

### NEWS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST TO HALTON FARMERS

#### H. W. RICHARDSON TOPS FIELD CROP COMPETITION

The results of the Field Crop Competition in Oats sponsored by the Halton Agricultural Society have just been announced as follows:

- 1st, H. W. Richardson, Milton;
- 2nd, J. H. Willmott, Milton;
- 3rd, J. A. Dixon, Milton;
- 4th, W. E. Breckon, Freeman;
- 5th, Harold Burkholder, Freeman;
- 6th, Wm. G. Booth, Milton;
- 7th, Wm. McFadden, Milton;
- 8th, Geo. Readhead, Milton;
- Alex Davidson of Agincourt was the judge.

#### WATCH FOR ARMY WORMS

An outbreak of army worms has been reported in the Freeman district. An announcement on this was received on Saturday morning and investigation was being made immediately by Agricultural Representative J. E. Whitelock. Outbreaks of this pest had already been reported from South Simcoe, Perth, and Oxford counties. The army worm normally works in the evening, and farmers are urged to ex-

amine their spring grain and corn fields preferably in the evening, after sundown, for small striped caterpillars which feed on the leaves or heads of grain. During the daytime the worm is usually found curled up at the base of the plants or under clumps of earth.

These insects can be controlled by the use of poison bran-bait, the proportions being as follows:

Bran 25 lbs., Paris Green or white arsenic, 1 lb., Molasses, 1 quart, water, about 2 1/2 gals.

The poison should be mixed thoroughly with the bran first, and the molasses should be stirred into the water, and then mixed with the poison bran until it is about the consistency of damp sawdust.

Where the larvae are in spring grain, or corn, the bait should be broadcast after sundown by men moving across the field about 6 feet apart and throwing the bait in one direction. If the larvae is moving from a grain field to corn, it may be advisable to plow a deep furrow with the straight side towards the crop to be protected, and bait in the furrow.

Should other sections of the County have outbreaks with this pest they should immediately contact the Agricultural Office, Milton, or the Department at Guelph 300.

The outbreak reported from Freeman would appear to have been erroneous.

#### DAIRY HERD IMPROVEMENT POLICY PROVES POPULAR

The Dairy Herd Improvement Policy of the Ontario Dept. of Agriculture which went into action in Halton on May 1st, is proving popular with 52 Halton dairymen enrolled. Twenty-six dairymen are enrolled in each group which is the maximum number which can be serviced each month. The supervisor for the West Halton group is Geo. R. McCormack of Freeman, while Frank W. Chisholm of Hornby supervises the twenty-six dairymen in East Halton. Each dairyman is visited one day each month, at which time the respective supervisor weighs both night and morning milkings of each milking cow in the herd. A butterfat test is made and the computed record is based on the weights and tests made by the supervisor. In addition, data is collected by the supervisor, pertaining to cost of production. At the end of the twelve month period each dairyman will receive official records on his cows as to total milk production and butterfat, and also figures on the cost of producing milk in his own herd.

It is anticipated that another group of 26 dairymen will get underway this fall and already a number of applications are on the waiting list at the Agricultural Office in Milton. Others who are interested should make their applications at once to J. E. Whitelock Ontario Dept. of Agriculture, Milton. Incidentally, only those with grade herds or with mixed herds of grades and purebreds are eligible under the Dairy Improvement Policy. Those with straight pure bred herds are expected to enroll in Record of Performance work sponsored by the Federal Department of Agriculture.

#### BALLINAFAD

Ballinafad defeated Hillsburgh 11-5 in the first game of the semifinals in Hillsburgh Wednesday evening.

We extend our congratulations to Janice Baker who obtained first class honours in her grade four piano at the Royal Conservatory of Toronto and to Lillian Shortill who also obtained honours in her grade eight piano exams in Guelph. Church services will be withdrawn next Sunday but will be held as usual on Sunday, July 31st.

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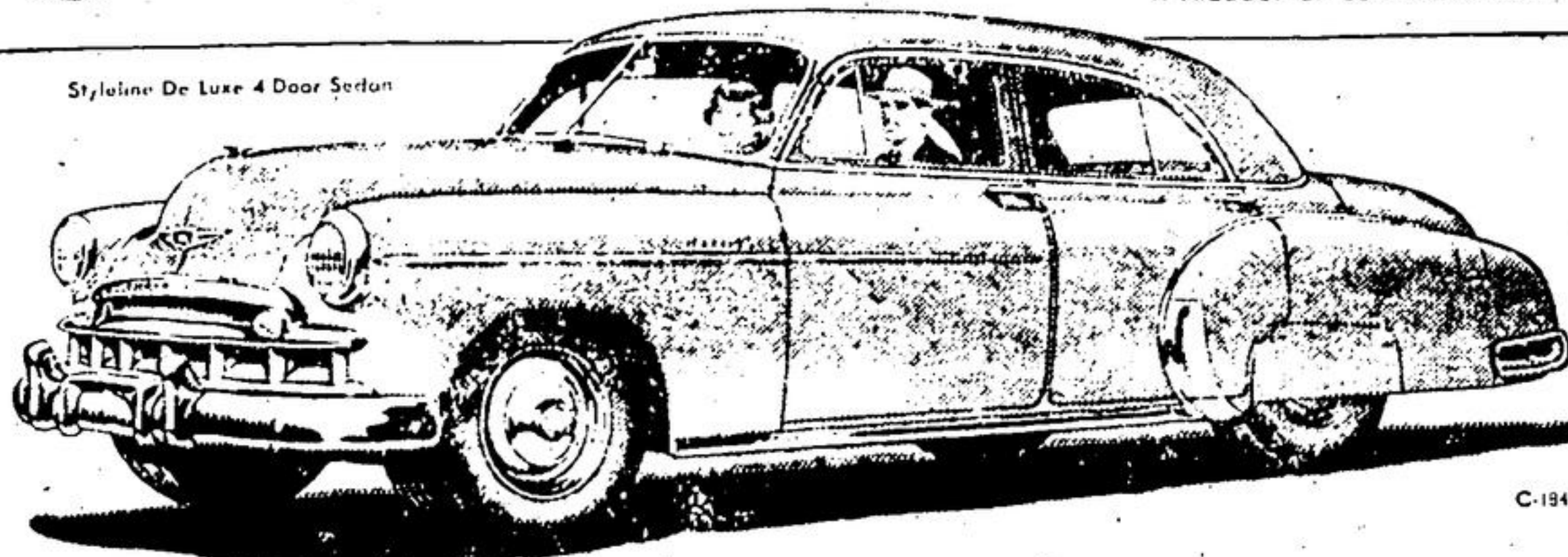
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#### Norval "Jinx" Team Plays Good Lacrosse

It isn't always that a team is newsworthy after a string of defeats, but such is the case with this year's Norval Intermediate lacrosse squad. In spite of a string of eleven successive defeats they are still in there trying and the fact that seven of these games have been lost by a single point proves that Norval always puts up a good game. Recently at Orangeville part of the fighting system failed in the third period at a time when Norval was in the lead. Legally the game could have been called and no one would have blamed the club for taking this opportunity to chalk up a win. But no, the team said they wanted the game to go on and Norval, defending as luck would have it in the dark end of the field soon lost their 8-5 edge.

This display of sportsmanship so impressed the Orangeville club that a fine letter of appreciation was sent to Norval by their secretary, J. McKittrick.

"You displayed true sportsmanship in carrying on," said the letter, "especially when the lack of light may have been the cause of your team losing."

The Intermediates, many of whose players come from the Glen, have the makings of a really good team next year and it is to be hoped that the players stick together. They are coached by Harby Cameron and Ollie Burton and number on their team many players who learned their lacrosse in the Norval minor leagues.

Crowd attendance has not been too encouraging at their home games and sports followers should take advantage of a trip to our neighbouring hamlet to see the team in action. Even though they have been the "Jinx" team this season, they play a good brand of lacrosse and always put up a good game. In their last appearance, playing against the league-leading Fergus Thistles, who haven't lost a game to date, Norval had the score tied with two minutes to go, when the Jinx stepped in, Fergus got a breakaway and won the game.

#### Raiders Forging Ahead Toward Group Leadership

The baseball fans in this vicinity have seen some good baseball this year and some not so good. But that is baseball.

The Georgetown team started out very poorly losing 4 of their first 5 games. Then as the season progressed the team improved and up to Saturday's game they had won 4 of their last 5 games. Last Saturday's game was a fiasco as everyone on the team took time to make one or more errors as they handed the game to Milton on a silver platter.

The local team have been able to field their best team on mid week games and a look at the records shows that they won 7 out of 8 when their best team was on the field. The Halton County league is drawing to a close, Georgetown having only 4 more games to play in the regular schedule. The standings which are published below, show that Georgetown is only one game out of second place. The teams finishing first and second play a two out of three series for the Halton County cup. So don't be surprised if Georgetown is one of these teams.

In the second week in August a series of 3 out of 3 games will be played for the Intermediate B championship between Fergus and Georgetown. The winner goes on to the OHA playdowns.

Milton, Watford and Hamilton will hold a C series of their own. The Acton will go on in the A series as they are using several Guelph players.

The official standing as of July 11th:

	Won	Lost	Tied
FERGUS	12	2	1
MILTON	9	4	1
WATERDOWN	9	7	
GEORGETOWN	8	8	
ACTON	5	10	
HAMILTON	2	14	

#### TWIXTEEN NEWS

by Jacqueline Graham  
Hi kids! Wasn't it fun, the picnic at Belfountain. It is definitely one of the loveliest parks in this district. Twixteeners had a marvelous time there.

Swimming was the first order of the day. Then came the exploring of caves which proved interesting. All the Twixteeners enjoyed the

hike over the hills and through the woods and then a picnic supper. The tired group returned home by way of Georgetown Transportation Co. buses.

In its native habitat, tropical America, mahogany, the "Premier cabinet wood of the world" is used mainly for firewood and rough construction.

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