

Farm Tribune



Grant Wells, 38, will represent Canada in the World Plowing Match at Salisbury, Rhodesia in 1968. —Staff Photo.

Grant Wells

Plows Way To World Match

STOUFFVILLE — A straight eye and a steady hand has carried Grant Wells of Lemonville to the peak of professional plowmanship. He has plowed his way to a place in the World Championship. The competition will be held near Salisbury, Rhodesia, April 27 and 28, 1968.

Grant, 38, has been plowing at international matches since 1948 at Lindsay and has never missed in twenty years. As a runner-up for the Canadian Title, he competed in the World Contest at Caledon in 1963 and came third, only two points back of the winner.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Yvon Belisle of St. Eustache, Quebec, and Mr. Alex McKinney of the World Plowman's Association, will leave Malton by air with only one stop en route to Salisbury. On their return, Grant and Marion hope to spend some extra time in Rome and Paris. Travel costs, amounting to \$2,500 are

paid by the Imperial Oil Company. The host country pays the plowmen's expenses while there. The tractor and plow will also be supplied. Grant has selected a Ford tractor and Kverneland plow.

MUST CONCENTRATE

Grant, now a veteran in match work, claims he is not conscious of spectators around him while competing. This kind of composure is not shared by his wife. "Marion, she gets excited," he admitted, "she didn't even come near during the match at Barrie." Coaching is not permitted, but Floyd Forsyth, himself an old hand at tractor plow kept an eye on things from a distance. He also watched his own son, Wayne, competing in the Inter-County Contest and bounced back and forth between lands on a Honda.

Grant likes plowing in stubble best. At the World Match, he will spend 3 hours in sod and 2½ hours in stubble. A land comprises one-half acre.

"It keeps a fellow going to finish on time and rules are strict," he said. If the whistle blows, a competitor is allowed to complete his round as long as he doesn't stop to make a plow adjustment. At Caledon, the final whistle blew on Grant just as he headed for the headland. One other entry didn't make it and was docked points.

Grant doesn't underestimate the ability of his rivals. "Sometimes we tend to think that we are the best but competition against plowmen from other countries has proven this wrong," he said. Only two Canadians have ever won the Gold Plow Award since its inception in 1953. Grant would like nothing better than to become the third. All Stouffville will be pulling for him. All Canada oo.

Farm Building Insurance Should Change

The amount of insurance on a farm building should be re-evaluated and the insurance policy changed as conditions change, states D. A. McArthur, Farm Management Specialist, Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food. All too often the policies are simply renewed rather than revised.

Improvement to buildings, inflation and depreciation are the main factors to consider when placing a current value on a building. In some cases, because the building is obsolete and deteriorated, there may be too much insurance on the building.

How can one calculate how much insurance should be carried on a building? One way is to figure out the present useful value of the building. To do this, one has to estimate the remaining years of useful life of the present building, the cost of the new building that would perform the same function, and the expected life of the new building. For example, suppose a

farm which was built twenty years ago for \$10,000 has another 10 years of use. If a new building (to serve the same purpose) costing \$20,000 and lasting 20 years was built, one could arrive at the present useful value of the old building. A useful formula is:

Cost of new building X Remaining life of present building over Expected life of new building. In this example, the present utility value is 20,000 X 10 over 20-\$10,000.

Other factors that should be taken into consideration are the market value and earning capacity of the particular building since these values will have an effect on the present value.

Mrs. Geo. McCormack is at North Bay this week while her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Cole are at Expo.

Typewriters rented and repaired-see Tribune Office Supplies.

Holsteins Average \$2,160

A group of Canadian Holsteins was shown at the International Fair at Cremona, Italy. This display group of 20 bred heifers created great interest and were particularly impressive when paraded before the large ringside. The exhibit was sponsored by the Canada Department of Trade and Commerce and the animals

provided by individual breeders. They were sold privately following the fair for an average of \$2,160 each.

Adding interest to the parade was the presence at the halters of a group of master showmen from Canada who were members of a party of 32 Canadians who supported the exhibit by being present at the fair.



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Barry Timbers, R.R. 3, Mount Albert, was presented with a gold wrist watch from the Imperial Bank of Commerce at the awards banquet of the East York Plowing Match, Saturday. —Staff Photo.

East York Match Has 28 Entries

Eaton Special To Stephen Lewis

MARKHAM—A mixture of rain, sleet, snow and a little sunshine provided competition for competitors in the East York Plowing Match, held on the farm of Clark Little, conc. 8, north of Markham Village, Saturday. There were twenty-eight individual entries.

The branch president, Archie Little expressed concern over a drop in the number of junior entries and recommended that the executive make every effort to encourage the younger boys to take part.

The awards banquet was held in the Christian Education Centre of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Markham. Presentations were made by the Secretary, Jack Warriner and the Treasurer, Ken Brown.

Special awards went to the following: Esso Special, Herb Jarvis; International Harvester Special, Lloyd Grove; T. Eaton Special, Stephen Lewis; Best Plowed Land (age 12-17) Jim Tran; Guarantee Trust Company Trophy, Stephen Lewis.

Class results follow: Class 1 — Byrnell Wylie, Harley Timbers, Gerald Bell. (Best Turnout) — Murray Grove, Gerald Bell, Harley Timbers, Byrnell Wylie, Anoth Featherstone. Class 2 — Anthony Featherstone, Murray Grove, Nelson Ramer. Class 3 — Jim Tran, Dale Oldham, Stephen Lewis, Bruce Pearce, Donald Timbers, Amelio Testa. Class 4 — Ted Smith, Bob Campsall, Wayne Forsyth, Ken Ferguson. Class 5 — Barry Timbers, Bob Tran, Ron McGuckin. Class 6 — Don Dunkeld. Class 7 — Lorne Kennedy, Ken Brown. Class 8 — David Winn. Class 9 — Henry Emery, Lloyd Grove, Herb Jarvis, Nick Aland, Roy Smith. Class 10 — Henry Emery. Class 11 — Bob Tran, Ted Smith, Wayne Forsyth, Barry Timbers, Don Dunkeld, Herb Jarvis, Nick Aland, Ken Ferguson, Lloyd Grove, Job Campsall, Roy Smith, David Winn. Class 12 — Dale Oldham, Bill Tran, Stephen Lewis, Don Timbers, Amelio Testa.

Lady at front door: "Will you donate something to the Old Ladies' Home?" Man answering the door: "With pleasure. Help yourself to my mother-in-law."



Stephen Lewis, 13 of Cashel, won the Guaranty Trust Company Trophy at the East York Plowing Match, Saturday. —Staff Photo.

Pickering Favors County Welfare

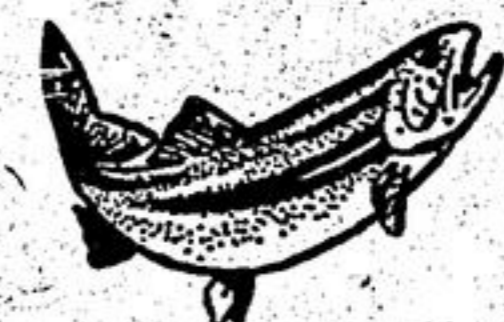
PICKERING — Pickering Township council authorized its reeve and deputy reeve to vote in favour of Ontario County taking over the administration of welfare.

Both Reeve C. W. Laycox and Deputy Reeve Jean McPherson are in accord.

Pickering Township spends \$60,625.40 gross on welfare; with subsidies deducted \$12,025.08.

Total cost of welfare in Ontario County would be \$194,847.72; the net cost (after subsidies) \$39,938.54. Administration cost, which would provide for one welfare administrator, four field workers and one office worker, would amount to \$42,000; travelling expenses, \$5,000, and equipment \$3,000. Provincial subsidies would reduce the cost of administration to the neighbourhood of \$25,000. Pickering Township alone spends about half of this amount on welfare.

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Has Returned From Hospital

By KATHLEEN MAY GOODWOOD — Mrs. Dave Ferguson returned home on Sunday after undergoing an appendix operation in York County Hospital, Newmarket.

Terry Ann Ferguson of Guelph University spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben May and children visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ron May and Stephen of Oshawa.

Miss Janet Slack has returned to her work with Bell Telephone of Toronto after being on the sick list.

Friends of Mrs. Charles Bieby of Stouffville wish her a speedy recovery in Uxbridge Hospital.



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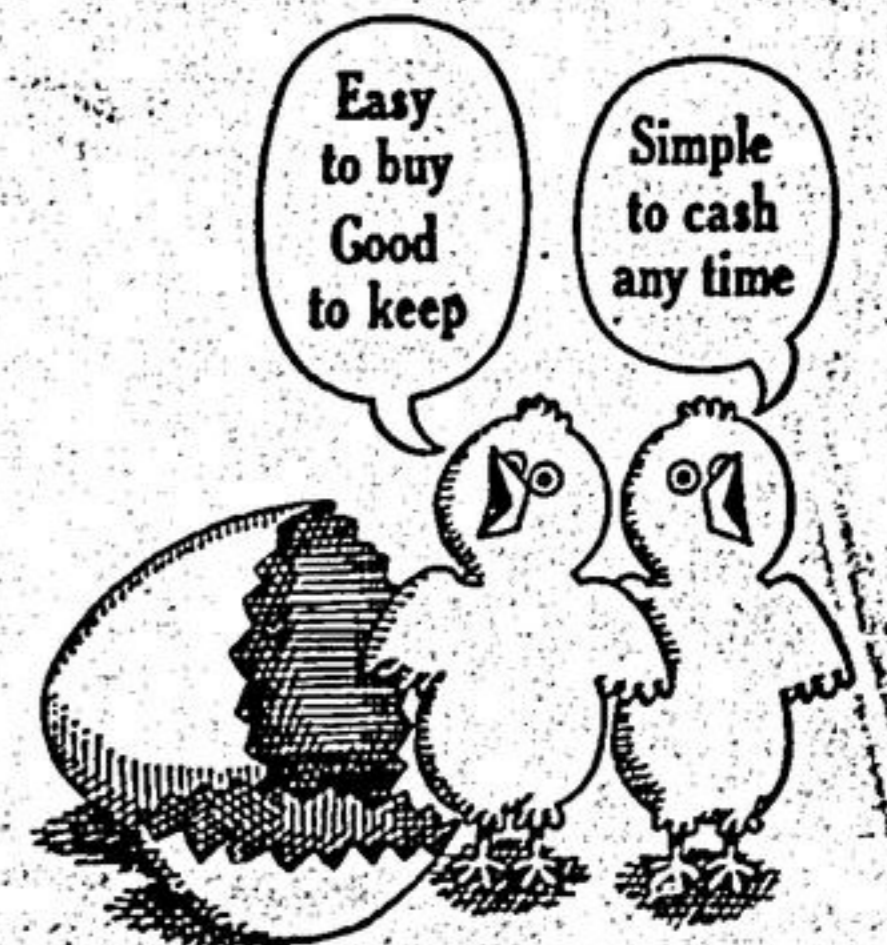
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