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**News and Views For Halton Farmers**

**ARTHUR SPENCER ELECTED HALTON & PEEL GUERNSEY CLUB PRESIDENT**

The Orange Hall at Hornby on Wednesday of last week was the scene of the Annual Meeting of the Halton and Peel Guernsey Club with nearly 100 Guernsey enthusiasts in attendance. J. Lloyd Chisholm was the able chairman of the day's programme which got under way at 11.00 a.m. Following the business session in the morning, the ladies of the Hornby W.I. served the gathering with a delicious turkey dinner. Guests included: Don McAllister of York County, President of the Ontario Guernsey Club; Dr. Campbell, Guelph, Secretary of the Canadian Guernsey Breeders' Association; Jack Fraser of Fraserdale Farm, York County; and Bruce Hodgins, Secretary of the Ontario Guernsey Club.

J. A. Carroll, Superintendent of Horticultural and Agricultural Societies for Ontario, was the guest speaker. This speaker as usual had a thought-provoking message which provided much food for thought under present conditions.

The election of officers for 1950 resulted as follows:

- President—Arthur Spencer Palermo
- Vice Pres.—John V. McNabb, Georgetown
- Sec'y.—Kenneth Marshall Milton
- Directors—Gordon King, Wm. G. Booth, M. S. Akon, John Lillycrop, J. L. Chisholm, Finlay Joyce.
- Peel County—J. G. Jarvis, E. Wilkinson, W. T. Booth, Joseph Brownridge.

**HOLSTEIN BREEDERS ELECT CRAIG REID AS PRESIDENT**

W. P. Watson, Live Stock Commissioner for Ontario, was the guest speaker at the Annual Meeting of the Halton Holstein Breeders' Club held at the new Trafalgar Township Hall last Thursday. Mr. Watson in discussing the Agricultural Outlook for 1950 congratulated the Holstein breeders on the continued demand for their cattle at good prices, but he stated "You can't have prosperity in the Holstein business without some semblance of prosperity in other branches of Agriculture." In reviewing the feed grain situation he stated, "We in Ontario must adjust our livestock population to the grain crops produced on our own farms." In short, with a minimum guaranteed price of over 2 1/2 cents per lb. in contrast to considerably less than 2c per lb. for oats and barley, he did not anticipate cheap feed for some time yet. He also pointed out that "As long as grain prices are high there is not likely to be a serious collapse in livestock prices."

In concluding his able and masterly address Mr. Watson stated, "The outlook for 1950 is not entirely black—prices may be a little lower and if there is any depression in 1950, you will in the years ahead, look back on it as the most profitable depression you have ever experienced."

George Drennan, Holstein Fieldman for Central Western Ontario, presented certificates of Production to a number of Halton breeders. Bert Brunson of Graymar Farms received the world record certificate for Graymar Champion whose record as a 2 year old is 24972 lbs. milk and 1120 lbs. fat, and also for Buttermaid Leeland, a former grand champion at Milton that produced 101808 lbs. of milk in five lactations. Ross Segsworth received a Red Seal Certificate for Poplar Row Chieftain Maid, the dam of the winning progeny of dam entry at both the Halton and Championship shows in 1949. This great cow on two time milking now has produced 100904 lbs. milk and 4821 lbs. fat. Morley Watson had both a Red Seal and Blue Seal winners. Etta Abbeckgrk Colantha in 7 lactations has produced 124648 lbs. milk and 4893 lbs. fat, while Snowball Sylvia Beauty has produced 136306 lbs. Milk and 5055 lbs. Fat. Another blue seal winner was Katharine Dytchlapd Mercedes which on two times milking has produced for Harold Bingham and Son, 140785 lbs. Milk and 5229 lbs. fat.

Other red seal winners were Ashville Meruca DeKof for F. Pelletterio and Sons, and Krieland Gladys Piebe for Johnston Neelands.

The election of officers for 1950 were as follows:

- President, H. Craig Reid; 1st vice president, A. G. Hunter; 2nd vice president, Gordon Sinclair; Secretary Treasurer, V. J. Lawrence.
- Directors—F. O. Hunter, C. F. Picket, Percy Leslie, W. H. Bigger, Joe Trumbia, Tom Hays, F. F. Ford, A. T. Woodley, Ross Segsworth, M. T. Watson, Wm. Mahon, and Elms Easterbrook.

F. O. Hunter, president of the Halton Club for 1949 was the able chairman of the day while Mrs. V. J. Lawrence was the convener of the ladies committee which annually stages the best

Holstein banquet in the province. Another highlight which resulted in this year's attendance being a record, was the opportunity to inspect the new Township Hall, of which Trafalgar Township may well be proud.

**NASAGAWEYA JUNIOR FARMERS ORGANIZE**

Halton Junior Farmers sponsored a public meeting in the Nasagaweya Township Hall on Friday evening of last week. This meeting was held in response to a request from some of the Nasagaweya Juniors. The old Township Hall had a crowded auditorium for the programme chaired by Miss Imey Kean, president of Halton Juniors. Included were short addresses by Miss Lucille Barber, County Home Economist, David Pelletterio, Stanley Jay, Geo. B. Atkins, skits by both Norval and Palermo Juniors, and a sing song led by Halton's great little song leader, Evelyn Pelletterio. A committee composed of the Misses Jean Frank, Audrey Rinehart, Isabel Brooks and Messrs. Elmer Blacklock, Gordon Darby, and Wallace Lasby, was appointed to take charge of the first meeting which is to be held at the home of Isabel Brooks on Friday evening, January 27th at 8.30 p.m. The enjoyable evening's programme was brought to a close by a short dance, to music provided by Alex Near's Orchestra.

**V. E. McARTHUR RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF CROP ASSOC.**

The Halton Crop Improvement Association held their first meeting in 1950, on Thursday afternoon last. The Farmers' Building, Milton, was packed to capacity for N. J. Thomas' address based on the theme "Soil-Building Competitions sponsored by the Association in 1949."

In his introduction, Mr. Thomas reviewed the many factors which had to be taken into consideration in planning a Soil Building Programme for one's respective farm. Reference was made to the overstocking of farms which resulted in pastures being grazed too closely—to the practice on many farms of growing too many grain crops in succession. In this connection, he

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reminded his large audience of the adage, "Never more than two white straw crops in succession." Mr. Thomas also stated that there are too many farms without sufficient alfalfa in their seed mixtures. Following his very interesting address, the remainder of the afternoon's programme was given over to an excellent discussion period. The able manner in which Mr. Thomas handled the barrage of questions on soils, fertilizers, pastures, hay mixtures, grass-silage, liming, etc., etc., was a delight to all who heard him. In fact, many were heard to remark, "It was one of the most worthwhile meetings they had attended in many a day."

On Thursday morning, prior to the general meeting, the new-board of directors elected at the annual meeting on December 3rd met to appoint their new officers for 1950 and make some tentative plans for their 1950 programme. The election of officers resulted as follows:

- Pres.—V. E. McArthur, Nelson Township
- Vice Pres.—C. F. Picket, Esquesing Twp.
- Sec'y.—Treas.—J. E. Whitlock, Milton

Included in the tentative programme for 1950 is the Annual Seed Fair to be held at Milton, on March 17 and 18.

**FAMOUS HALTON JERSEY GOES TO UNITED STATES**

One of the greatest Jersey sires ever developed in Canada is Brampton Basil Ward, for several years at the head of the Maurice Beatty herd at Milton, Ontario. Basil Ward won the Get-of-Sire at the recent Royal Winter Fair and his offspring won more prizes than any other sire's. The sons and daughters of this bull have been in demand both in Canada and the United States so much so that recently W. L. Yearwood of Fayette, Tennessee, purchased Brampton Basil Ward

from Mr. Beatty. No word is available as to the price he received but it will probably be the highest paid animal ever sold from Halton County, certainly in the Jersey breed, at least.

Several records have been completed in Halton County. Rosalyn Gormley, Lynn, 181404, has a senior three year old record in 292 days of 7,667 lbs. of milk and 510 lbs. of fat and Blossom's Gormley June 194717, as a junior three year old in 288 days produced 9,288 lbs. of milk and 482 lbs. of fat.

Norval Volunteer's Wonder—182217, in the herd of Lloyd Crickton, Georgetown, has been awarded a silver medal certificate for her junior two-year-old record in 306 days of 8,614 lbs. of milk and 439 lbs. of fat.

Another splendid record has been completed in the herd of Kenneth Ella Hornby, Volunteer Standard Clara, 146581, at five years in 306 days produced 9,561 lbs. of milk and 496 lbs. of fat.

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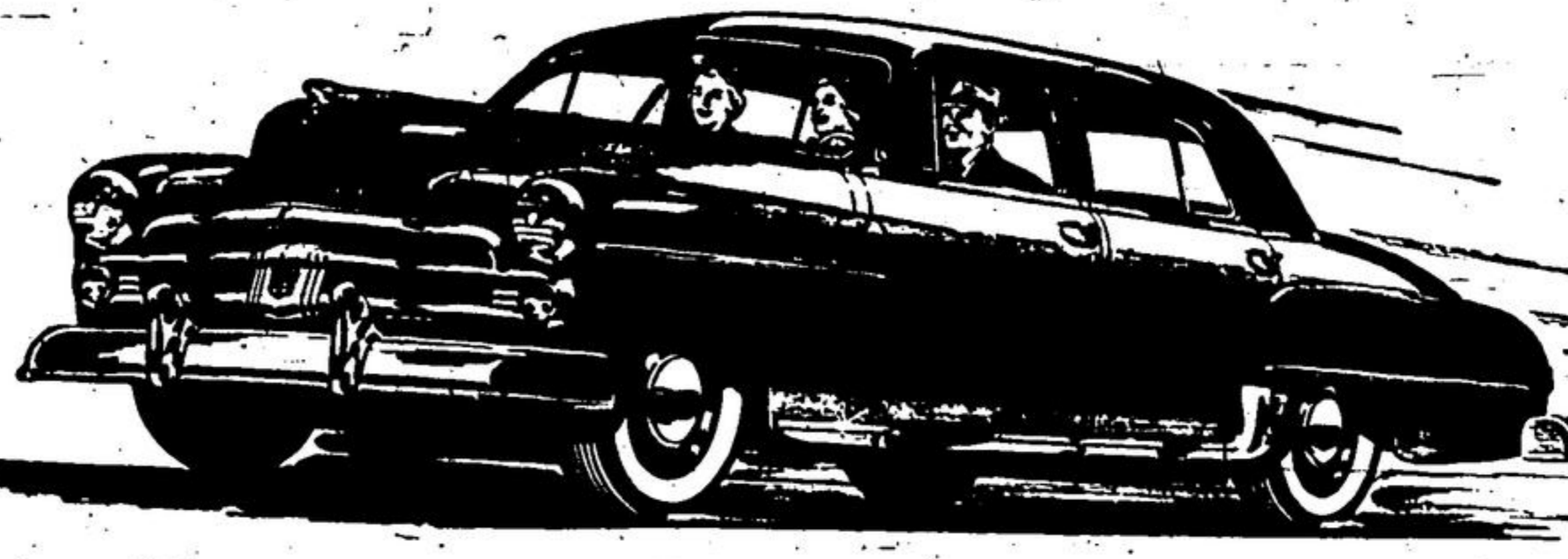
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