

PROGRESS IN IMPROVING CANOLA



In Canada, breeding rapeseed with improved oil and meal quality has always had a high priority. The development of double low (canola quality) varieties was a must for the successful establishment of canola as the major Canadian oilseed on the Canadian Prairies. The elimination of erucic acid from the seed oil was the first step in oil quality improvement. To further improve oil quality, the level of linoleic acid needs to be increased since it's essential in human diets, and the level of the easily oxidized linolenic acid is reduced. Progress towards these goals has been achieved in *B. napus* by several researchers throughout the world. The world's first low linolenic acid canola quality summer rape variety **Stellar**, developed by **Dr. Baldur Stefansson** at the Plant Science Department of the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, has recently been registered after three years of co-operative trials.

Breeding work towards the development of high linoleic-low linolenic acid *B. napus* was started at the Agriculture Canada research station in Saskatoon in 1974. The resulting breeding lines were evaluated for seed yield and maturity, for oil content, and linoleic-linolenic acid content in field tests at Saskatoon in 1983 to 1985. Seed yield of the five best lines selected was 20 to 25% lower than for Westar, while maturity was equal. The seed oil content of the candidate lines was approximately 3% lower than Westar. On the average, these lines had 8% higher linoleic acid and 2% lower linolenic acid content than Westar. The high linoleic acid content is satisfactory but linolenic acid levels are still too high. The objective is to lower linolenic acid content in canola to less than 3%, which is the level found in Stellar.

The low yield and oil content of current lines will prevent their being licensed as varieties. The high linoleic-low linolenic acid lines were crossed and backcrossed to Westar in an attempt to increase yield and oil content. Nine hundred plants, derived from segregating generations of this backcross, were grown in a replicated plant row nursery at Saskatoon in 1987. Rows were assessed for agronomic performance and the seed analyzed for oil content and linoleic-linolenic acid content. Superior selections will be tested further in coming years.

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THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Fellow Ag. grads:

As I belately take pen in hand to write this note, the first thought of the past summer has been the lack of rain fall... a subject that the media has beaten to death.

The only thing that may be of good from the experience of the past six months will be the possibility of finances being made available for intensive research into more efficient water use and soil conservation. These are two areas of concern that most of us will agree warrant greater funding of research, and that it be done post-haste.

The main effort of the S.A.G.A. executive of late has been directed toward ways of increasing membership. With only about 1900 out of a possible 5000 grads as members, we have a lot of summer fallow to seed.



There is an even greater percentage of summer fallow among the recent grads. Those of the past ten years or less make up only a small part of our membership. We solicit your suggestions as to how to remedy this situation, and ask that you speak to ag. grads that you know that aren't members about the benefits of S.A.G.A. membership.

Yours fraternally.

Frank Dunlop '63C
President, S.A.G.A.

FARM WEEK — January 9 to 14/89 the usual time. Move to a later period is postponed indefinitely



THE POOPED DECK

Mitchell Rudolph '41C is so retired that he spends his winters in Mesa, Arizona and lets his two sons fight the drought and hoppers at Speedy Crick. He says the average annual rainfall in the desert -- Arizona, that is, is 8½ inches. That's about 10 times what they had at old Speedy in the last 10 months since August 1, 1987

Mitchell still gets in a few licks at harvest time -- mainly go-fering.

Wilson Donavon Johnston '49C is retired in Kerrobert after 26 years of pedagogy. After getting his B.S.A., he went on to his B.Ed. in 1950. He taught school at Milden for a couple of years before moving to Kerrobert where he taught for another 24 years, man and superman, and retired in 1976, completely exhausted.

Being an aggressive type, Wilson was active in the Army Cadets Corps at Kerrobert where he was an officer for 16 years and was awarded the Long Service Medal, to go along with the one he won during the war for cheerfulness in the mess and for always going on leave on time. In 1967 he was awarded the Centennial Medal for reasons evident to everyone in Kerrobert except him.

Owing to an affinity for smokey backrooms, local politics also commanded Wilson's attention. He served as town councillor for seven years before retirement, and for eight years afterward as mayor. He retired from Council to devote more time to important things -- golf and the Great Highland Bagpipes.

He piped for several years with the Kindersley Pipes & Drums along with the late **Vic Rea '48C**. The band faded as its members moved away, so Wilson joined the North Battleford Legion Pipes and Drums in 1986, but fate struck him down in April of last year. He is slowly recovering from a stroke and is trying to get back into piping and golf.

He and the wife visited Scotland in 1969 and again in 1983. They've done a bit of other travelling to such exotic places as Hawaii, Florida, California, Ontario, the Maritimes and Alsask.

Good luck on the chanter and the pitching wedge, we're sure you'll make it. I have a golfing partner who's recovering from a stroke. If he had a stroke that affected his good side, I might be able to beat him once in a while.

Don Forsberg '49C is acting manager of Manitoba Crop Insurance. He's been assistant general poobah and director of the field division for some years.

The only way to get to be general manager is to run for office in senior government and lose your deposit. They're looking for a drug addict with AIDS at the moment. If Don retires they'll have to hire him back at double his salary so they can tell the new general manager what to do, and to write his speeches for him. Don could get to be a really rich man.

Herb Clark '45C was installed as District Governor of district 555 at the Rotary International Convention in Philadelphia in May. District 555 includes more territory that Myron Baloney will after the next election -- Western Ontario, Manitoba and the east half of Saskatchewan, including Regina, Saskatoon and P.A. -- 48 clubs and 2400 big wheels -- Rotarians, that is.

Walter Mysak '39C was last seen gracing the Ukrainian Orthodox Church float in the Yorkton Exhibition parade in early July. He was depicting Prince Stanislas, acting assistant founder of the faith in the Ukraine 1,000 years ago. That should scotch any rumors that Walter is Jewish

Since business has been slack in farm sales, **Orest Mysak '48C** has been running a pool on the date of the next federal election, with side bets on which of the eight temporary acting assistant ag. reps. get to keep their jobs.

Ralph Stutt '33C and his wife were on a trip via container ship this spring -- Los Angeles to New Zealand, Honolulu, Tacoma -- 15,000 miles.

An all British crew and the food was tremenjous.

They missed seeing **Bob Thaine '51C** at Palmerston, since he'd had a massive heart attack prior to their arrival in June.

The Stutt's will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on September 27 in Regina with their daughter **Grace** and son **Earl**, and their families. Grace's husband **Malcom Wake** is director of the R.C.M.P. Museum. Earl has a really photograph company in Ottawa. The late **Hadley VanVliet '34C** was a member of the original wedding party.

Archie Campbell '35C reports his sweet corn crop is a bust -- 15% germination. His spuds are fine, as are his raspberries and asparagus -- trickle irrigation did it. He reports that **Clarence Elliot '35C** is still just a-runnin' -- director of several companies.

Howard '35C and **Audrey McDonald** were also in Saskatoon this summer, and ate up most of Archie's corn. Clarence helped too.

Mike Oxman '45C did well in the Legion golf until he hit the sand greens at Wadena. **Pete Petersen '52C** is easing into golf -- a little at Madge Lake and a little at Yorkton. His alfalfa wasn't up to a second cut -- couldn't stand the 'greenhouse effect' this summer.

Hobart Peters '45C sent in a \$50 update on his life membership from Nepean, Ontario. Guess he must be still alive. Hobart spent a good few years on CIDA projects since retiring from Agriculture Canada.

Al Mhyr '49C is retired as a prof in the dairy department at Guelph. He spends a lot of his time barber shopping. He and **Lillian** do quite a spot of travelling to barbershop 'do's' in Canada, the

U.S. of A and even in Maggie Thatcher's country.

Chris '48 and **Jean Holm** visited with them about a year ago and sang a lot of songs that would be banned in polite company. Al is quite a musician in his own right and can play anything from a cream spout to a butter churn.

Chris and **Jean** have a daughter **Myrene** and family in Abbotsford and daughter **Marjorie** and family in Kelowna. They're close enough to Penticton to spoil their grandchildren, but far enough away that they can rest up between invasions. They now have **ten** grandtads.

Their son **Clifford** recently passed his bar exams (law, not schnapps) and is practicing with **Donlevy & Co.** in Regina

The **Holms** visited with **Art '42C** and **Winnie Edwards** last winter at Collingwood, Ontario.

Art retired from soils work in New England about two years ago. He suffered a severe heart attack while attending a convention in Minneapolis and has undergone by-pass surgery. He's apparently recuperating well but still needs a cane to get around.

Chet '48C and **Millie Piercy** were on a trip with their posh motorhome and dropped in on the **Holms** at Penticton this summer. So that's where **Millie's** mad money went -- it was either that or a cabin cruiser, so she chose.

Glen Flaten '56C is working for the National Farm Products Marketing Council. If **Shirley** is still with him, she lives in Gloucester, Ontario. #1609 Atrium 1, 2760 Carousel Crescent.

Glen was recently elected president of IFAP for a second two-year term in Adelaide, Australia. He visited 26 countries last year and expects to visit about 22 this year. **Shirley** say he hardly smells like a pig farmer anymore.

Lloyd Proctor '41C is very much alive at Mervin, despite Principal Trust, the American grain export policy, weed spray prices, Peter Pocklington and bank charges. **Lloyd** and **Nellie** celebrated their 40th with a 26-day coach tour of the Yukon and Alaska. They had enough money left to update **Lloyd's** S.A.G.A. life membership. Thanks, **Lloyd**.

Pete McLaren '54C is unemployed again. The **Metis** farm at **Lebret** made so much money they traded **Pete** back to P.A. come Sept. 1. He would have been a free agent at Xmas anyway. He took bridge lessons from **Tom Drever '39C** all winter. **Tom** won a quarter-section off him at poker so **Pete** opted for Bridge.

Laurie Evans '54C, professor of plant science of the University of Manitoba, got himself elected as an MLA in Manitoba last April. He's not sure which party he's with -- Liberals?

Ross Ashford '59 MSc. '67 PhD., former U. of S.'s weed psychologist is rolling his own at **Clearbrooke, B.C.**

George Kerr '54C, Yorkton, manager of agricultural employment services, is reputed to be the penniless owner of the longest '88 98 Olds to come off the Oakville line.



TWILIGHTS BEAM



Art Wenhardt '44C of Saskatoon, passed away on May 8 after a brave battle with cancer, at 71 years.

Art was born on February 8, 1917 on the family farm at Markinch. He took his early education there, and later at Central Collegiate in Regina, followed by first-year university at Luther College. He entered the college of Agriculture in 1939 and graduated in 1944. He played for the U of S Huskies football team throughout those years.

Being awarded the Tommy Fraser Memorial Trophy in 1944 was, in his eyes, the greatest honor ever accorded him.

Following graduation he enlisted in the Canadian army and was posted to officer training at Petawawa, only to be invalided out for medical reasons after three months.

In May 1945 he became a research scientist at the Agriculture Canada research station at Swift current where he remained for 18 years. He was officer-in-charge of the field husbandry division there, when in 1962 he was offered the position of field superintendent of the then field husbandry at the University of Saskatchewan, from which position he retired in July 1983.

The beginning of his employment at the University coincided with the re-naming of the department to that of 'Crop Science'. His new job included revamping the field equipment and operations, which were quite archaic. His knowledge of sophisticated field plot equipment, combined with his tact in presenting new ideas to administrative officials, enabled the establishment of the most modern and sophisticated crop science research facility in Canada. With the acquiring of the Goodale Farm at Floral, he was made manager of that facility in addition to his other duties. He directed the development of a run-down farm into a research facility, which now serves several University departments.

Art's fondest and proudest memory, of 21 years that he worked at the university, was of the part he played in negotiations which led to the establishment of the Kernen Crop research Farm in 1977. This magnificent gift to the university in memory of **Fred Kernen's '39C** parents, is also a tribute to the vision and character of Art Wenhardt.

Art also taught classes in pedigreed seed production to School of Agriculture students, supervised the extension activities of the crop science and plant ecology department, and maintained close liaison with the Sask. branch of C.S.G.A.. He was also an accomplished extension worker.

Art was active in S.I.A. affairs as a councillor 1965-67, and in S.A.G.A. as a registrar 1965-72.

He was a charter member of S.I.A. and of the Canadian Society of Agricultural Engineering. He was also active in his church and in scouting. He

was an Honorary Life Member of C.S.G.A..

Art's wife **Jean Oddie, BSc (H.Sc)** was formerly Director of the Nutrition Division of Sask. Health. They raised three children: **Lorna B.A. '77, Wesley BSA (Alta) '80 and Murry B.A. '81 & Comm. '82.**

Many ag. grads will remember Art with fondness and respect.

Funeral services were held on May 12 from Redeemer Lutheran Church, Saskatoon.

Memorial donations may be made to the Wenhardt Memorial Bursary Fund c/o University Development Office, Room 225 Kirk Hall, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, S7N 0W0. The income from the fund will be used in support of needy students in the School of Agriculture.

Margaret Kathleen Elizabeth Blake, wife of **Roy '34C**, passed away in Victoria, B.C. on July 20.

Born in Scotland on January 28, 1906, she came to Canada in 1928. She lived in Saskatoon until 1946 and in Victoria since 1971.

In her early life she worked in the McGowan's and Hudson Bay stores in Saskatoon. Her husband **Roy** was employed by the Canadian Foreign Trade Service for several years, and they lived in several countries.

In addition to her husband **Roy** she leaves sons, **Roger (Leona)** and **Ian (Elizabeth)**, five grandchildren, and relatives in Scotland.

A memorial service was held in First Memorial Chapel on July 23 with Rev. Campbell Smith officiating. Cremation.

John Storie Ewan, father of **Ken '57C**, passed away at City Hospital in Saskatoon on June 18 at 85 years.

He was born and raised at Frobisher and attended school at Munro and Frobisher schools, before going to work on the farm at an early age. He operated steam engines and threshers in his youth, and attended a course on engines, threshers and combines at the University in 1926.

He started farming on his own in 1928 and married **Edythe Emmerson** of Alameda in 1930. They moved to their own farm at Alameda in 1935, where they remained until 1965.

John broke many draft horses for neighbors during the 'Thirties', in order to supplement the family income, and operated threshing outfits for 50 years, until combines took over in the late 'Forties.

John was chairman of the R.M. of Moose Creek Agricultural Committee for 18 years, during which time he never missed a meeting, and was also weed inspector for many years. He was a life member of the Alameda Agricultural Society, and a supporter of 4-H clubs and the Aberdeen Angus Association.

After leaving the farm he was a night watchman at the Co-op store, the Dairy Pool and the YWCA - all in Saskatoon.

Surviving are his wife **Edythe** of Saskatoon, son **Ken (Joan)** of Brampton, daughter **Linda (Allan) MacLeod** of Saskatoon, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the chapel of

Saskatoon Funeral Home, conducted by the Rev. Dale Morrison. Interment followed in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Donations may be made to the Canadian Diabetic Association, 305-219 22nd Street East, Saskatoon or Saskatoon City Hospital Foundation, 701 Owen Street, Saskatoon. S7K 0M7.

William (Bill) Alfred Ewert '43C MSc '45, passed away on June 5 in Saskatoon City Hospital at 72 years.

Bill was born and raised at Drake, and graduated with his B.S.A. and M.Sc degrees in agricultural economics. He was a dedicated member of the Department of Municipal Affairs for 34 years, retiring as Director of Industrial Assessments in 1980. He also served on the Sask. Assessment Appeal Board for six years following retirement. He was awarded **Honorary Life Membership** of S.A.G.A. in 1977 for his contributions to agriculture, particularly to municipal assessment. He was a member of the Nutana Park Mennonite Church in Saskatoon from its inception.

He and his wife, the former **Louise Epp**, were married at Rosthern in December 1944, and raised three children: **Geryl, John and Glenis**, who survived him, as do ten grandchildren. Also surviving are brothers **Don (Gladys)**, Georgia, U.S.A.; **Elmer (Agnes)** and **Menno (Lottie)** of Drake; **Ed (Ethna)**, of Ontario; **Wes (Gene)**, California; **Milton (Margaret)** and **Orin (Tina)** of Drake; **Mel (Irene)**, Calgary; sisters **Ruth Hamm, Edith Boschman** and **Edna (Rudy) Penner** all of Saskatoon, sister-in-law **Thelma Ewert** in Ontario and bothers-in-law **Ed (Shirley) Epp**, Fort Qu'Appell, and **Peter (Katherine) Hooge**, Rosthern.

Funeral services were held on June 8 from Nutana Park Mennonite Church conducted by Pastor Vernon Ratzlaff and Pastor Verner Friesen.

Pallbearers were his nephews **Jim Ewert '65C, Bill Ewert B.E., Ed Ewert, Ted Ewert, Ed Hamm** and **James Boschman**. Interment at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Saskatoon.

Emma Amanda Kristjanson, wife of **Jonas (Kris) '47C**, passed away on May 29 at Regina General Hospital, following a lengthy illness, at 72 years.

Emma was born and raised at Bulyea to the late **Peter and Laura Anderson**. She worked as a stenographer in Regina prior to her marriage to **Jonas** in 1949.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by daughter **Joan (Bob) Urschel** and granddaughters **Kristine** and **Alison**, all of Sherwood Park, Alberta; sisters **Olena Anderson** of Regina; **Laura (Graham) Casselman**, Ottawa; **Elen (Leonard) Oberg**, Earl Grey; and brother **Andrew** of Regina.

Emma was a member of Regina Lioness Club, Empire Rebecca Lodge, the Scandinavian club and Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

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ROOTS

Maurice Tenkink Jr. '79C is a marketing type for May & Baker -- soon to be Rhone-Poolean Canada Inc., outa Saskatoon, with visits to Regina two or three days per week. May & Baker we could pronounce, Roan-Poolean -- Poulan, Ed.

Mike Wurzer '85C is doing the same thing at Melfort -- whatever that is, with visits to Naicam.

Sid Krause '80C has moved from Yorkton to Saskatoon and took on a mortgage at pre-free trade rates.

Then there's the **Flatens: Gary '82S** is moving from the Battlefords to Saskatoon where his wife **Toni B.SN '86** is a public health nurse.

Brent '80C has been in Manitoba with R-P since May '87. He's expecting a baby this fall. We don't know who with.

Tom Scott '86C is research analyst with Can-Sask. Crop Insurance. He's waiting anxiously for a life membership in S.A.G.A. -- a graduation present from father-in-law **Russ Zalinko '57C**.

Did you get an N.S.F. cheque, **Richard '66C**? **Blair Harris '86C** is also a research analyst at crop insurance at Yorkton. He also farms at Yorkton and is building a new addition to the family -- a bouncing mortgage.

And here we thought **Grant '67C** had moved whole business to Melville.

Joe Kuhar '82S is Royal Bank manager at or should we say he's a wandering money lender -- Yorkton in '82, Esterhazy '83, Kindersley '84-84 and '85 to '88 at Young. Also has an interest in beef cattle at Punnichy.

Bob Kuhar '79s is doing all the work on the farm at Punnichy and does brand inspecting on the side. Great way to build up a herd don't you think?

Clarence Fahman '77C has moved from Richardson to Regina, or is it vice versa? Yup! That's it -- vice versa.

Doug Higgins '85C is now an FCC lending officer in Regina -- from Speedy Crick. All that new money, John Wise has found is what did it, I betcha he's at 248 McKee Crescent, Regina. S3S 5N8.

Marilyn (Peterson) Winsley '79C of Wiseton is looking forward to the 10-year class reunion.

Murray Flaten '83C and **Sharon BSH.Ec. '84** moved to Surrey with wee Eric. The Royal Bank and Wilhelm Vander Slam.

The ag.reps. and other extension types are so confused about the whole re-organization process they ain't talkin' to nobuddy bowt nuthin. They dried up along with the crops, wells and dugouts. Three of them have come down with botulism in the past week. They hope the bag limit has dropped on the servile service as well as on other water fowl.

AG-GRAD HOCKEY TOURNAMENT PLANNED



Be ye aware, that a motion was passed at the '88 Annual Meeting to include a hockey tournament at the '89 Reunion. Although not confirmed at this time, it appears that we will have ice available to us from the City of Saskatoon.

We hope that the tournament will attract 8 teams of Agros and Voc-Ags (graduates and present students). We are setting a maximum of 1 team from the College and 1 team from the School of Agriculture. We hope the other 6 teams are Ag Grads (College and School).

Presently Regina, Saskatoon, Yorkton and even Indian Head have Ag-Grad hockey teams, and we expect these, as well as teams from other Regional Centres such as Swift Current, North Battleford, Melfort, Kindersley, Weyburn and Tway to be putting the troops together for the **1st Annual S.A.G.A. Hockey Tournament** in January, 1989.

The Tournament will begin Friday evening and wrap-up on Sunday morning, and will be a double-knockout event. Each team's roster must include at least **75% Ag Grads**.

So start planning now and look for more specific details in the next issue of the S.A.G.A. newsletter.

Brent Kennedy '76C - Convenor

Paul Shukin '63C is acting regional ayatollah for the central region -- Markinch to Alsask and all in between -- is enjoying his new role so much he no doubt hopes he doesn't have to revert to a lowly ag.rep., or whatever they might choose to call them after the re-organization settles down.

Jim Holm '67C has a new ag. rep.-in-waiting to train at Saskatoon -- **Leroy Bader '71C**. Wonder if he'll last longer than the last temporary ag. rep.

Larry Gramiak '73C, blowdirt and chaff specialist from Saskatoon, went into hiding for a couple weeks of R & R in July -- Waskesieu, Jasper, Banff?

Marilyn Ruszkowski '77C incumbent ag. rep. at Davidson, hosted 12 visiting Aussies on a dust and dirt tour in July.

G' day, mite, let's 'ave a Fosters.

Marilyn has survived 10 years of drought, grasshoppers, a farmer depression, farm politics and regional Ayatollahs with Sask. Agriculture as of May '88.

Keith LaPoudre '76C, provincial ombudsman for beef cattle, returned to Davidson, scene of former ag. rep. crimes, to share a tour of the outback around Davidson with the Aussies. It was the Fosters that brung'im.

Dean Dyck '82C, the Mike Wilson of the West Central desert strip, outa Rosetown, is planning bigger and better Farming to Win projects for '89, along with **Len Pigott '76C**, regional kine and swine boss at Kindersley. They're reputed to have found a cure for drought and free trade.

Karl Beaulieu '85C is hoping to change the temporary ag. rep. position at Biggar to permanent. His old man, **Vic '49C**, survived a whole war on

temporary rank -- from AC2 to F/O. Karl isn't sure about the single or married bit yet. He's looking for a rich Biggar farmer with single daughters, who doesn't intend to farm until its all gone -- the money, not the daughters.

Barry Rapp '83C and **John Ippolito '78C**, resident farm source specialists (ag. reps.?) at Kindersley and Rosetown are teaching their farm clients how to golf. That heavy clay has so many big cracks in it that you can get a hole-in-one right on the tee box. They don't use Ultras or Pinnacles -- only range balls -- they're much cheaper.

Dave Struthers '84C is conservation agrominist for them Herkst projects at Yorkton.

Kent Fruson '82 DVM '86, has opened a general vet. practice at Medicine Hat.

Harley Olsen '72C is the brave new provincial deputy minister of science and technology.

Steve Dyck '71S is a cereal and oilseed technician at Scott Experimental farm -- Ag. Canada, that is.

Richard Brecht '67C is into the construction business at Barrhead, Alberta -- he owns all the saws and hammers.

Rory Bogner '79S has decided to go back to school after spending the past few years in the soil testing lab. He's taking an industrial instrumentation course in Calgary.

Harvey Petracek '86C is temporary ag. rep. at Lloydminster, as of June. **Raelene '86C** is still working at animal and poultry at the U. of S.

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Marc Hannotte '87S, farming at Hoey, leaves in November for Denmark for 6½ months on an IAEA exchange.

Monique Hannotte '88C is dodging missiles and bombs in the Cold Lake-Meadow Lake area as land appraiser.

Judy Wooff '81C moved from North Battleford to be a sales rep. for United Ag. Products for Northern Alberta and travels out of Edmonton. Sez she finds it a bit more exciting than North Battleford but doesn't say who he is. She plans on being at the grad reunion in January.

Tom '70C and Janet Brown are raising a few kids, a few cattle and farming a few acres at Turtleford. Tom also plays a little ball, a little golf and a little hockey. They also have a little mortgage with hardly any interest. They finally were able to raise the money they needed to fix the fence after niece, **Juanita '83C** tried to put the harrows through it.

Phyllis Olynyk '79C, Canora is back at work with SIAP, about two-thirds time, trying to coax the natives into growing about two-thirds of their vegies -- she's lowered her sights a bit.

Dick Roney '68C, Turtleford, is still trying to raise the grade average of Sask. hogs. We are sorry to learn that **Dick and Marilyn's** son **Scott**, passed away last October of muscular dystrophy at 15 years. They have two daughters, **Pam 18 and Anita 12**.

Stuart MacNab '83C was hired on as a credit advisor with FCC in Saskatoon this Spring. He knew they were gonna get more money outa Mike Wilson. He did a real super job of being MC at his sister **Cindy's B.Ed '83** wedding in August.

Dave Struthers '84C is hanging in at Yorkton trying to persuade farmers to save their soil. He'll leave saving their souls to others.

Janet Nameth '86C is trying to bulldoze farmers into using Sandoz products in the Yorkton area and tributaries.

Blair Harris '86C has sent **Terry (Skelton) '86C** out to work to help build that new house on the farm at Yorkton -- she's the Pamela Wallin for East Central Sask -- STN ag. reporter that is.

Sharon Busis '81C is still plunking for BASF at Yorkton -- its gotta rain sometime and the Yanks will go broke peddling wheat -- then watch her dust.

Kelly Bennett '82C is East Central's newest male T.V. star on the real estate ads. He admits he ain't as pretty as Terry Harris, but then who is? Already over 100 people have tried to get their houses back.

Clark Anderson '71C, Theodore, shaved off his chin fuzz to become chairman of District 12 Agricultural Extension Board.

Val Matscke-Muller '77C and Gaylord are raising Kyle and Heather on Simmentals and Arabians. Val ag. reps. on the side. She was seen at the little Royal Red at Turtleford on her favorite steed -- complete with burnoose, kaftan and sandals -- on her, not the horse.

Allan Polegi '79S warmed up to harvest in a summer hockey tournament in Yorkton on August 6-7. Now he's been offside on the swather ever since. **Juanita '83C** feeds him microwave

meals and keeps right on ag. reping at Yorkton.

Wally Hoehn '83C has taken to wearing his U of S Senate robes while collecting back rents on crown lands at Wynyard, and **Becky (Zenert) '84C** passes out the gen for SWP, products development division farm at Watrous, while daughter Alissa, 17 months, holds down the fork at Drake and keeps Grandma busy.

Greg Fedusiak '81C DVM, moved his trocar and cannula from Watrous to Foam Lake -- when the pastures dried up.

Barb Fowler '83C speculates on land at Manitou Beach and is a technician at the Sask. Pool research farm at Watrous.

Doona Deutsch '83C is with SWP extension and community relations.

The **DeGooijers**, another couple of '83C types are holed up in Saskatoon. Joanne is prodding piggies at the swine development centre, while **Henry** tries to keep his fingernails manicured in the soil science department.

Arlene Hauser '83C was holding back all through her BSA program. She completed B.Ed. program at the University of Lethbridge with Great Distinction, and was awarded the **faculty gold medal** for academic achievement. How about that, you guys? She's now teaching at LaGrace, Alberta.

Richard Benko '73S, played with the Jeddburgh Jets in the annual Yorkton J.J.'s hockey tournament in August, involving some twelve teams of guys who oughta have known better. Anyway, **Melita** minded the farm while he was away and is now nursing him back to health.

Rick '75C and Bonnie B.S.N. Blenner-Hasset deny that either one of them is pregnant. We're sure that that's true of Bonnie, but we're not sure about Rick. When FCC ran out of money to loan last year, Rick was traded to Sask. Agriculture Credit Corporation. John Wise pulled a 'Pocklington' on him.

Pat Callin '69C is still hanging in there as a special for FCC at Yorkton. Negotiations for a new contract are underway we understand. Pat is reputed to fight FCC fires by throwing gas on them.

Allan Namath and Janet Campbell, both of '86C vintage are running a pool to see who can give away the most of that new money John Wise found after the Bouchard election and the building of the new wilderness penitentiary in Quebec.

LaVerne Bissky '87C, the newest FCC C.A. at Yorkton, flusters the new loan applicants so badly they forget what they wanted their loans for.

John Boyle '84C C.A. at Wynyard, is back from a three-week swinging singles tour of England and Ireland. Found a whole passel of kissin' cousins in Ireland.

Kelly Bennett '83C hosted a stag party for **Gerald Berscheid '84C**, the new C.A. at Wynyard, laced with Elanco products. Few of the guests remember very much about it, so we're short on details. Any desire on the part of the guests to sow any wild oats was thoroughly dampened for at least a week.

A bit of old news, that the Yorkton Barley Burners hockey team are still bursting to tell about, is their winning of the Agro Provincial Hockey Tournament at Balgonie last spring.

The Regina Agros were the hosts for the event which included a pizza banquet. Teams competing were from Yorkton, Saskatoon, Regina and the

Weyburn-Estevan Dam Busters. They had planned on a picture for the spring issue of 'The Saga' but all they got was negatives.

The 9th annual Agro Poker Derby was held at Regina on July 23. Among the found-ins were **Rick '75C and Bonnie Blenner-Hasset** Yorkton. **Don '75C and Bev Wasylynchuk** of 'the bank', Regina; **Dave Anderson '70C** and ?, Bulyea part-time farmer and part-time Farm Debt Review Board; **Doug '75C and Marilyn Leask** of SWP, Regina; **Tim '75C and Donna Howden** who farm at Edgeley; **Eric Gustafson '79C and Diane Belisle '79C** who co-habitate (legally) at Regina, and toil for SWP and Sask. ag. field crops at Regina; **Brent '76C and Joanne Kennedy** who farm and peddle Hersk outa Balgonie. There were others in attendance on an incognito basis.

CO - HABITATIONS



Synde Skjerven of Kandahar, a good Icelander, took onto herself **Wayne Flaten** a Norsk, and will farm forever after at Regina -- pigs, broilers, lutefisk and lefsa, along with some venatarta and rulapilsa for festive occasions. It all happened at Kandahar in Arnes Church on September 2.

Schnapps and beer were served in the machine shed at Regina following the ceremony.

Jane Kirkland '86 M.Sc., a wee lass from Scotland, extracted a promise, to revere her forever after, from **Kirk Elliott '81C** on July 2. Jane is working on her Ph.D. in soils. Kirk spent past few winters in the Soils Department. That'll do it.

Sharon Fedorowich, Yorkton, sister to **Laurie '85 (Man.)** temporary acting ag. rep at Canora, has set her sights on **Gerald Berscheid '85C** for August 27. Forever after at Wynyard.

Duane Guina '86C C.A. at North Battleford, is also reputed to be headed for marital bonds to a Yorkton lass.

These two FCC types got a reputation at Yorkton for being gourmet cooks -- the word musta got around, because women began following them everywhere. Sorta scotches the rumor that women fall for great lovers.



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Angela Louise Moats finally did arrive on July 28... after all that waiting at Moose Jaw. We don't know who waited the hardest -- probably **Laurie** -- she suffered the June and July heat.

Lee '81C sweated at the end.

Ian Christopher Elliott showed up in Edmonton on May 3. A couple of '85 college grads admit complicity -- **Pam (Walker)** and **Ray**. Is **Jack Walker '55C** grand uncle or grand dad? --the former we guess

Kathy Bond and **Ed Spratt '58C** were married in Saskatoon on July 2. Ed is with Potash Company of Sask. in Saskatoon.

Doug Winsor '68C is off to Jordan on a 26-month stint supervising a mechanized dryland lentil project for Agrodev Canada Ltd. He's been provincial co-ordinator for ERDA for the past three years.

Bill Legge '74C hez moved but he never left. He's now at 1-1240, 20th St. Brandon. Musta bin raising too much hell at his ole adres er he's got a raize.

Gerald Harrison '83C is manager of Saskatoon Information Services -- honest, no bull. Gerry ain't no polytishen. Software development -- programs -- all thet's soft ain't bull manoor.

Mark Mowchenko '82C is on the farm at Mossbank waiting for his deficiency payment. He and **Judy B.H.Ec '83** have young 'un name a **Sarina**. Rumor is she won't be the only tad.

Tom Thorson '84C is farming in summer on the family spread and fishing for Top Management data for Sask. Ag. in winter. Just a natural playboy is Tom.

Dwayne Hill '80S is pushing semis to and from Edmonton and Moose Jaw on a weekly basis -- we think.



THE TRUMPET'S BLAST

Ken Bowren '47C, senior agronomist at Melfort Research Station for these many years, was presented with the **Distinguished Agrolgist Award** at the annual meeting of S.I.A.. Ken has been a leader in the development of cultural practices in crop production for north Saskatchewan over many years. He is a past president of S.I.A. and a curler of more than passing note.

John Hickie '59C was presented with the **Agrolgist Recognition Award** on the same occasion. John was a farm management specialist for many years, during which time he pioneered many farm management strategies. During recent years he was co-ordinator of training and manpower for Sask. Agriculture, until his retirement.

John was very active in S.I.A. affairs as a councillor and as professional standards committee chairman.

Don Rennie '49C, Dean of Agriculture, was honored with the presentation of a **gold medal** by the General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons International in recognition of more than 30 years of work in striving to improve the soils of the nations of the world.

Martin Kaufman '51C of Lacombe, received the **President's Leadership Award** from Lion's Club International and the **Melvin Jones Fellowship** from the Lion's Clubs International Foundation.

Martin was an eminent plant breeder and head of the cereals section at Ag. Canada Research Station at Lacombe for many moons and the recipient of many honors for his work as a researcher.

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TACK ON MORE PAPER: We need more news than that.

Gotta keep up to C.P. News and Reuters

Twilights Beam

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Funeral services were held from Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Regina with Pastor Randy Faro officiating. Burial services followed at Bulyea Cemetery. Donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, 1479 Wascana Street, Regina, S4T 4J5.

Jeanne E. Peck, wife of **Jack Peck '51C**, passed away at 58 years of cancer at Regina in late July.

She devoted her life to her family, friends and her home, always seeking perfection. Prior to her marriage she was a hair dresser.

She was the daughter of **Howard** and **Rhoda Johnson** who predeceased her.

In addition to her loving husband **Jack**, she is survived by sons **Brian** of Saskatoon and **Tom** of Calgary, and daughter **Jayne** of Saskatoon, as well as three grandchildren; sisters **Betti (Bonar) Hodgins** of Thunder Bay, and **Marion (Rod) Tinkler**, numerous nieces and nephews, a very special friend **Vil (John) Kowalchuk** of

Thunder Bay.

Remembrance services were held on Friday, 29 in Helmsing Funeral Chapel with Rev. Irving Fraser of Humboldt officiating. Cremation. Internment of remains followed a private service at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Saskatoon.

Donations may be made in Jeanne's memory to the Allan Blair Memorial Clinic Trust Account, 4101 Dewdney Avenue. Regina, S4T 7T1.

Christian Anton Holm, father of **H.M. 'Chris' Holm '48C** passed away on June 27 at Manitou Lodge, Watrous at 98 years.

Mr. Holm was born in Norway on November 16, 1889, and came to North Dakota when he was seven years old. The family moved to Saskatchewan in 1905.

He homesteaded in the Watrous district and farmed there for 55 years, until he retired to Watrous at age 80.

Surviving are daughters **Genevieve (Henry) Barker**, Saskatoon; **Elvira (Hugh) Hedlin** of Watrous and **Hazel (Allen) Snyder** of Victoria, and son **Chris (Jean)** of Penticton, B.C.

Also surviving are thirteen grandchildren, four great grandchildren, and sisters **Constance Mason** of Watrous, **Molly Irvine** of Winnipeg, **Laura Skrove** of Brandon, Minnesota, **Mabel Sheir** of Delta, B.C. and **Ethel Erickson** of Penticton.

He was predeceased by his wife **Emma** in 1975 a grandson **Howie** in 1973, and brothers **Lars** in 1973 and **Henry** in 1977. A sister, **Hilda Cross** passed away in 1981.

Funeral services were held from Redeemer's Lutheran Church in Watrous with Pastor R.W. Zimmerman officiating.

Donations to Manitou Lodge Memorial Fund, Watrous would be appreciated by the family.

Ye Olde Editor Begg



Lin Boyes '48C, editor of 'The Saga' begs and pleads for news from ag. grads.

"Without your news about the comings, goings, weddings, divorces, births, near misses and mis-carriages, etc, of ag.grads, we're like a ship that's dead in the water, or like a politician without a nomination."