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**Farm Women Needed To Make Business Pay Says Dr. Helen Abell**

Farm women will have an increasingly important role to play in agriculture in the years to come, according to Dr. Helen Abell, Rural Sociologist with the Canada Department of Agriculture. Dr. Abell was guest speaker at a banquet held by the Women's Committee of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture at the 24th annual convention of the OFA in Toronto, and she outlined the role of farm women in the next 10 years of agriculture.

Dr. Abell quoted research undertaken by her department which showed that many farm women still do work on farms other than just housework. She said that the research showed that farm women had to take part in many of the chores of the farm business in order to make ends meet. Many women were handling field work as well as farm bookkeeping, and other management roles, and perhaps unexpectedly a majority of the farm women today enjoyed this type of assistance to their husbands. Undoubtedly many people living in the city were aware of the work done by farm women in the past, but apparently the picture has not changed radically, judging by the results of the research carried on by Dr. Abell. She said that the future will likely see farm women assuming even more important roles than the past would indicate.

Dr. Abell suggested that in order for farmers to expand their businesses, more and more farm women will have to share

the responsibility of management. They will need to take over some of the accounting duties, sharing management decisions, or even taking part time jobs to help bring in supplementary income. Dr. Abell predicted that farm wives will have to obtain more knowledge of farm credit, management, accounting, and business techniques so that they will be able to make a useful contribution to the farm business.

Also important, in Dr. Abell's viewpoint was the necessity for farm women to continue being wives and mothers. She felt that it was necessary for the preservation of the farm family that farm women encourage and find means of enabling their children to obtain both formal and informal education, which they will need to farm successfully. She felt that women could do much to keep alive the attitudes and values which are important for happy farm family living. Lastly, she predicted that farm women must learn to adapt quickly to changing farm conditions.

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**Buttonville News**

**Neighbourhood Notes**

Master David Turner spent some time in hospital last week for a tonsilectomy. He is home now and doing nicely.

Again in the children's department, Ted and Ellen Gough have had their hands full. Debby recently recovered from a session with the mumps, and now her 3 younger sisters have them. Friends in this neighbourhood will be sorry to learn that Miss Edith Hood is in St. Michael's Hospital.

It was a memorable evening for Mr. Wm. Clark, York County Warden and the members of his family, on Friday evening when York County officials and employees and guests met at the King Edward Hotel Crystal Ball Room for the Wardens Banquet. Another former Warden from this neighbourhood, Mr. Charles Hooper and Mrs. Hooper were also guests.

An auction sale of antique furnishings held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Worsnop (formerly the Alick Gardner residence) attracted visitors from far and wide last Saturday afternoon. As early as 9:30 a.m., prospective buyers were on hand to inspect sales articles. During the afternoon a relay of Harmony Club members from Brown's Corners United Church served coffee and doughnuts to the shivering public.

Now that the pheasant hunters have all gone home for the year, Markham Township dwellers are heaving sighs of relief. Never before can we remember such indiscriminate shooting in built-up areas. At least one small boy in the neighbourhood was the victim of a stray shot, fortunately not serious, but that was not by dint of good management. Perhaps the time has come for the municipality to call a halt to this sport.

Deer hunters have been tripping north lately. Bill Hood returned last weekend; Mr. E. Hill and Mr. Charles Hooper are at camp this week and this weekend Mr. Dick Jones and Mr. Geo. Hooper expect to be on their way.

Attending the Central Ontario Area convention of the Women's Institutes last week as delegates from Buttonville W.I. were Mrs. Charles Hooper and Mrs. F. H. Leaf. Mrs. John Wilkins, Buttonville W.I. president; Mrs. G. Hooper, Mrs. E. Sherman, Mrs.

M. Sherman, Mrs. Joe Robinson, Mrs. H. Porter and Mrs. Don Hoshel attended the luncheon meeting at the Royal York on Thursday when the guest speaker was The Hon. Rev. A. W. Downer.

Miss Isobel Hood of London spent last weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hood. Church Dinner Successful—On Thursday evening, a potluck supper and family get-together for Brown's Corners United Church people took place at Buttonville Hall.

Progress on the new structure at the church is being made rapidly, and those present last Thursday were given an encouraging report. In this growing area the need for new church facilities is very real, and there is an air of excitement prevailing these days as the community begins to see just what can be accomplished when everyone helps. The stress is for leaders, now.

Last Thursday evening the Y.P.C. members gave the ladies of the congregation a rest when the young people assumed responsibility for serving and dishwashing.

During the congregational meeting, Mr. Charles Turner, Sunday School superintendent, took charge of the children's group and showed pictures.

Harmony Club Bazaar—As usual, when the last Saturday in November rolls around, the Harmony Club members of Brown's Corners United Church will assemble their efforts at hand-made crafts, knitting, home-baking, etc., when they hold their Christmas Bazaar.

For anyone who has attended this event, it is a must, for they know it is just the place to pick up that different gift for great-aunt Susie or a well-dressed doll for the newest little girl in the family.

This year there will be a savoury corner where hot-dogs and coffee are served and the White Elephant booth will attract antique hunters, or those looking for a good-as-new skirt or sweater or snow-suit for the young fry.

Brown's Corners W.M.S.—On Wednesday afternoon the Brown's Corners W.M.S. members and friends met at the home of Mrs. A. F. Binnington for the Annual meeting. During the election of officers (con-

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ducted by Mrs. Binnington) all officers of W.M.S. and Harmony were returned to office for 1960-61.

Mrs. Wm. Rodick presided, and Mrs. English provided music. During the worship period Mrs. John Wilkins read the Scripture, Mrs. M. Sherman led in prayer, and Mrs. S. R. Patterson reviewed chapter 3 of the Study Book. The soloist was Mrs. A. W. Miller. During the business session Mrs. S. R. Patterson was named key woman for the World Day of Prayer service; an invitation to the group to hold the December meeting at the home of Mrs. Alick Gardner, Thorncliffe Pk. Dr., was read; and Mrs. Douglas Hood, treasurer, announced \$157.00 sent to headquarters, with \$78.00 still on hand. Thank-offering receipts were \$76.00.

More Roads? — Considerable activity has been noted in this neighbourhood where roads are concerned.

There is a newly laid road-bed on the fifth concession north of No. 7 Highway and along 16th Avenue to the new Hydro project; surveyors have been active along No. 7 Highway at Don Mills Road, in Buttonville and on the 3rd concession; and at Gormley a beginning is being made on the cloverleaf for the highway to be built connecting the Don Roadway, and Lake Simcoe.

**ALTONA**

A number of little friends helped Jerry Lewis celebrate his birthday on Saturday. Miss Shirley Lewis of Toronto was a weekend visitor with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lewis.

Brad Jakeman spent the weekend in Toronto with his uncle, Laurence McGarvey and attended a hockey game at Maple Leaf Gardens.

The newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Hill were guests of honour at a community shower held last Saturday evening at his parents' home.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Kerswill on the arrival of a son last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Davis entertained Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nicholson of Scarborough on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bunker visited her sister, Mrs. Abbie Burnham of Uxbridge on Sunday and were supper guests at the Ray Burnham home.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bell and Scott are visiting friends in Sault Ste. Marie for a few days this week.

Good luck to all our local hunters who are away for their annual deer hunt this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Elson and Debby have returned to his parents home from Cornerbrook, Newfoundland, where Alan has spent the past 3 years.



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