

FARM NEWS

From Halton's Farm Lands

Halton association

# HOG PRODUCERS RE-ELECT CLAYTON Halton Producers' MAY, HEAR ONT. ASSOCIATION PRES. Offer Show Prizes

tion in Milton last week.

Mr. McInnis who was introduced and is now not a hog producer. by P. Merry, ably dealt with critistock Sales on the basis of the agency's record in raising the price paid to producers of Ontario hogs. an average of \$2.00 per hog, in the two years since the Agency's forma-

. He further stated that the right

ing agency, would be challenged in Mercyn Coulson, F. Colling and T. the courts during the next few months. He further reported that with the whole-hearted support of all hog producers and transporters. Holstein Banquet the producers' marketing agency. In short, he said, if direct deliver- To Hear J. M. Fraser ies were curtailed to the processing plants, and sent to the stock yards,

over the years up to the formation Huttonville.

Charles McInnis of Iroquois, pre- of the Marketing Agendy, Mr. New- At the Bacon Show to be held in sident of the Ontario Hog Production informed the meeting of his in- Milton in March, we understand ers' Association was the chief tention to retire as a director on the from Clayton May, president of the speaker at the Annual Meeting of Marketing Agency at the annual Halton Hog Producers' Association, the Halton Hog Producers' Associa- meeting on March 2, and 3, due to that his association this year will the fact that he had sold his farm offer specials of \$2.00 each for all

The Halton meeting passed a re- the winning township entry. Speccism which in recent months has solution in support of the Marketing ials of \$1.00 each will also be awardbeen levelled at the Producers' Agency and urged the continuance ed to similar quality hogs in the Sales Agency. Mr. McInnis appeal- of the Marketing Agency's efforts second prize township group. ed for support for the United Live- towards the setting up of a National

> The election of officers resulted da Department of Agriculture. as follows: president, Clayton May: These are \$5.00 each on all carcasses vice-president, Ed. Davenport; sectreas., A. R. Service.

Directors - Esquesing: T. Brownridge, Angus McNabb, Ed. and \$1.00 each on those of fourth Snow; Nassagaweya; Wilfred Ken- quality. of producers to market their own nedy, Geo. Robertson, and John product through their own market- Wilson; Nelson: Glen Campbell,

A feature of the program for the packers would be more active in annual "Ladies' Night" banquet to be sponsored by the Halton Holstein Charles Newton, Zone director to Breeders Club next week is to be the hog producers' marketing agen- an illustrated address on his trip cy, also spoke briefly and gave an overseas by J. M. Fraser, wellexcellent review of hog marketing known Holstein breeder from near

# AWARD MILTON JRS. DICK TROPHY AT HALTON JUNIOR DRAMA FESTIVAL

of the Halton Junior Farmers, won by Dave Pelletterio, with Mrs. Geo. by the Milton Juniors in the audi- Newell as accompanist. torium of the Oakville High School | The W. I. Dick Trophy emblematlast Friday evening, was another ic of the annual Drama Festival highlight in the long list of achieve- championship, was as previously ments of that outstanding group of indicated, awarded to the Milton rural young people headed by Don Juniors. In Mr. Dick's unavoidable

bers of all four casts and their re- on behalf of the winning cast. spective directors. At the same When it came to selecting the best plays and presentation.

their cast were Howson Ruddell, Festival for 1955. Jim Brown, George English, Bernice Wilson, and Thelma Brown, won by Bill Kelly, of Milton, who with Mrs. Graydon Chester as the director.

The second play, "Two Crooks lock Trophy." and a Lady" was presented by the Palermo Juniors: Roy Ford, Sylvia lations to Halton Juniors and in par-Shepherd, Mary Pope, Marjorie Segsworth, Edward Segsworth and Charles Blanshard. Their director was Miss Florence Meares.

Next came Acton Junior Farmers in their play, "Red Sky at Night." Members of their cast were Anne program. McLaughlin, Betty Anderson, Bill Thompson, Eleanor McKeown, Sandy Buchanan and Mitchell Neal. This play was directed by W. F.

The final and fourth one act and winning play of the evening was that of the Milton Juniors, entitled "Pink and Patches". Members of the cast were Jean Peterson, Bill Kelly, Dorothy Ingram, Freda Mc-Fadden, and directed by Stuart Mc-Fadden. The play had the finish of a professional presentation.

The Norval play also came in for special commendation and received the honorable mention award. The program, presided over by president Don Matthews, also in-

The third annual drama festival cluded an enjoyable sing-song led

Matthews of Esquesing township. absence, the trophy was presented The adjudicator. John Binks of on his behalf by his son, K. Y. Dick, Hamilton, complimented the mem- and received by Stuart McFadden

time, Mr. Binks offered a construct- actress of the evening, adjudicator ive criticism which no doubt, like John Binks found himself in diffithose of former years,-will result in culty. He finally boiled it down to an even higher level in choice of Dorothy Ingram and Jean Peterson, and there it remained. To these two The first play of this outstanding young ladies, Geo. E. Elliott preevening's program was entitled, sented the Margaret Alice Elliott "The Darkest Hour", presented by Trophy emblematic of the Best Actthe Norval Juniors the members of ress in the Junior Farmer Drama

> The award for Best Actor was gave a finished performance. He was presented with the J. E. White-

May we extend sincere congratuticular to the members of the four casts, their respective directors, and those working behind the scenes all of whom contributed to the success of a most enjoyable evening's

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### **Test Station Hogs** Grade 70% A's

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per cent. of A hogs in 1951, our per- of our surpluses in an orderly way per cent. favoring supports just centage of A hogs has dropped 11 in co-operation with other count-high enough to protect the farmer per cent. in three years.

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"Self-Fed" and we note that on the hogs of first and second quality in average they secured one pound of agreed with Melrose in Hastings gain live weight with 3.6 lbs. of and Townline in Kent that price feed. In all 240 groups or litters support could not be effective unwere tested in Ontario in 1954. It less some additional trade barriers is interesting to note when compar- were established. The remainder These specials are of course in ading the 15 highest groups with the of the forums were unable to reach dition to those offered by the Cana- 15 lowest groups, that the percent- a clear-cut decision. age of A's in the 15 highest groups was 98.3 and the average advanced making first quality: \$4.00 on all registry score was 87.5-in the case carcasses of second quality; \$2.00 of the 15 lowest groups the percenteach on carcasses of third quality; age A's was 23.3 per cent, and the average advanced registry score

This year all hogs must be ready Inasmuch as all hogs at the test for market by March 21. Those who station are fed the same ration, and expect to have pigs ready for mar- furthermore are marketed at the Ramshaw: Trafalgar: H. Armstrong, ket at this time should contact one proper weight, it indicates-perhaps of the officers or directors of the we should say proves, that there is is above or below the export marmuch in breeding.

# FORUMS DIVIDED ON PRICE SUPPORT WITHOUT TRADE BARRIER INCREASE

keted from the Ontario Advanced evenly divided in their opinion of ter of the groups agreed with O.D. Registry Swine Testing Station. The whether a price support program R, Artemesia in Grey when they average age of the pigs when mar- can be effective without increasing say, "We would run into trouble keted was 183.2 days, and 70.1 per the barriers to international trade, with other countries, and if our cent. made Grade A carcasses. Of judging by the 501 farm forum re- prices are too. high, we couldn't the 5,078,715 hogs marketed in Can- ports received on the February 14 sell our produce," ada in\_1954, only 25,95 per cent. discussions on farm markets ab- Only a few of the forum. road. Forty per cent. of the groups thought that price supports should Here in Ontario, the percentage of felt like Rosebank in Waterloo, be high enough to encourage in-A's was down to 29.97 per cent, and who thought; "Price support can creased production. The big majorin Halton County where we had 41 be worked effectively if we dispose ity were evenly divided with 46

> ries in this position." On the other hand 38 per-cent-

On the question of level of price supports the majority of the groups felt that the support price had to be above the export market level to be of any use. Redwing in Grey and Hanbury in Temiskaming spoke for many when they suggested setting the support price on a cost of production basis. regardless of whether that price:

Ontario farm people are fairly, On the other hand about a quar-

against disastrous price drops and an equal number favoring a support between this level and a level that would encourage production.

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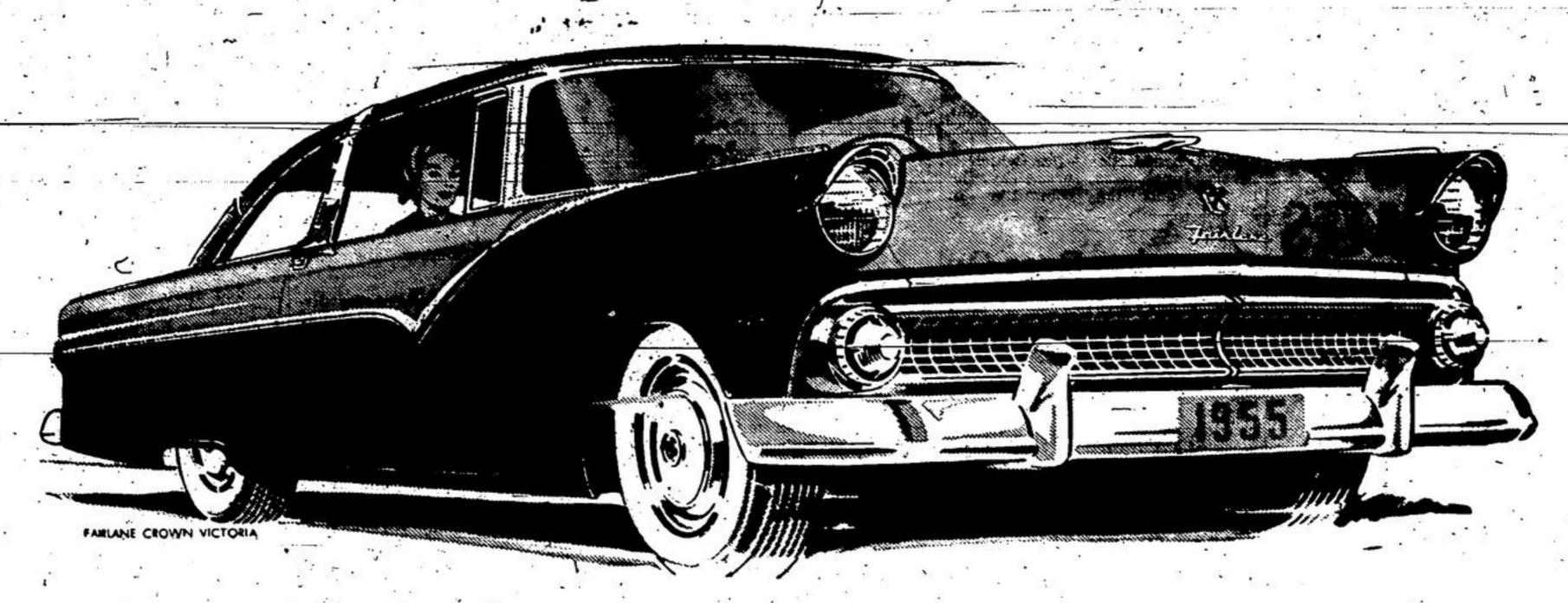
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