs. Kerr.

A few of our respected citizens took in the Choral Concert in Stouffville on Friday evening.

WHAT?—A Boston bean supper, shiny your shoes boys, it won't be long.

Mr. Kerr and two gentlemen from Toronto visited our burg on the full.

The Harwood boys of Toronto, spent the week end in town with Miss Mim and Mr. Herm Burkholder.

Mr. John Richardson of Toronto was in town a few days last week.

Mr. McMaster and family of the Queen city visited at the home of Mr. Spence on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald who lived in half the Burkholder residence have moved to Toronto. Mr. Burkholder having purchased the poultry and pens from Mr. MacDonald.

SALE REGISTER

TUESDAY, MARCH 4th At 1.30 p.m. 35 high class grade Holstein milking cows and heifers: R. Russel Fleming, lot 5, concession 2, Kingston Highway, Whitby, Ont. Wm. Maw, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, MARCH 6th Credit sale of farm stock and implements belonging to Theo. Madill, lot 16 rear, con. 10, Markham. Sale at 10 o'clock, 7 months' credit. Fred Postill, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, MARCH 6th At lot 31, con. 7, Markham, entire farm stock and implements belonging to James McCall. No reserve. Sale at one. F. W. Silversides, Auctioneer.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7th—10 choiced Ayrshire cows, 4 Ayrshire heifers, 10 good holstein and 4 jerseys, belonging to J. A. Hawtin, will be sold at R. Wetheral farm Ringwood. No reserve 6 mos. credit. Sale at one. F. W. Silversides, Auctioneer.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8th—Farm stock and implements, grain, etc. at lot 31, con. 5, Markham, the property of George Cober. Sale at one. Silversides & Farmer, auctioneer.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8th Credit sale of Horses in Markham, at Franklin House. A carload of good sound western work horses, mares and geldings, from 4 to 8 yrs. will be sold by public auction at 1 p.m. These horses are the property of J.E. Armstrong. They are broken and gentle and will be sold without reserve. 8 months credit, 4 per cent for cash. F. Postill, auctioneer.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 8th—Sub-division of part of lot 68, con. 1, presented by Weston Realty Co. for approval, and the same is hereby approved, and the Reeve and Clerk authorized to sign the same, but council does not assume any road on said plan or liability for damages incurred thereon. Carried.

TUESDAY, MARCH 11th—At lot 33, con. 8, Pickering, extensive sale of 80 hogs, 40 sheep, 30 cattle, 4 horses, also implements, the property of Ralph Wellman. No reserve. Sale at 12 noon. F. W. Silversides, auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12th—Farm stock sale of registered Clydesdale Mares, High-grade Milking Cows, first-class implements, and Fordson Tractor, the property of W.G. Maxwell, half mile east of Markham village; on Provincial highway. Sale at 1 p.m. 8 months credit. Prentice & Prentice, auctioneers.

SATURDAY, MARCH 15th—Extensive credit sale of Dairy Herd, farm stock, tractor, implements, furniture, etc. on lot 10, con. 3, Markham (on No. 7 Highway), the estate of the late Phares Burkholder. Sale at 12 noon. 8 mos. credit.

MONDAY, MARCH 17th—Farm stock implements, etc. at lot 32, con. 8, Markham, the property of Isaac Brillingen. Sale at one. Prentice & Prentice, auctioneers.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19th—Farm stock and implements at lot 6, con. 2, Uxbridge, the property of Freeman Slack, east Glasgow. No reserve. Sale at 1. F. W. Silversides, auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19th—Farm stock, grain, etc. at lot 32, con. 8, Uxbridge, the property of Freeman Slack, east Glasgow. No reserve. Sale at 1. F. W. Silversides, auctioneer.

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