

PINE ORCHARD

Mr. and Mrs. Selby Evans of Sharon were dinner guests on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard McClure.

Mrs. Robert Murby and wee daughter Patty Lynn are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Downey.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Boake were recent guests at the wedding of Mrs. Boake's nephew in Claremont.

Mr. and Mrs. Rae McClure, Myrna and Danny spent Sunday at Omah, Ontario. Myrna remained for a week's vacation.

Mrs. Jess Lundy is vacationing with her brother Merrill Davis and Mrs. Davis.

Mrs. and Miss Yake of Toronto were Sunday visitors with Mrs. Wesley Lundy.

Mrs. Edson Johnston entertained her mother, Mrs. Wilson, also Mrs. Wood and Mrs. Jones on Friday, the occasion being Mrs. Wilson's and Mrs. Wood's birthday. Congratulations!

Mrs. Winbourne and boys are holidaying in Northern Ontario and Mr. Winbourne spent a few days in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Hooley and family were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Doug Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Chrysler of Kerrobert, Sask., visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Johnston and also spent a couple of days with Mr. and Mrs. Walt Johnston after

BLOOMINGTON

Master Ronald Tranner underwent a tonsillectomy at Uxbridge Hospital last week.

The Misses Bernice Ramer and Joyce Rose spent a week at Fair Haven camp.

The two week Vacation Bible School conducted in our church here came to a grand finale with open house on Friday night. A large crowd of parents and friends enjoyed the singing and recitals of the children and the opportunity to see the numerous projects they had completed.

Rev. Mr. DeVies, who plans on going to Holland in a mission field soon, was the speaker at church on Sunday and showed slides of the work.

Mrs. Ray Ford of Peterboro and Miss Margaret Lemon of Morrisburg were weekend visitors with Mr. and Mrs. C. Lemon.

A date to remember — The Sunday School Picnic at the Youth Centre, Sixth Line, Thursday. Bring one and all with your picnic basket for 6.30 o'clock.

attending the St. Lawrence Seaway opening.

Miss Aleta Widdfield, Mrs. Ford Lehman and Mr. R. Allen attended the funeral Saturday of Mr. Carling Alcock.

GLEN MAJOR

Mr. Jim Harrison, Toronto, is spending her holidays with Mr. and Mrs. George Pickett.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Holman, Brooklin, visited Sunday at the Jones'.

Miss Mabel Baker, Waterdown, spent the weekend with Mrs. Wm. Fiss and Edgar.

Several attended a shower held on Friday night for the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Gep. Nokes at the home of his mother.

Mr. Jim Moore, Toronto, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hingston.

Mr. and Mrs. David Simmonds and family visited Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Simmonds and family.

Mrs. Clinton Neville and Mr. and Mrs. Foote spent a few days with Mrs. Florence Wilson at Port Elgin.

Anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. T. Risebrough on July 17 and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones on July 20.

A group of young people from Toronto spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Simmonds.

The first symptom of a vitamin B2 deficiency is watering of the eyes whenever you are in a bright light or a cold wind.

Over 200 Members Tour Local Farms

Over two hundred farmers turned out last Wednesday morning to set a new attendance record for the annual Sunrise Tour sponsored by the York County Soil & Crop Improvement Association. Sacrificing a day's work at home at a busy time of year to see first-hand various crop demonstrations in the county, the large crowd met in Earl Empringham's pasture field near Victoria Square where W. M. Cockburn, York County's Agricultural Representative and organizer of the tour, started things off at 8.30 a.m. The Empringham pasture was one where fertilizer and particularly nitrogen, had been applied, early this spring, to boost production. A fairly new source of nitrogen, Urea, had been used on parts of the field and despite the fact that the cows had eaten much of the evidence, the predominantly grass mixture had responded well to the treatment.

Several interesting projects were observed at the Massey-Ferguson Farm the site of the next stop. Dr. D. N. Huntley, head of the Field Husbandry Department at the O.A.C., was on hand to explain fully the differences between the ten varieties of oats and barley which were growing in drill width plots. The Garry and Rodney oats, the Brant and York barley looked best in the plots. Their top rating was confirmed by Dr. Huntley.

He explained that the Shield or Clintland oats would have special value where an earlier variety was needed, and that Montcalm and Parkland barley were the only varieties suitable for malting. Staff from the Soils Department at O.A.C. had also prepared pits at the farm to demonstrate the differences between good and poorly drained soil structures. The results of the use of a new type weed killer on corn was observed as well. The new chemical, Eptam, had been worked into the soil at planting time and weed growth was substantially retarded. Farm manager, Bill Sutherland, who is also President of the Crop Association, explained the extensive testing they are doing with different varieties of corn, and emphasized the importance of good cobbing and early maturity for the best quality feed.

Perhaps the highlight of the day for the mechanically minded, was seeing a hay pelletter in operation at Murray Little's

farm near Stouffville. Fresh green hay is fed into this machine. It is dehydrated first and then compressed into very dry, firm, quarter-inch pellets. This process is fairly costly but the extra cost can be partially justified by the fact that a much higher percentage of the protein and vitamins in the hay can be saved, than with normal haying methods. Those on the tour were also interested in looking over Mr. Little's herd of big, fast gaining Charolais cattle.

Further evidence of the farmer's increasing ability to assist nature for best crop production, was witnessed at the next stop. The sky was clear and sunny but Bruce Harper at Stouffville had rain falling on one of his pastures at the rate of one inch every two hours for all to see. His irrigation equipment had improved the growth on his twelve acres of pasture to the point where it will carry his 25 milking cows for the season. Commenting on the economy of irrigation for pasture, Dr. Huntley felt it was a sound practice where additional land was expensive, and where there was a good market for the milk produced.

The tour was concluded with a visit to the York County Forest at Vivian. Although reforestation projects are frequently considered to be mainly for conservation, Cliff Hollidge of the Department of Lands and Forests, discussed the work in terms of income, expenses, annual cropping and long term management. It was noted that reforestation or tree farming, was similar in many ways to normal crop production.

Attendance was well maintained throughout the day, and President Bill Sutherland along with Mr. Cockburn, were well satisfied that the tour had been one of the best to date.

Ancient Egyptians loved ornamental plants and flowers. Ramesses the Great boasted that he had furnished at least 19 million ceremonial bouquets to temples.

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