

Farm Machinery Values Continue To Climb

Despite the continued decline in the number of census-farms from June 1, 1966 to June 1, 1971, the market value of farm machinery and equipment, as reported by farm operators, continued to increase from \$3.6 billion to \$3.9 billion for Canada as a whole.

The machinery investment, at market value, per farm increased from \$8,300 in 1966 to \$10,700 per farm in 1971, a rise of 29 per cent.

In 1971, as in 1966, about 75 per cent of farms reported automobiles on the farm. On average, such farms had more than one automobile per farm and this increased during the five-year period, although total automobiles reported declined from 356,000 in 1966 to 324,000 in 1971.

The number of farms reporting trucks declined from 261,000 in 1966

to 248,000 in 1971 but the number of trucks increased from 345,000 to 370,000. Thus the average number of trucks per farm reporting rose from 1.3 to 1.5 during the period. There were 68 per cent of the farms reporting trucks in 1971 compared with 61 per cent in 1966.

Among all farms there were 31,000, or 8.4 per cent which reported neither auto-mobile nor truck located on the farm, but many of these would be farms on which none was living.

The number of tractors reported on farms in 1971, at 597,000 was practically unchanged from 1966. The percentage of farms with tractors increased from 85 per cent to 88 per cent and the average number of tractors increased from 1.6 to 1.9 per farm reporting.

Grain combines reported on farms in 1971

totalled 163,000 compared with 170,000 in 1966. The number per farm changed little on a national average basis but, taking into account the reduction in total number of farms, the proportion of farms with combines increased from 37 per cent in 1966 to 41 per cent in 1971.

Swathers on farms increased from 124,000 in 1966 to 140,000 in 1971 and the number of farms reporting swathers rose from 117,000 to 128,000 over the same period.

Pick-up hay balers also became more common on farms in 1971, with 153,000 reported, compared with 137,000 in 1966. Over the same period, the number of farms reporting balers rose from 135,000 to 151,000.

The number of forage harvesters increased from 24,000 in 1966 to 29,000 in 1971. While this was the least frequent of the farm machines reported in the Census of Agriculture, it showed the greatest percentage increase at 17.4 per cent. The percentage of farms reporting forage harvesters increased from 5.4 per cent in 1966 to 7.3 per cent in 1971.

Marking the general shift from dairy to beef production, farms reporting milking machines declined from 103,000 in 1966 to 81,000 in 1971. The proportion of farms with milking machines, which had risen from 22 per cent in 1961 to 24 per cent in 1966, reverted to the former level by 1971.

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200 Attend NDP Candidate Picnic

Sunday Aug. 13 the N.D.P. held a picnic at the home of candidate Ede Pos with over 200 in attendance including children.

Everyone enjoyed a social afternoon with games for the kids followed by hamburgers, hot dogs, roast corn, ice-cream and refreshments.

Where the tax proportions were relatively equal in 1951 now individuals contribute four times as much as corporations. Also, it should be pointed out that since 1947 corporate profits have increased by nearly 500 per cent while personal income per capita has risen by just a little over 300 per cent.

An appeal for funds for Mr. Pos election campaign realized \$300.

Mr. Pos reported that he and his wife spent an enjoyable afternoon visiting with the residents of Norview, and he had spent sometime at Help the Opportunities For Youth Program.

Said Mr. Pos, "We have a tremendous job of communication to do through volunteer canvassers. It is ironic that there exists a credibility gap between the electorate and the N.D.P., when the N.D.P. governments in Saskatchewan and Manitoba have a performance record of delivery on their campaign proposals.

"The credibility gap should lie with the old line parties. The Liberals and the Conservatives, with their empty high sounding promises are reactionary parties waiting for trouble to develop instead of getting down to the business of dealing with the problems that face us."

Ian Deans MPP for Hamilton Wentworth was guest speaker. Mr. Deans noted a tremendous inequity that has built up in the tax-structure over the last 20 years. In 1951 corporations paid 28 per cent of all direct federal taxes, and individuals paid 26.7 per cent. In 1973 individuals will pay 49.9 per cent of all income tax and corporations only 12.2 per cent.

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hurricane - strength storm once a year.

Reeve Frank Peart, of Oneida Township, who recently visited New York State to view the damage of Hurricane Agnes said it was "disastrous."

"Sixteen to 18 inches of rain fell and the damage was unbelievable. We have to keep this in mind. A storm like this is not impossible in this area."

Reeve John Kincaid, of Hagersville, said that perhaps those along the Grand River could have a notice in their building permits that the area may be susceptible to flooding.

Mr. Coutts said all municipalities along the Grand had been sent the information on the floodlines in June 1971 and that the GRCA's planners are working with municipal planners, when requested, on setting up green belt areas along the river.

THE Washday ADVICE BUREAU

Cottagers

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rights," and that "it will lead to property resale devaluation and to the ousting of many senior citizens who have retired in this area to spend their declining years."

"It deprives all property owners of the right to the free use of their own land, from which the township gladly accepts a full year's taxes, including school taxes."

"For over 50 years, the taxes received from cottage owners comprised a healthy share of the total budget of the township. Why suddenly have we become second class citizens?" the WTCOA asks.

The bylaw in question is part of an overall bylaw that has been before council for some years now, but has yet to be enacted.

The public meeting to air the proposed changes is a result of a decision handed down recently by the Division Court of Ontario that ruled all property owners in an area affected by a proposed bylaw should have a chance to discuss it prior to it being approved at the council level.

Following Friday's discussion, council may or may not make changes in the proposed amendment before sending it off to council's solicitors.

Following their appraisal, the bylaw would then be sent to the Ontario Municipal Board, after which residents in the area will be notified.

If there are further objections, then the OMB will call a hearing, at which time the issue will again be brought before the public.

Following that, a ruling is then made on the legal status of the bylaw.

Laundrying can become quite a problem with the wide range and variety of synthetics on the market today.

The Name Game ACRILAN ORLON DYNEL

IN TODAY'S fashion whirl more and more new fabrics are coming on to the market in response to the consumer demand for longer-lasting, easier-care clothes. In many cases natural fibres such as wool and cotton are being supplanted by synthetic or man-made textiles.

Each synthetic has its individual characteristics, which qualify it for specific jobs. Often, the synthetics are better than natural fibres, and cheaper to produce. But to get your money's worth from them in appearance and service, you have to know how to care for them.

Your best guide, of course, is the manufacturer's label, which identifies the type of fabric and usually gives laundering or cleaning instructions. (This labelling will soon be compulsory under the Canadian Standards Association regulations.) Keep the label and mark it so you will know which garment it belongs to.

There are several general classifications for synthetics which will be covered in this series of articles on their laundering and care.

Acrylics: Acrylic fibres are highly versatile, combining strength and weather-resistance with a soft, silky texture, and natural resilience. Acrylic fibre drapes well, washes easily and dries rapidly, requiring little or no ironing. It is almost shrinkproof.

The major trade names identifying acrylic fabrics are Orlon, Acrilan, Zefran and Creslan.

To launder acrylics, first pre-treat heavily soiled areas by dampening and rubbing them with a little Borateem. Leave for a few moments, then hand wash in lukewarm water. Avoid wringing or twisting the garment.

If machine-washing, use the "Wash and Wear" cycle, adding half a cup of detergent plus half a cup of a laundry additive such as Borateem. It is usually best to drip dry garments of acrylic fibres, so remove them before the final spin-dry cycle and hang on a plastic hanger, straightening seams and cuffs.

If you wish to tumble clothes dry, allow the washing cycle to finish. Set dryer on "permanent press" or low heat. Tumble clothes until they are dry, then allow to tumble for an additional ten minutes without heat (your permanent press setting will do this automatically). Re-

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