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Mennonites Flee Manitoba Flood
 A group of Mennonite farmers sailed home last week to McTavish, Man., weeks after they were forced by the flooding Red River to quit their fertile land and flee to safer Ste. Anne.
 The voyage across the flood was by navy duck. Their aim was to haul valuable equipment to higher ground.
 Lt.-Cmdr. W. A. Johnston said the trip originally was planned for Ste. Agathe, along the river, to disembark a nursing sister who would give typhoid inoculations to the 50 or 60 residents still braving the flood.
 Now it is a double mission. The Mennonites, wearing hip waders, expected to use high-wheeled tractors to drag their implements out of the water.

Bridge Grafting Of Apple Trees
 Mice and rabbits succeed in killing many apple trees annually because no effort is made to replace the damaged bark by bridge-grafting. This is a simple operation and the cost is negligible if a bearing tree is saved for further production, says T. B. Harrison, Experimental Station, Harrow, Ont.
 Injured trees should be marked with white lead when pruning is being done and sufficient vigorous sucker wood for grafting should also be saved at this time. These bud sticks should be wrapped in moist sacking and stored in a cool basement or ice house till needed in May.
 The right stage for bridge-grafting is when the bark separates readily from the wood and generally this occurs when the apple trees are in full bloom. It is important to first check carefully the injured area on the trees to insure that the scion or bud stick used overlaps at least three inches into the live tissue above and below the wound.
 The areas of contact of tree and grafts are carefully cut with a knife and the bark is gently lifted with a screwdriver when ready to insert the end of the scion, previously cut to a flat one-sided wedge. Usually the graft is inserted first into the lower slot and nailed firmly to the tree. Then a similar process is followed with the upper end of the graft and both ends of the 'bridge' are then well covered with a grafting compound.
 In the case of a wide wound the grafts should be placed three inches apart about the trunk. On young trees which are apt to sway in the wind, it is advisable that the grafts be bowed to allow for this movement.
 All the equipment required for bridge-grafting is a sharp knife and a sharpening stone to keep it that way, a small hammer, some flat headed nails of assorted sizes and a can of tree grafting compound. For convenience, all this can be placed in an eleven quart basket for carrying about the orchard.

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Junior Farmers' Judging Competition
 At the recent meeting of the York County Junior Farmers' Association it was decided to again hold

the Livestock Judging Competition and Girls' Achievement Day at Newmarket on Saturday, May 27th. This is one week earlier and also changed to a Saturday on account of so many of the contestants attending school and getting ready for examinations.

The girls' club work is expanding and more room has been secured by arranging to hold their competition and displays of their work in the Newmarket Town Hall where they will register at 8.30 D.S.T. Miss Lucille Barber, the County Home Economist, has been carrying on interesting projects with the girls for the past year through local club leaders on the projects "The Club Girl Entertains" and "Clothes Closets Up To Date." Visitors will be welcome at the Town Hall for the afternoon meeting. This year a number of scholarships will be provided by the Downtown Kiwanis Club of Toronto in the girls' work as well as in the boys' clubs.

For the Judging Competition the boys will register at the Agricultural Office, 12 Botsford St., Newmarket at 8.30 D.S.T. before proceeding to various farms of the community to judge classes of horses, sheep, swine, beef and dairy cattle.

In the evening a banquet will

CLAIMS NEW POT SAVES ON COFFEE, RIDES BREW OF BITTER TASTE, TOO

Science has a new kitchen utensil. It is a new-type coffee pot, one that does a triple filtering. The designers call it a tricolator because it supposedly gets rid of most of the substances that can make coffee bitter. The main gimmick of the new pot is a silken fiber, paper thin, through which the coffee is filtered. It serves as a middle filter, as the coffee works on a principle of three filters.

The pot works simply. Drip type coffee grounds are placed over a perforated metal tray after the filter fiber has been placed. Over that another metal disc, also perforated, is placed. Then boiling water is poured into the pot.

The top metal disc spreads the water so it drips through the ground coffee at an even pace, and no grounds are left dry. Then the coffee meets the filter paper, where the acids are removed. The bottom perforated disc serves as a control to prevent dripping too rapidly.

The new pot, according to the makers, can be kept over a low gas flame without danger that its ceramic bowl will crack. They also say less coffee is needed, thereby giving the housewife a saving.

be held in the King George Hotel at 6.30 for the two groups when the major prizes of the day will be presented. Plans were also made by the directors for the annual York County Junior Farmers' Picnic and Dance at Musselman's Lake on Friday, June 9th.

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GESE ON THE FARM

An increased interest in goose raising has been shown during the past year or two. This is partly explained by a desire on the part of farmers for an alternative to other types of production, such as chicken raising. Another partial explanation is that some headway is being made in ironing out difficulties which have hindered large scale goose production in the past.

One of the restricting features in goose production is that there are few large-scale breeders of geese in Canada and so it is difficult to purchase young goslings in the spring. There has been little experimental work on the improvement by breeding of economic characteristics in geese, and so goose production has tended to become mainly a side-line, of varying size, to the main farming enterprise.

Breeding geese can be maintained around the farm with relatively low maintenance costs. They can be kept in good breeding condition on a ration consisting of good quality alfalfa or clover hay and whole grain consisting mostly of heavy oats. Although there is little scientific evidence as to the nutritional requirements of geese, it is reasonable to assume that there is better assurance of good results by feeding of a hatching ration such as used for chickens, for at least a month prior to the laying season. This is usually fed as a wet mash once or twice a day, with an evening feed of grain.

As the artificial incubation of goose eggs is still in the experimental stages it is difficult to make concrete recommendation, says A. S. Johnson, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa.

GOVERNMENT TO SUPPORT BUTTER

Speaking in the House of Commons, the Rt. Hon. James G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, announced that from May 1, 1950 to April 30, 1951, the Agricultural Prices Support Board will support the butter market by purchasing First Grade creamery butter in carlots at a price of 53 cents per pound, basis delivery Saint John, Halifax, Montreal and Toronto, and 52½ cents per pound, basis delivery Vancouver. The purchase program for the coming year will be similar to that of 1949-50.

The quantity of butter held by the Government as at noon April 26, was 10,420,920 pounds.

The Agricultural Prices Support Board's wholesale selling price for butter, effective May 1, 1950, will be 53 cents per pound delivery in Ontario and Quebec, with appropriate price differentials to other points in Canada.

ROBINS HATCH EGGS ON MR. ROBIN'S GRAVE

A pair of robins have hatched three fledglings on a grave in a Norwich cemetery, England. Name on the tombstone: George Robin.



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