

THE MAIL BAG

HALTON HAS GOOD POULTRY TOO!

Dear Mr. Editor:
During the past two years or more, and especially in last issue, your valued paper has carried articles signed J. E. W. telling about the fine cattle, horses and grains produced by this banner county. For the information of the general public, I as a resident of Halton County, think it only fair that the poultry in Halton county be given its proper recognition. During the past eight or nine years the breeders of poultry residing in Halton County have made exhibits at the CNE and Royal Winter Fair second to no county in the whole of Canada. At the recent Royal over 500 birds were shown from this district and

FIREMEN'S LADIES AUXILIARY EUCHRE

Mrs. Matt Lawr, Mrs. S. Robin and Mr. Jack Davidson, were 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizewinners, respectively, at the euchre held by the Firemen's Auxiliary in the lounge of the fire hall last Thursday evening. Mrs. Lawr also won the prize for "lone hands" and Mrs. William Kirby won the consolation prize. Lunch was served at the conclusion of the evening. The committee in charge of the event included Mrs. Erwin Lewis, Mrs. Robert Bonfield, Mrs. Jack Cunningham, and Mrs. Jack Davidson.

to Mr. Breckon, states Fred Nurse, president of the Halton Soil and Crop Improvement Association. The event is to be held at Fairview School, Lowville on Tuesday, December 14th.

brought over 400 ribbons to their owners including 150 Firsts. We know this is far in excess of any other line of livestock produced in the county. As J.E.W. is the county Agricultural Representative for the Ontario Government we feel it is only fair for him to give his valued talents on behalf of all livestock. The exhibitors were as follows: Fred Kentner & Son, Acton, Ont.; Roy Hills, Glen Williams, Carman Copland, Clarence Spence and Sun-set Farm of Georgetown; All Wal-die, Jas. McPhail, Don Wilson, E. Bailey and Son, C. McCready and John Timbers - of Milton, Don Baker, Mrs. Pearl Bluhm, and Fred Turner of Burlington. Thanking you for your valuable space.

C. E. Herrington.

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Farm Industry Requires Skilled Hourly Workers

Directors of Esqueaux Agricultural Society, meeting in the community hall, Stewarttown, on Saturday for their annual dinner, were told by J. A. Carroll that farming is becoming more and more a skilled industry and that in future, successful farmers will employ skilled labour in place of the "hired man" system and working from sunup to sun down.

Citing an efficiency increase of 60% in farm production since the war, Mr. Carroll, who is assistant deputy minister of agriculture, said that there has been a decrease of 35% in numbers of farm workers and an increase of 25% in production. "Can any other industry boast of this?" he asked.

Scotching popular talk that prices of farm produce are responsible for the high cost of living, Mr. Carroll said that the only way to establish this is to compare the purchasing power of an hour's labour today with past periods. A survey shows that it is quite the contrary. Comparing this year with 1924 it has been proven that an hour's labour will buy more than twice as much milk and butter and three times as many eggs, he said.

Speaking of the farming future, and the present high rate of industrialization in this part of Ontario, he said that land will become increasingly important. Up to the present it has been plentiful and cheap, whereas he had noted while visiting Britain and the continent that the reverse is true. Four hundred thousand acres of farmland have been absorbed by industry in a decade here.

Growth of population is a bright spot in the farm scene and he predicted that farm prices would continue to be bolstered by an increased domestic demand as more people emigrate to Canada.

Ladies of Ballinac Institute were thanked for catering for a turkey dinner by Mrs. Spencer Wilson, president of the ladies' division of the fair. Mrs. Frank Smith spoke the pleasure of the institute for being asked to cater.

Fair president Harding Price, who was chairman, called on several to speak, including three honorary presidents, Sybil Bennett, M.P., Stan Hall, M.P.P. and Mayor Jack Armstrong, Reeve Wilfrid Bird of Esqueaux and vice-president Spencer Wilson.

Barbara Cunningham, a gold medalist at the Guelph Music Festival, sang several selections, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Frank Wilson, whose husband was in charge of the evening's program.

The evening concluded with a travel talk by Art Bennett, assistant Halton agricultural representative, who showed coloured slides of a trip south which he took to attend his brother's wedding in Trinidad. He showed views in Bermuda, Jamaica, Trinidad and Cuba, giving comparisons of agricultural methods in these countries with Canada.

FARM NEWS

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