

Economics Department of O.A.C. Conducting Farm Survey in Halton

Represent 4-Hers At Leadership Camp

Donald Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taylor, of the Appleby Line, Burlington, has been selected to represent the Ontario 4-H Agricultural Club Members, at the American Foundation Leadership Training Camp, Don is awarded the Wm. H. Danforth Scholarship, allowing him to attend the Camp held August 17 to 30. The American Youth Foundation Camp is held at Stony Lake, Oceana County, Michigan, U.S.A.

The Camp will be composed of one representative from each state in the U.S., and one from Ontario. The basis of awards includes athletic activities, scholarship standing, leadership in 4-H Club Work, and character. The curriculum is composed of courses in Christian ideals, personal foundations, personal enrichment, leadership, principles and leadership practices. A comprehensive program with group social and recreational activities is included in the Camp schedule. Don Taylor's selection is the result of his over all participation in 4-H Club work in Halton County.

An Agricultural Adjustment Survey is being conducted by the Economics Department at the Ontario Agricultural College, and during the week of July 13, John Barber and Wm. Patterson will be visiting Halton farmers in connection with the Survey. They will be concentrating on Dairy farms shipping fluid milk to Toronto.

The purpose of the project is to examine different aspects of the farm picture. Consideration will be given to labour, land, machinery investment, combined investment in livestock and forage crops; current expenses such as hydro, feed, veterinary expenses, etc. and building capacity.

The material collected is confidential, and the results of the survey will be used in farm management studies.

4,000 lb. Cow

The Jersey cow LINDALE BASIL COUNTESS 2nd -176773- a daughter of the Superior Sire Brampton Basil Ward -107304- has just been issued a 4,000 lb. certificate. In 10 lactations she produced 79,436 lbs. of milk and 4,312 lbs. of fat. Countess is classified Very Good and she was bred and is owned by Mr. Maurice J. C. Beatty, Milton, Ont.

Land Judging Contest Today

The Land Judging Competition is scheduled for Thursday, July 16th, for Halton County. The competition will include Junior and senior programs.

Competitors from 4-H and Junior Farmer clubs in Halton will take part in an instructional program in the morning, and in the afternoon will judge four classes of soil on their ability to grow certain crops.

An afternoon program is arranged for farm operators, based on a soils tour.

The program will conclude at the farm of Brock Harris, Appleby Line, Burlington. This program is under the direction of the Halton office of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, the Soils Department of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph; in co-operation with the Credit, Sixteen Mile, and Twelve Mile creek Conservation authorities.

Halton Co-Op Buys Grist Mill at Erin

Halton Co-operative Supplies took a major step in its expansion when it assumed control of the former Erin Grist Mill. The business was purchased by the Co-Op from Donald Kirkwood.

It was eight years ago that the Co-Op branched from its original Milton location to establish a second branch in Georgetown, presently managed by Bill Somerville of Acton. The Erin branch will be managed by Bob Carr, who was formerly with Orangeville Co-Op.

Charles Harris, Georgetown, is general manager for the three divisions.

Animals Cause Farm Accidents

"Safety Makes Sense" is a slogan for Farm Safety Week, which is being observed from July 19-25, with the object of reducing the toll of farm accidents in Canada—an estimated 1200 dead each year, and 100,000 injured. One elementary bit of safety sense, which is often overlooked, is that powerful animals should be handled with caution at all times, says the Ontario Safety League.

An angry bull or a frightened horse can snuff out a man's life in seconds if handled carelessly, or incompetently. Even smaller farm animals can inflict serious injuries. Of fatal accidents that occur on farmlands and around service buildings, one in twenty is caused by animals.

The BIBLE Today

The Annual Report of the

Japanese Bible Society records that from 1946 to 1968 a total of 22,282,062 Scriptures were circulated in Japan. The increase in 1968 distribution of 134,027 volumes made the total for that year, 1,901,737.

The new Kogotai (colloquial) version accounted for 1,737,800 Bibles, Testaments and Gospels, thus demonstrating the increasing use of this Japanese version in popular speech. It has been recently said by a prominent Japanese Christian, "I am not so optimistic as to suppose that Japan will be Christianized in the near future. Japanese traditional ideas and customs that have been preserved for more than ten centuries will not yield to new ideas so easily; but I can say with assurance that amidst changing circumstances the Bible has been read by many Japanese, and has been changing the mind of the people."

Bible Readings
 Sunday, Deuteronomy 34: 1-12; Monday, Joshua 3: 1-17; Tuesday, Judges 13: 1-20; Wednesday, Ruth 1: 1-8; Thursday, Ruth 1: 19, 2: 13; Friday, Ruth 2: 14, 3: 5; Saturday, Ruth 3: 6-11.

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Farm News Page

HALTON COUNTY WEED CONTROL NEWS

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BARBERRY SHRUBS HOSTS TO STEM RUST

Stem rust of grain and leaf rust of oats cause serious losses each year in Ontario. The presence of two shrubs, the Common Barberry and European Buckthorn, increase the losses as part of the life cycle of stem rust occurs on the Common Barberry, and part of the life cycle of leaf rust on the European Buckthorn. The Field Crops Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture states that if these two shrubs were eradicated, there would be much less rust in Ontario because the life cycles of these two grain diseases would be broken.

Common Barberry is a tall, graceful shrub, from six to twelve feet high. The leaves are green or purple with saw-toothed edges. Sharp spines are present, usually in groups of three. The flowers and red berries are borne in long, drooping clusters. This shrub should not be confused with Japanese Barberry which is not a rust carrier.

Barberry Increases
 Last season we began to watch for "Common Barberry" in Halton and reported very little known at that time. Since then however, several infestations have been located in Massawaddy Township. Farmers finding Barberry bushes on their farms are being supplied with the necessary chemical to eradicate this pest.

European Buckthorn, sometimes called Common Buckthorn, is a shrub or small tree from six to eighteen feet high with glossy, oval, dark green leaves. The branches bear single, blunt thorns. It is easily spotted in late fall because it retains its leaves longer than most other shrubs. To date none has been reported in this county.

Eradication, or even control of Barberry and Buckthorn, may be

an arduous and expensive task. For this reason grants are available from the Ontario Department of Agriculture to help finance county-organized control programs.

Use Bulldozer
 Large hedges and fence rows containing Barberry and Buckthorn are best removed by a bulldozer. Scattered shrubs, on the other hand, are most economically destroyed by chemicals. Brushkillers such as 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T combinations are very effective if used according to the manufacturer's directions. Isolated bushes, in terrain too rough to operate a sprayer, may be treated with dry Alacide or Ercoicide, applied at the rate of 2 to 4 pounds at the base of each bush. Alacide and Ercoicide being poisonous to livestock, treated areas should not be grazed until all traces of the chemical have disappeared.

Illustrations on the reverse of Canadian currency look like photographs of actual places but really are artists' conceptions of typical Canadian scenes.

Sir Wilfred Laurier

Sir Wilfred Laurier sat in the House of Commons from 1874 to 1919, held the office of Prime Minister from 1896 to 1911, the longest continuous term of any Canadian prime minister.

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Household Hint
 by Anne Allan

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