

NEWS and VIEWS

Of Halton Farm Interest

Various McArthur Flooded President of Crop Improvement Association

The Court Room at Milton was well filled on Saturday last for the annual meeting of the Halton Crop Improvement Association. C. L. S. Palmer, President of the Association, was in charge of the meeting. Secretary Whitelock's report revealed an active program of tests and demonstrations. These included tests in liming on 15 different farms; tests with rock phosphate vs. superphosphate and lime on five farms; tests with leachville limestone vs. Dundas lime on two farms; top dressing of fall wheat with ammonium nitrate on four farms; top dressing of alfalfa with various fertilizer combinations together with lime and boron; demonstrations with chemical weed killers both pre-emergent and when the corn was 12 to 15 inches in height on 5 farms; replicated variety tests with oats, barley and husking corn on 5 farms; demonstration pastures, a Boys' Grain Club with Certified Beaver Oats, etc.

Some excellent reports were presented by a number of co-operatives these included Douglas Currie, on the results of replicated variety tests with Oats and Barley. These revealed that the Boston, Beaver, Eban, and Atlas are the top yielders of the day. It was, however, pointed out by Mr. Currie that Boston, while a good yielder, produces the most straw and is approximately 10 days to 2 weeks later in maturity than Atlas. The other three varieties are medium in maturity and perhaps meet the requirements of the average farm a little better than Boston. Among the barley varieties and being were the top yielders, with the former much stronger in the straw.

Ward King of Trafalgar Township reported excellent results from breaking up of creek flats and re-seeding to a mixture of recommended grasses and clovers. L. DeVries of Georgetown gave an excellent resume of his experience in liming over a period of years.

Alex McLaren, chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Horticulture for the 1948 County Council gave a comprehensive report on the activities of the new Committee on conservation, their plans for 1949 and requested the cooperation of the large audience in speeding up the program for the conserving of soil, water and trees. During the course of the meeting several of the speakers urged the necessity of building up the organic matter content of the soils of the County as a means of improving yields and improving the water holding capacity. It was the general feeling that greater use of the grass seed box at seeding time was advisable. In short, increased seeding down to clovers with the subsequent plowing down of clover as a green manure crop, offered the best solution.

W. E. Bracken of Freeman was the chief speaker taking as his subject, "Present Day Trends in Production and Marketing." During his address, Mr. Bracken expressed himself as opposed to subsidies government boards in charge of buying and selling the policy of guaranteed prices, etc. which, in his opinion places the whole price structure on a false bottom and also upsets the proper price relationship between various products. In referring to anticipated surpluses of certain products, the speaker intimated that he did not anticipate lower prices in the immediate future and made it very clear that decreased production was not the solution. Such a policy he pointed out, could only result in increased cost of production per unit. "Grow the crop for which your land is best suited," stated Mr. Bracken. To illustrate his point he referred to his own experience during the past 4 or 5 years with haying corn. As a result of his own experience Mr. Bracken is convinced that haying corn is not a satisfactory crop on heavy clay land. In stressing the necessity for selecting the varieties best suited to one's farm he again referred to his experience with both Dawson's Golden Chaff and Cornell Winter wheats. The latter he stated, under his conditions had outyielded Dawson's by 5 bush per acre.

In concluding his address the speaker emphasized the necessity of lowering our cost of production and producing in sufficient quantity to warrant the use of labour-saving equipment. In other words, stated Mr. Bracken, "Price alone won't save us. The amount we produce or ship is as important as the price."

The election of officers and directors is as follows: President, V. E. McArthur, Milton; Vice President, C. F. Pickett, Georgetown; Sec. Treas., J. E. Whitelock, Directors, Trafalgar—Frank Hall, J. H. Willmott, W. G. Booth and C. H. Lawrence; Equesing—Robt.

Miller, T. J. Brownridge and John Bird; Nelson—W. E. Brockton and C. L. S. Palmer; Nassagaweya—A. Diamond, Lloyd Crawford and J. McPhail; Auditor—H. C. Morris, Milton.

R. M. Morrison To Address Cream Producers

R. M. Morrison, newly elected president of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture and Secretary of the Ontario Cream Producers' Association, is scheduled as the speaker for the Annual Meeting of the Halton Cream Producers' Association at the Court House, in Milton, on Saturday, February 5th, at 2:00 p.m. This will be a splendid opportunity to secure a progress report on the activities of the provincial cream producers Association and also to meet the newly elected president of the Ontario Federation Mr. Morrison has just recently returned from attending the annual convention of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture in Western Canada.

Horses Don't Talk

The Austrian Racing Association according to Overseas News invited the Czechoslovak Racing Society to send entries to its annual horse show. Shortly before the show started the Czech horses arrived but the riders were conspicuous by their absence. The horse show chairman immediately telephoned Prague and asked where the riders were.

"We're terribly embarrassed," replied a Czech official at the Iron Curtain end of the wire. The Communist government was willing to grant exit visas to our horses, since they're not politically minded but at the eleventh hour they refused visas to our jockeys.

"Officials told us they realized our horse wouldn't talk carelessly at Vienna about conditions today in Czechoslovakia, but they weren't so truthful about our jockeys."

The U.S.A. government has just published a book recording the story of winners of the Medal of Honor from the Civil War through World War II. The decoration compares with our Victoria Cross.

ETERNAL VIGILANCE

Speaking in Dublin on the right of election, John Philip Curran said in part—"It is the common fate of the indolent to see their rights become a prey to the active. The condition upon which God hath given liberty to man is eternal vigilance; which condition if he break, servitude is at once the consequence of his crime and the punishment of his guilt."

This statement made in 1790, is as true today as it was over one hundred and fifty years ago and is reproduced in the January letter to industry by the Industrial Accident Prevention Association.

Rice has been planted successfully from airplanes in California.

The Sunday School Lesson

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 6

THE TEACHING MISSION OF JESUS

Golden Text: He went about in Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease Matt. 4: 23.

Lesson Text: Mk. 1: 14-15, 32-39; Luke 4: 16-21.

Exposition: 1. Jesus Came Preaching, Mk. 1: 14, 15. Mark began his revelation with a perfect identification of Jesus with the Gospel. This answers the question as to what is the Gospel. Mark would say, "It is Christ Jesus the Lord." So would the Apostle Paul (Rom. 1: 16). The Gospel is not an "ism," not a theology, not a denomination—it is Christ. The Gospel stands or falls on the Person of our Saviour. He is the Gospel, for all He was and did and is so intimately identified with the Person of Christ that they are forever inseparable (1 Tim. 3: 16; Heb. 7: 25; 8: 1, 13; 8).

In verses 14, 15 we read that Jesus came "preaching the gospel of the Kingdom of God and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe.' How wonderful that He, as God's medium of redemption, should Himself bear the message of hope to sinful mankind. But this was necessary since He was not only God's incarnate Son, but the revelation of redeeming love. To look up a Jesus was an unmeasured privilege and to hear Him speak His message of hope must have been an unpayable blessing. Let us bear in mind that our best witness to Christ is made when we allow Him to so rule our lives that others can see we are constrained by His love (2 Cor. 17: 20).

II. He Healed Many, 32-31. Here we have Jesus in the home. The family invited Jesus to dinner and were well repaid (Matt. 23: 34, 37, 40). There was sickness in this home and they did the wisest thing that can be done in sickness, "They tell him of her" (v. 30). Jesus would have us act today toward Him just as the disciples did when He was here on earth (Heb. 13: 8). He would have felt hurt if Peter had run off for a doctor instead of coming first to Him. There was no delay in telling Jesus "straightway" (v. 20). R. V. I. Some just what Jesus did (v. "He came." Jesus could heal at a distance (Jno. 4: 50-54), but He loved to come right to the afflicted one. A wonderful scene follows (vs. 33-34). The people wait until the sabbath closes at sunset, then from every corner of Capernaum they bring to Jesus all the demon-possessed and the sick; they had proof of His power to deliver and heal. Would that we who have so much more proof of His power to deliver and heal. Would that we who have so much more proof would bring all our devil-tormented and sick ones to Him. But these people were very like us, they were not so eager for spiritual blessings as for healing, but Jesus healed "every one of them" (Luke 4: 40). These great blessings and wonderful manifestations of the divine power of Jesus did not result in a spiritual regeneration of the place (Matt. 11: 23, 24).

III. Source of Power, 35-39. Jesus' healing work cost Him something; the strain upon His intense sympathy was far beyond what we ordinarily think. He needed rest after that eventful day in Capernaum, but there was a place of refreshment that brought great lasting relief to His burdened heart. He needed rest, but He needed God more (cf. Mk. 6: 31-46; Luke 6: 12; Jno. 6: 15; Luke 22: 39-46).

IV. Jesus' Complete Mission, Luke 4: 16-21. The roll of Isaiah was placed in His hands. He was familiar with it from end to end and knew just where to turn: Isa. 61: 1 (cf. vs. 6; 35, 5).

By applying it to himself Jesus proclaimed Himself the Christ, but it is doubtful if they understood him. It was with the Holy Spirit that He was anointed (cf. Ac. 10: 38, 39; 15: 7; 1st Jn. 11: 25; 42: 1-4; 59: 21). It was as a conquering King that the Jews were expecting their Messiah to be anointed, but the wonderful representation of this verse is of a Saviour.

A fivefold ministry was to be His as the anointed of God. (1) "To proclaim good tidings to the poor." The poor are always objects of

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E. E. HARROP, Chief of Police Acton, Ont.

God's special regard and the Gospel's special blessing (ch. 6: 20; 7: 22; Isa. 29: 9; Gal. 2: 12; Zech. 11: 11; Matt. 5: 3; 11: 5; Jas. 2: 5). (2) "To proclaim release to the captives," captives of the devil and sin (Luk. 13: 16; Jno. 8: 31, 32, 34). Jesus can free them and He alone (Luk. 8: 36). (3) Recovering of sight to the blind, the physically blind and the still more spiritually blind (Jno. 9: 39-41, 1 Jno. 5: 20). (4) "To set at liberty them that are bruised," bruised by Satan (Gen. 3: 15). What a merciful bruiser he is, but there is One who can set at liberty those whom He has the most utterly crushed, the "Anointed" one (Ac. 10: 38). (5) "To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord," i.e., the great millennial jubilee of Israel was a type (Lev. 25: 8-13, 50-54).

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