



EXECUTIVE of the Halton Hog Producers' Association for 1969 include President Tom Broughton, front, secretary Allan Brownridge and vice-president Tom Foster. (Staff Photo)

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M.P.P. speaks to Norval Jr. Farmers on farm income, regional government

By J. Jenkins

Halton M.P.P. James Snow was the guest speaker at the Norval Junior Farmer banquet held at Stewarttown on Friday evening, Feb. 7. Mr. Snow, a Hornby area farmer with interest in the construction industry, spoke on recent government reports which will greatly affect the agricultural industry in Ontario.

Speaking on the Farm Income Report he stated that he favored one strong farm organization, and also a food supply agency which would be the end result of the amalgamation of all farm marketing boards, but he felt that several of these changes would definitely have to go beyond provincial boundaries.

Mr. Snow then moved on to the report of the Select Committee on Farm Taxation. He was the Chairman of the Farm Committee of this commission. He stated that taxation on agricultural land near urban centres is a problem, but the assessors are doing their job properly, and also that speculation on farm land was not good for the agricultural industry. Furthermore, he did not see how land a distance away from these centres could be used for purposes other than agriculture for many years.

Halton hogs above provincial average

By H. J. Stanley

The highlight at the Halton Hog Producers' annual meeting, held at the Agricultural office in Milton on Tuesday, February 4, was the discussion on the new grading system for hogs in Canada.

John Allan, the Grades Standards Officer for Ontario led the discussion. It was suggested that if hogs are relatively lean they could be marketed to advantage at somewhat heavier weights than in the past. This means that rather than having a 150-155 pound carcass, this might be increased to 160-170 pounds, providing these hogs are not too fat.

Allen Brownridge, secretary of Halton Hog Producers Association, stated that 13 premiums of \$10 had been paid to Halton farmers purchasing approved hogs in 1968. This subsidy is to be continued in 1969, with anyone purchasing an approved hog to contact the

secretary. In 1968 Halton marketed 29,309 hogs, an increase of 9.8 per cent over 1967, and 49.2 per cent of these hogs were Grade A, an increase of two per cent over the previous year. This compares to 43.7 per cent Grade A in Ontario. Thus, Halton is producing more and better quality hogs.

Noisy tractor harms hearing

By J. Jenkins

There seems to be a definite relationship between a hearing loss in farm groups, and the loud continuous drone of today's modern tractor.

This point was made by David McFarland, Assistant Director, Farm Division, National Safety Council, Chicago, at the Ontario Farm Safety Conference held in Guelph last week. Mr. McFarland stated that most tractors were above the acceptable limit of 85 decibels, and a large majority of these tractors were, in fact, above the

95 decibel point. Mr. McFarland explained that in groups tested, farmer between the ages of 39 and 49 showed the greatest hearing losses, and that they experience a greater degree of deafness in the left ear.

He went on to explain that farmers could guard against this deafness by wearing ear plugs or ear muffs. Sound-proof cabs or larger mufflers would also cut down on the noise produced by the tractor. The larger muffler would increase the cost of the tractor and cause a slight decrease in power. It might even bring about a reluctance on the part of the farmer to buy this type of tractor as many farmers associate noise with power.

More research is expected on this subject in the near future. Directors to the Halton Federation of Agriculture and the Halton Farm Safety Council are Delmar Ford and Gerald Carton, respectively. Delegates to the Ontario Hog Producers' annual meeting, on March 18 and 19 at the King Edward Hotel in Toronto are Tom Broughton, Tom Foster and Delmar Ford.

Directors are, Esqueme, Ron David, R. R. 5, Milton, Doug Robertson, R. R. 5, Milton, Frank Wilson, R. R. 3, Georgetown.

Navigawaya, Tom Kirkhoven, R. R. 1, Campbellville, Gerald Carton, R. R. 3, Milton; Bill Price, R. R. 1, Campbellville; Percy McGillivray, R. R. 2, Rockwood.

Burlington, Bill Harrison, R. R. 1, Burlington; Harold Middlebrook, R. R. 2, Milton; Stanley Smoke, R. R. 1, Burlington; Oakville, Delmar Ford, R. R. 1, Milton; Frank Eckhart, R. R. 4, Milton; George Hillman, R. R. 4, Milton.

The first wheat grown in Canada was in 1606 near Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia.

Milton man heads Drama Dual Purpose group

By J. Jenkins

There was a good turnout and plenty of lively discussion at the annual meeting of the Canadian Dual Purpose Shorthorn Society, held in Guelph.

In the elections Fred Fry, Campbellford, having served two years as president, becomes past president, and automatic member of the Board; Clarence Peacock, Milton, becomes president, and Ed Ruth, Omemee, vice president.

F. H. Stoltz, Guelph, remains as secretary. New directors elected were: Sophie Wiggins, Kempsville; Mike Sullivan, Peterborough, and Harold Patterson, Milton. Continuing directors are: Keith Barrett, Missouche, P. E. Frank Ulrich, Powassan; J. H. Atkinson, Nanticoke; Maurice Knott, Clarkburg; Ross Wallace, Courtland; and Joseph Nelles, Caledonia. Ross Hewitt, York, was elected director to the Canadian Shorthorn Association.

Members were slightly up over the previous year, and the Society again operated on a balanced budget, showing a revenue over expenditure of \$287 for the year past.

A program of Planned Mating was outlined by Don Kovars, Hamilton Cattle Breeders, whereby breeders could nominate some of their top producers to semen from top bulls, in an effort to make available more breed improving sires. Considerable breeder interest was shown.

In a thoughtful address, guest speaker Dr. R. I. Curtis, Ontario Veterinary College, stressed the need for clear thinking on the part of all connected with the

breed. "We must," he said "continue to analyze our weak and strong points, and must be subject to changes from time to time. Logic and reason must, when necessary, replace sentiment and custom."

There will be three productions, one each by the Palermo, Norval, and Acton Junior Farmers. The admission will be \$1 for adults, 50 cents for children under 12, and this charge will include refreshments following the performance. The winner of this competition will move to the provincial competitions.

Jr. Farmer drama festival date is changed to Feb. 19

The Halton County Junior Farmers' County Board meeting was held on Wednesday, Feb. 5, in the Agricultural Office, Milton. Brian Bessey presided.

Brian Bessey announced that it has been necessary to change the date of the Halton Drama Festival to Wednesday, Feb. 19. It will be held at St. Paul's United Church, Milton, at 8:15 p.m. It was announced that all three clubs would present a play and each club will be responsible for entertainment between plays.

The Hockey Tournament will be held the weekend of Feb. 21 at Listowel. Halton has a team participating.

Halton Juniors are making plans for a Hockey Tournament with other counties on April 8, to be held here in Halton.

The Bowling Tournament for this zone is March 2 at Brampton Mall. Both boys' and girls' teams will represent Halton.

The Guelph Conference will be held at the University March 21 to 23 weekend. The dance on Saturday night will be held at Paradise Gardens.

Carol Swackhamer reported on the Zone 3 conference held at Belwood on Saturday, February 1. All who attended from Halton reported a vast improvement on the previous conferences and found it interesting.

Joy Trimble showed a diagram of the building for Young Farmers' Institute in India built by the money raised for World Literacy. Our \$6,000 raised will build everything except the kitchen facilities. The total building will cost \$10,000.

Jim Jenkins announced the annual Safety Council meeting will be held February 11 and the representatives from Junior Farmers should attend.

The debating team will be competing against either Russell or Ontario County. The team from Halton consists of Carol Swackhamer, Brian Bessey, Barry Mahon and Bill Jackson.

The annual meeting for Halton will be February 13 and the president urged as many Junior Farmers members as possible to attend as they are the ones determining the future of the club.

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