

Jersey breeders end most successful year

The recent election of Ken Ella, senior partner of Ken Ella and Son, Hornby, to the office of President of the Ontario Jersey Club emphasizes the importance and prestige of Halton Jersey herds. In fact Jersey breeders in Halton County have just had a very successful year, scoring high in both production and show ring achievement. Some of Canada's greatest herds are located in this county.

The four-year-old cow Brampton Line S Dreamer won the All Time Production Championships for both milk and butterfat when she completed a 305-day record of 18,661 lbs. milk and 957 lbs. fat, 5.13%. This record qualified her as the 1968 Class Leader in Canada and in Ontario. The B.C.A. indices of 252-239 were the highest in Ontario, any age, in 1968 and won for her the Skinner Trophy, presented to her owners, B. H. Bull & Son, Norval, at the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club.

Brownlane Kavola's Josyl, owned by Ken Ella and Son, Hornby, was both Canadian and Ontario Class Leader for milk,

nature, in 1968. Ken Ella and Son also had another 1968 Ontario Class Leader in Rock Ella Acme Diana in the 305-day,

2x, Junior three-year-old class. Mrs. S. L. Eva Harper, Georgetown, had both the Canadian and the Ontario Class Leader for Milk in 1968 on Starbelle Masterpiece's Sonya in the yearling class.

In the All Canadian Pictorial Contest, both Champion and Reserve in the three-year-old class were bred and exhibited by Ken Ella and Son, Hornby. They are Rock Ella Commando Laura and Rock Ella Commando Beulah, respectively.

In the two-year-old class of the Pictorial the Champion was Brampton J. S. Merit, bred and exhibited by B. H. Bull and Son, Norval. In this class Rock Ella Command Irma, from the Rock Ella herd, won an Honorable Mention.

D. H. McCaig and Son, Norval, won the Senior Yearling Class of the Pictorial on Brampton Lady Aimer. In the same class Brampton Aimer Flo was Reserve for B. H. Bull and Son, and this herd also won an Honorable Mention on Brampton Line Merit.

For many years a leading herd in Halton has been that of M. C. Beaty, at Milton. This herd was dispersed in September at an average price of \$674 for 114 lots. In the sale \$5,200 was paid for the bull, Lindale Merit. A female, Lindale Merit Gladys 2, sold to a South African breeder for \$4,500. There were 17 head that sold at higher than "four figures" and they found new homes in South Africa, Quebec, United States, New York States, Vermont, British Columbia and Connecticut, as well as in Ontario.

During 1968 the Jersey cow, Beacon Bas Lorna, Supreme Excellent, completed a record on twice daily milking, in 365 days, of 18,540 lbs. milk and 1,007 lbs. fat, 5.43 per cent, at nine years of age, winning a Medal of Merit and Gold Medal. She was owned by M. C. Beaty, Milton.

In addition to those purchased by South African breeders, Halton cattle were also exported during the year to the United States, Peru, Dominica, Mexico, and other foreign countries.

Your share

Sometimes we hear the expression that safety is a national problem. This is true, because accidents have become one of our biggest killers and also take millions of dollars from us each year in property damage.

But accident prevention cannot be achieved on a national scale. Accidents happen to individuals. So do your share to eliminate the hazards and prevent accidents.

—First service will be held in the new Hillcrest United Church next Sunday.



THE NEW ESTATE TAX legislation was thoroughly discussed by area members of the Federation of Agriculture Friday evening as they came to hear Brampton lawyer T. G. Hall explain the many sides of the tax, as it affects agricultural

businessmen. Bradford Clements is introduced to Mr. Hall (left) by Fed. of Ag. property committee chairman Harold Middlebrook and president Denzil Lawrence.—(Staff Photo)

Champion Farm Page

Life membership award for local Guernsey man

J. Lloyd Chisholm of Arawana Farms, Milton, was honored for his years of contributions to the advancement of the Guernsey breed last week. He was presented with an honorary life membership in the Canadian Guernsey Breeders Association at the group's 63rd annual meeting in Toronto.

Mr. Chisholm is a former president of both the Canadian and Ontario Guernsey Breeders Associations, and has held every

executive position in both groups. He is currently serving on the Canadian association's national registry committee.

Reports at the annual meeting indicated an increase in the number of Guernseys exhibited at the major shows. There were 22 additions to the Honor Roll in 1968 and the number of herds averaging 10,000 lbs. of milk or 500 lbs. of fat increased from 28 and 22 to 35 and 25.

Farm improvements may cost you \$\$\$

By Henry J. Stanley
Agricultural Representative

Livestock barns, silos, and grain storage facilities are farm improvements which represent a large investment for most Halton farmers. Decisions to invest in additional improvements require careful analysis.

An improvement costing, say \$20,000 added to a farm that would sell for \$80,000 does not make the farm worth \$100,000. A recent study of farm sales in Ontario found that farm buyers discount most farm improvements fairly heavily. With some exceptions, improvements rarely add their full "depreciated cost" to sale price.

In most cases in this county, the improvement would add from zero to 33 per cent to the farm sale price. This means you must be sure your plans are long enough to recover most of your investment before the farm will be sold. This is especially true for livestock barns and silos in this county.

Plan on recovering your capital in an improvement at a faster rate than it depreciates. Otherwise, do not carry out the improvement. Remember that your net worth will be lower right after you put up an

improvement than it was before, if the improvement does not add its full cost to the market value of the property.

There are some cases when it would be more profitable to sell out and buy a farm with the improvements you want than to add improvements to your present farm.

J. Willmott delegate to Int'l. Angus Forum in Sydney, Australia

At the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Aberdeen Angus Association held in Saskatoon, John Willmott of Milton was elected as vice-president. He has been one of Ontario's two directors for several years. He succeeds Donald Mathews of Calgary who was elected president.

The Association also decided to send a delegate to the first International Angus Forum to be held in Sydney, Australia beginning on March 24. Mr. Willmott was selected to represent Canada and to speak to the forum on the new Canadian Aberdeen Angus Artificial insemination regulations.



REPORT

During the week of Feb. 23 to Mar. 1, officers of Milton Detachment, O.P.P., patrolled 11,096 miles on area roads under their jurisdiction, and worked a total of 1,078 hours. Ninety-two charges were laid for a variety of infractions of the Highway Traffic Act, and 99 warnings were issued. Proceedings in Provincial Judge's Court resulted in 78 convictions being registered.

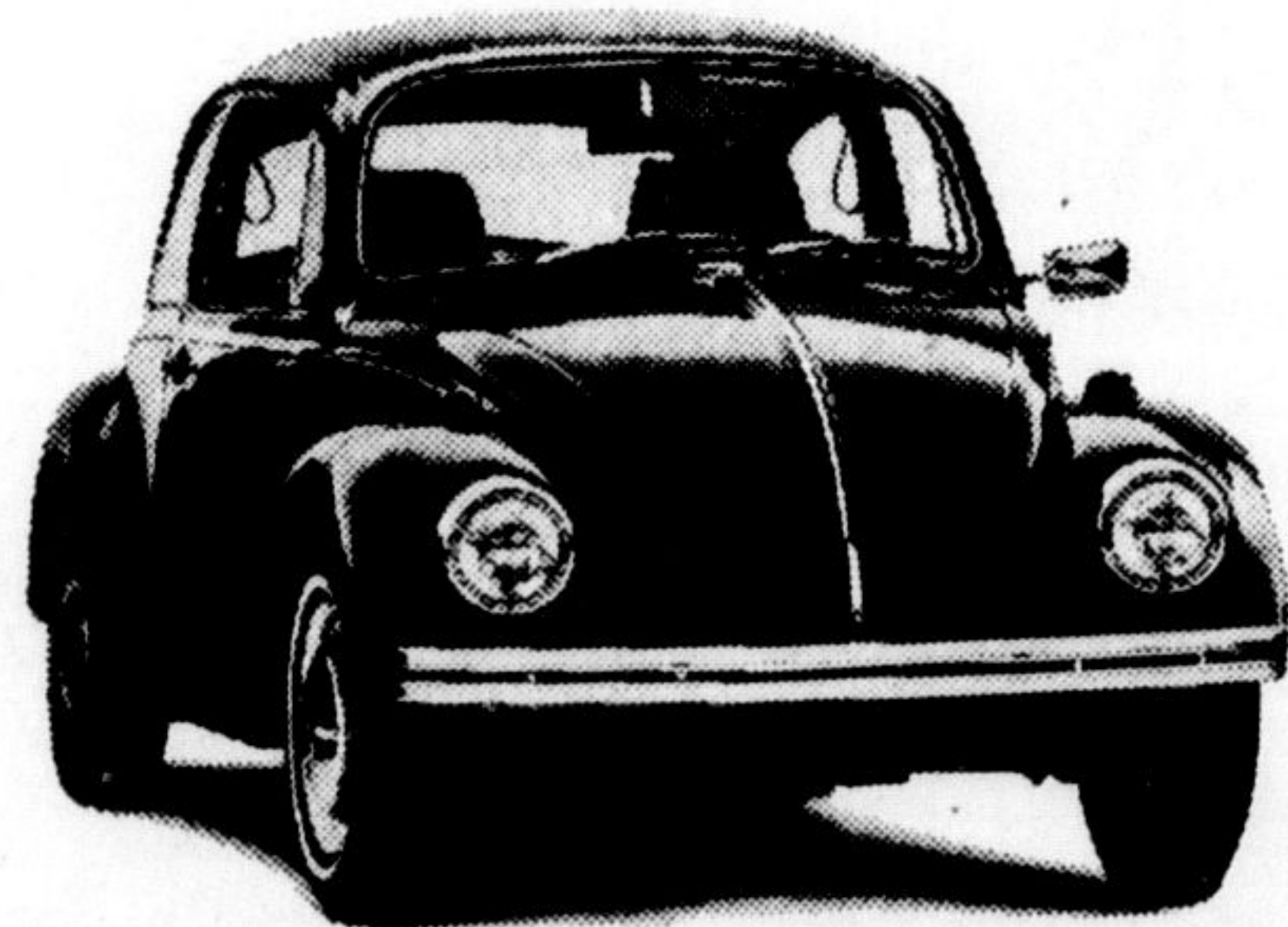
Twenty-six general occurrences requiring investigation were reported in this time period. Included were two thefts; one domestic complaint; one missing person, which investigation proved to be unfounded; one trespassing complaint; three Liquor Control Act investigations resulting in charges being laid against three persons; one person was arrested

for another O.P.P. Detachment. Other complaints were of a minor nature requiring little time to clear.

Nine accidents were reported during the week. The most serious of these was an accident in which one person lost his life and six persons received injuries.

An additional five persons were injured in three separate personal injury accidents, and the remaining five resulted in property damage only. Total property damage amounted to an estimated \$12,345. Six charges were laid as a result of investigation into these accidents.

Causes of accidents were careless driving, improper passing, failing to yield right of way, deer on road, and icy road conditions.



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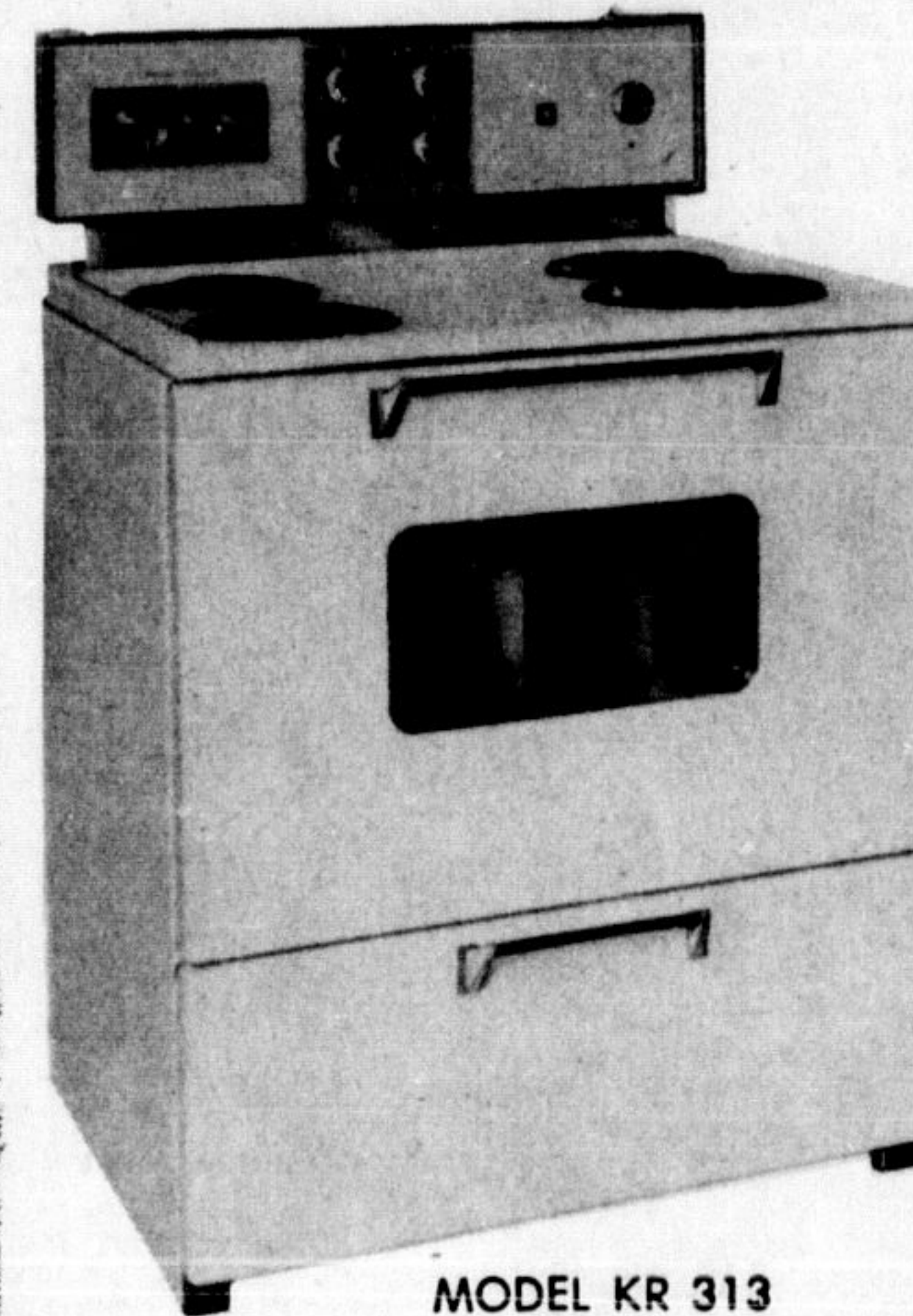
Joe Turner is executive

Joseph E. Turner, active in the Ontario Scout Jamboree at Kelso last August, has been named Provincial Scout

Executive. He succeeds R. St. J. Terrett, the provincial executive for the last 15 years.

—Skiers continue to flock to Glen Eden on the weekends. There's plenty of snow for skiing despite the thaw.

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