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by Fobes Bros., Bathgate, to Steve Swift, Viking, for a five-year-old Short-horn bull. Owing to late entry this bull was not shown in the competition. The champion Shorthorn of the show, "Baron Duke," owned by Robinson Bros., Vermilion, sold for \$305; this was a bull coming three years old. R. P. Ottewill, Clover Bar, bought the reserve champion, "Missie Champion," a yearling, from Yule and Bowes, for \$275, which was also the price paid for "Refiner," a senior yearling, offered by Walter Latimer, Thamesville, Ont., who had seventeen head in the sale. Hon. Duncan Marshall sold thirteen head at good prices, and Yule and Bowes ten head.

The Herefords were from the herd of Frank Collicut, Crossfield, and the Angus from the herds of L. McComb, Huxley, and H. A. Calder, Edmonton South. John Barber and Son, Mance, sold eight head of Red Polled cattle. There was practically no demand for dairy bulls, only one being sold out of a number of Holsteins offered.

CONFER WITH APPLE GROWERS

The conference held in the offices of the Grain Growers' Association between representatives of the British Columbia Fruit Growers and members of the executives of the farmers' organizations of the three prairie provinces at Moose Jaw, on April 3, brought out a full discussion of the higher protection, which the British Columbia fruit growers are asking to prevent unfair competition from American growers. Thomas Abriel, of Nakusp, B.C., president of the British Columbia growers, pointed out that Oregon and Washington would supply the world with apples, when all trees were bearing, and 75 per cent. would have to be destroyed on account of over-production. In British Columbia, however, there was little over-production, and the consequence was that Canadian growers were forced to meet competition of an inferior grade of fruit dumped on the market at prices lower than the cost of production in British Columbia. The increased duty asked was to protect against dumping.

Representatives of the farmers' associations, however, expressed the opinion that the additional duty would not solve the problem, as the cost of production in British Columbia was greater than Ontario and Nova Scotia. While recognizing the stand of the British Columbia growers, the farmers' representatives considered it unfair for growers in the coast province to seek by legislation to force the prairie consumer to pay a higher price in order to cover the higher cost of production in British Columbia, which is brought about largely by necessity for irrigation and other overhead expenses.

Those in the city attending the conference were: Thomas Abriel, Nakusp, president British Columbia Fruit Growers, and Mr. Mutch, of Penticton. The farmers' representatives were: H. W. Wood, president United Farmers of Alberta; C. Rice Jones, Calgary, manager Alberta Co-operative Elevator Co.; R. C. Henderson and Roderick McKenzie, president and secretary respectively of Manitoba Grain Growers, and J. A. Maharg and J. B. Musselman, president and secretary of Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association.

BRITISH PENSIONS

According to William Hill, writing in the London (Eng.) Daily Chronicle on the subject of "Pensions and Patriotism," the Duke of Connaught, governor-general of Canada, is in receipt of an annuity of \$50,000 from the British nation, while he also receives a "pension from army funds." It is possible, he says, that the latter is one of the sums of \$16,500 granted to field marshals, and so "pension" being traceable in the estimates it may be that the royal soldier is also granted \$5,000 as the retired pay for a general officer. Finally His Royal Highness is down for \$125,000 in the form of an annuity from the Consolidated Fund.

Mr. Hill also covers a further very large list of pensions, many of them purely political, that are paid from the British treasury. He suggests that all these pensions should be reduced during the war, and he believes that Royalty will be the very first to take the patriotic view that these pensions should be reduced.

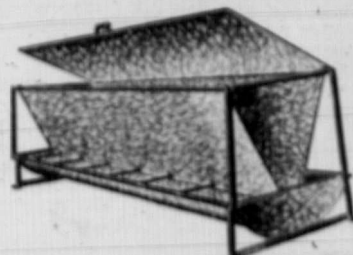


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