

SAYS WINTER LIKELY TO BE TRICKY

According to Old Josh up at Seldom Seen this winter is likely to be a very tricky one, one day mild, the next cold. They say the signs all point to a run of spotty weather with great variations in temperature occurring in a matter of a comparatively few hours. According to one prognosticator there is likely to be a moderate amount of snow but he says that intermittent thaws will keep it from getting out of bounds.

Meanwhile many people particularly farmers, are grateful for the open fall which is giving them ample opportunity to clean up on fall farming operations.

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HALIBURTON TRAIN KILLS MOOSE BLINDED BY HEADLIGHTS

Moose hunters will envy the luck that came the way of a C.N.R. train crew pulling out of Haliburton early one morning last week. At Riches Falls, just north of Gelert, the engine struck a moose, which Conductor W. H. Barnsley described as a massive animal.

The engine with 22 box cars and some passenger coaches, was going down grade and the first engineer T. Wakelin saw of the moose it was walking towards the approaching train as though blinded by the light. The next instant there was a jolt as the front of the engine connected.

The engineer is reported to have said later that the moose's horns were so big he thought for a minute he was off the track and headed into a tree.

On arrival at Lindsay Conductor Barnsley says he found hair and flesh on the left front part of the engine. The part usually termed "the cow catcher" was bent he adds.

A Gelert resident, shortly after the animal had been killed, told trainmen he had often seen moose crossing the tracks in that area.

Mr. Barnsley remarked that a reporter from Haliburton shot a bear from his car, but we didn't have to use any firearms to get our game.

Mr. Barnsley added that he has notified the Department of Game and Fisheries about the incident. It is understood some of the trainmen are looking forward to rare moose steaks.

NOW IT'S BOUNCING—HENFRUIT SCIENCE IS SEEKING IN U. S.

Agriculture Department scientists haven't quite come up with an egg that will bounce—but they're working toward that goal.

Actually, they don't much care whether they produce a shell that really can be dribbled along like a basketball, but they're seriously after an egg that can stand a good bit of knocking around.

No whim, the activity in the Department's research laboratory is the result of repeated pleas from poultrymen and egg handlers.

"They have been trying for years to get a more durable egg," the research man told a reporter, "and we are close to the pay-off now. What they have, he went on, is an egg that will withstand between eight and nine pounds' pressure. As eggs go, that is a lot of pressure. Most eggs crack at four pounds or less.

Specifically, the Department is working for two things; a tougher, less porous shell, and a firmer white of the egg. Both are important in shipping and storing.

Researchers found out that given an even break on food, some hens made tougher shells than others. From there on, the hunt for the less fragile shell was simply a matter of breeding.

By the same route, the laboratory has developed a type of chicken that produces eggs with thick whites.

Besides providing a firmer layer under the shell, that thick white adds to the keeping quality, the research man said.

RESTOCKING THE LAKES

Ten thousand muskies were distributed in Scogog Lake this year by the Ontario Dept. of Game and Fisheries. At the same time 500 lake trout fingerlings were dropped into Hawk Lake, Haliburton, another popular wishing place for local anglers.

GOOSE HATCHES FOUR GOSLINGS

Whether it is a straight bid to raise two families in one year, or perhaps she has just got mixed in her dates, a goose on the farm of Walter McGill at Janetville hatched out four goslings on October 15.

According to Mrs. McGill the birds are thriving, but they will never know whether they arrive six months too soon, or six months late. Geese usually make their debut in the springtime.

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I Am Inflation

By Edna Jaques

I am inflation. Thousands of people never recognize me. True, I have an ugly mug I disguise it under a thousand different forms of camouflage. Here is my favourite one, it always goes over big with the men. More money to spend.

I chuckle every time I pull that one, it's old as the hills. I've been using it for hundreds of years. Every time there's a war I pull it out of the bag and it works every time. The catch in it is that in war there are fewer civilian goods on the market and people are willing to pay more to get what they got.

From then on—it's in the bag. Prices start to rise, everything from a dozen eggs to the price of a winter overcoat gets an upward slant and starts climbing. Butter, eggs, coal, rent, services.

The cost of living keeps on rising like the tides of the sea. By the time it doubles everyone is feeling the pinch. The snowball is rolling and nothing short of calamity can stop it.

Remember after the last war when Canada's cost of living went to 192%, in July 1920. I had the time of my life.

In this war, I'm not having such a good time, people are getting wise to me. For instance, in World War One, farmers chuckled when they got over \$2 for their wheat and big prices for their butter and eggs.

They never seemed to get it into their heads that because of the high prices for farm stuff, the town folks had to get more for their goods in order to balance the thing.

In 1920, farmers were paying \$8 to \$12 for boots; \$50 to \$100 for a suit of clothes; \$7 and over for a bag of flour and so on. They just never linked the two up—that their real 'take home' pay was less than it had been under lower farm prices.

Mother's butter and egg money, while it was good, just seemed to vanish entirely when Mary Jane's new coat cost \$14 instead of \$5.00 like her last one, and the prices of Johnny's clothes were almost prohibitive as far as butter and egg money went. The only way mother could balance the books at all was by going without anything new herself. So in the long run, everyone was harder up, no matter where they lived.

Since this war, plenty of people are working for all they're worth to run inflation up... but folks are scared of me. I'm the two-headed monster that broke the country after the last war when the bubble burst and deflation set in. They'll never forget that I'm the two-headed monster that sent nearly 10,000 decent hard working business men to the wall. I closed factories and shops from Halifax to Vancouver. I made hobos out of nice boys, while girls with university degrees were working as maids, anything to keep a roof over their heads.

Farms are the 'basic industry' of Canada. If eggs go to 90c, a dozen—like they did in 1920—the fellow who buys them in the city naturally has to have more wages. If butter hits 90c, a pound—like it is right now across the border—the little woman has to ask friend husband for more household allowance and he goes to the boss—and there you are—a notch at a time, like cogs in a wheel that go round and round and always have to come back to the starting point—the root of inflation.

Take a man working in a factory. Being human, he wants more money in his jeans at the end of the week so he hits up the boss for more. That's HIS contribution to Inflation.

His pal in the next town hears about it. He works in a store and thinks he should be getting more, so he goes to HIS boss. That's his contribution to Inflation.

The boss sees his company headed into the red—so he hits the consumer for more and he's added HIS two cents worth to the spiral—building up now like the Tower of Babel—confusion, strikes, walk-outs, sit downs, pickets, and unemployment.

An old weather-beaten farmer who had lived through four wars said "it ain't the money we git that counts so much, it's what it will buy in return. A dollar ain't worth a cuss unless it will buy an honest dollar's worth of goods—that's the REAL measure of a dollar, son—the real measure."

And I agree with the old man. Sometimes I wish my name wasn't Inflation—it has such a mean sound.

CONSPIRATOR RECEIVES SENTENCE



Found guilty of conspiracy to provide secret information to Russia, Harold S. Gerson, former employee of the department of munitions and supply, was sentenced by Mr. Justice G. F. McFarland to five years in penitentiary.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING COMPETITION IN BROOKLIN DISTRICT

The annual livestock judging competition will be held in the Brooklin district, Friday, Nov. 1st. In this competition, Junior Farmers who have not reached their 27th birthday by December 1st, will compete for the Chicago trophy sponsored by

the Ontario County Council. All contestants in this competition are required to judge ten classes of livestock, giving reasons on five classes. Cans are awarded for boys who win the highest total score for various breeds of stock, and the high boy of the competition wins the Ontario County Council award to the 4-H Club Congress at Chicago.

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