

GENERAL NEWS AND VIEWS

INCREASING ALFALFA YIELDS
Satisfactory yields of alfalfa are fairly common in many parts of Ontario, yet many farmers are anxious to find means of strengthening the crop and increasing the production of this highly valuable legume. It is a well known fact that alfalfa makes use of large quantities of potash, but just what quantities of suitable fertilizers will be best to apply to it is a question many practical farmers of York County would like to have answered.

In an attempt to answer this important question a interesting test has been laid down by the Department of Chemistry, Ontario Agricultural College, in co-operation with Mr. R. E. White, Agricultural Representative for York County. This test is located on the farm of Mr. Earl Toole, of Newmarket.

The traffic over the holiday was heavy on Yonge Street. One serious accident and several minor smashes marred the week-end but on the whole traffic was well controlled.

Busses proved to be totally inadequate in handling the traffic over the holiday. They caused congestion on the highway and gave poor service for those who wished transportation to and from the city.

The absence of the old reliable street cars kept the attendance at the Richmond Hill Fair below what it should have been had there been an adequate transportation service on Yonge Street.

North Yonge Street ratepayers who turned out and voted for a car service on May 3rd hoped that the cars would have been in operation by May 24th.

"Conductor, help me off the train."
"Sure."
"You see, I'm stout, and I have to get off the train backward; the porter thinks I'm getting on, and gives me a shove on again. I'm five stations past my destination now."

Teacher — "Why are you late, Robert?"

Robert — "Well, I saw a sign down the street that said: 'School ahead — go slow.'"

Last week the minister who had married them was an honored guest at the diamond wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Burton, of Whitevale in Markham township. He was Rev. J. B. Moore who 60 years before had performed the ceremony in the little village of White Hill Mills. Members of outstanding pioneer families, Mr. Burton is now 85 years old and Mrs. Burton is 81. Mr. Burton's grandfather, Major Milligan, fought under General Brock at Queenston Heights and saw him fall in the battle. Mrs. Burton's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Reesor, were the first family to settle in Markham township, going there in 1798 when Mr. Reesor was 19 and Mrs. Reesor was 15.

Three were injured in a bad auto accident on Yonge Street near Bond Lake on Sunday morning about 11 o'clock. Alexander McKinley, his wife and Edward Cook all of Toronto were travelling south at what is said a moderate rate of speed when McKinley in lighting a cigarette apparently lost control and crashed into a large maple tree. The car was completely wrecked and the occupants seriously injured. The unfortunate people were rushed to the General Hospital in Wright and Taylor's ambulance in a record time of nineteen minutes. Traffic Officer Reid going ahead and clearing traffic.

Following the sham battle and military manoeuvres at Aurora on Saturday, May 24th, Sir William Mulock was host to the officers of the participating units. A unique feature was the announcement by General Ashton Officer Commanding Military District No. 2 that William Pate Mulock, grandson of Sir William had been appointed Honorary Lieutenant Colonel of the York Rangers. The father of Sir William Mulock and an uncle Rev. John Mulock were identified with the York Rangers about one hundred years ago.

On Thursday, June 5th at 7 p. m. (daylight saving time) a banquet will be held at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, by the Twentieth Century Liberal Association of Canada. The speakers will be Hon. Ernest Lapointe K. C., B. A., LL.D., Minister of Justice and Hon. Cairine Mackay Wilson, Canada's first woman senator. A large delegation from North York will attend and any wishing tickets are asked to communicate with Morgan Baker, president, or J. Harry Naughton, secretary of the North York Liberal Association.

"Those new skirts need some watching," says the Orillia Packet and Times. "That's strange. The longer they get, the less watching they'll get," says an observant bachelor.

The most contemptible of all miscreants has been busy in Uxbridge during the past few days and as the results of his despicable work several fine dogs have been poisoned.

Meaford Board of Trade is assisting the local theatre in installing talking pictures by undertaking an advance sale of \$2,000 worth of tickets.

Rev. A. E. Marshall, pastor of the Trinity United Church at Newmarket, has tendered his resignation to the Board of Directors. It will go into effect immediately on appointment of his successor.

The usual toll of motor accidents was reported on Monday following the holiday.

At the approaching elections cottage owners will not be able to vote in the municipalities where they summer if their domicile is in another riding.

Down in Eastern Ontario another Canadian record has been set up. This time a two-year-old cross-bred Yorkshire and Tamworth sow, owned by J. E. Armstrong, of Kinburn, gave birth to a litter of 24 "squeals" on April 26. This pig had been doing great work previously and in three previous litters she gave birth to ten in the first two and fifteen in the third. Out of a total of 59 pigs, only six have died.

Here's another record and the honors are shared between the post offices of Orillia and Port Perry. Forty-six years ago J. W. Burnham, division court clerk at Port Perry, mailed a post card to J. P. Henderson, division court clerk at Orillia, informing him of a division court case under consideration. That occurred on December 26, 1884. Last week J. B. Henderson, present court clerk at Orillia and son of the former clerk, received the post card in his morning mail. In these days of fast air mail the post card made rapid progress covering the one hundred and five miles between the two towns.

Bala correspondent to a Bracebridge paper reports a local minstrel show as "a howling success." Yes, we've heard that kind.

Two men who attempted to hold up a milkman in Orillia were roughly handled. The driver gave them a strong "milk shake," as it were.

The Bracebridge Gazette says that by the reduction in duty on tea the housewife can buy herself a cup and saucer with the saving on two pounds.

Premier King's export liquor bill passed the senate without division. The ban on liquor exports to the United States now only awaits concurrence in a technical amendment by the house of commons and royal assent. Within a fortnight liquor running to United States will be illegal under Canadian law.

Aurora citizens band recently held their first weekly band concert. Such concerts are good business for any town.

A preference to Canada on agricultural produce and on fish has been granted by Bermuda, according to a telegram received Friday by the prime minister from the Hon. Mr. Bluck, speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Bermuda.

At a special meeting of the Bolton council it was decided to improve the street lighting in the main part of the town. Eight new lights of 200 watts capacity will be installed and an equal number of the present hundred watt lights fitted with two hundred watt lamps. New style brackets will take the place of the present equipment.

Scarboro's oldest kirk—St. Andrew's Presbyterian at Bendale—will shortly observe its 113th anniversary.

Breaking a pane of glass in a basement window and then forcing an inner door with a crowbar, burglars early Saturday morning gained entrance to the men's furnishing store of Wyatt Moorbey, on Main Street, Newmarket, and made their escape with goods valued at \$400.

A man and a woman passengers on a Danforth Highway bus were completely overcome due to fumes and overcrowding last Friday evening. They were removed and given medical attention. North Yonge Street will never regret that the vote was for the street cars and against a bus service.

Peel County Council has appropriated \$15,000 for cutting of the hill south of Bolton this year.

Nashville Presbyterian Church Anniversary will be celebrated this year on Sunday, June 8th. The Rev. W. M. Kannawin, D. D., General Secretary of the Young People's Work of the Presbyterian Church, will be the special speaker at both morning and evening services.

READ THE "ADS."
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USED CARS
If you are in the market for a used car it will pay you to watch closely the advertising columns of The Liberal.

FERTILIZER TESTS ON SPRING GRAIN

Through the co-operation of Mr. R. E. White, Newmarket, Agricultural Representative, interesting demonstrations of the effect of fertilizer on spring grain have been laid down in York County by the Department of Chemistry, Ontario Agricultural College. These tests include one on barley on the farm of Mr. Jas. A. Ledsen, Vandon; and two on oats on the farms of Mr. Isaac Morton, Newmarket and Mr. R. Sennett, Queensville.

It will be interesting for York County farmers to study the effect upon growth and filling provided by the addition of this readily available plant-food at a time when barley and oats particularly need help.

Here and There

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A revelation of the wide range and high quality of manufactured products centering in the twin cities of Fort William and Port Arthur was commented on by visitors to the "Home Industry Exhibition," held at the former city recently. The Exhibit was open only to bona fide manufacturers of the two cities and one hundred entrants had displays in which there was practically no duplication of products.

Forty years ago not a tree could be seen growing on expansive stretches of the virgin prairies in western Canada. To-day trees are plentiful and there is hardly an established farm house but has its shelter belt or a grove of poplars, maples or some other variety of trees. Recent reports of inspectors of Canadian Government Forestry Service show that there are 7,600 farms thus provided and to date over 100 million trees have been distributed over the prairies, with many millions more bought from nurseries and planted on farms.

Alberta led the western provinces in the number of successful farm placements made in 1929 by the Canada Colonization Association when a total of 427 families were settled on 50,808 acres, said W. R. Dick, superintendent of land settlement for the province, at a meeting in Calgary recently.

The first of the Canadian Pacific Railway broadcastings took place February 21 over CKAC from Montreal and CKGW from Toronto, and will be repeated every Friday thereafter. These stations were linked over Canadian Pacific telegraphs which allow the use of technical improvements brought into use for the first time. Running from 10 to 11 on the nights of broadcasting the concerts will be made up of light symphony orchestral pieces and renderings of light and ballad opera music. The series will be built up to the slogan of "Cheerful and Good" and the orchestra will be under the leadership of Rex Battle, a conductor whose brilliant work has won wide popularity. Sea chantey music and French-Canadian and other folk songs will also be featured.

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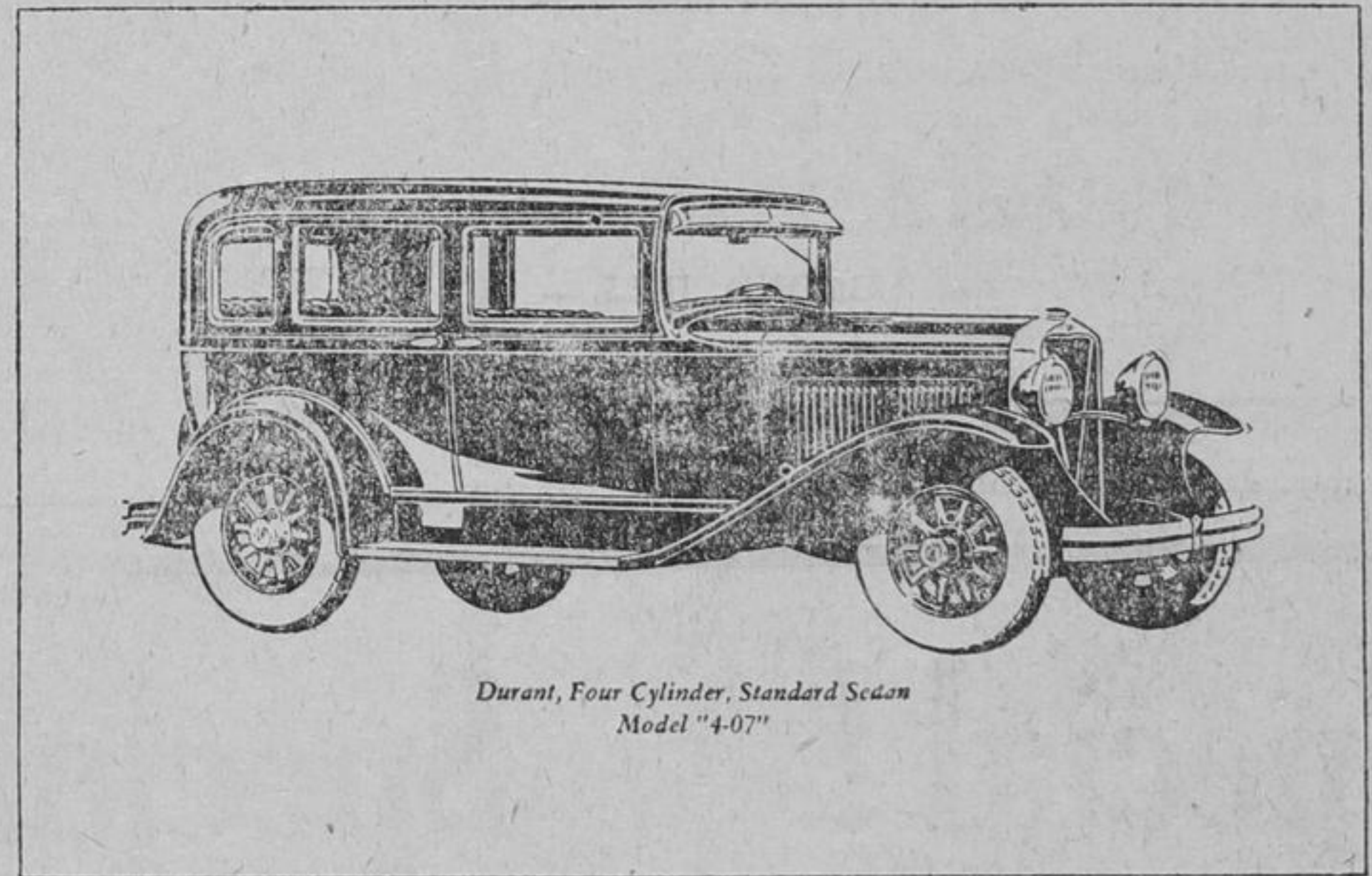
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