

GENEROUS SUM TO BE GIVEN FOR SEED COMPETITIONS IN THE PROVINCE THIS YEAR

The New Brunswick Department of Agriculture co-operating with the Federal Seed Branch offers \$1,800.00 in cash prizes for seed competitions in this Province.

Under the conditions approved by the Hon. Lewis Smith, Minister of Agriculture, the seed competitions are restricted to three farm crops,—Oats, Wheat and Potatoes, but are open to all members of Agricultural Societies, and are recommended to the attention of all persons who desire to produce seed under government inspection.

Growers off seed grain who comply with the regulations of these contests are eligible to receive the official seed inspection certificate tag for sacked seed from the Federal Seed Branch, providing the quality is within the grades named by the Seeds Act.

The inspection of the entries of potatoes will be performed by the Potato Certification Service officials,—Dominion Division of Botany. Fields must be planted with seed of one variety taken from stock which passed the certification requirements last year.

To meet the practices of farm economy in all counties two different rulings govern the oats competitions.

In the counties of Madawaska, Kings Albert and Charlotte, the contests in oats-growing shall be what are termed "Standing Field Crop Competitions" in which the prizes are awarded on the scores given for field examination. In all other counties the oat-growing contests are for combined standing crop and threshed, cleaned seed requiring two examinations and in which the prizes are awarded partly on the basis of the field score and partly on the quality of the seed after cleaning and grading.

LIST BY COUNTIES

The number of competitions and their assignment by counties is as follows:

Five Potato Competitions,—1. Restigouche, 2. Gloucester, 3. Kent—Westmorland, 4. York—Sunbury, 5. Carleton—Victoria.

Four standing seed crop competitions,—1. Madawaska, 2. Kings, 3. Albert, 4. Charlotte.

Five combined competitions seed oats,—1. Restigouche, 2. Northumber-

land—Gloucester, 3. Kent, 4. Westmorland, 5. St. John River Valley.

Four combined seed wheat competitions—1. Gloucester—Northumberland, 2. Kent, 3. Westmorland, 4. St. John River Valley Section.

The sum of \$100 will be apportioned to each of the standing seed competitions with oats.

The sum apportioned in the combined grain competitions shall vary, according to the number of entries, from \$100 where there are ten entries, to \$170, when there are twenty entries or more. The scale of awards will be as follows:—

With ten entries seven awards, viz \$25, \$20, \$15, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10.

Where there are fifteen entries the total sum of prizes shall be \$130, divided into ten awards, viz. \$25, \$20, \$15, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10.

With twenty entries or more there shall be twelve awards, viz \$30, \$25, \$15, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10, \$10.

Those who are entitled to receive prize money will be obliged to display a sample of their product at the Provincial Seed Fair which will be held at Woodstock in the Spring of 1931.

Entries in the potato competitions close positively on June 15th. All applications for inspection of potatoes are required to be filed with the Federal Division of Botany at this time. Entries may be made with the Chief Inspector Potato Certification Service, Plant Pathological Laboratory Fredericton, P. O. Box 940, when making application for inspection on the form supplied by that office.

Entries in the grain competition close June 30th.

No entry fees are charged. Entries received from other Counties will be included with the nearest named competition.

The minimum acreage which shall constitute an entry in the standing Seed Crop is one acre. In the combined Standing Crop and Graded Seed Competitions the minimum acreage that shall constitute an entry are:—Wheat, two acres; Oats, three acres; potatoes, one acre.

Entries should be addressed to the Superintendent of Soils and Crops Division, (Department of Agriculture, Fredericton.

A LONDON TICKET MAN WHO CANNOT BE CHEATED

(by W. H. Millgate in The Detroit News).

London.—You don't need brains nowadays when you go to buy your ticket for a trip on the London subway. All you have to do is to give an automatic machine your money and watch it do the thinking for you. This is what it does:

It accepts your money.

It counts it, and, in the process, tells you how much you have turned in.

Bad coins are turned back with lightning rapidity.

It passes you a ticket when you have paid accurate fare.

It hands you back your change.

This chap is the latest in ticket "men." It's "positively uncanny" was the declaration of one passenger who tried to fool it only to watch it signal to him to pull the bunk or he wouldn't get a ticket at all.

As a labor saving device advance, this machine is not a step; it is a flying leap forward, for it represents almost the final stage towards the complete elimination of the ticket office. It is the forerunner of machines to cover every fare stage.

This one only deals with the three-pence or six-cent stage. To cover the remainder is a question of adaptation. Before it was put into use, all the coin juggling tricks imaginable were tried out on it in vain. It demonstrated itself foolproof.

Suppose you have no change. You slip a shilling into the slot. Out comes your ticket and change—a sixpence and three pennies. Put a sixpence into it and it turns you back three pennies with your ticket.

Try to get a ticket by slipping three half pennies into it. The machine counts them up and registers 1½d received and another 1½ to come. You can put in any combination of coins you like. The machine keeps pace with you. It is an automatic added and simply refuses to be cheated.

For automatic advancement, this London subway deserves to be handed the palm. You pass from the automatic change counter and ticket supplier to the automatic stairs which carry you automatically to the lower or rail levels. There you board trains where the doors automatically close behind you and catch your foot if you don't hustle.

The train starts at the behest of an automatic signal and stops automatically if the driver collapses on the job. Then the whole system is automatically held up till a relief man takes the job and the train moves forward, automatically registering its progress in the control box miles away and automatically manipulating the signals as it passes them. At the end of the journey you're carried aloft once more on the automatic stairs where, with a muttered prayer of thanks, for here is a human, you hand a real man your ticket and pass out onto the sidewalk.

A western railroad claims to have carried 400,000,000 passengers without a fatality. Without even one from apoplexy, brought on by the effort to get a window open?

A collision is an argument which neither side wins.

Here and There

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Arrangements have been completed whereby the arrival in Canada of the R-100, Britain's huge airliner, will be broadcast throughout Canada and the United States by the Trans-Canada Broadcasting Company and the National Broadcasting Company, according to announcement recently made by R. W. Ashcroft, manager of the former company. The official broadcast, which includes the arrival of the ship and attendant ceremonies, will be carried from coast to coast of the Dominion over the new radio programme broadcasting transmission system of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's telegraphs.

Welcoming the latest addition to the Canadian Pacific Railway's fleet of 19 passenger vessels on ocean and coastal service in British Columbia, Vancouver recently congratulated the railway on its initiative and foresight in building upon the west coast of Canada a service second to none, on the occasion of the arrival of the "Princess Elizabeth" at the Pacific port. The sister ship, "Princess Joan" arrived at Victoria the following day. The "Elizabeth" was welcomed by the Mayor of Vancouver.

Marking the passing of another milestone in the history of the company, the recently constructed Canadian Pacific branch line from Willingdon to Vegreville, a distance of about 20 miles, was declared open for traffic recently with the arrival of the first passenger train at the Vegreville station.

With a record reservation list indicating a very busy season ahead, the Banff Springs Hotel welcomed its first guests of the year May 15. Considerable improvement work has been done on the 18 hole golf course which was virtually ready for play on opening day.

Development of fruit growing on the prairies has been one of the features of agricultural progress in recent years in western Canada. Patches of native gooseberries, currants and raspberries have evolved into orchards containing many varieties of plums, cherries, apples and small fruits. The largest acreages are devoted to strawberries and raspberries.

A recent official compilation shows that farm live stock in Canada in 1929 was valued at \$864,167,000 as compared with \$696,472,000 in 1926. Canada's poultry population in 1929 numbered 60,899,782, valued at \$63,854,000.

A forest in embryo—250 acres of jack and white pine—has been planted by the Saskatchewan forestry service in the Prince Albert region. H. P. Eisler, forestry engineer, states that the transplanting of 2,000,000 nursery seedlings and stock is the largest of such programmes in the history of the province.

While the official opening of the Welland Ship Canal, constructed at a cost of \$120,000,000, will not take place until next July, the northern section was unofficially opened to traffic recently when the steamer Georgian entered Lock No. 1 from Port Weller, the Lake Ontario end of the canal, and passed through to Lake Erie.

THE AMERICAN WOMEN WANT INDEPENDENCE

New York, May 26—American Women, according to one of their latest kindly critics, Alice Schalek, Viennese newspaper woman, have "only one passion—independence."

Miss Schalek, one of the most widely travelled of European women journalists, said in an interview today that the idea of independence was the predominant note in feminine life in this country today. She found that American business women "are firmly convinced in their own minds that they are happier without men."

On her present visit after 15 years absence, Miss Schalek, a writer for the noted Neue Freie Press, met hundreds of women, particularly women in business.

"All of them," she said, "declare, I love my work; I love my independence; I feel free and don't want to be tied down. I don't want to have to explain to somebody where I'm going and why—I had better stay away from men and be my own boss."

She said she could scarcely escape the conclusion that the women meant what they said when they declared themselves happy without men. She was likewise impressed by the camaraderie between girls and older women—something, she said, one would scarcely encounter in Europe.

"In America," she said, "women try to help one another. At home a gathering of women would be gossiping and quarrelling."

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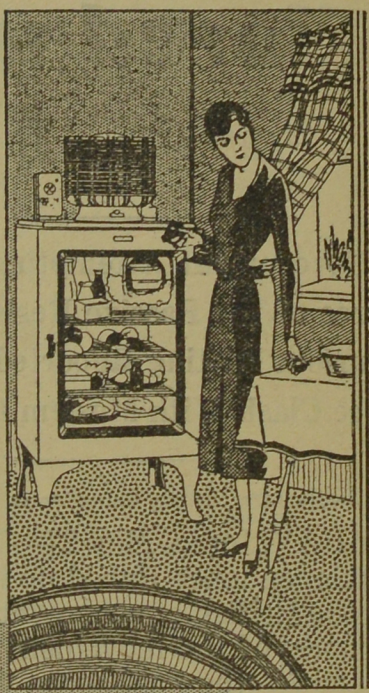
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