FARM NEWS

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GIRLS' BASEBALL CHAMPS at the Junior Farmers' field day on Saturday in the Lowville park was the Milton entry as they defeated Palermo 23-8. A large crowd was on hand to watch the Junior Farmers as they participated in baseball, horseshoe pitching and tug of war. Playing for the winning team were Lorna Woodley, Audrey Peacock, Marilyn Eves, Ruth and Joyce Robertson, Marion Ford, Katherine Ford, Evelyn McKay and Shirley Downs.

Milton, Norval Teams to Represent Halton Juniors at District Field Day

Field day was held in the Halton Federation of Agriculture park at Lowville on Saturday afternoon with nearly 200 Junior Farmers from Halton County participating in baseball games horseshoe pitching and tug of war. Milton won both the girls and boys baseball championships and Norval won the horseshoe pitching.

Palermo beat Acton

In the first baseball game it was Palermo vs Acton and Palermo came out on top 12-2. Players for the Acton team were: B. Somerville, D. Moffat, R. Sheet, B. W. Marshall, D. Manes, T. Nightingale, G. Robertson, B. Marshall and Max Sprowl.

Players for the Palermo team were: Don Vivian, Donny Pepe, Buck Richardson, John Pepe, Ken Vivian, Dave Murray, Gordon Greer and Barry Broughton.

Norval Drops Out

In the second game Milton defeated Norval 9-2. Player for the Milton team were: Frances Bayer, Mary Woodley, Audrey Peacock, Marilyn Eves, Ruth and Joyce Robertson, Marion and Katherine Ford, Evelyn McKay and Shirley Downs.

Hey-foot pitching caused quite a lot of excitement with Acton pitcher John Ford and Fred Thompson defeating Palermo's Dave Murray and Barry Broughton 21-14.

Norval defeated Milton player Harry Sorenson and Harold Joyce in the second game 21-4.

To Represent Halton

In the final game Norval trounced Acton 21-7 to win the horseshoe pitching crown.

Norval's horseshoe champs Dave Lesia and Dave Robinson will represent Halton at the finals to be held at Guelph, June 28. The two Milton baseball teams will also represent the County on that day.

stock. At Coolidge, Jack Gervais, Gordon Gillies, John Wilmott, Ben Dexter, Clarence McCann, Jim Gillie and Johnny Eves.

The feature game for the championship was played between Milton and Palermo with Milton coming out on top to win the game by a score of 7-4.

Girls Lose 15-6

Two games were played in the girls' division with Palermo playing against Acton and winning 15-6.

Player for the Palermo team were: Helen Bradymore, Betty Campbell, Evelyn Busch, Mary Lou Taylor, Barbara Biggar, Joan Weir, Barbara Packard, Audrey, Vivian, Helen Biggs and Diane Munro. Acton players were: Betty Wheeler, Dora Thompson, Carol Cowles, Pat Hilchey, Mary Elliott, Marjorie Eves, Donna McMillan, Lorraine Jackson and Cathy Elliott.

Clash in Final

Clashing for the championship were Milton and Palermo with Milton coming up through the haze to take the ball game with a dazzling score of 23-8.

Player for the Milton team were: Lorna Woodley, Audrey Peacock, Marilyn Eves, Ruth and Joyce Robertson, Marion and Katherine Ford, Evelyn McKay and Shirley Downs.

Recent Showers Pep Up Growth

Last week's showers, while still far short of being adequate to meet requirements, nevertheless have "pepped up" growth of all crops. Pastures and meadows in general are short for the time of year and certainly needed the stimulant.

On Thursday of last week, we were impressed by the growth of two different pastures which had been treated with applications of nitrogen in early April. On the farm of Johnson Neeland of Hornby, a 12 acre field had been divided into three four acre paddocks by means of electric fence.

One four-acre paddock had received an application of Urea (46 per cent nitrogen) plus triple sulphophate), a second paddock of similar acreage had received an equal amount of nitrogen in the form of ammonium nitrate or Nitraprills plus triple superphosphate.

At the moment the plot which received the Urea seemed to be well in advance but both treated plots were away out in front of the non-treated paddock.

We also had a look at another somewhat similar demonstration on the farm of Brock Harris, near Lowville. Here a 16 acre field had been also sub-divided for rotational grazing. On the Harris farm the mature herd of 42 cows was turned out on this field on April 25.

While the herd was transferred to another field for a short period they are now back on the 16 acre field, which is largely Orchard Grass, for a second foot. One only has to see this field to realize why Mr. Harris is such a booster of Orchard Grass he manages it.

On the same day we saw other pasture fields which were quite a contrast to those mentioned. In short, they were "short" and instead of being a good tight healthy sward, they were open with plenty of dandelions and other weeds and the color a pale yellowish green, except here and there where the cattle droppings had promoted bunch growth.

Meadows, too, show just as great differences. 1957 by and large was a good year to secure seed catches—but what a contrast—here and there one notes fields of alfalfa and clover 12 to 15 inches in height, while on other farms there is little growth in the meadows and they are open at the bottom.

What a difference fertility does make! Over the years, D.H.I.A. figures reveal a tremendous spread in the cost of producing milk.

Halton Junior Farmers Church Service

The ninth annual church service of Halton Junior Farmers was held in St. Paul's United Church, Milton, on Sunday evening, May 18. There was a gratifying congregation in attendance for an evening service but there was room for more.

Those present must have been impressed as we were, by the manner in which the young people carried out their various roles or parts in the service. In short they reflected much credit on their respective homes and churches. In our opinion, the parents present had every reason to be very proud of their young people.

Following a few words of welcome from Rev. J. Lorne Graham, minister of St. Paul's, president Roy Ford of the Halton Juniors took charge of the service in which he was assisted by vice-president Sandy Buchanan.

The speaker of the evening, Miss Katherine Merry, took as her subject "The Future is Now." Her presentation and development of the topic was keenly enjoyed and appreciated by her congregation.

The anthems of the Junior Farmer choir, trained and led by Mrs. George Newell, also contributed much to the enjoyment of the service.

Following the benediction a rosaria percentage of the congregation adjourned to the Sunday School room for a "Fireside Hour" where the choir, assisted by Miss Barbara Cunningham and the Halton Junior Farmer quartette composed of John Eves, Howson Ruddell, Tom Hunter and Stuart McFadden, presented a most enjoyable program.

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Dairy Queen Representative To be Selected by Competition

Halton dairy groups, with representatives present from Acton, Georgetown, Milton, Oakville and Toronto Milk Producers, met in Milton on May 16 to discuss ways and means of selecting Halton's representative for the Dairy Queen contest at the Canadian National Exhibition. Other groups represented at this meeting were the Halton Cream Producers, Halton Federation of Agriculture and the Halton Junior Farmers.

J. H. Taylor, president of the Halton Federation of Agriculture, was appointed chairman of the county committee, with A. Roy Coulter as county secretary. While three Halton young ladies have signified their intention of competing for the honor of being Halton's princess in the big competition, further applications will be received up until Monday, June 16.

The three young ladies who have signified their desire of representing Halton in the competition for the Ontario Dairy Queen title and the overseas trip to Great Britain are: Miss Mary Lou Robertson of Oakville, R.R. 1; Miss Mary Lou Taylor of Burlington, R.R. 2; and Miss Lorna Woodley of Milton, R.R. 1.

The meeting in Milton on May 16 was convened by J. A. Bell of Guelph, a member of the staff of the Dairy Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

This meeting decided that the Halton Princess will be selected by means of a county contest, where local contestants will demonstrate their respective proficiencies in preparing and milking a cow and in the handling of milk, sanitation, etc. To this end the following committees were appointed:

Selection: James Marshall, John M. Bird and J. H. Taylor.

Publicity: Barbara Cunningham and A. R. Coulter.

Finance: Clifford Brown, Melvin McCullough, Wm. Rayner, Fred Brooks, James Marshall, John M. Bird, J. H. Taylor and Roy F. Ford.

Halton Plowmen Plan '58 Matches

Halton Plowmen under the leadership of president Leonard Lister met in Milton on Wednesday evening of last week when tentative plans were made for both the junior and senior matches.

The Junior Farmer Match is scheduled for Saturday, September 6th and the senior County Match on Saturday, October 25th.

John W. Packet, Keith Merry and Don Taylor were appointed to select the site for the junior match, and Lloyd May, Thomas Howden and J. C. Marshall as the committee to select the site for the big county match, which this year is scheduled for Trafalgar township.

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—Hydro workers this week installed a new hydro pole and heavier transformer at the park to service the arena.

Construction workers are removing the turrets at the United Church this week.

The cement flooring has been poured at the new change stations at Acton park.

Trees are being trimmed around town this week.

Fishermen have been busy at Fairy Lake this year and a few good catches have been reported.

—Minor baseball is off to a good start at the local ball diamonds.

The gardens and flower beds around town are showing the results of a lot of hard work by the owners.

ANTIQUES HELPED

PORT HOPE, Ont. (CP)—More than 200 people crowded St. Mark's rectory to see an exhibit of antiques loaned in support of the church's building fund. Many were 17th century silver articles.

PROPERTY OWNERS

WEEDS

Notice is hereby given to all property owners in accordance with the Weed Control Act, Ontario, Sections 3, 7, 10 and 12, that unless weeds growing on their lands within the municipalities of Esquesing and Nassagaweya are cut down or otherwise destroyed by June 16, 1958 and also throughout the season the Municipality may enter upon said lands and have the weeds destroyed charging the costs against the lands in the taxes, as set out in the act.

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