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Degree — 20 Year Reunion of the Class of 1953



Left to right: Bob Warner, Don McLaren, Don Blackburn, Grove Lane, Ross Reynolds, Ken Dean, Ken Melsted, John Clark, Howard Henschell, Herman Rempel, Clarence Iverson.



Back row, left to right: Bernice Fitzer, Lloyd Haight, Elsie Lee, George Lee, Chuck Strutman, Alan Voegeli, Cletus Scherman, Bob Dodds. Front row, left to right: Mrs. Gronvold, Rolland Gronvold, Joe Cooper, Bob Young, Mary Dodds.

AGROS HERE AND THERE

Bill Bayda ('54) of Edmonton, Agriculture Supervisor of Manpower has an excellent training program for agricultural workers in operation in Alberta. Bill says "the demand for farm workers in Alberta is very good and wages are rising sharply." Looks like a reverse process in swing — from urban to rural.

Cecil Stusnoff ('63) of St. Paul, Minnesota was visiting in the Saskatoon area during the Christmas season and Ag Grad reunion. Cecil is working in a fruit breeding program in the Dept. of Horticulture at the University of Minnesota.

Dr. Charles G. Waywell ('46) is on the faculty of Agriculture in the Dept. of Horticulture Science at the University of Guelph.

Norman A. Sladen ('72), has won an award for a paper he wrote in the field of plant propagation. Norm has begun a graduate program and is working towards a master of science degree in horticulture at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon.

Gilbert H. Wesson ('49) and **Jake Brown** ('51) have been appointed to the Saskatchewan Land Bank Commission. Gib, a land bank planning officer with the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture, is Commission Chairman.

E. A. Kowalenko ('66) is now Canadian sales manager for Cominco Limited, Calgary. Albert was formerly fertilizer sales manager and will now be responsible for the sale of all Cominco chemicals and fertilizers in Canada.

Vic Bourne ('46) of Netherhill has a son Bob who is burning up the ice lanes with the Saskatoon Blades in the Western Hockey League. Bob is also under negotiation with a professional baseball team.

W. M. Miner ('52) is the new General Director, Grain Marketing Office, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce, Ottawa. He was previously Director, General Trade Policy, for the Department. Bill gave an address at the 1973 Farm and Home Week program.

A recent article in the Green and White featuring "who handles our wheat? — U. of S. Grads, that's who!" refers to Ag Grads **Charles Gibbings** ('42), **Doug Treleaven** ('49) and **Forrest Hetland** ('46) with the Canadian Wheat Board; **Omar Bilokury** ('55) and **Jens Stangeland** ('50) with Pioneer Grain; **Jim Mants** ('49) with United Grain Growers and **Doug McRorie** ('56) with the Royal Bank. Nice going fellows — keep up the good work and keep the grain moving and the money coming our way.

Wee Willie Wilson ('40), Saskatoon was elected president of the Saskatchewan Livestock Board at the 1973 Livestock Convention in Saskatoon.

Lloyd Johnson ('71) was recently appointed to the position of regional dairy specialist in Fairview. Lloyd will be working with milk producers, dairy processing plants and meat processing plants throughout the Peace River region.

Fred Fulton ('50), Saskatoon reports that **Gerald Ruehs** ('70) of Aneroid was in to visit him this past month. Gerald was elected reeve of the local R.M. council - Congratulations Gerald! Gerald plans on seeding down a good acreage to grass this year in order to support a growing cow-calf enterprise.

Lloyd Rasmusson ('36), Associate Director of Extension for the Alberta Department of Agriculture, Edmonton, is currently on a study leave to Australia and New Zealand.

Agricultural Graduates are very prominent in the western section of the Canada Weed Committee - **Jim Hay** (OAC '49), Regina, is Chairman; **Jack Braidek** ('51), Regina, is Vice-Chairman; **Hank Friesen** ('43), Lacombe is Chairman of Research and Planning and **C. H. Anderson**, Swift Current is Secretary. Where the action is you'll find Agro grads.

Class of '33 - Fortieth Reunion - report by **Red Mooney**. Returning for the 40th reunion were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stutt, Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. Ted McCurdy, Indian Head, Sask; Mr. and Mrs. Ken Swan, Edmonton, Alberta; Mr. and Mrs. Red Mooney, Saskatoon; Harold Horner, Regina; Drew Davey, Ottawa; Stan Clark, Kamsack, Sask.; and Pat Metheral, Regina.

The class of '33 entered a rink in the Hutcheon event, winning one game and losing two. The Smoker was attended on Sat. night and the group met for dinner Sunday night and all attended the banquet and dance on Monday night.

Those unable to attend but sending their good wishes were Slim Ballard, Vancouver; Bill Skevkenek, Chilliwack; Ted Campbell, Regina; John Klinck, Edmonton and Dr. Dave McFarlane, Montreal.

Red reports they are now looking forward to their 50th anniversary in 1983.

Doug Wotherspoon ('45) of Melville was awarded a 25 year pin for his service to the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool. Doug is presently chairman of the McKim Committee.

Bob Gilmour ('61) of Carrot River has been in the news lately with his debates with Jack Messer, Minister of Agriculture on the Hog Marketing Commission. Bob is President of the Sask. Hog Producers.

Jock Blacklock ('43), Saskatoon, who is known nationwide as one of Canada's top livestock auctioneers had one of his Maybelle hereford bulls bring \$2800.00 (second highest price of the Hereford sale) at the Western Agribition in Regina. Just think what it would have sold for if Jock had been at the gavel. Good going Jock! but 'ouch' when income tax day rolls around.

Edgar Mapletoft ('41), Frenchman Butte was elected a director of the Canadian Simmental Association at their recent annual meeting.

E. K. "Ted" Turner ('48), of Regina, was re-elected president of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool by the Board of Directors at their November meeting.

David Ballantyne ('70), Livelong, received the highest price for a Galloway at the Agribition sale in Regina.

Doug Winsor ('71), has been appointed Agricultural Representative at Outlook.

Archie Colton ('50), Outlook has been transferred to Kindersley as Agricultural Representative.

Kim Thorson ('54), Regina, the Hon. Minister responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation states that a major review of all possible power sources will be undertaken before giving approval to a hydro-electric development in Northern Saskatchewan. More POWER to you Kim. It is estimated that 170 million dollars could be expended in hydro-electric development in northern Saskatchewan.

Harold Chapman ('43) of Saskatoon, an agro who really is a world traveller, has accepted an appointment with Federated Co-operatives Limited as Director of member relations. Harold was formerly principal and program director of Western Co-op College.

Les Henry ('64), Saskatoon is on a foreign assignment to Kenya. Les and family left Saskatoon in early December.

Frank Warder ('40) of Swift Current is now back at the Research Station after a foreign assignment on dryland research studies in India.

Margaret Young, Saskatoon, although not an Agro Grad but well known to many graduates, especially those who took horticulture, is convalescing at home after a three month stay in the hospital. Margaret was seriously injured in a

car accident in November. We all wish Margaret a speedy recovery.

Chen Flaten ('50), Regina, was re-elected Vice-President of the Canadian Pork Council at their fall meeting.

Ed Kowalenko ('52) is Canadian Sales Manager for Cominco Ltd. of Calgary. Ed will be responsible for the sales of all Cominco Chemicals and fertilizers in Canada.

Norm Hemstad ('64), Neepawa as well as **Andy Sereda** ('60), Kerrobert, **Larry White** ('64), Watson, **Frank Miller** ('39), Rosthern, and **Pete Petersen** ('52), Yorkton, attended the Winter School of graduate studies in Tucson Arizona. **Lin Boyes** ('48) Minnedosa, indicates that the boys probably took time out from golf to do some studying.

Larry Thompson ('66), of Vantage spent a couple of weeks holiday in Las Vegas, Nevada in February. Larry likely sold a few extra bushels of flax in order to play the games of chance.

Doug Mitchell ('63), Saskatoon, reports a very successful ten year reunion with 15 1963 class members in attendance. The class took part in the Ag Grad reunion activities with great gusto. On Sun. nite a reception was held at the Sheraton-Cavalier. A pleasant evening of reminiscing was enjoyed by all. A roster of the '63 class has been prepared by Doug and his Committee; 63 of the class responded to the request for information; a remarkable achievement. Portions of the roster will be used in your next news letter. For example, **Bruce Billett**, now of North Vancouver, is sales representative (B.C.) for **Ethicon Sutures Ltd.** Billets spent 13 months in Europe and Great Britain in 1966-67; also worked for 7 years with **National Grain** in Winnipeg, Dauphin and Vancouver. Those in attendance were **Richard Needham**, **Paul Shukin**, **Barry Raymond**, **Doug Hartall**, **Jim Halford**, **John Hemstad**, **Cecil Stushnoff**, **Doug Mitchell**, **Dave Rutledge**, **Doug Petit**, **George Wilson**, **Gary Storey**, **Stan Barber**, **Doug England** and **Frank Dunlop**. Thanks for your report Doug.

Don Rennie ('49) and **Bill White** ('32) carried the Farm and Home Week summerfallow debate to a special agrologists meeting the evening of January 31 at the Western Co-op College. Around 250 were in attendance. **Herman Austenson** ('46) and **Hank Anderson**, Swift Current, helped out. The debate was a draw.

Harry-Jae Elder ('52) of Fillmore, has a busy time ahead of him as Chairman of the Sask. Hog Marketing Commission.

R. A. Stutt ('33) of Ottawa sends along a bundle of news about agro grads. This kind of assistance certainly helps make the news letter truly a news letter.

Dr. Walton J. Anderson ('42) returned to Canada in March 1971 after a three year stint as a member of the Harvard Advisory Group to the Ministry of Finance in Ghana. On his return he joined the Economics Branch, Canada Department of Agriculture at Ottawa and is currently the Director of the Program and Coordination Group. He finds some time to curl at the Ottawa Hunt Club and golf at the Manderley Golf and Country Club.

Dr. W. (Bill) Darcovich ('44) Farm Management Division, Economix Branch, Canada Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, completed the eleven months course in March 1972 in Quantitative Analysis and Evaluation of Public Policy, offered by the Institute of the Public Service Commission for the Quantitative Analysis of Social and Economic Policy.

Elmer DeYong ('68) has prepared the following report on the '68 reunion "The 1968 College Class held a spirited and entertaining reunion at the Sheraton-Cavalier Motor Hotel on Saturday, Jan. 6. The relatively small number attending was somewhat disappointing but this did not diminish the exuberant and jovial behaviour of those present. The group's discretion was demonstrated by one individual who was requested to blow into the Canada-wide spirit suppressor. The class wishes to congratulate this anonymous agro for knowing his limit and bordering below it. "Our hats go off to two classmates who travelled a great distance to attend. **V. K. (Joe) Whitehead** came all the way from Ottawa and **G. A. (Al) Towes** abandoned his igloo at Fort Vermillion, Alberta, to chew the fat with the group.

Other members in attendance were **K. Tuplin**, **J. Wartman**, **P. Mullin**, **D. Horner**, **H. Martens**, **D. Winsor**, **L. Heavin**, **T. Johnston**, **E. Bowler**, **D. Swenson**, **A. Laforge**, **B. Backman**, **N. Ballagh**, **K. Jensen**, **N. Lock** and **E. DeYong**.

L. Turchenek (Waite Institute, Adelaide, Australia) reported favorable progress on his Ph.D. program in soils and expects to return to Canada in 1974.

Although unable to attend **Larry** offered to think of us whenever the Australian sun forces him to lie in the shade and sip a cool one or two."

Jake K. Wiens ('49) a member of the Economics Branch, Canada Department of Agriculture at the Regina Office has been assigned duties with the PROJECT '75 Group at Ottawa for a period of approximately two months ending in December.

Dr. Melvin E. Andal ('44) Economic Adviser to the Farm Credit Corporation, Ottawa, was on loan to the Canadian International Development Agency (IDA) for a period of four months ending May 1972. He headed a study team of twelve to review the dairy industry in Uganda and make recommendations aimed at making the industry more proficient. He disclaims any responsibility for developments and unrest which have subsequently taken place in Uganda.

Howard D. Carr ('49) Credit Policy Adviser to the Farm Credit Corporation, Ottawa, was a member of the CIDA study team to Uganda under the direction of **Dr. M. E. Andal** ('44) with particular attention to the credit aspects relating to the dairy industry. Other members of the study team included **Ron W. Peake** (Masters in 1941) and **Wally Redekop**. Their areas of concern were agronomy and agricultural training respectively.

J. M. (Mac) Day ('39) formerly Branch Manager of the Farm Credit Corporation at Regina is now at head office, Ottawa, as Director of Special Projects, including the Small Farm Development Program.

L. S. (Buck) Ryan ('49) has been recently promoted from Assistant Branch Manager (Lending) to Branch Manager, Farm Credit Corporation at Edmonton, Alberta.

Senator Hazen Argue ('44) was made Chairman of the new Senate Standing Committee on Agriculture at the last session of Parliament.

Gordon Haase ('44) formerly Acting Director, Financial and Corporate Services, Government Telecommunications Agency of the Department of Communications, Ottawa, is now Economic Adviser to the Minister of Communications, Government of Alberta, Edmonton. Thanks **Ralph** for the news items.

Ken Mitschke ('71), Langenburg, is now employed with National Grain as feed salesman at Swift Current.

Syd Pickerell ('61), Winnieg, tells the Association to

keep the news letters coming as Agro grads away from the pulse of the alma mater really enjoy hearing of classmates and fellow grads. Syd says that Manitoba is a haven for Sask. grads. As many as 30 grads will show up at Manitoba Institute of Agrologists meetings. Syd is sales manager for Shur Gain Division of Canada Packers in Manitoba and Eastern Saskatchewan.

Wayne Ingell ('51) writes as follows from Burlington, Ontario. "Wayne along with **W. B. (Bill) Fox** ('40) who retired in early 1972 but still working on a part time basis with Chipman Chemicals Limited in Hamilton.

R. W. (Bob) Sheard ('51) is now a professor at O.A.C., Guelph.

Lex Rutherford ('48), Ontario ministry of Food and Agriculture; **Norman Bray** ('56), Sask. Department of Agriculture; **Bill Hamilton** ('50), Canadian Federation of Agriculture are presently serving on a special federal-provincial industrial committee to look at better ways to gather and disseminate livestock statistics in Canada.

Ag Grads were out in force at the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture in Ottawa. They included **George Richardson** ('48), Semans; **Reuben Ziolkowsky** ('63), Yorkton, and to represent the women, **Mrs. Glenn (Edna) Gadd** ('60), Moose Jaw.

Lin Boyes ('48), Minnedosa reports that four of the ten Ag Reps in the S.W. region of Manitoba, are Saskatchewan grads. His two neighboring Ag Reps. are **Norm Hemstad** of Neepawa and **Bill Lambert** ('55) of Shoal Lake and the other is **Don Connick** ('64) at Boissevain. Further, four of the eight specialists are also U. of S. Agro grads - **Bob Rae**, **Jerry Gramiak** ('65), **Bob Bradley** ('62) and **Derald Ahner** ('65). Thanks Lin for the news. Guess if you want to be successful it is "go east young man, go east". Our loss is Manitoba's gain.

Herb Purdy ('32), Regina, informs the association of his pleasure in getting the news letter. Herb tells us about **Jack** ('32) and **Nellie Clayton**. He says "Jack retired in August as Chief Pedologist with C.D.A. in Ottawa and is presently living in Winnipeg. Jack and Nellie were in Europe last summer - they plan to spend their summers at their cottage at Pike Lake" - no place like Sask. in the summer.

Jim Marshall ('68) formerly at Yorkton with Federated Cooperatives is now stationed at Brandon as Feed Plant Manager for Federated. Our congratulations Jim - nice to hear from you.

Gerry Leduc ('70) of Assiniboia enclosed \$40.00 in his last letter to cover a life membership in the association - a far-sighted agro. Gerry farms with his Dad and also finds time to be a part-time Primary Products Inspector for the Plant Products Division, Canada Department of Agriculture.

Lyle McNichol ('63) is now 4H and Youth Specialist with the Manitoba Department of Agriculture working out of Dauphin. Lyle took up his new appointment on January 1 - was sorry to miss his ten year reunion. Better watch out Lyle or Mr. Barr of Arborg will have you buying or betting on horses. Thanks for the \$5.00 - how about a life membership?

Gordon Wells ('66), of the Alberta Department of Agriculture, Edmonton, recently returned from a two week tour of sheep abattoirs and tanneries in Britain. Gordon, along with a fellow worker, Mr. Ray Turner, visited plant managers in London, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leeds, Devon and Wales. We hope that Gordon didn't let them pull the wool over his eyes while on the jolly old island.

Stewart Given ('50) has been named Ontario Branch Manager for the Farm Credit Corporation.

Edwin Armstrong ('31) of Gallivan was recently honored for his twenty years of leadership in 4H by the Wil-

bert-Gallivan and Baldwinton 4H Clubs. A special engraved plaque was presented to Ed on the occasion. Of passing interest Ed also received Ag Rep. District 35 plaque for the top Master Farmer Award.

Jim Bole ('64) of Lethbridge passes along a number of news items from sunny Alberta - Could his weather there beat January '73 in Saskatchewan?

Bob Zentner ('72) is working with **Bernie Sontag** ('63) as economists at the C.D.A. Research Station.

Murray McLelland ('69?) has been promoted to D.A. with the Alberta Department of Agriculture at Lethbridge.

Rodger Moore ('63) has left the A.D.A. to concentrate on his farming enterprise at Seven Persons.

Garth Larson ('72) is with Shur-Gain feeds in Lethbridge. **Lynn Hayes** ('69) with Imperial Oil Co. Ltd. has been transferred from Victoria to Edmonton. He started with the Company in Saskatoon. Jim says, "Lynn has either been promoted by his company rather ax rapidly or has had to get out of a number of cities in a hurry". Thanks Jim for the news and we will accept your invite to ski with you.

Kurt Klein ('63) reports on a very successful ten year Voc. Ag. reunion; the following attended - Norman Boe, Ronald Cay, Charles Churchill, Rodney Duczek, Lunden Elviss, Leslie Hayward, Stanley Herbst, William Hogg, Darryl Jacobs, Blake Johnson, Blain Keeler, Alvin Keen, Kurt Klein, Robert Kuhl, Winston McNaught, Darald Marin, Dale Mitchell, Donald Sanderson, Dale Whiting, Robert Wilson, Theodore Zoller. Ed Wilson and Noel Skelton would have made it had it not been for the impending arrival of the stork. Dennis Sanborn planned to be present but was unable to make it.

Five major events highlighted the weekend - the smoker (and ladies social) was well attended on Sat. night. This was followed by a post-smoker party at the Klein house early Sunday morning. The Parktown Motor Hotel was the scene of ambitious revelry Sunday afternoon and evening. The weekend culminated with the attendance of twenty-two people (men and ladies) at the Ag Grad Cabaret on Monday evening. The last rites were held early Tuesday morning in Charlie Churchill's room at the King George.

Dale Mitchell suggested following up the weekend of frenzied activity with an August 4 - 5 meeting at Echo Lake. This idea was well accepted by everyone. We hope to see as large a turnout at that time.

Should be some tall fish stories this fall.

Alice Harper ('44) (nee Walls) Lethbridge, brings us up to date on the whereabouts of Ag Grads in the land of milk and honey. Alice reports that **Steve Klack** ('46) is busy with his work with Plant Products Division, Canada Dept. of Agriculture. Steve also has farm interests in Sask. and Alberta. **Stew Wells** ('42) Research Scientist, Barley Breeding, C.D.A. Research Station, has just come up with a new two-row barley variety reliese. **Al McFadden** ('48) is vice-president and secretary-treasurer to Oliver Industrial Supplies. Al's son is now a medical doctor in the Canadian Forces. **Phil Blakely** ('45) is Information Officer, C.D.A., according to Alice. Phil still sings in the church choir - often wonder if Phil would like to study Chem. 2 from Van Cleave again - for the laughs this time.

Tracy Anderson ('43) Research Station, C.D.A., has spent considerable time with C.I.D.A. in India. **Hugh McKenzie** ('49) is a research scientist with C.D.A. Research Station and is working mainly in the area of spring wheat breeding. **Dave Clark** ('48) of the Lethbridge Community College is busily occupied with the development and

teaching of new courses and directing the Agricultural aspect of the college. Alice states that she is very busy with her work at the Community College - How quickly time flies - Alice says she is looking forward to retirement and a time when she can catch up on reading and her special hobbies of wild flowers and birds. Thanks for the news Alice.

Doug Wilkinson ('41) sends the following report on the 29th Annual S.A.G.A. Bonspiel held on January 5, 6 and 7 with a total of 68 entries; 58 in the regular events and 10 entries in the Senior Hutcheon event (the same number as in 1972).

All the Sunday curling, including the finals were held at the Exhibition curling rink. The spacious waiting room, the coffee bar and the use of the upstairs to present trophies are some of the reasons for the change of the Sunday curling from the University rink to the Exhibition rink.

The bar was held in the main lobby of the Exhibition rink as the ladies had the upstairs decorated for their smokette. The ladies have expressed some interest in curling and next year's curling committee may want to take a look at the possibility of a ladies event.

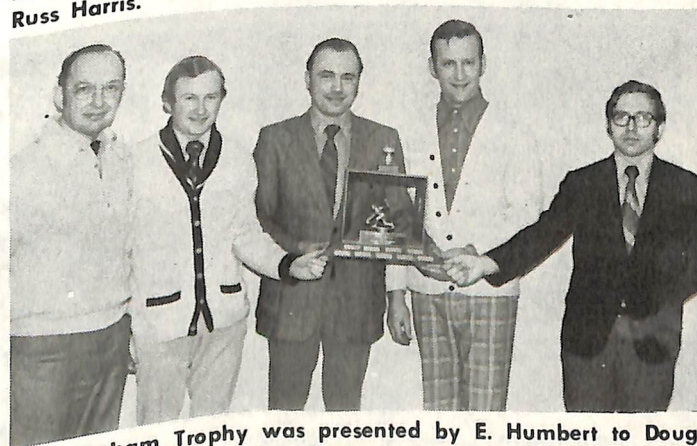
The ranking of the events was as follows:

1. Kirk
2. Graham
3. Rutherford
4. Skelly and Hutcheon (Senior event)

I would like to express my appreciation to all those who assisted with the bonspiel, especially to Birnie Stonehouse, the assistant chairman; to Don Sanderson, the bar man; to Bob McKercher, our hard working secretary; and to the rink marshalls.



The Kirk trophy was presented by Dean White to Merle Byrnes, Glen Farrell, Jim Byrnes and Dave Wooff. Runners up were Art Helahey, Cliff Hayes, Don Rugg, and Russ Harris.



The Graham Trophy was presented by E. Humbert to Doug Pettit, John Hemstad, Stan Barber and Gary Storey. Runners up were Bob Dodds, Bob Lockwood, Murray Westby and Bob Young.



The Rutherford Trophy was presented by Spike Smith to Jim Morris, Bill Wilson, Ron Watson and Blair Sudom. Runners up were David Tysdal, Barry Whitfield, Murray Tysdal and David Warnock.



The Skelly Trophy was presented by Wilson McIntyre to Joe Ashcroft, Darwin Anderson, Larry Gusta and Gerry Rank. Runners up were Vern Pusch, Bob Dash, Alan Robinson and Art Szakaes.



The Hutcheon trophy was presented by D. Rennie to Ossie Lakness, Bud Smith, Joe Clausen and Chet Piercy. Runners up were Ken Bowren, Fred Langley, Bob Anderson and Harry Bell.

Gordon Loveridge ('23) has prepared a report on their 50th reunion - it goes as follows:

"Reunion of Degree and School of Agriculture Class of '23 - W. J. (Bill) Lemon and Mrs. Lemon; John F. Rogers and Gordon and Mrs. Loveridge arrived in Saskatoon for the gathering, Sat. Evening. What a pleasure it was for all as the men met so many of the people they had not seen for so many years. Almost 100 of the ladies report a very enjoyable evening by themselves.

On Sunday at 2:00 p.m. many people gathered for the ceremonies of the Sask. Hall of Fame. Then at 3:00 p.m. tea was served at which we all met many more old friends.

On Monday, at the Ag Grad banquet and dance, seven of the old class gathered for this occasion. They are with the degree - Bert Lowrie, Regina, John F. Rogers, Rouleau; Gordon Loveridge and Tillie (Reeve) Loveridge; Art '23, Grenfell. School of Agriculture - Ernie Paynter, Regina; W. J. Lemon and Mrs. Lemon, Peebles, Miller Craig and Mrs. Craig, North Battleford; Geo. M. Cooper, Moose Jaw.

Some of the old class danced almost as they did 50 years ago. Each was introduced at the intermission - class of '23.

Rass 'em Jass 'em; make 'em step;
We're the boys that have the pep!
Who of the S.A.C. are we?
Agriculture '23.

Letters were received from the following unable to attend: Dr. and Mrs. Greeman Stevenson, R.R. No. 2, Richmond, Ontario; Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McKean (Sask. address Lebret) - (Winter - Brownville, Texas); Harold and Mrs. Wilson (now retired in Calgary), Harold was our great hockey player in '23.

Dr. and Mrs. Stevenson and Harold and Mrs. Wilson had plans for some of these tours and regret not being at this reunion.



50 Year Reunion, Grads of 1923. Left to right: Miller Craig, Gordon Loveridge, John Rogers, Bill Lemon, George Cooper, Mrs. Miller Craig, Gwen Lemon. Missing from the picture is Ernie Paynter.

Attention Curlers - Lady Curlers, that is!

There has been discussions from year to year about a bonspiel for the wives of Agro grads. The bonspiel would be held the same time as the S.A.G.A. spiel. It would be self-supporting. The Agro executive and their curling committee would assist in making arrangements and carrying out the ladies' bonspiel. Details would need to be worked out. We know all Agro Grads wives read the newsletter so gals if you are interested in a bonspiel please let your executive know.



"Ladies Smokette". Doris Taylor and Millie Purcy showing the girls the fine points of Black Jack and Roulette.

There has been discussion on the reunion program in regards to the Monday banquet and dance, or more recently, the Cabaret. If any Agros who were at the reunion and cabaret wish to express their view on the Monday affair, please write to the president, Grant Milne, c/o Box 320, Sub. P.O. No. 6, Saskatoon.

Two distinguished gentlemen were honoured by our Association with presentation of Life Memberships to D. R. (Dave) Robinson ('28) and T. A. (Tom) Homersham ('28) of Saskatoon; Dave recognized for his contribution to horticulture and extension and Tom for varied career in extension, youth work and administration.



Dave Robinson receiving his Honorary Life Membership Certificate from Stan Sheard.



Tom Homersham receiving his Honorary Life Membership Certificate from Herb Clark. Don Acton, 1972 SAGA President, beside Tom.

urie Evans ('54), Brandon was recently elected a Director of the Manitoba Institute of Agrolologists.

Where! Oh Where! Are these Agros! If any one knows, please drop us a line - **G. A. Arnot** ('51); **W. J. Bradley** ('58c); **W. C. Burrell** ('72c); **John L. Hnatiuk** ('48s); **Pat McLean** ('67c); **Warren L. Toles** ('71c); **P. Gary Vogt** ('60c); **Ron B. Wilson** ('66s); **Muriel Welling** (nee **Fredeen** '47).

Ernie Paynter ('23), Regina informs us that **Bill Lemon** ('23) who attended the recent 50 year class reunion died suddenly. Our sympathy goes out to **Gwen** and family.

DEATHS

Jean Coles, wife of **Hooper Coles** ('30), Regina - July 5, 1972
J. Hooper Coles ('30), Regina - February 1, 1973.
Edgar J. Vick, Saskatoon, Father of **Keith Vick** ('56) - January 19, 1973.
Mrs. Ingaborg Turnbull, Saskatoon, Mother of **Ole Turnbull** ('43) - Jan. 12, 1973.

Wm. Lemon ('23), Peebles - Feb. 5, 1973.

Mrs. W. R. Young, Saskatoon, Mother of **Ran Young** ('39) - September 21, 1972.

T. J. McCloy, Saskatoon, father of **Tom McCloy** ('53) - Jan. 31, 1973.

Margaret Hutchinson, wife of **Les Hutchinson** ('27), Regina - April 12, 1972.

Ivan Mills, Kenaston, father of **Leslie Mills** ('72) - Feb. 11, 1973.

Stewart Hutchins Smith ('15), South Allan, father of **Stuart Smith** ('37).

George Spencer, Craik, father of **Ernie** ('63) and **Hilding** ('71) - Feb. 17, 1973.

MARRIAGES

Gary Gheysen ('68) of Benson and **Sharon Elizabeth Whitley** of Saskatoon - Dec. 2/72.

Murray Skeates ('71), Ottawa and **Sue Minor**, Weyburn - Dec. 27, 1972.

Randy Vopni ('71), Regina, married November 11, 1972.

Edwin Armstrong ('31), Gallivan and **Kathleen Coulter**, Cutknife - Dec. 28, 1971.