

# FARM NEWS

## From Halton's Farm Lands



— Staff Photo

**PRESENTATION FRIDAY** evening to Art Bennett, popular assistant agricultural representative, and his bride was made in Milton where E. Ross Segsworth, on behalf of the senior organizations of the county, extended well wishes and a La-z-y Boy chair.

### HOLSTEIN TWILIGHT, 4-H CALF CLUBS COMBINE AT HAYS LTD. FOR MEETING

Dr. Jim Henderson of the Ontario Veterinary College, Guelph, was the chief speaker at the combined Holstein Twilight and 4-H Dairy Calf Club members' meeting held at Hays Sales Arena recently. Well over 200 were in attendance to hear Dr. Henderson deal with Ketosis or Acetonemia.

In the majority of cases, stated Dr. Henderson, Ketosis is a secondary condition and associated with another disease or physical condition which results in the burning of body fat, thus creating ketones in the blood stream. At one time, added Dr. Henderson, "I thought Ket-

osis or Acetonemia was associated with Cobalt deficiency — this was true in some five or six herds we had under treatment—however, we soon came across other herds where the attention of his audience throughout.

Perhaps we should add that Dr. Henderson was frank to admit that there is much about the disease of Ketosis or Acetonemia which is still unknown to the veterinarian profession. Consequently treatment which gives results in the case of one cow or herd, does not necessarily prove satisfactory in other herds or cows.

George Pelletterio, president of

### Halton Jerseys Also Make News

Last week we dealt briefly with a couple of outstanding achievements by Halton Holsteins. This week we again accidentally ran across two more outstanding achievements and this time they concern Halton Jerseys — so, my "Black and White" friends, sit tight and prepare to be deflated a little.

By the way, we don't get time to go looking for news—that isn't our job—so if some of our readers think their community, breed or farm is being overlooked, please bring such items to our attention.

Now for the two Jersey highlights which we more or less "stumbled" across. According to the Canadian Jersey Breeder, and we quote: "One of the outstanding and producing cows of the Jersey breed is Sporting Standard Star—a cow in the herd of Kenneth L. Ella, Hornby, Halton county. Sporting Standard Star was bred by Russell T. Morrison of Mouth of Keswick, N.B. and she has four tested daughters that have the very high average of 11,036 lbs. of milk, 618 lbs. of fat, with an average test of 5.6 per cent. These are all figured on a mature equivalent basis for 305 days on two times milking. Three of the four have won Silver Medal awards, and two of these three have also won Gold Medal awards. One of the outstanding features of this group of daughters is the fact that they all are classified "Very Good."

How would you breeders like to have nine "EXCELLENT" cows in your herd? That is the number in the Lindale Jersey herd of Maurice C. Beaty of Trafalgar township. We were also interested to note in the May issue of the Canadian Jersey Breeder, that Maurice in his Lindale herd has "The highest scoring Classified Constructive Breeders' Herd in Canada." How's that for the little county of Halton? Allright, who can come up with something equally outstanding.

### Presentation To Mr. & Mrs. Bennett

A pleasing feature of the evening's program held in the Milton High School on Friday evening last was the presentation to Mr. and Mrs. Art Bennett. As our readers

will be aware, Art Bennett is the popular Associate Agricultural Representative for Halton and Peel counties. His charming bride, the former Jean Patterson of Bronte, is past president of the Palermo Junior Institute, and in recent years has played an active part in many of the activities of Halton Juniors.

The presentation of a Lazy-Boy chair to Mr. and Mrs. Bennett was made by E. Ross Segsworth, on behalf of the senior organizations of the county, including the Soil and Crop Improvement Association, Swine Producers, Plowmen's Association, Milk Producers, Guernsey, Jersey and Holstein clubs, Beef and Red Poll Breeders and the 4-H Club Leaders' Council.

A. T. Woodley was chairman of the evening's program, which included musical selections by Betty and Doris Anderson of Brookville and Tom Foser of Lowville.

A still further pleasing feature of the evening was the premiere showing of the new 4-H Club film in technicolor, "Preparing for the Future." The film was introduced by R. Gordon Bennett, Associate Director of Extension for the Ontario Department of Agriculture. Inasmuch as most of the film was taken in Halton, it was of special interest to the large audience. Aside from the fact that all of those participating are Haltonites the film is a read credit to those responsible for its direction. In short, it tells the story of 4-H Dairy Calf Club work in Ontario, and it does it exceptionally well.

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### \$300,000 Water Debenture Ahead

A \$300,000 expenditure for waterworks was given final approval last week by Georgetown council.

A 4½ per cent. debenture issue, maturing in 20 years, will finance the waterworks extension which is being engineered by Phillips and Roberts, the consulting engineering firm which were overseers of the present waterworks system.

Much of the new system is due to the Delrex subdivision, for which Georgetown has agreed to supply water. Most costly item is a \$50,000 reservoir to furnish storage not now available for surplus water. A trunk main along Maple Ave. to No. 7 Highway will cost \$35,000. Extension of this from there to the eastern town limits is assessed at \$24,000 and a line north to John Street \$18,000. A new pump house is valued at \$20,000.

Tenders are already out for construction of the system which will be completed this year.

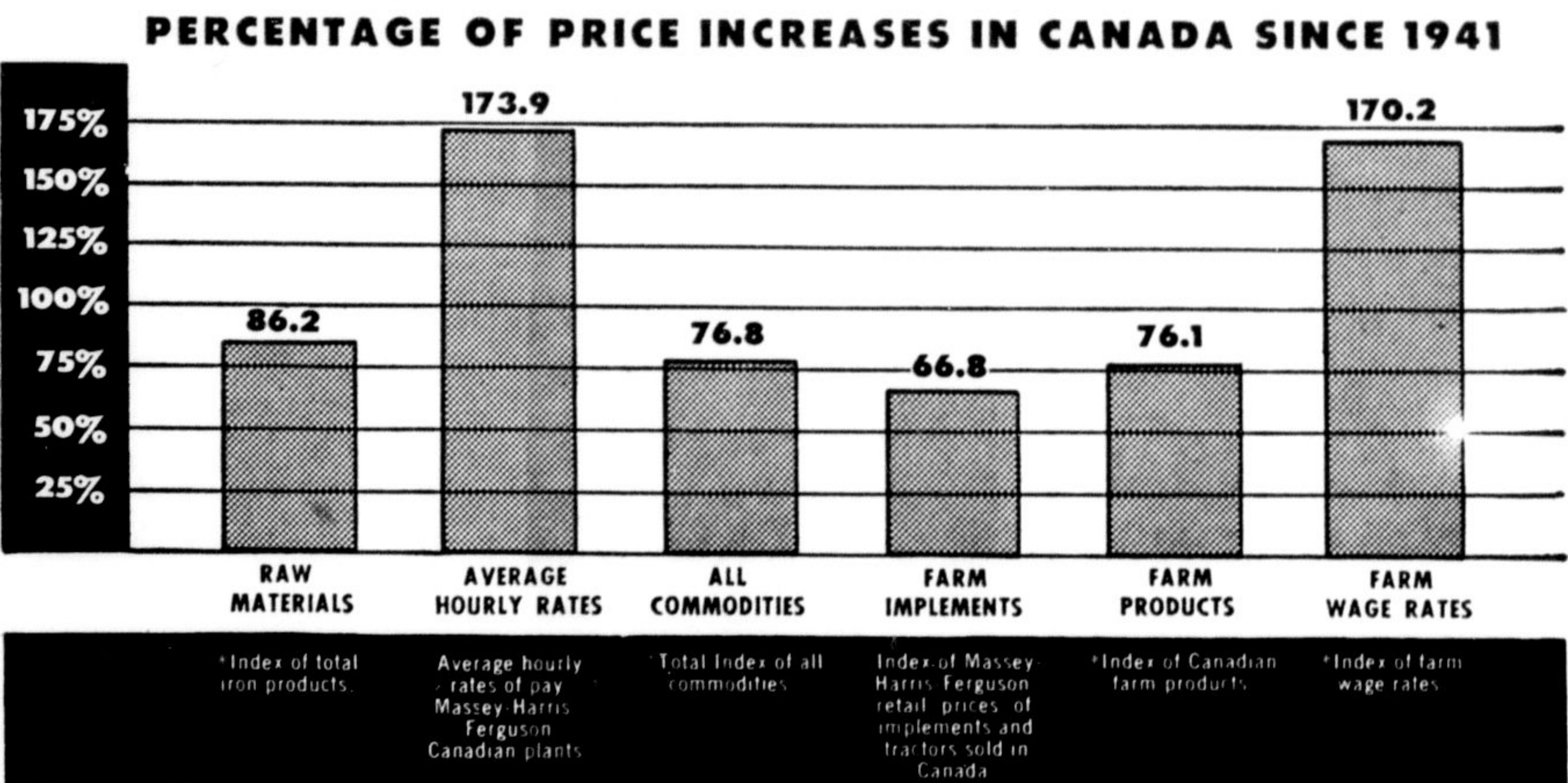
### Federation Stages Excellent Panel

Compensation to be paid owners of farm land where property is crossed by Hydro and Highway right of ways was the subject of the panel discussion staged by the Halton Federation of Agriculture in Milton on Wednesday evening of last week. President R. L. Davidson and secretary A. R. Coulter, were fortunate in their selection of an outstanding panel.

The moderator was George E. Elliott, Q.C., well known barrister of Milton, who as usual did an outstanding job of getting at the "meat" of the contentious subject and kept the panel members and the large audience on their toes for the two and one-half hour session.

The farm viewpoint was ably presented by M. M. (Bobby) Robinson of Burlington, Reeve A. R. Service of Nassagaweya and Cecil Belyea of the Ontario Federation, while the two public utilities had as their representatives in the panel C. F. S. Tidy of the Properties Branch of the Ontario Hydro; H. P. Jones, Superintendent of Properties; R. W. Bond, Assistant Superintendent and M. V. Gillard, Chief Agent, all of the Ontario Department of Highways. In our opinion they, too, did an excellent job.

In short, it was an excellent evening's program and in our opinion helped materially to clarify the many angles of the subject. Performance too, everyone present, including the panel members, got a little different viewpoint on certain aspects of the subject. More meetings of this type are indeed to be commended.



## FARM IMPLEMENT PRICES Maintained at Low Level of Increase

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