

# D. H. I. A. Report Shows Increase In 1956 Dairy Herd Production

According to the 1956 Dairy Herd Improvement report recently released, there were 27,565 cows enrolled in 59 Associations in Ontario. Between 65 and 66 per cent of the cows enrolled qualified under the production requirements for D.H.I.A., which was based on a 305-day lactation period.

The average production of all cows enrolled was 9,061 pounds of milk and 324 pounds of fat. This is an increase of 1,107 pounds of milk and 46 pounds of fat in the six year period since the D.H.I.A. policy was inaugurated in Ontario.

**Top Herd for Halton**  
A total of 1,329 herds are enrolled and it is interesting to note that the herd of Roy J. Wilson of Milton, R. R. 4, is in seventh position in the province; with an average production of 13,107 pounds

of milk and 462 pounds of butterfat in 305 days.  
Twelve other Halton dairymen had their herds in the select group of 400 pound herds namely Galbraith Bros., Burlington R.R. 1; D. F. Lawrence, Milton R.R. 1; Walker Gundy, Burlington R.R. 1; Ralph Ford, Milton R.R. 1; Mrs. Clara Gordon Jefferson, Milton R.R. 3; Alfred Ford, Milton R.R. 4; Edgar Everett, Milton R.R. 6; George Rae, Hornby R.R. 1; Robert Marshall, Milton R.R. 4 and C. A. May and Son, Hornby R.R. 2.

## Pure Bred Guernsey Top Producing Cow

Walker Gundy and Son of Burlington, R. R. 1, had the top fat producing cow in the province according to the D.H.I.A. report. Martha of the Valley, a pure bred Guernsey in the Gundy herd, totalled out no less than 741 pounds of butterfat from her 15,353 pounds of milk produced in the 305 lactation period. Another cow in the same herd, namely Joan of the Valley, was also on the honor list for mature cows with 671 pounds of fat.

### LIMEHOUSE

#### Mrs. S. Gisby Hostess to W.M.S.

The W.M.S. met at the home of Mrs. Gisby last Thursday evening when Mrs. James Noble read scripture. Mrs. A. Norton read a prayer poem and Mrs. Kirkpatrick reviewed a chapter from the study book. Voice was the text word used in a verse of scripture.

Miss Margaret Law of Brampton, accompanied by Mrs. Penney at the piano, sang two lovely solos, "O Lord Most Holy and Bless This House" a social half hour followed the meeting.

**Local News**  
We extend sympathy to Mr. Jay McElroy and Miss Ruth McElroy on the passing of Mrs. McElroy last week following a lengthy illness.

Little Paul Yates is well again after treatment at Sick Children's hospital for complications following a mumps.

Service at Limehouse Presbyterian church will be withdrawn for the remainder of August. Rev. L. Royal of Norval has preached the past two Sundays during Rev. A. Gaiter's holidays.

Mrs. R. Lane celebrated her birthday last week when members of her family visited her on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Kain were guests at a friend's wedding in Inglewood and the reception following at Hilltop Lodge, Erin, on Saturday. Mrs. Kain was absent from the party with a little party one day last week.

**Recently Holidaying**  
Peter Gilpin with grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dalziel at Woodbridge and Mrs. Kirkpatrick and Dorothy at Thorold last week-end.

Mrs. E. Sanford and Billie at Waukesha.

Mr. T. H. Price returned from over two months in western Canada, where he was a delegate from West Toronto Presbytery to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church in Canada, held in Vancouver in June.

### EVERTON

#### Many Visitors In Community

Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. T. Jettin and family were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hunter and family; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dwyer, Tippitford, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. North and Nancy Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Max Milne and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Milne and family, Rockwood. Miss Donna Milne remained for a week's holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Ireland, Troy, visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. D. McCutcheon.

Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. John Alton and Miss Jennie Towell were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patten and family. Miss Diane Patten remained for a week's holiday and is attending Vacation Bible school being held at the Disciple church.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Jettin visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Couling, Orangeville. Mrs. Couling was able to return to her home on Friday after three weeks in hospital. All wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McDonald

**SILVER-WOOD**  
**Local People Enjoy Holidays**  
Mr. and Mrs. Clare Wilson and Alice recently spent an enjoyable eight days motoring through northern Ontario with a trip through Algonquin Park. They reported some particularly good fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Norton, with his brother, Mr. C. K. Norton of Toronto and his wife, enjoyed the holiday week-end at Little Current, Manitoulin Island, with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Norton and family, who are relaxing there. They also had excellent fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Miller and family, spent a week at Wasaga Beach.

Mrs. Bill Curley and daughter, Paty, Gail and Susan, are at present visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Beency. She will later join her husband at their summer home at Laval, Quebec, before returning to Prince Edward Island, where he is stationed with the RCAF.

## Survey Indicates 88.8% of Cows Sired by A-1 Bulls

A survey of the 1,329 herds in D.H.I.A. indicates that 88.8 per cent of the cows are bred to A-1 sires. This does not mean that breeding was confined to dairy bulls.

Low producers are frequently bred to best bulls, with the resulting calf being sold as veal, thus eliminating any possibility of retaining in the herds, heifers which had been bred to a dairy bull, might have been retained.

**A-1 Vs. Natural**  
Those who condemn Artificial Units might well study the following data, which is based on the Holstein breed only in D.H.I.A. herds.

Class	No. of A-1s	No. of Naturals
A-1 2 yrs	289 8566 302 334	
Natural 2 yrs	2465 8056 282 330	
A-1 3 yrs	1653 9285 326 336	
Natural 3 yrs	2318 8766 308 332	
A-1 4 yrs	949 10778 361 338	
Natural 4 yrs	2176 8736 341 330	
A-1 mature	743 10851 381 337	
Natural mature	3572 10147 350 343	

(Note - The natural sires daughters are from both known and unknown sires in short, D.H.I.A. is revealing a great deal of valuable and interesting data.)

## Laura Secord, Butter Cow Will Appear at '57 Ex

Laura Secord and her cow model child in butter will recall a famous episode from Canadian history at the Canadian National Exhibition this year. Sponsored by the Milk Producers' Coordinating Board, the life-size butter model will remind thousands of Canadians of the heroic act of Laura Secord. They will remember that it was just 144 years ago that Laura Secord took her famous walk from Queenston through the American lines to Beaver Dams to warn the British troops under Lieutenant James Fitzgibbon.

### CHURCHILL

#### Mr. and Mrs. R. Denny Open Home to Meet

The regular W.A. and Quarterly Board meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Denny last Wednesday night. There was a good turnout and much business was laid before the members for discussion. The anniversary for Churchill in September was decided on. The first supper was planned also. It was decided that Rally Day was to be held on the first Sunday in September with the joint service held at 11 o'clock and a picnic lunch afterward. After the meeting the hostess served a delicious lunch to the guests.

Do not forget, young folks! Vacation school starts next Monday, August 19 at Ballantrath church. The days' activities are to be longer this year, so bring your lunch for noon.

The sympathy of the neighborhood church and friends go to the McEachern family with the passing of Mr. Herb McEachern last week. The funeral was held in Acton on Saturday.

The Kerr family attended the Old Time Fiddlers' Rally at Shelburne last Saturday night. They reported it was an excellent program, well worth seeing. Miss Toronto attended to lend her talent and beauty to the evening. Mr. Ned Landry, well known on T.V., won the fiddlers' contest.

We are sorry to hear of Mr. Leslie Swackhamer's illness. We hope he will soon be well enough to continue his farming duties.

A lovely basket of gold and bronze chrysanthemums were placed in Churchill church for the Sunday service by the McEachern family in memory of Mr. H. McEachern.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kroeker and children of St. Catherine's spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Les Swackhamer. They all visited Wasaga Beach and daughters on Thursday.

## Halton Harvest Nearing End

Excellent progress was made with the harvest in Halton during the first eight days of August.

Binders, combines and threshing machines will all be in action and if the present weather conditions continue for the balance of the current week (August 8th), we would estimate that 70 to 80 per cent of the grain crop will be cut.

Here and there, the odd man will complete harvesting operations by August 10th.

## Miss Jean Peterson Feted Dairy Queen

Representatives of milk producer groups at Acton, Georgetown, Milton and Oakville, together with representatives of the Halton Cream Producers and the Halton Federation of Agriculture, recently feted Miss Jean Peterson of Hornby to represent Halton in the Dairy Queen Competition at the 1957 Canadian National Exhibition.

Miss Lorna Woodley was selected alternate. It will be recalled that Miss Peterson was one of the two finalists for the title in 1956, which was won by Mrs. Gordon King of Oakville.

Humor has it that Jean will be in act around 6:00 p.m. in the Coliseum at the C.N.E. on Saturday, August 31. Her legion of friends across the County will be wishing her well in her effort to win top honors for Halton for the second year in a row.

## Wheat Yields Show 50 Bushels

In our column of last week, we reported wheat yields in Halton as a little below normal with an average of from 20 to 33 bushels per acre.

Here and there, however, we learn of the odd 50 bushels per acre yield. Frank Anzira of R.R. 4, Milton and Mae Alexander of Norval are in this latter group.

Spring grain on the other hand, is at least a normal crop. The top yield we have heard of to date is from a three and a half acre block of Gary's oats on Mae Alexander's farm at Norval. 98 bushels to the acre is the figure. An 80 bushel crop of Gary's is also reported by Roy Coulter of Campbellville.

## Harrison Hog Yards May Become Factor In Selling Prices

The new assembly yards of the Ontario Hog Producers Co-operative may soon become a more important factor in setting hog prices for all of Ontario than is the Union Stock Yards of Toronto, Eldred Aiken, chairman of the Ontario Hog Producers' Marketing Board, stated here recently.

"If the present trend continues," Mr. Aiken said, it is possible that as many or more hogs will eventually move through the Harrison yards than move through the Union Stock Yards of Toronto.

"Operations of the Harrison yards were commenced on July 15 and in that week, 906 hogs were received," Mr. Aiken said. "In the second week, 1,393 hogs moved through the yards, and in the third week this increased to 1,658 hogs. During this third week of operations, there were 2,504 hogs moved through the Union Yards in Toronto."

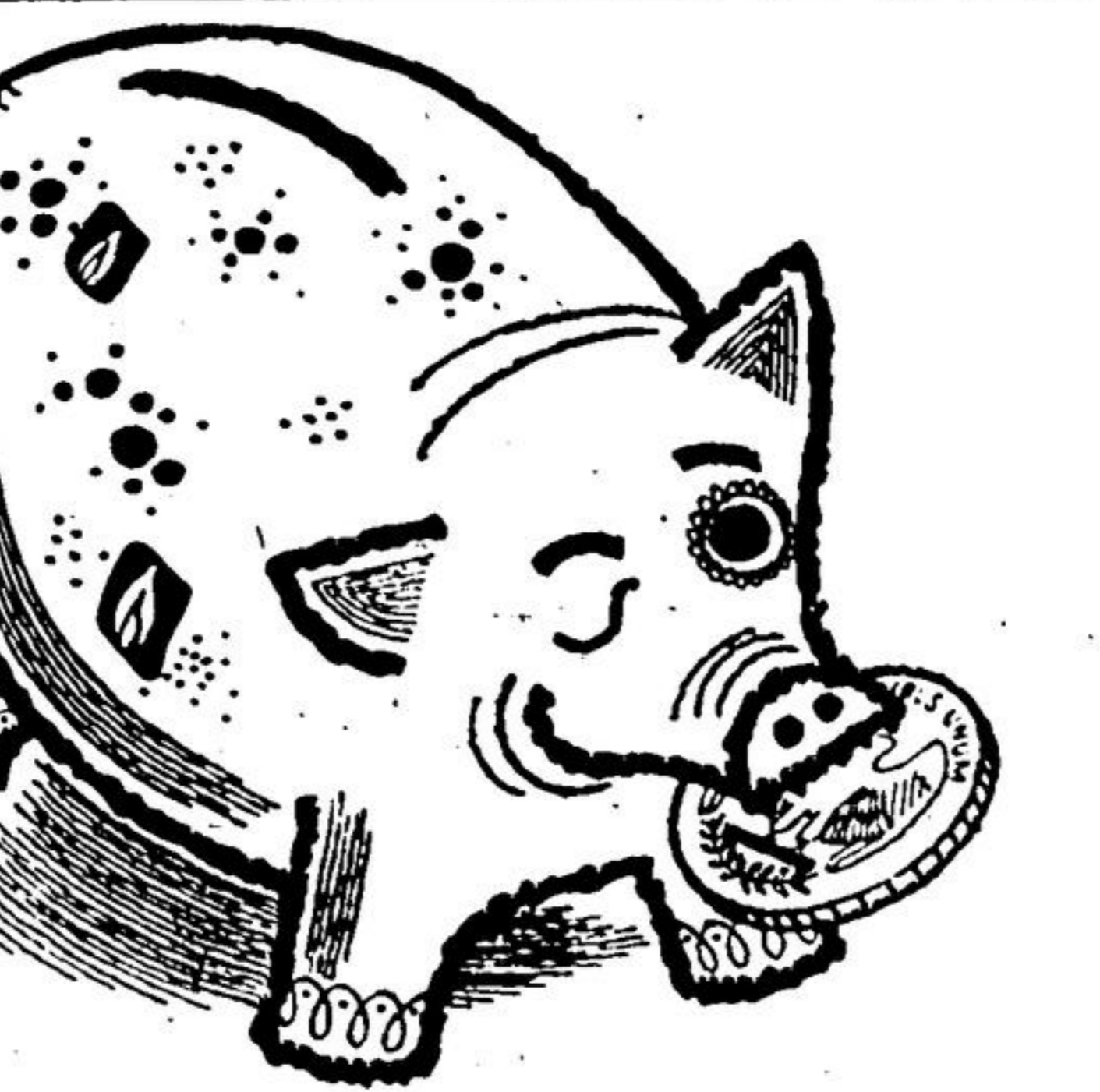
Alexandra Falls on Hay River near Great Slave Lake provides a scenic thrill for motorists on the Mackenzie Highway north of the Peace River.

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