

FARM NEWS

From Halton's Farm Lands

Army Worms on March Again But None Reported in Halton Yet

At time of writing, July 15, no army worms have been discovered or at least none have been reported to our office in Halton. However, according to a recent report from H. W. Goble, Provincial Entomologist, outbreaks have been discovered in the counties of Kent, Oxford, Bruce, Lanark and Waterloo. Seventy-five per cent of the grain kernels were found on the ground in one large field in Oxford county. So it would seem that in spite of the predictions that we don't usually get an outbreak two years in succession, this pest which reached serious proportions last year, is on the march again.

We hasten to point out that infestations reported to date are localized but farmers are advised to walk through all their spring grain, corn and pasture. Signs that this pest might be prevalent are as follows: oat kernels on the ground and leaves gone; barley, leaves and awns gone; droppings on the ground; striped caterpillars under lumps of earth or in cracks in the ground.

It is to be hoped that there is no major attack but should you find crop damage, directions for control may be had from the office of your Agricultural Representative.

Four Buses Carry 160 4-H Club Members and Leaders on Tour

Four large buses were needed to accommodate 4-H Club members from the 18 4-H clubs in Halton and Peel counties who participated in the annual 4-H Bus Tour. The group this year consisted of 160 4-H Club members, 10 4-H Club leaders: Art Bennett, Associate Agricultural Representative for Halton and Peel counties; and J. W. McCullough, Agricultural Representative for Peel county.

Scattered from Halton to Watford and representing almost every section of Halton and Peel counties, an indication of their promptness was the fact that all four buses arrived at the first stop, Hamilton's beautiful Rock Gardens, within a period of 10 minutes, and right on schedule.

Following a half hour stop at the Rock Gardens, which at the present time are featuring Petunias, the group journeyed to St. Williams Forestry Station near Simcoe. An invigorating swim followed by picnic lunch in the park complete with 16 gallons of "freshie" followed by two warmly contested ball games rounded out the two hours allotted for leisure.

Forestry Nursery Intriguing
An hour was spent touring the forestry station on foot, with two excellent guides along to explain the details of growing the trees which are shipped each spring to thousands of Ontario residents for reforestation purposes.

Situated on land which was nothing but blow sand when originally

taken over, it was amazing to see the millions of small trees thriving on what still looks like blow sand, but soil which through manuring, plowing down rye, planting shelter hedges and windbreaks, and proper use of commercial fertilizer, a good rotation, and adequate irrigation—is very productive.

Cash Crop Farm
On route home the farm of Mr. Wesselan of R.R. 3 Simcoe was visited. Specializing in sweet corn and tobacco, the owner irrigates quite extensively. Harvesting of the 200 acres or over of sweet corn, had already commenced and the group watched with interest a washing and cooling machine which was in operation. From this machine the uniformly packed cases of ears of corn were loaded onto refrigerated trucks and away to market.

Roy Richards, Assistant Agricultural Representative for Norfolk county, very kindly guided the group to this farm and explained how tobacco was grown right from the time it was seeded in the greenhouses, until it was harvested and cured. Everyone was impressed with the amount of hard labor required to handle this crop.

To the best of our knowledge, the entire group returned home safely and we were more than pleased with the co-operation received from 4-H club members, and very happy over the fact that 10 leaders were able to accompany the group and give valuable assistance with arrangements.

Short Notes of Interest

Some excellent wheat was threshed and combined the week of July 11.

We have reports that the Aberfeldy and Merrybrook Shorthorn herds owned by Bedford Gardhouse and Harland Merry respectively, have done exceptionally well to date on the Western Show Circuit, winning several first prizes and championships at Brandon.

Pasture continues to be in short supply. It is at this season of the year that thoughts of irrigation come to the fore. It appears that fruit, vegetables and cash crop growers can't get along without it. Perhaps others will have to follow their lead.

Halton 4-H Clubs and the Ontario 4-H club program will be receiving wide publicity in the West now. We feel sure that Katherine Merry who is currently on a 4-H exchange visit in Manitoba, will impress 4-H Club members, leaders, and officials, with her charm, knowledge of 4-H work and speaking ability.

Thursday, July 28 is the date set for the annual Halton Soil and Crop Improvement Association's twilight tour. It is planned to visit the Wild Carrot Control demonstration plots; oat and variety plots, etc. It is expected that Prof. Richards, head of the Soils Department, will be guest speaker.

BOTH POLITE

Rose Valley, Man. (CP)—William Harrison set a trap near his barn and heard noises under the floor. Prying up a board he found a mother skunk, with one of its feet caught in the trap, feeding its young. Mr. Harrison let the skunk go unharmed; and she returned the courtesy.

Rayon for draperies and furniture covering is made from wood pulp.

Gordon Strain
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Bronte Sewers Vote in August

Negotiations to carry Bronte sewage to Trafalgar township's sewage disposal plant have proved very "fruitful," said Reeve Thomas Millward who added that he hopes to have the Bronte sewer vote "early in August."

"We won't be able to have the sewer vote by July 28 as planned," said Reeve Millward, "because we haven't a full Council to consider the sewer by-law this week. I may call a special meeting early next week to consider the by-law."

The reeve said that Bronte solicitor Richard Jones and Engineer F. Roberts met with Trafalgar council and negotiated for terms to process the village's effluent.

The first high-voltage transmission line in the British Commonwealth was pioneered in Canada in 1867, between St. Narcisse and Three Rivers, Que.

Tea Room May Get High Sign.

An application for an order of mandamus to compel Trafalgar township council to issue a license to Mrs. Marie Hamilton to operate a tea-room at Avalon Villa, her Lakeshore Road East residence, is being prepared by her solicitor, H. G. Chappell, Toronto, following refusal of council to grant the license. Should the application be granted by the Supreme Court of Ontario and the order issued, the council will face a damage suit for \$50,000 or more. Mrs. Hamilton may seek damages to the amount of \$100,000.

Notice that his client intended to bring suit, unless the license was granted, was given council by Mr. Chappell on Friday, June 24. Township clerk S. A. Featherstone confirmed that council had refused Mrs. Chappell's request that the permit be issued.

Mrs. Hamilton is seeking to recover damages for loss of business resulting from council's refusal to grant her a license. Mrs. Hamilton has been convicted three times of operating the tea-room in contravention of the restrictive zoning by-law. In March, 1953, Mr. Justice LeBel, of the Supreme Court of Ontario, ruled the by-law was null and void because it was not registered and dismissed the township's application for an injunction to restrain Mrs. Hamilton from operating the tea-room.

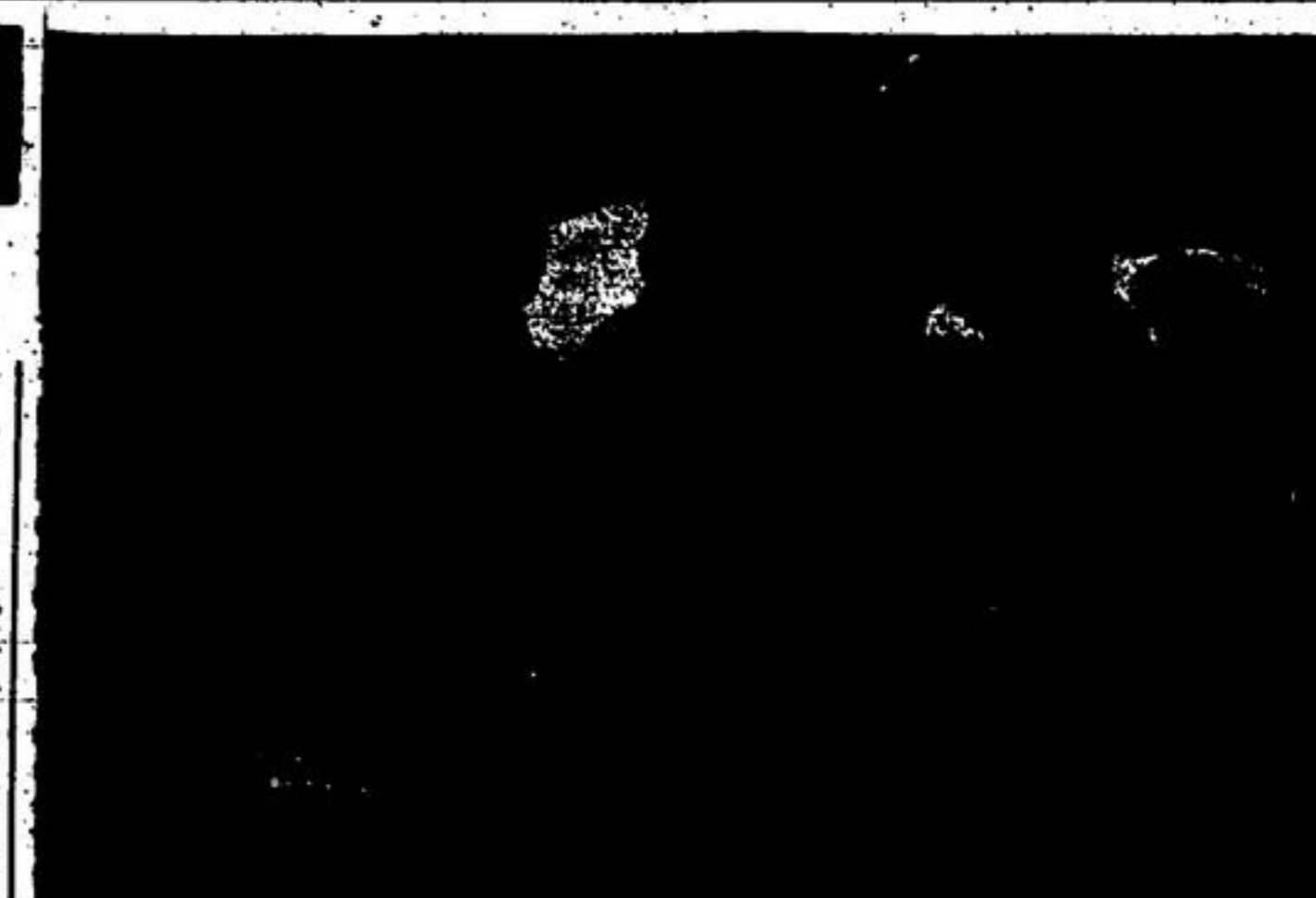
Disfavor Expressed With School Change

Brampton council by a vote of 6-3 approved a resolution expressing its disfavor with the action of the public school board in altering the school attendance boundaries. In their statement council asked the board to reconsider leaving the boundaries as they now exist.

The resolution was passed in deference to the recent representations made by groups of ratepayers to the board in opposition to the changes which effect about 30 children now attending McHugh school. These ratepayers are also objecting to the construction of four new classrooms at Glendale which has the smallest student population and only two at McHugh, which is badly overcrowded.

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Follow Milton For Natural Gas

Georgetown may have natural gas within six months. Council gave the first two readings to a by-law which would grant a franchise to Halton Natural Gas Co. to supply gas for industrial and domestic use in town. The by-law must have approval of the Ontario Fuel Board before the council gives it third reading. There is a six month time clause in the by-law which cancels it if the company cannot produce results in that time. Messrs. Bestley and Brooks, representing the company appeared at the meeting. They had just come from Milton where the Milton council had taken similar action.

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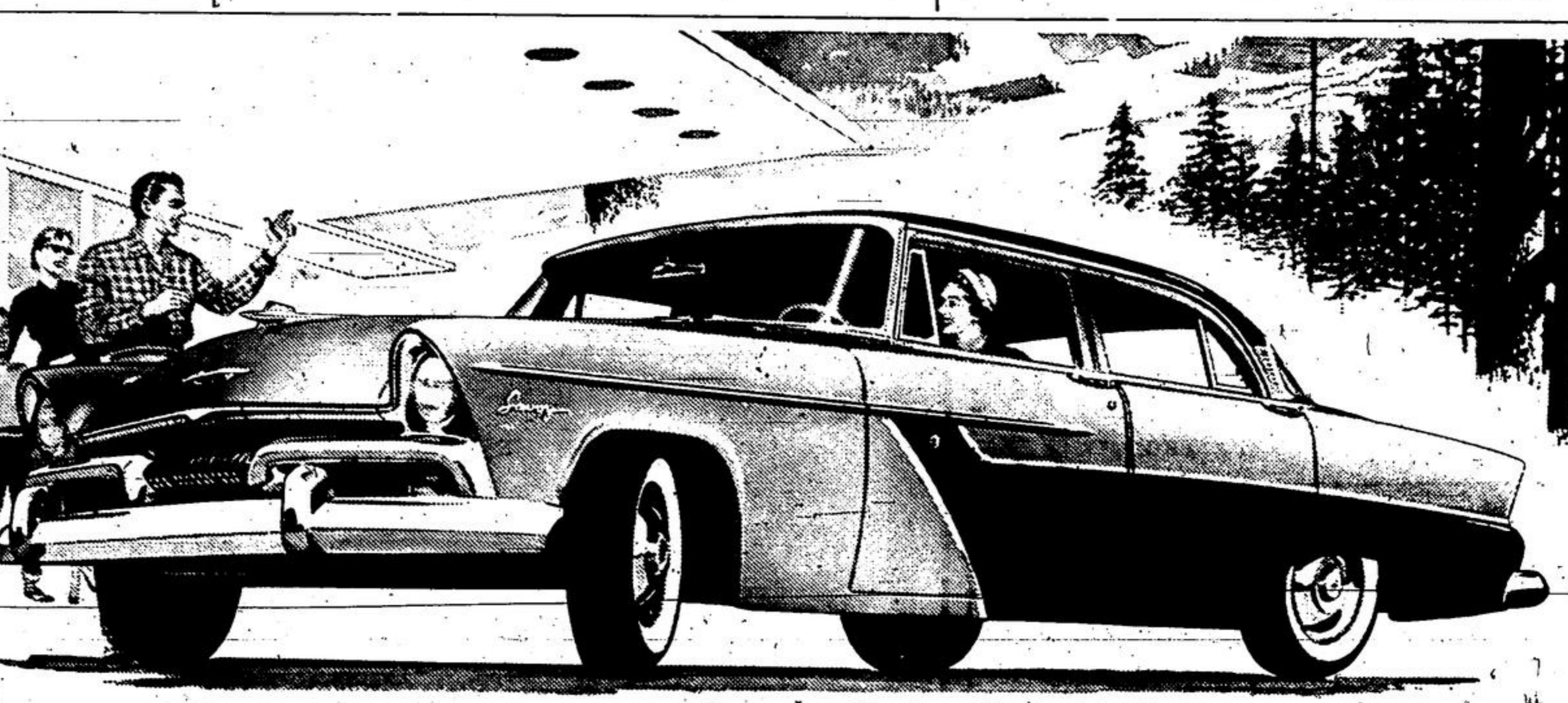
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