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Esqueuing Reeve Host at Dinner

During the noon intermission of Esqueuing Township's last 1954 council meeting, Reeve Wilfred Bird was host to councillors and municipal staff at dinner in the McElbannon House.

Mr. Bird was chairman at the dinner and former clerk Isaac Bennett, LeRoy Dale, Q.C. who is township solicitor and Jack Hart, manager of the Bank of Commerce spoke briefly.

Present at the dinner also were: Deputy Reeve Walter Linham, Councillors George Currie, Spencer Wilson and Campbell Sinclair; Assessor Arthur Benton; George C. Brown, who handles most of the township insurance; K. C. Lindsay, clerk treasurer and tax collector; road foreman William Townsend and his staff, Bob Lindsay, Herb Roehrer and Sam Milham.

Top Credit Source Is Farmers' Father

The first source of credit to which young farmers wishing to start farming, turn is their fathers. This was the opinion of more than half the 413 Farm Forums in Ontario who discussed the topic "Getting Started" on December 13.

Other sources of credit mentioned were: mortgages through interested private individuals, Veterans Loan Act, Junior Farmers Loans, Bank Loans, Canadian Farm Loan Board, Farm Improvement Loans, Credit Unions and borrowing on life insurance. A few groups thought money could be saved for a farm by working industry for some time before farming.

In answer to the question "How can a young farmer avoid unduly heavy investments in land, livestock and equipment when he is getting started?" forums thought a young farmer could minimize his capital costs by renting a farm, using custom work, building up livestock gradually, working on shares, using horse driven equipment and using machinery co-operatively.

Waverley Forum of Simcoe summarized the opinions of the majority when they suggested the young farmer should purchase a farm close to home, buy used machinery and equipment, and use some custom work. They also felt it was wise to buy the less-used machinery (such as spreader and baler) on a joint basis and to look for good land without expensive buildings. Buying good quality but moderately priced stock, going into poultry or swine for two or three years while building a herd and growing cash crops were suggested as ways of getting a fair cash return with which to build up the farm and herd.

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LIGNY-DUFFERIN Schools Present Annual Concerts
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Ligny school was filled to overflowing on December 13 for the annual Christmas concert which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Congratulations to the pupils and their teacher, Mr. James Watson, also to the pupils and teacher, Mr. B. Stephenson of Dufferin school on the splendid concert they had on December 23.

Christmas Guests
Christmas guests at Mrs. A. McKenzie's were Mr. and Mrs. J. Gorman and David Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. H. Smith, Jackson and Martha, Toronto; and Miss Elda Flintoff of St. Catharines.

With Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Brown at Pinbrook Farm were Mr. Ray Sutton, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. E. Gooch, Ancaster; Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and family, Vineland.

With Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Davenport and Martin were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Davenport and Jimmy, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Cole and David, Guelph; Mr. and Mrs. Mel Zimmerman and children of Dundas.

Mrs. Flintoff is spending the week with her daughters at Toronto and St. Catharines.

Guests with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Howden for Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kennedy, Pearl and Marie and Mrs. Thos. Kennedy, Milton.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Vervey, who were married recently in Toronto; Miss Wilma Wghoven, sister of the bride, and Mr. Herbert Vervey, brother of the groom, were their attendants. Mr. and Mrs. Vervey are making their home at Ebers, Milton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Davenport spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Davenport, Guelph.

Season's Greetings to all our readers.

Christmas Gifts For Children's Aid

During the Christmas season, the Children's Aid Society of the County of Halton received a number of substantial cash donations as well as gifts of toys, clothing, food, books, games, etc.

This splendid support and interest made it possible for the Society to make Christmas much happier for families throughout this area, who, for various reasons, are not so fortunate as most in this prosperous county. In all, 14 individual food hampers were distributed.

To the organizations and individuals, who made this possible, the Society extended sincere thanks and appreciation, not only on behalf of those who benefited by kindness, but also on behalf of the Society in being privileged to share the spirit of good-will and Christian fellowship.

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Chronicles of Ginger Farm
Written Specially for the Acton Free Press by Gwendoline F. Clarke.

While Montreal and Ottawa were digging themselves out of the snowdrifts over the week-end we were experiencing rain, fog and slipping roads. But then there is no accounting for the weather these days—all over the world it is as unpredictable as it can be. So in our own locality I suppose we should at least be thankful when the weather is good and make the best of it when it is bad.

Anyway, now that we are into the new year there isn't the same urgency about the things we have to do and get no Christmas shopping; no extra special food for the table; no presents to buy. And while we couldn't do without Christmas there is something equally nice in getting back to normal, everyday living conditions, especially when we have nice, warm thoughts in our hearts about the unexpected kindness, and the lovely cards, letters that came our way during the festive season. At least that is how we feel at Ginger Farm—and we would be most ungrateful if we felt any other way.

And now there are several months of winter-weather ahead. This is the time that used to be spoken of as the long winter evenings—the "shut-in time" when the women supposedly got all kinds of work done—sewing, knitting, quilts and hooked rugs. But now, for those who have the health, strength and opportunity of getting out there isn't any shut-in time at all. Instead it is a period when conventions are popping up all over the place; farm organizations of every kind having their annual get-together, with delegates attending from every district in Ontario, many of them having representatives of both sexes.

And what will they discuss? Farm problems, of course. Low prices, high production costs, shortage of farm labour, value of increased efficiency, farm management, weed eradication, the new Dairy Products Act, need for increased world markets, the comparative merits of the Federation of Agriculture and the Farmer's Union. There will be discussions as to when, where and why women should take an active part in all these affairs; the value of Farm Forums and the need for increased membership; the menace of margarine, the co-operative movement, hospitalization and various other types of insurance. There will be hundreds of meetings all told, counting committee meetings and general sessions. There will probably be a great number of delegates and hundreds of dollars spent on meals and accommodation. Some delegates will attend from a sense of duty, maybe at considerable inconvenience to themselves; others will be only mildly interested. Some will be fired with enthusiasm, lead discussions and make practical, worthwhile suggestions. Others will contribute little to the discussions—and bring less away—but at least they will have a good time!

And what will be the outcome of these conventions? Will the cause of agriculture be in any way improved as a result of these meetings, discussion groups, resolutions

and appeals for improved government legislation in various departments? We hope so—but that remains to be seen. It will be hard to assess the value of the time and money spent at these conventions unless, and until, we have concrete evidence by way of improved markets and a swing towards establishing parity prices.

Meanwhile, as the conventions are taking place the farmer back home will be getting on with his daily chores, looking after his cattle and taking pride in their good appearance. His interest is in the welfare of his stock and using to best advantage the hay and feed stored for winter feeding. Maybe he spends more time at the barn than he should as there he is conscious of a sense of contentment in his work. Then he comes to the house for his dinner—and feels at peace with life. After dinner he looks over the daily paper, the Family Herald, and the Milk Producer. He ponders over the intricacies of the Dairy Products Act and realizes once again that farming is now big-business. It is no longer a way of life. He figures he should stop taking so much personal interest in his stock. The Bessie heifer, for instance, that he and Mary have had since she was born. She should be sent out—it isn't good business to keep her. There is no room for sentiment on the modern farm.

And then he looks up from his paper. Now what's Mary so worked up about? Mary soon lets him know. "Henry—I wish to goodness you'd pay attention to what I'm telling you. Dear knows I've enough to do without you acting so off-hand, you know I'm going to the convention tomorrow!"

"And why do you have to go, my dear?"

"Henry, don't be so exasperating! You know I'm a delegate and on that panel discussion tomorrow—" "How Home Markets Might be Improved." You'll have to help me, Henry—I still have so much to do. Henry—I hadn't said I'd go. But we farm women have to take an interest in these things or we might as well be in the dark ages."

"Yes," muttered Henry, "but I guess in the dark ages women didn't have high blood pressure."

"Henry... for goodness sake..."

Rockwood Church Winter Wedding

Rockwood United Church was decorated with baskets of yellow and rust chrysanthemums for the marriage of Shirley Irene McDonald and Stanley Charles Harris. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart McDonald of Rockwood and the groom the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harris of Rockwood. Rev. J. Dilts officiated at the wedding, which was attended by guests from Milton, Guelph, Hamilton and Palmerston, as well as Rockwood.

Mr. McDonald gave his daughter in marriage. She wore a floor length gown of satin with all-round accordion pleated, nylon overskirt. The train of her dress and the matching jacket were of imported French lace. She wore a headdress of nylon and satin, with beaded pearls and carried a bouquet of deep red roses. She wore a strand of cultured pearls, the gift of the groom.

Mr. Maxwell Norris of Milton, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. She wore a street length dress of green velvet and carried a bouquet of gold chrysanthemums with green, gold and red streamers on a green velvet muff. Her hat was of matching green velvet.

As bridesmaid, Mrs. Gordon Harris of Rockwood wore a street length green velvet dress with matching hat and shoes. She carried a bouquet of gold chrysanthemums with green, gold and red ribbons on her muff.

Gordon Harris of Rockwood was his brother's best man with Russell McDonald of Guelph as usher.

During the ceremony, Norman Lambert of Rockwood sang "Because" and "The 23rd Psalm," accompanied by Martin Bauer of Rockwood.

A reception followed in the church hall. Evergreen with red berries decorated the windows.

For a wedding trip to Niagara Falls, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and New York city, the bride donned a suit of soft beige wool with a bloused jacket. Her accessories were cherry red and her corsage of red roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris reside in Rockwood.

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