

## CANADIAN PLOWMEN ABROAD

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CANADIAN PLOWING TEAM



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### Missing Plows Arrive But Covered with Grease

Editor's Note: Russell Beilhartz of Brantford, Ont., a past president of the Ontario Plowmen's Association and manager of the Canadian plowing team at the fourth annual World Plowing Match in England, has sent home on-the-spot reports of his trip with team members Robert Timbers of Stouffville, Ont., and Edwin Demman of Portage la Prairie, Man. Here is the second of his reports.

By Russell Beilhartz  
OXFORD, England—Here we are in the ancient City of Oxford, one of the world's famous seats of learning. However, we did not come here to get a university degree but to do our best to win the Esso Golden Plow, the trophy that symbolizes world supremacy in plowing, at the World Plowing Match being held here.

(Both) Timbers at nearby Shillington, Here we held a meeting the first day so that contestants and team managers, like myself, could get acquainted. We found all managers speak English and quite a few of the plowmen either speak or understand English as you can imagine, we didn't have any difficulty in introducing ourselves, all Edwin Demman though one of the English speaking contestants remarked that "some of the boys from the foreign countries are easier to understand than the Englishmen."

After the meeting, we left by motor coach for Windsor to visit Queen Elizabeth's farm, a drive of about an hour and a half. As we drove, there were times when I would just lean back and listen to the different national groups conversing in their native tongues and wonder if the Tower of Babel sounded anything like it. But it was all so friendly and animated that it really was a pleasure listening.

At the royal farm, we were met by the manager and manageress, who welcomed us warmly. We learned that few visitors to England have the opportunity of entering the gates, let alone touring the Queen's farm.

To describe the farm and all we saw would be difficult, but the thing that struck us was the orderly arrangement of everything. Wherever there was grass, it was well clipped and even the trees and shrubs seemed to have been manicured.

All of the 600-acre farm is under cultivation except for parks, a golf course and roads. The main road is called the Princess Elizabeth Road and it runs perfectly straight right across the farm. It is lined on both sides by large trees, growing close together. On one side of the farm is the Thames River.

There are two herds of cattle on the farm, an Ayrshire herd consisting of a fine lot of large cows in wonderful condition, 95 head all told, and a Jersey herd of 45 cows, 49 young stock and two bulls. There are also the first year calves numbering 30 breeding sows and gilts and two boards, 155 Border Leicester cheviot ewes and 250 lambs born this year. There is also a poultry flock of 2,500. We also saw Prince Philip's riding horses.

After viewing the stock fields, storage-barns, machinery and grain driers, we stopped for refreshments. Farm workers dressed in work clothes served us sandwiches and things to wet the palate.

If time permitted, I could write a book about what we saw and were told about the royal farm. However, I should mention that as we drove by beautiful Windsor

### County President Institute Speaker

(Intended for last week)  
Scotch Block W.I. met at Miss Eva Chisholm's home for the November meeting. Mrs. George Somerville, Acton, county president, was the guest speaker and gave two very interesting papers. Miss Mary Joyce favored the ladies with lively Scotch melodies.

Ligny farm forum met at Ed Davenport's for the November 5 meeting and at Cecil Chisholm's for the November 12 meeting. Several ladies in the community won prizes at the Cooking School at Milton last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Dredge spent a few days in Windsor recently. Mr. C. E. Davenport accompanied by Mr. T. W. Kennedy, Nassagaweya, were delegates to the Cream Producers' meeting in the Royal York hotel, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gorman, Hamilton, spent several afternoons with Mrs. A. McKenzie Nancy. Mrs. McKenzie had just recently returned home from the hospital.

Recent guests with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Dredge were Miss Mabel and Miss Sally Kerr of Toronto.

### Pearls, Sequins Trim White Bridal Gown

Miss Willa Catherine Benham, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Benham of Everton, became the bride of Gordon Alistair Adie in a ceremony in the Stone church, Erasmus, Rev. J. A. Ditts solemnized the marriage.

The bride wore a white gown of silk lace and nylon net, designed with a long-sleeved jacket trimmed in seed pearls and sequins. The long net skirt was inset with lace and trimmed in pearl and sequins. Her fingertip veil was caught in a sequin and pearl crown. She carried a bouquet of tulasian roses and white heather.

Mrs. Gerry Prior was matron of honor, wearing an apple green nylon gown in ballerina length. She wore a matching pleated headdress and carried a cascade of green and white chrysanthemums.

Miss Lois Barber was bridesmaid, wearing similar to the matron of honor in buttercup yellow and carried a cascade of yellow and white chrysanthemums. Miss Janice Bye was flower girl in a lilac nylon gown over a tulle underskirt. She wore a floral headdress and carried a basket of mauve chrysanthemums and white heather.

Bruce Lee of Guelph was best man and James Walker and John G. Morrell, Guelph, were ushers. The wedding music was played by David Benham of Rockwood. Miss Willa Benham sang.

A reception in the church hall followed the wedding. White gladstoli and daisies decorated the hall and the bride's table was arranged with white candles in silver candleabra and white gladioli.

For receiving the guests, the bride's mother wore a slate grey dress with cinnamon accessories and a corsage of yellow roses. The groom's mother assisted, wearing a blue shot taffeta dress with black accessories and a corsage of American beauty roses.

For a wedding trip to the Thousand Islands and eastern Ontario, the bride donned a grey pussy-willow tweed suit, with white velvet hat and black accessories and a corsage of white camelias.

The couple are making their home in Guelph.

**YOUNG HUNTER**  
TIMMINS, Ont. (CP)—16 year old Jeff Salama has put many older hunters to shame. He killed a 1,200 pound bull mouse, tracking it for more than an hour before getting into shooting position. It took 18 shots to finish the large animal.



TWO ACTON DEBATERS will take part in the Provincial Junior Farmers debating competition. It was decided by judges when the county group held their public speaking and debating finals in Milton High School. Jack Black, left, and Bertha Watson here work on their debate. Miss Watson will also represent the county at the Toronto Public Speaking finals in January. Other debaters are Bill Marshall of Palermo and Howson Ruddell of Norval.

### Fall Bride Showered Kettle Given Groom

Prior to her marriage, Miss Jeanne Hill, R. R. 2, Rockwood, was entertained on several occasions by Mrs. George Mooney of Guelph held a miscellaneous shower. Mrs. Garnet McDougall of Eden Mills had a kitchen shower and Mrs. Stanley Hill of Acton, a miscellaneous shower.

The groom, Dean Taylor, was honored by his fellow employees at the O.A.C. and presented with an electric tea kettle.

### POETS CORNER

MY MORNING GLORIES  
It is raining, it is dreary,  
But this can't make me teary,  
For my buds will soon be flowers,  
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### Golf Club Meeting Of Halton Assessors

Assessors of Halton held their November meeting in the North Halton Golf and Country club at Georgetown.

### OBITUARY

**Lieut.-Col. G. Cousens Had War Decoration**  
A former Georgetown postmaster who was well known in this district, Lieut.-Col. G. B. S. Cousens, M.C., died in Guelph hospital, November 12. He received the Military Cross during the first world war and had a distinguished military career.

Funeral services with full military honors was held November 14 in Georgetown, followed by interment in Greenwood cemetery, Georgetown.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Barbara (Mrs. Duncan), Pamela (Mrs. E. S. Ritter), two sons, George of Ottawa and Colin of Virginiatown.