

Reports and articles from Halton's Farmlands and Farm Organizations

Campbellville Junior Wins Top Award At Halton Clubs' Livestock Competition

Lynne Coulter, Campbellville, won the Hamilton Spectator award of a championship trip to the 4-H club congress at Chicago, which entitles the winner to \$75 in cash to apply on the trip next fall.

This is a general proficiency award based on judging ability shown over two of the past three years, activity in 4-H club work and Junior Farmer work and outstanding leadership ability displayed. This award was made at the Milton town hall last Saturday evening following the annual Junior Farmers' livestock judging competition.

During the day, the young men, under the leadership of Art Bennett, had judged ten classes of livestock at the following Peel County farms: Holsteins at J. M. Fraser's; Angus at L. V. Wright's; Dual Purpose Shorthorns at Sanford Farm; Yorkshires at Harold Parkinson's; Suffolk Sheep at Ray Clarkson's; Ayrshires at Wm. Reed's; Jerseys at B. H. Bull and Son.

The Junior Farmers of the two counties were in action, and was a follow-up to the visit of the Peel County Junior Farmers to Halton a year ago. The official judges were D. Adams of the industrial council of Canadian Meat Packers, Don Jose of the Farmer Magazine, J. W. McCullough, agricultural representative for Peel county and agricultural representative J. E. Whitelock, John W. Pickett, Halton, a previous trip winner, was the top judge of the day and thereby won the Norval Juniors' challenge trophy.

The C.N.E. Shield, for the high novice, was won by Ted Nightingale, of Rockwood R.R. 2.

Milton Juniors Top Club
Milton Junior Farmers, represented by John W. Pickett, George Greenlee, John C. Willmott, Lynne Coulter, George Hume and Mervyn Colling, won the Dr. R. K. Angerson trophy, emblematic of the top club, and three of their members, representing Trafalgar township, won the inter-township award and the Bank of Nova Scotia trophy.

Other Trophies, Winners
Other trophy winners and awards were made as follows: Palermo Junior Farmers challenge trophy, high coach, Lynne Coulter; Esroston trophy, high score in dairy cattle, Norman Bird; Duncan Campbell trophy, high score in beef cattle, John W. Pickett; Mason Knitting Co. trophy, high score in sheep, John C. Willmott; Thos. Blakelock trophy, high score in swine, Howson Ruddell.

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The program presided over by Jean Peterson, president of the Halton Juniors, also included a number of special awards made by Mrs. Mabel Borgstrom, home economist for Halton, Peel and York counties, in connection with 4-H homemaker program. Here the top award, the Halton district W. I. special, was presented by Mrs. Clay Bussell, district secretary, to Marilyn Cleave of the Norval club.

The Norval club, represented by Marilyn Cleave, Marie Harrop and Ruth Wilson, also won the Toronto-Dominion Bank trophy. Incidentally, the Halton district W.I. special of \$75 will be applied by Miss Cleave on the two nations tour.

Other presentations included the following: county honors, Elizabeth Gibson, Beth McEnery, Evelyn McKay, Marie Harrop and Ruth Robertson.

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Estimate Halton Census Count 80,000

Forty-eight enumerators began their rounds of Halton County Friday to count the county. It's all part of Canada's first quinquennial census.

It's estimated there will be 80,000 people counted in Halton this year with a big increase in the southern part of the county.

Census figures for Halton in 1951 showed an urban population of 22,282 and a rural population of 21,710. This was a considerable increase from the 1941 total of 28,515.

Commissioner of the Electoral District, A. Padbury reports the hotels and motels were enumerated on May 31 with the general enumeration begun June 1st.

Towns are to be completely enumerated by June 21 and rural areas by June 30.

Preparations for the census have included three schools for enumerators at Acton, Burlington and Oakville, as well as distribution of the necessary material to the enumerators.

Supervisors assisting Commissioner Padbury are F. L. Wright, Acton and Gordon Grahame, Burlington.

Of the 48 enumerators only two are male. They will be asking six questions in urban households and perhaps 76 in the rural areas.

Myers, Mrs. Allie Corbett, Mrs. Dave Wendover, Dewart Fleming, Mrs. Jean Douglas, Mrs. Doreen Ball, Mrs. Amy Merry, Mrs. Jean Hearn, Trafalgar.

Mrs. Evelyn Sims, Mrs. Isabel Lewis, Mrs. Betty Reid, Mrs. V. Thomas, Mrs. Kay Sullivan, Mrs. Evelyn Burke, Mrs. Isabel Crowell,

Mrs. Hester Powell, Mrs. Lillian McFarland, Nelson Township.

Mrs. Vera Lardie, Mrs. Georgina Fuller, Mrs. Jean O'Toole, Mrs. Edna Stewart, Mrs. Grace Osborne, Mrs. Mary Johnson, Burlington.

Edith Gowland, C. A. Mason, Oakville, M. Cunniffe, Ortona Command.

Costume jewellery that discolors the skin may simply need a good brushing with warm, soapy water. Then rinse and dry thoroughly and coat with colorless nail polish.

Humane Shelter Cares for Four Groundhogs

The Oakville Humane Shelter, which has cared for dogs, cats, pigeons, horses, skunks and even a monkey in its history, has now got four baby groundhogs in its menagerie.

Some dogs breed the mother on D. R. Watt's property on the Radial Road, Bronte. The babies were found and were brought to the Shelter.

"I don't think we'll put them out for adoption," said Shelterkeeper Al MacNab, "although they do make good pets. I think we may take them to the Riverdale Zoo."

Juniors Take to Air For Trips, Meetings

Junior Farmers are now traveling by air. On Saturday, May 19, the year's Junior Farmer delegates, Myrtle Stewart, Elton Lillie, David Barrie and Mac McLaren left Malton airport for Great Britain.

In June, President Russell McAllister of Carleton county and Mrs. Josephine Bird, Haldimand county, will fly to the province of Alberta.

At the last provincial directors meeting held at the O.A.C., Guelph, president Russell McAllister set a record by travelling by air to a directors' meeting, the first provincial president to do this. His wife drove him to Ottawa airport from their farm 40 miles west of Ottawa. He took a plane to Malton, then travelled by car to Guelph and was ready to chair the directors' meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Boy Scouts Take on Cenotaph Facelifting

Improvements to the grounds surrounding the Georgetown war memorial on Guelph St. will be made through joint action of the town council and boy scouts.

The town is paying for flowers which the scouts will plant and the scouts gave the cenotaph a facelifting last week when they cleaned the lettering on the plaque.

Council decided to expend \$100 on flagstones which will replace the present bare patches where attempts to grow grass have been unsuccessful. The scouts will care for the property in future as a civic project.

New Fair Highlight Is Pumpkin Growing

A new competition — a Junior Pumpkin Growing contest, conducted by the Acton Agricultural Society in co-operation with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation — will be a new feature at Acton Fall Fair this year.

The contest is open to 4-H and Junior Farmer club members up to the age of 25 in Ontario and Quebec. Pumpkin seeds and an entry form are supplied free of charge upon request to Mrs. Irene Swackhamer, the secretary of Acton Agricultural Society, R.R. 2, Acton. Each girl and boy is responsible for getting the big pumpkins to Acton Fair by noon, September 14. In judging, weight, size and appearance is to be taken into consideration.

The winner of the contest will be declared the Central Canada Junior Pumpkin Grower and will receive the Bank of Montreal Challenge Trophy and four bags of fertilizer. Second prize is three bags of fertilizer, and third prize, \$4.00. The exhibitor from the longest distance will receive \$3.00. The 12 top entries will receive two one-pound dust guns.

Each Saturday on the Junior Farmer broadcast, George Atkins, C.B.C. farm commentator for Ontario and Quebec is giving information about this contest as the summer progresses.

The committee of the Acton Agricultural Society in charge of this contest are Mac Sprowl, chairman, provincial executive member of the Junior Farmers Association of Ontario; president, Smith Griffin; William Davey, manager of the Bank of Montreal, Acton; Nino Braida, director of the society and Miss Irene Swackhamer, secretary.

The name of the Bow River in Alberta originated from the presence of the river's banks of Douglas fir trees, from which local Indians made hunting bows.

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