



FOUR JUNIOR FARMERS of Ontario with their leader, J. M. Purvis of Ontario's Kemptville Agricultural School, right, gathered at Ontario House, London. It marked the completion of their tour of farms in Scotland, Ulster and England that began on May 18th. Left to right, they are, Blythe Meek, Erin, Allen Scott, Princeton, Joan Wrigglesworth, Hornby, Leone Turnbull, Paris, Mr. Purvis.

Ladies Review Western Trips At W.I. Meeting

Mrs. W. J. McIntyre was hostess for the July meeting of the Women's Institute last Thursday evening at her home on the town-line of Nasagaweya township. In spite of the busy time, there was a splendid turnout of members, visitors and members of the Girls' Club. Mrs. Mansell Nellis, the new president, conducted the meeting. The singing of the Institute Ode, followed by the Mary Stewart Collect and the Lord's Prayer, opened the programme.

Mrs. Alex Near, the secretary, called the roll which was answered by A. New Household Unit which was quite interesting and helpful. The president announced that Meet on the Menu will be the course which the Girls' Club will take in September.

Mrs. J. C. Dennis gave a reading "Myself" Mrs. James Smith gave a splendid paper of Home Economics. Four members of the Girls' Club, Jean Moffat, Margaret Nightingale, Jean Parker and Janie McPhedran gave an informative demonstration of First Aid.

Mrs. Nellis and Mrs. Near each gave a resume of their trip to the Canadian West recently, which was most interesting. They told of their visit to Banff, their experiences on the chair lift, the beauty of the Rocky Mountains and attending the colorful Stampede at Calgary. They returned by the all-Canadian route and enjoyed the beauties of Northern Ontario. They showed various cards and souvenirs of their trip.

Mrs. J. Black was courtesy convener. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. W. Britton, Mrs. N. Elliott and Mrs. J. Dennis.

At its closest point, the island of Newfoundland is 11 miles away from the mainland.

Halton 4-H Club Members Tour Hamilton Steel Plant, Farms

Hamilton district was the center of a bus tour held by the Halton 4-H Agricultural Clubs last Thursday, July 18th. Eighty-three Club Members and leaders took part in the trip.

The first visit was to the Steel Company of Canada Plant in Hamilton. Here the club members followed the various processes involved in making steel. At noon the group had lunch aboard the S.S. Macassa, while touring Hamilton Bay.

Plan for Annual Twilight Meet

The Halton Soil and Crop Improvement Association will hold its annual Twilight Meeting at the farm of John Muth. Arrangements have been made to have Dr. D. M. Huntley, head of the Field Husbandry Department, as guest speaker. Dr. Huntley will discuss latest developments in Field Husbandry.

Mid-row variety tests of oats, barley and oat-barley mixtures are located on the Muth Farm. There will be a discussion of the different varieties at the meeting.

The Twilight Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 31st, at 7:35 p.m. The Muth farm is located south of No. 5 Road, on the Town Line between Nelson and Trafalgar townships.

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Group Organizes Queen Competition Seek Halton Representative for Title

On Wednesday, July 17th a meeting was held to make plans in connection with the selection of a Halton Dairy Queen. The meeting was composed of the executive of the various Milk and Cream Producer groups in Halton County and the Halton Federation of Agriculture.

The girl selected as the Halton Dairy Queen will represent the county in the annual Dairy Queen Contest held at the Canadian National Exhibition. This Dairy Queen Contest is sponsored by the Canadian National Exhibition, The Telegram, and the Ontario Milk Producers' Co-ordinating Board. The contest is designed to test the girls in their ability to use modern milking machinery and to acquaint the general public with the newest production methods.

A County princess will be selected from Ontario counties to compete as Dairy Princess of their district in the C.N.E. contest at the Coliseum. Five Princesses compete on each of eight nights with a Dairy Queen selected each night.

A further elimination is held with four girls competing on the next two nights and on the eleventh night the two finalists meet to seek the title of Queen of the Fair.

The girls are judged on appearance, deportment, and showmanship, as well as how they assemble the machine and milking, cleaning and sanitizing utensils, efficiency, completeness of milking, and time. Selection of the cow which each girl milks is done by a draw before the contest each night. This since a milk maid has no way of knowing just which breed of cow may fall to her lot. The breeds which are used by the girls are Holstein, Jersey, Guernsey, Ayrshire and Dual Purpose Shorthorn.

The only way in which girls can prepare themselves for the contest is by increasing their general milk handling ability. Before the contest they are allowed to request a certain type of milking machine, with an alternative if that one is not available. But aside from that there is no way they can assure themselves in advance of which cow, or even which breed of cow they may be called on to work with. In this way the winner is bound to be well-qualified as a generally proficient milk maid, and not a specialist in any particular breed. In other words a true Dairy Queen.

Last year Halton had the Dairy Queen and one of the runners-up. Anyone interested in representing Halton this year, contact any of the following selection committee for further information and application forms. Chairman, Jack Taylor, Burlington RR. 2, phone Nelson 4-6072; Wilfred Kennedy, Rockwood RR. 2, Fife Somerville, Acton RR. 3; Fred Brooks, Lumsden RR. 1, Cliff Brown, Milton RR. 3; Jan E. Marshall, Milton RR. 1; and J. E. Wilkie, Ontario Department of Agriculture, Milton.

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