

Special activities set had various functions

4-H participation in the 'Freedom from Hunger' campaign, drawing up recommendations respecting program and the exploration other areas in which 4-H might be responsible were first-year responsibilities of the 'special activities' committee named a year ago.

Nine provinces participated in the program in its first year of operation, committee chairman C. L. Usher reported.

Work of the committee and participating clubs brought early action and, through funds collected, Moses Pholoba, Bechuanaland, South Africa, was brought to this country for one year of study at the Coady International Institute, St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, N.S.

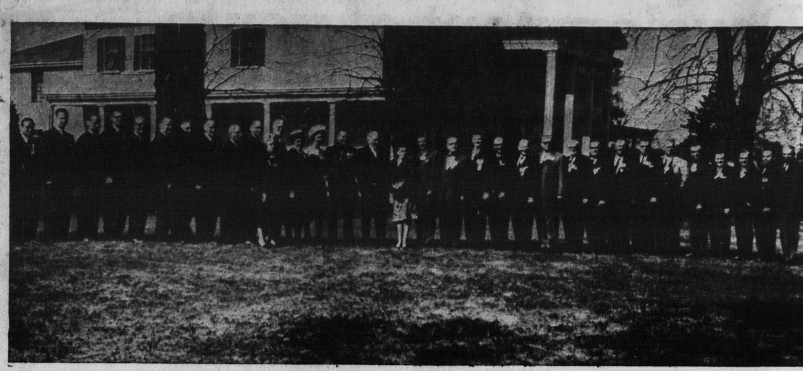
Mr. Pholoba has since returned to his country but the training he has received in social leadership, co-operation and rural development will, he feels, be extremely beneficial to him in working with his own people.

A final evaluation of our participation in Freedom from Hunger is not yet possible. However, everything points to it having been a successful program.

A poll of the provinces taken early in 1964 indicated general satisfaction with the project. There was no, however, full agreement that the project should be continued in 1964.



Miss Jeannie Hache, Bathurst, N.B. and Moses Pholoba Bechuanaland, Africa, meet at the 33rd annual meeting of the Canadian Council of 4-H Clubs here in Charlottetown last month. Mr. Pholoba was the first recipient of the Canadian 4-H Club Freedom from Hunger fellowship.



The Canadian Council of 4-H Clubs met in Charlottetown in annual session last month. Their business sessions proved to be highly educational as well as interesting and their social activities were indeed popular affairs. One of the most enjoyable of the social events was the visit to Government House where His Honour Lt.-Gov. W. J. MacDonald and Mrs. MacDonald proved ideal hosts. The group is seen here on the lawn in front of the historic building.

Top leadership a necessity in scientific agriculture

The youth of today have a wonderful life ahead of them, they must prepare themselves well to give leadership in the vital field of scientific agriculture and I think the 4-H program of education is a splendid preparation for the world of the future.

The director of the Coady International Institute - it's named after Rev. Dr. M. M. Coady, one of the great pioneers in the field of adult education, believes the 4-H program, of head, heart, hands and health work for the integration of the whole human personality; body and soul, with all their facilities.

IN CONFORMITY with so doing, it conforms to the traditional philosophy of Christian education, the most important plank in the platform of Christian, democratic, 'Western' way of life. For 'Christian education takes in the whole aggregate of human life, physical and spiritual, intellectual and moral, individual, domestic and social, not with a view of reducing it in any way, but in order to elevate, rectify and perfect it, in accordance with the example and teaching of Christ.

NOT LET UP "We must work without ceasing, to maintain and assure man's ascendancy in the order of created things. For whatever the progress in technology and economic life, there can be neither justice nor peace in the world, so long as man fails to realize how great is their dignity."

Because of the special interest of 4-H Club members in agriculture, he said, "I must say a few words here about scientific agriculture. Approximately two-thirds of the world's population have an agricultural economy. The most pressing problems of our day have to do with resources and population, with fertility of the soil and with human fertility. A new world, if it is a world in which reason prevails, will bring the answers to these problems and others related to them.

"I hope that 4-H members around the world will become what Dr. Sen, Director General of the FAO, has called 'scientist humanists.' By this he means men who will use all the genius of science to discover the hidden secrets of nature, and who will breathe into science a concern for the needs of humanity everywhere. There is already reason for optimism because, as is evidenced by the reports of the World Freedom from Hunger campaign, many

men of good will are co-operating to reach the ultimate goal of freeing the world from hunger. This, says Dr. Sen, will not be realized soon, nor in ten or twenty years. But the happy wedding of scientific research with a genuine concern of man for his fellow-man on a global scale, in this our age, gives us reason to rejoice and to face the future unafraid."

LEADER CONVINCED "There are many world leaders today who are convinced in these terms: 'When we read throughout the rest of this century will be the economic advancement of the developing countries, Mr. Smyth reported. Already, said the speaker, there are great and imaginative things happening in the agricultural industry.

"A year ago, in an address commemorating the 50th anniversary of 4-H in Canada, the Deputy Minister of Agriculture for New Brunswick, Mr. R.D. Gilbert, referred to the future in these terms: 'When we read and hear of the world which is to be - a world in which space travel will be commonplace, when medical diagnosis will be greatly aided and abetted by computer, when atomic energy will be widely available for household use, and when factories will be operated by remote control - we should stop and consider for a moment the great and imaginative things that are happening with respect to our agricultural industry. One of Canada's leading bankers recently had this to say:

"In the past fifteen years, the production per man hour in agriculture has increased 48 per cent, which vastly exceeds any other industry in Canada. While agriculture ranks sixth in terms of its contribution to the gross domestic product, farm workers with their 48 per cent productivity rank and the list of all classes of workers."

"I urge you to think about these things, to plan and work and pray for the fruition in the new world of today's lofty and ambitious. Let us be confident and hopeful. We have good reason to be. Despite the prophets of doom, the world CAN feed its population. There CAN be a new world, a better world. This was the conclusion of the World Food Congress held in Washington last June. Perhaps the best approach for the future came in these words: 'There is, below the surface, a stirring of forces which can transform the scene. It is these forces which distinguish the climate of the 1940's from that of 1963. In the first place we now have the certainty of possessing the know-how for abolishing hunger and malnutrition...'

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OLD HOME WEEK Aug. 17th - 22nd

Throughout the years, the 4-H movement has proven its worth to the youth of Prince Edward Island. Congratulations and best wishes for future success.

WELCOME 4-H MEMBERS FUN FOR ALL Provincial Exhibition Assn. and Charlottetown Driving Park

HON. MR. MACRAE Minister has praise

4-H Club activity continues to show an increase on Prince Edward Island with more clubs organized in both the calf and garment clubs. The interchange of 4-H Clubs members with other Canadian provinces has stimulated a greater interest in this fine movement.

DRAWLING BEES LONDON (CP) - Conservative MP Sir John Maitland says the 27,000 bees he imported from the U.S. for his garden near Spilby are definitely from Texas because "they buzz with a drawl."

CHECK SPORTSMEN FORT FRANCES, Ont. (CP) - Lands and forests conservation officers in the Fort Frances district checked 14,620 hunters and fishermen between April 1, 1963 and March 31, 1964. There were 166 seizures, 79 warnings and 138 prosecutions, all but one of them resulting in convictions.

THE NEW PRESIDENT This is Norman D. Hogg, Toronto who was appointed president of the Canadian Council of 4-H Clubs when the annual sessions were held in Charlottetown early last month. Mr. Hogg succeeds G. L. Landon, Victoria, B.C.