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Women's Institute Notes

Notwithstanding the inclement weather twenty-eight ladies attended the January meeting of the Women's Institute, held in the Agricultural rooms on Saturday p.m. last.

The meeting opened by singing the nuch favored song, "The Institute much favored song, "The Institute Carol," after which the minutes of the December meeting and the financial report were read. Committee were then given.

At the December meeting it was decided to make four special efforts during the next four months to raise funds for Institute work. To do this the Institute membership was divid-ed alphabetically into four groups, each group to be responsible for one such effort.

On January 30th group one held a bake sale and a "tea" in the home of Mrs. P. Alford and in the rest room adjacent. \$25 was cleared.

Group two plans serving buns, hot-dogs and coffee after the hockey match on Saturday, February 7th. This group also plans a bake sale, afternoon tea and supper served cafeteria style, March 17th.

Group 3 will hold a box social, euchre and dance on February 19th.

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that a summer speaker be secured; that the W. I. room in the town hall that the W. I. room in the town hall deficit of about \$40 if outstanding be re-decorated, and that the Institute move back home for its February meeting, after a nomadic existence since the burning of the A.H.S., when the room was given over for school purposes; that the indebtedness on the Park property be paid in Jesse Webster law delegate to Synod, and mess on the Park property be paid in Jesse Webster law delegate to Synod, and ness on the Park property be paid in full; and that the W. I. consider the purchase of a piano for the Community Hall. This has been done and the piano placed as the Women's Institute contribution to the H. S. equipment.

The business over, the literary and musical part of the programme was

piano solo.

A report of what our sister Institutes in the Brockville district are
doing, was much approciated. The
meeting closed with the National An-

February meeting to be held in the Institute room, Mrs. Warren to be responsible for the paper, "Making the Most of Life," and Miss Belle Wiltse

Most of Life, and Miss Belle Wilese the musical numbers.

The Horticulture Society plans holding its spring floral exhibit in connection with this meeting.

QUABBIN

Quabbin, Jan. 31.-Mrs. Robert Edgley has returned after having spent a few days with her aunt, Mrs.

John Edgley, Andressburg.

Charles Rath, Lansdowne, was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Norman Hutchison, for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grothier attended the Oddfellows' at home in Lansdowne, on Friday evening last

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John Ashley intends holding an auction sale of farm stock and implements on Tuesday, February 3rd.
Miss Doolan, Miss Fenton and Miss
Vickery, of the Malorytown Consoli-

dated School, were the guests of Mrs. E. Hagerman on Tuesday last.
Mrs. Agnes Latimer, R.N., who has been spending some time with her niece, Mrs. Fred Graham, Junetown,

has returned home

Mrs. Robert Edgley is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Arthur McReady, Lansdowne.

Despite the extreme cold and stormy weather the school van has made its regular trips.

E. W. Grothier went to Lansdowne.

on Friday night to assist in the programme of the Oddfellows' at home.

J. G. Ruttle has purchased a new driving horse.

of Athens High

At the statutory meeting of the Athens High School Board held on Wednesday evening, the following members being present; Messrs. H. H. Arnold, Dr. C. M. Bracken, G. E. Judson, Dr. M. H. Moore, W. G. Parish, W. C. Smith and A. E. Watt, business ansacted as follows,

Mr. H. H. Arnold was elected chairnan for 1925.

G. E. Holmes was elected secretarytreasurer at the same salary as last

The first Monday at 8.00 p.m , was hosen as night of meeting. The Committee were elected as

follows:-Finance, Messrs. W. G. Parish, Dr. M. H. Moore, A. E. Watt. Property, Messrs. W. C. Smith, Dr.

C. M. Bracken, H. H. Arnold. Management, Messrs. H. H. Arnold.

Dr. C. M. Bracken, G. E. Judson. Supply, Messrs. G. E. Judson, W. C. Smith, A. E. Watt.

The Secretary-treasurer was authorized to pay monthly the salaries of teachers and janitor as they come due, vithout recourse to the board. Minutes of last meeting read and

dopted. N. A. Hagerman's work acct. for \$40.15 was ordered paid.

The Village officer was appointed chool attendance officer.

A deputation of the Alumni Association consting of the President, J. D. Johnston, Vice President, M. Arnold, and secretary, S. C. A. Lamb and Principal Campbell were introduced and spoke regarding what they intended to do and asking the board's co-operation.

Mr. Donald Fraser was appointed janitor at a salary of \$65.00 per month, duties to begin Feb. 1st.

An account for desks from the Canada Foundries and Forgings Co. amounting to \$225.30 less 2 per cent. was ordered paid out of Permanent Improvement funds.

Annual Vestry Meeting, Oak Leat Church

Allan H. Ralph and Jesse Webster Re-Elected Wardens.

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After these reports the regular business proceeded, with the result that a summer speaker be secured; that the W. I. room in the town hall be redecorated and that the Institute of about \$40 if outstanding the redecorated and that the Institute of the paid Allan H. Ralph was lesse Webster lay delegate to dean-

The following advisory committee was appointed: Hermon Pierce, William Halliday, R. J. Green, W. F. Warren, C. W. Murphy, James Ferguson, W. B. Beale, George E. Godkin, M. J. Johnson, Manford Webster and the wardens.

heard.

Mrs. N. G. Scott gave a splendid paper on "Our Nerves and How to Treat Them."

The Misses Doris Connerty and Treat Them. The Misses Doris Connerty and Elva Gifford delighted all with their lightful social evening was held, at the close of which delicious refresh-

ments were served.

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ABOUT SWEET CLOVER

School Board Hints Regarding the Cutting, Curing and Siloing.

> Should Be Cut Before Blo In Filling the Silo Tramp Well-Some Farmers Rec Use of Salt-Old Dobbin Steals a March on the Tractor.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of

Sweet clover should be cut for hav in the green sappy state just before blooming. If cut for hay, great care should be taken to properly cure it. It would seem that the best method is to coil it in the field and dry it thoroughly before drawing it to the barn. Wet, damp or poorly-cured hay provides ideal conditions for the development of mould.

As sweet clover hav is difficult to cure under the best conditions a very good means of preserving it would seem to be in the form of silage.

The experience of the last year, however, has revealed the fact that certain precautions are necessary in making silage if it is to come out of the last year, and are found in greatest abundance on long-haired, old and poorly cared for stock during March and April. Spring rains tend to reduce the numbers of verming that are expressed to the the silo green, succulent, and free from mould.

When to Cut for Silage.

Sweet clover for silage should be cut at the same time as for hay, i.e., just before blooming. The binder should be followed as closely as possible with the waggons and the sweet clover put into the silo at once. It should not be left lying on the ground for even a day, especially during hot, dry weather. The knives of the cutting box should be set to cut the sweet clover as fine as possible. If for any reason the feed seems dry a stream of water should be run into the cutting box, for it is essential to have the sweet clover well moistehed so that it can be well packed in the Clover Should Be Carefully Tramped

One of the most important steps in the making of good silage is to be sure that it is spread evenly and tramped thoroughly in the silo. tramped thoroughly in the silo. Seventy-five per cent. of the failures in making first-class silage last year m making inst-class sliage last year were due to insufficient packing. At least two men—preferably more— are necessary to properly tramp sweet clover in the silo. Great care should be taken to see that it is particularly well tramped around the edge. Neglect to properly pack the silage was quite apparent throughout the country this spring, and it was not always in ratio to the number of men in the silo. One farmer said he had two men in his silo while it was being filled last summer, and h could not explain why one half of his silage was rotten from the top to the bottom, and that on the opposite side from the blower pipe. The condition was easily explained, however, when it was realized that the two men had tood on either side of where the cut food was blown in, and had simply forked it over to the other side and did not bother tramping at all. Be cause sweet clover has a hollow stem and has not the weight that cut corn has it requires to be packed more firmly to prevent the development of

Some Farmers Recommend the Use

The use of salt either in curing the hay or in the silo is strongly re-commended by some farmers, and if the sweet clover is not being handled under the most favorable conditions would probably help in curing of the fodder.

In conclusion, it may be well to sum up the four important steps that must be followed if the sweet clover is going to be ensilaged in the best

(1) It should be cut before blos soming.

(2) It should not be allowed to lie

in the field after being cut.

(3) It should not be cut fine.

(4 It should be tramped well.—Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph. Old Dobbin Steals March on Tractor. "Tractor manufacturers and horse

"Tractor manufacturers and horse breeders associations may urge the relative merits of tractors and horses as sources of farm power with all the eloquence of which they are capable," declares G. A. Pond, in charge of the cost accounting section at Minnesota University Farm, "but the farmer who has both available keeps his eye steadfastly on the relative prices of kerosene and oats and adjusts his power supply accordingly."

Recently summarized data collected showed but 298 hours of use per tractor in 1921 as compared with 415 hours the year previous, a decrease of 28 per cent. The use of horse labor, on the other hand, increased an

or, on the other hand, increased an average of 610 hours per farm during the same period.

The fact that tractor fuel declined only 29 per cent. in price while horse feed decreased 55 per cent. partly explains the change. plains the change.

In the Orchard.

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The foliage of stone fruits, as cherry, plum, and peach, is on the whole quite tender, and the arsenical sprays should be employed with caution. Arsenate of lead is least likely to do harm, though more than two applications, especially to peach, may cause shotholing, dropping of leaves, and burning of fruit.

The care of the home orchard provides for spare time congenial and profitable occupation for those who enjoy spaing things grow

enjoy social things grow

VERMIN IN LIVE STOCK

Much Injury Done by Lice to Farm Animals

Vermin Multiply Rapidly—Treatment for Cattle, Horse and Hog Lice— The Louse a Robber of Profits—

Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

Thousands of dollars are lost each year by stock owners neglecting to take the necessary measures to destroy the lice that infest the stock. Millions of these busy little insects make life a misery to the animal, and they also make the animals a source of loss to the owner. The keeping of live stock as a medium of support for lice never made any money for the farmer. It is unprofitable. Many people neglect, for reasons best known to themselves, to apply the simple remedies that destroy vermin and prevent losses on live stock operations. Lice Multiply Rapidly.

on animals that are exposed to the weather, and the lice become less numerous as the season progresses. A few seem to survive the summer and show their presence in the late autumn or early winter when their progeny have increased to millions, and bring torment to the unfortunate animals that support them. ratch is the practice, until the hair is off and the louse is either crushed or pushed further along. Bare patches are noticed on side of neck, breast, head and back, wherever the animal has been able to reach evidence of vigorous attempts at relief from the tiny tormentors. Animais that are tied and not free to rub themselves have a harder lot than those running free. Treatment for Cattle Lice.

All animals should be given a good grooming with brush and curry comb to remove scurf, loose bair, and any vermin that may be off guard, then apply the following:

Mix the quantities of soap and coal quarts of boiling water. This will hake an emulsion if thoroughly mix-ed, to which a gallon of warm water must be added before applying to the animals. An ordinary stable brush is a good instrument with which to ap-ply the emulsion. Care should be a good instrument with which to ap-ply the emulsion. Care should be taken to saturate the skin over the entire body. Repeat the treatment three days; another brood will be up and doing by that time. Sheep dips prepared by reliable manufacturing chemists are available and very useful in destroying cattle lice. There are three species of lice attacking cattle, viz: the long-nosed louse, the short-nosed louse, and the biting louse. Herds that are regularly groomed during the winter suffer but little from lice.

Treatment for Horse Lice.

If the weather is warm enough so that it is safe to wash a horse, the kerosene emulsion given for cattle is very effective. If the weather is cold, the animal can be given a good grooming, and then either sodium fluoride or pyrethrum powder should be well dusted on the skin, and the horse blanketed. Raw linseed oil can be brushed into the hair quite easily and with good effect. A good orush and oil are death to the Any treatment given should be repeated in ten days, since the powers of multiplication are wonderful.

There are two kinds of lice infesting suctorial.

Treatment for Pig Lice.

Raw linseed oil applied with a brush to all parts of the body is very effective. The formulae for kerosene emulsion can also be used kerosene emulsion can also be used to advantage. An oil rub, always accessible for the use of swine, will do much to keep the vermin down. The practice of having a machine oil can handy at feeding time and giving each pig a squirt along the back once a week is a good one. It will make conditions unhealthy for a pig louse. The pig louse, "Haematopinus suis," is a big one, almost as long as its name, and can easily be seen.

Do not let the louse rob you of your season's profits, and do not let it annoy your animals. A little soapy

it annoy your animals. A little soapy of greasy material will stop its breathing for all time. Why not get after the louse to-day?—L. Stevenson, Director of Extension, O. A. College, Guelph.

Soft Bacon.

Experimental work at the Ontario Agricultural College has proven that soft bacon comes from pigs that have been fed heavily during early life on fattening feeds while enclosed in pens or yards so small as to prevent proper exercise for the animals. O. A. C. experiments have also proven that pigs grown to 125 pounds weight on mixed feeds well balanced with skim milk (2½ pounds milk to 1 pound of meal), or tankage up to 10-per cent. in the ration may be furnished on corn or barley and still produce a firm, high quality product. produce a firm, high quality product.
Dairy by-products tend to offset the bath your arising from lack of exercise, but both exercise and skimmilk are better than either alone.—Dept. of Extension, O. A. College, Guelph.



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