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Bill Foster, '29, and Mrs. Foster reminiscing with Mrs. Rayner at the Agricultural Graduates' Sunday afternoon tea.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi, Fellows!

Plans are already underway for the 1972 reunion and several changes in format are likely to result. Chairmen of the various reunion years are getting organized and will soon be in touch with the members of the classes concerned. In order to keep the organization viable and active, however, strong membership support is essential. We hope you will check your membership standing and take whatever steps may be necessary to keep it from lapsing.

News editor Tom is always glad to receive items of interest for publication. A healthy flow of news has a stimulating effect on everyone and helps us all to maintain a lively interest in our friends of College days.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Art Stilborn.

1951 SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE GRADUATE REUNION
January 1971

The reunion commenced with several of the '51 grads taking part in the bonspiel on Saturday; a few were fortunate enough to participate in the Sunday draws. The Saturday smoker and the Sunday tea provided excellent opportunities for more of the '51 grads to reminisce. Probably the most successful event of the reunion was the Sunday evening "bull session". This was not only the largest turn-out but also the event which gave the grads an excellent opportunity to hash over old times and get up-to-date on what everyone was doing. Quite a number stayed for the Monday evening Ag Grad banquet and dance. This was followed by another get together with eats, more reminiscing, etc. This pretty well wrapped up the events of our reunion with the exception of a few who stayed for various sessions of the Farm Week lecture series. All in all it was a very successful event and every one enjoyed the opportunity to renew acquaintances and chat about the good old school days and all that has taken place in the past 20 years.

If we were to sum up the feelings of the Grads in one statement it would probably be, "how fortunate and privileged we were to have had the opportunity to enroll in the School of Agriculture back in the fall of 1949."

1951 COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE GRADUATES
Honour Year Reunion

The January 1971 reunion of '51 grads was an occasion that will be remembered and cherished by all who attended. Twenty-three of the grads were on hand and took part in the various activities during this memorable weekend. Viola (Maurice) Rollins, it was so nice of you to attend and break up the male dominance. Some of the fellows were on hand for the start of the ice-breaker curling sessions, and some even survived for the finals and championship. Congratulations again, John Schmidt. You certainly haven't lost your touch.

While attendance was somewhat low, there were enough bodies to make a lively reunion. We particularly enjoyed the Sunday night '51 banquet. The few hours we had together was hardly enough to crowd in 20 year's worth of stories and reminiscing but we had a wonderful time.

We particularly appreciated meeting the wives of many of the fellows, and several grads from rather distant places. Most of the grads stayed on for the Monday night "do" at the Bessborough.

It is hoped that this reunion will encourage a continuing association in years ahead and a "keeping in touch" whenever and wherever opportunities arise.

A number of the grads expressed a desire to get together again for a quarter century reunion in 1976. How about this fellows and gals who didn't make it in 1971?



1951 COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE GRADUATES

Back Row L. to R.: J. G. (Jack) Braidek, K. E. (Keith) Thue, J. P. (Jim) Misfeldt, A. J. (John) Garratt, H. (Harry) Ukrainetz.

Middle Row L. to R.: Stanley Sheard, D. G. (Grant) Murphy, W. W. (Walter) Doyle, C. H. (Charlie) Thompson, L. T. (Lorne) Hextall, J. F. (Jim) Rooke, J. A. (Jack) Peck.

Front Row L. to R.: Harry Lang, J. A. (Jake) Brown, H. E. (Harold) Gullett, Anna Viola M. Rollins, W. R. (Wally) Baldwin, J. R. (John) Schmidt, G. M. (Gordon) Richardson.



SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE GRADS — 20 YEAR REUNION — SASKATOON JAN./71

Back Row L. to R.: S. Acton, F. Wohlberg, D. Eley, W. Rosher, C. Hopkins, Mrs. C. Hopkins, N.J. Noble, Mrs. N.J. Noble, E.W. Everitt, Mrs. E.W. Everitt, Mrs. T.V. Beckett, T.V. Beckett, Mrs. C. McIvor, C. McIvor, Mrs. N. Stooshinoff, N. Stooshinoff, Mrs. J. Craig, J. Craig.

Middle Row L. to R.: Mrs. S. Acton, Mrs. F. Wohlberg, Mrs. D. Eley, J. Dorrance, Mrs. J. Dorrance, C. Kent, Mrs. C. Kent, G. Burton,

Mrs. G. Burton, C. Eilers, Mrs. C. Eilers, W. Cooper, Mrs. B. Blakely, B. Blakely, (unknown), W. Hope, H. Francis, Mrs. H. Francis.

Front Row L. to R.: Roger Carlton, Mrs. Carlton, Mrs. W. Macza, W. Macza, Mrs. D. McDermott, D. McDermott, Mrs. J. Linnell, J. Linnell, Mrs. B. Linnell, B. Linnell, Mrs. L.A. Campbell, L.A. Campbell.

NOTES FROM YOUR SECRETARY-TREASURER

Your address label now contains information on membership status: LIFE means you are on the records as a Life Member; HLM indicates you hold an Honorary Life Membership; PD 70 indicates your fees are paid to 1970 or if PD 72 to 1972 and so on. The other number beside your name is your graduation year. Annual fees are now \$2.00. Life fees are according to a schedule based on the year of your class as follows: for those graduating 0-5 years ago the fee is \$40; 6-10 years, \$35; 11-15 years, \$30; 16-20 years, \$25; 21 years or more \$20. Please mention your graduation year in all correspondence. For those of you holding both Diploma and Degree it likely is to your benefit to use your Diploma year if you want a Life Membership.

We would like addresses of the following if anyone knows them: John Charnetski '38, LIFE; Terry Henderson, PD 72; Neil T. McConnachie '68; Keith Turner '67, LIFE; W.A. Weiss, '50.

Here are items of interest from recent minutes of executive meetings. **Members in arrears** will only be retained one year on the mailing list. With the new computerized system your status is on the mailing label. **Curlers** will in the future play eight ends only in all games except finals and semi-finals. There are two purposes in this change, firstly, it will ease the physical strain and allow more socializing for the curlers and secondly, it will allow the drawmasters more time to arrange the draws and ice allotments. The **Banquet and Dance** will likely be rehabilitated. We contemplate a change in the nature of the program to allow more time to mingle, mix and talk and other changes probably in venue which will give a modest price saving. **Reunion year** chairmen are being appointed so don't forget all you 1922, '32, '42, '52 and '62 fellows that the important dates on your calendars are Jan. 8, 9, 10 and 11 in 1972 for Bonspiel, Smoker and Lecture Series.

AGROS HERE AND THERE

The exodus to Manitoba continues. **Lawrence McNabb** '65 has moved from Eastend to Dauphin where he will be a livestock specialist.

George Cooper '44 of West Bend has been elected president of the Sask. Shorthorn Association. **H.J. Kidd** '36 of Vandura is on George's executive. **Jock Blacklock** '43 on the other hand believes Herefords are better and is a director of the Saskatchewan Hereford Association.

Eugene Bendig '70 is now the Ag Rep at Melfort after learning the ropes of the trade from **John Hanson** '43 in Moose Jaw.

Doug Watson '48 reports a move to Delaware. He is still with Dupont and expects to be in Wilmington (1503 Athens Road) for a couple of years.

Glenn Flaten '56 and **Gary Carlson** '61 have been spending their time arguing with the Federal Government recently. Glenn represented the Saskatchewan Feathered Friends and Gary the Saskatchewan Federation of Agriculture in opposing some aspects of a national farm product marketing bill at a recent meeting in Regina.

Bernie Sonntag '62, a recent Ph.D. is now on staff at Lethbridge as a research economist. While Bernie goes to work a couple of others, **Herb Clark** '45, and **Roly St. Arnaud** '48, are taking sabbaticals beginning in July. Herb is travelling all over the place from what we hear while Roly is going to Louvain in Belgium to try to learn more about clays and the French language.

Forrest Hetland '46, of Naicam has been appointed a commissioner of the Canadian Wheat Board. **A.G. (Bud) Smith** '48, has changed his dealerships and now repre-

sents amongst others Versatile, McKee, Harvard Roto-
vator, Melroe cultivator and Mitsubishi tractor. How's
the Japanese Bud?

W.A. (Andy) Russell '49, formerly of Scott Research Station, has been transferred to the C.D.A. Station at Morden, Manitoba, in charge of potato investigations.

Ben Blacklock '46, has been elected a director of the Canadian Aberdeen Angus Association.

Leslie Krasa '45, in addition to sending in a life membership cheque, tells us he is teaching at a college in Montreal. His daughter is in college and son nearly finished high school.

The '59 class must have had some tremendous curlers because two of the fellows, **Merle Byrnes** and **Glen Farrell** were on opposing teams in the northern Saskatchewan Men's Brier. Glen made it to the provincial finals but enough said about Merle's efforts.

E.K. Turner '48, has been re-elected president of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool. **W.M. (Willie) Wilson** '40, has been elected vice-president, Canadian Sheep Breeder's Association.

Howard Giles '68, seems to be a firmly convicted easterner now, along with wife June, his home is Petrolia, Ontario and he operates as an Ag. Rep. in Lambton County.

Bill Brown '48, has departed from the Oliver Corporation and will be leaving Charles City, Iowa, for Minnesota. Bill and family are resort owners now and are planning on a year round resort on the basis of water and snow. Any travellers or vacationers can contact Bill and Phyllis at Route 4, Box 311, Detroit Lakes, Minnesota 56501.

Doug Treleaven '49, has been appointed assistant chief commissioner of the Wheat Board. Also on the Board is **Charlie Gibbings** '42.

A.L.D. (Al) Martin, chief of the Manitoba Department of Agriculture Crops Division has accepted a one year appointment at the Plant Breeding Station at Njao, Kenya. Al will be in charge of organizing and conducting research into fertilizer use, weed control and cultural practices.

W.J. (Bill) Small '48, has been elected first vice-president of the Saskatchewan Shorthorn Association.

Eric Putt '39, Director of CDA Research Station, Morden, Manitoba, spoke at the Crops Co-ordinating Conference in Swift Current on February 11th and 12th, 1971. Eric had a good visit with **Stu McBean** '38 and **Dave Heinrichs** '38. Both Dave and Stu also participated in the program.

Andy Bunn '54, writes from London, Ontario indicating that he is really enjoying his work as Livestock Specialist with the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food.

Laurent Gareau '44, formerly District agriculturist and Regional ARDA Co-ordinator at Bonnyville, Alberta, is now supervisor of Forage Crops for the Alberta Dept. of Agriculture in Edmonton.

James W. (Jim) Clarke '48, is now Director of the Economics Division of the Alberta Department of Agriculture, Edmonton. In a recent letter Jim indicated that he and his family liked Baghdad and they like Edmonton.

R.D. (Dave) Clarke '48, is reported to be looking well and happy in his new position as Director of School of Agriculture at Lethbridge Community College.

P.J. Martin '64, is now animal nutritionist at the Alberta Soils and Feed Testing Laboratory in Edmonton.

C.R. (Charlie) Parsons '27, and **John Leach** '36, were awarded Honorary Life Memberships at the 1971 annual Ag. Grad Banquet.

M.S. (Stew) Harrison '32, was recently presented with an award for long service with the Agricultural Engineering group here at the University of Saskatchewan campus.

Lin J. Boyes '48, of Minnedosa, Manitoba, sent us a note recently. We deciphered his writing to read that he had recently seen **Derrald Ahner** and **Bob Rae**, of Brandon on honourable pursuits and they are all well and active.

A letter was received from Vern Busch '57, advising us that Bob Richardson of Windthorst is now living in Williams Lake, B.C. Vern is busy farming and hopes to get to a Farm and Home Week program sometime soon. Thanks, Vern!

A letter received from Joan '59, and John Swenson '56, was very interesting and newsworthy. Joan (nee Whitehead) writes that John is now a Social Services Branch of Manitoba Government supervisor at Brandon and Joan has a full-time job looking after their 2 year old son, Jimmy and their four poodles, as well as being active in community interests. Thanks Joan!

We received a letter from Jack Kyle '46, bringing us his up-to-date address. Jack is now Vice President (Admin.) at University of Victoria.

Laurent Gareau '44, wrote that their son, daughter, son-in-law and daughter-in-law, all received degrees from the University of Alberta last spring.

E.J. Chatfield '50, of 111 Main St., Saskatoon, teaches at the Sask. Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences in Saskatoon. He wrote to tell us that Arnold Tremere '62, is with the Maple Leaf Mills in their livestock feeds department and is located at 2552 Haltyre Cres., Mississauga, Ontario, and is doing well in his vocation.

Garnet Altwasser '62, writes from Brooks, Alberta, where he is with Lakeside Feeders Ltd. Garnet and Faye would be pleased to have a visit from any agros passing Brooks. Lakeside is 3 miles west of town.

Lavern Voldeng '63, is now well occupied in the Swine raising program at Naicam, Sask. A cross-breeding program with Yorkshires, Hampshires and Lacombes form an important part of the Voldeng enterprise.

Peter A. Gradauer '65, writes that he has left the services of Gulf Oil and has taken over his father's farm at Lloydminster. The Gradauers were presented with a daughter on June 23.

BIRTHS:

Mac '62, and Gail MacKintosh on December 19, 1970 a son, Andrew Jonathan.

Nick '62 and Jean Henger on December 25, 1970 a daughter, Tracy Dawn.

Roy '67 and Marian Button in October, 1970 a son, Timothy. Peter and Mrs. Gadauer '65, of Lloydminster on June 23, 1970, a daughter, Geraldine.

MARRIAGES:

W.L. Lewis Reeves, '68, married to Joanne Barber, October 9 at St. Paul's United Church, Tisdale.

DEATHS:

Mrs. Georgina Smith, wife of A.A. (Spike) Smith (1915) on December 9, 1970.

Mr. Otto Richardt, father of G.A. (Bud) Richardt on Feb. 3, 1971.

Mr. John T. Pobran (56 years) graduate of 1939, on February 4, 1971, while vacationing in Hawaii.

Mr. Manley Peifer of Nipawin on December 6, 1970, father of Charles Peifer '52.

Bob Fox '64, of Lloydminster killed in an accident near Marseilles, Illinois on March 9, 1971.

Mrs. Annie E. Metheral, mother of Vern '33, at Saskatoon. Lawrence E. Purdy '23, killed in a traffic accident on December 22, 1970.

Our sympathy is extended to their families at this time.