was organized in 1949 and farm efficiency. The

quality competition has vice - president and

present the competition secretary-treasurer.

the 4-H Swine Club in and herd health.

## Surviving The Cost Price Squeeze

By J. G. Norrish, **Swine Specialist Ontario Department** of Agriculture and

In the latter part

**Since 1949** 

since that time. Over

is on a quarterly basis

the county, as well as

the carcass class at the

Caledonia Fair. This

year a booth was set up

at the International

Plowing Match, Nanti-

coke, to promote pork

and 2,500 barbequed

pork chops were sold.

trends in pork produ-

ction at least 10 pork

In order to determine

**Pork Producers** 

**Active Group** 

market pigs remained depressed. Producers who grew their own grain and then processed and supplemented this for feeding to their pigs

William Sutor, pre-

growing pigs.

The Haldimand Hog management specialist, Producers Association discussed input costs prise.

their own grains can

been conducted. At Elgin Lattimer, supplement these with A pork producers protein, vitamins and instead of a monthly workshop conducted by basis with a prize to Garnet Norrish and Dr. the highest grading Peter Oliver was held score for each quarter at Kohler on Feb. 23, and a trophy to the high-est score for the year. consisted of informal The Association also discussion on hog proassists in sponsoring duction, feed, breeding

> satisfactory. As well as hog quality competition, the Haldimand Pork Producers mineral premixes are will sponsor a boar now available. Some of bonus program in 1972. these differ greatly in The top six boars with a nutrient content. Before minimum index of 115 are eligible for a bonus of \$50. Applications for this bonus must be made

31, 1972. producers in Haldimand County have recorded This year representtheir individual produc- atives from the tion on a quarterly Haldimand Pork Prodbasis. This survey helps ucers' Association will to give a very fair be attending the Ontario picture of the hog pop- Pork Producers' Conulation in the province. vention at the Skyline The annual meeting Hotel, Toronto, March of the Haldimand Pork 22 and 23, 1972. One Producers Association of the highlights of this was held Feb. 9, 1972. convention will be the Guest speaker, Lyal discussion on the Pork

to the secretary by Dec.

cost rations than if they had bought prepared

This probably saved them from going bankrupt during this period of a severe cost-price squeeze. Feed represents about three quarters of the cost of

Therefore, any savings in feed costs can easily change a loosing adventure in pigs into a profit making enter-

Home prepared feeds and has been active executive for 1972 - can be made just as accurately as commerthe years a hog sident, Ernest Isaac, cially prepared feeds. Producers who have

> minerals in 2 ways: (1) A commercial concentrate of protein, vitamins and minerals, (2) A commercial vitaminmineral premix plus a source of protein such as soybean meal. Either way can be equally

Many different brands of commercial vitaminneeds to complete his

He should then select vitamin-mineral premix that will supply just the right amount of the nutrients that he needs - no more, no

vitamin - mineral premixes are being sold on the basis that they contain more nutrients than other competitive brands. More and more is not always better. The pig can soon tell his owner when he is getting too much of

something. For instance when the total level of calcium in a diet is over one

per cent, a depression of growth rate can be expected. Or, if the vitamin A level of the diet is excessively high, toxicity symtoms will be observed. The swine producer has the opportunity to pick the "just right" vitamin-mineral

Home prepared feeds can be processed by power take-off mills,

what nutrients and stationary electric on home prepared feeds amounts of each he roller blenders. Above can be integrated. The certain volumes of feeds, the stationary mills are likely to be cheaper and more convenient to operate.

Roller blenders may not be used so much with dry grains as they are with high moisture

Another advantage that is sometimes for-

were able to make lower buying, a swine pro-cost rations than if they ducer should decide blender grinders, or farming operation based manure produced, which must be disposed of anyway, can supply the bulk of the fertilizer needs of some crops such as

This further emphasises the firm and financially sound structure of a pig farming operation based on home prepared feeds.

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## MacLachlan, farm Insurance Program. Alfalfa Weevil Damage

K. Bereza By Karl Bereza

With a few exceptions. the amount of damage ario and know that caused by the alfalfa weevil was at a relatively low level in most regions of Ontario in 1971. This was not due to non-economic adult weevil populations but as much as it did in rather to weather con- 1971 because temper-

Spring temperatures remained moderately cool which, although tructive worms.

favoring egg laying in started about May 25 alfalfa stems, was not each year and observwarm enough for many ations continued every eggs to hatch into des- two or three days to

early in the second week of June at which time many farmers had cut or were cutting their alfalfa which was favored by good haying weather.

50 per cent alfalfa.

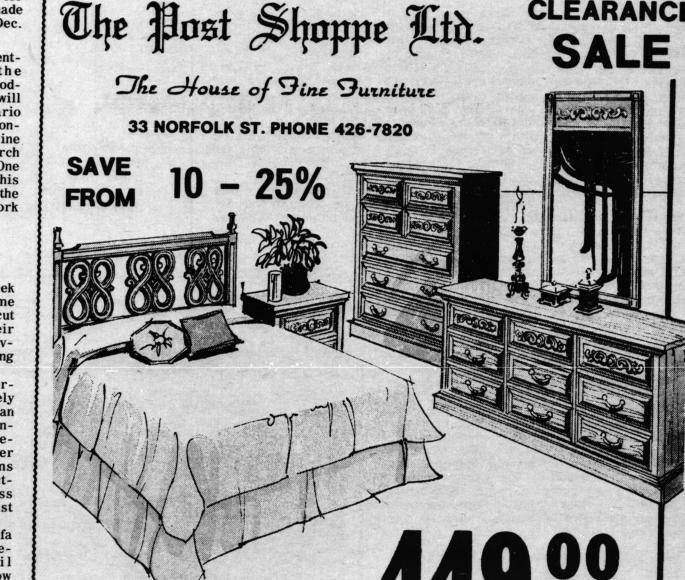
ature can vary annually. res did not occur until excessive yield loss.

Last year's experience showed that timely cutting of hay can be an effective means of controlling the alfalfa weevil. It is the only answer on many Ontario farms simply because insecticides do not pay unless a forage stand is at least

In addition, alfalfa growers value the presence of weevil parasites which are now well established in Ontinsecticides can be harmful to these beneficial tiny wasps.

Farmers should not always expect weather conditions to aid them

Appraisal of the weevil situation in each alfalfa field must be determine when forage Hatching temperatu- should be cut to avoid



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## Tax Law Changes Affect All Farmers

During 1971, many changes were made in our tax laws. The new laws generally became effective Jan. 1, 1972.

**Estate Taxes** 

This tax was administered by the federal government on a person's estate but estate taxes were eliminated on Dec. 31, 1971.

In order to prevent people from making large gifts to reduce has been levied by the federal government. The federal government tax field on Dec. 31, 1971. However, a gift tax is now levied by the Ontario government.

The following gifts are exempt of Ontario Gift Tax.

Gifts up to \$2,000 per year to any donee with an aggregate annual maximum of \$10,000. Note that in order to have any gift not added back into a person's estate for succession duties, the donor must outlive the gift by 15 years. If gift tax has to be paid, it must be paid by the donor. The once-in-a-lifetime gift of \$10,000 in real property is no longer per-

All absolute and outright and interspousal transfers are exempt. Other gifts which are exempt are to Canadian charitable organizations, to any government in Canada and gifts taking effect on the death

Capital Gains Tax This is a new tax in Canada beginning on Jan. 1, 1972. Gains acc- a \$100 standard deduare not subject to tax. ations and medical Valuation days have expenses remains unchbeen selected for shares on the Canadian Stock Exchange as of Dec. 22

1971 and for farm real cet to 20 per cent. estate, bonds, mortgages, basic herds etc. general information, as of Dec. 31, 1971. No capital gains tax will be imposed on gifts or bequests of death between spouses.

transfers, sells, gifts or bequests that asset. Capital gains tax applies to all other gifts or bequests. Only one-half of the capital gain will be taxed and that will be at the personal income tax rates for that individual. Farmers will be entitled to claim a \$1,000 annual deduction against gains on his farm house and all his farm property if this is to his advan-

Personal residences and one acre of land and one acre of land are exempt of capital Blood gains when sold.

Ontario Succession **Duties** 

In December the amended. These changes became effective BEA+BLOOD DONOR on Jan. 1, 1972.

estate is over \$100,000 then succession duties are paid from the first dollar rather than the of beneficiaries. Rate beneficiaries with preferred class strangers having the highest rate.

Exemption is \$300 per year for children under 16 years. This \$300 exemption is reduced by half the amount which the child's income exceeds \$1,000. Exemption is \$550 per year for children over 16 years. This \$550 is reduced by the amount the child's income exceeds

The age exemption has been increased to \$650 from \$500 and the qualifying age of 70 years has been lowered

The option to claim anged. Overall limit on deductible donation increased from 10 per

In addition to this specific booklets dealing with the various taxes laws are being mailed to farm operat-

Capital gains tax will These booklets should apply when that spouse be studied so that you become acquainted with these laws and understand the possible implication that may come from these changes.

If you have any further questions or wish advise on farm or estate planning the personnel of the Ontario Dept. of Agriculture and Food, Cayuga, are prepared to assist you.

is the Succession Duty Act was GIFT of LIFE

All estates under \$100,000 are exempt of succession duties. Property passing outright to a widow or widower will be exempt up to \$500,000. There is an added exemption for dependent children of \$15,000 per child. However, if your

amount above \$100,000. There are three classes their estates, a gift tax will vary according to the having the lowest rate and collaterals having a higher rate and

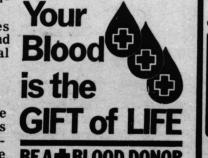
> There have also been some changes made up in Income Tax which are effective Jan. 1,

Single taxpayer's exemption has been increased from \$1,000 to \$1,500. Married taxpayer's exemption have increased from \$2,000 to \$2,850. A spouse is still allowed to receive an income up to \$250

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