

FARM NEWS

From Halton's Farm Lands

Dr. Norman High Speaker at Annual Awards Night for 4-H Clubs in Milton

Milton High School auditorium was filled to capacity Friday night with 4-H club members, their parents, friends, club leaders and prize donors. The occasion was the second annual 4-H Awards Night, where every 4-H club member who completed a project in one of more of the six Halton 4-H Clubs received prize money.

Dave Pelletier accompanied by Mrs. George Newell at the piano opened the program with a group singing "Kiss Me, Santa." Jerry Rosowatz and Marilyn Curtis delighted the audience at two intervals in the program with novelty songs. Their ability and popularity was hand in hand.

Challenges Members
Dr. Norman High, director of the Two Year Associate Course at O.A.C. who was introduced by Don Johnson and thanked by Norman Bird, addressed the gathering.

Challenging the 4-H Club members to develop their character in early life by taking advantage of training in churches, schools and 4-H Clubs, so that they would make the best decision in later life, Dr. High, in his pleasing manner, compared our way of life to that of our ancestors and pointed out advantages and disadvantages of each way of life. Another interesting feature of his address was the showing of a thought provoking film entitled "What Do You Think?"

Capable chairman for the evening was Add Waddley, chairman of the Halton Club Leaders' Association.

The first presentation was a 4-H pin to each of the 33 members who completed their first 4-H project this year. Art Bennett made this presentation in the absence of reeve George Brenholtz, chairman of the Agricultural Committee of county council.

Awards, Prizes Given

John Pickett, club leader of the Halton 4-H Tractor Club, handed out the awards to his club members paying particular tribute to Don Johnson and Andy Stull, who recently won the Inter-Club Tractor Competition at Guelph, and to Harold Lawrence who was judged the best tractor driver at the Georgetown fair. Andy Stull was high contestant in this club.

Fred Nurse, with the help of J. E. Whitelock, secretary of the Halton Soil and Crop Improvement Club, awarded prizes to members of the 4-H Grain and 4-H Forage clubs. Special mention was made of the contribution these two clubs made to the Junior Section of Milton Fair. Both won red ribbons for their first efforts in the educational display class. Don Cleave and Norman Bird were the respective winners in the Forage and Grain clubs.

Roy Currie, president of the Halton Agricultural Society, and Mrs. George Roadhead, secretary, were on hand to assist with presentations to the members of the three Calf Clubs, which are sponsored by that Society.

Award Katherine Merry
Sandy Buchanan, club leader for the Halton 4-H Beef and Dual Purpose Club, assisted by Grant Campbell, president of the Ontario Shorthorn Club, and Roy Currie, presented prizes to members of this club. Sandy paid special tribute to Dawn Coullter, who in addition to having the best Dual Purpose Calf at her Achievement Day, won first prize, Junior Champion and Reserve Grand Champion with her Red Poll calf at the C.N.E. and won first at the Royal; and to Katherine Merry for her wins at

Soil, Crop Group To Honor Breckon

The achievement of W. E. Breckon, of Appleby, in winning the World Wheat Title at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair is to be recognized by complimentary dinner to Mr. Breckon, states Fred Nurse, president of the Halton Soil and Crop Improvement Association.

The event is to be held at Parkview school, Louisville, on Tuesday, December 15. Tickets are now in the hands of directors of the Association, and those interested would be well advised to make their requirements known at once, as the accommodation is limited. The agricultural office is another source where tickets can be obtained.

OAC Short Courses Announced for Jan.

The annual winter Short Courses at the Ontario Agricultural College have now been announced for the period January 3 to 7. The agricultural courses offered include Farm Business Management, Farm Shop, Farm Buildings and Rural Electrification, Tractors and Farm Machinery, Beekeeping, Soils and Land Use, Livestock, Potatoes, Farm and Home Gardening.

This year for the first time in many years, short courses of a similar length are being held at Macdonald Institute.

Application forms are available at the Milton office of the Ontario Department of Agriculture. Incidentally, we are informed that no applications will be accepted after December 15.

George Pelletier, vice-chairman of the Club Leaders' Council, announced the awards for the Holstein 4-H Calf Club. Chief winner in this large club of 55 members was Norman Bird, who received the Duffray Trophy, and a model of the true type Holstein Cow, from Gordon Sinclair, president of the Halton Holstein Breeders' Club. Special mention was made that George Bird and Carole Hunter exhibited the best Junior and Senior Holstein calves respectively.

Following the presentation to club members, J. E. Whitelock, agricultural representative, very fittingly presented Club Leaders' Pins to the previously mentioned club leaders and to 12 others who have assisted so wholeheartedly with the 4-H club program over the years.

Queen's Guineas Winner is Honored

Katherine Merry, who brought honor to herself and Halton county by winning the Queen's Guineas award at the Royal Winter Fair, graciously received several presentations at Friday's 4-H Clubs Awards Night banquet.

R. G. Bennett, Associate Director of Extension, Ontario, Department of Agriculture, spoke briefly of Katherine's achievements and true sportsmanship, and presented her with the T. L. Kennedy Trophy, the official certificate, and cheque for \$250.

Next Grant Campbell presented a cheque, on behalf of the Ontario Shorthorn Breeders' Club, and finally, on behalf of all Halton 4-H members, Sandy Buchanan, Evelyn McKay and Dawn Coullter, concluded the program with the presentation of an inscribed silver tray.

Katherine, in a fitting manner, expressed the thanks of all 4-H Club members to all their friends.

Milk Producers of Area Elect Royle President of Group

"Don't worry about the surplus of butter, we need a surplus from summer production to carry us off in the winter months," Wm. Hollis, president of the Toronto Milk Producers' Association, reported Hon. James Gardiner, Federal Minister of Agriculture, as stating at a recent Dairyman's meeting.

According to President Hollis, Hon. Mr. Gardiner also reminded the meeting in question, that it was only two years ago that Canada found it necessary to import butter in dealing with milk shortage. Mr. Hollis stated, "Don't go into it any sooner than you have to, you will get better equipment." It was also reported by Mr. Hollis that 80 different markets in Ont. also have now adopted formula pricing in other words, the various factors which determine the price today, use us in with the economy of the country.

Others who spoke briefly at the most interesting meeting held in the Stewarttown Township Hall on Friday of last week, included Harold Schmidt, of Baden, director of the new surplus milk plant, and Roy Handell, general manager of the plant. President Hollis congratulated the officers and directors of district no. 12, which includes Halton, east Wentworth and south Wellington, on their active and progressive program.

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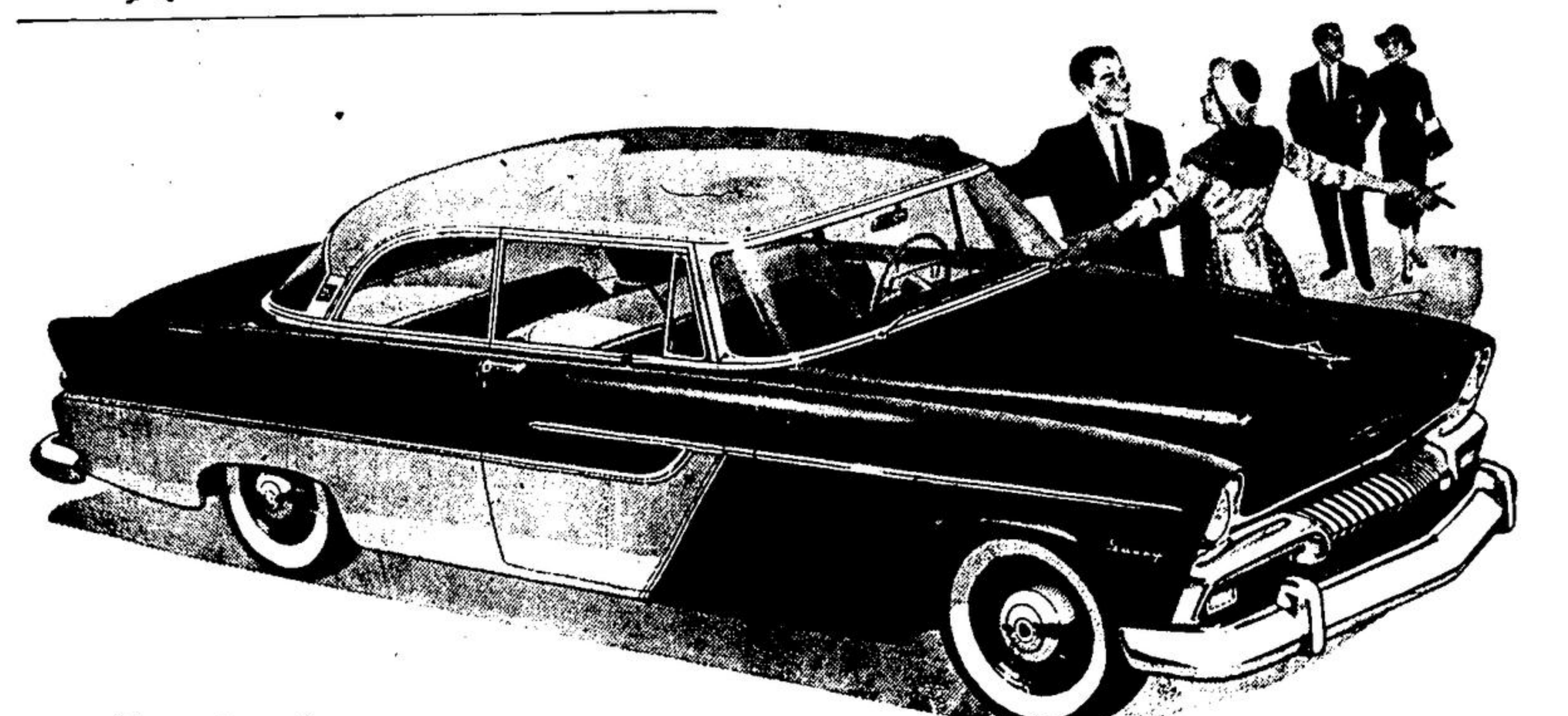
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