

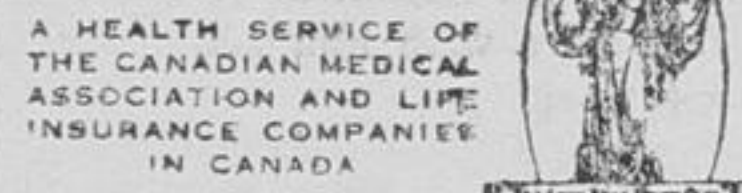
**NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR THE BUSY FARMER**

**Selection of Eggs for Hatching**  
The Department of Poultry Husbandry, O.A.C., Guelph, in Bulletin 279, "Farm Poultry," advise to "select eggs for size, shape and colour. In view of the weight standard for market eggs, it is wise to select eggs for hatching which are two ounces or better in weight. It is well to keep in mind that two-ounce pullet eggs are equal to a somewhat heavier egg from the same bird as a hen. Continuous selection, year after year, will give results. Do not select dirty eggs or handle eggs with soiled hands. The egg shell is porous, hence there is a possibility of contamination."  
"Eggs deteriorate in hatching quality with age. When holding eggs for hatching, keep them in a cool place at about fifty to sixty degrees Fahrenheit. The temperature should be uniform. Be sure that the place is clean and not musty. Eggs for hatching should be kept not longer than ten days, and the sooner the eggs are set after being laid, the better the hatch is likely to be."

**Conservation Committees**  
There has been a conservation committee appointed by many of the county councils this year. One of the first questions asked is what activities should and will the committee sponsor? Naturally they wish to accomplish something tangible, and this often leads to a planting scheme. Planting is necessary and all work along this line is to be commended. Is planting the most important and is it not over-emphasized when compared to other activities that a conservation committee might carry on?  
Is not the conservation of the remaining woodland the most important consideration? Most people realize that planting would not be necessary to-day if 10 acres of woods had been left on every 100-200 acre farm and all the sub-marginal land left in timber rather than clearing for agricultural crops and allowing

fire to run through cut-over lands. How can we encourage farmers to take measures to preserve the woodland that remains on their farms. If a farmer considers the woodland an asset, he will preserve it. A woodland that pays dividends is more liable to be preserved than one that doesn't. Much larger returns will be received over a period of years by following forestry principles in the management than in carrying on the common practices of clear-cutting young growth, allowing trees to decay, cutting all valuable species and leaving weed trees to seed up the woods. Farmers will plant trees more readily if their neighbor is making money from his woods.  
All woodland should have small trees coming on ready to take the place of the large trees that are cut. This reproduction may be secured naturally, that is from the seed that falls from the large trees and the farmer does not have to make a cash outlay. It is a guarantee that there will be a woodland there 50 - 75 years hence. The natural reproduction is interfered with and in many woodlots eliminated by the grazing of livestock. More reforestation could be secured in a few years from natural reproduction if all woodlots had the stock shut out than will by planting in the next fifty years.  
The main activity of a conservation committee should be education, and the following phases should be emphasized:  
1. The value of woodlots to the farmer, community and province.  
2. Forestry principles that may economically be practised in woodland on Southern Ontario woodlots.  
3. The necessity and the technique of establishing plantations and windbreaks. Municipalities should take the lead in planting, as they can wait the 50-75 years that it takes trees to grow to merchantable size.  
**Planting On The Farm**  
Woodland on the farm is considered an asset by most farmers. The owner of a 10-15 acre woodland is independent in regard to fuelwood and lumber for repairs and minor building around the farm. An agricultural district will grow better crops and living conditions are improved if 10-15 per cent. of the area is in woodland. It is a windbreak for the crops in winter and summer and helps to control floods by holding back and reducing the surface runoff. Woodland acts as a reservoir that tends to keep a regular supply of water in the wells and springs.  
The area in woodland should be increased in many districts and most farms would be better if some planting was done. Each farmer should carefully survey his farm, and decide on the locations that should be planted.  
Very little planting is necessary or will be successful in a woodland that has not been pastured for years, as nature has attended to the starting of a new crop of trees. Planted trees would be crowded out by the vigorous trees that have started from seed. Trees may be planted in a corner that has not seeded up or an evergreen windbreak may be needed on the north and west sides of the woods.  
Planting will be successful in an open pastured woodland. The planting will speed up the restocking, and it gives the owner an opportunity to introduce valuable species such as pine, spruce, walnut, oak and white ash. White spruce, white pine and sugar maple will grow under the shade of light foliaged trees such as poplar and paper birch. The trees in the pastured woods and underplanting under poplar do not require the 6 foot spacing that is recommended for open land planting as there will be natural reproduction starting if the stock are kept out.  
There are areas on many farms that would be better growing trees. It may be a steep hillside that is difficult to work, or that is eroding. Sandy and gravelly soils are often a liability if they are not growing trees. There are small irregular fields that are cut off by a creek, road or railroad.  
There are odd corners around the farm buildings that are not and never will be utilized. These corners if planted would improve the appearance of the farm, keep down weeds and be growing something of value.  
Landowners in Ontario may secure free small trees for planting windbreaks, plantations and restocking woodlots. Application forms and descriptive literature may be secured by applying to The Forestry Branch, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, tree nurseries at St. Williams, Midhurst and Orono, or the county agricultural offices.

**HEALTH**



**THE GULLET CRIPPLE**  
Picture a fine healthy baby girl of eighteen months in her high-chair by the kitchen table. Mother is in the cellar finishing up a heavy washing with small brother trying to be helpful. He takes a load of washing accessories to the kitchen out of mother's way, and puts them on the table. Baby reaches out gleefully for a cup he has placed within reach, takes a drink, and drops it in a fit of choking. Loud screams from baby and brother bring mother on the jump.  
In a flash mother realizes that baby has the cup in which she had the lye for washing. There must have been a few drops left in it.  
"Oh, well! Baby's mouth has been burned a bit but it will heal in a few days—things might have been worse."

Baby was apparently all right in a few days but did not seem very comfortable at meal time. Gradually the swallowing difficulty became worse until finally she could not even take water. One day about a month after the accident, baby arrived at the hospital. She was literally starving to death and was frantic with thirst. If she was to be saved, something must be done quickly. Sugar solution was injected into her veins and she was taken to the operating room for an examination of her gullet. Under the anaesthetic (for the baby must be motionless and the rigid tubes used for the work hurt) it was discovered that the gullet was almost completely closed. After a long search, a tiny opening that would admit a very fine probe (or bougie) was discovered. Larger and larger instruments were passed until one the size of a quill had passed through the tight place into the stomach. Next day, baby could swallow milk again. The poor mother sees this and is overjoyed, but her joy is turned to sadness when she hears what is in store for her baby.  
When lye is swallowed it is caught and held about a third of the way down the gullet. Here it burns the inside wall, producing a circular ulcer. The ulcer heals and becomes a scar but the scar contracts and closes the gullet.  
"But why all the grief? Hasn't the tight place been opened up?" Unfortunately it won't stay open. The scar quickly contracts again and must be stretched many many times until it loses its power of contraction. The baby will require bougie treatment every week for months and at ever increasing intervals for years and years. Her food must always be minced and her feeding supervised. Food often becomes stuck, requiring emergency treatment. Imagine the time and money consumed to help this little cripple through life.

But is this sort of accident very common? Three or four new cripples are admitted every year to the Children's Hospital in Toronto alone. Of all the accidents incidental to the growing child it is difficult to think of one more horrible in its crippling effect, or more easily avoided.  
Questions concerning Health, addressed to the Canadian Medical Association, 184 College Street, Toronto, will be answered personally by letter.

**WEDDING**

**MacTAGGART - IRWIN**  
Nobleton United Church was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday March 6th, when matrimonial vows were taken by Ada Ethelle Muriel, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Irwin, and Forest Merwin, son of Mrs. Wm. MacTaggart and the late Wm. MacTaggart. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white satin gown, with white gardenias. She carried Ophelia roses and orange blossoms and her veil was carried by little Shirley MacTaggart, niece of the groom. Bridesmaids were Miss Muriel Hostrower, of Malton, and Miss Gladys Irwin, sister of the bride. Mr. Ferguson MacTaggart was best man, and Messrs. Heber and Murray Irwin, brothers of the bride, were ushers. Wedding music was played by Miss Stella Hill of Nobleton and Mrs. Russell Snider of Nobleton sang "Oh Promise Me" during the signing of the register. Following a reception at the bride's home the happy couple left for a trip to Western Ontario. They will reside at R.R. 2, Lloyd-town.

The "dustbowl" is again sending out scores of wind and dirt. Always something to remind us of the last

**NEWTONBROOK**

The Sunday School of the United Church will hold a "Bazaar" in the Sunday School hall next Saturday afternoon, April 3rd. Everyone is asked to come and assist by your presence and are asked to make some contribution. Luncheon will be served at 10 cents. The proceeds will go to a fund to decorate the S. S. Hall.

The Woman's Association of the United Church will meet for an "April Fool's Party" on Thursday p.m. at the home of Mrs. A. W. Stephenson.

The Boy Scout Troop with their teacher, Mr. K. Freeman, attended the Good Friday union service at 11 a.m. and in the p.m. went for a long hike.

The Easter Communion service will be held in the United Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. There will also be a reception service for new members.

The Good Friday morning union

service was well attended and enjoyed by all. This is a fine occasion for all to get together.

There was a splendid turn out at the United Church Sunday School last Sunday morning. Little Jack Cosburn gave a recitation and little Bobbie Connor sang "the Stranger of Galilee."

There was a very encouraging congregation in the United Church for the Easter morning service. The pastor's subject was "The Empty Tomb." The choir sang two Easter anthems.

Mrs. Newman who is in the Weston Hospital spent Easter at her home with her family on Connaught Ave.

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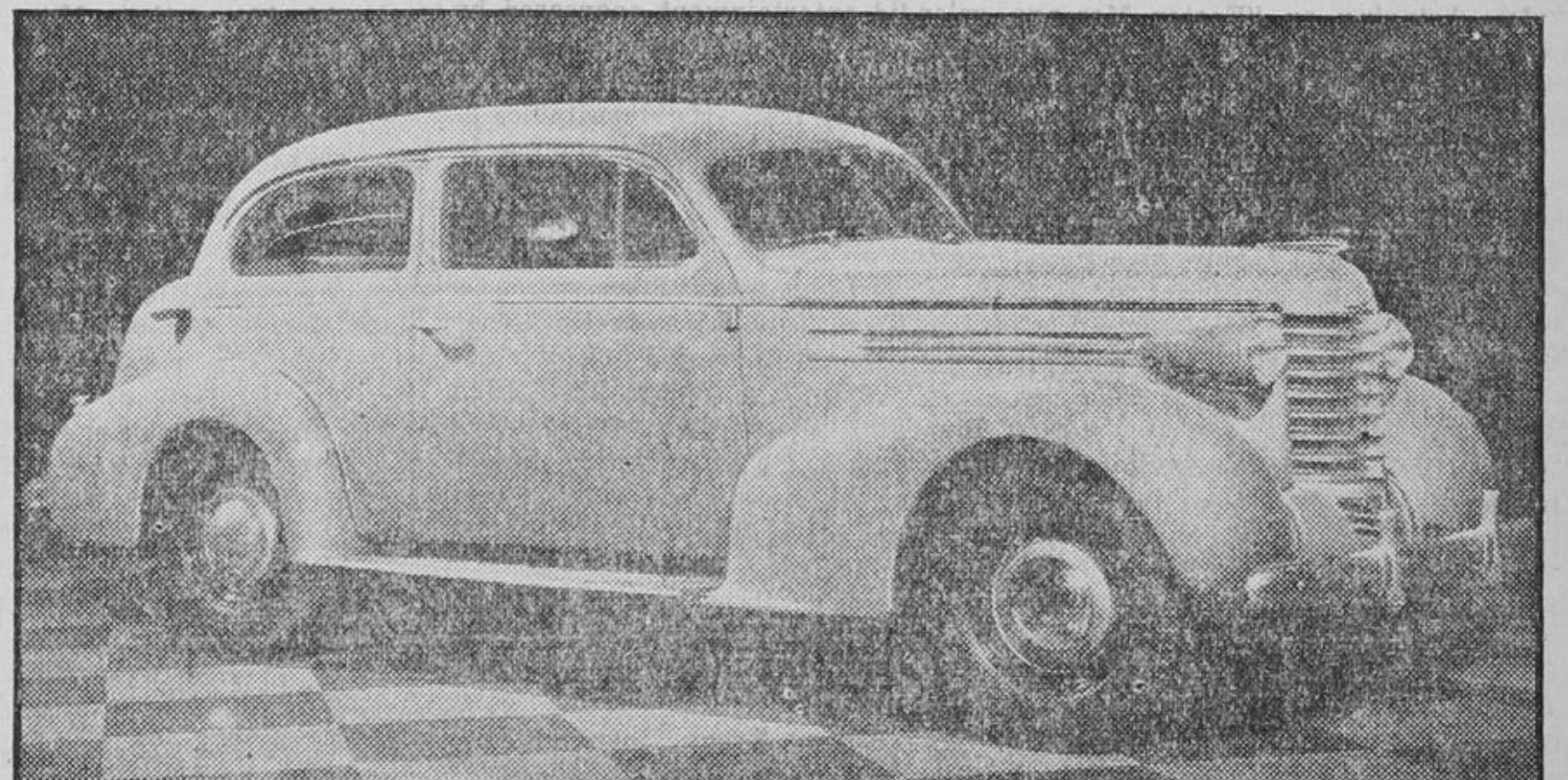
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**Silent Barriers—Canadian Epic**



Stanley Baldwin in London, England, recently, and its Canadian premiere in Montreal. The picture, which will be shown in theatres across Canada in the near future, is based on Alan Sullivan's book, "The Great Divide", and recalls the tremendous struggle waged against Nature by the giants of pioneer railroading in Canada. The picture was made in the Canadian Rockies last summer. This Caumont British production includes such stars as Richard Arlen, Barry MacKay, Antoinette Cellier, Lilli Palmer, and J. Farrell MacDonald, who relive the lives of pioneers who didn't know the meaning of the word "quit". The layout shows a scene from the picture, the arrival of a train at Moodyville. Inset Lilli Palmer, one of the beautiful stars of the picture.

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