



HALTON 4-H CLUB LEADERS COUNCIL held their annual meeting last week and named an executive and club leaders to carry out the 1968 program. Shown seated are secretary Geoff Taylor and new president John McNabb. Standing are past president Bill Wilson, and vice-presidents Walter Norrington and Lloyd Stokes. (Staff Photo)

After hot discussion Zoning by-law is submitted to Department for approval

A mistake in correspondence between the Department of Municipal Affairs, Project Planners and Nassagaweya Township caused a great hue and cry from ratepayers at council's regular meeting last Tuesday.

Over 25 ratepayers crowded into Brookville council chambers, many of them to protest a proposed amendment to the Official Zoning By-law. The amendment was suggested by Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs Leslie Rowntree and in effect stated that doctors, dentists, lawyers or similar professional people could not operate an office from their dwelling in an agricultural zone.

Subsequent discussion between Reeve William Collier and the Department exposed the problem in correspondence. The letter instructed the phrase allowing residence offices be deleted, with new provisions for professional and non-professional people to be made in a separate clause. The error occurred when the separate clause was not inserted.

Following conversation with the Department of Municipal Affairs the Reeve called a second joint meeting of Council and Planning Board Monday to clarify the confusion caused at last week's meeting.

At that meeting the By-Law and a list of proposed amendments were presented to both the Council and the Planning Board. It met with the approval of both parties.

The By-Law with the proposed amendments will be forwarded to the Department of Municipal Affairs and Project Planners, the township's consultants for their approval. If passed it will go to the Ontario Municipal Board for a hearing. If not approved it will be returned to the Council with recommendations and the whole procedure will be done over again.

An amendment that reads as follows had been proposed: "A dwelling unit or a dwelling unit that incorporates the office of a doctor or dentist or similar professional person and uses accessory to the foregoing," will be allowed.

A dwelling unit makes provision for one family, be it that of a professional or non-professional man.

Permitted uses in the rural zone include all agricultural and conservation uses including forestry, reforestation and other activities connected with the conservation of soil or wild-life, a kennel and the raising of fur-bearing animals, a veterinary establishment, a church, school or cemetery, a country club, an open air recreation use, a horse racetrack and uses connected with government departments, the railways, or public utilities.

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Changes in Canadian agriculture topic for Junior Farmer banquet

By G. Taylor

Approximately 125 members and friends of the Norval Junior Farmers and Junior Institute heard Art Bennett, Director of Extension, Ontario Dept. of Agriculture and Food, speak on some of the changes that have taken place in Canada's agricul-

ture during the last 10 years. Mr. Bennett, who was Associate Agriculture Representative for Halton and Peel Counties for five years, returned to the county after 11 years on the occasion of the Norval Junior Farmers Annual banquet held in Stewarttown Hall, Friday, February 2. Mr. Bennett said we now have

taller silos, larger tractors, and longer lower buildings, and that the average farm size in Halton County has increased from 143 acres in 1961 to 148 in 1966. Although there has been an increase in commercial farms in Ontario during the past five years, Halton County, because of heavy industrialization, has not followed this pattern.

He stressed the importance of the Junior Farmer Movement in Ontario's Rural Youth Educational program. He had attended the Provincial Junior Farmer Leadership Training Camp for seven years in a row as a counsellor and participant and found it most encouraging to see young people returning to their home counties to assume active leadership roles, after spending a week at the Lake Couchiching Camp.

Mr. Bennett also said two of the greatest needs for farm people today is to be aware of the new technology in agriculture and to be able to adapt this knowledge to their own operations. Thirty-five per cent of Canada's labour force depends on agriculture for existence, and in addition 10,000 businesses are associated with the agricultural industry today.

Mr. Bennett stressed that the major problem confronting farm people today is not pollution or food for a hungry world, but the barrier between rural and urban people, and he challenged the Norval Junior Farmers and Junior Institute to meet this need and bridge the present gap in rural and urban relations.

After the banquet card tables were presented to Stan and Edna Hyatt, and Marg and Ronald Duncan, who had married within the last year. This is an annual custom followed by the Norval Junior Farmers.

A very enjoyable dance concluded the evening.

John McNabb new president Halton 4-H leaders council

By G. Taylor

The annual meeting of the Halton 4-H Club Leaders was held in the Agricultural Office, Milton on Thursday, February 1. The bulk of the 4-H program for the new year was planned, and it was indicated that a 4-H Tractor Club will be offered to 4-H Club members. George Greenless, former 4-H and Junior Farmer member of Halton County, and now District representative of the Purina Feed Company, spoke on the needs of 4-H members and in particular senior members (16 to 21 years of age), who very often begin to lose interest in the 4-H program at this age.

The new executive of the Club Leaders Council is as follows: president, John McNabb; first vice-president, Walter Norrington; second vice-president, Lloyd Stokes; secretary-treasurer, representative from the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food.

McGibbon, Patterson Shorthorns honored

By G. Taylor

At the Canadian Dual-Purpose Shorthorn Society annual meeting in Peterborough on January 27, two Halton County Dual-Purpose Shorthorn breeders were honoured. Emmett McGibbon of Milton received the Sempur Trophy for the high herd in Canada, with between eight to 14 records. His 12 cows each produced 9,242 lb. milk. During the past three years Mr. McGibbon has won this trophy twice and has been the runner-up once.

Harold Patterson, R.R. 1, Milton, received one gold and three silver medals for production. He also had two cows eligible for

advance registry. In order to qualify they must produce a minimum of 20,000 lbs. milk and 800 fat in two lactations, and must be classified excellent or very good. One of his cows, Ridge Wild Monica 1C, had the highest production in this section, with 28,187 lb. milk, 875 fat, in two lactations.

The president of the Canadian Dual-Purpose Shorthorn Society is Fred Frey of Campbellford, with Clarence Peacock of Milton as vice-president.

4-H dates

By G. Taylor

Organization meetings for all 4-H Agricultural clubs will be held as follows: Acton 4-H Clubs, Tuesday, March 19, at the Acton Community Centre, at 8 p.m.; and all other clubs on Wednesday, March 20, at 8 p.m., in the Boyne Community Centre.

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