

Federation News

by OTTO CRONE

Unemployment is an unfavourable and touchy dinner topic at anytime of the year. However, it is also a subject which one cannot avoid with the hope that ignoring the problem will cause it to disappear.

With the barring of school doors, thousands of highschool and university students have been thrown into the field with regularly unemployed persons to join

in the search for a job - any kind of a job.

Agriculture, particularly in the field of fruit and cash crops, has always been a large source of income for students, as well as housewives, who need a summer job to earn extra money and escape the boredom of household drudgery.

However, as the years go by, this avenue of income is gradually disappearing. Besides the loss of cash crop

land through the spread of urbanization, farmers are also experiencing difficulty in competing against foreign countries with cheaper farm labour and thus cheaper products. As a result, it is a problem for farmers to negotiate for a competitive commodity price with other countries and yet still maintain a fair wage for our students and workers who are orientated to a higher salary and standard of living in our own country.

Farmers are discouraged and gradually giving up as fruit and vegetables from foreign countries undercut our product prices. If we continue to lose these high labour input products elsewhere, students and housewives will have to turn to other sources for their income.

Few people realize the monetary value involved in seasonal agricultural hiring. For example, farmers gross 3½ million dollars in the

cucumber-pickling industry and 50 percent of this is paid in labour. Farmers also gross 5 million dollars in the tomato-canning industry which is another area where there is a large labour scale. Tobacco farmers use 40,000 seasonal labourers for harvesting but are now experiencing bad times due to competition with U.S. and Rhodesia as well as cut quotas due to censored advertisements and publicity.

Now that these jobs are either declining or where there is no new source of income for the present future, many are unemployed.

Nanticoke News

Mr. and Mrs. R. Dennis. Mrs. Amy Rose, Georgetown and Mr. Williamsford spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis.

Mrs. Alta Saunders spent Saturday in Jarvis with sister Mrs. Pearl Reynolds. Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hogg for fathers day were, Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Thomson, Marie, Des and Todd, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Thomson and Mr. and Mrs. James McAlpine, Allison, Jason, Mrs. Jim Pond and Patricia.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown of Nanticoke, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Weaver of Caledonia were among many attending the St. James' Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Carr Dundas on Sat. June 26. The guests met and greeted the Right Honourable Lord and Lady Macdonald of Scotland.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blake Field for fathers day were Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Porter and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Field and family. Our sympathy extended to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Banfield and family on the death of Mr. Banfield's brother, Mr. Pickard Awdie Hagersville.

NO SUBSTITUTE FOR RELIGION (CP) Religion is not a substitute for getting drunk, Mr. Leonard Griffith said recently, but heavy drinking is a substitute for religion. He told his congregation at Deer Park United Church that religion brings the holy spirit into a man's life giving him an intoxication that keep him drunk with sense of adequacy, confidence and courage.

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Hagersville Highlights

SECOND BROWNIE PACK happy time of games, and a picnic lunch, all enjoyed by the Brownie Pack.

closing their regular of this term, they joined together at the Hagersville Park.

Members in the various singing events were Linda LaForme, Kim man, Kendal Davis, and Kim

signify her being the dressed (in uniform) throughout the year, a ring was presented to Miss Ouellet.

Members of the Second Brownie Pack are Mrs. Frank, Mrs. James, and Mrs. Ralph

team was Susan House,

Following Brownie Taps, the girls were wished a happy, safe summer.

PLAY DAY AT PARKVIEW Many interested parents and friends, joined the spectators at Parkview Public School Grounds on Wednesday, June 23.

Principal and staff of the school, had arranged a play day which the students thoroughly enjoyed.

There were 18 different teams, supervised by teachers and students of upper grades.

Included in the scheduled eight obstacles, were such events as skipping, balloon blowing, bean-bag tossing, suitcase race, etc.

Captain of the winning team was Susan House,

grade six. Other members of her team were, Bill Esselment and Michael Wilkins, kindergarten class, Adam Smith, grade two, Victor Segula, grade three, and Joan Shoup, grade four.

GARBAGE PICKUP The present cost of servicing the village for garbage pickup, is about \$15,000 a year.

Tenders are being called for a new garbage contract, and as a result garbage pickup could be reduced from twice a week, to once a week.

HAGERSVILLE UNITED CHURCH On Sunday June 20, a special meeting of the Board of Session of the Hagersville United Church, accepted Douglas Mitchell, son of Mr.

and Mrs. William Mitchell, as a candidate with intent for the ministry.

Following University training and enrolment in Theological College, he will be officially a candidate for the ministry.

Others from the same church who are candidates for the ministry, are - Mr. Robert Hyde, and Mr. Douglas Powell.

CHORALAIRES ENJOY CLOSING

The Choralaires singing group closed thy season with a banquet, in the Presbyterian Church Hall at Caledonia recently.

Many hilarious moments followed in the evenings entertainment of comedy, skits, songs, recitations, etc.

In closing, the group joined in the usual procedure, with the theme song, "Sleep, Sleep, Sleep." There will be several more practices for the Choralaires, as they have been invited to perform at Ontario Place on July 3, from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m.

WHITE OAKS VILLAGE SERVICE

Many ladies and gentlemen from Hagersville and surrounding area accepted the invitation to White Oaks on Sunday, June 27, at 3 p.m.

Rev. John W. Roberts conducted the enlightening Thanksgiving Service in the Chapel. He was assisted by other staff members, as well as the girls from the Christian Reformed Church, Jarvis, who led in the singing arrangements.

An appreciation tea followed the service, which

was the school's way of saying "thankyou" for all the help in the homes, birthday cakes, remedial work in the class rooms, and community support in general.

ALMAS APARTMENTS Transformation from the old High School, into 18 modern apartments.

Mr. R. F. Almas, expects to have the building ready for occupancy very soon.

The building is situated on Walpole Street, and will have two storeys. It will be 162 feet long and 60 feet wide, when completed.

Main entrance to the building will be from Walpole Street, and parking will be provided at the West end, near John Street.

Hagersville Community Centre is adjacent to the new apartments. Remodelling is certainly an improvement to the building, since it has been unoccupied for several years, and was subject to vandalism.

DONKEY BASEBALL HELD

Even though cloud bursts erupted earlier in the day, and cloudy skies prevailed until mid-afternoon, a large crowd attended the Donkey Baseball game.

The local Kinsmen Club sponsored the event, which is an enterprise of Bud Smith, RR 3, Stouffville, Ontario.

Kinsmen Ball Park, Hagersville on Friday evening, June 25, saw much in hilarious action.

Stubborn, and some active donkeys, certainly provided much in the

evening's entertainment, as did local citizens.

Following the ball game between the Oldtimers, and "Area Teachers," which resulted in a tie score, a tug-o-war was the feature.

This event of muscle, dexterity, and "pull," was between the Lion's Club, and the local Kinsmen Club. The Lions certainly roared, after winning this athletic show.

BIKE-A-THON HELD

"I feel just fine, yes, really great," said one mother after completing the 30 mile bicycle ride.

The bike-a-thon event was held on Saturday, June 24, with the registration tent being at the Hagersville Park.

Some 30 participants completed the miles, not all on bicycles, however. Several had flat tires and not only walked, but also pushed a bicycle the remainder of the route.

Amounts on sponsor sheets totalled over \$1,000 with this amount to go toward the "Purple Chicken Drop-In Centre" for local youth.

FORMER PRINCIPAL PASSES AWAY

Mr. Percy Hoag, 75 years of age, Strathroy, Ont., previously Seaforth and Lucknow, passed away at Strathroy Middlesex General Hospital on April 27, 1971. He had been ill for quite some time, and was the son of the late William D. Hoag and Mary J. McLellan. He was predeceased by his wife, the former Olive Hoag. Surviving is one sister Mrs. A. W. Gardiner (Edith) wife of Rev. Gardiner, Strathroy, Ont.

For many years Mr. Hoag, was principal of Hagersville Public School, now known as Northview.

Those who were under his guidance, can well remember how dedicated, and highly respected a gentleman he was.

GREEN SPROUTING POTATOES

Farmers may be able to grow more potatoes more quickly by green sprouting, which is forcing seed to sprout under controlled light and temperature conditions.

H. T. Davies and E. S. Allaby of the Canada Agriculture Research Station at Fredericton, N. B., found that green sprouting will help increase marketable potato yields by 16 to 28 percent.

AT THE CHURCHES

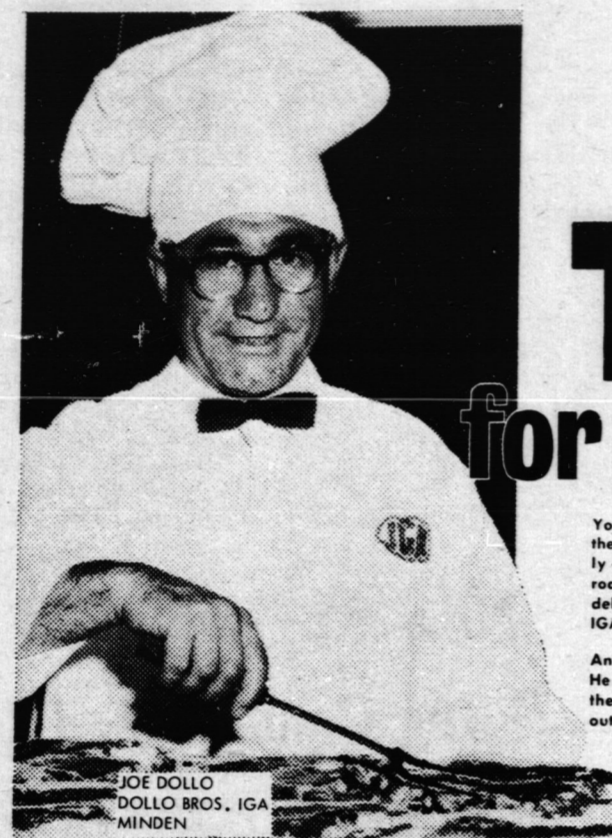
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