

FARM NEWS

### CONSERVATIONISTS OPPOSE HALTON OPEN DEER SEASON

J. E. W.  
Fear judgment on the part of many hunters from such centres as Toronto, Hamilton, and Guelph, has resulted in Halton farmers wanting no more of them. This would appear to be the consensus of opinion, judging by the warm and spirited discussion which took place at a meeting of the Halton Conservation Committee held in the Farmers' Building, Milton, on Tuesday evening.

Apparently a large percentage of these outside hunters have no respect for rural property. Aside from general carelessness in the discharge of firearms, numerous instances were cited of damage to fences and buildings. In Esopus township, this past winter, stated chairman George Currie, visiting hunters left their cars parked along township roads to such an extent that it was impossible for the township snow plow to operate.

This heated discussion arose out of a request from I. C. Marritt, district forester, that the Halton county council holding of an open season for deer this coming fall. It was pointed out by Mr. Marritt, that the deer have increased to the point that aside from any damage to crops, they are seriously injuring woodlots and plantations.

While most of those present agreed being done by deer, on the other hand it was the opinion of the majority of those present, that outside hunters were a greater source of damage than the deer. The meeting recommended to the Halton County Council that consideration be given to the holding of an open season for deer in the fall of 1955, providing that it be restricted to county residents only, and further, that it be confined to that part of Halton north of No. 5 highway. License Limit

It was also the general feeling of the meeting that in the past far too many licenses have been sold to outside hunters by some Halton municipalities.

It was therefore recommended to county council that in future, the license to non-residents of Halton to hunt foxes, rabbits and pheasants, be limited in number to the county, and that a meeting of township municipal officers be held prior to July 1st, when details concerning the number of licenses to be sold, etc., would be decided.

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### Farmers to Learn About Right-of-Way Payments

Compensation to be paid for Hydro and Highway right of ways across farm land is a question causing some concern to Halton property owners. In the hope of getting some clarification on the subject, the Halton Federation of Agriculture is arranging a meeting for the court house, Milton, on Wednesday evening, May 18th. This will take the form of a panel discussion, and we further understand that the Dept. of Highways and the Ont. Hydro Electric Power Commission have accepted invitations to send representatives. Other members of panel, according to A. R. Coulter, secretary of the Halton Federation, will include M. M. Robinson of Burlington; Cecil Belyea of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture; with George E. Elliott of Milton, as chairman.

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### Field Day, Judging Show in County Junior Plans

The county association of the Halton Junior Farmers under the leadership of president John W. Nichol had a busy session of their meeting in the Farmers' Bldg., Milton, on Wednesday evening. Miss Janet Lindner of Brampton, is to be the speaker at their annual church service to be held in St. Paul's United Church, Milton. As in former years, music will be provided by the Halton Junior Farmer Choir, under the leadership of Mrs. George Howell.

The day previously, the Juniors met at Leavelle Park, for their annual field day, when they will select their teams to represent them at the Western Ontario, Junior Farmer Field Day at Guelph.

They on the last Saturday in May, they are making plans for their annual county livestock judging competition. This is one event where the male section of the Junior Farmers will go it alone — however, they plan to make up for it the same evening at the Milton Town Hall, when the announcement of awards and presentation of prizes will be held in conjunction with the usual dance to the Elgthon Ramblers. There are but a few of the activities planned for the summer season but perhaps sufficient to indicate that the present executive is out to maintain the programme of recent years.

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### HIGH TALES

#### Junior Duet Gold Medallists, Festival

Sue Crabtree

The festival has come and gone for another year; and as usual GHS was able to win a fair amount of prizes.

The only gold medal that we won this year was for Betty Jean Anderson and Marilyn Souther's duet in the junior class with a mark of 83. In the same class Shirley Fendley and Diane Harrison with their mark of 79 won the bronze medal.

While we are on the subject of duets, in the senior duet class Sandra Scott and Leanne Darou brought honour to the school by placing second in their class with a mark of 84.

Knowing we could count on a cup, Pat Willson and her singing we were happy to see her take the bronze medal in the girls 21 and under class.

Also claiming a bronze medal was Jean Engleby in the girls' class of 17 and under.

Although some of our boys did not place they gave a good performance, and regardless of their marks we were very proud of them. Incidentally for most of the boys it was their first experience in singing at festivals since their public school days.

Peter Darlington was the only boy to win a prize, he placed third in his baritone class.

The double trio did not place but both the mixed choir and girls choir came home once again with a cup. You might say it was a "cinch" since there was no competition in the class but in order to win we had to obtain 80 marks or over. For both numbers we received 85 marks.

That sums up the festival for this year, but as you can see we did very well thanks to Mr. Harrison! Congratulations to all! You did a wonderful job.

With exams coming up, this is going to be the last issue until the fall. Also, because of exams and the spring activities, I believe that the choir is through with its performances for another season. I think you will agree with me, though, we certainly had a full year of performance. Twice we helped out at the St. John's United Church evening services. We had a boy's choir singing at The Hurricane Relief Fund Concert. We also took part in the festival and commencement, not to mention our debut over Brampton radio station or Christmas morning, singing Christmas carols.

That sums up the choir's work for this year but don't forget to look for the choir column in the High Tales next Fall for news of both present and future events. So long!

### GRACE BAPTIST PASTOR

#### The Grace Baptist Church, meeting in the Oddfellows Hall, Georgetown, has called Mr. Bruce Penny, to become student pastor for the summer.

Mr. Penny is a graduate of the Toronto Bible College, and a second year student at the Central Baptist Seminary, Toronto. He has been the assistant pastor of the Eglinton Baptist Tabernacle, Toronto.

He will begin his ministry Sunday, May 15th. Sunday School is held at 3 p.m. evening worship at 7. Mr. and Mrs. Penny will be taking up residence in Georgetown in the near future.

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