

**FARM NEWS**

**R. M. Hudspeth, Fair President  
Guest, Milton Fair Board Dinner**

The Agricultural Hall in the Milton Fair Grounds was the scene of a most enjoyable banquet and social evening on Wednesday evening of last week.

The officers and directors of the Milton Agricultural Society, under the leadership of president Frank W. Chisholm, were out in goodly numbers to enjoy the delicious banquet served by the members of the Homey Girls Softball Club and the excellent program. The highlight of which was an inspiring address by R. M. Hudspeth, Secretary of Caledonia Agricultural Society and president of Class A and B Fairs for Ontario.

In addition the Milton Junior Farmer quartet under the leadership of Mrs. George Newell, delighted the audience with their selections as did guest president Howard Armstrong with his amusing reading.

Reference was made by Mr. Hudspeth to the decrease in the number of Agricultural Societies in Ontario from a total of 411 in 1921 to 246 in 1957.

Successful fairs such as years at Milton just don't happen, stated Mr. Hudspeth. It serves as a good wall and a ladder between our rural and urban people and is a tribute to the pioneer directors who laid the foundation.

In connection with the latter we were interested to learn from M. J. ...

Carton, of Milton R. R. 3, who has been active in Agricultural Society work for over 60 years, and a member of the Milton Society for 47 or 48 years, that in 1853, the first year the Milton Society operated a fair, the total prize money paid was \$305.

In that year there was no charge at the gate, and memberships received totalled \$100 on a basis of 25 cents per person. The government grant in that year was \$200. By 1957 this grant had decreased to \$100 but gate receipts were \$670, other municipal grants totaling \$100. In this latter year, the prize money paid had jumped to \$964.

These figures may seem a "far cry" from those of 1957, nevertheless there is a strong possibility that those pioneer officers and directors contributed as much or more in time and effort than is done by their counterparts of today, and that would be saying a good deal.

Numbered among the guests who spoke briefly was Stanley L. Hall, M.L.A., who extended congratulations to the Milton Society instigating one of the best county fairs in the province of Ontario.

The evening concluded with progressive euchre, where the prize winners were: ladies first, Mrs. Stanley L. Hall; second, Mrs. Tom Bousfield; men's first, Clayton May; second, Tom Bousfield.

**Brucellosis Control  
Scheduled for Halton**

The Brucellosis Control Area Program is likely to get underway in Halton in early June. The program will be under the direction of Dr. Twiss of the Brampton office of the Health of Animals Branch, Canada Department of Agriculture, at which point a meeting of participating veterinarians and others interested was held on Wednesday afternoon of last week.

While no definite date for the initiation of the program in Halton was announced, we can state that plans are underway to commence blood testing in Halton just as soon as the Health of Animals Branch can complete arrangements for the necessary personnel, equipment etc.

The first test in Prince Edward County has now been completed and we understand the number of reactors represents approximately one-half of one per cent of the total cattle population.

In Oxford County, where slightly over 2,000 herds or approximately 50 per cent of the total, have been tested to date, the program reveals that 1.16 per cent of the total cattle population are showing a positive reaction.

Mr. MacBride said that when his family first arrived in Kenya everybody wore guns. "One of the ladies in formal clothes wearing pistols and one unfortunate man in evening dress with a shiny patent leather holster for his revolver."



**RICHARD HARRIS** is pictured with the font he made for the Rockwood Presbyterian Church recently. Mr. Harris, who is one of Rockwood's older citizens, is quite active in his civic duties. A news correspondent for the Acton Free Press, he can be seen daily in the village of Rockwood gathering the district news.

**Mau Mau Troubles  
Again Stir Kenya**

**VICTORIA (CP)**—The Mau Mau trouble in Kenya colony again is getting bad, said Mr. and Mrs. A. S. MacBride in an interview here.

Mr. MacBride is chief accountant for California-Texas Oil in the Red Seas area, operating out of Nairobi, Kenya. With their 15 year old daughter, Jill, they are spending three weeks here.

"If I go to a bridge party," said Mrs. MacBride, "Jill comes, too, and sleeps in the home of my hosts. Children are never left alone with the native servants for five minutes."

The Ontario Hospital Services Commission insurance plan is a step into a new era of hospital care for the people of Ontario.

A pamphlet outlining the highlights of the plan is now available and can be secured from the Agricultural Office in Milton.

We also note that the Ontario Hospital Services Commission at the Parliament Buildings, Queen's Park, Toronto, has available for loan a 25 minute 16 mm sound film which outlines the services which are provided under the plan.

**Halton Growth Slow  
Due to Dry Weather**

Last Thursday when we were writing this column, nearly all sections of the county were badly in need of moisture. Growth to date has been very slow and certainly the majority of the meadows and pastures at that time did not look very promising. The grasses in particular showed considerable frost injury.

However, if we get those warm showers we need so badly, and surely they will be along soon, then we still have every confidence that we'll have a good hay crop. We note from the weekly Crop and Farm report of the Ag Dept. as of May 7 that in eastern Ontario and also in western Ontario they have had plenty of moisture.

In fact in sections of eastern Ontario they have had too much moisture and seeding is very backward in western Ontario they refer to recent rains so it looks as if central Ontario is the only area which has been missed.

Some grain corn was planted in Halton early last week which is a bit of a record for this section of Ontario. Aways up in Ramo River district, we note that 75 per cent of the seeding had been completed by May 7; however, in Cochrane some plowing is reported, but no seeding at the date mentioned.

**Outline Events  
To Take Place**

Friday night of this week, namely May 23, is the date of the Annual Holstein Milk Twilight Meeting at Hays Sales Agency. This popular event has an added feature this year in that it provides an opportunity for a preview of the cattle being offered for sale in the National and Home disposal sales.

The members of Halton's 4-H Dairy Club, who are the guests of the Halton Holstein Club when in addition to demonstrations and judging contests, the program includes an address by Mr. Clifford F. Wade of Lowville.

On Saturday, May 24, Halton Juniors are holding their Annual Field Day at Lowville Park. Here the program calls for inter-club softball tournaments for both boys and girls, inter-club tag of war and horse shoe pitching contests, etc. Teams to represent Halton in the Western Ontario inter-county Junior Farmer Field Day at Guelph on Saturday, June 28, will be selected at the Halton field day.

Then at Stewarttown on the evening of Wednesday, May 28, we note that E. M. Diggs, Dairy Commissioner for Ontario and J. W. Lawley, secretary-manager of the Toronto Milk Producers' Association, are addressing the sixth annual Producers' Night. The program also calls for a film, "Passage to Power," a St. Lawrence Seaway film and musical numbers.

Incidentally we note that the ladies are extended a special invitation to all three events, and at the Holstein Twilight on May 23, as well as at the Producers' Meeting at Stewarttown on May 28, lunch is being served.

**The Bible Today**

In 1945 the British & Foreign Bible Society circulated 5,000,000 copies of Scriptures. In 1950 the annual circulation had gone up to 6,400,000. In 1957 we circulated almost 10,000,000 copies of Scriptures, stated Rev. Dr. W. J. Platt recently while addressing a meeting in Hamilton, Ontario.

The Bible Society supplies Scriptures for the mission fields of the world of no cost to the Mission Societies. Of Scriptures requested in 1958 the Bible Society will be obliged to retard production orders by over \$100,000 despite the urgent demand for these editions.

Suggested readings for the week: Sunday, Genesis 11-19, Monday, Genesis 24, 1-33, Tuesday, Genesis 24, 34-67, Wednesday, Genesis 27, 1-29, Thursday, Genesis 27, 30-46, Friday, Genesis 31, 1-20, Saturday, Numbers 13, 17-32.

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**Carving on Stone  
Recalls Old Cult**

**MOOSE JAW, Sask. (CP)**—A carving known as a petroglyph, found on a huge boulder near Weyburn in south-east Saskatchewan, has been identified as being longed to the Southern Death Cult.

"The cult flourished as a kind of religious revival in the lower Mississippi valley and the south-east United States about 400 years ago," says Prof. Boyd Wetflafer, an archaeologist at the Saskatchewan Museum of Natural History. "In its later aspects the paraphernalia of the Death Cult shows a considerable Mexican influence. The Death Cult died out about 300 years ago."

**ANNOUNCEMENT  
TO THE HARD OF HEARING**

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