

Canada Mennonites

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topic at W.I. meeting

The ladies of the Burgessville Women's Institute held their March meeting at the home of Mrs. Ross Johnson.

Mrs. Jack McCready, vice-president, opened the meeting with welcome to all. The Ode was sung and Mary Stewart Collect was repeated. Roll call was responded to by 15 members and five visitors and answered by naming a famous Canadian woman and telling why she is famous. Mrs. Johnson gave the minutes of the last meeting and treasurer's report. Membership fees for joining the Institute will be raised this year. Different reports of the conveners were given. Fun money funds were given, a penny for every picture

you have on the walls of your house.

Mrs. Clarence Parkhill, convener on World Affairs gave the motto "Canada". Let's show more pride in her. We are a nation who do not express ourselves with regard to our country as loudly or expressively as our neighbors to the south. One of our great accomplishments was the Transcontinental railway. How many diseases which were terminal are curable now or have been eradicated. The St. Lawrence seaway is the world's largest inland navigation system. In sports Marilyn Bell was the first woman to swim Lake Ontario. Canada is helping many people in other lands. Recently Canada Park is planting trees in Jerusalem. There must be a certain fertilizer and certain components, but the trees are flourishing where none were before. This is just a few reasons for pride in Canada but the future of Canada depends largely upon the cultivation of a national spirit.

Mrs. Genevra Emigh gave the topic Our Mennonite neighbors. There is a large settlement of Amish Mennonites in the state of Pennsylvania. They are quiet people. The life and customs of the Amish are most conservative of the Church and are very religious. Their belief has caused them a lot of trouble. They do not believe in being progressive. Religion is always foremost in the Amish people, they have great respect for the land and what they grow and do not have everything in their home only just what they need. They use no electricity, automobiles. For light they use oil lamps and lantern, windmills to pump their water wherever it is needed. To work their land they use horses or mules as they eat less feed and can stand the heat. They keep their children away from secular life and they attend school until they are 14. They are very strict in the upbringing of their children and young people. The men all wear beards when they are baptized or when they marry.

A contest, Name the rivers of the world was played. Mrs. Charles Kelly gave the remarks. Lunch was served by the committee in charge and a social time followed.

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Mrs. Ross Palmer spent a weekend recently at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jim Pepper, Mr. Pepper and family, Chatham.

Rev. Arthur Taylor, Welland Canal Mission was guest speaker on Sunday at the Burgessville Baptist Church.

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The Junior Farmers hosted area 4-H club members at a dinner in the Norwich Legion Hall Saturday evening. Major recognition went to the following persons: Back row - Karen Orth, Most Enthusiastic Junior; Jane Orth, Most Enthusiastic Senior; Ralph Bertrand, Reserve Showman; Jim Topham, Most Improved Member. Front row - Cathy Scheurman, Junior Reserve Champion; Lisa Trepanier, Best 4-H Calf; Suzanne Doan, Top Points; Dianne Lester, Champion Showman.

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Miss Ann Buckrell, Toronto, spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buckrell.

Miss Margaret Cameron, Waterloo, spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cameron, Holbrook.

Miss Muriel Buckrell, Scarborough spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Buckrell.

Rev. and Mrs. Max Johnson have returned home from a two

week holiday in Lakeland, Florida. *Mar 8/78*

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Gilbert and family, Burlington, spent Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Buckrell.

Handel's Messiah choir will be presented on Sunday night at 7:30 p.m. in the Burgessville United Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Buckrell held a snowmobile party on Saturday night with members of their family, neighbors and friends numbering eighteen attending.

Mr. and Mrs. D.M. Hoover spent Sunday with their son, Mr. and Mrs. John Hoover and family, Mt. Elgin.

Curries

For steaks and roasts

A 100 pound turkey

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Can you imagine sinking your teeth into a thick, juicy turkey steak?

That's right, turkey steak. Recent developments in turkey nutrition have not only made turkey steaks possible, but may even see leg of roast turkey for sale in Canadian supermarkets.

Two research scientists at Agriculture Canada's Swift Current, Sask., Research Station, Ken Dunkelgod and Ray Salmon, are developing a special feeding program that they say will result in economic production of 45 kilogram (about 100 pounds) turkeys before the end of the century.

"We are aiming at producing heavier birds on a diet that makes the most efficient use of feed," says Dr. Dunkelgod. "Already we have produced 30 kg turkeys on 60 kg of feed in 33 weeks. That's a feed efficiency ratio of two to one."

And the scientists have the knowledge to reach a feed efficiency of one kilogram of feed to one kilogram of weight gain in a 30 kg turkey. However, to reach their goal of a 46 kg bird with a one to one feed efficiency, they need to find practical protein sources with higher nutrient levels. This will allow an increase in the concentration of nutrients in the diets.

"The birds increase in body size in direct proportion to the concentration of nutrients present within their feed intake.

As we find other ways to increase this content, we will be able to produce larger birds on

the same amount of feed," Dr. Dunkelgod says.

"The consumer will benefit from the larger turkeys because they have more palatable, nutritious and digestible meat than smaller birds."

The larger turkeys also produce a greater variety of cuts for supermarkets.

"Some outlets already stock turkey steaks which can be cooked the same as a beef steak.

The meat can also be ground to make turkey burgers and some day you may be able to buy that roast leg of turkey," Dr. Dunkelgod says.

The whole turkey can be used by institutions and large food chains.

Large turkeys are also more profitable for the producer.

Because of increased feed efficiency, a kilogram of meat from a larger bird costs less to produce than the same amount of meat from the smaller bird. The cost of maintaining the faster growing birds is also lower because they have less heat loss from their bodies.

The feeding standards established at the Swift Current station already have been adopted by many producers. Last summer in Western Canada about 500,000 heavy birds were grown on the Dunkelgod feeding program.

The diets for the heavy turkeys were formulated with practical ingredients including soybean meal, fish meal, wheat and animal fat.