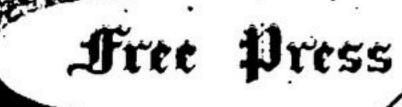
SHEEP PRODUCTION-There's, lots of room for expension!-In Ontario alone, the on farm value of sheep and lambs in 1987 was just under \$7 million dollars. There is a vest market in Canada and in Ontario for more tamb than is produced. Last year the Canadian production was 21 million pounds of mutton and lamb, But we

imported about 76 million pounds, mainly from New Zeeland and Australia. There is a dual crop with mest and wool, with sheep being a cheep converter of feed to meet. Farmers could find sheep reising profitable, particularly if modern techniques of intensified production are applied - (Apri Photo)



Harold Middlebrook chairman Halton Crop and Soil Assoc.

-the Halton Soil and Crop Improvement Association annual meeting commenced at the Masonic Hall, Milton, on Tuesday, Jan. 7, with the television program "Money Management". Clarence Ford Jr., president, welcomed everyone. The 1968 annual report was discussed in detail, covering the various projects conducted throughout Halton and this area of the province.

After lunch Dr. Tom Bates from the Soil Science Department, University of Guelph, discussed fertilizers. He suggested that farmers should thop around for fertilizer and get a better buy. One good soil test every two years is better than a poor one each year from a specific field. Dr. Bates suggested that farmers take more cores from a field to get a better separate soil samples should be taken of the different areas.

Neil McLaughlin, engineering the kernel passes, through the extension specialist, discussed drainage. He compared clay and plastic tile. Four inch clay tile costs 8.4 cents versus 12 cents per foot for the new plastic tile. However, this new plastic tile is in 250 foot coils, weighing only 80 pounds, and thus is much easier to handle. Neil suggested that surface drainage could be used more in Halton to remove water from the fields in the

with the Ontario Livestock Branch, Guelph, discussed feed analysis and livestock feeding. He stated that 55 per cent moisture is the ideal stage for haylage. At this moisture level there is less loss of nutrients both in harvesting and in the silo, and thus greater feed value. For corn silage he suggested 70 per cent moisture, or somewhat less maturity than in the past. At rample. If there is a great this moisture level cows appear variation of soil within a field, to like the corn silage better and will eat more of it. If too mature, a higher proportion of

Expect farm equipment show to attract 150,000 visitors

will be featured at the Canada anticipated the show will attract Farm and Industrial Equipment Show to be held January 22 to 25 at Exhibition park, Toronto. Each one of the five main floor buildings at the Coliseum will have its special features

\$\$ for Guelph W.I. project

By Mrs. G. Henderson

On Friday, Jan. 3, a meeting of Sub-Division 11 of the Ontario Women's Institute was held at the C.I.A. building in Guelph. Those attending from the Halton District W.J. executive were the president, Mrs. John Bird; the secretary, Mrs. R. Alexander; first vice-president, Mrs. G. Henderson; and the Federated representative, Mrs. Jesse

McEnery. Mrs. R. C. Moffat of Guelph, the Board Director for Sub-Division 11, discussed several items stressed at the Ontario W. I. Fall Board Directors' meeting at Toronto in November. Although there were fewer branches and members in Ontario in 1968 (1,354 branches and 32,068 members) the organization has raised dispersed last year almost twice

as much money as in 1960-61. The aim of the Women's Institute organization has always been to improve the quality of community and home life, and its interests cover the support of and representation in many Other groups, such as the Ontario Welfare Council, Elizabeth Fry Society, Cancer Society, Royal Winter Fair, and the Ontario Historical Society.

A major project for all Women's Institute branches in Ontario from now until 1972 will be the raising of \$50,000 for the expansion and development of MacDonald Institute at the University of Guelph. This will mark, in 1972, the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Women's Institute by Mrs. Adelaide Hoodless, who also founded the MacDonald Instituto.

spring or after heavy rains. Harold Clapp, dairy specialist

Cotter pins to com- including machines and devices bines-twine to railway tracks never before revealed. It is

150,000 visitors. Tractors and combines from the U.S.S.R., land preparation and harvesting equipment used on Scandinavian farms, versatile and economical German small tractors, twine from Portugal and orchard sprayers from Holland will all be part of the huge show.

All of the west annex building will display most of the over half a hundred lines of snowmobiles now on the market.

Free tickets for the show can be acquired from your local farm equipment dealer. Only adults require them.

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One of the "signs of the times" of modern safety engineering is that American Motors company has dropped convertibles from their 1969

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Delegate to the Halton Farm Safety Council is Colin Marshall, and delegate to the Halton Federation of Agriculture, Russell Hurren.

Jr.; president, Harold Middlebrook; vice-president, Tom Foster; secretary, Henry J. Stanley; directors, Arnold Fish, Bell, John Willmott, Russell John Kitching, Jeffrey Nurse,

form workers

For a number of years the problem of farmers obtaining top notch agricultural workers for Ontario farms has existed. With this problem in mind, the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food set up the Agricultural Manpower Service under the direction of John H.

It is Mr. Krauter's duty to find competent labor for Ontario farms. With this thought in mind Mr. Krauter will be visiting the United Kingdom to conduct personal interviews with applicants from Great Britain who will be interested in immigrating to Ontario to take up farming employment.

We have forms in our office which, when filled out, will be sent to Mr. Krauter showing the employer's interest in hiring one of these workers, the type of farm the employer operates, the accommodation available, etc. These forms can be picked up at the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food office, 181 Main Street East, Milton, or mailed out upon request.

Name winners yield contest at crop meet

By Henry Stanley Agricultural Representative

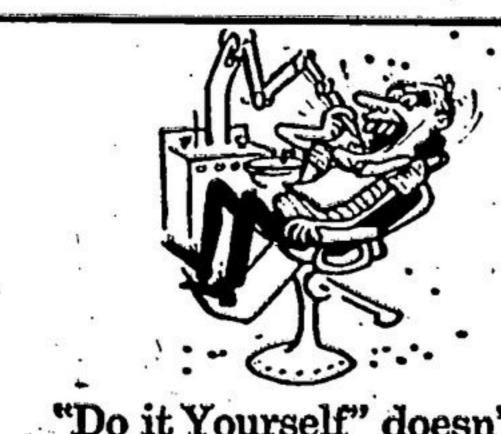
High yield competitions were conducted by the Halton Soil and Crop Improvement Association in 1968. The results were announced at the annual meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 7, in the Masonic Hall,

In the Grain Corn competition, with 10 entries, the average yield was 126 bushels per acre on a five acre plot selected by the farmer. The winner was Merle Gunby, R.R. I, Millgrove, with a yield of 149 bushels per acre. For Corn Silage, three entries, the average yield was 3.85 tons of dry matter or 12.8 tons of 70 per cent moisture silage. The winner was John Kitching, R.R. I, Moffat, with a yield of 4.63 tons of dry matter or 15.4 tons of silage.

There were nine entries in the Spring Grain competition, with an average yield of 2,979 pounds per acre. The five members growing barley averaged 3,270 pounds per acre, as .2 ompared to 2,663 pounds for the two growing oats, and 2,569 for the two growing mixed grain. The winner was Merrybrook Farms, R.R. 5, Milton, with 3,850 pounds of Herta Barley per acre.

In the Hay competition, with two entries, the average yield was 4.08 tons per acre in two cuttings, or 984 pounds of protein. The winner was Don Matthews of R.R. 2, Acton, with 552 pounds of protein on the first cutting, 496 on the second cutting, for a total yield of 1,048 pounds of protein.

Each of these competitors also kept accurate records of the cost of production of these crops. The hay, corn silage, and some of the grain samples were analysed for protein and dry matter at the University of Guelph.



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,000 Junior Farmers meet at conference

Over 1,000 Junior Farmers from all over Ontario met Saturday, January 4, in the King Edward Sheraton . Hotel, Toronto, for the annual conference of the Junior Farmers' Association of Ontario. Twenty-eight counties and

This is the first year a square dancing competition has been included in the conference program. Another new event was the talent hunt in which 12 counties participated.

square dancing competitions.

The day long conference districts were represented in concluded with dancing in the public speaking, music, and Crystal Ballroom of the hotel.

Craig Reid director from Halton to U.B.I.

United Breeders met at the Ligny School on Friday evening. Chairman of the evening was Guelph. Duncan Moffat, one of the directors from Halton of the Central Ontario Cattle Breeding Association. This association, ong with Waterloo and Lambton, united last fall to form . United Breeders

Harry Kennedy of Peterborough, the 1968 president of C.O.C.B.A., stated that the future of artificial breeding was in the beef segment, especially in Western Canada. He could not foresee any marked increase in dairy cattle in Ontario. He stated that sire proving is becoming more and more important. -Another area which may open up is the artificial breeding of horses.

Merv. McQuarrie, sire analyst, discussed the bulls owned by the unit. He mentioned that a Red Angus is in service for the first time, and two French Charolais bulls are in quarantine at Gross Isle and may be in service later

Craig Reid of Milton, the first president of United Breeders, stated that we must continue to improve our animals to keep the foreign market. He stated the is going to be a bigger job to get the quality of sires needed.

Wilbur Shantz of Waterloo pointed out that it cost \$7.15 to inseminate each cow, with receipts from the farmer of only \$5.87. This deficit is made up with sales of semen to other countries and other sources of revenue. United Breeders have a total of 109 employees, which includes 86 technicians.

Craig Reid was appointed as the Director from Halton to The Halton branch of the U.B.I. One director's to he chosen from each, of the 15 countries in this association. The Jan. 10 for supper. The annual meeting is to be held on attendance was considerably Jan 29 at 11.00 a.m. in the lowered by the poor weather. Unfied Co-operative Hall,

MRS. PAY KERR, ACTON, past president of the Junior Farmers Association of Ontario, presented watches to each of the finalists in the public speaking competition. The event was part of the Toronto conference of the Junior Farmer Association. The Y. Estori Co. donated the watches. Mrs. Kerr is on the right. Others; left to right, are Dort Campbell, St. Onge, Russell County; Gabe de Cloet, R. R. 1 Langton, Elgin County; Mrs. Beryl Little, Stenfrew.

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