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Nelson Federation Told of Services

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture is just like any other piece of machinery, you must use it to get the service from it. So stated Ray Hergott, chief of field staff for O.F.A., guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Nelson Township Federation of Agriculture at Fairview school, Lawville, Mr. Hergott illustrated his talk with a series of flip charts which gave a comprehensive picture of the services available through the Ontario Federation of Agriculture.

He explained that the motto, Not for Ourselves Alone, meant that successful accomplishments were to the benefit of other groups which make up the economy of our country and that each must strive for harmony. Mr. Hergott was introduced by R. S. Heatherington and thanked by T. E. Ramshaw.

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The president, Jack Taylor, acted as chairman for the evening. Rev. Harold Adkins brought greetings from the Nelson township council and in the absence of the president, R. L. Davidson, the secretary of the Halton County Federation of Agriculture, Roy Coulter brought greetings from that body. J. E. Whitehead conducted the election of the Board of Directors which were as follows: E. B. Clements, Earl Snow, T. Ramshaw, Brock Harris, Jack Taylor, Mrs. Clark Pegg, George Pelletier, Donald Peer, Chris Fothergill, Harold Speers, E. C. Foster, George Ross, William Peltow, H. King, M. A. Campbell, Mrs. J. M. Roadhead, Mrs. Velma Norris, R. S. Heatherington and Bruce Bowden.

HUNGRY BEARS CHARLEAU, Ont. (CP) — Residents here said the bears had grown so fearless they came up on the back porches in search of food. Prolonged dry weather and bush fires were believed responsible.

The meeting was presided by a banquet/provided by the ladies of the Fairview Home and School Association. Entertainment by the Home and School quartette comprised of Fred Agnew, Jack Bennett, Eric Gudgeon and Vernon McArthur; a comedy skit by Fred Davis and Jack Bennett and accordion duets by Marion and Frank Buehl. Tansley were thoroughly enjoyed by the 60 members in attendance.

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Chronicles

Ginger Farm

Written Specially for the Acton Free Press by Gwendolyn P. Clarke

Sunday was a very happy day for us. Our grandson was here for a brief visit. And such a jolly little boy. Still whole and rather thin but with more pep than he had shown for several months. The minute he was in the house he made a bee-line for the place where we keep his toys. I think if even one were missing he would know it. But none was missing, in fact we had added a few building blocks to the small collection of playthings. These pleased him so much that he refused to be parted from them when it was time to go home. The dogs also came in for plenty of attention. Topsy and Dave sort of playing hide-and-seek around the kitchen and dining room. Now that Dave is coming along so well, we are hoping we shall see a little more of him at Ginger Farm just so long as the weather holds good.

Well, that was our bright spot for the week. Other occasions were not quite so satisfactory. Johnny's heifers, for instance. Ever since last spring Johnny has had 11 yearling heifers pasturing here. They had easy access to water so all Partner had to do was count them every so often to make sure they were all there.

Then one day last week a cold and windy day Johnny decided he had better load the heifers and take them home being the farm he is working 10 miles from here. So over he came with his small truck and a hired man. But the heifers had other ideas. Directly the "round-up" started they went completely wild. So Johnny got two other men to help him. The result was the same — only more so. The heifer either broke down fence or jumped over them, got into a neighbor's field and on the whole gave the men a real old merry chase. The heifers soon out by a wide margin.

So now they will probably remain in undisturbed possession of the pasture until such time as a storm makes them seek shelter. We have our own heifers in another field but they are like lambs by comparison. Strangely enough we have heard of other farmers who, this year, have had more trouble than usual rounding up young cattle.

Our own hayrack problem was not heifers but our cow with the three-month-old twin calves. The cow suddenly decided to get sick so there was a session with the vet, liniment to use, medicine to give and the calves to wean. Now, after a week of extra attention, Bessy is well on the road to recovery.

The next excitement was last Thursday night Partner and I were out in the kitchen getting a "night-cup" hot milk and to his credit, if you're curious I snuffed suspiciously "I smell Skunk!" "Could be gas from the stove," said Partner.

"No, it isn't gas, it's skunk," I repeated.

Both dogs, I am glad to say, were asleep by the kitchen stove. But I remembered the "woodshed door was open" could a skunk have come so close to the house? I opened the kitchen door leading to the woodshed and in rushed — no, not a skunk, but poor Mitche-White. What a sight! One eye completely closed, the other half

One Milton Accident On Safe-Driving Day

All over Canada and the United States, drivers tried their best to observe S-D Day on Thursday of last week. This day was set aside as one day in the year when there would be no accidents and no deaths due to such accidents, which every day cause multiple fatalities all over the continent.

In spite of advance publicity and sufficient warnings by officials, there were, unfortunately, accidents on this safe-driving day, although the number of fatalities was cut in half. In Canada, there were four deaths and in the United States, there were around 65. Three of Canada's toll happened in Ontario.

On the local scene, Constables Gunn and Moore of the County detachment of the O.P.V., reported no accidents on S-D Day in their territory, which covers Halton county. Only one accident marred Milton's standing and no injuries were received in this one.

A car driven by Dennis Marchand of Main St., Milton, and owned by Road 2115 of Pearl St., Milton, was in collision with a parked car on Main St. The parked car was owned by Donald Thompson of George St. and \$375 was the total damage.

OBITUARY

Pneumonia Fatal To Infant Boy

Sick only a few days the eleven and a half month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown, Ronald James, died at his home, R.R. 6, Milton on November 16. The baby succumbed to pneumonia.

The infant was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Brown, who formerly lived in Acton. Mrs. Brown was Saloma Bowman of Elmira before her marriage two years ago. The baby's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown of R.R. 5, Milton.

The funeral service was held in Georgetown on November 18. Rev. Reid of the Acton Pentecostal church was assisted in the services by Rev. Potter of Guelph Pentecostal church. The baby's two uncles were pallbearers, Orvey Bowman of Stratford and James Brown, R.R. 5, Milton. Interment was in Limestone cemetery.

POET'S CORNER

NOVEMBER'S END
By Mary Ellen Varley

The brook is swollen with the tears of fall,
Where handkerchiefs of brown leaves sadden lay,
It is only the blue-jay's strident call
That livens now the quiet, rain-threatened day.

The Mums have curled their leaves about each stem,
While close to the warm light
Such vagrancies across the winter's hem
Will soon, with swift, frost-angony be swept

Barren all the earth where God's beauty springs,
Yet briefly flames the sun across the west,
The maple where the birds so lately sang
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But what amused me was the delight of the lucky first-comers. It didn't matter what was in the bag just so long as it was a giveaway treat. In a grocery store, one woman said to another, "Look what I've got (showing her bag). Have you been in the new store yet? No? Well, you'd better hurry — the bags are going out fast!" Before I had bought all my groceries, the second woman, was back, tickled pink because she, too, had got a "grab-bag." How foolish can we get?