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### NEWS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST TO HALTON FARMERS

#### PASSING OF E. J. MEAGHER SHOCKS HALTON HOLSTEIN FRATERNITY.

The death of E. J. Meagher, of Graymar Farm, Trafalgar Township, on Thursday, July 1st, shocked his wide circle of friends in Halton. Comparatively few of his fellow Holstein breeders had known of his recent illness. His herd of Graymar Holsteins, under his personal supervision, had in recent years won international recognition in one of the top Holstein herds on the continent. Animals bred at Graymar Farm by Eddie Meagher have not only won championship awards at the Halton County Holstein Show, the District Championship Show, but also have established Canadian Championship records of production.

His quiet unassuming nature and his generous and active co-operation with all Halton Holstein Club activities had won for him a host of friends in Halton to whom his passing marks a tragic loss.

employment service. Consequently the job of attempting to cope with the demand for farm labour has as in former years been left on the door-step of the Agricultural Office at Milton. In a brief interview with the Agricultural Representative we learned that while a few Western Haystacks, a few British immigrants, some Scandinavians, a few more European D.P.'s, and some holiday workers from Toronto, have been secured, the demand far exceeds those secured, which totals around 50 front all sources.

#### HIGH YIELD SOYBEAN CONTEST

The Ontario Crop Improvement Association in cooperation with Victory Mills Ltd., and Toronto Elevators Ltd., is sponsoring a High Yield Soy Bean contest. Entries close on July 12th. In order to qualify, it is necessary for each contestant to have at least five acres. A total of \$100.00 in eight prizes is offered in this district. Those interested can secure further details and entry forms from the Agricultural Office in Milton.

#### CEILING ON WINTER WHEAT REMOVED

In case some of our readers missed the announcement in the daily press by the Canadian Wheat Board on or around June 5, here is a quotation from such announcement.

"In considering Ontario Winter Wheat policy for the crop year commencing July 1st, 1948, the Government has decided that the price ceiling on Ontario Winter Wheat can be removed and this action will be effective as of today the eighteenth of June. The present Treasury payment of eight cents per bushel is discontinued with the removal of the price ceiling. This means that the price of Ontario Winter Wheat will be free to find its own level under prevailing conditions."

Since the above announcement was issued all export restrictions have been removed and wheat is currently quoted around the \$1.75 mark. It has been reported to us that under the Marshall Plan exports from participating countries must not sell above the American price and at the present time American winter wheat flour is selling in the West Indies at the equivalent price of \$1.75 per bushel New York. We cannot vouch for the authenticity of the above statement but it was secured from what we consider a reliable source. If correct, it would appear to more or less establish a set price based on the price of American Winter Wheat which price does seem to be out of line with that of hard spring wheat which is selling across the line at \$2.40 per bushel.

#### SHOWERY WEATHER DELAYS HAYING OPERATIONS

During the past two or three weeks little or no progress has been made in the haying of Halton's hay crop. The frequent showers while spoiling some hay and delaying the progress of farm work, have improved spring grain prospects materially. Winter wheat looks like a bumper crop although some fields are beginning to lodge.

In the fruit and vegetable sections of Halton prospects are also very promising. As usual the biggest headache is lack of experienced or even partially experienced farm labour. While the consumer is bemoaning the high cost of many farm products, farm revenue is still too low to compete with industry in the labour market. Halton is one of the very few counties in Ontario where the Federal Government has failed to establish an em-

#### LORNE EVANS WEDS IN MILTON

Lorne "Dooney" Evans, former resident of town, where he was a goal-tender for the Intermediate hockey team was married in Milton recently to Lois Laurene Rusk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Rusk. Mrs. Herbert Arnold of Georgetown was matron of honour and Mr. Ivan Cloughie, groomsmen.

Since leaving town, Lorne has been goalie with Acton Timmers and for the past two seasons has lived in Milton where he has filled a similar spot with the Milton team as well as being a member of the Intermediate baseball team.

#### Transient pictures

Recording of a record was established recently by our busy local photographer, Albert Simson, when photos taken on a Sunday evening in Georgetown were being shown to people in England the next Wednesday. The pictures were taken at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hale, developed on Monday and taken to the Old Country by Mrs. Thomas-Nelle of Acton who flew there the following day. Mrs. Nelle is married to Mrs. Hale's brother and the pictures were family group.

#### DIES DURING VISIT IN DENMARK

Mrs. Thomas Larsen, a resident of the Glen Williams district, died on Friday in Aalborg, Denmark, where she had been visiting since the spring. Immediately on hearing the sad news, her husband booked passage on a transatlantic plane and left Milton Airport on Sunday for Denmark.

Mrs. Larsen left Canada by boat on April 19th for her first visit in her homeland since she came to Canada twenty-five years ago. She took ill on the day she arrived in Denmark and had been confined to bed for some time, a heart attack being the cause of her death, which occurred on the day she had originally planned to leave for the trip home.

She is survived by a brother, Paul Larsen of Glen Williams and three brothers in Denmark. Before moving with her husband four years ago to the Ostrander farm at the Glen, the couple had lived on the 4th and the 6th Line, Peel County.

The funeral service will take place this Friday with interment being made in Denmark.

#### LEADING GOLFERS TO COMPETE IN CANADIAN OPEN

The greatest field of world "big name" golfers in Canadian history is expected to be on hand when golfing greats and near-greats start shooting for the Canadian Open Golf Championship, the Seagram Gold Cup and \$10,000 in prize money over Shaughnessy course in September.

The first Canadian Open ever staged in Vancouver will draw the big-name competitors partly because of the prestige which has grown up around Canada's top-ranking golfing attraction, partly because of the fat purses involved, and partly because its timing and location fit perfectly into the schedule of top-line competitions in the United States.

The Open in Vancouver follows right behind the \$10,000 Tacoma Open and is directly ahead of the \$10,000 Portland, Ore., Open. The \$30,000 involved in the three events so close together in time and distance assure a classy field which will include South Africa's fabulous Bobby Locke and in all probability — Ben Hogan, winner of the U.S. Open Title recently.

The \$10,000 prize money for the Canadian event is put up by the donors of the Seagram Gold Cup, with the winner collecting \$2,000 as well as custody of the Gold Cup for a year and permanent possession of a Seagram replica. The Gold Cup, incidentally, is heading westward for exhibition in Vancouver after getting free of customs in Montreal following a delay which resulted when the case containing the cup arrived back in Canada from South Africa a few days ahead of the keys to open it.

With \$2,000 going to the winner of the four-day, 72-hole competition, the runner-up receives \$1,400 and the man who paces third gets \$1,000. Fourth Prize is \$800 and fifth is \$550. From there on, prizes are graduated downward until the man in 20th spot collects \$50.

In addition to these main prizes are the special awards to leading Canadians. The top Canadian gets \$250 and possession of the Rivermead Trophy for one year. Second prize is \$200, third \$125, fourth \$100, fifth \$75 and sixth \$50. The Rivermead Trophy is competed for only by Canadian golfers, none of whom have ever won the Seagram Gold Cup which has been emblematic of the Canadian championship since 1936.

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