



Ballantrae Lions Steer Roast.

Always innovative, the Ballantrae Lions broke away from the open spit this year, introducing a new type of oven for their annual steer roast. Lion Al Edwards (left) demonstrates his ability in cooking the huge roast with a pitchfork, while past president Ron Graham prefers to stand well clear.

Cruise necessary

Dear Editor:
Heritage Forum, representing Canada's moderate majority, appreciate the courage and forthrightness of the Prime Minister's statement concerning testing of the Cruise Missile. The issue was put into proper perspective; the analysis carefully given and the logical result stated in terms of the necessity of preparedness.

The Prime Minister spoke for many Canadians in the expression of the desire for peace. In the light of the massive deployment of missiles by those opposing our freedom and democratic manner of life, continued peace is best achieved by military strength and, at this time, this involves testing of the Cruise Missile.

Heritage Forum joins the Prime Minister in the request directed to those vocal opponents of Cruise testing as to why they were silent when totalitarian countries engaged in the massive deployment of

the SS-20 in European countries.

All of us desire peaceful solutions to international problems. With the Prime Minister and the Government of Canada, Heritage Forum believes the

best way to preserve our freedoms and democratic ways of life, and continue in peace, is by proper defensive military strength. This strength is the only Dr. Sincerely, Charles Seidenspinner, Chairman.

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A break for Ontario farmers Propose tax reform

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) has reaffirmed its support, in principle, for the proposed reforms to the farm property tax system.

The overwhelming endorsement of the reforms came at a board of directors meeting of the OFA held here today. OFA President Ralph Barrie said the vote reflected the views of the majority of Ontario farmers.

The province's proposed reforms call for a 100 percent rebate of taxes on productive farmland. To be eligible for the rebate, farmers must have a gross income of \$8,000 or \$12,000, depending on the area of the province they farm in. While agreeing to the principle of the reforms, the federation opposes the income levels set by the province. The OFA wants the income level reduced to \$5,000.

The federation is also concerned that the assumed lot under the house is not assessed at an inflated value.

The board's decision follows three months of meetings across the province, at which the 25,000 farmers who are members of the OFA debated the reforms. The individual views were then summarized in the

votes of the 100 country and regional directors who voted at the meeting.

The OFA board originally agreed in principle with the reforms in March, 1982. However, in the following months concerns were raised by many farmers over the proposal.

"The reforms aren't perfect, but they are one step closer to creating a more equitable property tax system," Barrie added.

Originally, the OFA pushed for reforms because the property tax was disproportionate to their means to pay. Compared to non-farmers, farmers paid much more of their income to property tax.

Under the present system, farmers receive a 50 percent rebate on all property taxes paid on their farms.

The OFA has been working for more than 30 years for reforms to the property tax system. Through those years the federation policies have always been based on the same principles: that property taxes should pay for property services, that people services should be paid by individuals and that farmland taxes should be based on the productive value of the land.

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