

# FARM NEWS

Wm. G. Booth, New President of Halton Guernsey Breeders  
 Dr. R. S. Robertson of Renwood Farms, Cobourg, was the guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Halton and Peel Guernsey Club held at Hornby on Tuesday of last week. Dr. Robertson, who was introduced to the 75 Guernsey enthusiasts present by B. B. Hodgins, Secretary of the Ontario Guernsey Club, delighted his audience with his illustrated address on some of the highlights of his two trips as a dental surgeon on government expeditions to the Arctic Circle in 1950 and 51.

There is no glamour and little humour about the Arctic Circle, stated Dr. Robertson. In general it is a desolate country, parts of it very, very rich in iron ore. His

descriptions, however, of the natives in various sections of the North, and how they live, held his audience almost spellbound for the hour and three quarters in which he unfolded his story.

The Secretary's report presented by K. P. Marshall revealed that the Club had had an outstanding and active year under the leadership of President Art Spencer, some of the highlights being, a social evening; a bus trip; a twilight meeting; two barn dances; a picnic; a club sale and the county show at Milton.

In addition the Club had sponsored a Calf Club and in this connection B. B. Hodgins, on behalf of the Ontario Guernsey Club, presented Don, Bob and Eleanor Joyce with show halters and W. H. Duffray presented his trophy emblematic of the Calf Club Championship, to Don Joyce.

James M. McCullough, who was introduced by J. E. Whitelock, as the recently appointed Agricultural Representative for Peel County, presented, on behalf of the Peel Agricultural Society, trophies to M. T. McNabb and Sons and Joyce Bros.

The noonday dinner, catered by the Hornby Women's Institute, as usual was another highlight of the day. The election of officers for 1952 resulted as follows:

President—Wm. G. Booth, Milton.

Vice-President—Joe Brownridge, Brampton.  
 Secretary-Treasurer — Cedric Harrop.  
 Directors:  
 Trafalgar—Gordon King, E. Featherstone, Art Spencer.  
 Esquevasing — Finlay Joyce, J. V. McNabb, C. W. Swackhamer, Nelson—M. S. Alton and Tom Ramshaw.  
 Nassagaweya—J. L. Chisholm.  
 Peel County—Jim Armstrong, C. Middlebrook.

Professor Geo. Raithby, Guest Speaker at Holstein Annual  
 One hundred and thirty-five Holstein enthusiasts attended the annual meeting of the Halton Club held at Trafalgar Hall on Wednesday of last week. Albert G. Hunter, popular President of the Club, was the able chairman for the excellent programme.

Victor J. Lawrence, veteran and efficient secretary, presented an interesting report of the year's outstanding showing made by the Halton breeders at the Canadian National Exhibition, where their county herd placed second with tea counties in competition.

Those who contributed cattle for this outstanding exhibit were R. C. Alexander; A. M. Brain and Son; F. O. Hunter; T. J. Brownridge and Son; Tom McGee; J. F. Trimble; F. J. Rogister and Son; Gordon Sinclair; Blanshard Bros.; A. G. Hunter; Howard Gowland; Ross Segsworth and A. M. Sherwood.

Geo. Dreannan and John Powell brought greetings from the parent organization and the latter also presented long distance certificates to Harold Bingham & Son; Graymar Farm; Johnston Neelands; E. F. Ford and W. W. Thompson.

Perhaps the outstanding cow of the nine honoured is Katherine Mercedes Dulehland, a very good cow in the herd of Harold Bingham & Son, which as a 14-year old produced 16,784 lbs. of milk, 636 lbs. Butterfat on 2x. She has been twice an honour list leader and in eleven lactations has now produced a total of 171,917 lbs. milk and 6,394 lbs. butterfat all on 2x.

As usual the dinner catered by the wives of the breeders in South Halton, was a highlight. The annual dinner of the Halton breeders has gained a reputation as being tops across Ontario—several of those present were heard to remark that this year's effort was the best yet. If that is possible, perhaps it was, but we have attended them all over the past 15 years and in our humble opinion not one of them left anything to be desired from the standpoint of quality and quantity.

Numbered among the guests present were D. G. Dunton of Brampton, Director of the National Association; W. H. McCaugherty, of Streetsville and Messrs. H. C. Morris and C. Doble of Milton.

The guest speaker, Professor Geo. E. Raithby of Guelph, presented a review of the dairy cattle progress made during the first half century and pointed out some of the problems still to be solved. He also predicted other developments likely to be achieved in the next fifty years.

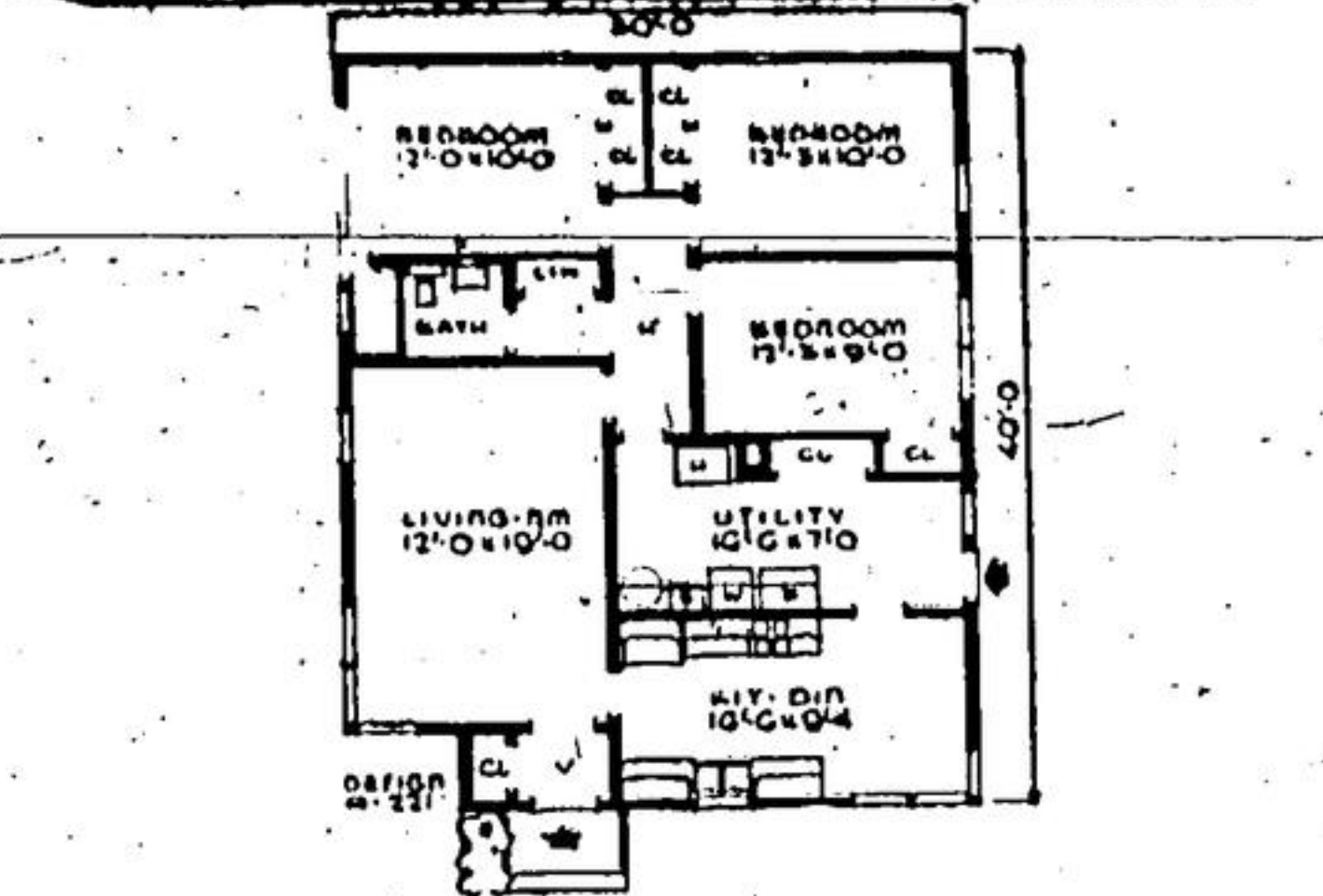
In referring to the development which has taken place in Canada in the past fifty years, Professor Raithby stated "the mechanical development has been phenomenal—the day of the small work shop and the day when the small work shop will make the tool from start to finish is a thing of the past—we can't afford any longer to do work with horses but we must remember that the quality of the work performed is equally as important as the efficiency of the machine." "There are," stated Professor Raithby, "very few if any more cows in Ontario today than in 1900—in other words, numbers have not changed, but the kinds have."

"In 1901 your Association had 115 members in Canada, while in 1951 there are over 12,000 members across Canada with 75 per cent resident in Ontario. In the year 2000 there will still be a dairy industry we must," he stated, "sell the dairy industry to Canadians—we must develop an appreciation or liaison within or between different branches of the industry—there must be a greater appreciation of the known laws of genetics, all a product of this century—40 percent of registrations in Holstein business today from artificial services."

In concluding his address, Professor Raithby again stressed the necessity of working more harmoniously within the industry—that includes not only the different branches of the industry but, he stated, "our job is not finished when our milk leaves the farm. It involves more research, more extension work, good cattle and good people."

In extending the appreciation of the gathering to the speaker, Ross Segsworth stated, "Professor Raithby is always welcome at a gathering of Halton Black and White breeders and he always brings us a worthwhile message."

The election of officers resulted as follows: president, J. F. Trimble; 1st vice-president, W. W. Thompson; 2nd vice-president, Gordon



THE AVON features a single garage attached to the kitchen side by means of a breezeway, not shown in the sketch but included in working drawings. There are three bedrooms, bath, living room and combination kitchen-dinette. The utility room contains the heating plant, hot storage closet and supply cabinet. The first floor is an insulated

concrete slab laid over a bed of gravel. Construction is a frame with the exterior finish of siding and asphalt shingles. The large linen cabinet is located in the bedroom hall, while wardrobe closets, including overhead storage, are used throughout. Dimensions are 30 feet by 40 feet, with floor area totalling 1,105 square feet, cubage 14,888.

Sinclair, secretary-treasurer, V. J. Lawrence, directors, Esquevasing, R. C. Alexander, F. O. Hunter, Tom McGee and H. Craig Reid; Nassagaweya, Wm. Mahon and Elias Easterbrook; Nelson, A. G. Hunter, G. Leslie Peor, Geo. Pelletier and Ross Segsworth; Trafalgar, E. F. Ford, Lloyd Pickard and W. H. Royle.

Holstein breeders throughout Halton will learn with regret of the resignation of Morley T. Watson, popular Sales Agent for the Club for the past few years. His successor is Martyn Heslop of Freeman, who is well and widely known throughout the county.

## Poet's Corner

I have praised the rose's perfume,  
 I have sung the lily's scent;  
 I have raved over all the flowers  
 With their odour richly blent.  
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