



HALTON DAIRY PRINCESS chosen Friday night was Mary Lou Taylor, right, of Burlington. Runners-up were Mrs. Shirley Somerville, left, of Acton and Lillian Finnie, of Omagh, centre. The seventeen year old winner will represent Halton County at the C.N.E. competition for the title of Dairy Queen of Ontario.

Mrs. Borgstrom, Home Economist Leaving Halton for Further Study

It has been announced that Mrs. Mabel Borgstrom, home economist in Halton and Peel counties, will be taking a year's leave of absence for further study.

Mrs. Borgstrom was appointed to the Home Economics Service of the Extension Branch in Halton, Peel and York counties in 1953, and served in the three counties until 1956. Since 1956, Mrs. Borgstrom has acted as Home Economist in Halton and Peel counties. During this time, Mrs. Borgstrom has worked in connection with Junior Institute and Senior Institute programs, and has supervised and directed the 4-H Homemaking Clubs' program.

The leave of absence will commence on June 1. The appointment of a successor will be announced during the month of June.

June Bug Problem Can Result In 1960 White Grub Epidemic

During the past week, there have been reports of flights of June beetles. It is expected that this year in Halton we will have a large flight of adult beetles in May and June. There was considerable damage in this area in 1957, and so damage can be expected from White Grubs in July, August and September of next year, 1960.

The best time to treat is when the beetles are active this May or June.

White Grubs, the larvae of June beetles, very often cause a great deal of damage to plants by eating the roots and other underground parts. The beetles this year will fly in huge numbers, taking to the air at dusk and feeding and mating on the foliage of trees and shrubs.

Living Habits

At the first sign of daylight, they will seek out grassy areas, weedy places and uncultivated land, and burrow into the soil, where the females will lay their eggs. The eggs will hatch in a few weeks and the young grub will feed on decaying vegetable matter and the roots of living plants. In the fall they go deep into the soil and remain there during the winter.

In the spring of 1960, when the soil warms up, they will come up to within a few inches of the surface and feed ravenously during a whole growing season on the roots of plants. This is when they do the greatest amount of damage in the life cycle.

In the fall, they will go down again in the soil and pass the winter, coming up again in the spring of 1961.

Change to Beetles

At that time, the grubs will feed only for a few weeks before pupating and changing to beetles. The beetles, however, will remain in the soil until the spring of 1960. The cycle will then be completed. Heavy flights will again take place and a new generation will be started.

IN A JAM

You may have to brake unexpectedly anytime because another car crowds you without warning. If and when it happens, remember that the other driver isn't deliberately trying to give you a hard time—it is just that he made a slip, through inattention. Is it going to do much good to blast him with your horn when he cuts in ahead too sharply?

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WALTON COUNTY WEED CONTROL NEWS

V. E. McARTHUR, COUNTY WEED INSPECTOR

CROP SPRAYING

Too often a farmer will say, "What's the use of bothering to spray crops, it's just one more job to do and besides, it costs me money." Crop spraying with selective chemicals is comparatively new to many farmers; however, a survey last year revealed there are at least 80 owners of weed sprayers in Halton County.

Over a period of years, the Ontario Department of Agriculture has carried on an extensive research program in chemical weed control. In examining some of the results we may form our own conclusions as to whether the time and money needed for crop spraying operations is worthwhile. Here are a few quotations from the Field Crops Bulletin of the Ontario Department of Agriculture in regard to weed competition in field crops.

Findings of Research

1. The water required to produce half a ton of lambs-quarters is sufficient to produce a 50 per cent. quarter crop of corn, wheat, barley or oats.
2. The nitrogen and phosphorus consumed by half a ton of lambs-quarters could have produced 24 bushels of oats, or 19 bushels of barley, or 12 bushels of wheat, or 16 bushels of corn.
3. A 20 per cent. infestation of "wild mustard" can reduce wheat yields by 15 per cent., oats yields by 14 per cent., and barley by 11 per cent. When the mustard crop runs between 40 and 60 per cent., the reduction of barley yields is 60 per cent.

From these facts, we must conclude that average weed infestations in our crops will reduce yields approximately 30 per cent.

Cost Not High

The cost of spraying is not high but varies according to the type and amount of chemical necessary to give good results. Custom operators in this county have secured good control of broad leaved weeds in oats at a cost to the farmer of approximately \$1.50 per acre.

Farmers using their own equipment will find that the price of the chemical for the same control will not run more than 10 cents per ounce of active acid used. For example, 6 oz. 2, 4-D active acid per acre applied to oats, at the six inch to short blade stage of growth, will give excellent control of most broad leaved weeds at a cost of not more than 60 cents per acre.

Further information on chemical weed control can be secured from the Ontario Department of Agriculture office in Milton or the County Weed Inspector.

Halton Juniors Choose Teams For Competition

The Halton Junior Farmers' Association held its annual Field Day at Hornby on Saturday, May 16th. Although the weather was not ideally suited for such an event, the Junior Farmers were able to select teams to represent the county at the Provincial Field Day to be held in late June at the Ontario Agricultural College.

Palermo Junior Farmers were the winners of the boys' softball event. The Milton Junior Institute were winners in the girls' softball tournament. A top-of-war was awarded to the Milton Junior Farmers with Palermo Juniors winners of the horse shoe pitching competition.

Board Chairman Optimistic For Credit Valley Swimming

Optimism that the Credit River should be fit to swim in this summer, in most areas, is voiced by R. R. Parker of Acton, chairman of the C.V.C.A.'s Flood and Pollution Control Advisory Board.

Mr. Parker said that on the basis of last year's pollution tests the river should be generally fit for swimming. Now that Spring flooding is at an end, tests will again be carried out on a regular basis by the Credit Valley Conservation Authority in co-operation with the Ontario Water Resources Commission, the Health Units of the participating counties of Peel, Dufferin, Wellington and Halton.

Meanwhile, Mr. Parker urged caution in areas in close proximity to known sources of pollution such as older, over-taxed sewage plants.

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 - (1) when within 500 feet of an approaching motor vehicle; and
 - (2) when following another motor vehicle within 200 feet.
- 2 It is an offence to place signs on the windows and to hang objects in the motor vehicle which obstruct the driver's view.
- 3 It is an offence to load a truck or trailer in such a way that any part of the load falls on the highway during transit and the penalty for such offence has been increased up to a maximum fine of \$200 and in addition the licence or permit may be suspended.
- 4 Passing on the right is now permitted in cities, towns and villages including Metropolitan Toronto but only:
 - (1) when overtaking a motor vehicle making or signalling a left hand turn;
 - (2) on streets having two or more lanes in each direction; and
 - (3) on one-way streets.

ONTARIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT
Hon. John Yaremko, O.C., Minister
D. J. Collins, Deputy Minister

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"EVEN GREATER PROGRESS LIES AHEAD"

Under Progressive Conservative administration, the stage has been set for even greater progress in the years ahead. The Premier has announced far-reaching and far-sighted plans for government action to continue and increase this dynamic development which has become the envy of the entire world.

The election issue is therefore simple and straightforward. The accomplishments of the past have been tremendous, but even greater progress lies ahead. It can and will be achieved only under these same wise policies and with the same skilled and steady hand at the helm of the ship of state.

On June 11, the people of Ontario will exercise their democratic right to chart the future course of our province.

Before them will be the record of achievement of a decade of wise policies and sound management under the government of Premier Leslie Frost... ten years in which Ontario's advances in the development of resources, business expansion and human betterment on all fronts have been unprecedented in Canada or anywhere in the world.

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