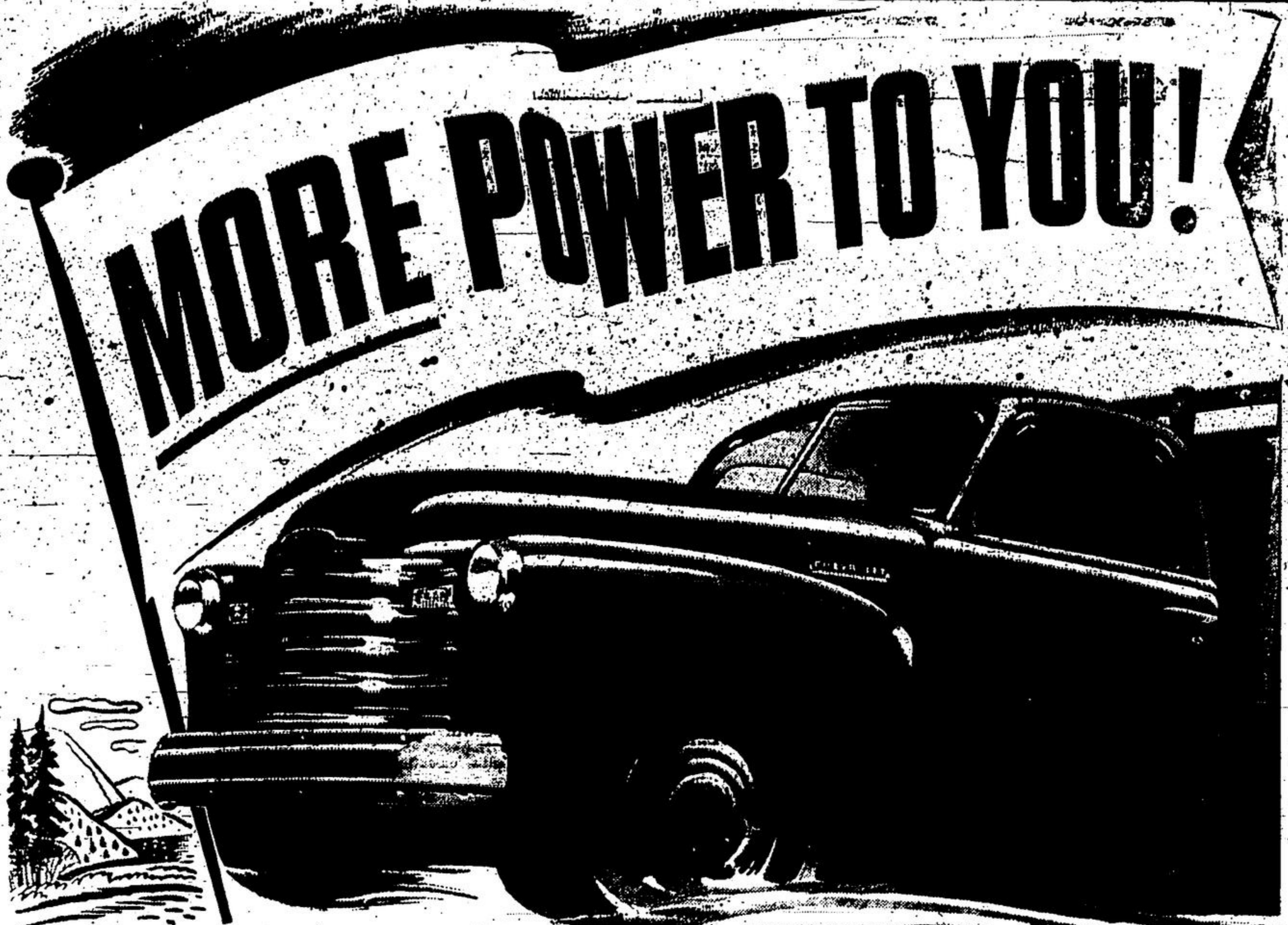


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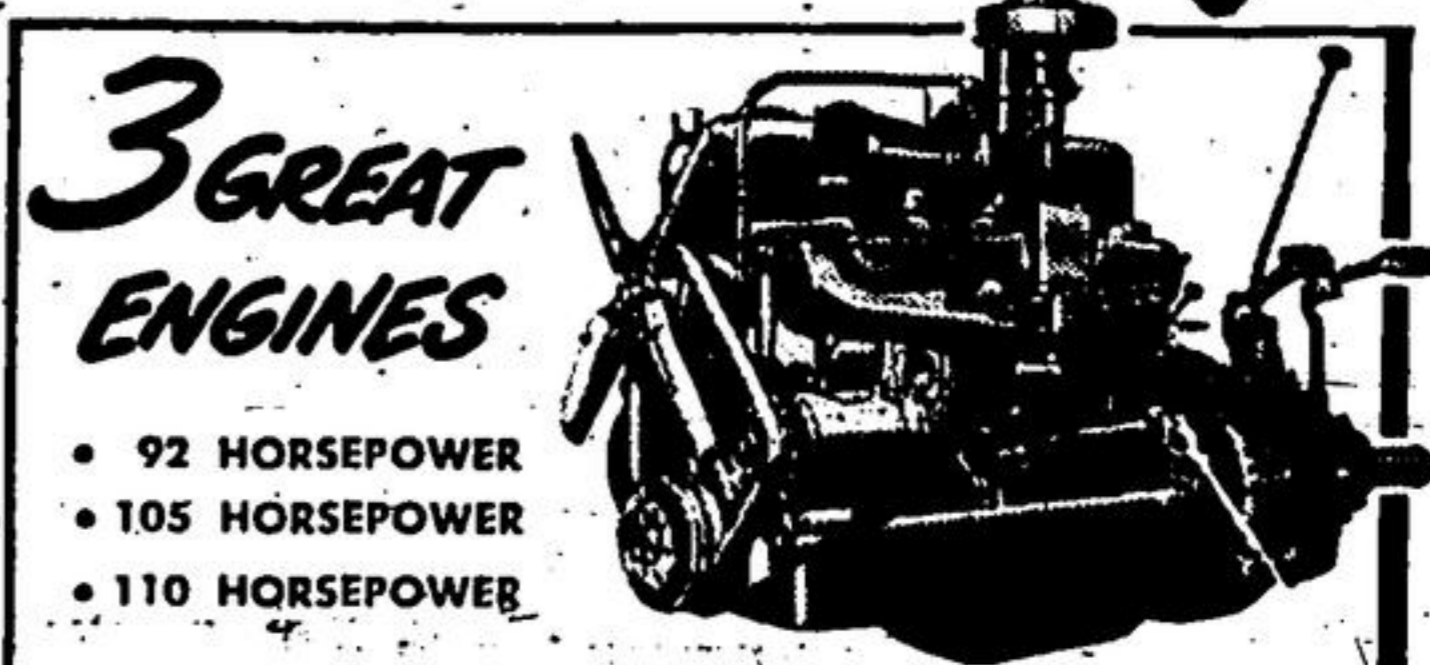
IN RELATION TO PRODUCTION

Halton Farmers are showing increased interest in the use of Agricultural Limestone. In 1949, 49 permits were issued by the Agricultural Office in Milton, in comparison to 20 permits for the previous year. Apparently the same is true in many other sections of the Province. In Hamilton, for example, they issued permits in 1949 covering almost 3000 acres which is greatly in excess of the previous year. The use of limestone as a soil amendment is a new idea. Reference to the use of lime was made in a feature written before the birth of Christ. In Great Britain, application of Agricultural Limestone to the fields is an old established practice. The same is true in many parts of United States. Louis Bromfield in "Mala Farm" describes how he used lime as the first step in his soil-improvement programme. The Halton Improvement Association laid their first series of demonstration plots and experiments with limestone in 1939. Twenty demonstration plots were laid down on as many farms in 1948. Some very interesting data is now coming to light. Victor J. Lawrence of the Halton district in Trafalgar Township on whose farm one of the demonstration plots was laid down some eleven years ago, reports outstanding results. Legumes such as alfalfa, the clovers, peas, and all heavy feeders on calcium. In addition to a greatly increased yield of alfalfa from the area Mr. Lawrence states he nearly double the yield of peas on the limed area that he did off unlimed area adjoining. L. De la Roche of the Georgetown area, whose farm is in the limestone area, says he is a big booster for the use of Agricultural limestone in Halton. A demonstration plot was laid down on the farm of W. E. Breckon Appleby, Nelson Township. In 1948, the field was sown with peas and seeded down in the spring of 1949. Recently Mr. Breckon reported that this past fall there was a tremendous difference in the catch of clovers on the 4-limed area and the balance of the field. He was not able, however, to detect any difference in the stands in so far as the source of limestone was concerned, nor in the rates of application. Readers should realize that limestone is chiefly a soil amendment. In other words, it is not intended to take the place of barnmanure or commercial fertilizer. Lime does, however, have a great deal to do with the availability and utilization of the plant food in the soil. Reference was made earlier in this article to the issuing of permits by the Agricultural Office at Milton. The permit enables the farmer to receive a subsidy of 3 cents per ton on the transportation of limestone. A lime spreader service is now available. In other words, the firm in question will transport the lime to the farm and apply it directly from the truck to the fields. The cost of the limestone loaded on the truck is \$1.00 per ton at Dundas. Transportation costs around 6 or 7 cents per mile per ton. The cost of the limestone on the farm is done at a cost of 50 cents per ton. Recently a farmer in the Halton district whose farm is 25 miles from Dundas had 68 tons of limestone on his farm at a net cost of \$1.00 per ton after deducting the transportation subsidy. Those considering the use of agricultural limestone should first have a soil test to make sure their soil requires such application. Information concerning soil tests and permits for purchase of lime, can be secured from the agricultural office in Milton.



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OLSWAY KIWANIS DONATE SCHOLARSHIPS TO CLUB MEMBERS

In the past two years the Kingsway Kiwanis Club of West Toronto awarded a scholarship (value \$100) to the high club members in the Club Projects organized in Halton. These scholarships are on the short courses held at Ontario Agricultural College in the winter. Seven Halton youngsters received such awards in 1949 and attended the Courses at OAC earlier this month. Nine scholarships will be awarded by Kingsway Kiwanis in 1950. We understand they will be awarded to Alf, Edwin, Grain, Tractor, Finance, Garden Club Projects, organized in Halton in the future. The Halton Milk Producers for several years have awarded two such scholarships annually and it is anticipated that

similar action will be taken again this year.

JOHN STEWART TO ADDRESS ANNUAL HALTON SEED FAIR AND BACON SHOW

Few of our readers have not heard of Alex Stewart and his outstanding farmers near Ailsa Craig in Middlesex County. Alex Stewart, senior member of the partnership, won the title of "Oat King" on two different occasions at the International Live Stock and Grain Show at Chicago. In addition the Stewarts are recognized as among the top farmers of Western Ontario. John Stewart has been secured as guest speaker for the annual Halton Seed Fair and Bacon Show to be held in Milton, on March 17th and 18th.

Lives there a man who is so abnormal, That he cannot be stirred by a strapless formal?

No person was ever honoured for what he received. Honor is the reward of what he gave.

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH

Rev. John M. Smith conducted the morning worship at St. John's United Church on Sunday, the lesson was read from Acts 9:1-9 and the message was entitled "When God Interrupts". From the store of Christian history Mr. Smith referred to God-interrupted lives and emphasized that God still interrupts the life pattern and life direction of men. This interruption, he said, might come anywhere in a man's experience — in his time of worship; in his vocation, in his avocation or in his vacation hours — and when it does come man is disturbed and often becomes rebellious, but he cannot escape the life-changing decision of falling in line with the Divine will or rebelliously living the life of unhappy defiance. The congregation of St. John's was fortunate in having John Rockwood, noted opera and concert baritone, as guest soloist. Accompanied by Norman Laird he sang: "The Lord's Prayer" and "How Beautiful Are Thy Dwellings". The choir under the direction of Mr. Laird added to the ministry of music by singing the anthem "Come

Unto Me."

The evening worship at St. John's was conducted by members of the Session. Elder Alex MacLaren accompanied the congregational singing at the piano and Elders Graham Farnell and George Ward read the Scriptures, the former leading the congregation in the responsive readings and the latter reading from St. John 10:1-16. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. M. Smith and the offering was dedicated by Elder Dr. A. McAllister, Clerk of Session. A duet entitled: "The Ninety and Nine" was sung by Elder Howard Wrigglesworth and Mrs. Wrigglesworth, accompanied by Mrs. James F. Evans. A story concerning the composition of this well-known hymn was told by Elder J. D. Godfrey, who also spoke on the subject: "The Saviour Shepherd" and told a story illustrative of the consoling power of the hymn "Come Ye Disciples Late". Other members of the Session acted as ushers and church hosts. Following the evening worship pictures depicting something of the Church's missionary effort in Angola Africa were shown in the Sunday School room.

GODD CROWD AT EUCHRE & DANCE AT STEWARTTOWN

A large crowd attended the first euchre and dance sponsored by the Hall Board in Esqueving Community Hall at Stewarttown last Friday. There were 34 tables for cards and several of the younger people came in later for dancing to Doris Hull's Orchestra, with Wes Louth calling off. Mrs. Leonard Coxe and Mrs. George Wingfield won the ladies prize at cards and Cleave Wilson and Fred Sinclair of Erin held highest scores for men.

Proceeds from the party will be used for equipment and upkeep of the hall. The party was arranged by a committee composed of Reeve George Currie, Deputy Reeve George Lealie, Craig Reid, Wilfrid Bird, Milton Brown, Fraser McNabb, Mrs. Robert Cunningham and Mrs. Walter Lawson.

Trying to explain the reason for world wide disagreement, an Indian said, "When nations smoke pipe of peace, no one inhale."

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