

FARM NEWS

From Halton's Farm Lands

HALTON JUNIORS PROMINENT AT TORONTO FEDERATION ANNUAL

"You would have been proud of your Juniors, had you been in Toronto yesterday," was the greeting we received Wednesday morning of last week. The speaker was Geo. E. Elliott, Q.C., well known barrister of Milton, who takes a keen interest in Halton Junior Farmers.

Mr. Elliott was referring to the Junior Farmer program held in the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, Tuesday of last week. This program was held in conjunction with the annual meeting of Ontario Federation of Agriculture.

Miss Jean Patterson, President of the Palermo Junior Institute, was the first Haltoner to be mentioned in the registration committee. While Halton Juniors did not win any gold or red ribbons, they nevertheless gave an excellent account of themselves in various parts of the day's heavy program.

Here a Halton representative, Jean Peterson, was in competition with 25 other young people from all parts of the Province of Ontario. Each contestant gave a ten minute prepared address and also an impromptu effort. Miss Peterson spoke as the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in her prepared address, and her effort here was, in the opinion of many, one of the "tops" of the day.

Musical Competitions
In this section of the program Halton Juniors were represented as follows:
Ladies Trio—Faye Clements, Barbara Cunningham, and Marjorie Segsworth.
Mixed Quartet—Barbara Cunningham, Marjorie Segsworth, Ralph Segsworth, and Stuart McFadden.

The young people were fortunate in having as their leader, Mrs. Geo. Newell, of Milton.

Musical Choir
One of the most pleasing features of the evening program were the numbers sang by a musical choir, made up of all competitors in the musical section. Here Halton's Dave Pelletier was the leader, with Mrs. Geo. Newell as accompanist.

Dairy Demonstration
During the day's program demonstrations were staged by the provincial champion dairy team and 4-H Homemaking Club team. This meant that Barbara Cunningham and John W. Pickett, who won the provincial dairymaid and dairyman titles at the big dairy field day, held near Lindsay last summer, repeated their demonstration with some improvisations. Needless to add they gave an excellent account of themselves.

Halton Jerseys Are Again in Limelight

In the list of Superior Sires released by the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club and published in the December issue of the Canadian Jersey Breeder, is Lindale Aina Lad. Bred by M. C. Beaty, he was originally sold to Frank Deschamps of Milton. When Frank dispersed his herd, Aina Lad was purchased by Ken Ella & Sons of Hornby. It

was in this latter herd that he did such a tremendous job. Of the 106 Jersey bulls in Canada which have reached the charmed circle of Lindale Aina Lad's daughters in the Ella Herd, have the highest average milk production of them all. His 10 daughters, have an average production of 10,000 lbs. of milk and 543 lbs. of fat. Six of them won silver medals as two year olds.

Rock-Ella Sporting Diane, the Canadian Champion two year old in 1953 has both silver and gold medals to her credit—having produced some 630 odd lbs. of butter fat. That the daughters of Aina Lad have type as well as production ability is borne out by the fact that his 11 daughters in the Ella herd under herd classification have an average score of 85.25%.

The Ella herd, a comparatively small herd, is one of the four Halton herds which impressed the overseas members attending the World Jersey Bureau at Guelph last July, while on their visit to Halton.

Avonlea Herd Also Breed Superior Sire

In addition to the Lindale herd of M. C. Beaty, the Avonlea herd of Featherstone Bros. also has the distinction of having bred a Superior Sire. In the latter case it is Avonlea Zana's Prince, a son of that great old champion producer Fairy Raleigh Zana.

Zana's Prince purchased by F. Leibold, Wheatley, Ont. has 14 daughters with an average production of 882 lbs. of milk and 506 lbs. of fat.

Other Superior Sires which have achieved this distinction while being used in this county are Brampton Basil Ward in M. C. Beaty's Lindale herd; where 37 daughters produced an average of 8614 lbs. of milk and 501 lbs. of fat—36 of these daughters have a classification average rating of 85.53%; then down

at Avonlea, Brampton Jersey Basil achieved fame by siring 16 daughters with an average production of 8911 lbs. of milk and 490 lbs. of fat, an average score of 85.06%.

Last but by no means least, up at Graham Farm, owned and operated by Gerald R. Graham, no less than two great sires achieved their Superior rating on their showing at Graham farm. First was that outstanding sire, Brampton Eavor—the Royalist, whose 18 daughters had an average production of 10,165 lbs. of milk and 569 lbs. fat. Under herd classification of his daughters had an average rating of 85.88%.

Then came Brampton Pinn B. who whose 18 daughters have an average production of 8706 lbs. of milk and 494 lbs. of fat. Is it any wonder the visiting Jersey breeders were enthused by what they saw when they visited these four Halton farmsteads last summer.

Stuart Alexander Wins O.A.C. Honor

The many friends of Stuart Alexander of Ashgrove will be glad to learn that Stuart was recently awarded the \$750. O'Keefe Scholarship in Turgrass Management. Stuart is now in his final year at the Ontario Agricultural College where he is specializing in horticulture.

For many years Mr. Alexander was a prominent 4-H Club Member in Halton. He is a son of Mrs. John Alexander of the Ashgrove district and a brother of Robert C. Alexander, prominent Holstein breeder and vice-president of the Halton Holstein Club. Stuart comes from a great family of boys—John, his eldest brother, a veteran of the second world war and now in the construction business; Robert C. previously referred to; William in Brampton; Dr. Graig with the Proctor & Gamble Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio; Dr. Douglas, a practicing veterinarian at Smithville.

Canada's population increased by 201,000 in the first six months of 1954. Immigration in the period amounted to 65,765.

Acton Wins Second Juniors Hockey Tilt

The Acton Junior Farmers, won their second game of the current series when they decisively downed Norval 7 to 3 in Milton arena on January 3. Acton's Spike Scott and George Wheeler played star hockey in the match which saw major penalties meted out to F. Currie and D. Richardson. F. Currie also capped a minor.

Acton's lucky seven goals were credited to McKenzie from Wheeler; Wheeler from Somerville; Scott from F. Currie; Scott from Wheeler; McKenzie from Wheeler; Scott from D. Currie; and Wheeler from McKenzie. The second goal of the evening was scored by Norval's G. Smith from Pomeroy. This was followed by a flurry of points when five pucks twanged their way before Norval counted again. E. Wilson scored from Robinson for Norval; Acton countered, and then Norval had the last but rather ineffective word of the game with Richardson shooting the final goal.

Don Vivian was considered the star of the Palermo-Milton match when Milton was downed 5-4. Price starred in the penalty line with one two minute, and a ten minute misconduct. Milton goal-getters were McDowell from Finney; LeRiche from G. Gillies; Ewas from

Joyce; G. Gillies from Finney. For Palermo, goals were racked up by K. Vivian from D. Vivian; Pelletier; D. Vivian from Richardson; Price from D. Vivian; Price from Tasker.

Palermo dominated the first part of the game scoring all five goals in succession while Milton held to its one-goal count. The county town returned to scoring play with three goals in a row but failed to make the tie-match that seemed likely.

STANDING

W	L	T	F	A	Pts.	
Palermo	6	1	1	41	26	13
Norval	3	3	2	43	36	8
Milton	3	4	1	32	39	7
Acton	2	5	0	23	36	4

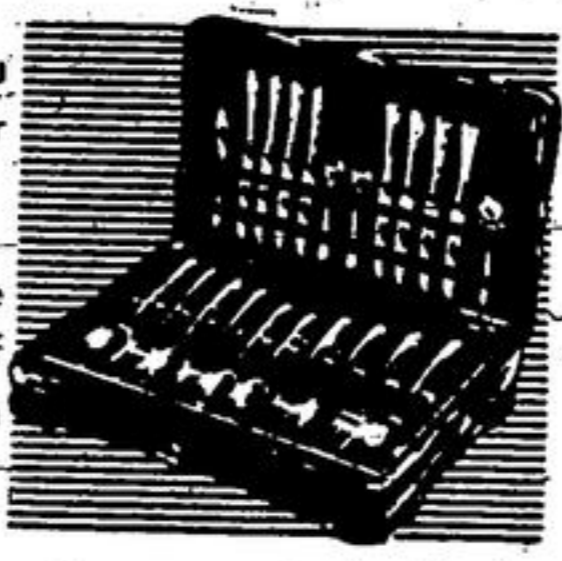
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