

This fire looked like a serious matter but it was found the Port Dover Fire Department had been asked to destroy it. The garage was in a tumble down condition. (Staff Photo)

On The Farm Front

An article in the March issue of Good Farming says that Agriculture generates 42 percent of Canada's Gross National Product.

Agriculture contributed \$26 billion to the Canadian economy in 1967 — an economy which produced a total of over \$62 billion. Farmers produced about \$4.4 billion worth of farm products in 1967, but this actually generated \$9.2 billion because of the

multiplier effect from purchases of fertilizers, chemicals, feeds, etc., that pays the wages of manufacturers and so on down the line.

The food industry added nearly \$4 billion to the value of agricultural products — this generated over \$11 billion in incomes again due to the multiplier effect. And the retailing business added another \$3.8 billion to the value of agricultural products generating \$5.7 billion in incomes.

To quote the article further:—"the Canadian economy is married to agriculture and there is no way out at present. So when agriculture is having troubles, the Canadian economy is having troubles. Let's hope our policy-makers appreciate this as they attempt to extricate agriculture from its problems."

Haldimand Soil and Crop Improvement Association projects are now practically lined up for 1970. There is always room however to make adjustment in plans for a new idea or suggestion.

One project that is difficult to make final plans for is a field meeting to be held on alfalfa weevil control. The committee will be looking for a fairly good stand of alfalfa with a fairly serious infestation. Part of

Meeting Of Mary - Edith Group

The Mary Edith Group of the W.M.S. held their April meeting at the home of Mrs. Edith Keen with 12 ladies present.

The president opened the meeting with a suitable reading and prayer. The roll call, containing a verse of scripture pertaining to

sowing and planting brought forth a good response. The next meeting will be held in the church hall with Mrs. Murray Biggar as hostess and Mrs. J. W. McBurney as program convener.

Mrs. Roy Jepson gave the very appropriate topic

under three headings, namely: "Consider the Orange How They Grow," "Break Through Needed" and Easter 1970. Mrs. Murray Biggar read three appropriate bible readings for each heading. Mrs. Orill Almas then led in prayer.

Two interesting readings were given, "The Foreign Missionaries at Your Door" and "The Church That Gave Money Away." The latter told of a church that gave five dollars to each member who was willing to try to use it to make more money for the church treasury.

At the close of the meeting the hostess served refreshments.

The courtesy remarks were given by Mrs. George Swing.

A sale of baking was held, which offered a fair profit.

Grand River

Women's Institute

Mrs. R. Alton was Hostess for the April meeting of the Grand River Women's Institute.

Mrs. Johnson opened the meeting, by extending a welcome to 10 members, and one visitor.

The roll call, Suggestions For Fire Prevention, was answered by all present.

Our Institute is sponsoring a bus trip to Toronto, on May 20. Anyone wishing to go on the trip should get in touch with Mrs. E. Farnsworth, or Mrs. Ken Barlow.

Our thanks and appreciation were extended to Mrs. R. Roadhouse for the work she did on curtains for Lymburner Community centre.

All officers were returned for the coming year, and since there is no President, the program convener for each month will act. This worked out well last year.

Card report was given by Mrs. Barlow.

The Program on safety, was conducted by Mrs. Johnson. The Motto, "The Cheerful Man", was given by Mrs. Shaw. The topic, "There is no point in driving fast", read by Mrs. Roadhouse, revealed you'll be doing yourself, and your car a good turn by slowing down, and you'll only lose a few minutes in the process. Farm safety was read by Mrs. Alder, and driving at night was read by Mrs. McIntyre. Mrs. C. Topp read Let's shed some light on pedestrian and Cyclist safety after dark.

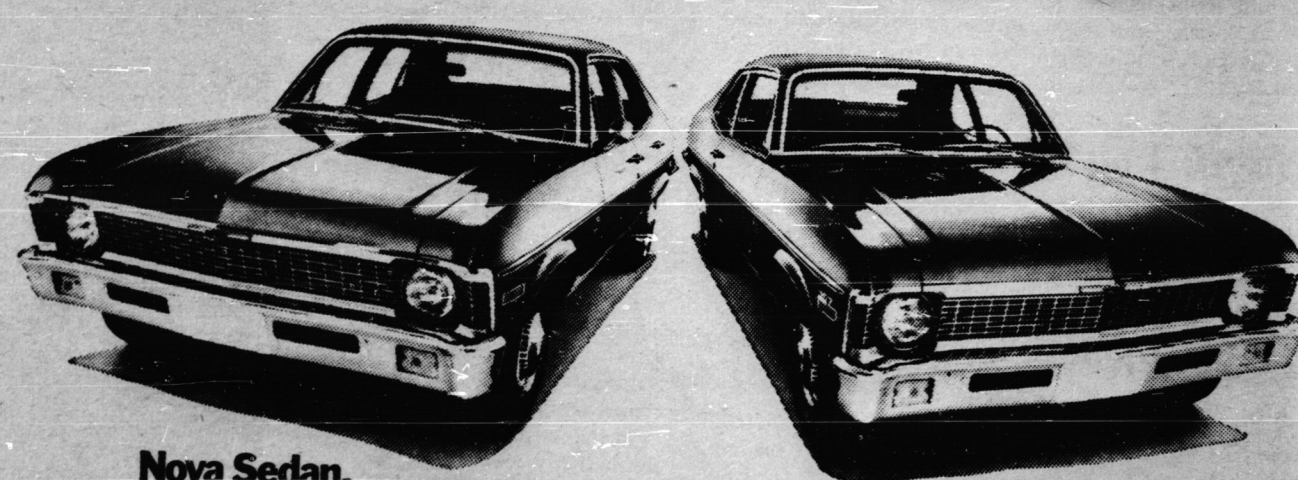
A large folder of road signs was displayed and studied. Mrs. E. Sutor expressed our thanks to the Hostess for the lovely afternoon enjoyed by all and the meeting closed with The Queen.

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Editorial Comment

Enriching Our Assets

The latest report of the royal commission of bilingualism and biculturalism has some recommendations designed to benefit Canada's minority ethnic groups.

It makes these suggestions:

Teaching of languages other than French and English should take place in elementary schools where there is sufficient demand for such options;

More advanced instruction and a wider range of language and related subject options should be available in public high schools should sufficient demand exist;

For degree in Canadian universities, the universities should expand studies in humanities and social sciences relating to the minority languages;

All provinces should have laws prohibiting any form of racial or cultural discrimination and each should have full-time administrators of human rights legislation.

Since the end of the Second World War Canada has absorbed many immigrants whose native tongue is neither English nor French. The steps proposed by the B and C commission are designed to help these immigrants become a part of the pattern of Canadian life. As such, they are to be commended.

The largest number of newcomers to Canada are from Great Britain, statistics for recent years show, with Italians second and people from the United States third.

The commission draws the conclusion that no group whose language is other than English or French comprises a big enough fraction in any part of the country to justify institution of any other official languages.

"It is within these two societies (English-speaking and French-speaking) that their cultural distinctiveness should find a climate of respect and encouragement to survive," the report says.

These comments make good sense. Because of our diversity of population, we can no longer look upon Canada as a predominantly Anglo-Saxon country or as containing a preponderance of people of either British or French origin.

The new arrivals from other countries have helped to enrich us culturally and socially. We should be the stronger for it, welcoming these newcomers and trying to make them feel at home.

If we are prepared to share our economic advantages with these people of many races and to treat them as social equals, they could become one of our greatest assets.

Wise, Unwise and Otherwise

by The Old Owl

Income Tax

At this time of the year people are either engaged in a mad scramble to get their Income Tax returns in before the deadline, or are sitting back with a superior smile because they have sent it in. I sent mine in yesterday. Paying any kind of tax is annoying, you pay out good money and have nothing tangible to show for it. Maybe there is a kind of hangover from the Middle Ages when taxes went to keep the Royal Court in luxury on money taken from half starved peasants. This is not the case with income tax, as a little thought will show.

Income Tax is based on a very good principle, namely that the rich should help the poor. The whole idea of the complicated form is to find out your exact income, not too little and not too much. Personally, I think that a lot of people in the lower income brackets who now have to pay the tax should not have to pay, they really cannot afford to do so. How about extending the Personal exemption from \$1,000 to \$2,000? However, I am not trying to make out that all Income Tax payments go to help the poor in the various welfare schemes. This tax also has to provide the cost of government, of the Defence Forces, some scientific research, payments of the salaries of M.P.s and M.L.A.s and so on. I have no figures but my impression is that, although welfare, medicare and so on are quite large amounts, they are only a comparatively small part of the total received through Income Tax. Maybe I am wrong.

However, let us go back to the idea of a tax being something where you pay out a lot of good money and get nothing tangible in return. What do you get for your money? You get good roads, next time you are driving along a good highway you can say "I helped to pay for this." If you feel tempted to step on the gas and the policeman stops you, you can reflect that your income tax helps to pay his salary. You may be annoyed at being fined by him, but the next day he may be putting his life in danger seeking to arrest an armed thief. Be honest and recognize how very important our good highways and our good Provincial Police are and you will realise where part of your tax dollar has gone.

Along much the same line are our defence forces. Hellyer succeeded in making a bad tasting omelette out of these, but they are still there. Would you like to reduce your income tax by abolishing the Defence Forces?

Then there are the grants, subsidies etc., too numerous to list, by the Provincial and Canadian Governments. These all serve some good purpose, and they form other tangible returns you get from your Income Tax dollar.

Tutoring Indian Children

EDMONTON (CP) — About 70 students from the University of Alberta are spending about two hours a week tutoring Indian children in an effort to smooth the transition between isolated northern Alberta high schools and more-sophisticated big-city schools.

The free tutoring service is provided to Indian students — most of them at the high school level — by the university's Wauneta Society. The department of Indian affairs also provides textbooks and a bus to transport students to the university.

The Indian students have shown great enthusiasm for the service.

"We're still receiving applications from the Indian people — and accepting them," said Joan Irving, one of the university's co-ordinators for the program.

Miss Irving said in an interview that English and "new math" are the most requested subjects, but the university has trouble finding students to tutor in new math, possibly because many left high school before the new system began.

"Many of the Indian students have a poor background in English," Another problem was that many students from small, isolated towns are not prepared for city life.

"These kids come down here cold. They don't know how to get from point A to point B."

"They don't get enough guidance about their programs either. When they decide what they want to do in future, they have a hard time switching programs."

The Indian students who come to Edmonton are boarded with white families during the school year and problems often arise there, Miss Irving said.

"There were about 250 of these kids in the city in September, but I imagine most of them have gone home now. They get really disillusioned."

"I'd rather be going to school at home," said one 16-year-old girl.

"It's a smaller town and when you're in a small town you know everybody and things are cheaper. You don't have to pay for everything you do."

But, she says, there are only about 80 high school students from home and the government didn't want to build a high school there because they said there weren't enough people.

"I think the government would be saving money if they just built the school. Then they wouldn't have to pay the travel, board and allowance of all the students they send to Edmonton and Yellowknife."

Homiesick when she arrived here, she said the situation in her boarding home didn't help.

"I'm taking orders right and left."

Mrs. J. E. Kerans, supervisor of the government's Edmonton boarding home program for Indian students, said there had been about 250 students in the city in the fall.

Friends N' Neighbors

Mrs. Harold Hesketh has returned home after six weeks spent in Toronto, Dorval and Shawinigan Falls, Quebec. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Harper brought her up from Toronto returning home the following day.

Mrs. A. A. Miller accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Alex Duncan to Grimsby on Thursday last.

The Simcoe Little Theatre has completed its itinerary for the season, many Jarvis members have enjoyed the 1969-70 programs which were completed on Wednesday evening.

The Rev. and Mrs. Earl M. Sider both members of the Haldimand Museum

Wants Bottles Outlawed

HURON — Bruce Liberal MPP Murray Gaunt wants non-returnable bottles outlawed in Ontario.

He introduced a bill in the Ontario Legislature today that prohibits the manufacture, import or sale of any fluid beverage that is contained in a non-returnable bottle.

Mr. Gaunt said, "Earth Day, this Wednesday, is a time to stop and consider what we can do about the mountains of garbage that are growing around us each day."

One of the greatest contributors to this mounting pile of garbage is the no-deposit bottle. Americans are discarding more than 28 billion bottles and jars each year."

Gaunt blamed the throw-away bottle for ruining automobile tires, cutting swimmers' feet and littering the countryside.

Delinquent

We read in the papers, we hear on the air, Of killing and stealing and crime everywhere.

We sigh and we say as we notice this trend, "This young generation! Where will it all end?"

But can we be sure that it's their fault alone? That maybe most of it isn't really our own?

Too much money to spend, too much idle time, Too many movies of passion and of crime;

Too many books not fit to be read, Too much of evil in what they hear said;

Too many children encouraged to roam, By too many parents who won't stay at home.

Kids don't make the movies, they don't write the books, They paint a gay picture of gangsters and crooks.

They don't make the liquor, they don't run the bars, They don't make the laws and they don't make the cars.

They don't make the drugs that addle the brain, It's all done by older folks greedy for gain.

Thus is so many cases it must be confessed The label "Delinquent" fits older folks best.

IT FLOATS!

Most woods float because of the air space within individual wood cells. The cell wall material itself for all species is about one and one half times the weight of water.

Board spent an evening recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Duffy who have moved from Jarvis to the Old Fleming home at Erie. This beautiful home is on the property from which was given the land for Chalmers Presbyterian Church and cemetery. The Siders were also dinner guests of Mrs. Winnie Laidlaw last week and with others from Champsie also attended the Lucky Luncheon at Nanticoke sponsored by the U.C.W.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brueton and children were in Jarvis over the weekend. Miss Grace Walter and Mrs. Lenora West of Toronto with Mrs. Gordon Laslett of Mount Hope were among those who were in Jarvis over the weekend, attending festivities in honor of Dr. Eleanor Johnson.

Miss Jane Linklater of the University of Guelph is spending three weeks at her home here.

A family dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Linklater in honor of Doctor Eleanor Johnson and her fiancé Mr. Fred Grimm who will be married on Saturday. About thirty relatives were present.

Dr. Eleanor Johnson who has been doing Post Graduate studies at the

Toronto sick children's Hospital for the past two years has accepted a senior position in pediatrics at the sick children's hospital in Akron, Ohio.

Mrs. John Hodgson with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bourne of Grimsby and Mrs. Bartlett of Beamsville were weekend guests of relatives in Jarvis.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne McCulligh of Mississauga, Ont., formerly of Manitoulin Island spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Chisholm.

Mrs. Robert Schoby, Mrs. Pauline Easterday and Mrs. Thomas Barrett of Cleveland, Ohio were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hohnson.

Miss Kathy Hamburg, of Iserlohn, Westphalia, West Germany, along with her friend Miss Robbi Hart of Camp Borden, spent several days last week visiting her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Stan Burditt.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Burditt and Miss Kathy Hamburg, motored to Trenton, Canadian Air Force Base for Miss Hamburg to board the plane on her return flight to Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Stan Burditt went on to Belleville to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ron MacInnis. Stan and Ron were overseas together during World War 2.

Counter Clockwise

20 YEARS AGO

We were advised yesterday by Reeve Walker, of Jarvis and Mr. J. I. Parson, Clerk of Walpole Township, that Daylight Saving Time in both municipalities would go into effect at 2 a.m. Sunday, April 30.

Have You Heard?

A placid old lady, who took life philosophically, sat knitting in the drawing-room. To her came rushing, her ten-year-old granddaughter.

"Oh, granny," cried the girl, "father's just fallen off the roof."

"I know, my child," replied the old lady, without even raising her eyes, "I saw him pass the window."

Exams Aren't
Sole Standard

Dr. Florence S. Dunlop, supervisor of auxiliary classes and psychologist of public schools, Ottawa, captivated the large gathering of men and women who attended the twenty-first banquet of the Ontario Federation Home and School Association. Dr. Dunlop spoke on the "Handicapped Child." "Do what you can to break

30 YEARS AGO

Solemnity At Rotterdam
Far away from his country the mortal remains of the Canadian Under-Officer-Flier of the Royal Air Force J. Miller have been buried with military honours.

It is only a few months ago since this 26 year old young man left his home, the little town of Jarvis in Ontario, to offer his services to the British Air Force. It is tragic that this young man at the beginning of his life, had to find his death, not by the action of the enemy, but by the action of a pursuit plane of a country which holds friendly connections with his. In all these inexorable consequences, he had to experience that our country takes very seriously, the maintenance of a precious good; our strict neutrality.

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