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Youngest British cabinet minister since the great William Pitt, Harold Wilson, 31,

shown here with his wife and son, Robin, succeeds Sir Stafford Cripps as president of the

board of trade. Before he was 21, Wilson was lecturing on economics at Oxford

20 HOUR AUCTION AT \$729 A MINUTE

From 48 states and several foreign countries, a crowd of 6,000 gathered at Dan Thornton's Colorado ranch last week for the big doings. Dan Thornton was selling one of the best Hereford herds in the world. To get his guests in the proper buying mood, he fed them well on 1200 lbs. of beans, 150 lbs. of apple sauce, 100 lbs. of Spanish onions, 50 gallons of pickles, 8,500 buns and 2400 lbs. of barbecued meat. Between meals the auction went on for two days. In 20 hours of selling, \$729.85 worth of cattle were bought every minute.

This was more than Dan Thornton had expected. In his seven years in the Gunnison Basin, strapping (6 ft.) 36-year-old Dan Thornton had made it one of the Hereford centres of the U.S. Nearly three years ago, Thornton sold two of his Triumphant Type Hereford bulls, T. T. Regent and T. T. Triumphant 29th, for \$50,000 apiece, the highest price ever paid till then for that breed.

Now he was selling out so that

he and his wife Jessie, his partner and bookkeeper, could go back to Ohio, where Thornton is going to help run the American Steel Package Co. In a way, it was a turnaround for Jessie's father, the late M. Willock, who founded the company, and lent Thornton \$35,000 to start his Hereford herd. Texas-born Thornton who had grown up on ranches and raised cattle since he was twelve, ran the stake into a big business which cost \$100,000 a year to run. He kept a Beechcraft plane and pilot to fly him some 100,000 miles a year, buying, selling and spreading fame of his Hereford herd.

At his farewell auction, Thornton's bull market did not quite equal the 1945 highs. Highest he got was \$36,000 for T. T. Proud prices. But his T. T. Zato Heiress, three-year-old grand champion of the 1947 Denver show, brought \$35,000, the highest price ever paid for a Hereford Heifer. And his herd of 116 Herefords brought an average price per lot of \$2,305, another all-time Hereford record.

Thornton grew sentimental when

the patriarch of his herd, Majestic W. H. R. Triumph Domino 45th, was led into the ring. He bought old Domino ten years ago for \$2,700, got \$1,000,000 worth of calves from his lions before he was worn out in service. Cried Thornton: "I can't bear to sell him. Dr. Scott, you may have him." The buyers cheered as Dr. E. L. Scott, a retired husbandry teacher, who runs a nearby ranch, led old Domino away.

COUNCIL MEMBER BEATS OWN CASE ON 'BUMPY' ROAD

The condition of a section of road in North Gwillimbury Township was brought to the attention of township council by Councillor Doyle at a recent meeting, but it seems that the road is not so bumpy after all.

Councillor Doyle told of having to change a tire on his car on this particular section of roadway and of laying his glasses on top of his car while making the change. On arriving home he realized that he had forgotten his glasses and drove back to the scene to look for them.

Thousands of Bushels of Tomatoes Lost

Thousands of bushels of tomatoes have been spoiled by the frost of late September when for ten nights water froze on pails and in water troughs outside. In many fields the tomatoes now being picked are only fit for soup use, one Markham farmer informed us as he culled over a field on the 5th concession, where hundreds of bushels were going to rot.

The situation is similar over the province with one area down east having escaped, we understand. Up in Norfolk county 40 to 50 per cent of the crop is destroyed estimated at approximately 10,000 bushels.

In its report for the week ending September 30, the Marketing Service of the Dominion Department of Agriculture states that packers in the lakeshore district of Eastern Ontario say frost damage on September 22 was one of the heaviest first-season frosts they can remember, it doing considerable damage generally throughout the district.

Most tomato juice plants are now finished, with a few operating on peeled tomatoes and by-products. Crop is now estimated as approximately 50 per cent of last season. The growth of corn was stopped by the frost damage and fields now show a very dried appearance. Fortunately most corn was practically at maturity when hit and deliveries continued this week. Corn pack is estimated at less than 75 per cent of last season.

Upon arrival at the bumpy stretch he commenced to search and found his bifocals—in the very place he left them—atop his auto.

"Not so bumpy at that," chorused councillors and the matter was dropped.

COURT OF REVISION Markham Township

Municipality of the Township of Markham, County of York.

Public Notice is hereby given that a Court of Revision of the Assessment Roll for the Township of Markham will be held in the Twp. Hall, Unionville, on Saturday, Oct. 25, 1947, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

To hear and adjudicate upon all complaints against the Assessment Roll of the Municipality of the Township of Markham, for the year 1948. All parties interested are requested to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Dated at Unionville, October 7, 1947.
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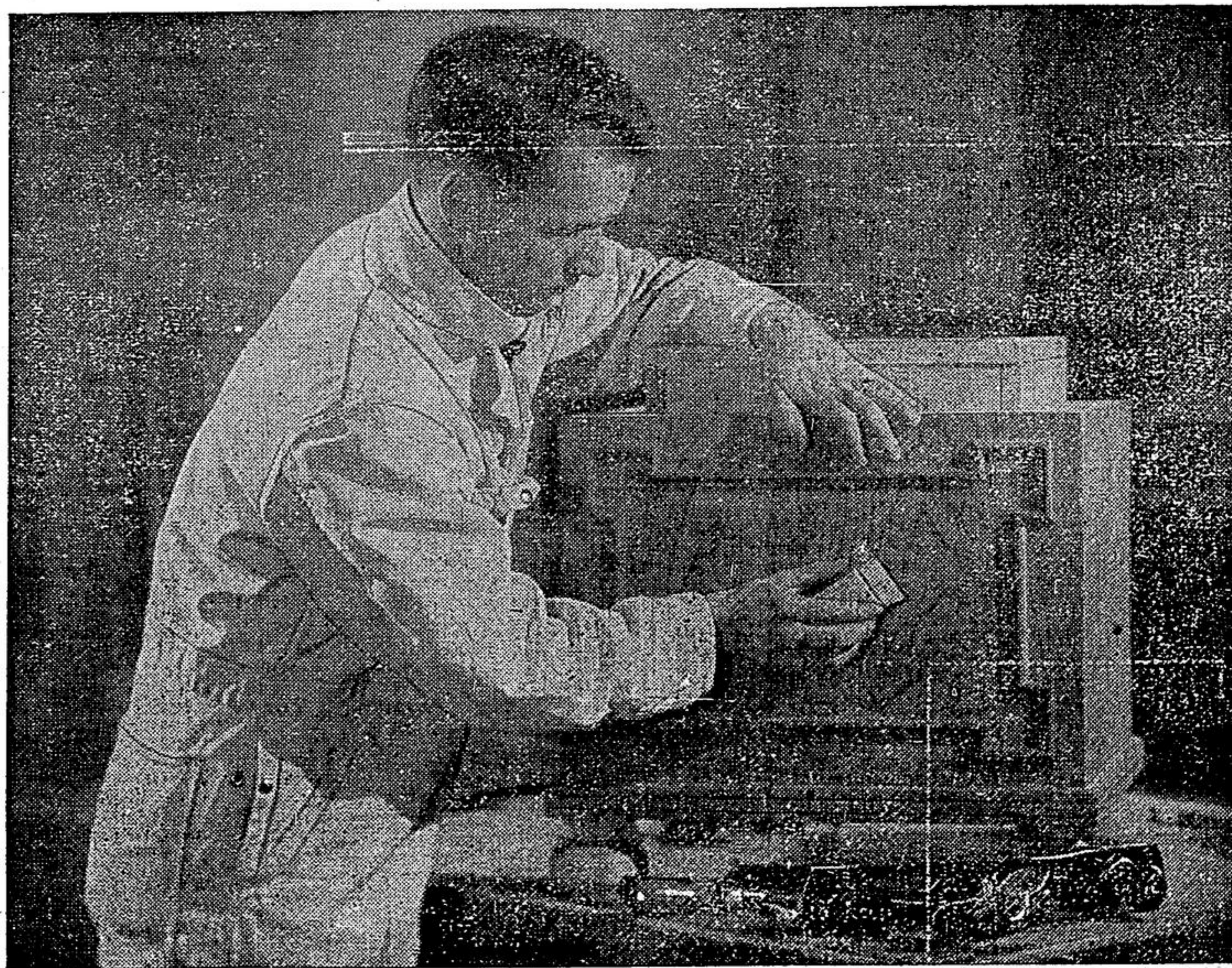
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CABINET MAKING

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