

## Rev. Eric Ramratten To Leave For Salford

Wesley United Church was filled to near capacity for the final service on Sunday March 25 of Rev. Eric A. Ramratten.

Mr. Ramratten was called to this pastoral charge in Sept. 1969 three and a half years ago, coming here directly from Trinidad. He has now accepted a call to the Salford charge and will commence his duties there on April 1.

He and his wife Rose have two children, Sherry and Robbie. Mr. Ramratten's voice was severely hampered by a cold Sunday morning and his farewell message to the congregation was ably presented by his wife. The text, "A minister's Farewell" was taken from Acts, Chapter 20, verses 20 to 27.

The tribute from the congregation to Mr. Ramratten was presented by William Ions, who voiced regret at their leaving, spoke favourably of the natural progress the church had enjoyed during his service and presented the family with a purse made up of voluntary gifts of money from members of the congregation.

Mr. Ramratten thanked the members for their gift and kind words and thanked many indi-

vidual members for their many kindnesses to them during their orientation period. He said that as long as he was in Canada he would always think of Jarvis as his home.

Other community clergymen present were Rev. G. Taylor-Munro of the Presbyterian Church and Rev. Peter Browner of the Christian Reformed Church. They both spoke briefly of their regrets at his leaving Jarvis. They praised his work in this community and told of the enjoyment they experienced from working with him.

Rev. and Mrs. Douglas Perry of St. Pauls Anglican Church and Rev. Father Raymond of St. Anne's Walpole arrived later for the short social hour in the Christian Education Building.

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## Jarvis Lions Hold Civic Night

by Jack Cooke

Each year the Jarvis Lions entertain those in the Community who help to make Jarvis a better place in which to live. This event was held on Monday night, March 26th.

Lion Bob Miller, Chairman of the Citizenship and Patriotism Committee, was in charge of the arrangements and called on several Lions to introduce those present.

Lion Ted Oldham introduced the local ministers and also Don Duxbury, chairman of the Haldimand County School Board; Lion John Brintnell introduced the members of Jarvis Council; Lion Bruce Meehan introduced the members of Walpole Council and Constable Bert Bell of the O.P.P.; Lion George Walker introduced the Jarvis Firemen; Lion Robert Davidson introduced the leaders of the Guides, Brownies, Scouts and Cubs; and Lion Murray Walker introduced the managers and coaches of minor hockey and softball.

Rev. Douglas Perry expressed the Thanks of the Clergy for the invitation. Lion Chief Bruce Miller stated that while in California, Lion Jack Phibbs, one of our Minstrel Show dancing girls, had several auditions. Being unsuccessful, he bought a cowboy

hat and lasso and has returned to the farm. Donations of \$50.00 each will be made to the Heart Fund and the Easter Seal Campaign.

The Jarvis Club will donate a Canadian flag or other suitable pieces of equipment to the Cayuga Lions Club at their Charter Night on April 7th.

Lion Norm Graham has volunteered to transport the Jarvis float to the District Convention in Cornwall.

Lion Stan Mitchell, who has done an outstanding job as treasurer of the Jarvis Club for 24 years, has asked for a replacement due to health reasons. Lion Stan is a patient at West Haldimand Hospital and we all wish him a speedy return to good health.

Safety regulations now state that only those trained in handling explosives will be allowed to set off fireworks. Lions Jim Doughty and Howard Elliott will be attending an explosives school in Hamilton, prior to the Victoria Day Celebration.

Lion Drew Williamson, chairman of the Youth Exchange Program stated that several young people from Japan will be coming to our area in the summer. The Jarvis Club will be exchanging students with its twin club in Kansas. Our speakers were introduced by Lion Bud

Elliott. They were Andrew Chan and Joseph Wong who came from Hong Kong six months ago and are attending Caledonia Secondary School. They spoke on education and life in general in Hong Kong. They were thanked by

## Past Noble Grands Meet

The Past Noble Grand club met at the home of Mrs. Nellie Miller for the March meeting which featured a demonstration of the Stanley Products. Individual members purchased their required products as well as the club acquiring needed products for cleaning at the lodge hall.

Eleven members and two visitors were present. Mrs. Edna Church led the devotional and took as her theme "What Does Easter Mean to Me?"

Mrs. Flora Dosser presided, with Mrs. Nellie Miller as secretary. Mrs. Viola Smelser gave the treasurer's report. Appreciation notes were received from Mrs. Joan Barr and Mrs. Gertrude Belbeck.

The mystery prize was won by our mystery visitor Mrs. Bessie Breigan. Get Well Cards from the club were

Lion George Miller and presented with token gifts and certificates of appreciation. A tentative date of April 15th has been set to put on portions of the Minstrel Show at Grandview Lodge in Dunnville.

signed for Mrs. Gertie Belbeck, Mrs. Florence Walker and Mrs. Pearl Marr.

Mrs. Nellie Stallwood will be hostess for the April meeting with Mrs. Eileen Munro and Mrs. Evelyn Brown as the committee.

Lunch was served by Mrs. Flora Dosser and Mrs. Mary Keen, assisted by the hostess.

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## On The Farm Front

It would appear that agriculture has a job to do to convince conservation authorities and others that drainage is a good conservation practice. The conservationists appear only to see the full ditches following rain. Farmers, especially those with tile drains, see fields that have a capacity to absorb or retain a higher percentage of the rainfall. The release of this water through the tile drain over a long period of time should be of considerable benefit to the conservationists.

In times of high prices for the common protein feeds such as soybean meal, any possible less expensive alternative is being investigated. Swine producers, however, are warned against trying urea as a protein source. Research indicates that urea depresses the growth rate and feed efficiency of growing pigs. Pigs do not have the ability to use urea. Cattle on the other hand can make use of urea to provide a portion of the protein in the ration.

An application of nitrogen to winter wheat at this time of year will help to increase yield. About 150 pounds of Ammonium Nitrate (Acropills) is the normal treatment. For

greatest benefit the added nitrogen should be available to the wheat crop as early in the growing season as possible. There may possibly be a few mornings yet with enough frost in the ground to carry the necessary equipment.

The loss to farmers due to warbles that appear in the backs of cattle at this time of year could have been prevented with systemic treatment last fall. Milk cows, of course, could not be treated but the normal spray program helps to prevent warbles in this class of cattle.

A correspondence course in pork production is now available through the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food and the University of Guelph. Cost of the course is \$30.00.

This is the time of the year for replacement tree planting. With the demise of the elm trees in our area, there is room for replacement. Trees are available to farmers from the Ministry of Natural Resources at a nominal price. It may be too late to order trees for this year, but it is not too early to order for the spring of 1974.

## Sandusky News

by Mrs. William Bray The Merrill Nie family, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Werner and Alan and Mrs. Bray attended the bowling baseball game in Cheapside Community Hall on March 19th when the congregation of the Anglican Church were guests of the United Church congregation.

After the game, Mr. Harold Nie showed pictures taken at the hockey game when the United Church were guests of the Anglican Church at Hagersville arena a few weeks ago, and also pictures of the Disney Land parade. The evening of fun and fellowship was brought to a close when the United Church served a delicious lunch after which all returned to their homes from an evening of fun and laughter.

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## Natural Gas Use To Increase 10%

Use of natural gas in Southwestern Ontario is expected to increase by 10 per cent over the next 12 months. Union Gas Limited anticipates that the sales of natural gas throughout its service territory will rise from the present level of 200 billion cubic feet per year to approximately 200 Bcf. annually by early in 1974.

Union also expects its pipeline systems will be required to serve an all-time high of 374,000 homes, businesses and industries by a year from now. This would be 14,000 more than the current total.

In order to meet this growth, Union has budgeted almost \$34 million to expand and improve its pipeline systems and other facilities in Southwestern Ontario during the fiscal year commencing April 1.

Union's capital budget, which also covers that of its subsidiary United Gas Limited, provides \$11,300,000 for extensions and improvements and a further \$6,100,000 for pipeline replacements. Special projects totalling \$9,200,000 are also included.

Commenting on the proposed expenditures, President Bruce Wilson noted: "There remains some uncertainty with respect to future gas supply; however, we believe our principal supplier, Trans Canada Pipelines Limited, will be able to deliver enough additional gas in the years ahead to enable the Company to meet at least in part the growing energy needs of Southwestern Ontario. Having in mind the firm requirement for space heating supplies, we are proceeding to improve and expand our facilities to help keep pace with the growing market demand in this area."

Largest single outlay among these projects is \$3,300,000 to cover construction of a new compressor station at Bright, south of Kitchener, to increase the capacity of Union's main west-east transmission system by 85 million cubic feet per day.

Next largest expenditure will be to replace older facilities and provide additional transmission capacity in the Chatham-Blenheim area. A total of \$1,800,000 has been earmarked for construction of 27 miles of 8-inch, 10-inch and 12-inch pipeline plus related facilities.

It is estimated that approximately 16,600 new dwelling units in the 250 communities served

by the Company will require gas service during the next 12 months. An estimated \$9.8 million will be required for this purpose.

Other major undertakings include: Completion of Union's new service centre at Chatham -- \$850,000; construction of 8 miles of additional pipeline capacity to meet growth in the Guelph area -- \$500,000; and replacement of a section of 16-inch line to boost transmission capacity in the Windsor area -- \$385,000.

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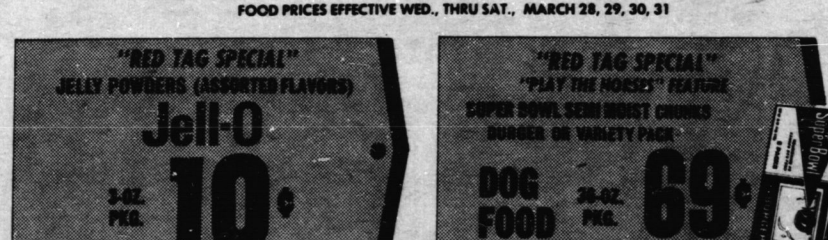
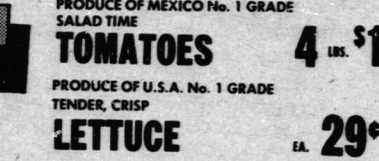
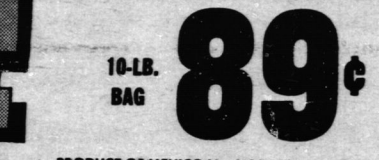


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