

Buttonville and District News

HOW TO HANDLE MANURE IN THE FIELD

What's best? Some say they like to store manure in a pile. Others feel that daily spreading is better. It may be too late this year to change your system, but here's what the soil specialists say.

"Daily spreading is better than storing manure in a pile," says Bill Campbell, soils specialist at O.A.C. His reasoning: Stored manure ferments and leaches in the pile. Fermentation changes half the nitrogen to ammonia, which is lost when the pile is opened. It's easier to spend half an hour spreading each day, than a whole week in the spring. You have a clean barnyard the year round.

Daily spreading doesn't work in all cases. If the land is hilly or rolling, nutrient losses occur through spring run-off, but there is a trick which helps to control run-off losses: spread manure on the plowed fields only after they're well covered with snow. Another problem in daily spreading is the deep snow of the snow-belt areas.

Now, there's a new problem. Farmers with loafing barns cannot move the manure until spring. "The secret here," says Campbell, "is to get the manure worked into the soil before it can dry out." Spreading on a cloudy day or just before a rain is ideal. The lack of sun cuts down on the nitrogen evaporation losses, and the rain dissolves and washes the nitrogen into the soil.

Grace Rodick arrived by plane from Dryden to be present for the funeral of Mrs. Robert Rodick, her grandmother. Rev. and Mrs. Morrison Sellar of Owen Sound and Miss May Harper were other relatives who were at the Rodick farm last week.

Lynda Leaf and her uncle, Mr. Leslie Hird of Toronto, flew west last weekend to attend the funeral of Mr. Jack McPhee of Fernie, B.C., fiancé of her aunt, Miss Margaret Flumerfelt of Toronto.

The road crews and our mailman continued to be the heroes of the moment last week, keeping blustery weather roads passable and the neighbourhood mail boxes full. With all the impossible conditions we have had lately, mail has been missed on two days only.

Sideroads and driveways were so badly drifted on Friday that the World Day of Prayer service which was to be held in Brown's Corners United Church, had to be cancelled.

Next week will find W.I. members busy with activities again. On Tuesday evening, March 15, they will cater for the Markham Township School trustees banquet. Wednesday is the monthly meeting, to be held in Buttonville Hall; and on Thursday the membership of the Buttonville W. I. is invited to the Thornhill W.I. birthday party where Buttonville members Mrs. George Hooper and Mrs. Alick Gardner have been asked to present part of the programme.

Prior to his marriage to Miss Evelyn Thorneycroft on February 27, Mr. Charles Turner was presented with a lamp, the gift of Brown's Corners Sunday School, of which he is the superintendent.

Congratulations to Jim and Rosemary Miller on the birth of their fifth son, John Francis, at York County Hospital, in Newmarket, Tuesday, March 8; a brother for Jamie, Jeffrey, Michael and Joel.

Parents' Club— When the Buttonville School Parents' club met on Wednesday evening, the program, under the direction of Mr. Howard Atkinson, explained the various uses of school equipment.

Mr. Atkinson demonstrated some of the uses of the tape-recorder among which were speech control and the timing of a child's mental processes. The film-strip projector also adds new dimensions to education today. The meeting was chaired by Mrs. Bernard Venus in the absence of Mrs. James Hood, president, who was ill. A social hour was enjoyed by the parents and teachers.

W. I. Euchre Series— On Friday evening there were 11 tables of Euchre players at Buttonville W.I. Hall. Winners of the evening were Mrs. Bill Allen, Miss D. Stephenson, Mrs. George Kelly, Messrs. Powell, M. Davies and Sinclair.

Running prizes were won by Miss D. Stephenson and Mr. Sinclair, and freezeout winners

were Mrs. Wm. Allen and Mr. Russell Burr, against Messrs. Russell Boyington and William Allen.

Escapes Injury in Car Accident— On Tuesday evening of last week, Mrs. Jacqueline Marzec of Lake Wilcox escaped injury when the Volkswagen she was driving skidded on ice and went out of control near the Don Mills Road residence of Mr. Gordon Tooley. After spinning several times, the car struck a tree and a telephone pole and Mrs. Marzec, an expectant mother, was thrown clear.

P.C. Douglas Tribbling of the Markham Township Police, investigated and Mrs. Marzec was taken to the Toronto East General Hospital where she was pronounced uninjured. The car suffered a badly flattened roof and a small dog also in the car could not be found after the accident.

VICTORIA SQUARE

Mrs. W. Sandle

Lions— A meeting of the Victoria S. District Lions Club on Tuesday evening, March 8, was attended by Messrs. Mart Styrmo, Lloyd Tennyson and Lloyd Beatty who, together with Deputy-Reeve Wilfred Dean and Councillor Lawson Mumberson (Lions 1st Vice-Pres.) and Herman Morrison (Lions 2nd Vice-Pres.), are the Victoria Square Community Centre Trustees. The occasion was the presentation of a cheque for \$250.00 to Treasurer Lloyd Tennyson by Lion Frank Williams to assist in the Community Centre work. This money which came from the activities fund of the Victoria Sq. Dist. Lions Club has been raised by the various Lions activities and is an example of how by supporting the local Lions Club residents are, in fact, contributing to the betterment of the community. Mr. Jack Stewart, a local businessman, was welcomed as a new member.

The local association of Girl Guides and Brownies met at the home of Mrs. Frank Donnelly on Wednesday evening. The president, Mrs. Stacey, conducted the meeting, opening with the Girl Guide prayer followed by the business. It was decided that in May a shower will be held for the Guide and Brownie Camping Equipment.

S.S. No. 7, Markham, was the scene on Thursday and Friday evenings, March 3 and 4 of some very clever and interesting tumbling and gymnastic displays by the pupils of both the junior and senior rooms, which was held in the senior room. The performance showed the great athletic ability of both pupils and instructors. A touch of comedy was added by a clown who came direct from outer space, much to the amusement of all. The teachers, Mr. Bert Moorby and Mrs. D. Cochrane, were pleased with the response of the parents by their presence. Mr. Harold Hill thanked the teachers for their time and effort in training the children. Refreshments were served.

World Day of Prayer— Since the ladies were unable to hold their World Day of Prayer service on Friday, because of the weather, the W.M.S. would be glad to have the offering which goes for the World Day of Prayer Literature. Anyone wishing to make a donation please put it on the offering plate next Sunday morning at church, marked for same.

Sunday School— At the Sunday School a letter was read from the Muncie Reserve, thanking the Victoria Square Sunday School for their donations of money to them. This money was from the Birthday Sundays.

At the Sunday School on Mar. 13 at 10 a.m. the parents are invited to attend, when awards will be given for 1959 attendance.

Church membership class for boys and girls, thirteen years of age and over, from all three churches, was started on Sunday, March 6 at 3:30 p.m. This class will be held every Sunday from now until Easter. All the young people are invited to attend.

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DEATH

The death occurred on Saturday, March 5, at Miss Elizabeth Wideman's Nursing Home, on Church Street, of Mrs. Alex. Brown, formerly of Orchard Park Rd. Mrs. Brown, who before her marriage was Eliza Jane Lewis, was in her 88th year and was born at Goodwood, Mr. Brown and 2 daughters, Maude (Mrs. C. B. Kay) and Ruby (Mrs. V. G. Moore) predeceased Mrs. Brown some years ago. Surviving is a daughter, Mabel (Mrs. A. Reilly of Toronto, and grandsons Robert Kay and Allan Moore, and granddaughter Lois Reilly.

Funeral service was in charge of Rev. Williams of the Baptist church on Monday, March 7, at 1:30 p.m., with temporary entombment at Stouffville Cemetery. The pallbearers were Walter Pearson, Don Hodgins, Tom Clarke, Walter Brown, Gordon Brown and Percy Brown.

BIRTH

REESOR—Cecil and Ruth are happy to announce the birth of their daughter Norma Ruth on Feb. 26, 1960, at the York County Hospital, Newmarket. A sister for Arthur and Joyce.

Rev. and Mrs. A. F. Binnington and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Phillips had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Percy Bennett. Birthday greetings to Terry MacDonald, who on March 11 will be nine years old.

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