

**Halton Seed Fair This Week-End**

All roads will lead to Milton on Saturday of this week for the annual Seed Fair and Bacon Show. It goes without saying that the Milton Town Hall will be filled to capacity for this popular annual event. Friday will see the entries in both the Seed Fair and Bacon Show placed and judged. The Junior Farmer section and the inter-club displays in place.

On Saturday morning the Junior Farmers will stage their annual Judging Competition in Seeds, Grain, Hog Carcasses, Potatoes, etc. To the Bacon Show entries have been made by all four townships, with entries from the following game herds:

Equestrian - McDonald Bros., Clayton Diek; M. T. McNabb, T. H. McGee and Gordon Fisher.

Nassagawaya - Mrs. Hattie Price; Duncan Moffat; Stanley Norquist; Harlan Wilson and W. G. R. Johnson.

Nelson Fred Dixon; Roy Ellerton; Howard Coulson, Burdige Gunby and Arthur Harris.

Trafalgar - W. Merry; Robert Brownridge; Raynor Bras; Frank Cartwright and V. R. Bradley.

Tom Dickison, Manager of the Ottawa Dairy Farm is to be the main speaker for the Saturday afternoon program, when the hall is open to the public at 1:00 p.m.

Members of the BSI Halton Branch Trip to Eastern Ontario, who visited the Ottawa Dairy Farm last June, were much impressed by what they saw and heard while under Mr. Dickison's guidance at that establishment.

The commercial and practical aspect of the Halton Show is what appeals to the average farmer. In short, only those with seed for sale are eligible to exhibit; furthermore the seed exhibited is "backed" by Government grade as to purity and germination and the exhibitors must be prepared to deliver seed of like quality to the buyers, all of which makes this annual Show an ideal place to purchase their seed requirements.

Milton Community Night School Concludes

Tuesday of last week brought to a close the second annual Community Night School season. Chairman A. T. Woodley reports an average attendance of 77½, or in other words out of the enrolment of 450 the average attendance per night during the season was 380.

We also learned that 80% of the enrolment was from the rural parts of the County while 32% was urban. While Milton ladies made up the major portion of the urbanites, Georgetown, Burlington, Acton and Bronte were also represented.

On Tuesday evening when we visited the seven different buildings scattered over the County Town, in which the various classes were housed, everyone contacted seemed highly delighted with their respective courses and were already talking of plans for the 1952-53 season.

Altafa Seed

Halton farmers who buy alfalfa seed this spring may find themselves faced with the problem of which type to buy. It is anticipated that supplies of Canadian grown seed will be insufficient to meet the demand and some imported seed will have to be used.

Those buying seed will be able to tell something of its origin from the color of the seed, since all imported seed must be stained. Needless to add, Canadian grown seed is to be preferred because of its hardiness. While some of the Canadian seed is grown in Ontario, the greater part of it comes from the Peace River District.

Another source of hardy seed is the Northern United States. All of the States bordering on Canada have approximately the same climatic conditions as are to be found here. Seed produced in these States can be imported into Canada provided one per cent of the seed is stained a violet color.

Under the Canadian seed regulations the rest of the world is placed in one category. According to these regulations seed originating from any part of the world other than the Northern United States and Canada must be stained 10% red. Much of this seed comes from France and Southern United States and consequently its hardness is open to question.

In some cases seed has been imported which is a mixture of Canadian and Southern United States seed. Since it is difficult, if not impossible to tell what percentage of the seed is of Southern United States origin it too, must be stained 10% red and the tags are marked "mixture".

It is illegal for anyone selling such seed to make any claims whatsoever as to the percentage of Canadian and Southern Seed. Anyone who can provide evidence that such claims have been or are being made should notify Norman McKenzie of the Plant Products Division, Canada Department of Agriculture at 86 Collier Street Toronto.

Changed Hog Marketing Policy Confusing

The brief announcement made by the Honorable J. G. Gardner early last week with respect to the immediate change in hog marketing regulations has the general public pretty badly confused.

At the outset the whole set-up looks "screwy". However we know from our years of experience that the Government would make such a change unless their hands were forced by emergency conditions. This has been confirmed by a brief telephone conversation we had with a senior live stock official of the Canada Department of Agriculture.

In brief, the sudden change in policy is necessitated by the fact that our storages across Canada are close to capacity. The hog markets since last fall have been abnormally heavy, ranging up to 138,000 hogs per week.

Notwithstanding increased domestic consumption, as a result of lower pork prices, a surplus of pork products has built up. With no

export to the United Kingdom and slightly less than 22 million pounds exported to United States in 1951 and then to have an embargo clamped down by United States as a result of the outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease in Western Canada, it does present a critical situation.

It was the opinion of the official contacted that the situation would rectify itself within a few weeks. Apparently by raising the weight of Grade A hogs 10 lbs and in the case of B hogs the old range was 135 to 175 lbs now B hogs may weigh 150 lbs dressed weight and up to it is the hope and expectation that hog marketing will be temporarily reduced, thus providing time to get some of the product moved out of storage.

We also learned that normally the amount of fat on a hog carcass averages around 10 lbs. In recent months this has risen to an average of 25 per cent carcass. With practically all of the fat going into lard, it has resulted in an accumulation of lard which all packers are finding is difficult to market.

It is our understanding that one pound of fat will make four-fifths of a pound of lard. Due to the lack of storage space packers are reported to be offering lard to the trade at prices ranging from 5¢ to 10¢ per lb.

In view of the fact that the flour recently established is 20¢ per lb dressed weight for hogs in Toronto, one does not need to be much of a mathematician to realize that fat which costs 20¢ per lb and then is converted into lard which wholesales at 5¢ per lb is not a profit able business.

All of this reacts on the hog industry and frankly the picture and immediate future is not very bright. It is our opinion that grain and feed prices must be brought into line. Just how soon that can be done we do not know but in the meantime it looks like a case of the hog producer pulling in his belt and hanging on.

Our only purpose in presenting some of these facts is to indicate that the change in weight ranges for Grade A and B hogs would not appear to be a change in Dominion policy but a temporary move necessitated by an emergency condition.

R.C.M.P. CONSTABLE TO LEAVE FOR CANADA'S MOST NORTHERLY OUTPOST

R.C.M.P. Constable Clayton Fryer is home on leave before leaving for Craig Inlet, the furthest northern outpost in Canada, where he will be stationed for from three to five years. Stationed at the post are two R.C.M.P. officers and two Eskimo families.

Mad to the outpost comes but once a year at boat time. Although originally scheduled to go in boat time, Clayton will be flown in to the station.

The first turnpike-a toll road-was established in Canada in 1805.

CLEARING AUCTION SALE

Tractor, Farm Implements, Timbers, Lumber and Hay

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Elect Mac Sprowl Juniors' President

On Monday evening, March 3rd at the Agriculture Office, Milton, Mac Sprowl was elected county president of the Halton Juniors Farmers.

The following accounts were paid teacher salaries \$1505.15, janitor salaries \$132.00, Receiver General \$133.05, Erin Advocate, printing \$22.00, Walter Keefer, reporter to hydro, \$0.07, Miss Myrtle White, books \$1.10, Tom Cook, two card cedar, \$10.00, Frank Cunningham, 3 card cedar, \$12.00, W. F. McEvily and Son, hand \$20.00, Bert Berry, salary \$30.00, maintenance, \$7.75, Hesco Products 2 pair cans, teen, \$7.50.

Area Board Meets Passes Accounts

On Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1952, the regular school board meeting of Erin Township School Area No. 1 was held in Ossingo school with 31 members being present.

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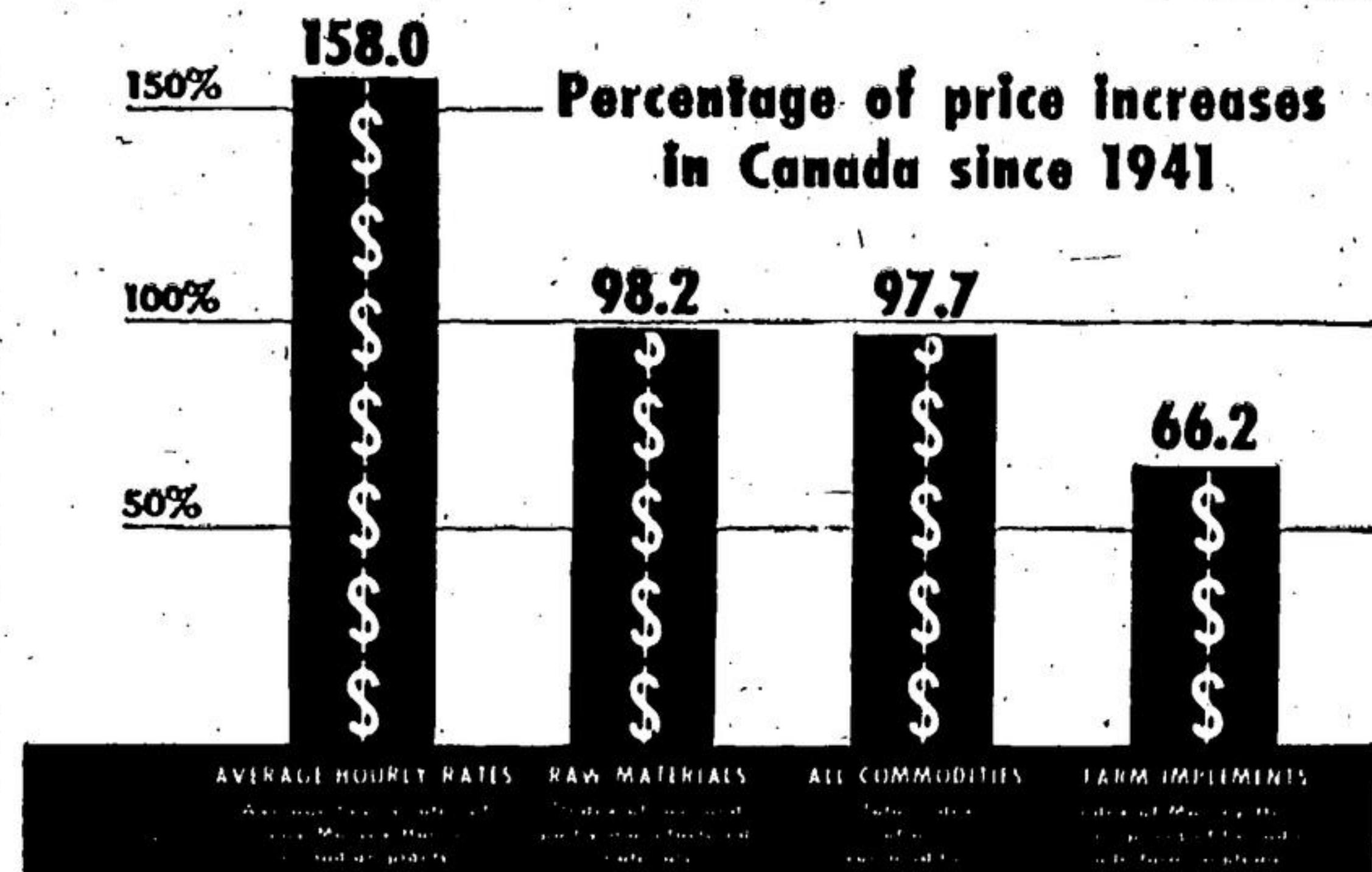
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