

FARM NEWS

**Norval, Ashgrove Girls
Achievement Day Honours**

The largest number of girls to participate in Junior Club work, completed their fall project "Sleeping Garments", by attending the Halton County Achievement Day on Saturday in the Milton Town Hall. One hundred girls displayed the colourful pyjamas and housecoats that they had made. For many of these young girls this was their first attempt at sewing. These girls proudly displayed their pyjamas during the afternoon programme. Well over two hundred were in attendance for the afternoon programme, which also included comments on Club exhibits, set up by the members of the clubs. The following girls commented for their club:

Betty Price, Brookville; Marion Bird, Ashgrove; Jean Ayres, Hornby; Alice Wilkinson, Acton; Jean Ridler, Ballinafad; Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Limehouse; Anne Cox, Nelson; Jean Rae, Omagh; Marilyn Heslop, Palermo.

Demonstrations on "Sleeping Garments" and buying material for Sleeping Garments were presented by Lowville, Scotch Block, Norval and Ash Clubs.

Mrs. E. G. Clarke, the Home Economist for Halton County, announced that the Spring Project—a foods unit, entitled "The Milky Way," would commence in March. The Training School for leaders of this unit will be held in Milton, on Tuesday and Thursday, February 24th and 26th.

The Homemaking Club unit chosen by the girls for next fall was, "Being Well Dressed and Well Groomed."

Spoons were presented to all girls who have successfully completed "Sleeping Garments", by the Halton County Junior Farmers Association. County Honours Certificates were presented to:

Jean McLaughlin, Norval; and Margaret Bird, Ashgrove, on completion of their sixth Homemaking Club unit.

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**SEEK MEMBERS FOR
HOME GARDEN CLUBS**

Application forms are now ready for membership in the Girls' Home Garden Club for 1953. Girls between the ages of 12 and 20, who have a plot large enough to plant a family garden 40x40 feet, or 36 x75 feet, may join a garden club. One girl may participate in Garden Club work for a maximum of three years. Members will obtain their seeds through the Department of Agriculture, and will receive instruction in garden culture, landscaping and the growing of flowers from a local leader. Their vegetables and flowers will be displayed at an Achievement Day in August. For further information, get in touch with Mr. J. E. Whitelock, Department of Agriculture, Milton, or with the Home Economist, Mrs. E. G. Clarke, Newmarket, Ont.


**THE HOLY GRAIL
IS SERMON SUBJECT**

At the morning service in St. John's United Church on Sunday, the Rev. John M. Smith had for the subject of his meditation "The Holy Grail," the seventh in the Memorial Window series. The emblem in this window is the Communion Cup, the Silver Chalice or Holy Grail, of the Last Supper of Our Lord. The Scripture verse is: "This do in remembrance of me." It was very fitting that just before his sermon Mr. Smith accepted on behalf of the congregation the gift of a Silver Chalice and Paten for the Communion Table and dedicated them "To the glory of God and His Service."

From the sorrowful and tragic night just before His death, when Jesus instituted the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper, and in doing so asked His disciples to continue to do this in remembrance of Him, Christians the world over have kept this as their most sacred site. And from what we know of the history of the early days of Christianity, this solemn ordinance must have left a deep impression on the early disciples and followers of Jesus, judging from the reverence they paid to the cup which Jesus had used and by the way they zealously guarded it at great sacrifice and risk to their lives, against the efforts of their enemies, Roman and Jewish, who were seeking to have it destroyed. These enemies, too, must have felt the significance of His institution of the Last Supper, and how much of inspiration and encouragement, the possession of that now sacred cup would be to those early Christians. And this reverence must have continued for many centuries, for, though the stories of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table may not be alone history, they tell us of young men of high purpose, chosen and trained because of their purity of life, and among them Sir Lancelot, who at the call of duty, left the court and its attractions to seek the Holy Grail.

Then followed his son Sir Galahad, one of even greater purity of life, in whom it was said "His strength was as the strength of ten, because his heart was pure." He too left all and surrendered himself to join the quest for the Holy Grail.

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**Add 65 Georgetown
Phones Last Year**

The number of shareholders of the Bell Telephone Company of Canada increased during 1952 to 100,890, or nearly four times as many as there were seven years ago, the company's 73rd annual report, issued this week, discloses. No other Canadian company has as many shareholders.

Ownership of the company continues to be predominantly Canadian. Shareholders living in Canada control 90 per cent of the stock; those living in Ontario and Quebec, the two provinces the company serves, hold 83 per cent. The shareholders include 10,359 company employees and pensioners.

The construction of new facilities during the year was the most extensive in the company's history and 136,373 telephones were added, bringing the total number in service to 1,976,123. There were even more new applicants for service than in 1951 but the total of 38,354 unfilled orders at the end of the year was the lowest at any year-end since 1945.

While the report deals with the company's over-all operations, W. O. Misener, Bell manager for this region, supplied local figures. He said that 65 telephones were added in Georgetown during 1952, bringing the number in service to 1715, and leaving 5 unfilled orders at the year end.

Other highlights of the report—net income amounted to \$2.47 a share, compared with \$2.08 in 1951; the usual \$2 dividend was paid and an amount equivalent to 47 cents a share was added to surplus; the expenditure of \$85,300,000 for new construction, required by the continuing demand for service, was the highest amount for a single year in the company's history; total taxes levied on the company during the year were \$30,342,000, equivalent to \$15.91, a telephone or \$3.32 a share of stock.

Telephone service for vehicles was provided over a greater area by extensions of the mobile service radio network. A microwave relay system to transmit long distance calls and television programs is close to completion between Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal. Other special types of telecommunication facilities are also being provided to meet particular needs of other industries and government services.

**FATHER HAD FIRST
GARAGE IN CREEMORE**

John Cotril, 74, step-father of Fred Nelson, Factory Street, Georgetown, was buried in Creemore on Saturday. He died the previous Wednesday.

Mr. Cotril belonged to a pioneer district family and was the first man to have a garage business in that town. He is survived by his wife, one son and two daughters, Mrs. Earl McCutcheon, Honeywood, and Mrs. Glenn Chipchase, Mansfield.

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material value, but because of the value they all placed on that of which the cup was the symbol, the pouring out of the blood of Jesus in His death on the cross, for the forgiveness and remission of men and for the restoring of them to His Father's love. And it depends largely upon how we value it in that light, as to how effective our lives will be in helping to bring in His Kingdom on earth. It has meant much to the Christian Church, in the past, it can mean much for our work as it is at present, to bring purity of life and purpose, which would be as a soothing ointment on our bruised world. And it can be our hope for the future here, the making of "a loftier race that yet shall be," and it can also be our passport after we are through here, to the mansions of our Father's House.

The choir's anthem was "Dear Land of Home." The Junior choir "Standing in the Market Place."

At the evening service, Mr. Smith stressed the value of Christian Missions, emphasizing the place of overseas missions in bringing peace and goodwill on earth. He showed how comparatively unimportant the Christian Church was about this valuable asset in world affairs, in the building and maintaining of vital life in the church itself, and that unless we are doing our utmost in this matter, we are not fulfilling our full Christian obligation. Miss Betty King played for the service of praise.

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