

Reports and articles from Halton's Farmland and Farm Organizations.

## Seed Fair Prize List Available

The 1956 official Halton Seed Fair Prize List which is published annually by the Halton Soil and Crop Improvement Association is now available to the public.

Over the years the Halton prize list or booklet has received favorable comment from many sources. As in former years, the 1956 issue contains not only the prize list for the Seed Fair and special Junior section which are scheduled for Milton, on March 23 and 24, but also a fund of timely information on such topics as soils, cereal grains and forage crops, swine, dairy herd improvement work, farm management, etc.

We understand from E. Ross Seaworth, president of the Halton association, that copies of this interesting booklet can be secured free of charge, from the Milton office of the Ontario Department of Agriculture. With the Hon. A. E. Thomson, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, the chief speaker for the Saturday afternoon program, officers and directors of the Association are out to make this year's show the best on record. We also understand from Art Bennett, associate agricultural representative, that the Saturday morning program will feature a competition in judging cereals, small seeds, potatoes, hay and the identification of forage plants and weeds—open to Halton Junior Farmers.

Special sections are provided for Juniors 16 years and under, intermediates 17 to 21 years and seniors 22 to 25 years inclusive.

## Lively Program For Folk School

Thursday evening of last week saw the opening of Halton's annual Folk School, which is being held for the second successive year in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Fish, at Snyder's Corners. On Thursday morning last we learned that 15 had already registered, so the spacious Fish home will be well filled with a happy group as we pen this brief item.

The motto for this year's interesting program is Learning to Live. Mrs. A. R. Coulter, assisted by Clare Burt, former secretary of the Ontario Farm Forums are the leaders in charge. Needless to add, with these two dynamic personalities in charge, the 1956 Folk School will maintain its high standard of former years.

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Livestock, Power Machinery, Implements, Etc.

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**SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 1956**  
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## Halton 4-H Homemaking Clubs Complete Project

Saturday, February 23, saw the completion of Halton County's 4-H Homemaking Club project. "What Shall I Wear" and in spite of the severe ice storm on Friday and resulting bad roads, 100 of the 110 girls who finished the project were in attendance at the Achievement Day, held in the Milton high school. Mrs. Mabel Borgstrom, County home economist, was in charge of the day and was assisted by Miss Florence P. Eadie, supervisor of Junior extension for the home economics service of the Department of Agriculture; Miss Ruth Shaver, home economist for Simcoe and Ontario counties; and Mrs. Marion Montgomery, formerly of the home economics service.

During the morning program, each club member participated individually by judging a class of blouses, a class of costume charts and by choosing suitable blouse materials to harmonize with given skirts. The members' own blouses, charts and record books were also on display.

**Club Exhibits Shown**  
After luncheon each club participated in the program as a group. Club exhibits were shown on A Well Planned Costume for Church, by Ashgrove, Omagh and Scotch Block, and commented on by Marilyn Wrigglesworth, Joyce Robertson, and Sacha Samiya. Bannockburn displayed "Well Planned Costume for School," with Riecke Duenk as their commentator and Ballinadfad showed "Lines to Suit the Figure," Both McEnery making the comment.

A skit was presented by Stewarttown on this same subject, with Ruby Tennant, Jean Corry and Green Koeslag taking part. "How to plan a wardrobe" was the subject chosen by Pat McKay, Sharon Russell, and Brenda Robertson of the Hornby club, Joan Coverdale, Diane Hiscock, Jane Clements and Joanne Henry of Lowville, Helen Vivian and Audrey Featherstone of Nelson and Marilyn Cleave and Marie Harrop of Norval.

Following the program, J. E. Whitelock, Agricultural Representative for the county, brought greetings and paid tribute to the work of the local leaders of the 4-H Homemaking clubs. Mr. and Mrs. Whitelock then assisted in the presentation of provincial and county honor certificates to the following: Marilyn Wrigglesworth, Audrey Featherstone, Joan McKay, Helen Vivian and Marilyn Cleave. Provincial honors were also awarded for six Homemaking Club Units completed. Certificates of Achievement were also presented to girls completing two units. A 4-H Homemaking Club crest went to each new member, and a silver teaspoon to each club member.

**Club Leaders for Units**  
As a fitting closing to the day each club leader and assistant received the gift of a house plant in recognition of her efforts. Club leaders for this unit were: Mrs. Hector Bird and Mrs. Vernon Archer of Ashgrove, Mrs. F. P. Shorthill and Mrs. J. McEnery of Ballinadfad, Mrs. H. Wilkinson and Mrs. Stan Matthews of Bannockburn, Mrs. D. Macpherson, Mrs. Bert Rennie of Dublin, Mrs. D. Downs and Mrs. Stan May of Hornby, Mrs. Stan Randall and Mrs. W. R. G. Johnson of Lowville, Mrs. Delmar Colling and Mrs. David Sherwood of Nelson, Mrs. H. Robertson and Miss Ellen Chapman of Omagh, Mrs. H. McLaughlin of Norval, Miss Charlotte Turner of Scotch Block, Mrs. Fred Armstrong and Mrs. L. Davies of Stewarttown.

The summer project for 4-H Homemaking Clubs will get under way almost immediately, with Leaders' Training School for "The Cereal Shelf" to be held in the Department

## "Bunny" Hare Recalls Stories Of Early Days

Recently we received a newsworthy letter from H. R. Hare, who was the first Agricultural Representative or District Representative for the County of Halton. The first office was opened on June 1, 1914, over Harry Graham's store in Burlington.

In his reminiscences, "Bunny" paid tribute to many leaders for their splendid co-operation and assistance. Numbered among these were Elgin Harris of Burlington, the Moore's, former editors at Acton and Georgetown, Mac Smith of Burlington, the late W. F. W. Fisher of Burlington—to name but a few of those mentioned.

Reference was also made to the first short course held in Milton, in 1915—to the first School Fair held at Hornby, where a row developed over a tug-of-war event in which some of the parents apparently could not resist the temptation to help to a drainage demonstration laid down near Hornby, and states "Bunny" "Farmer Galbraith sat on the fence, smoked his pipe, and philosophized."

A Frank in the Night  
This was back in the days of the Farmers' Institute meetings, when the late Jim Wilson was president, and the late Archie MacNabb was secretary. On one occasion "Bunny" reports, those two gentlemen drove out to a Farmers' Institute meeting at Kilbride. It was a dark, dirty rainy night in the fall, and while the meeting was in progress some of the village wags (perhaps to get

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back at the late Archie, who as most folk around Milton district will recall, was quite a prankster himself) slipped the two front wheels of the buggy on one side and the two hind wheels on the other.

Apparently Archie was the driver, because Bunny reports that they drove all the way back from Kilbride to Milton with the wheels on the side in the ditch in order to keep some semblance of an even keel and periodically according to Bunny, good old Jim would shout, "For G—'s sake Archie, get up on the road, we're going to tip over."

All of this was back in the days when the so-called white collar farmer wasn't very popular (perhaps he isn't yet) but in any event, Bunny and his successors must have laid a good foundation because yours truly has found Halton a mighty fine county to work in. Incidentally, Bunny is now living retired in Whitby, so if any of his former friends are going that way, we'll be glad to provide his address—we know he would welcome a call.

The month of March is Red Cross month. You will be helping others and you may be helping yourself.

## Too Many Farm Organizations?

A few days ago we had occasion to compile a list of Halton farm organizations. To our amazement we listed 85 and we may have overlooked some. We are now beginning to realize why so much of our time is taken up with meetings, to the point where we find it impossible to get out and make farm calls as we used to do.

One would hardly think that a little County like Halton needed that many individual farm organizations and yet as we looked over the list, it would take a wiser and braver man than yours truly to suggest which ones should be eliminated.

We couldn't help but wonder though, if the multiplicity of farm organizations, might be one of the reasons why, in some organizations, they seem to have increasing difficulty in getting folk to accept office.

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