

New Sweetclover — Color it Yellow



Dr. Bernie Goplen has developed the world's first low-coumarin yellow sweetclover. Shown here in his laboratory at Agriculture Canada's Saskatoon, Sask., Research Station, Dr. Goplen checks the coumarin level in plant tissue samples. Coumarin interferes with bloodclotting and can cause bleeding problems in livestock.

Twenty-two years of hard work have paid off for a boy from Duck Lake and for cattlemen in western Canada.

Bernie Goplen '52, a scientist at Agriculture Canada's Saskatoon, Sask., Research Station, has developed the world's first low-coumarin yellow sweetclover, Norgold.

Coumarin is a crystalline substance found

in sweetclover, that can cause an often fatal condition in livestock called Sweetclover Disease.

In poorly preserved sweetclover hay or silage, coumarin may change to a potent anticoagulant. When the spoiled hay or silage is eaten by cattle it interferes with normal bloodclotting and animals can bleed to death

from the slightest injury.

It can be a very serious problem in dehorning, castrating or calving.

Low-coumarin sweetclovers are also more palatable to cattle as coumarin is a bitter-tasting substance.

"There are two low-coumarin white sweetclover varieties, but farmers in Saskatchewan prefer yellow sweetclover as a forage crop because it matures 10 to 12 days earlier and is finer stemmed and leafier," Bernie says.

However, yellow sweetclover can contain as much as two to four per cent coumarin on a dry weight basis.

That's why, in 1958, Dr. Coplen began a breeding program to develop a low coumarin yellow sweetclover.

"The need was obvious, but how to obtain it was not," he says.

Yellow and white sweetclovers are distinct species and cannot be cross-bred. Dr. Coplen had to take a low-coumarin gene from the white sweetclover and transfer it to the yellow species, using an embryo culture method. The resulting plants were then crossbred with Yukon, the most widely grown yellow sweetclover in western Canada.

"It took him 12 generations of breeding over 22 years to finally come up with Norgold."

The new variety can be grown anywhere sweetclover is recommended as a forage crop. It is also a good green manure crop.

"Most importantly, if farmers grow only the low-coumarin varieties, Sweetclover Disease will become a thing of the past, ending the losses farmers have previously suffered," Bernie oints out.

Certified seed of Norgold sweetclover should be available to farmers by the fall of 1984.

Courtesy — Agriculture Canada

Laud & Honor

Dr. Eric Putt '38 was awarded a fellowship by the A.I.C. at their annual meeting in Vancouver in July.

Eric was recognized for his many contributions to the welfare of agriculture, and more particularly for his work in improving sunflower production. He developed the first commercial hybrid variety of sunflowers, and identified genes which impart disease resistance.



He was born and raised at Eatonia, and entered the college of agriculture in 1934, which seemed like a good year to start out. He graduated in 1938, and having nothing much else to do, he enrolled in the masters program in crop science. Once he'd finished that, he decided he rather liked college, and that crop science provided a challenge to grow stuff, so he then proceeded on to the University of Minnesota on his quest for a Ph.D — he could

get home for Xmas from there.

Agriculture Canada took a liking to him and posted him to Morden research station in 1952. He kinda liked the place and settled in to work his butt off in plant research, and as previously mentioned, made a quite considerable contribution to the agricultural industry, particularly in sunflower research and variety development. He became known world-wide in his field, and embarked on for-

eign assignments to such countries as Chile and India for a year at a time.

He was also recognized by the International Sunflower Association in 1980 with the prestigious V.S. Pustovit Award.

Eric has also been active in a number of professional organizations, and is a past president of the Morden branch of M.I.A., and a past provincial president.

He retired in 1978 as director of Morden research station, and is living in Creston, B.C. Well done, Eric. Though retired, Eric still

keeps his finger on what's going on. Gotta keep an eye on these young sprouts.

Don Flaten '78 from out Weyburn way — son of **Norm Flaten AS**, has been awarded one of the six scholarships granted each year by the Potash and Phosphate Institute to outstanding students in graduate programs. Don was the only Canadian to be so honored. The rest? — all Yanks.

Don is studying for his Ph.D. at the University of Manitoba, and his research project, which forms the basis for his thesis, is on what else? — deepbanding of phosphorus and nitrogen — together and separately.

Oh yes! — the scholarship is worth \$2,000. Not bad for a country boy. Norm, like Pogo, is quietly proud. Don's mom likes to talk about it, though.

None of the other ag. grads won a damn thing lately, that we've heard about, except mebbe the odd slow pitch game. —



Movin' On

Maurice 'The Biggest Brounstein '42, has pulled the pin' as an ag. rep. after 35 years to go farming. He started out farming once before, but couldn't seem to get the hang of it. However, after watching farmers all these years, he figgers he sorta knows now how it oughta be done.

Maurice started small, somewhere around about 7 lbs. in 1917, out at Kamsack, where he struggled with arithmetic and cow milking until he convinced his old man that he was allergic to the latter. It just so happened that an old aunt of his had a spare room in her house in Saskatoon, and **Dean Kirk** kinda took a likin' to the boy, so he enrolled him in the College.

After he graduated, "The Biggest Brounstein in the World", or more commonly "The Biggest Brounstein" worked at various agricultural pursuits, including four years or so with PFAA — the precursor of WGSP. He never did figure out how anybody at Kamsack could, ever quality for an indemnity from PFRA.

Finally in 1947, Maurice aspired to a higher calling and became the ag. rep. at Kamsack, where he also moonlighted at farming. Fortunately, he always had a hired man who was smart. Maurice would get up at 5:00 a.m., run out to the farm to give the hired man his instructions, and then head back to town to start his day as an ag. rep. Fortunately the hired man has usually forgotten what he'd told him by 7:00 a.m., and just kept on farming. Being an ag. rep. in those early days, there were a lot of late meetings to attend, so he sometimes woke up the hired man to give him his orders before he went to bed himself. He told Toby he always went to bed alone in those days, a fact which has never been proven.

All the while Maurice was still single and living the life of Riley and several other fellas. Word got around that he was filthy rich, which may have been true but it wasn't from farming, but rather from government business mileage rates, aided by retread tires and bulk gas. Speaking of gas, Maurice had the only wholly Saskatchewan owned gas well on his farm, which supplied the Town of Kamsack for many years. Marc LaLonde never knew a thing about it.

Anyway, getting back to the 'single' bit, a pretty young lass from Montreal, being of a benevolent spirit and filled with a sense of

adventure, decided to set her cap for him. 'Toby' finally sprung the trap in 1952, and he's enjoyed homecooking ever since, along with other things. They have been blessed with two boys, Alan and Gerald — one studying business administration and the other aspires to a law degree.

Toby is bilingual, being from Montreal. That didn't help a lot in Kamsack — Ukrainian, Russian or Cree would have been more appropos. Anyway, she had this habit of talking in her sleep, but when she did it was usually in French. Maurice still wonders what she dreamt about. Sometimes she dreamt in Yiddish, which wasn't much better — Maurice couldn't understand much beyond Chanukah, Yom Kippur, blintz and kugel.

In those early days — late '40's and early '50's — most travel in winter was by train, and in summer a gravel road was a veritable freeway. Spending the night in your car stuck in a mudhole or snowdrift wasn't uncommon. Rural homes and schools didn't have electric power and many didn't have telephones. Ag. reps. used to put on what they sometimes called 'farm variety shows' in country halls and school houses, and nearly always jammed

the place. He talked about crops, soils, livestock feeding, farm machinery, and showed coloured slides and films — always including Bugs Bunny, Mickey Mouse, etc., and all run from a portable generator in the car trunk, including the lights. In the winter they usually had to light the fire as well. Most old ag. reps. developed hernias from loading and unloading all that gear. Everyone enjoyed themselves, and there was usually sandwiches, cake and coffee served gratis by the ladies.

There was a lot of mickey mouse farm policies in those days, which involved grading beef bulls, and counting sows teats, once you got them chased out of a straw stack or willow clump.

One-ways and diskers had arrived on the scene, which defied adjustment — they weren't built to be adjusted. As a result, tillage machinery days were a popular pastime.

The Floating Fifties brought flooding and erosion, with emergency drainage with dynamite. Demonstrations had all the pizzazz of provincial exhibition fireworks display.

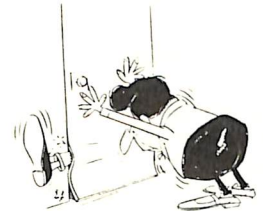
Finally in 1966, Maurice was posted to the Regina area which nearly broke his heart. The vagaries of finding an office locaton that

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farmers could find along with a parking place, was a continuing obstacle. Neither the deputy minister nor the department of public works could visualize the need for such conveniences. Persistence however, paid off.

Maurice had the uncanny knack of never forgetting a name or a face — 'Dief the Chief' was never a match for him. As a result he made more friends, from popes to paupers, than any man in the west. Toby in turn, always had a skillet at the ready, and could whip up a meal, kosher or otherwise, and many's the specialist, farmer and cohort enjoyed her fare.

Maurice could always spot an opportunity to make a dollar, and many of his clientele reaped the benefit of his counsel. He was always fair in his dealings, and always contributed to the kitty at staff "do's", although he partook but sparingly.

The extension clan, old and new, held a ceilag at Empringham's Tomain Tavern on August 26, where Maurice was presented with a gold watch, plaques and playthings. Wonder of wonders, the occasion was graced by the presence of not only the deputy ministers, but the man with the golden testicles, himself. The similarity between the names Brounstein and Bernston caused some merriment by all, and some confusion to the most able M/C, **Vic Beaulieu '49**, who had just returned from the African velds.

Maurice and Toby will be at home at their cottage at Madge during the cropping season, and in Regina during the season of the snows.

Well done, old timer. May the many years remaining deal kindly.

Charlie Waywell '46 has turned in his pruning book at the Department of Horticulture, University of Quelfh after 30 years in weed science research and extension.

Charlie graduated with his BSA from Saskatchewan in 1946, and his M.Sc in 1949.

He joined the botany department at O.A.C. in 1950, where he worked on brush and pasture weed control. In 1960 he transferred to the Department of Horticulture at the college to work on weed control in horticultural crops on muck soils.

While at Quelfh, he took educational leave to earn his Ph. D. from Iowa state in 1967.

Charlie served on the Expert Committee on weeds, Eastern Canada Section, for over 30 years. In recognition of his loyal service he was presented with a "Plaque of Appreciation" by the committee. **Vic Beck '50** also was awarded a similar recognition, a year or so back.

Charlie has been responsible for a section on several horticultural crops in the Ontario agriculture and food departments' bulletin "Guide to Chemical Weed Control" over those same 30 years.

All his contemporaries wish him well in his retirement, and may portulaca never grace his carrot patch.

Frank Payne '47, a 'Dirty Thirties' product from the Wakaw district turned in his feedcart on June 30 as director general of the farm income services branch, Agriculture Canada at Ottawa.

Frank was born in Aneroid in 1918, and never saw rain until he was six years old. Sometime during the Thirties he ended up at Wakaw and started the degree program,

which was interrupted by a stint with a feed company, and then into His Majesty's khaki korps where he trundled tanks and stuff around with the 65th Tank Transport Company.

He earned his third pip and came home in 1946 to become ag. rep. at Colonsay, during which time he came back to finish his degree with a specialty in cows, sows, ewes and hens. Frank was the Yul Brynner of the ag. rep. service. After trying to push farmers around for a few years, during which time he moonlighted in the chicken and egg business, he hoodwinked 'Toby' Nollet into giving him the poultry commissioners job in 1950. Becoming concerned that all the roosters would go on strike, if Frank continued his pushy ways, Toby convinced Alvin Hamilton that he needed Frank in Ottawa, so he became chief of markets and merchandizing for Agriculture Canada's poultry division.

Frank proved he could really sell eggs. One year his division bought and sold 30 million dozen eggs and broke every one of them. If Pierre had been around in those days they'd have drowned him in eggs. Frank was obviously before his time.

In 1970 he was made director of the livestock division, then director general for the production and development directorate, and finally director general of farm income services in 1980. Farm income kept dropping in spite of all he could do, so he packed-it-in in June.

During Frank's career with the feds, the new beef grading system, was instituted, the sales of Canadian breeding stock abroad have increased, and the new R.O.P. programs became among the best anywhere.

Frank is retiring to his beef farm in the Ottawa Valley where he plans to build a log house and spoil the grandchildren.

Frank has had quite a career and we likely haven't heard the last of him.

Ed Hudek '40 was born in 1916 up among the poplar and willow thickets around Hafford, and in the 'Thirties enrolled in the degree course and kept right on farming. After graduation he kept on farming and instructed in agriculture mechanics in the winter months, and at tillage machinery field days in the summer, when one ways and diskers were the farmers nemesis.

In 1955 he went to Manitoba Agriculture as an agriculture mechanics specialist, and later became head of the engineering branch. He was joined later by **Terry Oatway '43**, **Lorne 'Buck' Buchanan '47** and **Orlie Friesen, B.E. (Ag) '63**. Manitoba didn't have an agriculture mechanics or engineering degree program at that time. Ed was the first missionary from Saskatchewan.

Ed always kept the wheel in the furrow and became an assistant deputy minister in 1975. In 1977, when The Stalling Lyon became premier and tossed out 'Red Rooster' Janzen as deputy, Lyon made Ed acting deputy until 1979, and then made him associate deputy.

Ed tossed in his torsion wrench on December 31, 1981, after 26 years service, but continues to work part-time for the department, and has kept right on farming. He put in 300 acres at Beausejour this spring. Among his part-time jobs are: chairman and acting general manager of the Manitoba Water Services Board, chairman of the Manitoba Dairy Board, and Manitoba government rep. to P.A.M.I.

Ed was made an honorary life member of S.A.G.A. in 1980 in recognition of outstanding service to the agricultural industry.

His son **John** is a grad of the 1976 class. As far as we can learn he's still farming too — both at Hafford and Beausejour. You just can't take the country out of the boy.

Bruce McDonald DFC BSA '47, was born at Stranraer — not Scotland — Saskatchewan, where he took his public and high school between dust storms.

After beoming fed up with digging foxtail and Russian thistle out of his socks, he enrolled in the degree program in 1940. College got to be a bit of a drag, so he joined the RCAF in 1942 — he sorta preferred airforce blue to khaki, and since he'd never seen water



There was a young lady from France
Who decided to just "take a chance".
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any deeper than the horse trough, the navy was out.

He kinda liked the idea of flying. It got a guy above the dust storms, and climbing the windmill didn't seem to bother him, so he enrolled in a pilot's course.

When he got overseas he tried his hand at flying bombers. He seemed to get the hang of four engines okay. After piloting four horses on a gang plow it seemed kinda natural to him. After he proved he could still ride his bike after a pub crawl, the RCAF decided to send him over to visit Hans & Fritz with a few loads of cookies. He soon became known as the 'cookie monster'. As was the custom in those days, Hans & Fritz retaliated with anti-aircraft shells, searchlights and fighters. One of the objects of the game, from the RCAF point of view, was to keep the aircraft airborne in the second half, so as not to miss the next day's game.

Hans & Fritz had other ideas of course. They tried to shoot the ass off of anything that came their way. They managed to score on Bruce one night — he lost most of his tail fin, rudder and one half of the tail plane, but he flew home anyway. He didn't want to miss his tot of run in the briefing room. The RCAF was so pleased to get most of their aircraft back, that they gave him the D.F.C.

Hans & Fritz finally decided they were playing a losing game so they gave up. There didn't seem much point of trying to keep the game going after that, so Bruce joined the ranks of unemployed aircrew, and came home.

Having little else to do, Bruce decided to return to college in 1945 and graduated in 1947. Toby Nollett was looking for ag. reps. at

the time, so he posted Bruce to Melfort, after a strenuous one month training course at Moosomin under **Jim Smith '41**, who by this time had had a whole year's experience. During this time he learned how to use a burdizzo, fill out an S4, and survive on week-old coffee in Chinese cafes.

After becoming thoroughly intimidated by all those rich farmers on that clay stuff they call soil up there, he joined the staff of the Agriculture Canada research station at Melfort as a soils specialist in 1949. While there he took another year at the University toward his M.Sc. degree in soils.

He was posted to Prince George research station in 1955 where he remained until 1963. It was during his tenure there that he lost his first wife, Muriel, in a disastrous gas explosion in their home.

Bruce then returned to Saskatchewan with his family, and became the ag. rep. at North Battleford, where he served until 1973. During this time he met and married Beth (Bridge) Coldwell, who also had a family from a previous marriage. Beth incidentally, is a Saskatchewan home economics grad.

He then transferred to the Saskatchewan Indian Agriculture Program (SIAP) in 1973, where he again served as ag. rep. until 1975. He got itchy feet again, so he, Beth and the bairns took off for Tanzania on a wheat project with CIDA, returning in 1978 as ag. rep. at Davidson for a year, before becoming regional soils and crops specialist for the West Central region at Kindersley, until his retirement in July of this year.

He and Beth have taken on a dry land project in Saudi Arabia under a three year contract.

Bruce still has the flying bug and does a spot of woodwork to keep the termites jealous.



The beautiful young widow had been living in seclusion at the home of her deceased husband's younger brother for several weeks. One evening, being no longer able to control her emotions, barged into her brother-in-law's study and pleaded, "James, I want you to take off my dress." The brother-in-law did as she requested. "Now", she continued, "take off my slip". Again he complied. "And now", she said with a slight blush, "take off my panties and bras." Once more James complied.

Regaining her composure, she stared directly at the embarrassed young man and boldly announced. "I have only one more request, James. Never let me catch you wearing my things again."



Knee Biters



Lindsay Jade Keller arrived for a late lunch on April 30 at Rockglen. Mom was waiting. Not a bad weight for a year like this — 7 lbs. 14 oz. Missed the August frost obviously. Mom is **Gwen**, and dad? **Brian '78**, we think. Sex? According to the plumbers guide, she's a girl.

Bill Chapman '79 is taking the credit for **Lauren Rae** who made the scene on March 12 at North Battleford. Mom is **Donna** — at least she was the one in the delivery room.

Patti McGillivray labored mightily and brought forth a son at Melfort on August 16 — **Duncan Scott**. They're still looking for **Randy '75**.

Musta bin a gud yeer at Outlook. **Leia Nicole Gross** arrived on July 11 and weighed in at 8 lbs. 8 oz. Mom was relieved and pleased. Whose noses are out of joint? Amber's and Kyle's. The parents? **Gail and Gerry '74**.

Richard Shout '74 gives most of the credit to **Sharon** for **Evan Richard** who foghorned his way onto this tortured planet on May 26. Things won't be the same ever again at Zelma for Carla and Angela.

Robert Leslie Voice arrived half grown at Bradwell on May 8 — 9 lbs. 12½ oz. Bonny will remember that date and weight forever after. **Les** had to hand out Marguerites — Old Ports hardly seemed adequate.

Carol Wasylyshen was much puffed up at Yorkton until **Pamela** showed up on June 6. Two sisters are still wondering where she came from. **Ken '70** has added a new codicil to his will.

Erica Dawn Olafson, a new granddaughter for **Nettie and Lim Boyes '48** born to daughter **Linda** on September 1 at Winnipeg at 7 lbs. 15 oz. A sister for Kristine. Linda says that's enough grandchildren for us.

Brenda Hall presented **Tyson Francis** to **Ron '77** at Lucky Lake on December 29. Just made it for the tax deadline. Funny we haven't heard about it until now — after all he did weigh 8 lbs. 11 oz. — lots big enough to brag about, **Les Voice's '74** efforts notwithstanding.

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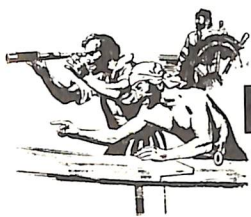
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THE POOPED DECK

Eric Putt '38 sez he ran into **Bob Knowles '41** at the A.I.C. annual meeting at Vancouver. **Pat** is still with him out in Vernon. **Bob** pokes his nose into the odd C.B.C. special now and then.

Eric took in the 10th annual International Sunflower Conference at Surfers Paradise, Queensland, Australia in March, and also spent two weeks in New Zealand. He ran into **Paul Knowles '38** of the Unity Knowles' at the conference. **Paul** is set to retire soon from the university at Davis, California, and plans to live in the state of Washington — closer to son **Doug**, and the grandtads, who live in Vancouver.

Milt Reusch '50 dropped into our office during Yorkton's centennial celebrations. **Milt** is retired from Cominco and built himself a house in northern Minnesota. Doesn't figure to come back to Canada. His kids are all Yanks anyway, and **Milt** is too, by emigration. Looks like a million bucks — American, that is.

Bob Cowan '39 of Rosetown is the new chairman of CUMIS Life Insurance and CUMIS General Insurance. **Bob** has been a member of the board since 1977, when the company began operations.

Bob is also a member of the advisory board to Co-op College, and a director of Co-op Trust. He's been a director of Credit Union Central of Saskatchewan since 1968, and a member of the Rosetown Credit Union board since 1952.

From 1975 to 1977 he was a member of the Grain Handling and Transportation Commission.

Bob also farms a little on the side — mainly for income tax reasons, would you suspect?

Lloyd Putnam '37 was on hand to see **Eric Putt '38** and **Ted McConnell '50** invested with fellowships at the A.I.C. convention. **Lloyd** is a very loyal and active S.I.A. and A.I.C. member notwithstanding retirement. **Lloyd** is a lodge brother of the Prostate Protective Society, as are a lot of us old sweats. We now can all pee with the best.

Joe Campbell '41 of Winnipeg is heavy into the health food and hair testin' business. Some of us haven't enough hair left to test. **Joe** holes up all summer at 'Camp-Bell' on Falcon Lake, just off No. 1 Highway, east of Winnipeg a piece. Oldtimers are welcome — bring hair.

Gordon Racine '37 is still in the appraisal business in Saskatoon, and going strong. He's thought about golfing and fishing, but he's still too busy. He has a couple of younger sprouts working with him, who are sweating on A.A.C.I. designations, and who he hopes will eventually take over.

Gordon says he really enjoyed the Booth story last issue, and figures there ought to be more family stories submitted. He admits to running into such unsavory types as **Willie Wilson '40**, **Joe Zeman '44**, **Doug Barr '40**, **Phil Thair '42**, **Jock Blacklock '43** and **Ben '46** from time to time.

Gordon has moved to 194 Coldspring

Crescent, Saskatoon, S7J 3M5, he tells us — two years ago yet.

Thanks for the accolade, **Gordon**. Who is 'The Saga' editor? Why, none other than a young upstart of 62 summers, **Lin Boyes '48**.

Ken Bowren '46 admits to having had lunch with **Don Kirk '48** this summer. **Don** is a gentleman farmer — 80 acres of hay and groundhogs at Perth. He retired in 1978 and has been taking on the odd writing assignment. This summer he's been gathering gen for a book on Saskatchewan agriculture for PFRA, an outfit he worked for many moons.

Al Cushon '48 spotted ye olde ed about one stroke per hole in a golf match at Charleswood at Winnipeg earlier this month. **Al** is semi-retired from the real estate business, but he and another chap work together a bit as a hedge against inflation. **Evelyn** is still with him, which is surprising. Their youngest will finish his mechanical engineering degree at Waterloo next spring.

Al spent a few years as the ag. rep. at Regina, then worked on the old Ag. Rep. Reporter radio program, before moving to Winnipeg with Interprovincial Co-ops for about 14 years, and was then in real estate for several years.

Al hasn't changed a whit in 34 years — still has all his hair and his marbles. He views the political scene with bemused tolerance.

See where **Joe Zeman '44** was the subject of a feature in a weekend edition of the Star-Phoenix this summer. He is a new member of Sask. Sports Hall of Fame. ↘

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THE BRAMBLE PATCH

Cliff Hayes '55 is hangin in there as manager of national accounts for the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan, and S.A.G.A. Agriculture Hall of Fame rep. So yuh dint sell a lotta K₂O this year Cliff, but yuh survived the staff cuts.

Laurie Wensley, brand new husband of **Gwen Sheppard '71**, sold himself a ticket on a 2140 John Deere and won the darn thing. So it wasn't an M-F, it was free wasn't it? Laurie is selling tractors for Gwen at Central Tractor at Outlook. She reciprocates by driving the combine — we hope.

Ronnie Dalgleish '65 has left the PSC behind, and set up Wescon Management Associates in Regina. If the Africans could only see him now. Last they saw of him was digging wells in Sveto — er sum plaise like that ther.

Brian Keller '78 sed ta heck with raisin cows at Rockglen, and brushed up on his electrical apprenticeship at the Technical Institute over to Moose Jaw. He keeps on farming and works part-time for a local contractor. Wanted a new truck but settled for a new daughter.

Gord Bacon '81 is the D.A. at Rimbey, Alberta, as of this past March. Big change from the prairies at Ogema, where Dad, **George '45**, is still raising Maine Anjous and wheat. Sprung for a life membership — \$60 worth.

Bill Strautman '81 son of **Chuck '53** and nephew of **Art '48**, is working as D.A. in-training under **Gord Frank '75** at Brooks. He also works with loan arranger **Garth Nickorick '81**. He ran into **Garnet Altwasser '62** who runs Lakeside Feeders. Paid his \$60 life membership — no sweat.

Jennifer Mitchel '79 also sent in \$60. These young 'uns can spot a bargain. She's working as a research associate with **Ed Larter** on triticales breeding at the University of Manitoba.

Alex Morrow '80 got fed up with forgetting to renew his S.A.G.A. membership, so he plunked down \$60 — let the old memory shrivel. Works for Velsicol full-time and farms part-time at Fleming.

Barry Bennett '73 figured he was missing sumptin. Decided he'd join and suffer with the rest of us. He's manager of the agricultural department for 'The Commerce' at Calgary. Says he doesn't send mush notes to Ann Murray — too dangerous.

Pam McDougill '80 out Balzac, Alberta way, has been missing too many phone calls. Her correct number is 274-9158.

Gordon Stephenson '69 has settled in Lloydminster last June and formed a management company. He's got Justamere Farms and the Royal Bank among his clients, and does some work for The Record — a stockman's magazine. He also has an interest in the old home ranch at Whitewood. Was manager of Agribition for five years.

Gord was kinda late reaching puberty he sez. Bonnie is expecting their second. Todd is two, going on three.

He sez **Gerry Miller '69** is the current president of Canadian Western Agribition. There was six grads on the board. **John Blacklock '71**, **Ben Blacklock '46**, **Charlie Carlson '56**, **Don Hepburn '72**, and **Gord** of course.

Jack Gilliland '59 moved to Regina

from Burlington in August as division sales manager for John Deere. Jack is the president of the Canadian 4-H Council. He's been John Deere's rep on the council these past 11 years. David, the Gilliland's oldest, took two years of agriculture at Quelph, but will be in third year at U of S this year. They moved just in time — two more years and they'd have had a bloody easterner in the family. Rob and Marnie will be at Luther College in Regina this term.

Jack and Joan spent 10 days in Europe this summer — Amsterdam, Rhine Cruise, Lucerne. Took a 3 hour trip on the Orient Express. Jean Luc Pepin oughta get the message — if he cuts out VIA Rail, folk 'll go ta Europe for their train rides.

Orrin Clayton '58 is still holding onto life as assistant G.M. with CSGA in Ottawa. Been with the outfit for nigh onto 25 years, man and boy. Also does the computer programming for A.I.C. Never quits, does Orrin — he has a calligraphy business on the side, wherein he letters and illustrates certificates, awards, etc. Surely yuh didn't learn all that in agriculture mechanics drafting class, didja Orrin?

Orrin sez Dick Meyers '58 ia teaching at Morden, Manitoba — **Eric Putt's '38** old stompin' ground.

Tom Janzen '77 says he and Bev bought a house in St. Albert, Alberta. Bev has been working at CKO radio since last fall. Tom is still at the same job, he sez — wonder what that is?

Roy & Ralph Bailey, both '79 grads, are really into the seed business at Milden — they grow the stuff and run a booming seed cleaning business. Got a contract from Pioneer Grain to grow 100 acres of Carman triticales. Their operation was the subject of an article in the Star-Phoenix this summer. Seems they can't wait for the Crow to go. Fella said the other day we should shoot the Turkey and keep the Crow. Couldna meant PeeAir do yuh think?

Our younger set is sure taken with those year long visits down under. Who's set to go with the snow? **Kelly Bennet**, **Bob Ehr** and **Kevin Hartley**, all spanking new grads, will be chaperoned by **Phil Burt '78**. Phil left Elanco so's he could make the trip. Better watch it, Phil! These sprouts could lead you astray.

Rod Merryweather (?) is now working for Hoechst at Red Deer. Musta left someplace else to get there. Rod is a man of few words. Didn't tell us a damn thing else about himself or other guys.

Heather Campbell '80 played third base for the Lashburn Bluebirds softball team in the Canadian championships at St. Johns, Newfie, August 15 to ?? Did pretty well, but lost 1-0 to B.C. in the final game.

Ken Hipkin '71, Rosetown, joined the CIDA project at Arusha, Tanzania, where they're still tryna grow wheat. **Les Henry '64** gave up that game years ago.

Roy Button '67, the much lamented soils and crops specialist for the North East Region, has left for the wilds of Africa as well — Tanzania must have charms.

Bob Bradley '62 is back from Tanzania. He's started in ye ed's old spot as ag. rep. at Minnedosa. He's only just got there, and he's blaming me for stuff I did wrong seven years

ago.

Eunice and Don Driedger '49 are well settled in the wilds of B.C. at Kitsault, about 100 miles north east of Prince Rupert. Don is the monarch of all he surveys, he's town manager, mayor, alderman and mortgagee, all rolled into one, so to speak. He's administrator of a company town. He draws his monthly portion of corn, wine and oil from Amax Ltd., who moil for molybdenum. Eunice has become a bridge expert and is into aerobic dancing.

Doug Campbell '70 has moved back west as director of grain transportation for CN — not much business but lots of responsibility. Took in the Gilson Crow hearings and ran into **'Bud' UGG Morken '49**, **Bill 'Coalition' Cooper '51**, **Gary 'Crow' Carlson '64**, **Lorne 'Hold'er Down' Hehn '58** and **Ted 'Statutory' Turner '48**. Solid S.A.G.A. man - read the June 'Saga' before the Gilson Report. Can't beat that for loyalty.

Eric Johnson '82 is an agrologist-in-waiting for Saskatchewan Agriculture at North Battleford.

Alden Oliver '62 has left the sheltering arms of Caribou College, Kamloops, where he's been teaching a vocational horticultural course for the last three years, to become the regional horticultural guru for B.C. Department of milk and apple juice. Lots of challenge at Kamloops — cactus, Herefords and jackpine.

Ken Pederson '70, late of the duchy of Shaunavon, has moved his official copy of the "Guide to Farm Practice" to Regina to take over from Maurice 'The Biggest Brounstein' '40. Maurice gave him his bar mitzvah on September 1.

Bob Wacholtz '80 is the new apostle for Northern Saskatchewan for Simplot from Yorkton northward to the Pole. He views the aurora borealis from Saskatoon.

Fred Townley-Smith '64 of the long, long line of Townley-Smiths, durum wheat alchemist for Agriculture Canada at Speedy Crick, left for a year in Australia to study drought research with the CSIRO lab in Canberra — sorta like moving from one coal mine to another.

Rick Blenner-Hassett '72 is the new Chief Shylock for F.C.C. at Yorkton. He's riding herd over such money lenders as **Laurie Entwistle '72**, **Jim Goranson '78**, **Vince Yaskowich '78** and **Jeff Lawrence. '82**. **Gary Gale '83** is there for the summer, practicing coin rolling.

Gary Johnson '65 escaped the clutches of F.C.C. disaster relief fund for some holidays on the west coast and Kelowna and at the home farm at Domremy.

Ken Turner '63 is the new C.O. for the North Saskatchewan Regiment. When not striking the colors and getting genned up by the sergeant major, he works for the university works and bricks department.

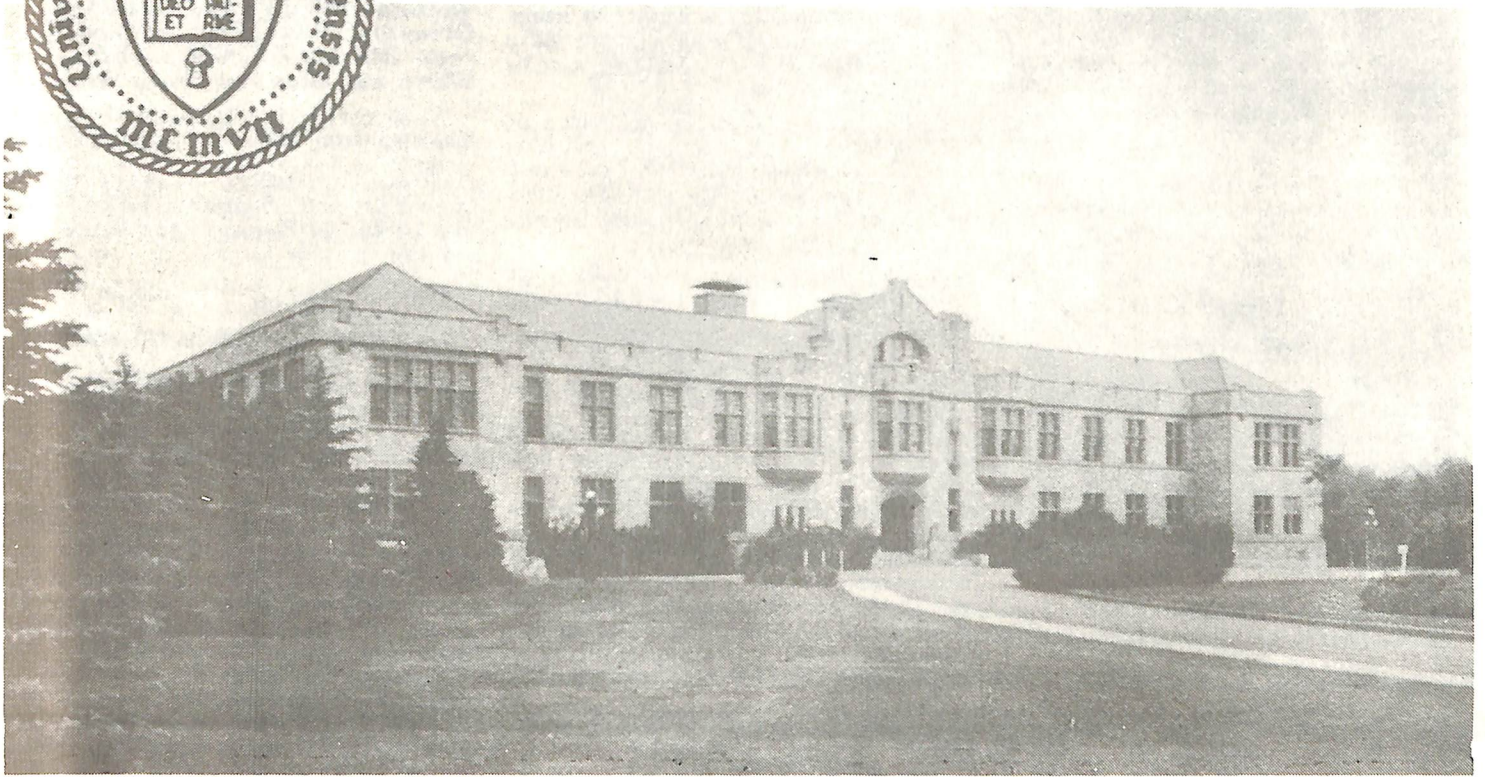
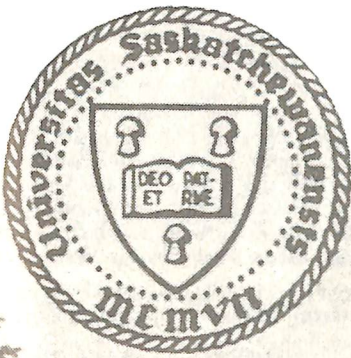
Roger Evert '70 is tramping the veldt at Lusaka, Zambia, for the ministry of agriculture. Ask not 'for whom the pot boils'.

Bruno Friesen '60 is the new manager for member services with Alberta Wheat Pool.

Erling Nyborg, Ag. Eng. '60 is director, industrial technical centre, Manitoba Research Council.

Jest in case yuh aint herd, **Jack Drew '57 & '61** is the new 'deputy dog' for Saskatchewan Agriculture. Jack started out small and mostly grew — from farm management specialist to director, marketing and economics, then ag. rep. with the Royal Bank, for several

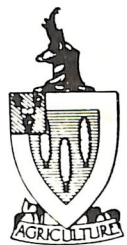
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THE BRAMBLE PATCH

years. He left the bank a couple yeers ago and marked time with Wascana Institute agriculture programs for a short spell — kinda a holdin' pen. Lives on his farm at Regina.

Pete 'The Great Dane' Petersen '52 made the Macleans' magazine with the 'big frost' a while back. Makes him the Peter Newman of the East Central. Pete sold 50 acres of frozen oats from his Ponderosa to a local vet — no repercussions if its fulla nitrates, and sold next years alfalfa crop in one swoop. Millie has the shelterbelts all weeded for winter.

'Patrick' O. Mysak '48 has lined up a fly-in poker game north of LaRonge for September. A lot of young grad fry are going along for the strip. If they catch any fish, one of them is going to have to give up his seat on the plane, and stay in the fishing camp until

spring. Orest was the valedictorian at **Brounstein's '40** 'drumming out' party last month.

Last we heard **Leonard Malinsky '70** was half done harvesting — he had it all swathed. Should yield 50 bushels. Maybe he can afford a new girlfriend now.

Jeannette Lewchuk has retired from farming to devote fulltime to perogies, halupche and shishleka. She gave **Zane '67** a rotary combine and a four wheel drive so he could handle it all himself.

Mike Oxman '50 and **Joyce** took a trip to the maritimes to watch the leaves fall. After two new grandchildren he needed the rest. **Art George '49** and **Vera** are down ther too, somewhere — courtesy the sheriff's motorhome. How about that, eh?

Baz Fritz '73, the flying livestock specialist, flew a bunch of cringing East Central

down to **Jack Drew's '61** inauguration.

The college class of '60 held their 17th consecutive annual reunion on July 31 at the **Bill Copeland** farm at Rosetown. The only dry thing was the weather. Disciples in attendance included: **Bryan and Eileen Harvey, Ken and Pat Turner, Howard and Wallie Barnsley, Ed and Yvette Young, Glenn and Edna Gadd, Keith and Maureen Blackburn, Steve and Irene White, and Glen and Elaine Hass.**

We almost forgot — **Bill and Alma** were there too — they tended the gate, and the bar.

Hass is the Reunion Chairman and reminds one and all that the **Smoker** is set for **January 14**, and the **Banquet and Cornbuster** is on the 15th.

That's all she wrote. ✂

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This issue might be a little skimpier than some issues, but its here.

We hope our president, **Eldon 'Stub' Norum '48** has his crop off by reunion time, and in some Russian's bin.

Whatever pestilence cometh, be it frost, drought, low prices, Marc LaLonde, PeeAir, the banks, machinery companies, the CPR, liquor taxes, inflation or the mother-in-law, all our farmer and dealer grads will somehow survive, and show up at the Grand Reunion come January '83. This is the year to howl for the '63 classes of the School and College.

We want to thank all those who've sent us their news, views and clues about what's going on with them, other grads and the world in general. That's what 'The Saga' is all about — you and yours and the other grads.

We want to thank our tried and true newshounds who always seem to come through with some scuttlebutt. **Herb Clark '46**, and **Bob McKercher '64** are two old reliables, who rarely if ever, fail us. And there are of course, others, such as **Richard Bellamy '66**, our trusty registrar.

However, there's a lot of guys and dolls we rarely, if ever, hear from. We're sure they've got a lot of things to tell us — 'us' being all the other grads. The fact that you're still alive, and haven't ever moved anywhere from where you landed after graduation, is **real news** to your friends and classmates, and even your enemies (may they perish).

Your news can be either written up in your own inimitable style, or merely send us a few notes. It can be serious, funny or whatever.

One other plea we'd like to make is that if you run across newspaper reports of weddings, birth announcements, funerals, retirements, etc., affecting grads or their kin, please clip them out and send it either to ye olde ed at Yorkton, or to the S.A.G.A. — we'll get it either way.

Attaching grad years to people is a bit of a task. Most guys and dolls remember their own year (not all it seems), but are fuzzy about those of others. It you can even guess and put a question mark after the year, it sure helps.

We'd like to remind the S.A.G.A. executive, executive members, and members-at-large that one of their functions is news gathering. Some are very conscientious, some not so, of course. If we hear from you even once per year, it sure helps.

I hope our pleas fall on sympathetic ears, and don't just regard it as just a 'big bitch' from a cantankerous old sweat.

See you again in December.

**Lin 'Dogsbody' Boyes '48
Ye Olde Ed.**

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WINTER WHEAT HOLDS PROMISE

The Crop Development Centre at the University of Saskatchewan, has put together a simple recipe for winter wheat production on the prairies. It consists of a package of management practices for growing winter wheat in standing stubble from a previous crop. The practices are based on 10 years of research.

With conventional methods, the risks of growing winter wheat are high outside the chinook belt. However, **Brian Fowler '64**, of the Crop Development Centre, says growers who follow the Centre's recommendations could "essentially eliminate the risk of winterkill in most areas of the Western Canadian prairies."

Fowler points out that when successfully grown, the crop offers a number of advantages over spring wheat. These include higher yields, earlier maturity, more efficient use of spring moisture, better competition with many weeds, and better erosion control.

In Saskatchewan, the best seeding dates for winter wheat are about August 25 in the northern, and September 7 in the southern, agricultural areas. Normally warm soils at these times, result in germination within five or six days. The plants become well established before freeze-up, and the crop can be expected to mature around the first week in August of the next year.

To ensure winter survival, an adequate snow cover is required in most years to protect the crop. **Fowler** says the simplest and most effective way of trapping snow, is to seed the winter wheat into standing stubble, after an early maturing spring crop has been harvested.

"The snow trapped by the stubble keeps the temperature of the plants above the level needed for survival."

He points out that the management package, which was developed from small plot experiments at the University, has been tested on a commercial scale for the past seven years.

"During this period, which included severe winters, well established, stubble-seeded Norstar winter wheat was successfully overwintered in all projects."

Although the production of **stubbled-in** winter wheat is straight forward and simple, it requires management practices different from those commonly used by most farmers.

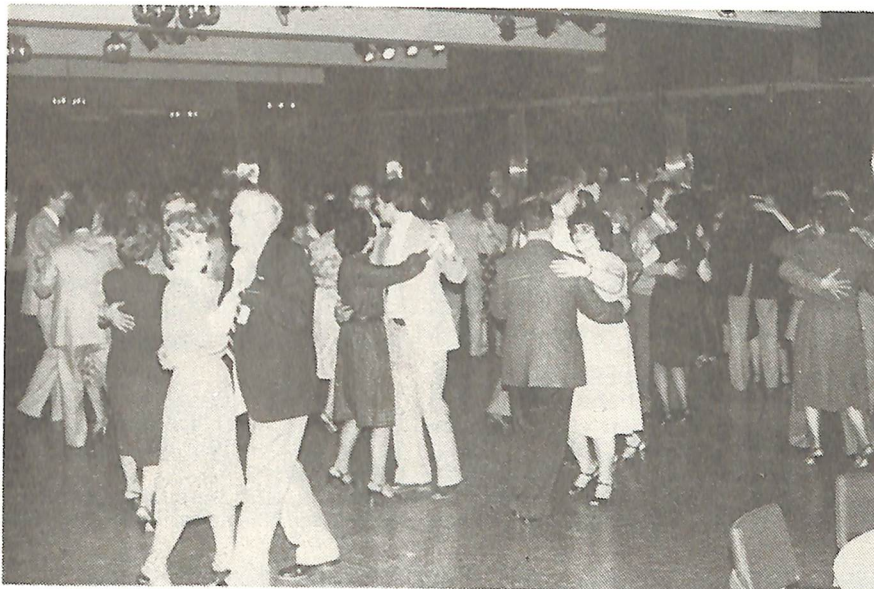
These practices, on which detailed information may be obtained from the Crop Development Centre, concern such things as planning the rotation, optimum seeding dates, recommended varieties, fertilizer use, weed control, and harvesting.

Seeding is the most critical operation in producing stubbled-in winter wheat.

"Seed must be placed shallowly, and, in good contact with moist, firmly packed soil. This can be satisfactorily accomplished only with properly adjusted zero or minimum tillage drills," Fowler says.

Source: University News

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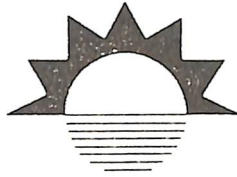
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Beyond the Last Horizon



Marion Glen (Terpena) Wilson, B.H. Ec. '42, beloved wife of **W.M. Bill Wilson '42**, passed away at home in Saskatoon on June 6 at 60 years. She also leaves sons: William Earl (Scott) of Mitchell, Ontario, and Ross Gilbert of Saskatoon; and four grandchildren: Megan, Erin, Kathleen and Adam; two sisters: Mrs. Les (June) Bedford of Moose Jaw and Mrs. Elwin (Ruth) Neeley of Langley, B.C.

Marion was born and raised in Yorkton and received her B.H. Sc. and her B.A. from the University in 1942. She was a longtime member of the University Book Club, was active in the Y.W.C.A. and Home Economics Association, and was a former leader of the Canadian Girl Guides and Brownies. She was

a member of Knox United Church, from which her funeral was held on June 9, conducted by the Rev. Peter Williams.

Active pallbearers, all ag. grad. friends, were: **J.R. 'Jock' Blacklock '43, A.G. 'Bud' Smith '48, Dr. Phil Thair '42, Murray Riddell '49, H. Taylor '45, and Olaf Turnbull '43.**

Funeral services were held July 14 at Grace Lutheran Church for **Henry Zinkan**, a farmer and longtime resident of the Regina district. He was 87.

Born in 1895 near Edenwold, District of Assiniboia, Northwest Territories, of German-

Austrian pioneering immigrants, he began his farming career early, and nearly 80 years later, had progressed from driving teams of horses to using tractors and combines.

In 1915, he graduated from the first College of Agriculture at the University of Saskatchewan, and 50 years later, received a special honor award from the college.

As the eldest son, Zinkan assumed responsibility of keeping the family farm operating after his father died in 1914 leaving a widow with nine children and another yet to be born.

He married the former Elizabeth Leibel in 1921 and farmed for a while in the Balgonie area on a rented farm. By 1929, he purchased his first farm on the banks of Boggy Creek which consisted of a quarter section purchased from the Hudson's Bay Co. and a sandy quarter bought from the Grand Trunk Railway Co.

At the beginning of the 1930s, Zinkan purchased his own road building equipment and began a second career of constructing secondary roads mostly in southern Saskatchewan. While he continued to farm, his wife and their children were responsible for maintaining the dairy herd during the summer months.

During the Second World War, he worked with Ramsey and Bird Construction Co. building roads and airports in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, discontinuing this work after the war ended. He also sold his Pilot Butte farm, purchasing a section of land east of Regina, most of which he continued to farm until his death.

However, with the growth of Regina and the construction of the Trans-Canada Highway encroaching on his land, he sold some of it and purchased other property in the Richardson and Rowatt areas.

As a community-minded man, he was one of the chief laymen responsible for the construction of Grace Lutheran Church in Regina and served as its finance committee chairman for several years.

He also served as chairman of the former school boards of the country schools of Arrat and Aurora, now both closed. He served as councillor of the Rural Municipality of Sherwood 159 from 1949 to 1956 and as its reeve from 1957 to 1968.

In 1974, he was appointed to the Regina District planning Appeal Board, also serving as director of the Grey Nun's Hospital, now Pasqua Hospital. In 1967 he was awarded a Centennial medal for "valuable service to the nation".

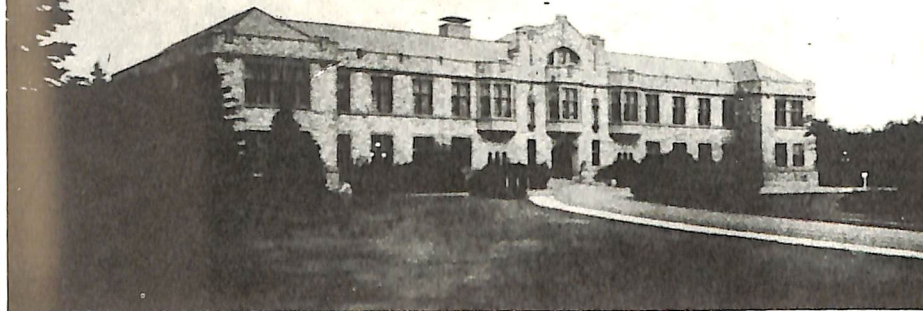
As the oldest active farmer in the Regina district, he was given a special presentation by the Farm Forum in 1977. He continued to farm for five years after that.

Zirkhan was predeceased by his first wife, Elizabeth, in 1958 and his second wife, the former Frances Zimmerman in 1977 and whom he had married in the 1960s, a grandson and sisters Mrs. Albert (Mary) Slathmann of Texas and Anne of Ottawa.

He is survived by sons William of Pilot Butte and Robert of Regina; daughters Mrs. Burt (Ruth) Schafer of Regina and Mrs. Jacob Jr. (Anita) Ring of Pilot Butte; sisters Mrs. Christian (Freda) Boehmer and Mrs. Hilton (Sophie) McPercival both of Regina, Mrs. Jack (Emma) Steffen of Oshawa, Ont.; brothers William of Youngtown, Ariz., Herman of rural Regina, Fred of Regina and John of Broadview and 19 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

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CHANGES AT THE SCHOOL

Fundamental changes have been proposed to strengthen the two-year diploma program of the School of Agriculture at the University.

The proposed changes were advanced by a steering committee and approved in principle by the faculty of the College of Agriculture. Their implementation is subject to approval at other levels of University authority and to the availability of funds. The target date for implementing them is July 1, 1983.

The recommendations relate to a shift in the emphasis of the program, the development of program options, opportunities for more independent study, and increased flexibility through the establishment of three terms a year rather than the present two.

Jake Brown '51, dean of the College of Agriculture, said the objectives of the diploma program will remain the same. They are to train operator/managers of farms, to prepare people for off-farm jobs in the agriculture industry, and to develop students for leadership roles in their communities.

However, if the recommendations are implemented, the program emphasis will shift slightly from the development of skills (knowing how) toward the understanding of basic principles (knowing why). At the same time, specific program options would be introduced in such areas as animal production management, crop production management, and

Love, Honor and Stuff



Ralph Schlechte '50 took onto himself **Dolores Fisher**, a nurse at the Melfort Medical Clinic, on September 4. No shot-guns, please. They both have grown families — three girls and five boys. They took Dad aside for a birds and bees lecture the night before and got him all fidgety and nervous.

Bill '29 and **Clara (Warren) Hayes**, parents (?) of **Cliff '55** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on February 22. About 100 guests honored them at a tea in Moose Jaw on March 21. So you see ya young 'uns, it can be done — staying together that is. It wasn't all wine and roses — there were some tears and tatters too, but so who said there wouldn't be.

Outside of that the rice crop is short this month.

There have been some weddings threatened, but we haven't got any details.

Reports are still coming in about the **Gwen Sheppard** wedding. **Gwen's** mom wore a wine street length pleated dress with a corsage of pink roses. **Laurie's** mom wore a dusty rose figured street length dress and also a corsage of pink roses. The fathers wore wine rose-centered carnation boutonnières. They didn't mention anything else. On January 30, yet! Gad.

agri-business. This differs from the present program, which is more general. The steering committee called for a review of the curriculum, to determine the kind and number of options, and how particular courses should be tailored to fit into them.

Dean Brown said not enough time is provided in the present program for independent study and thinking. Consequently, the steering committee recommended that instructional hours be reduced to not more than 25 per week, from the present 30. At the same time, courses required to be taken concurrently would be reduced to not more than six per term, from the present eight or 10.

However, instructional time for the entire program would be increased to 48 weeks, from the present 38. This would be effected by going to three eight-week terms per year, from the one eight-week and one 11-week term. The first would start in mid-September, the second in mid-November, and the third in late January.

Dean Brown said the additional 10 weeks would strengthen the preparation of students for the management of farms they will operate following graduation. Further, the additional term would provide two entry points to the program each year, mid-September and mid-November.

"The added entry point would open the program to a wide range of potential students, who are unable to make the present mid-October starting date. The three terms would make for a more flexible timetable and enable students, who wish to do so, to take the program over several years. Further, courses could be packaged into meaningful programs of one or two terms, for people who do not wish to take the regular six-term program."

The steering committee recommended that the director of the diploma program be an assistant dean of agriculture, and that the program be administered through the office of the dean of the College. This could be expected to lead to greater integration with the overall College program.

Dean Brown said additional staff, teaching equipment, and library resources would be required to implement the recommendations.

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In developing its proposals, the steering committee surveyed 44 interested organizations and individuals.

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Noos about uther guys (give grads year it known)

Yer own noos:

Who yer Werkin' Fer; Yer bust size, etc.

GRAD YER YER JOB

WHERE ARE YUH?

WHO YUH ARE:

