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Weary Drivers Found Dangerous

A very good suggestion to those who undertake long drives at the week-end, comes from J. P. Bickell of the Ontario Department of Highways, says the Financial Post. Make a stop, every two hours or so, he says, and relax or change drivers. After extensive tests the U.S. army has now adopted such a practice as regular routine.

In the summer, Mr. Bickell points out, many people are driving much longer distances than at other seasons and at higher speeds. A few miles back and forth to the office at 20 or 25 miles an hour is not to be compared in effort to a hundred or more miles at 50 or 60 to the cottage or summer hotel.

Farm woodlots pay large dividends.

FARM NEWS

HALTON DAIRY BREEDERS MAKE ENTRIES AT C.N.E.

Entries for the Canadian National Exhibition closed on Monday August 10th. Halton's three dairy breeds will all be represented with county herds down at the Coliseum. Herds which will be represented are as follows:

Holsteins—R. C. Alexander; F. O. Hunter; Vernon Archer; John Schertel & Son; W. H. Robinson (all of Esqueving Township) Pelletier Bros.; A. G. Hunter; Ross Segs-worth; Morley Sherwood and Gordon Sinclair of Nelson Township. Trafalgar quota will come from the herds of Johnson Neelands; J. F. Trimble and Hays Limited.

Jerseys—Gerald R. Graham; Ken Ella and Major Roberts (Esqueving Township); Featherstone Bros. and M. C. Beaty (Trafalgar Township); Guernseys — M. T. McNabb & Sons and Joyce Bros. (Esqueving Township); Wm. G. Booth (Trafalgar); J. L. Chisholm (Nassagaweya Township); John & Joe Brownridge (Peel County).

When representatives from these herds parade the tanbark on September 3rd and 4th, our readers may be sure that Halton will be well and worthily represented in 1953.

RAINS RETARD HARVEST

Two inches of rainfall in the Hornby District on Tuesday of last week was reported. We judge that a somewhat similar amount fell in other parts of the County. Grain, in the stock, was, in many cases, on Friday last, still too tough for satisfactory threshing. Combines and binders were, however, going again on both Thursday and Friday. While progress in harvesting has been retarded, the moisture was badly needed in most sections and consequently was very welcome.

By and large the grain crops are excellent—in the case of fall wheat yields of 40 to 50 bushels are quite common—with the occasional one approaching the 60 bushel mark. On the other hand some fields were hit by root rot due to too much moisture in May and June and yields will be somewhat lower. Taking the county as a whole, the average will be considerably above normal.

Spring grain, while rather uneven due to too much moisture in the spring, is, nevertheless, as we see it, better than normal. In any event, judging by the stocks, there is a tremendous amount of straw and some excellent yields have been reported.

UNITED KINGDOM ON MEAT

Rumours persist in trade channels that the meat trade will be restored to private enterprise possibly by June, 1954. Supplies exceeding requirements have virtually removed the necessity of continuing rationing, if prices are kept at present levels. Latest estimates place 1953 bacon supplies at 600,000 long tons, compared with 515,000 in 1952. Imports will approximate 225,000 long tons, about two-thirds coming from Denmark.

DANISH PIG POPULATION

Danish pig numbers for May showed a 4% increase over April and exceeded May, 1952 by 24%. The number of sows was 17% over a year ago.

UNITED STATES FEED SITUATION

Agriculture Department of the United States estimates, based on the July supply, indicate a near record condition of feed grains and other concentrates in prospect for 1953-54. The total of 177 million tons is six per cent. larger than last year and within 1 per cent. of the record supply of 1950-51. The increase is largely due to a prospective corn crop, estimated at 3,377 million bushels, plus an 800 million bushel corn carryover on October 1st. If these prospects materialize, the corn supply would exceed 4.1 million bushels—higher than any previous figure and 17% above the 1946-50 five year average. Hay supplies are calculated at 120 million tons, slightly larger than last year. Emergency needs of drought stricken areas may reduce the feed bank available October 1st.

Larger supplies of feed in prospect, plus reduced numbers of hogs and lower prices for dairy products and cattle, contributed to feed price declines in May and June. The price index for feed grains dropped to the lowest level since November, 1950.

PRICES FOR SEED WHEAT

The Seed Marketing and Publicity Committee, Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association recently suggested the following minimum prices:

Wheat—Commercial No. 1 Seed—\$2.20 per bushel.
Registered No. 1 Seed—\$2.50 per bushel.
Rye — Commercial No. 1—\$1.75 per bushel.

Winter Barley—Certified No. 1—\$1.60 per bushel.

These prices are based on retail sales at farm or local shipping point — in new bags, for treated seed and in the case of registered, inspected and sealed.

Some suggested prices, may, to some of our readers, seem high. However, anyone who has had experience in growing and selling of registered seed will agree that any narrower margin would hardly justify the additional expense and bother in the growing of registered seed. On the basis of cost per acre for seed, when bags and seed treatment are deducted, it only

means an additional dollar bill per acre. That is a very small item in the cost of growing and harvesting a crop and may mean the difference between a 25 and a 50 bushel crop. In any event, good seed is one factor—others, as revealed by the investigation work done in Halton a few years ago, were:

- (1) Amount of commercial fertilizer and manure applied.
- (2) Time between plowing and seeding.
- (3) Times worked before seeding.
- (4) Date of seeding.

EXCELLENT SEED AVAILABLE

The following Halton farmers competing in Halton's 50 bushel Club this year and consequently have a crop grown from registered seed and should have either registered or good commercial No. 1 seed for sale:

Dawbul Variety—John B. Bird (Esqueving Township) and Ross Segsworth, (Nelson Township).
Cornell Variety—R. C. Alexander Wm. Barn, Mac Alexander, Miller Bros., Gordon Leslie (Esqueving Township); V. J. Lawrence and Walter Royle (Trafalgar Township); J. C. Bell & Son, W. E. Brockton, M. C. Sherwood and Gordon Sinclair (Nelson Township).

Nurseries Unable To Meet Demands

From its tree nurseries at St. Williams and Midhurst, Orono, Kemptville and Fort William, the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests has begun shipment of the more than 22,000,000 young trees which will be planted throughout the Province this year in the Department's reforestation program. More than 6,000 requests for trees have been received and officials say the supply available will be insufficient to meet the demand, even though this year's shipments are expected to be more than half a million ahead of 1952.

Young trees are supplied by the Department to private land owners and to municipalities and forest-minded organizations at a nominal charge. They must be planted as shelter belts or to replenish woodlots and under conditions suitable for their proper growth. It is estimated that about 12 million trees will go out to private planters, 80 to 85 per cent. of whom have shown preference for evergreens because of higher survival rate and general suitability.

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The schools at Acton, Milton and Georgetown, operating under North Halton High School District offer courses in the following:

SPECIAL COMMERCIAL
A one year course available to students who have completed Grade XI. Subjects: shorthand, typing, office practice, bookkeeping, business law, penmanship, business arithmetic, business correspondence and spelling, economics, physical education.

ACADEMIC LOWER SCHOOL
Grades IX and X, leading to Intermediate Certificate.
Obligatory subjects: English, social studies, mathematics, guidance, physical education.
Plus any three of these options: General science, French, Art and Music, shop work, home economics, typewriting and business practice.

ACADEMIC MIDDLE SCHOOL
Grades XI and XII, leading to Secondary School Graduation diploma. Obligatory subjects: English, history, physical education. Plus any four of the following options: Mathematics, science, French, Latin, German, commercial work, agriculture, shop work, home economics.

ACADEMIC UPPER SCHOOL
Grade XIII, leading to Honor Matriculation and entrance to all faculties and courses except Honor Classics in any Canadian university.
Subjects: English, history, algebra, geometry, trigonometry, zoology, physics, chemistry, Latin, French, German.

SEND YOUR CHILDREN TO HIGH SCHOOL

Give them this wonderful opportunity which is provided free of charge to everyone. Transportation is provided for rural students, as well as transportation between schools for special subjects. Parent and pupils should confer with their nearest principal prior to school opening in September.

Grade XI and XII students who plan to take the Special Commercial course at Georgetown High School should send their names and addresses to the Secretary. If a student lives in Esqueving or Nassagaweya Township, supply the name of your bus driver also.

C. A. WOOD Milton
O. ROBBINS Acton
J. L. LAMBERT Georgetown

Students who plan to attend secondary schools outside the North Halton District must have written permission from the North Halton Board in order to do so. Parents are requested to examine the course of study available in this District before application is made to attend an outside school, due to the heavy additional cost to this District.

Application forms may be had from the board secretary. The forms should be completed and mailed to the undersigned not later than August 21st, 1953.
G. O. BROWN, secretary, North Halton District Board, Georgetown, Ont.

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