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# THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Another week of reunion activities has come and gone, with the usual record of success. Special thanks must go out to Past President , **Ron Howarth '62** and his capable 1984 executive, for fine-tuning all the reunion activities, enabling everyone to have a good time. A special thanks, also go out, to our very capable S.A.G.A. editor, **Lin Boyes '48** who brings us right up-to-date about the latest developments about our fellow grads, in a real down to earth language, which we can all understand.

The 20-year reunion classes were honoured once again in the usual fashion. Marcel Dubois, together with his deputy, Lorence Peterson took charge of the '65 degree grads, while Jim Mulbern and Murray Coolidge did the honours for the '65 diploma grads. A special thanks goes out to all the reunion chairmen, for their time and effort, in organizing their respective classes to a memorable reunion.

The Saskatchewan Agricultural Graduates Association was also pleased to present two honourary life memberships to two well deserving recipients, these being: **Burton** 

Craig '44 and Bill Small '44, with Eiler Humbert '50 and Herb Clark '45 having the honours of presentation, respectively.

Allan McDougald and Carl Lynn must be commended for their choice of topics and speakers for the lecture series, which was so informative and timely.

In looking ahead, I see a few challenges facing the Ag. Grad. Association, during the coming year. **First:** There appears to be some need for a life membership update. For those of you that attended the annual meeting, this is probably old news, but for those of you that were not able to attend, it means that life memberships bought in the earlier years, are now simply insufficient to service a life member. The executive is therefore faced with the problem of possibly proposing some membership "update", in order to eleviate this problem. It would however, simplify matters, if this problem was overcome voluntarily.

**Second:** The item that has been utmost in our minds, is the lack of adequate facilities at the College of Agriculture on campus,

and the extremely slow progress (or lack of it), in providing a new Agricultural Sciences Building Complex. This type of progress is disappointing, to say the least, particularly when we think, or like to, that Agriculture is

the No. 1 industry in Saskatchewan. Most

will recall that this has been a topic of

discussion at our annual meetings for the

past two or three years.

Approximately one year ago, President **Dr. Leo Kristjanson** unveiled the College of Agriculture Sodbusters' Fund, in order to provide funds to enable the University to initiate the preliminary plans and architectural drawings for the new complex. We commend President Kristjanson for this endeavour, and also commend all Ag. Grads. who saw fit to contribute. However, the problem still remains, that there is no definite financial commitment on behalf of our government, and therefore no definite "go-ahead" to proceed with the detailed planning, or construction, of the complex.

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# GRANT DEVINE '67 AINT THE ONLIE WUN — WITH A DEFYSIT

The winds of inflation have wafted the scent of ye olde Sask. Ag. Grads. Association into the nostrils of the Big Bad Wolf. He's turning in our direction and is panting his hot breath down the necks of our executive.

Whereas, the the annual membership fee of \$2, or a \$20 life membership back in 1947, or \$30 in 1957, were once quite sufficient to cover operating costs and buy crumblies for the wolf, such is no longer the case.

The annual cost of the newsletter, secretarial and incidental expenses is now about \$6.85 on a per member basis. The investment return, on say \$20 or \$30 membership fee at 10%, is only \$2 or \$3 per year.

Our printing bill for "The Saga" runs at \$1,500 per issue, or about \$6,000 per year. Add postage of .64¢ per copy, and we've spent another \$4,800 for mailing about 1,850 copies. Add \$450 for typing of copy and another \$500 for labelling and mailing, plus a few incidentals, and we've got a total newsletter bill of more than quite some. In 1984 "The Saga" cost us \$6.10 per member — old or young, annual or life.

The executive have worried, fretted and sweat over our increasing overall costs. We were short by over \$4,100 of meeting our annual expenditures in 1984.

"The Saga" is obviously our big annual cost — \$11,279 in 1984.

Printing and postage is our biggest annual bill and nearly all of that is for the newsletter. What do we do? Both the executive and the annual meeting have voted not to reduce the size and frequency of "The Saga", since

it is the only contact many members have. You can't cut out news, or you don't have a newsletter.

Printing costs and postage are the big ticket items. Paper and ink costs are minor.

So what do we do? The annual meeting felt we should ask the older life members to make voluntary contributions so as to update their membership to about \$70 — original plus update. Quite a number of those at the annual meeting took out their cheque books on the spot. The current annual fees of \$8 and the life memberships of \$70 or \$80 will carry their share.

How much should a life member kick in to bring her or him up-to-date? Most life members know about what they paid, but in case you're wondering, the following is a summary of the life membership fees over the years.

## THE OL' GANG



Just like being in the airforce bomber command, when one of the brass went missing, some younger sprouts got a chance at a bigger "take" on pay parade. **George O'Bertos '59** and **Jim Schmidt '69** have been made Lands Branch regional supervisors for the NE and NW respectfully. This all came about when seven old agrologists ceased to draw rations, as they took the early retirement route at the end of last September.

The likes of Cal Cibart '55 (Man.), Homer Fredrickson '51 (Man.), John Lasuita '49, Tony Bulani '49, Jack Quick '52, Chet Piercy '48, Lloyd Gamble '52, Nestor Hawrysh '50, Lorne Glendinning '49 et al, were among those who are pogie forever after.

Lavern Voldeng '63 has become an ombudsman for pigs — he's opened a consulting business for pork producers at Naicam. Maybe he can inveigle Ross Hutcheson '74 back into the porker business.

Al Foster '84 and Dave O'Bertos '83, land reps at Tisdale and North Battleford, have returned from doing a two-week appraisal of Hawaii beaches. They hand textured a lotta sand and grass.

**Allan Blair '64** chief farm management sympathizer at Tisdale, drove a motorhome full of refreshments into Saskatoon, as fellow Kinsmen pulled the dogsled to raise money for Telemiracle.

Roy Button '67 dirt and straw boss at Tisdale, has put on the downhill barrel staves after two years of trying to teach Tanzanians how to grow wheat. Figures Whitefish, Montana might be warmer than Jim Armstrong's '74 back forty. Instead of staying home to calve out the heifers, Jim, who's the regional range rider at Tisdale, has been spending his EDO's coaching and running after ringette girls. They won the provincial finals at Weyburn on March 10.

Andy Sereda '61, the regional extension guru for both the NE & NW (and looking for more ground), is quietly proud of having kids in university — but mainly at income tax time.

Jim Caughlin '74, won a Kinsmen draw for a trip to Hawaii, but was back in time for the Tisdale men's open bonspiel. If he wins another trip he says he'll take the wife and let the neighbors watch the farm.

Ed Tanner '72, the repentant ag. rep. at Tisdale, took the wife and kids watersliding at The

Sheraton. Cheaper than Hawaii, except for the 1,400 square feet of carpet the wife made him bring home.

Harry Lang '53, the unrequieted ag. rep. at Watson, has accumulated so many holidays and EDO's that he considered closing down the shop for the winter, but relented, and is donating them all to **Grant Devine's** '67 recovery program. Claims to like work more then holidays anyway.

Eugene Bendig '70, co-ordinator of fishing, moose hunting and stud poker for the Melfort parish, and Sask. Agriculture's liaison to Sask. Canola Grower's, loaded the Canola Prospects Conference with such noted fugitives from the AIT program as Garry Meier '76, Roy Button '67, Lyle Darwent '67, Ken Bowren '47, Ken Kirkland '71, Harry Ukrainetz '50 and Bryan Harvey '64.

**John Hemstad '63**, would you believe, has been selling wild rice in Europe? Sold three canoe loads and a back pack.

Allan Howell '78 is still keeping ahead of bank foreclosure for another year at Dunblaine, so he's looking for other excitement — chasing skirts, wool or grass around the world. He started on an MBA program at Saskatoon in January.

Jim Fenson '71 snuck in as regional manager for Sask. Assessment Authority at North Battleford, when Fred Silzer '55 came back to Saskatoon in a similar capacity after eight years of "temporary service" at the "Fords".

Seems like a lotta '84 grads are ignoring Grant's plea to stay at home. John Stephen has hooked up with Hoescht as product development rep. for Alberta (God's country, he says) in Calgary. He's an animal science grad, but says he gets along okay anyway - all the Hoescht staff are animals, especially his boss, Brent Kennedy '82. John and Gord Roger '84 roomed together at college, and now have a townhouse together. Gord works as a salesman for MTC pharmacueticals and covers SW Sask., southern Alberta and SE B.C., so they both cover a lotta rough ground. Their townhouse is right on the SW edge of the village. The bear droppings, 1/2 mile from their back door, really excited Gord's hunter instinct.

**Neil MacMillan '84** is a pellet pusher for Co-op feeds and hangs his feed bucket in the opposite corner of Calgary, and only ranges 90 miles from it.

The Ranchman and Longhorn saloons and Perrin Beatty take most of their newfound "jack". They're all eligible (?) bachelors but haven't been putting any ads in the Western Seducer.

Dick Lane '56 has transferred to Ottawa with Regional Industrial Expansion, and is taking language training (English?). He has run into Glenn Flaten '56 and Bill Hamilton '50 — both prominent in Canadian Federation of Agriculture — Glenn is past president and Bill is executive secretary.

**Dan Ewasiuk '64**, Sask. Agriculture Credit Shylock at Weyburn, says Ladas are the greatest thing since vodka.

Val Townsend-Frazer '76 is back on the job learning what cows are all about since the arrival of her new assistant — a 2005 ag. grad.

Lyle "Basher" Ballard '74 won't sell his hockey skills cheaply. He's refused to sign a contract with Harold Ballard until his contract with Grant '67 runs out.

Elaine Moats '77 holder of the skip's brush, won the most out-of-the-prizes games at the Weyburn Ladies Spiel. Maybe she fares better in south-of-the-line spiels. Next year look for her horse wearing a shorter brush.

Randy Vopni '71 is gonna hold the top brush for the Weyburn Men's Curling Association, and Larry White '64 is lending his co-ordinator skills on the executive.

Pat Gerwing '70, Estevan's chief curate for agriculture extension, and the wife, won't see each other until spring — they've two boys in hockey.

**Grant McLean '71**, the Carnduff farmer's friend, got a free Hawaiian retreat. Conned the wife into it — if you've got the money, I've got the EDO's.

**Jim Pollock '74**, chief bookie at the Moosomin Downs, is busy breeding mainly Thoroughbreds, but Pollock heir #2 is also becoming evident.

Larry "Silage King" Koturbash '57, doesn't plan to retire as the "resident Beaulieu" at Indian Head until he becomes FarmLab King — 1985 may be the the year.

**Rick Koller '66** is determined to see a new pool and waterslide at Weyburn. "On the average", he figures things are going well.

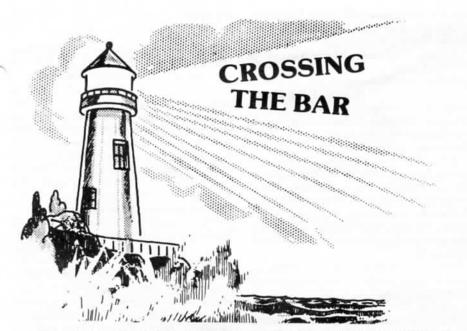
Adrian Johnston '81, regional chaff and dust specialist at Weyburn, took off on a trip to the Australian sheep stations, after picking up a few hot tips from Sinc Harrison '67 recently returned Nuffield Scholar.

John Weins '64 says keeping corris (?) at Midale has its benefits — discourages tax audits. (Coriander?)

Dennis Zackrisson '64, is the "Sheik of Tribune" — oil wells and desert all around him.

**Ken Thompson '74** is determined to conserve SE Sask. — he's hoisted the PFRA colors for all to see.

**Ken Pederson '70, Grant's** front man in the Regina Diocese, is still working full-time, skis part-time and is preparing a nest all the time. Wonder who the lucky "bird" will be!



**Edward Ramsden Taylor '49**, died suddenly at his home in Victoria, on February 26, of a heart condition.

Ed is survived by his wife **Dorothy**, sons Donald of Duncan, Geoffrey of Edmonton, and Alan of Toronto, and four grand-children. He is also survived by a sister Dorothy, of Rosetown.

Ed worked in the Lands Branch, Saskatchewan Agriculture at Regina, where he held a supervisory position, following graduation from the School of Agriculture in 1949, and from which he retired in recent years.

He was very active in Masonic affairs, in which he was a frequent office holder.

Funeral services were held from St. Matthias Church, 1670 Richardson Street, Victoria.

Those who wish to donate to his memory may direct such tributes to the B.C. Heart Foundation.

Douglas Lorne Gibson, Ph.D. Minn. '40, former head of the Department of Dairy & Food Science, died in Cairo, Egypt, February 26, while at work on a C.E.S.O. project.

Doug was born on December 14, 1914, in Winnipeg. He is survived by his wife **Joyce**, daughter Mary Jane Birkbeck and her children, Daniel, Pamela, Kristopher and Shawn, and daughter Ellie, stepdaughter Joan Ward, and children, and stepson Jeff Noakes. He was predeceased by his first wife, **Margaret** and a brother, Creighton.

He received his B.S.A. degree in 1935 at the University of Manitoba. He completed his M.Sc. degree at the University of Minnesota, where he also received his Ph.D. in 1940.

A captain in the RCASC, he was awarded an M.B.E. for research at national defence headquarters.

After working for the Borden Co. of Canada, he came to the University of Saskatchewan as associate professor of dairy science, became department head in

1949 and served as such until 1976 when he became dean of Home Economics until 1980.

During the latter period he was active with F.A.O. and C.I.D.A. projects in India, Uganda, Malawi, Lesthoto and Swaziland. Following retirement he worked for C.I.S.O. in Ecuador and Egypt. He was also technical secretary for the International Dairy Education Centre, which is based in Copenhagen.

Doug played an active role in C.N.I.B. administration, as well as on the Saskatoon advisory board for the Salvation Army.

Always prominent in Masonic affairs, he was past master of Imperial Lodge in Saskatoon and was past grand master for Saskatchewan. He also held offices in the Scottish Rite and Royal Arch orders of Masonry.

Funeral services were held from St. Timothy's Anglican Church in Saskatoon on March 7. Memorials may be made to the D.L. Gibson Memorial Scholarship Fund c/o the Department of Applied Microbiology and Food Science at the University, or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Stewart C. Severson '50 of 936 Thorndale Drive, Ottawa, U1V 6X9, died suddenly of a massive coronary on December 30, while at the wheel of his car.

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He is survived by his wife **Bernice** (Logan), originally from St. Walburg, whom he married while serving with the RCAF during World War II. He is also survived by three daughters: Sheila (Mrs. Ross Wannan) of Belleville, Ontario, a high school teacher; Leanne who works in Ottawa, and Christan who works in Vancouver, and son Norman, who works in Ottawa. Five grandchildren, his pride and joy, also survive him.

Stew was born on April 30, 1922 and was raised in Edam, Sask. He joined the RCAF in 1942 and served as a navigator-bomb aimer with a Mosquito night fighter squadron, and completed 29 operations over Europe.

Following the war he attended the College of Agriculture U of S, graduating with his B.S.A. in 1950.

He first worked with the V.L.A. in Regina and Moose Jaw. In 1957 he joined the Department of Citizenship and Immigration and served in Glasgow, Scotland, where he recruited prospective immigrants who were either business people or professionals. He returned as a V.L.A. settlement officer to Edmonton in 1959, and moved to Ottawa in 1960, where he lived until his death. His most satisfying work was with the Area Development Agency in the Ottawa area, and from which he retired in 1978 after 28 years of federal service.

A man of varied interests which included such persuits as curling, golfing, gardening and trailering. He was a past president of the Ottawa Branch of the University of Sask. Alumni Association.

Stew and Bernice would have celebrated their forty-first wedding anniversary on the evening of his death. He died on an errand associated with that event. They had planned to attend the 35th reunion for the '50 college class.

Funeral services were held on January 4 from Riverside United Church, Ottawa, with internment at Pinecrest Cemetery. Rev. Geo. Marr officiated. Donations in his memory maybe made to the Cardio Thoracic Unit of Ottawa Civic Hospital, or to your provincial Heart Fund.

Allan Brown '39, long time CCF-NDP M.L.A. for the Bengough constituency, passed away on January 4 after a lengthy illness at 67 years.

Brown had farmed in the Readlyn district where he was born, and was a 1939 graduate of the School of Agriculture.

Active in politics since his early youth, he became the then youngest sitting member of the legislature at 27 years, and served from 1944 to 1964.

He was instrumental in the establishment of Sask. Crop Insurance, and championed such resolutions in the legislature as a federal-provincial policy to provide farmers with a fair share of the national income, an investigation in farm machinery prices, and fairness in boxcar distribution. He also served as deputy speaker, as chairman of the committee of the whole, and as a member of the accounts, crown corporations, and privileges and elections committees.

He was a former Sask. Pool delegate and also served as a director of the Readlyn co-operative association and the credit union, and was active in NDP affairs until his illness.

A very personable individual, he had few if any, enemies.

He is survived by three sisters, Margaret Brown of Assiniboia, Edythe Brown and Dorothy Billan of Regina, as well as brothers **Henry '41** of Sechelt, B.C., Harold of Saskatoon and Donald of Regina.

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Donations may be made to Tommy Douglas House.

William Wellington Hayes '29, father of Cliff '55, passed away in hospital at Moose Jaw on February 10 at 76 years.

Mr. Hayes was born and raised in the Moose Jaw district and farmed north of the city until retirement in 1974.

He received his diploma in agriculture from the U of S in 1929.

He married Clara Warren on February 22, 1932 at Moose Jaw, and they raised a daughter, Wilma (Don) Dawson and a son Clifford (Doraas) Hayes, who survive him, as do five grandchildren. Also surviving is a sister Mrs. Mabel McCarthy of Moose Jaw.

Mr. Hayes was also active in Masonic affairs and was a past president of the Moose Jaw Agricultural Society.

Services were held from the W.J. Jones & Sons funeral chapel with the Rev. Burleigh Warren of Zion United Church officiating. Memorials may be sent to the Sask. Heart Foundation, Box 521, Moose Jaw.

Mrs. Margery Ethel Hedlin, mother of Robert '45 and Alan '49, passed away on December 30 in hospital in Saskatoon, at 87 years.

Surviving are a daughter, Anne Hedlin of Toronto, and five sons and their wives: Alan (Isabel), Victoria, Robert (Irene) of Winnipeg, Hugh (Vi) of Watrous, Charles (Phyllis) of Saskatoon and Edward (Audrey) of Swift Current, as well as 22 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Kate Nicholl of Princeton, N.J., and a brother, Leslie of Saskatoon.

She was predeceased by her husband Frans in 1960, as well as sisters Edith and Hilda and brothers Kenneth, Walter and Alan and grandsons Eric and Todd.

Mrs. Hedlin was born in England and immigrated from England in 1906 to Earl Grey, and moved that year to Renown, where she resided before moving to Saskatoon some 30 years ago.

Funeral services were held on January 2 from Zion Lutheran Church, under the direction of Rev. A. A. Grundohl.

Donations in her memory to the Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute at Outlook or the Overseas Missionary Fellowship would be appreciated.

John Melymick, father of John '59, died in hospital in Saskatoon on December 29.

He was born in Prudhomme on July 22, 1911, and moved with his family to Kindersley where he received his schooling, as well as in Saskatoon. He worked as an operator agent and dispatcher for the C.N.R. During the 30's he was laid off and worked for three different wholesale houses, and was later manager of several Safeway

stores in the province, including Regina and Saskatoon, after which he returned to the railway, retiring in 1971.

A very active mason, he was a master of Victory Lodge, Saskatoon, of the Elstow and Rosthern-Duck Lake lodges, as well as being Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. He was also active in several branches of masonry, including the Scottish Rite, Royal Arch, Saskatoon Preceptory, and other orders.

Surviving are his wife, Olga, sons John (Jeannette) in Montreal, and Meldon (Diane) Ottawa, three granddaughters; brothers, Michael, Vancouver and Nicholas, Saskatoon, and sisters Ann (Mrs. Harry Filyk), of Kelowna, Sonia (Mrs. Roy Stewart) and Bea (Mrs. Wilfred Cook) both of Delta, B.C.

Masonic funeral rites were performed by Victory Lodge AF & AM, and services were conducted at the Saskatoon Funeral Home by the Rev. Fred Davies.

Donations in his memory to the Canadian Cancer Society or the charity of the donors choice would be appreciated.

Olaf Korsrud, father of Gary '64, passed away in hospital in Saskatoon on November 29 at 77 years.

Mr. Korsrud was born at Southey on August 3, 1907, and farmed there until 1974, when he retired to live in Ottawa, moving to Saskatoon to live in 1977.

Surviving are his wife **Ethel**, son **Gary** (Eunice), three grandsons and a sister Magnhild. He was predeceased by his parents, five sisters and two brothers.

Services were conducted from Good Shepherd Lutheran Church by Rev. Al Miller, on December 1. Donations to his church would be appreciated.

Lars Tollefson of 1212 Osler Street, father of Torie '36 and Ivan '40, died in hospital in Saskatoon on January 6 at 94 years.

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Mr. Tollefson was born in Norway and came to New York in 1908, later moving to North Dakota and Alaska before homesteading at Ellington, Sask. in 1910, where he farmed until 1948, when he retired to live in Saskatoon.

He was a charter member of Sask. Wheat Pool and an active member of Second Street United Church, of which he was a trustee at the time of his death.

Surviving are his wife Lily, a daughter, Grace of Saskatoon; five sons: Torie (Margaret) of Saskatoon, Ivar of Idaho Falls, USA, Eric (Jean) of Calgary, Roy (Fern) of Ottawa, Edwin (Marg) of Ottawa; 12 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. He was predeceased by his parents, a brother Nils, a sister Eli in Norway and a brother Ivar of Moose Jaw.

Funeral Services were conducted from the Saskatoon Funeral Home by Rev. C. Miller and Rev. G. Grant.

Memorials maybe donated to the Lutheran Sunset Home, or to a charity of the donors choice.

Mrs. Maria Wenhardt, mother of Art '45, passed away on December 12 in her 88th year in a Saskatoon hospital.

Born in Austria in 1897, she came to Canada with her parents Karl and Barbara Appenheimer when she was but a few months old. They first settled in the Neudorf district, where other relatives had homesteaded, but later moved to Markinch.

She married Matthias Wenhardt there in March 1916, and they farmed some eight miles south of the village where their five children attended Wheatwyn school.

They moved to Regina in 1936, but continued to farm until retirement in 1964. They celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary in Regina.

Mrs. Wenhardt was very active in Trinity Lutheran Church in Regina, the Lutheran Home for the Elderly, and as a volunteer visitor to the Provincial Hospital in Weyburn. She loved gardening and was active in the Regina Horticultural Society.

In 1976 she moved to Saskatoon to the Lutheran Sunset Home.

Surviving are her sons, Art (Jean) of Saskatoon and Ernest (Ruth) of Spruce Pine, N. Carolina, daughters Louise (William) Heuft of Wyoming, Ontario, and Doreen (Armind) Kroeger of South Pasadena, Cal., and a daughter-in-law Irene Thomas of San Diego, Cal.

She is also survived by six sisters, ten grandsons, a granddaughter and five great grandsons. She was predeceased by her husband, Matthias and her second husband, Geo. Klein, as well as a son, William and two brothers.

Contributions in her memory to the Lutheran Sunset Home Memorial Fund, Saskatoon, or to that of the Trinity Lutheran Church, Regina.

Funeral services were held from Trinity Lutheran Church, Regina on Monday, December 17, as well as a memorial service in the chapel of the Sunset Home.

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Murray E. Dodds, B.E. (Ag.) formerly of Swift Current, passed away peacefully at the Hospice, Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria on November 19 at 72 years.

Murray served overseas in the armed forces in World War II and was awarded the MBE and the C.D.

He was an agricultural engineering grad from the U of S and worked for Agriculture Canada at Swift Current on irrigation and agricultural engineering research.

He was a past Lieut. Governor of Kiwanis International, a member of the Swift Current Club and more recently, a member of Kiwanis Club of Greater Victoria Seniors.

He was also a member of Swift Current Lodge AF & AM and Sask. Consistory A & ASR.

He is survived by his wife **Muriel**, a daughter **Peggy** (Ron) McKechney of Powerview, Manitoba, and three grandsons.

## THE OL' GANG

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Lewis Reeve '72, the farmer's advocate at Strasbourg, hedged his flax crop at Dafoe and took Joanne and the young uns to Hawaii.

- not always with the same woman. He's booked for branding in October, but not in Winchester Cathedral, unless plans are changed.

Barb (Woolf) Larson '77, is now a "wee Albert" are home raising pork at Kamsack.

Del Flaten '57 is still wheat mining at Weyburn, but needed stronger batteries in his lamp to see anything in the hopper in '84.

Son's Gary '80 and Ray '81 are both back with Sask. Assessment to keep up the payments on that section of Trossachs alkali clay loam they bought.

Del sold out his beef cattle hobby four years ago, and now farms from a house in the city. He's taken on a directorship with the Weyburn Credit Union — keeps him out of the wife's hair and poolrooms.

Gary had a go with Sask. Assessment after graduation, then a 11/2 year spell with Frank Flaman, and now is back with assessment at North Battleford.

Ray '81 tried Alberta Assessment after graduation, then 2 years on the farm, and now is with Sask. Assessment at Swift Current.

Al Fredeen '78, finished his Ph.D. in cows and sows at Davis, California in November, and is now assistant prof. at Nova Scotia Agriculture College as of January. He'll be caging drinks and smokes from the Sask. grads at AIC in Charlottetown.

Art Fredeen '83 is pursuing bugs and other creepy crawlies, among other things, for his post-grad at Berkely, Cal. He's becoming an expert on the banjo too.

Dad, Hartley '43, continues to toil away as head of entomology at Agriculture Canada Saskatoon in order to keep the tuition and life membership fees coming for the young uns.

Linda '84 (?) is busy as a little bee in the animal science department on home ground. Thanks for the kind words, Art.

Marilyn Ruszkowski '77, the most comely ag. rep. in the West Central territories, forsook the snowbanks and frostbite at Biggar for a week of "downhill" in B.C. in February, and is off for two weeks in Jamaica in March. Wonder which farewells were the warmest - Biggar or Jamaica?

Audrey Anderson '84 agrologist-inwaiting at Davidson, has shuffled off to Turtleford, while Val Mutschke-Muller '77, resident incumbent ag. rep., reveals in the joys of 1:00, 3:00 and 5:00 a.m. feedings. It's not colts or calves - it's no. 1 son, Kyle.

Larry Gramiak '73 has such a busy schedule for January through March, as resident sand and sods specialist at Saskatoon, that Wendy has filed a "Missing Husband" report with the city's finest.

Brian Sim '77 had to type his Xmas ag. rep. newsletter himself - all alone at Kerrobert. He's sweating on a certificate from Robertson's Secretarial School.

Len Pigott '76, Kindersley's answer to bovine emasiation, is busy trying to balance cow rations for farmers whose feedyards are full of snow but little else.

Bill Hurd '63, the Norsk ag. rep. at Bob Klemmer '77 is still mostly in love Outlook, took along a couple of farmers to the zero-till conference in Brandon, so as to make his expense account legit. Talk about holiday planning. "Som new Ole and Lena vokes, by golly for shoor."

Lee Moats '81 took in a chaff ammonitechnical sales rep. for Dow. Ralph '70 and ation workshop at Stettler in January - the crops were too short for straw.

Don '70C and Wayne Russell '70S farm together at Rosetown. Don starred on a Prairie Farm T.V. Report, sponsored by Hoescht on straw ammoniation. Says his cows eat 1¢/lb. chaff. Since he's making so much off his cows, he can afford Hoegrass, or maybe his T.V. contract provided for a couple of pails.

The Sask. Canola Grower's board and committees are "fair soppin wi ag. grads" as a Scot wud say.

Lorne Christopherson '69 of Weldon, is the "intensive management king" - almost as much research as Melfort Agriculture Canada, and president of the canola fraternity.

Dale Smart '77. Moosomin, who's into every government program going, to help young farmers get a foothold — Land Bank, etc., etc., is vice-president. He's an electronics tech. grad from STI Moose Jaw. Instructs in agriculture mechanics at the School of Agriculture in winter, and is also chairman of the canola extension committee.

Also a board member is Daniel Esquiro! '83, a past president of both the Sask, and Canadian Hereford Associations - a continuous cropper from Edam, who was famous for his Crow debate while at the U of

Gary Meier '76 who is becoming "Mr. Grow with Canola", is chairman of the crop production committee, and farms the major-

ity of the best ground around Ridgedale might forget to combine a quarter some year and is also into trucking.

Also on the same committee is Ray Wilfing '69 from Meadow Lake, - who farms everything north of town to the NWT, and is a FarmLab director in the NW, as is Hugh Treimans '77, a former UGG employee who's getting it altogether in farming at Blaine Lake.

Roger Kaeding '47, runs a fine herd of Herefords' - as per the true confession of an old Shorthorn man - and grain farms at Churchbridge, is chairman of memberships. There are also a few B.Comm. B.Ed., Alberta ag. grads and odds and sods on the board, but they shall be studiously unmentioned by

The Eugene Bendigs '70 (Eugene is Sask. Agriculture's ex-officio board member) along with the Bob Blakelys '51 booked a Hawaiian adventure at Art Delahev's '52 Holiday Village.

All of the above is courtesy Bill Cooper '51, who is executive director with Sask. Canola, and obviously motivated by a vested interest. George Cooper '44 makes him work on the farm at West Bend during the crow season.

Dale Fuke '58, who can afford to farm like a gentleman at Sceptre, but who leaves it all for the tarmac jungle in Saskatoon in winter, is the newly elected (appointed, coerced, etc.) convenor of the '86 reunion bonspiel. To him shall go the pain but little glory, and the pay is poor too.

Debby Duckworth '83 is the new nutritionist with United Feeds in Yorkton. Co-op Feeds are pleading unfair business practices. Deb survived the farm at Mossbank, and after her graduation from the college, worked at the feed test lab at the university, then with Cyanamid research and development before joining United Feeds at Wynyard in sales.

Claude Carles '79 raises dogs and pigs at Radville, and farms full-time with time-out trying to find Joann at the curling rink, as well as serving on various local community boards

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## RESCUE THE PERISHING!

Our S.A.G.A. needs money real bad.

The cost of postage (God Bless Brian) is going up. Printing is going up.

Costs have gone up like a dancer's bubbles at a burlesque show.

\* If us oldtimers, who bought our life memberships for peanuts back in days of yore, can spare a few bucks, send it post haste to:

Ken Bassendowski

Secretary-Treasurer, S.A.G.A Box 320, Sub. P.O. #6 Saskatoon, Sask. S7N 0W0

- Ken will sleep easier and so will we.
- How much should be sent in? Enough to bring our total contribution up to the \$70 mark — original cost plus an update.
- See the front page article for details.



## THE OL' GANG

continued from page 5 and committees.

Gary Kruger '81 and Alfred Epp '75 are headed overseas with the Mennonite Central Committee, an agricultural project.

Gary originally from Aberdeen, is to start on a three-year assignment as research agronomist in Noakhali, Bangladesh. He has his B.S.A. and M.Sc. degrees in soils.

Alfred received his degree in animal science. He previously served with MCC in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, and most recently farmed at Dundurn. He'll be working at Valley of Peace in Belize.

They recently took part in an orientation course at MCC's Akron, Ohio headquarters.

Ed Schille '75 Saskatoon, has embarked on a new venture. He had been manufacturing furniture, but has recently been making VCR carrying cases that are tough enough to stand the gaff. Previously, cases being used were made in Korea and Taiwan, but couldn't stand the gaff. The Strong Box Trunk Co., of which Ed is president, are also into strong boxes, trunks and carrying cases for a wide variety of commercial uses - electronics, musical instruments, guns, golf clubs, food, etc., etc.

Ed hails from North Battleford, and was for a time a UGG field rep. at Yorkton and Saskatoon.

Dale Sigurdson '82 is now a livestock marketing specialist with the economics branch of Sask. Agriculture in Regina.

Bill Volk '75 has been running a car and farm machinery dealership in Spiritwood for the past couple of years, and is waiting for Grant and Brian to "get with it" and turn the economy around. If things don't happen soon he's gonna hafta join the Maytag repairman. He and Carol have two male childs - 1 and 3 years.

Brad Hansen '81 has been in the D.A. business on the hardpan soils at Coronation, Alberta for the past three years, man and boy.

Eric Johnson '82 is still working as an ag, rep. somewhere between Unity and Wilkie. Wife Trish '83 is still credit advisor with FCC at North Battleford, and won't lend him enough jack to buy a farm, even with Grant's moratorium. Hadda buy an annual membership because Trish wouldn't spring for a "life"

Ernie Ngcholat, Steve Suchan and Dale "Ivan The Terrible" Risula, all '82 college bears, are all living it up under the same roof in North Battleford. Ernie left Monsanto for BASF in January, while Steve and Dale are still with Sask. Assessment. They must be picking on Ernie since he's into Tai Kwon Do lessons.

Al Mitschke '82 has moved from Regina to Saskatoon with Labatts, and from sales rep. to sales promotions manager.

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Richard St. Jacques '84, a Neville lad, has been on a sojourn in Grass Patch, West Australia for six months. Gotta learn dryland farming somehow.

Virgina (Sapsford) Peters '77 and Bill have moved to Perdue to farm with her mom and dad. The latch string is out.

Ralph Bailey '79, the eligible bachelor of Milden, is finally caving in '85 - a 4-H rep. name of Bev, brought him to his knees.

Terri (Kristjansson) and Brian Wintonyk (both '81C) are expecting "their first" at the end of May. Should be lots of hybrid vigor - half Gulli and half Dmytro. Terri is chucking Sask. Assessment and looking for something in P.A. Brian is busy with Treflan and has moved up from sales rep. to sales associate. They're both "lifers" now.

Brenda (Haynes) Christopherson '79 is hanging in there as livestock agent and manager for Sisco — 4 years now — ever since Allan Blair '64 turned in his hog slapper. Moved off the farm to live in Melfort it seems.

John Huvenaars '80 is into irrigation farming with dad and brother at Hays, and has been growing pedigreed seed since 1979.

Sharon (Korsak) Bonertz '80 and Ted '79 have moved back to Saskatoon last summer after 4 years in Calgary. Ted is account manager for Poole Communication (an advertising agency) and Sharon is working in the Department of Horticulture at the U of S trying to learn strawberry culture from Jill Turner '80, and does odd jobs such as talking to the aspergillus, ticking off the diefenbackia, delousing the coleus, etc.

Lee Sanderson '54 collected his "firstever" crop insurance indemnity and collected the \$48 cow subsidy. He's been bringing in hay from north of Edmonton, and barley from north of North Battleford. Other than that, things are going well at Consul.

Joe Novak '83 has set out to re-make the Hudson Bay country for Lands Branch. His greatest problem is the ag. rep., a '72 grad probably just outdated in his thinking.

Daryl Tumbach '72, our trusty archdeacon in the land by "The Crick", has been chosen to join a five-member study group exchange team to go to West Germany for six weeks in May and June. This educational activity is sponsored by the Rotary Foundation. The tour will involve visits to farms, factories and businesses. The wife says she's looking forward to the trip — we're not sure whether that means she's going along, or staying home.

Irene Ahner '65 our prairie chicken, is chairman of the district extension board down in them there hills, and keeps a wary eve on Darul, as well as on Derald '65, who's a 4-H beef leader.

lan and Eleanor Bowie '71, have rebuilt some pretty nice facilities after the big prairie fire wiped them out on August 27.

Don Connick '64 of Gull Lake, and a re-treaded ag. rep. from Boissevain in the Republic of Manitoba, has been instructing courses for the Wascana Institute this winter. Don also has an innovative FarmLab project.

Les Polter (63?) is another FarmLab innovator trying out extended rotations. He's into snowtrapping and winter wheat.

Barry Hodge '74 is peddling Federated Co-op chemicals and small machinery in NE Sask.

Julian Dumanski '62, head of the land use and evaluation branch, Agriculture Canada Land Resource Research Institute at Ottawa, was installed as vice-president of A.I.C. at their annual meeting last summer. A Saskatchewan raised boy, he received his B.S.A. and M.Sc. at Saskatchewan and his Ph.D. at the University of Alberta.

Bob Cuthbert '76 is the Royal Bank agrologist at Weyburn. Things have been moving for Bob. He picked up a wife Lynn in Winnipeg. Daniel James arrived in April 1982, and Laura Jane in November 1983. Bob picked up his M.Sc. from U.B.C. in 1982 and then joined the Royal.

Paul Gumprich '81 is a lecturer and researcher at New Liskeard (Ontario) College of Agricultural Technology.

Virgil Edlin '84? is pedalling for Cyanamid in NE Saskatchewan, while Gary Gale '83? is pounding the asphalt for Hoechst — out of P.A.?

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If'n ye're soon gonna be summ plaise ya ain't at noww, let Richard Bellamy '66, Registrar, S.A.G.A. know c/o

> Sask. Soil Test. Lab., **General Purpose Building** University of Saskatchewan Saskatoon, Sask. S7N 0W0

Richard wunt tel the muther-in-law er the fynannse cumpanie, he'll just chainge yer adres labill so's ya kin keap on gittin "The Saga" saim as iver. ومامام والمام المام الما

# BIGGER LIES WERE NEVER TOLD —THAN AT THE '85 REUNION

1935 COLLEGE (50 Years)



Back row from left to right: C. Elliott, A. Campbell and A. Winnisky
Front row from left to right: B. Anderson and

Front row from left to right: B. Anderson and Dr. H. McDonald.

The Degree Grads of 1935 held their 50 year reunion at the home of Archie and Vivian Campbell. Present from the 1935 Graduation Class were: Dr. Howard McDonald, retired Head of the Entomology Department located at the Dominion Agriculture Station, University of Saskatchewan Campus; Bob Anderson, retired Head of Horticulture at Melfort Experimental Farm; Clarence Elliott, retured Treasurer, Great West Life Assurance Company; Adam Winnisky, Farmer and Real Estate Developer; and Archie Campbell, retired Mink Rancher and Sweet Corn Farmer.

Out of a class of 12: five made the reunion, three were unable to attend, and four are deceased.

### 1945 COLLEGE

Total class of 17, six were in attendance at the supper held at Marian and Herb Clark's — a high rise affair at Luther Towers.

A brief rundown of the class whereabouts and such: **Stan Barber** (originally of Wolseley) Ph.D., agronomy professor, University of Indiana.

Phil Blakeley (Saskatoon) M.Sc., was at Agriculture Canada Research at Lethbridge research and public relations. Retired Lethbridge.

O. P. "Art" Bristol (Hazenmore) M.Sc. soils — Sask. Agriculture. Retired Regina.

John Buckner (Ratcliffe) last known address: Candler, N.C.

Herb Clark (Inchkeith) M.Sc. — now gerontology extension professor University of Saskatchewan.

**Bill Gilmer** (Woodrow) M.Sc. in crops. United Church minister at Swift Current.

**Bob Hedlin** (Renown) Ph.D. — soils department head, University of Manitoba.

**Leo Krasa**, M.Sc. — retired teacher Daneson College, Montreal. Retired and liv-



Back row from left to right: **Bill Gilmer**, Swift Current, **Murdock Nelson**, Moose Jaw, **Phil Blakely**, Lethbridge.

Front row from left to right: Art Bristol, Regina, Herb Clark, Saskatoon, Peder Myhr, Swift Current.

ing at Bolton, Ontario.

**Bea Murray** (Young) Ph.D. crops. Retired from Agriculture Canada, Ottawa.

**Peder Myhr** (Viscount) was livestock specialist and information officer at Agriculture Canada Research Station. Retired.

Murdock Nelson (Eldersley). Retired high school teacher at Moose Jaw.

**Hobart Peters** (Hardy) Ph.D. Agriculture Canada animal research, mainly at Lethbridge. Retired. Now gentecist working in Indonesia.

**Keith Spearing** (Beatty) now on home farm — formerly agriculture teacher in Prince Albert

**Bob Strilchuk** (Pelly) was ag. rep. for many years. Retired at Wynyard.

Mike Trofanenko farming at Yorkton.

#### 1950 COLLEGE

35 grads and 30 spouses attended. 4.5 rinks entered this Hutcheon Event.

Ted McCannel — deputy administrator, Canadian Grain Commission, Winnipeg.

Cam Casswell — retired as co-ordinator regional extension at Kindersley.

Vic Beck — retired director, plant industry branch at Regina.

**Ted Hurd** — plant breeder, Swift Current research station. Retired. Overseas on assignments. Just returned from Kenya.

Hulme (Bill) Henley — teacher, farmer, land bank commission. Retired in Regina.

Wilbur Moats — still farming at Riceton.
Lloyd Sonmor — farmer irrigation
specialist with Agriculture Canada in
Saskatchewan and Alberta. Retired. Volunteer life service teacher for elderly.

John McIntyre — was FCC, Ottawa. Retired at Aylmer, Ontario.

Leigh Crowle — Cereal breeder with Agriculture Canada, Saskatoon.

**Keith Downey** — renowned rapist — canola breeder, Agriculture Canada at Saskatoon. Globe trotter.

**Nestor Hawrysh** — retired in Saskatoon to B.C. placer claims from Lands Branch.

**Paul Saum** — an ag. rep. emeritus in Saskatoon — golfing, curling, bowling, peace movement.

Russ Campbell — the Eston "senator" — farms in summer, and teaches agricultural mechanics at U of S in winter.

**Neil Colvin** — Sheritt Gordon for 33 years, mostly at Edmonton. Retired?

**Stan Campbell** — 35 years with Plant Products come October, then curling full-time.

Fred Langley — PFRA — 14 years at Maple Creek, C & D for 16 years, now Saskatchewan Water Corporation in Saskatoon.

Woody Wilson — retired in Regina, C & D after 27 years.

**Bill Pope** — workaholic wife. More jobs than Merle White, C & D, FFIB, PFRA, C & D, Sask. Water Corporation. Retire? May or June? Moose Jaw?

Wayne Hannah — Canada Packers, then 25 years as high school teacher and principal. Wascana Institute last five years.

Merle White — ag. rep. Ogema and Moose Jaw, ag. rep. supervisor, Melfort; ARDA, Regina, deputy agriculture minister P.E.I.; DREE Saskatoon; house builder; militia. Retired at Saskatoon.

George Porteous — loping along with Indian Affairs at Nanaimo.

Rick Rudrick — director of Sask.

Assessment Commission at Regina.

Wes McNaught — 40 miles north of
Grand Prairie since '66. One son second year

agriculture at U of S. **Ron Read** — retired from Agriculture
Canada research station at Swift. Built granaries on the farm so built a house in Saskatoon
during college, and it's still standing!

Tom "Two Blades of Grass" Lawrence

— Chief, forage section at Swift Current.
Year in New Zealand.

**Fred Fulton** — farms summers at Arbuthnot, assistant director School of Agriculture — keeps him young. Son in Ph.D. program at Berkeley, Cal.

**Ross Evans** — 16 years as ag. rep. S.A.R.M. agriculture director at Regina ever since.

**Phil Rothery** — retired from C.P.O. Now following wife's directives and policies.

Cliff Larson — also an old "Postie" — retired in Saskatoon. World and Saskatchewan tourist.

Bill Hamilton — Canadian Federation of Agriculture past 18 years. Brought word of Terry Phalen, still with Agriculture Canada in Ottawa.

Lloyd Golden retired in Edmonton.

Arnold Schroeder — retired from Revenue Canada in Regina. A bachelor and a

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geneaologist — shouldn't strain a guy much, especially if your forebears were bachelors.

**Eiler Humbert** — with the old dairy department at U of S since graduation — the cows keep crowding him out of his office.

Maurice Taylor — retired bugchaser from Agriculture Canada research, Saskatoon. Curls and golfs with Saum — thus Paul's interest in peace movement? Travels a bit.

Gad, I'm glad they didn't all show up.

### 1955 SCHOOL

Thirty out of 39 grads staggered out of the Smoker.

**Richard Barton** — Lethbridge; Wife: **Evelyn**. President and manager of Time Air and have acquired Southern Frontier. Church, community college, golf, hunting.

Ross Belcher, MP Fraser Valley East. Wife: Ruth. Two tads. Was an Eaton's manager. Member of Agriculture Standing Committee.

Roy Blacklaws, Tisdale. Wife: Marjorie. Four sons, two daughters, eight grandkids. Seed growers 30 years, now also a tree farmer.

Laurie Boesch, Gray. Wife: Carol. A travelling farmer. Five tads. Active in hall, rink, telephone, church, school, wheat pool and co-ops.

Dessmond Bortsmayer, Naicam. Wife: Lori. Four children. Farming and oldtimers hockey. Wife's a curler.

**Erwin Boulton**, Battleford. Wife: **Elsie**. Three kids. Farmer. Cattleman. Hunter. Fisherman. Tall Tales. New castle on the Battle. Elsie in Sweet Adelines.

**Jake Braun**, Beechy. Wife: **Joyce** — four children. Quarter horses, agriculture society, team roping, horse judging — in Australia yet!

**Peter Bwown**, Saskatoon — works at Eaton's. Bachelorhood and untold tales.

Gerard Bruynzeel, Belle Plaine — no report.

**Bohdan Albert Cipywynk**, Brookley. Wife: **Naddie**. Four children — one at S of A. Farms nine quarters. Curling, Sask. Pool and church.

**Bill Clarke**, Calgary. Wife: **Nil**. Hockey and baseball. Warehouse manager for Propak Systems. Still admires Dale, the guy who stole the engineers "E".

Dale Donald, Rockhaven. Wife: Lorna. The guy who stole "E"? Four kids. School board, hockey coach, chairman of Saskatchewan Sheep & Wool Commission, Vice-Chairman Canada Sheep Council, past president of Saskatchewan Flying Farmers. Play oldtimers hockey, flies, hunts and fishes, and tries to keep up with Lorna.

**Don Dyck**, Borden. Wife: **Claudia** — raising grain dust and bacon. Lions, swine breeders, hunting, carpentry and Claudia.

Bruce Elder, Coronach. Wife: Kathleen. Two tads — one son on farm. Local recreation board, senior hockey coach, co-op board. 18 quarters.

Terry Fennell, Melfort. Wife: Hope. One sprout. Church, Kinsmen, Credit Union, dramatics and arts council, skiing, skating, curling. Part-time farm and Sask. Tel.

**Hubert Freitag**, Alameda. Wife: **Marilyn**. Belgians, of course. Church, actioneer, agriculture society, auction mart, 4-H beef and draft horse clubs, secretary Sask. PMU and draft horses, was herdsman Searle Farms and Michigan Belgian farm, and on drilling service rigs. Collects old harnesses, reads westerns, and tells tall tales. Live in old brick "Halfway House".

**George Gilbertson**, Frontier, passed away in early 1984. **Irene** and four children survive. Farmed and had a backhoe business.

Janet Graham, Central Butte. Unattached. Trying to invent a 25 hour day. Farming, photography, painting, weaving, dried flowers, knitting, carpentry, stone polishing, UCW, church board, arts council, hospital auxiliary and home care board. Men just get in the way.

Fred Hardybala, Calgary. Attached but not tethered.

**Dalton Hackley**, Yellow Grass. Wife: **Kathy**. Five issue. Minor hockey, 4-H, church, church camp, recreational board, rink board, vice-president of the provincial 4-H council, local UGG director and delegate.

Merlyn Irvine, Yellow Grass — farming in same area as Hackley?

Jack Jenkins, Regina. Wife: June. Three children. Coaches girls softball and hockey. Hobby farmer. Works at Westcan IH trucks in Regina. Was with IHC. Golfs and curls.

Warren Jones, Box 624, Gunnedah NSW Australia. Wife: Lorna. One child. Moved to Australia to farm January 1984. Tough times there too, but warmer winters.

Ronald Klotz, Vancouver. Wife: yes. Family: yes. Job: yes.

George Krentz, Eston. Wife: Bonnie. Family: two. Active in regional park, Canada Grains Council, Palliser Wheat Growers, UGG local. In past, involved with N.R.C. regional lab and Sask. Research Council. Now grain farming. Woodworking, model building, boating, hunting.

**Dean Lien**, Warner, Alberta. Wife: **Linda**. Four children. Former county councillor and reeve. University of Lethbridge senate. Farming and farm service centre owner.

Vaughn McClarty, Ceylon. Wife: Shirley. Part-time farmer and R.M. administrator. Lions, regional park and Credit Union.

Stuart Marshall, Kyle. Wife: Millie. Three children. Farming. Local school board, treasurer of boy scouts, Elks lodge and Sask. Pool committee, music and reading.

Jim Martin, North Battleford. Wife: Thelma. Three children.

Formerly farmer and Hereford Digest. Now communications specialist, Sask. Agriculture. Lions, 4-H and North West Days. Thelma feeding cattle. Bowling, golf and keeping up on agriculture. Daily radio program host. An

amazing man — blind for past several years, but carries on with life. Amazing wife and friends.

Howard Mattila, North Battleford. Wife: Mary. Four children. Lives on farm, but devotes his time to real estate and appraising. Chairman, North West Economic Development Council for six years. Kiwanis, past president and director North West Territorial Days, Sask. rep. for Canadian Consulting Agrologists.

Trygue Nijaa, Saskatoon. Wife: Marion. Policeman of year 1982. Involved with Saskatoon Credit Union, Norwegian Cultural Society, Mayor's Breakfast, growing and pedigreed seed, co-op, Sask. pool, watershed, house and cabin building, cross-country skiis, curling and golf.

Frank Ortt, Calgary. Wife: June. Three children. Champion North Western Chemicals since Petrolite Corporation. Involved in community hockey and baseball, the farm at Grenfell, fishing and reading.

John Owen, Scarborough, Ontario. Wife: Marilyn. Graduate engineering degree in electronics U of S 1967, then four years with Bristol Aerospace. Then Yamaha 13 years — to Toronto recently as national services manager. Still has ½ section at Sonningdale.

**Don Pearson**, Eastend. Wife: **Darleen**. Two children. Farmer-rancher. Kinsmen K-40, memorial hall, rink complex, agriculture extension board, and SW regional council, L.I.D. rep. SW watershed advisory board, past R.M. councillor.

John Prosko, Zenon Park. Wife: Karen. Three children. Hotel owner — suds, but no bugs. Formerly farmed at Chelan and Watson.

Cliff Rederburg, Benson, Wife: Doris.
Three children. Grain and cattle. R.M.
Council, central school board, United Church
board of stewards, square dancing, reading
and tryna make a buck.

**Peter Sawchuk**, Wadena. Wife: **Doris**. Farms half the country between Wadena and Kylemore.

Harold Smallwood, somewhere in the Peoples' Republic of Manitoba.

Albert Stubbs, Christopher Lake. Wife: Irene. Part-time farm until 1981. Land development for Mobil Oil. Now DRIE., Lions and metal work.

**Don Tait**, Elrose. Wife: none to speak of. Farms. Lions, heritage society, home care board, vice-president Western Canada Pulse Growers, politics.

Memories: the Xmas tree affair, Mayfair Hall, pork chop fry in Matilla and Martin's room, Dale Donald's driving, footprints on Don Dyck's wall and ceiling, the nurses who shared the cafeteria, blood donor's trophy, Prof. Rae's chickens, Bob Jone's sister, George Krentzs' diaper, waste basket's full of water. Who stole the "E"?

### 1975 COLLEGE

As close as we could get to the truth: **Morley Ayars**, Melville ag. rep. awaiting first family.

Dan Bergen, F.C.C. in Regina.

Doug Billet, provincial weed specialist, Regina. Changing diapers on new son, Tom.

Rick Blenner-Hassett, Yorkton, F.C.C. supervisor — married — she thought he owned the outfit.

Tom Boyle, ag. rep. at Wakaw. Now can cage drinks in four official languages.

Dwayne Couldwell, Edmonton — grain market guesser for Alberta Agriculture.

Don Ehman, world traveller - personnel manager for Monsanto, Winnipeg in spare

Gary Finell, Veterinarian — best penside manner in the pig barns at Brooks, Alberta.

Don Fuhrman, rich farmer and ball tournament organizer at Netherhill.

Dan Fullerton, farmer and consultant at Lacadena. Makes his mistakes at home.

Gord Frank, D. A. at Brooks — Sask. farmers missionary to Alberta.

Jim Graham, the other "ag. rep." at Moose Jaw, keeping Sask. farmers ahead of the Alberta boys.

Mona Graham, the new "Cyril Goulden" for Agriculture Canada research at Melfort.

Lee Harris, the class' most eligible. F.C.C. Regina, and looking for a farmer's daughter who doesn't need a loan.

Tim Howden, extant on the farm at Edgeley. Training a new son to drive tractors.

Murray Hovland, new regional straw boss at Melfort, after ten years in Regina with Sask. Assessment.

David Jensen, with the Lands Branch at North Battleford. Raising a family on the back

Cal Kelly, retired to the farm at Regina after an M.Sc. and world travel. Can Mar grain in the winter keeps the farm afloat.

Neil Ketilson, farm supply and equipment peddler at Naicam.

Stan Kirkland is rampant with Plant Products in Winnipeg.

Paul Kneeshaw, an M.Sc. and R. & D. for Cyanamid at Saskatoon.

Doug Leask sold the farm, bought a cabin and retired to Sask. Pool farm service at

Ron Martin is into kids and "charley horse" cattle at Silton.

Owen Olfert is trying to get the bugs

working together at Agriculture Canada research at Saskatoon.

Barry Peterson divides his attention between travelling, farming and Sask. Agriculture in that order, at Speedy Crick.

Florian Possberg raises more pigs and kids than all the rest of the class at Burr. Chairman of Northern Pig Development. Jaycee's "outstanding young farmer" for

Laurie Tollefson is sweating on an M.Sc. and is manager of mudpies at the irrigation demonstration farm at Outlook.

Lawrence Townley-Smith, on leave from Agriculture Canada to pile up a Ph.D. at Saskatoon.

Murray Treble is farming at Watrous with used Long Green Line machinery. The new stuff is for the customers.

Allan Scholz, after toiling aboard, and a stint as CSP agronomist, has retired to the farm at Churchbridge, to peddle Hoegrass his eating money.

Bill Rudolph grows older and more miserable on the farm at Gull Lake.

Wally Vanin transferred to the ag. rep. office at Canora from chaff and dirt specialist at Speedy Crick. Imported a few wheat midge so's to drive land prices down to a level he can afford.

Sharon and Vince Walker are raising girls and wheat midge at Brooksby. The midge have reached puberty, but the girls haven't.

Don Wasylyniuk is with the Royals' Agribank Centre in Regina. Tried to work in B.C. and Alberta, but was deported from both provinces.

Dave Weiseth is mixed-up farming at Shaunavon. New son Mark should soon be able to straighten him out.

Bill Volk is Spiritwood's one-stop machinery dealer - Case, I.H., Versatile, New Holland, and anything else you don't need or can't afford. Hauled his excess profits to Vegas this winter.

Don Wilson turned traitor and ended up being the vet. at Assiniboia.

Anybody missed by either Art Froehlich or Tom Boyle, was as a result of the foggy state of mind at the reunion.

### 1980 SCHOOL

Thirty-five out of 80 grads returned for their

#### 1975 SCHOOL



The picture tells it all.

fifth reunion. Outside of the rebuilt friendships, the greatest benefactors were Molsons and Bayers.

Jim Janke, after a couple of years at the Prairie Swine Centre, is back making hay by the drag strip south of Saskabush. He's booked for an important date in Estevan between cuts - some lass named Heather Hurren who teaches at Watrous.

Wes Olynyk got caught in the chute in July, Kim Boreen from Radville, They've holed up a Crescent Creek Angus Farm with Dad at Goodeve.

Jim "Grubbly" Mann is chasing Simmentals in the Cyprus Hills. His summer hobby is fighting dust and prairie fires.

Jim Hornford is night-checking cows at Elfros at calving time, and hangs out at the soil test lab. all winter.

Jim Schmidt and Brenda keep the elevator agents waiting at Davidson.

Gary Flaten got on his camel and left the Weyburn desert to do some snowplowing at Table Mountain — mainly on his nose. He's gone back to land assessing at the "Fords". Wears a bullet-proof vest.

Lyle Stone and Yvonne '81 are gum bootin' her on an irrigation farm partnership at Outlook.

Ross Donald is up to his eyes in woollies at Cutknife.

Lyndon Olson bit the dust last October. Summers on the farm at Archerwill and works winters in Saskatoon.

Garth Merrit didn't want to go back to work fulltime, so he's in his 4th year in crop science at the college.

Glenn McNally got hooked last June and pushes parts part-time at Acklands in Rosetown to keep the bank happy.

Gerry "Coach" Stuber and Sherry are expecting their first assistant male coach in April. Puts in his days at the Crop Science department.

Ken Sten is dodging tomahawks for SIAP at the "Ford". One wife and two kids.

John Huvenaars is farming with dad and brother at Hays, Alberta. Has been sleepin' with Lisa since last November.

Gilbert Stremick left the soil test lab in '83 to take over the ranch 200 miles south of Uranium City — Goodsoil? Horrible year — 20 inches of rain drowned out all the hoppers. Not much else new, except daughter Rena -December 11.

Graham Phipps, Brenda's only dependent. Five years at Soils - across the road from "Coach". Weekend farmer in '85.

Daniel O'Reilly, farming with father at Scout Lake - no crop, no wife, no kids, no money.

Dave Galloway farms half of the desert at Estevan. The only things growing are the two kids

Ken Clayton, no problems - no wife, no farm — works in private industry.

Owen Crawley, farming at Harris parttime, drives for Adam's Transport part-time, drives his own rig part-time - grain and hay hauling.

Doug Bradley, been talking to the continued on page 10

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animals on campus ever since graduation. Had to re-read all this after Stuber re-wrote

#### 1980 COLLEGE

The Class of 1980 had a super 5-year reunion. The festivities started with a beernite on Thursday. About 24 grads showed up. The time was spent catching up on each other's lives and playing Trivial Pursuit, "Agro style". The night ended off in Daryl Reynold's '81 room. Sorry about the mess!

It seems the 5-year grads are slowing down, as only 11 managed to drag themselves out to the Sunday brunch.

Thanks to all who attended and to those who helped make it a great weekend. Keep in

Jill Turner.

Reunion Chairman.

P.S. If you want a copy of the group picture, send me \$1.50.

A short update on what the Class of 1980 is up to these days - Coralee (Beeson) Beaulieu is employed at Alberta Vocational Centre in St. Paul. Soon to be a mom. Larry Luba is back at the U of Sworking on M.Sc., as is Dwayne Hrushka. Robbin Jacobson works for Allied Chemicals in Melfort. Jim Moen is with Sask. Wheat Pool in Regina. He reports his favorite hobby to be "making babies". Brent Difley is in Lethbridge and sells Animal Products for Elanco. Murray Walker is trying to make money at the T.D. Bank, so he can lose it farming. Bill LaClare is at Edam raising purebred Herefords on the family farm. Ross Campbell is farming at Waseca. The tricky devil rushed off to Mexico and got married. Stu Cotts is busy assessing land out of Saskatoon. Sharon Zadoronzy works with DuPont in Saskatoon. She recently tied the knot with Jason Leader '79. Brent Flaten can sometimes be found in North Battleford, passifying farmers for Allied. Dean Vey is agrologist for the Bank of Nova Scotia in Saskatoon. Alvin Stephens "pushes poisons for Veliscol" out of Edmonton. Blaine Canitz manages embryos in Saskatoon. Soon to marry Jackie Frovarp '81. John Ruszchkowski is D.A. in Oyen, while wife Cec. runs the Vet. Clinic. Garth Patterson is busily completing a M.Sc. degree at the U of S. Brian Prefontaine farms at Rockglen and works for Sask. Power. Tim Mrvfield commutes between Saskatoon and farm at Buchanan. Irene Mandin didn't make the reunion, says she was on her honeymoon - no excuse. Cliff Shebeluk is farming at Calder. Bert Horvey is "co-operating" in Wetaskiwan, Alberta. Darcy Jones and Marc Spagrud are raising sheep and kids at Rockglen, Diana Otteson is in Saskatoon. Rob Skotnitsky works for Land Assessment out of Regina, while Lonnie Chupa does the same in Yorkton. Lyle Drew is in continued on page 13

# 1985 Ag. Grad Bonspiel

"A" Event — Rutherford Trophy Dean 1909-1930



Ron Howarth '62, 1984 S.A.G.A. President, presents to: "The Organs" -1984C - Greg Bristow, skip, Perry Miller, 3rd, Ron Gilmour, 2nd, Kevin Olson, lead.

Runners-up were: Art Delahey '52C, skip, Bob Brack '52C, 3rd, Bob Dodds '53C, 2nd, Brian Harvey '60C, lead.

> "C" Event — Graham Trophy Dean 1948-1963



Bill Cooper '51, 1977 S.A.G.A. President, presents to: Les Saelhof '85C, skip, Don Saelhof '72C, 3rd, Brad Fowler'87C, 2nd, Garry Herman'72C,

Runners-up were: Blair Rausch Reynolds'81C?, 2nd, Mike McCallister 2nd, Don Broodhead, Associate, lead. '835, lead.

Seniors' Event — Hutcheon Trophy Dean 1963-1964



"B" Event - Kirk Trophy Dean 1937-1938



Bob McKercher '54, 1977 S.A.G.A President, presents to: "Agros II" - Jeff Akins '86C, skip, Tanice Babecy '86C, 3rd, Wayne Donaldson '87C, 2nd, Vanessa Pittman '87C, lead.

Runners-up were: Garry Meier '76C, skip, Brent Kennedy '76C, 3rd, Garry Thiel '65S, 2nd, Karen Thiel, Associate, lead.

> "D" Event — White Trophy Dean 1963-1964



Wilson McIntyre '41, 1984-85 Director of S.A.G.A., presents to: Cec Stushnoff '63C, skip, George Wilson '63C, 3rd, Don Westlund '63C, 2nd, Allan McDougald '65C, lead.

Runners-up were: Fred Bjornson '61C, '78C, skip, Murray Flaten '83C, Darryl skip, Jim Birch '67, 3rd, Blair Birch '71,

> Phil Thair '42, 1984 Hon. President of S.A.G.A., presents to: Eric Moysey '48, skip, Arnold Treble '49, 3rd, Norm Flaten '50, 2nd, Gerald Zoerb '48, lead. Runners-up were: Dick Strayer, Ag. Eng., skip, Doug Wilkinson '41C, 3rd, Bob McKercher '54C, 2nd, Bill Ewert '43,

## **DRUM ROLLS**



**Bob Lodge '49** was awarded a **Fellowship** by the Society of Range Management at its Annual convention at Salt Lake City, on February 14, the most prestigeous award of the 10,000 member society.

Bob was cited for his 25 years as research scientist with the Agriculture Canada research station at Swift Current in which he made an outstanding contribution to range science via the introduction and development of complimentary grazing of native and cultivated grasses.

While at Swift Current, Bob's research was the basis for over 40 research papers and articles, and the pioneering of economic evaluation of range seeding practices.

He has also received international recognition for his research studies in range management, animal husbandry and plant ecology, while engaged in his masters program at the University of Idaho, and his doctoral program at the University College of North Wales.

After leaving the research station Bob was chief of land use for PFRA and for the past few years has been working for the Lands Branch, Saskatchewan Agriculture.

From 1963 to 1965 he was on loan to F.A.O. as an advisor to the Pakistan government. He recently returned from a teaching assignment at the University of Zambia.

He also holds the distinction of being one of the less than thirty, certified range management consultants in the world, and is the only Canadian to have been awarded the distinction.

The wife probably has a helluva time to get him to mow the lawn. However, we'll add your name to our drop list.

Honorary life memberships in the S.A.G.A were awarded to Burt Craig '44 and Bill Small '48 at the Reunion Banquet. The following are the resumes of their accomplishments as presented on the banquet program.

Both were long overdue for awards.

Burton MacKay Craig was born at Vermilion, Alberta but was schooled at Spalding, Lac Vert and Naicam and graduated with a B.S.A. from Saskatchewan in 1944. He obtained a M.Sc. from Saskatchewan and Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota. His interests in oilseed crops began as a student and have continued ever

since. Burt joined the Prairie Regional Laboratory of the National Research Council in 1950, became associate director in 1969, director in 1970, and retired in 1983. His work has been international in nature and involved travel to countries such as Taiwan, Chile, and Japan. The committees he has served are too numerous to list in detail, but include grains, oilseed and technical committees dealing with foods and oilseeds. He has also been on editorial boards of scientific journals and on various advisory boards. More recently he has been awarded the W. G. Eva award by the Canadian Institute for Food Science and Technology for research contributions to the food industry. Burt and his wife, Inez, have a son Wayne and a daughter Cheryl, both of whom have post-graduate work to their credit.

William James Small was born and raised at Craven, Saskatchewan. He graduated from the School of Agriculture at the University of Saskatchewan in 1948 and returned home to begin a successful mixed farming career.

Bill has always been active in his community. He has been a 4-H leader, a municipal councillor and a school board trustee.

As a farmer, Bill recognized the need for others to learn the importance of agriculture in the province. To meet this need, he served as the founding chairman of the Western Canadian Farm Progress Show. He was also a charter director of Canadian Western Agribition and has served as its president and is now an honorary director. Other positions Bill has held are: president of the District #14 4-H Council, director and president of the Saskatchewan Shorthorn Association, director of the Saskatchewan Simmental Association, director and president of the Regina Exhibition Association and director of the Saskatchewan Cattle Breeders' Association. As well, Bill has been actively involved with the Regina Bull Sale, the Saskatchewan Livestock Board, the Saskatchewan Hall of Fame and the Saskatchewan Horned Cattle Fund.

Bill's interest in cattle has placed him in demand as a judge at many 4-H achievement days, fairs and bull sales throughout the province. As well, he and his family have shown cattle at most of the agricultural fairs and have won many championships.

Bill, and his wife Agnes, are still actively

involved in farming. They have three children, Laura Spence, Ken Small, and Susan Hubbs, and five grandchildren.

Gary Carlson '61, formerly executive secretary of the old Sask. Federation of Agriculture, has been named an honorary Nuffield Farm Scholar in recognition of his 10 years of voluntary service to the Canadian Agricultural Travel Scholarship Association. To the latter falls the responsibility for the selection of Nuffield scholars. The latest winner was Sinc Harrison '67 of Moosomin, who has been studying farming methods in the Great Down Under.

Peder Myhr '45 was made an Honorary Life member of the Saskatchewan Agriculture Societies Association at their annual Farm Week convention in recognition of his service to agriculture societies, 4-H, his community and for his distinguished service in communications and horticultural extension, while in service with the Agriculture Canada research station at Swift Current.

Harold Horner '35 was honored at the 75th Anniversary Convocation in September, with the conferring of an Honorary LLD. He was deputy minister for Sask. Agriculture from 1951 to 1972. He's a charter member of S.I.A. During his service as deputy minister he was involved with construction of the Gardiner Dam, the development of irrigation on the South Saskatchewan River, and the establishment of the Western College of Veterinary Medicine at the U of S.

In 1978 to 1980 he was chairman of a committee commissioned by the Canada West Foundation to report on the west's agricultural industry.

Harold received his BSA and M.Sc. degrees in 1935 and 1936 respectively at the U of S, specializing in crop science. Prior to World War II he was stationed at the Agriculture Canada Experimental Farm at Scott. Following the war he was field crops commissioner before becoming deputy minister.

Ed's Note: Sorry to be so tardy in reporting this, but the announcement got lost in the shuffle when we moved our files following our Golden Handshake. We missed the announcement of a new daughter, two career appointments and a life history at the same time, all of which resulted in our loss of pay and mess privileges.

To all the above go our congratulations, and as we said earlier, we shall add your names to our list of names to be dropped.

IS THERE A LOGO IN OUR FUTURE?

The S.A.G.A. needs, and should have a distinctive Logo.

- We would welcome your suggestions and drawings, they should be descriptive, distinctive and unique
- We might even spring for suitable prizes for the winner and runners up
- A good Logo would improve S.A.G.A.'s public profile and you could contribute to posterity ours and yours

Mail your design to:

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## **OLDTIMERS**



**Gerald Bradish** '21 is still farming at Willow Bunch, and is feeling in the pink. He operates with nothing but the best in tractors and machinery on two sections. Son, Harold has an 875 Versatile and 48' of disker. Gerald does all the harrowing, packing and swathing, and the grain hauling from their 7700 combine.

His youngest son Harold, has a Chrysler dealership in Moose Jaw, and flies his Cessna 206, a six passenger, 3-blade-prop job, and uses it to fly down at seeding and harvest time to help out dad. He does all the rest of the farming on his own, and has been batching since his wife died in 1960.

He and **Hugh MacPherson** are the last living members of the 1921 diploma class. Hugh and his wife live in a condominium in Victoria, and are hale and hearty. They were in Major Potts army during the winter months back in 1921, while at University, and paraded for the Governor General and other brass.

Prof. A. R. Weir was their English professor, and the registrar back in those days. Gerald remembers them saying that their class was a really nice bunch of young sprouts. The diploma course was a three-year stint back in his time — no two-year stuff.

Gerald and his wife raised two boys and two girls and got them all married off — and they still are.

Farming has been a pleasure but 1984 crops were poor because of the drought.

Sam Beaton '48 and Iris snuck back to Yorkton before Xmas — the mayor declared amnesty. Sam gets his socks washed at R.R. #1, Box 22, Highland Road, Oyama, B.C. — that's about halfway between Vernon and Kelowna, on the shores of Okanogan Lake. Ogopogo comes ashore every morning for scraps, since they don't have a dog.

George Dion '39, the old soils prof., is living off the avails of CIDA. On his last trip to Swaziland the shepherd looking after the sheep was Selene Dlamini '82. George McLaughin of the Ontario Marketing Board and Dion were the sheep. He says they had a look at the late Dong Gibson's dairy project — he'd almost made the Swazis self-sufficient in milk

George hangs his hat at Luskville, P.Q. He and Rene Levecque are still smokin'. He's an honorary life member — George, not Rene. passes on his regards with a big hello to Benny — Blacklock or Murphy?

**Alex McKean '23** and his wife winter in Brownsville, Texas, and plan to be back in Lebret come April 15.

Alex and the wife raised three children and are kept busy spoiling four grandchildren and four great grands.

They'll celebrate their 60th come July 15. Daughter Maxine and granddaughter Kathy also celebrate wedding anniversaries on the same day. Brother-in-law **John Rogers '23**, is still the "best man" around.

The RCMP have taken on extra staff for the occasion.

Bea (McGrath) Williams who was secretary to all those deans from 1926 to 1962, is living the life of Mrs. Riley at Apt. 404, 1025 Fairfield Road, Victoria, B.C. V8V 3A6. There are just a whole regiment, or maybe its grown to a division, of grads who remember our Bea with fondness — yea! even reverence — as they used to do.

Many grads strongly suspect that when the dean wanted to do things one way, and Bea wanted it done another, that he invariably did the other.

**John McConnell '51** is bending all his efforts toward World Food Day, October 16. The Canadian Hunger Foundation has tripled in size these past months.

**Brenda Machin '79** of Sask. Agriculture is secretary of the new provincial council, and John as SIA rep., and Sask. co-ordinator.

Eric Putt '38 is still wandering away from his Creston, B.C. refuge from time to time. He wandered over a good bit of Chairman Mao's old stamping grounds during November — mainly by train and boat — Via Rail is still extant in China. Visited Beijing (the old Peking, right?) X i'an, Chengdu, Chongquing, Nanjing and Shanghai. Seems they must have changed a few other names too. Eric says his general impressions are that China is rapidly moving toward a unique economic system that's suited to its own geography, population and cultural heritage. The intensity and diversity of their agriculture is striking. Some areas are reputed to produce four kinds of crops per year.

The people are well fed and clothed. One of their greatest needs at the moment is housing, which is being given high priority, as evident by the great amount of construction going on everywhere.

Eric sees John Slykhuis '42 occasionally. On the staff and the Agriculture Canada research station at Summerland, he's respected by the fruit growers for his contributions to disease control. Most notable is his findings of the cause of "little cherry" disease and for developing control measures. Being of a practical turn of mind, John is playing around with dynamite as a possible tool in solving the problems growers run into when replanting old orchards. Farmers like "do-ers". J. Ken Swann (49?) is rolling with the canaries out in Westbank, B.C. - in the Okanogan, that is. The sonovagun has been on pogie since 1974 he tells us, and enjoys it. Jean had open-heart surgery just over a year ago, and has recovered. She still has some health problems, but doesn't let it slow her down much.

Ken went on his usual six-day ride in Banff, 115S, Melfort, Sask.

and he, Jean, son Ron and family took in Yellowstone Grand Canyon, Las Vegas and the whole Calyfornia bit — and all the sights they've both wanted to see for years.

The Swann's have three sons and a daughter, and of course, seven grand-children.

As we've said, Ken is a Roller Canary buff, and edits the Roller National magazine — 200 members in seven coutries — 11 issues per year. He got a computer-word-processor for Xmas in '83 via wife Jean. He says its hardly justifiable on an economic basis, but its sure nice for the magazine.

Out there in holiday country they enjoy a lot of visits from friends and relatives — some of whom are friends.

Herb Pudry '32 is alive and well in Regina. Seems there were typographical errors on page 21 about the '32 to '34 classes reunion at Chilliwack. Herb's name was omitted and Alex Brown '32 was reputed to be from both Carnduff and Regina. He says we boobed in reporting that Erling Gunderson '38 B.Sc. (chem.) also attended. Herb says the guys name is Anderson—that's not the way we heard it, however,—and Herb says Erling's wife's name is Ida.

Herb likes "The Saga", but he doesn't like our purposely mis-spelled words and contrived word-substitutes and grammatical errors. Sorry, Herb. Thanks, anyway. Time we had a new editor — we've only got about 40% of the living ag. grads with memberships.

Archie Campbell '35 and Vivian celebrated their 40th anniversary in Australia and New Zealand. Wouldn't you know, they checked into some new furs — possum. Almost didn't make the plane home — airline employees strike, but ended up getting to Los Angeles seven hours early. Archie doesn't raise mink or fox anymore — just dryland sweet corn.

## FIRST CLASS - 1915



The oldest ag. grads keep on harrowin, pitchin' an' curryin':

Lt. to rt.: Dr. Leo Kristjansson, President to all those Agros, E. H. "Mickey" Osler '15S, Wolseley, Sask.; Pontus Wicklund '15S, Melfort, Sask.

# THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

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At the January 1985 Ag. Grad. Annual Meeting, a resolution was passed, asking the Association to do anything in its power to stimulate progress toward the new College of Agriculture facility. It is hoped that such stimulation may be made through the Advisory Council to the College of Agriculture. Some possible restructuring of the Advisory Council, may make the Council more effective, in terms of expediting the progress in the long overdue, College of Agriculture Complex.

Third: On a lighter note, it has been pointed out in the December newsletter, that the Ag. Grad. Association does not have a logo, as such. This is most unfortunate, since we are supposedly celebrating our 50th Anniversary (50 years of progress). We may not be able to afford it, but I think it would be rather appropriate if we could wear a lapel pin, commemorating our 50th, and the 75th Anniversary of the College of Agriculture in 1986. If anything, this may distinguish members from nonmembers. We might even be lucky and get a Sask. Heritage Grant for something of this nature.

I am sure that we have a lot of Ag. Grads out there (and their wives and/or children) with a lot of artistic talent, who could come up with a logo for us. This should be a challenge to many, and the Association would be most appreciative to receive drawings of an appropriate logo. We might even afford some reasonable prize.

From within the College, I would like to point out that the Agros have recently held their annual graduation banquet and dance. The students should be commended for their good organization of the event. It is also noteworthy that **Mr. Jon A. Gillies** (Ag. Eng.) was the recipient of the Professor of the Year Award. **Cathy Gale** received the Tommy Fraser Award and **Barry Cooper** received the Ernie McKenzie Award. On Behalf of the Ag. Grad. Association, congratulations to you all.

In closing, I must say that I feel rather humble in serving as your President for the coming year, but I feel confident, and look forward to working with such an able and willing executive. Hopefully, we can make this another successful year. I would also like to point out, that the executive would be pleased to receive any thoughts, comments or suggestions from its members on the above mentioned matters.

Morris Sebulsky '61 President, S.A.G.A.

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## CROSSING THE BAR

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Memorial services were held from The Chapel of First Memorial, with Dr. Rev. M. Bedford officiating. Internment via cremation.

Memorials maybe directed to the Canadian Cancer Society, or to Victoria Hospice, c/o Royal Jubilee Hospital.

William B. Standen '21 passed away on December 11 while in a coma, whiched followed a heart attack on November 26 at his home in Kelowna.

Funeral services were held from St. Paul's United Church at Kindersley, with the Rev. J. T. Bray officiating.

Mrs. Standen survives him, although her health is not good. Bill had always been healthy.

# No other details. \* \* \* \* \* Freda Brown, wife of Henry J. C.

He had retired from the farm in Kindersley

The only ones remaining of Bill's class-

mates are Gerald Bradish of Willow

Bunch and Hugh McPherson of Leney

and moved to Kelowna to live.

- originally at least.

Brown '41, died of lukemia on December
 They had been living at Sechelt, B.C.
 Henry's plans are to sell out and move back to Moose Jaw. He has been badly

crippled with arthritis, which he feels is aggravated by the wet climate.

Henry's brother **Allan '39** also passed away — January 2, as noted earlier.

He passes along a special thank you and a big hello to **Lloyd Proctor '41** of Mervin for keeping him in touch.

## '85 REUNION

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Saskatoon working for Cyanamid. Paul Bollock is finishing a masters degree and is heading to Australia in pursuit of a Ph.D. Sharon (Korsak) Bonertz moved back to Saskatoon, and is working at the U of S with Jill Turner, who is completing a M.Sc. degree. Pam McDougall is fending off the wild animals at the Calgary Zoo. Heather (Bush) Adie is raising a family in Regina. Rod Delahey is selling chemicals and still

planning ski trips in Saskatoon. Bryan Doig is Ag. Rep. in Watrous. Kevin Hursh is busy being a new dad, and reporting the news for CFQC. Larry Balion is Chemagro rep. in Saskatoon. Brian Perkins is wrestling steers just outside of Saskatoon. Larry Hayes lives somewhere in Regina (seems to be keeping his address a secret). Patty Townsend is busy trying to fill Glen Hass' '60 shoes at the U of S. Karen Caswell is employed at NRC in Saskatoon. David Thompson works for the government in North Battleford. Jackie Denis is a new mom at Domremy. (Ye olde ed's hometown).

PRAIRIE SUNSETS



E. R. "Ed" Blakley '49 turned in his egg candling machine on November 23 after 30 years' with the feds as poultry research scientist - first at Swift Current for a coon's age, then with the National Research Council at Saskatoon.

They used to call it the Prairie Regional Laboratory, but now it's the Plant Biotechnology Institute. Funny how everybody keeps changing their monikers. Somebody must sit up nights with a Webster's in one hand and a TRS80 in the other, just dreaming up these things.

Ed came outa that Loveridge country way back in the Thirsty Thirties. Probably he stormed the Zuider Zee single-handedly before he was transported to Dean Kirk's home for delinquent farm boys in 1945. Anyway, he hung around until 1949 when the whole First Div. got their sheepskins. He hadda stay behind because of shortage of kit until 1950, when he got his M.Sc. in egg candling. He then went to Swift Current for a spell, then on to the University of Minnesota for language training in Swedish and left there in 1954 with his Ph.D. in turkeys, to return to Swift Current. He left there for Saskatoon when the Bronze Toms topped 50 lbs. at puberty - now they're at 90 lbs.

As to retirement plans, Ed's future is unplanned — so he thinks. Enjoy it!

Warren Edgar Benedict '39? 40? put in 28 years in the co-op movement, and now Kay is trying to get him to co-operate a little at home - in Nanaimo, B.C. She's put up with him for 43 years as of the past November. Wonder where he spent the rest of the 44

He was drug up in the Madison country out Kindersley way. He got his diploma in agriculture in 1939 he says, but the S.A.G.A. history says he got it in 1940. How the hell did he ever remember that their wedding anniversary is in November? Kay buys him nothing but black socks for birthdays and Xmas, so he'll have the same color on both

Spends his time reading, travelling to see the family, the grandtads and old cronies. Watches all the T.V. sports, plays cards and trivial pursuits of all sorts.

W. Brian Burke '50 has finally parked his derrick in Edmonton. He parted company with Gulf Oil after 33 years in their production and drilling operations.

Brian got his BSA in 1950, but had picked up a B.A. the year before, so he didn't just slide into his sheepskin - for some of us the B.Sc. degree was sort of a parole.

He and Marion will be spending their winters in Edmonton, plus travelling. They're really Emma Lake residents - May to



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September. Brian will have spent 51 summers there. That's gotta be a record. I can remember being there once in 1931 or 1932 and once in 1942.

Marion has a job jar that's been building for 28 years. They've had seven children so there's gotta be a regiment of grandkids to spoil.

Jack Quick '52 of Unity fell victim to the early retirement program from the Lands Branch, Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture, on September 30, 1984. He was shot down along with six other "0l' Turkey" Agrologists at a tea held in their honor on September 27, 1984. The other six victims were Cal Cibart '55 (Alta.), Homer Fredrickson '49 (Man.), John Lasuita '49, Chet Piercy '48 Lloyd Gamble '52, Tony Bulani '49.

Jack presented his parents with the nicest Christmas gift of all when he was born on that day in 1927, at Senlac in the picturesque rolling parklands west of Unity. They were a close family and he never wandered too far away from home, always by-passing the big cities, if possible, with their "damn traffic lights" and "parking meters".

Jack has almost always lived up to his name - he was "quick" with ad lib remarks, making a decision, eyeballing any quarter section, etc. But he wasn't fast enough in 1957 when a young lady by the name of Eileen Scott entered his As-sessment Zone, and put an end to his single status. The result: four lovely offspring (Quick is the name) - Judy, David, Joan, Shirley; all achieving university level, but unfortunately "not one Agro"

Although Jack stayed close to home, he had a varied thirty-one-year career, which included fifteen years with the Municipal Assessment Branch and ten years with the Saskatchewan Land Bank Commission, from its inception to its demise. Jack was instrumental in developing the Land Bank's appraisal methods.

Jack takes great interest in current and historical events and may very well become an ultimate authority in his retirement. He is looking forward to making more use of his cottage at Jackfish Lake (not named after

Jack retires as a highly qualified Appraiser of farm real estate, and although his pace will be more leisurely, he is not ready to lie down, but plans to keep active on a part-time basis in the appraisal or assessment field. (Employers take note).

Good luck Jack, we all wish you well in the years ahead.

Tony Bulani '49

## GRANT DEVINE '67 continued from page 1

Year	Life Membership Fee	
1947	\$20	
1957	\$30	
1970	\$20-\$50 (see below)	
1979	\$30-\$50 (see below)	
1982	\$60 (\$50 if over 10 years since graduation)	
1985	\$80 (\$70 if over 10 years since graduation)	

Years Since Graduation 0 · 5	<b>1970</b> \$50	1979 \$50
6 - 10	\$35	\$45
11 - 15	\$30	\$40
16 - 20	\$25	\$35
20+	\$20	\$30

For example, an old stager like ye olde ed, who was paroled in 1948, it would cost me \$70 if I bought a life membership today. I paid only \$20 long ago, so by paying another \$50 now I'd be up with the young sprouts.

Remember, this is strictly voluntary. A life membership is a **life membership**, it's not revocable. So give what you feel you can afford. For some older grads who retired

some years ago, and are struggling to get by on a fixed pension, \$50 might be quite a strain. For others who own a fur-lined guzzunda, the grandkids will just squander it anyway and ruin their health in the process.

We need help. Do what you feel you can. We're not about to publish a gift list.

Lin Boyes '48

## THE CLASS OF '25



Ag. grads. jes' keep on harrowin', truckin', an' swathin'.

Lt. to rt.: Lindsay Blair '25C, scion of three generations of Agros, Mrs. Blair, Dr. Leo Kristjansson, President, U of S, soon to be scion of three generations, Mrs. Wohlberg, Geron Wohlberg '25S.

# THE NEW HATCH



**Kendra Denise Niva** arrived nearly a whole month early on July 8, 1984 at Airdrie, Alberta, at 5 lbs. 9 oz. Cyanamide has undertaken to keep her in rations. **Lynn** and **Darold '78** share responsibility for care and feeding. (Sorry, this one kinda got lost in the editor's moving ceremonies).

A daughter has arrived at Rosetown on December 2. She shall remain forever nameless, but the parents are reputed to be **Susan** and **Donald McKinley '73** of Biggar.

Some kid name of **Ashley**, arrived at the University Hospital on December 7. **Christopher** claimed her so she's gone to live with **Terry '73** and **Darlene Hogg.** Reluctant grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. John Hogg of Gainsborough and Mrs. Stella Trofanenko of Yorkton.

Derek Cameron arrived on December 27 to make a granddad outa Jack Rennie '49. Ken '79 and Kathy '77 Little are uncle and aunt. The parents? Seemingly, Cam '79 and Sheila Rennie — that's

subject to confirmation, of course.

The crop was good at Outlook on December 4. **Berit Tekla** weighed in at 8 lbs. 11½ oz. A girl, if you hadn't guessed. Unbearably proud are **Maureen** and **Garth'78 Weiterman**. Their first. Good seed? or the exception tests the rule?

It runs in the family — weight that is. **Wendy Osiowy** arrived in Saskatoon on January 27. Ugh! 9 lbs. 4 oz. Curtis still isn't sure he needed a sister. **Faye '79** and **Dave** have assumed responsibility. They celebrated by buying a membership after **Richard Bellamy '66** shamed them into it.

Who sez Avadex kills wild oats? **Andrew Albert Vancha** is now a brother to Linda and Jordon as of February 4, all 9 lbs. 12 oz. Admitting parenthood are **Kathy** and **Jim Vancha** of Weyburn — Monsanto, of course.

The heavy ones sunk to the bottom of the page.

# THE RELUCTANT SHOTGUN

Not one wedding all winter. Maybe the snow was too deep.

Way back last summer **Norma Lee Petty** of Unity got the drop on **John Huffman '84** of Zealandia — July 15 in
Saskatoon. The bride wore a formal white
gown with matching side arms.

Since they didn't dare live in Unity or Zealandia, they moved to Swift Current — Mr. and Mrs. Pat Petty and Mr. and Mrs. Ian Huffman insisted.

Other than that, it's total abstinence or simply unacknowledged co-habitation. June should be a good month in the rice paddy





