

News About

Halton Sportsmen

Ed Meadows of the Department of Lands and Forests was guest speaker last week at the regular monthly meeting of the Halton Sportsmen's Association in the Union Hall, Milton. His talk was excellent, stressing the need for members of all sportsmen's clubs to be conservationists.

He explained how one "poor" member of a club could ruin a club's reputation by getting into trouble by trespassing or abusing farm land. In closing, the conservation officer warned the members about rabies, which is again prevalent in Halton County, advising them all to warn parents about keeping children away from dead animals or animals acting strangely.

Mr. Meadows strongly advised the club to campaign for an open deer season in Halton County this year. He said the deer are so numerous that a disease has hit them that is spreading to farmers' cattle.

H.S.A. is sponsoring a team of six trap shooters to enter the Dominion Amateur Trapshooting Competition at Hamilton and trials were held at Howard Coulson's farm Saturday. Chosen for the team were John Readhead with 21 birds broken out of 25, Arn Coulson with 20, Howard Coulson 19, Don Kearney 18, Ron Marshall and Tom Ramshaw each 16.

Bob Sales also fired 16 and the three men with 16 held a shoot-off with Marshall and Ramshaw winning the places on the team. Other scores in the competition were Norm Coulter 15, Paul Coulson 15, Bev Murray 13 and Bruce Coulson 9.

Mervyn Coulson of Lowville won himself a new shotgun Tuesday at the annual boxing day shoot of the Bronte Gun Club, held at George Breckon's farm. Club officials report they made about \$100 profit on the shot-

gun draw. During the afternoon, 30 turkeys were won by target and trapshooters.

Norm Coulter, Orville Peer and Em Downs of this district came home with fowl dinners. Others from the area who took part in the competition were Howard Coulson, Ken Coulson, Tom Ramshaw, Arn Coulson and Bruce Coulson.

A successful turkey shoot was held at Gord Lee's at Hornby on December 16 with 38 birds won by local and visiting marksmen. This was the Halton Sportsmen's annual Christmas shoot.

Among the many winners were Carl Hilson and Mr. Hyenson of Toronto, each with two birds; also Jim Mountain, Ron Marshall, Don Kearney, George Breckon of the Bronte club, Vern Galbraith of Appleby club, Don Wilson of Toronto Anglers and Hunters, Charlie Bryant of Freelon club, Ray Powell, Jockmo Marcuz, Mervyn Coulson, Ted Dolbel, Leonard Coulson, Brock Wendover and Howard Coulson, with one each.

Harry Rainer of Waterdown won the Polaroid camera in the draw.

DEER NEWS — Dozens have been killed or maimed by cars in Halton County over the past two months, making Ed Meadows's suggestion seem like a reasonable one . . . One deer killed by a car near Espanola was found to be carrying four fawns. There are only five known cases of quadruplets previous to this, say Ontario Lands and Forests officers at Sudbury . . . Up in Bruce County, a large buck killed by a car had abnormal swellings near the knee joints of one fore leg and one hind leg. Analyzed at the Maple Research Station, it was found the legs had been shot, probably in a previous hunting season, and the large swellings



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CHRISTMAS CONCERTS in the rural township one room schools are fast becoming a thing of the past as more township schools are dissolved into consolidated school systems. However The Champion visited one of the remaining concerts last week when students of Christie (S.S. 6 Nassagaweya) school performed in a delightful concert before a large crowd of friends and parents. Among the program of dances, songs, skits, recitations and solo numbers was this scene from a mock wedding. That's the preacher with his back to the camera, getting ready to join the blushing bride and shuddering groom in "holy macaroni" (that's his term, not ours.)

were composed of bone-like substances which are produced when bone is injured. Ma Nature sure takes good care of her wild creatures, for this one survived hunters' bullets for a year before man's modern mode of transportation caught up to it.

MOOSE NOTES — More than 40,000 hunters took part in this year's moose hunt and while there were 125,000 moose, only one in three hunters was successful . . . A freak moose with only one oddly shaped cluster of "antler" was shot near Geraldton and his antler protruded directly above the left eye socket . . . A white moose was shot in the same district this year . . . How big do moose grow? One killed near Kapuskasing had an estimated live weight of 1,300 to 1,400 pounds . . . Now in Northwestern Ontario Department of Lands and Forests officials are selling permits to let you use a helicopter or plane to "spot" or locate moose. The experiment is to assist hunters in finding moose only; the discharge of firearms from aircraft is still prohibited. The idea is to distribute hunting pressure on the big game away from the usually heavily hunted districts.

CHANGE RULING—On November 25 an earlier regulation banning shotguns loaded with heavier than No. 2 shot was amended to read that shotguns may be used with any type of shot . . . the rule affects the counties of Halton, Brant, Elgin, Essex, Haldimand, Huron, Kent, Lambton, Lincoln, Middlesex, Norfolk, Oxford, Peel, Perth, Waterloo Welland, Wellington, Wentworth and York . . . The regulation states, however, that rifles of heavier calibre than .275 are banned.



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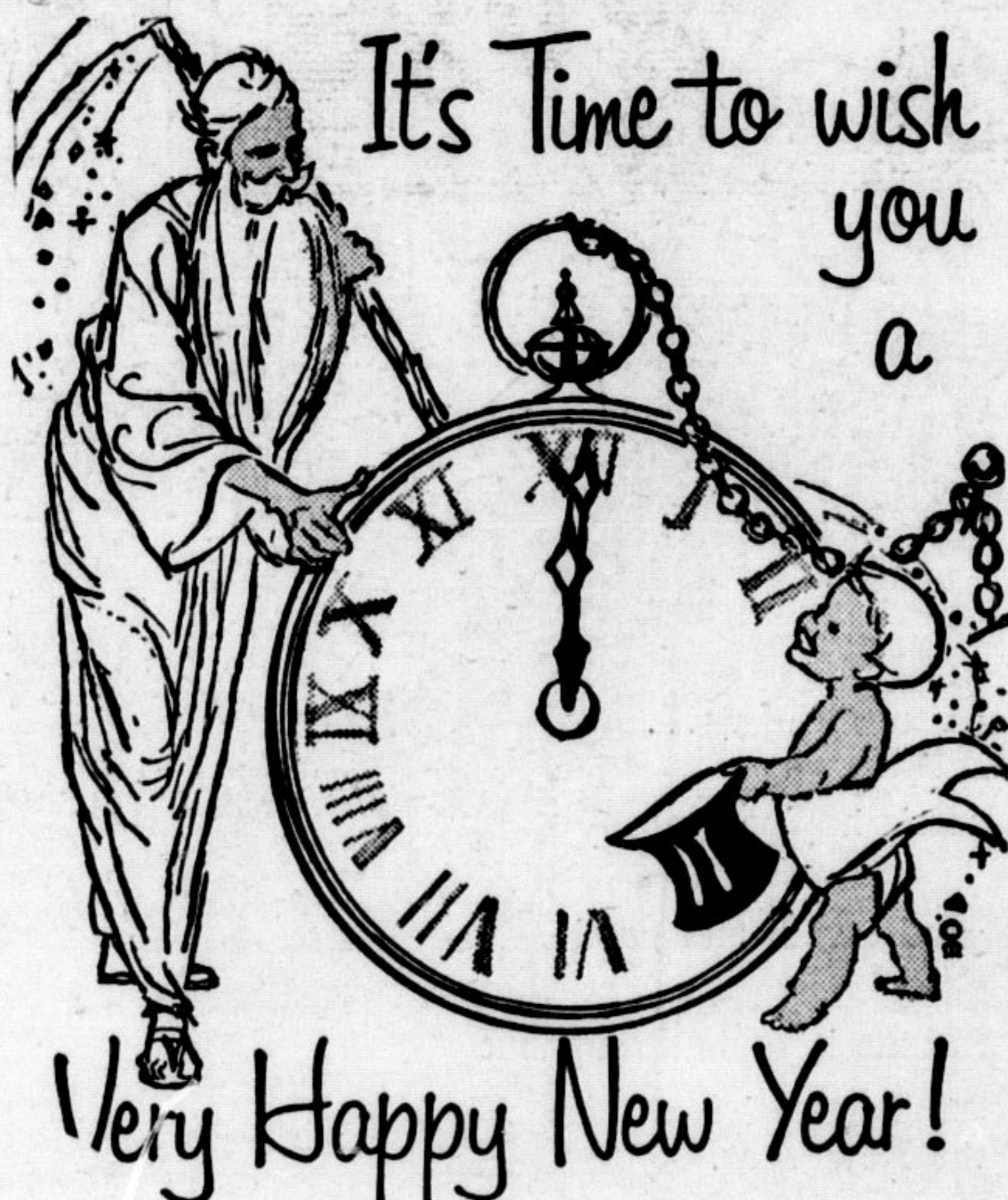
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