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Police believe children to be the cause of damage done to the cabs of two engines standing on a siding in the Georgetown freight yards last week. Altogether seven steam gauges were smashed and a crate of railway signal bombs broken open and strewn around the tracks.

Not all of the dangerous bombs have been recovered and police have asked anyone finding one to return it to the police office. The bombs are about 4 inches long, with a raised portion the size of a 50c piece containing a dynamite charge. Both of the damaged engines were in the yard for repairs.

**FARM NEWS**

**Jean Peterson Selected Halton Dairy Princess**

J. E. W.

Representatives of milk producer groups at Acton, Georgetown, Milton and Oakville, together with representatives of the Halton Cream Producers and the Halton Federation of Agriculture recently selected Miss Jean Peterson of Hornby to represent Halton in the Dairy Queen competition at the 1957 Canadian National Exhibition. Miss Lorna Woodley was selected as alternate. It will be recalled that Miss Peterson was one of the five finalists for the title in 1956, which was won by Mrs. Gordon King of Oakville. Jean will be in action around 6 p.m. in the Coliseum at the CNE on Saturday, August 31st. Her friends across the county will be wishing her well in her efforts to win top honours for Halton for the second year in a row.

**DESTROY DEER AFTER ACCIDENT**

The district deer population was reduced by one when a half-grown male deer became impaled on a bare wire fence belonging to Gordon McPhail, Eden Mills farmer.

The deer was seen by Jim St. Marie, Galt, a passing motorist who got in touch with authorities after releasing the animal by untangling the wire with pliers. Game Warden Gordon Matthews found the deer too badly hurt to help, and was forced to destroy it.

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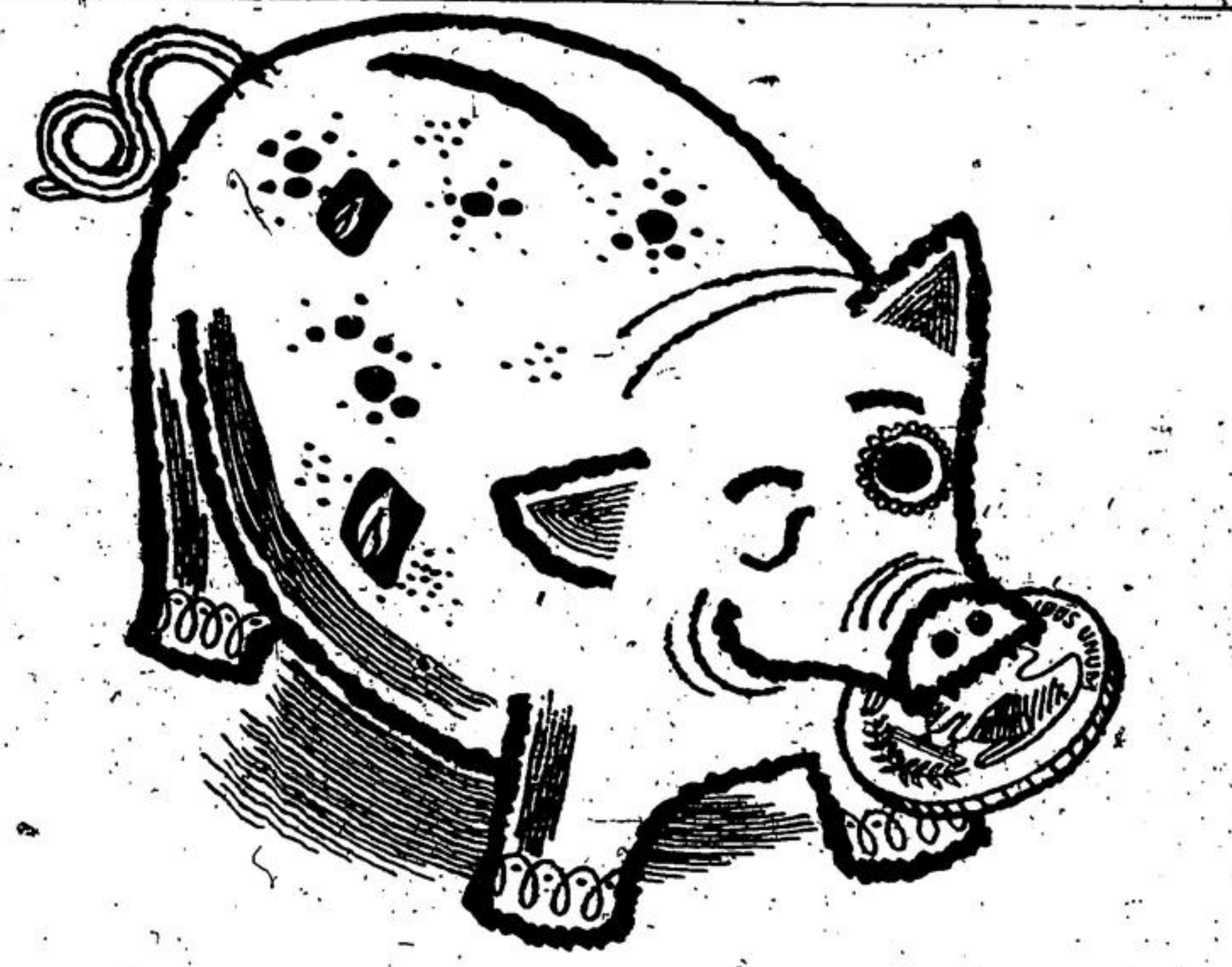
According to the 1956 Dairy Herd Improvement report recently released, there were 27,555 cows enrolled in 59 associations in Ontario. Between 65 and 66 per cent of the cows enrolled, qualified under the production requirements for DHIA, which was based on a 305 day lactation period. The average production of all cows enrolled was 9,061 pounds of milk and 329 lbs. of fat. This is an increase of 1,107 lbs. of milk and 46 lbs. of fat in the six year period since the DHIA policy was inaugurated in Ontario.

**Roy Wilson Has Top**

A total of 1,339 herds are enrolled, and it is interesting to note that the herd of Roy J. Wilson of Milton, R. R. 4, is in seventh position in the province, with an average production of 13,107 lbs. of milk and 462 lbs. of butterfat in 305 days. Twelve other Halton dairymen had their herds in the select group of 400 pound herds—namely, Galbraith Bros., Burlington, R. R. 1, D. F. Lawrence, Burlington, R. R. 1, Walker Gunby, Burlington, R. R. 1, R. J. Harrison, of Burlington, R. R. 1, Ralph Ford, Milton, R. R. 1, Mrs. Clara Rinehart, Campbellville, R. R. 1, Gordon Jefferson, Milton, R. R. 3, Alfred Ford, Milton, R. R. 4, Edgar Everett, Milton, R. R. 6, Geo. Rae, Hornby, R. R. 1, Robert Marshall, Milton, R. R. 4, and C. A. May and Son of Hornby, R. R. 2. When one considers the fact that only 77 of the herds enrolled in DHIA in Ontario, qualified in the 400 pound group, it speaks well for Halton to have 13 of the 77 in this county. Twenty four other Halton herds were in the 350 to 400 pound bracket.

**Walker Gunby Top Cow**

Walker Gunby and Son of Burlington, R. R. 1, had the top fat producing cow in the province. Martha of the Valley, a pure bred Guernsey in the Gunby herd milled out no less than 741 pounds of butterfat from her 15,535 pounds of milk produced in the 305 lactation period. Another cow in the same herd, namely Joan of the Valley, was also in the honour list for mature cows with 671 lbs. of fat. In the two year old class, Black Beau-



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R. A. Maple topped the list for Galbraith Bros. of Burlington, R. R. 1. Black Beauty's production was 13,756 pounds of milk and 552 pounds of fat. Galbraith Bros. had another heifer in the honour list for two year olds — namely Beth Texal Zoos Laura — her 305 day fat production being 503 lbs. Then in the honour list for three year olds, two other Halton herds are represented. In third position in this class is Elizabeth, a grade Holstein in the herd of Mrs. Clara Rinehart of Campbellville. Elizabeth's fat production was 604 lbs. of butterfat. In the same class is Gordella Babs, a pure bred Holstein in the herd of Gordon Jefferson of Milton. Babs produced 583 lbs. of fat.

**Artificial Breeding**

A survey of the 1,338 herds in DHIA indicates that 88.8 per cent of the cows are bred to A-1 sires. This does not mean that breeding was confirmed to dairy bulls. Low producers are frequently bred to beef bulls, with the resulting calf being sold as veal, thus eliminating any possibility of retaining in the herd, heifers which, had they been sired by a dairy bull, might have been retained.

**A-1 vs. Natural**

Those who condemn Artificial Units might well study the following data, which is based on the Holstein breed only in DHIA herds.

Class	No. of A's	Records	Milk	Fat	%
A1: 2 yrs.	2089	8568	303	3.54	
Nat: 2 yrs.	2465	8056	282	3.50	
A1: 3 yrs.	1653	9185	326	3.56	
Nat: 3 yrs.	2318	8766	308	3.52	
A1: 4 yrs.	940	10078	361	3.58	
Nat: 4 yrs.	2176	9736	341	3.50	
A1: Mat.	743	10651	381	3.57	
Nat: Mat.	5572	10147	350	3.45	

(Note — The natural service daughters are from both known and unknown sires. In short DHIA is revealing a great deal of valuable and interesting data.)

**George Farmer Family Home From Germany**

Home from two years in Germany, George Farmer, his wife and family arrived home last Friday after docking at Quebec City aboard the S.S. Arco San.

Mr. Farmer, a member of the Royal Canadian Regiment, has been serving with NATO forces in Soudwest, Germany, for almost two years. His wife, the former Wanda Timbers and their children Robert and Donna joined him overseas for most of his tour of duty and returned home with him.

During his 30 day furlough, they will visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Farmer, 38 Main St. S., and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Timbert, 53 Northandy Blvd.

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