



**BRUCE HUFF**, from Picton in Prince Edward County, joined the Halton extension office of The Department of Agriculture last week. He will work as assistant agricultural representative for the summer before returning to his studies at O.A.C. in the fall.

## Robin Hood Ltd. Enters Agreement For Oat Processing in Venezuela

Robin Hood Flour Mills Limited, Montreal, through its Venezuelan subsidiary, has entered into an agreement with Roval Lassie Mills Ltd., Wormerveer, Holland, to operate an oats processing plant at Puerta Cabello, Venezuela.

The plant has been under construction adjacent to Robin Hood's flour mill at Puerto Cabello since last November. It is expected to be in full production this month.

### Subsidiary

The operation is being staffed and supervised by Molinos Nacionales, C.A. (MONACA), Venezuelan subsidiary of Robin Hood. The plant has a capacity to produce 400,000 lbs. of rolled oats daily. The four-storey concrete plant has a 12,000 sq. ft. warehouse for storage of raw materials and finished products.

The expansion of the firm's Venezuelan operation was motivated by a strong faith in that

country's potential for economic growth, said George H. McIvor, chairman of the board of Robin Hood.



—Staff Photo

## Assistant to Rep. Here for Summer

Bruce Huff, an Ontario Agricultural College student has arrived in Milton to take over his duties as assistant agricultural representative for Halton County for the summer.

An agriculture economics student, Bruce has just completed his third year of the four-year course and will return to his studies at Guelph in mid-September. He is a native of Prince Edward County and has worked on the family's mixed dairy and fruit farm in previous summers. This is his first job with the Department of Agriculture.

He will be assisting Halton's new ag. rep., Henry J. Stanley, who was transferred to Halton May 1 following the resignation of J. Allen Francis. Mr. Huff's main work will be with the 4-H and Junior Farmer organizations.

The required number interested in this exchange, the idea was dropped for another year.

A County competition in rifle shooting is to be held June 25 at Ashgrove Welding. Each club may enter a team of four members, with everyone supplying their own ammunition.

The Provincial Junior Farmers are starting another Freedom From Hunger Campaign. Any donations from the four clubs are to be in to County Board by September 1. They will have four months in which to raise money for this campaign.

Provincial Junior Farmer Camp will be held September 7 to 14 at Geneva Park at Lake Couchiching. Halton County is allowed to have two delegates. They must be between the ages of 18 to 24 and single. Each club from Halton will nominate one boy and girl from their own club and two from the County will be chosen to represent Halton.

Concerning debating and public speaking to commence this fall on a Provincial level, the debating topics are, "Resolved that a national health scheme would be beneficial to Canadians," and "Resolved that Canadian people would have more security if North America was united."

## County Junior Farmer Board Plans Busy Summer Program

The County Board of the Halton Junior Farmers was held on May 6th in the board room of the agricultural office in Milton.

In addition to representatives from each of the four Junior Farmer Clubs in Halton, there was in attendance, Mrs. K. Cosam, Home Economist for the Counties of Halton and Peel, the newly appointed Agricultural Representative for these Counties, Henry Stanley, and his summer assistant, Bruce Huff from Prince Edward County.

President, Joy Hayward, began the session by expressing her thanks to each of the Juniors who took part in the Church Service recently held. Collection from this church service will be divided equally between the

## 2,4-D Will Kill Persistent Weed

**YELLOW GOAT'S BEARD**  
Yellow Goat's Beard is a native of Europe which now thrives in many areas across Canada. It does not persist in cultivated fields but is more at home on roadsides, railway right-of-ways and idle farmland. Each year Goat's Beard seems to pop up in a new roadside location in Halton. It would appear that the seeds may be carried by motor cars, being dropped off here and there at random.

This weed is a biennial with a long tap root and grows from one to three feet high. It has large yellow flowers appearing quite early in the spring; by the early part of June it may be gone to seed and then has a large downy head like a huge dandelion. The morning is the best time to look for Goat's Beard as the yellow flowers have a habit of closing for afternoon and night. It is sometimes nick-named "Johnny-go-to-bed-at-noon". Another characteristic is the milky juice contained in all parts of the plant.

According to the Soils and Crop Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, Goat's Beard is quite susceptible to 2,4-D sprays. Eight ounces of active 2,4-D acid per acre will kill the tops, and should be applied early before the plants form buds. However, to kill the entire plant root and all, at least 16 oz. active acid of 2,4-D is required. This, of course, would damage clovers if they are present. In hay and pasture fields containing clovers where chemical control is impractical, mowing before the seeds form is the best method of control.

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This was clearly borne out in a nine-year experiment carried out by three Canada Department of Agriculture scientists — A. T. S. Wilkinson and D. G. Finlayson, of the Vancouver Research Station, and Dr. H. V. Morley of the Analytical Chemistry Research Service, Ottawa.

These men discovered that a single application of aldrin and heptachlor controlled wireworms for nine years.

In 1953 heptachlor and aldrin were applied as dusts or sprays to the surface of soil plots at Agassiz, B.C., that were heavily infested with wireworms. The insecticides were applied at varying doses in different plots and then immediately disked and plowed into the soil to a depth of six inches. No further treatments were made over the nine-year period.

No reinfestation of wireworms

occurred where aldrin and heptachlor had been applied at the rate of five pounds toxicant to the acre. There were reinfestations after five years in plots treated with aldrin at 2½ lbs. toxicant and heptachlor at 3 pounds toxicant per acre. The test plots were cropped each of the nine years: 1953, potatoes; 1954, oats, peas and vetch; 1955, oats, peas and clover; 1956 to 1958, clover; 1959, and 1960, corn; and 1961, peas.

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