

NEWS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST TO HALTON FARMERS

LATE BLIGHT WARNING SERVICE:

It is again the time of year when we may anticipate outbreaks of late blight on potatoes and tomatoes. A year ago a late blight broke out about the middle of July. Weather conditions recently have also been conducive to outbreaks of this fungus disease. Announcement was made last week by Dr. J. D. MacLachlan, head of the Department of Botany, that the late blight warning service will be in operation again this year. It is planned to issue releases to both radio and press on Wednesday of each week during the late blight season. Andrew Fulton, Secretary of the Vegetable Growers' Marketing Board at Hamilton has accepted the responsibility of disseminating the releases to the commercial tomato growers of Ontario. Growers who have outbreaks of

this disease should immediately report same to Wm. Fox, District Fruit and Vegetable Fieldman, Box 192, Oakville or to the Agricultural Office in Milton.

FOREST TREE APPLICATIONS

August 15 has been set as the deadline for the accepting of applications for trees for windbreaks, shelterbelts and wood-lot planting. This announcement was made some time ago by the Department of Lands and Forests. In other words, if any of our readers is interested in securing trees for next spring planting now is the time to make your application. Application forms may be secured from the Agricultural Office, Milton.

HOG MARKETINGS ARE LOW

Hog marketings in Canada for the first week in July were 51,603. This constitutes the lowest for that week in the past 10 years. As usual, hog prices are up when marketings are lowest. Some people may wonder why the price of hogs advances each year during the months of July, August and September. The answer according to W. E. Tummon, Secretary of the Ontario Hog Producers' Marketing Board is because less hogs are marketed during these three months than any other period of the year. When the weekly consumption of pork products exceeds the weekly marketings of hogs then, of course, the supply is not equal to the demand and competition for the available hogs causes an advance of price. That appears to be the situation at the present time and it is quite possible that it will be the end of September before sufficient hogs will come to market to equal the demand for the domestic market alone. In the meantime, export is only a dribble. There is also the fact that usually during periods of light marketings the demand could be supplemented from storage stocks. This year, however, the amount of pork products in storage is reduced considerably.

LESLIE REUNION AT STANLEY PARK

The 12th Leslie Reunion was held at Stanley Park, Erin, with an attendance of 163. Lunch was served in the large airy pavilion of Stanley Park, after which Mr. Ed Pearen, president, conducted a short business meeting. Wilfred Lealie, Georgetown, will be the new president, Geo. S. Leslie, Guelph, 1st vice president, Orville Johnson, 2nd vice president Mrs. Peter Dick and Elva Pearen secretaries.

The oldest person present was Miss Melissa Johnston of Acton 83. Youngest was 11 month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cation, Brampton.

Fifty-six years of wedded life was the record of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reed of Acton, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gamble of Hespeler.

Mrs. Mina Brown and son Clifford of Saskatchewan and Mrs. Arthur Clive of Zelma, Sask., were the guests coming the greatest distance.

While the older folk enjoyed renewing or making new acquaintances, the swing, slides and swimming lured the younger members of the Leslie clan.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLISHING FIRM

Douglas M. Gowdy, son of the late Wm. Gowdy, of Limehouse and Acton, has been appointed a director of MacLean-Hunter Publications, Toronto, it has recently been announced.

In 1932 he was appointed business manager of the Post and in 1942 became manager of the paper. Two years later he was appointed advertising director for Maclean-Hunter's Canadian business papers, and in December, 1948, he became advertising director for the magazines as well.

A director of the Periodical Press Association and past chairman of its legislative committee, Mr. Gowdy is a vice-chairman of the Business Newspapers Association.

He is an associate member of the Canadian Manufacturer's Association, representing Maclean-Hunter, an associate member of the Industrial Advertisers Association of Ontario, and has served on the Canadian policy committee of National Industrial Advertisers Association. Mr. Gowdy is past president of the Canadian Club, Toronto, and was also first vice-president of the Association of Canadian Clubs in 1948.

Besides membership in the Empire and Advertising and Sales clubs, he is a member of the National Club and is on the Board of Session of Timothy Eaton Memorial Church, Toronto.

Due to its inability to resist rust, the well-known Marquis wheat has yielded its position of popularity to Thatcher, Renown, Regent or Apex, all rust resistant.

Photographic Prints Used

On Textiles and Glassware

Photographic prints are appearing on textiles, pottery and glassware. Recent developments make it possible to print fabrics continuously with designs obtained from photographic negatives. Chinaware, too, is treated with a photosensitive material, which is developed during the firing. Another new process makes colorless glass photosensitive throughout its body, and development of the image takes place when the glass is reheated.

Although the principle of printing photographs on textiles has been known for some time, until now there has been no practical method adapted to continuous operation. This, with a lack of proper dyes and finishing agents, made photographs on fabrics slow and costly, and the results did not appeal to fashion designers. Recently, two processes have been developed for commercial operation.

It is estimated that about six million yards of textiles will be printed this year for dresses, scarves, draperies and ties. Material thus printed is expected to be used in theatrical backdrops and window displays as well as in clothing accessories embellished with pictures of favorite movie stars.

Both processes are intricate and require close control by chemists and photographers. The fabric is treated like photographic paper; it is sensitized to light, then brought into contact with a transparent film. Light shining through the film prints the design on the fabric.

False Convictions Boost

Cost of Mental Illnesses

False ideas about mental illness help keep patients in mental hospitals who ought to be cured or discharged, increase the amount of mental illness and waste millions of tax dollars, Stephen Thiermann, writes in the health magazine of American Medical Association.

The false conviction that "mental illness is a disgrace," he says, makes people hesitate to consult mental health clinics before their illnesses become severe. "This boycott of clinics, of course, increases mental illness, puts more patients in hospitals and takes more tax dollars out of our pockets. Each commitment prevented saves the state \$5,000 to \$7,000, estimated cost of an average period of hospitalization."

The idea that insanity is incurable costs us even more, Thiermann observes. Although modern treatment in psychiatry brings more recoveries than in any other branch of medical science except obstetrics, expenditures for mental hospitals are so inadequate that many of them are not modern treatment centers, but mere custodial units.

"One authority has estimated that public neglect of our mental hospitals means that 20 per cent of all persons admitted to a state mental institution are doomed to life imprisonment, when with adequate care and treatment they could be saved," he writes.

Radiant Heating Best

Indoor comfort can best be attained by radiant heating from a central heating plant, automatically fired, according to heating industries. The home heating plant should have sufficient operating range so that it will heat adequately in severe weather but not overheat in mild weather. It should distribute heat near the floor where it is felt. The heat distribution should be such that occupants will be comfortable at any place in the room, even near outside walls and at windows and doors. Radiant heating is flexible and provides the same comfort whether the fuel is coal, oil or gas; whether the heating medium is hot water or steam, and whether the heat distribution is accomplished by radiators, baseboards, panels or convectors.

Gasoline From Weeds

The weeds that cost the farmer billions of dollars a year in crop damage may prove a valuable source of synthetic gasoline and oil, Prof. S. W. Hockett, Iowa Wesleyan college, reported to American Chemical society. Rank of fuel proves insignificant where liquefaction is concerned. Lignite, peat wood, chaff or even weeds may serve as raw material for the manufacture of liquid synthetic fuel. Exploitation of oil from coal and other new sources will be no less significant than the discovery of a new continent he reported. Because of its enormous reserves of low-cost raw materials for these synthetic fuels, Midwestern America promises to become the industrial power center of the world.

Live Alone and Like It

The people of mountain-ringed Tibet, after losing some of their prized isolation during the war, are reported ready to close their border until 1950. This perennial recluse among nations is about 10 times the size of Pennsylvania. Home of hermits, farmers, priests and bandits, it is the core of a wild and hard region, in itself a "no trespassing" sign. On the south rises the towering barrier of the Himalayas, which discourage contact with India's militancy and block off the barren plateau from the monsoon rains. North and east into China stretch the soaring peaks of the Kunlun range. On the west are bleak desert plateaus and mountains.

COUNTY COUNCIL ENDORSES NEW HOME FOR AGED

Halton County will establish its own Home for the Aged and terminate joint maintenance of the Peel-Halton Home at Brampton, which has been under control of the two counties since Halton purchased a share in 1909. Decision to establish a separate building in Halton was made at a special meeting of county council last Wednesday night in Milton when the problem was thoroughly discussed and every councillor had an opportunity to express the views of his municipality. At an earlier meeting councillors had been asked to find out what their local councils thought about the idea, which was prompted by proposed improvements to the present building which will cost an estimated \$168,000.

The idea of a separate home has been propounded by Reeve Jack Armstrong of Georgetown who heads a special committee of county council which has been investigating the situation for some time. Reeve Armstrong believes that the time has come when the present arrangement with Peel, which has always been an amicable one, is no longer practical and that if Halton were to share in the cost of improvements, a separate Halton building would still be needed in the not-too-distant future. For this

reason he has for some time favoured making the break before more county money is spent and county council endorsed this idea by a 13-3 majority vote. Voting against the motion were Reeve George Currie and Deputy Reeve George Lealie of Esquimaux and Reeve William VanSickle of Nassagaweya. Deputy Reeve Herb Allen of Burlington was the only member not present at the meeting.

The resolution passed is as follows: "That this council is in favour of building in Halton County a home for the aged."

"That forthwith a committee be appointed to report to the next meeting of this council on tentative sites and proposed plans."

"That forthwith a committee be appointed to negotiate with Peel County for a settlement of our half interest in the Peel-Halton Home for the Aged, said settlement to be confirmed by this council."

"That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Public Welfare and the County Council of Peel."

Appointments to the building committee are: Reeve Jack Armstrong of Georgetown, Reeve William VanSickle of Nassagaweya, Deputy Reeve Joe Wickson of Tr-

falgar and Deputy Reeve Kenneth Dick of Milton. On the negotiating committee are Reeve William Higgins of Milton, Reeve George Currie of Esquimaux, Reeve Thomas Jones of Acton, and Reeve W. E. Riggall of Trafalgar.

The warden, Mrs. Mary Pettit, expressed thanks to Reeve Armstrong and the building committee for the work which had been done in compiling information about the subject. She stressed the fact that the 40-year partnership with Peel had been entirely satisfactory and that the Halton decision had been only because of changing conditions and increased growth of the two counties.

While no proposed site has yet been advocated it is logical to assume that the new home will be built somewhere in the Milton district, if not in the town itself, Milton being the county town and geographically in the centre of the county.

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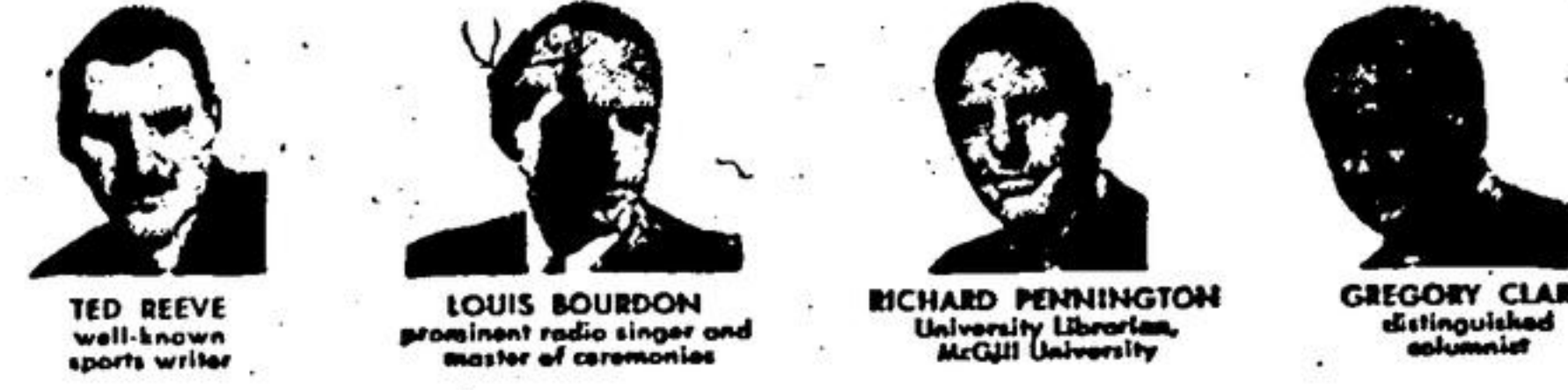
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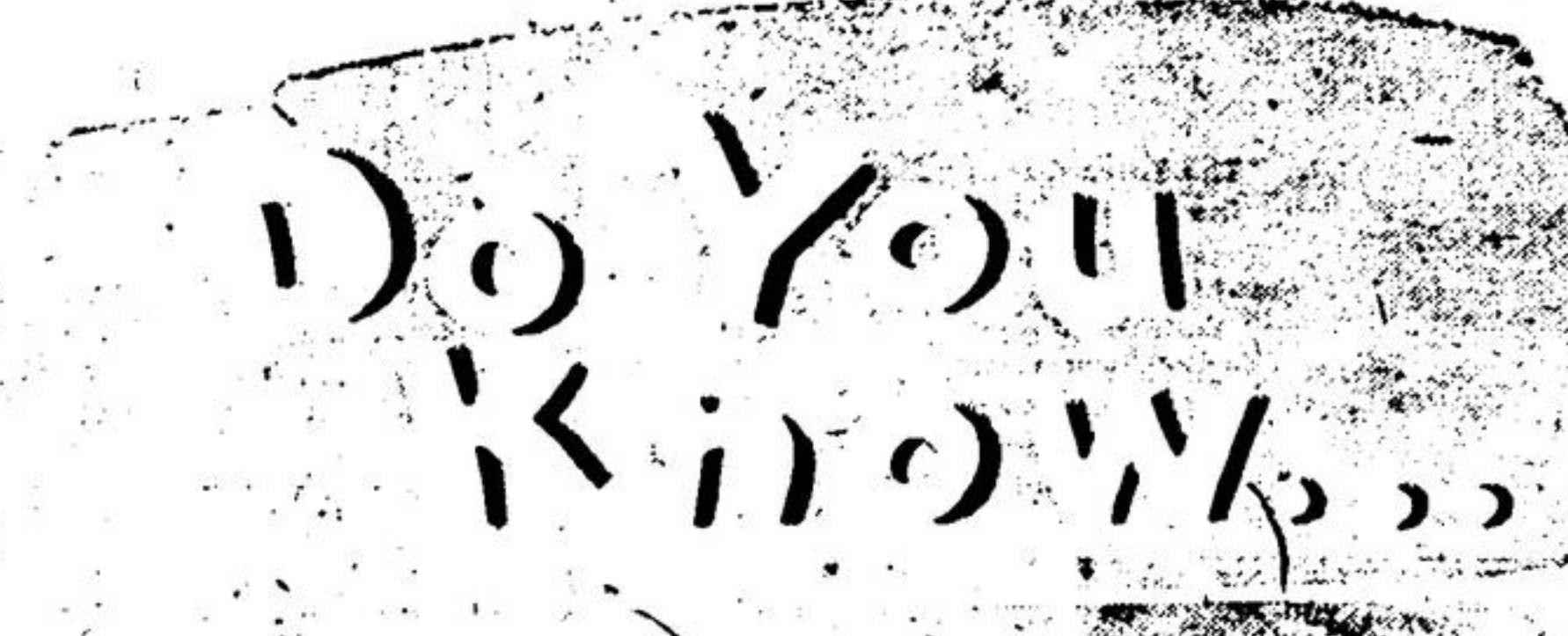
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the population of Canada's 10th province?

The population of Newfoundland, tenth province in the Dominion of Canada, is 321,171.

Do You Know . . . that Newfoundland was discovered by John Cabot on June 24, 1497, and was formally occupied on behalf of Great Britain in August, 1583, by Sir Humphrey Gilbert?

Do You Know . . . that approximately one-third of its area of 42,734 square miles is covered by water . . . the capital of Newfoundland is St. John's, a city of 56,709 inhabitants . . . over 940 saw mills are in operation . . . 206 factories pack salmon with a total pack of some 6,600 cases, and 220 factories pack lobster with a total pack of some 6,300 cases . . . seal fishery, codfish packing, whale fishery are also engaged in . . . large beds of iron ore are being developed and extensive deposits of zinc and lead ore are being cultivated . . . in 1947 a total of 396,998 tons of standard newsprint was exported . . . there are 16 hydro-electric plants with 237,471 horsepower developed in 1948.

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