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ON THE MAIN STREET



The Lindsay Central Exhibition Society, formerly the South Victoria Agriculture Society, has every right to observe Confederation Year in 1967 in September next. The organization will be 112 years old.

Monday and Tuesday of the Exhibition will be entirely directed to old time pioneer days. Under the presidency of

Roy Neville, committeemen are already engaged on the project and women leaders in the local Exhibition met this week to express views and formulate added activities.

It is of interest to chronicle the fact that the Lindsay Exhibition directors decided to stick to the old and established dates for holding the annual event, late in September.

The year 1966 was probably the worst in history for wet weather. Weather conditions have not altered the views of the board members regarding dates for the event. It is also argued that a change in Lindsay dates would affect a very large number of fairs in Ontario, including Kingston and Peterborough, two of the largest fairs.

Directors of the Peterborough Fair, it is stated, would welcome a change in Lindsay date which would leave the present dates open to be grabbed by Peterborough.

The Peterborough Fair, it is argued, attracts large crowds because it is the first in the list but apparently this fair does not attract nearly the potential number of stock exhibitors, the backbone of an agricultural fair.

Facts concerning the finances of the Lindsay Exhibition were submitted verbally to the

members of the County Council a week ago when the local Directors requested a renewal of the grant of \$2,000.

It was pointed out that any financial loss because of bad weather or other reasons is yearly offset by increased assets. It was emphasized that the Lindsay Central Exhibition continues to flourish in fourth position among the Exhibitions in Ontario, and continues to attract a record number of exhibitors as well as spectators, and prospects for Centennial year are very bright.