

**TURTLE AND A FEW FLEAS IN PET PARADE**



One of the big thrills for boys and girls enrolled in the Georgetown Recreation Committee's local playground program which just recently wound up was "pet day" when the youngsters were allowed to bring the family pet. The one-day visitors barked, howled, meowed, but still didn't drown out the excited chatter of their owners.

**Hay Heating in Barn Needs Farmers' Attention**

H. J. Stanley  
Halton Agricultural Rep.

Last week, I was present at one of our Halton dairy farms while firemen and neighbors were digging the hay out of the mow and throwing it outside. The temperature of this hay, put in by the forage harvester, was over 200 degrees.

The gases and heat generated made working in the mow very hazardous. After each few forkfuls were removed, the firemen would turn on the hose to keep the mow from igniting. The hay was dark brown and disintegrated into powder as soon as it was rubbed in your hand.

Luckily, the farmer smelled his hay heated and acted wisely. He called the firemen before trying to dig out the hot spot in the mow.

**VITAL**

A constant check of the temperature of the hay is vital, especially in a year when there is excessive moisture.

To take the temperature a

half inch pipe or tube approximately 10 feet in length can be used. The end of the tube should have a point of hardwood driven in or riveted to it, and a few holes, 1/4 inch in diameter, made just above the hardwood.

The tube should be inserted into the hay. Drop a candy or oven thermometer attached to a string into the tube and leave it for five minutes.

After five minutes the temperature should be noted and compared to the following scale; if the temperature is 150 degrees, the danger zone is near and observations should be made every day; at 160 degrees, inspections should be made every four hours; at 175 degrees, fire pockets may be anticipated and the fire pumper called to wet down the hay.

**FIRE POCKETS**

If the temperature reaches 183 degrees, the hay should be removed and the fire pumper available, since flames will develop when the fire pockets contact the air. A temperature

of 210 degrees may mean the hay is almost sure to ignite.

Workmen should never work alone and should always have ropes tied around their waists as a safety measure when working on the haymow. Long planks should be placed over the hay for men to stand on and observe or remove the hay.

**Award Lois McNabb \$2000 Bursary**

We are all very proud of Lois McNabb who has been awarded the Steelco Bursary valued at \$2,000. It is awarded on a \$500 a year basis by the Steel Company of Canada to a student with high academic qualifications. Congratulations, Lois.

Douglas McPhail, the eleven year old son of Jim and Marion McPhail met with a nasty experience one afternoon recently when he was driving his uncle Elmer Bird's tractor at the farm above Erin. It overturned, giving him some nasty bruises and a bad shaking up. He was taken to Guelph Hospital and we're happy to say is improving but he will be in a cast for some weeks. Tough luck, Doug, but it could have been a lot worse.

Early in August Stuart Nurse motored to Nackawic, New Brunswick, to visit his aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Dixon. His aunt returned back with him and has been visiting her mother, Mrs. R. J. Graham. Her sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nurse took her back to N.B.

Did you enjoy the nice hot weather? It's sure ripening the grain fast and swathers and combines keep busy in the fields. The evenings are closing in earlier now. Exhibition starts this weekend and before we know it, we'll be glad of a coat or a heavy sweater, once again.

**Purebred Holstein Fine ROP Record**

Hilton Sky Chief Sophia, a purebred Holstein cow in the herd of Fred Nurse, Georgetown, has recently completed a fine Record of Performance production test. As a three-year-old in 305 days on twice-a-day milking, Sophia produced 18,973 lbs. milk containing 824 lbs. fat, average test 4.34 per cent butterfat. This record has a Breed Class Average of 179 per cent for milk and 212 per cent for fat.

**SILVERWOOD NEWS**

Mr. Ben Case has been very busy and community minded for many years, doing research on local history. Now his history of Halton County is coming out in print for the public. The first instalment appeared in print in the Acton paper.

Mr. Molozi is a patient in Georgetown hospital and the good wishes of the community are extended to him.

Mr. and Mrs. George Henderson and George Jr., Sheila and Janet are home after a trip to the maritimes.

Mrs. H. Marchington and Mrs. G. Henderson along with other Institute members attended the 50th wedding anniversary on August 8th of Mr. and Mrs. Moffat in Guelph. Mrs. Moffat is a board member for Guelph area Women's Institute.

Mrs. E. Miller and Mrs. Jim Roe visited Ottawa last week and brought back their friends the Fergusons. They are visiting with Mrs. Roe.

Aliria F. C. Scott



**Pesky Alfalfa Weevil Means Early Cutting**

There was an above average yield for this year's first hay crop says Henry Stanley, agricultural representative for the county.

"But we are having problems with the alfalfa weevil and it will become more and more serious every year," he continued.

"We can't spray to get rid of the weevil because it would kill off other insects such as the bees. Instead, the farmer can cut his hay before the weevil matures to an age where it can attack the leaves."

He suggested the best time to cut would be in the early bud stage of the alfalfa plant and this occurs in early June.

"The farmer would be able to fill his silo with 'haylage' which is low moisture grass silage and he can harvest his fields that much earlier rather than wait for the hay."

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**Dr. High School Teacher Returns Home for Marriage**

White glads and mums decorated St. George's Anglican Church on July 18th for the marriage of Helen Lynne Ritchie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Ritchie, 8 Union St., and Donald Grant Dingwall, son of Dr. and Mrs. D. Dingwall, Dryden.

Rev. J. Coffin, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland, officiated. The choir sang 'Love Divine' and 'O Perfect Love' and Mr. George DeKleer was the organist.

The bride, given in marriage by her father wore a floor-length gown of white taffeta, with empire waistline and full-length sleeves. Appliques of lace on the bodice and A-line skirt were repeated on the chapel train which fell from the waist. A matching lace cap held a bouffant silk illusion veil. She carried a bouquet of yellow roses, stephanotis and ivy.

Miss Claire Lund of Kitchener was maid of honour and wore a blue gown. Mrs. Nancy Kenny of Dryden as bridesmaid was in pink and Mrs. Cathy Lindsay, a cousin of the bride wore mauve. The attendant dresses were full length of polyester crepe and they carried bouquets of white daisies and baby mums.

Mr. Brian Kenny of Dryden

was groomsmen, and Mr. Jim McKinstrey of Dryden and Mr. Bill Reid of Kingston were ushers.

At a reception in the Knox Presbyterian Church Hall, the bride's mother received, wearing a turquoise silk dress, white accessories and a corsage of yellow cymbidium orchids. For going away the bride wore a mauve and white crimplene dress, white accessories and corsage of yellow sweetheart roses. They left by plane for Dryden and then motored to the West Coast for their honeymoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dingwall will be living at 198 Spruce Street, Dryden. He is employed as personnel assistant at the Dryden Paper Mill, and she is in the history department of Dryden High School.

Included in the guests who attended the wedding were the bride's grandmother, Mrs. A. Russell, and the bride's great aunt, Mrs. E. Naylor, Point Pleasant, Pennsylvania.

Prior to the marriage, the bride was tendered showers by Mrs. George Glassford and by Mrs. Doug Vivian, her cousin. In Dryden, the bride and groom were honoured by several presentations.

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