



FARM NEWS

Beef Bull Sale Outstanding Success

172 beef bulls were sold at the sale held in the Royal Winter Fair Coliseum on March 22nd. All of these bulls went to Ontario purchasers at an average of \$433.45. Highest bidders with entries in the show and sale included Harold Smart, of Milton; Grant Campbell, of Moffat; Gordon Brecken, of Bronte; J. S. Norris, of Moffat; and B. E. Griffen & Son, of Acton. Purchases were made by the following farmers—John H. Devereaux, of Georgetown; M. G. Wilson, of Norval; Frank W. Wilson, of Georgetown; and J. H. Willmott, of Milton.

Members of the Maple Artificial Unit will be interested to learn that organization has purchased four Shorthorn sires for their Maple stud. Three of these were purchased at the sale and included the highest priced shorthorn of the day. This animal, a line bred Hanson bull brought \$1300. Altogether they have purchased three O.A.C. bred bulls, two of them being Hanson bred bulls and the other an Upermill Royal son and the fourth was bred by Kenneth Deacon of Unionville. This latter animal won first prize in his class at the show held in conjunction with the sale.

Haltom Breeder Elected Vice-Pres of Maple Cattle Breeders' Ass'n

The annual meeting of the Maple Artificial Unit was held at Maple on Monday last week. This organization which now has a membership of over 2,000 in the counties of York, Peel, Simcoe, Halton, Dufferin, Ontario, Victoria, and Perth counties, bred slightly over 20,000 cows in 1940.

They are now maintaining studs of Holstein Jersey, Avshire, Guernsey, and Shorthorn bulls. The 240 Haltom members of the unit will be delighted to learn that Frank G. Stark, well known Holstein breeder of Trafalgar Township, was elected vice-president of this big organization at the directors' meeting following the annual meeting in question. Edwin Harrop, popular Equine farm leader, is also a director of this organization. James Darlington of York County who has been a director of the Maple Unit since its inception is the newly elected president.

Haltom Organizes Third Group in Dairy Herd Improvement Work

A well attended meeting in the interest of dairy herd improvement work was held in the Court House, Milton, on Friday last. Clifford Morrow, fieldman with the Ontario Livestock Branch, Toronto, was the guest speaker. Since the D.H.I.A. policy came into effect on May 1st of last year, 29 groups with a membership of 275 had been organized on Jan 1st of this year. This represents some 10,000 cows which are now enrolled in D.H.I.A. work in Ontario. The only other form of cow testing work in Ontario is that provided in Record of Performance work by the Dominion Government for pure bred cattle. Notwithstanding the fact that there are 11,112 pure bred dairy herds in Ontario, and despite the fact that R.O.P. work has been available for many years, only 1800 pure bred herds in Ontario are engaged in R.O.P. work.

D.H.I.A. work is of course for grades and mixed herds and the growth since its inception less than a year ago is gratifying to say the least. That there is a very definite need for some form of cow testing work is born out by the partial summary made on one group organized in Eastern Ontario. In the seven month period summarized, the average production of the 202 cows in the group was only 5600 lbs. of milk and 205 lbs. of fat. The highest herd in the group averaged 8585 lbs. milk and 286 lbs. fat while the lowest herd averaged 4714 lbs. milk and 163 lbs. fat. Those figures should provide food for thought. If those figures are representative of many of the groups organized throughout the province, no wonder many dairymen state they are losing money producing milk at present prices. We are going to be both surprised and disappointed if the Haltom groups do not present a much better picture when the figures become available. Nevertheless we are willing to wager that even in Haltom we are going to find we have a good many border cows which would be more profitable to market for beef, than can be realized from them as milk producers. That D.H.I.A. work brings results is born out by data on D.H.I. work in United States. When the policy was inaugurated in U. S. back in 1905, the average production the first year was 215 lbs. butterfat per cow. In 1947 the average of the 778,546 association cows in U. S. was 348 lbs. of fat.

Since May 1st, Haltom has had 51 herds enrolled in D. H. I. A. work and it is gratifying to learn that all herd owners are delighted

with the service and wish to continue under the policy. A third group of 28 herd owners will get under way on May 1st, which will give Haltom the largest number of groups organized in Ontario to date. At the meeting held on Friday last the three groups appointed their officers for the coming 12 months. The officers elected were as follows:

Group 1—Supervisor, Frank W. Chisholm; President, Edwin Harrop; Vice-Pres. R. L. Davidson, Acton.

Group 2—Supervisor, Geo. R. McCormick; President, Frank Rinehart; Vice-Pres. J. R. McPhail, Campbellville.

Group 3—Supervisor, to be appointed, President, Howard Armstrong, Milton; Vice-Pres. Ernest Bell, Milton.

Haltom Breeder Has Champion 305 Day Lifetime

The March issue of the Holstein-Friesian Journal reveals that down at Freeman in Ross Segsworth's Spruceleigh herd is the 305 day lifetime champion regardless of times milking for both milk and butterfat. This great honour has been won by the Poplar Row Chieftain Maid, all of whose records were made on two times milking. Even more remarkable than her solid records with high test in every lactation is the fact that she produced a calf every twelve months of her working life. Here is her unbroken production line, every record in 305 days: every one on 2X

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| 2 years | 11,064 milk | 427% fat |
| 3 years | 13,248 milk | 433% fat |
| 4 years | 13,170 milk | 430% fat |
| 5 years | 13,447 milk | 428% fat |
| 6 years | 14,856 milk | 419% fat |
| 7 years | 14,898 milk | 387% fat |
| 8 years | 14,572 milk | 423% fat |
| 9 years | 14,571 milk | 423% fat |
| 10 years | 16,556 milk | 434% fat |
| 9 lactations | 126,460 milk | 422% fat |

In addition to her ability as a great milk producer, she has also been an outstanding progeny producer. Allmost all of her daughters have won red ribbons in the showing and are close to their dam's early production with her habit of dropping a calf every year. Two of her daughters have topped the Produce of Dam class at the Halton Holstein Show for the past six years and were Honorable Mention All Canadian Producer in both 1948 and 1949. At the last Halton Show, her daughter and grand-daughters collected six firsts and also two seconds for Spruceleigh. These are but a few of the extracts from the interesting and lengthy article in the Holstein Journal. Coupled with this Poplar Row Chieftain Maid's picture occupies the place of honour on the cover page of the Journal in question. Ross's fellow Holstein breeders in Haltom, are delighted at the great honour won by the Spruceleigh herd. It will be recalled that the same breeder was premier exhibitor at the 1949 Haltom Show and recently was presented with the E. J. Meagher Memorial Trophy in recognition of his great achievement.

Britany is a province in France, not England.

EASTER'S POWER

What mighty power shook the earth and rolled the stone away. And loosed the chain-reaction, which has lasted till this day. The people in that troubled land knew little of the course Of God's almighty purpose as He planned to launch this force.

And so they missed the Saviour and nailed Him to a cross. And went about their business, not knowing of their loss. But when on Eastern morning the few who'd followed Him Went mournfully to offer prayer, their faith grown sad and dim, Again the angels told these few the wondrous tale of how The Lord had been set free from death—they'd find Him living NOW.

"Go bid the others gather in the old accustomed place And tarry there together till all have seen His face." And then go out and spread the news that all the people crave, That God has loosed upon the earth the Prince of Peace to save. Not only you whose privilege it was to contact with His grace."

Then one by one they saw Him and they listened to His voice. As He explained the mysteries that made their hearts rejoice. And down the centuries till now which changes them and sets them free to change the world again.

Today men cry for peace the while they launch their man-made power. Again we seek the answer that will save us in this hour. In every heart the deep yearning cries for help and peace. The nations strive to find the way to make all conflict cease.

But still men's eyes are blinded to the power which Easter brought. The answer is the same today as that the angels taught. Peace is an active, living power made in the hearts of men. Which changes them and sets them free to change the world again.

Today the force which shook the earth that bygone Easter day is working through the nations in God's appointed way. The evil forces still deride and try to stamp it out. They scorn inspired democracy and broadcast fear and doubt.

Though atom bombs may fall again and war destroy the earth, God's power will remain to raise a new world to rebirth. And every man who has His peace and faith to do His will. Though heaven and earth should pass away, he will be living still.

For nothing can gainst this power, no force on earth can sever God's peace which always is the same then, and now, and ever.

ERIN

The Spring weather on Monday and Tuesday melted the snow rapidly and late Tuesday night the flood water threatened local mill dam. A number of men worked into the early hours Wednesday morning placing sand bags to prevent wash out.

Commencing Wednesday, April 5, Erin Business Men will observe a half-holiday, each week. Stores will be open Tuesday and Saturday evenings.

A one mill increase in the tax rate was set recently when Peel County Council approved a \$302,000 budget for the year. The general tax rate will be slightly over 10 mills.

The auxiliary fire engine has been employed in several places pumping water out of cellars.—Ad-voce.

The Canadian National Railways pioneered the use of diesel electric motive power in North America.

BURLINGTON

Edmond Holtby, one of the town's best known and esteemed citizens, passed away at his residence, 31 Hurd Ave., on Monday evening, after a lengthy illness.

On Tuesday evening, thieves were unsuccessful in an attempt to rob the residence of Frank Virtue, corner of Locust Street and Birch Ave., when the burglar alarm went off and frightened them away.

Despite strong protests from Reeve Smith, a petition from residents in the area and the objection of Deputy Reeve Allan, Chairman of works, council instructed the engineer to proceed with the widening of the south side of Water Street for a distance of approximately 100 ft at a point in the vicinity of Nelson Ave curve—Gar-ette.

MILTON

Monday night the local Intermediates hung up their skates and put their sweaters away in moth balls after their 9-2 defeat at the hands of the Collingwood Shipbuilders. The defeat eliminated Milton from the play-off race for provincial honours for this year. In the series, which went the full five games, Milton took the opener and dropped the second and third. When the series returned to Milton, they won the fourth game but lost out in the fifth and deciding game Monday night.

A large number of relatives and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rasmussen on Tuesday afternoon and evening in honor of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Nowhere in the world are speechways constructed more carefully or guarded more jealously than in Canada. A. M. Dix, Bell Telephone representative, told Milton High School students in an address at the high school last week. After a lengthy illness, Howard F. McCann, well-known resident of Trafalgar Township passed away at his home Tuesday March 31st in his forty-first year.—Canadian Champion.

The tunnel under Mount Royal in Montreal, 3 1/2 miles, is the longest tunnel on the Canadian National Railways.

PROVIDING THE CHAINS

By Joseph Lister Rutledge

A tall and discouraged statesman who had been rejected for public office and could see no bright promise for himself, still could speak what was in his heart to little audiences everywhere. Sometimes his words were quickly forgotten, sometimes the audience seemed hardly worth while. But standing before a little group in the little town of Edwardsville, Pennsylvania—the year was 1858—he poured out his heart.

"Our reliance is in the love of liberty which God has planted in our bosoms. Our defense is in the preservation of the spirit which prizes liberty as the heritage of all men, in all lands, everywhere. Destroy this spirit and you have planted the seed of despotism near your own doors. Familiarize yourself with the chains of bondage, and you are preparing your own limbs to wear them. Accustomed to trample on the rights of those around you, and you have lost the genius of your own independence, and become the fit subject of the first tyrant who arises among you. And let me tell you that these things are prepared for you with the logic of history."

So said the tall, discouraged Abraham Lincoln. Less than three years later he was President of the United States.

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The boy doesn't know it yet. Many a grown-up doesn't realize it—but the new oil fields of Alberta brighten Canada's future

Western oil is saving 100 million scarce U.S. dollars this year, dollars we don't have to pay out for oil imports. This means money to buy other imports we need—things that cannot be grown or made in Canada. Next year Alberta oil should save 145 million U.S. dollars!

Then, too, the search for oil is making a big new market in Alberta for things the rest of Canada has to sell. The oil industry is spending \$3 millions a week in the west. Across the nation this money is fostering new industries, expanding plants, creating jobs, paying wages, building homes.

And in the prairie petroleum product prices are lower than they would have been if oil had not been found. Prairie consumers saved more than \$30 millions last year. Anything that helps prairie prosperity helps all Canada.

Oil is important to us all. More oil means a higher standard of living.

The search for oil is arduous, a costly business, often disappointing. But the job is pressing forward. And new-found oil is changing our future... promising a better, brighter future for Canadians—men and boys alike.

Bringing you oil is a big job . . . and a costly one

About Canada's Oil—At the end of 1940 potential oil production in Alberta was more than one-third of Canada's requirements. Three years earlier, Canada produced less than one-tenth of the oil she used.

More than 240 companies and syndicates are searching for or producing oil in western Canada.

It is estimated that the oil industry will account for almost 10 per cent of all new business capital invested in Canada this year.

In 1940 Imperial Oil bought a total of nearly \$40 millions of equipment and supplies from more than 3,000 Canadian firms.



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TAX NOTICE--1950

MUNICIPALITY OF ACTON

FIRST INSTALMENT NOW DUE

Attention is drawn to the payment of 1950 taxes, which are now payable in Four Instalments. Taxes are payable to the Municipal Treasurer at the

ACTON PUBLIC UTILITIES OFFICE

Instalments Are Due as Follows:

- FIRST INSTALMENT — APRIL 17th
- SECOND INSTALMENT — JUNE 15th
- THIRD INSTALMENT — AUGUST 15th
- FOURTH INSTALMENT — OCTOBER 15th

According to the Tax Collection By-Law a penalty of 4 of 1 per cent per month shall be made to the First Instalment of every tax rate or assessment remaining unpaid after the Seventeenth day of April, 1950.

This penalty applies to each instalment in a similar manner.

The attention of Ratepayers is directed to the Penalties and other clauses as printed on the reverse side of every Tax Notice and explained in detail on every Tax Bill.

Taxes are NOW due and payable. The penalty applies if the First Instalment is not met on or before Monday, April 17th.

MAKE PAYMENT NOW AND TAKE YOUR TAX NOTICE WITH YOU WHEN MAKING PAYMENT

J. McGEACHIE, Collector