

Agricultural Policy

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The work would consist of live stock competitions, potato and grain plots and also the social side would be developed as necessary.

A trained director for this work would be necessary.

Short Agriculture Courses

At a number of points throughout the country short courses of four or five days' duration will be conducted regularly every winter or at the most convenient time of the year. The subjects under discussion will be those of most interest to the district. These give an opportunity for local discussion.

District Agents

Representatives will be appointed in some sections this season if the properly trained men are to be had. These men must have had practical experience on farms and a college training in addition. They will become a part of the community in which they are appointed and will assist the farmers in any and every problem which may arise. Organization is one of the principal lines of endeavor.

Live stock problems, seed and cultivation, fertilizer, drainage, and various problems will come under their particular supervision.

Every man will have an office properly equipped for his work, centrally located, in order that the largest number of farmers may find it convenient to call.

Field Crop Competitions

These will be encouraged under somewhat different management than previously, in order that every Agricultural Society may feel like entering them. Hand in hand with them will go the Seed Fairs. "More Seed and Better Seed" must be the motto for New Brunswick.

Selection of seed as practiced by some must be encouraged.

The growing of clover seed must be carefully fostered, because the growing of clovers is absolutely essential to the upkeep of the soils.

Soils

Maritime soils seem naturally acid. The use of limestone as a corrective must be carefully followed; perhaps some demonstration work might be carried on later, after careful tests were made.

Drainage is one of the correctives for acidity. While it is true that underdrainage cannot be followed systematically as in some sections, nevertheless there are an innumerable number of small areas which require the use of tile. It is also true that many are not thoroughly convinced that it will pay to under-drain—demonstration plots in many sections.

A ditching machine cannot always be used to advantage here. Often it is cheaper and easier and quicker to install by hand.

A supply of tile at reasonable prices is a matter for further consideration.

Fertilizers

The use of fertilizers is one of the principal questions in New Brunswick. Care needs to be exercised lest they be used extravagantly. Their use with clover and farmyard manure should be fostered. Doubtless careful experiment may be undertaken throughout the country.

The purchase and distribution requires rigid supervision.

Beekeeping

Proper inspection must be carried on to protect the present beekeepers and assistance must be given to those who are not conversant with the best methods.

The bees in the province are quite free from disease and must continue so, but thorough inspection and care must be maintained.

The proper strains of bees must be introduced.

Women's Institutes

The formation of new societies will be encouraged and the general activities will be followed, where they do not militate against Red Cross or other patriotic work. They will be assisted to carry on

patriotic endeavors. A canning campaign and other special work is now under consideration.

Every effort will be made to cooperate with other departments of agriculture, where reasonable arrangements can be entered into.

Efficiency of the officials of the Department will be asked for and insisted upon.

Jenson-Street

An interesting event took place on May 24 at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Street of Bristol when their daughter Francis Louise was united in marriage to Neville R. Jenson, of Somerville. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. A. Ross of Florenceville in the presence of about 40 guests. The bride, who was unattended, was given away by her mother and looked charming in ivory-silk crepe-de-chene, with veil and lilies-of-the-valleys. She carried a handsome bouquet of white roses, carnations, and maiden-hair fern.

Little Miss Doris Phillips acted as flower girl and looked very dainty in cream taffeta with pink trimmings, and carried a basket of May flowers and ferns. Mendelssohn's Wedding March was played by Miss Marguerita Phillips.

After lunch was served the young couple left on the train for a short trip, after which they will reside in Somerville. The bride, travelled in a navy blue suit with embroidery trimmings and hat to match.

She was the recipient of many beautiful presents including silver, cut glass and linen.

The Aroostook Way

A dealer in Presque Isle, Me., one of the settlement centres of the Aroostook potato-producing region, has paid by one check \$67,337 for a stock of automobiles of one make this spring. Profits on potato fields in the last year are to pay for these machines and many hundred more of the luxury speedsters. There are many other auto dealers in that section close up under the shadow of the great Maine forests. It is told of one young man who desired to become a potato farmer that he borrowed a year ago \$7,500 to buy a farm in Aroostook county and then 2,500 more to stock the place. And late in the fall, after selling the potatoes he raised, he paid the lender the entire \$10,000 of the debt and showed him \$10,000 more he was taking to a bank to save, all in one season on his new potato farm. And there are one hundred thousand able young men in New England who would rather go to war or work in a factory at \$10 a week than farm it anywhere among the hills of this rich section, even if farms were given them and stocked. That is one of the reasons why potatoes come so high for the family table this season. It is not so much the personal greed of the potato farmers and the middlemen as the shiftlessness of human beings who should have ambition to till the soil and be quite contented with reasonable profits.—Worcester Telegram.

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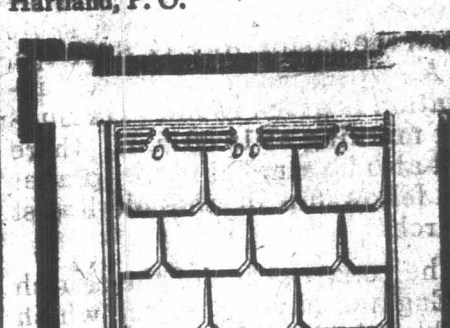
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