tion policies at a meeting in

However, Sam Brown of the Federation of Agriculture, praised both the code and Mr. Nodwell. He said he thought farmers should praise Nodwell because the only reason the Ministry of Agriculture got into the act was because of the Environmental Act which provided fines for contaminating the environment. He said the Ministry's intention was a code of practice to eliminate sharks who took advantage of loopholes

Brown, an R.R. 1, Mount Albert resident, said meetings such as Wednesday's gave farmers the opportunity to speak out and get the code of practice changed. He said they should be attacking the Environmental Protection Act because that's where farmers got caught. The act regulates smells, sights and other areas of rural life.

in the law.

Halton-Burlington MPP, Julian Reed, himself a farmer, suggested that if Mr. Brown was right and the Environmental Protection Act bore the responsibility for restrictive legislation, then he still didn't see anything in the agricultural Code of Practice which would provide protection. "We need amendments to the legislation," he suggested.

Reed said there is a certain hypocrisy in the Government striving to achieve better agricultural practices and at the same time issuing a Green Paper on the preservation of agricultural land. He said his riding is being hit both ends-saving agricultural land on the one hand and restrictions on farmers on the other. He felt it couldn't be accomplished by shackles.

"We recognized when we came here that not everyone would agree," said Nodwell. "We're not trying to steam roller over anybody. We knew there are negative opinions about the Agricultural Code

of Practice. Ward Two Councillor Russ Miller told the meeting consultants had been brought in before the restrictive by-law had been passed but in his opinion it was wrong for farmers to make all the

concessions. Earlier the meeting discussed the recommendations in the code over disposal of manure. The code says manure should be stored and spread in such a way as to cause the least inconvenience to neighbors and called for better management from farmers such as visual screening of manure storage, good sanitation and fly control around buildings and proper transport for manure on public roads to prevent

spillage and leakage. "Reduction of odor levels can be accomplished by the proper design and manageof the ventilation system in the building," recommends as well as proper drying of poultry manure in the barn to keep odor levels acceptable.

other recom mendations was one which solid manure suggested should be spread on the ground when it is not frozen and incorporated into the soil within 24 hours if it is applied closer than 600 feet from a non-compatible use such as a building for human occup-

ancy or food preparation. Farmers in the audience flared at the suggestions.

One woman said all these problems arose when urban people moved into agricultural districts and complained. She said she had moved from the city 25 years ago next to a farmer with pigs and put up with it and lack of other urban amenities such as school buses and doesn't see why people now cannot



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accept things as well. "You should have told people to stay where they were" she told Ministry

representatives. "I resent people telling me how to make us over. They only have rights because you told them they had rights," she accused the Ministry. "I resent paying people like you to regiment

Another woman questioner said the code would prohibit them from putting manure on 43 acres if it was followed. She said if people want to eat they are going to have to get used to manure. "The ethnic people know how valuable manure is," she said. "They're smarter, because they had to have gardens in their home lands and know what produces food for them

"What right have you guys got to tell us when to spread asked Ralph Denny of RR 2, Acton, "coming from Toronto and telling us what to do. Were you raised on the farm? he asked. Given an affirmative answer by Nodwell, Denny growled, "Well, then why didn't you stay there."

Nodwell replied that he came to the meeting to explain the code and would have had more problems if he had not helped draw it up.

Spencer Wilson of RR 1, Norval, wondered why nothing in the code said anyabout sewage, especially Georgetown's which flowed past his place. He said farm odors were healthy but sewage hardly Endorsed qualified. Nodwell said that came under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of the **Environment not the Ministry** of Agriculture.

ment that there has been reasonable acceptance for the quests for land separations code from both rural and ur- last Tuesday, including one ban people, most at the request for land to be used for meeting felt little empathy the 500 kV Ontario Hydro

The meeting started with the election of Peter Branch as chairman and Mr. Nodwell, from the Extension Branch of the Ministry of Agriculture, explained the Agricultural Code of Practice Hydro. with the aid of a small explanatory booklet and slide presentation.

available to protect and promote agriculture and ensure its future. "The code has never been a set of regulations," he said. Minister of Agriculture of the time (1970) Bill Stewart said all need a few rules and he expected farmers to take it from there. However, Nodwell, said, mistakes had been made since it was first drawn up in 1970 by a committee of 10 farmers

and people in agriculture. A second printing with revisions was made in 1973 and the newest came in January of 1976. "We were told it would drive farmers out of Ontario but now British Columbia is considering it with some modifications," well told the meeting.

He said the Ministry of the Environment had many complaints about the smell of barnyards, hogs and other farm use, and the first code was a crude attempt to put guidelines in use for farmers. Although it provided guidelines for farmers the Ministry hoped someone else would provide protection from encroachment around farms.

your taxes.

The final book is based on a Ministry hoped to reduce period of six years and the work of 10 people on the committee, he said.

Code for Good Neighbors" explained the code simply and he said most things in the code of practice grew out of necessity. Although most people would think problems arose between urban and rural residents, Nodwell said there were also difficulties between farmers with dairymen not appreciating the smell of pigs. The Ministry of the Environment was also concerned about the amount time their people spent with agricultural problems, so the code was a necessity,

Nodwell claimed. pointed out farmers were using the code but others did and this created criticism. A model zoning bylaw was floated but the Ministry of the Environment was have to expect smell. still not happy until it incor-

MDS formula for severances vision. and he felt land division committees were approving severances and keeping abreast problems the subject is bound of most of the situations to appear again when the

explained the MDS formula in arena, Georgetown, on more detail, showing how the Monday evening, April 25.

potential environmental conflicts between non-compatible uses by application of a Nodwell's slide show, "A formula using 1000 foot distance as a guide. Three formulas had evolvedsto determine the minimum distance between other land uses. He calculations designed to reflect the odor potential of well-managed

> livestock operations. He said there had been 700 certificates of compliance in 1976 mostly for expansion.

> Farmers failed to see how the Ministry could issue cert ificates of compliance and then indicate the code of practice was not mandatory. Ministry people said the code was flexible and recognized reasonable odor, unreason able odor, depending on farm management.

> That didn't satisfy one farmer, who suggested that if he moved to a farm he would

Shirley Bailey, project porated MDS formulas for officer for the Food, Land and Development Branch of the Nodwell said there were Ministry of Agriculture, also other routes a municipality attended the meeting, noting could take but they were her department often makes pleased when they used the comments on plan of subdi-

Although the meeting never seemed to resolve any developing in rural commun- Minister of Agriculture, William Newman, speaks on the Jim Nyslik of the Ministry Green Paper at Gordon Alcott

Seven separations

Milton Committee of Plan-Despite Nodwell's state- ning and Development endorsed seven separate recorridor.

The committee endorsed a division on land in Nassagaweya owned by Kenneth Kronberg and Anna Jensen in concession four, Third Line. The land will be used by

Also at Tuesday's meeting, the committee endorsed the creation of a building lot on He said the code is a tool Lydia Ave. north of Sydney St. The lot will be created by separating land from existing lots owned by Silvano and Myrth Corradetti, and the estate of C. N. Kerr. It will have a frontage of 50 feet.

The committee endorsed three separations on 211 acres owned by Homestead Farms on Fourth Line, one-half mile south of Derry Rd. The separations are to build residences for relatives, who would continue to work on the family farm.

The divisions encompass only 11.2 acres of the farm. Industrial use is proposed for two 1.5-acre parcels of land on Main St., west of Wilson Drive. A concrete block foundation has already been built on one half of the land, which was separated as one parcel previously. The land is

owned by Morobel Ltd. The Committee approved a separation on Commercial St. between Oak St. and Charles St. for Del Nin Holdings Ltd. Two corner lots, 68 by 85 feet and 97 by 86 feet were approved. Planned use is two semi-detached dwellings.

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agreed to a separation of 53 acres from 90 acres on Second Nassagaweya for Ernest, Helen, Mary and Pearl Dmytruk, and Leslie and John Lawrynowicz. The land will go to the Lawrynoiczs, who plan to build a home

and work the rest as farm-

Other land on the property will be used at a later date for the Hydro corridor.

Finally, a separation of 27,700 feet from 96 acres owned by Harold and Diane Patterson was approved. The land, at 5130 Tremaine Rd., will be used as a retirement

-St. John Ambulance will have a display at Milton Mall this weekend.

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Beatys go to Brazil to promote farming

A large crowd attended the farm sale of Mr. and Mrs. Usually it is packed Hugh Beatty, Fourth Line on Friday, April 8. Mr. and Mrs. Brazil in cooperation with the Share program, initiated by Peel and Halton farmers.

good farming. We wish them well in their enterprise. The farm on the Fourth Line has been owned and worked for many years by Hugh and his parents

before him. were held on Thursday in the Brownridge,

child sponsored Easter lilies and gifts for the Guelph. sick. Arrangements were completed for a booth at a

local sale. Patterson Cecil welcomed the ladies to thw meeting. Letters were read regarding tours to other hosted by Peel Hillcrest Daffodil luncheon on for baking donations to the Halton Manor bazaar on Wednesday, May 11, from 1.30 to 4 p.m.

It was decided that the bale

would be used locally. northern mission fields.

Fifteen ladies answered the Beaty will be moving to roll call with a scripture verse with the word feed. Mrs. Jean Douglas was

program They will work with the conducted a Bible contest. people in Brazil and aid in Also readings for Easter were promoting dairy cattle and given by Mrs. Milligan, Mrs. McDowell, Mrs. Hilson, Mrs. R. Marshall and Mrs. Patterson. The meeting closed hymn and the benediction.

Afternoon tea with fruit breads and a cheese tray was The April meeting of served by Mrs. Ada McCann. A sale of plants added funds to the flower fund.

Special music, with many president, lilies on the altar front made chaired the W.A. meeting. for a happy Easter service at The scripture reading, theme Omagh Presbyterian church and prayer were given by on Sunday, April 10. Rev Rod Mrs. M. Turner. Letters of Lewis and Rev. William thanks for flowers were read Milligan were in the pulpit from Mrs. B. Marshall, Mrs. and a large congregation Snow, and also one from Save attended.

The Children fund giving the Easter day visitors with history and progress of the Mr. and Mrs. Morris Turner were Miss Kathleen Arm-Fifty dollars was voted to strong, Mrs. Florence Odem the flower fund to purchase of Oakville, Mrs. Annie Bain, Galbraith Clarence Orangeville and Mrs. W. Snow, Milton.

The spring meeting of zone 3 for the Farm Safety Council was held in Harrison United Church, Wednesday, April 5, an invitation to Chairman for the meeting was vice-president Peter April 21, and a letter asking Fisher of Burlington assisted by Larry Swinn and Ted Whitworth.

An officer from community services of the OPP spoke on the work performed by this

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group and showed a film. The officers patrol 387,000 miles of roads, there are 17 districts and 185 detachments. He stressed frauds perpetrated by peddlers, counterfeit bills,

child molesting, auto thefts,

property. The OPP have several films on these subjects and will be invited to them at meetings soon. (Continued on page 17)

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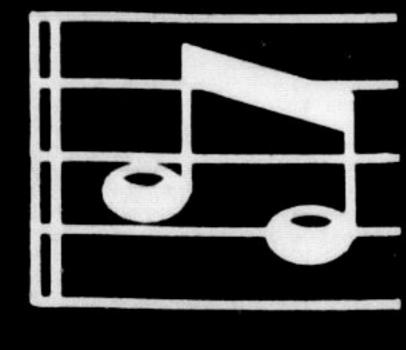
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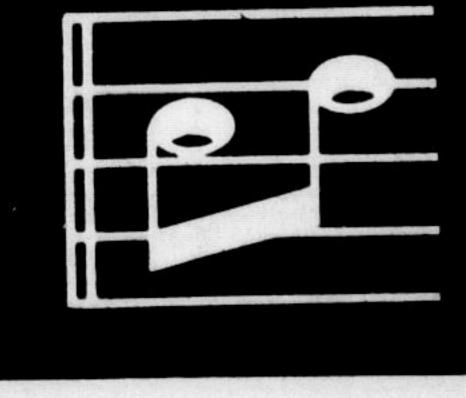
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