



A SUMMARY DAY for women's institutes throughout the county was attended by more than 75 ladies on Thursday. Eight groups had block printing displays in the auditorium of the Halton Centennial Manor. Groups with displays included Campbellville W.I., Nassagaweya W.I., Hornby W.I., the Halton Centennial Manor W.I., the Acton W.I. and St. John Ambulance Cadets, Arts and Crafts Society of Georgetown and the Silverwood W.I. Shown examining the Manor W.I. display are Mrs. Art Wilson, Miss Eleanor Flint, a speaker for the day, Halton's Home Economist Mrs. K. Cossom and Mrs. S. Lockie.

Advice to Farmers

Basic Herd Reduces Tax

Every year farmers give hundreds of dollars to the Government in the form of taxes which they need not have paid. Setting up a Basic Herd would keep a lot of money at home, but many farmers seem to prefer paying Income Tax when the herd is sold.

Hardly a winter month goes by without the newspapers reporting on a barn fire. Often the report includes a note that the loss was fully covered by insurance. The report never says how much Income Tax was paid by the farmer on livestock lost in the fire and paid out of the insurance.

Farmers filing Income Tax returns on a cash basis could find themselves paying a high rate of tax in one year on compensation from disease or fire, proceeds from a dispersal sale, the value of gifts (or bequests in will), or any other large reduction of the breeding herd. The establishment of a Basic Herd will not eliminate all Income Tax payable, but will reduce the amount paid by spreading the taxable income over more years.

A Basic Herd can be set up for mature breeding animals either or all of sheep, hogs, beef and dairy cattle. One farm can have several Basic Herds. The important thing is to get a Basic Herd started, and then keep adding to it as the farm grows.

Farmers who have been in business since January 1, 1947 should apply to have their Basic Herds set up for that date. The Health of Animals Branch, Canada Department of Agriculture, is a useful source for proving ownership of animals, but this branch only records for the last 10 years. Breed Societies and Veterinary Offices are other useful sources.

For those who have started farming since 1947, the same sources of proof of ownership can be used when applying for a Basic Herd.

Young men starting farming today can establish a Basic Herd if they start on their own or with their fathers. Even when a partnership is established between father and son, the son can and should start a Basic Herd of his own.

It is easy to get started on a Basic Herd, providing you have been filing your Income Tax. Just write or call the district Taxation Office, Hamilton, or ask for Form T-209, the Basic Herd Application Form. Why not ask for some T-209-A forms — Applications to Increase Basic Herd — at the same time?

Further help in getting started on the road to a Basic Herd can be received by contacting the Agricultural Office, Milton. Many farmers prefer to wait and pay higher Income Taxes. Why not keep that money at home by setting up a Basic Herd now?

Grain and Calf

Action 4-H Clubs Organize

On Wednesday evening, March 31, the Acton 4-H Calf and Grain Clubs were organized, at the Community Centre, Acton.

Sixteen boys and girls joined the Acton 4-H Calf Club. The new officers chosen were: president, Wayne Aitken; vice-president, Walter Tryssenaar; secretary-treasurer, Bill Lasby; press reporter, Bob Leslie.

Ten members joined the Acton Grain Club, with the officers: president, Bruce Coles; vice-presi-

dent, Walter Tryssenaar; secretary-treasurer, Bob Leslie; press reporter, Wayne Aitken.

The 4-H Club Leaders are Nino Braida, Russell Murray, Fyle Somerville.

Russell Murray is a new 4-H Club Leader this year, having completed ten 4-H Agricultural Clubs.

Any boy or girl in the Acton area wishing to join any of the Acton 4-H Clubs should contact one of the leaders, by the first of May.

View Clean, Modern Dairy Farms On Holstein Breeders Bus Trip

Fifty Halton Holstein Breeders visited outstanding herds in Oxford, Elgin and Middlesex Counties on Friday, April 2. The first visit was to the Rowsdale Farm, Curries, owned by Mr. Row, president of the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada. Mr. Row has a conventional dairy barn,

with a pole barn for the young cattle. Hay is handled with a forage harvester and barn dried.

At the farm of Fred Cohoe, Burgessville, comfort stalls were observed. Cattle feed on haylage from a Lazy Susan around the base of the large silo. The cows are confined to the barn area throughout the entire year.

At Forest Lee Farms, Springfield, the five 'Excellent' cows were inspected. One of these has now completed over 200,000 pounds of milk.

A modern windowless dairy barn was seen at the farm of Martin Bros., St. Thomas. The 50 Holsteins are tied up, but are milked in a milking parlour. A glass lined silo has been erected, along with a cement silo for feeding haylage and corn silage. High moisture corn is also included in the dairy ration.

The final visit was to the farm of Weaver Bros., Belmont. The five 'Excellent' cows were also seen in this herd.

By going on group bus trips, farmers can observe new trends in breeding, feeding and management of dairy cattle.

Monday Deadline For Farm Reports

Please note: Organizations desiring reports of their meetings or activities on the Farm Pages must submit them prior to 11 a.m. Monday in future. Your co-operation in meeting this deadline is necessary, if The Champion is to continue with its policy of giving the best news service to the Halton farm scene.

1st at Science Fair Wins Winnipeg Trip

Verna Thompson, Milton R.R. 2, one of Halton's 4-H Agricultural Club Members, placed first in the Health Section at the Hamilton Science Fair. Her display focused attention on the problems of Controlling Mastitis.

Besides winning the \$100. first prize, Verna receives a trip to Winnipeg.

Every 49½ seconds in Canada, someone receives a free blood transfusion.

Junior Farmers' Project Aids Acton Firefighters

Acton Junior Farmers are assisting Acton Firefighters by preparing a fire map covering the entire Acton fire area.

The group will conduct a house to house survey throughout Esqueving, Nassagaweya and Erin Townships within the Acton fire area in order to obtain information for preparation of the map.

Each house and barn, farm and pond or stream, lot number and names of residents will be included on the map in order to aid firefighters answering calls. As well as the map, a complete filing system in alphabetical order will be completed.

Committee members spearheading the project are president Don Swackhamer, Shirley Langeville, Pat Manes, Joy Hayward, Judy Britton, Earl Burt, Don Hayward, Doug McLean and Bob Kerr.

Fire chief Mick Holmes and firefighters Alf Duby, Harry Otterbein, chairman of the fire prevention committee and firefighters Don VanFleet and Doug Mason attended a meeting at Brookville Hall Wednesday, March 24,

to advise the members and hear what plans have been completed to date. The chief commended the junior farmers for the worthwhile project which will undoubtedly speed locating fires in the rural areas.

The survey will begin in Nassagaweya and sections of maps were given out to each member to survey and return to the committee in two weeks.

Don Swackhamer, the new president, was chairman for the joint meeting of the Junior Farmers and Junior Institute.

It was announced that the annual service will be held May 1. Annual county church service will be held on May 9 at Milton Presbyterian Church. Guest speaker will be the President of the Ontario Junior Farmers' Association,

Alex Cronnell. Members are needed for the choir for this service. Joy Hayward reported that a return exchange trip is expected from the Carlton County Junior Farmers on the weekend of April 24-25.

Judy Britton gave a report outlining the activities of the Guelph Conference held at the University of Guelph on March 5, 6 and 7. Don Swackhamer and Judy Britton were two of the four delegates sent from Halton county.

Alan Hayward reported on the annual banquet and dance. From his report this was a successful event.

Separate meetings of the clubs were short this month and little business was discussed.

Social recreation was led by Earl Burt and Bob Kerr. All enjoyed a delicious lunch.

EBENEZER

Easter Meeting Ebenezer U.C.W.

Ebenezer United Church Women held their Easter meeting in the Sunday school room. The president, Mrs. Horace Blyth, presided. The convener, Mrs. Art Norrish and Mrs. W. Leeman had arranged an interesting program.

The roll call was answered with a verse containing the word 'victory'. Mrs. Leeman gave some helpful thoughts on the place of Peter in the Crucifixion and Resurrection story. Mrs. Norrish told about 'It's all in what you're used to', and 'One Solitary Life'.

Mrs. Early and Mrs. Ron McLean sang 'My Saviour's Love'. Mrs. Bolton gave an interesting account of the recent Guelph Presbyterial meeting at Waterloo.

The May tea, to be held on May 29, was discussed.

Mrs. Wilson Bewley was the hostess and Mrs. Bill Early courtesy convener.

The Young People journeyed to Elmira Sunday evening to take part in the Guelph Presbyterial singing.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thompson and family in the death of their eldest son and brother, Roy, through an accident.

SPRING

Along with April and spring flowers, and grass and leaves and good weather, we also have more motorists on our highways and byways enjoying all these examples of Spring. So let's not clutter up the country side with collisions this April. Let's drive safely and enjoy the beauty of Spring.

Make Shoe Pack At 4-H Meeting

The fifth meeting of the Scotch Block Lassies was held at Boston Church on April 3. The meeting was opened with the 4-H pledge and the minutes of the last meeting were read. The roll call, 'A Piece of Equipment that Would be Useful in My Closet', was answered by each member.

Mrs. French told the girls that a sample of the material used for accessories and the cost of each accessory, as well as a sample of the bias, are required in the Record Book.

The leaders gave notes on Shoe Storage, Packs and Trees, then checked the Record Books, suggested some improvements. They showed the girls how to make Shoe Packs and cover hangers.

Refreshments were served and the rest of the morning was spent in cutting out and sewing.

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Fertilizer tonnage has increased annually the past few years by 8% each year.

The 1965 requirements due to increased acreage of corn being planted, expects to be at least 8%.

At the 15th of March the reports from the fertilizer industry on deliveries were lower than usual and is seeding happens to be delayed and all requirements placed at that time, shortages could develop.

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