

Maple Syrup Festival, ^{Feb 3/72} April 1

A community meeting was held Monday evening to make plans for the fifth Annual Maple Syrup Festival at Purple Valley.

The Festival will be held on the Saturday of the Easter week end April 1st. and will feature Pancakes and maple syrup, the boiling of the sap into maple syrup in a large iron kettle, hay rides, pony rides, games and contests. Entertainment by Miss Robin Thompson of Mar will be enjoyed during the afternoon and again in the evening at the dance.

Crafts made at Cape Croker will again be featured, these will include Chief Wilmer Nadjwan with his wood carvings and Mrs. Stella Johnson of the Cape Croker Silk Screen Factory.

Always a popular couple at the festival Irene and Joe Akiwenzle of Cape Croker in their native Indian costume have been invited.

Mrs. Archie Givens and Mrs. Oliver White of the Mar Women's Institute will display their interesting pioneer pictures.

Mr. Allan Howe is collecting a display of spiles from the first wooden spile on.

A bulletin board will be set up listing events, time and place.

Mr. Stan Latham will be invited again as our M.C.

Anyone wishing to sell Maple Syrup is welcome, it is requested that the name of the seller be on their syrup.

Mrs. Jack Urbshott and Ralph McLean were named treasurers of the Maple Syrup festival committee at this meeting. Allan Howe was named chairman. Mrs. Jack Urbshott will be secretary and in charge of advertising.

Committee named to look after tickets for the 50/50 draw at the festival dance are Mrs. Jack Urbshott, Ralph McLean, George Howe and Mrs. Don Pruder.

Entertainment committee, Rev. and Mrs. Walter King, Mrs. Lorne Hambly, Mrs. Agnew and Allan Howe.

Ralph McLean and George Howe are in charge of the Gate.

Cliff Gilbert Jr., will be the auctioneer and in charge of arrangements for the auction sale.

Mrs. Mabel Pruder, Mrs. Don Pruder and Mrs. Wm. Cook are in charge of ordering food and supplies.

Mrs. Cliff Gilbert Jr. and Mrs. Hector Coveney are in charge of the coffee and pies.

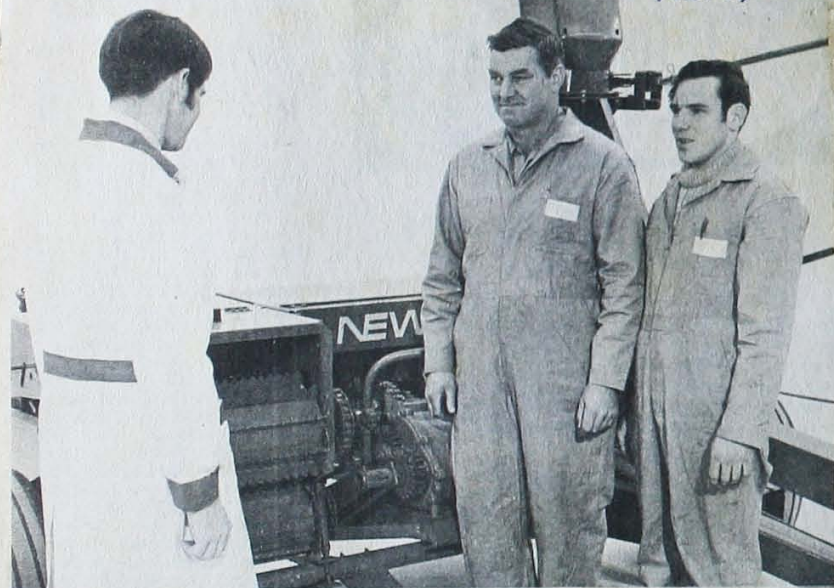
Mrs. James Urbshott and Mrs. Wm. Cook were named in charge of organizing Pancake Cookers and servers.

Gail Gilbert, Don Pruder, George McCartney and Sam Reekin, Clayton, Brian and Fred Urbshott were named to look after the boiling of the sap into maple syrup in the iron kettle and explaining this process.



Purple Valley School a long time ago, no date, photo courtesy, Earl Wenham

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Doug Henry and Jack Urbshott, servicemen for Wayne Ward S. & S., have returned from a week-long training program at the New Holland Service Training Center at New Holland, Pennsylvania. While at the center they attended sessions in the service and repair of a wide variety of modern farm machinery.

Henry, who resides at R. R. 1, Warton, has been employed by Wayne Ward S. & S. for 2 years. Urbshott, who resides at R. R. 4, Warton, has been employed by Wayne Ward

S. & S. for 4 years. Both have extensive backgrounds in farming and mechanics.

The New Holland Service Training Centre is one of the most modern training facilities in the nation for instructing dealer and company servicemen in farm machinery repairs. The company is among the world's ten largest farm equipment manufacturers. Providing quick, efficient service to farmers during critical harvest time is one of the company's top priorities.

Miss Latimore a teacher at the Purple Valley school in the 1920's will be invited as a special guest.

A financial statement of the festival funds was given also a report of the New's Year dance.

It was decided to hold dances once a month throughout the season.

The next festival meeting will be held at the W. I. hall on February 21st.

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