



# FARM NEWS

## From Halton's Farm Lands

### Halton Plowing Match Last Thursday

All in all, the Halton Plowing Match last Thursday was an outstanding success and president Harold Pickett who incidentally was the able chairman of the evening program, may well be proud of the 1953 event, which would go in history as one of the most successful ever staged by the Halton Association.

Incidentally, Vice-President Spencer Wilson paid tribute at the evening program to the many individuals and organizations whose co-operation made the event possible. These included the long list of donors—the host of the day, Fred Ruddle and his brother Newton, the Ashgrove W.I. who supplied the excellent noon day lunches, the Ladies Guild of St. Paul's Anglican church, Norval, and the Norval W.I. who entered to the delicious banquet in evening—the farm machinery dealers and tractor owners, and last but by no means least, to the Misses Carol Stevenson and Jennette Foster and Donald Wilson whose lovely instrumental numbers rounded out an excellent evening's program.

The following is a list of the awards:

Class 1—Jointed plows in Sod (4 entries) R. G. Brown, Galt; Stanley May, Hornby; Lloyd May, Milton; Geo. Markie, Alberton.

Class 2—Second Class Jointers in Sod (2 entries)—Harold Cunningham, Inglewood; Paul Timbers, Aurora.

Class 3—Tractors in Sod—Open (5 entries)—Joe Tran, Claremont; Bill Footstrawer, Milton; Spencer Wilson, Norval; Norman Robson, Maple; C. F. Pickett, Georgetown.

Class 4—Second Class Tractors in Sod (7 entries)—Keith Merry, Hornby; John W. Pickett, Hornby; Bill Dixon, Brampton; Wm. Brain, Norval; Ross Brown, Norval.

Class 5—Tractors in Sod—Under 16 years (3 entries)—Glenn Irwin, Milton; Ross Austin, Georgetown; Don Taylor, Burlington.

Class 6—Tractors in Sod—under 21 years (11 entries)—Don Dunkeld, Claremont; Geo. Dixon, Brampton; Stan Davis, Alberton; Arnold Howden, Milton; Lee Wilkinson, Milton.

Class 7—Tractors — 2 Furrow (4 entries)—J. A. Randall, Breslau; Bob Wanless, Brampton; Joe Brownridge, Brampton; Jack Judge, Cheltenham.

Class 8—Tractors 3 Furrow—Utility Class (3 entries)—J. C. Cunningham, Hornby; R. J. Coombes, Burlington; Jas. Ismond, Georgetown.

Class 9—Tractor Mounted Plows (5 entries)—Jack Taylor, Burlington; Don Armstrong, Brampton; Harold Tyrrell, Burlington; Bert Robertson, Guelph; Wm. McLean, Glen Williams.

Class 10—Tractor — 2 Furrow—Utility (17 entries)—Doug Reid, Brampton; Bob Armstrong, Brampton; Norman Robson, Maple; Stan Davis, Alberton; John Cunningham, Hornby.

Horse Show—Stanley May, Hornby; Harry Cunningham, Inglewood; R. G. Brown, Galt; George Markie, Alberton; Paul Timbers, Aurora.

### Other Specials Not Previously Mentioned

Bank of Nova Scotia (Class 6)—Arnold Howden, Milton.

Bank of Commerce (Class 4)—Keith Merry, Hornby.

Geo. E. Elliott (youngest plowman)—Don Taylor, Glenn Irwin, Richardson's Hardware, Norval—Best ridge by Norval Junior Farmer—John Cunningham.

W. C. Woods Co.—Keith Merry.

### Good Prices at Maple Sale

The annual consignment sale of the Maple Cattle Breeders realized an average of \$284.00 at the Hays Sales Arena on Tuesday of last week. Some 50 females were sold with a top of \$635 for a four year-old consigned by V. J. Lawrence of Oakville R.R. No. 2. The second high of \$610 went to Percy Kitching of Moffat for a two year-old heifer with calf at foot.

The average price while some \$100 lower than a year ago was in our opinion very gratifying considering the present condition of the milk market and particularly so in view of the fact that few of the dams on the lowside of the pedigree had official records of production.

### OBITUARY

#### Accident Injuries Fatal to K. Joyce

Funeral service was held in Georgetown Monday of last week for Keith Earl Joyce, 19, who died in Toronto General Hospital of injuries received in an automobile accident on September 18.

He was a passenger in a car which went out of control on a steep hill on the 4th line of Esquesing, near Limehouse, and turned over. Most seriously injured of three occupants, his neck was broken and he had been partially paralyzed since the accident.

He had been transferred from Guelph General Hospital to Toronto General and had been making good progress. His sudden death was caused by a blood clot in the lung.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Joyce, he was born in Bronte. He had lived for the past five years in Georgetown and district. At the time of the accident he was living with his sister, Mrs. Harold Brown, R.R. 4, Acton.

Formerly a driver for J. V. Barker Milk Transport, he was employed at the Milton Brick Company.

He is survived by his parents and two sisters, Mrs. Harold Brown and Mrs. David Claus, Bronte, his grandfather, William Joyce, Hornby, and two nephews and a niece, Lillian, Harry and John Brown.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. John M. Smith and Rev. Alex J. Calder. John Kitching, Guelph, sang during the service.

Palbearers were Charlie Hunter, Glenn and George Stringer, Ted Leslie, Carmen Cantelon, and Earl Price. Flower bearers were Murray McFarlane, Ronald Dixon, Ted Kirby, Norman Dredge, Bud Anderson, Bud Brown, Bill Somerville, Walter Eves, and Graham Gillies.

Interment was in St. Jude's Cemetery, Oakville.

### Wartime Housing Needs New Name

Voting for a new name for the Wartime Housing subdivision continues this week!

All adult residents of Mason and McDonald Blvds. are eligible to register their choice of a new name to replace "the Wartime Housing", which is unattractive and unwieldy. Several suggestions have been sent to the Free Press.

Those living on the streets affected may either check their choice on this ballot or simply write their favorite name on a slip of paper. The votes may be mailed or brought to the Free Press office.

My vote for a name to replace "Wartime Housing" is:

Warren Grove  
Glenwood  
Briarcrest  
Sunnyview  
Elm Drive  
Sunset Drive  
Elmvale

Although the time for submitting suggested new names is past, another was received last week. A resident of town has suggested "Acton Branch" and anyone who wishes may vote for this name as well as the others.

While most of the names submitted are suggested by the trees or setting of the houses, Warren Grove is the name the area was called years ago and many still know it by that.

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#### Descendant Third Esqueusing Settler

The death occurred recently in Vancouver of a descendant of a pioneer family of Esqueusing, Mrs. Minnie Nickell Graham died at the home of her niece.

Mrs. Graham was a descendant of William Nickell, who emigrated from Ireland in 1812 and was the third settler in Esqueusing, taking up land at Dolly Varden, which remained in the family name until this year.

Daughter of James Nickell and Sarah Woods, she was born at Limehouse. Her husband, Charles Graham, died several years ago. A brother, John W. Nickell of Eden Mills, is the only surviving member of the family.

She was predeceased by brothers and sisters, Mrs. Hugo Bell Toronto; William Nickell, Sarnia; Dr. Robert Nickell, Georgetown; James Nickell, who died a year ago and Mrs. E. R. Weatherill, Toronto, who died in April.

A new blast furnace brought into operation at a Hamilton, steel mill is as large as any furnace in the world and will in a year increase the country's steel production by an amount that would build 162,500 new houses, 432,000 automobiles, or 43,000 freight cars.

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF FORUM OFFICERS DEBATED AT MEETING IN HORNBY

As a means of preliminary preparation for the coming Farm Forum season in Halton county, the Halton Federation of Agriculture executive played hosts to local Forum chairman, secretaries and the County Farm Forum executive at a supper meeting in the parish hall of St. Stephen's Church, Hornby, on Monday evening, October 19. The ladies of St. Stephen's Guild served a delicious supper, which added in no small measure to the success of the evening.

Special guests were Professor Alex Sim, Bronte, who is on the staff of the University of Toronto; D. L. Marshall, Oakville, from the Department of Education, Community Programs Branch, and Clifford Waite, Ontario Farm Forum Secretary.

During the evening the gathering broke up into four discussion groups with each a different problem for discussion. One group, the chairman and past chairmen of forums, reporting their findings on the successful functioning of Farm Forum as regards the work of the chairman, declared that punctuality must at all times be practised. Detailed preparation of an agenda is important. The chairman must take a neutral position except in case of a tie vote, in which case he is the deciding factor.

All white sheets on the finding pad go to Toronto office, pink sheets to county secretary, and yellow sheets to Forum files. 106 Ontario Forums sent in the season's finances of \$3.00 per family in the

first series to the Ontario office, which simplifies bookkeeping and saves time. All Forums are requested to keep minutes of Forum proceedings for future reference.

The secretaries, in their group revealed that the proper functioning of Farm Forum as regards the work of the secretary, required the prompt reporting of the findings of the group, regardless of the secretary's opinion. The method used to secure this opinion necessitated dividing into small groups of six or seven, each having the appointed secretary, to report to the main group for further discussion.

Where there is a diversion of opinion, the secretary should report

the percentages. All correspondence received by the secretary should be read to the members and answered promptly.

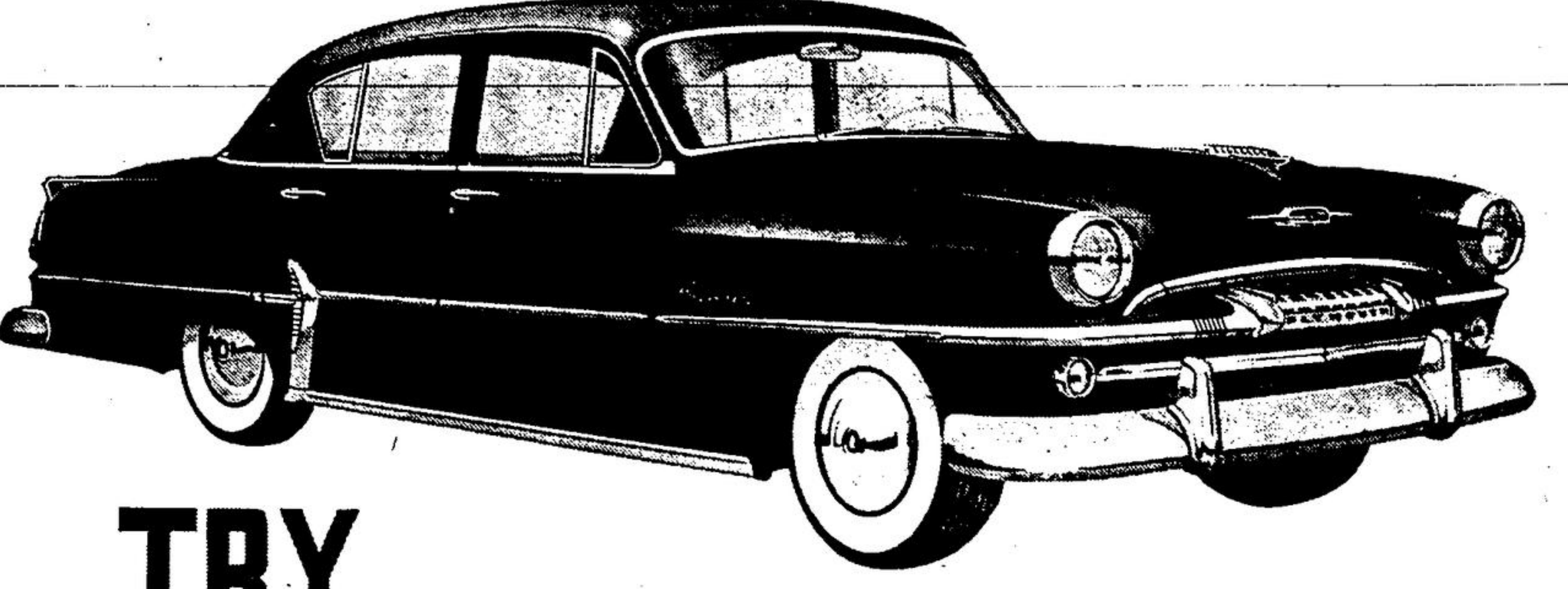
Another group composed entirely of Forum members debated their responsibility towards proper Forum functioning. They stated that theirs was a definite responsibility as they were the means of appointing their executive who needed their individual co-operation in order to carry out their duties.

The Federation representatives in their groups assured the Forum members they are ready and willing at all time to give whatever assistance might be required and voiced their best wishes for the success of Forum activities in Halton County.

**ANNUAL MEETING**  
of the  
**Progressive Conservative Association**  
OF THE COUNTY OF HALTON  
will be held in  
**TOWN HALL, MILTON**  
**FRIDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 30**  
at 8.15 o'clock  
Miss Sybil Bennett, Q.C., and S. L. Hall, M.P.P.  
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