



FARM NEWS

Sandy Buchanan Wins Grand Championship on Steer
 Wednesday of last week saw the judging of Fat Cattle at the Canadian National Exhibition. These classes are open to all breeds of beef cattle with separate sections for the different age groups. In the senior calf section—open to steers born between Sept. 1, 1950 and Nov. 30, 1950, Sandy Buchanan, prominent and popular young junior farmer from Moffat, topped the strong class with his steer sired by Braedon Greatheart.

He later received the grand champion award for the best steer in the show. Along with this award is a \$150 special donated by the Canadian Shorthorn Association for the grand champion steer if sired by a registered Shorthorn bull.

Sandy is a member of the Halton Beef Cattle Club and needless to add his entry will be on parade at their achievement day, to be held at the Milton Fair. It is rumoured that Sandy's fellow club members are going to be out with the intent of proving to him that competition is much keener at Milton than at the C.N.E. In the meantime Sandy's many friends throughout the County will join us in extending their warmest congratulations on his outstanding achievement.

Juniors Win Honours at C.N.E.
 The competitions at the Canadian National Exhibition open to Junior Homemakers and Junior Farmers throughout Ontario, as usual were keenly contested. While we haven't the complete awards for the young ladies' competitions, it will be of interest to learn that in the inter-club section Halton's entry placed third in the first prize group.

The young ladies participating as Halton representatives were Ruth Brown of Limehouse; Jean Bird and Barbara Cunningham of Ashgrove. Their excellent skill was entitled "Packing a Week-end Bag."

Halton Junior Farmer awards: farm machinery, 1. Geo. Clements, Milton; dairy cattle, (seniors), 7 tie, Douglas Alexander, Ashgrove; juniors, 3 tie, Stuart Alexander, Ashgrove; 13 tie, John W. Pickett, Hornby; beef cattle (juniors), 4. Alex Buchanan, Moffat; 12 tie, Duncan Campbell, Moffat; 18 tie, John C. Willmott, Milton.

Swine—(seniors) 4. Fraser McNabb, Georgetown; 11. Mac Sprowl, Acton; (juniors), 11. Earl Wilson, Norval; 17. Frank Wilson, Ashgrove.

Sheep (seniors) 8 tie, John Currie, Georgetown.

Fruit and vegetables, (seniors) 5. Peter A. Fisher, Burlington; grain and roots, 11. Mac Sprowl, Acton.

Halton Exhibitors Dominate Red Poll Show at C.N.E.
 Halton Red Poll breeders demonstrated very clearly last week at the strong Red Poll show at the C.N.E. that they do not have to take second place to any county when it comes to winning awards. This is very definitely indicated by the following awards:

Aged bull—1. Geo. E. Coulson; 2. Geo. E. Roadhead.

2 yr. old bulls—1st Leonard W. Coulson, on Minnesota Edger which sire later went on to the senior and grand championship for males in the same class Roy Coulter was fifth.

Yearling bulls—Geo. E. Roadhead was first on Leading King, which bull later made Junior champion male. In second place in the same class was the entry of Leonard W. Coulson.

Bull calves—Here Leonard Coulson was again first, with A. Roy Coulter in second place.

In the female classes Leonard Coulson was first and third on cows three years and over. His first prize winner, namely, Rose Ruth Benson 4th went on to the senior and grand championship. The same exhibitor had the fifth prize two year old heifer, first and second prize senior yearlings, third prize junior yearling, sixth prize junior heifer calf, and fourth prize junior heifer calf. In addition he had the junior female champion heifer, and first prize breeder's herd.

A Roy Coulter had the first prize junior yearling, third prize junior heifer calf, and first prize progeny of dam. Another "Lawville" Geo. E. Roadhead in addition to his wins reported earlier, had the fourth prize senior heifer calf and the first prize junior heifer calf.

In short, Leonard Coulson, Geo. Coulson, Roy Coulter and Geo. Roadhead all from near Lawville, in North Nelson, have pretty well centred of the Red Poll breed for demonstrated that Lawville is the Ontario heartiest congratulations to them all.

Encouraging Reports on Hessian Fly
 Investigational work done to date

this fall, indicates a heavy parasitization of the Hessian Fly pupa. This was the good news which Prof. H. Goble, Provincial Entomologist from the O.A.C. brought to the County on his visit on Friday last. In other words the Hessian Fly pupa which have not already emerged have been found to have been attacked by parasites and are now dead.

Prof. Goble also pointed out to us that the flies which have already emerged are not likely to do much damage since they must do their egg laying within three days after emergence and with no wheat sown the only place for them to lay their eggs would be on a small amount of volunteer wheat in some of the fields which have not as yet been plowed down.

This statement should not be interpreted as proof that the Hessian Fly will not be a menace to the 1952 crop. In the first place, further investigational work must be done in order to determine if the condition found in several Waterloo County fields holds true in other sections of the Province. To this end, Prof. Goble visited and took samples of stubble from several Halton fields which were in wheat this year. A further report will likely be available on this point in next week's column.

We can well appreciate that a great many Halton growers are still undecided as to whether or not to sow wheat this fall. As a matter of fact we know of no one who can state definitely whether or not the Hessian Fly will be bad in 1952. History would indicate, however, that Hessian Fly is seldom if ever as bad the year following an outbreak.

There was rather serious damage by Hessian Fly in parts of Essex and Kent a year ago. In 1951 the damage in that section of the Province was much less than elsewhere in Western and Central Ontario. In short, it would appear that parasites checked the trouble.

Consequently it would seem that Halton growers can proceed with some degree of confidence to sow wheat this fall, providing, (1) they delay seeding until Sept. 15th to Sept. 25th; (2) they have a field which is in a good state of fertility; (3) they have allowed sufficient time between plowing and seeding which should be two months or more; (4) they have a good firm seed bed; and finally, providing they drill in a good application of commercial fertilizer.

What fertilizer mixture to use is impossible to state without knowing something of the previous cropping history of the field. If previous crops have shown a tendency to lodge it is an indication of an unbalanced food supply, and 0-16-8 or 0-12-12, at 200 lbs. to 300 lbs. per acre is recommended.

Where a good sod or a crop of sweet clover has been plowed down and particularly if the field has recently received a good coat of manure then 20 per cent superphosphate at 150 to 200 lbs. per acre may

be sufficient. On the other hand if it is felt that a little nitrogen is desirable in order to start the new crop away from 4-24-12 at 100 to 150 lbs. per acre or 3-18-9 at 200 lbs. or 2-16-6 at 300 lbs.

In any event, phosphate is the important mineral in a commercial fertilizer to be sown with fall wheat, in that it helps materially to develop sufficient root growth to carry the young plants over winter.

If you aren't prepared to use commercial fertilizer, (high in phosphate)—then don't sow fall wheat. Fertilizers for cereal crops should be applied in the drill row with a combination fertilizer drill or with a fertilizer attachment on a drill, rather than by broadcast application.

TAKEN FOR GRANTED
 Farmer Robinson broke his tractor, so he decided to drive to the next farm and borrow one from Farmer Brown.

As he was driving he started thinking: "I wonder if old Brown will lend me that tractor?" Ten minutes later he was thinking: "I doubt if old Brown will lend it to me." As he got near the neighbouring farm he thought: "I'm sure old Brown won't lend me that tractor." As he knocked on the door of the farmhouse: "No," he thought, "I'm darn certain he won't lend it to me."

Farmer Brown came to the door, smiled, and asked: "Well, what can I do for you?"

"I just came to say," snorted Robinson, "that you can keep your bloomin' tractor!"

DEADLOCKS ON HOUSE
 The Clennel Paris Council gave permission for a new house to be built in place of an old one "provided (a) that the materials of the old house are used for the construction of the new and (b) for reasons of economy the old house must not be demolished until the new one is completed." A problem any way you look at it.

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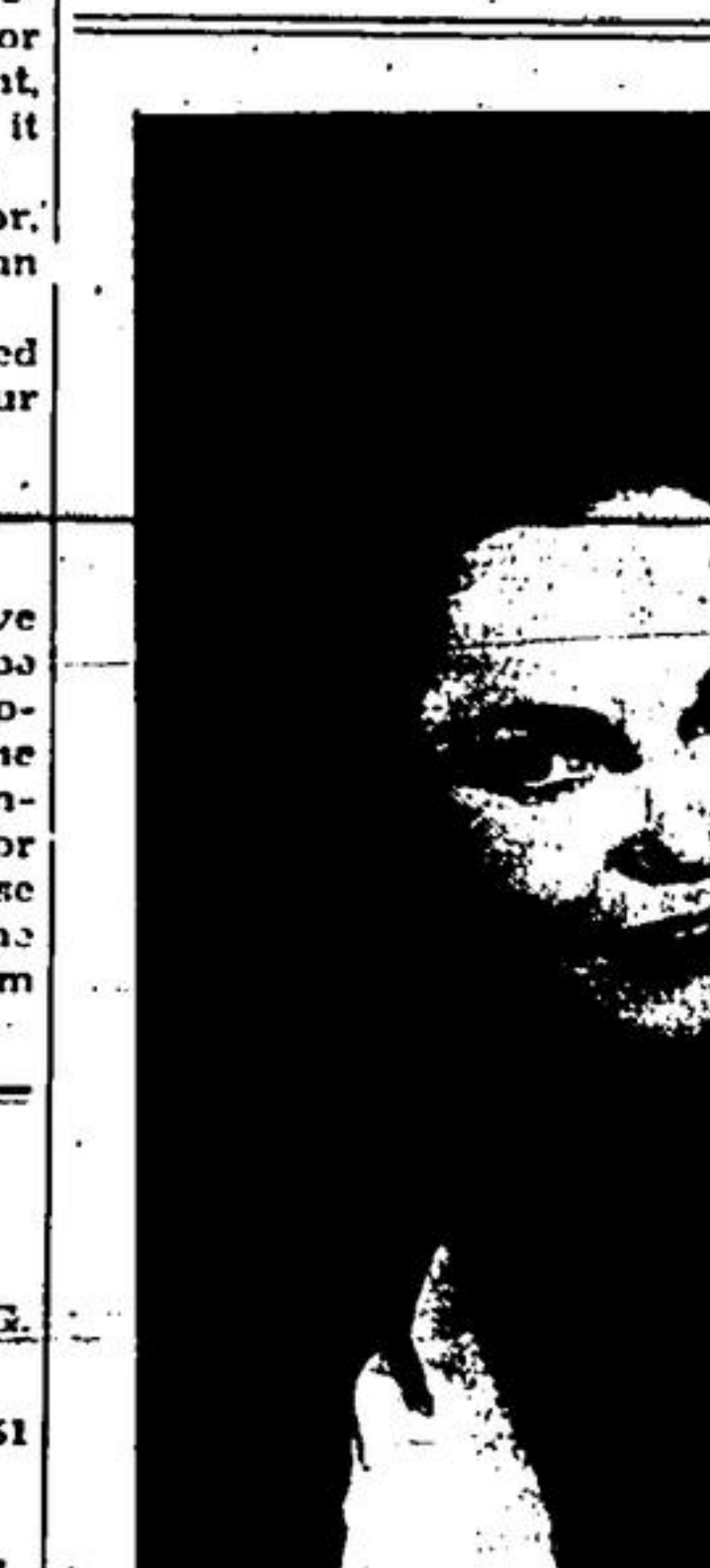
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FRANK LOVEJOY AND DOROTHY HART co-star in "I was a Communist for the F.B.I.", Warner Bros. explosive drama based on the true experiences of a Federal agent who went on one of the most adventurous missions ever assigned, which opens at the Roxy on Wednesday.

Your Suit Price? Watch Australia
 How much will next summer's suit cost you?
 Keep your eye on Sydney, Australia, advises The Financial Post.

Buying representatives from textile firms from all corners of the globe are there now to bid on first fall offerings of fine apparel wools.

What they are willing to pay will have a lot to do with the price of next summer's clothing. And if the price does too high, it may have a lot to do with the material in that clothing.

How is the price of wool at Sydney related to the materials a Canadian mill puts into your suit-length? Just this: as long as wool keeps going up—or stays high—manufacturers want low cost synthetic fibres to blend with the wool.

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