

## GOULDEN, THE RUST KING, PASSES

Cyril Harold Goulden '21 Canada's foremost breeder - of rust resistant wheats, passed away on February 4, 1980 at his home in Ottawa, where he had lived since retirement in 1962. He lived a most active and fruitful life of 83 years.

The development of rust resistant wheat varieties, a half century ago, has done more than any single development to ensure Canada's place as a major grain producer.

Goulden who directed the development of such varieties as Renown, Redman, and Regent was raised in the Ebenezer area of Sask., and became a highly respected plant breeder at a critical time in cereal variety development.

In an uncompleted autobiography, Dr. Goulden tells of his youth on the homestead near Ebenezer, and his subsequent work as a plant geneticist.

His daughter, Marilyn Hochster of Victoria intends to finish the autobiography, on which her father had worked for several years until last fall, when his health started to fail.

"He was still chopping wood in September." Mrs. Hochster recalls.

Dr. Goulden's autobiography tells of the family's early years in Canada, after coming from Wales in 1900. He was the youngest of three sons; his brother Raymond still lives in Ebenezer, and two sisters are still living: Daisy Britton in Waldron and Ida McFarlane in Kamsack.

The family lived at first in an old school house north of Ebenezer, and later in a log house. Dr. Goulden recalls travelling by pony or foot to school via the Pelly Trail.

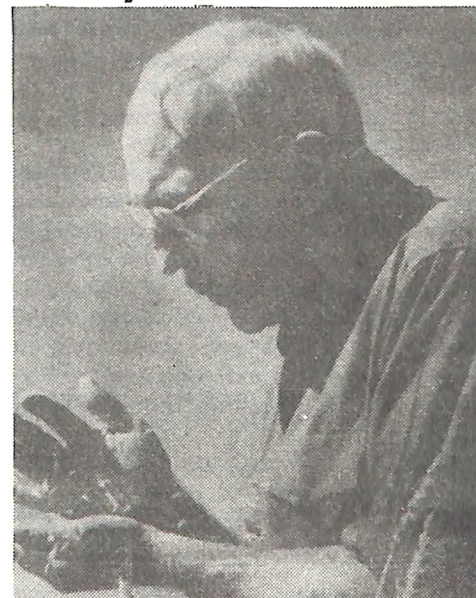
Like many farm boys in those days, he only completed school to grade 8, and then went to work on the family farm where he took a special interest in machinery.

When he was but 10 years old he amazed his elders by fixing the engine on a strawcutter, and at the age of 14, using a 25-horsepower "Marvelous Mogul", he toured the countryside breaking prairie land for \$4 an acre.

The engine had a habit of over-heating, and which defied the experts of the time.

Dr. Goulden and his brother Raymond, found the solution, however.

They cut a groove in the crank bearing to aid the oil flow, and carried on with



their work.

Dr. Goulden's pervading interest in machinery led him to design a non-piston engine in his youth, which was quite similar to today's rotary engine.

Even as a boy he was convinced that machinery, then still rare, was the

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Greetings to old and new members. The SAGA enters the 1981 year with largest membership ever. There has been a very substantial change in the last decade from our members holding mostly annual memberships to the situation where now most of the

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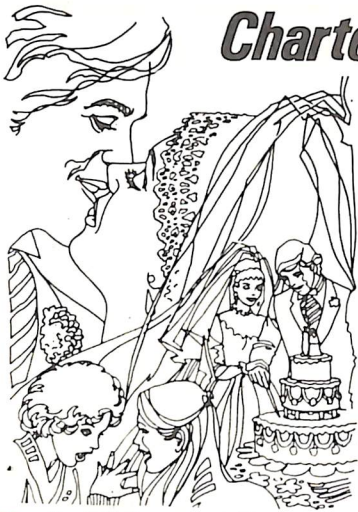
members hold life memberships. Furthermore, the Reunion Weekend has recently had a high participation by Ag. Grads in all events. As a result the cost per person of these events has been kept to a minimum, but it has meant that the reunion chairmen have had to work hard and carefully at the events. As an example, in the reunion just past the curling chairmen were particularly pressed because of ice shortages.

The SAGA has been fortunate to have on its executive, people who have been able to devote the time and had the ability to carry out so well the duties for the reunion events. Another very important factor in the success of the reunion and of the SAGA in general, is the cooperation and assistance of the

reunion and honor year chairmen who spearhead the gathering of their classmates. This past January saw the largest number of honor year (20 year) and the 5, 10, 30, 40, and 50 reunion year people ever at our events.

Each year the executive is invigorated by new members, but of course there is always the loss of able people and this year was no exception. Our past-president, **Bob Bens '64** can look back on a well-done job. Another person who has given us great service over several years is **Frank Dunlop '63**. There is no doubt the Secretary - Treasurer is a key executive position, one from which advice on all matters has to be forthcoming.

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## Charters of Rights -- and mebbe even a few lefts

**Don Martin '76** frum out Ituna way was suffering from palpitation and a temperature of 98 °C, but is on the way to recovery.

**Donna Beck RN**, daughter of **Vic Beck '50** has his chart since October 11 in Regina. They'll be living on the avails of the Pool Service Centre and the civil service at Assiniboia forever.

**Eric Sweatman '40** late of the parish of Kelliher, has changed roles -- from

retired farmer to minister's husband. Married into the late James Farquharson's family of Rosetown. **Jean** who serves the United Church at Coleville. Her brother, the Rev. Walter United Church, minister at Saltcoats, pronounced them Ruth and Job on October 23. **Glenna Margaret Gardiner**, daughter of **Gordon '48** of the Gumbo Gardiners, Regina, caught **Craig Robert Hale**, in her backswath on December 27 at Regina, and will share an airseeder at Sceptre for many crop years. Nothing sticks like gumbo. Her father pulled rank on them -- the Regina Wheatland Chorus performed until the groom showed up on 'Big Roy'. The guest list was reminiscent of a Mafia wedding -- it was plugged with ag. grads.

**Terry Hogg '73** pledged to share matrimonial property with **Darlene Trafananko** at Yorkton in November, 1980.

**Ron Profke '74** of municipal assessment at Regina, was checked out for demerit

points by **Shannon Marshall**, who took him under contract at Turtleford without right of appeal. Sometime in November -- Ron can't remember exactly when.

**Wayne Wright '75** was caught unawares by **Barb Ward** at North Battleford back in June. Wayne conspires with **Howard Mattila '55** full-time. They discovered the change in marital status when they were filing Wayne's 1980 returns.

**Vic Beaulieu** and **Margot Norum** have decided to make it legal after 32 years. **Mark '79** and **Anglea '79** and the other thirteen or fourteen little Beaulieus, or Norums, are quite pleased about it all, even if they don't know what Mom ever saw in Dad, although he was always prompt at lunch time. When? Well maybe the 1989 40-year reunion - doesn't pay to rush things.

**Mark 'Smack' Odegard '77** has a conditional agreement to marry **Pat Olafson '78** (Alberta) sometime in July; and **Brian Gross '81** has promised to take **Barbara Day** into the Elanco business at Rosetown on July 11, if M.A.P. becomes operative. Treading on dangerous ground is **Jim Graham '75** of Assiniboia with a new house and a girl friend helping him furnish it.

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answer to the back-breaking work on the farm.

When the College of Agriculture opened in Saskatoon, young Cyril set that as his goal.

His high school education was by correspondence, but he won a scholarship to enter the college, where he earned a bachelors' degree in agriculture in 1921, a master's degree in 1923, and then a doctorate from the University of Minnesota in genetics and plant breeding in 1925.

His interest in plant breeding resulted from first-hand experience on the farm with the stem rust that wiped out prairie crops in 1916.

He returned to Canada in 1925, and was the director of the Dominion Laboratory of Cereal Breeding in Winnipeg until 1948, during which time he also taught statistics at the University of Manitoba.

He was the chief of the cereal crop division of the federal agriculture department from 1948 to 1956, and then became the director of experimental farms until 1959.

His last three years in public service were spent as assistant deputy minister of research.

He married **Flora Matheson** of Winnipeg in 1929, and the couple had two daughters, **Mrs. Hochster** and **Mrs. Cynthia Bent** of Toronto.

**Dr. Goulden** was recognized as a leader in statistical analysis. His textbook on the subject in 1939 was translated and used around the world.

The honors that have been bestowed on him are many. He received honorary degrees from the University of Saskatchewan in 1954, and from the University of Manitoba in 1964.

In 1970 he was honored as a distinguished graduate of the University of Minnesota, and was named to the Canadian Agricultural Hall of Fame in 1980.

He was a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, the American Statistical Association and the Agricultural Institute of Canada, of which he was president in 1955 and 1956.

He served as consultant to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, working on a world index of genetic stocks for cereal grain.

While most of his working life was devoted to plant breeding, he didn't forego his love for things mechanical.

While in Winnipeg, he developed a seed counter, which did away with an onerous manual task. His laboratory was protected with burglary devices designed and installed by himself.

The workshop in the basement of his Ottawa home is described by his daughter as an electrical maze.

To men such as these we will remain forever indebted.

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Looking forward, the normal business is to begin work immediately on the 1982 reunion. Reunion year chairmen are named from membership at-large, and event chairmen or coordinators are named from within the executive. These people and their progress will be items for future newsletters.

In addition to these standing committees, we have *ad hoc* committees to deal with other matters. Presently we have a School of Agriculture review committee. A rules committee will need to be set up, since our recent constitution changes will necessitate a separate set of rules. Such items as the Advisory Council to the College of Agriculture, the Saskatchewan Agricultural Hall of Fame, and materials and distribution of our most important property, the newsletter, are concerns of the executive.

I look forward to the 1981 year and the 1982 reunion. It always assists the president if he can get matters of concern of the membership sent to him, and it is of interest to all to have items for our newsletter volunteered to us.

**Bob McKercher '54**



## THEY'RE IN BUSINESS FOR BUSINESS

Every business manager sooner or later, finds himself with a job which cannot be handled by his staff or the company's facility. The situation arises for many reasons: lack of staff, cost of taking highly paid staff away from main responsibilities; limited space; lack of specialized equipment or a place to put it, and so on. Typical jobs include packaging, product manufacturing and assembly.

The Saskatchewan Council for Crippled Children and Adults' four Saskatchewan industrial centres employing handicapped workers (Saskatoon, Swift Current, Regina & Yorkton), are in a position to come to the rescue with a staff capable of doing a wide variety of tasks, along with a facility and equipment capable of handling a number of manufacturing and assembly projects. In the past year, the Council's industrial centres have manufactured cedar furniture for Eaton's of Canada; sports bags

for Federated Co-operatives; sample bags for Saskatchewan Wheat Pool; highway safety jackets for the Department of Highways; parts crates for Morris Rodweeder; pallets for many businesses, and the list goes on and on. "We're not looking for any special considerations," says Director of Industrial Centre, Peter Tonner. We're competitive. We have a track record that proves we can provide a quality product or service at a reasonable price." "All we ask is a chance to bid," he said. The SCCCA's industrial operations are sophisticated manufacturing plants, fully equipped and organized into efficient conventional assembly line production units. All of this adaptable to a multitude of projects. An important aspect of the Council's operation is new product development. New lines of giftware, patio furniture and sports bags have received enthusiastic response from major retailers in the market place. What happens when a business farms out the assembly or manufacture of a new product? It means no need for the company to hire extra staff, supervisors, find space, acquire new equipment, or deal with the additional paper work. The bottom line is savings in time, money and staff.

What more can you ask for?

Carman Berg '64

### THE YEARS SHALL NOT CONDEMN



The 1941 School of Agriculture returnees at the 1981 Reunion.

Back row (left to right): Ian Bradley, John Dexter, Richard Bassingwaite, Henry Brown, Peter Cline, Willis Clay, Mitchell Rudolf. Front row (left to right): Lloyd Horvey, Wilson McIntyre, Lloyd Proctor, Oliver Horvey, Don McVicar, Grant Colquhoun.

### THE GALS WHO KEPT THEM GOING



1941 School of Agriculture wives who came along to drive. Left to right: Mrs. Cline, Rudolf, Clay, Dexter, Bassingth waite, O. Horvey, Bradley, L. Horvey, McVicar, Colquhoun, McIntyre.

## 1981 S.A.G.A. EXECUTIVE

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#### MEMBERS—AT—LARGE

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 SW — Doug Winsor, Kincaid  
 NW — Valerie Matschke-Meuller, Turtleford



**Nancy '73** and **Don Lidster '72** are really serious about bringing home the bacon. They've got the plans all drawn for their new hog barn to be built north of White Fox, where the barley grows taller and thicker. Nancy will be able to pay Don a wage -- providing he earns it, according to the new provisions of the Income Tax Act regarding spouses' labor contributions to the farm business. Don has just completed his apprenticeship with **Laverne Voldeng '63** at Naicam on the FarmStart training program, and Nancy is busy checking up on **Roger Thibault** at Crystal Springs?

**Robin Jacobson '80** is threatening the environment at Melfort for Allied Chemicals.

**Doug England '63** is fixin' to bring about four Zambis as extension wallahs home with him to be hosted by the ag.

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reps. for a couple of months.

**Larry Gutek** has taken up residency as ag. rep. at Kelvington as successor to **Lewis Reeve '72** who is grazing greener pastures at the new Strasbourg ag. rep. office. Larry got tired of rod rows and will try out his ideas on a field scale.

**Morley Ayars** left the Prince Albert district to await the return of **Doug England '63** from his African safari, and will preach the gospel according to the Guide to Farm Practice in the ag. rep. diocese of Melville.

**Dave Hryhor '72** is busy winterizing his new retreat at Wakaw Lake. Gonna commute to Tisdale?

**Don Walker '74** came in out of the cold to work with Alberta Agriculture extension on farm building courses in the time he has to spare from wife (mistress?) hunting. He'll be back to the farm at Lashburn with the meadow larks.

**Laurie '75** and **Chris Tollefson** enjoyed a spot of sun, rum, snorkeling and scuba diving in Jamaica -- "My Gad! But it's hot there." Laurie has his very own rubber boots as manager of the P.F.R.A. irrigation demonstration farm at Outlook.

**Kevin Hursh '80** is the voice of agriculture for CFQC radio and T.V. He

says **Dale Tomasiewicz '79** and **Barry Olson '79** are living together (?) and swatting grad classes in soil science at ye old U of S.

**Blaine Canitz '80** is beating the drum fulltime for the Saskatoon Board of Trade.

**Bill Chapman '79** disclaims association with Monsanto. He is in charge of dioxin sales for Hoechst Canada at the Battlefords. **Rudy Fast** is Monsanto's man there, and is busy teaching **Nancy Niven '79** (just back from a 'Down Under Holiday' with the I.A.A.C. exchange program) the ropes in tricking farmers into buying that stuff to feed their wild oats.

**Ted Bonertz '79** shook off Allied Chemicals for a job in Saudi Alberta in advertising and public relations for Baker-Lovick in Calgary.

**Rob Skotninsky '80** covers the west side of the republic, as far north as the Battlefords, outa that pussycat of a stream they call Swift Current.

**Bill Volk '75** fell prey to the forebodings of the environmentalists, and left Chemagro for New Holland at N.B.

**Fred Meister '79** shares breakfast porridge with Father Bear on the farm at Radisson.

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## The Trumpet's Blast

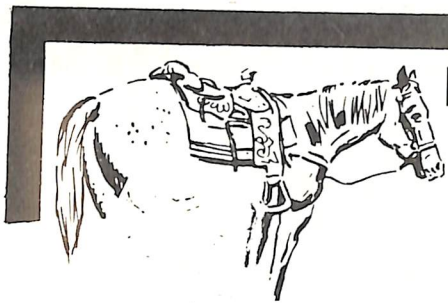
Canadian Wheat Board post graduate scholarships have been awarded to **Dieter K. Mulitze** who is majoring in crop science at the U. of S. and to **Reg Kachanoski** who is working on his Ph.D. at the University of California in soil science. They will receive \$10,000 in the first year; \$11,000 in the second, and \$12,000 in the third year of their study programs. Undergraduate scholarships have been awarded by the CWB to third year students, **Howard Lave**, Prince Albert (agronomy); **Robert J. Graf**, Fulda (agronomy); **Keith A. Hayward**, Atwater (ag. econ.); **Ronald C. Sparrow**, Vanscoy (crops) and **David T. Gehl**, Regina (crops). Each was awarded \$2,000. Fourth year students receiving \$3,000 scholarships were: **Gary Kruger**, Aberdeen (soils); **Anita L. Brule**, Prince Albert (crops); **Keith E. Paul**, Saskatoon (crops); **Shelly J. Thompson**, Assiniboia (ag. econ.); **Donald H. Hopkins**, Wiseton (soils); **Gordon B. Bacon**, Ogema (agronomy) and **Donald Elliott**, Dinsmore (soils). Well Done, Agros!

**Vic Beck '50**, was the deserving recipient

of a commemorative plaque in recognition of 30 years service on the Expert Committee on Weeds at the annual North Central Weed Control Conference at Winnipeg -- The Greenpeace Foundation notwithstanding. Vic sez a plaque is something that hangs on the wall. He and **Lee** are suffering the empty nest syndrome nowadays -- all the birds have flown. **L.G. (Lloyd) Putnam '37** was awarded an Honorary Life Membership in the S.A.G.A. at the annual ag. grads reunion banquet. Lloyd was born and raised on a farm at Watson. He received his B.S.A. degree in 1937 and an M.Sc in 1939, majoring in plant breeding. He joined the Dominion Entomological Laboratory in Saskatoon in 1939, where he contributed very significantly to grasshopper control research and extension. He also served at Brandon and Lethbridge labs before spending a stint in the Canadian Army in 1943-44. He returned to Saskatoon in 1950, where he continued work in grasshopper control and became very well known to the farming community, and was of immeasurable assistance to the ag. rep.



fraternity as a consultant and counsellor. He also carried out very important work in the control of rapeseed insects. He was responsible for the discovery of the use of lannate as a means of insect control, which resulted in something over 1,000,000 acres being successfully treated for bertha armyworms in 1973 in Western Canada. He continued his work in the control of insects in rapeseed until retirement in 1978. Lloyd was a leader in the scout movement in Saskatoon for many years. He served as vice-president of the Saskatoon branch of S.I.A. in 1971 and as president in 1972, and is currently Registrar of S.I.A. He and his wife Erla, have one daughter, one son and five grandchildren. My thanks to S.A.G.A. for according me a similar honor, mainly as company for Lloyd.



## EMPTY SADDLES

**Charles Henry Percival Killick '24C** passed away on January 15 in West Vancouver. His daughter, Mrs. Margaret Ramsay, 1124 Inglewoud Ave., North Vancouver, B.C. V7T 1Y5, provided the above information.

**Frank Lee, father of Dr. George Lee '53** passed away in hospital in Saskatoon on November 12 at 85 years. Memorial services were held at the Chapel of the Saskatoon Funeral Home under the direction of the **Rev. Wm. Chapman '48**. Mr. Lee was born in Lincolnshire and came to Manitoba in 1914, and then

moved to Vermillion, Alberta, and finally to the Quill Lake district in Saskatchewan in 1922, where he farmed until retirement. He had made his home in Saskatoon since 1965.

He served overseas with the Canadian Army in World War I. Frank Lee was a long time member of Sask. Wheat Pool, served on the board of Crocus Vale School District for many years, and was well known for his gardening pursuits. In addition to his son, George, he is survived by two daughters; Miss Dorothy Lee of Saskatoon and Mrs. Max Shier (Marjorie) of Colonsay. He also leaves eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Hoblis, Vermillion, and Mrs. Olive Reed, Edmonton. A Brother, John Lee of Watson also survives.

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**Greg Haase** is moving from Meadow Lake to Regina with the Lands Branch gentry.

**Doug Miller '76** is also with Monsanto but at Edmonton yet.

**Wayne Peterson '69** is office manager for Cargill Nutrena feeds at Lethbridge.

**Bill Selleck '50 & '53** hez moved. He was a prof. at Cornell and superintendent of its horticultural research lab on Long Island, until he went to Taiwan as director of the Asian Vegetable Research and Development Centre. Bean sprouts and leechy nuts?

**Eugene Seitz '57** must have a discerning sense of taste and smell. He's the new director, biological technology, International Flavors and Fragrances Inc. after 14 years in research and development with the outfit. Ya gotta take time to smell the roses. Only one drawback -- he can never say he had a hard day at the office.

**Laverne Fritz** has finally made it into the charmed circle of concerned parents -- a 16-year old daughter -- and a blonde yet. Wonder how that happened? Bought himself a new custom van so he can go golfing and fishing and let Mom do the worrying.

**Wally Vanin '77** is still enjoying the life of a mobile home dweller and commuting. Never has to worry about water in his basement and he can always move if the grass and weeds get too tall. Oh, sorry! I forgot, he's one of the ag. reps. at Assiniboia.

**John McConnell '51** is an information officer type for Agriculture Canada at Saskatoon. Three teenagers still

hanging in there at the U of S.

**Steve Burkell '50** is heading a fund drive to raise \$5,000 for an annual S.I.A. agricultural journalism scholarship in memory of Tom Melville-Ness. Steve will accept any and all donations -- he may even issue receipts if you insist.

**Ewald Wuschke '80** -- no he's not the Canadian attache d' affairs for Volkswagen. He writes to thank S.A.G.A. for their support of the A.S.A. 1980 Yearbook. The public support was very good and they stayed within budget. We ran an advertisement for them in December '79 and again in December '80.

Ewald is with the family printing business out in Wancooer. Watch fer bogus bills if he ever gets the hang of it. He says **Larry Luba '80** spent a few days with them enroute to Los Angeles, Fiji and Australia. Plans to tour down under working when and if necessary -- scuba, surfing, suntanning, etc. Might even hang his hoe there permanent. One of the dangers of living on the coast is that you're always threatened with company.

**Bob Wachotz '80** dropped in a couple days later enroute to New Zealand for a six-months stint with an I.A.E.A. exchange.

Ran into **Pam McDougall '80** and **Edith Richardson '80** at the airport who were also enroute to New Zealand on the same docket, all unbeknownst to one another. **Ewald** boldly invites grads to phone him if they're in town -- he lives only minutes from airport, train and bus stations and downtown. The price is right too.

**Larry Seeman** forsook FarmStart for the farm at Lampman. He and Lois are

## Commuted Life Sentences



Pledged to serve self-inflicted life sentences in the S.A.G.A. are:

**Glen R. McGlaughlin '65**, who is now manager of organizational planning for Sask. Pool, which really means he will have to carry the can for all foul-ups. Before that he was executive assistant to the corporate secretary. We don't know what he really did then either, but anyway there was always lots of coffee available at Pool board meetings.

**Brian Kennedy '69**, regional ag. engineer at Vermillion for Petrol Pete's agricultural department, and formerly with the Family Farm Improvement Branch for Big Mac, has insured his citizenship in the Peoples' Republic of Sask.

**Glen Herndier '70 & '73**, regional representative for Canned Farm at Regina, is gradually learning his economic principles. It took **Les Henry '64**, a devoted soils type, a long time to convince him of the effects that inflation is having on S.A.G.A. life membership fees. Even allowing for discounting, \$40 now is cheaper than maybe \$50 next year.

also agents for do-it-yourself flour mills. Their customers are all so regular on whole wheat bread that Ex-Lax is trying to sue them for restraint of trade.

**Vern Racz '67** was seen at Western Agribition with a Taiwan type in hand, on whom he was trying to palm off the cull bulls, boars, sow, etc. In sweet and sour who'd know the difference in their carcass index.

**Sieg Orthner '48** writes:

On a sunny Sunday in July, 1980, a group of 1948 School of Agriculture grads, with their wives, met on Willow Island in Regina for an afternoon of reminiscing and a barbecue.

The following were among those present with a short resume of their activities.

**Doug & Cecile Broberg**, Spalding, Sask. Doug built a small two storey extension to their farm home - 40' x 60' complete with a swimming pool.

**Wally & Vera Clarke**, Regina. Wally is still working with the Wascana Institute and has rented his farm to a nephew.

**Bill & Martha Modin**, Bengough, Sask. Bill & Martha run a mixed farm at Bengough during the summer. In winter, they head for the sunny south (Mesa, Arizona) where Bill is one of the  
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pool sharks in the "Good Life" trailer court.

**Garld & Beatrice Modin**, Regina. Garld still works for the provincial government with Social Welfare. Their son operates the family farm.

**Frank & Beryl McLeod**, Dilke, Sask. Frank and Beryl are still farming and enjoying their new swimming pool during their spare time.

**Jack & Elsie Henshaw**, Southey, Sask. Jack & Elsie are building a new retirement home in Southey, whenever they can spare any time from their farming operations.

**Harold & Margaret Lees**, Hereford Centre, Sask. Harold manages the Hereford Centre 15 miles north of Regina on #6 highway.

**Clark & Ann Lewis**, Vandura, Sask. Operate a mixed farm with Shorthorn cattle at Vandura, Sask.

**Sieg & Vi Orthner**, Regina. Sieg plans to retire as chief appraiser from Revenue Canada by year end. They plan to follow the Modins to the sunny south after the new year.

**Ted & Mel Turner**, Regina. Ted continues to lead the Sask. Wheat Pool as president in the same efficient manner that he has for the past several years.

**Fred & Iris Switzer**, Regina. Fred's plans are to retire as chief of the Field Audit Section to Revenue Canada by year end. Since rebuilding his 3-storey house on the farm, he plans to farm full time in the summer and spend the winters in Arizona with the Modins and

Orthners. Unquote.

**Gerry Dyck '60**, swine physiologist with Agriculture Canada Research Station, Brandon is on a one year transfer to the University of Nottingham in Robin Hood country.

**John McKnight '78** and **Garth Weiterman '78** have joined **Harvey Fjeld** with the irrigation branch at Outlook -- **John** as manager of irrigation engineering services and **Garth** as soils and crops agrologist.

**W.G. 'Bud' Morken '49**, Sturgis and **Lorne Hehn '58** Markinch, were both returned as directors of U.G.G. for three-year terms. We strongly suspect a snap vote at an early morning session after the annual banquet, dance and snout soaker.

**Barry Petersen '75** is a shiny new sales rep. for Daco Lab. Ltd. at Swift, in opposition to his old employer, Topline Feeds.

**Ralph Berkan '66** is holed up at Vermillion as regional straw boss for the N.E. region, Alberta Agriculture. He sez **Peter Ignatiuk '73** is chief Shylock for the Alberta Agricultural Development Corporation, also at Vermillion. **Ralph** moved from Edmonton last May where he was associate director of the extension division.

**Keith Springall '73** is farming with Long Green Line equipment at Kincaid -- M.F. will have to hang in on their own. Grain and cows.

**Al Scholz '75** is the brand new manager in residence for agronomic services for CSP food -- new man, new job. Al spent

four years abroad, 3½ of them in Thailand with CUSO before coming back to the farm at Churchbridge in July. Dad didn't fancy the rice growing bit much, so Al took off again.

**Dwayne Couldwell '75** is the new regional marketing economist at Airdrie for Alberta Agriculture. Formerly from P.A., Dwayne worked for Cargill for 5 years in the grain marketing business.

**Lorence Peterson '65** is convenor for the S.I.A. annual meeting in Saskatoon May 28 to 30, and **Ross Greenshields '49**, FAIC, is program chairman.

**Angus 'Gus' MacKenzie '54** hez bin down there at McGill University since 1962. They decided he wuzn't ever gonna leave so they made him associate dean (research). Completely bilingual -- Gaelic and English.

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## Whut the Young "Uns are Up Ta Voc. Ag. Scrags



The school spirit seems to be improving very year. To start the year off, the "Thresher" was a real hoedown. The "wine and cheese" was even better -- we were turning people away by 10:00 p.m. The trip to Winnipeg for the "grog" was a not-to be forgotten weekend. There were approximately 150 people from the college and school. From what we decided in Winnipeg, 'Grog' is coming to Saskatoon next year (1983). Our next annual event is "Hard Times", which is getting to be a big thing. The parade on campus, which is getting larger every year, is on **Thursday, February 26 at 12:30 p.m.** on Campus Drive. This is followed by a dance on **Friday, February 27 at Centennial Auditorium**, which is also becoming well known. This finishes the report on the Voc. Ags. life. Signing off, **Dave Marshall, '81**

The A.S.A. are up-an-attem too. **Shirley '83** tells us they're really pushing the **International Agriculture Students 10th annual conference in Saskatoon, August 9 to 14**. We've got an advertisement elsewhere in the issue. **Patricia Huffman** is the conference secretary, and ready with all 'the gen' on the 'do'. She can be located by writing: **I.A.S.A.A., Room 311A, Crop Science Building, University of Sask., Saskatoon. S7N 0W0**, or by phoning the A.S.A. lounge -- 343-2263.

### I.A.S.A.A. IS COMING TO SASKATOON

Yes that's right! The U of S Agros have the honor of hosting the

## 10th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of the

### INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

during the week of

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## TRIBAL TRIBULATIONS

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Sandra Burton '78, a chip off W.M. 'Pat' Burton '53, is in Nepal with Hardy and Associates consultants on land surveys.

Ron Shaak is in the fertilizer and chemicals sales and application big at Delmas. Farmin' ta boot?

Bernie Goplen '52 hadda leave the nayborhood, er else. Has a new mortgage on Kirk Crescent -- Ash Smith's '48 old stampin' ground', also Brock Whale '49A. Thanx fer the kind word, Bernie.

Donna MaeMatolsci '75 is ensconed in Cowtown U.S. of Canada. She's being "cultured" in other things besides bovine excretia -- commercial art program at Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (hope that's what S.A.I.T. stands for).

Don Saelhof '72 is manager of field sales for Monsanto in Winnipeg. Left Regina in October. He rides herd on the sales staff across Canada. He and Connie have two boys Mac, 8 and Michael 5. They've planned a daughter for July. Let us know wha hopen.

Carman Read '76 is now district manager for Monsanto for Northern Saskatchewan, and Doug Miller moved from Edmonton to Regina to replace Don as District manager.

Reg Harkness '63 is the new area manager for P.F.R.A. at Rosetown, soil & water conservation branch. Could be a busy fella.

Dan Bergen '75 is sitting on a drained bank account for F.C.C. at Assiniboia. John Fradette '70 is helping him do the sitting. Dan is married and has one issue.

Brent Flaten '80 is marketing rep. for Allied Chemicals at Vermillion. Chip offa Glen '56 at Regina?

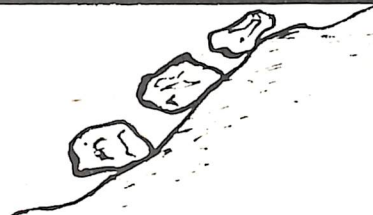
Jens Stangeland '50, Winnipeg, took a 10 week gourmet cooking class, majoring in onion soup.

Rod Altwasser '66, Yellowgrass, has the most famous 3-ton IHC truck in Southern Saskatchewan. Just like the ox teams of old, he left it unattended at the Co-op feed plant and it took off for the nearest waterhole, which happened to be the mighty little Souris River at Weyburn. Our informer prefers to remain anonymous -- he owns a Ford and buys his feed from the opposition.

George '44 and Bill Cooper '51 of West Bend have got their grain handling set up all repaired and ready for a grain surplus if it rains, and the M.A.P. policy works out. A cyclone, that struck the district last summer, tumbled the leg down on several steel bins. Had quite a time getting the insurance company to share their sorrow.

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Joe Rakochy '68, FarmStart agrologist at Yorkton, and his two lads took off for Disneyland this week (February 20) on .80 cent dollars.

Vic Beck '50 is trying to keep an empty nest in Regina. All the kids have flown the coop. One girl is a home economist working for Eatons in Calgary. Vic says she's making more money than he is -- if you can ever believe a thing Vic says. Only one failure in the family -- an engineer, but then what can you expect with all girls.

The Indominable College Class of '48 is planning their 35th annual reunion in '83.

Joe 'Pusser' Clausen, Ash 'Big Roy' Smith and Chet 'Centre Fire' Piercy are the organizing committee, so all you '48 types better get yer houses, businesses, etc. in order to 'be there in '83'.

Jack Nicholls '49 has been seen borrowing copies of 'The Saga' -- can't seem to work an S.A.G.A. membership into his budget. Anyone wishing to make a donation to the fund can do by mailing your cheque or money order to Richard Bellamy '66, Registrar, S.A.G.A., Box 320, Sub. P.O. #6, Saskatoon. S7N 0W0. If we get enough

contributions it'll buy him a membership -- only \$30. Failing that, \$4 will get him on the list for 1981.

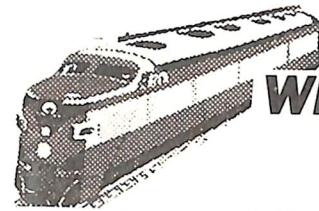
Garry Wilson '61 nephew of Howard Biehn '52 has tagged himself a 10-point Ph.D. in entomology and is currently a research scientist at the Forestry Research Station at Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. He bought the old home stamping ground at Kelliher, and is farming it by remote control.

Bernie Sonntag '63 has taken over the directorship of the Agriculture Canada Research Station at Brandon via coup d'etat.

Carman Berg '64 is still tilling the till at Tyner in the dusty months. This winter he's on a temporary sales kick for the Sask. Council of Crippled Children and Adults. He's really hipped on the task -- 'the most challenging and satisfying sales job I've ever undertaken.

Elaine Moats '77 the fairest ag. rep. in the South East Angle, has let it be known that a seed cleaning seminar at Weyburn drew about 140 farmers who were determined to stop shipping wild oats at Crow Rates. Randy Vopni '71

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# Train Whistles in the Nite

Murray '75 and Bella Treble, now have a surplus of farm help at Watrous -- twin boys in January. Side-banding pays.

Kaeley Dale Kramer got a head start at 8 lbs. 10 oz. on December 14, at Lashburn, ready to put Tyler in his place -- a No. sister. Dale '72 promised Barb she wouldn't have to do dishes for a week -- she could do them when she got home from the hospital.

Travis Christopher deGooijer arrived at Kelliher on a skid loader on December 24. Joy his mom, wouldn't wait until Xmas. Can't blame her -- 9 lbs. 3.5 oz. Ugh! Bert '76 still insists they that had had no previous experience.

Stacey Lee played trick or treat on Marg Clark and Terry '76. -- on October 31. She was the product of pre-emergence treatment. Dad works for Elanco outa Terawna, Ontario.

Katherine Alice Sharp broke water at 8 lbs. 5 oz. Her mother was truly thankful on June 23 at Yorkton. Dad, Ivan '74 and Millie draw their cheque from Cominco at Yorkton.

Juliana Marie Littman, weighed in at 6 lbs. 5 oz. at Saltcoats on September 12 -- a sister for Bonnie. Elaine and Blake '76 thought it wasn't bad for a dry year.

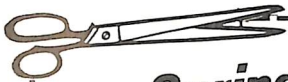
Cameron David Barton arrived in Yorkton on December 28 -- all 7 lbs. 10 oz. of him. Bob and Jackie, didn't go for John Deere's leasing arrangement -- direct ownership or nuthin. Bob works for Englow Farm Equipment -- Vic Surjik '59 is his boss. All Vic did was offer to smoke an ElToro in their honor.

Mathew James England became the first tax deduction for Marta and Doug '63 at Mbala, Zambia on December 31. Close, eh? Tax planning at its best. Says something for African unity.

Murray '78 and Penny Janos now have as many kinds as anyone else. April Erin came onto the farm scene at Glen Bain on February 5 at 3:10 a.m. -- 8 lbs. 1 oz. and 20 3/4 inches long. Jared slept through it all.

Tom Boyle '75 and Gayle anticipated the arrival of Christine, but she held off until January 27 -- Dad had to miss the grad bonspiel. The ag. rep. office will never be the same again. The prettiest Irish girl in Wakaw -- even the Ukrainians don't argue that.

Jeffrey Cordell Swanson arrived unexpectedly at Hudson Bay -- he wasn't due for ages. Almost forgot, his folks are Marlene and Barry Swanson '72. On the average, the incubation period for Boyles and Swansons is nine months.



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## THE POOPED DECK

**Wilson McIntyre '41** admits to seeing **Ralph Stutt '33** at a Sask. Homecoming and bun fight at Langbank and Kennedy.

Wilson also admits Ralph looked disgustingly fit. he retired in Ottawa in '75 and moved to Victoria in '79, where he sneaks out to curl and play poker with a lot of other retired prairie characters. They took in the 4-H beef barbeque at Kennedy, where Wilson's wife **Ethel** hails from. **Jean and Jim Smith '41** put on colored slide presentation 'Recollec-

## TRIBAL TRIBULATIONS

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There were so many ag. grad types there that Elaine couldn't remember them all. She noted, however, that **Norm Flaten '50** and **Bob Linnell '63** were there without their wives. **Ron Hetland** from Naicam was there with a Saskatchewan Seed Grower's display. **Art Westlund '66** from Brownlee, a Nuffield scholarship winner incidentally, did a tremenjus job of relating his experiences and observations in regard to minimum and zero tillage.

**Ken Panchuk '73** crop specialist from Regina, was also a prominent promoter of the event. **Alan Arthur '68** former regional herdsman from the S.E. also snuck into the meeting.

**Jim Pollock '74** also known as Jim II, ag. rep. at Moosomin, has successfully recovered from a bout of peemonia.

**Rick 'Terminal' Koller '61** is all wrapped up in an experimental computer hook-up with the Agnet data bank in North Dakota. **Bob Klemmer '77** is back from a skiing holiday with a sore elbow -- Banff slopes or Ol' Granddad?

**Kathy Martin '77** (Oram) late of Central Butte and **Ron Martin '76** land bank scribe, Regina, are busily painting the nursery, knitting, etc. Sumpthin seems to be up.

**Brian Sim '77** hez took on the duchy of Kerrobert as ag. rep.

**Ralph Christenson '49** can now rest easy in Mesa. Brian hails from Stoughton and spent some time as an instructor if farm mechanics at the technical institute at Moose. He's hot on computers and farm management they tell us.

tions', which was Wilson says is "an excellent portrayal of the work being done by ag. reps. and the great leadership roll they play in the community, including the 4-H movement".

**Herb Clark '45**, an outlander from Inchkeith, who took his Grade XII at Kennedy, was guest speaker in the evening, and did a good job of paying tribute to the 4-H leaders from Inchkeith and Kennedy, who actually organized some of the clubs. Herb also wowed them with a slide presentation on Camp Rayner.

**Gerald Bradish '21** is still farming at Willow Bunch, and busy writing poetry for the United Amateur Press. he was in hospital in Regina, and wasn't able to get to the reunion. He tells us **Hugh McPherson '21** is retired in Victoria and keeps out of mischief by being on the council of a 90 - room housing unit. Hugh has softened up just a bit -- he didn't attempt the reunion either because of the roads and cold weather. This was the year to have come Hugh -- the weather was gorgeous.

**Bill Standen**, the only other '21 Class member, Gerald has a Line on, is retired in Kelowna. He keeps busy with town affairs and hobbies. He's in good shape, but didn't fancy tackling the Rogers' Pass at reunion time.

**Ralph Christenson '49** and **Lloyd Rasmussen '36** both threaten to sue as a result of biographies in 'The Saga'. We only record the facts as we see them -- we only admit to needing glasses. An 'examination for discovery' will take place at the next reunion. **Ralph & Doris** bought a trailer and headed south to Mesa, Arizona in November. Ralph passes along his thanks for a golf cart and a purse of money he received on his retirement. Although Doris has some reservations, they've booked passage to Norway to visit Ralph's kinfolks for a few weeks next summer. And here we all thought he was Irish. Yer rite, Ralph, yer irreplaceable -- still was no ag. rep. at Kerrobert until just this minute.

**Lloyd Rasmussen** writes from Honolulu where he's spending the winter with someone's wife. They plan to come back to Lacombe in April to the farm by Gull Lake to garden and fish.

**Howard Biehn '52** has pulled the pin after 36 years of public service, man and boy. He was born and drug up on the N $\frac{1}{2}$  5-29-11-W2 south of Foam Lake, and remembers the building of the spur line of the CPR from Foam Lake through Edmore, West Bend, Bankend and Wishart -- which the CPR is now threatening to abandon. Few guys can

boast of having lived through both the birth and death of a railway.

Howard went to the old Athlone School, took his Grades IX and X by correspondence -- which makes him a correspondent with some school marm. Anyway, then on to Foam Lake to finish high school, and then normal school at Saskatoon. He then taught at Gilbert School just a few miles east of all those Coopers -- **George '44**, **Tom '48**, **Bill '51** and **Joe '63**. Then on to principleship at Jansen and Churchbridge.

Then came WW II and a lotta kids heaved a sigh -- Howard joined the army and toured the United Kingdom and Europe at government expense. He attended Khaki University near Watford, U.K. after the war, and brought a wife with him when the Prime Minister of Canada granted him refugee status in 1946.

Since he was relatively unemployable, the D.V.A. allowed him to enroll in the College of Agriculture, University of Saskatchewan from which granted a B.S.A. degree in 1952 in order to make way for some more deserving student.

Being of a vindictive nature, he joined the income tax department for a short spell. However, reason prevailed and he moved to the Economics Division, Canada Agriculture at Saskatoon. He'd never heard of Land Class I & II until he met **Joe Zeman '44** and the rest of the crowd.

Howard's recurring vindictiveness and his interest in personnel, lead him to the Public Service Commission, first in Saskatoon and Ottawa, and then to Edmonton in 1963 as District Director, Staffing, for Alberta, Yukon and the North West Territories until retirement in 1979. He is a past president of the Edmonton branch of the U of S alumni association.

The Biehn family tree has its roots in Switzerland. John Biehn was born in a canton between Berne and Zurich in the late 1600's.

A grandson came to America with his parents in 1937, and moved to Doon, Ontario in 1800. Howard's dad came to homestead south of Foam Lake in the early 1900's retiring in the mid 1960's. He had five sons and one daughter.

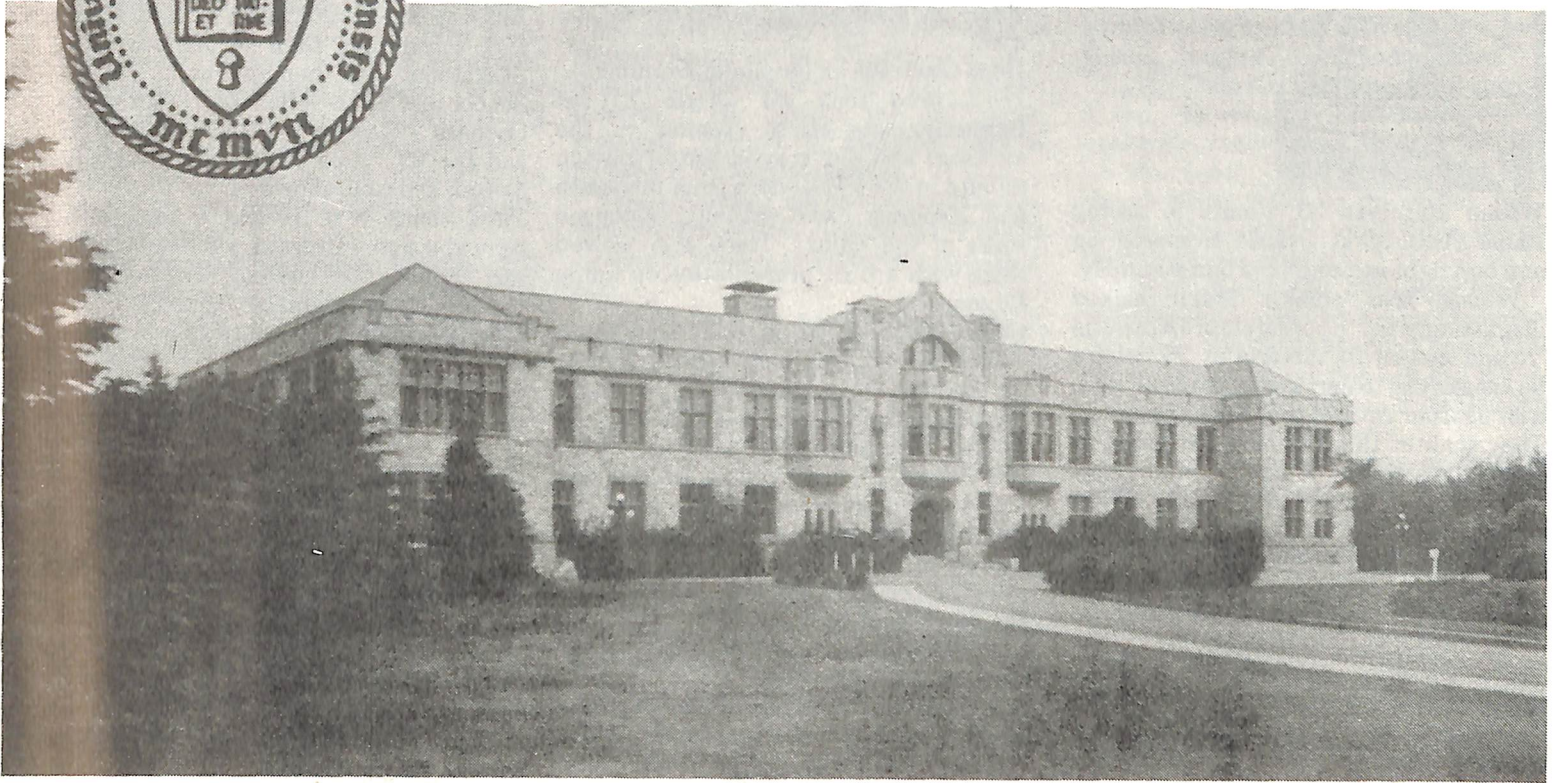
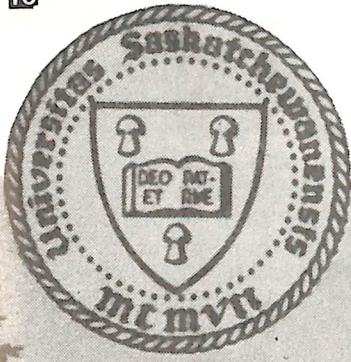
Howard has two daughters and four grandchildren to assist in his support until the old age security pension arrives several years hence.

Howard has sworn to report on the ag. grads he sees in Hawaii this winter. So watch it!

**Geron Wohlberg '25** is retired at Speers with a quarter-section farm for a hobby, where he works for Gladys, his wife. Geron wrote his own 'Celebrate Sask.'

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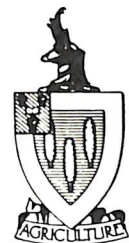
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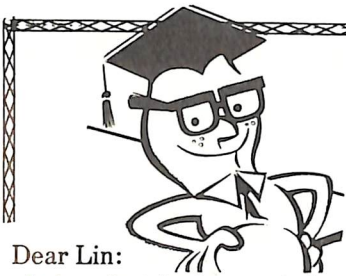
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## LETTERS TUH TH' EDYTUR

Dear Lin:

At long last I take pen in hand, as some rustic once said, and am about to complete my new years resolution to you dating back to our 30th mini-reunion in Saskatoon in 1978. At that time, I offered to give you some current news of the activities of a number of S.A.C. types spinning and toiling in Petro Peters Kingdom with dear ol' Imperial Oil, here in sunny ol' Edmonchuk.

We enjoy your news very much of Ag. Grads in the SAGA. I would like to be able to write with an oil patch Texican accent but have not been able to cultivate one, even after 30 years, y'all heah now. When I emigrated to Alberta, (the land of sunshine and S.O.B.'s) some thirty years ago, the only way one would be taken on strength in the oil patch was to have a very pronounced Texican accent. This led to the evolution of a new breed of native Albertan, that is those with Texas accents but from local areas such as Taber, with the new breed henceforth being known as "Taber Texans".

With your news of Stan (Dinosaur) Pettem '49 in the Nineteenth Hole Column of the November 1980 SAGA, I too, recall with you the episode where one, Prof. Archie Reid was restrained forever from teaching economics to Agros. My recollections of Archie as a teacher are to this day less than pleasant. I always thought there was something queer (odd) about him. He knitted for a hobby, you know. It was only after joining Imperial Oil and meeting people from Toronto that I realized why Archie appeared odd(?). He was from Toronto. Incidentally, you have probably heard many definitions of the term "expert." To add to your collection, in Imperial Oil circles, an "expert" is defined as "some sonovabitch from Toronto with vue-graphs."

To gen you up on the activities of some of the SAC types here in Edmonton with Imperial, here are the news:

**O.J. "Bud Geddes '53,** Originally from Somme in the north-east sector. Tried his hand at tiller and plow for two years after graduation, then spent some time in extension with **Lorne Paul.**

In 1955 he saw the light and joined the Rocky Feller organization (Imperial) at Humboldt. Worked out of Melfort, and then to Regina in 1957 as Farm Service Engineer. In 1958 transferred to Industrial Sales in Saskatoon, promoted

to Area Sales Manager in Prince Albert in 1960. From there to Regina and eventually to Edmonton Head Office in 1965.

Unfortunately Bud's lifestyle caught up with him in 1971. he was beset with some serious health problems and had some major modifications made to his full-pressure lubrication system, to the tune of some by-pass piping. As a result he came back to Saskatoon in 1976 on a less demanding schedule, but in 1977 took a medical retirement, continuing to live in Saskatoon. At last count, Bud was hale and hearty and between Saskatoon, Waskesieu and the golf course, manages to keep occupied.

**W.G. (Gavin) HAMILTON '45,** germinated, took root and grewed in Mazenod. Spent his time until 1957 as a horny-handed son of toil on the Mazenod rangee and in his spare time did youth training work for the Extension Department with Dr. Paul. That is, before Arizona and Honolulu became known to prairie types. Incidentally, Gavin tells us he met Dr. Paul in Saskatoon in November and had an enjoyable session re-telling old lies.

**Gavin** joined Imperial (Marketing) in 1957 as a General Sales Representative in Kindersley. Subsequent moves took him to Saskatoon, Regina, Edmonton, Vancouver and back to Edmonton. He currently holds forth (or fifth), in Edmonton as Area Sales Manager, Northern Alberta and Northern Saskatchewan in the bulk plant division, handling petroleum and fertilizers to the farm trade. He continues to live in Edmonton, still with **Wilma,** and they have 3 boys, all in Edmonton.

**H.A. (Henry) Quam** B.S.A. 1950. Ex-pigeon, homesteader from Shaunavon. The dry years did not not stunt his growth.

Tried his hand at selling porridge for Quaker Oats and joined Imperial in 1952 at Regina. Moved through a series of positions such as Farm Service Engineer, Marketing Training in Toronto, chief honcho of the first plastic pick-up teeth for combines, to his present position in the environmental protection field. His current work is Environmental Advisor primarily oil spill containment, recovery and related environmental protection.

He and Mike --- Mike?, have 2 children, one of each. A married daughter living in Oakville and a son in Edmonton.

I would caution you that thou shalt spill Petes products on the ground, only at your peril.

**John Singer '63** grad, Animal Science. Refers to the Biggar area as the

Brier Patch. Started out in feeds and fertilizers, the natural organic kind in Saskatchewan until he joined the ESSO (Every Saturday and Sunday Off) crowd, out of Kindersley. From sales he moved to Agronomist in Saskatoon and Winnipeg until 1972 he came to Edmonton in the Agr. Chemical division. He currently holds the position of Agricultural Chemicals Manager for Imperials Western Marketing Region. He is still trying to find a way to bag the N.O.F. (natural organic fertilizer) that the sales people have been handing out free for years. If he ever does, we will have no further need for the Redwater phosphate plant.

Somewhere along the route he took time out to be married and he and the good missus have 3 teen-agers on their hands.

**J.E. "Joe" Bedfore '48.** Home-brew Saskatoon vintage. Enrolled as Agro. in 1940, but took time out until 1945 herding corvettes on the Newfie-Londonderry run, working for KG VI.

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story of which 400 copies have been sold since press time in October. He has sent a copy to the S.A.G.A. of 'Wagons Trails', a history of the Keatley district north of Speers, which includes the Wohlberg and other families, including the Strautmans.

**John Keay '21,** White Rock, B.C., wasn't able to attend the 60 year re-union. **Cecil Wilkinson,** Chilliwack, was the only contemporary he could track down, and they'd plan to come together, but Cec wasn't able to make it. Not wishing to face the historic cold of Farm Week and the reunion, he and the wife accepted an invitation to visit a cousin in Palm Springs. We put him in touch with **Dean Davidson,** another classmate, so me thinks they'll all get together to swap lies one of these days.

**Dave Clark '48** hez bilt hisself a new shack at Surrey, only 500 yards from the salt chuck, so he'll be up to his ears in grass seed, shrubs and seed catalogs. He dared to give us his phone number 531-6836. Don't you dare phone on reverse. He gits his male at 1474 - 133A Street, Surrey. V4A 6A4.

**Stewart Wells '42** threw in his lab coat at the Agriculture Canada Research Station at Lethbridge after 35 years. **Fred Schroer '40 & '43** left the soils department, North Dakota State University, to share his superannuation cheques with the folks at Unity.

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Returned to classes in 1945 as a salty old sea dog, the veteran of more navel engagements in port than on the high seas.

Joined Imperial in Winnipeg in 1949 as Farm Service Engineer, transferred into sales with stints in Brandon and Winnipeg until 1958 when he joined Marketing Technical Services.

Transferred to Edmonton in 1966 and is presently Senior Technical Representative. Joe's duties take him across Alberta & Saskatchewan chasing potash mines, power generating stations and open-pit coal mines.

In a moment of weakness, he was picked off by Cathie in 1951 and 2 girls were the result. Susan, married, lives in Calgary, on staff with Petro-Canada in Calgary's Red Square, Janie at home in Edmonton.

The years have been kind to Joe, with perhaps some mellowing. Greatly enjoys his golf and curling, but is falling a bit behind in the other things he used to do.

A.J. "Art Strautman, '48. Ag. Mech. Type. First saw light of day at S.E. 12-45-12-W3 north of Speers. Spent one year instructing with Prof. Hardy's group after graduation, then emigrated to Calgary as Division Service Supervisor for Minnie-Moline. After 2 years with M-M, teamed up with Walt Doyle and Jim Rooke (both '51 vintage) on a 3-year contract trying to grow millet in the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. Our chief honcho at Khartoum was one Earl McFadden ('48 MSc.) originally from Swan River.

Came back to Canada in 1945, spent a year out of Calgary with Allis-Chalmers, joined Imperial Oil in 1955 as Farm Service Engineer. Have been hanging and rattling with Imperial ever since, in Edmonton. Moved from the farm sales group to Industrial sales, and presently Technical specialist in Marketing Technical Services.

Took time out during leave from the Sudan to be spliced (Phyllis James, Lab. Tech, Sask. '48) and raised a full house - 3 of a kind (girls) and a pair (boys), all presently on their own.

One of our highlights was a holiday to England and South Africa in 1978 to visit Jim & Sheila Rooke '51 in England and Walt and Joy Doyle '51 in Zambia. We also travelled to Rhodesia to look up Earl & Doris McFadden BSA (Man.) MSA (Sask. '48), who have been in Africa continuously, in one place or another since 1948.

In looking over the last 25 years with Imperial, we have certainly had our share of SAC grads. A special tip of the

hard hat to the Agr. Eng. group, first ramrodded by the late Prof. Evan (Boomer) Hardy, Ray Frey, & Hal Lewis for the kind of training provided.

Some of the graduates that came to Imperial as Farm Service Engineers were the likes of the late Larry Iveson '43, Ron Schmidt '39, Les Reid '48 Sc, Joe Bedford '48, Art Strautman '48, Bud Geddes '53, Henry Quam '50 George Holmes '49 B.E.

In winding down this epistle, Lindsay, please feel free to use this newsletter as you see fit. It was a pleasure putting it together.

Joe Bedford and I first bumped heads under a table somewhere in 1945 and since 1966 have worked in the same group in adjoining offices. In our day to day contacts we often look back at the days with the class of '48 and the memorable re-unions we have had, and the many laughs that ensued.

A toast to you, sir, for your good work with the newsletter, and maybe sometime in '81 we can have a cup for sake of auld lang syne.

Sincerely,

Joe Bedford, P. Ag. B.S.A. (Sask.) '48  
Art Strautman, P. Ag. B.S.A. (Sask.) '48

Gavin Hamilton, Dip. Agr. V.S.A. '45

## HOGLINE HEROES

### "A" Event — Rutherford Trophy

Dean 1909 - 1930



Ash Smith '48 and 'Spike' Smith '15 (holding Ash's cane) presenting to: Bob Norman '70, Jim Turner '70, Ken Gilles '70 and Ken Mitchell '70.

Runners up: John Malinoski '70, Pat Beaujot, Carl Singbeil '78, Dave Beattie.

## "B" Event — Kirk Trophy

Dean 1937 - 1948



Joe Zeman '44, presenting to John Vallance '67, Bob Lockwood '64, Ken Rosaasen '70 and Glen Kurmeyer.

Runners up: Don Meyer '68, Howard Steinley, John Sloan '61, Adeline Steinley.

## "C" Event — Graham Trophy

Dean 1949 - 1963



Willy Wilson '40 presenting to Brian Brown '69, Ken Brown '71, Keith Kyle '71, Don Bishop.

Runners up: Doug Pettit '70, John Hemstad '63, Gary Storey '63, Stan Barber '63.

## "A" Event — White Trophy

Dean 1964 - 1974



Eiler Humbert '49 presenting to Bob Barton '76, Rob Heggie '76, Dave Acaster '76, Allan Wilson '77.

Runners up: Dave Lundquist '79, Glenn Ammand '78, Bruce Barker '78, Phil Burt '78.

## Hutcheon Event (The Good Oldies)

Dean 1963 - 64



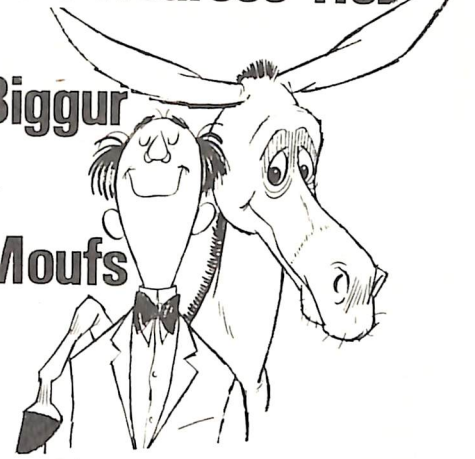
Don Rennie '49 presenting to Dick Strayer AS, Doug Wilkinson '41, Herb Clark '46, Dick Bassingthwaight '41.

Runner up: Jim Murray '49, Gerry Zoerb AS, Fred Langley '50, George Mueller.

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Once again the reunion committees -- the curling, the smoker, the banquet and dance, the lectures and the class reunion, all did a super job of staging the 1981 extravaganza. All the events were well attended and much enjoyed by all. If you missed it, try again in '82. Thanks a lot, guys and dolls.

The ag. grad association history, on sale for the first time, is a credit to its authors -- Herb Clark, Art Stilborn, Bob McKercher and Les Henry. Herb did the research and writing and Art compiled the list of grads from 1915 to 1981. Every grad should have a copy -- a bargain at \$3 (see the advt).

News is the fuel that makes all that smoke in 'The Saga' and we'd like to thank our contributors and newshounds for all the news and rumors they've sent out way.

Don't stop now for gosh sakes!

We'd like to convey a special thank-you (hoping it doesn't put any Moses out of joint) to Herb Clark '46 and to Bob McKercher '54, our new president, for their conscientious news hunting efforts over the years. Don't you guys stop either.

Well earned a bouquet to Frank Dunlop '63 who strove mightily and well as our sec'y treas for nigh onto six years.

Some grads may feel, that unless they've got some stupendous, earth shattering news or tale to tell, that it's not worth sending in. Far from it! The mere fact that you're still at the old job, farm or business, or even still breathing, is news to all who know you. The fact that you've still got the same wife is often more newsworthy, than if you're on your second or third, nowadays.

All the best in 1981 and may the good Lord take a likin' ta ya.

Fraternally,  
Lin Boyes '48

## They Came Back in '81 '41 SCHOOL

Following four days of fortieth anniversary celebrations concerning 1941 School of Agriculture graduates, this fellow is settling back into routine of tending cows, supervising the local curling rink and umpiring playoffs.

How exciting to renew friendships and relate experiences after forty years of separation!

Most of us, including wives, were to be found in "old faithful" King George Hotel at any time, day or night.

Returning were **Henry Brown** of Sechelt, B.C.; **Mitch Rudolf** of Swift Current; **Willis Clay**, Estlin, Sask.; **John Dexter**, Colwood B.C.; **Lloyd and Oliver Horvey**, Cabri, Sask.; **Wilson McIntyre**, Saskatoon; **Richard Bassingthwaite**, Saskatoon; **Peter Cline**, Zelma; **Don McVicar**, Colonsay; **Lloyd Proctor**, Mervin; **Ian Bradley**, Cadillac; **Bill Barclay**, Smiley; **Grant Colquhoun**, Edmonton; **Glen Shantz**, Oyen Alberta came Wednesday, January 14. We were speaking to him and agreed to meet at lectures next morning, however, something happened in the meantime, and we haven't any further word.

Thursday evening, January 15, we listened in raft attention as former professor of our class, **Grant McEwan** spoke for over an hour on Saskatchewan and Alberta pioneers. At the close, a standing ovation.

Friday evening our grads represented by **W. McIntyre**, **P. Cline**, **D. McVicar** and **L. Proctor** played in over 48 year Hutcheon event. Lost the first game, came close on the second, and won our game on Saturday.

We attended smoker at the Exhibition Grounds, an event that was worthwhile, enjoyable and well organized. We were all seated together at the Saturday banquet. And enjoyed its' format. Most of us were still young enough to dance away the night.

Nineteen of us, attended morning service at Third Avenue United Church. We had attended young peoples' club and services in our college years, thereby renewing another bond of friendship. Following this, our group assembled at Travelodge Motel for a farewell lunch and picture taking.

We conducted a short survey which revealed the following - three and passed away, there were 28 replies to 41 letters mailed, four could not be located, 14 attended -- mostly with wives attached, three children-in-average family with six as high, eight families are retired or semi-retired, four in business, three are grain farmers, six in grain and stock, eleven active in community affairs,

seven returned to their home farm and two purchased their own.

Writ by **Lloyd Proctor**, himself.

## '41 COLLEGE

The class of '41 held a fortieth anniversary reunion this year. The first function was in the form of a dinner in the Cavalier on the evening of Thursday, January 15, with class members and wives attending. After dinner, the party was entertained in the home of **Doug and Mae Wilkinson**. During the course of the evening, **Jim and Jean Smith** presented a most interesting slide show depicting a review of their thirty years in the Ag. Rep. Service in the Moosomin district. Reminiscences flowed freely throughout the evening, particularly since some of the group had not seen each other for many years. The graduates attending included **Jim Smith**, retired Ag. Rep. from Moosomin; **Joe Zeman**, retired economist, Federal Department of Agricultural Economics; **Harold Elliott**, retired assessment officer, Provincial Assessment Branch; **Cameron McPad - den**, retired farmer, Bounty; **Art Stilborn**, retired director of the School of Agriculture; and the two who still work, **Doug Wilkinson**, research officer, Saskatchewan Institute of Pedology; and **Bob Knowles**, retired as head but continuing as research officer, Plant Breeding Section, Canada Agriculture Research Station, Saskatoon.

The group reassembled for the Ag. Grad. Banquet in the Centennial Auditorium on Saturday evening.

Additional notes re other members of the '41 class.

**Alex Johnston** retired on December 31 from his position as research officer, Canada Agriculture Research Station, Lethbridge. Was recently accorded an **Honorary LL.D.** from the University of Lethbridge for his work in the area of Pasture Range Management.

**Joe Campbell** retired from his position as professor of horticulture at the University of Manitoba several years ago, but still remains as active as ever in a variety of projects he has going.

**Bob Lamb** continues in his post as geneticist and plant breeder in Geneva, N.Y. Recently released a new apple variety which appears to have a very bright future.

**Ted Maas** has had a very varied and active career in several locations. At present working at the Research Station at Agassiz, B.C., and plans to retire to the coast later this year.

**Orvil Olson** continues as professor of

horticulture and plant breeder at Memorial University -- located at Corner Brook, Newfoundland.

**Art Stilborn**, Year Chairman

## '51 SCHOOL

We had 33 grads and their wives out for our reunion, also our Secretary **Elizabeth Dickie** in 1951 - now **Mrs. Ross Evans**.

We had letters from several others expressing their regrets at not being able to make it.

From Friday at 4:00 p.m. until Sunday at 1:00 p.m., we had an almost continual reunion at the Cavalier. It was just too enjoyable to consider such things as curling and the Ag. Grad smoker. Everyone did go to the banquet and dance however, and really enjoyed it.

Many of our grads are farming in Saskatchewan. However, other occupations, representing government, co-ops and private business, stretching from Surrey, B.C. to Toronto, Ontario, are all a part of the '51 Voc Ags. diversity.

The enthusiasm was such that we have been requested to set up another reunion in 5 years - 1986.

The committee of **Joe Linnell**, **Bob Blakely** and myself were pleased with the response -- also budget was tight but on the plus side -- some refreshments left over -- the pictures turned out well.

Just a great week-end.

**Bill Cooper**, Year Chairman.

## '51 COLLEGE

Twenty three of the 1951 grads, most of them accompanied by their spouses, participated in the 30-year reunion. It was a memorable event; one we want to repeat in the years ahead, and hopefully with many who were unable to attend this time around.

The following is a sampling of reunion highlights: Grads came from near and far. We were thrilled to have **Jim and Sheila Rookd** from England, **Charlie and Marion Thompson** from Montreal, **Wayne and Doris Ingell**, Burlington, **paul and Sylvia Turner**, Victoria, **Norm Quick**, Lethbridge, and **Ron and Gwen McKenzie**. Winnipeg join classmates living in Saskatchewan. Home bodies attending were; **John Burton**, Regina; **Bert & Norma Garrett**, Abernethy; **Harry & Lillian Gullett**, Saskatoon; **John & Doreen McConnell**, Saskatoon, **Harry Lang**, Watson, **Bill Maxwell**, P.A., **Jack & Jean Peck**, Humboldt; **John & Shirley Schmidt**, Riverhurst; **Keith & Dorothy Thue**, **Harry & Rena Ukrainetz**, Saskatoon.

The 15-hour social beginning in the early afternoon of January 15 and concluding

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## '51 COLLEGE

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in the wee hours of the following day. The extemporaneous "speeches" at our dinner. **Wally Baldwin's** review of an undergrad party to celebrate the arrival of his and Marg's first born child stole the show. (That's quite an achievement in the company of pros like **Harry Lang and Jake Brown.**)

Wally's humorous description of how they rescued a classmate from suffocation in a snowbank, into which that unfortunate had fallen by stepping the wrong way off Wally's stair landing, will be long remembered.

The attempt by **Turner and Quick** schemers from away back, to con the Dean's secretary into allowing them to sit for their Master's Degree exam on Saturday of Farm & Home Week. Better luck next time around fellows! To suitably cap the reunion **Jim & Sheila Rooke, Don & Shirley Gill, Lorne & Norma Hextall, Wally & Jay Doyle, Jake & Betty Brown, Wally & Marg Baldwin, Jack & Joan Braidek and Art '48 and Phyllis Strautman** went to Hawaii on January 20. The weather was delightful and the extended reunion most enjoyable.

We recommend it to grads of all ages.

—**Jack Braidek**, Year Chairman.

## '61 SCHOOL

The 1961 School of Agriculture Class graduated 40 Students. **Eric Kohler** is the only deceased member. **Louis Fox** is still single and still flies airplanes around his farm at Landis. The only other bachelor is **Garth Simpson** ('61 Voc. Ag. Class - U of S Silver Medalist) who is also farming at Shaunavon. About 15% are not actively farming any more. I guess some made too much money or not enough farming.

**Jack McCloy** has a Real Estate business at Taber, Alberta. **Bill Tingley** works for Government of Saskatchewan - Social Services. **Lyle Degerness** and **Harry Rylonce** are working for mining companies in Ontario and Manitoba. **Alvin Karst** has a sand and gravel business at Assiniboia. **Ken Bjornson** is in the construction equipment leasing business at Salmon Arm, B.C.

All others are actively engaged in farming around the original "Home Place" in Saskatchewan.

Our reunion activities consisted of a class smoker and general "jawing session", that began Friday evening January 16, and lasted through until Sunday noon, January 18.

We had 23 returnees for this weekend who all attended the banquet and dance at the Centennial Auditorium Saturday night. **Marcel Dubois**, Year Chairman.

## '61 COLLEGE

The College of Agriculture Class of '61 had a busy reunion weekend. Activities included a dinner on Thursday evening, the Smoker-Smokerette on Friday evening, the Banquet and Dance on Saturday evening, and a brunch on Sunday morning. Unofficial reports indicate that numerous other get-togethers were arranged and conducted in typical Agro fashion. Thirty-two '61 grads found their way to one or more of the activities over the weekend. Two flew from Ontario; one flew in from British Columbia; several drove in from our neighboring provinces and a good many gathered from all parts of Saskatchewan.

We were pleased to see **Dale Allcock** and wife **Carol**, **Bob Baker** and wife **Joan**, **Bryan Bittner** and wife **Carol**, **Fred Bjornson** and wife **Betty**, **Sid Blair** and wife **Marlene**, **Bob Bullock** and wife **Pat**, **Gary Carlson** and wife **Jessie**, **John Chuey** and wife **Rita**, **Wayne Clews** and wife **Wyn**, **George Daugela** and wife **Rosabelle**, **Grant Deyenberg** and wife **Diana**, **Jack Drew**, **Greg Gaudet** and wife **Lucille**, **Bob Gilmour** and wife **Doreen**, **Ed Halstead** and wife **Bette**, **John Hoffort** and wife **Florence**, **John Howard** and wife **Ruth**, **Ron Johnson** and wife **Marlene**, **Jim Martin** and wife **Thelma**, **Howard Mattila** and wife **Mary**, **Bill Noy** and wife **Viv**, **Gordon Orchard**, **Gus Peesker**, **Syd Pickerell** and wife **Janice**, **Tom Pringle** and wife **Myrna**, **Gary Rice** and wife **Jean**, **Morris Sebulski**, **Jack Shields**, **Syl Solar** and wife **Marlene**, **Lynn Thompson**, **Don Wilkins** and wife **Sharon**, and **Dennis Wobser** and wife **Jean**.

Heard from, but unable to attend, were: **Dennis Allen**, **Dan Beveridge**, **John Dorgan**, **Lorne Lepp**, **Akos Pungor** and **Ray Wheeler**. Close associates of the '61 class, including: **Terry Church**, **Jack Lorge**, **Walter Redekop** and **Jim Sawatsky** were heard from but not able to attend.

Class of '61 is maintaining their influence on the College of Agriculture through the new generation. **Paul Bullock '80**, son of **Bob** and **Pat**, **Craig Martin**, son of **Jim** and **Thelma**, and **Kelly Wobeser**, daughter of **Dennis** and **Jean**, are carrying on the old traditions. Chances are that some of the 117 other children of the '61 class may follow in their parent's famous footsteps.

**Bob Baker**,  
Reunion Chairman.

There are times when the only thing that comes off on schedule is the button on your collar.

## '71 COLLEGE

A total of 28 classmates from the 1971 college class returned to participate in the 1981 reunion activities. The majority of these attended a class wine and cheese social Thursday night at the Sheraton Cavalier. Reunion activities officially adjourned at about midnight when the last wine jug was drained. No one is certain exactly when the celebrations concluded; however, it is known that some were in good enough shape to curl two games Friday or three Saturday in spite of a ten-year absence from curling.

Although the numbers were reduced and some new faces present, the 1971 class was well represented at the S.A.G.A. banquet and dance Saturday evening.

Plans for the 1981 summer reunion are well advanced. This summer weekend of fun will involve classmates and their families and is scheduled for Moose Mountain Provincial Park, August 1 to 3, 1981. Detailed plans for the weekend are being circulated.

**Ray Ryland '71**  
Year Chairman

## '76 COLLEGE

As Chairman of the 1976 Class Reunion I'm pleased to report our year had a very successful five-year reunion. There were 68 graduates in our class and we had 43 back for the reunion. We initially set our target on 50 and although we came up a little short the reunion committee was certainly pleased with the turnout.

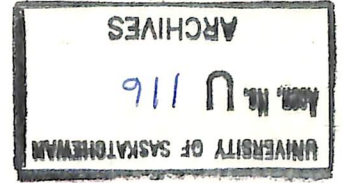
For many of the grads it was their first time back to the Ag. Grad Reunion and they were both impressed by how well it is run and by the numbers of people who annually return to the event.

As you know we began our reunion on Thursday evening and this was, in my opinion, the highlight of the weekend. We wish more of the faculty would have joined us and particularly want to thank the Animal Science staff for coming out in full force.

We tried as a committee to make the five-year as exciting and action packed as possible so that word would spread and everyone will be at the ten- and twenty-year reunion. We started early, last March to be exact, and with five letters and one newsletter spun up a great deal of interest. My suggestion to all years would be to start real early in trying to find everyone.

**Carman Read '76**

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