

On The Farm Front

CAYUGA - The time has arrived to check alfalfa fields for weevil damage. Egg laying punctures in stems are reported to be quite numerous. Some hatching has taken place, more can be expected. Some damage has taken place but severe damage can be expected during any warm spell of weather from 70 to 80 degrees.

The most practical control is still early cutting of hay. Where this is not possible spraying may be advisable. Contact the county agriculture office for details.

Hal Wright, secretary-manager of the Ontario Farm Machinery Advisory Board, advises that a Bus Parcel Express service operating from 154 Front St., East, Toronto, has been established. This service is apparently necessary due to lack of interest by CP, CN, and the trucking industry in parcel delivery. Farm machinery parts depots are making use of this service on an increasing scale to overcome delays in other so-called express services, says Wright.

Milk is a valuable food for all age groups not just growing children, say food specialists at the Ontario Food Council, Ministry of Agriculture and Food. Milk is a major source of riboflavin (vitamin B2) and calcium in the diet. The body's need for these two minerals continues throughout life, to maintain body functions and health.

Canada's Food Guide, developed by the Canadian Council on Nutrition, recommends 1 1/2 cups of milk daily for adults. Teens have the highest requirement (4 cups daily). The recommended amount for children is 2 1/2 cups.

Information folders and application forms for the Ontario Beef Heifer Loan Program are now available at the county agriculture office.

The committee for the Haldimand Agricultural Centre, Kohler, plans a Beef Barbecue for Saturday, July 8. This event is jointly sponsored with the Haldimand Beef Improvement Association.

Publications of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food are available at the county agriculture office on many agriculture, horticulture and home economics topics.

CAYUGA - Through the months of June, July and August, the Haldimand office of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food will be open from 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. The earlier closing time will allow staff to serve the public through the noon-hour.

It is expected that the extra noon-hour period of service will be an added convenience for farmers and the public through the summer months.

Probably more farm machinery bearings are ruined by excessive lubrication, than fail from prolonged use, says Hal Wright, Secretary Manager of the Ontario Farm Machinery Advisory Board.

Many farmers force extra lubricant into a bearing until it oozes out past the seal. This ruins the seal, and the dirt that collects on the excess grease may be drawn back into the bearing, causing rapid wear.

Formic acid will not prevent spoilage in direct-cut forages, says Carl Moore, Agronomy Division, Kemptville College of Agricultural Technology.

In one case at the College, 35 per cent to 40 per cent spoilage resulted when formic acid was used on forage in a horizontal silo.

Over half the producers who supply milk to Ontario's industrial plants receive at least 20 cents per hundred-weight less for their products than many of their neighbours. This is because they continue to use milk cans for cooling and shipping, says O.R. Irvine, Dairy Division, Kemptville College of Agricultural Technology.

The actual difference is more than this because, losses due to sticking, spillage and low grade or rejected milk, are greater where milk is handled in cans rather than in a bulk cooler. Truckers picking up milk in cans are travelling farther to pick up their loads. Consequently, their rates are increasing.

PLEASE GET LOST!

TORONTO: "Please Walk on the Grass" is the invitation extended to strollers in this city's 200 parks. Now Tommy Thompson, Metro parks commissioner and a walking addict himself, urges you to "Please Get Lost" along his vast network of walkways throughout the Ontario capital's wooded areas.

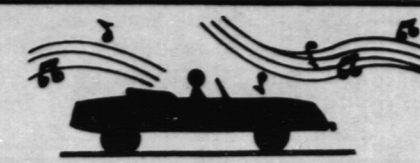
Births

WILLIAMSON - Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williamson, R.R. 5, Hagersville, announce the birth of a daughter 8 lbs. 4 oz. on June 3 at West Haldimand General Hospital, a sister for Lorraine, Ronald and Katherine. **BROWN** - Bob and Cathy (Nee Gee) of Hagersville announce the birth of a daughter Shelley Lynn, 8 lbs. 9 oz., on June 4 at West Haldimand General Hospital, Hagersville, a sister for Kevin.

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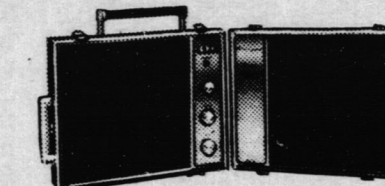
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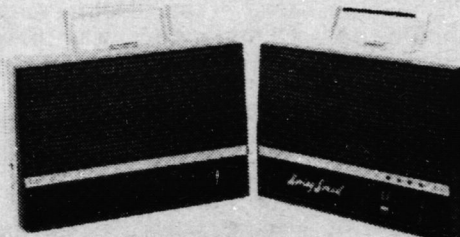


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