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News and Views For Halton Farmers

HALTON JUNIOR "AT HOME" WAS A GALA EVENT

The fifth annual "At Home of the Halton Junior Farmers held at the Brant Inn on Thursday evening of last week was largely attended by Juniors from all parts of the County. Guests were present from Haldimand, Lincoln, Waterloo, Wentworth, Wellington, and York Counties. It was a gala event and the young ladies in particular presented a charming appearance. As a matter of fact, taking the group as a whole they were a credit to Halton County. Every detail had apparently received attention, and the committee organization functioned perfectly. They are to be commended particularly on their very tasteful and yet original dance programmes; their selection of the various dance numbers, and the courtesies extended to guests from points outside of Halton.

In the receiving line, president Stanley Jay, and Miss Vera May representing Halton Juniors had as patrons and patronesses, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Hillard, of Toronto, the former being Associate Director of Extension for the Ontario Dept. of Agriculture; Reeve and Mrs. George Currie, of Esquewing Township, and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Whitlock of Milton. Numbered among prominent guests present were Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Martin, of Milton; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Breckon, Freeman; W. G. Marritt, Agricultural Representative for Wentworth County; Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCullough, of Newmarket; Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Bealy; and Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Woodley, of Trafalgar Township. Music for the evening was provided by Ron Wickén and his Orchestra, of Hamilton.

WEATHER CONDITIONS HARD ON MEADOWS AND WINTER WHEAT

The unusually mild weather coupled with heavy precipitation in the early winter together with the heavy frosts and raw winds of late, would appear to be resulting in a heavy casualty list on the alfalfa and red clover meadows. This is not true to the same extent on the higher, loamier and better drained fields. In general, the Fall wheat where not sown too late and where there is good surface drainage would appear to be coming through in fair shape. However, a good warm rain coupled with higher temperatures may revive some of the legumes and pep up some of the weaker stands of wheat. In any event we are in need of a good crop for 1950. The barns of Halton have never been so empty for the time of year, for a long time. With feed grain and hay prices at their present level the fall and winter of 1949-50 has been a tough period for many a Halton farmer. In any event our urban consumers would do well to realize that while the food bills come high in general, even our best farmers are working on a mighty narrow margin under present conditions.

LEGUME CULTURES IN STRONG DEMAND

Cultures for the inoculation of clovers and alfalfa are in unprecedented demand at the Agricultural Office, Milton, states Agricultural Representative J. E. Whitlock. Already this season they have found it necessary to replenish their supply from the Bacteriology Dept. of the OAE on four different occasions. Apparently the same holds true in other sections of Ontario. In York County over 150 alfalfa cultures alone have been sold, according to Jim McCullough, the Assistant Agric. Representative. The purpose of the cultures is to provide the necessary bacteria in the soil to enable legume plants to take in the free nitrogen of the air. A local farmer informed Mr. Whitlock recently that he seeded alfalfa in 1947 both with and without cultures with a big difference in favour of the stand where the seed was first treated with the culture.

MILTON AND PALERMO JUNIORS TO MEET IN FINALS OF DEBATING SERIES

The finals in the debating series sponsored by Halton Juniors are to be held in the Milton High School next week. The winners will be awarded the W. I. Dick Trophy for the year. The subject under debate is "Resolved that the drift of population from the country to the city has not thus far been a detriment to agriculture in Ontario." The Milton Club represented by Evelyn Course and Don Holmes will uphold the affirmative while Lorna Lawrence and Pete Fisher of the Palermo Club will support the negative.

HALTON JERSEY HERDS COMPLETE R.O.P. RECORDS

Several Jersey herds in Halton County report cows that have recently completed R.O.P. records. The leader in this recent group is Pine-

tree Vallant Rose, owned by Maurice C. Bealy at Milton. Rose went on last as a senior 3 yr. old and in 305 days produced 8,795 lbs. of milk and 454 lbs. of fat.

Other cows have qualified in the herds of G. S. Matthews & Son, Acton, H. Beason of Rockwood, Lloyd Crichton, Georgetown, and Kenneth Ella at Hornby.

Mr. Ella's Jersey cow, Rockwood War Lass as a junior 4 yr. old in 222 days produced 8,122 lbs. of milk and 456 lbs. of fat.

SISTER DIES SUDDENLY AT HOME IN SCOTLAND

Mr. Sam Harrison received the sad news last Thursday that his sister, Mrs. James Marshall had died in Scotland. She succumbed to a heart attack at her home in Whauphill, Wigtownshire. Another sister is visiting in Canada at present and expects to come to Georgetown from Ottawa early next month.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the estate of **MARY WATSON**, Widow, Deceased.

All persons having claims against the estate of Mary Watson, late of the Village of Glen Williams, Ontario, who died on or about the 10th day of January, A.D. 1950, are hereby notified to send particulars of same to the undersigned on or before the 21st day of May A.D. 1950, after which date the estate will be distributed with regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice, and the undersigned will not be liable to any person of whose claim she shall not then have notice.

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