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## UN Resting Place Is Proposed for Golden Plow

For the past year the Golden Plow has reposed in a glass case in the foyer of the fourth floor of the east block of the Ontario Parliament Buildings in Toronto.

The plow, key to peace and good-will among farmers, was won at the first world plowing competition held in connection with the International Plowing Match at Cobourg last year by James Eccles of Brampton.

It is now up for competition at the second world match in the Republic of Ireland.

George W. James, editor of the weekly Bowmanville Statesman, has no brief against leaving it at the office of the secretary of the plowing association of the country winning it. However, he has another idea.

He suggests that a new and permanent home for the Golden Plow would be at the United Nations building in New York City. He outlined his reasons in the following editorial.

"And he shall judge among many people and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

These words found in the book of Micah have come down through the centuries in describing the glory and victory of the church against the cruelty of the princes of the house of Israel and the utterances of false prophets.

Suffering throughout the world will never be fully understood until a terrible book has been written — its pages will span the centuries and the title will fit the plot — the history of hunger. There has always been great want in all ages of time — and want has eventually brought war — in the wake of war has come pillage, starvation and misery to thousands of people.

It requires a strong constitution to withstand repeated attacks of prosperity and to Canadians in general such words as "hunger," "want" and "famine" are an unknown quantity. Our lot has been cast in pleasant places but we do know war and thousands of our sons have made the supreme sacrifice in the cause of liberty and the freedom of man.

The United countries of Northumberland and Durham had the honor and distinction of being host to the first world plowing competition last October, an event that produced a champion plowman of the world and witnessed 12 nations in friendly competition in what has been described as the "Plowing Olympics" or an even more appropriate term, "the United Nations of Plowmen."

A Canadian James Eccles of Brampton won the premier award of the Golden Plow. The Golden Plow was made by the Goldsmiths and Silversmiths Company, Ltd., of London, England, and presented to the world championship plowing organization by Imperial Oil Ltd., jointly with Esso companies in other countries.

It is emblematic of world supremacy in the art of plowing. The famous Britons who made the Golden Plow are the same craftsmen who reconditioned the crown jewels for the Coronation. The original of the plow selected as a model is in the London (England) Science Museum.

Believed to date from about 1721 though some of its features go back to the 16th century, called the Norfolk plow, it was one of the pioneer light plows in Britain and the forerunner of nearly all modern plows. It is of the style known as the "gallows" plow. It is mounted on a mahogany base two feet long by one foot wide. From bottom of base to top of plow it is 16 inches high.

Plowmen by virtue of their love of the soil are essentially citizens of one world and fathers of peace and progress. History was made at the first world match held here in October 1953 and the movement has now spread to include 22 nations of the world.

No more appropriate symbol could have been designed than a golden plow as a replica of man's dream of peace by tilling the soil for the production of food that hunger and want, the twin evils of war, may be banished from the face of the earth forever.

The Golden Plow as a messenger of peace and goodwill will annually travel from one country to another but its real resting place should be with the United Nations.

Thousands of people visit the United Nations building in New York City from all over the world and from every walk of life. Sermons are written in stone and symbols have their inspiration down through the ages. No medium could express the agency of peace in more eloquent terms than the Golden Plow, resting in the halls that the nations of the world gather to strive towards that goal of harmony that plowmen of the world have already launched in a spirit of friendship and goodwill among all people.

If the Golden Plow should come to rest in the United Nations building, it would be a recognition of the role of agriculture in the affairs of man. A great ideal prompted the formation of a world plowing organization in which Canadians provided vital leadership. It would be a fitting tribute to men in Canada and other nations who had the vision and courage to form such an organization and a constant reminder to U.N. delegates that here, in the plow is the key that will unlock the soil towards peace on earth and goodwill towards men.

## VICTORIA SQUARE

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson and boys of Toronto spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. Empringham.

Miss Rosemary March, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Bennett and Ray had dinner Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson and boys of Toronto.

Master Robert Connell entertained ten of his little playmates on Saturday afternoon and evening, the occasion being his ninth birthday.

The October meeting of the Sr. Women's Institute was held Tuesday evening of last week at the home of Mrs. Harvey Collard. The Roll Call was answered by "Something I am thankful for". The programme was supplied by the Bethesda Institute who were visiting our society. Mrs. Hastings gave the address. Refreshments were served at the close.

The Young People's Union held its regular meeting in the Sunday School room on Sunday evening, with Miss Audrey Gee in charge. Miss Vera Nichols gave an illustrated address of her trip to Newfoundland this past summer, which proved very interesting.

There will be no church service at Victoria Square on Sunday, October 17, as it is the Anniversary service at Brown's Corners United Church. However, there will be Sunday School here at 9:45 a.m. Please note the time!

The regular monthly meeting of the W. A. will be held in the Sunday School room on Wednesday evening, October 20, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Don McIntosh will be guest speaker and will give an account of her trip to the British Isles this past summer. All ladies are invited to be present.

On Monday evening of last week a large number of neighbours and friends of the 3rd Concession gathered in the Community Hall here to hold a miscellaneous shower in honour of Miss Helen Boynton and Mr. Lloyd Canning, who are being married in the Victoria Square United Church on Saturday, October 16, at 3 p.m. Mr. Bruce Munro acted as master of ceremonies. Mr. Clem Ellas sang several selections to his own accompaniment on his guitar. Much to the enjoyment of everyone a mock wedding was performed in which Mr. George Chadwick was the minister, Miss Margaret Canning acted as the bride, Miss Taylor was bridesmaid, Miss Gayman was the groom, Miss Betty Snider best man, Clayt. Gayman was the bride's father and Mrs. S. Leno played the wedding march. Clem Ellas sang, "I wish I were Single Again."

Then the large number of gifts were presented to Helen and Lloyd, with Mrs. A. L. Rope reading the shower cards. Following the opening of the gifts, Helen and Lloyd thanked everyone for the kindnesses shown them. Lunch was served and a short dance followed.

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daughters Pat and Kathy spent a week at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. F. White, Main St., South Markham, before motoring to Chicago. Prior to his departure Rodney had been engaged in Industrial Relations work at A. V. Roe Co. and teaching at Toronto Uni-

versity.

Mrs. Harold Armitage spent the Thanksgiving holiday as the guest of her friend Mrs. Birkett of Stouffville.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Thomas of Mount Forest spent the Thanksgiving weekend under the parental roof.



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