

FARM NEWS

From Halton's Farm Lands

Splendid Program by Halton Juniors

Halton Juniors presented a most enjoyable evening's entertainment at the Milton High School on Friday evening of last week. This was the occasion of the annual inter-club debates and public speaking competition, when representatives were selected to represent Halton in the inter-county activities to follow this winter in these two fields.

Certainly the official judges, K. Y. Dick, Edwin Harrop and Geo. E. Elliott, had their work cut out to select the winners in both the public speaking and debating. The 10 young people who participated in the two contests displayed a wealth of talent and natural ability. Along with this was a fund of humor and as a result there was nothing staid or stodgy. Needless to add the audience thoroughly enjoyed the evening's program, which included a piano solo by Mitchell Neave of Acton and a humorous skit by Acton club members.

Norval and Palermo Win

In the first debate, "Resolved that the best interest of agriculture can be best served by a county fair rather than by a number of smaller township fairs," Norman Bird and Barbara Cunningham, representing Norval Juniors, upholding the negative, took the decision over Robert Cox and Douglas Anderson of the Brookville Juniors who supported the affirmative.

The second debate brought together Palermo and Milton clubs. Here the subject was, "Resolved that competition has done more for the prosperity of the farmer than has co-operation." Palermo, represented by Diane Abbott and Jean Patterson, upheld the affirmative—William Kelly and Jim Ingram of the Milton club the negative. It was a touch and go affair—in our opinion, the young men had the margin on material but the young ladies, with their winning personalities and persuasive powers, won the verdict of both the audience and judges.

Jean Patterson and Barbara Cunningham Tops

To select the two best debaters on the evening's performance was a most difficult task. Here the judges' decision went to Jean Patterson of Palermo and Barbara Cunningham of Norval. These two young ladies undoubtedly will prove worthy representatives for Halton in the inter-county debating field. Incidentally, in the first round they will debate the first topic of the evening, "County vs. township fairs." At the moment, we do not know whether they will uphold the negative or affirmative.

Mary Pope Public Speaking Champ

"The North—Alaska to the North Pole," was the topic of Mary Pope's winning address. In a most interesting and entertaining manner, Miss Pope presented a wealth of information on the great north country and its inhabitants.

The second speaker, Miss Dorothy Ingram of Milton, presented a most humorous address entitled "Babies." Frankly, we were very glad we didn't have to make the decision—it must have been a difficult one to make—both speakers displayed an ease of platform de-

livery that was a delight to the audience. Miss Pope will represent Halton in the provincial competition to be held in Toronto in the month of January at the Junior Farmers' Conference held in conjunction with the annual convention of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture.

Halton Judging Team for Royal

Sam Harrop, Milton; Don Matthews, Acton and Bill Wilson of Ashgrove will be the members of the Halton team in the Inter-County Livestock Judging Competition at the Royal Winter Fair. This competition is open to a team of three young men under 26 years of age who have not previously competed in an inter-county judging competition at the Royal. During the past week the three young men have been getting a final tune-up from their coach, Art Bennett, associate agricultural representative. Best of luck, boys, we know that win or lose, you will be worthy representatives from the county of Halton.

Night School Classes Open on November 17th

A total of 512 applications were on hand when we were penning this at 1.00 a.m. on Saturday morning last. 429 of these were for one of the courses offered at Milton where the classes in Tailoring, Smocking, Millinery, Electric Welding, Oil Painting (both first and second year), Metalcraft, Box Loom Weaving and Photography, are already filled to overflowing and no further applications can be accepted.

Still Openings

However, according to chairman A. T. Woodley, a few more can be accepted in each of the following courses—Elementary Clothing; Advanced Clothing; Children's Clothing; Crocheting; Needlepoint and Tinting; Farm Business; Effective Business Procedures and Leathercraft (first year).

Owing to an insufficient number of applicants, the courses in Ceramics; Advanced Leather and Household Mechanics have been cancelled.

Acton Courses

Two courses in Oil Painting, one for beginners and the other for more advanced students, will definitely go on at Acton. Whether or not the course in Public Speaking and Plastics will materialize is open to question—the final decision will depend on the number of additional applications received over the past week-end.

Georgetown Courses

The courses in Leathercraft, Ceramics and Metalcraft will all go on at Georgetown. In all three courses, however, there was still room for a few more when this was being written.

Earlier this week a letter was sent out from the Milton office of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, advising all applicants where the respective courses are to be held, the course to which each student has been assigned, etc.

Eight o'clock on Tuesday evening next will see them all in action.

Esqueusing Passes Various By-Laws

At a special meeting of Esqueusing council, a by-law was passed enabling the borrowing of money for the purpose of erecting a new public school in section no. 7. Temporary borrowing upon the security of debentures up to \$64,000 was also passed.

Another by-law fixed nomination and election dates for the township. Council accepted the tender of Ted Bludd for painting the exterior of the garage.

At the regular meeting of Esqueusing council on November 2, council passed accounts for voters' list of \$91.50 and to Acton and

Georgetown fire brigades for \$150 for attending fires. Other accounts were \$78.05 for assessors' supplies; \$46 for maintenance of a patient in hospital and \$10.50 to the Bell Telephone Co. for services.

Claims and expenses in connection with sheep killed amounted to \$569, and road accounts paid totaled \$5,080.66.

Other items in the finances were hospital accounts of \$15.67; stamps \$64; gas and oil for fire truck, \$13.59; Georgetown Poppy Fund \$15 and \$20 for selection jurors; \$42 for insurance premium.

Council accepted the tender of D. Barclay for snow plowing for the winter at a cost of \$8 per day stand-by time and \$6 per hour for plowing.

K. C. Lindsay was appointed collector of rates for the township by a by-law and the by-law for holding municipal elections also was approved by council.

Another by-law was passed setting the annual remuneration for councillors for the township.

Council adjourned to meet on December 15.

We boil at different degrees—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

STATE HALTON AG. REP. EFFICIENT, HELPFUL, IN FORUM DISCUSSIONS

"The agricultural representative and the farmer" was the topic for discussion for the first farm forum broadcast on November 2. Halton county had an attendance of 352 persons. The reports appear to indicate a very popular topic.

"In what ways do the farmers in your forum make use of the services of your agricultural representative?" groups were asked. In Halton county, the services of the agricultural representative, J. E. Whitelock, are used very extensively judging by the lengthy list of his accomplishments: (a) soil testing; (b) giving information re registered seeds, clover grain, etc.; (c) conservation projects, farm ponds, etc.; (d) livestock breeders' organizations; (e) dairy herd improvement; (f) orchard and pasture problems; (g) plowing matches; (h) junior farmers' organizations; (j) calf clubs; (k) achievement day planning; (l) organization of trips for farmers to various places of interest in crop improvement both in Canada and the United States.

These are just a few of the many. "What kind of help is needed most from the agricultural representative in your community?" This was answered by stating his help is required more by less experienced and new farmers in advising them re soil conservation and crop rotation. One forum stated he is needed to attend forums and give informative talks and answer questions—e.g., "how to eliminate wild carrot from Halton county."

Another states his help is needed for the individual problems and hinges on making the individual more aware of the services offered by the agricultural representative and his assistant. All forums were agreed he is doing an excellent job and providing the necessary services.

"How could the farmer and forum help the agricultural representative to reach more people?" was asked. Farmers should support meetings called by him and have

these meetings announced at forum meetings on Monday nights. Forums could help by promoting leadership courses and attending same. If farmers would attend forums and Federation meetings where the agricultural representative is in attendance and take an active part in discussion, it would give the agricultural representative a better understanding of their problems and they would then receive the necessary assistance. Forums might begin projects, as a county-wide soil testing, which would secure the interests of more farmers. Last, but by no means least, one forum suggests that farmers get to these meetings on time. In other words, farmers need to practice punctuality.

Although all reports tend to indicate the general feeling of efficiency on the part of the Halton agricultural representative, Mr. Whitelock, one criticism was made—that too high ideals are put before the members of our calf club. They are taken to millionaire farm stables rather than an average farm stable. This tends to breed dissatisfaction and discouragement amongst our would be farmers, some said.

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And, I hereby call upon all voters to take immediate proceedings to have any errors, or omissions corrected according to law; the last day for appeal being the 21st day of November, 1953.

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4.43	2.25	Chatham Jct.	
5.00	2.45	Galt	9.14
5.32	3.18	Woodstock	8.43
6.00	3.45	Ar. London	8.15
6.15	4.00	Lv. London	8.05
7.15	4.58	Chatham	7.06
7.31	5.20	Tilbury	6.44
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