

FARM NEWS

ENTRIES SELECTED FOR BACON SHOW

During the past week the Township directors of the Halton Hog Producers' Association selected the entries for the annual Halton Bacon Show to be held in Milton Town Hall. Earlier this week the hogs were marketed at the Canada Packers Plant in Toronto, where they were slaughtered and put in to cure.

One side of each carcass with various cuts from the corresponding side will be on display at Milton.

There is keen rivalry between the various townships for the inter-township award, which was won by Esquesing Township in 1952.

President Erwin Gunby of the Halton association says that insofar as his township is concerned, their choice was very limited owing to the very few hogs ready for market during the current week. Mr. Gunby also states that in his opinion, Halton producers could increase their percentage of 'A' hogs materially by making greater use of the scales in determining when their hogs are at the proper weight. Too many potential 'A' hogs are being spoiled by over finishing.

In 1952 Halton producers marketed 28,457 hogs, of which number only 36.7 per cent graded 'A' on the rail. This is in contrast to 20,235 hogs marketed in 1951, with 41 per cent 'A's; and 19,037 hogs sold to the processors in 1950 and 42.3 per cent 'A's.

It will be recalled that in the last two years of the Cost of Hog Production study, Cedric Harrop, Halton's representative in the investigation, marketed approximately 150 hogs each year, of which number his percentage of 'A's was 89 and 82 respectively. Mr. Harrop, however, makes use of the scales weekly in order to determine when his hogs are up to weight.

Producers would do well to remember that despite the loss of the British export market, quality is equally as important today as it ever was. Our domestic market is our most important market. If not our only outlet. During the past year our domestic market absorbed some 94,000 hogs weekly. However, during 1952, pork products were considerably cheaper than beef. Now that beef and pork prices bear a closer relationship to one another, it is only by marketing quality hogs that producers can hope to retain their 1952 position in the domestic market.

The following is a list of those from whose swine herds entries were selected for the Halton Bacon Show:

Trafalgar: V. B. Bradley, John Chapman, J. Allan Dixon, Clayton May, Percy W. Merry & Son, Howard Armstrong.

Esquesing: T. H. McGee, M. T. McNabb & Sons, C. E. Davenport, Douglas Robertson, Vernon Archer, Neilson Stark.

Nassagaweya: W. R. G. Johnson, J. S. Norrish, Ivan Richardson, Mrs. Hattie Price, Keith Moore.

Nelson — W. R. Hume, Mervyn Coulson, Howard Coulson, Burdge Gunby, W. L. Kerns.

five Guernseys housed in a recently remodelled barn. Mr. Pirie, farm manager, told of the operation of the 350-acre farm which has had Guernseys since 1948, along with a large acreage of peaches, cherries, and grapes. Hot coffee and milk was provided at this point for the benefit of the entire group.

Following a view of Brock's monument, the whirlpool rapids, the rainbow bridge, and Niagara Falls, the American Cynamid plant was the next stop. Here on a tour with Mr. Houck and several guides the group witnessed the amazing process of extracting calcium carbide from limestone and coke and nitrogen from the air and the combining of these two to make calcium cyanamid, which is then used in the manufacture of fertilizer, synthetic rubber, miracle drugs, etc.

After coffee and doughnuts and a discussion period the tour ended with a visit to Clovelly Farms, R. 1, St. Catharines. Here three Stewart brothers farm one thousand acres. With seventy five acres of grapes; 55 head of Guernseys; 150 Holsteins; and a dairy to operate, these boys are busy, but judging from a hasty observation, good management is the key to their success.

Holy Cross E.C. Church

Rev. Fr. V. J. Morgan
1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays:
Mass at 11 a.m.
2nd and 4th Sundays:
Mass at 9 a.m.



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CHURCH NEWS

St. George's Church
Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson,
Rector
Fourth Sunday in Lent:
(Mothering Sunday)

Sunday School 10 a.m.; Holy Communion (Corporate) 11 a.m. Evensong, 7 p.m.
Lenten Service on Thursday at 7.30 p.m.
Confirmation class on Thursday, March 19th at 6.30 p.m.

St. Alban's Church, Glen Williams
Mothering Sunday:
Sunday School — 10.30 a.m.
Evensong — 8.00 p.m.
Lenten Service on Wednesday at 8.00 p.m.
Confirmation Class on Wednesday, March 18, at 7.00 p.m.

St. John's United Church
Rev. John M. Smith, Minister
Norman Laird, Director of Music
Sunday School, 10 a.m. — Classes for all the family.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m. — "Spirit filled men".
Nursery 11 a.m. — Child care while parents worship.
Junior Worship, 11 a.m. — Bible stories and pictures.
Evening Meditation, 7 p.m. — "From Coast to Coast."

Georgetown Baptist Church

Rev. A. J. Barker, B.A., B.D.
Sunday, March 15, 1953
10.00 a.m. — Church School
11.00 a.m. — "What Christ Does for Men Today."
(3) "Kindles Hope."
7.00 p.m. — "Interviews With Jesus"
(4) "In the Dark of Night"
8.00 p.m. — Friendly Hour.

Norval Pastoral Charge United Church
Rev. C. C. Gilbert
Home Church — 11.00 a.m.
Norval — 2.30 p.m.
Glen Williams — 7.00 p.m.

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Rev. G. Lockhart Royal
Union
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11 a.m. — Praise Service
Norval
2 p.m. — Sabbath School
3 p.m. — Praise Service

Knox and Limehouse Presbyterian Churches

Rev. Alex. Calder, Minister
Knox
10 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Public worship
Limehouse
1.30 p.m. Sunday School
2.30 p.m. Public worship.

Norval, Hornby, Stewarttown Churches, Church of England

Rev. J. E. Maxwell, B.A., L.Th.
St. Paul's Church, Norval
7.30 p.m. — Evensong
(Except 1st Sunday of the month
11.00 a.m. — Holy Communion)

St. Stephen's Church, Hornby
11.00 a.m. — Morning Service
(Except 1st Sunday of the month
3.00 p.m. — Evensong)

St. John's Church, Stewarttown
3.00 p.m. — Evensong
(Except 1st Sunday of the month
7.30 p.m. — Evensong)

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Seed Germination Poor Urge Certified Seed

Recent reports from the Plant Products Division of the Canada Department of Agriculture would indicate an unusual number of musty and low germinating seed samples. One sample of oats, somewhat discoloured but otherwise with good appearance tested only 37 per cent germination. No doubt many thin stands can be avoided by a seed test, including germination, previous to seeding. Home grown grain for seeding should be tested at a seed laboratory or failing this, be at least subjected to a home germination test.

An extension circular entitled: "Germination Seed at Home" is available at the Milton office of the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

It would be good economics for a large percentage of growers to purchase their seed requirements. The margin between the cost of feed grain and good quality seed backed by government grade is very narrow. There is no better place to purchase one's requirement than at the Halton Seed Fair scheduled for Milton. All exhibitors in the Open show to qualify must have seed for sale, and all entries are backed by government grade as to purity and germination.

The slogan for 1953 should be "Know What You Sow."

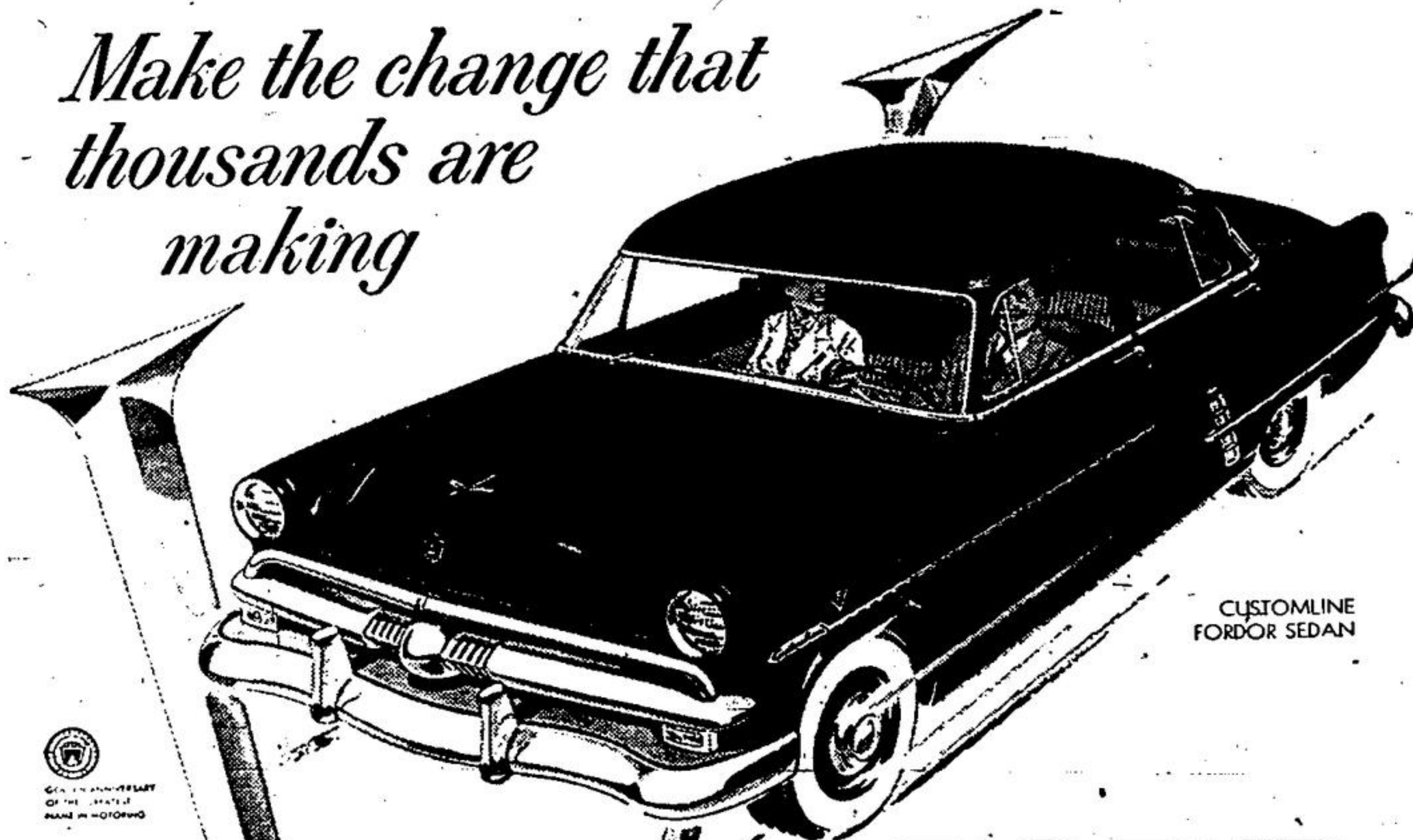
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BUS TRIP FOR GUERNSEY BREEDERS

On Wednesday, March 4th, thirty five Halton and Peel Guernsey breeders piloted by president Bill Booth and fieldman Bruce Hodgins, took a one day holiday. By milking the Golden Guernsey's early in the morning and late at night, it was possible to make four interesting calls.

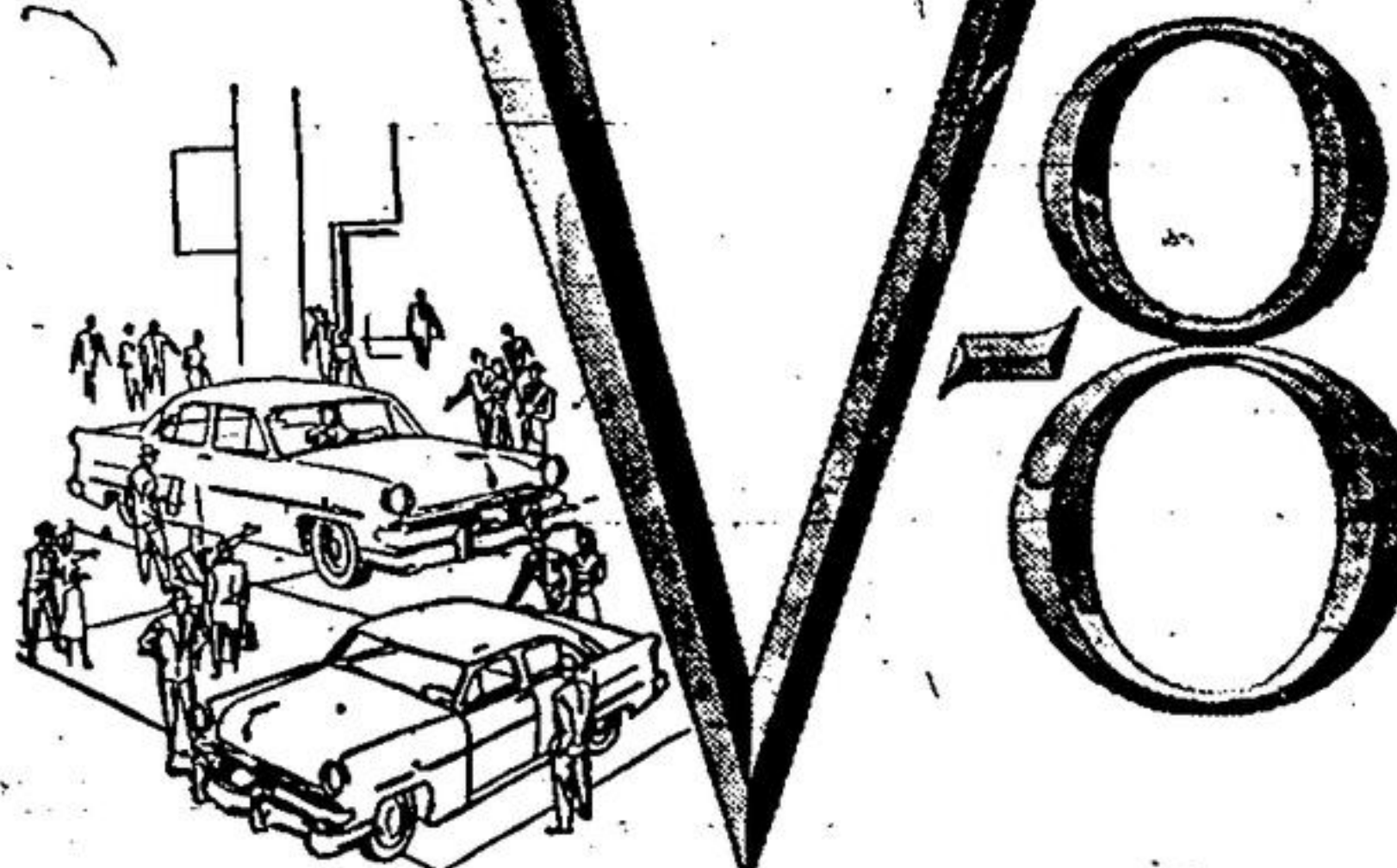
Arriving at H. R. Larkin Farms, Queenston, the group joined a delegation from the Niagara District Guernsey Club, to view the sixty-

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