

# Traditional Passover Feast Begins Tonight

### Jews in Timmins, in Common With Jews All Over World, Begin Eight-Day Celebration Tonight, Commemorating Exodus of Israelites From Thralldom in Egypt Under Leadership of Moses, 3,000 Years Ago. Special Services in Synagogue.

This evening at sundown Jews in Timmins in common with sixteen million Jews all over the world, begin the eight-day festival of the Passover commemorating the Exodus of the Israelites from thralldom in Egypt, under the leadership of Moses some 3,000 years ago.

The observance this year takes on a special significance inasmuch as the Exodus signifies release from slavery under the Pharaohs—and thousands of Jews in Germany and Poland are undergoing more veiled oppression to-day under a more merciless modern Pharaoh.

Though the Passover begins on April 23, the Jew considers that the day ends and begins at sundown not midnight so the giving of the Serder, the Passover supper, will take place tonight in thousands of Jewish homes.

The supper is flued with symbolism. When the Israelites departed from Egypt they took with them unleavened dough which they baked under the sun. Consequently, Matzo, made from dough bearing no trace of yeast, salt or other "leaven" or agent of fermentation, is symbolic of the Exodus. First custom before the Serder is the removing of the Chometz, in which the head of the house, with a candle and small brush made of newly-plucked feathers, removes all traces of leavened bread from the Matzo.

Reciting a prayer of thanksgiving, the Jewish mother plays her part in the ceremony by lighting the candles which usher in the feast of the Passover.

At the Passover table each person has a copy of the Haggadah, the story of the Exodus, so that he may follow the story and relive the troubles through which the Israelites lived while advancing from Egyptian slavery to freedom.

The Kiddush is the first ceremonial act at the Serder table. In this the head of the house recites a traditional prayer of thanksgiving, blesses and tastes the first cup of wine.

Then does the Rabbi break the centre of the three Matzo cakes; a piece of the centre cake is hidden and a prize awarded the finder. In the centre of the table is an unbroken lamb bone, reminder of the lamb offered as sacrifice at the first Passover; an egg, symbolic of the rebirth of freedom; parsley, emblematic of springtime; the Charoseth, a mixture of almonds, apples and cinnamon, indicating the mortar with which the Israelites laid bricks while slaves in Egypt, and the horseradish or bitter herbs, reminding those who eat it of the bitter trials suffered by the Chosen People while under bondage. Each person is given a piece of Matzo on which is placed Charoseth and a bit of horseradish, who eats it after blessing has been said.

It is the duty of the youngest member of the household to ask four traditional questions, the first of which is: "What is the difference between this night and all other nights?" The four answers are as follows: "On all other nights we eat leavened or unleavened bread; on this night only unleavened. On all other nights we eat various herbs; on this night only bitter herbs. On all other nights we eat our meat roasted, boiled or stewed; on this night only roasted. On all other nights we dip the parsley with which the meal begins, into salt only once; on this night twice."

During one stage of the ceremony the door is opened and an invitation extended to all those who are hungry is intoned. Opening of the door is symbolic of the hope that among those who enter will be the prophet Elijah, for whom a cup of wine has been filled. It is a custom among Jews to make certain that no one of the Jews in their community goes hungry at the Passover.

Hands are washed at table after the reading of the first part of the Haggadah. This is symbolic of the luxuries which were denied the Israelites during the period of their privation.

Then begins the actual feast. Special services will be held in the Timmins synagogue throughout the Passover season. Service will be held tomorrow evening and again on Wednesday.

## Counterfeit Quarters Reported at Kirkland

Word from Kirkland Lake last week was to the effect that merchants in that town had been victimized by having bogus twenty-five cent coins passed on them. One storekeeper in looking over his money found two such coins. Another found one. A third also didn't like all his "quarters."

The counterfeit coins are imitations of the 1937 and 1938 Canadian quarters. The coins give practically the same "ring" as a genuine coin, but the surface is slippery as if coated with a thin covering of oil. There have been recent reports of counterfeit five, ten and twenty-five cent coins being passed in Toronto, and it is thought at Kirkland Lake that the bogus coins are being brought from Toronto and distributed in Kirkland Lake and other Northern centres. So far, it is not thought that many of them have gotten into circulation. It might be a good idea for all Timmins to keep a special lookout for these bogus coins and if any of them show up here, notify the police at once.

## Prepare Schedule for Camp Lorrain for Summer Season

### United Church Established on Lake Temiskaming is Now Ten Years Old.

Activities of Camp Lorrain, the United Church establishment on Lake Temiskaming, are now arranged for the summer and the program is set out in a printed schedule for distribution to officials of the organization which is observing this year its tenth anniversary. Rev. W. A. Beecroft of the Halleybury United Church is the convener, Rev. Noble Hatton of Cobalt is secretary and the treasurer is Howard Harvey of New Liskeard.

The boys' camp will open on July 1st this year and will continue until the 10th, with Rev. Howard Bailey of Elk Lake in charge. This will be followed by the girls' camp, intermediate and provincial, from July 10th to 20th with Mrs. Ralph Ramsay of New Liskeard as registrar. The young people's camp, of which Rev. E. Gilmour Smith, formerly of Cobalt and now stationed at Timmins is president, will be held from July 28th to August 5th this year.

September 2nd to September 6th is the period for the Lorrain Fellowship to attend the camp. This is for ministers of the various congregations throughout the North Country and Rev. J. C. Cochrane, D.D., superintendent of missions, is the dean. Ministers who serve in aid receiving fields will be given special terms for the period.

Previous to the opening of the camp the Temiskaming Young People's Executive will spend a few days there, gathering on June 29th and remaining until July 1st. The establishment has been improved and enlarged as 12½ years have passed until now there is bungalow and cabin accommodation for one hundred people. The cost varies from \$6 to \$8.50 for each camp period and every year there are hundreds of church people, old and young, who derive great pleasure from a visit to the beautiful location, on the shore of the lake some 15 miles from Halleybury. A good motor road leads to the camp, and there is a well sheltered harbor for boats.

## T. & N. O. to be Chief Customer for New Northern Lignite

### Engine Being Equipped for Use of This Fuel, Says Industrial Commissioner.

Mr. W. G. Nixon, the new Industrial Commissioner for the T. & N. O. Railway, is quoted as saying that at least at first the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway will be the chief customer for the lignite to be developed north of Cochrane. A T. & N. O. engine will be equipped to burn the lignite and in this way a thorough test made of the fuel. Some interesting information in this regard was given last week in The New Liskeard Speaker when Mr. Nixon was interviewed by that paper. The New Liskeard Speaker, says:

"Chatting with W. G. Nixon the other morning on his return from Toronto following his appointment as Industrial Commissioner for the T. & N. O. Railway, we were given a word picture of just what the railway and Government hope to accomplish in the development of the vast lignite deposits in the Onakawana field. Mr. Nixon said he was leaving the first of the week to get some first hand information on the section that he has taken under his wing and by the time this issue of The Speaker reaches its readers Bill is probably plodding through the snow banks and over frozen streams somewhere north of Fraserdale. According to the newly appointed Industrial Commissioner there have been some 4,000,000 tons of lignite blocked out, which is covered by overburden of an approximate depth of fifty feet. The lignite can be burned without further treatment and is rated at over 5,000 B.T.U.s per pound against 13,000 to 14,000 of the average coal burned in the north, which on a first glance shows that it will give a little more than one-third the heat derived from the same quantity of coal. Mr. Nixon said it was the intention of the authorities to equip one of the T. & N. O. engines to burn lignite, which would probably be mixed with soft coal and that the T. & N. O. Railway would in all probability be the major consumer of the newly mined product, but if it was found that it could be handled profitably other outlets would be sought. Ontario lignite differs from that to be found in other sections of Canada, United States and Germany. In Germany, where the lignite was tested, it was found that it differed in that German lignite is made into briquettes, the binding material being a part of the lignite. The Ontario lignite lacks a "binder." In comparison with other lignites, particularly that in Saskatchewan and in the Dakotas, Ontario lignite contains quite a bit more moisture, rating about fifty per cent, although there are instances where lig-

nite is successfully used containing more than 60 per cent moisture. Northern Ontario will watch with interest the progress made in the development of the deposits north of Cochrane."

## Lost Opportunity to Sell Her Photograph for \$265

Miss Annie Rosynd, of 96 Wilson avenue lost the opportunity on Thursday evening at the regular weekly Photo-nite at the Palace Theatre, of selling her photograph to the management for the amount of \$265. Due to the fact that she was not present at the theatre, the offer became void, and therefore makes the offer of the Photo-nite for this week \$260.

Miss Rosynd's number was 10761, and was chosen by Cass Onica.

Sudbury Star:—Even without the Olympic games, a sensational new mark in the broad jump is looked for, as soon as Il Duce decides which is the winning side.

## Twenty Years Ago

From The Porcupine Advance Files

In The Advance twenty years ago there was a lengthy report of the regular meeting of the Timmins town council. One of the chief items before the meeting was the matter of bush fire menace around the town. The council made it plain that they looked to the government to have this danger to the town removed. Mayor McInnis urged the necessity for keeping at the government until the dangerous bush section around the town was removed. The council also had a petition, signed by practically all the residents of Rochester township, asking to be annexed to the town. The mayor suggested that it might be a good thing to have a petition also from Moneta so that the two townships might be annexed at the same time. Councillor Longmore pointed out that several Moneta people had spoken to him about that township being annexed to the town and he had explained to them that the council could do nothing until there was a petition from the residents. J. T. Easton called the attention of the council to the fact that the Protestant cemetery was not laid out in sections and sub-sections. Several had been enquiring about the purchase of lots and there were also several bodies in the vault that would soon have to be buried. He advised that the town see about securing the burying ground, its proper survey, etc. Later, the Rev. Fr. Theriault also referred to the appeal being made to all the municipalities of the North for assistance to the hospital at Halleybury. This hospital since 1910 had given excellent hospital service to the North and all would agree, he thought, that all the towns of the North would consider it a calamity if lack of finances made it necessary to close this good institution. One of the biggest burdens the institution had to carry was the bad debts. There were patients from all over the North Land and some of them could not pay and others neglected. Patients from Timmins totalled about \$1400 in this way. The council promised consideration though the mayor pointed out that the finances of the town had to be closely watched in the interests of the people.

Timmins Golf Club organized for 1920 season with the following officers duly elected: Patrons—Messrs. N. A. and L. H. Timmins, D. A. Dunlop, J. B. Holden, J. R. Timmins, and Dr. McDougall, these being the directors of the Hollinger Mine. President—A. F. Brigham; vice-president, J. W. Fogg; secretary-treasurer, J. P. Tallon; executive, Messrs. W. J. Johnston, H. C. McDonald, H. C. Garner and R. Lilly; captain, D. Mackie; vice-captain, H. C. McDonald. The annual meeting was very largely attended and there was much enthusiasm. The club had a paid-up membership of thirty at the time.

On Friday evening, April 9th, the Goldfields Branch G.W.V.A., Timmins, commemorated the battle of Vimy Ridge by a Vimy dance. The event was a very pleasant one, with about 100 couples present. The orchestra, including Mrs. Faithful at the piano, Mr. Deeming on the violin, and "Lefty" Farr at the drums, presented a fine program of good dance music.

"Within the course of a week or two," said The Advance of April 14th, 1920, "the Dominion Bank will have a branch office in Timmins, temporary quarters to be used first in the small building on Pine street now utilized as an office by the Pierce Lumber Co. It is understood that the bank intends to build permanent quarters at an early date. Mr. Grant, recently accountant of the Dominion Bank, at Orillia, will be the first manager of the new branch here."

Miss Ivy Ludford, while walking on the tracks at Porquus Junction twenty years ago, was struck by a shunting engine and sustained a fractured leg, an injured collar bone, scalp wounds and bruises on the head and face as a result. The girl was twelve years old at the time and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ludford, residing at Porquus Junction. A trainman who was riding on the cow-catcher of the engine made frantic effort to save her life. Though he threw her from the track he was not able to get her out of reach of the front of the engine. She was taken to the Iroquois Falls hospital where she was reported from the time of her entry to be making good progress to recovery.

At the regular meeting of the Timmins branch of the G.W.V.A. twenty years ago the question of securing club house quarters here for the veterans was again before the meeting. The meeting was enthusiastic for the securing of a club house and the matter of details was left in the hands of a committee of three.

## Expect to Have Forty Forestry Men Out by May 1

### Key Men Will Go Into Bush Next Week. Forestry Officials Ask Care in Use Fire.

Key men among the forty or more forest rangers who will patrol the district of Timmins this summer on the watch for fires, will be sent out this week, John L. Regan, Assistant Forester, Crown Timber Office, said today. Mr. Regan said, also, that the full staff of rangers will be on duty by May 1.

Asked if he thought fire hazard this year would be great, Mr. Regan said that it was possible that it would, as there have been two wet seasons in the past two years. There has been little rain this spring, he pointed out, but added that it was quite possible that there may be enough rainfall to wet down the bush. If it did come at this time, said Mr. Regan, so much the better so far as fire hazard was concerned. There are four headquarter stations in the large Timmins district which includes close to sixty townships. They are at Wawatin Falls, Connaught, Kamiscotia and Timmins. Throughout

the summer season men will be stationed on eight-hour shifts in towers spotted throughout the district. They will keep a constant vigil for fire.

P. O'Gorman, Cochrane, is Chief Forester for the district. Mr. Regan, stationed in Timmins, is his assistant.

Standard equipment in the forestry division are canoes and all the paraphernalia connected with bush travel. In addition there are eight gasoline pumps, each of which can throw water at a rate of approximately fifty gallons a minute. These pumps are so built that they can be carried through the bush by two men.

Fire hazard in the immediate vicinity of Timmins is not thought to be great. Slash and scrub brush around the town has been well cleared away. Forestry officials point out that it is the human element which is responsible for most forest fires. A camper's or a motorist's carelessness with matches and cigarette stubs and camp fires can cause damage running into the thousands of dollars. They make a plea that care and common sense be used with fire in the bush.

## Increase of One-Fifth in Dominion Income Tax

Income Tax Returns affecting the individual taxpayer are being submitted in large numbers to the Inspector of Income Tax, Jackson Building, Ottawa, and many taxpayers are failing to fill in and remit the increase of 20% over all other Dominion income taxes imposed. This increase was provided by legislation passed during the War Session of last September.

If taxpayers will refer to Item 17K (4) on page 1 of the Income Tax Forms they will see that this item is the total of Items 17K, 17K (2), 17K

(3) and that Item 17K (5) requires that 20% of 17K (4) be added to cover War Surtax.

Failure on the part of the taxpayer to remit the War Surtax necessitates the Department levying an assessment covering this tax, which will include interest at five per cent plus additional three per cent Penalty interest.

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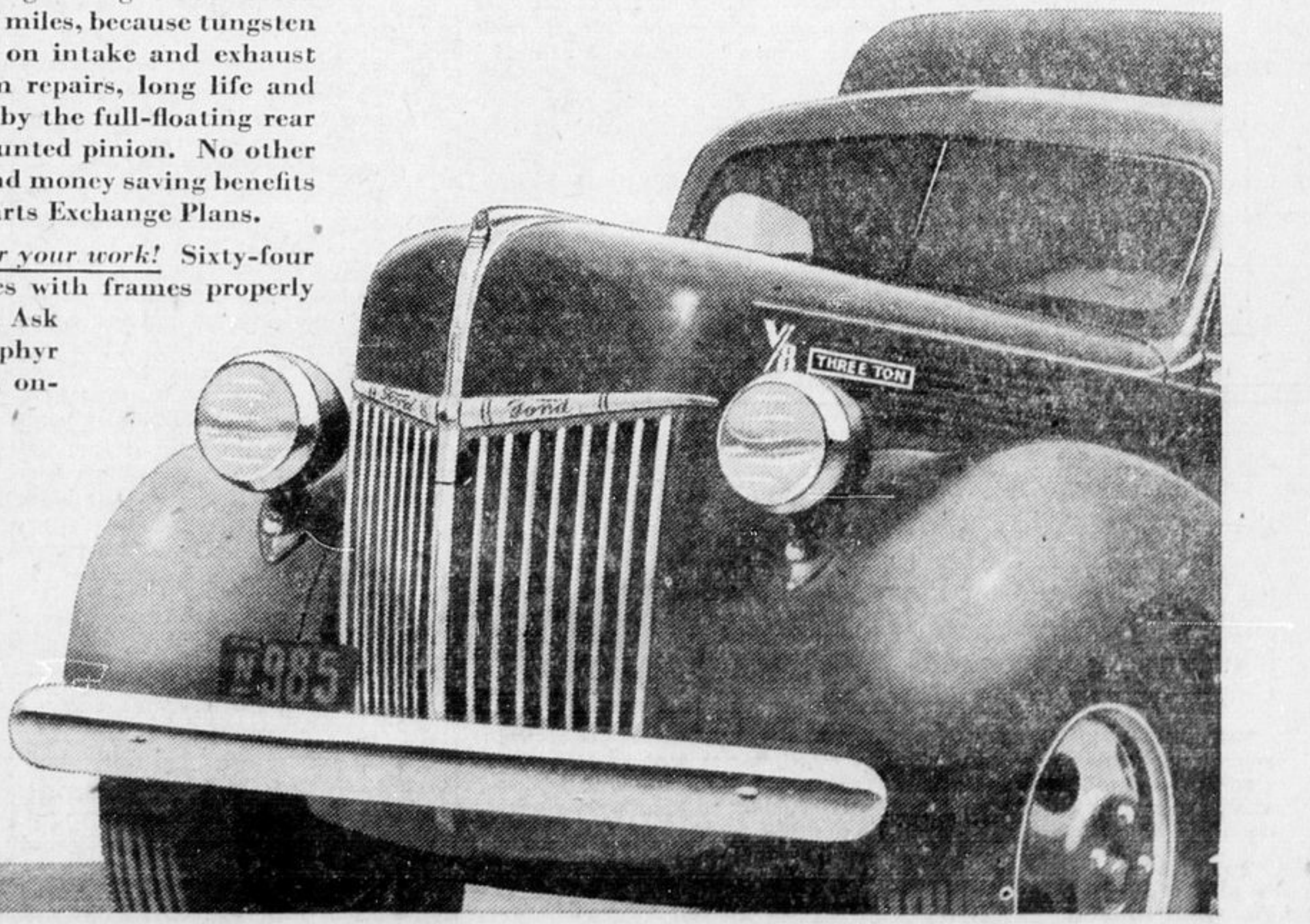
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