

FARM NEWS

From Halton's Farm Lands

Set Dates For Senior, Junior Plow Matches

Which the plowboys commence to make plans for their annual matches. It makes one realize that the summer is rapidly slipping by. Wednesday evening of last week saw the Halton plowmen under the chairmanship of president Spencer Wilson, making plans for both the annual junior and senior matches.

The junior farmer match is scheduled for Saturday, September 10, and John W. Pickett, Arnold Pickett and Leonard Lister, were appointed to select the site. This Junior Match is primarily a coaching demonstration and to this end, an effort is being made to secure Winford Timbers, of Southville, as the chief coach and judge.

In 1954, it will be recalled that Halton Juniors took first in the inter-county tractor event at the International. On top of this, Oakville and North Halton High School Areas had teams entered in the inter-secondary school competition, where they placed second and fifth respectively.

These achievements will, no doubt, stimulate even greater interest in the Junior Match on September 10, when the inter-county team will be selected. There is a strong likelihood that the High School Area Boards at Burlington, Oakville and North Halton will also co-operate with the event and select their team representatives for the inter-secondary school competition at the International.

The International Plowing Match will this year be held near Leamington in Essex county (October 11 to 14) inclusive.

We understand from president Spencer Wilson that the county senior match, set for October 28,

will likely be held in the area between Milton and Campbellville. To this end, Messrs. Roy Currie, Lloyd Chisholm, Elmer Carlton, Robert Hurten and Jack McPhail, were appointed as a committee to select a suitable site.

Valuable Folder On Farm Rental

We were somewhat surprised recently to learn that about 17 per cent of all Ontario farms are rented either fully or in part. On some parts of this continent where farm incomes and values are high, over one-half of the farms are rented.

As a matter of fact, in the cash crop areas of southwestern Ontario there is an increased percentage of farms rented—for instance, in Essex county in 1951, 22 per cent of the farms were rented. Certainly, for the young man with limited capital, renting has many advantages. In short, it enables him to put his capital into livestock and machinery, rather than make a down payment on a poor farm and not have money to purchase the livestock and equipment he requires.

One of the difficulties of the past has been to work out a satisfactory agreement. Every year we usually have at least two or three ask for assistance to work out a satisfactory agreement, either on a cash or a share rental basis. We are therefore very glad to announce that the Economics Division of the Canada Department of Agriculture and the Department of Agricultural Economics at the O.A.C. have jointly prepared a circular on "Rental Arrangements for Your Farm."

Copies of suggested agreements for both share renting and cash renting are included. Copies of this helpful circular are now available at the Agricultural Office in Milton.

To Show Halton Herds at C.N.E.

At recent meetings of the Halton Jersey and Holstein clubs, plans were made to enter county herds at the Canadian National Exhibition. At the Jersey meeting, William Featherstone, Maurice C. Beatty and J. E. Whitelock, were appointed to select the Halton entries.

Those charged with same responsibility for the "Black and Whites" are W. H. Robinson, Lloyd Pickard, Martyn Heslop and J. E. Whitelock. The C.N.E. livestock prize list is now off the press and we note that entries close on August 1, with the showing of dairy cattle of all breeds scheduled for September 1 and 2.

Oakville, Trafalgar Councils Approve New \$1,070,000 School

The Oakville - Trafalgar High School Board, was given the go ahead on a new \$1,070,000 high school when a joint meeting of the Oakville and Trafalgar councils passed motions approving construction of the new school up to that amount.

The two councils also passed motions to seek approval of the Ontario Municipal Board for issuing debentures for the same amount. Approval of the new school, to be constructed on the Radial Road west of Oakville came after considerable discussion by the meeting. Board member Thomas Blacklock told of the board's recent visit of several new schools constructed in the area in company with the various architects. He said the board believed the building could be constructed for \$11 per square foot or less.

Wedding Reception In Limehouse Hall

Evelyn Pearl Gibson and Leslie Thomas Hamilton, were united in marriage Saturday afternoon, June 25, at the Baptist parsonage in Georgetown. Rev. Alfred J. Barker performed the wedding ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Gibson of Rockwood and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hamilton of Georgetown.

The bride wore a ballerina length gown of white lace over nylon, and a fingertip veil fell from a tiara of small hearts and diamonds. She carried a bouquet of pink sweetheart roses.

The bride's sister, Isla Gibson was her only attendant. She wore a ballerina length dress of blue nylon with close-fitting bodice and very full tiered skirt. She carried a bouquet of yellow gladioli. The groom's brother-in-law, William Clarke Holmes of Georgetown was the groomsman.

The wedding reception was held in Limehouse Community Hall, where the bride's mother received the guests, wearing a dress of flowered nylon, white accessories and corsage of pink rosebuds and white baby mums. Mrs. Hamilton, mother of the groom, also assisted, in a green and black figured taffeta dress with black bolero jacket, white accessories and a corsage similar to that worn by the bride's mother. An honored guest at the reception was the groom's grandmother, Mrs. A. Burnett, Parry Sound.

For a motor trip to Ottawa, Mattawa and North Bay, the bride chose a pink linen dress, with white accessories and corsage of dark blue cornflowers and stephanotis. When they return, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton will live in Georgetown.

The average weekly wage paid in Canadian manufacturing reached the all-time high of \$58.36 at February 1, 1955.

Tipson Touring

There's a lot of "ham" in all of us even if we're not members of "the show must go on" profession and the next best thing to beefsteaking is watching one. Seats down front in the aisle are already reserved for the nation's morning public as they "graze" on the "Canada's Summer Time" (Larkways Festival and pageants).

Nearly every province stages an annual out-of-door extravaganza to commemorate an important date in history, ethnic traditions or Indian ceremonies. For example, a celebration with a western flair is Calgary, Alberta's famous Stampede, July 1-16. At this spectacular event, cowboys and Indians gather for bronc-busting, bulldogging and steer-tying exhibitions and during the week following, the Banff Indian Dances festivities will be held July 23-24.

The Governor-General of Canada, His Excellency the Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey, visited Saskatchewan for four days during the Province's Golden Jubilee when he officially opened the new Saskatchewan Museum of Natural History at Regina.

The Acadian sections of Nova Scotia will see their greatest celebration this year, as villages throughout Yarmouth County and other counties join in ceremonies marking the anniversary of the expulsion of the Acadians from the Land of Evangeline. The program is attracting international attention.

Then there are such standard events such as the Stamford Shakopegan Festival (the plays—Julius Caesar, Merchant of Venice and Oedipus Rex), June 2-August 27; Prince Edward Island Provincial Exhibition, August 15-21; Quebec Provincial Exhibition, September 2-17; Shediac Lobster Festival, August 12-16; All-Neuchâtel Exhibition in September and the Pacific National Exhibition in Vancouver, August 24-September 5.

These special events are just one facet of Canada's varied charm. There are exciting motor tours through scenic country, high adventure with a "bushy" flavor in French Canada, scenic thrills in the mountains of the West, sunny beaches on the Atlantic seaboard, fishing trips through lake lands and low-cost camping trips in our scenic national parks!

Then there are cities like Montreal, with its cosmopolitan appeal and fine restaurants; Quebec, the only walled city in North America; Victoria and its British atmosphere; Vancouver and its harbor, Edmonton and its Regatta; and its white-washed legislative buildings, Winnipeg and its attractive public parks; Toronto and its new subway; Fredericton and its tree-lined streets; Halifax and its intriguing waterfront; Saint John with its superb port facilities; Charlottetown and its un-faded pace and St. John's, capital of Newfoundland first claimed by John Cabot in 1497. Ottawa, Canada's national capital, is attracting more and more visitors. The Peace Tower is Ottawa's most striking landmark.

224 Children In Kindergarten

A total of 224 children have been enrolled already to begin their school lives in Burlington next September. This was revealed by Cr. Frank Durbin, council education committee chairman, in a report to Burlington council.

Cr. Durbin reported the public school board had decided to go ahead with construction of the Bolt-Blair school to contain 10 rooms for the present rather than delay it by seeking to increase the debentures for a 14-room school. Principals of the three schools, he said, reported kindergarten classes for September would be in the neighborhood of 224 children.

Trip To Tennessee Follows Marriage

Muriel May Spence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Spence, and Donald Hepburn Schenk, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Schenk, Glen Williams, were wed at a double-ring ceremony in the church parlours of St. John's church, Georgetown, Friday evening, June 24 at seven o'clock. Rev. Morgan McFarlane performed the ceremony.

The bride wore a ballerina length gown of net over white satin, fashioned with a very full skirt and a jacket of lace. A fingertip veil fell from a coronet of lily-of-the-valley, and she carried a bouquet of red tulle roses and myrtle.

The bride's only attendant, was her sister Marjorie, who chose a ballerina length gown of turquoise blue lace over satin. A matching shell hat of net and pearls, and a bouquet of yellow roses completed her ensemble. Gerry Inglis of Glen Williams was groomsman.

Following the wedding, over a hundred guests from Toronto, Milton, Acton, Victoria, Brampton, Kitchener and Georgetown, attended a reception in Stewarttown Hall. Mrs. Spence received the guests in a rosewood floor-length gown, with white accessories and corsage of yellow roses. Mrs. Schenk, mother of the groom assisted, wearing a blue evening gown, with white accessories and a corsage of red roses. After the reception, the guests enjoyed dancing to music provided by Doris Hull's Orchestra.

For the wedding trip to Tennessee and northern Ontario, the bride changed to a pastel green gabardine suit, with rust accessories.

On their return, Mr. and Mrs. Schenk will reside in Georgetown.

Expect Many At Centenary

Local lodge members are planning to attend the Centennial Observance of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons in the Province of Ontario. The opening of the celebrations will be marked by a monster religious service at the C.N.E. Grandstand on Sunday, July 17, while sessions of the Grand Lodge, itself, will commence the following morning in the C.N.E. Coliseum and continue for two days.

Masonic dignitaries from all parts of Ontario and Canada, Great Britain and other Commonwealth countries, including Australia, and from practically every state in the United States will converge on Toronto for the observance.

J. P. Maher, chairman of the Centennial Committee, said, "This observance will attract one of the largest influxes of visitors in the history of Toronto. By having the use of the C.N.E. and other facilities, we will be able to accommodate a much larger gathering than would otherwise have been possible."

He also pointed out that the railway and bus companies were arranging to run special trains and buses to take care of visitors who were not coming by car.

In discussing the historic significance of the occasion, Mr. Maher said that the past hundred years had seen a tremendous growth in the Masonic Order both in the number of lodges and in total membership. While Freemasonry was established in Canada prior to 1792, it was in 1855 when Canada's first Grand Lodge was organized. At that memorable meeting, held in Hamilton on October 10, approximately 40 lodges were represented with a total membership of 1,179 in good standing. At last year's session of the same Grand Lodge, reports showed that there were 592 lodges on the list with a membership of over 130,000.

With the passing of the years members outside Ontario felt they should have their own Grand Lodges. As a result, the lodges in Quebec formed the Grand Lodge of Quebec and later the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was formed with lodges in the west under its jurisdiction.

Meanwhile, Ontario Masons retained the name of the Grand Lodge of Canada for sentimental reasons but, in deference to the Brethren outside their jurisdiction, they added the words "in the Province of Ontario" to the name which is still retained.

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