

FARM NEWS

From Halton's Farm Lands

Annual Seed, Bacon Fair Attracts 65 Exhibitors from Halton County

Halton's annual Seed-Fair and Bacon Show brought out a total of 65 exhibitors at the Milton Town Hall on Friday and Saturday of last week. Due to the drought conditions of mid 1954, the entry in the Seed Fair were somewhat lighter than in former years.

In the grain show the ten bushel class of oats brought out the heaviest entry, with 13 lots. Fred Nurse had the champion entry in the open show on his bushel of Lagan Oats, with the reserve going to R. A. Hurren and Sons' entry of red clover seed. Both were exceptionally choice lots according to Prof. Jas. Laugland of the Department of Field Husbandry, Guelph, and Glenn Anderson of the Field-Crops Branch, who were the official judges.

Winners in Classes
The winners in the various classes of the Seed Show were as follows:

Early Oats—1st Fred Nurse, Ashgrove; 2nd Calvin Aitken, Acton; 3rd Woodlands Orchard, Bronte; 4th M. T. McNabb & Sons, Georgetown.

Medium Oats—1st Calvin Aitken; 2nd Woodlands Orchard; 3rd Gordon A. Leslie, Acton; 5th M. T. McNabb & Sons.

Late Oats—1st Woodlands Orchard; 2nd Harold Hurren, Milton; 3rd Barley—1st and 2nd Calvin Aitken.

10 Bus. Oats—1st Fred Nurse; 2nd 5th Woodlands Orchard; 3rd and 7th Calvin Aitken; 4th Gordon Leslie; 6th Harold Hurren.

Red Clover—1st R. A. Hurren & Sons, Campbellville; 2nd Geo. E. Head, Milton.

Alfalfa—1st R. E. Ellenton, Lowville.

Timothy—1st Calvin Aitken; 2nd Gordon Leslie.

Late Potatoes—1st Calvin Aitken.

Early Potatoes—1st Calvin Aitken.

10 Ears Corn—1st Merle Gunby, Millgrove; 2nd Brock Harris, Lowville; 3rd R. A. Hurren & Sons.

Baled Hay—1st A. R. Coullier & Sons, Lowville; 2nd J. L. Chisholm, Milton; 3rd Ward Brownridge, Georgetown; 4th Gordon Sinclair, Burlington; 5th G. E. Readhead, 6th Howson Ruddell, Georgetown.

Field Chopped Hay—1st Brock Harris; 2nd R. A. Hurren & Sons.

Calvin Aitken of Acton took the special for the exhibitor with the largest number of entries, and thereby duplicated his achievement of a year ago.

Twenty-seven Farmers made a nice display in their special section. The oat class brought out a total of 28 entries—here Ray Archer, of Norval, had the top entry, with Herb Wilson, Norval, second; third Frank Wilson, Norval; fourth Merle Gunby, Millgrove; fifth Ernest Alexander, Norval; sixth Paul Ford, Milton.

Barley—first Allen Brownridge, Ashgrove; second Earl Wilson, Norval; third Angus McNabb; fourth Fraser McNabb; fifth Howson Ruddell; sixth Don Johnson.

Wheat—first Don Johnson, Milton; second Tom Hunter, Norval; third Allen Brownridge; fourth Howson Ruddell; fifth Garfield Colling; sixth Merle Gunby.

Norval Juniors won the Halton Juniors' Special for the most entries; and Allen Brownridge won the Royal Bank Special, which was awarded to the Champion exhibitor in the Junior Section.

The Halton Junior Farmer inter-club educational display section, which has been a highlight of Halton-Seed Fair over the past five or six years, was again a real credit to the three Clubs participating, namely Acton, Milton, and Palmermo.

Bacon Award to Trafalgar
The officers and directors of the Halton Hog Producers may well be proud of their 1955 Bacon Show. In short it was the responsibility of the township directors to select the live hogs to represent their respective township. The directors of Trafalgar Township proved to be the best judges of how their live hogs would look on the raft. In all 17 of the 20 hogs graded A or in other words 85% of the hogs selected made the A grade.

Howard Armstrong had the grand champion carcass, with the reserve going to Percy Merry. Those who contributed the five hogs in the Trafalgar township's winning display were as follows: Howard Armstrong, Percy Merry, V. B. Bradley, Clayton May and Rayner Bros.

To these five exhibitors, and in particular to the first three, who contributed hogs which made first quality sides, we would extend sincere congratulations.

Incidentally, the Bacon Show was made possible only as a result of the co-operation of officials of Canada Packers Ltd. and also of the Canada Department of Agriculture. In our column next week we hope to give some of the highlights of Saturday's program, which will include the Junior Farmer Judging Competitions.

STRANGE PETS
PORT ALBERNI, B.C. (CP) — Paul Hertel, a rancher, has a couple of pet cougars and is seeking permission to keep bears and moose for exhibition purposes.



TROPHY WINNERS in the Junior Farmer section of the annual Seed Fair and Bacon Show last week shown here are in the back row: Merle Gunby, high judge in the intermediate section; Don Taylor, high judge in the junior section and Allan Brownridge, top junior exhibitor. In the front row are Earle Wilson with the Strathcona Orchards trophy for small seed judging and identification of weeds and forage plants; Howson Ruddell, Halton Cream and Butter Co. trophy for judging hay and potatoes; John Pickett with the top score in the competition and the Halton Seed Growers' trophy for the high score in judging grain.

Halton's Homemaking Clubs Conclude Latest Project With Achievement Day

The Supper Club, latest project under study by Halton 4-H Homemaking Clubs, came to a successful conclusion on Saturday, March 19, at the Milton Town Hall, when the annual Achievement Day was held under the direction of County Home Economist, Mrs. Mabel Borgstrom.

From 11 clubs in the county came 78 girls to practice and demonstrate the skills they have acquired during the past few months. Tea biscuits were a feature of "The Supper Club", and each member exhibited a plate of tea biscuits which she had made.

Also exhibited was her record book, which contained a report of Club instruction and activities throughout this course of study. Other important features of the morning program were menu judging, menu building, and the judging of a class of tea biscuits, with every girl participating.

Exhibits, Demonstrations
Featured in the afternoon program were exhibits and demonstrations prepared by the Clubs. Lowville, Norval, and Stewarttown clubs all chose the subject "Ways of Serving Fruit", for their exhibits and comments on these were given by Dawn Coulter, Marilyn Cleave and Gail Smith, respectively. Hornby and Nelson Clubs exhibited "Salads", commented on by Martha May and Joan McKay.

"Table Setting and Service for the Farm Family", was presented in skit form by Scotch Block, and as a demonstration by club members from Bannockburn and Omagh. Juniors Dorothy Kilpatrick and Patsy Crawford of Limehouse, ably but amusingly demonstrated "Let's Make Tea Biscuits", while Ashgrove and Ballinacud clubs entertained and instructed the audience with skits on "Food Makes a Difference".

Helpful criticism and suggestions on exhibits, demonstrations and skits were given by assisting Home Economist, Mrs. Jessie Coles from Lincoln County, and Mrs. Agnes King from Wentworth, Waterloo, and Brant.

Receive Silver Spoons
J. E. Whitlock, Agricultural Representative for Halton County, brought greetings and presented each girl with a 2-H Homemaking Club Crest. Greetings were also brought from the Women's Institutes of the County by Mrs. Max Featherstone, District President.

At the close of the program each club member completing the project received a silver spoon. Certificates of Achievement were presented for each two projects completed. County Honours for six projects, and Provincial Honours for 12.

Those receiving County Honours on Saturday were: Marjorie McDonald and Mrs. Alice Wilkinson of Bannockburn; Arlene McArthur, of Lowville; Helen Brucker,

Martha May and Audrey Peacock of Hornby; and Mary Pope of the Omagh club. Provincial Honours were awarded Ruth Featherstone, of Nelson.

The next project undertaken by the 4-H Homemaking Clubs in Halton County, will be "Gardens and the Training School for leaders of these clubs was scheduled in the Department of Agriculture Board Room on Tuesday, March 29. Beginning in the fall, a clothing unit, "What Shall I Wear", will be the course of study.

Members and leaders of the Homemaking Clubs for the past season will enjoy a "sight-seeing" trip to Kitchener, during the Easter vacation, taking in several local industries as well as such points of interest as Mackenzie King's boyhood home, the Pioneer Monument at Doon and the West Montrose covered bridge.

4-H Homemaking Clubs are sponsored by the Women's Institute Branch, and Home Economics Service of the Department of Agriculture, and are open to all rural girls between the ages of 12 and 25. Inquiries regarding the work, are welcomed by the County Home Economist, or Agriculture Representative.

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The undersigned has received instructions from
J. H. ALLAN
To sell by public auction at the farm, lot 6, con. 7, Erin township, situated on No. 5 Sideroad, at Peacock School, 7 1/2 miles south of Erin Village, on
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6th, 1955
Commencing at 12:30 o'clock the following:

COWS—Shorthorn cow, fresh 1 week, with calf at foot; Red heifer, fresh in March, with calf at foot; Roan cow, due about time of sale; Roan cow, due May 20; part Hereford cow, due April 20; Grey cow, due in June; Red cow, fresh in Jan., with calf at side; Red cow, fresh in Dec., with calf at side; Red cow, in full flow, bred Jan. 26; Spotted cow, in full flow, bred Nov. 6; Roan cow, due in May; Reg. Shorthorn bull, Hillborn Keepsake, born April 3, 1953, bred by J. S. Anderson, Glen Cross, Ont.

YOUNG CATTLE—4 yearling steers; 4 yearling heifers; 2 fall calves; 2 young calves.

HORSES AND HARNESS—Grey horse, 12 yrs. old, good in all harness; Grey mare, 17 yrs. old, good in all harness; set of backband team harness.

PIGS—York sow, with 13 young pigs at side; York sow, with 14 young pigs at side; 7 young sows, will be bred before sale day; 17 fat pigs, some may be sold before sale day.

TRACTOR AND IMPLEMENTS AND HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS—De Laval milking machine, with all pumps, pipes for 10 cows; half h.p. electric motor; 60 cycle, new; De Laval electric cream separator; bedroom suites; mattresses; springs; dressers; wash stands; 3 piece wicker suite; chest of drawers, very old; kneehole desk; some dishes and various other articles.

HAY AND GRAIN—10 tons of choice mixed hay; 300 bus. of heavy mixed grain; 75 bus. of wheat.

TRACTOR AND IMPLEMENTS—Allis Chalmers tractor, model C, new in 1952 and as good as new; Allis Chalmers 2-furrow hydraulic plow; Cockshutt 14 tooth cultivator; Cockshutt 12-hoe seed drill; Cockshutt No. 4 manure spreader; Massey Harrow binder; 8 cut, good as new; McCormick Deering mower, 5 ft. cut, new; rubber tired farm wagon; Dane hay loader; Cockshutt dump rake; hay rack; 3-section harrow; steel land roller; 2000 lb. scales; 150 ft. hay fork rope; pulleys; slings; hay fork; fanning mill; turnip sower; 2 iron kettles; 3 cap pail; gathering tank; sloop sleighs; buggy; cutter; 150 sq. pails; 4 white ash tongues; roll of wire fence; cedar posts; 34 ft. iron ladder and many other articles.

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WALTER R. PELL
To sell by public auction at his farm, 1 mile south of No. 5 Highway on 3rd line, township of Trafalgar, on
SATURDAY, APRIL 2nd
Commencing at 1:30 o'clock the following:

HORSES AND HARNESS—1 team of matched, blocky, black Percheron mares, 9 and 10 years old; well broken, a choice pair; set of double harness; collars, blankets, bells, etc.

CATTLE—1 reg. Holstein cow, 3 years old, due time of sale; 1 reg. Holstein cow, 2 years old, due May 30; 3-grade Shorthorn cows, due time of sale, these cows bred to Maple size; 2 Shorthorn heifers, 2 years old; 3 Shorthorn heifers, 1 year old; 1 Holstein heifer, 2 years old; 2 Holstein calves; 2 Shorthorn calves.

HAY, GRAIN AND STRAW—1 York sow, due time of sale; 2 York sows, not bred; 10 York pigs, weaners; 200 bus. oats; 3 ton wheat straw, baled; 5 ton oat straw, loose; 5 ton hay, baled; quantity of loose hay, mixed.

TRACTOR AND IMPLEMENTS, POWER MACHINERY, ETC.—J.D. tractor, AR on rubber; Int. 3 furrow tractor plow, new; Int. tractor manure spreader, on rubber, new; J.D. double disc, new; Int. pick-up trailer, new; 3-section side rake, new; Int. cutting box, new; Bear Cat hammer mill, new; Int. 13 disc grain drill, new; Int. grain binder, 8 ft.; Cockshutt mower, 6 ft.; 3 section spring tooth cultivator; 2 drag cultivators; 5 section drag harrow; rubber tired farm wagon and flat hay rack; sloop sleighs; electric M.H. cream separator; whitewash sprayer; single furrow walking plow; scales; fanning mill and bagger; hay fork; root pulper; forks, shovels, chains and other small articles.

FURNITURE—White enamel Empire cook stove, new; odd cook stove; Quebec heater; organ; 3 piece chestfield suite; walnut chest of drawers; kitchen table; 2 beds complete with springs and mattresses; other small household effects.

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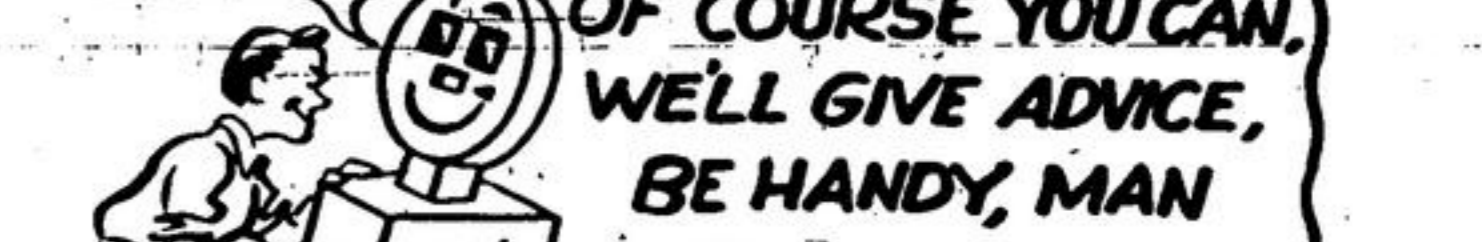
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