

FARM NEWS

Halton Plowing Match Prize List Indicates Competition to be Keen

Saturday of this week will see Halton's "Little International" in full swing on the farm of Mr. Alexander, Lot 6, 10th Concession of Eglar. Judging by the prize list which is now available, competition should be the keenest in years. Thanks to the interest and generosity of many individuals and firms throughout the county and elsewhere, the Halton association is offering perhaps the best prize list in the history of the organization.

The Ernest Irving Utility Class for which the donor provides \$500.00 in cash awards is confined this year to the competitors from the County of Halton. President Geo. Headhead and his fellow executive officers have also provided a special class for Halton contestants under 18 years, with tractors. Another class confined to Haltonians is one open to tractor mounted plows and three or four furrow tractors type plows. Here the awards offered total \$180. The judges of the day will be Winfred Timbers of Stouffville, and Geo. Howtraxer of Kitchener on the

ridges; and Halton's own T. J. Brownridge on the teams. The event will conclude with a banquet in the Orange Hall at Hordley, where Mr. Clifford F. White will be the guest speaker. Other programme will include numbers by one of Halton's outstanding male quartettes. In short, with favorable weather, Halton's 1957 Match on October 26th should be well up to the standard of former years, and that means one of the top County Matches in Ontario.

Farm Work Advanced On Halton Farms

The weather conditions of the latter part of September and the early part of October have contributed much to the fact that fall work is further advanced than in many years. On the great majority of Halton farms, the silage has been filed and despite the fact that corn in general was not a normal crop, most of the silage is ready filed and in many instances some additional corn remains standing.

Fall plowing too is well ahead for the time of year, true on the heavier soils, the land is getting a bit dry and hard which makes plowing on some fields a bit difficult. In short the moisture for today (Thursday) will be very welcome on most farms. Last week in company with Howard Henry of the Field Crops Branch, we made the final inspection trip in connection with our Pasture Competition. With few exceptions we found the pastures in better than normal condition for the time of year.

True, some of the pastures were getting a bit dry and lacking palatability, but in most cases the aftermath on the meadows was providing appetizing meals. This was the third inspection visit during the season, and we can't help but wonder if some of our farm operators who have flats or ravines aren't mowing a bit. In a great many cases such areas are pretty much blue grass and weeds, with thorn trees, etc., taking possession. Yet when one sees what Jim McKay has done at the Maiden Farm it makes one wonder. At Maiden Farm some 30 or 35 acres of flats have been reclaimed and irrigated. At this time of year one visits that farm, those flats are lush, and providing ideal pasturage. In short, in our opinion, they now constitute the most valuable part of the farm in question.

Faster Students Given New Tasks

EDMONTON (CP)—Smart children may get what is coming to them here this fall. A program which will allow specifically to complete four grades in three years is being tried out in Parkallen public school. Pupils in each class are divided into three groups, fast, average and slow. Each works at his own rate. But the faster pupils in Grade 1 may soon be doing Grade 2 work while the average are completing Grade 1, and the slow ones are still in the middle of it. The children are classified as the teachers become really familiar with the work capacity of the pupils. Intelligence tests and observation of class work are the guides. The system is working, says Joseph Ellington, the school principal, says the children now work closer to their levels of ability and are more at ease.

Halton Girl Wins Ag. Representative With Prize Steer

No less than 34 steers entered the 4-H ring for Judges Ed Starr of the Ontario Livestock Branch, and McKenzie Hall, of Avy. Here Halton's Evelyn McKay had the "champion steer" honors in the first prize group, including John Hepburn of Campbellville, and Carolyn Gardhouse of Milton. These three later combined to win the 4-H inter-county class. It is also worthy of note that Evelyn McKay later took her steer to the reserve grand championship in the open market classes.

Halton Ploughboys At International

Wednesday of last week saw some of Halton's ploughboys off to Simcoe for the International. In the inter-county class Halton was represented by Arnold Howden of Milton RR 4, and Don Taylor of Burlington RR 2. The awards in this competition will be based on a "handing" class on Thursday, and a regular match class on Friday. The young men in question were accompanied by their respective coaches, Thomas Howden and J. Spencer Wilson.

Others who were in action in tractor plowing included Jack H. Taylor of Burlington RR 2, while in the horse plow classes Halton was also well and worthily represented by the May Bros. (Stan and Lloyd) of the Hornby district. An account of the awards won will be included in our article of next week.

4-H Club Exhibitors Win Honors at Fair

In the 4-H Jersey ring Ernest Alexander of Norval had the top Jersey heifer calf, with Keith Ella in the second spot. These two calves along with that of Margaret Alexander, then went on to win the inter-club award for Halton. Again it is worthy of note that in the open show, Ernest Alexander also won the junior female championship on his 4-H Club calf.

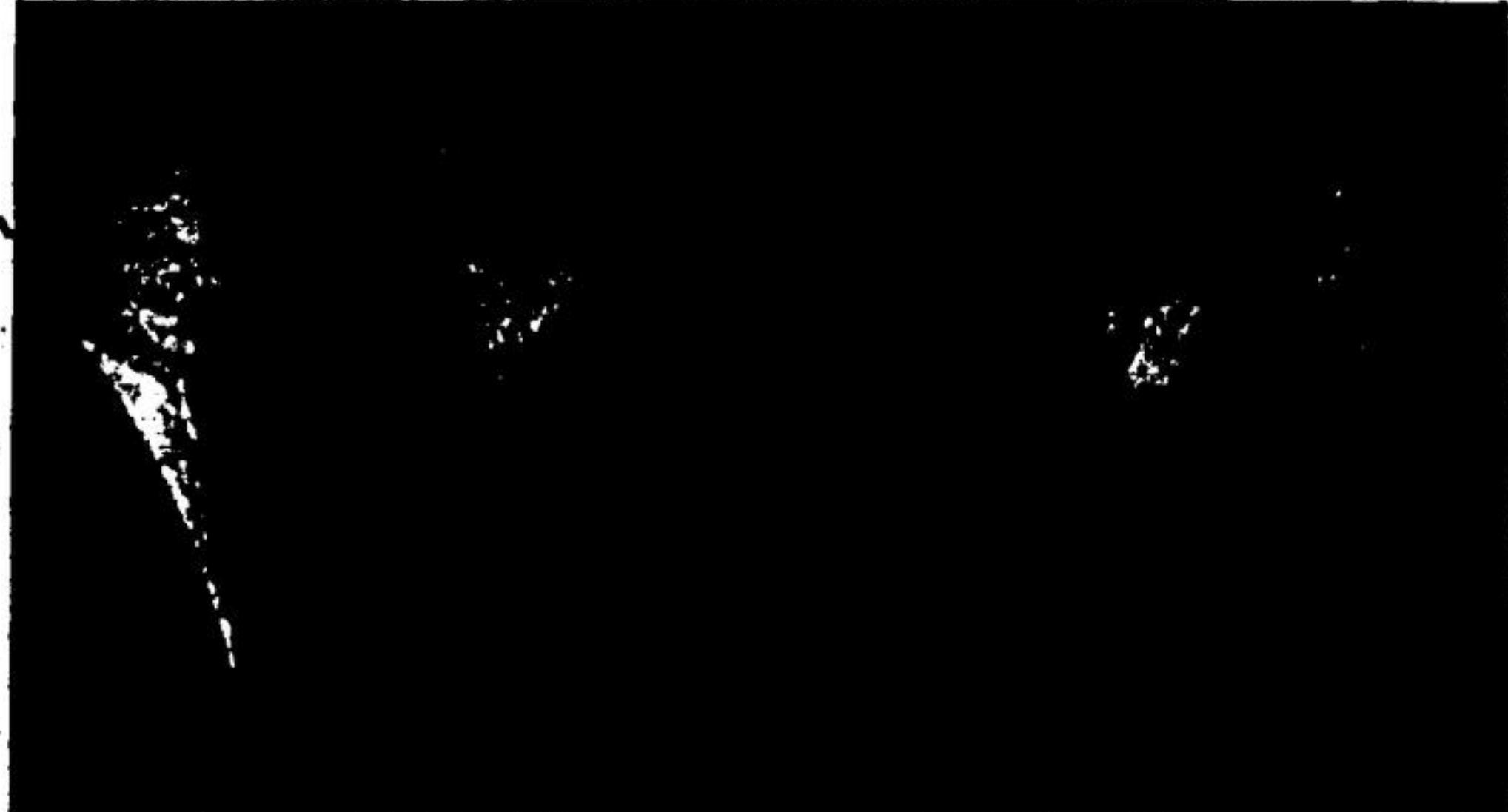
Delmar Ford, Mervin Curtis, and David Lawrence, represented the Halton 4-H Swine Club at Erin. Here Delmar and Mervin had their girls in the first prize group, and that of Delmar was reserve champion of the show. Three members from each of Halton's three 4-H Grain Clubs also exhibited at Erin. Out of the nine entries, seven were in the first prize group—namely, James Aikens and Ted Freeman of the Acton 4-H Club; Ernest Alexander, Lynne Coulter and John Wilson, of the Georgetown 4-H Club; and Eugene Coulter and Dwight May of the Milton Club.

Stone Church Filled For 95th Anniversary

Stone United Church on Erasmus Township's Fourth Line celebrated its 95th anniversary on Sunday with the lovely stone building filled to capacity for both morning and evening services.

The minister, Rev. G. A. B. Moore, spoke at both services. Special music was prepared by the choir, conducted by Mrs. P. Lloyd. Organist I. Royley of Guelph, a former resident of Erasmus township, contributed some very fine music. Built in 1862, the Stone church has a warm place in the hearts of the members of the church. Many are descendants of the founders of the church. An earlier building stood near the present stone edifice, said to have been partly logs and partly frame. The earliest records were lost in a fire some years ago when in the hands of a caretaker.

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REV. G. A. B. MOORE, is pictured chatting with May Leslie, Harold Gales, Harry Stone and William Jackson following the 95th anniversary services in the Stone United Church on Erasmus Township's 4th line, last Sunday.

Bull Mastiffs Aid Policemen

VANCOUVER (CP)—Two bull mastiffs have joined the police department here for "special" work and their breeder says they require no special training. Breeder Don Lovelace said the mastiffs are natural for the kind of work demanded of them by police and will chase "the bad strangers".

"They're not working dogs though they have a good look. Their natural work is to chase the man and that's their job. They would hunt you down if you try to get up to bad."

ATTACKED BY NERBY
DAWSON CREEK, B.C. (CP)—Rags, Mark of York's bulldog, escaped 21 stitches to some ears, wounds after he was attacked by a 120-pound male black dog. The dog was destroyed.

BOY WITH CHARACTER

"Carl has character," said a daughter, drooping over her rather studious-looking boy friend. "You can see it in his eyes."

BOOK TREASURE

CALGARY (CP)—Davidson Gordon picked out of a pile of discarded cards left by a departing tenant the volume "History of Scots in Canada" by JOHN MURPHY Gibson, published in 1911, now considered a collector's item.

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Big Beef Show At Erin Fair

The beef breeds, particularly the Shorthorns and Angus, were out in numbers and quality at Erin on Thanksgiving Day. Needless to add, Halton exhibitors were major prize winners throughout. In the strong Shorthorn classes, Scotlande herd with Manager Maurice Baker in charge, won most of the first prize awards. Other Haltonians who were strong contenders throughout included Reford Gardhouse, W. H. Merry, T. C. Amos, and Grant Campbell.

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E. G. TYLER, Mayor



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A Reception for the Bishop and the Candidates will be held in the Parish Hall following the services.

Thanks for the memories...

... the memories of days when I was haunted by a shovel, and hauling ashes was a weekly chore... the memories of days when filmy greasy walls and furniture caused so many cleaning bills... and the memories of delivery noises (at any hour of the day or night) - - - what happened?

What brought about these memories?

Well, I've done away with old fashioned fuels and installed automatic gas heat.

I'm relaxed - and why not? I don't have a worry in the world as far as heating goes. On these variable fall days and nights, my automatic gas furnace keeps the house at an even comfortable temperature. No over-heating; no opening windows to cool the place off during the day.

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