

4-H'ers show off sleepwear at homemaking club finale

The auditorium of St. Paul's United Church in Milton looked like a mad-cap scene from "The Pyjama Game" for a while Saturday afternoon. But it was planned to be that way.

About 85 members of six Halton County 4-H Homemaking Clubs were out Saturday to complete their winter project, "Sleeping Garments," at the semi-annual 4-H Achievement Day. As part of the program, each girl modelled the sleepwear she had made during the past few months.

The fashion parade, highlight of the afternoon program, featured long granny gowns, smart pyjama sets, and even a few "baby doll" styles as proof of the variety of the sleepwear the girls concocted during their training program. "Sleepwear surprises best describes the colorful array of pyjamas and nightgowns on display," summed up Halton and Peel County Home Economist Mrs. Kathy Williams, who convened the achievement day.

The scene will be repeated this Saturday in Ballinacraigh Hall, where the northern clubs of the county hold their achievement day. Last Saturday's program included the girls from Acton, Hornby South, Scotch Block, Palermo, Nassagaweya and Hornby North clubs.

During the winter project each member planned and made her own garment. At the same time she learned many sewing techniques, such as the flat fall seam, french seam, sewing on lace or eyelet, and applying corded piping. The results of their instruction from volunteer 4-H leaders was quite visible as the models paraded their new nightwear at Saturday's program. Despite the colorful materials, the flowing robes, the fancy designs and the special trimming the girls gave their individual creations, the costs were not high. Costs ranged from \$2 to \$5.

During the morning program the members judged the quality of sleeping garments and materials, and demonstrated sewing on lace by hand. In the afternoon each club gave a skit or exhibit to demonstrate the useful information they have acquired. Parents and friends were welcomed at the afternoon program.

Acton girls did a skit, "What makes good sleeping garments," with all members participating and transforming their worst sleepwear into a colorful new array of styles. Sharon Hill commented on an exhibit by Hornby South, "Variety in sleeping garments," and Susan Currie and Carol Schreiber demonstrated the Scotch Block club's exhibit, "Selecting pyjama materials and patterns."

Palermo's exhibit "Good sleeping garments" was commented on by Barbara Ireland. All members of the Nassagaweya club participated in a skit, "What makes good sleeping garments" which ended in a pillow fight. Hornby North's exhibit was "Finishes for sleeping garments," commented on by Laurie Maxwell and Karen Bradley.

Home economist Miss Sharon Copeland commented on the exhibits, skits and demonstrations, and Mrs. William Webb, president of the Halton District Women's Institutes which sponsor the 4-H program, also brought greetings.

County Honors Certificates (for completion of six projects) were presented to Kathryn Lynch and Shirley Sayers, Acton; Mary De Boer, Rosalyn Merry and Eleanor Smith, Hornby South; and Karen Bradley, Darlene Leslie, Laurie Maxwell and Maureen Thomson, Hornby North.

Six girls received Provincial Honors certificates for completing 12 or more projects. They were Betty Allison and Lorrie Allison, Nassagaweya; Linda Marsh and Diane Pell, Palermo; and Mary Anderson and Kathleen Irving, Scotch Block.

Certificates of achievement were presented to all the girls who completed their project.

Mrs. James McKay received a certificate for five years of



HONORED WITH CERTIFICATES at Saturday's south Halton 4-H homemaking club achievement day were Marv Anderson and Diane Pell, front; Lorrie Allison, Betty Allison and Kathleen Irving, middle; all winners of Provincial Honors certificates for completing at least 12 4-H projects. At the rear, are leaders Mrs. E. S. French who received a certificate for 10 years of leadership with Scotch Block club, and Mrs. James McKay of Hornby North club who received one for five years of leadership. (Staff Photo)

Mastitis workshop illustrates control

by H. J. Stanley

A special workshop is being planned for all Halton County dairy farmers on Tuesday, January 23, in the Masonic Hall, Milton. Dr. H. J. Neely and F. C. Nelson, Veterinary Services Branch, Guelph, will be present to conduct this workshop. A similar workshop held in the spring of 1966 was most successful.

It has been estimated that mastitis costs the average dairy farmer \$1,600 per year. This is for the cost of drugs to treat the disease and losses of production. The purpose of the workshop is to illustrate the step-by-step procedures that are practical and effective in controlling mastitis.

The Halton County Milk Committee is co-operating with the Ontario Dept. of Agriculture and Food in putting on this workshop, and is providing free lunch for those in attendance.

Ward Brownridge becomes auctioneer

Ward Brownridge, R.R. 2, Georgetown, is the district's newest auctioneer.

A farmer on the Seventh Line Brownridge "homestead" all his life, Mr. Brownridge said he hopes to specialize in farm sales but is available for all types of sale work throughout the district. His years of farming and active participation in many Halton farm groups — among them the Soil and Crop Improvement Association and Halton Holstein Breeders Association — have given him a good background in dealing with farm people and farm equipment.

Coaching him will be a veteran auctioneer, Frank Petch, of Georgetown, who retired at the end of last year after 53 years in the auction sale business. Mr. Brownridge has already booked three farm sales for the spring.

He plans to keep operating his own farm on the Seventh Line, devoting whatever time is necessary to the auctioning business. The Brownridge farm was bought from the Crown by his ancestors in 1819, and except for a three-year period in the 1920's has remained in the family ever since.

Holstein breeders review another successful year

by Henry J. Stanley

Some eighty Holstein breeders from Halton met in the Palermo Hall on January 9 for their annual meeting. The meeting started with everyone viewing the TV show "The Fences are coming Down!" Jock Cockburn, Associate Agricultural Representative, stated that 81 of the 83 4-H Holstein members completed their projects in 1967, with a record number of 4-H Holstein first-year members joining the club.

Ralph Ford, club secretary, reviewed the highlights of the year, which included the Black and White show with 102 animals and \$2,485 in prize money, and the barn meetings at Hays' Sales

Arena and at W. J. Bennett's, Fred Bell, club president, complimented Galbraith Bros., Burlington, for having the highest record in D.H.L.A. in Ontario last year — over 16,000 lb. milk and 671 lb. fat. He also stated that Halton was most proud of the Halton team of Jeff Nurse, Larry Bennett, and Dan Heathington for winning the Royal Winter Fair livestock and dairy judging competition.

Dinner was served by the wives of the officers and directors of the club.

BCA certificates were presented to: W. J. Mason, R.R. 2, Campbellville; for the top R.O.P. herd with over 20 records, his 34 cows produced 15,333 lb. milk,

640 of butter fat, 4.17% test, for BCA's of 139-158; to Sherholme Farms, Burlington — 18 cows, 16,132 lb. milk, 556 fat — B.C.A. — of 158-146.

The various trophies won at the Halton Black and White show were then presented. Hardy Shore, President of the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada, and Directors Albert Martin of Waterloo; Bruce Reid, Wentworth; Howard Laidlaw, Peel; and Albert Hunter of Halton gave reports. A spirited discussion took place on the proposed registration of red and white Holsteins.

Martin Healep, sales agent, reported 163 head of Holsteins sold by him in Halton, for an average price of \$372. The meeting concluded with Henry Stanley discussing the production of the TV film on dairy cattle and its content.

received a certificate for winning the Queen's Guinness competition at the Royal Special guests included the newly-elected Warden William Hunter and Mrs. Hunter, Henry Stanley, Agricultural Representative for Halton County, and Bill Wilson, president of the Halton 4-H Club Leaders' Council and Mrs. Wilson.

4-H "honor banquet" fetes trip winners

Stewart Hall was the scene of an Honor Banquet, planned and conducted by the 4-H Agricultural Club members of Halton County, on Friday, January 12, in honor of all the 1967 4-H award and trip winners.

The special speaker of the evening, John McGee, a former 4-H member presently enrolled at York University, gave a report on an exchange trip to Israel, sponsored by the Pioneer Women of Canada. John represented all Canadian 4-H'ers.

Other 4-H trip reports were given by Lois Hunter, Keith Atken, and Doug Gardhouse. Lois, winner of the Rural Youth Award, represented Halton County for 10 days in Montreal as guest of the Rural Learning Association; Keith Atken was Halton's delegate to the Provincial Leadership Week at the University of Guelph; and Doug Gardhouse was one of the 4-H's selected to travel to Maryland, U.S.A.

Murray Brownridge and Carl Middlebrook, the 4-H Inter-Club Field Crop Champions, were presented with sweaters for their achievements.

Entertainment was provided by Joy Hayward, Provincial Direct-

or of the Junior Farmers of Ontario. Jeff Nurse was presented with an award certificate for winning the Royal Winter Fair Judging Competition. The certificate.

Bill Lasby, member of the Acton 4-H Calf Club, also re-

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Gordon Leslie, Acton spring grain winner

Gordon Leslie, R.R. 3, Acton, receives the gold watch presented by the United Co-Operatives of Ontario for top yield in the Spring Grain Competition. Mr. Leslie's Horis Barley yielded 3,668 lb. or 76.4 bushels per acre.

He was followed by six more members with Horis Barley as follows: Frank Robertson, Milton 5, with 3,656 lb.; Johnston Neelands, Hornby 1, 3,416 lb.; Richard Sowerden, Milton 2, 3,305 lb.; John Willmott, Milton 1, 3,112 lb.; Calvin Atken, Acton 3, 3,036 lb.; Merle Gunby, Millgrove 1, 3,036 lb.

Next came two members with Mixed Grain — Fred Nurse, Georgetown 2, with 2,996 lb., and Earl Wilson, 2,931 lb.

Five members with barley followed, and then the members with mixed grain and oats. It is most interesting to note that the top member with oats, H. C. Reid with a yield of 2,346 lb. or 69 bushels per acre, placed 16th in the competition.

The average yield of barley was 3,034 lb. or 63.2 bushels per acre, mixed grain 2,606 or 65.1 bushels, and oats, 2,102 or 61.8 bushels. When we consider the energy or TDN produced by these three crops, it comes to 2,367 lb. for barley, 1,902 lb. for mixed grain, and 1,429 lb. for oats.

leadership with Hornby North, and Mrs. E. S. French won one for 10 years of leadership with Scotch Block club.

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