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**WINNER OF A GOLD WATCH** in the Halton Soil and Crop Improvement Association's spring grain competition, Gordon Leslie of Acton, right, received his award at the group's annual meeting last week. Manager Bill Mullin of Halton Branch, United Co-Operatives of Ontario, presents the watch. (Staff Photo)

### Report on shift away from farm separated cream in manufacture of butter

In most recent years there have been important changes occurring in the Ontario dairy industry. At the processor's level, one of these changes has been a shift away from the use of farm separated cream in the manufacture of butter.

In 1966, approximately 28 per cent of the creamery butter produced in Ontario originated from farm separated cream, whereas five years earlier the comparable figure was 53 per cent.

The trend toward larger and fewer herds, the amount of labour involved in separating cream, and higher prices for manufactured milk have all contributed to the shift. A substantial reduction in the number of cream-

### 40 farmers attend Mastitis workshop learn of disease

Forty Halton Milk Producers attended the Mastitis Workshop conducted by Drs. Nealey and Nelson, of the Veterinary Services Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food, Guelph. The workshop was sponsored by the Halton County Milk Committee, and held at the Masonic Hall, Milton, on January 23.

By means of illustrated talks the two veterinarians gave a step-by-step account of the causes, symptoms, and treatment of mastitis. This disease, which infects the udders of dairy cattle, results in tissue damage and a loss of some 10 per cent yield. The infection can be spread through unsanitary conditions. Approximately 50 per cent of all dairy cows in Ontario have mastitis, but only about 3 per cent are actually known to the farmers, so early diagnosis is of the utmost importance in controlling the disease.

The Ontario Mastitis Control Policy was outlined, and it was indicated that there are over 500 herds enrolled in the program, which is conducted by the Veterinary Services Branch. This program of testing and treating for the disease can greatly decrease its incidence in dairy cattle.

These recommendations, if heeded, would aid in bettering the profitability of the present cream producers, says the Report of the Farm Separated Cream Sector of the Dairy Industry.

**Electric shock**  
Have you ever been shocked by electricity? How many of our farm homes and barns are a natural for "shocking conditions?" If you get a tingling when you touch an appliance in the house, or a light switch in the barn, that is the time to investigate the cause. Probably the insulation is wearing off a cord or something else is causing a short circuit. Whatever it is — fix it — for it's dangerous.

### Halton ships 26,691 hogs

A bulletin recently issued by the Livestock Division of the Canada Department of Agriculture indicates that Ontario Hog marketing in 1967 totalled close to 3,000,000, an increase of 13.1 per cent from 1966. The Ontario production was 35.8 per cent of the Canadian total, which had also increased by 19 per cent from the previous year. Forty-five

per cent of all hogs in Halton County were Grade "A". The national weighted average price per cwt. for Grade "A" hogs was: 1967 — \$29.53; 1966 — \$35.14. This is a decrease of \$5.61 paid to the hog producer. During the past year 26,691 hogs were marketed from Halton County, an increase of 19.4 per cent over the previous year.

There are two kinds of men who never amount to much — those who cannot do what they are told, and those who can do nothing else.

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### Town Line complaint

## Slow snow removal Puslinch's fault

One of many area residents who found themselves beneath heavy snow drifts after the fierce snow blizzard Monday, January 15, confronted Nassagaweya council at their meeting last Tuesday.

Tony Channing, who makes his home on the Puslinch-Nassagaweya Town Line, expressed dissatisfaction about the snow removal for the Town Line. "Every year it's the same, Monday I lost a day's work. All we

ask is a fighting chance to get out. We feel like second class citizens," Mr. Channing said.

Reeve William Coulter offered council's sympathy but pointed out 90 per cent of the people in Nassagaweya did not get to work on Monday after the worst snow storm in over 20 years.

Emphasis was put on getting the main arterials opened for fire and ambulance emergencies, Mr. Coulter explained. "If an emergency arose and your wife or children had to get out in a hurry to get to a hospital it wouldn't take long to open your road up, and then all the main roads would be open and ready."

Council told Mr. Channing it was Puslinch's responsibility to keep the road open and Nassagaweya had tried and is still trying to convince them they should take care of the road.

Reeve Coulter said if Nassagaweya was to take care of maintaining the road it would necessitate another piece of machinery at a cost of \$15,000.

Deputy-Reeve William Hoey stressed the need for patience. "We have for some time tried to convince and persuade Puslinch of the need for maintenance of the road. We want to keep friends with our neighbors but do not want to have a confrontation with them. In the midst of a storm when they are as equally busy as we are is not the time to discuss responsibility."

### OBITUARY

#### Franklin Robertson farmed near Milton

Funeral service was held from the Rumley-Shoemaker funeral home, Acton on Thursday January 18 for Franklin Robertson of R. R. 5, Milton, who passed away at Milton District Hospital, January 16, 1968. He had been in ill health for some time.

He leaves his wife, the former Mary McLean, and three sons, John of London, Neil and Bryan both at home, his father Benjamin, Milton, two sisters (Joan) Mrs. Jack McGibbon, (Grace) Mrs. Chisholm Hume, and a brother Douglas M., all of R. R. 5, Milton. His mother, the former Margaret Arthurs and two brothers predeceased him.

He was born in Erin township, September 13, 1911. At the age of two years his parents returned to the Robertson farm in the Scotch Block where he had resided since. He attended Dufferin Public School, S.S. No. 10, Esquesing. Later he took great pride in farming. He was the fourth generation on the farm that has been in the family name since 1823. He was interested in Holstein dairy cattle and all farm organizations.

He was a member of Boston Presbyterian Church and had taken an active part when health permitted.

Rev. Stanley Smith, Milton, conducted the funeral service and interment was in Fairview Cemetery, Acton.

Pallbearers were Willie Harris, Gordon Hume, Ronald Davis, Murray Curk, Douglas Currie and James Fisher.

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#### James Simpson, 73 carpenter, farmer

Funeral service for James A. Simpson, R.R. 1, Moffat, who died Saturday Jan. 20 at Guelph General Hospital in his 74th year, was held Monday afternoon.

He was born in Nassagaweya Township June 16, 1894, a son of the late George Simpson and Mary Jane Leachman. He moved to Saskatchewan in 1912, where he farmed for 25 years, returning to Ontario in 1937, where he continued farming until 1949. He then began carpenter work, which he continued until his death.

He was a member of the Arkell United Church and secretary-treasurer of the Ebenezer Cemetery board. He had formerly served as a director of the Guelph district co-op and had also been a member of the Puslinch Township school board.

He is survived by his wife, the former Georgia MacDonald, whom he married in March of 1923; a son, Donald, three daughters, Mary Cutting, Mrs. John Rigby, (Thelma); Mrs. Robt. Fittin (Marjorie); 10 grandchildren and two sisters, Elizabeth Kennedy of Toronto and Maggie Ireland of Biggar, Sask.

He was predeceased by four brothers and one sister.

Rev. R. Finley conducted the service and burial was in Ebenezer Cemetery.

Pallbearers were George Howler, Andy Leachman, Calvin McIntyre, Douglas Simpson, Donald May and John Simpson.

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#### Lorne L. Mullin district farmer

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A farmer, he was born in Esquesing township in 1888, son of Martha Scott and William Reid Mullin.

He farmed at R.R. 4, Acton, for 48 years, and made his home at the Manor for the past year and a half.

He was a public school trustee, member of Esquesing council, member of Georgetown fair board and of Walker Lodge, Acton.

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