



# FARM NEWS

**Stanley L. Hall, M.P.P. Appointed on Board of Ontario Plowmen**

Haltion Plowmen will be delighted to learn that at the recent annual meeting the Ontario Plowmen in Toronto, Stanley L. Hall, M.P.P. for Haltion was appointed a director of that organization.

Mr. Hall is a past president of the Haltion association and for many years has played a leading part in building up the Haltion Annual Match to a point where it is now recognized as one of the top County Matches in Ontario.

**Haltion Junior Activities**

The Haltion Junior Farmer choral group is proving to be an outstanding success. Forty-six have enrolled and the average attendance at the weekly practices being held in the Milton High School under the leadership of Mr. Alex Pudwell has been 40. Plans for the County Church Service have also been completed. This event is to be held in the Knox Presbyterian Church, Milton, on Sunday, March 19th at 8:00 p.m. We understand that Jack Hargreaves of Beesville, Ont. is to be the guest speaker on this occasion. Mr. Hargreaves was the winner of the Public Speaking Competition sponsored by the Junior Farmer Association of Ontario in January, 1949.

**The Haltion Juniors' Inter-Club Debating Series** gets under way at the Milton High School on Friday evening, March 24th. On this occasion Naval and Palermo Clubs will debate "Resolved that present legislation in Ontario should be amended to permit commercialized sport and open theatres on Sunday." Other features of the evening's programme will be the numbers contributed by the Acton, Brookville and Milton Clubs, and will conclude with a dance to music by Alex Near and his orchestra.

The Annual Judging Competition in Grain and Seeds open to Haltion Junior Farmers, is to be held in conjunction with the Haltion Seed Fair and Bacon Show at Milton on March 18th. In addition they are again sponsoring a special Junior Farmer Section with classes in oats, barley and wheat. Entries in this section do not have to be backed up with grain for sale nor grade.

**Chick Sales Fall Off**

In conversation with one of Haltion's prominent hatcherymen recently we learned that to date his chick sales are down one third in comparison to the same period in 1949. We were also informed that 80 per cent of Ontario hatcheries had not sold a chick at the end of January. The poultry industry had a mushroom growth during the war years and with the export market for eggs cut off a reduction of approximately 15 per cent in our laying flocks seems to be the only solution. However, if the chick sales to date is any criterion of what is going to happen during February and March, it points to a shortage of eggs during the late summer and early fall. Unless there are a lot more eggs going into storage than we think it would look like a strong market for eggs at the period referred to. It is only our opinion, but it would seem to us that the average farmer with flocks ranging from 100 to 200 birds might be well advised to put in the usual number providing they secure them during February or March.

**Run-off Plots Disclose Amazing Figures**

In 1948 the Soils Dept. at the O.A.C. in co-operation with several Waterloo organizations established run-off plots bordering the No. 7 Highway near New Hamburg. These plots were visited last May by 45 Haltion farmers during their two-day bus trip. To say the least the Haltion group was both interested and amazed at the results secured to date. The plots have been established on a 6 per cent slope which is not a steep slope by any means. Eight plots had been established each one one-hundredth of an acre in area. In the spring of 1948 two plots were sown to oats, one on the contour and the other drilled up and down the slope. The same policy was followed two plots planted to corn, two in summer fallow and the two in hay. On the corn cultivated up and down the slope 112 per cent of the rainfall was lost as run-off in comparison to 1.45 per cent when cultivated on the contour. The soil loss during 1948 from the plot in corn cultivated up and down was 1378.29 lbs. per acre in contrast to 45.08 lbs. per acre on the born plot cultivated on the contour. On the summer fallow plots the contour plot showed a loss of 98.62 lbs. of soil per acre against 1260.81 lbs. per acre on the plot cultivated up and down the slope. These figures would appear

## OAKVILLE

Thieves who last week gained entrance through a jimmied rear window to ransack a showcase got away with \$4,000 in merchandise, Jeweller O. B. Berquist reported following stock check. The loss was covered by insurance, he stated.

Sturdy link with a pioneer era in which the wayside tavern played a predominant part in Canada's development, Oakville's venerable New Murray House this week changed managerial hands once more. J. R. "Jack" Gordon, who acquired the Navy St. hostelry in 1945 from Thomas McEgan, announced the sale of the business to Gordon Reid and Tom Hodges, former proprietors of Brantford's Hotel Alpin.

While there are more unemployed in Oakville today than a year ago, the situation is as yet very far from being serious, according to R. S. Lawrence, manager of the Oakville branch of National Employment Service. By the week-end, Mr. Lawrence had 176 applications for jobs on hand, and 165 applications for unemployment insurance. Trafalgar Journal.

## BURLINGTON

An out-of-town landscape gardener has offered to landscape the New St. property on which the arena is to be erected, free of charge, as his contribution to the effort. This encouraging offer was received by the committee who are in charge of the arena. In spite of rumors to the contrary the arena will be built on New St. in front of the present disposal plant as the land has been found suitable for the erection of the building which will probably be at the western end of the property.

At a special meeting of the town council, held on Monday evening, the tax rate for 1950 was set at 40 mills, the same rate as called for last year.

Shortly before noon on Tuesday, the biggest part of a large tree at the side of the Fire Hall broke off and crashed on to the roof, completely demolishing the chimney. Fortunately it hit the chimney, thus saving heavy damage to the roof of the building. Chief Smith and men on duty in the building would not have known the building was until they rushed outside to find the tree toppled over. Gazette.

## Canning Crops Are Big Business

Crops grown by Canadian farmers for commercial fruit and vegetable canning and processing are an important item in agriculture production. In 1947, materials used in 592 processing establishments in Canada amounted to \$39.3 million. Only ten years previously, in 1937, materials used were valued at \$30.6 million.

The canning and processing industry has made great strides in the last quarter of a century. Though the first canning plant was opened in 1878, at the turn of the century, 22 years later, the number had only increased to 80. At that time most of the work was done by hand, both the processing and packing of the food and the manufacture of the cans. Soon the hand-made cans were superseded by machine-made containers, but the lids were still soldered on manually. In 1910 the modern canning machine which sealed the containers arrived, and the preparation and the processing of the commodity, too, became more highly mechanized. Methods for the manufacture and packaging of jams, jellies, pickles, catsup also increased their tempo. Slower hand methods giving way to the increasing use of machinery.

From that time on there has been a steady development of the industry in Canada. By 1930, there were 311 plants turning out products valued at \$43 million, and except for a slight decline in the early thirties, the value of the finished product has increased steadily through the years. In 1947, 562 establishments turned out products valued at nearly \$153 million, a threefold increase over 1937. The 1949 valuation may be as much as \$175 million.

The development of the canning industry has been a boon to the housewife by giving her out-of-season fruits and vegetables the market for farmers enormously and quite large areas where climatic conditions are favourable produce extensively for the canning and processing industry. Additionally, it provides employment for many workers at the canning establishments. In 1947, over 17,000 workers were employed who received over \$22 million in salaries and wages.

## HIGHWAY DEATHS 741 NEARS 1941 RECORD

Highway traffic deaths by the end of November numbered 741, one more than all of 1941, and may by the end of the year exceed the 801 fatalities of 1941, the worst year for highway accidents, according to figures recently released by the Highways Department.

While the traffic deaths reach an appalling figure, the fact is disclosed that motorists are becoming safer and the number of accidents, per car or per mile travelled, is lower in past years.

The accident survey shows 1940 to date, to be a far worse year than 1942-1944. There were 200 fewer deaths in each of those years. Car registrations are 300,000 greater than in the record low-accident year of 1944. There are over 200,000 more vehicles registered today than in the grim year of 1941, with its 801 deaths.

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## GEORGETOWN

Mrs. Wallace Thompson was elected Regent of the Countess of Strathmore Chapter, I.O.G.E., at the annual meeting of the organization held Monday night at the home of Mrs. Art Scott.

At the meeting of Georgetown Women's Institute on February 1 at the home of Mrs. Jack Williamson, Charles Street, members voted to buy a stretcher for Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton, at a cost of \$100 to \$115.

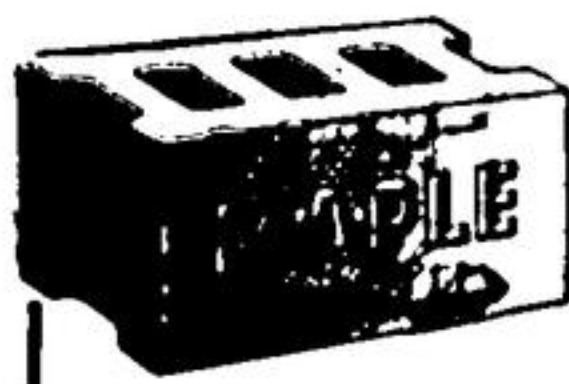
Mother of a Georgetown man, Mrs. Jessie Martin, died in Newmarket last Friday. A native of Millport, Scotland, she had been a resident of Newmarket for sixteen years. Surviving are her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Molly Inglis of Edinburgh, Scotland, and two sons, Robert of Toronto and Jim, a resident of Normandy Boulevard, Georgetown. Herald.

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DOMESTIC RATE—26¢ per kilowatt hour for the first 60 hours per month. 11¢ per kilowatt hour for all additional.

COMMERCIAL—20¢ per kilowatt hour for first 100 hours. 07¢ per kilowatt hour for all additional.

POWER—\$1.20 per kilowatt per month for connected load or maximum demand.

14¢ per kilowatt hour for first 50 hours use per month. 09¢ per kilowatt hour for second 50 hours use per month. 03¢ per kilowatt hour for all additional.

WATER HEATER FLAT RATE—41¢ per 100 watts per month gross.

These new rates will take effect at the next billing period.

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## ERIN

A former Erin lady, Mrs. Win Davidson, was the guest of honour at a family party on Monday, February 13th, on the occasion of her 88th birthday when all the members of the immediate family assembled at the home of Mrs. F. T. Howell. Mrs. Davidson was the recipient of flowers, gifts, cards, and messages of congratulations.

The district firemen's association met in Erin Town Hall last Wednesday evening. A demonstration of the new fire-proof paint was held on the old Globe hotel lot.

An Erin Township resident, Daniel McMillan, passed away at Guelph General Hospital on Saturday, February 11, 1950, in his 78th year. Born in Erin Township he was a son of the late Dougald McMillan and his wife Ann McLean.

At a special meeting in the Alton Continuation School on Tuesday night of last week, to discuss whether or not to continue operating the Continuation School, the ratepayers of SS No. 15, Caledon, which includes the police village of Alton, decided to hold a vote on the question on Friday, February 21st. Advocate.

## Woman Comes Into Her Own

By Joseph Ester Rutledge

Running through some casual papers items that we had set aside as something to be looked into at a more convenient date—we came upon one that was styled "Woman and Wealth." We might not have noticed it but that, also, starting us in the face, was a pertinent quotation from a recent book to the effect that "the Bible is the only literature in the world, up to our own century, which looks at woman as a human being, no better and no worse than men." That seemed to suggest that in their fortunes, women were still at a rather low ebb, and that in turn sent us back to the item on "Women and Wealth."

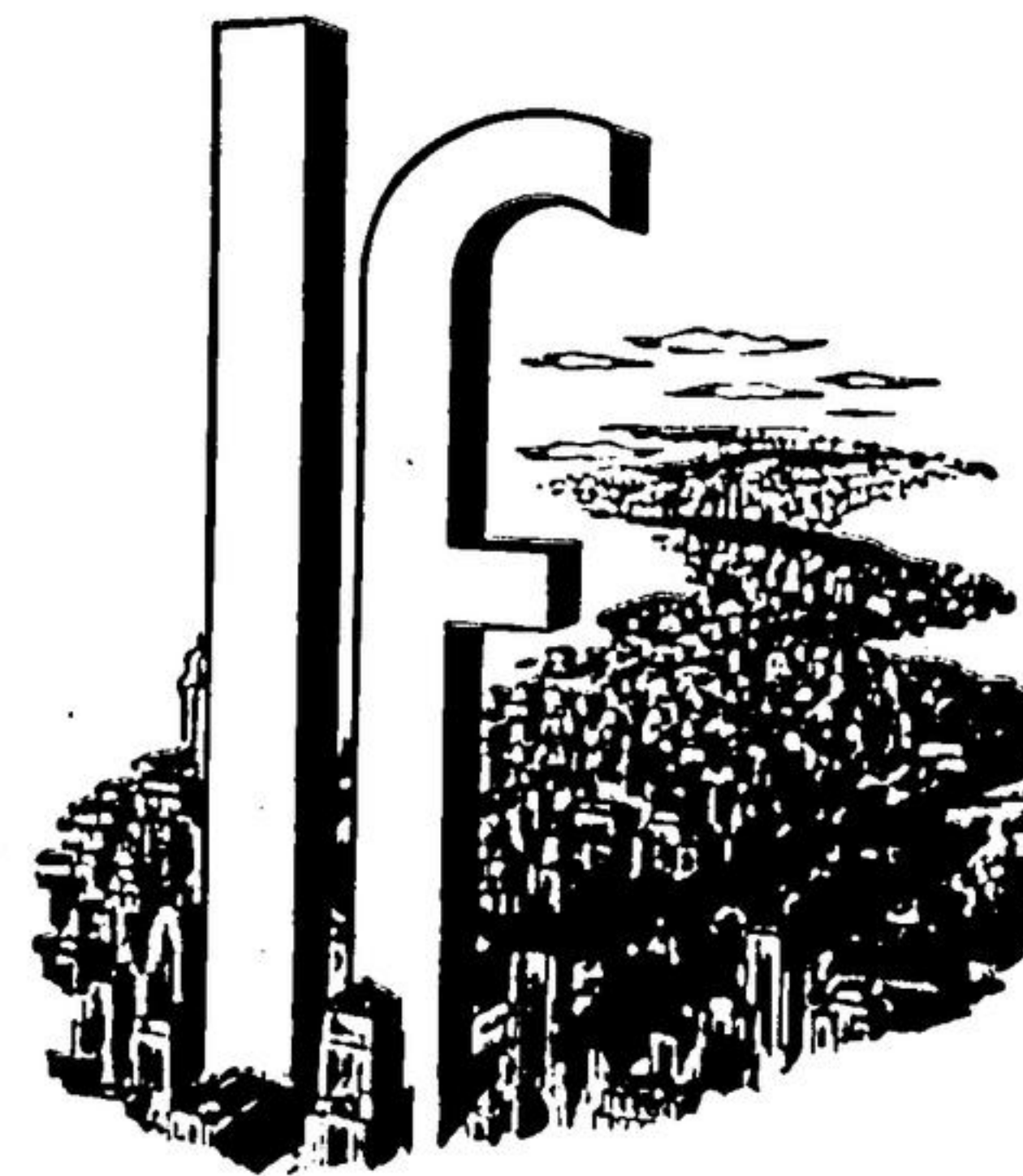
We were therefore quite unprepared for the impressive array of figures attesting that, in Canada at least, and despite any supposed handicap of masculine superiority, women as a whole had done very well for themselves that indeed, any remaining sense of superiority could remain only in the more added of masculine minds.

We must add that the figures, which are a little bit dated, would only be augmented by the facts of the passing hours and that they had behind them the authority of a great Canadian insurance company.

"Canadian Women" said the article, "control Canada's largest single industry, the great industry of house-keeping." To most of us that calls up a picture of dust and broom or their modern counterparts. But that is just the faintest wrinkle of that departing sense of superiority. For the article hurries to explain that the house-keeping industry is the equivalent of any five of our leading industries, in point of investment involved, or people employed, or of annual expenditures. It involves the still more striking fact that Canadian women control 40 per cent of Canada's buying and more than half of its wealth power, while they actually spend 75 per cent of all its income.

It is also a fact that women comprise the majority of corporation stockholders. They own 60 per cent of all savings bank deposits, and however much the lord and master may preen himself, the sober fact is that he is putty in the hands of some "little woman". Is that provable? Well, 71 per cent of all estates left by men go to her, and she is the beneficiary of 64 per cent of all life insurance.

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