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SECOND SECTION

Honour Whitelock With Presentation Ag-Rep Served Halton For 24 Years

Halton's "Mr. Agriculture" the man who has served as Department of Agriculture representative here for the past 24 years, was honoured upon his retirement, when hundreds of friends filled the high school auditorium during a presentation ceremony.

James Earl Whitelock, who came to Halton November 1st, 1934, and will officially retire on March 31st, was praised by close friends and Department officials for his contribution to the county's agricultural progress.

Dr. C. D. Graham, deputy minister of agriculture, for Ontario, recalled Mr. Whitelock had served in the First World War and graduated from the OAC in 1922 when he joined the Department. Since coming to Halton, he noted, he has served well and put to good use his broad knowledge of agriculture. "Here is a man working with and for the people," he declared "... a man of vision and a man of achievement."

"He never thought of himself and never looked for glory but only to get the job done. He will be missed as far as the agricultural program of the Province of Ontario is concerned," he concluded.

Miss Ethel Chapman, a former Nassagaweya resident and now editor of Home and Country magazine, recalled the agricultural representative's "superabundance of energy" when he joined the Department in 1922. "His vision and sense of values are well respected in this county," she pointed out.

George E. Elliott, QC, chairman of the evening, praised Mr. White-

lock for having "given unstintingly of his services." Mayor John A. Lockhart of Burlington, in welcoming the crowd, thanked Mr. Whitelock for giving advice of unestimable value to the county. Halton Warden John A. Milne of Nassagaweya noted the agricultural representative had been conscientious in his work with the county council, and said: "We're all sorry he has to quit."

Deputy reeve Archie R. Service of Nassagaweya, of the county's agricultural committee recalled Mr. Whitelock's sincerity in his work and termed him "a man we could always turn to for advice — he would always go the second mile."

In his reply, the guest of honor recalled the past 24 years as "the happiest in my life" and thanked his friends for the privilege of living and working with them for all those years. Instead of taking any credit for his work himself, he said he preferred rather "to bask in the reflected glory of your achievements."

Halton, he recalled, had the first three DIIA groups and the first crop and soil improvement association on a county-wide basis. "The cattle of Halton today are equal to the best in the world," he went on. Turning to the youth, which was well represented at Friday's presentation, he congratulated the 4H and Junior Farmer groups for their advances toward agriculture. The enrolment in 4H work has doubled in the past 20 years, he noted, and the Junior Farmers have brought many honors to the county. Besides, he

continued, Halton has some of the best fairs to be found anywhere.

In closing, he thanked the audience for gifts and tributes, and his helpers and associates for their cooperation. While he is retiring, he said, "We shall continue to follow with keen interest your progress individually and collectively."

Jack Taylor of Burlington, past president of the Federation of Agriculture, presented a purse containing donations from clubs, organizations and individuals across the county. Mrs. George Somerville of Acton, past president and Mrs. Guy Bussell of Hornby, secretary-treasurer of the Halton Women's Institute, unveiled a beautiful oil painting showing a fall scene in Halton's picturesque countryside.

Stanley L. Hall, MPP for Halton, presented a scroll on behalf of all Mr. and Mrs. Whitelock's friends in Halton. Jean Peterson, past president of Halton Junior Farmers, presented Mrs. Whitelock with flowers.

During the program the Halton County Hoedowners provided music and the Lowville girls' quartette rendered vocal selections. Many department officials from outside Halton were introduced from the audience.

Afterwards, doughnuts and coffee were served in the cafeteria.

A good many people drop all their money trying to pick up more.



MR. AND MRS. RONALD GREEN, whose marriage took place in St. Alban's Anglican Church, Glen Williams, are residing at R. R. 1, Glen Williams. Rev. John Rathbone officiated at the double ring ceremony which took place in December.

Mrs. Leslie Clark Elected IODE Chapter Regent

Monday, February 9th the Council of Strathmore Chapter met at the home of Mrs. Arthur Scott for the annual meeting, followed by the regular monthly meeting. There were 37 present and Mrs. Leslie M. Clark presided. Helen MacDonald, the secretary, read the minutes of the last annual meeting followed by the 1957 report. Miss Ruth Evans, treasurer, gave an annual report.

Reports were heard from the following conveners: Education, Mrs. H. C. Wrigglesworth; Immigration and Citizenship, Mrs. John T. Armstrong; Service at Home & Abroad, Mrs. G. L. Royal, read by Hilda Erwin; Publicity, Mrs. Garfield McGillivray; Membership, Mrs. James Evans; Standard bearer, Mrs. Yeomans; flower and gift committee consisting of Mrs. Jas. Evans, Mrs. A. Gilmore and Mrs. Earl Lince then presented the new slate of officers for 1959, as follows:

Regent, Mrs. Leslie Clark; 1st vice president, Mrs. Hilda Erwin; 2nd vice Mrs. Edwin Hall; secretary, Miss Helen MacDonald; Corr. Secretary, Miss Helen Armstrong; Treasurer, Miss Ruth Evans; Echoes Secretary, Mrs. Percy Leslie; Services at Home and Abroad —

Mrs. Sam Penrice; Educational secretary, Mrs. H. C. Wrigglesworth; Standard bearer, Mrs. Gordon Tee.

The regular February meeting followed with the secretary and treasurer's report, Letter of thanks from principal, Mr. H. Catling and the pupils of Park Street school were read, for the beautiful picture of the Queen received from chapter. A proficiency prize for a grade 13 student will be given and calendars for next year are to be ordered (IODE). A request for a flag for 1st Company Guides of St. John's United Church will be filled. Mrs. J. T. Armstrong and Mrs. Garfield McGillivray will assist with the March clinics.

Mrs. Leslie Clark gave a report on the Valentine dance held on February 13th. Mrs. John Hughes and Mrs. John Elliott were welcomed as new members. Mrs. Robert Jones read a paper on Commonwealth Relations, India. Meeting closed with the National Anthem, followed by lunch served by the hostesses for the evening Mrs. A. Scott, Mrs. James Evans, Miss Ruth Evans, Mrs. Edwin Wilson, Anne Hickey, Mrs. G. Farnell, and Mrs. Royal.

Mrs. Earl Lince moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Scott.

Halton Fire Prevention Gets National Acclaim

Halton's nine fire brigades, entered under the name of the Halton Fire Prevention Bureau, received commendable honors in the nationwide fire prevention contest held last October and conducted under the auspices of the National Fire Protection Association.

Halton received tenth place for Ontario and honorable mention for the 25,000 to 99,000 population group for Ontario. Nationally, it placed 17th for all of Canada and also received honorable mention for the same population bracket. This population group placed the entire county in competition against large cities from coast to coast.

Writing to Halton county council, Ontario fire marshal W. J. Scott said "Halton county has made an outstanding showing, and with the number of entries this year and the quality of these, the standing of Halton County is indeed deserving of high praise."

"The fire chiefs and members of their departments who participated in this campaign are to be congratulated on the good work they did," he continued, "and I am sure the county council will be very happy about this public recognition of their standing."

Last year Halton entered the competition as a county and because no other such group had entered, the county received an honorable mention for its outstanding effort. It was the first entry on a county-wide scale. This year more counties entered and they were grouped, according to population, with the cities.

NEW DRIVERS' HANDBOOK ISSUED BY TRANSPORT DEPT.

Ontario drivers, whether newly licensed or with many years experience, will find much of interest or value in a new publication of the Ontario Dept. of Transport, The Driver's Handbook.

"Safe driving and the protection of all who use the streets and highways," Hon. John Yaremko, Minister of Transport announces, "is the basis upon which the Handbook was planned. It has been written clearly and has many illustrations, so that all drivers may readily understand its contents. Anyone reading the booklet will agree with the remark in the introduction that 'driving an automobile is a full-time job, requiring the driver's complete attention.'"

The Driver's Handbook contains the latest information and explanations of the rules of the road, parking, and what to do in case of an accident, vehicle equipment and maintenance, how to get and keep a licence to drive, road signs, traffic lights, road markings and recommendations for safe driving under poor or difficult conditions. Questions and answers typical of those asked applicants for licences are also included. It concludes with a description of the Demerit Point System.

"The Ontario Dept. of Transport," said the Hon. Mr. Yaremko, "will continue to look for and put into effect every possible means of making Ontario streets and highways the safest in the world. The Driver's Handbook is intended to give all drivers the opportunity of re-examining their own driving and making improvements where

Combining business and pleasure often spoils the pleasure.

Weekly Only Publication To Get 'Cover-to-Cover' Reading

Weekly newspapers, facing the most crucial period of test they have ever experienced, are being revitalized by the strong competition they face, Barry Wenger, 1958 president of the Ontario Weekly Newspaper Association, told the annual convention at Toronto's Royal York Hotel, Feb. 8-7.

Mr. Wenger, who publishes the Wingham Advance, said that despite the strong competition of the mass communication, weekly papers will not disappear.

"With the applications of intelligence and imagination on the part of management, the rural weekly is still and will continue to be the one medium in our land which is thoroughly digested in every detail," he said in his annual report. "And most certainly the weekly newspaper is the only publication of any kind into which the character, reputation and the truthfulness of the publisher is projected in a personal, neighbor-to-neighbor fashion."

Maintaining that no daily newspaper, no magazine, radio or TV station is read or listened to with the faith and credence to which the majority of weekly newspapers are accustomed, Mr. Wenger stated: "Our journals have tremendous influence on the course of history in this province — no small responsibility for an editor to face."

Werden Leavens, secretary man-

ager of the association and publisher of the Bolton Enterprise, said that weekly publishers should not forget that all national advertising is local advertising if their local dealer must get the copy for them.

"It is friends-up and down Main Street who fill the boys downtown to put it in the local weeklies," Mr. Leavens said.

His remarks reflected the convention theme displayed behind speakers in the business sessions: "We'd Better Sell Better Now."

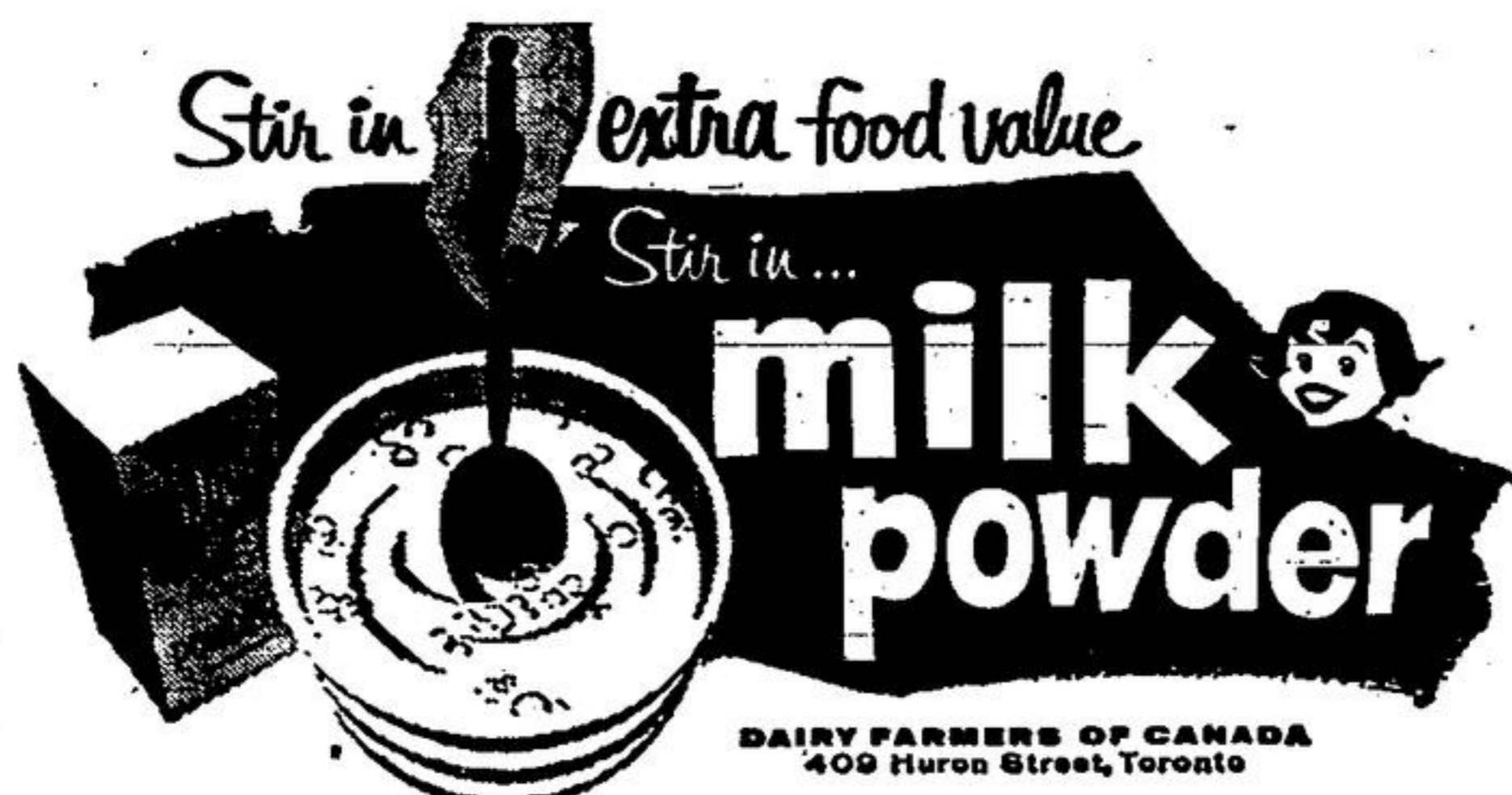
An address by Jack Baldwin of the photo advertising department of the Fairchild Instrument and Camera Co., New York City, followed the reports of Mr. Wenger and Mr. Leavens.

At the Friday Awards Luncheon sponsored by the Natural Gas Companies of Ontario, Oakah L. Jones, vice president and general manager, The Consumers' Gas Company assured members that the expense of doing work in the natural gas industry is never a factor where the public interest is concerned.

"I don't want to go into a long essay on natural gas safety, but we in the natural gas business can not help getting wound up when we think of the recent flurry of unjustified allegations concerning the safety of natural gas distribution systems and appliances."

As far as safety is concerned, he said, the entire industry will welcome any legislation or amended legislation that will improve on an already high standard of safety regulations.

A great resurgence of human spirit, manifesting itself in an awakening of creative talent in the fields of the lively arts in Canada today, is evident in the Ontario Weekly Newspapers competitions, (continued on page 4)



NOTICE TO MOTORISTS WHO HAVE NOT OBTAINED THEIR 1959 LICENCES

Your 1958 driver's licence and vehicle permit will expire at Midnight, March 18. After this date it will be illegal to drive with 1958 licence or plates.

DON'T WAIT TILL THE MARCH DEADLINE

Act now and avoid inconvenience. A last minute rush will cause delay at the 250 Agency Offices throughout the province.

RENEW YOUR LICENCES NOW

TWO IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- You must show proof of Liability Insurance** when you apply for plates or pay an extra \$5.00 into the Unsatisfied Judgment Fund. The additional \$5.00 payment is NOT a substitute for Liability Insurance.
- Study the "Point System" folder** you will receive with your Driver's Licence. It explains in detail your new Point System.

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