How Ruler-Straight Furrows Were Turned 52 Years Ago

Know this man? He's Lloyd Turner of Stouffville and although you won't likely see him at the end of a plow these days, he was one of the best in the business, back when the horse team was king. Mr. Turner has many awards as proof of his plowmanship, both in district and international competition. This photo was taken fifty-two years ago.

Farm Tribune

Claremont District Entry Wins Beef Judging Trophy

CLAREMONT — A Claremont district boy has been awarded the Beef Judging Trophy in competition held at Brooklin on May 21. John Harris, Claremont, RR 3 received the award donated by Beath Farms, Oshawa. The runners-up were Keith Phoenix of Greenbank and John Forson of Cannington.

Forty-five contestants judged 7 classes of livestock, and gave oral reasons on 5 classes. The group visited the National Stud Farm to judge beef cattle and sheep; the farms of Roy Orminston and W. F. Batty & Son, Brooklin, for dairy cattle; Heber Down Farms, Brooklin, for horses; and the farm of Alf. Parrott & Sons, Ashburn, to judge swine. The sheep class was provided by Beath Bros. of Oshawa.

The official judges were — Dairy Cattle Mr. Gerry Nelson, Port Perry; Beef Cattle Mr. Art Hamilton, Lindsay; Horses Mr. Heber Down, Brooklin; Sheep, Mr. Cliff Mathews, Bowmanville, and Swine Mr. Allan Scott, Barrie.

Following the oral reasons and official placings, the trophy winners were named: Sen. Championship Trophy (donated by Stouffville Livestock Sales) winner Keith Phoenix, Greenbank; runner up, Carle Parliament, Cannington, #2; Jun. Championship Trophy (donated by Stouffville Livestock Sales) winner Bruce Smith, Port Perry, #2; runner-up, Earl Phoenix, Greenbank; C.N.E. Shield, for high novice, — winner Jim Hunter, Seagrave, #2; runner-up Peter Hulshof, Stouffville, #3; Dairy Trophy (donated by Elmcroft Farms, Beaverton) winner Murray Stone, Blackwater, #2; runner-up Neil McLeod, Blackwater, #2 and Earl Phoenix, Greenbank; Beef Trophy (donated by Beath Farms, Oshawa) winner John Harris, Claremont, #3; runner up, Keith Phoenix and John Forson, Cannington, #2; Horse Trophy (donated by W. F. Batty, Brooklin) winner Doug Batty, Brooklin, runner-up John Stone, Blackwater, #2; Sheep Trophy (donated by T. C. Glaspell & Son, Oshawa) winner Carle Parliament, Cannington, #2; runner-up, Sandy McTavish, Uxbridge #3; Dunrobin Swine Trophy (donated by Major General John A. Gunn, winner Carle Parliament; runner up Murray Empringham, Uxbridge, #; Junior Farmer Inter-Club Trophy (donated by Orvan Chambers, Wilfrid) winner Port Perry Junior Farmers Team Members — Keith Phoenix, Neil McLeod, John Stone.

Stephenson Auction June 4

VIC. SQUARE — A quantity of implements, including a tractor and a nearly-new baler will go under the hammer of auctioneer Alvin Farmer on Saturday, June 4. The property is located west of Victoria Square at lot 25, east half of conc. 2, Markham Township.

The list of machinery is extensive and includes also a 3-furrow plow, a power mower, two cultivators, a hay conditioner, fertilizer drill, side delivery rake and two forage wagons. In addition, a quantity of household furniture will be sold. The sale starts at 1:30 p.m.

It is a concern with humanism that causes technicians to go off half-cocked on questions of foreign policy and they are half-cocked. —*Dr. Lionel Trilling, of Columbia University, on college scientists and technicians who speak out about Viet Nam.*

Brooklin Fair June 3 And 4

BROOKLIN — The annual Brooklin Spring Fair will open on Friday evening, June 3 with a full program of events on Saturday, June 4.

There will be a softball game on Friday evening at 8:30 p.m. Beginning at 12 noon on Saturday, there will be a Horse Show, Horse Racing, Cattle Show, Midway, Dairy Princess Competition and Square Dancing.

Water Keeps Pigs Lean

"Give pigs all the water they want," advises Dr. H. M. Cunningham, an animal nutritionist.

If you don't, the pigs may lay on unwanted fat.

Normally pigs consume about 2.5 to 3 pounds of water per pound of feed.

In an experiment at Nappan, N.S., pigs were restricted to 1.25 pounds of water per pound of feed. They stored up to 11 per cent more fat than their litter-mate controls who got the same feed but three pounds of water per pound of feed.

In another experiment water intake was limited to two pounds of water per pound of feed and the pigs stored up to five per cent more fat than controls receiving all the water they wanted.

"It is well known that if water intake of an animal is restricted it will consume less feed and grow at a slower rate," Dr. Cunningham comments. "But this is the first time it has been shown that if two animals are fed the same amount of feed with one being restricted on water, the one getting the smaller amount of water will store more fat. The growth of lean tissue does not appear to be greatly affected."

The researcher notes that it is becoming increasingly popular to use "pipeline" feeding where feed and water are premixed in a gruel. When no other provision is made for water, this system often results in a tendency to underestimate a pig's water requirement.

EDITOR'S MAIL

Chivalry Is Surely Dead

Dear Sir:

I am continually reading in your paper about the petty bickering between members of Pickering Township Council. I'm growing a bit tired of it and I'm sure I speak for thousands more in the municipality.

What bothers me most is the apparent "baiting" by councillors Williams and Campbell of deputy-reeve Mrs. McPhearson. Their conduct toward this lady is an absolute disgrace and I think it's about time that the reeve took a hand in this shameful affair. Mind you, I'm no personal friend of the deputy nor am I basing my complaint solely on your newspaper reports. I have attended a couple of meetings and have heard what is going on. Certainly the age of chivalry is surely dead.

Councillor Williams is new on the job and has a lot to learn. Councillor Campbell would do well to think a little before he speaks. And Reeve Laycox should put both of them in their place.

I feel sorry for the deputy-reeve that she must be subjected to such 'dirt' almost weekly. It's digusting at best and should not be tolerated, either by the other members looking on or by the resident ratepayers of Pickering Township.

Thank you for allowing me to air my 'beef'.

Sincerely,
J. J. Smith,
Pickering, R.R.

FARMING REPORT

By AL WALL

Of agricultural projects, the ones that live the longest and show the most obvious results, are those having to do with tree planting. I have often wondered about the origin of many long rows of evenly spaced maples along our roads and highways. It seems to be more than coincidence, that so many farmers of an earlier generation would have planted trees in such large numbers at about the same time.

On checking with some of the old timers around York County, I find that the government had a scheme to encourage planting along the roadsides. Farmers were paid about 25 cents for each tree planted. It's safe to say that most government programs of that era have long been forgotten, but the trees go on and on.

With this in mind, I'm very pleased that the Rural Centennial project for York County includes some tree planting. Members of all the 4-H clubs, both agricultural and homemaking, will be given a well started shade tree to plant, to mark the centennial.

The entire project is being sponsored by the York County Council, in co-operation with York Federation of Agriculture.

Another major part of the project has to do with farm identification. As our rural population continues to increase, the job of locating farms becomes more complex. The age old system of giving directions by using well known landmarks, doesn't work very well any more.

The project provides for the posting of lot numbers at the entrances to all farms. Attractive, permanent type numbers will be available, and all rural residents will be encouraged to use them. Improved identification will also be improved by painting names on mailboxes. The committee hopes to assist owners in getting this job done.

Perhaps the broadest part of the centennial project will be a paint up and clean up campaign for all farms. Improving the appearance of farm buildings is a job that tends to be put off, unless there is some special incentive or reason for doing it. Centennial year, and the fact that a general program is underway are good reasons for tackling the job this year. Members of both County Council and the Federation are solidly behind the program, and will be initiating activities from now on to help it be successful.

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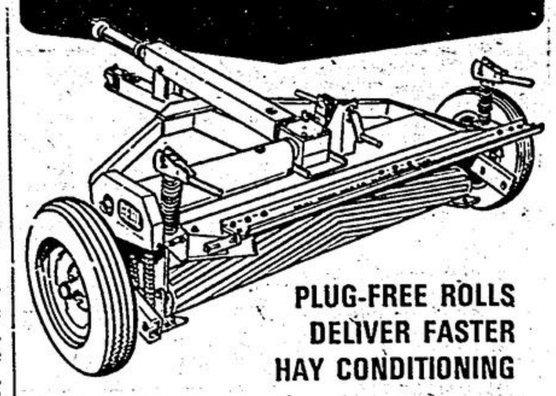

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Potato growers who have planted Foundation grade seed potatoes would be well advised to take advantage of the free field inspection service for seed. A minimum of one acre is required, but there is no maximum acreage, according to the Ontario Department of Agriculture. Application should be made as soon as possible as June 15th is definitely the closing date. Application forms may be obtained from county offices of the Department of Agriculture or from Seed Potato Certification services in Barrie, Guelph, London, and Ottawa.

More growers and more acreage of seed potatoes are required in Ontario considering the large number of carloads of seed potatoes brought into Ontario each year, plus the often unsatisfactory condition of imported seed. There is a good opportunity for specialized seed growers in Ontario. There is a trend towards making arrangements, often by definite contract, between seed growers and large-scale growers of potatoes for processing and table use.

Seed crops can be sold each year to commercial growers who cater to markets for fresh and processed potato products. Further development of sales by direct grower-buyer contacts is highly recommended. Other outlets are dealers and brokers. Varieties most in demand are Irish Cobbler, Cherokee, Kennebec, and Sebago.

Heavy Equipment At Rowe Auction

BROUGHAM — An auction sale that will feature several pieces of heavy equipment common to gravel excavation work, will be held on Saturday, June 4 at the property of A. H. Rowe, conc. 5, Pickering Township, one mile east of the Brock Road.

The auctioneer is Clarke Prentice of Markham.

The sale list includes several tractors and trucks. One gravel crusher will also be sold. The auction will begin at 1 p.m.

An elderly construction worker opened his lunch bucket, looked in an growled, "Cheese sandwiches! Always cheese sandwiches."

A fellow worker sitting close by asked, "Why don't you ask your wife to make you some other kind?"

"Wife," said the elderly man. "Who's married? I make these sandwiches myself."

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