

Sports Camera

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Everyone hopes that Canada's track and field team at the British Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh will do well. But whether those chosen for the team are the best possible entries is open to some doubt.

Take the case of Abigail Hoffman, current Commonwealth 800-metres champion. At the trials at Hamilton, the young Toronto runner finished third in the 800-metres event, behind Mrs. Norren Liepens and Penny Werthner. She did not reach the required standard of 2:06.

When the selections were made Abby was excluded. On the basis of her performance at Hamilton, the decision was justified. Subsequently, Mrs. Liepens withdrew from the team. To take her place, the authorities chose Joyce Sadowick, an 18-year-old sprinter from Vancouver.

Backers of Abby Hoffman say that although Joyce was under the set Commonwealth standards in three events, 100 metres, 200 metres and 400 metres, her times were made in high school competition and they argue that timing is not reliable at such meets.

At the Hamilton trials, Joyce placed sixth in the 100 metres and fifth in the 200 and 400 metres.

Ian Hulme, president of the Canadian Track and Field Association and chairman of the selection committee, defended the decision not to put Abigail Hoffman on the team.

"At last year's general meeting, we decided to set standards for all the events and to abide by them", he said. "Abby did not make these standards. It is as simple as that. . . Her running in recent weeks has suggested lack of adequate preparation."

He also supported the choice of Joyce Sadowick. "Her school times have been excellent", Hulme said. "When she came to the trials, it was after a heavy program of school events and she was a little tired. Her coach (national team coach Lionel Pugh) is confident she will do a grand job for Canada at Edinburgh when she has been properly rested."

As a footnote, Abby ran in a women's invitational 800-metre event at an inter-city track meet between teams representing Metropolitan Toronto and Prague, Czechoslovakia, at Toronto July 1. She won the event handily, finishing ahead of Penny Werthner.

Incidentally, she won the Commonwealth 800-metre title at the Games in Kingston, Jamaica, in 1966, with a time of 2:04.5.

No one can say positively at this point whether Abby Hoffman should have been dropped and Joyce Sadowick named to the team. All that Canadian track and field supporters can do is hope that the Vancouver school girl will do well at Edinburgh.

Federation News

By Roy Hagan

An effort of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture to promote a more equitable means of financing our education system was one of the main topics of discussion.

Haldimand Farmers who signed the petition printed in Farm and Country about education financing are sending it to Ontario Federation. This of course is an effort to prove to our Provincial legislators that Ontario Farmers are determined that something has to be done to lessen the school tax load on farm property.

Many of our provincial government M.P.P.'s have

agreed that something has to be done.

However, for Haldimand Farmers to show they mean business must all support the stand. They must also be determined to keep this movement going. This will help the farmers effort to better his position.

The Haldimand Federation in order to do so need more members.

The organization through its individual service membership (I.S.M.) program offer each member personal service as well as representation to the government on behalf of Agriculture.

In this connection The Haldimand Federation is

pleased to announce the appointment of Ross Gowan, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gowan of R. R. 3, Jarvis as (I.S.M.) salesman for the County. Ross is very interested in the (I.S.M.) program.

He maintains he is looking forward to his future in Agriculture as he plans to enroll next spring in a course of animal science at Guelph University.

Koss says he has found a good interest in the O.F.A. program. A high percentage of the farmers he has contacted are interested in buying the I.S.M. memberships, he added.

Sandusk News

Mrs. Craig Werner, Mrs. Merrill Nie, Mrs. Wm. Booth, Mrs. Sandy Schwyer and Mrs. Wm. Bray all attended the U.C.W. of Cheapside United Church picnic held at the Wilson McDonald Museum on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dennis and girls left on Saturday for a holiday up north.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. Cecil DeBoer and family in the sudden passing of Mr. DeBoer.

Mr. Leo Pond of Simcoe a past resident of Sandusk passed away on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Partridge of Toronto and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bray and Daryl were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bray on Sunday.

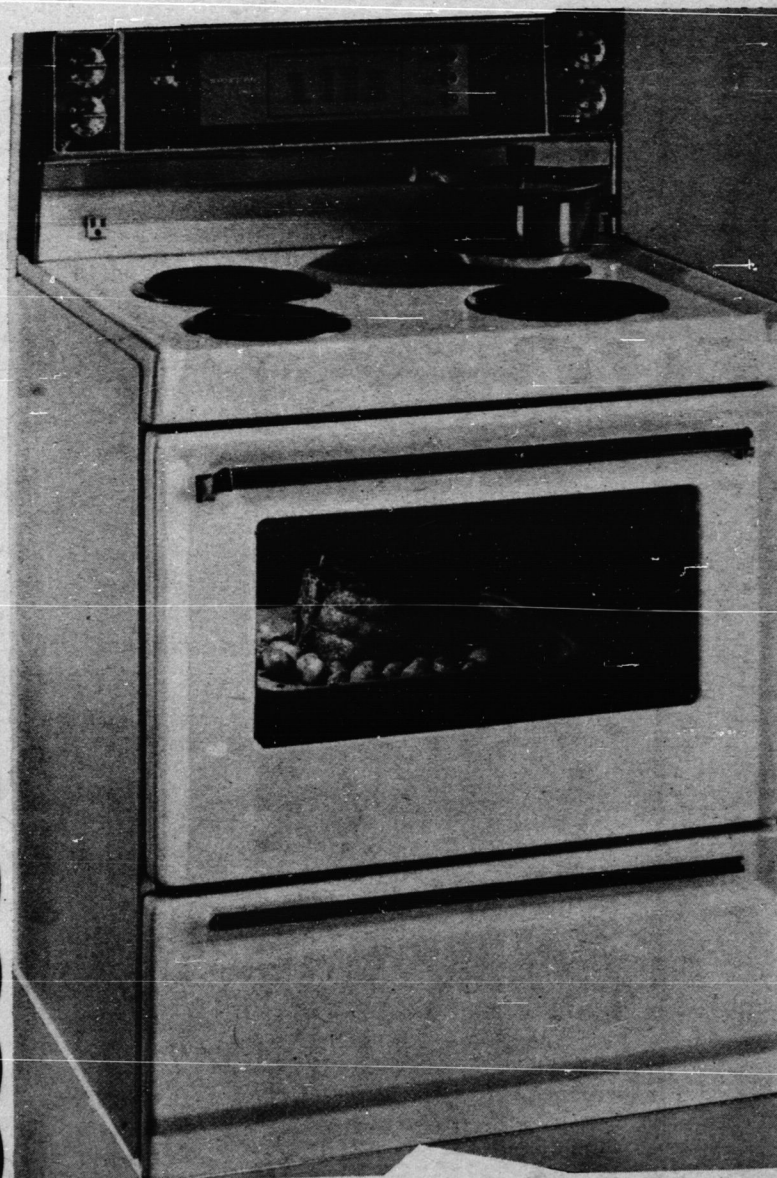
Mr. Bill Werner and friend spent the weekend with his parents.

Mr. Freeman Sternaman has been spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sternaman.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sheppard of Cheapside were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bray Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nicol attended the picnic at Grandview Lodge on Sunday.

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Farm Safety

Have you had an accident, or a near miss lately? The Haldimand Farm Safety Council is anxious to draw your attention to FARM SAFETY WEEK, coming July 25 to 31. Safety is of course a year round concern, but let's try a little harder this week to avoid accidents. Remember, a fatal accident only happens once in a lifetime.

Accidents cost more than lives! In 1969 the Workmen's Compensation Board paid out over \$2 million in accident claims. This readily shows how expensive accidents can be. Yet keeping safety shields in place, stopping the engine before making adjustments, checking for proper machine maintenance and care — all these take a short time, are easy to remember, and cost next to nothing.

It pays to practise farm safety. SILO GAS DANGERS

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Private R. E. (Robert) Hoover, an airframe technician from 424 Squadron, CFB Trenton, Ont., inspects the landing gear of a Caribou aircraft during rescue operations of earthquake-struck victims from Anta, in the Peruvian Andes, to Lima. Pte. Hoover is the son of Mr. E. B. Hoover of Jarvis, Ont. (Canadian Forces Photo).

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