

# Australians Like Yank Evangelist

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NEW YORK (AP) — To begin with, things looked bad. Australian evangelists generally had no taste for fiery American evangelists. Often they had been openly hostile. Moreover, Billy Graham was ailing. Doctors told him to take it easy, or else.

Nevertheless, he went. That was 2½ months ago, and today, Graham's crusade down under, now nearing its final phase, has become the religious wonder of the Pacific continent.

Even for Graham, the record results have been astonishing. In a country of 10,000,000, with its traditional churchy reserve, attendance at Graham meetings so far totals nearly 1,500,000 and more than 60,000—surpassing any Graham campaign yet—have made "decisions for Christ."

It has been, as Melbourne's Anglican archbishop, Most Rev. Frank Woods, summed it up, "most remarkable."

Just before the Australian cam-

paign, physicians found Graham to be suffering from a rare eye affliction—a clot behind the left retina. Fatigue could be dangerous.

Graham took a two-week rest in Hawaii last February, then headed into the long, arduous Australian schedule, taking cortisone injections and other treatments as the campaign rolled on.

Despite a restricted schedule, his Australian odyssey has racked up one record after another in a record-setting religious career.

Commented an Australian magazine, Pix: "Graham is weary, ill, drawing on reserves of nervous energy given to few men. His cheeks are hollow, his eyes sunken... but alive with a feverish fire that is driving him on... but surely consuming him. Perhaps it is the only hope of the world that he might succeed before he goes to the God that he loves with such infinite passion."

### Club Members Hard To Find Council Told

TORONTO (CP)—Finding sufficient members interested in the same project to form a club is a problem for 4-H Club leaders in sparsely-populated parts of Canada, Dave Peacock, P.E.I. representative, told the Canadian Council on 4-H Clubs as the annual meeting closed here this week.

Multiple-project clubs seem to be the answer, he said.

"There were three reasons for launching these multiple-project clubs in my province; in some areas there were only about 10 prospective club members interested in a specific project; in other cases membership had dropped to levels too low to carry on in a specific project; many members lost interest when the same project work was carried on year after year."

Mr. Peacock said the result has been that, for the last few years, more than one breed of dairy or beef calf, or both dairy and beef calves, are involved in calf clubs.

### SEA MONSTERS

Walruses of Alaskan waters may reach 12 feet in length, weighing up to 3,000 pounds.

### FARM DISAPPEARANCE

In 1911 there were 14,000 farms of all sizes in the province. By 1956 the number had fallen to something over 9,000, a loss of almost 5,000. In 1911 there were almost 5,000 farms which were under 50 acres in size. In 1956 there were only 1,800 in this category. Similarly the number of farms over 50 acres to 100 acres in size fell by 2,000. Actually of farms of 100 acres and over and there are more than there were 45 years ago. This seems to be conclusive proof that farms under a hundred acres in size have not been able to compete while the larger ones have been able to stay in business.

### Mites Attack Strawberries

OTTAWA — The cyclamen mite, most serious animal pest of strawberry, threatens the 1959 crop in Nova Scotia with heavy infestations, reports Horticultural D. L. Craig of the Kentville Research Station.

Many plantings were found to be infested with mites during the last growing season. Mites are creamish brown and extremely small but they can be seen through a magnifying glass feeding on the young developing leaves and fruit stalks. The leaves attacked become discolored and die and the stalk turns brown and becomes deformed. The symptoms are often mistaken for certain virus diseases.

Infested dormant plants can be rid of the mites by immersion for 20 minutes in water heated to 120 degrees Fahrenheit. Directions for the use of chemicals to treat infested plants in the field can be obtained free from the Agricultural Representative, the

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### NORTHERN MARKETS

As a practical and concrete effort to stimulate trade between the Maritime Provinces and the far north with Goose Bay Air Base particularly in mind, arrangements have been made for a ship to pick up cargo at Inuit and at Saint John and Charlottetown if sufficient cargo offers. The first sailing will be on June 15 and if the experiment is to be a success it is important that our business people make every effort to make sales and provide tonnage for the shipment.

The first step for prospective suppliers is to get in touch with the nearest regional office of the Department of Defense Production and make sure that their firm is registered as a supplier. At the moment there are opportunities for supplying potatoes, canned foods, meats, lumber, cement, household appliances, hardware, sugar, plumbing fixtures, paint and roofing materials. If interested suppliers are prepared to make a trip to Goose Bay and do some selling, there is a very good prospect that trade with the far north can become a reality rather than just something to talk about.

### DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS

A whole new field with interesting possibilities opens up with the decision of the Federal Government to withdraw its offer of purchase with respect to eggs and pork under the price support program.

Present indications are that instead of the Government buying the surplus product it will undertake to make up to the producer the difference between the actual market price and a level of support price determined as satisfactory. As an example if the support price on hogs were set at \$23 and the market actually brought \$20, then the difference would be made up by a deficiency payment. Coupled with this change of policy is a very strong indication that payments will be limited in total to the end that producers above a certain volume will not receive the subsidization. The implications in this sort of policy are extremely interesting. First of all we have an attempt by Government to limit the total income to individual farmers.

We must also limit for practical purposes the size of the productive unit. With national economic forces pinching off at a rapid rate the least efficient of the smaller producers and Government action limiting size in the upper bracket an active attempt to determine the size of farm operators becomes apparent.

Without any control over production price support based on an offer to purchase can involve Governments in complicated storage problems and marketing ones of suitable magnitude. Deficiency payments of course relieve a Government of the two above mentioned problems but can involve them in quite heavy expenditure should the market price of such products as hogs and eggs fall to levels much below a guarantee.

Such an industry as agriculture made up as it is of so many independent productive units is not an easy one to regulate or even for that matter to assist without producing complications. Certainly there is every need and very good reason to bolster the farmer's income at the present time over and above what present economic conditions will provide. There is evidence of some real concern on the part of farm groups upon the present trend in the price support field and very likely public interest in this question will develop at a rapid rate with considerable difference of opinion.

### PASTURE IMPROVEMENT

Only one week remains till the deadline (May 15) for making entry in the Pasture Improvement Competition. Twenty entries are required in each county before a competition will be held. At time of writing there is need for more entries. This is in effect a warning or notice that if a good many entries do not come in during the following week that the competition may be called off for lack of support. There is still plenty of time to make your entry, if you have already gone so and would like to see the competition go ahead why not persuade someone else to make application. Queens County at the moment has the smallest number and requires the most effort.

mittee meetings. The first one will review the material for presentation on May 13 to the Senate Committee on Land Use. The Senate Committee is centering its attention at the present time on the particular problem of the small farm. With the amount of thought presently being given to this matter the Senate may expect a considerable volume of opinion and recommendation.

The second matter holding the interest of the Federation is related to the recently announced deficiency payment plan on hogs. Evidently considerable concern exists in the industry and demands have been made for the C. F. A. to deal with it. Present plans are for the hog people to

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