

Halton's Agricultural Committee Recommends Farm Pond Policy

Halton's Agricultural Committee, under the chairmanship of Reeve John Milne, is recommending that the county farm pond policy be continued during 1958. Since the policy came into effect six years ago a total of 72 farm ponds in Halton have been approved under the policy, which provides a subsidy of \$1 per cent of the cost up to a maximum of \$100.

This financial assistance is provided jointly by the Halton County Council in co-operation with the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

In order to qualify for this financial assistance interested farm operators must first make application before any construction work begins at the Agricultural Office in Milton. The proposed site is then inspected and if satisfactory, construction work may commence.

Halton farm operators contemplating the construction of a farm pond in 1958 should lose no time in filing their applications, which are accepted in the order received. Only a limited number of ponds can be approved in any one year, and in order to qualify must have as their objective to provide water for either domestic or livestock purposes, fire protection or irrigation purposes.

Halton Club Leaders Launch 4-H Program

Saturday, March 29, saw Halton's 4-H program launched for 1958. This was the occasion of the annual 4-H Rally at Fairview school, sponsored by Halton's 4-H Club Leaders Council. Some 350 club members, parents and friends were in attendance for the gala event.

A T. Woodley, chairman of the 4-H Club Leaders Council, was the master of ceremonies and he and his committee provided an enjoyable evening's program for young and old.

Wednesday evening of last week, the Acton 4-Hs, under the leadership of club leader Nino Branda and associate agricultural representative J. Allen Francis, held their organization meeting at Lorne school. A 4-H Grain and Forage Club has been organized at this centre.

The officers elected were as follows: president, Don Swackhamer; vice-president, James Atken; secretary-treasurer, Bill Kerr.

The organization meeting for all other 4-H Halton Clubs is scheduled for the Milton high school on Friday evening, April 11.

Producers Told Market Glutted

The advent of the bulk dairy resulted in a slight decrease in the number of shippers to the Toronto market, stated John W. Pawley, secretary-manager of the Toronto Milk Producers at a meeting of the executive of District No. 12 held at Stewarttown on Tuesday evening last.

Along with this stated Mr. Pawley, the average shipper has increased his output and in the overall analysis the Toronto market is over supplied. Furthermore, the distribution of milk in Toronto is becoming increasingly competitive. As a result, the Highland Dairy is reported to have closed its doors on March 31 last and some 12 Halton shippers were left without a market.

However, we understand these shippers are being absorbed by another dairy, but at the present time there is little possibility of securing an increased base, stated Mr. Pawley. We gathered that indications are that milk markets are likely to be flooded during May and June.

Present prospects point to an open meeting for all milk shippers in District No. 12 being held some

Elect Donald Swackhamer President Acton 4-H Club

At a recent meeting of the Acton 4-H Grain and Forage Club, Donald Swackhamer was elected president for 1958. Donald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Swackhamer, R.R. 2, Acton, and is 14, entering his third year in 4-H club work, having already completed two grain and two forage projects.

Vice-president is James Atken, son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Atken, R.R. 3, Acton. James is the winner of two previous projects in grain and is also 14 years of age. Bill Kerr, 18, who was elected secretary, has been active in 4-H clubs in the Georgetown area and is now foreman at Loraine Jersey Farms, owned by J. W. Wolfe.

Sixteen district boys are under-

taking the forage project, for which they will seed down one acre to the newest improved varieties of hay, pasture mixture including Vernal alfalfa, Lasalle red clover, Linseed, bromegrass and timothy, along with a companion crop of Garry or Rodney oats.

Guest Outlines Meat Industry

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Livestock Marketing specialist, R. K. Bennett, of the Canada Department of Agriculture, told delegates at a joint beef breeds meeting in Brandon, Manitoba, recently, that the main problem facing the beef industry at present is competition from other products to the consumer's dollar. The market is highly competitive, he said, so the beef producer must set his standards to meet the demands of the housewife.

Mr. Bennett pointed out that, despite the fact that the per capita consumption of beef has increased over 50 per cent since 1950, the per capita consumption of poultry has stepped up about 64 per cent, and that of turkey meat alone to about 300 per cent.

This expansion of the market for poultry meats may not have been entirely at the expense of the beef industry, he said, but nevertheless, is to some extent replacing it.

Cost of Production

Another very important consideration in the meat industry is the retail price of broilers and of steaks in the self-service counter.

The average weekly kill of broilers in the province of Ontario is estimated at 800,000.

Assuming an average dressed weight of two and a quarter pounds, Mr. Bennett said the weekly tonnage of broilers in Ontario is equal to about 2,700 beef carcasses. This represents almost 25 per cent of the weekly average inspected kill of cattle in Ontario.

The result of this shows up in

time the week of May 19 at Stewarttown and we would suggest that every Halton shipper to the Toronto market make a special effort to be in attendance and thereby secure first hand information on their market and some of the possible developments.

There is no charm so great as the charm of a cheerful temperament.

According to Mr. Bennett, it takes approximately seven pounds of grain to produce a pound of live beef cattle. On the other hand, the broiler is now producing a pound of live broiler with less than three pounds of feed.

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23 Ways

Help Reduce Your Income Tax

A list of 23 tips on how Canadians may reduce their income tax is offered by John Dalrymple in the current Liberty magazine.

1. There's a new, optional \$100 deduction for everyone this year. You can claim this standard deduction of \$100 for all medical expenses, charitable donations, and union dues, without submitting receipts or you can claim more, if you are entitled, and submit receipts in the old way.

2. You may now include in your medical expenses payment for full time care in a nursing home of a mentally retarded dependent.

3. This year, you may deduct your contributions, up to \$1,500 a year, as an employee, to a registered pension fund. If you are not part of a pension fund, you may deduct premiums, up to 10 per cent of your income, that you pay into a registered retirement savings plan, to a maximum of \$2,500.

4. Ordinarily, if you are in business, you need not report bond interest, if you do not clip the coupons on heavier bonds that year. The coupons are income only the year you clip and cash them.

5. Many leave coupons, undeposited during years they have high income and a high tax rate. They have them to cash in years when income (and tax) is lower. Bank interest or other investment income must be reported.

6. If you became 65 years of age last year, you are entitled to an extra \$600 exemption from now on.

7. Get married on the last day of the year, you will still rate the full year's \$1,000 exemption for your wife. She is taxed for that year as a single person.

8. Make sure your babies are born in December, you still rate the full \$120 exemption. And if your child says at 16, gets a job he won't have time to earn enough that year to rob you of your full exemption then.

9. Invest in taxable Canadian corporations. As they pay taxes before they divide up profits, you are entitled to a deduction of 20 per cent of the dividends you collect.

10. If you live or work in the Province of Quebec, you get a 10 per cent deduction, because of Quebec's provincial income tax.

11. Make sure your kids don't earn more than \$500 a year. You'll lose them as exemptions.

12. If you support your aged parents, or infirm brothers and sisters, you're entitled to some exemption. You can claim them as dependents, provided they don't earn more than \$500 a year.

13. If you are separated get together with your ex-spouse, to decide which children each of you will claim as dependents. If you both claim the same child, the Tax

Jury, you are entitled to a \$500 deduction.

14. A girl who attends school and gets married the same year can be claimed as a dependent by both her parents and her husband. The parents claim the dependent's \$600 exemption. The husband gets the wife's \$1,000 exemption.

15. If you rented rooms in your home, you can deduct a portion of the taxes, insurance and maintenance costs from your income. Example: If you rent two of your eight rooms you can deduct 25% of the maintenance costs.

16. Don't count Unemployment Insurance, Family Allowances, Workmen's Compensation, dividends from a life insurance policy or war disability pensions as taxable income.

17. If you inherit money from the capital of an estate, it's not taxable but if you inherit income from an estate, you must pay tax.

18. If you receive payments from a mortgage, only the portion of them that represents the interest you are charging for the loan is taxable.

19. Provided you are not a professional gambler, your winnings at race tracks or bingo games are taxable.

20. If you get advice from a professional investment counselor, before you buy stocks and bonds you can deduct half the fees you pay him. But you cannot deduct the commission you pay the broker to buy them.

21. If you become totally blind any time last year, or were confined to bed or wheelchair for an entire year, through illness or injury.

22. Get married on the last day of the year, you will still rate the full year's \$1,000 exemption for your wife. She is taxed for that year as a single person.

23. If you have a working wife, who earns more than \$1,000, while you have a considerably larger income, you may save money by letting her pay all the medical bills, and claim them on her tax. As the 3% of income that must be deducted from medical expenses will be smaller on her return, the deduction she can claim will be greater.

Basic Needs Important Halton Teachers Learn

J. B. Healy, assistant superintendent of the professional development branch of the Department of Education, told 200 Halton public school teachers, children need challenging teachers to whom their appetites for learning are shared with the home and the community organizations."

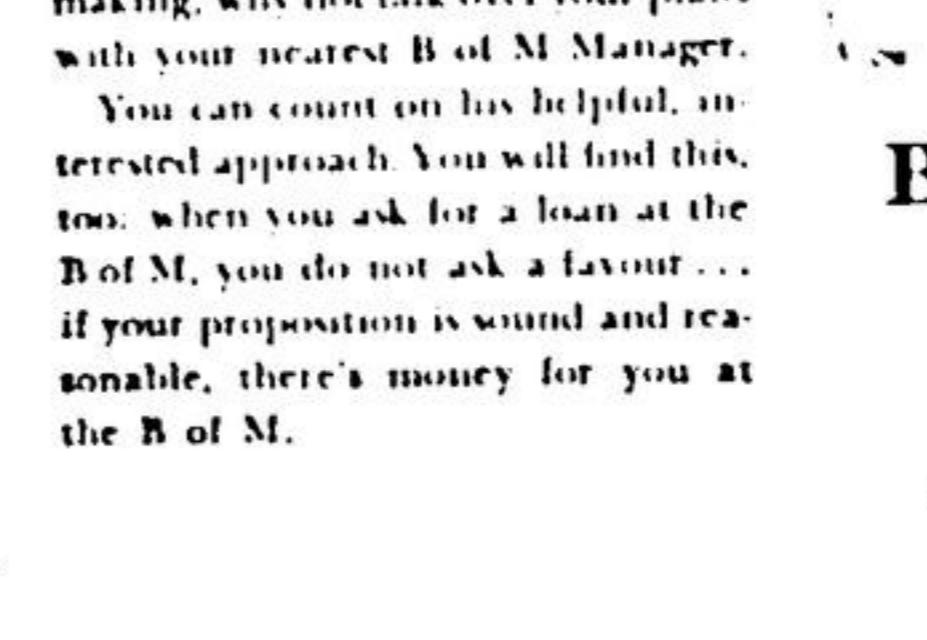
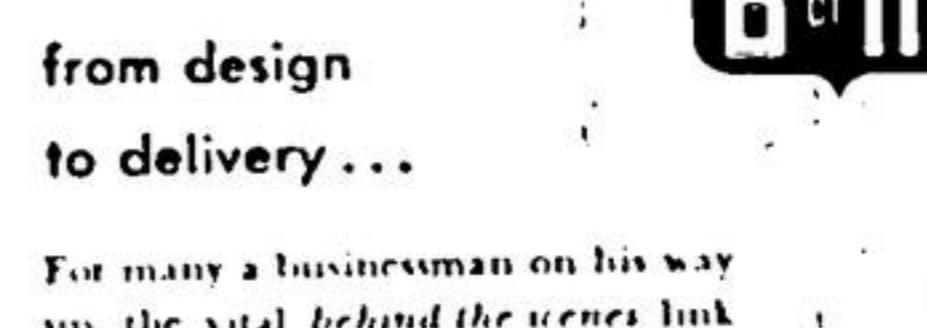
He also explained that the department is organizing additional courses this summer for teachers Glenwood school, Burlington. He who are eager to learn more about



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