

Calf club founded in 1919 launched 4,500 4-H projects

By H. J. Stanley
In this our Centennial Year, we tend to look back over the history of many of our organizations. 4-H Club work started in 1919 in Halton, with the formation of a calf club. The 28 members borrowed \$150 to \$250 from the bank at six per cent interest to purchase their beef heifer. On August 20 a Field Day and Sale of the heifers was held in Oakville.

4-H Clubs have been active since then with the exception of four years in the 1920's. Over 4,500 projects have been taken in 235 clubs by farm boys and girls in Halton in 45 years of activity.

The types of projects have changed over the years. In the early days swine, garden, for-

estry, grain and tractor clubs were popular. Now these have been replaced by 4-H conservation, electric, strawberry and forage clubs, in addition to corn, calf and sheep clubs. Some of the 4-H agricultural club projects, such as conservation and electric are designed for older club members.

During the past half century Halton 4-H members have contributed greatly to farming, to agriculture in general, and to industry. 4-H club leaders are assuming more responsibility each year, and are greatly responsible for the success of 4-H in Halton.

Halton 4-H club work will continue to change and progress in step with the rest of our agriculture.

Wet weather

Hay is rotting in fields

The wet weather of the past few weeks is taking its toll on Halton's hay crop and some hay is rotting in the fields as a result. Growers expect a real shortage of the first cut hay this year, and a loss of quality in what hay can be saved. The loss of quality could also cause a drop in milk production, some say.

Dave Pallett of the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food office in Milton explained any hay still standing has gone

past the best stage, and quality will decrease further if the crop is left standing much longer. Any hay which has been cut but not baled yet due to damp weather is rotting on the bottom.

Prospects for a good second crop are excellent, however. The wet weather has given it a good start.

Grain crops are also maturing well with the frequent rains, Mr. Pallett said.

members under 16 and senior, over sixteen years of age.

The top three contestants in each division were as follows: Novice — 1st Murray McGee; 2nd Mary Anderson; 3rd, Ken Austin. Junior — 1st, Donald McClure; 2nd, Murray Brownridge; 3rd, Bob McGee. Senior — 1st, Lois Hunter; 2nd, Bill Leslie; 3rd, Bill Alexander.

Winners of the judging trophies were Bill Alexander, Course Grain Trophy; Carol Swackhamer, Small Seeds Trophy; Lois Hunter, Cash Crop Trophy. The Champion Seed Judge Trophy was won by Lois Hunter.

This meeting served as a compulsory meeting for all Halton 4-H Corn, Forage and Strawberry Club members. The Halton 4-H Strawberry Club held its Achievement Night in conjunction with the Seed Judging Competition, and all second-year members were required to exhibit four quart boxes of strawberries from their patch. These berries were later sold by auction. The top price was \$2, paid by Acton 4-H Club Leader Nino Braida for four quarts of Stuart Nurse's strawberries. Stuart had the champion exhibit of strawberries.

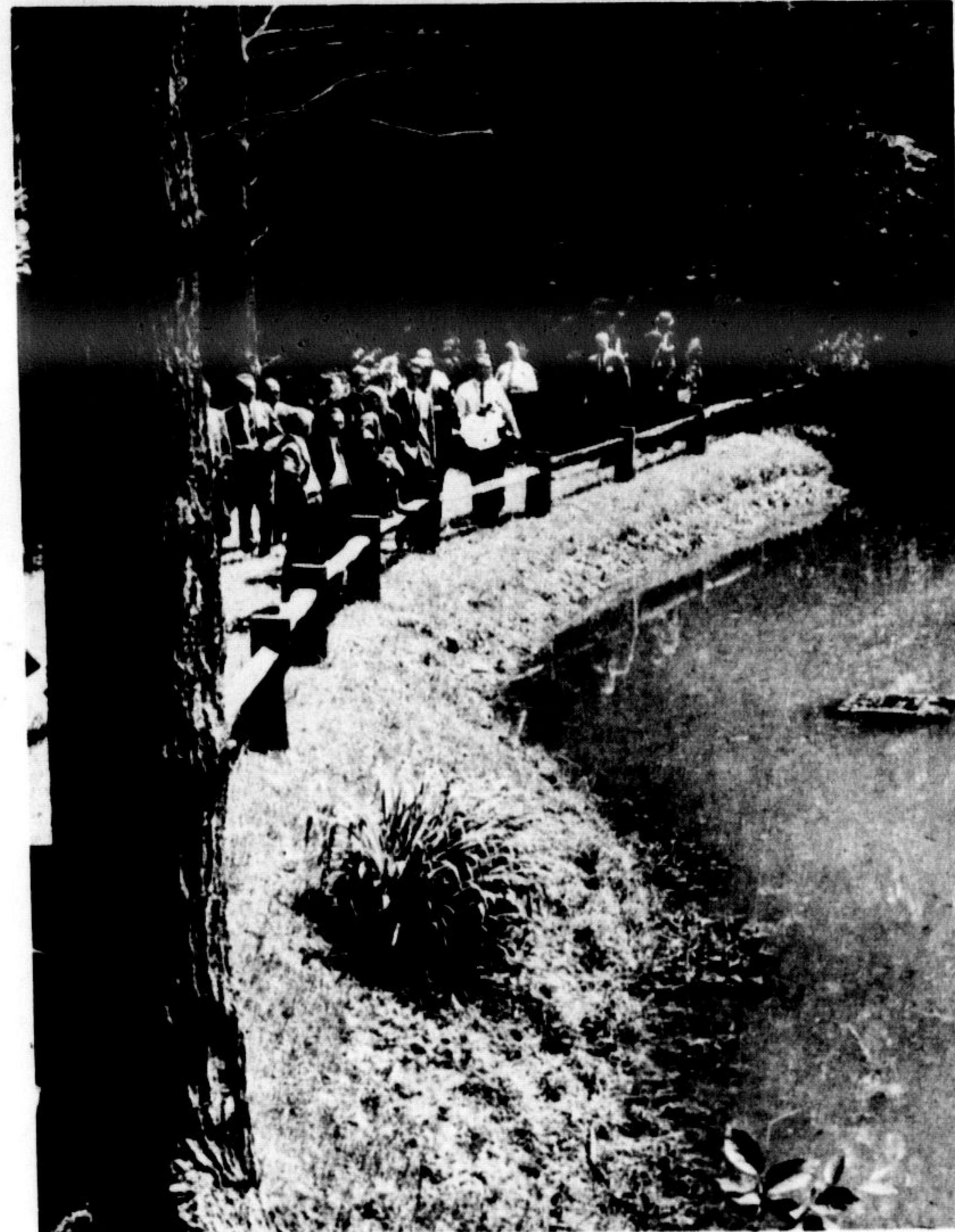
WINS YOUTH AWARD

By Geoff. Taylor
Lois Hunter daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hunter, R.R. 1 Burlington, has been chosen along with 11 other rural youth people from Ontario, to attend the Rural Learning Association Central Youth Project, July 21 to July 31, at Macdonald College, St. Anne de Bellevue, and the Montreal area. The Halton Federation of Agriculture gives \$100 towards the expenses of this trip.

SEED JUDGING

By Geoff. Taylor
The annual Halton 4-H and Junior Farmer Seed Judging Competition was held on Wednesday, July 12, in the Parish Hall of Grace Anglican Church, Milton. Approximately 50 contestants took part in the competition. Each of them was required to judge classes of oats, barley, red clover, hay, strawberries and apples. Reasons were given on hay, apples and oats. Contestants were divided into three groups, according to participation in previous contests — novice, for those who had never taken part in such a contest; junior, for

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ESQUESING CONSERVATION AREA on the First Line Esquesing is one of Halton Region Conservation Authority's many projects. The bush, Halton's last stand of virgin timber, was owned by a renowned conservationist John Moore and purchased by the Authority to assure preservation. A spring-fed pond sits in the centre of the bush and many new trees have been planted around the old bush. Officials attending the recent presentation of lands ceremony at the neighboring Dufferin Quarry toured the project and are shown here admiring the pond. (Staff Photo)

—Tractor safety — payable by check. —Dead man's diary — get the tractor checked tomorrow.

Doreen Harrop is bus trip winner

By Geoff. Taylor

The Eastern Ontario and Quebec Bus Trip, sponsored by the Junior Farmers Association of Ontario is held annually, with participants from all counties in Ontario. Doreen Harrop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Harrop, R.R. 2 Norval, has been awarded this trip, to take place August 13-19 inclusive.

Doreen has completed 10 4-H Homemaking Club projects, and in addition has held various executive positions in her home-making clubs. She is active in Junior Farmer work as a member of the Norval Junior Institute. Her hobbies include sewing, reading, cooking and swimming, and she is presently enrolled at the Brampton Business College. While on this trip, Doreen will visit points of interest in Eastern Ontario and Quebec, including Expo 67. The Halton Women's Institute is providing financial assistance to Doreen for this trip.

Palermo bats best in ball tournament

By Geoff. Taylor

On Friday evening, July 14, Norval Junior Farmers played host to Acton and Palermo Junior Farmer clubs at an invitational baseball tournament. In the first game Norval defeated Acton by a close score, following which Norval and Palermo competed for the Halton Junior Farmers Baseball Trophy, which was won by the Palermo Club. A wiener roast completed the evening's activities.



4-H BEEF CALF CLUB

By Pat Sweetman

The second meeting of the Halton 4-H Beef Calf Club was held at the farm of Dr. C. A. Martin on Highway 25, Milton. Our host was Charles Martin.

The president of the club, Bill Jackson, called the meeting to order and Doug Gardhouse took the roll call.

The meeting moved inside the farm buildings, where a class of Angus steers was judged by all members, and oral reasons were given by Doug Gardhouse, Dave Jackson, and Bill Jackson. The official placing was given by John McKinnon. The members moved outside the building to an open yard where a class of Angus cows were judged. All members gave oral reasons. The official placing was given by Jim McKay.

The members proceeded to the residence of Dr. C. A. Martin in Milton. A discussion about beef cattle testing programs and selecting a herd sire was next on the agenda. Refreshments were served by our host and his wife.

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OBITUARY

The Canadian Champion, Wednesday, July 19, 1967 B3

W. L. McClure

William Lawrence McClure of Meaford died of a heart attack at Meaford General Hospital on Tuesday, June 13. Mr. McClure, a resident of Halton County most of his life, was in his 79th year.

Born in Halton, a son of Mr. and Mrs. James McClure, he farmed at Streetsville, Hornby and Acton before moving to Goring near Meaford some 15 years ago where he continued farming. Mr. McClure's wife, Olive Johnstone, died in 1955. The couple were married in 1914. Mr. Meaford belonged to the Church of Christ in Meaford.

He is survived by one son James at home and a daughter Mary (Mrs. Elgin Emptage) of Meaford. Interment was in Meaford Cemetery.

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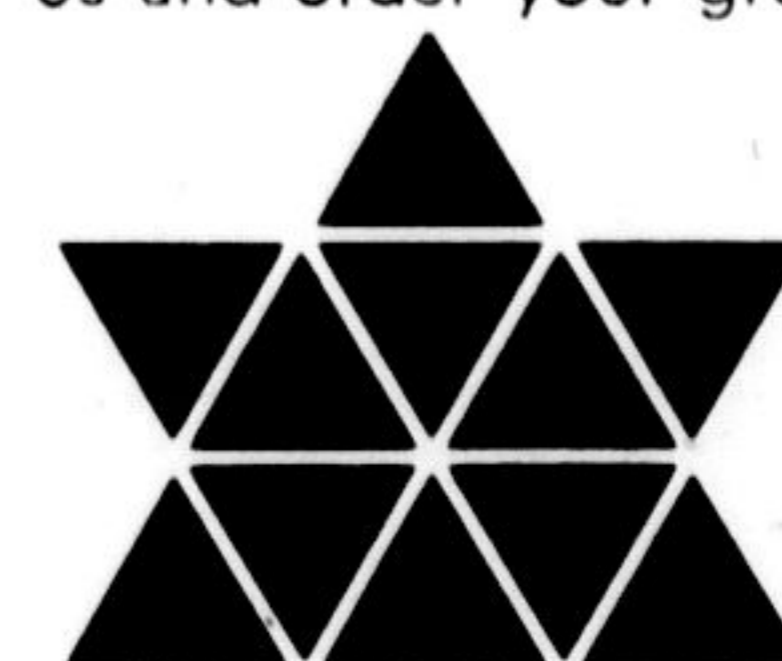
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