

ALTERATIONS
"Come at once, doctor," said the mother's frantic voice on the phone. "My little boy has swallowed my fountain pen."
"Til rush right over," the Doctor cried. "What are you doing in the meantime?"
"Using a pencil," the mother replied.

SUNFLOWER
There is a possibility that the heads of Manitoba's sunflower crop may some day provide a source of commercial pectin. Experiments at the Experimental Station, Morden, Manitoba, have shown that the heads contain 14. to 18 per cent. pure pectin and that the pectin is of fair quality for jelly purposes.

FARM NEWS

HALTON DAIRY BREEDERS MAKE ENTRIES AT C.M.E.
Entries for the Canadian National Exhibition closed on Monday, August 10th. Halton's three dairy breeds will all be represented with county herds down at the Coliseum. Herds which will be represented are as follows:
Holsteins—R. C. Alexander; F. O. Hunter; Vernon Archer; John Scherz & Son; W. H. Robinson (all of Esqueving Township); Pelletier Bros.; A. G. Hunter; Ross Segsworth; Morley Sherwood and Gordon Sinclair of Nelson Township. Trafalgar quota will come from the herds of Johnson Neelands; J. F. Trimble and Hays Limited.
Jerseys—Gerald R. Graham; Ken Ella and Major Roberts (Esqueving Township); Featherstone Bros. and M. C. Beatty (Trafalgar Township); Guernseys—M. T. McNabb & Sons and Joyce Bros. (Esqueving Township); Wm. G. Booth (Trafalgar); J. L. Chisholm (Nassagaweya Township); John & Joe Brownridge (Peel County).
When representatives from these herds parade the tank on September 3rd and 4th, our readers may be sure that Halton will be well and worthily represented in 1953.

above the 1946-50 five year average. Hay supplies are calculated at 120 million tons, slightly larger than last year. Emergency needs of drought stricken areas may reduce the feed bank available October 1st.
Larger supplies of feed in prospect, plus reduced numbers of hogs and lower prices for dairy products and cattle, contributed to feed price declines in May and June. The price index for feed grains dropped to the lowest level since November, 1950.

PRICES FOR SEED WHEAT
The Seed Marketing and Publicity Committee, Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association recently suggested the following minimum prices:
Wheat—Commercial No. 1 Seed—\$2.29 per bushel.
Registered No. 1 Seed—\$2.50 per bushel.
Rye—Commercial No. 1—\$1.75 per bushel.
Winter Barley—Certified No. 1—\$1.60 per bushel.

These prices are based on retail sales at farm or local shipping point—in new bags, for treated seed and in the case of registered, inspected and sealed.

RAINS RETARD HARVEST
Two inches of rainfall in the Hornby District on Tuesday of last week was reported. We judge that a somewhat similar amount fell in other parts of the County. Grain, in the stook, was, in many cases, on Friday last, still too tough for satisfactory threshing. Combined wind and blizzards were, however, going again on both Thursday and Friday. While progress in harvesting has been retarded, the moisture was badly needed in most sections and consequently was very welcome.

By and large the grain crops are excellent—in the case of fall wheat yields of 40 to 50 bushels are quite common—with the occasional one approaching the 60 bushel mark. On the other hand some fields were hit by root rot due to too much moisture in May and June and yields will be somewhat lower. Taking the county as a whole, the average will be considerably above normal.

Spring grain, while rather uneven due to too much moisture in the spring, is, nevertheless, as we see it, better than normal. In any event, judging by the stooks, there is a tremendous amount of straw and some excellent yields have been reported.

UNITED KINGDOM MAY REMOVE CONTROLS ON MEAT
Rumours persist in trade channels that the meat trade will be restored to private enterprise, possibly by June, 1954. Supplies exceeding requirements have virtually removed the necessity of continuing rationing, if prices are kept at present levels. Latest estimates place 1953 bacon supplies at 500,000 long tons, compared with 515,000 in 1952. Imports will approximate 375,000 long tons, about two-thirds coming from Denmark.

DANISH PIG POPULATION
Danish pig numbers for May showed a 4% increase over April and exceeded May, 1952 by 24%. The number of sows was 17% over a year ago.

UNITED STATES FEED SITUATION
United States Department of Agriculture estimates, based on the July conditions, indicate a near record supply of feed grains and other concentrates in prospect for 1953-54. The total of 177 million tons is six per cent. larger than last year and within 1 per cent. of the record supply of 1950-51. The increase is largely due to a prospective corn crop, estimated at 3,337 million bushels, plus an 800 million bushel corn carryover on October 1st. If these prospects materialize, the corn supply would exceed 4.1 million bushels—higher than any previous figure and 17%

These suggested prices may, to some of our readers, seem high. However, anyone who has had experience in growing and selling of registered seed will agree that any narrower margin would hardly justify the additional expense and bother in the growing of registered seed. On the basis of cost per acre for seed, when bags and seed means an additional dollar bill per acre. That is a very small item in the cost of growing and harvesting a crop and may mean the difference between a 25 and a 50 bushel crop. In any event, good seed is one factor—others, as revealed by the investigational work done in Halton a few years ago, were:

- (1) Amount of commercial fertilizer and manure applied.
- (2) Time between plowing and seeding.
- (3) Times worked before seeding.
- (4) Date of seeding.

EXCELLENT SEED AVAILABLE
The following Halton farmers competed in Halton's 50 bushel Club this year and consequently have a crop grown from registered seed and should have either registered or good commercial No. 1 seed for sale:

- Dawbul Variety—John B. Bird (Esqueving Township) and Ross Segsworth, (Nelson Township).
- Cornell Variety—R. C. Alexander, Wm. Bain, Mac Alexander, Miller Bros., Gordon Leslie (Esqueving Township); V. J. Lawrence and Walter Royle (Trafalgar Township); J. C. Bell & Son, W. E. Breckon, M. C. Sherwood and Gordon Sinclair (Nelson Township).

Palsy, Polio Said Greatest Cripple

Cerebral palsy and polio, between them cause approximately 60 per cent. of the crippling conditions among children in Canada, according to the Canadian Council for Crippled Children. Each contributes about the same number of orthopaedic cases—roughly 25 to 30 per cent. of the total. And there are an estimated three crippled children per 1,000 Canadians of all ages.

The Council defines a crippled child as one, up to the age of 21 years, who because of disease, accident or defect is restricted in normal muscular movements. No actual count has ever been made of the number of such children in Canada, and to date only a few provinces have established registries where records of such cases can be kept.

The remaining 40 per cent. of crippled children are in this category as a result of congenital defects or anomalies, tuberculosis, rickets, accidents and degenerative diseases.

READY CASH ADVANCED BY B OF M FOR ESSENTIAL HOME IMPROVEMENTS

"A stitch in time saves nine" holds particularly true about improvements and repairs to your home. It is false economy to postpone them even if you are short of ready cash. A low-cost Bank of Montreal loan, made now, may well save you the extra costs which often come from long-neglected repairs.

Whether you need money to paint your home, plaster the ceilings or replace the furnace, it will pay you to have a chat with Gordon Oder, manager of the Acton B. of M.

Personal Loans at the B of M cost only six per cent. a year and are repayable in easy instalments. And you pay interest only on the amount still owing. Thus, if you borrow \$100 and repay monthly over a year, the cost is only 27 cents a month. You can borrow more or less, for shorter or longer periods, at proportionately the same cost.

If you need money for home improvements, don't hesitate to call on Mr. Oder. "Lending money is

my business," he says. "When you ask for a B of M loan, you do not ask a favor."

KNOCK-OUT JOKE
Jessy—"Did you have any luck in your bout with the champion?"
Perry—"I sure did. They called it off."

Robt. R. Hamilton
OPTOMETRIST
58 ST. GEORGE'S SQUARE
GUELPH
(Formerly occupied by Mr. E. P. Head)
COMPLETE EYESIGHT SERVICE

TAX NOTICE--1953
MUNICIPALITY OF ACTON
THIRD INSTALMENT NOW DUE

Attention is drawn to the payment of 1953 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:

THIRD INSTALMENT - AUGUST 17th
FOURTH INSTALMENT - OCTOBER 15th

According to the Tax Collection By-Law a penalty of 1/4 of 1 per cent. per month shall be made to the First Instalment of every tax rate or assessment remaining unpaid after the Fifteenth day of April, 1953.

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.

MAKE PAYMENT NOW AND TAKE YOUR TAX NOTICE WITH YOU WHEN MAKING PAYMENT
J. McGEACHIE, Collector

The Fishing's Fine!

So far this year the boys haven't caught too many of the big ones, so there must be quite a few of those you read about just waiting for you. Make it a carefree trip this year—travel by bus.

ASK YOUR LOCAL AGENT ABOUT "HIGHWAY TOURS" TO ALL PARTS OF THE U.S.A.

HAROLD WILES
PHONE 207

Round Trip Fares

North Bay	\$15.05
Midland	7.80
Jackson's Point	5.50

(Subject to Change)

Tickets and information at

For the convenience of the citizens of Acton and district we are

OPENING

our Showroom at 46 Mill St. East on

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29th

(NEXT TO Y.M.C.A. EAST)

We will carry a complete line of floor coverings in tiles and rolls. Armstrong's, Dominion and all other popular makes.

We will be glad to help you with your floor covering needs

Please drop in and look around

CLEMENT FLOOR & ROOF SERVICE
K. (DICK) CLEMENT

Marbolum Floors

Courses Available

to students of

North Halton High School District

The schools at Acton, Milton and Georgetown, operating under North Halton High School District offer courses in the following:

SPECIAL COMMERCIAL

A one year course available to students who have completed Grade XI. Subjects: shorthand, typing, office practice, bookkeeping, business law, penmanship, business arithmetic, business correspondence and spelling, economics, physical education.

ACADEMIC LOWER SCHOOL

Grades IX and X, leading to Intermediate Certificate. Obligatory subjects: English, social studies, mathematics, guidance, physical education. Plus any three of these options: General science, French, Art and Music, shop work, home economics, typewriting and business practice.

ACADEMIC MIDDLE SCHOOL

Grades XI and XII, leading to Secondary School Graduation diploma. Obligatory subjects: English, history, physical education. Plus any four of the following options: Mathematics, science, French, Latin, German, commercial work, agriculture, shop work, home economics.

ACADEMIC UPPER SCHOOL

Grade XIII, leading to Honor Matriculation and entrance to all faculties and courses except Honor Classics in any Canadian university. Subjects: English, history, algebra, geometry, trigonometry, zoology, physics, chemistry, Latin, French, German.

SEND YOUR CHILDREN TO HIGH SCHOOL

Give them this wonderful opportunity which is provided free of charge to everyone. Transportation is provided for rural students, as well as transportation between schools for special subjects. Parent and pupils should confer with their nearest principal prior to school opening in September.

Grade XI and XII students who plan to take the Special Commercial course at Georgetown High School should send their names and addresses to the Secretary. If a student lives in Esqueving or Nassagaweya Township, supply the name of your bus driver also.

O. ROBBINS Acton
C. A. WOOD Milton
J. L. LAMBERT Georgetown

Students who plan to attend secondary schools outside the North Halton District must have written permission from the North Halton Board in order to do so. Parents are requested to examine the course of study available in this District before application is made to attend an outside school, due to the heavy additional cost to this District.

Application forms may be had from the board secretary. The forms should be completed and mailed to the undersigned not later than August 21st, 1953.

G. O. BROWN, secretary, North Halton District Board, Georgetown, Ont.