



Residents Recall Ringwood Of Years Ago



From the opposite direction, it looked like this. The photos were taken from an album belonging to the family of the late Mrs. James Kennedy of Markham.

Farm Tribune

Grant Mustard Wins Award

UXBRIDGE — The Ontario County Seed Judging Competition was held in the Port Perry High School on Saturday, Feb. 18, with a total of 29 contestants participating. The high contestant in the senior section was Bill Leask, Leaskdale, with a score of 690 points out of a possible 700. The Senior Championship Prize, donated by the Ontario County Soil and Crop Improvement Association, was awarded to the second high senior, Malvin Ross, Uxbridge, RR 2, since Bill Leask had received this award previously. The high contestant in the junior section, and winner of the Russell Morrison Trophy, was Grant Mustard, Uxbridge, RR 2, with a score of 665 points. The runner-up for this award was James Ross, Uxbridge RR 2. The Inter-School Trophy was won by the Uxbridge Secondary School. The team members were Grant Mustard, Malvin Ross and Bill Leask, and they were coached by Mr. Ted Smith, Agricultural Teacher at the Uxbridge Secondary School. The Brock District High School and the Port Perry High School placed second and third respectively, with only 12 points separating the two teams. The Junior Farmer Inter-Club Trophy was awarded to the Port Perry Junior Farmers. The team members were Wayne Diceman, Bob Couperthwaite and Earl Phoenix. The competition was conducted by the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food, Uxbridge.

FARMING REPORT

By AL WALL

The view out over farms at night for the past week has been a thrilling sight. The shiny crust of ice glistening in bright moonlight creates a picture of fields all polished up in their Sunday best. It looks good but it's a little worrying too. There are thousands of acres of forage and wheat plants that have to stay alive underneath that ice. Air is needed for survival and the threat of smothering is real. It's just a guess as to how the ice crust may affect these plants but a couple of ideas on plant survival may help. First, some insulation helps a plant to stay alive. Snow is a fairly good insulator but ice is a poor one. Fortunately, we now have a good layer of snow under the ice to provide insulation. A second point is that there are gases being released from decomposition of plant material, even in the winter. These gases are poisonous to the plant, and if they are sealed in by ice, plants will die. This is how plants are smothered in the winter. Again, I think the good snow layer we have now will be a life saver. There will be room for the gases to move into the snow, and as long as the ice gets thawed off fairly soon, there should be no problem. It's my guess that there has been no serious winterkilling yet. Generally, winterkill is much more likely to happen in late March and April than it is in January or February. I know it's early to be thinking of crops, but this is a good time to order seed and fertilizer from dealers. New forage varieties, and the best corn hybrids, are often sold out quite early. Our bulletin on field crops for 1967 is out now. It is excellent, full of up-to-date suggestions on all crops, and a phone call or post card to our office in Newmarket will get you one. The same goes for the 1967 bulletin on weed spraying. Our phone number is 895-4321.

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Honor 4-H Club Leaders At Uxbridge

UXBRIDGE — The Ontario County 4-H Agricultural Club Leaders held their annual banquet and conference in Uxbridge, Feb. 16. Certificates, recognizing 15 years of 4-H leadership, were presented to Ken Hollday, Brooklin, leader of the Oshawa Kiwanis 4-H Dairy Club, and Bill Boyes, Pickering, leader of the Brougham 4-H Dairy Club. Neil Raines, Blackwater, received a 5 year leadership certificate for his work with the Sunderland 4-H Dairy Club. Plans for the 1967 season include the organization of dairy calf clubs in the Brougham, Oshawa, Port Perry and Sunderland areas; a beef calf club in the Uxbridge area; mixed (dairy and beef) calf clubs in the Mara and Beaverton areas; grain clubs in the Oshawa, Port Perry, Uxbridge and Cannington areas; a potato club in the Uxbridge area, a corn club in the Brougham area. Attempt will also be made to organize a market hog club in the Sunderland area. This club would be designed for senior 4-H members, 16 years of age or over, as of Jan. 1, 1967. 4-H Grain Club members will again be offered the choice of oats or barley as their project crop. Also the senior project program, for members 16 years of age and over, will be continued in the 4-H calf clubs. The 4-H agricultural club program will be organized during the month of March. Young farm people, 12 years old as of January 1, 1967, and who have not reached the age of 21 by December 31, 1967, are invited to join a 4-H club. New members are requested to contact the Department of Agriculture and Food office, Uxbridge.

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