

AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENTAL MEETING ENDS

Useful Discussion On Betterment of Rural Communities.

THE OFFICERS

Experts Advise On Various Phases of Work On Farms.

Guelph, Ont., despatch: With the election of officers, an interesting discussion on Rural Community Betterment and some results of the co-operative survey on farm literature that threw quite a broad light on the needs in this respect, the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union meeting was brought to a close to-night.

The election of officers for the coming year resulted as follows: President, H. F. Revell, Goderich; Vice-President, J. B. Spencer, Ottawa; Secretary, Dr. Zavitz, O. A. C.; Assistant Secretary, Fred W. J. Squirell, O. A. C.; Treasurer, A. W. Mason, O. A. C.; Directors, Dr. G. C. Creelman, O. A. C.; Hon. H. Nixon, St. George, Ont.; J. W. Widdifield, M. P. P., Exbridge; C. M. Laidlaw, Burwash; D. McArthur, Appin.

Treasurer A. W. Mason reported receipts of \$5,268.19 and a balance on hand of \$1,632.83.

Rev. Mr. Sedgworth, of Cheltenham, led the discussion on rural betterment. He said that a nation that sets too heavy a going to decay. Our civilization has been growing too heavy in that we are increasing the city population at the expense of the country. We are facing a serious depopulation, and in one township the speaker has seen a 46 per cent. decline of rural population in 20 years.

The remedy is not to be found in outside forces. It must be evolved by the people resident there. The great organizations of society, such as the home, school and church, must join forces and co-operate or results will not be obtained. The rural school of the present is meant to graduate the pupil into professional life. There must be an adjustment, and our curricula must be so arranged that teaching will partake of a greater number of subjects which constitute rural work.

"Regarding the rural church," continued the speaker, "it has a great place and part to play in rural life, provided it exists for the welfare of the people. That for which the church stands is essential advancement. Rural life is the basic thing in national affairs. If it lives up to its possibilities it will develop the best and real standards, which the ideal point to."

RECREATION ESSENTIAL.
Mr. George A. Putnam, Superintendent of Institutes, Toronto, stated that he had watched with interest for the past 30 years the development of the Experimental Union. "Your organization has rendered a great service economically to the farmers of the province, increasing rural population, and an ever increasing wage being offered in the centres of population, drawing men from the land, the problem of rural betterment becomes most perplexing one. Rural community betterment is not to be accomplished by paid officials, although they may, and will, be a factor in attaining the desired results. Recreation and healthful social life are essential. Co-operation along business lines in the matter of buying, producing and selling, is a very forceful factor in securing and holding the interest of all classes in the community."

Other topics touched on by Mr. Putnam were: Rural neighborhood home improvement, school betterment and demonstration lecture courses.

IMPORTANCE OF TEAM WORK.
In the absence of Mrs. G. A. Brodie, President of the U. F. W. O., Newmarket, Miss M. U. Watson, director of home economics at the Macdonald Institute, was called on next. Miss Watson emphasized the fact that nothing could be accomplished without team work. "This work is easily organized in rural communities as in the cities," said the speaker. "And still another necessity of this team work is the will to work together until the job is finished. This requires all the tolerance, good nature and real economy that the communities possess, and this will to work together is one of our strongest forces towards the betterment of conditions in general."
Following Miss Watson's address the president then called for a brief discussion.

SCRUB SEEDS OBJECTIONABLE.
Prof. J. W. Crow was the first speaker at the afternoon session. He dealt with the subject of "Breeding Plants From a Horticultural Standpoint," and compared them to the breeding of animals, stating that they could be improved in the same way. He pointed out that scrub seeds were just as objectionable as scrub bulls, and went on to state that from 30 to 40 per cent. of the Ontario apple crop was lost every year because of infection with apple scab. By breeding types immune from this disease the crop could be increased at least 40 per cent. in value.

E. J. Zavitz, Provincial Forester, spoke on the question of "The Forestry Problem in Ontario," and contended that Ontario was hardly awake yet to the real needs of a progressive forest policy. He said there was much educational work to be done through the establishment of demonstration forests on larger waste areas in the other parts of the Province.

At the conclusion of his address a resolution was passed to the effect that the Ontario Legislature should be asked to undertake a progressive forest policy to maintain existing forests and to reforest waste areas.
Prof. F. F. Millen gave an interesting address on co-operative experiments in beekeeping, affixing pointed out that the use of raw sugar was not safe for bees during a hard winter. Honey and granulated sugar were much better.

In all infantile complaints that are the result of the depredations of Miller's Worm Powders will be found an effective remedy. They attack the cause of these troubles, and by expelling the worms from the organs insure an orderly working of the system, without which the child cannot maintain its strength or thrive. These powders mean health and immurement.

A BACHELOR ARMY.

Austria to Forbid Her Forces to Marry.

Vienna cable: Soldiers and officers in the Austrian army are forbidden to marry, and must waive their political rights, under the provisions of the army bill now before the National Assembly. The personnel of the army would be limited to 1,500 officers, 2,000 non-coms and 30,000 men, who would be permitted to elect councils to protect their interests.

The army budget for 1920 places the cost of military activity at one-sixth the average amount appropriated before the outbreak of the war.

DUTCH REPLY TO BE A REFUSAL

Gov't. Has No Sympathy With Ex-Kaiser.

But the Constitution is Against Extradition.

The Hague cable: The reply of the Dutch Government to the demand of the allied powers that the former German Emperor be given up to them for trial, is being drafted, and will be forward some time this week to the Dutch Minister at Paris for communication to the Allies.

Although Holland is determined to stick closely to diplomatic precedent and not publish or intimate the text of the reply until it is delivered, there is apparently no cause at the present time to make any change in the predictions of the Dutch newspapers that the Dutch Government will decline to accede to the demand.

The Dutch Government probably will answer that it is her international duty to refuse extradition. It will say that the Government has no sympathy with the Kaiser, but that it is bound by considerations of international law and that the Dutch constitution forbids extradition.

The Associated Press was informed to-day by a high official that the former German Emperor had been in no way consulted about the reply, nor had he ever been officially informed of the demand for his extradition.

The New Courant in an editorial to-day, considers the possibility of condemning former Emperor William by default.

"It is a great pity that the Allies lack the moral courage to own that they have made a mistake," says the newspaper. "Giving a promise to try the Kaiser by default when Holland shall have refused to permit his extradition is nothing but sensational humbug. The Kaiser himself is not dangerous, but he may be the tool of others. The Allies could make the Dutch Government see the danger of the Kaiser staying near the German frontier, another residence might be assigned to him, the Dutch Government offering the alternative his return to Germany. This might be asked without a preceding trial."

Sleeplessness.—Sleep is the great restorer and to be deprived of it is a vital loss. Whatever may be the cause of it, indigestion, nervous derangement or mental worry, try a course of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. By regulating the action of the stomach, where the trouble lies, they will restore normal conditions and healthful sleep will follow. They exert a sedative force upon the nerves and where there is unrest they bring rest.

BOLD WOMAN HIGHWAYMAN

Pittsburg, Pa., report: Cowed by a veiled woman bandit's nerve and gun Adam Eidenmuller, secretary of a building and loan association, was held up and robbed of \$7,000 in cash and cheques and a gold watch late last night almost within sight of his home.
"Oh, I beg your pardon," she said as she bumped into Eidenmuller. The latter hastened to reply, but as he glanced down he saw a lady's small pocket pistol menacing him.
Keeping the pistol in position the veiled woman drew from her dress her hip pocket, a large wallet containing the money and cheques he had taken in at a meeting of the loan association.
Then, with a smile, she started a conversation concerning the "funny weather Pittsburg has been having," keeping the tiny, shining revolver pressed to his side.
Eidenmuller was forced to join in the conversation, he said, and after several pedestrians had passed the woman reached into his vest pocket and removed his gold watch.

A Budget of News From the Old Land

Married women teachers will no longer be employed by Glamorgan County Council.

After six months the Postmaster-General hopes to reduce the fees on the London-Paris air mail service.

During the current financial year £715,000 is being expended in war gratuities, Mr. Churchill states. Lloyd's oldest member, of 65 years' standing, Mr. L. C. Wakefield, has died, aged 88, at Westbourne-terrace, W.

Formerly vicar of St. Stephen's, Birmingham, the Rev. Frederick W. Chambers has entered the Roman Catholic Church.

Ships using the port of London in the seven months to October 31 had a tonnage of 10,303,299, the figures for Liverpool being 9,249,957.

The erection of a national memorial in recognition of the great work of our heroes in the war is not favored by the Government, the Premier states.

Mrs. Elizabeth Owen, Moelfre, Anglesey, has reached her 100th birthday. Sir Owen Thomas, M. P. for Anglesey, sent her a letter of greeting in Welsh and English.

At Henley-on-Thames a plane-tree, or tree of heaven," as the species is called, and said to be the finest specimen in the country, has been uprooted during a heavy gale.

Sir John Leigh has handed Mrs. Lloyd George £5,500 for hospital work in Carnarvonshire—£5,000 for an endowment for Llandudno Hospital and £250 each as gifts to Bangor and Carnarvon Hospitals.

A Barnsley landlord, Frank Rowley, of the town Arms, fined £3 and costs for not exhibiting Liquor Control Board notices on selling prices, said customers had torn up the notices to light their pipes with.

One or two prisoners who, handcuffed together, escaped from a police escort near Smethwick was arrested at Wolverhampton. On escaping the men seized the canal, filled their shackles, and got new clothing.

Covent Garden Opera House was one night transformed into a great ballroom for the grand opera ball, which was organized to establish a fund of £10,000 for the permanent foundation of English opera.

Two small sketches by Mr. G. E. Marston shown at the exhibition of the Royal Society of British Artists in London, were carried by him for six months in the Shackleton Antarctic Expedition and protected from damp by the warmth of his body.

To secure closer working between trade unions and to prevent unauthorized strikes the first meeting of the London district committee of the National Federation of General Workers was held at Chandos street, S. W. Seven trade unions, representing 2,000,000 workers, are affected by the movement.

For the 96 great towns of England and Wales the births registered of Nov. 20 week numbered 9,560, and corresponded to an annual rate of 27.0 per 1,000. The deaths among the civilian population alone numbered 4,483, and corresponded to an annual rate of 13.3 per 1,000 of their aggregate civilian population, which is estimated at 16,577,344 persons in the year 1917.

A Liverpool disabled ex-soldier has received £50 from a Liverpool bank for returning to the bank a lost registered check containing £400, says the Liverpool Echo. The man found the package in the mud, with the envelope torn open sufficiently to show the value of the contents, and it is thought the original finder had been disturbed.

Two army appointments of 64 months ago have been gazetted. Twine, brother and sister, have celebrated their 68th birthday in Bristol.
Lady Grosvenor has been appointed a Lady of Justice of the Order of St. John.
Aberdare properties of the Marquis of Bute, chiefly town, have been sold for £2,200,000.
Glamorgan County Council has decided to dispense with the services of married women teachers.

Miss Dorothy Travers, of St. Peter's Park, Paddington, has been in receipt of a pension from the Royal Hospital and Home for incurables, Putney, for 55 years, and Mr. James E. Lawrence, of Wood Green, for 52 years.

Appearing for her husband at Wood Green Police Court, a woman was asked what he had told her to say. "I had to plead not guilty," she answered. "I'm sorry else." "And paying the fine," she added.

The death has occurred at the Horseshoe Cloisters, Windsor Castle, of Mr. David Humphreys, who was for nearly 30 years lay clerk at St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle. He was a member of the Royal Windsor Glee Singers' Quartette.

Rabbits shown by Princess Mary won two first prizes and a second prize at King's Lynn.
Alderman Thomas Smith, a former Mayor of Leicester, has died at Leicester, aged 71.
Ex-soldiers at Bangor Training Centre have just completed a pair of shooting boots for the Prince of Wales.

Mr. A. W. Richards, for 45 years a member of the Sharnbrook and Queenborough will, after 25 years' residence in "Jutland Jumbo," the famous bulldog which was present at the battle of Jutland, has died.
The Rev. William Brock, from 1861 to 1905 pastor of Heath Street Baptist Chapel, Hampstead, has died, aged 83.
Lancashire municipal successes and fears of further rate increases have led to a branch of the Middle Classes' Union being formed at Coventry.

Swansea finance committee has decided to recommend the purchase of the whole of the Duke of Beauford's rights on Swansea sands for £10,000. A set of English tea caddies in ivory, tortoiseshell and mother-of-pearl has been presented by Mr. Thomas Sutton to the Victoria and Albert Museum.

The Lady Chapel once attached to St. Mary's Church, Workington, Notts, is to be rebuilt as a war memorial. It was erected by the Lady Maude de Furnival about the middle of the thirteenth century.
The first two British officers to be given commissions in the Polish army are Lieut. J. F. D. Tanqueray, D. F. C., and Lieut. L. S. Woodhouse, Croix de Guerre. Both were in the Royal Flying Corps during the war.

Members of the Blyth Discharged Soldiers' and Sailors' Federation have returned their invitations to the local "Welcome Home" dinner because no provision has been made for dependents of fallen men.
Rev. Stephen Stott, aged 75, who was vicar of Plumby, Maryport, for 44 years, has died. It is said locally that the death of Joseph Bowness, vicar's warden for 30 years, with whom he had a great friendship, "broke the vicar's heart."

As a result of a pea from a peashooter striking her in the face, Mrs. Jessie Archer, 56, of Lollard street, Lambeth, South London, died from shock.
Foxes on the Inverness mountains having killed many sheep, shepherds are shooting them.
At Oxwich, near Swansea, Mrs. Ayne, a consular guard's widow, has died in her 101st year.

Wood words have eaten to a shell a large beam supporting the turret of St. Helen's Church, Bishopgate, E. C. At Lincoln Lady Baker, wife of Judge Sir George Sherston Baker, and holder of the Croix de la Reine Elizabeth for helping Belgian refugees, has died.

The body of a man which was taken out of Barry dock and placed on the quay for identification, slipped into the dock again and has not been recovered.
Guy's Hospital Court has accepted the resignation of Sir Cooper Perry, who was superintendent from Jan. 31 next, and elected him a governor of the corporation.
To bring the cost of handling coal at Greenwich electricity station from 1s. 2d. a ton to 8 1/2 d. the L. C. C. has prepared a scheme for installing carrying plant.

Discussing profiteering at the Rockford, Essex, Rural Council, Mr. Cocks said that going to use a "nutmeg" bought at Southwood he found it was a wooden one.
The Bishop of Ripon, Dr. Drury, has accepted the mastership of St. Catharine's College, Cambridge, to which is attached a canonry in Norwich Cathedral, says the Yorkshire Post.

"Vimy-Rolls-Royce" aeroplanes in which Sir John Alcock and Sir Arthur Whitten Brown crossed the Atlantic is to be given to the New Science Museum, South Kensington.
Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan is a candidate for the chair of botany in the University of Aberdeen, where she was examining in botany for four years before becoming chief controller of the Q. M. A. C. in France.

Recognized as the leading specialist for the destruction of worms. Mother-Graves' Worm Extirpator has proved a boon to suffering children everywhere. See section page.

DUBLIN POLICE HEAD MURDERED

Ass't. Commissioner Slain On Main Thoroughfare.

Brought From Belfast to Find Others' Slayers.

Dublin cable: Assistant Commissioner of Police Redmond was shot and instantly killed at 6.30 o'clock this evening in Hartington street, one of Dublin's main thoroughfares.

Mr. Redmond recently was brought to Dublin from Belfast, where he had been a successful constabulary officer, to assist in coordinating the Dublin police and to secure increased efficiency in the detective department. In view of the murder of several policemen, for which no arrests have been made.

When Mr. Redmond was assailed he endeavored to draw his own pistol, but was unable to do so before he was shot down. He was found gripping his pistol, which was in his pocket.

The shooting occurred within a few yards of the hotel where Mr. Redmond was stopping. This hotel is almost opposite the recently closed Sun Fein headquarters. The dead man was 40 years old and had made great changes in the Dublin detective department, having placed in it several men from the north of Ireland.

Two men are believed to have been concerned in the shooting of Mr. Redmond. Both of them escaped. The street at the time was in semi-darkness.

The Lord Chancellor of Ireland was walking through the street when the shooting occurred. He stood and watched the gathering crowd, not knowing what had happened.
Another constable was shot and injured.

Help for Asthma. Neglect gives asthma a great advantage. The trouble, once it has secured a foothold, fastens its grip on the bronchial passages tenaciously. Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy is daily curing cases that have long standing. Years of suffering, however, might have been prevented had the remedy been used when the trouble was in its first stages. Do not neglect asthma, but use this preparation at once.

RE-TELLS CRIMES OF HUN BRUTES

Woman Tells Family's Fate to Mons Tribunal.

Boy Bayoneted, Thrown to Flames.

London cable: A case has just come before the Mons tribunal which, in its horror, recalls the crimes of the German brigades, says Brussels despatch to the Daily Telegraph. "A woman, whose husband and son were murdered, claimed compensation from the tribunal and called witnesses who related on oath the following story:
"On Sunday, Aug. 23, 1914, the inhabitants of Quaregnon, near Mons, took shelter in the cellars of their houses on the approach of the Germans. When the soldiers arrived they ordered each family to stand together before them. Being helpless these unfortunate people saw their homes burned and shortly afterward a German military cart arrived. It halted in front of each group, and a soldier, after having made selection at hazard, ordered those he had chosen to take seats in the conveyance."

"From the Duez family he chose the father and son, named Florimond, leaving behind the mother and five other children. When she saw her husband and son being driven away up the burning street Mrs. Duez stretched out her hands in a gesture of farewell. A German soldier threw his sword and struck the unhappy woman, inflicting a wound from which blood flowed. Seeing his mother wounded Florimond tried to leap from the cart. Another soldier prevented this, and impaling the youth on his bayonet swung his body alive into the burning house, where he was burned to death."

"The cart containing the father and his unfortunate companions proceeded to the railway station, where their execution was to take place. The condemned were arranged along the station wall and the order to fire was given. Duez fell, but he was only wounded, and arose to his feet. Immediately a soldier who was armed with an axe sprang at him and struck off his head."

"The cart listened with emotion to the relation of these facts and allowed to Mme. Duez the indemnities specified by law."
ASQUITH FOR PAISLEY SEAT

Unionists Likely to Stand Aside From Fight.

Permit Straight Liberal vs. Labor Test.

London cable: Ex-Premier Herbert H. Asquith seeks to return to Parliament through the bye-elections in the Paisley constituency arising out of the death of Sir J. McCallum. The local Liberal candidate, Mr. Asquith, has announced that he has accepted the seat. He is a Liberal Unionist, and is a member of the Liberal party. He is a member of the Liberal party, and is a member of the Liberal party.

Paris cable: The Supreme Council decided this morning that the new conference of ambassadors would be inaugurated on Monday, January 26. This conference, taking up part of the work of the Supreme Council, which virtually concluded the labors last night, will be entrusted with the task of ensuring the carrying out of the Treaty of Versailles and the discussion of current routine matters connected with general affairs. The great questions of international policy, however, will be reserved for settlement at conferences in which the heads of the Allied Governments will sit.

Right Way to Boil an Egg

There prevails a general fallacy that it is as easy to boil an egg as to boil a potato! A premise like this fails because it is not easy to boil a potato. And when it comes to boiling an egg that is strictly a matter of temperament. The cold blooded man, the man who never reads poetry or always fails to comprehend poetry, fails miserably when he tries to boil an egg. Also the highly emotional man whose feelings carry him away is apt to fail.

The egg, it will be universally admitted, is the most delicate of breakfast foods and requires careful handling. A crack, even the most insignificant crack or split in the shell, unfits it for boiling. Out of this tiny crevice all that is worthy in the egg will ooze and cook in a stringy, unpleasant mess utterly unfit for the human stomach. It is therefore advisable to study the surface of the egg you mean to boil before boiling it.

There are certain hard and fast rules that need to be observed, even when the egg is to be boiled in a vulgar way. One of these is that it must be dropped gently into the water. It should be laid in tenderly, whether the water be hot or cold. Most eggs resent being hurled into water.
Here at the outset arises a vexed question, one which has been debated for centuries, ever since there was a hen to lay an egg in fact. This question is whether it is better to boil the egg in water that is already at the boiling point, or immerse it in cold water and let it boil along with the water. Both schools have their adherents.

Time is certainly saved by setting the egg to boil in water that is already boiling, but the result is inferior. The egg gets boiled to the surface, but the yolk of it is apt to be hurried in so rude a manner that it runs unattractively into the white or albuminous portion of the egg.
To insert the egg in cold water and boil both water and egg is by far the most artistic method, and is said to improve the flavor of a new laid egg. It is taken for granted that this recipe shall be applied only to new laid or fresh eggs. Otherwise the result is not satisfactory.

Having provided for these preliminaries, it is now time to itemize the process of boiling the egg.
First, water from the faucet (cold water faucet understood) having been put in a small receptacle like a saucepan, the egg is inserted therein by hand and the flame of a gas burner is adjusted so as to warm the bottom of the saucepan. Many cooks prefer to cover the saucepan, but these cooks are not born cooks, for having covered up the pan below it is possible to study the egg in its broiling process and determine to an infinitesimal portion of time when the egg is properly cooked.

Leaving then the egg in the water uncovered by a tin or aluminum top for the gas flame to affect the water (and at the same time the egg), it is possible to attend to light ordinary duties such as washing up a dish or two left over from the preceding breakfast, or breakfasts while the water and the egg are getting ready to boil. But do not think it possible to turn the water on in the bathtub and take a bath before the egg is boiled. If this is attempted the egg is sure to be too hard.
When it is noticed that the water begins to curl around the edges of the saucepan then the process of boiling has begun and if it is desired to have a soft boiled egg the latter may be extracted from the sauce pan. Do not pick it out with the hand, for in going so one is apt to drop the egg and smash it on the floor. A big spoon of the table variety will aid in the deft extraction of the egg.

For a four minute period the water should be permitted to boil until it starts to make fascinating little leaps as if trying to get away from the heat. The egg, too, will start to whirl round and round like a soul in torment. It is now boiled as the egg connoisseur likes his eggs. Remove it in the same way.

Holding the egg carefully by the fore and end in one hand, with the other hand insert a knife, permitting the contents to flow or roll into a cup set to catch them. If the yolk has turned by the action of the heat to a bright yellow, the egg is properly fitted for eating; if it shows a dark or blood red tinge it should be submitted to the test and the shell then cut a melon and eat a slice and finish dressing.

TO TAKE PLACE OF SUPREME COUNCIL

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