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Poultry Meetings

The following is a partial list of the poultry meetings which will be held in the Province of Alberta during the winter months of 1909, in accordance with the educational program mapped out by the Department of Agriculture. As in the case of the dairy meetings, there will be two delegations touring the province, and the speakers are the best experts on the poultry business than can be secured. The schedule of dates is as follows:—
Speakers—T. O. Lachance and E. J. Cook, of Lethbridge.

January 11, Irvine; 12, Medicine Hat; 13, Burdette; 14, Taber; 15, Lethbridge; 16, Stirling.

January 18, Warner; 19, Raymond; 20, Magrath; 21, Cardston; 22, Mountain View; 23, Caldwell; 24, Kimball; 25, Macleod; 27, Granum; 28, Claresholm; 29, Stavely; 30, Nanton.

February 1, Cayley; 2, High River; 3, Okotoks; 4, Calgary; 5, Cochrane; 6, Langdon.

February 8, Strathmore; 9, Gleichen.

Church School For Raymond

Raymond, Jan. 1.—It has been learned on good authority that Raymond is to have the church school. This news arrived today from Salt Lake. The school will mean a lot for Raymond, and as Raymond is the centre of the Mormon settlement in South Alberta, it will be well situated.

Seed Fairs

Proposed list of Dates for the Alberta Seed Fairs.

Irvine	January	14th
Taber	"	15th
Lethbridge	"	16th
Raymond	"	18th
Magrath	"	19th
Cardston	"	21st
Macleod	"	23rd
Nanton	"	25th
Gleichen	"	26th
Didsbury	"	27th

Preserve The Forests

President Roosevelt accompanied his remarks to Congress on the need of preserving American forests with pictures of Chinese mountain areas devastated and bare of earth as a result of a century of neglect. There is a lesson here for Canada, as well as for the United States. Our forests are limited, and if they are allowed to disappear the whole nation will suffer.

More Catholic Than Rome

The shifting of the population of Canada is exemplified by the statement that the city of Quebec, which thirty years ago possessed a Protestant population of 17,000, to-day only has 6,000 non-Catholics within its boundaries. Quebec will soon be more Roman Catholic than Rome itself.—Ottawa Free Press.

Over 2,000,000 pounds of butter have been produced by the creameries of Alberta during the past year. Of this amount the 31 private creameries have produced about 1,100,000 pounds and the government creameries the balance of 900,000 pounds.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday Evening, January 4th.

Council met at 7 p. m. The new members, J. T. Brown, Johnathon Hunt and H. B. Stacpoole were duly sworn in and took the oath of office.

Members present, Mayor Brown, Councillors; Burton, Cahoon, Coombs, Duce, Hunt and Stacpoole.

Opening prayer by Councillor Duce.

Minutes of meetings of Dec. 1st and 29th were read and approved.

The following regular committees were recommended by the Mayor and approved of by the Council.

Fire, License and Police—Councillors Duce, Cahoon and Coombs.

Health—Councillors Burton, Stacpoole and Coombs.

Works, and Property—Councillors Coombs, Hunt and Cahoon.

Finance—Councillors Cahoon, Duce and Burton.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Massey Harris Co. re fire limit and By-law, Secretary Treasurer instructed to write them in reference to same.

Moved and seconded that the Solicitor be instructed to draft by-law eliminating the east side of Main Street from proscribed fire by-law.

A communication from the Secretary of the Union Alberta Municipalities re meeting at Edmonton on the 27 and 28th of this month was read and laid on table.

Applications were received from J. T. Noble for Lunch Counter license for 1 year, from F. G. Lamb for Restaurant License for 3 months and Rhoda May for boarding house license for 6 months.

A communication from F. W. Atkins applying for Secretary Treasurer office for the current year at a salary of \$35.00 per month, was read and laid on table.

An application from L. A. Wilson applying for office of Secretary Treas. was read and laid on table.

An application from W. Laurie for office of town solicitor at \$200 per annum was read and laid on table.

Moved by Councillor Cahoon and seconded by Councillor Coombs that a special committee consisting of the Mayor, Solicitor, Sec. Treas., Chairman of Works & Property Committee and Chairman of Finance Committee be appointed to look into the matter of extension of Water Mains, etc. Carried.

A number of accounts were received and referred to Finance Committee.

Councillor Cahoon asked leave to introduce a by-law re appointment of Auditor for the year 1909. Z. W. Jacobs was appointed Auditor for the town at \$25.00 per annum with a unanimous vote.

Councillor Cahoon asked leave to introduce by-law to appoint health officer for the year 1909. Dr. Brant was appointed health officer for the town at \$25.00 per annum with a unanimous vote.

Councillor Cahoon asked leave to introduce by-law to appoint a Solicitor for the year 1909. Wm. Laurie was appointed Solicitor at \$200.00 per annum with a unanimous vote.

Councillor Coombs asked leave to introduce by-law to appoint a building inspector for the year 1909. D. S. Beach was appointed building inspector for the town (collecting such fees as is governed by by-law) with a unanimous vote.

Councillor Duce asked leave to introduce by-law appointing a Constable etc. for the year 1909. Samuel J. Ppsson was appointed Constable for the town at a salary of \$65.00 per month with a unanimous vote.

TO DEVELOPE COPPER CLAIMS

Assay Returns Shows Rock to be Rich in Copper

Mr. Thos. Bahler and party were in the city for a few hours on Saturday. They were on their way to the Mountains, where they expect to develop the newly located copper claims.

In conversation with an Alberta Star Staff Reporter, Mr. Bahler stated that the Company way now organized with headquarters at Raymond. 7000 shares of the stock had been subscribed for, while 3000 were now on the market at 5c per share.

Samples of the rock which had been sent to the Assay Offices in Utah, had been tested and the

returns are as follows:—
Custom Assay Office of Bird-Cowan Co. Salt Lake City. (results per ton) Copper 4.04 per cent, Silver .03 oz. Gold .001 oz.
Kroupe Assay Office, Provo, Copper 4.051 No Silver. Gold .004 valued at 82cts per ton.

The work of driving a tunnel into the ledge will commence immediately and will be pushed to completion. The party will be absent about a month. Any person interested in the project and desiring information should write to Wm. Redd, Sec.-treas. of the Company, at Raymond, Alta.

REDISTRIBUTION IN ALBERTA

An Edmonton special to the Calgary Herald, says: A redistribution of the provincial electoral districts, whereby Edmonton and Calgary will be given two representatives in the assembly, and an additional district will be created in Pincher district by cutting off the Pass country as a constituency by itself will be introduced at the coming session of the Alberta

legislature. The redistribution is provided for in view of the fact that the provincial elections will probably take place in June next. It will give a total representation in the house of forty instead of twenty-five. Calgary has a population of twenty-five thousand and Edmonton twenty-two thousand which has been a big increase since the formation of the province.

Bijou Theatre

The Bijou will give another extra fine show in the Assembly Hall Friday night Jan. 15th. Watch for dodgers Monday. Prices, reserved seats 50c. general admission 35c. children 25c.

\$5.00 Reward

Lost from J. W. Woolf's ranch, one black horse, weigh 1200 branded S R on left hip, 9 years old. Right front foot white. The above reward will be paid for the delivery of same to Geo. Hudson at J. W. Woolf's ranch, south of town.

J. H. Van Pelt.

Don't Stop My Paper

Don't stop my paper, printer:
Don't strike my name off yet;
You know the cash comes slowly,
And dollars hard to get;

But tug a little harder
Is what I mean to do,
And scrape the dimes together—
Enough for me and you.

I can't afford to drop it,
And I find it doan't pay
To do without a paper.
However others may.

I hate to ask my neighbors
To give me theirs to loan.
They don't just say, but mean it:
"Why don't you get your own?"

Alfalfa Growing

Writing from Airdrie, Alberta, a correspondent says: "I am very much interested in alfalfa growing and intend to keep at it, but I can't understand how we are ever going to get much out of the first crop with the weather conditions we have here in June. It has been claimed that alfalfa may be well preserved as ensilage by merely stacking it green. A few inches around the outside will spoil, but that makes an air tight covering for the rest of the stack. Is this only theory, or is it practised to any extent? The ensilage should make good hog or cattle feed."

In reply to these questions, Mr. Thos. Woolford, an extensive alfalfa grower at Cardston, Alta., writes:

"The curing of alfalfa, to my mind, is a secondary consideration and no doubt will be to most farmers. Perhaps it would not be out of place to say a few words on the preparation and obtaining a crop to cure.

Alfalfa is an experiment to quite a large portion of Alberta farmers, but there are some parts of the province where it is past the experimental stage. These places I will mention as they come in rotation, Cardston, Magrath, Raymond and Lethbridge, with small patches north as far as Clover Bar near Edmonton, and I contend that what can be done in a small way can be done on a large scale under the same conditions. Alfalfa is here to stay. It will keep forcing its way to the front until these western provinces will not only have small patches, but hundreds of acres in a patch, and I will say, without fear of successful contradiction, that the time is not far distant when this, the best of forage plants, will do for these western provinces what it has done for the western states. You may ask what it has done for them? Brought wealth, contentment, happy homes, modern cities, with modern conveniences not only in

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