

Art Bennett views farmers' future with optimism

A. G. (Art) Bennett, Director of Extension for the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food took an optimistic view toward the future of farming in Canada, when he spoke to nearly 200 at the Halton County Plowing Match on Saturday evening.



PITCHING HORSESHOES is fun, if you know how to do it. Bert Davidson of Acton, centre, a member of the winning horseshoe pitching team, shows Allan Brownridge, Tom Brownridge and George Brownridge how it is done.

Leonard Thompson was Mr. Davidson's partner on the championship team. The horseshoe pitching competition was held in conjunction with the annual Halton County Plowing Match.

A former worker for the Agricultural Extension Branch in Halton for five years, Mr. Bennett suggested, "we're too prone to talk about problems in agriculture. We don't talk enough about the progress being made." He pointed to the 66 per cent increase in crop volume during the past five years and to the 53 per cent greater milk production, coming from fewer cows. To further his claims he indicated Canada is the fourth largest exporter of farm goods in the world and described agriculture as an expanding industry in this nation, despite the fact that there are one-half as many producers in 1965 as there were at the end of the war. Agriculture in all its forms, he said, provides 35 per cent of the country's jobs and 4 per cent of the gross national product.

Despite the many problems that will have to be dealt with in the future, the speaker wasn't alarmed. "I have a great respect for the unending ingenuity of man. I am a firm believer that man's ingenuity will win out," he said.

He challenged those in the audience to look ahead in agriculture, and reported on some of the decisions made at a three-day conference in Vineland last week. (Halton's representatives at the conference were Jack Taylor, Ed Segsworth and Roy Coulter). Some of the interesting points which came out of the conference included:

- There will be an increase in demand of between 30 and 40 per cent of farming products, and farm producers will be physically able to handle the demand, but need adequate financial returns for their endeavors.

- There is a sufficient backlog of technology available to increase production from between 70 and 80 per cent.

- In 20 years there will be half as many farmers as there are today.

- Farmers will be producing for a definite, predetermined market in 20 years.

- In 20 years the population will be nearly doubled.
- Ownership of land by the operator is desirable and necessary, but it might be difficult because of the rising cost of land.

- One of the biggest problems facing farmers is their distorted image presented to the public. Farmers must enlist the support of consumers if they

contestant), presented by Mrs. G. E. Elliot to Harley Pickering (14 years).

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wish to increase their return on their investment.

• Oftentimes farmers blame poor financial returns on poor marketing, while sometimes it is really caused by sub-par efficiency.

Mr. Bennett and his wife Jean were introduced by Jack Taylor and the speaker was thanked by Cameron Marshall.

Warden H. H. Hinton congratulated the Halton County Plowmen's Association on their excellent match. Councillor Geoffrey Drew-Brook of Oakville, representing Reeve Herbert Merry, spoke briefly. Tom Brownridge, judge for the horse classes, judges L. L. Skuce, Win Timbers and Bob Timbers, Agricultural Representative Henry Stanley and Halton County Plowmen's Association president J. C. Cunningham also spoke.

Other head table guests included the contestants for the Queen of the Furrow contest and Lloyd May, George Readhead, Thomas Howden, Jack Marchmont, Jack Taylor, Cameron Marshall, George Swann, Frank Peacock, the host for the match, Mrs. Diane May who represented Halton at the International Plowing Match in 1966, and Mrs. Spencer Wilson and Mrs. James Reid, organizers of the Queen of the Furrow Competition. The head table was introduced by Lloyd May.

The president thanked all for their co-operation, particularly Mr. Peacock for allowing the competition to be held on his farm in north Oakville.



17-YEAR-OLD ROSEMARY BOOTH was named as Halton County's Queen of the Furrow for 1967, on Saturday evening. Rosemary was one of five competing for the coveted honor. She was crowned by Mrs. Diane May, right, who

represented Halton at the International Plowing Match this year. Mrs. Spencer Wilson, right, annually organizes the Queen of the Furrow competition.

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60 enter plow match largest show in years

Sixty entries — the largest for the county match since 1955 — braved blustery weather on Saturday to compete in the annual Halton County Plowing Match.

Many of the top plowmen from Halton County and many other parts of the province competed in what Judge Win Timbers of York County described as "the Little International".

Despite sub 50 degree temperatures and a biting wind, the contestants successfully battled the "rock-hard ground". Judge Bob Timbers, the second half of the popular father and son judging team, praised the plowboys for their excellent work. In class three for open mounted plows for two or more furrows, he said, "I don't think I've ever seen a class so close, there were only a few points separating first and eighth place."

T. J. Brownridge of Georgetown was judge for the horse show.

Results of the match are as follows:

Jointer plows in sod, open to all, Lloyd May R.R. 4 Milton, Stan May, R.R. 2 Hornby.

Tractors in sod, open, Donald Dunkeld, R.R. 2 Claremont; Doug Reid, R.R. 5 Brampton; Kenneth A. Brown, 44 Young St. S., Richmond Hill; Bob Armstrong, Brampton, Ross Kennedy, Little Britain, Ken Howden, Hornby.

Open mounted plows, two or more furrows, John Wilson, Norval; George E. Dixon, Brampton, Bert Robertson, Acton, Roy Craig, Mono Road, Keith Leslie, Georgetown, Lee Wilkinson, Milton; Alex McKinney, Brampton, Bill Speck, Hornby.

Mounted plows, Richard Dunnett, Galt; Bob Brander, Malton; H. Brander, Malton; Elgin Jamieson, Galt, Harley Pickering, Oakville.

Toronto-Dominion Bank Burlington, Special, presented to Richard Dunnett.

Tractor mounted plows, two or more furrows (Halton only), John Breckon, Burlington, Janet Taylor, 1309 Appleby Line, Burlington, Eaton's of Canada Junior

Championship Special, presented by George Swann to John Breckon.

Tractors in sod, open, Don Cation, Brampton; Bryan Marshall, Milton; John Devins, Mono Road; Larry Pickett, Georgetown.

Royal Bank of Canada, Burlington Special, presented by Jack Taylor to Don Cation.

Tractors in sod, open, three furrows or more, H. R. Jarvis, Agincourt; Dwight May, Hornby; Cecil Shoemaker, Elmira; Spencer Wilson, Norval; Ron Goettling, Kitchener.

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Milton, Special, presented by Ray Harrison to H. R. Jarvis.

The Ernest Irvine Tractor Utility class, two or more furrows, Keith Leslie, Georgetown; Bryan Marshall, Milton; John Wilson, Norval; Lee Wilkinson, Milton; Dwight May, Hornby; Larry Pickett, Georgetown; Janet Taylor, Burlington; Bill Speck, Hornby; Harley Pickering, Oakville.

Tractor Utility Class, open, Ross Kennedy, Little Britain; Bob Armstrong, Brampton; Donald Dunkeld, Claremont; George E. Dixon, Brampton; Doug Reid, Brampton; Bert Robertson, Acton; Don Cation, Brampton; Ken Howden, Hornby; John Devins, Mono Road; H. Bander, Malton; Robert Brander, Malton; Ron Goettling, Kitchener; H. R. Jarvis, Agincourt; Roy Craig, Mono Road; Elgin Jamieson, Galt; Alex McKinney, Brampton; Kenneth A. Brown, Richmond Hill, May Bros., Hornby.

Open to Business and Professional Men, Donald E. Kennedy, Superintendent, Ontario School for Deaf, Milton, Roy Livingston, George Swann, Sherwood Hume, Ray Harrison, Rick Rowan.

Ledwith Food Market Ltd., Milton, Special, presented by Mike Ledwith to Donald E. Kennedy.

Horseshoe Pitching Competition, Leonard Thompson and Bert Davidson of Acton, Bob McEnery and T. J. Brownridge of Georgetown, George Brown-

ridge of Streetsville and Allan Brownridge of Georgetown, Bill Alexander and Ernest Alexander of Norval.

SPECIALS

Eso Champions Special — 2 furrow mounted plows only. (By Imperial Oil Limited), presented by Mrs. Gus Mowbray to Bryan Marshall.

International Harvester Company Special — (By International Harvester Co. of Canada Limited, Hamilton Ont.) (Utility Class, 3 or more furrows, Halton), presented by Lyle Dales to Dwight May.

Bank of Nova Scotia Special — (For best plowed ridge in Class 6 by Halton contestant), presented by Mr. Hodge to Bryan Marshall.

Thomas Howden Special — Best finish in Classes 1-6 and to the oldest plowman, presented by Mr. Howden to Roy Craig.

Judge George E. Elliott Memorial Trophy, (Youngest Halton

contestant), presented by Mrs. G. E. Elliot to Harley Pickering (14 years).

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FOURTH INSTALMENT NOW DUE

Attention is drawn to the payment of 1966 taxes, which are now payable in four instalments. Taxes are payable to the Municipal Treasurer at the

Town of Acton Municipal Office
(Y.M.C.A. Building)

Taxes for the period Jan. 1, 1966 to Dec. 31, 1966 were due on May 16th and penalties will be imposed if instalments of same are not paid as follows:

FIRST INSTALMENT	MAY 16th
SECOND INSTALMENT	JULY 15th
THIRD INSTALMENT	SEPTEMBER 15th
FOURTH INSTALMENT	NOVEMBER 15th

According to the Tax Collection By-law a penalty of 1 per cent, per month or fraction of a month, will be added on the amount remaining unpaid after the 16th day of May.

This penalty applies to each instalment in a similar manner.

The attention of Ratepayers is directed to the Penalties and other clauses as printed and explained in detail on every Tax Bill.

MAKE PAYMENT NOW AND TAKE YOUR TAX NOTICE WITH YOU WHEN MAKING PAYMENT

J. McGEACHIE, Collector

First time in Acton for C.N.L.B. meeting

The annual meeting of the Halton County Advisory Board to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind will be held in Trinity United Church, Acton, on November 14. Guest speaker is John A. MacDonald of the public relations department, who will talk on the progress of the eye bank.

This is the first time the annual meeting has been held in Acton.

Epitaph for a driver killed in collision, quoted by the Ontario Safety League: "He passed on, passing on a hill".

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ORDER OF SERVICE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- 10.15 A.M.—Formation of Parade for Legion and all Other Organizations — Acton Legion
- 10.45 A.M.—Service at Cenotaph
- 11.15 A.M.—Church Service — Knox Presbyterian Church
- Haltonville Service — Nov. 6 — 3.45 p.m. at Cenotaph
 - 4 P.M. — Nassagaweya Presbyterian Church
- Rockwood Service — Nov. 13 — 11 a.m. at Cenotaph
- 11.15 A.M.—Rockwood United Church

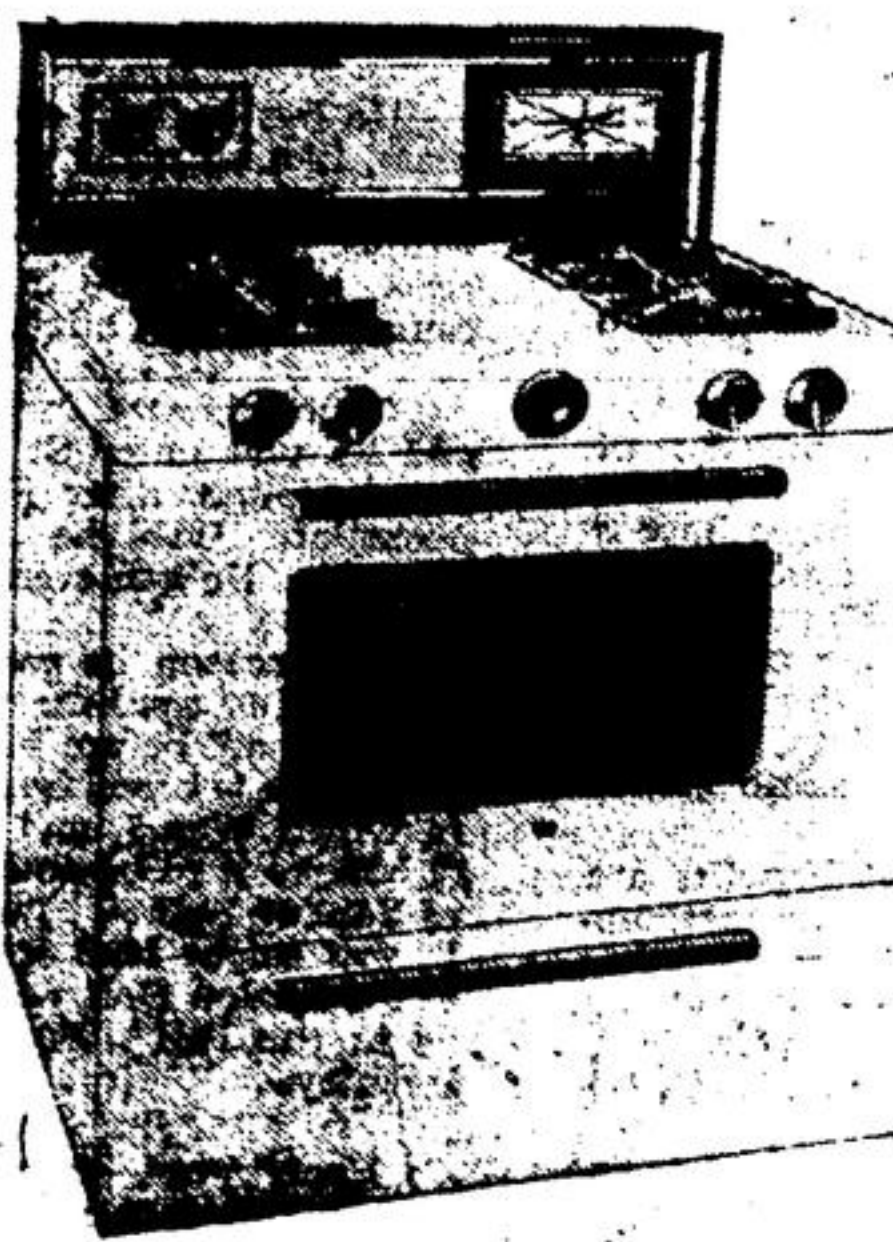
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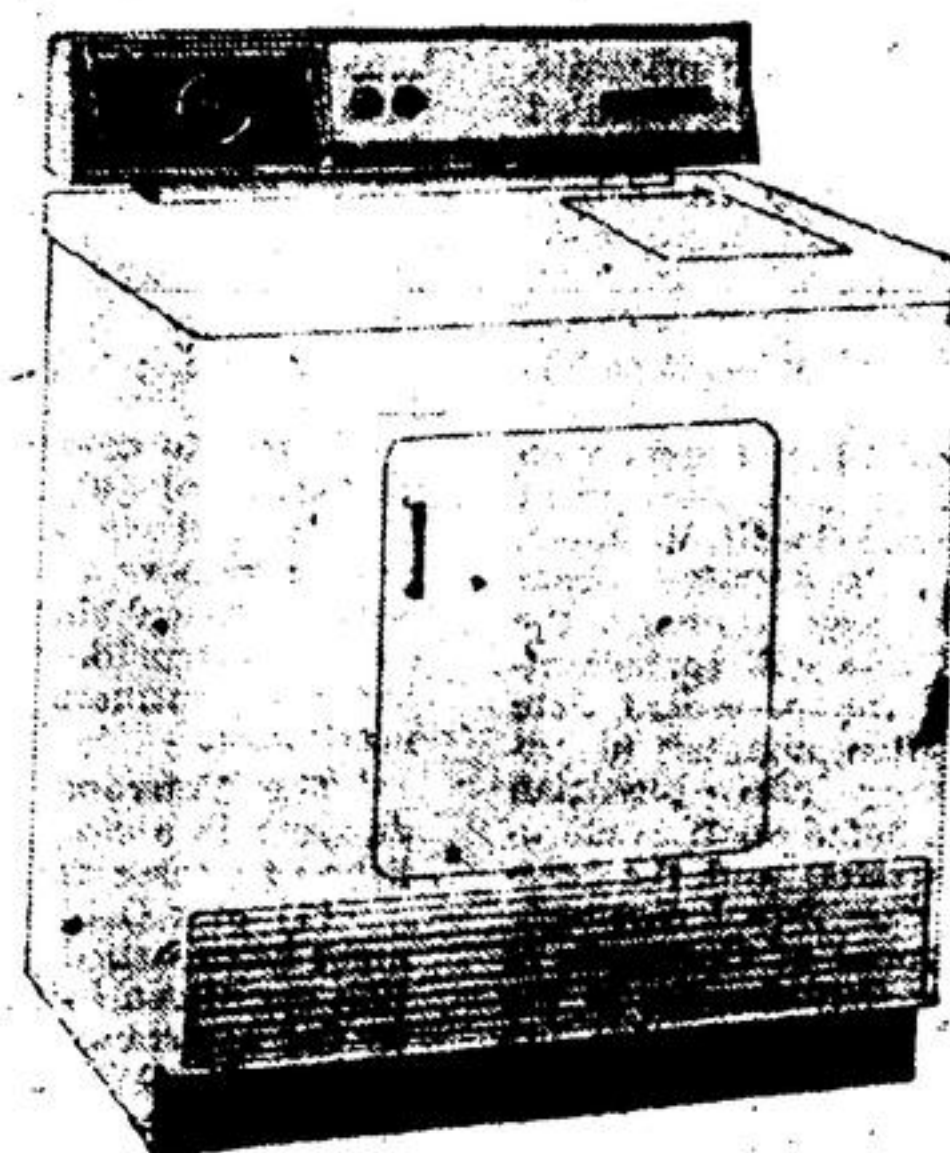
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REMEMBRANCE DAY

In compliance with the custom that has prevailed for many years

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1966

will be observed as Remembrance Day for 1966 and I hereby proclaim that day as Remembrance Day for Acton and respectfully request that all our citizens observe it as such.

L. A. DUBY, Mayor