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The Editor's Corner

FARM HELP IN STRONG DEMAND

In a recent interview with Agricultural Representative J. E. Whitelock, we were informed that labour situation on Halton farms is as critical at present as at any time during the previous war years. Contrary to the expectations of many, the hay crop in Halton is generally heavy—the same holds true of the winter wheat, and the earlier sown spring grain also promises well. In view of the world shortage of food supplies the saving of these crops is absolutely essential.

The situation in Halton has been temporarily relieved to some extent by Western Canada farm hands, quite a large number of whom have been placed by the Department office at Milton Toronto Commandos are also being brought out as weather conditions permit and in accordance with the demand. There still remains, however, stated Mr. Whitelock, many farmers in all sections of the County who are badly in need of assistance if their vitally needed crops are to be saved. In short, the help of all able bodied urban dwellers of Halton can be used to advantage, whether it be for an odd half-day, or part of the holiday period.

In a recent address, George R. Paterson, Commercial Attache to the Canadian Embassy at Washington, on his return from attending a world food conference in London, Eng., stated that the world food supply position was not a happy picture. Such former occupied countries, such as Greece, are already on less than 900 calories diet, which is a starvation rate of intake.

True, Canadian dwellers are still able to secure ample supplies of food, but urban dwellers would do well to realize that they themselves will be the first to feel the gnawing pangs of hunger if the situation really becomes critical in Canada. In other words, in our own interest as urban dwellers, it behooves us to lend a hand when the wherever possible to save the crops.

Good intentions alone do not bring results—action is needed at once, so call up some of your farmer friends, or the local commando headquarters and volunteer your assistance. For further information contact J. E. Whitelock, Agricultural Representative.

WORKERS FOR HOME BUILDING AND BUILDING SUPPLIES

In order to speed up home building this year, special arrangements have been made for the early release from the Armed Forces of experienced workers needed for home construction and the production of materials for home building; according to an announcement made by Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labour.

"Canada's program calls for the building of 50,000 homes immediately," the Labour Minister said, "and the continuing labour shortages are seriously hampering the project. An obvious and primary need of homes arises out of the fact that living quarters must be found for members of the Armed Services on discharge."

The Labour Minister explained that building contractors wanting to build homes, and employers producing materials needed for home construction, should make application to the nearest Industrial Selection and Release Committee, in order to secure the speedy release from the Armed Services of any man they know to be experienced in the work of house building, or in producing essential building materials. There are 11 of these Committees, the one for this district being in Toronto.

"We wish to appeal to building contractors wanting to build homes and to producers of building materials", Mr. Mitchell said, "to contact their District Committee immediately, to file applications for the release of any man they know to be experienced in these lines of work, who is now in the Armed Services but who can be put to work at once to help the house building program. Also, trade unions interested may file applications."

The Minister stated that employers and unions must give the name, postal address and other particulars regarding the men asked for. At the same time, he pointed out, applications need not be restricted to skilled tradesmen, but requests for experienced unskilled or semi-skilled workers will be entertained, where the indication is that labour shortages are interfering with home building.

The Labour Minister concluded by saying that civilian construction workers, who are now engaged in other work, are also being sought for house building by the Employment Office. "In home building all classes of construction tradesmen are needed, but the ones whose services are most in demand by contractors are carpenters, plasterers, bricklayers, plumbers and

electricians," Mr. Mitchell explained. "Any men who have experience at these trades on home building will be given their release from any designated industry by Employment Officers, upon application."

HALTON FARMERS KEEP COST FIGURES ON HOGS

In 1944 five Halton Junior Farmers in cooperation with the local branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, each kept cost figures on a litter of hogs. Those cooperating in the project were as follows: Wm. Alexander, Georgetown; Glen Campbell, Milton; Ross Gordon, Rockwood; Claude Picket and Bruce Reid, both of Georgetown district. The period of marketing extended from December 1944 to April of this year. It is interesting to note that after allowing \$7.00 as the value of each weaning pig and after deducting all feed costs, the five cooperators had an average of \$10.46 per pig left to cover labour, interest on investment and profit. On the average it took 3.66 lbs. of meal and concentrate to produce 1 lb. of live gain. It is also interesting to note that the litter showing the greatest profit was fed skim milk in lieu of concentrate; the skim milk being charged up at 30c per cwt. Another point of interest was the fact that the five litters averaged 65.4 percent A's in contrast to 40.4 percent A's for the County of Halton in 1944, and 28.3 per cent A's for the Dominion.

The experience and records of these five Halton farmers go to substantiate the statement made by Agricultural Representative J. E. Whitelock at the Halton Bacon Show last March that the percentage of A's marketed from the County of Halton could be automatically increased 50 percent, by simply marketing our hogs at the proper weights. Certainly with Denmark ready to get back into the British market as revealed by Geo. R. Paterson, Commercial Attache to the Canadian Embassy at Washington, it is essential that the Federal and Provincial Governments and hog producers generally, do more than simply some "wishful thinking" if they are interested in retaining the British Bacon. Canada's record of 28.3 Grade A's will certainly not hold that market—nor will our lack of continuity of supply achieve that goal. Our Federal and Provincial Governments must give a lead—furthermore our hog producers must pay more attention to the requirements of the British market if Canada is to retain a worth-while place in that market in the post-war period.

MARKET HOGS

Special Prizes Offered at Georgetown Fair

The T. Eaton Co. Ltd. and Equestrian Agricultural Society Fall Fair are again offering a special prize of \$45.00 divided in six prizes—\$12.00 \$10.00, \$8.00, \$6.00, \$5.00 and \$4.00 for the BEST PEN OF MARKET HOGS. Hogs to be judged on the fall.

Each Exhibitor allowed two entries. FOUR hogs for each entry. All hogs will be sold by sealed tender to the highest bidder assuring the farmer a considerably higher price for his entries, providing Bacon for Britain and also helping the entries for Georgetown Fair. Get your hogs ready — Last year we had 64 hogs in this class; let's make it a 100 this year!

LET SECRETARY KNOW IF YOU ARE ENTERING
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ANNOUNCEMENT!

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FALL FAIR DATES

TOWNS LISTED WITHIN EASY DRIVING DISTANCE

The list of dates for all fairs to be held throughout the province during the current year has now been released by the director of the Agricultural and Horticultural Branch of the Department of Agriculture. While many of the fairs have already been held, the majority are slated for September and October. A complete list is available to anyone writing the above branch at the Parliament Buildings, Toronto.

A list of Fairs, in order of dates, has been compiled for the benefit of Herald subscribers who are interested in fairs, within easy driving distance

Brampton	Sept. 1 and 3
Durham	Sept. 6-7
GEORGETOWN	Sept. 7-8
Fergus	Sept. 7-8
Aton	Sept. 14-15
Cooksville	Sept. 14-15
Dundalk	Sept. 15-16
Lindsay	Sept. 12-15
Mount Forest	Sept. 10-11
Orangeville	Sept. 11-12
Grand Valley	Sept. 20-21
Midland	Sept. 20-21
Shelburne	Sept. 18-19
Sunderland	Sept. 18-19
Galt	Sept. 20-22
Bolton	Sept. 25-26
Ancaster	Sept. 25-26
Arthur	Sept. 25-26
Caledon	Sept. 25-26
Collingwood	Sept. 25-26
Harriston	Sept. 27-28
Milton	Sept. 25-26
Oakwood	Sept. 24-25
Beeton	Oct. 5-6
Cookstown	Oct. 5-6
Elmvale	Oct. 1-3
Erin (Thanksgiving Day)	Oct. 6-8
Markdale	Oct. 18-21
Teeswater	Oct. 8-9

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WATERBURY PICNIC AT THE PARK

Members of Verdun School League with their children and grandchildren enjoyed a picnic at Georgetown Park last Thursday. There were about 100 present to partake of a picnic luncheon, after which games were held. The event was arranged by four group members: Marshall, Mrs. ...