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## Queen's Park News

By Stan Hall, M.P.P.

Hon. Charles Daley, Minister of Labour, in presenting the estimates of the Department of Labour made the statement in answer to a challenge by D. C. MacDonald, leader of the CCF, that when he (the Minister of Labour) was elected to the Assembly in 1943, he was elected by a majority of 600, but in the election of 1954, his majority was 10,000. A good reflection of what labour thinks of the Department of Labour in the Ontario Government.

Albert Wren, Liberal Labour, Kenora, said in his address that he told Canadian labour unions to blow their own horns, and loosen their ties with the United States unions.

R. M. Wilcher, Liberal, Bruce riding, said in his opinion that the CCF Party will be eliminated in the next election.

A vote was called in the Assembly by J. J. Wintermeyer, leader of the opposition, seconded by Farquhar R. Oliver, Liberal, Grey South riding, for the fluoridation of water. It was defeated 14 to 57.

Hon. John Yaremko, Minister of Transport, said the first hit and run accident on record took place on Martin Street in Milton, when the late Dr. Anderson was thrown from his buggy and suffered a head injury.

Hon. Charles Daley, Minister of Labour, said Ontario will do its best to eliminate fee-charging employment agencies from the province.

Honourable Dr. Dunlop in presenting the estimates for the Department of Education made the statement in answer to criticism levelled at him and the Department by members of the Opposition, said that the system of education in the province of Ontario is the finest in the world. I might also say this was the opinion of the Minister of Education for England, who has been visiting in the Province of Ontario this month.

Hon. A. Kelso Roberts, Attorney-General, said there was no evidence of bribery or corruption in the handling of shares of Northern Ontario Natural Gas Company.

On Tuesday, Opposition members spent most of the afternoon and night sitting attacking Education Minister Dunlop's contention that Ontario had the world's best education system.

The Government introduced legislation for the formation of a new Provincial Department, to be known as the Department of Energy.

Premier Frost declared that the treatment of the Federal Government at Ottawa toward the province's tax agreements are unreasonable and should be revised.

On Thursday, March 12, the Opposition moved a motion challenging the ruling of the Speaker on one of the statutes of the Ontario Government that the motion was out of order. The ruling of the Speaker was upheld 65 to 10.

Honourable John P. Robarts, Minister without portfolio, and member of the Water Resources Committee warned industries that were polluting streams and lakes that they would be prosecuted.

Honourable T. Ray Connell in giving the estimates of the Department of Public Works said there were seven hundred provincial projects for the province in 1959 at a cost of some ninety million dollars.

## Study \$40 Million Flood Control, Conservation Plan

How well we control our rivers and conserve our waters from now on will depend largely on the decision taken on the flood control brief which the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority has prepared, said Dr. G. Ross Lord, P. Eng., MTRCA chairman, at a press conference in Toronto.

Amounting to nearly \$40,000,000, the plan aims at water conservation and eliminating flood dangers in the Humber, Etobicoke, Don, Rouge, Duffin Creek, Highland Creek and Mimico watersheds. The entire program, including urgent work currently being done on the Black Creek, is estimated at \$38,647,600.

Dr. Lord pointed out that a balanced plan for eliminating floods must combine dam construction with acquisition of flood plain lands. He stressed the enormous flow of water that takes place at peak flood times.

"During Hurricane Hazel, 50,000 cubic feet per second raced down the Humber river, which has a drop of 1,200 feet in 50 miles. With dams, this flow could have been reduced to about one-half. The hurricane flow meant that the equivalent of two million horsepower was unleashed in destruction on the Humber alone during the flood."

The MTRCA chairman went on to compare this flow with that of Niagara Falls, which sometimes drops to 75,000 cubic feet per second. The rush of water down the Humber during the hurricane was three times the volume ever recorded for that stream.

Advantages of dams are evident when one sees what has been achieved by the Fanshawe and Shand dams, said Mr. A. H. Rich-

ardson, chief conservation engineer of the Department of Planning and Development. The Fanshawe dam, since its completion in 1952 has twice prevented a flood threat to London. The Shand dam, finished in 1942, has considerably mitigated the flood picture there and reduced the danger that otherwise threatened such towns as Preston, Galt, Brantford, Fergus and Elora.

Giving as an example the water conservation on the Humber river that could be achieved by dams, Dr. Lord said the summer flow would be increased seven times. The 13 reservoirs planned for the whole MTRCA area would provide vital pond reserves in case of a weather (or military) emergency that could put water mains out of action.

Another important factor, said the chairman, is the expected doubling of population figures in North York and Scarborough in the next eight years. Floodtime damage and loss increase with the population. It is expected that growth of one million persons will take place in the next ten years in the area administered by MTRCA.

The technical details of the project have already been studied by the Dept. of Planning and Development, said Dr. Lord. It still needs approval of the Water and Power Bureau of the Dept. of Northern Development in Ottawa. In view of the vastness of the project it will also be presented to Metro Council for study. All municipalities affected by the plan will receive the brief.

The per capita cost for Metro residents would amount to 60 cents annually over 10 years. Costs in other municipalities might vary up to \$1 per capita annually depending on population and cost-benefit ratios.

The entire program covers between 50 to 60 projects, 15 of which are already underway because of the urgent request by certain municipalities for immediate commencement of the work.

"Much consideration has been given to the priority of dam construction as opposed to flood plain lands acquisition," said Dr. Lord. "Three separate engineering firms, all top flood control specialists in the province, in addition to engineers of the Dept. of Planning and Development, had already reached independent recommendations of dams for the Humber. Their decisions regarding this river apply with equal validity to the other watersheds in the MTRCA area."

The projects, when approved, would call for 2,800,000 man-hours in direct construction of dams at one.

### HALTON BULLS TOP SHORTHORN SALE

The three top priced Shorthorn bulls at the Ontario Bull Show and Sale were supplied by Halton county breeders, S. G. Bennett, of Georgetown, and Grant Campbell, Moffat. Top price, at \$2,075, was for a Bennett bull, Scotsdale Narvik, selling to Harold Sime, Shelburne. Second top was Campbell's Polled bull, Cason Nugget 4th, selling at \$1,600 to the Lambton Cattle Breeders of Wyoming. The same purchasers took the next high priced bull, a Bennett entry at \$1,125.

The grand champion of the show was produced by W. C. Gardiner, Fenelon Falls, and the Reserve Champion by M. J. Jenkins, Little Britain. They sold at \$875 and \$710.

Others in the area to make purchases were: James Burnett, Elora who also purchased on behalf of the Wellington County Home, W. C. Hamilton, Ayr; E. S. Paddock, Hespeler; Douglas Lindsay, Elora and Douglas Allan, Fergus.

Among the local breeders consigning to this sale were: S. G. Bennett, Georgetown; Grant Campbell, Moffat; McKenzie Hall, Ayr; R. W. Gardhouse, Milton; J. I. Black, Fergus; T. C. Amos, Moffat; Bruce Fletcher and W. L. Elliott, Guelph.

An average price of \$518 was received for 88 Shorthorn bulls (\$36 higher than the 1958 price.)

While some men battle their way to the top, others bottle their way to the bottom.

### Notice to Creditors

IN THE ESTATE OF Sarah Elizabeth McLean, late of the Town of Erin, in the county of Wellington, widow, deceased.

All parties having claims against the aforementioned estate of Sarah Elizabeth McLean, who died on or about the thirteenth day of January, 1959, are required to file proof thereof with the undersigned Solicitor for the Administrator on or before the twenty-eighth day of March, 1959, after which date the estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims then filed.

Dated at Acton, Ontario, this Ninth day of March, 1959.  
C. F. Leatherland, Q.C.,  
Acton, Ontario  
Solicitor for the Administrator

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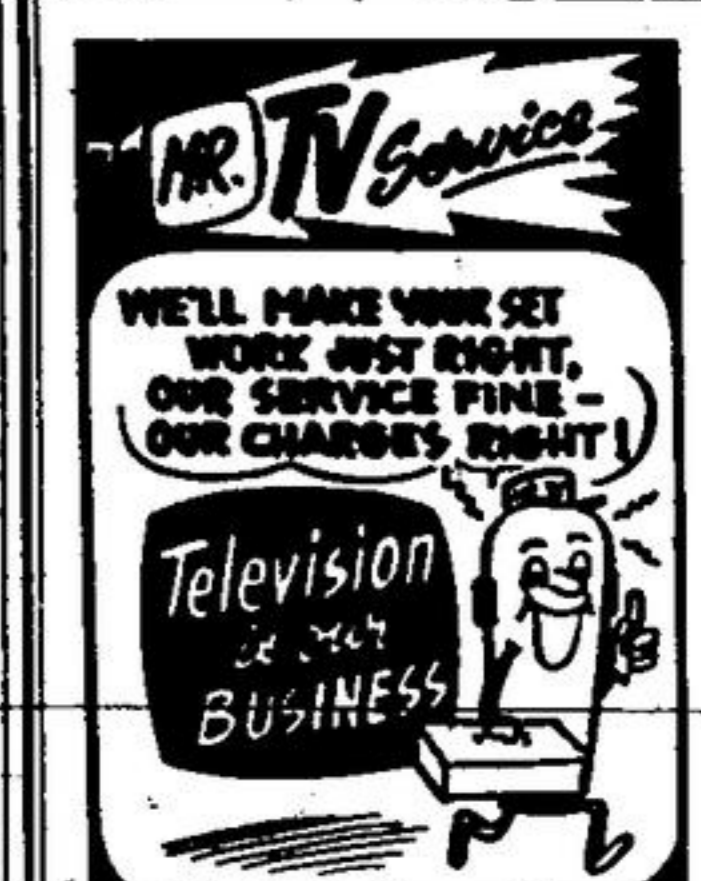
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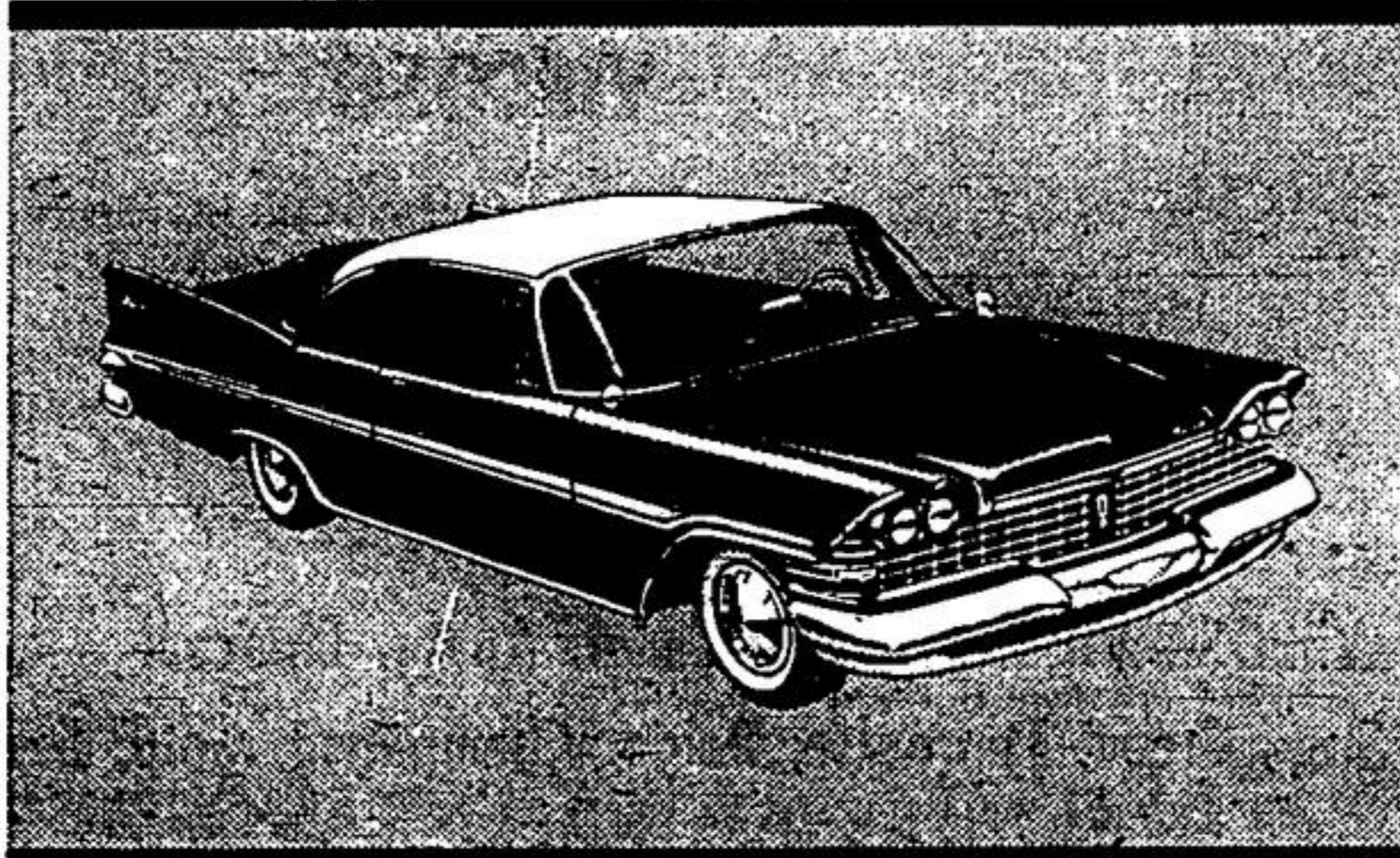
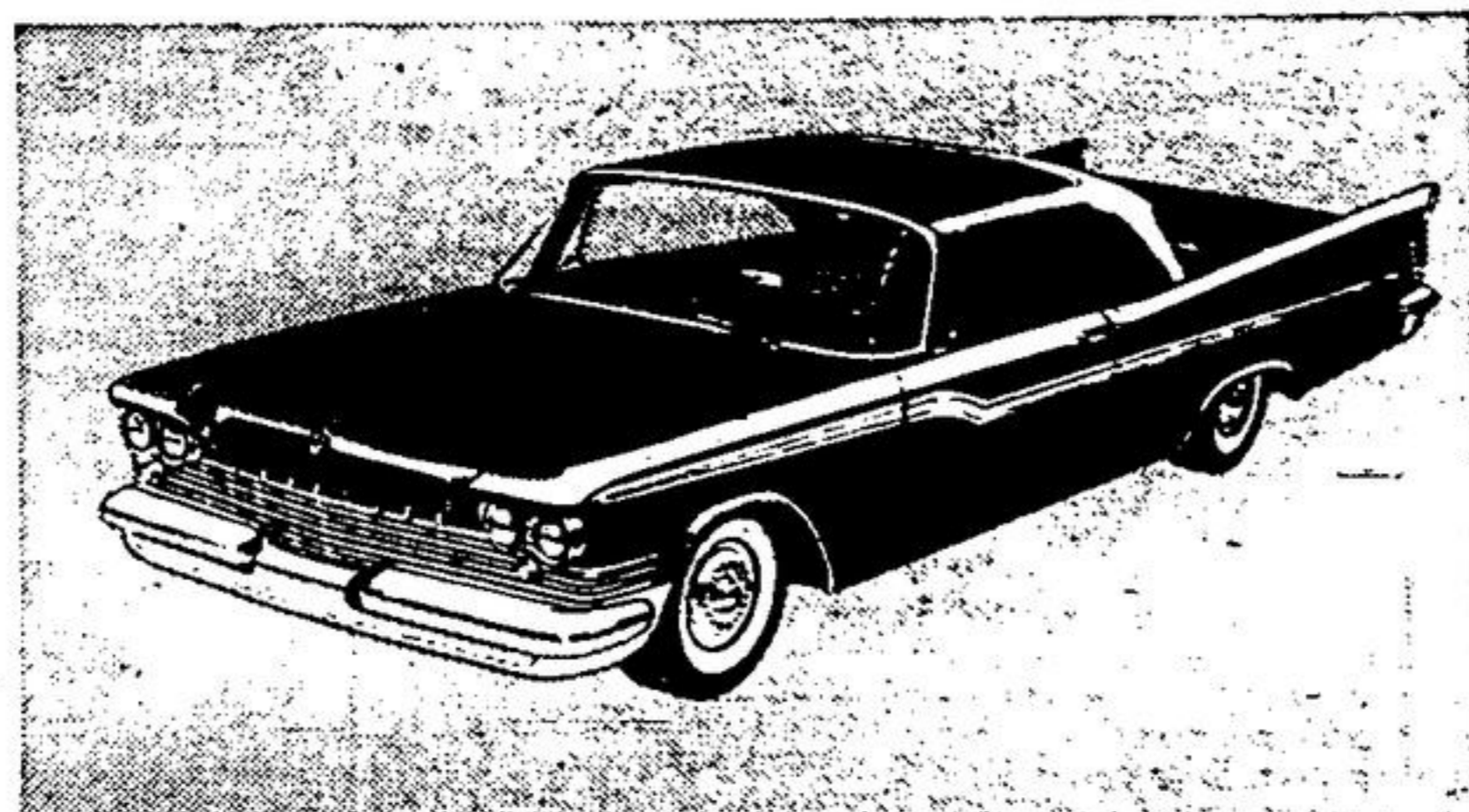
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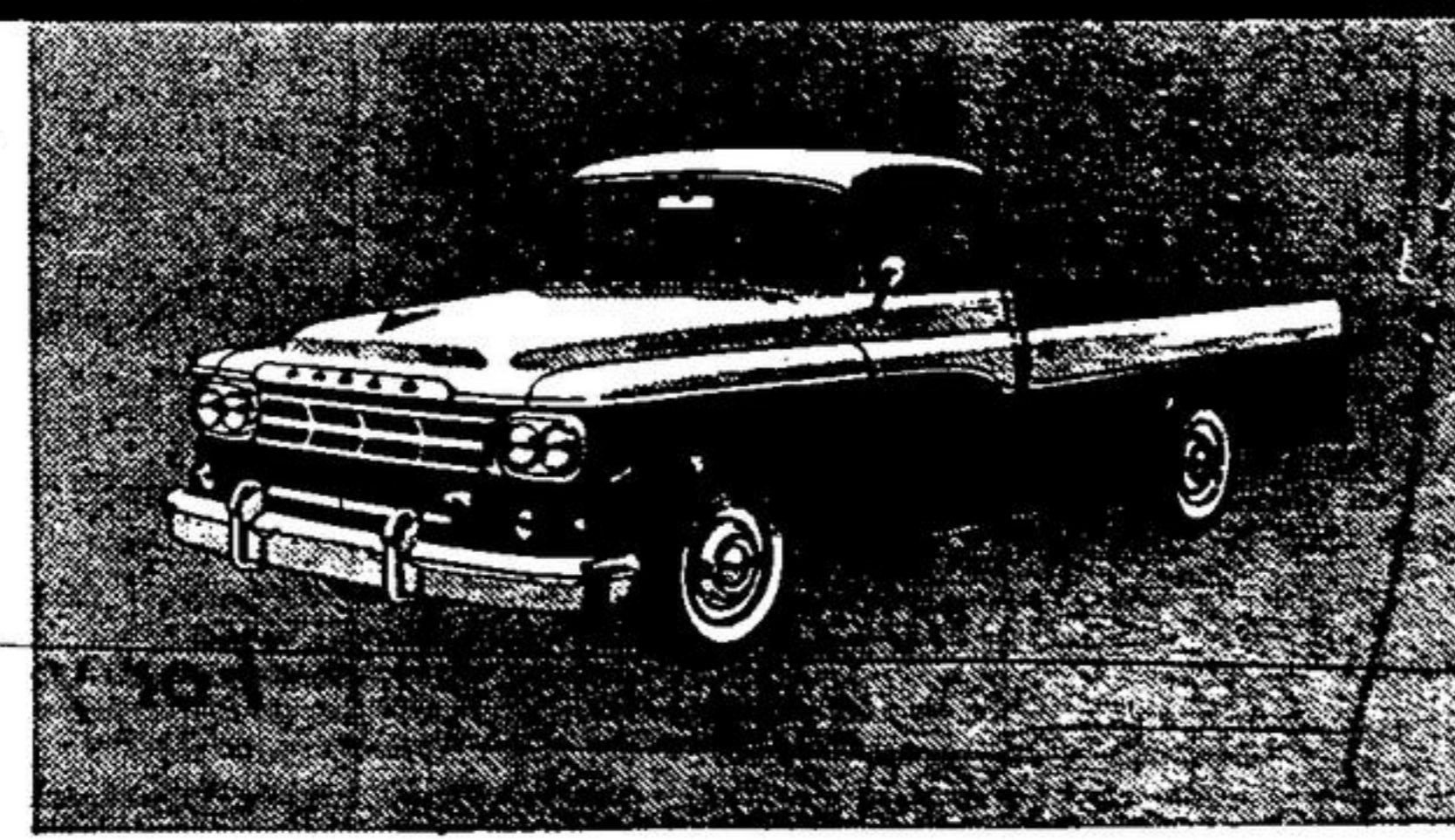
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