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Seed Fair Bacon Show County Event on Saturday

160 Entries in Event With All Townships Represented—Prof. Knox of O. A. C. Was Special Speaker—Nassagaweya Took Top Honors in Bacon Show—Prize Winners for the Annual Event

Hundreds of agriculturists from all parts of Halton County took a keen interest in the 14th Annual Halton Seed Fair and Fifth Annual Bacon Show, held at the Town Hall in Milton, last Friday and Saturday. Over 180 entries were received in the Seed Fair, while each township was well represented in the bacon show. Many Junior Farmers vied for honors in the junior section and judging competitions, held Saturday.

Setting up of exhibits and judging took place Friday, while Saturday judging competition was held along with a special meeting in the afternoon at which over 300 people attended.

Professor R. G. Knox, Head of the Animal Husbandry Department, O.A.C. speaker for the day, chose as his topic "Profit from Problem Acres." Emphasizing the relationship of the human population in Canada to that of the animal population, he said there was a slight increase in cattle and hogs in 1948 to that of 75 years ago, while there was a decrease in sheep.

He illustrated the value of renovating a 12-acre field, which by proper seeding, cultivation and fertilizing made it a production project which netted \$92 during the first two years. He further urged farmers to prepare their land for production, which in turn would increase their income.

"The production of food in Canada is a formidable weapon for peace," he said.

W. S. McMullen, District Livestock Manager, Canadian Department of Agriculture, praised the efforts of J. E. Whitehead in preparing the prize list for the annual show. He said it contained a wealth of information to the farmer, in a concise and interesting manner adding that other farmers or organizations were calling for copies of the valuable catalogue.

Continuing, he said the production of swine in Canada had decreased slightly during the last year, but added Halton's decrease in production was just the same as the over-all picture in the country. The speaker described to the audience, steps in making the bacon show a success. It was further praised the township committees of the Halton Hog Producers Association, for going out on a limb, and selecting five hogs to represent their township in the show. These animals were dressed by Canada Packers Limited, and judged by officials of the Department. Mr. McMullen then gave reasons for the selection of winners among the 30 contestants.

Gordon LeFebvre, head of the Canadian Department of Agriculture, swine division, was present and spoke briefly. He said the basic reason in swine production today was one of changing the hog from a fat to a lean producer. He also spoke highly of the Halton Fair.

Bruce Reid, president of the Halton Hog Producers Association, introduced Mr. McMullen to the audience. Vernon McArthur, President of the Halton Crop Improvement Association was chairman.

Nassagaweya township farmers took top honors in the bacon show, by producing three first quality Wilshire and having the Grand Championship side. John W. Bewley, Campbellville raised the Grand Championship hog while the other first quality winners were Mary Berlangue, Moffat, and J. S. Norris, Moffat. Cliff McDonald, of Georgetown, and M. Sprout, Milton, won the honors for Esqueping twp. Joe Stokes and Fred Dixon, both of Milton, were highest for Nelson. Mr. Stokes was awarded the Reserve Grand Championship. Cliff Norton, Milton, won the award for Trafalgar township.

John Currie, Georgetown won the Halton Seed Growers Trophy for making the highest score in grain, in the Junior Judging Competitions. Fraser McNabb, Georgetown, won the Strathcona Orchards trophy for the highest score in judging small seeds, weed and forage plant naming. William Brain, Nival, won the Halton Cream and Butter trophy for amassing the highest score in judging Wilshire. William Brain was the high senior and John Currie the high junior contestant. Winners of the judging

Wool Combing Provides Benefits For All Employees

Employees of the Wool Combing Corporation in Acton will receive enlarged insurance benefits as a result of wage negotiations between the company and officials of Local 721 of the Textile Workers Union of America.

The company will bear the entire cost of the revised personal insurance plan which goes into effect on Monday. Employees have enjoyed similar insurance previously but the new benefits provide for life insurance from \$500 to \$1500, a new scale of sickness and accident benefits ranging from \$12.00 to \$20.00 per week; increased hospital benefits which are now \$4.00 per day instead of \$3.00, an allowance up to \$40.00 for special hospital services and surgical benefits to a maximum of \$150.00. The plan now allows employees to include dependents at a nominal cost to themselves.

The plan naturally pleases both employees and employers at the Wool Combing plant in the vicinity of Acton, and is the result of a cooperative bargaining between the company and union officials.

The Beardmore League Concludes Bowling Tuesday

Bowling Trophies and Awards Presented After Good Season on Acton Alleys

The play-offs for the Beardmore Bowling Trophy were held on Tuesday evening at the Acton Bowling Alley. After observing a two-minute rest, the play-off was a close one.

Each of the two divisions of the league played for the Beardmore Bowling Trophy. Each had come in first in the two divisions of the league games and this was the pay-off night. After three exciting games, the Curry Department, captained by Owen Masales, were winners with a score of 3136. The Chrome Department, with Chas Heard as captain had 2937.

Second place went to the Cutsale Department, who had won second place in both series with Jack Morton as captain.

In third place were Begonhouse and Welting. The Welting proved to be too strong for the Begonhouse and with Gord Cunningham as captain won with 3011 against a score of 2671 for Andy Buchanan's Begonhouse squad.

The consolation series results were as follows:
Lab 2740
Upper Leather 2705
Office 2642
Shipping 2578
Combines 2562
Yard 2480
Outside Labour 2407

A Challenge match was played between the Office and the Combines. This was the second Challenge Match by these teams and at Christmas the Combines had won a chicken dinner at the expense of the office. The office evened the score with 2642 against the best the Combines could do of 2562.

Individual prizes were won on the league play by: High Average, \$10.00, W. Robertson with 217; High Triple, \$4.00, Owen Masales with 800; High single, \$3.00, W. Robertson with 359 but reverts to Jack Morton with 345.

On the evening's play, Wes Allan had high triple with 770 and John Turkos high single of 285.

HALTON SEED FAIR AND BACON SHOW



Keen competition prevailed at the fourteenth Annual Seed Fair and Fifth Bacon Show held at the Town Hall in Milton last Friday and Saturday. The top photo shows the prize winning display of Acton Junior Farmers group. Officials and young farmers in both the senior and junior sections. The lower photo taken during the judging of Wilshire sides from left to right: Keith Merry, Hornby, second in the senior judging class; Gordon Darby, Rockwood; Ward Brownridge, Georgetown, who also won first for his hunking corn exhibit; and W. D. Lawrie, marketing service department, Dominion Department of Agriculture, one of the officials in charge of the judging competitions. —Photo by Ross Pearce

GOOD PROGRAM AT MARCH MEETING OF BUSY BEES INSTITUTE

Mrs. David Henderson was hostess for the March meeting of the Busy Bees W.I. Roll call was answered by suggestions for the New Year's work which were a shower of articles for bazaar in fall, an article a month per member for fall bazaar, Graveyard marked by cairns; more current events per meeting, the most popular one being that articles of comfort for the sick and a quilt in case of fire on hand at all times; more demonstrations were asked for. Milton Fair List was read and plans were made to enter an exhibit Mrs. Tuck was chosen convener for fancy work for bazaar. It was also decided to set up a booth at Nassagaweya Township Centennial in July. A presentation of an article or article to value of \$10.00 was to be made to a burned out family. Mrs. J. J. Kennedy, publicity convener, gave a paper on "Art of Reporting News." Ways to publicize your W.I. by deeds, speech and special days, by Tweedsmuir history book and co-operation with other organizations. She ended with a quotation from Scripture used by Miss Collins at District Annual; whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are true; whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely and whatsoever things are of good report, so pattern your publicity from.

Mrs. Kennedy gave a humorous reading and donated a plate of cookies that were sampled for purpose of seeing recipes to members who wished. A contest naming ten articles on a tray was conducted by Mrs. Henderson which proved three members could remember as high as eight articles. Mrs. Elmer Cox won the monthly lucky draw.

Mrs. Henderson served a lovely salad plate and fancy cup cakes and tea. Mrs. McLean sponsored a vote of thanks to the hostess.

CWACs, the girls who served in World War II, will hold a reunion in Toronto early this summer.

District Governor Speaks to Y's Men's Club in Acton

On the occasion of the official visit of Bob Ingles, District Governor of this area a good attendance was on hand at Acton Y's Men's Club. After an appetizing meal served by the Ladies Auxiliary and a lot of discussion about the pros and cons of local Y'sdom, Bob gave some practical ideas for better Y work. He is a quiet, concise speaker, very effective. He is a former president of the Guelph Club.

On behalf of the Club, Bill Denby led in prayer for the recovery of Alf Ralph, a faithful member of long standing. Arrangements were launched for the redecorating of the Y Club room after a report on plans and costs was given by Bill Ruddle.

We omitted to mention that at the previous meeting Bill Benson organized and conducted a very impressive ceremony inducting Ray Thompson, Ed Fostitt, Harry Arbic, Art Lamoureux, Don Wiggins and Tom Atkinson. These men are now Y's Men in good standing and we welcome them to our ranks.

Mrs. MAINPRIZE, Sr. MARKS NINETY-SECOND BIRTHDAY TO-DAY

Congratulations go to one of Acton's Nonagenarians, Mrs. William Mainprize, Sr. who today March 31, marks his ninety-second birthday. Mr. Mainprize has hardly missed a day all winter in his morning visit down town and to the Post Office.

We join with family and other friends in birthday congratulations and best wishes for continued good health.

RECOGNITION FOR ACTON JUNIORS AND FANS CAN HELP

Suitable recognition in a presentation and dinner is to be made the Acton Junior Hockey Club in a few weeks. Many fans have expressed a desire to have a part in the buying of windbreakers for the boys and in view of the heavy travelling and expense incurred the Athletic Association is very appreciative of this interest of fans.

Any donations will be most helpful for the Association's recognition and be gratefully acknowledged. There will be no canvass but Dr. G. A. Sirrs will be glad to see that all financial help is put into the presentation and fans are given opportunity for their interest. The date of the presentation has not been definitely decided but will be in a few weeks.

Many Items Monthly Meeting Knox Ladies Aid

Knox Ladies Aid held their monthly meeting on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ritchie, Church Street, with a very large attendance. Considerable business was discussed and looked after at this meeting. Mrs. Fred McCutcheon, the President, presided. The Scripture Lesson was read by Mrs. Wm. McLeod and Mrs. A. J. Buchanan led in prayer. An instrumental duet was given by Mrs. Alex. Mann and Miss Margaret Brown and enjoyed by all. Mrs. Stan Matthews conducted a "Grocery Contest" which was won by Mrs. J. Dennis. Mrs. Ritchie and the lunch committee served a bountiful lunch to the ladies. A hearty vote of thanks was extended to the hostess by Mrs. Harry Mainprize for the use of her home.

No Appeals on First Supplemental Assessment

IRISH PROGRAM AT MARCH MEETING OF GREENOCK W.I.

The Greenock W.I. held their March meeting at the home of Mrs. A. McKeown with 15 members and 5 visitors present. The Scripture was read by Mrs. C. Allen and roll call was an Irish joke. The main business was making arrangements for the booth at Mr. E. Pearson's sale which proved to be very successful. A play is to be put on in the school.

Mrs. R. L. Davidson of Acton W.I. was guest speaker, taking as her subject the paper prepared by Mr. Jack Hargrave, Junior Farmer of Oxford County who won the trophy in Toronto in January. Citizenship in the Community. Twenty five per cent of our people carry the burden and the balance look on all that I am all I hope to be. I owe to my mother, we need more men and women in our community to help the work along were among the suggestions the paper contained. It was enjoyed by all present. Mrs. T. McCutcheon was convener for the Irish program with current events by Mr. T. Hornby, read by Mrs. F. W. E. Mrs. S. Hill, Mrs. A. M. Lewis, Mr. B. Johnson and Mrs. J. Allen. Mrs. J. Hill, Mrs. R. McKeown and each had an interesting story to tell. A lovely Irish tea was served by the hostess and her assistants bringing to a close a most interesting evening.

Crown Attorney W.I. Dick Retires After 45 Years

Dean of Ontario Crown Attorney Has Served Halton Well

William I. Dick, K.C. dean of Crown Attorneys in Ontario has requested the Attorney General to be relieved on March 31st of his post as Crown Attorney for Halton, an office he has held 45 years.

His retirement does not mean he will retire from active practice. He will continue as senior partner with his son Kenneth in the legal firm of Dick and Dick.

Graduating from Osgoode Hall in 1892 Mr. Dick went to Brampton where his father edited the Brampton Banner, and began a law practice. Two years later he moved to Milton to continue his practice when later he received his appointment.

Mr. Dick recalled there has been no serious outbreak of crime during his term of office. There was only one murder trial and the jury brought in a verdict of manslaughter. More recently he prosecuted during the trials of two of the Campbellville bank robbers. During his earlier days as Crown Attorney, he had to act as his own shorthand reporter as there was no official court reporter then. He regularly attends Magistrate's court held in the different centres in the County.

"I have found the magistrates and judges to be capable and just men, and I cannot recall an unfair or prejudiced jury," he added.

Legion Contribution Spurs on Fund for Swimming Pool

Continued interest in the Swimming Pool project for Acton is evidenced in spite of the fact that there has been no committee work since last fall. It appears that in winter the enthusiasm congeals into ice projects and sports and it requires the warmer weather for interest to liquify into such projects as swimming pools.

Acton Branch of the Canadian Legion is the incentive for the project this week with a fine donation of \$132.60 which brings the total of subscriptions now on hand up to \$2,341.10. That just leaves the first objective short by \$1850.00 and that amount is less than 75c per head for the population of Acton.

Council Confers with Wartime Housing Officials on Drainage Problem and All Effort To be Made to Get Solution—Special Meeting Held Last Night

Acton Council met in special session last night with Councilors W. McLeod, T. Nicol and L. Holchen and Deputy Reeves E. Tyler present and Reeve T. Jones presided.

Council met first as a Court of Revision on the supplemental assessment for 1949. There were no appeals against the assessment.

A resolution was passed writing off the business tax of J. Keenan, amounting to \$630 for 1949, the business tax of Langston and Ayrworth amounting to \$1615 for 1949 and reduce the business tax of Le Roy Agar from \$20.00 to \$10.15 for 1949.

Mr. J. Powell County Sanitary Inspector, Mr. Wals and Mr. Scott, supervisor and engineer of Central Mortgage and Housing attended Council. Much trouble has been incurred with the septic tanks at Wartime Housing and sewage was being pumped from the tanks on to the ground. Mr. Powell pointed out the danger to public health with the condition. There appeared to be surface water flowing into the septic tank.

Temporary plans were made to fill the station and some chemical toilet systems supplied the Council in the station. Engineers of Wartime Housing were surveying the problem and promised to remedy the situation as soon as it was determined where the source of surface water was. The road could not be maintained while present condition existed. Mr. Scott advised Council existing problems would be done and work would be undertaken as soon as the engineers report was received. Various plans and suggestions were made with full co-operation from all.

McKim advertising agency requested a list of industries in the municipality. The Clerk was asked to supply this information fully.

Council discussed the additional pumping at the spring and the financing of the work.

Instructions were issued for an additional street light on Brock Ave. near Victoria Ave.

Council also considered road material for the streets this year and it felt advisable to use crushed stone rather than the gravel that had not been very permanent and satisfactory.

The Clerk was instructed to write the Department of Highways requesting that attention be given immediately to the section of No. 25 Highway in the Corporation as it was most disgraceful.

Council adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

The Mississippi river picks up an average of 500 acres of top soil a day and dumps it into the Gulf of Mexico.

The Minister's Aunt will be presented again April 30th in the Town Hall, Acton.

The Friendly Circle are having a tea at the home of Mrs. Marguerite Taylor, April 9th.

Euchre and Dance, Lorne School, April 8th, 9:00 p.m. Admission, girls 35c. Ladies provide.

The ladies of St. Joseph's Church are holding a Baking Sale and Sale of candy, Saturday, April 2nd at the Parish Hall.

Milton Arena, April 4th, Figure Skating Show, by the Hamilton Skating Club. Auspices of Maple Leaf Group of Knox Church. See Bills.

Acton Agricultural Society Euchre and Dance, Y.M.C.A. Acton, Thursday, March 31st, at 8:30 sharp. Good prizes and music, lunch served. Admission 40c.

Home and School Association, Monday evening, at 8:15 p.m. in Acton School. Good speaker and Travelogue Movie. All parents and friends of the school are invited.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, so cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcements of 50 cents.