

Meanderings

by Mabel Barkman

Many people have asked me for my recipe for Russian hot dill pickles, but the requirements for making them are so difficult for most people that I hesitate to do so. In fact, I didn't make good ones until I grew everything myself.

I'll give you an idea. First of all, you have to pick the cucumbers in the early morning when the dew is on them—scrub them, dry them and do them immediately. You have to have soft water in your house. You have to have pickling salt. You have to grow grapes or horseradish in order to have the leaves for crispness. You have to have sweet peppers and hot peppers fresh. You have to have large sealers with good rubber bands. You have to get the right amount of salt into the boiling water and if you are a purist you will use no vinegar. I draw the line here and use a little so hardly any jars go bad over the winter. I do buy fresh garlic but grow my own dill.

So, if you have all the ingredients ready at hand, I'll give you the simple (hah!) recipe in my next column.

Legion happenings

by Al McKerracher

The summer season is about half over and plans are being made for the several fall events. The first will be the Corn Roast which will be held on August 27. The following week, on September 4, the Annual Picnic will be held. As you know, this is a special day for the kids and comrade Vic Patrick is planning food, rides, races and more so try to reserve a little time on the last weekend of the summer. Comrade Jim Waller has also made plans for a variety of entertainment for the fall and we'll keep you posted as these come up.

Furniture disappears

Furniture valued at \$757 was taken out of Grundy's Sales Barn, Ospringe, Thursday evening. The merchandise was owned by George Grundy and Federal Close Out Liquidators Inc.

Need checklist for required permits

People should be able to get all their permits from either the Town or region and not have to go running back and forth between the two levels of government.

Monday-night Councillor Dave Whiting told Halton Hills council there should be a permits check list prepared until a solution is worked out so people don't have to go to both the Town and region.

He told the story of an Acton woman who

severed a lot in town and is building a bungalow on the new lot. First she went to the Town, then the region, and back and forth again, collecting permits.

However, in the end she didn't have a permit from the Town to cut the road for the new property entrance because nobody "thought to tell her she needed one."

He described the whole matter as a "mess" which took time to straighten out.

there were problems other than the lack of a road cut permit.

He noted the region is already looking at ways to streamline the procedure for people obtaining permits, and the Town should be pushing that all permits be issued at the Halton Hills level "shop all in one place." In the meantime staff should be directed to prepare a checklist for people of what permits are needed.

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