

Farm News Page

Seek Signs of Army Worms Now Pest Could Destroy Farm Crops

Quiz on Farm Safety For Juniors at C.N.E.

Announcements have been made recently regarding a new feature to be included in this year's Junior Agricultural division of the Canadian National Exhibition. This will take place in the form of a Farm Safety Quiz open to all participating contestants in the Judging Competitions on Wednesday, September 9.

Each year Junior Farmer and 4-H Members take part in the Competitions at the Exhibition, and this new feature will be of interest to them.

At this time of year Halton farmers should look for evidence of Army Worms in their crops. This pest is one that could locate and destroy farm crops in a relatively short period of time.

Halton farms have been free of Army Worm outbreaks for several years, but it is recommended that a close watch be made on such crops as spring grain, corn, pastures, for evidence of Army Worm.

If any outbreaks are noticed, please advise the Ontario Department of Agriculture, Milton, and get information on control measures.

HALTON COUNTY WEED CONTROL NEWS

V. E. McARTHUR, COUNTY WEED INSPECTOR

Crabgrass in Lawn Can Be Controlled

Crabgrass, or Finger Grass, is one of the most persistent weeds that invade lawns, appearing in late June or July and becoming more troublesome as the season advances, states the Field Crops Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

The leaves of Crabgrass are short, broad and hairy. The smooth, branching stems and the seed heads, a group of 4 to 6 spikes arranged in a whorl around the top of the stem like the fingers on a hand, are the most noticeable evidence of the weed, and as it nears maturity the whole plant turns a reddish-purple color. The stems are frequently prostrate and root at the joints, which together with prolific yields of seed, account for its rapid increase and difficult control.

Rake Area First

Crabgrass is an annual and if seeding can be prevented the problem is greatly reduced as only dormant seeds or new introductions can perpetuate it. When cutting the seed heads off with a mower, the area should be raked first to make the heads stand erect. Clippings should be caught behind the mower and destroyed, preferably by composting. Wild white clover

which forms a dense mat on the ground helps to retard the development of Crabgrass as do spring and fall fertilization and the seeding of thin and bare spots.

One practice to avoid is frequent light watering. The shallow-rooted Crabgrass benefits most by this treatment; the deeper-rooted lawn grasses get little if any benefit from it. Water about once a week in dry weather and then do a thorough job so that the ground is wet down at least two inches.

Chemical Control

A number of chemical products, when properly applied, give very effective control. P.M.A. (Phenyl Mercuric Acetate) is one of these and should be applied according to the instructions on the label; the first application just as Crabgrass is emerging, followed by second and third treatments at ten day intervals.

Potassium Cyanate is also very effective and should be used in preference to P.M.A. if the Crabgrass is headed out. A second treatment about two weeks later will be required. Potassium Cyanate should be used at the rate of 1 oz. in 3 gallons of water to treat 400 sq. feet. This treatment will cause some browning of lawn grasses, but will do no permanent harm.

Five Ounce Egg One in Million

TRAFALGAR — Another million-to-one shot was enacted at Al Hall's hatchery on the Dundas Highway West when one of his White Leghorns came up with a five and one-third ounce egg.

The egg is eight inches in circumference and Mr. Hall said that it was one of the largest he had seen. It was more than twice the weight of an average egg, which is two and one-quarter ounces.

Three years ago was the last time Mr. Hall had a freak egg. At that time he found a large egg with another average sized egg inside.



Safety was a word to Jim, Aimed at others, not at him, William, on the other hand, Practised safety on his land.

Jim drove his tractor like a jet, Certain he would not upset, William drove his with great care— Of its dangers—well aware.

Jim was always having falls On broken ladders, pitchforks, walls, Will was healthy, careful, wise On safety he'd not compromise.

Jim left this world the sudden way While blowing up some stumps one day, Wise William's living out his days Because he knows that safety pays!

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The Canadian National Exhibition will award ten Scholarships in 1959, each to the value of \$600.00. One scholarship will be awarded to each Province. This year the scholarship will be awarded to a boy wishing to take a degree in Agriculture or Veterinary science.

In selecting the winner of the scholarship, each County will nominate one candidate. In order to be eligible for the scholarship, the candidate must be 17 years of age; have completed at least two years in 4-H Club work; have qualities for leadership; and have shown interest in community activities.

Those interested in being considered for the candidate from Halton County, should notify the Ontario Department of Agriculture, Milton, previous to July 13th.

CROSSBONES ATTENTION

A car that flies a skull-and-crossbones pennant is liable to contain a self-conscious young driver who feels impelled to live up to his swashbuckling advertisement. Give him the attention (not "respect") he seeks. Good drivers try to remain inconspicuous in every way and avoid blatancy in appearance as well as in performance.

LOWVILLE

Memorial Service Held at St. George's

On Sunday, June 21, Rev. R. P. E. Jeffares conducted the annual memorial service at St. George's Church.

The service beginning in the cemetery grounds led by the choir continued into the church. There was a large congregation present. This was the first occasion when the newly installed electronic organ was used.

W.A. Meets

On Thursday, June 18, the Evening Branch of St. George's W.A. held their meeting at the home of Mrs. Reg Austin of Campbellville with the Afternoon Branch as guests.

Mrs. O'Sullivan of the Children's Aid gave a splendid talk on "Child Adoption."

A short interesting discussion followed and a lovely lunch was served.

Many at Barbecue

A Barbecue was held on the evening of June 24th in the church hall of St. George's with a large crowd attending.

The Evening Branch of St. George's held their annual family picnic, Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brock Harris.

A number from this district went on the bus trip sponsored by the Milton District Horticulture Society recently.

Rose gardens and other places of interest were visited at Rochester, Newark, Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

Errors are Found In Promotion List

A transposed line of type in a story last week confused part of the list of promotions from the Milton High School. The grade 9A report should have read "Lorna Giasson passed with honors, 81.2 per cent." The grade 9B report should have read "Lynn McKerr passed with honors, 80.1 per cent."

Also, in the list of grade 12 students who received secondary graduation diplomas with four options, the name of Sharon Presse was omitted.

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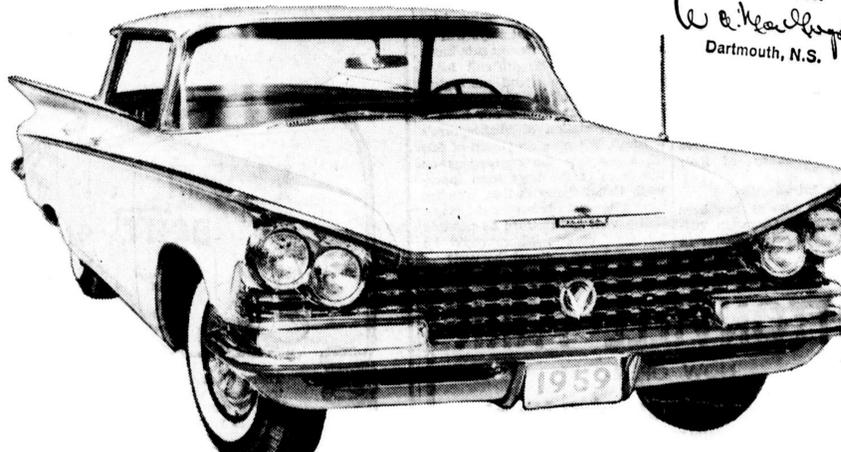
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CAMPBELLVILLE

Commissioner Helps Install First Guide, Brownie Company

Commissioner Mrs. Edwin Joyce of Milton assisted by Brown Owl, Mrs. Donald Ferrier, and Tawny Owl, Mrs. Ray Lewis also Capt. Mrs. James Baynton and Lieut. Mrs. Tom Watson assisted in the taking of the vows for Brownies and Guides of the 1st Company of Campbellville on the lawn of Mrs. Jack Wheelahan on Tuesday evening.

Those included in the Brownies are: Faye Mathies, Janet Ferrier, Nancy Mahon, Anne Mitchell, Jane Dewhurst, Judy Ferrier, Susan Commons, Yvonne Agnew, Susan Martin, Francis Quillman, Mary Dennis, Janice Mathies, Beth Currie and Elaine Smith.

Guide leaders were Carol Walton, Jean Ella and Susan Buckley.

Joining the Guides were: Linda Smith, Heather Gates, Dianne Commons, Margaret Black, Bonnie Inglis, Carol Ann Smith, Betty Walton, Carol Walton, Anne Wheelahan.

Buy Shooting Range Near Henderson Park

TRAFALGAR — The Trafalgar Township board of parks management has recommended to council that land north of the Henderson Base Line Park be purchased for a shooting range.