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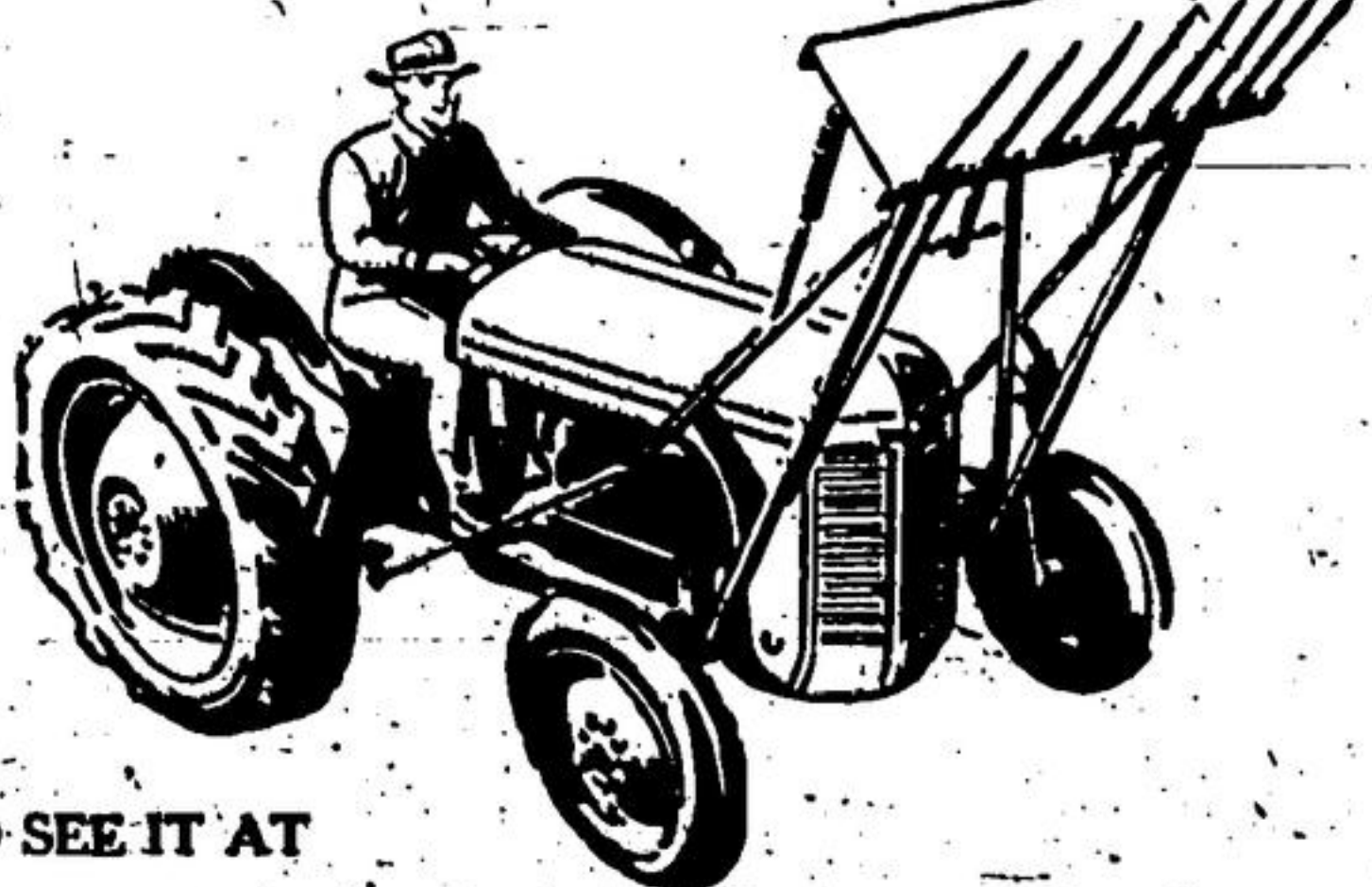
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Minister Makes Plea For Ministry Students

J. D. O.
At St. John's United Church on Sunday morning, Rev. John M. Smith chose "Repentance" for his meditation on this third Sunday in Lent, following Religion and Revelation, the subjects for the first and second Sunday. His text was from Matthew 3, the words of John the Baptist. "Repent ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." His scripture reference was to the parable of the two sons as told by Jesus. The first when he was asked to go and work in his father's vineyard, said he would not but afterwards repented and went. The second said he would go, but went not, apparently never intended to. Jesus and the people chose the first as nearer doing his father's will. Mr. Smith also spoke of The Prodigal Son and the Loving Father, the parable which we all seem to like, with the kindly father, the wayward son, the repentant boy; like it probably because it applies to our own conditions of life, to our own attitudes, it fits us even today. We realize we have a Loving, Forgiving Heavenly Father; we must recognize Him and that He has a standard of living for us, one He is very much concerned about, and our relation and attitude to it, whether we will say yes to it, with no intention of obeying, or plain careless about it, preferring to seek out our own selfish pleasure, or say we will not go or do, but later come to ourselves, repent and return.

We recognize too that we have every opportunity of knowing the Father's standard, which is right and which is wrong of knowing God's way and plan for us and His world; it is wide open in Canada, we have no excuse.

We are in the habit of comparing ourselves with the social standard in vogue round about us, and may feel we are not so bad, but when we are honest with ourselves and compare our living by God's standard and plan for us, we find we are wandering far, are out of harmony with God's ways, we become aware of our sin, much though we dislike the word and it is here that repentance begins, a real sorrow for our sin, or as the catechism defines repentance "turning from our sin to God." Being sorry for our sin because they have caught up with us, because we have been found out, is not repentance. It must come from an honest regret that we have slipped away from God's way for us and come from an earnest desire to be in harmony with Him. Surely a natural desire between Creator and creature. But we are still a stiff-necked people, and it takes humility for us to take the first step back home, an act which we must make first, each step taking us nearer home to God's forgiveness and love, where He acts to accept our repentance, to restore the harmony between us, not just as a hired servant as we would have been willing, like the prodigal, but restored to sonship as he was. Let us arise and go to our Father.

Choir's anthem was "To Thee We Call."
Miss Pat Wilson sang "O Saviour Hear Me."

The meditation for the evening service was "Our Missionary Task." Missionary to many immediately suggests "other lands." This is only part of it, we have a tremendous missionary task at home too. Mr. Smith based his talk on the parable of the mustard seed, among the smallest of seeds, yet grows to the size of a tree in which birds can lodge.

So with the Christian church, from the smallest of beginnings, Jesus sowing the seed amongst a handful of followers, but with abundant life in the seed, and well nurtured, soon burst its bounds and spread to other lands, eventually reaching our own. So now, here is

HALLINAYAD

Village Rallies to Aid Of Burned Out Family

A shower of food, clothing and household furnishings was held last Tuesday in the Hall for the Dodds family of Speyside who lost their home and belongings in a fire. Mr. and Mrs. Dodds and family were present and accepted the gifts with grateful thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dodds were Ballinfad residents until they moved to Speyside a year ago. The fire left them, their six children and a boarder homeless.

The Girls Sewing Club met Saturday at the home of Shirley Kirkwood. The roll call was answered by an exhibit of shell barning. The club story was read by Bonnie Cotton any the minutes by Wendy McKenzie. Mrs. Jessie McEnery instructed the girls in darning and some time was spent in practicing this work. The slips that were made during the course were displayed and the girls spent some time in learning how to judge them for quality, workmanship, etc. Final plans for Achievement Day were made. Mrs. Kirkwood was assisted by Marjorie Gibson and Bonnie Cotton in serving refreshments. The final meeting will be held next Saturday at the home of Shirley Mack.

Mrs. E. McEnery of Guelph spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Jessie McEnery.

Mary Jennings is recovering from an attack of the mumps.

Mrs. N. Russ spent a few days with friends in Hespeler this week.

ASHROVE

IRISH THEME FOR INSTITUTE MEETING

The Women's Institute held an interesting Irish meeting on Tuesday afternoon, March 18th at the home of Mrs. Clayton Wilson with a large attendance of ladies. President Mrs. Wellington Stringer opened with the ode and creed. Roll Call was answered by an Irish joke or saying Mrs. Bruce Bridgen reported on the euchre party and Mrs. Ernie Tindale gave flower committee report. Twenty five dollars was voted to the H. Michie family who were burned out recently. Programme was in charge of Mrs. Wilfrid Bird who called on Mrs. John Belloddy for the Irish motto. Current events were given by Mrs. Vern Pickett and a beautiful solo the Kerry Dance, sung by Mrs. J. H. Hunter. District president, Mrs. J. H. Ellerby, left some splendid thoughts when she spoke on "Let us be large in thought, word and deed" saying the WI was started 57 years ago by a woman who lost her child through ignorance and sickness. Now five million women belong. Let us try and keep it alive, we have friendship links in England and Scotland. If we don't give anything we won't receive anything. She closed by saying cooperation is a lot of little people doing a lot of big things in a lot of little places. Following this Mrs. Robert Cunningham presented Mrs. John Imond, who is leaving to farm near Erin, with a lovely brooch. Mrs. Hector Bird delighted everyone with an Irish reading and a social hour followed.

The Young People held their Christian Culture meeting on Sunday evening at the home of Barbara and Ralph Cunningham in charge of Bernice Wilson and Norman Bird. Mrs. John H. Hunter spoke to them on the "Art of Listening."

Miss Rena Christian of Hamilton visited over the week-end with her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ruddell and Bobby.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Giffen attended the funeral of his aunt Mrs. Speers in Caleton, Wednesday of last week.

our missionary task, to keep the Christian Church alive and growing so long as there is a man or woman, boy or girl in this land, who needs to learn of Jesus and His way of life. We should not be willing to accept our great heritage without being anxious to share it with others. This applies to other lands as well; our responsibility and task is over seas too; to pass on the knowledge we have of God's love for man, man's love of God, man's love for man; of the abundant life we know through Jesus. That means sacrifice, and at the least it should mean sacrifice of luxuries until others have a fairer share of necessities at present, so much lacking. What must a Just God think of us as He sees with an all seeing eye the true conditions in all His lands here? Pleased of course about the fine barley leaves and two small fishes, but what are they among so many?

To accomplish our task at home and abroad needs the witness of those who have the gospel in all its goodness and who can tell others from their own experience of the blessings they feel others should be having too. And it cannot be continued unless young men and women are willing to enlist in full time service to this end, which means that parent and teachers, business men encourage them into this instead of directing them away from it because of the low financial returns. We need to get back to the old days when parents were on their knees in prayer that their boy or girl would choose this high office and service, the richest life possible. Miss Doreen Warwick was pianist

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UNION

W.A. ST. PAT'S TEA AT MRS. ROYAL'S HOME

Ladies of the Woman's Auxiliary of Union Presbyterian Church were hosts at a St. Patrick's tea last week at the home of Mrs. G. L. Royal-Norval. The tea was convoked by Mrs. Royal and Mrs. Ernie Mills assisted by other W.A. members. The tea table was decorated with suitable colors for the day. Guests were served a salad and ment was provided by Mrs. Dolson who sang, Mrs. W. F. Lean, Brunston, with Irish readings, and Mrs. Lloyd Davison, pianist.

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