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Farmers of the western provinces would like to see closer cooperation between the east and the west, said Bert Schultz, representing the Manitoba Farmers' Union, when he spoke at a small gathering in the Town Hall, Milton, recently.

Declaring that 30 locals have already been organized in Ontario, the speaker said Manitoba farmers had in two and a half years built a strong Union organization. While the Union does not make any promises: "If you build a good strong active, vital organization, you may be able to do something about it," he said. It was pointed out by A. R. Service, President of Halton Federation of Agriculture, that Canadian farmers have had an organization of their own for 16 years. The machinery is all there for their use, and it will work just as well as the farmers themselves make it.

Starting in the locals of the F.U. and going up through the district to the provincial and inter-provincial levels, grassroots farmers are able to make their needs known, stated Mr. Schultz. M. M. Campbell, chairman of the educational committee of Halton Federation, pointed out a similar frame work has always existed in the Federation, and that in addition the individual farmer has the opportunity of discussing and doing something about his problems through Farm Forum.

Mr. Schultz dwelt at some length on the special problems confronting both eastern and western farmers, as regards grain marketing, the cost of feed grains to the eastern farmer, hog producer and poultry producer problems. Claiming that present farm organizations have declined to set up machinery adequate to move supplies into strategic positions before winter closes in, and that the farmers have neglected to provide themselves with an adequate marketing system, the speaker was reminded by R. S. Heatherington, secretary of Halton Federation, that the Ontario Federation of Agriculture in cooperation with all the other eastern and western provinces has been working for some time on the matter of feed grain under a policy such as Mr. Schultz was advocating, and was studying the policy even before the Farmers' Union was organized in Canada. However, Mr. Heatherington explained, while our Federation in consultation with all Co-operatives of eastern Ontario agreed it was desirable to set up a feed bank in eastern Canada, it was feared that due to the operating policy of the Grain Exchange as it now exists, we might find ourselves with a large supply, only to be undersold, which would make the venture decidedly dangerous. It therefore becomes necessary that farmers of the east and west must first set up an agency with sufficient authority to eliminate this risk. Mr. Schultz, when he claimed that the Manitoba Farmers' Union should have the

credit for establishing the Wheat Board, and also for putting across the vote in Manitoba, was again reminded by Mr. Heatherington that it was the work and support of the Federation that led the government to establish the Wheat Board, and that this Board was planned by the Federation before the MFU was organized.

The Manitoba speaker, who expressed dissatisfaction with the Federation in his province, and with the fact that he was obliged to pay 50c a year to the Wheat Pool paper, was forced to admit that he is still a member of the Manitoba Federation and still markets his own wheat through the Wheat Pool.

The speaker was accompanied to Milton by two farmers from Simcoe county, who also claimed they were not satisfied with their present farm organization. Questioned, however, by the audience, they admitted they knew nothing of the efforts and achievements of the Federation in their county, one of the outstanding counties in successful farm organizations in Ontario. They were reminded that while they had made no active contribution to the work they were receiving the same material benefits resulting from their farm organization as do the active members.

The representative of the MFU expressed his pleasure at being assured eastern farmers are as anxious for cooperation between the east and west as are westerners. He admitted he saw little chance of getting any Union members from this gathering, and that all those present knew all about their Federation. In reply to his statement that Ontario farmers are asking him questions, he was told Ontario farmers may receive answers to any question by contacting the key official who will naturally know or be working on the answers.

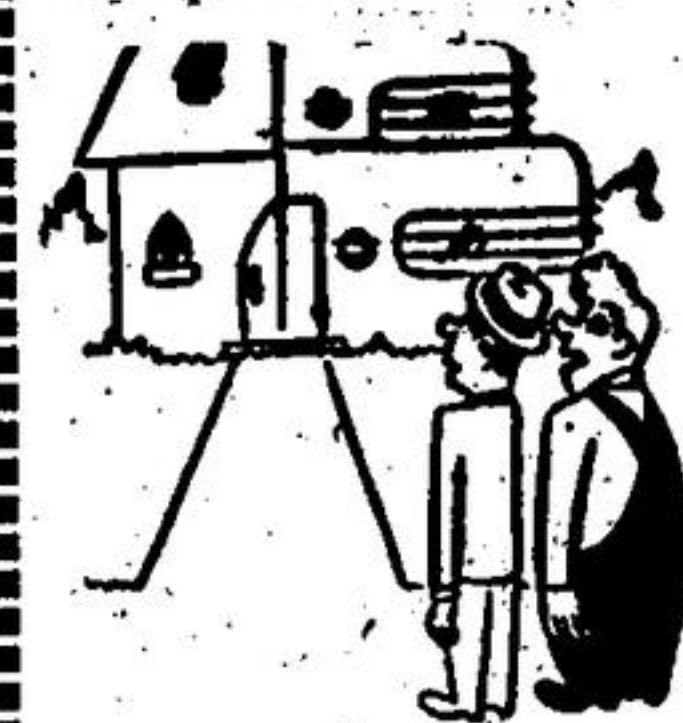
### "Confident Living" Theme of St. John's Sermon

The subject for meditation on Sunday morning at St. John's United Church was "Confident Living" chosen by Rev. J. M. Smith from the scripture verse on the next Memorial Window in the series — "Thanks be to God who giveth us the Victory." The emblem on this window is a Cross and Anchor. Along with this verse, Mr. Smith used as his text, this part verse from Romans "All things work together for good to them that love God."

Mr. Smith told of David as a young man, anointed of God for a great task in life, with many friends, planning joyfully and hopefully the way of his life, then finding his world crumbling around him, pursued and hunted wherever he went, his former friends now seeking his very life. How could it be, how could it happen to him? And David has his counterpart in a great many lives, all down through the ages, and in our own day too; life running smoothly, all seemingly well, then something happens and our world crumbles. Where is God? What is he doing?

Our emblem teaches us that life has two parts, the cross symbolic of suffering, disappointment, disillusion, the Anchor, the symbol of hope, when our world seems to crumble. It is then, too, that if we have learned "Confident Living" because of our beliefs and trust in God that Paul's words of the text comfort and help us: "All things work together for good to them that love God," even though, at times it may be difficult for us to understand how. Fortunately David and so many others of God's servants who have passed through great suffering, had learned the way of Confident Living, the hope in God that the anchor suggests. They had learned to love God, deeply and fully; to know that He was the creator of man and the universe, the sustainer and controller, and that in His wisdom and power they could trust. His plan to work out right for those who believed and loved Him, and so would try and obey His commands.

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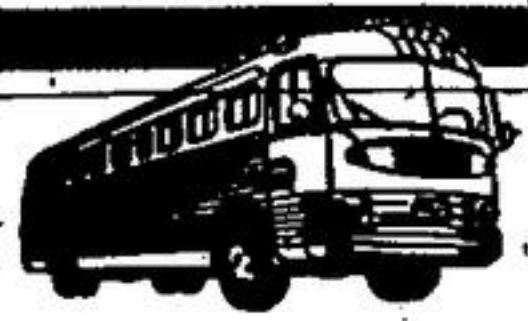
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	<p>19</p> <p>Varsity grads win Olympic hockey title, St. Moritz, 1928.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>First regular class in upper Canada at Adolphustown, 1791.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Col. John By begins planning construction of Rideau Canal, 1826.</p>	<p>ONE OF A SERIES OF WEEKLY CALENDARS, PRESENTED BY HOLLANDS, TO RECALL FOR CANADIANS TODAY, SOME OF THE INSPIRING EVENTS BOTH GRAVE AND GAY IN OUR COUNTRY'S COLOURFUL STORY</p>

### FARM NEWS

#### PALERMO JUNIORS WIN DRAMA TROPHY

The auditorium of the Oakville High School on Friday evening was the scene of the 1953 Halton Junior Farmer Drama Festival. Over the past 20 years Halton Juniors have at periodic intervals competed for the W. I. Dick Drama trophy. Last Friday evening was the first occasion that they ever attempted such an ambitious programme.

Under the leadership of president Mac Sprowl and his fellow officers, they came through with flying colours. Some 400 came early and stayed late to enjoy the programme of five excellent one-act plays. These were as follows:

Brookville group staged 'In Doubt About Daisy', directed by Mrs. Murray Mahon; 'The Teeth of the Gift Horse' was the title of Palermo's presentation, directed by Miss Florence Meares; Milton Juniors presented that old time favourite 'The Bishop's Candlesticks', directed by Mrs. A. J. McArthur; 'Henry's Mail Order Wife' was the title of Acton's play directed by Ralph McKeown; while 'Bargains in Hair Cuts' was

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