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ALTA STOCKMEN ASKED NOT TO SACRIFICE STOCK

Department of Agriculture Has
Representative at Calgary to
Receive Consignments

The Department of Agriculture has appointed John Glendenning to receive cattle of consignors in southern Alberta and dispose of them at the Calgary stock yards and make returns to consignors as is done by regular commission merchants. This is to check the sale of stock to speculative buyers who are coming the country in which the people are suffering most from drought.

Owners of cattle are warned by the department that there is no need of sacrificing cattle stock at the prices which some of it is being sold for at present. The open stock yards at Calgary and Edmonton are absorbing all stock at a fair price at present. Farmers in Central and Northern Alberta are sending in orders for stock and the consigning of stock to central markets is the right method of selling. It involves the least expense to the consignor and likewise the least expense to the purchaser. The farmers of central and northern Alberta can nearly all stand increases to their cattle stock. In addition to this demand there will be no less than four thousand head of cattle purchased under the Live Stock Encouragement Act during the next two months. It is desirable that these not be offered all at once but should be moved into the market gradually. The kind of stock most desired is yearling and two-year-old heifers with a limited number of dairy cows. Shippers who wish their stock to be handled by the department should consign direct to Mr. John Glendenning at Calgary. It may be consigned likewise to any of the regular commission firms at Calgary and Edmonton. The Live Stock Commissioner at Edmonton should be notified of the making of shipments in order to have forward purchasers who are getting cattle under the provisions of the Live Stock Encouragement Act.

UNITED FARMERS OF ONTARIO TAKE PART IN POLITICS

Show Desire To Free Themselves
From Either of Old Political Parties

Ontario United Farmers are trying to free themselves from either of the old party organizations as shown by the speech of F. W. Fisher, director of the U.F.O. for the county of Bruce, at their recent convention held at Walkerton, Ont.

Mr. Fisher said in part as follows: "At the annual meeting I am going to see no man ride two horses. If a man accepts a Grit or Tory nomination he has got to get off the U.F.O. horse. To go as Grit or Tory with handkerchiefs on me! Not on your tinter! I don't want a nomination like that. We want a man who is U.F.O. from the sole of his feet to the crown of his head. Every Sunday I hear Parsons praying for Godly men to represent us. How can you expect to have Godly men if you vote for un-Godly men. It would pay them a great deal better if they voted for courage to get away from party."

Our boys went to France and dyed the soil red with blood for democracy. You can't have democracy until you have the brotherhood of man. If we are going to have a united Canada we must have the brotherhood of man. That's what I like about the U.F.O. Catholics and Orangemen can sit down together in the U.F.O. You don't have to sign a pledge or ride a goat to join the U.F.O. I hope the farmers will use their brains on election day. We have been the political oxen too long and we have bowed to the yoke too often. Vote to remove the shackles that have held you in political slavery."

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ANOTHER HOLSTEIN RECORD BREAKER

The Holstein-Friesian cow, Creamspot Poinetiae Korniyke, owned by Cole and Hicks, Granville, N.Y., has just completed a seven-day record of 51.31 pounds butter and 861.00 pounds milk. This is the largest record ever made in the United States, and stands second in the world only to that of the Canadian cow, Roi Mercene DeKol, 51.93 pounds.

ANOTHER LEGHORN RECORD BREAKER

Of special interest to Leghorn breeders is the announcement that Mr. Price, of Toronto, is the owner of a white Leghorn pullet, hatched on March 3rd, which laid its first egg on July 22nd. On the strength of this performance, the pullet record for early laying is claimed.

Register at the Civic Block.

U.F.A. INSPECTORS EXPLAIN INCOME TAX TO LOCALS

From reports coming to hand at Central Office, U.F.A., it appears that the provisions of the Income Tax are not clearly understood by many people. In discussing this matter with the Inspector of Income Tax at Calgary, Mr. Thornburn Allan, Mr. Allan has offered the service of one of the traveling inspectors of the Department to address locals and explain the working of the Income Tax to them. Those locals which would like to have a representative of the Income Tax Department at one of their meetings, should make application to Central Office and the request will be turned over to the proper quarters. The staff of the Income Tax Department available for traveling work is limited, and if necessary they will have to try to arrange meetings in series, so as not to waste time. It would be advisable therefore, to give a selection of dates, or suggest to the department that the inspector fix his own date.

HOW TO RIPEN TOMATOES WHEN SEASON IS SHORT

Brandon Experimental Farm Gives
Advice to Growers of
Tomatoes

Matters such as the choice of variety, location, starting the plants and final setting out of tomatoes being beyond consideration for the present season's crop, it remains for the grower to pay attention to the advice given by W. C. McKillop, of the Brandon Experimental Farm, with regard to the importance of staking and pruning the plant so as to obtain early ripening. He says:

The tomato plants should be staked upright and should be pruned to reduce the foliage. These operations probably have a greater effect in inducing early maturity than anything else, with the possible exception of variety.

The object is to allow the sun to shine more directly on the stems and fruit and to check the production of excessive foliage and late blossoms. The plant should be trained to grow to one upright stem instead of numerous spreading branches. It should be fastened upright by driving a stake in beside it and tying to the stake. Or wires may be stretched along a row, though this method is not as satisfactory as staking. The growth should be prevented from becoming dense and bushy by pinching off the buds that appear in the axils of the branches. And in addition, part of the foliage may be pruned off. After a sufficient amount of fruit has been formed, later blossoms should be picked off, so as to force the growth and maturity of the earlier fruit.

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FARMERS' CLUBS UNITE FOR LIVE STOCK SHIPPING

Acting on the suggestion of A. Hutchinson, Agricultural Representative in Simcoe County, Ont., representatives of four farmers' clubs in his district met recently and agreed to unite for the purpose of live stock shipping and for the better handling of their general business. "By uniting in this manner," says Mr. Hutchinson, "we hope they will be able to ship regularly both summer and winter and thus hold their market and give better service to their patrons. To my mind this is a very important move and has a tendency to solidify their business. They have decided to purchase scales and are selling shares at \$5.00 each to finance the scheme. This move is receiving enthusiastic support."

Metal polishers employed by the Crescent Tool Company of Jamestown, N.Y., are striking for an eight-hour day and 80 cents an hour.

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PROVISIONS OF RAILWAY TARIFF FOR STOCK OWNERS

Rates Not Applicable to Owners
of More Than 100 Head of
Cattle

In order to afford some measure of relief to stock owners in areas where feed is short, arrangements have been completed whereby a free rate will be given on feed shipped into the drought area, from Northern Alberta or Saskatchewan and Manitoba, a free rate on the shipping of hay and outfits both ways and a reduced rate on stock being shipped out of affected areas.

The railway tariff provides that a stock owner will be entitled to the above mentioned rates, provided he produces a shipping certificate, from the Provincial Deputy Minister of Agriculture, countersigned by the Dominion representative. To secure this certificate, application should be made on proper printed forms, which may be secured from the local railway agent. It will be necessary for the applicant to secure from a Bank Manager or a Secretary of a Municipality a sworn statement as to the bona fides of the application. The railway tariff is subject to the regulations herewith attached.

1. The rate shall be applicable only to farmers or ranchers.
2. The rate shall be applicable only in cases where stock for which relief is sought, has been owned by the applicant prior to July 1st, 1919.
3. The rate shall not be applicable to owners of one hundred or more head of cattle or to owners of three hundred or more head of sheep.
4. Each applicant shall be entitled to ship not more than seven car loads of feed and in case less is required, not more than two and a half tons for each cow or work horse. (Five sheep to be equivalent to one cow.)
5. Hay shipped under reduced tariff shall not be sold without permission of the Deputy Minister.
6. No certificate shall be granted when the price of feed exceeds a reasonable market value, and when handling and profit exceeds a reasonable price.
7. Applicants may join in co-operative shipments of feed or stock.

CENTRAL OFFICE U.F.A. PASSES NEW RESOLUTION

Organized Locals Calling For
Speakers Must Pay Traveling
Expenses

An important resolution bearing upon the supplying of speakers from the central office of the U.F.A. was passed by the Central Board of Directors at a meeting on June 1st, 1918. The resolution follows:

"That the Central Office notify locals that organized locals calling for speakers will be expected to pay the traveling expenses of such speaker or speakers, the per diem allowance to be paid by Central Office."

The above resolution will not refer to the organization of new locals, when the whole expense will be borne by Central Office. The resolution was passed because the Central Office is sometimes called upon to furnish speakers for meetings which, from the point of view of results, do not seem to justify the expense involved. Also, locals sometimes request speakers who will have to travel some hundreds of miles when another speaker who may be equally effective could be found near to hand. The resolution was submitted to the Secretaries' conventions last year at both Edmonton and Calgary and endorsed by the secretaries present.

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