

News and Views For Halton Farmers

LACK OF EXPORT MARKETS SEVERE BLOW TO PRIMARY PRODUCERS

Egg producers are taking a terrible beating at present egg prices. Some poultrymen have already commenced to get rid of their flocks. At the moment, hen prices are far from attractive and as a matter of fact the demand is very limited. In the main, however, the great majority are, we feel, taking the wise attitude of marking time for the moment and at the earliest opportunity plan to do what means a greater number of hours per week for those in industry or much lesser extent, are also facing the New Year with trepidation. With feed grains at their present prices, a hen price of \$2.20 or thereabouts is going to leave a very narrow margin. The situation is particularly acute in this section of Ontario due to the poor crops of 1949. From the standpoint of competing on world markets our prices for most of our agricultural products are undoubtedly high. While we do not pose as any economist, it would seem to us that if all prices could be scaled down, no one would

be hurt and we would be in a much sounder economic position. However, with the high cost of living in our urban centres and the present attitude of many of our labor leaders we can't see much hope for any immediate reduction. In the case of those articles we are buying from industry, in brief, it is a case of history repeating itself and perhaps in the not very distant future, there must be a reduction in the cost of manufactured goods. The present situation can only result in reduced sales of manufactured goods to rural Canada. Just how it is to be done is not for us to say. Nevertheless we are going to be bold enough to suggest that

the success of the project.

INTER-CITY DEBATING

The Halton Juniors Debating Series gets under way in February when Palermo and Norval 4-H debate the subject "Resolved that present restriction against open air meetings and professional sports on Sunday should be removed."

GUERNSEY & HOLSTEIN BREEDERS HOLD ANNUAL MEETINGS THIS COMING WEEK

The Annual Meetings of the Halton Guernsey and Holstein Breeders' Clubs are scheduled for the coming week. The former meeting is to be held at Thorby on Wednesday, January 14th, when J. A. Carroll, Superintendent of Agricultural Societies for Ontario is to be guest speaker, while the Holstein Breeders' meet at the new Town Hall at Trafalgar, on Thursday, January 12th. At this meeting W. P. Watson, Ontario Livestock Commissioner will be the special speaker. Both organizations are holding their business sessions in the morning, followed by a dinner or banquet at noon. These meetings always have a large attendance and with two of the top speakers in the agricultural field on their respective programs record turnout is anticipated at both meetings.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE OFFERED AT KNOX CHURCH

A new organization, planned to provide trained leaders for the church is sponsoring a leadership training course beginning the middle of this month. Known as the Esquisses Council of Christian Education, it is a branch of a national organization and will conduct a series of courses in Knox Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evenings. Instructors in the course will be Rev. John M. Smith of St. John's United Church and Rev. C. R. Gower of the Baptist Church. Sunday School teachers, leaders of groups and parents will find the course especially helpful. President of the organization is Mr. C. Coles, Actor and Mrs. F. J. Shortill of Ballinafad, is secretary.

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed in St. John's United Church on Sunday. The morning lesson was read from Cor. 11:23-29 and the text was read from Revelation 3:20. Rev. J. M. Smith spoke on the theme "A Natural Development in which he emphasized the summons, response, and communion of the Christian experience. A man's response to God's summons leads him out into a fellowship which is creative and transforming, he said. The choir under the direction of Mr. Norman Laird sang the anthem "For God So Loved the World". Miss Winifred Watson was received into the full fellowship of the St. John's by transfer of certificate from Grace United Church, Brampton. Miss Betty King accompanied the congregational singing on the piano on Sunday evening. The theme of Mr. Smith's message was "The Best Things in the Worst Times."

It was announced that the Rev. Geo. King of China would speak at next Sunday's morning service and that the Pax Bible Class of Weston Presbyterian Church, a class of 35 young people under the leadership of Mr. Gordon Alcott, would conduct the evening worship.

The film "The Great Commandment" is to be shown in the Assembly Hall on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. This film is to conclude the Week of Prayer services and is sponsored by the local Ministerial Association.

Mr. Norman Laird, a former organist and choir leader of the United Church who has been supplying for the past few weeks has consented to continue throughout the year.

The Halton Scouting Club is to meet at Oakville on Thursday evening. A representation of George town leaders will be present.

All committee members of the Halton Scout Group Committees are to meet in the Municipal Building, Milton on Monday, Jan. 16th.

Patrol Leaders of the 1st Georgetown Troop are invited to attend the Bronze Arrowhead Course to be held in Oakville on January 20 and 21st.

The Wolf Cubs spent their recreation period last week learning to play volleyball.

The coloured film of the Boy Scout Jamboree held at Ottawa last summer is to be shown in Georgetown on Friday, February 10th.

Cookstown Couple Mark 70th Wedding Anniversary

INSTITUTE MAY HOLD MEETINGS IN LIBRARY

Georgetown Women's Institute will ask the town council to fit the rooms in the basement of the Public Library for use in order that meetings can be held there. Membership in the group has become so large that the average home cannot accommodate a meeting without considerable inconvenience to the hostess and the ladies plan to hold their meetings there if a room can be provided. Mrs. Maude Robinson was hostess for the January meeting last Wednesday with the president, Mrs. H. C. Bailey in the chair. The topic was Canadian industries and agriculture, the motto "He that labeth his life shall have bread" and the roll call was answered with a garden hint.

The members had been invited to the opening of the new wing of Peel Memorial Hospital in Brampton. Mrs. William Sinclair represented the branch and gave an impromptu account of the opening. The secretary was instructed to write and find how the branch could best help the hospital in a tangible way.

The helping hand committee recently sent out ten Christmas hamper and a box of candy. A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. D. Livingston and Mrs. Wm. McDowell for their ability to purchase such a lot of lovely things for such a small amount of money. It was decided to pack a bale of good warm clothing for some mission in Toronto, articles to be left at the home of Mrs. H. C. Bailey, Mrs. D. Livingston or Mrs. Norman Snyder. A euchre was planned in the Oddfellows Hall after this month, no lunch to be served, but an extra rice to be given.

Mrs. Frank Petch was convened for the program which included a sing-song with Mrs. R. H. Wright at the piano and solos by Miss Joan Lavigne. Mrs. George Campbell gave a paper on current events, taking as her topic "The Last Fifty Years" and many interesting facts were disclosed. Mrs. Petch gave a humorous reading which brought many a chuckle and a reading by Mrs. William Sinclair "New Year's Day" gave plenty of scope for resolutions. The hostess and her committee served refreshments.

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