

## Union Presbyterians Plan More Building Improvements

The annual meeting of Union Presbyterian Church was held on Monday January 13th, following a delicious dinner served by the Women's Association. Mrs. Clarence Anderson was elected chairman of the meeting and Mrs. Arthur McKane secretary. The Session Report was made by the Moderator, Rev. G. L. Royal, who reported that the Sacrament of Baptism held on eight occasions. Mr. Royal commended the congregation on its fine efforts in regard to the Missionary Budget, and reported that \$878.00 had been raised to extend the reaches of the Gospel. A new Missionary Allocation of

## \$900 is to be undertaken during 1958.

The report of the Board of Managers was given in by the chairman, Wilfrid Leslie, and stated that a new roof had been placed on the building and paid for. The total receipts of the Board in the year 1957 was \$6001.50. The Mission Band report was made by Mrs. Norman Icam, leader, who stated that the Band had had a good year. The junior officers of the Mission Band for 1957 were Donna Ostrander, president, Diane McKane, secretary, and John Bouclair, treasurer. The report of the Women's Missionary Society was received from Mrs. Geo. H. Leslie, treasurer, who informed the meeting that a total of \$637.63 had been raised in 1957 for all missionary purposes. The Home Helpers report was made by the president, Mrs. Harvey Puckering who mentioned the annual bazaar from which \$281.39 was realized. Mrs. John A. MacDonald made the Women's Association report stating that the year's total was \$634.45. The superintendent of the Sunday School, Victor Ostrander, reported for the Sabbath School and made mention of the enlarged numbers. The Sunday School had a good year and looked forward to 1958 with a great deal of anticipation. The Young People's Society report was given in by the Minister, Counsellor to the Society, and stated that there were 16 members. The YPS hopes to prepare and produce plays again this year. The following members of the Board retired at the end of 1957: Wilfrid Leslie, Herbert Dolson and Fraser Macdonald. The new managers elected for a three year term were: Jack McDonald, Harvey Puckering and Roy Thompson. The Treasurer's report was made by Frank Dolson treasurer, who stated that a nice balance of \$661.96 was in the bank. Mrs. Agar Ostrander was appointed Record Secretary to succeed Mrs. Andrew McDonald who had held the office for many years. The question of a new organ was discussed and it was decided to defer this outlay until after the building had been pointed.

It was expected that 1958 would see the pointing of the building and any additional repairs to the building. Also, 1958 would bring with it the celebration of the congregation's completion of 125 years of Christian witness in the community. It was agreed by the meeting that a former Pastor be invited

## LORNE SCOTS PLAN SUMMER CAMP

Summer camp is on the agenda of the Lorne Scots for 1958 after all. Late last year it looked as though Militia summer camps would be a thing of the past, but with Ottawa's blessing, camp is again very much on the training program.

This cheering news for the Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin & Halton) Regiment was announced at the recent annual regimental meeting by Lt.-Col. A. Kemp of Burlington, the Commanding Officer. The regiment has the alternative of becoming integrated with the permanent force for an eight-day camp period at Ipperwash, or of conducting its own camp.

An innovation for the Lorne Scots next summer will be an ambitious recruit-training program in which they will seek to strengthen the regiment with 200 young men between 16 and 18 years of age. The successful applicants will undergo a total of seven weeks intensified training; five at their nearest armory, Brampton, Orangeville or Georgetown, with transportation provided from convenient assembly points, followed by two weeks at camp. Pay and allowances will total approximately \$165 per month, and the graduates will be trained privates.

It is expected that numerous high school students will avail themselves of this opportunity, although the course is not confined to students. Details will shortly be announced through the schools, press and radio.

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as anniversary minister this year.

The members of the Kirk Session are: Rev. G. L. Royal, Moderator; F. L. Thompson, clerk; James A. McKane, Clarence Anderson, Norman Icam, F. H. Lyons, G. H. Leslie, Wilfrid Leslie and A. O. MacDonald. The members of the Board of managers for 1958 are: Eric Leslie, chairman; Donald Dolson, C. G. Bishop, Howard Dolson, Hugh Leslie, A. H. McKane, Jack McDonald, Harvey Puckering and Roy Thompson. The meeting was closed by prayer at the hand of the Moderator.

## Halton's Federal Member Speaks on Farm Aid Bill

On January 24th, federal member of parliament, Sandy Best, spoke at some length in the House of Commons during the second reading of a bill to provide for stabilization of the prices of agricultural commodities.

This is the final instalment of the debate.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): In view of the way in which he is deriding the members of this party and members of the Social Credit party for talking of what he calls an elixir of life, a formula in this case, what has he to say about the promise which his leader, the Prime Minister of Canada, made at Brantford, on May 9th during the last election campaign when he said that if elected to power, the Conservatives will, and there are several points, mentioned, No. 4 being this:

"Place a formula in the Agricultural Prices Support Act for arriving at support price."

Did the Prime Minister mean that or was it only election bait?

Mr. Best: Mr. Chairman, I would suggest that many of the things that we have put into the present bill can be called a formula, that there are more basic things, that there are more things to pin down the judgment and discretion of the department and the minister than there were before in the past act. This, again, is one part. It is one step of our over-all agricultural program.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Are you for a formula or against it?

Mr. Best: I will say this. Perhaps this party will provide an elixir of life some day. That is all I can say at the moment.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Are you for a formula or against it?

Mr. Best: We have made a partial formula in this bill at the moment.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): The hon. member has made an honest answer and I accept it.

Mr. Best: Flexibility of any sort is of the utmost necessity in any bill in this house. What we are saying is — and it has been quoted time and again, that the problems of our great neighbour the United States show what inflexibility in any agricultural program would do. Comparisons are only partially valid. We cannot compare completely, I realize, but I can quote from the Christian Science Monitor of Thursday, January 16, 1958, which says just this and I quote.

He proposed that price supports for the basic crops, and for dairy products, range from 60 to 90 per cent of parity instead of 75 to 90 per cent, as at present.

And as well:

"The present program is unrealistic and that, in the long run, the farmer will gain by them. What we are worrying about in the application of inflexible, constant and rigid formulae, is that the accumulation of surpluses, the accumulation of problems in this country, might benefit the farmer for a short while but in the long run would be greatly to his—"

Mr. McIvor: Disadvantage.

Mr. Best: Several hon. members have given me the word "disadvantage" or "detriment."

Mr. McCullough (Moose Mountain): Would the hon. member permit a question?

Mr. Best: Yes, one more question.

Mr. McCullough (Moose Mountain): I want to read the words of his own leader, the Prime Minister.

An hon. Member: We have heard that dozens of times.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Don't you want to hear your Prime Minister's words?

Mr. McCullough (Moose Mountain): Speaking on the economic position of agriculture, the Prime Minister's closing words were these as found at page 2026 of Hansard of March 12th, 1956:

The trend referred to in the amendment moved in 1953 has continued. Canadian agriculture today would not be in its present precarious position if action had been taken at that time on the basis of the experience of our neighbour to the south and also on the basis of the demands of farmers generally.

What has the hon. member to comment on the words of his own Prime Minister?

Mr. Best: If I am just asked for my comment, my comment surely would be the same as to the previous question, which was much the same.

Mr. Hodgson: He asked the same question fifteen minutes ago.

Mr. Best: Of course. In the interval they forget. They forget from day to day as well, and so we go on. One of the CCF members — I believe it was the hon. member for Assiniboia — a day or two ago said that the present government of this county might improve agricultural prices under this legislation. Then he went on to say — and this is where we draw one of those fine points, so to speak — that the suspicion will be there that this is done just for an election. This could be said of any good measure brought be-

fore this country. People want to know "Where do you stand on such and such an argument?" "What are you people opposite promising us, time, day and year, as you campaign across this country?"

We suspect, Mr. Chairman, that the promises and suggestions of members opposite can reach the moon for one reason only, and that is that the party opposite will never have to bear the burden of responsible government in this country.

Mr. Nicholson: Do not be too sure.

Mr. Peters: Do not worry about it.

Mr. Best: I am not worrying about it, I am merely answering these questions. This has all been of great interest to us, as I mentioned before. We realize this bill will do much for agriculture, we realize that in it there are many new measures which we are sure, when they are put into effect, will bring much benefit to Canada. We know that the ultimate security feature in this bill, is the mandatory floor price on nine key commodities and that this factor is not provided for in the present Agricultural Prices Support Act. The setting of the guaranteed yearly price, one year in advance, to remain in effect for twelve months, is another important feature. We all realize that in agriculture we have to plan ahead and that in such long-range planning there are many factors, which have to be considered, as I know from farming myself. I am sure that the twelve month period with certain guarantees will be of great assistance in this connection across the country.

There are some additional matters to which I would like to refer. The advisory committee composed of farmers is a new, democratic and sensible provision contained in this bill. We are sure that these people will be able to give to this government, to the department and to the minister concerned, much fine advice and the benefit of their wisdom and we feel sure the farmers of this land will feel that they have a true representation and true voice in the major decisions of the government.

The ten year moving average is another interesting matter and will also be of great value. I will conclude my remarks by making a small plea that we should let this bill go forth to the country, and allow the people of Canada to decide as to its value. When they have done this, then let us judge it.

## HORNBY

### ORANGE LODGE EUCHRES PROVE POPULAR AFFAIRS

The euchre, sponsored by the Hornby LOL 165 is attracting a larger crowd every party. It was held on Friday, February 7th in the Orange Hall. Twenty three tables made up the large euchre game. Twelve games were played and then lunch was served. Delbert Downs and Gordon Bridgen gave out the prizes. The winners with the high scores were Mrs. Megdith and Mr. Sid Robin. Low prizes went to Mrs. M. Chalker and Mr. George Galbraith. Dorcen Howden won the lucky door prize. Everyone enjoyed dancing to the music supplied by Barbara and Norman Carhart and Bill Near with Bill Anderson calling off for the old tyme dancing.

Mr. Tom Marcus of Sault Ste. Marie was a recent guest with his uncle, Mr. Robert Bell and Mrs. Bell.

Miss Sylvia Shepherd and Miss Marilyn Campbell, student of Toronto Teachers College, spent the last two weeks in Hornby School doing practice teaching.

Mr. Wilmer Thompson's TV serial was blown down by the wind last Wednesday afternoon onto the road.

The WMS and afternoon group

of the W.A. met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. Wrigglesworth with fifteen members present. The vice president Mrs. W. Coulton was in charge of the WMS. A hymn was sung and a prayer opening the meeting. Mrs. G. Sinclair read the scripture and Mrs. R. Wilson read a story on Japan. The secretary read the minutes and gave the treasurer's report. The roll call was answered. A hymn and prayer closed the WMS. The theme song was sung and a prayer repeated to open the W.A. with the president, Mrs. Doug Leslie in charge of the meeting. Mrs. M. Brown read the minutes and gave the treasurer's report. It was decided to hold the March meeting earlier than usual in order to prepare for the Junior Farmers' banquet. A committee was appointed to find out what the expenses would be to make a recipe booklet. Everyone was asked to bring a favourite tested recipe for next month. The meeting closed with prayer.

A lovely lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. L. Sampson and Mrs. Huffman. The Evening group of the Hornby W.A. met in the church basement last Monday evening, February 3rd with seventeen members present. The president, Mrs. Hazel Reed opened the meeting with the theme song. Mrs. Peggy Learmont was in charge of the devotional period. The scripture was read, a story and poem were told. The secretary, Mrs. Pat Southwood read the minutes and Mrs. Betty Death gave the treasurer's report. Plans were made for the plastic demonstration that is being held on February 12th. A clay demonstration was given by Mrs. Helen Shaw. A delicious lunch was served by Mrs. Doris Coulton.

The St. Stephen's Anglican Guild met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Ella on Wed., Feb. 5th. Chris Bradley, president was in charge of the meeting. After the usual business plans were made for their euchre on February 15th. The next meeting is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hunter on Wednesday, Feb. 19th. The meeting closed with prayer and lunch was served.

Mrs. Mark Bussell is staying with her daughter in Milton. She had a slight operation in St. Joseph's Hospital in Hamilton last week.

Mr. Kenneth Ella, a director of the Ontario Jersey Club left Monday by train for Cornwall where he will attend the Ontario and Canadian Jersey Clubs' annual meetings at the Hotel Cornwallis and returning home on Thursday.

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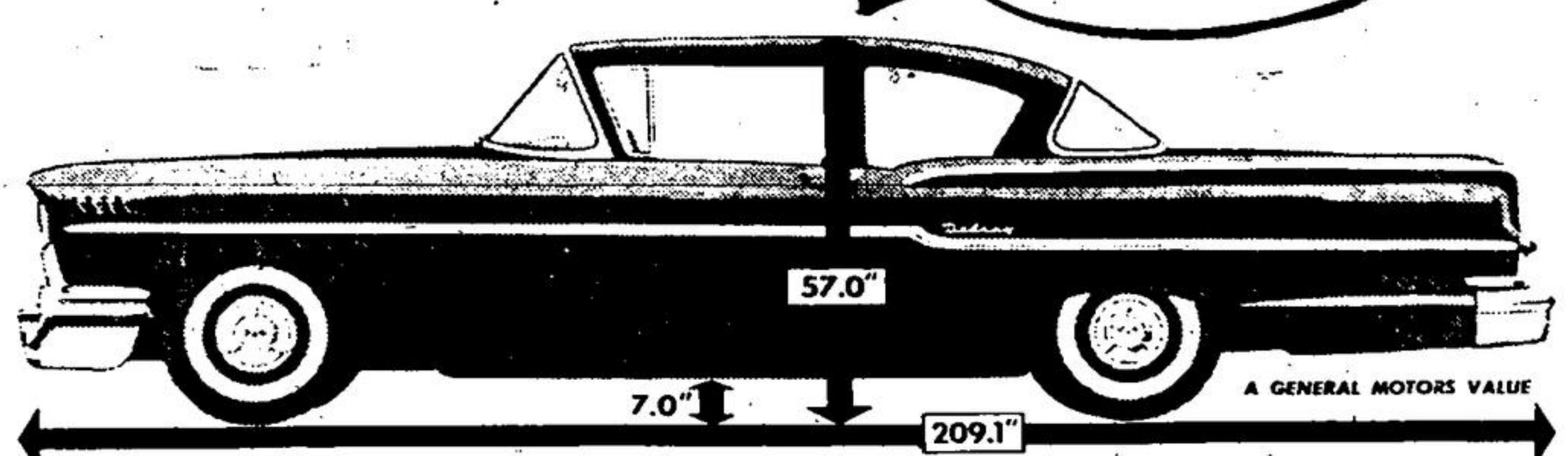
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