

### NEWS and VIEWS

Of Halton Farm Interest

#### Acton Girls' Garden Brigade

Seventeen members of the Acton Girls' Garden Brigade staged an outstanding display of vegetables from their respective gardens at the Acton Fair. The young ladies have taken a keen interest in their project under the leadership of Miss Mary Irvine, County Home Economist, and this was exemplified in the excellent display which was the feature of the Hall exhibit. While the prize money will be awarded on the aggregate score taking into consideration all phases of the Garden Project, the first seven awards on the displays at Acton were as follows: Eleanor Stark, Georgetown; Elda Fryer, Acton; Gladys Ruddell, Georgetown; Hestie Reid, Acton; Ruby Clarridge, Milton; Wilma Butler, Acton; and Doreen Ferguson, Rockwood.

#### Acton Boys' Beaver Out Club

In the Acton Boys' Beaver Out Club, fifteen of the twenty members exhibited their half bushel of threshed grain. This too was a very excellent showing considering the very unfavorable spring seeding and the fact that quite a number of the Club Members had not been able to get their grain threshed at the time of the show. In this project too the prize money is awarded on the aggregate score taking into consideration field score, field notes, judging, etc. The first six lots of grain were as follows: Geo. Wilson, Ashgrove; Geo. Burkholder, Freeman; Clarence Reid, Acton; Ray Everdell, Acton; Lawrence Anthony, Acton; Douglas Alexander, Georgetown.

The first two Club Members were declared eligible to represent their Club by exhibiting their grain at the Royal Winter Fair, where they will compete with Grain Club Members from all parts of Canada.

#### R. S. Duncan to Address Plowmen

The 1947 prize list for Halton Plowmen is now off the press. This is the biggest prize list ever offered by the Halton association, totalling nearly \$500 in cash and goods. A new feature of the Match will be a class for Row Crop Tractors, using either two or three furrow plows. The class for Halton boys under 18 years will be of special interest to lads who have never previously competed in a Match. No less than seven prizes totalling \$99 is offered in this class which is primarily for beginners. As usual a banquet is being held in the evening. This year this feature will be held in the Palermo Community Hall, when R. S. Duncan, Assistant Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, will be the guest speaker. Other program will include the Lowville-Campbellville double quartette, and Kilbride's one and only Jack Bennett, the versatile comedien.

#### Acton Juniors Win Federation Trophy

The finals in the Halton Junior Farmers' Softball Tournament brought together Acton and Palermo Clubs. It was a tight game throughout being tied 12 all at the end of eight innings. Fyfe Somerville of Acton won the game for his team by hitting a double in the last half of the ninth with a man on second and two out.

The winning Acton team will be presented with the Federation of Agriculture trophy in the Milton High School auditorium on Friday evening, November 7th, on the occasion of the Halton Juniors' Public Speaking Competition. The members of the two teams were as follows:

Acton—Ken Allan, Kerwin McPhail, Jack Stewart, Mel Jordan, Gib Jordan, Bill Jackson, Ab Alton, Fyfe Somerville, Vic Masters, Ray Everdell, Earl Masales.

Palermo—John Galbraith, Glen Campbell, Wilfred Inglehart, Vern Galbraith, Harold Gowland, Vera Bridgman, Dave Pelletterio, Bill Meredith, Bill Bridgman.

Umpires: Bob Marshall, Acton, and J. E. Whitelock, Milton.

#### Halton Jersey Breeders Second at Championship Show

Four Halton Jersey Breeders made entries at the Western Ontario Championship Show held at Simcoe on October 7th. Twenty-five Halton Jerseys were at Simcoe where some 400 hundred head in all were in competition. You can talk about the 25th of Royal Winter Fair Jersey Shows but it has been many a year since such an outstanding showing of Jerseys has been held in Ontario. Halton was represented with entries from the herds of M. C. Beatty, Hugh Beatty and Featherstone, Bros., of Trafalgar Township and Wm. Davies and Son of Nelson Township.

All four Halton breeders made an outstanding showing, particularly when it is taken into consideration that in many of the classes there were 30 or more entries. The highlight from a County standpoint was the winning of second place in the inter-county herd class, which was won by York County, with Halton second; Oxford third; Brant fourth; and Middlesex fifth; M. C. Beatty had the largest number of entries from Halton, and was a strong contender throughout, winning one first; four seconds, two thirds; three fourths; and two fifths. Featherstone Bros. had the 3rd prize aged cow; a fifth prize on their senior yearling heifer which was grand champion female at Milton Show, as well as a

### RECOLLECTIONS OF ACTON

#### BACK IN 1897

Taken from the Issue of the Free Press of October 14th, 1897

At the last meeting of Esquimaux Township council the following men were appointed tax collectors at a salary of twenty dollars: Polling Alton—No. 1. Archibald McDougall; 2. Robert Harper; 3. David Little; 4. Peter Gibbons; 5. James Nickell; 6. John Campbell.

A fine bank barn was raised last Wednesday at the farm of Mr. John Walters on the First Concession, Miss Baker of Guelph organized a Mission Band in the Ebenezer Church last Friday evening with Mrs. Scanlin as president, Mrs. John Marshall as Vice-President, Miss Fletcher as Rec- Sec., Mr. Midgley Cong. Sec., Mrs. H. Daniels Treasurer. Some sixteen members joined the first night.

Mr. Fred Deacon, Milton, and Miss DeFries of Toronto were guests at Moorecroft on Saturday.

Erin Fair today and tomorrow.

**BORN**  
STUMP In Rockwood, on Sunday, October 10th, to Mr. and Mrs. E. Stump, twin sons.

**DARLING** In Esquimaux on Wednesday, October 6th, Margaret M. Darling, daughter of the late David Darling, aged 21 years.

**CAMPBELL** At Jefferson Wis., on Tuesday, October 7th, Lieut. Col. Donald Campbell, Registrar for the County of Halton, aged 58 years.

#### BACK IN 1927

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, October 20th, 1927

Mr. Fred Higgins has sold his house on Young Street to Mr. L. Starkman and has purchased the residence of Mrs. Julia McArthur on Church St.

The School Board arranged for an informal opening of the new High School on Saturday evening. The new building will be completed by that date and open for inspection by all interested citizens.

Sunday was an ideal autumn day for the 82nd anniversary services of Knox Church. Rev. James Mackay, B.D., of London, was the special speaker for the day.

Acton pupils attended the Halton County Field Day at Burlington last Friday when Oakville, Milton, Acton and Burlington competed.

**BORN**  
COLES In Acton on Thursday, October 13, 1927, to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest W. Coles, a son.

**AULT** At the Private Patients Pavilion, General Hospital, Toronto, on Wednesday, October 12, 1927, to Mr. and Mrs. Percy E. Ault, a son.

**DIED**  
KINGSBURY—At his late residence, Nassagaweya Township, on Friday, October 14, 1927, Gilbert Kingsbury, in his 80th year.

**ROSS** At Stewarttown on Tuesday, October 18, 1927, Margaret Ross, daughter of the late William and Annie Ross.

sixth on their senior heifer calf. In both of these latter classes there were over 30 entries. Wm. Davies & Son had fifth and seventh prize two year old heifers, and their herd sire Brampton Light, Valiant which has been grand champion at Milton for three

1946 Championship Show, had to be content with 6th place this year. Unfortunately he was not showing his usual good form at Simcoe and on future occasions will take the majority of the bulls which beat him at Simcoe.

Another interesting feature of this show from a Halton standpoint was the showing of 3 animals bred and developed by Arthur Padbury, Nassagaweya Township, but now in the herd of C. J. Fox of York County, where Arthur McKee, formerly of Acton is now chief herdsman. Rockalda Volunteer Violet (full sisters) bred by Mr. Padbury, placed first and second in the strong milking cow class and also won the progeny of dam class. Violet's daughter, Rockaldo Basil's Viola also bred by Mr. Padbury, was first in the dry cow class.

#### GIANT BEANS

It is reported in the Australian Newsletter, says Agriculture Abroad, that edible beans more than four feet long, weighing up to 14 lb. each, have been grown in the State of Victoria from seeds brought from New Guinea. Once set, the beans are said to grow at the rate of 2 1/2 inches a day.

#### VILLAGE OF ACTON NOTICE

The Municipal Council of the Village of Acton will, after the expiration of one month from the date of this Notice, take into consideration and pass a By-law to stop up and close the following street, in the said Village, namely:

**ALL OF MAPLE STREET**  
And to convey the various portions of same to the owners of lots immediately adjoining on the southeast thereof.

This Notice is given pursuant to Sections 495 and 498 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1937, Chapter 266.  
Dated at Acton this Twenty-fifth day of September, A.D. 1947.  
C. F. LEATHERLAND  
Municipal Clerk

### The Sunday School Lesson

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19th

#### THE CREATIVE POWER OF FAITH

Golden Text.—Faith is assurance of things hoped for, a conviction of things not seen. Heb. 11: 1.

Lesson Text.—Heb. 11: 1-8, 39-40; 12: 1-2.

Exposition.—I. What Faith Is, 1.

In verse 1 we have a very explicit and suggestive definition of faith; in the verses that immediately follow many illustrations of faith; and in the closing verses of the chapter a description of the triumphs of faith. As to what faith is, it is the "assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" (A.R.V.). The ground of this assurance and conviction is (as we clearly see in the illustrations that follow) the Word of God (Rom. 10: 17). Faith looks at the word of God and that alone; sees what God promised and rests assured that it will all come to pass just as He says. It puts all to test by acting as if it were so. Faith asks no questions beyond what God says, believes exactly what God does say will come to pass, and obeys what God commands. To believe God is to rely upon or have unhesitating assurance of the truth of God's testimony, even if it is unsupported by other evidence, and to rely upon and have unflinching assurance of the fulfillment of His promise, even though everything seems against such fulfillment (1 Jno. 5: 10; Jno 5: 24; Ac. 27: 22-25; Rom. 4: 3, 19-21; Heb. 11: 13).

God spoke and the world came into being as a perfect whole (Gen. 1: 3, 6, 9, 14, 20, 24, 26). We know this by faith, i.e., because God says so in Genesis 1, and we take God at His word. God told Cain and Abel that, sin having entered the world, He could only be approached "on the ground of shed blood. Abel believed God and came bringing an offering of shed blood; Cain did not believe God and brought of the fruit of the ground"; so Abel by faith "offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain" (Gen. 4: 3-5). "Each walked with God," and thus became so well-pleasing to God that God took him to be constantly with Him without his passing through the dark door of death (Gen. 5: 21-24). No one can be well-pleasing to God in any other way (v. 6); the one thing that God demands of men is that they believe Him. It was by simple unquestioning faith in what God told him, that Noah prepared his ark, and thus saved himself and his household (Gen. 6: 1-22); God made Abraham a promise; Abraham believed and did what God told him to do to inherit the promise. He had his eye on "the city which hath the foundations, whose builder and maker is God," and some day he will realize that too.

The Holy Spirit mentions this long list of heroes of faith to stir up believers still living to their full duty. The thought of verse 1 is not that these who have gone before into the eternal world are looking at us today (there is no place in the Bible that teaches that). This interpretation comes from a misunderstanding of the Bible usage of the word "witness". A witness does not mean a looker on, but one who testifies. Their witness does not consist in looking at us, but in their testifying to God and the

truth of His Word. But on the ground of the testimony of this great cloud of witnesses, our duty is plain.

(1) "Lay aside every weight." No runner ever carry extra burden. There are things which we may not be able to prove are sin but which are certainly weights in the Christian race. Every such thing should be laid aside. (2) "The sin which doth so easily beset us." "So easily beset" means, winds itself around us as an ill-fitting garment winds itself and trips up the runner. That is exactly what sins do unless we lay them aside. (3) "Run with patience the race that is set before us." "Patience" means steadfast endurance, never giving up but pegging through to the end. (4) "Looking unto Jesus." We are to keep our eyes upon Him, as the "File-Leader and Perfector of our faith." He "instead of the joy that was set before Him" (the joy of equality and fellowship with God) "endured the cross" (Phil. 2: 6-8), and we must choose the cross instead of the joy, if we would win in the race; and despise the shame that lies in the path of absolute loyalty to God. An the result, He is now "set down at the right hand of the throne of God" and if we run with endurance, we shall sit down with Him (Rev. 3: 21). This is the day of an easy-going Christianity, a Christianity of songs and socials and jollity and "having a good time." Make it as easy and pleasant as possible for the young convert! "Let them lay aside every weight" covers every question of objectionable practices. "Let them endure the cross as Jesus did" the Holy Spirit continues. Look at Jesus, He is our pattern (Matt. 16: 24). Sacrifice is the very heart of Christian service. The realities of our faith are revealed in our unselfishness.

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To sell by public auction at her farm, Lot 4, Con. 4, Twp. of Esquimaux, on

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18th**  
Commencing at 2:00 o'clock the following:

**HORSES**—Grey Percheron Gelding, 10 yrs. old; 2 Bay Geldings, 10 yrs. old, good workers.

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**SHEEP**—30 good strong, healthy Suffolk Breeding Ewes; 2 year old Suffolk Ram; This has been a very prolific flock of sheep.

**HAY AND GRINDER**—25 ton mixed Hay; Wood's Electric Grain Grinder and motor, like new; Melotte Cream Separator, run 2 years.

**FURNITURE**—Dining Room Suite, consisting of 6 chairs, table and sideboard; Singer Sewing Machine; Hall Rack with mirror; large leather easy Chair; 3 Wooden Beds; 1 Iron Bed; 1 set Springs; 2 Wash Stands; 2 Dressers; odd small tables; odd Dishes and some Glassware.

**TERMS**—Cash settlement with clerk day of sale.  
No reserve as the proprietress is giving up farming.

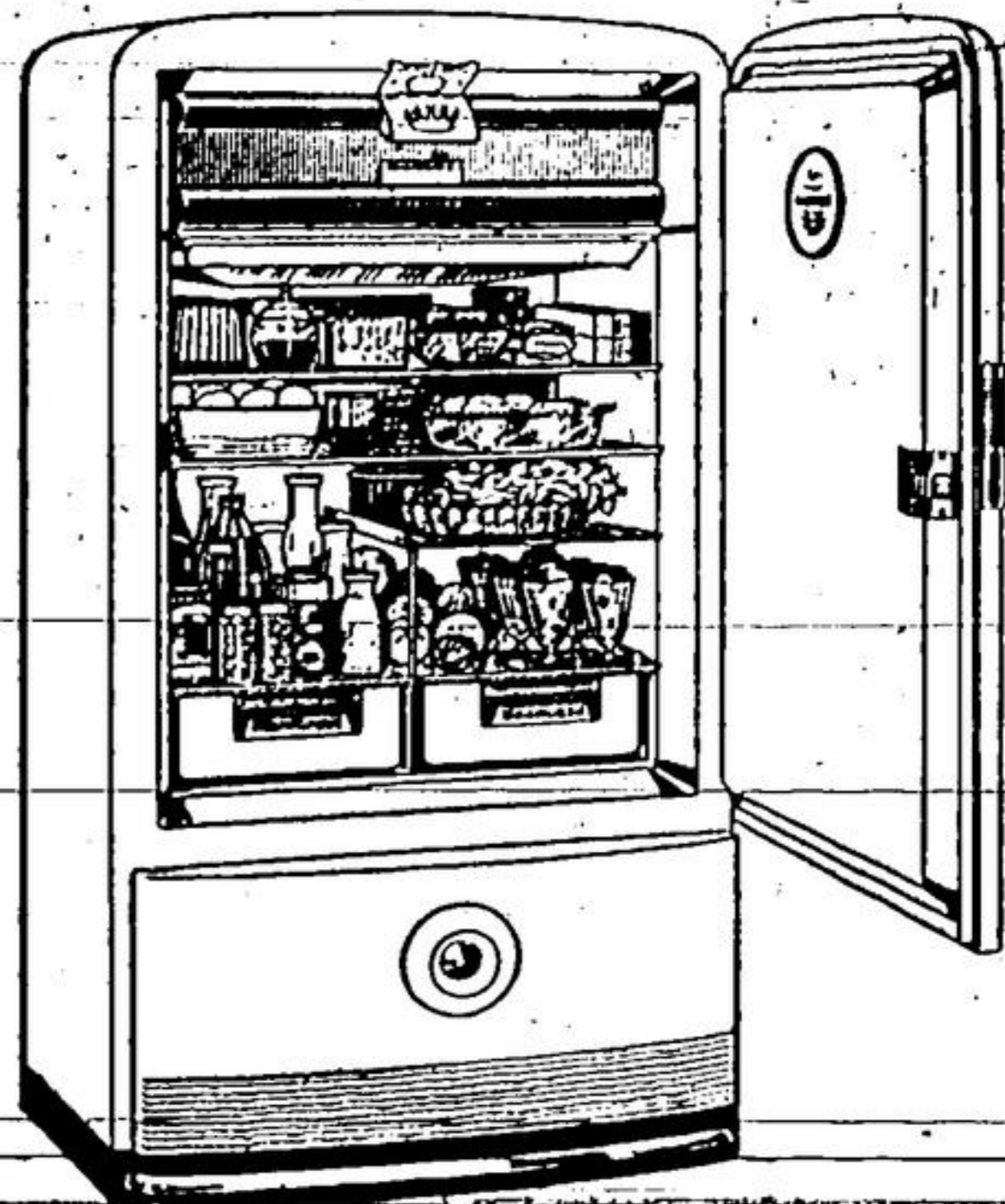
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