



Gavel passed

Chairman of the Oxford County Board of Education Wilma Boughtflower passes on the gavel to incoming chairman Ron Doney, of East-Zorra Tavistock Township while newly elected vice-chairman Helen Dickson of Norwich Township looks on. Elections were held at the board's meeting Monday night.



assured of employment

Dairy farm workers program launched at Centralia College

It is very unusual these days to discover a field of work which has more openings than workers.

But Don Orth, Director of Student Affairs at Centralia College of Agricultural Technology, and co-ordinator of the new Dairy Farm Worker Training Program said on December 11: "I am constantly getting requests from dairy farmers around here to supply them with somebody who knows how to work with dairy cattle. I can guarantee that anyone who graduates from this course will have a job."

Orth will share the duties of Dairy Farm Worker Training Course with Lorne Marshall, who will be field co-ordinator.

"My job is mainly setting up the educational program," said Orth. "On December 5, I met with an advisory committee of Dairy farmers, and people from Manpower who advised me on the kind of program to set up. From the advice they gave me, setting up the course should be easy."

Some of the trainees who will be taking the course will have had little or no experience with dairy cattle, therefore, all phases of herdworking will have to be covered.

"They'll learn milking procedures, feeding procedures, and general management procedures," said

Orth. "They will learn about animal health; the prevention and recognition of symptoms.

"And, they will receive very important training in Employer-employee relations."

One-third of the 10-week program will be at Centralia College, and the other two-thirds will be on selected dairy farms in the area.

"We sent around a questionnaire to 500 dairy farmers in the area asking if they would help us in our training program. Close to 100 said they would," said Orth. "That, to me, is a really excellent response."

Those wishing to join the program can go to their nearest Canadian Manpower office, and get an application. The only requirements are: the applicant must be 17 years old, have a minimum of a Grade 8 education, and be out of school at least one year.

If accepted, the Canadian Manpower Training program will pay the entire cost of the course, plus supplying the student with a living allowance.

"Manpower will supply us with 15 people," said Orth. "There's room for people who want to be in the course, but, for some reason or another are unable to get accepted by the Canadian Manpower Training Department."

For these people, the cost of tuition, meals and living accommodations around Centralia should be in the neighbourhood of \$700., said Orth.

"There is room for another half-dozen to dozen people," said Orth. "It will be a case of first come, first served."

The course starts on January 21, and applications should be received well in advance of this time.



SETTING UP SWINE WORKERS PROGRAM -- Don Orth, Director of Student Affairs at Centralia College, jots down some points to remember about the Swine Workers Training Program which begins at the college on January 21. (Staff Photo by B. Constable)

"The applicant will have to be passed by the Manpower, and then our selection committee will speak to the applicant to make sure each person is not going to just come in and drop out.

"From all of our surveys, there are a lot of jobs out there," said Orth. "And I would suggest that anyone who wants to learn this business apply early. They have a pretty good chance of getting into this course if they do."

we wish you much success.

Our Wisdom Corner:

False friends are like our shadow, keeping close to us while we walk in the sunshine, but leaving us when we cross into the shade.

DON'T QUIT

When things go wrong as they sometimes will
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill
When the funds are low and the debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When cares are pressing you down a bit,
Rest if you must, but don't you quit!

Life is strange with its twists

and turns,
As everyone of us sometimes learns.
And many a failure turns about,
When he might have won if he'd stuck it out.
Don't give up though the pace seems slow,
You may succeed with another blow.

Success is failure turned inside out,
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt.
And you never can tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems so far.
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit,
It's when things get worse that you must not quit!



Kenneth Clair Longthorne and Debra Marlene Bowen exchanged marriage vows on Saturday, August 18, 1979. The wedding took place at Burgessville United Church, with Rev. Max Johnson officiating. A reception was held at the Woodstock Shrine Club. Guests were present from Alma, Burgessville, Norwich, Otterville, Delhi, Millbank, Poole, Milverton, Listowel, London, Hesson, Guelph, Cambridge, Kitchener, Peterborough, Woodstock and Drayton. Mr. and Mrs. Longthorne are residing in Norwich.



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THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

December 28, 1944

The price of goods back in 1944: Butter, first grade creamery one pound .38 cents; coffee, one pound bag 35 cents; spanish onions one pound bag 7 cents; B.C. delicious apples, each 5 cents; pickles, 26-oz. 29 cents.

One hot water bottle contains enough rubber to make two yards of hospital sheeting.

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