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Volunteer Royal Rita, 141906, Jersey cow bred and owned by the Estate of William A. McClure, Georgetown, Ontario, has been awarded a Silver Medal Certificate by

The Canadian Jersey Cattle Club. In 305 days Rita produced 8,098 lbs. milk, 549 lbs fat with an average test of 6.78 per cent. Rita is a daughter of Volunteer Dreaming Count, 95538, Jersey bull formerly at the head of the McClure herd.

Farm News and Views of Interest

CALFHOOD VACCINATION AND MASTITIS CONTROL

Halton cattle owners are to have a rare opportunity of hearing two of Ontario's leading veterinary authorities, at the Court House, Milton, on Saturday, December 6th. Principal MacNabb of the Ontario Veterinary College will discuss calfhood vaccination as a means of controlling Brucellosis or Bangs Disease, while Dr. F. W. Schofield of the same institution will discuss recent developments in Mastitis Control. These two livestock diseases have in recent years caused greater financial loss to cattle owners of Ontario than all other diseases combined. We understand the meeting in question is being sponsored jointly by the Halton Livestock Improvement Association and the Halton Federation of Agriculture. We further understand, with the approval of those in attendance at the meeting in question, that it is the intention of the officers of the two organizations to follow up with a county-wide campaign on Calfhood vaccination. This will include a canvass for all cattle owners. A goodly percentage of Halton's cattle owners are already practicing calfhood vaccination, which is long past the experimental stage, and those contacted do not hesitate to state that the practice has not only practically eliminated loss from Bangs Disease and possibility of contracting Undulant Fever, but also increased the sales value of their livestock, whether Grades or Purebreds. Buyers today state local

sales agents are for the most part asking for cattle which have been vaccinated as calves, and are prepared to pay a considerably higher price for such cattle both grades and purebreds. We would anticipate a packed Court Room at Milton on Saturday of this week to hear Doctors MacNabb and Schofield.

FURTHER HALTON ROYAL WINNERS

The 1947 Royal has come and gone and will go down in history as one of the most outstanding of any yet staged. As anticipated in last week's column, Halton exhibitors were well in the fore in a number of classes. In a show of such magnitude one would have to be a superman of the first water and at the Royal daily to get all the wins made by Halton exhibitors. Those observed the past week were as follows:

SHORTHORNS
In the Shorthorn classes both breeding and market classes, Halton exhibitors were very prominent in the breeding classes the entries of S. G. Bennett of Scotsdale Farm, Georgetown, were perhaps the highlight from a Halton standpoint. On Scotsdale Aspiration, Mr. Bennett and his capable manager, Maurice Baker, secured first in the junior yearling class, Junior and Grand Champion. While the judging of Shorthorns was not completed when we called on Monday of last week, we noted they had already taken two firsts, a second in addition to other prizes. Grant Campbell, well known Shorthorn breeder of Moffat, has commenced to build another of those great herds which made Campbell Farms famous in pre-war years. While he had only one entry at the show, a March calf at that, he was sufficiently outstanding to place fourth in a class of twenty entries in the Junior Bull Calf class.
W. H. Merry, of Oakville, also had entries in both breeding and market classes but unfortunately had not been judged when we called.

MARKET CLASSES
Here, in so far as we could determine, T. C. Amos of Moffat had the highlights. In the dual purpose section Tommy had two firsts, Grand, and Reserve Grand Champion steers. His Grand Champion later sold for 75c a lb. live weight. Gordon Hreckon of Ironton also had entries in the Scotch Shorthorn market classes and when we called had a fifth in a class of 26, which is good going at any time.

KING'S GUINEA CLASS
Two of Halton Club members in the Baby Beeves were numbered among the 60 odd members who competed in this class. Alex Buchanan had third in the Shorthorn section, which brought out 30 entries. Sandy's steer later sold at 24c a lb. live weight. In the same section Evelyn McCann of Omagh was 17th, which too was good going in a show which brought together only the tops from all sections of Ontario.

FRUIT
In the outstanding fruit show, the appearance of which made one's mouth water, we noted a number of entries from Ravenswood Orchards, Burlington. Numbered among these was second on fifty baskets of Spies; second on 8 boxes of Spies; and third and fourth in the class for 8 boxes of McIntosh.

CLYDESDALES

Here Robt. Reid and Son, Norval and Valley Crest Farm, were the Halton Exhibitors. Valley Crest Farm had first on their three year old mare, Valley Crest Gypsy, also reserve Senior and reserve Grand on this home bred mare. They also had second on the same mare in the Canadian bred class any age, and also won the Mark Duff shield for best Canadian bred mare 3 years and under. Bert Berry, popular manager of Valley Crest, also got first on his three year old gelding; second and third on two year old mares; third on Yearling Stallion; second on the progeny of dam class; and sixth on Foal. Robert Reid and Son had the second prize brood mare and 4th prize yearling stallion.

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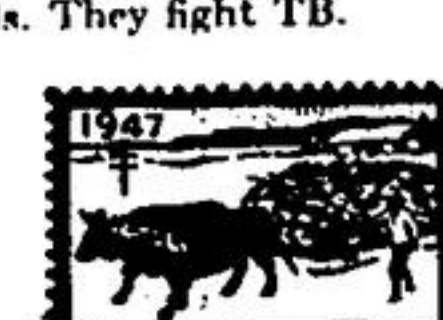
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