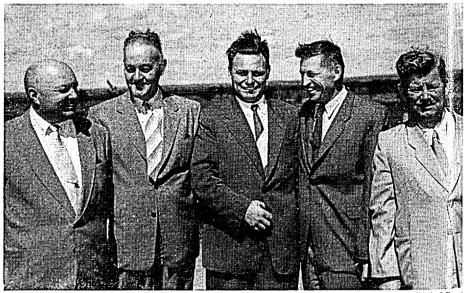
Soviet Agriculturalists Visit to Canada

I HE Soviet agricultural delegation which recently spent six weeks in the United States arrived at Montreal on August 25 to begin a two weeks' tour of Canadian farming areas. The nine-man delegation, led by Vladimir Matskevitch, Acting Minister of Agriculture for the U.S.S.R. was met at the airport by S. J. Chagnon, Assistant Deputy-Minister of Agriculture, and other government officials. The tour conducted by the Department of Agriculture began with a visit to the Eastern Townships in Quebec. After spending a day in Ottawa, the visitors enplaned for Regina and since Mr. Matskevitch had expressed a desire of spending as much time as possible studying large-scale farming their stay in that district was extended to four days. Among their hosts during the visit to Saskatchewan were the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. James Gardiner, the Premier of the Province and Mr. L. B. Thompson, head of the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Organization. The last day was spent at Swift Current where research on dry land farming is done by the P.F.R.O.

On the return trip to southern Ontario a short stop was made at Winnipeg for a visit to the Board of Grain Commissioners. After arrival at Chatham the group examined corn growing methods and the purchase of a considerable quantity of seed was made. Before returning to Ottawa a day of relaxation was enjoyed in the Niagara Peninsula. A day's bus ride brought the delegates back to Ottawa where they spent four days studying more farming methods, sight-seeing and attending several receptions held in their honour. On September 10 they had their last look at Canada before boarding a plane to begin the long flight home.



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SOVIET AGRICULTURALISTS VISIT THE FARM NEAR OTTAWA OF DR. H. H. HANNAN Left to right: V. V. Matskevitch, Dr. J. G. Taggart, Deputy-Minister of Agriculture, A. A. Ezheviski, A. S. Shevchenko, B. P. Sokolov.