



# FARM NEWS

## From Halton's Farm Lands

### Junior Plowing Match Scheduled

At the joint meeting of the executives of the Halton Junior Farmers and the Halton Plowmen's Association, held in Milton on Thursday evening last, plans were made for the annual Junior Farmer Plowing Match and Coaching Demonstration. The event will be held on the farm of Thomas Howden and Son, Lot 14 of the 5th Line of Trafalgar, September 11. One of Ontario's top tractor plowmen will be on hand to assist with the coaching and act as official judge. President Don Matthews, assisted by John Stark, Earl Wilson and Robert Marshall were appointed as directors for the event.

### County Match

President J. Spencer Wilson, of the Halton Plowmen's Association, advises that the annual County Match will be held in Trafalgar Township on Friday, October 29. At the meeting referred to above canvassing committees were appointed and Messrs. Lloyd May, Thomas Howden and Frank Hall were delegated the task of locating a suitable site.

### International at Breslau

Halton plowmen will be eligible to participate in the Local Day Match held in conjunction with the International. This event will be held on the day preceding the opening of the International, namely Tuesday, October 12.

Tentative prize lists have been issued for both the Local Day and International. We note a few changes in the regulations governing the latter event. In the first place, any prize winner at a branch match is eligible to participate. However, all entries must reach F. A. Ashley, Secretary of the Ontario Plowmen's Association, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, by Tuesday, October 5. This year in accordance with the World Plowing Match regulations, tractor plowmen will be permitted to use scratches in connection with their strike-outs.

### Wild Carrot a Good Crop

Drought or no drought, wild carrot or Queen Anne's Lace, continues to flourish in Halton. Too many Halton fields are practically white with this weed. On the other hand, here and there one finds a farm where the owner has it under control and not a specimen is in sight. On the township roads, despite the effort being made by the respective township road superintendents, wild carrot is the problem weed. According to weed authorities, wild carrot is stated to be susceptible to 2, 4-D and easily controlled. In fact they would have us believe that Halton is the only county where any difficulty is being met in controlling this weed.

Be that as it may, we do know that in Esqueping Township they got a very satisfactory control of wild carrot in 1951, which was the first year their township roads were sprayed. Their control in 1952 was not so good—we would say nil in 1953 and we question if it is any better in 1954. This is no criticism of their efforts, because we have every reason to believe they have consistently done a good job of spraying.

### Crop Association Lays Down Plots

This year, in the hope of getting to the bottom of the trouble, the Halton Crop Improvement Association laid down some plots on the third line of Esqueping. Six plots each roughly 200 feet long, were sprayed May 31. 2, 4-D both of the Ester and Amine types were utilized at different strengths and volumes. Frankly, on only one of the plots did we get control and that was where we utilized what would be called a brush spray, consisting of one pound 2, 4-D acid plus one pound

of 2-4-5T per acre. We know of a lone on one of our Trafalgar farms which has been sprayed annually and this year has had three sprays with no control.

On the other hand on the farm of Robert Hurren and Son, near Campbellville, a rough pasture lot was sprayed for the first time in June of this year, with at least a 90 per cent killing of wild carrot.

**O.A.F. Lays Down Plots in Halton**  
As a result of the problem being encountered in Halton with control of wild carrot with 2, 4-D, the Botany Department at the Ontario Agricultural College laid down a number of plots in early July on the farm of Medforth Peatress. Insofar as one can determine at the moment, the results do not appear very promising.

In short, we are badly puzzled but rest assured the Halton Soil and Crop Improvement Association is endeavoring to get to the root of the trouble. Certainly there is considerable evidence to show that the first time an area is sprayed, 2, 4-D gives very good control of wild carrot but the following year similar treatment on the same area fails to give corresponding results.

This would appear to indicate that we, in Halton, may have a resistant species of wild carrot from the standpoint of 2, 4-D. However, they say "Every cloud has a silver lining" so here's hoping we can get to the root of the trouble in the near future.

### Live Stock Men Make Entries For C.N.E.

As usual Halton will be well and worthily represented in the Red Poll classes at the Canadian National Exhibition. Entries have gone in from the herds of Leonard Coulson, George Readhead and A. R. Coulter, all of Lowville.

### Shorthorns Too

In as much as some of the most prominent herds of Scotch Shorthorns are located in Halton it naturally follows that Halton will be well represented in this breed. According to our understanding the herds of T. C. Amos, Wm. Black, Grant Campbell, S. G. Bennett and Reford Gardhouse will all be there and ensure a real show.

### Halton Still Horsey

In the horse section, Stanley May of Hornby will be there with his Percherons. In addition we anticipate that Valley Crest Farms will be there with their Clydesdales.

### Good Entry of Guernseys

In last week's column we intimated that Halton Holsteins and Jerseys will be represented with county herds. The same will also apply to the Halton and Peel Guernsey Club. Here entries have gone down from the herds of J. L. Chisholm and Joyce, Bros. of Milton, M. T. McNabb and Sons of Georgetown and also from the herds of Joe and John Brownridge of Brampton.

### DRAMA IN THE HOME

Brown's guests were slapping mosquitoes as they sat in the half-light looking at TV so Brown went fumbling around in a cupboard for a spray gun. He found one and sprayed his TV audience thoroughly, although they noted that the stuff he was putting on them felt peculiar.

The truth of this tale could be verified by an examination of the distressed host's bank account, for when the lights were turned on it was discovered he had sprayed everybody with paint. Cost to him: for dresses—suits and his own furniture—drapes and rug \$714.20.

### A FAMILY MAN

Jones is a fellow with no wife no family—nobody to give him horrible-looking neckties. A while back in a fit of madness he bought himself a horrible-looking necktie but his courage failed each time he went to wear it.

However, last Boxing Day he put the thing on and went among strangers, who nodded in sympathy. Jones says he tried the same trick when Father's Day came along and the trick worked fine again, strangers smiling at him sadly and murmuring, "A family man!"

## Fort Edmonton Trading Point 120 Years Ago

EDMONTON, (CP) One hundred and twenty years ago, Fort Edmonton was the major trading center on the Saskatchewan River system and also turned out each season a dozen or so of the York boats or "Mackinaws" which were used to carry freight on the river.

In the boat-building business, Fort Edmonton and Rocky Mountain house 150 miles upstream, had an edge over other western posts because of an abundance of spruce.

The Yorks which replaced the six-foot-wide birch bark canoes called the "Norths," were capable of carrying 80 pieces, of 90 pounds each, and a crew of nine.

The cargoes from Fort Edmonton included furs, pemmican, dried meat and leather. The food was destined for more isolated northern and eastern posts where the local food supply was poor.

From Fort Edmonton, the fleet of York boats owned by the Hudson's Bay Co. sailed east to Norway House on Little Pinegreen Lake near Lake Winnipeg.

The boat brigades were controlled by a chief transportation officer who was an experienced trader and voyager of considerable importance.

### Pre-Arranged Meeting

The transportation officer had his schedules arranged so that east-bound and west-bound brigades always met within one day at an arranged point.

Trading goods and supplies came from England through Norway House. They arrived in bulk and over winter were packed, stockpiled and broken into brigade shipments.

At the portages during the shipment up the Saskatchewan, one man was expected to carry two 90-pound bundles and there was rivalry between the crews on the portaging. In some crews the rule was "no rest stops between water" from beginning to end of the portage.

The York boats carried supplies until the mid-1890's when it became difficult to recruit crews. The HBC needed 50 men each year for its boat brigades. The Red River cart began to replace the York boats.

By 1872, the first steamboat had chugged up the Saskatchewan to Edmonton. These steamboats hauled all kinds of supplies from Lake Winnipeg and did not finally disappear until the advent of the railways.

## Trumpeter Swans Move Northward

TORONTO, (CP) — A Watson Lake, Y.T. trapper believes he has found nesting grounds of the rare trumpeter swan.

Five of the great wildfowl were presented to Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip when they toured Western Canada before her accession. The birds are now being cared for at the Severn Wildfowl Trust in England.

For 10 years, the trumpeters, named for their distinctive mating call, have been listed as a vanishing species.

Now, in a letter to the nature editor of the Toronto Globe and Mail, K. Gordon Miller of Norval, Ont., says he has met a trapper in the Yukon who told of three swans which had returned to a lake in his trapping area. Their descriptions tallied with the trumpeter.

He described one nest with two large eggs in it almost double the size of goose eggs, built a foot or two above the ground and used over and over again for about 10 years.

Peter Scott, director of the Severn Wildfowl Trust, estimated in 1947 there were only about 1,000 Trumpeters in existence.

### MEAN

"You didn't laugh at that man's joke. I thought it was a good one." "So did I, but I can't stand the guy. I'll laugh when I get home."



HERBERT M. ARUCKLE was recently appointed assistant secretary of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture. Born and raised on a farm in Richmond, he served in the Royal Canadian Air Force from 1940 to 1945. After graduating from Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, in 1949, he joined the dairy branch of the provincial department of agriculture as a fieldman. For the past five years he has been living in Lindsay.

## Fred forgot one thing...



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## Garden Library Woman's Project

VICTORIA (CP) — A garden library for children founded by Mrs. W. W. McGill one year ago has grown so popular that now some 100 three-to-seven-year-olds gather on her shaded lawn to play and learn and learn through playing.

Centre attraction is the Little Bookhouse. Bookshelves line the walls and top-size tables and chairs furnish the room. While the youngsters read and play, good music floods the grounds from a public-address system.

Senior and junior helpers assist with the library. Juniors are girls from 12 to 15, "graduates" of the library, and now even some of the

seniors are former pupils. Mrs. McGill said the idea came to her early in the Second World War at the beginning of the horridomic era. "I wanted to provide more wholesome reading and teach the youngsters to enjoy and choose it by preference."

Young people are not going to sit and read or listen to stories for long periods, so other activities had to be provided. The plan grew in scope and a basic principle emerged, expressed in the slogan "C" for Citizenship. "C" stands for many things at the library from cleanliness to co-operation and courtesy.

Small tots enthusiastically pick up litter from a morning's activities and deposit it in clutter baskets. Learning to take turns on slides and jumping horses and co-operate generally in all their play.

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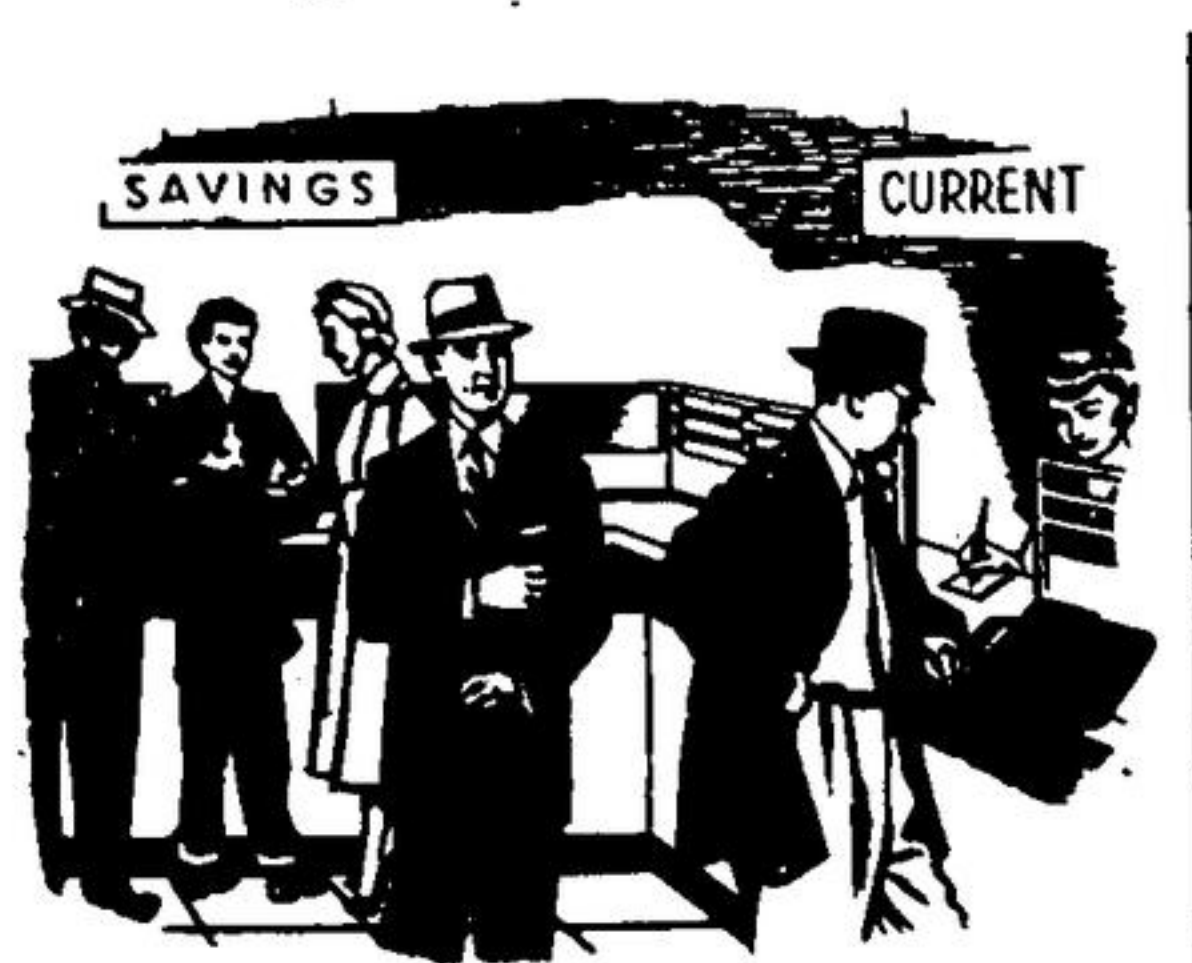
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If your main purpose is to save, to accumulate funds, it's good to have a Savings account.



If you write cheques frequently, you will like the many advantages of a Current account.

The money you leave in a Savings account earns interest, and your bank book gives you an up-to-date, continuing record of your financial progress. If your funds are active, with frequent deposits and withdrawals, a Current account provides a special service; a monthly statement, together with your cancelled cheques—useful as receipts and a ready reference for budgeting, bookkeeping and other purposes.

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## FOR ONE POINT Landings

With the increasing hazards of highway travel, there may be a big market ahead for a new lightweight aluminum crash helmet developed in Europe. It not only takes unnecessary weight off your mind, tests proved that it also exhibits less "dent depth" when objects are dropped on it — with no one underneath, we should add.

Sounds like a sensible chaparral for construction workers, too. Certainly lots of aluminum articles developed for one use have been quickly adopted for others... a process which has helped build heavy demand for Canadian aluminum both at home and in foreign markets. Aluminum Company of Canada, Ltd. (Alcan).