



AUTHENTIC INDIAN DRESS is tried on by members of the 4-H Homemaking Class as they attended a conference at the O.A.C. this week. Over 200 girls are attending the class. Shown above left to right are: Elsie Martin, Tweed; Margaret Morrison, Acton; Mrs. Paryathik Basur, of India; Margaret Wallace, Clifford and Pat Meek, St. Thomas. Mrs. Basur supplied the costumes for the ladies.

Junior Farmers 4-H Members To Enter Contest

Plans are now completed for the Land Judging Competition being jointly sponsored by the Sixteen and Credit Valley Conservation Authorities in co-operation with the Ontario Department of Agriculture. The event is scheduled for Thursday, July 24, on the farm of F. D. Charles, on the fifth line of Esquimaux.

Junior Farmers and 4-H Club members will be registering at the Stewartson Hall at 9:00 a.m. The morning will be spent on a tour, where they will receive instruction from members of the Soil Department at the O.A.C. on appraisal of soils, etc.

In the afternoon the young people will have their competition as previously indicated on the farm of F. D. Charles, where four pits will be dug in as many different soil types. The competitors will classify the different soil types and indicate their suitability for various designated crops.

Eye Opener
We attended a portion of a similar event in Peel County a year ago, and frankly, it was nothing less than an "eye-opener" to you and me. Provision is therefore being made for senior farm operators to see the four pits and soil profiles and hear a discussion led by Prof. Tom Lane of the Soils Advisory Service at the O.A.C.

This senior program is being called for 1:30 p.m. and we can only suggest to our farmer friends, that they make note of the date so they won't miss out on this opportunity of seeing for themselves—since normally, "Seeing is Believing."

HALTON COUNTY WEED CONTROL NEWS

by V. E. McARTHUR, COUNTY WEED INSPECTOR

Weeds growing on roadsides are unsightly, create a safety hazard, spread seeds to nearby cultivated fields and, in some cases are injurious to health.

When weeds are allowed to grow along the sides of roads, the tourist or visitor gets a very poor impression of the county and is inclined to feel that local residents take little interest or pride in appearances. Then, too, weeds and brush can obstruct the view of motorists and be the cause of accidents at cross roads or along narrow roads where they hide the edge of the ditch.

When weeds spread from roadside to fields they cause crop damage and loss of money to the farmer. For hay fever sufferers, the presence of "ragweed" on roadside can be a nuisance, as each passing car causes the pollen to swirl in all directions ready to torment the unfortunate victims as they drive by.

We in Halton County are quite fortunate, as most municipalities have been carrying out a good spray programme for several years. It is not easy for the authorities to do this as they encounter many susceptible crops adjacent to the roadside, where the sprayer must be turned off until the danger area is passed. Weed spraying cannot be undertaken on windy or rainy days.

SOMETIMES A SYMPTOM
Low blood pressure is usually a symptom rather than a specific disease. It may indicate some condition requiring medical attention. When this has been ruled out, a low blood pressure will probably return to normal. Self diagnosis in cases such as this may prove dangerous, the doctor is the only person qualified to prescribe the treatment required.

Rev. A. H. McKenzie Officiates At Local Presbyterian Church

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed at the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning and was well attended. Rev. Andrew McKenzie of Knox church, Acton, conducted the service.

During the service, Rev. McKenzie officiated at the baptismal ceremony for two children of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Deane. Two were also received into membership with the congregation.

Friday evening, pro communion was held when Mr. McKenzie was present and 10 were received into membership with the church. John Birch, student minister, also assisted in the service.

Two of the new elders who were inducted recently took their part in the service Sunday morning.

Ministers Conduct Services
Before leaving for his vacation in July, Rev. A. H. Moore conducted the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the United church. Rev. P. A. Sawyer, a former pastor of St. John's church, conducted the service Sunday morning. His many friends are pleased to know he will be present for July and August.

In the absence of Mrs. Mary Lloyd, organist at St. John's, D. K. B. Waller presided at the organ Sunday morning.

Blance Competition
At a recent competition in London, Margaret "Gladys" secured 23 points out of 24 in both trials.

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To Choose Halton Dairy Princess At Annual Hornby Garden Party

"Our Halton Dairy Princess will be selected in conjunction with the Hornby garden party on Saturday evening, July 19," states J. H. Taylor of Burlington, R. R. 2, who is chairman of the County Committee charged with that responsibility.

The panel of judges will include Everett Biggs, Commissioner of Dairying for Ontario, David Pollett of Guelph and one other still to be named.

Each of the four young ladies who have entered will be interviewed by the panel of judges and following this will give a minute and a half talk on the importance of the dairy industry in Ontario.

Excellent prizes are offered. Some excellent prizes are offered for the County contest, and these have been provided through the generosity of the following firms and organizations: Action Jersey Dairy, Masses Dairy, Action, Action Creamery, Action Milk Producers, Georgetown Dairy, Maple Leaf Dairy, Georgetown, Georgetown Milk Producers, Georgetown Creamery, Milton Creamery, Milton Milk Producers, Milton Dairy, Park Farm Dairy, Milton, District No. 12, Toronto Milk Producers, Oakville Dairy Co-op, Gilbrae Dairy, Oakville, Oakville Milk Producers, Halton Cream Producers and the Halton Federation of Agriculture.

Four Participants
The young ladies who are participating for the title of Halton's Dairy Princess are as follows: Miss Lorna Woodley of Milton R. R. 1; Miss Mary Lou Robinson of Oakville, R. R. 1; Miss Barbara Cunningham of Georgetown, R. R. 2 and Mrs. Jim Heid, also of Georgetown, R. R. 2.

Million Dollar Rain Aids Halton Pastures

Some Halton farm operators termed the showers on Wednesday of last week "A Million Dollar Rain" perhaps they are right but we would have liked it to continue for another 24 hours.

In any event, the showers in question should pep up the pastures, new seedlings and aftermath and also help to plump the spring grains which are now in head. Farm ponds and many wells are at their lowest point in some time.

Haying in Progress

Prior to the shower, the majority of Halton farm operators made excellent progress with their haying operations. Yields vary all the way from one-half ton to two tons to the acre, with one ton as a fair average.

One thing about it, the quality to date, that is as of June 28, is tops and much superior to most of the crop taken off in 1957. The cool, dry weather has retarded growth of the corn crop—in fact, some fields of corn failed to terminate after being planted at least three weeks.

However, now that July is here, let's hope for higher temperatures and frequent showers. One really bright spot in the agricultural picture has been the somewhat unexpected prices being received for cattle and hogs.

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Health Minister Urges Adults to Get Vaccine

Health Minister Mackinnon Phillips called upon all citizens of Ontario to double check their medical records to make certain all persons under 40 years of age have received the recommended dosage of polio vaccine.

"This vaccine is available without cost to every general practitioner in the province," Dr. Phillips said, "and I urge every resident to get their inoculations as soon as possible."

Agricultural Club Stages Bus Tour

On Friday of this week, some 60 4-H Agricultural Club members from Halton participated in a one day bus tour to the Ontario Agricultural College, where they were guests of that institution.

Associate Agricultural Representative J. Allen Francis, assisted by A. T. Woodley, chairman of Halton's Club Leaders' Advisory Council, was in charge of the Halton party.

4-H Homemakers At Conference

Last week saw some 200 4-H Homemakers from all parts of Ontario attending a three day conference at Macdonald Institute. Halton was represented by the following delegates—Ruth Robertson, Margaret Morrison, Shirley Hunt and Nancy McKenzie.

The theme of the conference was "Club Girls in Today's World". One of the many highlights of the program was a panel discussion, the members of which were from the countries of Formosa, the Bahamas, India and Trinidad.

It will be of interest to our readers to learn that the panel member from Trinidad is a niece of Halton's home economist, Mrs. Mabel Borgstrom.

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