



LOYAL ORANGEMEN marched on Saturday morning to the cenotaph and laid a wreath to mark the 12th of July. More than 100 paraded from C. K. Browne's store on Main St., paced by the Pride of Halton Drum and Cymbal band. Shown from left to right are Victor Roach, Tony Langley, Les Carnochan, Danny Holmes, Dave Langley and George Holmes.

Soil very dry

Irrigation pays in hot weather

The 90 degree temperatures of the past two weeks combined with the lack of rainfall, have left very dry soil conditions at the present time. Shallow rooted vegetable crops and small fruits would have suffered long before this had it not been for irrigation on many farms. Even now tree fruits are beginning to show signs of the hot, dry weather.

Irrigation, a tool used quite frequently on many local farms is paying its way at the present time. Farmers are able to add that extra moisture to the soil to keep the crop from wilting during the hot sunny days. There are, however, many important considerations to keep in mind when irrigating crops. Remember to irrigate soon enough, that is, before the crop begins to suffer. If you wait until the crop has already wilted, then there is already permanent damage to the plant. You must keep the plant grow-

ing at all times.

If a plant stops growing then it is not likely it will continue its growth as rapidly even when adequate moisture is provided. All plants give off great quantities of water through their leaves when it is hot and sunny. This water must be supplied through the roots, by the soil. For this reason you must keep an adequate supply of water in the soil at all times, especially when it is very warm and sunny.

Another consideration is that you must water sufficiently that the moisture will soak well below the root zone. Shallow watering encourages shallow root growth which is very bad for the plant. You should not water any more often than necessary, but giving a large quantity of water each time you do irrigate. Properly timed irrigation will encourage deep root growth, which will enable the plant to obtain the nutrients

that are located deep down in the soil.

A shallowly rooted plant is likely to only give about half of its regular yield, or even less. Many modern day fruit and vegetable farms have irrigation systems, and an adequate supply of water on hand. Many times, however, equipment is sitting idly by, while the crop suffers from lack of water. This is making a very uneconomic use of such equipment.

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German language school is success open registration for fall term

North Halton's first German-language school ended its first year of operation at the end of June, and from all reports it was a highly successful venture. Rudy Arbeiter of Milton, president of the German-Canadian Club of Halton County which launched the school last fall, said classes would definitely be repeated next fall. He said of 34 adults and children who enrolled last fall, 31 completed the course.

hearing it at their homes, but had never written in German or learned the grammatical intricacies of the language.

He said registrations for the fall course will be accepted until July 25. The classes are open to anyone in Halton County, and they do not have to be a member of the sponsoring club to enroll. Fees charged are not

intended to make a profit, but simply cover administration costs and the teacher's salary.

Locals

—Many teachers are away on summer courses this month.

—Conservation Areas in the district have been kept extremely busy in the past few weeks.

—About 75 members of the Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment) are attending a week-long training session in Camp Petawawa this week.

—The O.P.P. Detachment in Milton, which services roads in the Acton area, is scheduled to have a new home by October 1. A new building, expected to cost about \$50,000 will be located in the triangle of land one-half mile south of the 401 over-pass, during the past week.

Golden Age Club members enjoy euchre, crokinole

The regular afternoon meeting of the Acton Golden Age Club was well attended and the usual enjoyable afternoon was spent.

Mrs. F. McCutcheon presided during the short business meeting in the absence of Mr. David-

son. Miss Annie Atkins gave a wonderful report on cards she had sent out. Several visits had been made by the Visiting Committee.

Eight tables of euchre and three of crokinole kept the members entertained for the rest of the afternoon. Winners in euchre were — ladies, Mrs. William Evans; gentlemen, Mr. Robert McEnery.

Winners in crokinole were — ladies, Mrs. D. Kennedy; gentlemen, Mr. Healey.

Owing to the continuing heat, and to vacation time, only a small number have been turning out to play shuffleboard at the arena. Mr. Howard Pearce, recreation director, was present at the meeting and congratulated the club on being such an active group and told of the arrangements made for the club to play each Monday night at 7.30 p.m. It is hoped more members will soon be able to enjoy these privileges.

The next meeting of the Acton Golden Age Club will be held Thursday, July 21, at 7.30 p.m.

Hay crop sets record but corn looks poor

Haying on most Halton farms finished last week and several farmers report a record hay crop with an average yield of over two tons per acre. Halton's Agricultural Representative Henry J. Stanley reported this week.

"Two heavy rainfalls in early June caused the hay crop and especially the brome to grow rapidly," he noted. Yields of 200 bales per acre or four tons have been reported.

"Thus farmers will once again be able to fill up barns that had been emptied from the poorer crop in 1965 and from the sale of hay to Eastern Ontario and the United States," the Agricultural Representative indicated.

The fields that were harvested in early June are growing a good second crop of alfalfa. However there has been no growth on fields harvested during the past two weeks due to lack of rainfall. Less than one-tenth inch has fallen on central and northern Halton since June 15.

Pastures are dying out and the grasses and clovers maturing. This is resulting in a lower milk production.

He said the winter wheat crop looks very good with very little winter killing and enough height to produce considerable bedding for the livestock farmer. Early seeded oats and barley look good but will require an early rain if it is going to fill properly and produce plump seed. Late seeded grain crops have not grown as well as normal.

Corn is considerably behind normal on many fields. Early planted corn on the heavy clay soil was very slow in germinating because of the cool damp spring. A large percentage rotted in the ground while some was attacked by wireworms and

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Bell Co. aims to eliminate annoying threatening calls

A stepped-up program aimed at eliminating calls made by those who use the telephone to annoy or threaten was announced today by the Bell Telephone Company of Canada.

In making the announcement, Marcel Vincent, Bell Canada president, said the intensified company-wide program involved all departments in efforts towards ending such calls. Special training will be given to more than 2,000 service representatives who handle customer reports of annoying or threatening calls in areas served by the company.

When a telephone customer is harassed by repeated obscene or annoying calls the service representatives will work with the customer to try to solve the problem.

When the company is notified that the telephone has been used to threaten a customer with bodily harm, kidnapping or damage to property the matter is assigned to a specialist who has the authority to take whatever action may be appropriate and necessary.

"Bell Canada will, through active co-operation with law enforcement agencies and the provision of evidence, contribute to the prosecution of a person making offensive calls," Mr. Vincent said.

He pointed out that even though the complexity of the modern telephone makes it difficult in some cases to identify the source of such calls, Bell Canada has various means to do so and is using them.

PTO ACCIDENTS

The use of machinery is now at its peak on Ontario farms. Haying is still in progress in the north and harvesting of various crops has begun throughout the southwestern area. Most of these harvesting machines are tractor-powered through the power-take-off shaft. No matter how short the job or how big a hurry you're in, always instal the PTO shield. It's there for your protection.

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