

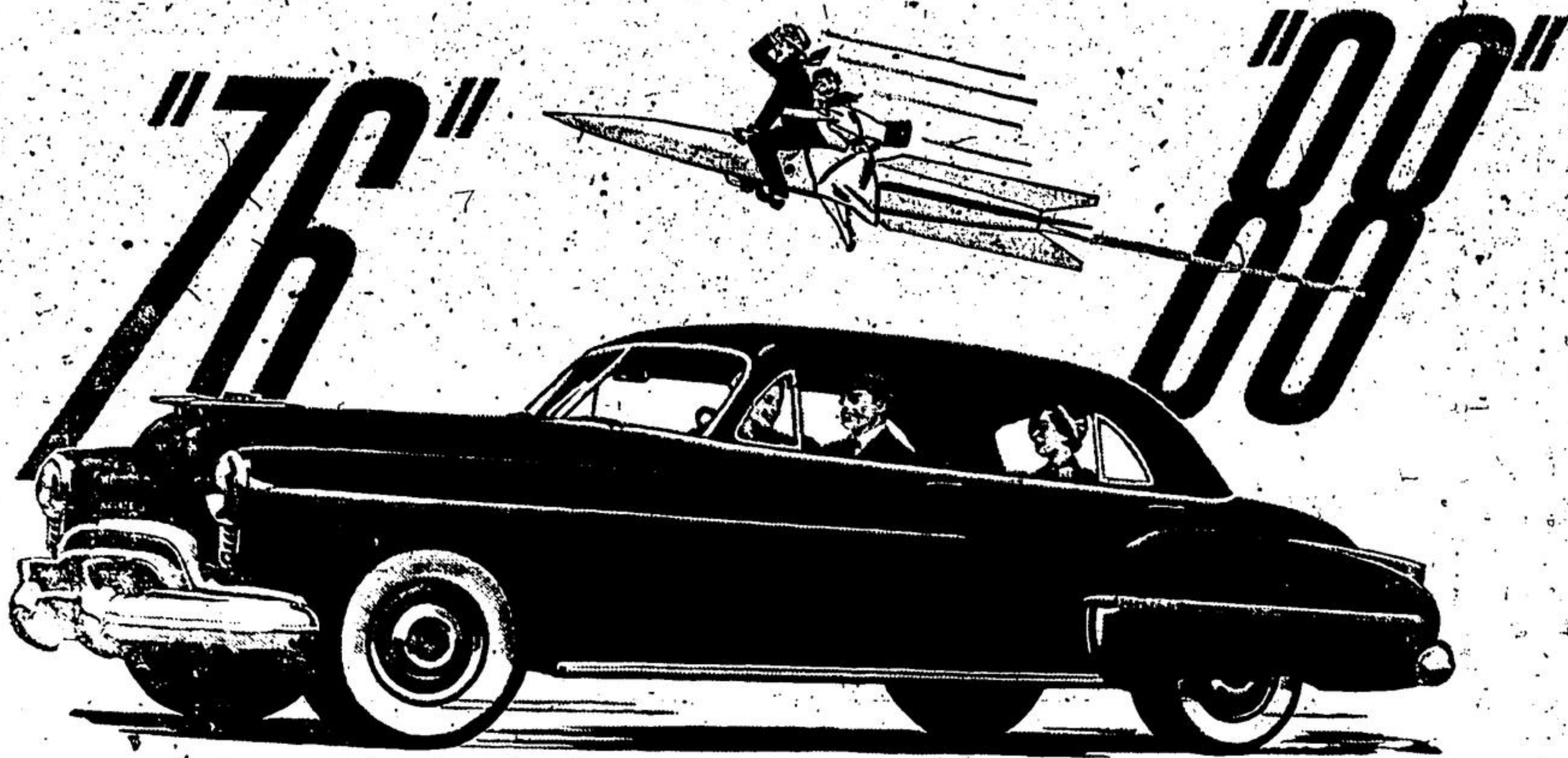
News and Views For Halton Farmers

COMMUNITY NIGHT SCHOOL FOR HALTON PEOPLE

Initial steps have been taken toward setting up a Community Night School for the County of Halton. To this end a committee meeting was held in the High School at Milton, on Thursday evening of last week. Representatives were present from Halton Women's Institutes, Farm Forums, John Milton Chapter of the IOD, Halton Junior Farmers, Halton Federation of Agriculture, Milton Women's Canadian Club, and the Mr. and Mrs. Club of St. Paul's United Church, Milton. Agricultural Representative J. E. Whitelock, as chairman, outlined the basis of organization and assistance available from the Ontario Department of Agriculture. D. A. Garvie, of the Community Programmes Branch of the Ontario Department of Education, reviewed the assistance which his Department would be prepared to give. Others who spoke briefly included Nelson Pickett of the North Halton High School Area Board, J. E. Marcellus of the Milton High School, Miss Eleanor Kidd of the Women's Institute Branch, Toronto, and Public School Inspector L. L. Skuce.

Similar night schools held at such points as Cayuga, Alliston and Lynden have been most successful with enrolments as high as three to four hundred. Such a school would be open to residents of farms, villages and towns in Halton. While there is no age limit it was the consensus of opinion that the minimum age for most of the courses with the possible exception of the Choral group, should be 16 years. Men and women of all ages are to be invited to make application. It is planned to hold the school each Tuesday evening for a period of twelve weeks commencing Tuesday, November 28th, and the hours will be from 8.00 to 10.00 p.m. A wide range of courses were suggested by those in attendance, and an announcement covering these will be issued in the near future. The following were appointed as a County Planning Committee: Mrs. Robert Stewart, of Milton; Mrs. M. J. Brown, Norval; Miss Vera May, Thornby; A. T. Woodley, Trafalgar Township; Mrs. Cedric Harrop, Esquimaux Township; Ross Harbottle, and Stanley Jay, of Nelson Township. Later the committee appointed A. T. Woodley as chairman; Mrs. M. J. Brown as secretary; and Mrs. Robert Stewart as Treasurer. The committee reviewed the courses suggested and decided that for this year they would offer the following: Clothing, Tailoring, Leather Work, Farm Business, Farm Machinery, Wood Working, Choral Singing, Oil Painting, English Literature and Modern History; Effective Speaking. Once the applications are in it is the thought of the Committee that six or seven of the most popular courses will be arranged for. Incidentally in making the decision, consideration will have to be given to those subjects for which capable instructors can be secured. The fee suggested for any one of the courses is \$3.00, and needless to say, only one of the courses could be taken during the season by any individual.

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HOG PRODUCERS' FIELD DAY

In last week's column we announced the Special Swine Field Day to be held at the Essex Packers in Hamilton, on Wednesday, November 1st. Those wishing to enter a hog for the Carcass Competition may secure entry forms from township directors of the Halton Hog Producers' Association; Halton Live Stock Traders, or the Agricultural Office, in Milton. It should be noted that while hogs which are entered for the Competition do not have to be marketed until October 31st, entries close on October 25th. In addition to the \$100 offered by Essex Packers for the Carcass Competition, special awards of \$5 and \$4 are being offered by the Halton Hog Producers' Association for the two Halton hogs which produce the best carcasses. The Halton association is also offering a total of \$60 to be awarded as prizes to the high Halton competitors in the carcass judging competition. There are to be two divisions in the Competition — one for the new 21 years and up and the second for juniors 20 years and under. In brief, it should prove to be a most interesting and educational day's event. Consequently, if you are likely to have any hogs ready for market at the end of this month you would be well advised to secure an entry form, etc. from one of the sources mentioned earlier in this article — competitors have nothing to lose and a great deal to gain, and besides, let's make sure that Halton is well represented in this event open also to the counties of Elgin, Sand, Wentworth, Norfolk, Welland and Lincoln.

HALTON PROMINENT AT INTERNATIONAL MATCH

When we spent a few hours at the big International near Alliston last Friday we were delighted but not surprised to find that Halton was well and worthily represented. In the first place Stan May of Hornby won the red ribbon on his well matched team of Percherons in the Horse Show. In addition he had the third prize badge in second class walking plows on Thursday; and the fourth prize ridge in a similar class on Wednesday. Perhaps the top achievement from a Halton plowing standpoint was the tractor ridge turned by Claude Pickett, also of Hornby. In a class of 93 competitors Claude won the first prize

award with which went a \$50 watch. Others from Halton whose names we noted listed among the prize winners were as follows: Harold Pickett, Hornby, 4th in the open tractor utility class on Thursday; Jack Marchmont, Hornby, 7th and 8th respectively in the Row Crop tractor classes on Wednesday and Thursday; H. Barnes, 7th in a similar class; Arnold Howden, of Milton, Halton's thirteen year old plowman, placed 4th in tractor class for boys under 16 years, and Bill Grice of Freeman, 11th in the Tractor class for boys under 18 years. Halton was also well and worthily represented in the inter-county tractor class open to teams of two plowboys under 20 years, by John Readhead of Lowville, and Arnold Howden, of Milton, who placed 8th as a team, with twenty counties participating. This is an exceptionally good showing when one realizes that 13 year old, Arnold Howden was pinch hitting on the team in place of John W. Pickett, who, through illness had to forego the competition at Alliston. It will be of interest to all mouldboard enthusiasts as well as to the many friends of Hugh Leslie, Georgetown, R. E. 4, to learn that in the Essex Champions Trans-Atlantic class he won the Gold Medal and Trip Overseas donated by Imperial Oil Ltd.

And by the way, Halton's own little International is scheduled for the W. H. Devlin farm at Omagh, on Thursday, October 26th. Prize lists are now available and everything again points to one of those outstanding County Matches for which Halton has won an enviable reputation.

Saturday Dancing Starts in the Arena 'Rose Room'

The dancing season got underway Saturday night in the arena Rose Room when the Modern Aires played their first in a series of Saturday night dances. The band has finished a number of summer engagements and still plays on Fridays at Stanley Park, Erin. They have also been booked for the winter to play every other Wednesday night for Peel Junior Farmers in their new building in Brampton. While the Modern Aires have seen some changes in personnel since they were organized ten years ago, they continue to improve each year and Georgetown is fortunate to have such a fine dance band on hand for local engagements. Helen Blackburn, pianist, Charles Willson, trumpet and Cyril Brandford, tenor sax are three of the originals still with the band. Other personnel includes Joe Wilcox, trumpet, Stan Campbell, drums, Al Morris of Toronto and Roy Elderfield, Hamilton, alto sax, and Norm Kendrick of Toronto, who has played with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, bass fiddle. Joining the band this year is Mrs. Leslie Tomlinson, as soloist. Mrs. Tomlinson is already well-known in the district through her appearances at concerts and garden parties and as a member of St. George's Church choir. She possesses a

beautiful trained voice which lends itself equally well to "pops" or classical selections.

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