

## Halton Junior Farmers Tops at OAC Field Day

Hundreds of sports-minded Junior Farmers and their supporting fans from 30 counties in the Guelph area spent an enjoyable day at the OAC campus on Saturday last. Competition was exceptionally keen this year with the announcement that points would be allotted for each event, and a county championship declared. Halton and Waterloo counties shared the honours, as each county ran up a total of 55 points.

Leonard Thompson, of Acton, and Don Johnson, Milton, teamed up to defeat all comers in the horseshoe tournament and brought home the bronze shield and championship crests which were awarded for the first time this year.

Coached by Helen Healey, Milton, the girls' basketball team won its first game quite handsily only to meet Waterloo and defeat in the second round. However, the Waterloo girls went on to win the championship.

Peel County won the rifle shooting competition for the third consecutive year, with a score of 190 points out of a possible 200. Halton's team mustered 150, with Howson Ruddell having the high Halton score of 50.

The square dance set, most of whose members had danced at either the CNE or Royal, was awarded second place. Roy Ford called, and music was supplied by Marjorie Segsworth at the piano, and David Pelletier with a borrowed violin.

Sparked by hard hitting first baseman "Butch" Martin of hockey fame, Waterloo Junior Farmers won the softball championship. Halton's smart fielding team, ably supported by three catchers, John Willmott, John Patterson and Lloyd Vivian, bowed out to Grey county, in the third round of play, having defeated Oxford and Ontario counties respectively in the preliminary rounds.

For the first time in the history of the Guelph Field Day, Halton girls emerged as champions. Coached by Earl McDowell, the team reached the final game against Perth County by defeating teams from Wentworth and Waterloo counties. Halton entered the seventh inning of the final game with a 5 to 2 lead, only to have Perth tie the score in the top of the seventh.

No runs were scored in the bottom of the seventh nor in either half of the eighth or ninth. Halton morale was mighty low when Perth scored a run in the top of the tenth. It was even lower when Halton's first two batters struck out in the bottom of the tenth.

However, the next batter, Doreen Ford, was safe on a close play at first base which set the stage for the real heroines of the day. Marilyn May hit a double which scored the tying run. Sister Betty not to be outdone, smashed another double to score the winning run. A fitting climax to another successful undertaking of the Halton Junior Farmers.

Members of the winning team were: Audrey Vivian, Joan McCarron, Marion Ford, Doreen Ford, Joan Bennett, Betty Anderson, Doreen Patterson, Marilyn May, Betty May, Eva Sullivan, Shirley Downs and Evelyn Booth.

### LEGION NOTES

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! All Legion members take note that the biggest of all events in the Legion year, the annual picnic, will soon be here again. This year we will return to the same good old spot, Stanley Park, Erin, and the date will be Sunday, July 10th. It is hoped that this year will be the biggest and best yet, and to this end your executive and sports and entertainment chairmen are going to a lot of work to have all the arrangements completed and a real day lined up for everyone, both young and old. The boys have tried to think of everything and we think they have succeeded. There will be horseshoes, football, darts, swimming, boating, along with the many other joys of a picnic. Let's everyone try to make this a real success by being there. Details of times that buses leave, etc., are in an ad in this paper, and also in the monthly bulletin that will be in the mail later this week.

Last Thursday evening saw the last monthly meeting of the present semester and there was not too large a gathering, even with the added advantage of a real "feed" . . . the promised hot beefburgers. However, quite a large amount of these were capably taken care of.

President Nick Garvin was in the chair, as were treasurer W. Thompson and secretary Bob Muir.

After the roll call and opening ceremonies, the various reports were given including the treasurer's, sick, bingo, entertainment and sports. These were given by the various chairmen and were very good indeed, and reflect the hard work going into the various departments of the Branch.

There was very little business discussed, and in answer to a question Comrade Garvin stated that it was hoped that in line with the recent policy of renovations, a new stage was in the offing . . . possibly within the next two months. It was also moved to raise the rent of the rooms substantially, in view of our present low rental compared to other places in town, and in view of the added comfort of air conditioning.

There was quite a lengthy discussion on the subject of a Decoration Day and it was decided to have one on the 11th of September. All members are urged to keep this distant date in mind, and help make this affair a real success.

The meeting closed with the singing of God Save the Queen, after

which the refreshments were served by entertainment chairmen Jimmie Murphy and Norman McDonald.

We wonder if it's safe to tell . . . about the member who some little time ago borrowed 48 glasses from a certain establishment for a party, saying of course, he'd be personally responsible for them, and any breakage which might occur, which would not amount to more than a couple he was sure, he would replace. It seems the next morning, when he went down to wash them and return them he found exactly two unbroken!!! That same morning after this affair, we were on our way to work and saw an unusual (for that hour of the morning) figure driving toward main street south. We thought it rather odd, he being one of those tycoons who works at a place called S & S and doesn't go to work till most of us have a day's work done, however, thought no more about it until we hear he had decided a round of golf was just what he needed. Add from what we hear, his progress round the course could best be described as erratic! Exercise, it's wonderful!



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### Local Resident's Father Dies in South Africa

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ferguson received word last week of the sudden death of Mr. Ferguson's father, Thomas Ferguson, in Johannesburg, South Africa, on June 12th.

Mr. Ferguson was born in Dennyloanhead, Stirlingshire, Scotland in 1887. In his youth he was a professional footballer. Three times amateur internationalist, he was chosen to play against England, Ireland and Wales and also toured South America with the Scottish Internationalist Soccer team. He was associated with Alexander Bus Lines, Falkirk, for about twenty years, retiring as executive traffic comptroller and a member of the board.

Mr. Ferguson settled in South Africa following the death of his wife Jean Stark in 1950, travelling on the first commercial flight of the Comet jetliner to Johannesburg. He is survived by two sons, Tom of Georgetown and Dr. Ian Ferguson, who is serving with the British Army in Malaya. Two other sons, Bruce and Gordon, were killed while serving with the R.A.F. during the war.

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