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Four Day Week At Ford Plant Due To Winter

The Oakville plant of Ford Motor Co. of Canada is producing cars only four days this week instead of five because of the weather.

George H. Jackson, vice-president of sales and advertising, said severe winter conditions across Canada are delaying shipments of new cars to dealers.

Rather than build up a surplus at the factory or in the field, the company has decided to slow down its car production. Truck production at Oakville and manufacturing operations at Windsor will not be immediately affected, he explained.

"On the prairies and in the Maritimes, winter is slowing deliveries and thereby decreasing new car sales, he said.

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CAMPBELLVILLE Many Social Events, Meetings Held By Ladies, Church Groups

(Intended for last week)

Mrs. Jack Wheelhand was the hostess for the January meeting of the Campbellville Women's Institute when Mrs. Sid Hartley presided. The roll call was answered with cherished memories of my school teacher by 17 members.

Mrs. Lloyd Crawford reported for the hall committee after the secretary's report by Mrs. Jack Wheelhand. Mrs. Leonard Andrews gave the treasurer's report. Plans were made for a Valentine supper and sale of articles in the Masonic hall. Special thanks were given Mrs. Russell Commons for her donation.

Mrs. Lloyd Crawford took the chair for Historical Research and had on display the recently printed book on Halton's Pages of the Past and read a poem from it by Ethel Chapman, a Halton girl.

Several resolutions were given: Mrs. J. Wheelhand, to plan a cook book; Mrs. L. Andrews, to be active members; Mrs. F. Quinlan, to start to build our community hall; Mrs. I. K. Mahon, start on plans for a fall plant sale.

Mrs. L. Crawford gave historic current events and accompanied for community singing. Mrs. A. T. Moore, assisted by Terry Moore, showed pictures of her trip to California recently which were enjoyed by all.

The meeting closed with the Queen and thanks to the hostess for a social half hour which followed.

To Buy New Carpet

St. John's W.A. met in the S.S. room with Mrs. Ross Carbert presiding. Rev. R. P. Jeffares presided over the election of officers which remained the same except for Mrs. Charles Baynton as vice-president and Mrs. Gordon Currie as educational secretary.

The altar-linen is in the church now and the ladies are planning to purchase a new chancelory carpet for the church. Plans were made for a euchre in the Sunday school. It was announced the Vestry meeting for St. John's Wardens will be in the S.S. beginning with a pot luck

History Enriched Throughout Ages Lawyer Tells Club

George Elliott Q.C., Milton lawyer as guest speaker at the Acton Junior Institute and Junior Farmers annual Parents' Night held at Banbrookburn School on Wednesday, January 11.

Mr. Elliott's address, History down through the years, took the parents and Juniors back to the days of William the Conqueror, in 1066 when James and the Stewarts came back to restore the Stewarts' rule and back to 1746, the retreat of Bonnie Prince Charles, nicknaming of the Duke of Cumberland the Butcher as he ordered all wounded killed.

Mr. Elliott told the parents and Juniors how the song Loch Lomond came about, reading "O ye'll tak the high road and I'll tak the low road an I'll be in Scotland before ye."

The Scottish believed at that time that if a Scot died away from home she or he would be transported home by the low road.

Florence Nightingale, the Lady of the Lamp, volunteered to take some nurses to Crimea and 38 nurses volunteered to go, the speaker continued. Florence Nightingale turned the English soldier from an animal to a man which discounted the story of Wellington who said he won the battle of the world with the scum of the earth because the men enlisted for him in 1814 with the first world war poison gas was introduced by the Germans. From the second world war he recalled Dunkirk, the greatest evacuation of all times, when one third of a million men who were trapped with the English Channel at their backs were ordered to be completely wiped out by Adolf Hitler. Every small boat the British had was put into service and the men were evacuated.

So down through the years history has become richer and richer, concluded Mr. Elliott.

Mr. Elliott was introduced by vice-president Jack Marshall and thanked by vice-president Doris Thompson.

The meeting opened with the Junior Farmer song with president Kathleen Stanley presiding.

Other program numbers were a violin duet by Betty and Doris Anderson, an accordion number by Theodore Zorn, and several games conducted by Jack Marshall and Mae Sprawl. Winners of the games were Hilda Boyes and Doris Anderson.

Chronicles of Ginger Farm

Written Specially for the Acton Free Press by Gwendolene F. Clarke

Now what would you say about this for a coincidence? Hardly had the ink dried on my column last week that Partner was out to a farm meeting — and who should be the guest speaker but Professor D. R. Campbell. Remember — it was he who said there were too many low income farmers. At this meeting he did not touch on that topic at all. He was speaking mostly on the marketing of farm products and all that he said was very practical and down-to-earth. It was two or three years since Partner had had an opportunity of hearing Dr. Campbell and on this occasion he was very appreciative of the average farmer's problems.

No doubt if Dr. Campbell's remarks a little while ago about "too many farmers" had not been taken out of the context they would probably have been better understood. That happens so often — a somewhat startling remark is picked up by city papers for the sake of a good story and published without due regard to what had been the object of the address.

Dear knows there is enough that is startling going on these days without the necessity of contorting and exaggerating the issue to make a story — as for instance the weekly wash visits from the British Prime Minister's country residence. Even the E.B.C. got a story out of that. Apparently a compromise was reached by providing the "Woman with the Wash" with an extra piece of ground for a clothesline. By that means her washing schedule was undisturbed but the family underwear was kept out of sight of "the house next door".

Now I wonder — did anyone get any plants frozen by that cold north east wind last week? I was afraid it might, but thank goodness I didn't. However, after having to move my plants out to the dining room I decided not to put them back into the sunroom again because there is no heat there at all. So I chose a well-lit south room to house them for the remainder of the winter. I like my plants but I can't see the sense of letting them create any more work than is strictly necessary. And house plants can make work, of that I am sure.

For instance, there is an elderly lady who has African violets all over the house. Her schedule was how much time and effort she spent on those violets and other plants until the lady herself became very ill and the care of the plants fell to her stenographer-daughter, who was naturally away from home most of the day. When the mother was able to take an interest again she was going on around her, her main concern was about her plants — were they all right, had any of them died — was Mary sure she hadn't over-watered them? Her attitude is understandable. The plants were her hobby and providing her with an active interest in life. Too active, in fact.

There are many such people — and if it isn't plants it is something else. Of course, everyone should have a hobby of some kind but once a hobby runs wild it becomes a problem. If it cannot be easily cared for by one person then it needs to be curtailed. A few house plants can be just as rewarding in interest as a hundred. Now I suppose I have given you the opportunity to say — "And what about your own?" Well, mine are not very person-like house plants. Except for a few ferns which I cannot do without — my plants are mostly geranium slips intended for the flower garden next spring. And you will agree that no one can have geraniums in the garden without taking care of slips in the house. Unless, of course, one buys them — but that idea doesn't appeal to me.

There are other hobbies which, if uncontrolled, make a lot of work. Antiques, for instance. Ornaments, crystal and pottery. Think of the dusting involved! There are many such collections in old country homes. I don't imagine anyone living in a subdivision could indulge in such a hobby. Maybe that is one reason why I hope we never have to leave our big house, because I have my hobby vices too. I won't say what my collecting mania is — but my family could tell you! Joy says — "It is to be hoped you don't have to move out in a hurry." However, it doesn't make work for anyone but myself — and if, when I fade out of the picture it will make a glorious bonfire.

Incidentally, if you happen to be a hoarder or a hobbyist and there is danger of it becoming an obsession, then you should read "My Brother's Keeper" by Marcia Davenport. It is the story of events prior to the discovery of the dead bodies of two elderly brothers in a huge house in New York, packed almost solid with tunnelled newspapers, grand pianos and all kinds of junk. It is a terrific story, somewhat gruesome in parts, but perfectly logical.

And you close the book feeling the tragedy could so easily have been avoided had the brothers been given the opportunity of leading normal lives in their younger days.

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Ontario Studying Brucellosis Effort

C. J. Graham, Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, told the Halton Holstein Club members at their annual meeting held January 11 at Palermo, that his department is concerned with the position of the province as far as control of brucellosis is concerned, and is currently making an intensive study of the situation. It is hoped that constructive steps will be taken as a result of this study.

Mr. Graham stated that in many states and regional areas of the United States, progress has been made in setting up brucellosis free areas and some of the states had already set the dates when this program would be carried out. The point where brucellosis free areas would be declared. Only cattle from similar free areas would then be admitted. If the dairy farmers of Canada, particularly those of Ontario, were to maintain their present substantial export market to these areas of the U.S., a satisfactory program would also have to be established here.

D. S. Dunton, Brampton, a director of the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada, said that a year ago the Dominion Dept. of Animals Branch had announced that a program was being prepared that would call for a modified reading of the brucellosis test. This would make it much easier to maintain a listed brucellosis-free herd and would pave the way for the establishment of brucellosis-free areas in this country. As yet this program has not been put into practice. Mr. Dunton felt that this was a necessary step before further progress could be made.

LIGNY-DUFFERIN Ligny Farm Forum Begins New Series

(Intended for last week)

Ligny farm forum began the new series on Monday, January 9 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fin Currie. There was a good attendance with some new couples out. Plans were finished for the euchre and dance for this week. Euchre was enjoyed for an hour.

Miss Kathie Lindert, Kitchener, spent the week-end at Mr. and Mrs. Davenport's.

Mr. and Mrs. Fin Currie, Susan and Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Currie, and Mr. and Mrs. John McKinnon spent New Year's with Mr. Phineas Finlay, Guelph Junction.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy M. Currie and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Brown attended the Milk Producers' Meeting and banquet in Toronto recently.

Mr. Ken McKenzie, Hamilton, visited his sister-in-law, Mrs. A. McKenzie, Keith and Nancy.

Mrs. Flintoft returned on Sunday to Mrs. McKenzie's after two months' stay with her daughter, Mrs. Cairns and Mr. Cairns in Toronto.

Hope all those who are suffering from colds and flu will soon be feeling much better.

New Year's guests with Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Wilson were Mr. Stan Wilson, Mrs. J. Wilson, Milton, and Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Brown.

In the 12 months ended last July 31, Canada exported 251,800,000 bushels of wheat and the grain equivalent of wheat flour. Record export figure is the 1929 total of 365,535,541 bushels.

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