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FAIR WEEK NEWS

Some fair news notes, gleaned from the successful Milton Fair on the weekend:

* It was an excellent midway again this year, and directors were proud to report there were no shady games or suspicious displays at the fair. Mr. Hall, who owns the midway company "Happy Land Shows" has a reputation for a good, clean midway. One director reported a few potential midway exhibitors decided to look elsewhere for some "action" when they found out Mr. Hall was the concessionaire... "they know he won't let them in" said the director.

* The biggest children's work display in 10 years greeted lady directors and judges. Students were allowed to enter crafts they had done last year and it sure swelled the entries.

* Vince Mountford emceed the horse shows, races and opening program in front of the grandstand Saturday.

* New midway game this year was the "birthday game", a variation of crown and anchor, where customers wager on a month of the year in hopes of winning a stuffed toy.

* Milk's the greatest." Palermo Junior Farmers were proclaiming from their booth in the commercial exhibits hall. Their cold milk and ice cream sold well.

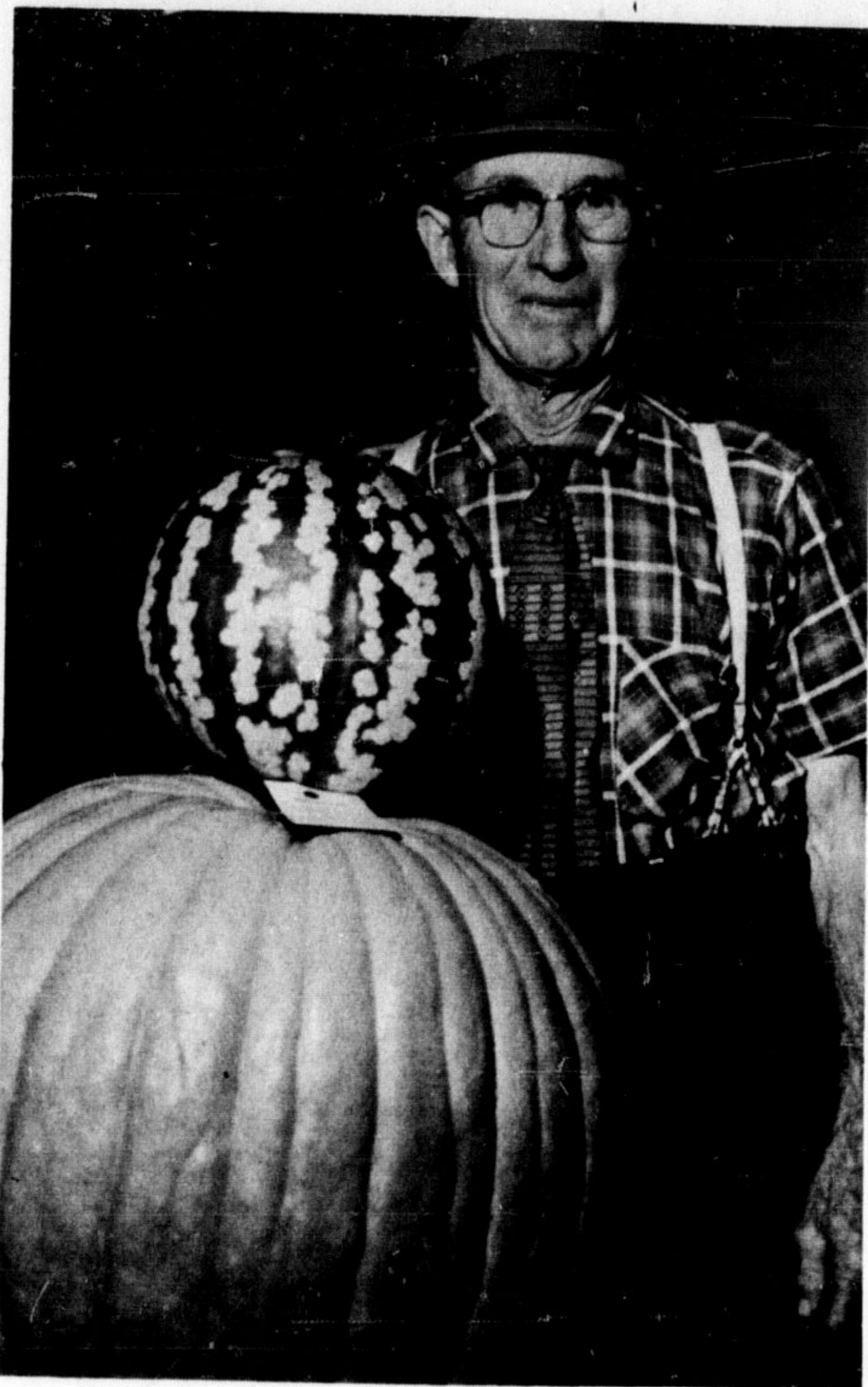
* Saturday crowds were so hungry that several booths were nearly out of foodstuffs when the day ended. There was no organization serving full course hot meals under the grandstand this year and directors received many complaints on the lack of the traditional feature.

* A district man ended his visit to the fair with a visit to Milton Jail, following a scuffle with police at the agricultural hall washroom at supertime Saturday. The gatemen called Consts. Len Pickett and Bill Patterson from Milton Police for help when the man caused a disturbance at the main entrance on Robert St. When the officers approached the man a scuffle started and the culprit was finally handcuffed and taken away in a cruiser. He has been charged with causing a disturbance and assaulting a police officer.

* Halton M.P. Rud Whiting toured the fair Saturday afternoon with his wife and children. He spent most of his time chatting with fairgoers.

* Milton Girls' Pipe Band, always a popular attraction at the fair, thrilled all with their stirring tunes and led the parade of officials for the 2 p.m. opening ceremony.

* A hackney pony entered in the light harness class caused a
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T. J. BROWNRIDGE, a 77-year-old fair exhibitor from R.R. 2 Georgetown, proudly displays his pumpkin which won the title "largest in the show" at Milton Fair. On top of the pumpkin is a gourd which also won him a prize. Mr. Brownridge was top exhibitor in the vegetables section and won 13 prizes on his entries. (Staff Photo)

Construction Booming

62 apartments for Ontario St. plus tank factory, milk store

Construction in Milton started to boom again this week with building starts made on three new projects—a 62-suite apartment building on Ontario St., a new stainless steel tank industry on the Base Line in Esquesing that will be annexed to Milton on January 1, and a Mac's Milk Store on Bronte St.

Ground has been broken for all three projects during the past week. And on the heels of all this activity, comes word from Bell Canada that a contract has just been awarded for a \$35,000 addition to the Milton Central Equipment Office on Main St.

The new apartment building is the largest of the four new projects, carrying a \$475,000 price tag. Under construction just north of the present Diplomat Apartments on Ontario St. north of Mountainview Dr., it is a project of Stable Developments Ltd., Toronto. It will be a "twin" to the Diplomat building as the builders are using the same floor plan.

Five storeys high, it will be an L-shaped brick building with 33 two-bedroom suites and 29 one-bedroom apartments.

Krohnert Tank Company, presently operating a plant in West Hill, is planning to erect a small industry and six employees' homes on the Marshall farm on the Base Line near the Third Line. The firm manufactures stainless steel tanks for trucks and for farm milk parlors.

The plant is under construction now, and will occupy close to 20,000 square feet of space. The homes will be erected later on the same property.

A permit for the Mac's Milk Store, being erected on the west side of Bronte St. just south of Main St., calls for a \$20,000 building.

Bell's Oakville office manager H. A. Blachford reports the contract has just been awarded

to T. A. Gowling Construction Ltd., Hamilton, for a 17 by 46 foot addition at the south-east side of Bell's Main St. central building. It will be underway soon and is estimated to cost \$35,000, he said. Construction is to be completed in January.

It will bring the building to dimensions of 60 by 80 feet and allow installation of additional power equipment. "It's a matter of refinement of our services," Mr. Blachford explained, "we have to plan for the future and carrying more toll leads out of Milton."

The area manager noted the recent expansion of Milton's free calling area to include Georgetown, Oakville and Burlington has greatly increased the local calling.

Inquests

There will be an inquest into the death of Alexander McCormack in Milton October 22 at 10.30 a.m. Twenty-one year old McCormack died in a fire that gutted a house on Bowes St. August 11.

There will also be an inquest to discover the cause of death of Robert Thomas Knott who lived in Oakville and died following a car crash in Milton September 8, at the Main-Ontario corner.

60 on bus trip

Urban Board tours Milton

About 60 councillors, civic officials and their wives from Acton and Georgetown were guests in Milton for the annual North Halton Urban Board tour last week.

The group was welcomed to Milton by Board Chairman Ron Harris, who is also Milton's Deputy Reeve. Two buses took the group on a tour of the areas to be annexed to Milton with Reeve A. Ledwith and Deputy Reeve Harris acting as guides.

Two films were shown at the Ontario School for the Deaf and the visitors and Milton hosts were accompanied on a tour of the school.

A wine and cheese party at the

Curling Club climaxed the evening where Warden W. F. Hunter spoke briefly on behalf of the Georgetown group and Mayor Leslie Duby expressed Acton's appreciation.

Looks like lights okay

The Department of Transport has changed its mind, and now feels a traffic light is necessary at the Main and Ontario Sts. intersection where an Oakville man was killed September 22.

Mayor Brian Best told The Champion a representative of the D.O.T., at council's urging, had visited the corner on Friday and decided the traffic warranted a traffic light. Earlier, the D.O.T. and Department of Highways had ruled against council's request for a grant on lights as the traffic was not of sufficient volume to warrant lights.

"He said we needed some changes in the shape of the traffic island there, but promised us a letter by next Monday's council meeting," Mayor Best said.

The Mayor had written both D.H.O. and D.O.T. since the fatal accident to point out the urgency of some better measure of traffic control. "We pulled no punches" he said, "and it looks like it's starting to pay off."

Town's population is up 56 to 6,726

If anybody asks, you can reply with pride Milton's population is a lot closer to 7,000 than to 6,000 according to the 1968 census, as compiled by town assessor J. C. Charleton as of September 30.

The total population is 6,726, an increase of 56 over one year ago.

The nose-counting shows there are 375 town residents aged

three years and under, 139 aged four, 146 aged five, 296 aged six and seven, 304 aged eight and nine, 553 between 10 and 13, 137 aged 14, 139 aged 15, 470 aged 16 to 19 inclusive, 3,278 from 20 to 59, 208 from 60 to 64 years, 180 from 65 to 69 and 501 (including residents of Halton Centennial Manor from all over the County) aged 70 and over.

Previous records shattered

Biggest-ever crowd at fair

Blessed with excellent weather Saturday following an overcast and threatening Friday, Milton Fair surpassed all previous crowd records on the weekend.

Gate receipts on both Friday evening and Saturday set new records—the Saturday admissions were up 500 over the fair's best year on record, officials said.

It was an excellent fair in many ways. The weather, the exhibits, the competitions, the midway and the enthusiasm of fairgoers made for a wonderful weekend.

An increased number of exhibitors was noted in almost every competition. The flower show, arts and crafts, children's work, domestic and preserves, and livestock contests were all larger than in previous years.

"We've got an excellent day for the fair," president George Readhead smiled Saturday as he toured the grounds to make sure every facet of the fall fair was running smoothly. He and all the directors reported they were pleased with the 1968 show.

The weather was the biggest improvement over last year. The 1967 fair got off to a bad start following a week of almost steady rains, and the grounds were quite muddy. Fair day turned cold and the crowd was well below most normal years. But this year the only rain was

recorded through Friday night, and Saturday's sun soon dried up any wet spots. The sun shone warm and bright for about two-thirds of the day Saturday, occasionally ducking behind a fluffy white cloud for a few minutes. A few drops of rain had threatened on Friday around noon but the storm held off until the middle of the night.

Lady directors report the sections of the fair they handled were quite successful. Judges were pretty busy picking winners in the baking, preserves, children's work, ladies' work, flowers, arts and crafts sections. The ladies arranged another excellent exhibit of antiques similar to their initial effort at the centennial fair last year, and

it drew many good comments. Mrs. Harold Coulson headed up the lady directors this year.

The Fair was declared officially open Saturday afternoon by the Warden of Halton County, Reeve William Hunter of Georgetown. Mr. Hunter and the president of the sponsoring Halton Agricultural Society George Readhead were driven to the grandstand in a convertible by Oakville Councillor Don Gordon, and the procession was led by Milton Girls' Pipe Band.

Mr. Hunter told the audience it was a pleasure for him to be able to officiate, and noted the fair was in its 116th year which made it the same age as the county.

He congratulated the president and the Agricultural Society for bringing such an astounding fair to town, and claimed it was one of the very best in the province.

He offered his best wishes to the Fair Board and the exhibitors and declared the fair officially open with the singing of O Canada.

Mr. Readhead spoke briefly, welcoming everyone to the fair and thanking Warden Hunter for his comments.

The convertible also carried the girls who entered the new 4-H Queen and 4-H Princess competitions.

Dianne Pell, Judy Gordon and Joyce Wilson competed for the Princess title while Anne Ruhl, Lauren Rennick and Mary

Anderson contested the Queen's title.

The Queen contestants had to complete four of five projects and make a brief speech on what 4-H meant to them. The Princess contestants had to complete four of the same projects but did not have to make a speech.

Some of the articles they made were pyjamas, nightgowns, apple pie, apple fruit bread and a table centre.

Anne Ruhl and Joyce Wilson won the Queen and Princess contests respectively.

Friday was a busy day around the fair grounds, as exhibitors rushed in with last-minute entries and directors were busy sorting out the displays for the judges. Judging of hall exhibits began around noon and continued until nearly supertime in many of the classes.

The fair was open to the public Friday evening and over 400 paid admissions were recorded. The midway was open and all the halls were toured by visitors. A feature of the Friday evening was the western horse show, the second sponsored by the fair board. A total of 45 horses were entered in the five performance classes and five game classes. Improved lighting arrangements were commended by the horsemen and the grandstand crowd... although the crowd was small.

Saturday the grounds were again the scene of bustling activity early in the morning as cattle, sheep, hogs, goats and horses poured into the grounds to be preened for the judges. The second new cattle barn was in use—full and overflowing in fact—and latecomers had to tie
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WINNERS OF THE 4-H Queen and Princess contest pose for a photograph. Princess Joyce Wilson and Queen Anne Ruhl were named

winners at the fair Saturday. They were judged on various homemaking skills. (Staff Photo)



THIS CAR WAS DEMOLISHED and its driver Andy Shea of Milton was hospitalized with two broken legs and a broken back Thursday following a two-car collision at the corner of

Highway 25 and Derry Road (10 Sideroad) south of town. Mr. Shea is in Burlington Hospital.

(Staff Photo)

Fair coverage in this issue

The Champion's fair week coverage in today's issue includes photos throughout the paper and lists of prize winners from some of the competitions. The lists have been partly summarized this year to conserve space and time, especially in some competitions where a few exhibitors have cleaned up on the major share of prizes.

Due to a delay in obtaining the prize lists, the results of the Angus, Shorthorn, Hereford, Ayrshire, Dual Purpose Shorthorn, horse, sheep, pig, goat and pony classes have been held over until next week's paper.

Set nomination, election dates for county, separate boards

Paving the way for election of a County Board of Education and a County Separate School Board, nominations and election dates have been set.

Nominations for representatives to the County Board of Education will be received on November 18. A similar and simultaneous set of nominations will also be held for the County Separate School Board.

A by-law approved by Milton Council on Monday, and similar to that being placed in all county municipalities, set out

dates for nominations, elections and advance polls.

On November 18 Milton public school supporters will nominate candidates for one seat on the county board of education. At the same time and place nominations will be received from separate school supporters in Milton, Esquesing and Nassagaweya for a representative to the County Separate School Board.

Nominations will be received between 7.30 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. at the Martin St. Senior Public School.

On the same date and at the same time nominations for two Separate School representatives to the County Board of Education will be received at Burlington Central High School. The two representatives will be voted on by all County Separate School supporters at the subsequent election.

An advance poll has been set for Milton voters, who may be absent on election day, for November 30 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Main voting will be on December 2.