

# Can't pull the wool over our eyes, say sheep shearing gals



A RELUCTANT EWE endures the first brush with sheep shears this Spring with grudging acquiescence. Martha Hoey and Penny Clarke were on their 35th fleece by this time. —(Staff Photo)



TRIMMING HOOVES IS a tricky part of shearing sheep and the tendency for the electric shears to slip or gather loose folds of skin in for the pinch isn't appreciated by victims. The fleece comes off in one large coat. —(Staff Photo)

## Scene - Hoey farm Nassagaweya twp.



JOB FINISHED, MARTHA and Penny take the fleece to join the 30 odd others they sheared from sheep at the Hoey farm. The wool will be sold to buyers, quality setting the prices. The fleece is rated on length, texture and color. —(Staff Photo)

## Lilac borers cause damage

By D. B. McNeill

Lilac and privet bushes are often severely damaged by the lilac borer. The borer feeds within the larger branches and weakens infested plants. The invaded branches may break at the sites of infestations and on occasion plants are killed.

The borer lives over the winter in the pith area of the branch. In late May the larvae transform and the adults emerge in June as wasp-like moths. Eggs are laid on wounded areas of bark or in crevices of the bark's surface. After hatching, the larvae feed in the cambium area and later bore into the pith of branches.

Extensive damage occurs in July and August. Infested plants may be recognized in late summer and fall by the large amounts of sawdust found at their bases.

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ALTHOUGH THE WEATHER WAS WARM, sheep weren't pleased to don their new garb if it meant tossing away the wool they worked a year to produce and which took the two gals only 15 minutes to remove. —(Staff Photo)

## Field crop club visits two farms

By Ann McClure  
The second meeting of the Halton 4-H Field Co-op Club was held on May 21. The first place we visited was at the home of Don Lindsay. The president, Barb Brownridge opened the meeting with the 4-H Pledge and the Secretary Mary Anderson gave the report.

Mr. Lindsay took us into the upstairs of his barn where he showed us his feed mixtures for his pigs and cattle. We were also shown his cattle outside and he told exactly what he fed them. Grace Bird thanked our host.

We then went to Mae Alexander's farm where he showed us his feed operations for his Jersey cows. We could also go inside his silo to see how it works. Ken McNabb thanked our host.

## Beef club tours farm

By Doug Kee  
For our second regular meeting the Milton and Acton 4-H Beef Calf Clubs joined and visited Scotsdale Farms owned by S. Bennett. John Willmott gave a type demonstration to help the junior members in their judging.

Doug Gardhouse gave a lecture on showmanship and preparation of an animal for showing. After judging a class of mature bulls the members listened to a lecture given by Cathy Lasby about judging and a brief history of Scotsdale Farms given by Karen Pierce. Lessons were then taught to junior and senior members. Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Bennett.

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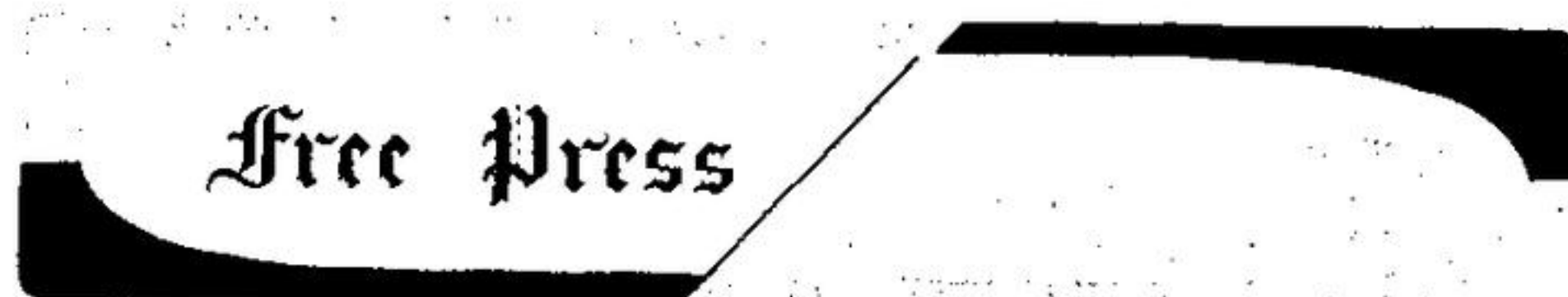
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# Nassagaweya Dump problem

Dumping problems at the township dump concerned members of Nassagaweya Council Monday as operator C. A. Ferrier reported people dumping garbage over fences after the dump's 7 p.m. closing hour.

Deputy Reeve G. Agnew proposed a by-law against illegal dumping but it was noted the Ontario Provincial Police, who police the township roads, do not enforce local by-laws.

Council agreed a resolution should go to the Attorney General's Department asking the O.P.P. to enforce local by-laws. "It leaves us powerless when they won't enforce by-laws", Reeve A. MacArthur observed.

Councillor J. Watson said he had some sympathy for people who gather up a load of garbage and find the dump closed. "They were dumping outside the gate even before we put it on", Councillor A. Ackman recalled.

The possibility of a higher fence was considered and one resident present at the meeting suggested a large box be placed just inside the gate to take after-hours dumping. This could then be hauled over to the dump area and emptied.

Mr. Ferrier declared it wouldn't work. "If they're as sloppy as they are now, they won't put it in the box". He noted two truck loads had been dumped Sunday afternoon.

A committee to meet at the dump site to discuss a higher fence.

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