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Chatting...

WITH THE RED CROSS in the forefront of our thoughts this week, I was interested to learn that Mrs. Thomas Grievie, 25 Queen Street, has been a member of the Red Cross longer than anyone in town. Mrs. Grievie joined the organization in 1908 when Col. Sir James Cantile inaugurated Red Cross in England. At that time the work of the Red Cross members was mainly concerned with nursing, and in her young womanhood Mrs. Grievie took up the Red Cross as a spare-time hobby from a business career. She had been a member for five years when the First World War broke out. The Red Cross nurses were called upon to take up V.A.D. duties the next day, and prepare themselves to go wherever needed. Mrs. Grievie remained in England, however, where she served in the Military Hospital at Nottingham.

After coming to Canada, Mrs. Grievie joined the Red Cross as soon as it was formed, and has always been associated with it here in Georgetown.

DID YOU HAPPEN to watch "Tabloid" last Tuesday night? They interviewed Bruno Selisizi in connection with a national hairdressing convention held in Toronto last week. "Brownie" as he is known here, conducted his own hairdressing salon in town for several years, as well as one in his home town of Milton. When he sold his business in Georgetown he went on an extensive lecture tour in Canada and the States, and now has salons in Hamilton and London, as well as the one he has retained in Milton. He accredited himself extremely well on T.V. His manner was relaxed and assured as he explained the fine points of the model's coiffure he had created, and also answered questions about the acceptance and acceptance of new trends in hair-styling.

TRANSPORTATION by plane, helicopter or snowmobile, and very cold days filled with sunshine, provide the background of life in a survey camp at Thicket Portage, 400 miles north of Winnipeg, for Rudi Meier. Rudi left town several weeks ago for his new job. He was formerly a surveyor with Bill Carr here, and boarded at the home of Mrs. Robert Waldie on McNab Street. Rudi is a New Canadian, having come here from his native Switzerland a little over two years ago.

Writing from the wilds of Northern Manitoba, Rudi says his work is quite different from the survey work in Georgetown. They have to spot and locate drill holes for geological maps and also survey a baseline for aerial photo surveys. The only way to reach the camp is by plane, and once there the men stay for six months before qualifying for a leave. Rudi describes the camp as clean and well laid-out. All the tents and barracks are oil-heated. They have electric lights but no running water. Food is excellent and accommodation clean and comfortable with two or three men to a cabin.

Their working week of seven 8-hour days plus overtime seems strenuous, but according to a recent report on this big operation in the Financial Post, it is a battle between man and the weather to get enough men and materials to the construction site before spring break-up. Then construction can move smoothly until next December when a rail line is expected to link the remote area to civilization. The rail link is necessitated by the giant Moak Lake project of International Nickel. There is a \$65 million contract for all surface buildings alone at the two mine sites at Thompson and Moak Lake. His new job will likely provide Rudi with some interesting information for his letters to his friends here in Georgetown.

TALKING WITH Perc Saxe since his return from a business trip to Vancouver, he mentioned visiting the home of his niece Mrs. Murray Stitt, in Fort William. Mrs. Stitt is the former Linda Ginsberg whom many will remember when she attended Public School here. Linda has brought honour to Fort William and to her family by winning the Best Actress Award in the regional trials of the Dominion Drama Festival held in Winnipeg recently.

Adjudicator Cecil Bellamy was quoted in the Winnipeg Tribune as congratulating Linda on a splendid performance. Incidentally, she played the lead in "Bell, Book and Candle". I remember seeing this entertaining play at the Royal Alex a couple of years ago with Joan Bennett in the starring role. Also with respect to Linda's dramatic ability, Mr. Bellamy stated that "she has a natural talent. She knows how to speak the lines in the real sense of thought and she acts with her features. She has good hands and they are expressive." Accompanying the article in the Tribune is a splendid picture of Linda as a young girl.

Juniors Hear Provincial President at Banquet

J. E. W.
Trafalgar Memorial Hall, tastefully decorated, proved an ideal setting for the annual banquet and dance of Halton Junior Farmers. Aside from the delicious dinner catered by the Women's Auxiliary of Bethel United Church, it was an event which makes one very proud of Halton Juniors. It was Jean Peterson's final appearance as president of Halton Juniors, and she, together with her fellow executive members, had seen to it that every detail had received attention.

The banquet opened with Halton's Junior Farmer Male Quartet, accompanied by their director Mrs. George Newell, singing "The Lord's Prayer." Dave Wilson, president of Halton Junior Farmers, led an enjoyable sing-song. Then followed the introduction of the "Guest Table" guests by Marie Marshall, past president of Palerme Juniors — then the thanks to the ladies of Bethel Church by Joan Wrigglesworth, past-president of Norval Junior Institute, and county treasurer.

Those taking part in the toast list included Mac Sprowl, Marilyn Heslop, Wilma Sinclair, and Roy Ford.

Guest speaker was the president of the Junior Farmers' Association of Ontario, Russell McAllister, of Smith's Falls, who was introduced by Halton's new Junior Farmer president, Earl Wilson, of Norval. Mr. McAllister in a most interesting way, traced the development of agriculture from Biblical times up to the present day.

The thanks of the gathering was

handled by Sandy Buchanan, 2nd vice president of Halton Juniors.

Milton, Palerme Clubs Win
In the absence of Ernest Irvine, of Oakville, who in 1956 created a fund which provides a donation of \$50.00 annually to Halton Junior Farmers awards were presented on his behalf, by agricultural representative, J. E. Whitelock. Milton and Palerme Clubs were the winners in the Inter-Club competition, and the awards were received by Freda McFadden and Don Johnson, representing the Milton Club, and Marie Marshall and Roy Ford, of the Palerme Junior Institute and Junior Farmer association.

No. Halton Junior Farmer, activity would be complete without the presence of Halton's most enthusiastic senior Junior Farmer, Geo. E. Elliott, Q.C., of Milton, who had the honour of presenting the members of Halton's Debating quartette, with the trophies and medals emblematic of their achievements of 1956/57. Included among the trophies donated by himself, was that of H. Craig Reid who with Mrs. Reid were numbered among the guests at head table.

Another feature of the evening's program was the presentation to the members of Halton's Champion Inter-County Livestock team at the 1956 Royal. This presentation was made on behalf of the Halton Juniors by the coach of the team, Art Bennett, former Associate Agricultural Representative for Halton and Peel counties, and now assistant director of Extension for the Ontario Dept. of Agriculture, with headquarters in Toronto.

This was climaxed by a presentation by John W. Pickett, representing the Halton Juniors, to Mr. Bennett in recognition of the outstanding service rendered during his years in the county.

The Juniors were also honoured with the presence of T. R. Hilliard, Director of Extension, who brought greetings on behalf of the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

Halton's 4-H Club Leaders, under the chairmanship of A. T. Woodley, have completed plans to stage the second annual play party for Halton's 4-H club members of 1956 and potential members for 1957. The event is to be held at Fairview School, Lowville, on Friday evening, March 29th. Invitations are being extended to the 4-H Homemakers as well as to the members of 4-H agricultural clubs,

FARM NEWS

HOG PRODUCERS RE-ELECT DAVENPORT PRESIDENT
J. E. W.
Failure to direct a larger percentage of their hogs to the public market at the Ontario Stock Yards, was the cause of the recent \$3.00 slump in hog prices, stated Ben Steers, of Bradford, district director of the Ontario Hog Producers' Association, at the annual meeting of the Halton Hog Producers Association, held in the Farmers' Bldg., Milton, on Tuesday of last week. During recent weeks, added Mr. Steers, Halton producers have fallen down on the directional program and as a result the percentage going to the public yards has ranged from 17 per cent to 33 per cent.

If your Co-operative Marketing Board is to do the best possible job, then the producers must slip their hogs to the public stock yards so that all processors will have to bid against one another in order to secure their requirements, added Mr. Steers.

Richardson Tops
The awards in connection with Halton's Grade A Hog Marketing Competition for 1956, were announced by secretary A. R. Service. Ivan Richardson of R. R. No. 1, Campbellville, was the top producer in the county from the standpoint of quality, with an average of 88.2 per cent for the year. Other awards were as follows:

| Group 1 | | |
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| No. Hogs | No. of % | Marketed A's Gr. A |
| 1. Ivan Richardson | 51 | 45 88.2 |
| 2. B. D. Wait Est. | 195 | 150 76.9 |
| 3. John D. Wilson | 66 | 46 71.2 |
| 4. David Lawson | 298 | 211 70.8 |
| 5. Edward Snow | 118 | 82 69.5 |

| Group 2 — Marketing 25 to 50 Hogs in 1956 | | |
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| No. Hogs | No. of % | Marketed A's Gr. A |
| 1. E. R. Wilson | 25 | 20 80.00 |
| 2. D. Robertson | 39 | 31 79.49 |
| 3. M. Davenport | 26 | 20 76.9 |
| 4. M. Moffat | 47 | 35 74.47 |
| 5. Clarence Peacock | 33 | 22 66.6 |

"How we Did It," was the theme of the panel composed of Messrs. I. Richardson, E. Peterson, John W. Wilson and David Lawson, with J. E. Whitelock acting as moderator. Needless to add, the methods of these top producers was a matter of keen interest for those in attendance. Their success would judge was a combination of three factors — 1st, the right kind of breeding stock; 2nd, good feeding and management; and 3rd, Marketing at the proper weight. All members of the panel were agreed that if their fellow Halton producers would only realize that the last few pounds they put on their hogs are the most expensive, and get their hogs off to market between 195 and 210 lbs. in weight, that Halton could have at least 50 per cent Grade A's (not 38.2 per cent, the 1956 figure).

The election of officers resulted as follows:
President: C. E. Davenport; vice president, Howard Armstrong; secretary-treasurer, A. R. Service; Directors: Nassagaweya, John W. Wilson, Ivan Richardson, and Geo. Robertson; Esqueping: T. J. Brownridge, Robert Miller, and David Lawson; Trafalgar: Clayton May, Wm. Bayner, and Lloyd May; Nelson: A. R. Couter, F. O. Colling, Mervyn Coulson, and Clayton Hadfield.

ceived the trophy. Her husband, Murray Stitt, is also very interested in Little Theatre work, and was a co-producer of the Fort William play.

FATHEHR DIES IN ENGLAND DAUGHTER AT BALLINAFAD

Mrs. Archie Lawr, Ballinafad, was saddened last week by hearing of the death of her father, William Spinks, in Peckham, a suburb of London, England. Mr. Spinks had been in ill health for several years, suffering from diabetes and a heart condition. He was a builder by trade. He died in his seventy-third year.

Mrs. Spinks predeceased him four years ago. He is survived by four sons and four daughters, twenty-two grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Mr. Spinks was a member of the Church of England.

plus their parents, leaders, and others who contributed to the success of their programme. A Roy Coulter, another member of the Committee in charge, intimated that the event provides an opportunity for parents and their families to play together — something that is frequently overlooked in these high-pressure days. At the same time plans will be announced, regarding 4-H Clubs to be organized in 1957, and the date of the respective organization meetings.

With the exception of the Tractor and Grain Clubs in the Acton district, all other 4-H Agricultural Clubs are to hold their organizational meetings in the Court House, Milton, on Friday evening, April 5th. Clubs being offered this year include, in addition to those mentioned for the Acton district, the following:
Beef and Dual Purpose Calf Club; Jersey and Guernsey Calf Club; Holstein Calf Club; Swine Club; Potato Club; a 2nd year Grain Club; and a 1st year Grain Club.

URGES TEACHERS TO PREPARE SUNDAY LESSONS
"Lesson preparation is the great factor in successful teaching" stated Rev. J. Bartlett, diocesan director of religious education, as he addressed a joint session of the church school department of St. George's and St. Alban's Anglican churches last week.

The session was well attended and much valuable information regarding the GIRE lesson course, its aim and objects was explained. The teachers served refreshments and Mr. Jesse Brandford expressed a vote of thanks to Mr. Bartlett for his informative assistance.

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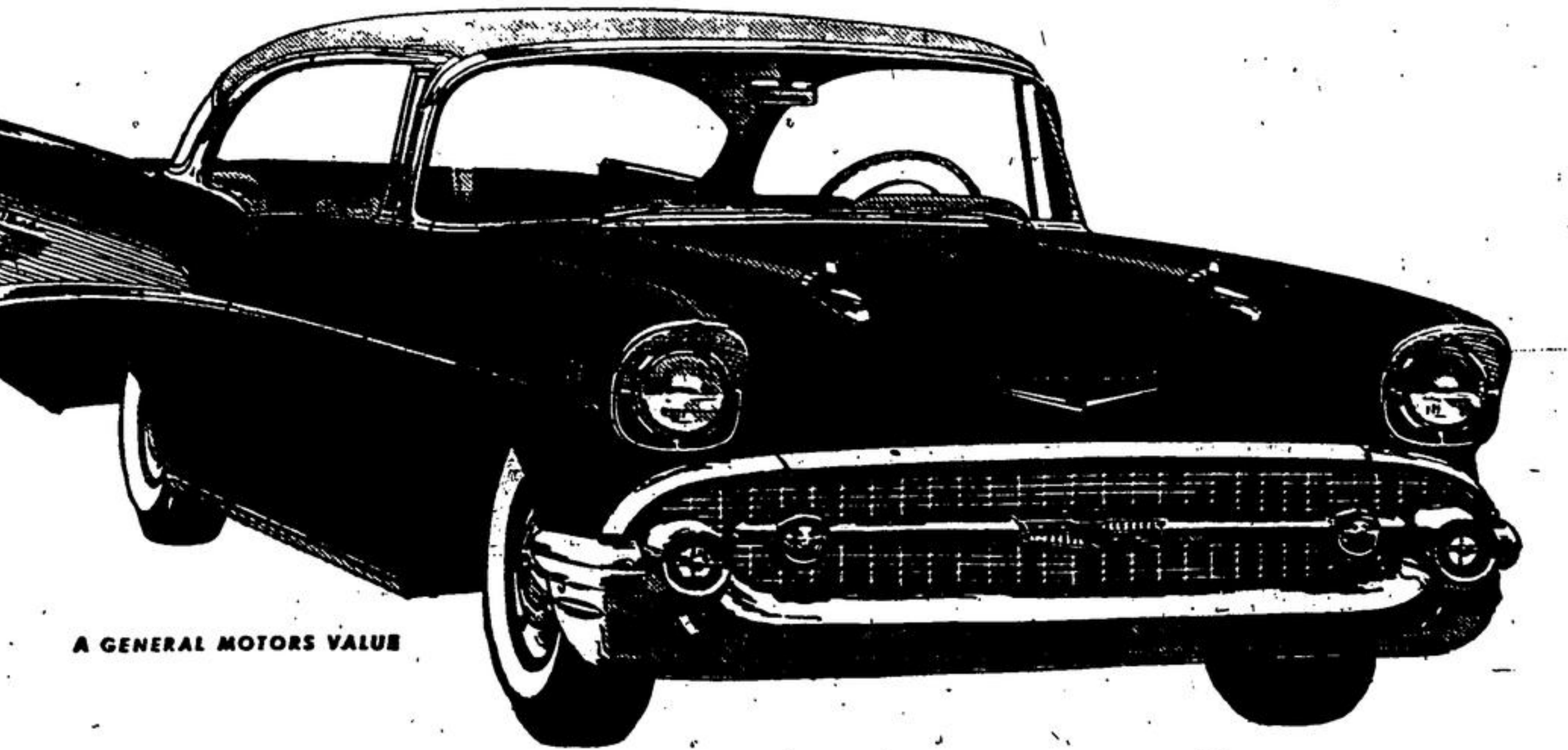
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