

**Farm Report**

**Grain prices unpredictable**

Farmers wanting to plan their crops this year for the best potential return, have a real job on their hands. Again, things have changed so fast and erratically that nobody can predict grain prices next fall with any certainty.

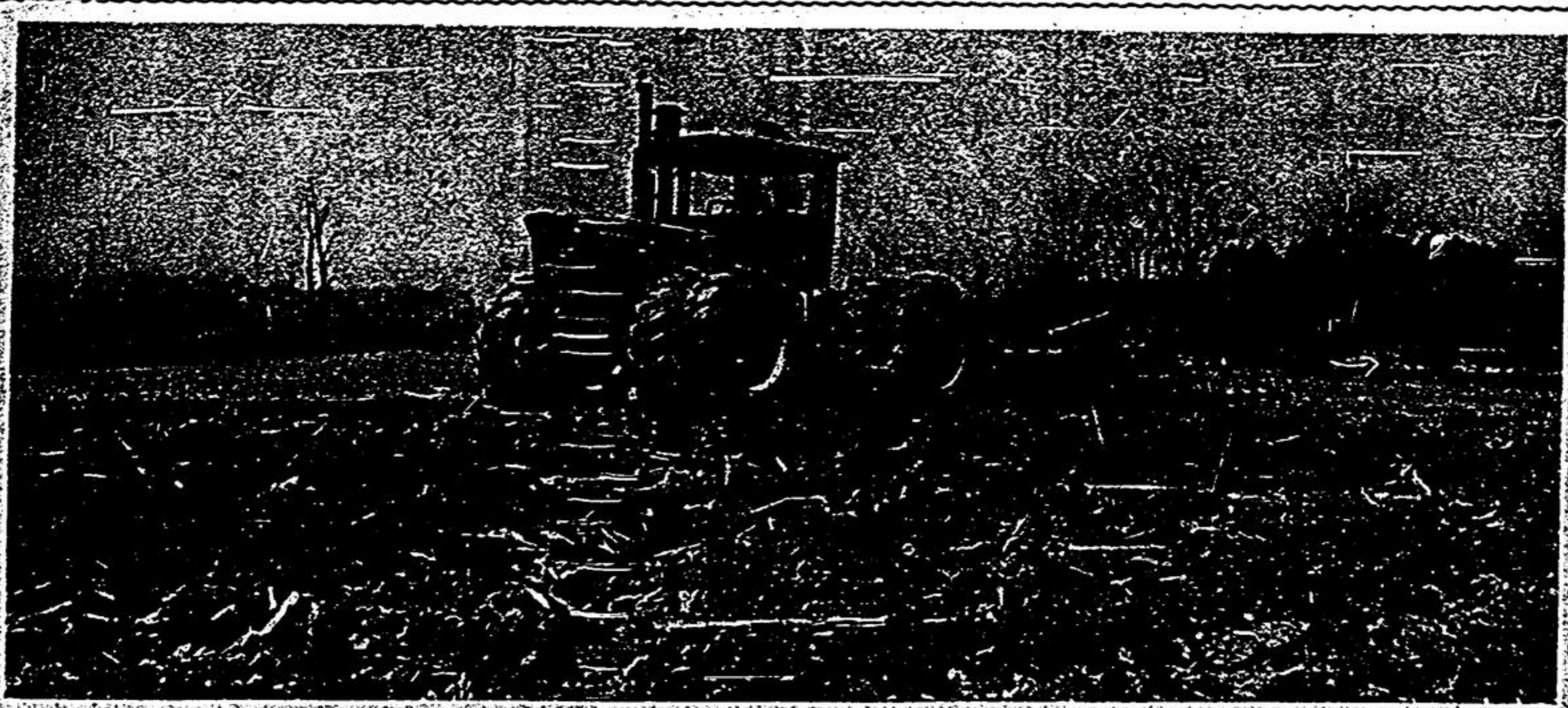
Consider what has happened in just two months. Corn has dropped to \$103, soybeans to \$120, while Ontario oats and barley are pretty well cleaned out. Price levels for Western oats and barley are holding up at around \$117, and feed wheat is unbelievable at \$145.

Prices not only change quickly but they get out of line with one another. How can oats and barley for example, stay at \$117, with corn at \$103? And there is no sense in soybean meal selling at just five to 10 dollars more than feed grains. The relationship between corn at \$103 and

wheat at \$145 is hardest of all to understand. With this kind of market, a grower's best line is to grow what his farm labour and machinery is best suited for. Soybeans certainly don't look exciting this year, except for livestock men who have extra land to grow their own protein.

The corn position is being affected by large amounts coming into Ontario now, and scheduled through into June. Despite this, the average for last year's crop will be quite good and it is still a very sound crop. With a strong world market for wheat, acreages in oats and barley are not going up, so prices will likely be staying well up in relation to other grains.

Seeding is slow so far, here in York, with the rain we have had. However, soil temperatures are good and germination is fast in fields that are in.



**Modern methods employed by Gormley area farmer**

No, it's not a rural scene on a western prairie. The location is a farm north of the Stouffville-Gormley Road near the 5th concession. The huge tractor is a John Deere 70-20, owned by John Doner of R. R. 1, Gormley. The implement is a combination disc and sprayer that works up and irrigates the land all in one operation. Jim Thomas.

**Greenwood News**

**Congratulations extended**

GREENWOOD The community extends congratulations to Beatrice McLean on attending her Bachelor of Arts degree from Richmond College. Convocation was held at Seneca College, Friday, May 10.

Rev. T.H. Fleetman is attending the Bay of Quinte Conference at Queen's University, Kingston.

Mr. and Mrs. James Talbot of New Hamburg, New York, visited recently with Mrs. George Griffin.

Mr. and Mrs. Don McLean enjoyed visits from their sons on Mother's Day. Mr. and Mrs. Don McLean and family of Scarborough and Mr. and Mrs. Jack McLean and family of Mississauga.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgie Fegg enjoyed a birthday party for their aunt, Mrs. Harold McPhail, in Toronto, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Pascoe, Dale, Brian and Chris, enjoyed Mother's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pascoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Morden spent the weekend with Mr. Alvin Hooker at his cottage near Bobcaygeon.

**Claremont News**

**Local girl returns from Cuba**

**Lacrosse program in Claremont Park**

By Anne Loney  
CLAREMONT — Lyn Roszell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roszell has returned from a vacation in Cuba.

It is not too late to contribute to the Cancer Fund. Donations may be left at the home of Mrs. Roy Timms, or sent to the Cancer Society in Oshawa.

Wilker of Stratford were weekend visitors at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Margaret Wilker.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter White were recent weekend guests at Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pascoe's trailer camp in Minden.

During Sunday morning service in the United Church two babies received the Sacrament of Baptism from the officiating minister, Rev. Eldon Linstead. Received into the church was Beverly Anne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Postill of Newmarket and Wayne Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth and Meredith of Stouffville. Mrs. Beverly Anne was sponsored by her parents and Wayne Stewart was sponsored by Mr. and

Mrs. Wilmot Hill, with daughter Barbara. Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Newton of Stouffville.

Anyone interested in Lacrosse is asked to be at Claremont Park Thursday evening, May 16, at 7 o'clock. Equipment is now ready in the Sports Pad in the Park and registrations will be received. If unable to come, phone Bob Benson at 649-2932.

Mother's Day visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis were their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Armour of West

Hill and family, Lori Lee, Debbie and Terry. Weekend visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W.P. Boyington were their two sons and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Boyington with Grant and Paul, and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Boyington and Shelley, all of Islington.

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