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NOTICE

I have secured the Agency for Ford parts for this district and in future will have a full line of all Ford repairs at lowest prices.

When in need of repairs call and see us.

Gallagher's Hardware
Waterdown

CUMMINS' WEEK END SPECIALS

Friday and Saturday, 15 and 16

35c Castoria	-	-	28c
\$1.50 Scott's Emulsion	-	-	\$1.19
75c Scott's Emulsion	-	-	62c
25c Electric Oil	-	-	19c
50c Gin Pills	-	-	38c
40c Dodd's Pills	-	-	33c
40c Pink Pills	-	-	33c
\$1.00 Cod Liver Oil Preparation	-	-	67c
\$1.00 Nuxated Iron	-	-	89c
35c Freezone	-	-	28c
50c Chase's Nerve Food	-	-	38c
60c Chase's Ointment	-	-	43c
25c Chase's Kidney and Liver Pills	-	-	19c
25c Baby's Own Tablets	-	-	19c
\$1.35 Fellow's Syrup	-	-	\$1.19
50c Fruitatives	-	-	32c

Will Pork Come Back

By Chas. M. Flatt

Recent fluctuations in the hog markets have caused deep concern among the breeders in Canada. Particularly is this true of those who have just started in the business and have invested heavily in breeding stock. The present state of affairs is not a new one, although it has never occurred in just the same manner before. A few days ago a cable from Great Britain to the effect that no more Canadian hogs would be required for some time caused a drop of \$2.75 a hundred in such a short time that for a while it looked as if the bottom of the market was not in sight. Later it was found that although the cable was not official, yet the supply of pork in England was so great that no Canadian pork would be needed for some time.

Now let us see what caused this glut in the Old Country markets. The armies in the field have been consuming immense quantities of pork, most of which came from the United States or Canada. The return of large numbers of men from the field has lessened the requirements there. At the same time the United States has been pouring into England great quantities of pork to the almost entire exclusion of Canadian pork. Consequently a surplus has accumulated to the amount of some 180,000 tons. How long it will take to reduce this surplus and create a demand for pork again is what interests us as Canadian breeders.

In the first place, American pork has never found a large market in England, compared to Canadian bacon. The present large shipments of American pork are the direct results of the necessity of feeding the armies in the field on the best food. The civilian consumer in America has been economizing on meats to allow a greater surplus for export. Now that the armies are being returned home the demand in America must gradually increase again. Indeed, it is not improbable that Canada will be called on for pork to replace that exported from the United States until the breeders there can make up the amount exported.

Now what about the future of the Canadian bacon trade in England? Will the United States be a strong competitor in the British market? To answer these questions we must consider the type of hogs bred in the States and why we find that type. Every American breed is of the lard type, that is, bred for the production of short, thick carcasses in great bulk. This is the natural result of the great production of corn in some of the hog-producing States. The continual feeding of corn to any breed of hogs will in a few generations tend to the production of short, thick hogs.

The demand on the British market in normal times is practically all for bacon in the form of Wiltshire sides. A Wiltshire side is a half of a carcass with head and legs removed. The carcass is split lengthwise and should have even layers of fat and lean meat interspersed. Canadian bacon has always been in demand on British markets and is popular with the British consumer.

So as long as corn is the main product of these hog-producing States, American pork can never compete with Canadian bacon. Of course, in time there will again be competition in the British market, but at present Denmark, our keenest competitor, is not in a position to supply much bacon. So it is merely a matter of hanging on until the present surplus in England is used up, a matter of only a few months. In the meantime it must be remembered that the man who is in and out of a business all the time can never be successful. He is generally going in when prices are high and is forced to come out when prices are low.

There were, perhaps, never better prospects for any line of production than that before the bacon producers of Canada to-day. Now is the time to stay in the business, while the short-sighted in and out is coming out.

Soldiers' Letters

Letters of Appreciation to the Knotty Knitting Klub

Germany, Jan. 3, 1919.

Dear Friend:—

Received your parcel and letter of September 23rd the other day, and needless to say was very glad to get them. It had sure been a long time on the road.

We are always very glad to get these parcels, and especially when there is a letter inside, because correspondence is our main pleasure over here.

This has been a dandy Christmas, knowing that the war is over and that we will soon be back home again. It hardly seems possible.

The weather over here has not been very good lately. It rains nearly every day. Quite a difference to what it is over there at present, I guess.

Thanking you again very much for the parcel, I think I will close, hoping that I may get a reply to this note.

I remain, yours sincerely,

H. A. McKAY.

Siegberg, Germany,
Jan. 2nd, 1919.

Dear Friend:—

Please convey to "The Knotty Knitting Klub" my hearty thanks for the parcel I have just received, and must thank you personally for the cheerful letter from yourself.

When you wrote that letter you did not expect it to be delivered in Germany, but such is the case. We are now ten miles on the German side of the Rhine, keeping Fritz where he belongs.

The German civilians do not use us bad at all, in fact, I was surprised at their friendliness. The house in which we are staying is very comfortable (more so than the trenches) and the fact that the lady who lives here has lost two sons in the war is enough to make her dislike us, but on the other hand she is like a mother. She gives us all we want to eat and the other night I was coughing considerably, and she got up and made a hot drink for me. You can imagine how one would feel in a case like that.

We were in the line the day hostilities ceased and there was no one any more pleased than I when 11 o'clock came that morning. He took his final smash at us, but we were very fortunate and lost only a few. One poor lad was here since early in 1915 and was killed the last few hours of the war. Our battalion lost over 700 killed and the wounded runs into the thousands.

I think you quite understand I appreciate the work of the Klub and the socks will be worn on the march out of Germany. On our march into Germany we covered over 250 miles, and believe me, our supply of socks on arrival here was limited.

Although my home is in Prescott, Ontario, before joining up I was a telegraph operator on the Grand Trunk at Niagara Falls, not so far from your abode.

Would be very pleased to hear from you when you find it convenient. We will not be out of France for at least three months.

Again thanking you and the Klub for the parcel, and wishing all the compliments of the season, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

SIG. T. F. ALLEN.

CARD OF THANKS

Bernice Simpson wishes to thank her many friends, including The King's Daughters and Epworth League, for their many kind remembrances during her recent illness.

Village Council Meeting

The Question of Waterworks to be Considered

Pursuant to adjournment the village council met on Feb. 13th at 8 p. m. for general business. Reeve Davies in the chair and other members present.

The minutes of the last meeting was read and adopted.

A communication was received from the Ontario Municipal Association, also one re the appointment of a committee to look after the interests of returned soldiers.

Mr. J. F. Vance was present and addressed the council re a Memorial hall for the village of Waterdown.

It was moved by J. W. Griffin and seconded by J. C. Langford that S. H. Gallagher, C. P. McGregor, F. J. Shaidle, J. V. Markle, D. Davies, J. R. Thompson, G. Nicholson, J. C. Langford, Chas. Richards, J. Green, J. W. Griffin, R. Smith, Dr. Hopper and W. A. Drummond be a committee to meet the committee from East Flamboro Township re building a Memorial hall, the meeting to take place in the Township hall, Friday Feb. 14th at 3 p. m.

It was moved by Councillors Langford and Griffin that council with the clerk be a committee to look after the interests of the returned soldiers.

It was moved by Councillors Smith and Markle that the Auditor's report as presented by Messrs Sharpe and Green be accepted and that the Auditors be paid.

The following accounts were passed and ordered paid.

To—Wm. Attridge, Sec-Treas. High School Board for maintenance of High school during January \$600, during Feb. \$350. To Waterdown Review, for printing ballots \$2.50 closing notices \$1.50, total \$4. To J. C. Medlar for registering births, marriages and deaths \$4.40. To R. Sparks as auditor \$8. J. Green as auditor \$8.

It was moved by Councillors Griffin and Langford that J. W. Griffin, J. C. Langford, R. Smith and Reeve Davies be a committee to consult an engineer re waterworks for the village of Waterdown and report at the next meeting.

On motion the council adjourned to Monday, Mar. 10th at 8 p. m.

Annual Meeting of the West Flamboro Agricultural Society

The annual meeting of the West Flamboro Agricultural Society was held at Freedon on Monday, January 20th. There was a good attendance and all were well pleased with the financial statement as presented by their Secretary-Treasurer, Jas. A. Gray. The society intends this year to hold a Field Crop Competition on Oats and Potatoes.

The retiring President, R. G. Reid, was tendered a hearty vote of thanks. The following are the officers and directors for 1919:

Chas. A. Newell, President.

Fred Smith, Vice-President.

Alf. Purnell, 2nd Vice-President.

John A. McDonough, Supt. of Grounds.

Thomas Jones, Supt. of Hall.

Geo. McCuen and H. P. Widdowson, Auditors.

Robert Stewart, James Cook, Wm. Dwyer, Ed. Hamilton, M. J. McPherson, H. P. Widdowson, Wesley McCuen, Alex. McEdwards and Wm. Beaton, Directors.

In addition to these several others were named as committee of management. Jas. A. Gray was again elected Secretary-Treasurer by the Directors.