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TETRACAN, RUSSIAN WILD RYEGRASS THAT'S NEW AND DIFFERENT

Tetracan is a new variety of Russian wild ryegrass developed at the Swift Current Research Station from parental material supplied by **Al Slinkard**, Crop Development Centre, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, when he was employed at the University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho. "Tetra" indicates that it is a tetraploid variety and "can" indicates at this variety can emerge better than other registered varieties. While previously developed varieties such as Sawki, Mayak, Swift and Cabree have the normal diploid chromosome complement, Tetracan has double the number of chromosomes of other varieties and is referred to as a tetraploid variety. The plot work, greenhouse screening, and summarization of data were completed by **Mr. C.D. Ratzlaff**, Grass Breeding Technician. **Neal Holt '73C, 76 PhD.** was responsible for the pasture data. The main attributes of Tetracan are excellent establishment vigor and ability to emerge from deep seedings. These attributes

should provide a major improvement to stand establishment in this crop. Tetracan is the first known tetraploid variety in this species.

Tetracan has significantly larger seed, 456 mgm per 100 seeds compared to 243 for Mayak, 276 for Swift and 289 for Cabree as well as a marked improvement in ability to emerge from deep seedings, 55% emergence from 4.5 cm depth for Tetracan compared to 41% for Swift, 18% for Mayak, and 30% for Cabree. Tetracan has larger heads and wider leaves than the diploid varieties, but is similar to them in both dry matter yield and seed yield.

Diploid and tetraploid strains of Russian ryegrass were compared under grazing by yearling steers in a three-replicate pasture test at the Swift Current Research Station. There were no significant differences in daily gain per animal, total gain per animal, total gain per ha, grazing days per animal or grazing days per ha.

A replicated cafeteria-style grazing test contained a number of diploid and tetraploid strains of Russian wild ryegrass was seeded in an adjacent pasture. Observations over three years indicated the cattle showed no preference for either the diploid or tetraploid strains. The only indication of a preference was noticed during one grazing season when steers ate the immature heads from the tetraploid strains more readily than from the diploid strains.

The multiplication and distribution of Foundation and Certified seed of Tetracan will be handled by SeCan Association, Suite 512, 885 Meadowlands Drive, Ottawa, Ontario, K2C 3N2

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new research and studies to hopefully solve the problems (or at least some of them), experienced by the farmers and ranchers of Saskatchewan and Canada today.

As the days quickly pass, the 1989 Grad Reunion becomes closer. The addition of a hockey tournament will be another exciting event for Ag. Grads - young and older to enjoy. The plans have all been made and the invitation is hereby extended to all Ag. Grads to take part in the weekend activities of January 13, 14 & 15, 1989. The executive, are expecting a good turnout of Ag. Grads and friends to participate in the hockey tournament, bonspiel, lecture series and the social events of the year - "The Mixer" and the "Banquet & Dance". It is only by your joining us in these activities that we may measure our successes.

With the Christmas Season fast approaching, the executive of the S.A.G.A. and myself, wish to express our sincere greetings for the festive season, and may 1989 bring you good fortune - sunshine and rain in the proper order, and crops in quantity, so that the new year may be bountiful for us all.

At this time I wish to thank the S.A.G.A. executive for all their hard work and industry that has made 1988 so successful. May the reunion be a happy conclusion to the many hours of endeavor that each has given freely to S.A.G.A..

May God Bless.

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



For Ag. Grads, November 10, 1988 was a red letter day, marking a very important occasion, the sod-turning for the new Agriculture Building, University of Saskatchewan. With these new facilities, to be ready in 1992, we look forward to



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Brian Healey '88S has come out of the gloom and the grain dust of Rosetown Wheat Pool to breathe the purer air of the soil test lab at the U of S, where he's the new receiver general of all soil samples.

Pat Flaten '82S, 86C and **Lyle Cowell '85C, '87 M.Ag.** have vacated their positions of influence and power with Innovative Acres, Department of Soil Science, U of S to pursue lives of toil and dedication in soil conservation with PFRA in Swift Current and Ag. Canada at Melfort respectively. Both are still celibate and unspoiled.

Maurice Tenkink, Jr. '79C had been granted a leave of abstinence from work by May & Baker to pursue higher learning at the U of A in an M. Ag. program in extension.

Lori Hoskins '82C still doling dollars for FCC at Red Deer.

Keith Smith '77S is hangin' in at the farm at Bradwell after four dry years, and has 'had it' with continuous cropping. He's got a part-time job as a welder to help keep **Cheryl** and their three young'uns in vittles and jeans. They're expecting their fourth so Cheryl is thinking of taking up welding as well.

Connie (Udell) and John Blacklock '71C are both busier than a pair of robins on a worm farm. John runs from coast-to-coast in the auctioneering business. Connie and her family are very involved in hunter and jumper class horses, and take in a lot of shows. They have a good barn and arena east of Saskatoon that they operate as Elan Farms. Connie is also a board member of Sask. Agriculture Credit.

Paul McAllister '85C is territory manager for Cynamid outa North Battleford. He moved into a house in July and invites all old grad buddies to stop by for a cool one. Sharing the roof are **Kendra Pederson '88C** and **Tim Charabin '88C**, and they have **John '84C** and **Kerry Hawer '83C** as neighbours. All the engineers and most lawyers have left the neighbourhood. There go the real estate values. Kendra mesmerizes farm clients for FCC.

Lorne Pinceman '88C is with the Commerce Bank in North Battleford, and Brinks is waiting to move him into the main branch in Regina.

Don Roy '65C, district supervisor for FCC in Saskatoon, rides herd over a passel of money grubbing agro types -- **Kevin Hartley '82C**, **Darren Bly '84C**, **Stu McNab '82C** and **Gary Rault '83C**.

Stu and Sharon moved in from Turtleford in February where they'd been farming with Stu's father and two brothers. It's been a tough season for him running back and forth between office and farm -- but, they had a good crop so who's bitchin!

Marianne Devries '82C is finishing a course in forestry and wildlife at Lethbridge. She ran around on an ATV all summer in the tall timber

north of Great Slave Lake for the Alberta Forestry Department. She was last seen on a field trip in the Cypress Hills observing the mating rituals of elk. Everything's common law -- no divorces.

After spending last winter as a temporary ag. rep. at Turtleford, **Brian Gillies '81C** shuffled off back to the farm at Debden to enjoy the fruits of grain stabilization and improved grain prices, and is enjoying the role of a happy farmer -- good crop, off dry.

Jim Morris '70C is busy trying to drum up markets for the Sask. Hog Producers Marketing Board, in any time he has to spare from organizing the 1989 ag. grad bonspiel. When hog prices hit \$50/cwt things get desperate.

Marian Busch '82C is sweating on her MBA at the U of S, and will head for FCC Castle of Despair in Ottawa come spring. She's enjoying herself but she doesn't say with who or at what.

Kevin Daniels '86C is the temporary permanent ag. rep. at Rosthern and the most eligible bachelor in town. He's off to Mexico in November with a slow-pitch ball team. Better watch that some seniorita doesn't throw him a curve.

Forest Howell '46C, the last known permanent ag. rep. at Rosthern, and **Margaret** have bought a new house at Sun Lakes, near Phoenix, Arizona, and Forest is now a permanent snowbird golfer.

Harvey Petracek '86C is the new temporary permanent acting ag. rep. at Lloydminster, while **Roland 'Two Solitudes' Brassard '58C** the ag. rep. emeritus, has been doing the same for Sask. Pool, relieving D.A. at Provost, as well as conducting two tours to Europe. He has one coming up to the Far East, which all goes to prove that a lil' ol' ag. rep. can go a long way if he retires soon enough.

Dave Cubbon '74C is ag. rep. at Meadow Lake after being the D.A. at Bow Island, Alberta. Rumored to have had an addition in October.

Val Matsche-Muller '77C is back ag. repping at Turtleford after two pregnancy leaves -- one child each time.

Harold Amundson '67C is still the flying ag. rep. at Shellbrook, and diversification specialist (Flying, golf, track and moose?).

Lyle Darwent '67C remains management specialist for Great North West, and tries to improve his golf score at Sask. Canola Growers meetings -- he's Sask. Agriculture's rep.

Edgar Harder '66C is farm building specialist for the NW, and is trying to improve the grain handling facilities at Denholm. Now if he only had some grain to try it out with.

Terry Wakeling '67C aims to get farmers hooked on fertilizer at Green Acres Fertilizers at North Battleford. Thought it would be easy pickin' after being NW regional chaff and dirt specialist.

Keith Bater '74C is now the agrologist with the Farm Land Security Board and the Farm Debt Review Board. He's tryna make amends for leant out all that money at FarmStart and Sask. Agriculture Credit for hog units that were too big for guys who knew nuthin about hogs.

Eric Johnson '83C is ag. rep. and resident computer diagnostician at Unity -- which program has the virus? Wife **Trish '83C** is with the Farm Debt & Farm Land Security boards. No children yet -- not programmed, you know.

Voices from the past! **Lee Melvill '74C** is farm marketing economist at Fairview in the Land of the Mighty Peace. He moved up from Hanna where he was D.A. He promised Getty's boys in Alberta Agriculture he'd stay for two years, but hasn't called the movers in yet. Has his 14 year old son with him full-time, so he'll be a hockey dad instead of refereeing other people's kids. It's a wee spell since ag. rep. days at Shavnavon.

Russ Horvey '73C also left Lee's old D.A. position at Hanna, to be provincial co-ordinator for a federal-provincial soil conservation project --CART. Lots of applied research padded with federal bucks.

Wes Horvey '74C is plugging away with Federated Co-op Feeds in Edmonton. He and a buddy built a Chevy-powered aluminum jet boat for fishing and general hell raising. Now they've gotten themselves a Cessna float plane as part of their tackle -- no lake is too far north. Wes works hard and plays hard -- no quarter to rival feed companies or northerns. He's still holed up in the same digs he crawled into after graduation.

U of S grads keep popping up in Alberta every year.

Blair McClinton '85C from that Yellowgrass country, is D.A. at Fairview. **Kim Mader '88C** is the new D.A. at Fahler, where French she is spoke like d'habitant. His first phrase is 'je t'aime'.

Kent MacDonald '87C has set his teeth on being the D.A. at Spirit River. He arrived there October 3.

Recent Sask. ag. grads seem to all have taken courses in extending the frost-free period, which seems to turn on the Alberta Agriculture hiring gurus -- its called 'extension'.

Dave Spencer '69C has been D.A. at Peace River for neigh unto 20 years, man and boy.

If you wonder what ever became of **Winston Williams '74C**, the Jamaican calypso dancer? He spent 5 years in Jamaica but couldn't stand the lack of frosty tingle in his extremities. He's working in Edmonton for an organization that raises money to help Third World students attend Canadian universities. His address is #2-11513-41 Ave., Edmonton T6J 2T7

He was spotted shopping for winter duds for three kids. His wife's countenance belies any cabbage leaf beginnings.

Glen Werner '73C is the regional poobah for Alberta Agriculture at Airdie and was previously D.A. at Stettler.

John Ruschkowski '80C is still part-time 'Q.T.' vet at Oyen, Alberta. He's paid as a D.A. but he's a long way from headquarters, so who's to know.

Larry White '64C is the only regional extension director who isn't acting -- status that is.

Ken Pederson '70C at Moose Jaw and **Paul Shukin '63C**, Saskatoon, are of temporary acting rank. Who they're acting for is, of course, the question. Is it Sask. Agriculture? Parks and Recreation? Public Health? Rural Descration? Anyway, they ride herd on what's left of the ag. reps.

Alan Arthur '69C made it through the presidential, federal and municipal elections, and is still R.M. councillor at Redvers when not hauling water to thirsty cows.

Darryl Reynolds '81C has moved to a new job at the Royal Bank -- same address. He's assistant manager -- agriculture at Melfort. Instead of being full ag he's now of a split personality -- 1/2 ag and 1/2 lender. He still handles loan accounts all over the NE, but does less travelling.

He spent the month of January in Kenya with dad **Ross '53C** two uncles and his sister. They shot three South Africans and a wildebeeste.

Art Unsworth '74C at Piapot is known among all the range riders as "SW Slasher". At **Don '39C** and **Ian Bowie's '71C** branding this spring his pride bled badly -- self-inflicted wounds required three stitches in his thumb and four in his leg. He won't likely be invited back due to the concern as to who or what he might neuter next.

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Peter Hecker '71S likes brandings that don't start until noon -- he brought a keg of beer after the work was done. After three pints he was ready with a tourniquet, advice and sympathy for Art.

Dr. Howard Nixon, assistant vice-president (student affairs and services) who's usually providing educational experiences for others, learned a little about horse rasslin'. How'd ya bulldoze a horse without the horns.

Daryl Tumbach '72C has found ya don't need a hunting license for deer. All ya need is a CVA truck. Trouble is there wasn't a rack to mount.

Derald and Irene Ahner, both '65C, had to sign a contract with the CBC in order to mouth off about the drought around 'The Crick'. Keep tuned in for 'Country Canada' close ups. **Eric Lawrence '67S** is the 'strong silent' back-up.

Wayne Jensen '62S was a Massey Ferguson dealer in Rosetown for 10 years and is now selling the Long Green ones at Western Sales. With no crop and no sales of any importance, he's in the market for handouts from fellow grads in the area who haven't spent all theirs.

June, sons **Greg** and **Dean** and daughter **Sharla** are in line to share any forthcoming largesse.

Ray Hilderman '66S is busy creating jobs at Strasbourg for Brian Mulroney. He'd like to recall their old ag. rep. **Lewis Reeve '72C**. Things have been going down hill ever since he left -- but then maybe it was his tutoring that got them there.

Gerry Coles '66C has been peddling hopper bins for Dutch Industries in Regina. Sales have been good enough for the down payment on a new house. His carefree days seem to be numbered -- 1+1=2, 2+1=3, and so on until the house is full.

Ray McVicar '78C is hawking for Cyanamid outa Edmonton after a five month orbit around the world -- New Zealand, Australia, the far East, the Near East, Mediterranean and Europe. Then back to a new job, got hitched, built a shack. Life gits teejus don't it?

Michael Poisson '83C is farming the family holdings at Dollard. Dad and mom got fed up and moved to Shaunavon -- couldn't bear to watch.

Michael and Marla (Salmon) got hitched way back in July '87. Can't wait until she gets through her course at STI in Moose Jaw. Paying the long distance calls on crop insurance is tough going.

Donald Poisson '86C is toiling for Redi-Gro fertilizers at Crossfield, Alberta. His test plots are a disaster.

Paul Cann '71C is into staring at butter, eggs and rutabagas at Calgary for Ag. Canada.

He and you-know who met up with **Bob Rugg '71C** (ag. rep. at Leader) his wife, and tads for a camping weekend at Cypress Hills. They rode into Havre, Montana for a beer to ease the tensions and wash down the dust.

Jason Leader '79C is holed up at Quelp for Herkst with his new supermailbox. **Chris Leader '76C** is working in Regina and nursed a broken hockey leg half the summer, and is ready for more fun?? and fitness for '88-'89.

Ross Reynolds '53C roams the prairie, riding herd on over 60 feeder associations as provincial supervisor for the feeder loan guarantee program.

Murray Wilson '46S suffered a heart attack last march and had a bypass operation. He's now back at work after a good recovery.

Dwayne Simmons '79C is still ag. rep. at Fort Qu'Appelle as far as he knows. **Lynne** and their tads, **Amber 5** and **Brittany 3** hope they're there for a good spell yet.

SIAP is represented at Fort Qu'Appelle by **Ed Coulthard '77C**, farm management, and **Galen Loy '88C** Ag. rep.

Lee Moats '81C 'the other ag. rep.' at Moose Jaw, got tired of the lil green and red lights and asphalt and moved out to an acreage. Great stuff this gentleman farming -- just loll by the pool and keep the wife's lawn mower filled with gas. Planning another Jets Hockey excursion to Winnipeg. Got by last year by telling his boss **Ken Pederson '70C** that it was a 'Farmin' to Win' trip to the Grain Exchange.

Jim Graham '75C jest keeps on rocking'. He's 'the ag. rep. at Moose Jaw -- inherited the title from **John Olaf Hansen '43C**, who spends his time in winter running from the Moose Jaw Credit Union boardroom to Phoenix and back.

Lands Branch has been shifting new faces to Speedy Creek from Regina. **Greg Haase '75C** is **Don McRae's '49C** and **Don Fontaine's '70C** new boss, and **Lorne Veitch '74C** will be the second man with a hand on the bullwhip.

Brenda King '86C is the new Lands - ERDA rangeland co-ordinator, taking over from **Ross Douglas '78C** who's now trying his hand at fish farming way out there in Lotusland.

Keith Stolhandske '69C is head honcho for the Burnham 4-H Club, with hopper and drought wars as a sideline.

Add to that a fire and a tornado and you're at Meyronne with **Al '70C** and **Cecilia (Kohlmann) '75C** Mulhern. The tornado blew away a steel bin this summer which they didn't need anyway.

Murray Smith '54S has himself a new PFRA assisted well on his farm to help overcome a salinity problem.. Brother **Al '52S** is still pushing the Long Green at Jee Dee in Speedy -- that's Line, not dollars.

Gerald Girodat '64C is heavy into school politics. Elected to Shaunavon Unit board.

Jim Butz '86C has come back from The Outback, Down Under, and is ag. rep. in-waiting at Assinboia. 'About time' for **Wes Kehler '70C** who's been covering two districts since **Barry Bishop '82C** defected to Goal-to-Go Getty's empire.

Bob Rugg '71C ag. rep. at Leader was the first to have his office converted to one of those fancy new Rural Service Centres. Rumor has it that **Karl '85C**, son of **Vic Beaulieu '49C** out of **Margot '49 B.Ed.**, will be the assistant Ag. Rep. appointed to help carry the anticipated increased workload. Once a Leader always a Leader.

Daryl Tumbach '72C, incumbent ag. rep. at The Crick, was reputed to have been directing traffic at the Big Valley Jamboree at Craven last summer -- country music buffs turn right, bikers turn left, smokies straight on, etc.

Barry Peterson '75C, dogie specialist at Speedy is gonna hang in at least another year -- another crop failure!!

Jim Pratt '69C soil drifting and Russian thistle specialist helped the Wheatland Conservation Association smuggle some 'spriggin' equipment' across the border this summer. It's supposed to make your 'alkali' spots turn green.

John Waddington '60C, a research wallah at Speedy took over as trail boss for the SIA branch from **Val Stevens '71C**, who graciously relinquished her saddle. **Les Bohrsen '71C** of Sask. Water (?) who has arrived from the Outlook boots-and-shovel research farm, will run the branch quizz contests and Weiner roasts.

Pat Gerwing '70C ag. rep. incumbent, field

the boards and straightened nails for his engineer brother-in-law to build him a new house last summer. Couldn't leave his sister without a roof.

Dave Weiseth '75C is taking the winter off from teaching Farming to Win to concentrate on Bronco hockey, curling and farming (at Scotsguard). Besides, he has to babysit while **Irene** finishes up her degree.

Garry Krause '74C, farm business sooth-sayer, loaded the wagons and headed in from Weyburn in August. He's been trying to find the desk top vacated by **Paul Marciniak '80C**, who's taken up hassling ACS clerics in Saskatoon.

Perry Aulie '88C, has spent the summer designing a competition to be held among Canadian and U.S. agriculture colleges based on undergraduate research papers and related to the theme of GATE conferences -- soil 1989, food processing 1990 and oilseeds 1991. The first competition is planned to be held at the U of S next June.

The cover was broken on the identity of over 20 Sask. college grads who showed up at the Agriculture Conference in Saskatoon October 17-19. Over 200 registered for the conference held for the purpose of getting more agriculture subject matter into the school (K to 12) curriculum. Seems to us we've been down that road before. Oh, well.

Working at the soil testing lab this fall are: **Jim Miller '81S**, **Tim Wiens '88S**, **Randy Drimmie '78S**, and **Harry Harder '75C**.

Harley Olsen '72C is the new provincial deputy minister of science and technology, and holds the only such position in provincial government service, based in Saskatoon. Harley has been director of the Farm Ownership Board, vice-chairman of the Sask. Land Bank Commission, and more recently director of operations with the Grain Transportation Agency in Winnipeg.

Perry Gerwing '85C has left our dusty shores for Calgary -- Jim Lore and Associates, agriculture consultants in Calgary. Finished his MSc last spring at the U of S. He watched the trees grow all summer in Kananaskis Park, courtesy of University of Calgary biology department.

Jo-Anne (Relf) Eckstein '85C was moved off the farm at Wolsley to Saskatoon, where **Peter** has a job helping George Khat hatourian find a superbug that will only eat grasshoppers. A three-year daughter calls the shots.

Shelia Luther '87C, winner of the S.I.A. gold medals, has been awarded one of five \$3,000 scholarships by the International Scholarship Foundation to do graduate work in soils at the University of Toronto to assist Third World countries.

Mark Gimby '78C and **Lawrence Baschak '79C** labor on at the Sask. Research Council in Saskatoon -- Mark with biomass resources program and Lawrence in terrestrial ecology.

SRC had moved all of its staff from the industrial research park into the old NRC building, now called the Toxology Research Centre.

Murray Scholz '84C left in November for the International Agricultural Research Station near Aleppo, Syria to work as a computer research analyst on a lentil project co-ordinated by **Al Slinkard**, U of S crop development centre, and the International Development Research Centre in Ottawa. Program results will form the information source for an international newsletter for scientists world-wide.

Syria is the world scientific resource centre for information on lentils, fababeans and barley.

Then its back to the farm at Chrchbridge to spend his ill-gotten gains. Sorry we just didn't

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Mason Simmons '46S and Bud Smith

'48C descended on Joe Clausen's '48C garden with a 4WD tractor (Versatile) and centre pivot irrigation equipment, while he and Roberta '49 BEd. pigged out on lefse, clotted cream, scones and poteen in Norway, England, Scotland and Ireland last summer. They had to overhaul his tractor and sharpen his tools. They worked 12-hour shifts to keep up to the beetles, slugs, aphids, caterpillars and grasshoppers. They used enough pesticides to assure terminal dandruff for at least three succeeding generations of Clausens.

Joe harvested enough vegetables and small fruit to stock all of the food banks in Saskatoon and Vonda.

Millie & Chet Piercy '48C, Doris and Mason Simmons '46S, Marg B.H.Ec. and Leigh Crowle '50C, and Joanne '49 BEd and Bud Smith '48C flew into a mess of trout and jacks at Armstrong's Camp at Porter Lake (35 minutes flight NE of Buffalo Narrows -- separate bedrooms, flushes, showers and complete kitchens).

The girls caught most of the fish and nearly drank all of the beer, so they had to come home early. They also picked seven gallons of blueberries. The plane was overloaded so they're going back for the girls in the spring.

Bud has an idea about how to get more of the graduating classes as members. Get the ag. students association to levy an extra charge on the annual student fees and present them with a **S.A.G.A. life membership** upon graduation. It would only amount to the equivalent of a few beers each year for four years.

May and Ted Campbell '40C have settled into a townhouse at 11-901 Kentwood Lane, Victoria. V8Y 2Y6.

Ted retired as poultry commissioner in 1974 after 31 years with Sask. Ag. He's had a few health problems -- five new hips plus some heart problems, and now gets around in a wheelchair. He takes physio treatments twice a week, and is coming along slowly.

May is hale and hearty and busy looking after Ted. They have three sons, all in Alberta, one daughter in Regina and another in Oakville, Ontario.

Ted sent in his second S.A.G.A. membership update. He'd welcome calls from ag. grads with a passport to Victoria.

Art 'Cracking Tower' Strautman '48C and Phyl '48 Lab Tech., golf all year round -- Edmonton (April to December), Mexico (January) and Victoria (February and March). While in Victoria they were challenged by **Joy and Walter Doyle '51C** and **Marie and Bob Werner '51C**.

The Doyle's dropped in on Art and Phyl in October, enroute to their new condo in Victoria.

Phyl let Art come with her to the WD (RCAF) reunion in Calgary last summer -- 1,200 ex - WDS who could tell as many lies and drink as many shandies as ever they could.

Shirley and Don Gill '51C of Leader dropped in on the Strautmans in July and were treated to a game (golf, y'know) at the Devon club -- 10:20 p.m. and broad daylight -- no kids to put to bed, no tornado.

The old Strautman homestead on the Keatley Ridge brought forth a mighty crop for brothers **Chuck '52S** and Fred.

Joe Bedford '48C and **Gavin Hamilton '45S** and Art were involved in the organization of the Esso Annuitants Club tournament (golf, of course) at Stony Plain in September. **Cathy** and Joe married off a daughter, **Jane**, at White Rock in September.

Wilma and Gavin are looking splendidous. He still works for Alberta government while drawing down various pay cheques and pensions.

Harold Horner '33C. and **Jim Webster** of Regina and **Jim Cinnamon** of Carnduff, both '49C, held their 29th goose massacre this fall. Four horses broke their legs in their goosepits. The drought isn't the only reason why the bag limits were so low this fall. The Right-to-Life Association have been filing protests for 28 years.

Joyce and Walter Doyle '51C have sent us their new address: 204-1527 Coldharbour Road, Victoria. V8R 1H4. Phone (604) 370-5176. They welcome ag.grads visiting the Island to call in. They have room for no more than two grads with companions, three grandchildren and a poodle --no pit bulls, please. Free guided tours of Port Moreseby national park.

Since arriving they're visited with **Shelia and Jim Rooke '51C, Jean and Jim Blyth '74C** of Rocky Mountain House, and **Reg Doyle '78C** of Saskatoon.

Paul Turner '51C also lives on the Island. Before leaving Regina they had a hamburger with **Norma and Lorne Hextall '51C** of Grenfell and **Jack Peck '51C,** Regina.

John Klink '33C is battling Parkinson's disease. He's a dedicated Reform Party supporter. He was able to attend the 50th wedding anniversary party for **Irene and Ralph Stutt '33C** in September. John was the '33 class senior stick.

Harald Tangjerd '49C is the S.I.A. rep. on the University of Regina Senate, replacing **Ted Padbury '49 BE (Ag.)**. Harald was an ag. rep. for some years and then director of agriculture programs at Wascana Institute.

Gordon Gardiner '48C and **Marjorie** have witnessed the deepest, widest cracks ever on the Regina humbo. They're missing two cows and a disk. They still live on the farm but their address has changed -- only Canada Post can do such things. They leave the delivery to Purolator, et al. Gord is now on the Family Service Bureau board.

Both are heavily involved in the Sons of Scotland -- Marjorie will be installed as 'chief' in the new year and Gord now sits on the national board -- 'chieftain of the puddin' race'.

Gord is still barbershopping, of course. He won the Sask. Off-Key award for August -- his pipes dried up.

A good riddance party was held for **Betty and Jim Wright '48S** on August 20 upon their departure for Mill Bay B.C. -- near Duncan on the Island. **Gib Wesson '49C** and **Ted Turner '48S** were the chief perpetrators of the deed.

Frank Miller '39C, former ag. rep. and director of the ag. extension service, is living in Regina and managing well despite a stroke he suffered a few years ago.

Ross Evans '50C also reports running into **Mike Serhienko '46S** who was looking well except that he's been walking a bit tentatively because of a sore heel of several weeks duration.

Dorothy and Howie Rice '50C left us on August 2 for the desert of the B.C. interior. If ya

can't curl you better get out of the hack. They're at 4613, 87th Street, R.R. #1, Osoyoos, B.C. V0H 1V0.

Indian giver! He invites ag. grads to drop in for toast and homemade jam -- if they can find them.

Some visitors who've found them are: sons **Tom** and wife and **Steve** from Saskatoon, Howie's in-laws from Edmonton (we never tole em wher ya got to), **Marg & Gib Wesson '49C, Fred Snell '43C, Inga & Phil Polischuk '49C.** No important people, just ol' 49ers.

Jean & Tom acton '65C are holed up at 2271 Estevan Ave. (can't you just spot the prairie influence?), Victoria, V8R 2S2. Says they've bought the place (2271, that is) and if they can keep up the mortgage and Jean can keep the grass cut, they'll likely stay there. They find the seagulls aren't nearly as musical as the meadow larks, and they miss the prairie sunsets.

They were back in Saskatchewan in July and Tom golfed with **Dave Ewart '50C** at 36 degrees C. Everything was hot but the scores. They also visited **Shirley and Jim Jowsey '47C** on their country estate at Saltcoats -- couldn't start Jim's 15-30 McCormick.

J.R. 'Jock' Blacklock '43C, sees a lot of his old college class around Saskatoon on a pretty regular basis, including such parolless as **Harold Chapman, Hartley Fredeen, Ole Turnbull, John Bond and Jack Haraldson.**

He and the wife (I think) belong to the 'Golden Eagles', a group of semi-serious retired bird watchers who start out at 7:00 a.m. every Thursday. Included are a lot of agros and their wives, such as **Therese and Phil Thair '42C, Margaret and Hartley Fredeen '43, Betty and John Bond '43, Betty and Bill Howell '49AS and Cliff Mathews '50C.** Don't know how many birds they spot, but a crow was reputed to have seen nine agros one morning.

Mike Oxman '50C and **ye olde ed '48C,** burned up 18 holes on at least five days a week at Yorkton this summer. **Pete Petersen '82C** is an occasional participant, but isn't quite old enough to take the game seriously. Lin took in the fifth annual commonwealth aircrew reunion in September at Winnipeg, and renewed acquaintances with his old rear gunner and one other, plus a pilot they hadn't seen since 1943, all 429 Squadron. They hadn't changed a bit, except in appearance -- greyer, balder and a spare tire. We could all hold our liquor, but a lot less of it. What our memories had dimmed, our imaginations compensated for. There were some 3,200 aircrew types in attendance, mostly from Canada, but a good number from the U.K., U.S.A., Australia and New Zealand, and even a few South Africans. Add another 2,000 wives and companions, and there were a lot of plates at the banquet.

Arnold Treble '49C still places his feet under **Margaret's** table three times a day at Fillmore -- not counting morning, afternoon and evening coffee time.

Harry Jae Elder '52S, another Fillmore type, has thrown his hat into the ring for a position on the Grain Transportation Committee.

Terry Hanson (?), Fillmore, is a member of the Wheat Board Advisory Committee.

Lorne '43C and **Vi Stalwick's** young uns staged a 45th wedding anniversary dinner for them at Prince Albert in early November. **Murdock 'Smoking Tent' MacKay '49C** was there with one foot under the table and one on the brass rail. **Muriel,** Mac's general manager, who works half-time as a school librarian and secretary, has contracted a painful shingles infection -- is there any other kind?

THREE CHEERS



Tom Lawrence '50C, '55 Ph.D. -- head of the forage section at the Agric. Canada research station at Speedy Crick for these many federal elections, has been honored yet again.

He was presented with the **Outstanding Research Award** at the 68th annual conference of A.I.C. in August by the Canadian Society of Agronomy. Why! For outstanding research, of course!

Tom established a large grass breeding and selection program that has included the development of seven varieties of four grasses: Russian wild ryegrass, Altai wild ryegrass, tall wheatgrass and intermediate wheatgrass. His latest triumph is **Tetracan**, a tetraploid variety of Russian wild ryegrass that can be seeded deeper and comes up stronger than any known variety -- the first tetraploid variety of the species -- of course!

Tom is considered a world authority in the development of cool season forages for semi-arid regions. He has won so many prestigious awards, and his rec room walls are so loaded, that his wife has decided that anything over two years old just has to be hung in the garage.

Some of his awards include: Fellow of A.I.C., CSGA Honorary Life Member, Merit Certificate of the American Grassland & Forage Council and the S.I.A. Distinguished Agrologist Award (it's in the garage). He's a life member of S.A.G.A. -- of course, and has held numerous offices in S.I.A. and A.S.C.

Con Campbell Ph.D. (Sask.) has also done it again. He's been made a **Fellow of the Society of Soil Science**.

Con has been a soil research scientist at Speedy Crick since 1965, and is an international authority in soil science with emphasis on the dynamics of soil nitrogen.

Previous accolades include Fellow of A.I.C., and Agronomy Merit Award (Western Co-op Fertilizers) among numerous others. Con is active in S.I.A., at both the branch and provincial levels.

Eric Putt '38C who is a Director Emeritus, Ag Canada research station at Morden, was presented with the **Outstanding Achievement Award** by the University of Minnesota this past September, in recognition of his work in the development of the sunflower crop in North America.

Eric is retired in Creston, B.C. As you would guess, he's also a Fellow of A.I.C., and has been the recipient of numerous other honors. Where does he hang them all? No problem, they're all on microfilm. S.A.G.A. life member, -- of course.

Ed Kenaschuk '55C, eminent flax breeder at Morden, has had his program recognized in the October issue of the Canadian Geographic. Not a member of S.A.G.A. -- after him there, **Richard (Bellamy '66S)** -- S.A.G.A. registrar extraordinaire.

Harold Horner '33C, who was deputy minister of agriculture for Sask. from 1951 to 1972, was awarded the **Sask. Order of Merit**, at an award dinner at Regina, which was presented by Lt. Gov. Sylvia Fedoruk (from Canora, of course

Orest Mysak '48C is next in line). It was during Harold's tenure that the vet college was established, as well as PAMI (Prairie Institute), the provincial vet lab and the South Sask. irrigation project.

Previous honors include Fellow of A.I.C., S.I.A. Distinguished Agrologist and an honorary LLD degree from the U of S. In addition, he's a famous hunter of Canadian geese and birdies. Other recipients were: **Dr. George Morris**, founder of the famous rodweeder company; Hon. E.M. Culliton former chief justice of Sask.; Marguerite Galloway of Estevan, former executive director of the Sask. Arts Councils organization; Jacki Hoag of Regina, community planning volunteer and Alpha Lafond of Leask, education administrator with Muskeg Lake Indian Band.

Oops, sorry -- Almost missed one. **Ash 'Bud' Smith '48C** would never forgive us if we forgot to mention that **Gina**, his daughter, was a member of the bronze winning team in equestrian dressage at the Olympics in Seoul. She was Sask. Sport athlete of the month for September. She and her horse, **Malte** were second highest on the Canadian team in individual competition.

Gina has spent the past six years in Germany taking extensive training in dressage. She has in effect, gotten the equivalent of a Ph.D. in the art.

Bud is now in bankruptcy court after buying 'Malte', who is a 13-years old Westphalian gelding, and costs about as much as a Versatile 836 4WD with wheel weights. Her mother, **Joanne '49 B.Ed.** has gone back to work to keep the oat bin from going empty.

R.H. 'Bob' Cowan '39C, of Rosetown has been awarded the **Sask. Co-operative Order of Merit** in recognition of his contributions to the co-operative movement.

Bob was a charter member of Rosetown and District Credit Union at its formation in 1952, and has participated in its growth from an initial capitalization of \$50 to the present \$45,000,000. He served as president for 21 of those years -- 1954 to 1975.

Provincially he served as a director of the credit Union League of Saskatchewan in 1968 and 1969, and was active in Credit Union Central from 1969 to 1986, serving in various positions on the board.

He was also director of Rosetown Co-op from 1946 to 1952, and was also president for part of that time. Bob has also served as a Sask. Wheat Pool delegate and as a local board director and delegate for United Grain Growers, as well as serving as a director of CUMIS Life Insurance from its inception in 1977 to 1986.

Other contributions included serving on the Co-op College of Canada regional advisory board, and was a director of Co-op Trust from 1981 to 1985.

He and **Florence** have actively farmed throughout his career as a stalwart in co-operative endeavours.

E.K. 'Ted' Turner '48S, was also one of the three recipients of the **Co-op Order of Merit** for 1988.

Ted served the Sask. Wheat Pool for some 36 years beginning as a local committee member at Maymont, becoming a delegate in 1957, a director in 1960, vice-president in 1966, and was president from 1969 to 1987, following which he became director of Prairie Pools Inc.

Ted is currently serving as Co-Chairman of the Capital Campaign for the College of Agriculture. He has served on numerous provincial, national and international bodies, and has visited many

countries of the world in an official capacity.

Among the many honors he has received is that of being made an Honorary Life Member of S.A.G.A. in 1988.

A tip of the Hat to all the award recipients who will naturally be added to our list for name dropping purposes -- "we knew them when -- etc."



PAMPERVILLE

Timothy William Hecker stole into Piapot on March 21 in the wake of a duststorm -- all 8 lbs. 13 1/2 oz. A brother for **Andrew**, who's two. Girls are as common as rain in the Great Dust Bowl. **Heather (McNab) '81S** and **Peter '75S**, have his pony already trained. No ATV's allowed.

Christopher James Unsworth was there ahead of Tim, on February 13 at 6 lbs. 15 oz. -- good weight for a dry year. **Clint**, he's a year, was waiting but he's not sure why. Also waiting were **Heather '77 B.Ed.** and **Art '74S**.

Ian Christopher Elliott weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz. on May 3 at Edmonchuk. Maw, **Pam (Walker) '85C**, is gonna stay home and run interference for him for a while. Paw, **Ray '85C** will hang in there at Fort Sask. for Alberta Food Products, so Ian ain't gonna suffer fer vittles.

Uncle **Dan '78C** and Aunt **Bev** have been up to check him out and figger he's a keeper.

Neil James Morrow rode into Fleming on August 13 on Shane's birthday -- he's two, and wanted a puppy.

Anne (Harrop) '81C and **Alex '81C**, have been hoping for a drought payment ever since. Ya takes the crop ya gits!

Candace Rae Shirkie steamed into Lampman on April 14 before things got dry and has seldom beer, that way since. **Mary (Herriman) and Jim '78C** have been mopping up.

Nikita Christie Vanin became a resident of the Kamsack poll on May 4. Enumerators are **Candy (Sutherland) '83C** and **Brad '81S**.

No Name Walker arrived but where, when, sex, etc? Anyway ask **Jill (Turner) '80C** and **Murray '80C**. **Ted '78C** and **Sharon '80C Bonertz** said they'd start a family after Murray and Jill did. So just in case they're waiting.

Robert John Junior (Rj) Evans arrived at Nipawin on September 26, at 9 lbs. 4 ounces and 22 inches. He gained two lbs. after his due date. Exhausted was **Cheryl (Jackel)** and relieved was **Bob '79C**. Elated were grandpa **Ross '50C** and grandma **Elizabeth**.

Elise Catherine Luden came along on June 16 at 7 lbs. 1 oz. **Laura** did the work and **Lester '74S** is responsible.

AG. GRAD BONSPIEL

First Rocks — FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 1989
Everyone Curls on Friday!



Then on to the "MIXER"

BEWARE! Some will be on the draw **8:00 A.M. Saturday LAST DRAW, Saturday will be 2:00 P.M.** — annual frolic to follow. SEMI-FINALS, Sunday morning with the FINALS at 12:30 P.M. Granite Curling Club.

WATCH FOR DRAWTIMES:
Thursday, January 12th edition of the Star Phoenix for the Friday draws. Also posted at the Annual Meeting and all Saskatoon Curling Clubs.

ENTRIES

THE GEN

- * Every rink guaranteed 3 games (4 events in Main Spiel, plus Seniors (Hutcheon) Event.
- * All games 8 ends (with exception of 10 end finals)
- * Ties to be settled by skip/rocks (with sweeping)
- * Each rink must have at least 3 S.A.G.A. members. A non-member must play lead.
- * **Hutcheon Event** only ... members of rink age 50 or over--3 games by points--top 4 point-getters meet in semi-finals.
- * **ENTER EARLY!** No later than midnight Monday, January 9, 1989.

1. Complete the entry form below and return to:

Jim Morris
Box 2
Claret, Sask., S0K 0Y0
Phone: 931-4461 Res.
653-3014 Office

Limit of 64 regular rinks in the regular draw, and 16 rinks in the Hutcheon event.

2. **Any Life Members on your rink? Check Below.**

3. **UNATTACHED??** Send in the form with your name anyway! Tell us which position you prefer, you'll be needed by someone!!

4. **PREREGISTRATION** - avoid the last minute rush at the curling rink by prepaying curling fees and memberships of **all** team members. All cheques payable to **S.A.G.A.**

5. **BY WHEN??** Midnight Monday, January 11, 1988.

NO LATE ENTRIES

THE TOUCH?

Curling Fees \$16.00 per person
 Plus
 Member Fee \$10.00 Annual
 (for non-life members)
 (undergrads no member fee)

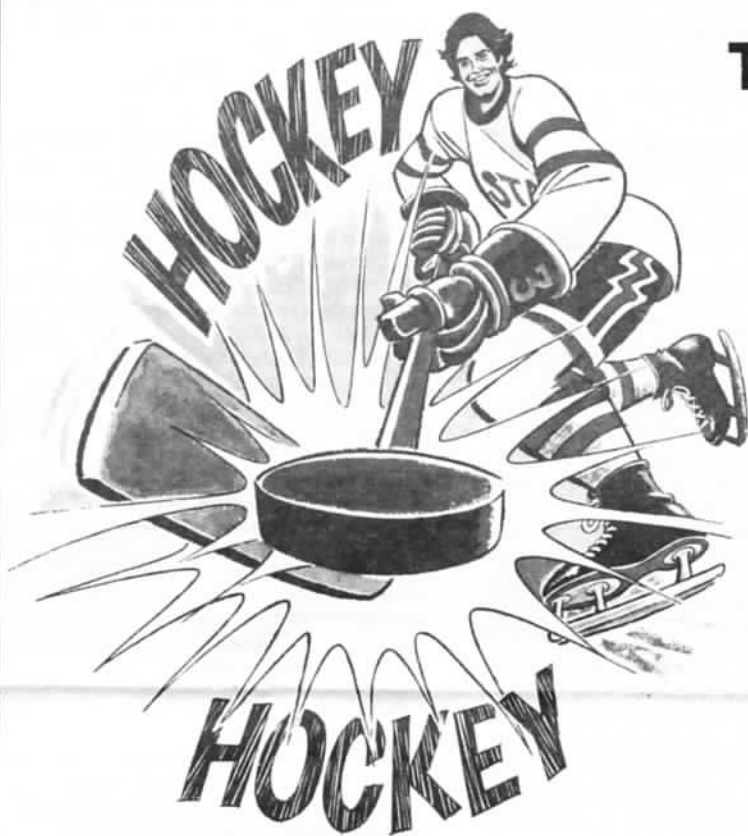
AG. GRAD BONSPIEL ENTRY FORM

Position	Name	Complete Mailing Address of all team members. (for Newsletter) Street or Box. No., City or Town, Postal Code	Grad Year		LIFE MEMBER	
			Coll	Sch	YES	NO
SKIP						
THIRD						
SECOND						
LEAD						

Team Name _____ Hutcheon Event - Yes No Mixed Event - Yes No

*Phone Number at place you're staying in Saskatoon

FIRST ANNUAL AG. GRADS HOCKEY TOURNAMENT



January 13, 14 & 15

1989

Lions Arena, Saskatoon

TEAMS:

- Maximum of 8 teams -- 6 grads, one School of Ag SVAA & One College of Agriculture ASA
- Minimum roster of 10 players must be registered by **January 6, 1989** on a tournament application form from:

Brent Kennedy
295 Henderson Drive
Regina, Sask., S3N 6C2
Ph: 924-2300 or 771-2975

RULES:

- Team roster must include at least 75% School or College grads or undergrads
- Teams may be organized on regional, grad year, etc. basis
- Non-contact, non-slapshot rules will apply. S.A.H.A. officiating (S.A.G.A. if former not available). Specific rules supplied in advance.

ENTRY FEE:

- \$280 per team in advance
- Grad participants must be S.A.G.A. members. Memberships will be sold before each team's first game.

GENERAL:

- All Teams will play a minimum of three (3) games

GAMES SCHEDULE:

Friday 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. - 3 games
Saturday 8:00 - 5:00 - 6 games
Sunday 8:00 - 1:30 - 3 games

- 'A' and 'B' pool winners playoff on Sunday 12:00 Noon
- Grad who is not registered with a particular team, but wishes to play, should contact **Brent Kennedy** at above numbers, and he will assign you to a team of "Have Nots".
- Some team organizers:

Southeast: Doug McKell 695-2263 or 695-2701, Indian Head, and **Bob Cuthbert**, Weyburn 842-7436 or 842-1313

Regina Area: Don Wasyluniuk 780-2400 or 789-2409, and **Bill Strautman** 781-2424 or 586-2567

Southwest: Blaine Woycheshin, Swift Current 773-0022

Northwest: Rob Jones, Unity 228-3313

Saskatoon Area: Fenton Wilson 242-9557 or 934-0148 and **Kern Clayton** 249-2947

Northeast: Garry Gale, Tisdale 873-4511 or 873-2185

Yorkton Area: Dave Struthers, 786-1500 or 783-2088

THE FURROWS END



Alba Irene Johnson, wife of **E.N.R. (Norm) Johnson '46S**, '50C of Regina, passed away on August 28 at 68 years.

Norm was ag. rep. at Maidstone in the early 50s and was later supervisor of ag. reps. for the North West region. He later became crops specialist, first with Sask. Agriculture and later with Sask. Crop Insurance.

Memorial services were held at Speers Funeral Chapel on August 31 with Rev. L. White officiating.

Alec Duck, father of **Brian '64C**, passed away in Regina at 80 years on September 6.

Alec was born in England and came to Regina with his parents when he was seven years of age. His family started a dairy farm on Dewdney West which was known as Saverlake Dairy. They delivered milk to Regina households for many years, and was known as "Duck's Milk". He witnessed many changes in his time, including the institution of pasteurization of milk products.

Mr. Duck is survived by daughters **Betty (Les) Freeman** of Fielding and **June Duck** of Kamloops, as well as a second son, **Patrick (Brenda)** of Grand Coulee, six grandchildren, one sister and two brothers.

He is predeceased by his wife **Kay**, three sisters and three brothers. One brother, **Bob** was ag. rep. at Prince Albert during the war and for a few years following, until his death in the early Fifties.

Funeral services were held on September 9 with Rev. J. Sam officiating. Interment was in Regina Memorial Gardens. Donations in his memory may be made to Sask. Parkinson's Disease Foundation, Box 102, Saskatoon, S7N 0X0, or Sask. Heart Foundation, #6, 1942 Hamilton Street, Regina, S4P 2C5

Henry J.C. Brown '41S of Moose Jaw, brother of **Harold '46S** passed away on September 30 at 72 years.

Born at Readlyn in 1915 he farmed there from 1932 until 1966 during which time he graduated from the School of Agriculture in 1941.

He married **Frieda Noble** in 1971 and moved to Sechelt Peninsula, B.C. in 1973, returning to Moose Jaw in 1985. Always active in the agricultural community, he received a Gold Pin for service in Sask. Wheat Pool and also received their Award of Distinction.

He was a life member of Sask. Ag. Grads Association, and a member of the N.F.U.

Mr. Brown was also very active in Masonic affairs, both in Sask. and B.C., having served as Master of Verwood Lodge AF & AM, life member of Mount Elphinstone Lodge, Gibson, B.C., Damascus Preceptory, Moose Jaw, Cryptic Rite, Regina, Wa Wa Temple, Regina and the Shriners \$100,000 Club. He was a continuous subscriber to the Shriners Crippled Children's Hospital.

He was also interested in politics, having been a member of the C.C.F. since 1933 and later of the N.D.P.

He was predeceased by his wife **Frieda** in 1984 and a brother **Allan** in 1985. He is survived by sisters **Margaret Brown** of Assiniboia, **Edith Brown** of Regina and **Dorothy (Ed) Billian** of Regina, and brother **Donald** of Regina, in addition to **Harold (Joy)** of Saskatoon.

Funeral services were held on October 4 with Rev. Don McRae, Zion United Church officiating.

Donations in his memory may be made to Shriners Crippled Children's Hospital, c/o WaWa Temple, 2065 Hamilton Street, Regina. S4P 2E1, or the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada, Sask. Division, 2329 11th Ave., Regina. S4P 0K2

James Dafoe Ironside '43C of Swift Current, passed away at Port Orford, Oregon on October 26 at 68 years.

Ironside was born in Winnipeg on October 16, 1920. His family moved to Swift Current in 1923 to found the Swift Current Produce Co.

After receiving schooling in Swift Current he enrolled in the College of Agriculture, University of Saskatchewan and graduated in 1943, whereupon he was commissioned in the Canadian Army and served overseas in World War II

Upon returning to Swift Current he joined his father in the produce business, which he continued after his father's death, retiring the business in the mid-seventies. He managed the Swift Current Curling Club from 1975 to 1984. He married **Vivian Alexander** in September 1943, who predeceased him in 1983. They raised three daughters **Judi Maxted**, Melbourne of Australia, **Margaret (Alex) Abernethy**, also of Melbourne and **Beth Ironside** of Fernie, B.C., and son **Gordon (Cheryl)** of Calgary.

In April 1984, he married **Millie Lockwood** of Regina, who survives him.

The couple lived on the "76 Ranch" in summer and in the Palm Springs area in winter.

Jim had many interests, including the Masonic Lodge, the First United Church, the Sask. Quarter Horse Association, Royal Canadian Legion, and the Sask. Flying Farmers Association.

He loved golf, hunting, fishing, travelling, cooking, eating, his family and his many friends.

In addition to his children, he is survived by 17 grandchildren and his step-children **Susan (Jack) Richardson** of Swift Current and **Eric (Margie) Lockwood** of Wilcox.

Funeral services were held from First United Church in Swift Current on November 1 with Rev. Dr. Alan Minarcik officiating.

Donations in Jim's memory may be made to the Sask. Heart Fund, 1478 Taylor Drive, Swift Current, Sask., or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Earl 'Mac' McFadden BSA (Man.) MSc '48, passed away in South Africa on September 21 at 73 years.

Born and raised in Manitoba and was a BSA graduate of the U of M. He served as a navigator in Bomber Command, RCAF overseas, and was discharged with the rank of flight lieutenant. He then entered the graduate program in agricultural engineering under the late **Prof. Evan A. Hardy, B.E.**

Following graduating with his MSc degree, he was employed by Massey-Harris and through them became chief agricultural engineer with the government of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. It was through Mac that the likes of **Art Strautman '48C**, **Walter Doyle '51C** and **Jim Rooke '51C**, all agricultural mechanics majors, were hired to work in the Sudan in 1951.

Mac left the Sudan in 1953 to work for Massey-Ferguson (successor to the Massey-Harris Co.) and later went to Salisbury, Rhodesia with Ford. He later went into business on his own in Salisbury (now known as Harare) until leaving in 1986 to live in South Africa.

He is survived by his wife **Doris**, daughter **Lona** and husband **John**, at Stellenbosch, S.A., and **Melanie** and husband also in South Africa, and son **Phillip** and family of Canberra, Australia. He also leaves a sister, **Mrs. Alice Jennings**, widow of the late Dr. Jennings, former medical superintendent at Fort San.

Elmer Roy De Yong '68C, '72 MSc. of Regina, Sask., passes away on Tuesday, November 1, 1988 at the age of 43 years.

Elmer was born September 1, 1945 at Lestock. He attended Schiller School from grades 1 to 6, and Punnichy School from grades 7 to 12. He then attended the University of Saskatchewan receiving his Bachelor of Science in Agriculture in 1968 with honors, and a Master of Science (Agricultural Economics) in 1972.

Throughout his childhood life, he was very active in the Punnichy 4-H Beef and grain clubs. One of his awards included that of winning a trip to P.E.I.

He worked for ten years in the Agricultural Economics Department of the U of S and a further ten years for Sask. Agriculture in Regina until his passing.

Elmer was highly respected for his work, having displayed the best characteristics of a professional economist and a civil servant.

Sask. Agriculture was the most important facet of his life in recent years. He had many attributes that his fellow workers admired, such as honesty, humor, concern for others, and most of all, his positive attitude towards life.

Since he was a lifelong diabetic, and the disease having seriously affected his eyesight, Elmer became very involved with the CNIB. He was active in CNIB fund raising as well as participating in sports, particularly golf and curling. He skipped a rink that won top honors at the Western Canadian Blind Curling Association.

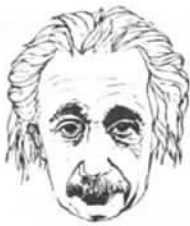
Stuart Kramer '72C, associate deputy minister of Sask. Agriculture, rendered a most touching eulogy in his memory. The great respect shown for Elmer was evidenced by the large attendance including at least 25 Ag. Grads, as well as numerous Regina Lions, members of the CNIB, friends and fellow workers.

He is survived by his parents **Adrian** and **Minnie DeYong** of Raymore (formerly of Punnichy), his sister **Dorothy DeYong** of Regina, and his brother **Ron (Beth) DeYong '62C** of Punnichy and numerous aunts and uncles.

Funeral service was held on Saturday, November 5, 1988 at 2:00 p.m. at Raymore United Church with Rev. Loraine Shepard officiating. Pallbearers were Wilfred Baggentos, Ed Reimer, Les Cherwinski, Mike Makowsky, Francis Gartner and Wayne Pederson. An Honor Guard was formed by some 35 members of Regina Lions and Punnichy & District Lions. Interment followed in the Raymore Cemetery. Arrangements were entrusted to the Helmsing Funeral Chapel of Regina and Raymore.

William (Bill) Snell '49C passed away at Creston, B.C. on October 21. A Memorial Service was held at Woseley with interment at Sintaluta. No further details are available at this time.

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DA DOPE FROM DA DEAN

1. The \$12 Million capital campaign has reached approximately three-quarters of its objective. Average contributions of **\$2000** and **\$1000 each** by faculty and alumni respectively exceeded targets by a wide margin. The total alumni contributions contributions exceeded \$1.1 Million.
2. Late last spring, the Canada Committee on Animal Care condemned the College's sheep facilities and prohibited use of the old stone barn for metabolic studies. This action seriously threatened large animal metabolic studies. The University responded by authorizing the construction of a new sheep metabolism facility. This action, together with rather costly renovations to certain of the Animal Science laboratories will ensure that the peptide hormone research can be continued.
3. The 1988 Crop Field Day was cancelled for the first time in history, due to the extensive drought. Seed increases for pedigreed seed purposes and for quality testing were severely affected by the drought, as was the commercial crop. Most of the some 40,000 field plots, several hundred agronomy crops, and 3,500 pest control plots failed due to the severe heat and drought in May and June.
4. A number of samples processed by the Soil Testing Lab reached an all-time high of 81,000. The Feed Testing Lab has increased fees, reduced staff, and with financial assistance from the Cattle Marketing Agency, just operated within budget. Both the Soil and Feed Testing Labs had to adjust programs, in some cases rather dramatically, in response to the cancellation of government support grants a year ago.
5. The ROP Bull Testing Station experienced a sharp decline in bulls tested, from 384 to 283.
6. The Meewasin Garden line continues as the most popular summer service offered by the college.
7. The College's Extension program is being reevaluated as a result of the recent reorganization of the province's extension service. A new extension program in Food Science called "Food Talk" has been most successful.
8. 21 staff members contributed 35 man months of assistance to overseas development programs in Lesotho, Zambia, Ghana, China, India, Turkey, Bulgaria, Hungary, Korea, Brazil, and Pakistan.

9. New faculty appointed during the past year included: **Shelia Schmutz** in Animal & Poultry Science, **Nicholas Low** in Applied Microbiology and Food Science, **Malcolm, Devine** in Crop Science & Plant Ecology, **Doug Waterer** in Horticulture Science, and **Nigel Livingston** in Soil Science. The College acknowledges with deep appreciation the many contributions of our retired colleagues: **Bill Howell, Art Sumner, Ross Ashford, Don Dabbs, and Ed Halstead.**
10. For the second straight year, enrolment in the B.S.A. program has risen in the College. This is in contrast to dropping student numbers in most Colleges of Agriculture in Canada and the U.S. Total enrolment in the B.S.A. program increased by 12 students to 567. Even in the diploma program, where enrolment had been dropping sharply in previous years, there appears to have been a turn around: total student numbers are up by approximately 10 students to 180.
11. Significant progress has been made overcoming concerns of the 100 scientists hired on soft dollar research grants; in the spring of 1988, the faculty approved a document which will regularize and make more uniform: appointments, promotions, rewards and fringe benefit guidelines, which will give research employees a working environment similar to that for regular University staff.
12. Included among the faculty recognized for special achievement are: **George Lee**, Fellow A.I.C.; **Ken Rosaasen**, Professor of the Year; **Milt Bell**, James McAnsh Award; **Al Slinkard**, Fellow AIC, and Agronomist of the Year; **Stu Nelson**, the Westvale Award; **Bob Mc Kercher**, Life Member, S.A.G.A.; and **John Stewart**, Fellow of the CSSS and Doctor of Science, Queen's University, Belfast.

Dean D.A. Rennie '49C

WHUT'S COOKIN'?

Thursday, January 12

College and School Class Warm-ups

— check with your class reunion chair(wo)man



Friday, January 13

A.M.

Ag Grad. Lectures - Education Building

8:00 - Registration

8:30 - 11:45 - Lectures

P.M.

1:00 - 3:00 - S.A.G.A. Annual Meeting 3:00 - Hockey commences

4:00 - Curling Commences

8:00 - Mixer - Marquis Hall

- grads, wives, husbands and special friendlies...

Saturday, January 14

A.M.

8:00 - Curling continues (until 4:00 p.m.) Hockey until 5:00 p.m.

P.M.

Ag. Grad. Soiree - Centennial Auditorium

5:30 - Sociability

6:30 - Banquet

9:00 - 1:30 - Soft shoe shuffle

NOTE: Re: Banquet & Dance Get your tickets by noon Friday

- Cash bar during social hour and dance

- Cash wine bar during banquet

- Prairie Room lounge available

- Picture taking room available after banquet

- Parking — Midtown Plaza — underground, until 2:00 a.m.

Sunday, January 15

A.M.

8:00 - Curling & hockey resume

P.M.

2:00 - Trophy presentations

2:30 - Tears and Jubilation

**On Sale: S.A.G.A. Pins \$3, Caps \$5
(no mail orders)**

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Lorne Glendenning '49C was seen wandering around the Golden Mile shopping plaza trying to spend his OAS cheque, and generally putting in time until the 40th class reunion. Then its off to slosh around Victoria until spring.

Doug 'Horatio' Grant '49C, has had a hernia operation in preparation for the reunion. Marg says it was getting too heavy for him to carry around.

Larry Koturbash '57C is reputed to be running a motel at Procupine Plain -- traded in his share in the Woodland Arms at Kamsack. Should be easier to sell a motel. Learned to trade apples for slingshots at school in Rama.

Bob Strilchuk '45C has put his golf cart up on blocks for the winter at Wynyard. Dreaming of a golf tournament at Pebble Beach, California or Madrid, Barcelona, Mazatlan, et al.

Dean W.J. (Bill) White '32C, was honored at a suprise tea held in his honor on the occasion of his 80th birthday on October 9 at Grosvenor United Church in Saskatoon. Bill is our oldest surviving dean, and is remembered by all with more than considerable fondness.

Hank Nickel '54C is now the most senior ag. rep. in existence -- in the region and the province -- the world? Gotta get your kids through university some way.

Ed Jackson '49S is still in the seed growing business at Eston, but it's for his three sons nowadays. Ed and **Ev** still do a lot of singing -- not all of it to grandchildren. Ed tramped fields for the Wheat Board 'identity preserve program' this summer to help pay for daughter **Nancy's** wedding to a Crystal Springs farm lad name a **Rick Hawreschuk**.

Bill Hamilton '50C, Bill Miner '52C, Gord Dobson '48C and Frank Payne '47C and a few younger grad sprouts in the Ottawa vicinity phoned all the ag. grads they could find --74 in total, and invited them all to a 'Partners in Growth' campaign gathering and let **Ted Turner '48S** give them the shot on the fund drive. About 30 grads made it to the rendezvous in the Ag. Canada Neatby Building. It was a first ever Sask. Ag. Grads assembly held in Ottawa, and they plan to do it again on social occasions.

Bill sent us a real line on grads in the Ottawa area. Space being at a premium, we may have to run it past you in the next issue. Thanks oceans, Bill. Its nice to get news like that.

Incidentally the younger sprouts who helped out included: **Jack Shields '61C, Julian Gellner '71C and Patty Townsend '80C**. All ag grads will be pleased to note that **Jake 'Dean' Brown '51C** hopes to soon be back at work, albeit in a wheel chair. The bone cancer is again in remission.

Dean Don Rennie '49C tells us that Jake has moved his effects from his former office in Kirk Hall to a wheel-chair-accessible one in the new Administration Building. You've just got to admire the intestinal fortitude and will power of **Jake and Betty**.

Juanita (Brown) Polegi '83C ran into him and Betty in Regina where the latter had attended an Order of Merit presentation banquet, and were headed back for the College of Agriculture Building sod-turning.

Marvellous!! Positively!!!

The Furrows End

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Toby Lynn (Nee Fryer) Gossard, wife of **David '85C**, died suddenly in Arusha, Tanzania on October 5 of complications associated with tubal pregnancy.

Toby was born June 27, 1963 in Rosetown Union Hospital. She graduated from Perdue Composite High School, and upon graduation spent a year in Columbia under auspices of the Rotary Club. She then attended the U of S, where she met and married David. They spent two years in Indian Head with Agriculture Canada, and left in January of this year to spend two years in Tanzania with CIDA.

Toby had a keen interest in people and an unusual ability to befriend those of any age. She was a student of language, drama and modelling, and with courage and determination achieved many of her goals in the short time allowed her.

Besides her husband **David** and two-year old daughter **Alexa**; she leaves her parents **Eloy Fryer**, Oxbow and **Rosemary Nyholt**, North Battleford, brother **Scott Fryer**, Saskatoon, sisters **Shelly (Lee) Ostbery**, North Battleford, **Tracy (Richard) Chabot**, Edmonton, and **Lana Fryer**, Minot, N.D., as well as her grandparents.

Funeral mass was held in Cabri Community Hall on October 12.

Donations in her memory may be made to the new Children's Ward, Cabri Union Hospital.

Toby's unusual pregnancy would not have had favorable results in even the most sophisticated of medical surroundings in Canada or elsewhere.

Solomon 'Sol' Sinclair '32C passed away in Winnipeg recently at 83 years.

Sol was born on January 14, 1905 and was raised on a farm at Lipton. He graduated from the U of S College of Agriculture in 1932, majoring in agricultural economics and went on to attain his MSc in 1937 and his PhD in 1952 at other universities.

In his early years he was a pioneer in farm management in Saskatchewan. He also helped create PFRA, the first drought assistance program in 1939, and aided in the creation of the wheat acreage reduction program and the prairie farm income program in the early years of World War II.

He joined the university of Manitoba agricultural faculty in the late 'forties and became head of the department of agricultural economics when it was first founded in 1953. In 1986 the university of Manitoba named their farm institute in his honor and established the Sol and Elsie Sinclair Seminar Fund in their agricultural economics department. He was the founder of the University of Manitoba's Natural Resources Institute.

Sol attained international stature and served in many capacities at the provincial, national and international levels. He travelled extensively on overseas assignments. He enjoyed life to its fullest and was active until his death.

He received many national and international awards and honors. Among these was a Fellow of A.I.C., and in his home province, was the holder of the U of S Distinguished Graduate in Agriculture Award, was a Founding member of S.A.G.A. and an Honorary Life Member.

He is survived by three children, ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Sol was a giant among agrologists everywhere.

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Notice of Motion

Sask. Agric. Graduates Ass'n Annual Meeting January 13, 1989

Amendment to the constitution - an addition:

ARTICLE 4(C) The Executive of the Association shall consist of the following elected members: Add Item 6. as follows:

"The representative to the University of Saskatchewan Alumni Association shall be elected at an annual meeting of the Association and shall hold office for three years and shall have had at least two years previous experience as a member of the Association executive."

H. Ross Kingdon, Sec. Tres.,
Sask. Agric. Graduates Ass'n.



THE TENDER TRAP

Duane Guina '85C fell to the endearing charms of **Sharon Rodney, LMCC** and **B. of Music** undergrad, at St. Gerard R.C. Church at Yorkton in September.

Diane Boyko, B. Mus. was bridesmaid, and brother **Ron Guina, B. Comm.** was bestman. Duane's culinary accomplishments figured heavily in Sharon's decision forever after at North Battleford.

Murray Fulton '77C remodelled an old house in Saskatoon and fell prey to the graces of his helper, **Leona Theis** -- at the U of S Faculty Club on November 5 -- gunpowder, treason and plot -- Guy Fawkes, you know.

Andy LaForge '78C went on a trip to Cuba in January 1987, and then made a few trips to Toronto. Her name is **Betty** and she's lived in Carrot River since January 1988, and helps at Gates Fertilizers.

Brian Perkins '81C and **Sharon McGillivray** were married on July 11, 1987 and then honeymooned in Europe for six weeks? 6 months?



Vox Populi

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have room for all of the information in Murray's newsy letter. I'll spread the rest on coffee row.

Larry Clark '69S is still certifying his seed at Arcola. If only he had more of it.

Russell Gheysen '87S was able to take off enough time from scratching dirt at Forget, to get hitched.

Bill Strautman '81C isn't allowed to talk on the CBC's Prairie Farm Report, but he does get his face on TV once in awhile.

Hugh Schnell '74S is raising crops for hoppers at Torquay and sits on the Farm Debt Review Board. Can't wait for Free Trade so he can nip the two miles to the U.S. border to take some money from their Farm Program.

Colin Beaulieu '78C has found a way to raise hogs on barley hulls at Estevan.

Barry Harris '76C is into Canada's growth industry - filling out income tax returns at his H & R Block Office at Estevan. In between that and committee meetings he collects deficiency payments at North Portal. **Faye** has birthed two young uns.

According to the Angus Reid polls, 11 out of 44 ag. rep. offices in Sask. are categorized as temporary or vacant, 19 times out of 20.

Doug McKell '77C at Indian Head and **Fred Marcan '87C**, aren't sure which category they're in.

Rob Rennie '71C, son of **Don '49C**, has made a remarkable recovery after a liver transplant nearly a year ago. He fought for his life for four months in the Transplant Centre, University Hospital, University of Western Ontario, and one month in hospital in Lethbridge. He's working full-time with hopes of returning to Egypt to complete the project he initiated a year ago.

Blaine Canitz '80C, is general manager of Sask. Dairy Herd Improvement Corporation in Regina.

Nobody knows what the heck **Jackie Frooarp '81C** is doing in Regina.

Dawn and Terry Gates '68C, are busy building a new shack at Tisdale, and Terry has shot an elk for the use of his horns, that looked more like driftwood in the back of his half-ton.

Doyle Weibe '76C has sent **Val** out to teach at Vanscoy so's he can renovate the kitchen at Langham and eat regularly.

Diana and Steve Meister '81C have three beautiful little girls. Steve has managed to wangle two weeks holidays from work in Regina, and is gonna take Diana on a holiday to Spain and Portugal outa sheer gratitude. Dangerous business! Could end up with four kids that way.

Ed Tanner '72C has to keep on ag reping to keep himself in halftons. Seems the Indian girls keep swiping his from the driveway. Claims he doesn't know them.

Chris Ruschowshi '84C, ag. rep-in-waiting at Watson, and spending his weekends in Saskatoon.

Eugene Bendig '70C is into bigger bucks at the A.D.D. board in Regina - senior planning officer?

Don Pierce '73C has moved up to regional manager of ACS at Tisdale.

Joe Novak '82C is lands Branch assistant supervisor at Tisdale.

The bull elk just aren't utilizing crown grazing land properly. **Tim Fiest '82C** and **Dale Risula '80C**, land reps. at Tisdale and Wakaw respectively, have resorted to capital genocide.

Others overheard discussing white tail

were **Larry Le '70C** ag. rep., Nipawin, **John Hemstad '63C**, rice peddler at P.A., and **Doug England '63C**, oil upgrader at Regina. **Don Perreault '72C**, ag. rep. at The Bay publishes the only bilingual ag. rep. letter in the province.

A quartet of P.A. fishermen - **Larry White '64C**, **Brian Harris '71C**, **Barry Swanson '72C** and another, whose name and grad year were overcome by a computer virus, saw a lot of big trout in the boat next to them.

Stu 'Jack Rabbit' Adam '68C, ag. rep. at Melfort, has gone from knowing nothing to knowing everything about rabbit production and diversification in just one seminar.

The ag. extension office in Tisdale is being completely redone by an interior decorator in preparation to becoming a Rural Service Centre.

Cyril LaForge '72 still picks up his grain stabilization, deficiency and drought cheques at the P.A. office, but gets his beer money from extension, rather than SIAP.

Tom Boyle '75C is still ag. rep. in residence at Wakaw. If canola hits \$10 he may earn enough small farm income for the wife's Christmas.

Ellwood Fleming '62C is principal of the new Rosetown Central High School from being principal at the Rosetown Compsite. Been in town since 1967.

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1929 7 living grads - no chairman yet	1929 - two living - no reply from Sask. resident yet.
1939 Gordon Hymers 1202-730 Spandia Cres. E. Saskatoon S7K 4M7 Phone 665-0636	1939 Tom Drever Box 1431 Fort Qu'Appelle S0G 1S0 Phone 332-6729
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The Furrows End

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Warren E. Benedict '40S passed away in the Nanaimo General Hospital on October 26 at 67 years.

Warren was born and raised at Eston and attended the School of Agriculture, U of S, graduating in 1940 and served in the RCAF for four years in World War II.

He farmed at Eston and then served in the management and educational fields of the Co-operative Movement in various provinces in Canada for some 28 years.

He leaves his loving wife **Kathleen**, son **Ted (Judy)** of White Rock, B.C., daughters **Ann** and **Kari** of Saskatoon **Carol (Ken)** of Traverse Bay, Man, **Leslie (Barry)** of Winnipeg, **Donna (Wayne)** of St. John's Nfld., **Dorothy (Kjell)** of Edmonton, and **Judy (Brian)** of Winnipeg, a brother **(Donald (Agnes))** of Nanaimo and sister **Loreen (Frank)** of Moose Jaw.

Twenty-three grandchildren and three great grandchildren also survive him.

Funeral services were held from McKague's Funeral Chapel, Saskatoon on October 31, conducted by Rev. Ray Hill.



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