

GO BACK TO THE FARM

Are you weary and worried and sick of the future? Do you view future days with alarm? Get away from the city and you will find peace. If you'll only go back to the farm. The Big Town is a glass that can magnify fears, any calm. So just follow your heart, for your fast know the way. That keeps calling you back to the farm.

Lost horizons are waiting to welcome you home. To God's Acres—so far from all harm. So just lie up your troubles and throw them away. And get moving... go back to the farm.

—Nick Kenny in Detroit Times

GEORGETOWN BOY THIRD IN JUDGING COMPETITION

Robert Larsen of the Brampton Holstein Calf Club stood third amongst the 470 Calf Club boys and girls from all parts of Canada that took part in the Junior Judging Competition held in connection with the selection of All-Canadian Holsteins for 1948. Bob is a Toronto boy but for the past three and a half years has made his home with J. W. and E. H. Carney, at Georgetown. He is now 15 years old and at the time he left Toronto didn't know the first thing about farming and cows. This is his last time he has competed in the Junior Judging Competition.

David Pelletier of the Halton Club was in a five way tie for 4th place with a score of 132 compared to 138 scored by Rob Larsen and 140 by the two winners Peter E. and Vaughan S. Dickie of the Onslow Calf Club, Truro, N.S. Vaughan and Peter Dickie are brothers, 18 and 14 years old respectively. David Pelletier is a son of F. Pelletier, Palermo, the owner of the All-Canadian Junior Yearling Bull, M. G. Sovereign Ormsby. David has had quite a career in Calf Club and Junior Farmer work. He has been a member of the Milton Club for the past six years and during that time has three times stood first with his calf and four times taken the showmanship award. Twice he had the highest aggregate score on the year's work. He was a member of the winning Halton County team at the provincial contest at Guelph in 1947 and had the highest individual aggregate score for dairy cattle. He teamed with Henk DeWes of Georgetown to stand second at the National Contest in Toronto. He is Secretary of the Palermo Junior Farmers' Club. Incidentally, his sister Evelyn, who was chosen as the Dairy Queen at the Brantford Championship Show last fall was tied for 20th place in the Junior Judging Competition. David is 19 years old.

Farm Folk Too Old To Keep Youth Idle

There has been a decline of 100,710 head in six classes of livestock including poultry in Durham County, Ontario, in the last year. The Canadian Statesman, Bowmanville, Ontario asks "Why is it that the incentive of higher prices finds production falling so sharply within a single year?— This paper offers no suggestions whatever for we feel incompetent to analyze the facts."

We make no claim to greater competence in answering this question. Some reasons for the decline in livestock production, while prices were rising, may be found in increases in farmers' costs, but our guess is that the principal reason for declining livestock production is the inability of aging farm people to cope with the work involved. Urban work has been so much more profitable than farm work that farm boys and girls have gone to the cities in increasing numbers. Many of the parents who remained on the farms are now unable to care for any number of livestock. The average age of men operating Ontario farms is about sixty; even in Saskatchewan it is about fifty-seven. The young labor force which kept Canadian agriculture going is no longer available.

When the young people who left the farms for city employment became unemployed, they will draw unemployment insurance rather than return to the land. In common with other urban people, they like an easy life and our whole economy is twisted politically in an attempt to see that they get it. The old folks at home have grown tired, or exhausted, in their efforts to provide the young folks of the city with bright lights, luxuries and leisure.—The Scene

NEW UNITED KINGDOM HOUSE OF COMMONS NEXT YEAR

Work on the new United Kingdom House of Commons to replace that destroyed by the Germans is proceeding according to program. The Minister of Works informed members it is hoped the Chamber will be ready for occupancy after the summer recess of 1950. The oak panelling is to be stained grey.



Maple Artificial Unit Makes Phenomenal Growth

The Maple Cattle Breeders' Ass'n which commenced operations in June of 1945 has grown from a membership of less than 100 to over 1500 members. This Artificial Breeding Unit is now servicing 8 counties and in 1948 over 14,000 cows were bred artificially. Holsteins of Ayrshire, Holstein, and Jersey bulls to a total of approximately 25 are now in service. Approximately 300 Halton dairymen now belong to the Halton branch of the Maple Unit. Murray Hayward of Milton who is the insurmountable in charge of the work in Halton County reports a steady and continuous growth. Incidentally a meeting of the Halton branch of the unit is to be held in the Court House, Milton, on Friday, March 11th at 1.30 p.m. Frank G. Stark, of Trafalgar Township, who is the Halton representative on the Maple directorate will be in charge of the meeting. Speakers will include N. H. Porter, President of the Maple Association, and G. W. Keffler, Secretary Manager. We understand there is a strong likelihood that a battery of Guernsey bulls will be added to the bull stud at Maple during 1948. All Halton dairymen are invited to the meeting to be held at Milton on March 11th.

Dr. V. A. Rice of Massachusetts Visits Ontario Cattle Breeders

Dr. V. A. Rice, Dean of Agriculture, Mass. State College of Agriculture, is to be the guest speaker under the McGillivray Scholarship at Memorial Hall at the Ontario Agricultural College on Thursday, March 10th at 11 a.m. states W. P. Watson, Ontario Live Stock Commissioner. Dr. Rice who is a noted authority on animal breeding delighted a large audience at Guelph in March of 1947, and this meeting is a follow-up to his previous address. We understand that the College authorities are providing lunch. As intimated, Dr. Rice's address will commence at 11 a.m. and will be continued in the afternoon.

Dairy Herd Improvement Policy Now Based on One Day Test

The new Dairy Herd Improvement Policy announced last fall, has recently been amended to bring it in line with recent developments in Herd Improvement work on the North American continent. Breeders of pure bred dairy cattle have long had Record of Performance work as a medium of herd improvement. However, 75% of Ontario's dairy cattle are grades and this new policy has been drafted to supply a medium whereby owners of grade herds or mixed herds of pure breeds and grades may eliminate some of their poorer cattle. In brief, under the new policy the Ontario Department of Agriculture will supply a supervisor for each 25 herds. This will enable the supervisor to spend one day per month with each herd owner enrolled. At this time the supervisor will weigh and test the milk from each cow in the herd. In other words, daily milk weights are not required which eliminates the main objection to the original policy under the present labour shortage. The monthly production of milk and fat will be based on the one day test as reported by the supervisor. This is in accordance with the bulk of the cow testing work carried on in various breed organizations at recent annual meetings held in Toronto. Herd certificates will be issued at the end of each association year, showing the herd average for milk, butter fat, and test. Individual certificates for the lactation of each cow will also be issued. Herd owners will also be provided with a summary showing milk production costs on his own farm.

Any comparisons made between daily weighing and computed records based on one day's weighing per month reveal that there is little difference between the two systems and that in any event the latter system is sufficiently accurate for all practical purposes. As a result of the change in the Policy, the herd owner does not weighing nor is he required to keep any records. All of this work is done by the Supervisor.

It is anticipated that several groups or associations will get under way in Halton this coming spring. For further information, those interested should contact the Agricultural Office in Milton.

FOOD FINANCING LOWER COSTS

Farmers who could not get new equipment during the war are now mechanizing their farms out of current prices. They hope to reduce costs to meet declining export demand for foods. For urban workers, who are earning more for food for an hour's work than ever before, to demand price control of foods is worse than ingratitude, it is sheer stupidity.

OAKVILLE

Plans for Oakville's proposed new ice arena and community centre building will soon be off the drawing board of William Armstrong, Oakville architect, who has been retained by the Oakville Recreation Commission. Construction of the arena and building should start in May, says Fred Turner, chairman of the community centre committee of the commission.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker C. Anderson, Balsam Drive, are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on Wednesday. They were married at Hagersville, Ont. They have three sons, two daughters, and six grandchildren.

Loud blasts suggestive of a wartime blitz shattered several windows in Oakville's Central public school last week, set crockery clattering on a number of dinner-tables and startled many a citizen. The detonations proceeded from the west side, where workmen were digging a sewer with the aid of blasting powder.

Robert H. Post, a life-long and well known resident of Trafalgar, died on Friday in Hamilton General Hospital. He had been in poor health for the past several years. A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Albert Post, he was born in 1868 on the Seventh Line, north of the Dundas highway, and had spent his life farming in the neighbourhood. —Record Star.

"Is somebody's face red?" A British Labor pamphlet recently boasted: "The prams of Britain are filled with the bonniest babies in living memory" and showed a healthy laughing baby boy that proved to have been taken 13 years ago, the child being Prince Edward, son of the late Duke of Kent.

CONVERSATION PIECE

The following remarks about the word bias has jumped up recently in a conversation in Halifax. "Bias" the man exclaimed. That's not bias. The fellow agrees with me. He's on my side. That isn't bias. Bias is when somebody holds stubbornly to a contrary opinion."

CLEARING AUCTION SALE

The Underigned have received instructions from

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3rd, 1948

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Joseph Smith, who has conducted a hardware business on Brant St. for over thirty years, has sold his business to Chris Graham, Woodland Ave. Mr. Graham has had retail hardware experience in Milton and Georgetown, and was a traveler for Wood, Alexander and James wholesale hardware for the past 21 years.

Ossage Orange Farm Holsteins owned by W. N. and H. R. Blainhard, Freeman, has just received word from South America that one of their animals sold this past winter has just been awarded Grand Champion in the senior yearling class at the world's greatest Holstein Show at Palermo, South America.

The Gob of Orr-Mur, owned by Mrs. Orrin H. Baker of Pittsburg, Pa., who spends part of the year here, was judged best in the Kerry Blue Terrier Class at the dog show at New York last week.

Guy Cecil Hunter, 20 Torrance St., died suddenly from a heart attack in Trinity United Church gymnasium on Tuesday evening. Mr. Hunter, as was his usual custom on Tuesday nights, was instructing the Funday School boys in the game of basketball, when he suddenly collapsed and expired — Gazette.

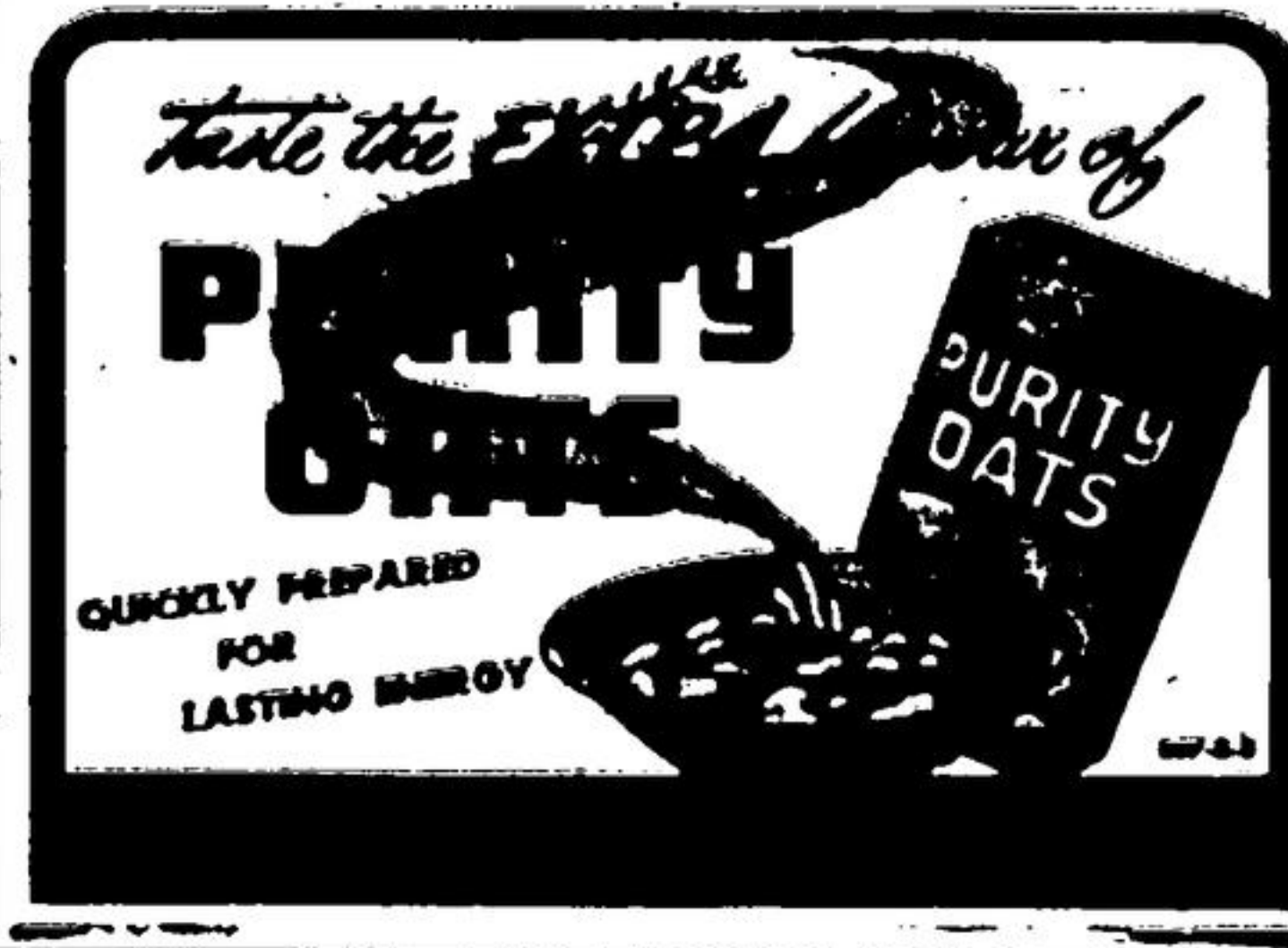
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