

FARM NEWS

NASSAGAWEYA ADOPTS ROAD SIGNS
Halton now has two Townships which have adopted road signs. Trafalgar was the first township to erect signs at all road intersections. Recently Nassagaweya followed suit. In both townships the signs are clear and attractive. Many visitors to the county have commented favorably on this progressive step. Certainly there is no excuse for getting lost in either of the two townships mentioned, and we would extend our congratulations to the members of Trafalgar and Nassagaweya councils.

FIRST ONTARIO DAIRY DAY PROVES MARKED SUCCESS
Illustrating in marked degree the importance of the dairy industry in the economy of the province, some 8,000 Ontario farmers joined hands with the Ontario Department of Agriculture on Wednesday, June 17, when Ontario's first "Dairy Day" was celebrated.

From early in the morning until late in the afternoon Ontario farmers from as far East as Ottawa and as far North as Parry Sound, converged on the farm of Mervin Shantz, near Alma, where with western and central Ontario farmers, they were able to witness the latest developments in all branches of the dairy industry.

Particular interest was evinced in the pole loading barn located on the Shantz farm as well as the operation of the milking parlor and barn drying of hay. In addition the latest developments in forage cropping were demonstrated and the program also included lectures on milk testing and quality production. David Pelletier, Milton, and Mildred Parkinson, Hillburg, were selected as Ontario's first "Dairy Man" and "Dairy Maid." Each County Junior Farmer Association was invited to nominate a candidate for each title. Halton Juniors under the leadership of president Harold Tyrrell, nominated Dave Pelletier of Palermo Juniors, and Barbara Cunningham of Norval Juniors. Along with the honor Dave and Mildred each received 50 dollar cheques.

CALF CLUB MEMBERS MEET
During the past week, Halton Calf Club members held two meetings. On Monday night Halton's 4H Beef and Dual Purpose Club Members met at Campbell Farms, near Mof-

fat. Here the young people under the leadership of Art Bennett, Assistant Agricultural Representative, had the privilege of working on two excellent classes of Scotch Shorthorns. F. C. Ames and J. E. Whitlock were the official judges. On Friday evening, some 50 of the members of Holstein, and Jersey and Guernsey Calf Clubs met at the farm of Mac Alexander, near Norval. Again the young people had the privilege of judging and giving reasons on two very fine classes of Jersey, for which Art Bennett and J. E. Whitlock acted as the official judges. Following short business meetings, the respective programs concluded with moving pictures.

At both points we were privileged to listen to the young people giving their reasons orally. It was little short of an inspiration to see those young people ranging from 18 to 20 years inclusive, step out and present their reasons clearly and for the most part, with logic.

ALL CATTLE AT MILTON FAIR MUST BE NEGATIVE TO BANGS
At a recent meeting of the Halton Agricultural Society, in response to a request from a joint meeting representing the Halton Holstein, Jersey and Guernsey Clubs, it was decided that at the Milton Fair on September 26th all cattle exhibited must be negative to the "Blood Test." The regulation in question read as follows:

Health - Bang's Disease—All (1) Dairy Cattle, (2) Beef Cattle, (3) Market Cattle (except steers), and (4) Mixed Cows, must be accompanied by a certificate issued by an officer of either the Health of Animals Division of the Ontario Veterinary College, showing a negative blood test for Bang's Disease conducted within 60 days of the date of the Show. Certificates will be issued covering bulls which have passed a negative blood test within six months of the Show and cattle from herds dealt with under the Department's Bang's Disease Control Policy which are listed as Bang's Disease free or herds under the policy in good standing.

Vaccinated heifers under 10 months of age will be permitted to show without blood test providing a vaccination certificate signed by a registered Veterinarian is produced by the owner showing that the animal has been vaccinated at the proper age.

BALERN BUSHY

Good progress was made the early part of last week, in handling some of the 1953 hay crop — and what a crop — no one should go short of hay this year. Hay balers would appear to be the popular way of taking off the crop. Certainly under present conditions, with the shortage of labour, it is about the only solution on many farms. As one drives through the country, everything points to a heavy crop. As indicated previously the hay crop is excellent—the same is true of the fall wheat and in general prospects point to a better than average crop of spring grain. During the past week considerable of the corn crop was finally planted. While very late, conditions would appear to be ideal for quick germination and who knows, we may still get a fair crop of corn.

W.M.S. Presents Gift To Mrs. Gibb

The Associate Helpers meeting of the Ballinacra W.M.S. was held at the home of Mrs. J. Kirkwood recently with an attendance of 25. After the business part of the meeting, the scripture lesson was read by Mrs. Gibb, followed by prayer by Mrs. J. Allan.

Mrs. F. Smith read a story of a new Canadian family and their struggles for existence, how they find help and encouragement through the church. Mrs. F. J. Shortill sang, "The New Canadian version of 'O Canada' which is used at the Church of All Nations, in Toronto. Mrs. M. McLaughlin gave a piano solo, "Mighty Lak a Rose."

A reading on "What's Right with the church" was given by Mrs. A. Starret, which stressed the thought the church as a landmark of the community.

A film entitled "Beginning with Me" was shown, of a young housewife who found joy and peace in joining the church and becoming a member of the various women's church groups, enriching home and community life.

A presentation was made to Mrs. Gibb of costume jewellery from the members of the W.M.S. Mrs. Gibb thanked the ladies, saying she would always remember the happy fellowship of working with them.

Weeds Eradicated if Attacked Early

There are few weeds which cannot be eradicated if attacked before they become firmly established. The most vulnerable period is when there are just a few individuals. How do new weeds arrive? Probably the majority still come in with seed and feed as they did in

the days of the pioneer and homesteader. Many newer garden and forage plants are now being tested and used, and seeds of these are very likely to contain weed seeds from faraway places. Nursery stock with soil on the roots is another very common source of new weed introduction. Long distance trucking tourists from distant points are all potential carriers of plant seeds and parts. Now that highway traffic is so speedy and such long distances covered, the menace of weed intro-

duction from remoter places is far greater than in the days of the ox carts and horse drawn vehicles.

Where can we expect to find new species? Probably the most likely spots are in gardens and forage plant areas, but roadsides, railway yards and rights of way, parking and camping grounds are common locations for strange and unknown plants.

What should be done about them, if found? The wisest course is to take on finding a strange plant is to gather it and send it to the nearest institution where botanists or plant taxonomists can identify it. If it is not a weed or a potential weed, no harm is done and one's mind is at rest concerning it. If it is a weed likely to become a menace, then prompt remedial action should be taken if so advised. It is unwise to wait until the plants have obtained a good foothold before taking action. Your nearest Experimental Farm or University is the logical place to send suspected plants for identification.

Research has developed the Surf-nage, an instrument that detects scratches as small as one millionth of an inch. It is used in shops and factories to determine the average roughness of highly machined surfaces of such parts as pistons, gear teeth, clutch facings, crankshaft bearings and cylinder linings, which call for precision fits.

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