

Groups Urge —

Don't Panic Sell Stock

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture and the Ontario Pork Producers' Marketing Board appeal to farmers to market during the next two weeks only those animals which are fully finished.

"Hog producers should weigh pigs carefully and ship only those in the top end of the weight range," says Blake Snobelen, chairman, Ontario Pork Producers' Marketing Board.

"Beef producers

should examine their cattle carefully and sell only the animals ready for market," says Gordon Hill, president, Ontario Federation of Agriculture. "We are not trying to short the market. We are trying to avoid an over-supply during what may be a short period of reduced demand. Producers should watch the market closely and be prepared to respond quickly to day-to-day circumstances."

Hill, a Varna hog and

white bean farmer, notes that U.S. and Canadian livestock prices have dipped recently because of threatened consumer meat boycotts, and the temporary withdrawal of Japanese buyers from the softening North American pork market.

"Chainstores have cut back their purchases in anticipation of the boycott. In turn, packing plants have eased up on their buying. As a result, livestock prices have tumbled on the major markets."

Recently, the Canadian Federation of Agriculture renewed its requests to have the border protection reinstated that was with-

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Ontario Tractor Pullers Hold Meeting In Jarvis

Tractor pull enthusiasts from all over Ontario gathered at the Jarvis Community Centre last Friday night to discuss the future of this sport.

Robert Anderson of R. R. 3 Caledonia, Chairman of the Canadian Tractor Pullers Association, told the Record Monday that the 125 people present represented communities from Chatham to Ottawa.

The meeting was designed to formulate plans for this year, determine what role tractor pullers across the province would like to perform and to propose uniform rules for the organization's events.

Mr. Anderson said

questionnaires were filled out and then the executive met with a representative of the American Tractor Pullers Association Saturday morning for further discussion.

Another big tractor pull event is planned for Cayuga Speedway this summer—July 21st. Mr. Anderson said he anticipates a large number of tractors from both the United States and Canada. And, the prize money will be in excess of \$10,000.

There is also a strong possibility there will be a Canadian Championship meet held in September. However, Mr. Anderson said plans are not definite yet.

Approximately 15

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Spring Fashions For '73



Judy Munn, Charlene Meehan and Cathie Laurie modelled Spring Fashions in the C.E. Wing of the Hagersville United Church Thursday night. (Staff Photo)

Cycling down country roads, planting a garden and bringing out the barbecue are all tell-tale signs of spring.

And so are bright painter smocks, powdery pastel coordinates, "rain or shine" capes, jeans and smartly styled blazer suits.

"Fashion for Spring," sponsored by the Hagersville Kinette Club, was presented to approximately 65 Hagersville area women in the C.E. wing of the United Church last Thursday.

Throughout the evening, local children and adults modelled the latest in spring styles from Dorel's and Bill's Mens Wear, while Gail Brooks provided the commentary.

Springtime is back to nature time. And thus, spring fashions have the

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Stelco Proposes Scenic Landscape For Nanticoke

Stelco painted a pretty picture of scenic roadways, rolling landscape and small woodlots integrated with steel making structures for the Nanticoke area at a public meeting held in Port Dover last Wednesday night.

The meeting, designed to keep local residents informed on the progress of plans for the development of the company's Lake Erie property straddling the Haldimand - Norfolk boundary, revealed a series of landscaping and environmental planning proposals.

Alex Fisher, vice-president of facilities planning, engineering and research, told approximately 350 people that Stelco's plans would be to preserve and protect. "We want to be

good corporate citizens" and our "impact be to the betterment rather than the detriment of the community."

Walter Kehm of Project Planning Associates, Toronto, consultant for Stelco, said autumn would be the best time of the year for tree planting and this phase of work will begin this fall.

His plans call for the creation of a greenbelt around the perimeter of the proposed steel-making facilities. If we preserve trees in the foreground of buildings, we can integrate industry with the environment, he said.

Artificial mounds

would be built along the western perimeter of Nanticoke to form a buffer zone between Stelco facilities and the hamlet of Nanticoke and the cottage area.

Also included in the package was a proposal to construct a scenic roadway along the west bank of the Nanticoke creek to join up with the lakeshore road.

The harbour area (near Hoover's Marina) left as a lookout point.

Construction of a viewing platform for the public.

Preservation of Nanticoke's historic site (Community Hall) and park.

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May Start In '74

Stelco set no firm date for the start of construction of steelmaking facilities on their Nanticoke site at last Wednesday's public meeting, but did indicate some kind of project may begin in '74 or '75.

Alex Fisher, Stelco's vice-president of facilities planning, engineering and research said Hamilton's Hilton Steel Works would probably reach its capacity of six million tons annually by 1977. And thus, there would be a need for the Nanticoke plant to begin operation in '77.

A similar opinion was expressed by Ross Robertson, newly appointed liaison officer for the company, at a Haldimand County Council meeting on March 16.

"In engineering we're hoping we'll start major construction in '74 because our marketing projections demand" that we start then so that we'll be in operation in 1977, he said.

At last week's meeting, Mr. Fisher said

some political, economic and technical difficulties are still with Stelco and thus the numerous delays. However, as time goes on, a project of this nature becomes more urgent.

During a question and answer period, Mr. Fisher gave a "phased reply" on the number of people the plant will be employing.

Depending on the type of steelmaking facility, which will determine the number of people needed, Mr. Fisher said the operation would employ approximately 1500 construction workers and perhaps 500-600 production workers after completion.

Mr. Fisher said persons with clerical, technical, engineering, chemistry and metallurgy backgrounds would be required. Person with lesser education than college and university would be hired for operating jobs where they would receive on the job training.

Stelco hopes to hire local people and local nurseries for the landscaping program which they will be starting this fall.

Pancakes In The Sugar Bush

Pancakes smothered in maple syrup made perfect outdoor breakfasts, lunches and suppers for approximately 750 people on the weekend.

For the third year in a row, the sugar bush on the Frank Peart farm has been opened to help Hagersville Secondary School Band students with their fund raising.

In spite of damp uncooperative weather, children and adults alike trekked through fields and bush to the sugaring-off shanty for a meal and a view of a modern maple syrup business in operation.

Plastic tubing running from tree to tree throughout the bush and up to date processing techniques have replaced the drip pails and cast iron boilers of pioneer times on the Peart farm.

Last year, more than 1,000 people visited the

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Approximately 750 people enjoyed pancakes and maple syrup in the sugarbush on Frank Peart's farm last Saturday and Sunday. (Photo by A. McMillan)