



**WILLIAM J. ORCHARD** of Burlington was elected Worshipful Master of the Halton County L.O.L. at the annual meeting in the L.O.F. Hall in Milton on Saturday. Shown seated in the front row are Clifford Ebbs, recording secretary; Fergus Quee, Deputy Master; W. J. Orchard, Worshipful Master; David Worden of Listowel, Jr. Deputy Grand Master; Rev. M. J. Aiken, Chaplain; J. B. Munro, Grand Chaplain of Ontario West; Norman Fryer, past County Master. Standing in the back row are Ralph Barlow, auditor; William Milligan, number 257; James McCoo, financial secretary; Ernest Graff, Junior Deputy-County Master; Earl Brown, first lecturer; Percy Hall, treasurer; James A. Stinson, tiler; H. Schroeder, marshal; Keith Ireland, first deputy-lecturer; Francis Graham, second deputy-lecturer.

**EBENEZER**

### Young People Conduct Service Farewell Party for Andy Franks

Ebenezer Young People had complete charge of the church service on Sunday morning. Susan Ward presided at the organ. Stella O'Gorman and Albert Blom rendered "Mansion over the Hilltop" as a duet.

The speakers, Murray Fatt and Gerard Blom, discussed the pros and cons of capital punishment. Murray was in favor of abolishing it on the grounds that it brutalized society, is no deterrent to murder and it makes it impossible to rehabilitate the criminal.

Life is sacred, since God made man in his own image. If a woman killer does not repent when the sentence of death is upon him, he certainly will not with 50 years of prison ahead of him.

Gerard stated that there are 59 abolitionists, 49 retentionists and 60 undecided in Parliament. France and Spain are the only countries east of the Iron Curtain which still retain capital punishment and that only on a limited scale.

The exception to the use of capital punishment should be treasonable conduct during war. In the 18th century, there were 240 crimes, including theft, adultery and heresy, punishable by death.

Capital punishment is an archaic custom. Of 2,500 capital murders annually in the United States, there are only about 30 executions.

Others taking part in the service were Winnifred Dunbar, Carol Freeman, Lloyd Lucas and Rob Blvth. The Young People also formed the choir.

**Left District**

An enjoyable evening was spent recently at Ebenezer on the occasion of a party and presentation for Sheriff and Mrs. Andy Frank and their son Reid, who moved to Milton in September. Life-long residents of Nassagaweya, they are much missed.

A sing-song, solos by Mrs. Hayward and John Kitching, and readings by Wynne Dunbar added to the enjoyment of the evening. Mr. Art Diamond read the address stressing the many community affairs to which Elsie and Andy gave their energies unstintingly. The Franks all expressed their appreciation. Andy gave us a tune on the fiddle. The evening closed with lunch.

**SPORTS SHORTS**

Requests for tickets have come from as far away as Toronto but all admissions will be at the gate when the N.J.L. Oldtimers visit here a week from Friday in aid of minor hockey. Milton Juveniles wrapped up the Tri-County semifinals in two straight games against Orangeville and will meet Fergus in the quarter finals.

Current topic for hockey fans. Will Bobby Hull equal Maurice (Rocket) Richard's record by scoring 50 goals in 50 games?

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### HARLEY...to HALTON

By DR. HARRY HARLEY, M.P.

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What's New for 1966 ?

### Last Year's Corn Discouraging

Last year was very discouraging for many corn growers in Halton. The very dry spring curtailed germination especially in the heavy clay soils. Then the fall rains slowed up maturity and delayed harvesting. A large acreage was harvested in January with some corn still in the fields.

Most corn fields have not been plowed, posing a problem for this spring. Farmers should add up to 40 lbs. of actual nitrogen to break down these corn stalks. This could be applied along with the regular nitrogen requirements before working in the spring and plowing down, or can be applied as a side dressing before the corn is 12 inches high. If plowing and discing is not possible because of time in the spring, other methods of preparing a seedbed may be used. Some will just disc, whereas others may pull a clod-buster behind the plow and then sow the corn.

**High Breakage**

Stalk breakage was very high last year. This was possibly the result of one or more of the following factors — too cold a summer, very high levels of nitrogen, too low a level of potash, frozen or dead stalks holding up heavy wet ears, or too late a maturing variety. Earlier maturing corn varieties must be sown earlier in the year in order to guarantee a crop. The demand for these early varieties has been so great this winter that many early varieties have been completely sold out. Choose high producing varieties with good stalk strength in the 2600-2800 Heat Unit section from the recommended list.

The average row width will be 36 inches, with a few going down to approximately 30 inches.

Increased corn populations are being planted. The average population is about 19,000 plants per acre. With early planting, good fertility and weed control, plant populations may be increased by 2,000 to 4,000 plants per acre. In order to achieve this population, care must be taken at time of seeding and at least 10 per cent more seeds planted to allow for some lack of germination.

Atrazine applied pre-emergent, has proven the most successful over the years, however, annual grasses may be missed. Early post-emergent application of atrazine and oil gives better control for these annual grasses. This

application should be sprayed on when the weeds are in the one to two leaf stage. A split application of atrazine, both before and after sowing the corn is recommended for couch grass control. Information on weed control can be obtained from publication 75 — Guide to Chemical Weed Control.

Children are enjoying climbing on top of banks of snow which have been pushed back by plows. Unfortunately this puts motorists at a disadvantage and could be the cause of a serious accident to some child.

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