

# FARM NEWS

### From Halton's Farm Lands

#### Mac Alexander Heads Halton Jersey Club

"Beating the Cost Price Squeeze" was the subject of Prof. Ralph Campbell's address at the annual meeting of the Halton Jersey Club held at the Trafalgar Memorial Hall on Tuesday of last week. There are tions. two ways to meet the present situation, stated Professor Campbell who is head of the Department of Agricultural Economics at the Ontario Agricultural College, namely by better marketing and prices, and secondly by Farm Management. In presenting the "Outlook" with the aid of graphs, he pointed out that practically all commodities have a

### Beef Cattle

In the case of beef cattle the cycle ranges from 11 to 14 years. In U.S. cattle numbers are at an all time high, namely 94 million head

have about a four year cycle Hog | Featherstone; 2nd vice president, marketings hit the high point in Stanley Matthews; secretary-treasu-1952. In order to preserve the 26 rer J E. Whitelock. Directors cent floor, it was necessary to can Esquesing, Gerald Graham, Ken Elsome 98 million pounds of pork in la, Fred Nurse; Nassagaweya, Dun-1952, most of which has been dis- can Moffat, Geo. Hewer; Nelson, posed of in export markets. Breed- Ernest Davies, W. E. Breckon; Traings in December were about eight falgar, H. L. Beaty, W. H. Devlin; per cent, higher than a year ago. Erin and Eramosa, Fred Moore, stated the speaker, who predicted Director to the Ontario Jersey Club Cattle Breeders; Art Bennett, Asthat hog prices should be very good for the first nine months of 1954

#### Dairy Cattle On June 1st last, stated Prof. Campbell, we had six per cent, more further increase of four per cent, in 1954 While our population increase is around 24% per year, the fluid milk consumption on a per capita basis has declined. Butter stocks, he stated, were up 25% on December 1st; cheese on the other hand presents a much better picture Reference was made by the speaker to the sale of 10 million pounds of cheese to Great Britain and also that cheese stocks were 20% below a year ago. The picture in U.S., he stated is very similar to that in Canada-there they have the highest ratio in history of young animals

to milk cows. A second way to beat the Cost Price Squeeze is by taking advancase of beef cattle there are 35% years. more than normal on the market in October and November - the high presented lifetime production cer- ties. It is anticipated that this new prices come in June, when marketings are at their lowest ebb, stated

the genial "Prof." Farm Management—Cutting Costs The farm family living cost is about double what is was in 1935, he stated. On the other hand tax and interest rates around 150 per cent. of the 1935 level. In contrast to this, "equipment and materials" are around 212 or 213% of their 1935 level, and farm wage rates 476%.

## Farm Labour

Brief reference was also made by Prof Campbell to a time study made by his department on 42 dairy farms with particular reference to how long it takes to do chores (milking routine). These revealed a wide variance—for example, on two farms both with the same number of cows and with similar barn lay-outs, the one operator walked 4070 feet during his chores per day, while the second operator walked 7200 feet. From a yearly standpoint the first operator walked 281 miles performing his chores and the second operator 497 miles, or in performing his chores during the year, he walked 215 miles further than

#### the first operator. Milker on Too Long

A check was also made relative to the length of time the milking machine was left on the various cows This in the case of the first operator varied from 2; to 7.5 minmes or an average of 4.5 minutes In the case of the second operator it

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Others who spoke briefly included M. C Benty, vice-president of the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club; Geo. Silcox, president of the Ontario Jersey Club; and Herb Armstrong, secretary of the latter organization.

The election of officers for 1954 resulted as follows: President, Mac-Hogs, on the other hand, normally Alexander; 1st vice president, Wm. Jack Featherstone.

#### Dr. J. C. Rennie Addresses Holstein Breeders

One hundred and forty Halton dairy cattle in milk than 12 months | Holstein breeders were in attendpreviously, and prospects point to a lance of the annual meeting of Halton Holstein Club held at Trafalgar president, Gordon Sinclair; 1st vice on Wednesday of last week. Dr. J. C. Rennie of the Animal Husbandry | vice president, R. C. Alexander; sec-Department at the Ontario Agricultural College was the special speakmachines, they can now measure Pickard and W. R. Royle. the ability of herd sires to transmit type and production, as well as determine more accurately the characters which have heritability. In the ton (CFJB) which comes over the opinion of D. S. Dunton, national 1090 wave length has offered to prodirector and others who spoke, this vide a few minutes each noon hour new work is the most promising and when the Agricultural Representaforward step with relation to dairy tives of Dufferin, Halton, Peel, and tage of the seasonal indexes. In the cattle breeding, taken in many York will have an opportunity to

tificates as follows:

Harold Bingham and Son-a gold February 1st. seal certifcate for that great cow, Katharine Mercedes Dutchland, that produced over 203,000 lbs. of milk announced in this column.

varied from 5.2 to 20.6 minutes, or and over 8,000 lbs. B.F., making her an average of 8.4 minutes. When the second highest lifetime producer computed on a yearly basis it means of the breed at the time she made that the one operator was spending her last record. The same breeder 219 hours more time in milking than received a blue seal certificate for his fellow operator handling a simi- Mono R. A. Piebe, which cow to far sized herd under similar condi- date has produced 130,917 lbs. milk and 5287 lbs. B.F.

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cate on Kneland Ormsby Ideal that E. J. Meagher Estate -- a real seal certificate on Ottawa Pabst Duchess

113,066 lbs. milk and 4440 lbs B.F. G. Leslie Peer and Son -two red seals on Hillandale Shirley Keyes, whose life time production to date in nine lactations is 109,776 lbs. milk and 3867 lbs. B.F.

J. C. Bell and Son a blue seal certificate on Hartog Jemima Sadie whose lifetime production to date is 130,373 lbs. milk and 4475 lbs. B.F.

Others who spoke briefly at the dinner following the introduction of sociate Agricultural Representative; and Lloyd Pickard of Hays Ltd.; and Ross Segsworth, Halton director | now on the National Board. The election of officers and directors for 1954 resulted as follows:

Past president, W. W. Thompson; president. George Pelletterio; 2nd retary-treasurer, V. J. Lawrence.

Directors-Esquesing-F. O. Huner for the occasion. Dr. Rennie des- ter, T. H. McGee, and H. C. Reid; cribed a new research project which Nassagaweya, Wm. Mahon and Perwas initiated in April 1953 at the cy Kitching; Nelson, Fred Bell, G. L. O.A.C., pertaining to dairy cattle Peer, Ross Segsworth; Trafalgar, J. breeding. With the aid of I.B.M. C. Marshall, W. R. Tovell, Lloyd

#### CFJB to Feature "Reps"

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## Farm Forums Review Prices, Marketing, Farmers Buy Time **Purchasing Co-Operatives Questions**

The farmer and industrial worker | ing co-operative was not needed, as depend on each other for prosperity, we are well served by the Hallon At the present time, farm prices are Co-operative at Milton, and they going down faster than industrial carry farm supplies and other goods prices and this threatens the stabil- Check Line Forum, Esquesing, felt

"What are some of the ways in supplies and other goods in the which the farmers in your area town of Georgetown would serve might adjust to a period of favor- , the surrounding districts well. table prices?" The answers to this question were as follows:

ity of the Canadian economy.

Keep your expenditures in line that on Review night they are to be with mounting costs. with your income, Do not jump favored with a Square Dance demfrom one type of farming to anoth- onstration by Halton Junior Farmer: Plan farm operations and make ers the best use of available labor; M. Dearing a silver seal certifi-Build up some reserves for emerheard an adress by District Agriculgencies; Reduce cost of production candling-since purchasing a special in 12 lactations has produced 150,- by making machinery on hand do Whitelock He Arevealed many until farm prices improve; Refrain as far as possible in using high pricat problems of today. The Lowville ed feeds and fertilizer; Co-operation | Male Quartet sang some well renof pooled machinery and labor tit dered selections which cow in 6 lactations produced was agreed this could be made to work only if the group did not become too large, not more than five); Increase efficiency of production of quality products; Patch the overalls

## to do without a new Easter hat.

and shirts and encourage the wife

Need Marketing Co-op The second question: "Is there any need in your area for the following (a) "a marketing co-operative to handle the sales of one or more farm head table guests by Agricultural [products?" Yes, milk, poultry pro-Representative J. E. Whitelock were ducts, and beef marketing co-opera-F. G. Stark, representing the Maple lives were needed in some areas. Pinegrove Forum states a need for co-operative disposal of surplus milk. This is under organization

And, (b) " a producers' marketing board set up under provincial legislation to regulate the sales of a certain farm product." Ligny-forum reported: In our area we have a Hog Producers' marketing board. We should have a poultry and egg producers' marketing board, also beef. The sales of grass seeds, such as clover, alfalfa and Timothy require a marketing board set up under provincial legislation to regulate the sale of these farm products.

Lastly (c) "a purchasing cooperative to serve as a retail store for farm supplies and other goods?" Practically all groups felt a purchas-

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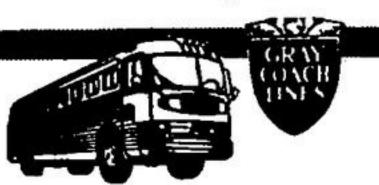
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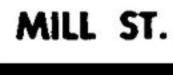
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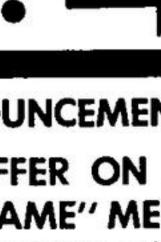
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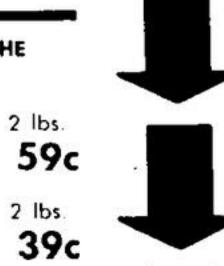
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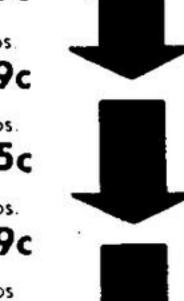
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