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**TORONTO-
Goodwood
FLASHES**

Mrs. L. LaFraugh is back in Toronto on a visit.

Pleased to know Mrs. Harry Woodland is well again.

Mrs. Fred Thompson and daughter were visitors at the Davey home on Sunday.

Victor Moore and son visited Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Brown over the weekend.

Our friend George Morganson is in very fine health and certainly enjoys the milder weather for his daily walks.

We hear our friend Mrs. Charles Lee is visiting at Musselman Lake. We hope the change will be a benefit to her health.

Several Stouffville families were in attendance at the Riverdale United Church anniversary last Sunday, where Rev. George Coulter, once Stouffville pastor, is the pastor.

Mrs. Ted Wagg has been enjoying a visit in Toronto, and on her next trip we hope she will get around to Stanton Ave.

Well, well, so Charlie Watson is sporting a nice new car. That is some of the gossip we picked up the other day.

We met Mrs. Herb Porter the other day (old Stouffville resident) and she sure is finding it a pleasure to live in Toronto judging by her pleasant manner.

Good News—On Saturday, April 15, our friend Sam Davis returned to his home north of Uxbridge after three weeks in the General Hospital. Now we hope our friend will improve each day. As the old song goes, there is no place like home.

We know everybody appreciated the fact that Bill Todd was on the job last Friday filling in the bad spots on the roads and rolling in

the muck so that it would dry quicker.

Now that Stouffville and North Toronto are playing in the same league we look forward to seeing some of those games, and are awaiting a schedule to be drawn up and printed in the paper.

Our friend Oswald Lee who is travelling for a large Monotype Machine Co., was in Peterborough last week on business. Oswald, in years gone by was with the Journal at Uxbridge.

We just learned that Alf Pugh was in the city recently for a further examination at the hospital here. He suffers a great deal of pain, but unfortunately little appears to be done for it. Sorry that we missed a phone call from Alf.

We enjoyed a lovely letter last week from Ileen Dixon in school section No. 9, Uxbridge, on the 2nd con. It was delightful to read Ileen's letter, and we are going to have the pleasure of receiving word from other pupils too. Thank you, Ileen.

We saw a Stouffville man on the Danforth Saturday afternoon entering the flower shop which advertised in The Tribune their lovely cut flowers. Now say it doesn't pay to advertise.

As one person said to us, "that was a humdinger of a paper last week." Ten pages, and all printed right in Stouffville, yes, it was great and probably was the best ever issued from the plant. Well, we hear it is soon to be quite a regular feature, the ten pages full of local news.

From time to time we are asked for extra copies of The Tribune to be sent to friends in hospital or for some other reason. We always grant this request when papers are available, and will be pleased to send samples to any old friend. The Flash correspondent especially is anxious to send papers to friends confined to any hospital, coupled with a floral gift, so please let us know without fail.

April birthday greetings to: Charles Lee, Goodwood; Janette Hope, Goodwood; Ida Stafford, Goodwood; Mrs. Forsythe, Claremont; (before marriage Miss Edna Caster) Wm. Hackney, Goodwood; Margaret Miller, Roseville; Mrs. Arthur Story, Musselman Lake district; Mrs. Jack Todd, Goodwood; Mrs. Fred Johnson; Wilfred Hubbard, Goodwood; Harry Brown, Altona; Bessie Scott. Note—While some of the fair sex may now have changed

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their names, the above is as according to entry in our record book two years ago.

We learn that Mrs. Bert Sharpe, a member of the Pugh family, is bearing her share of trouble, and the numerous old friends in Uxbridge will sympathize with Mrs. Sharpe. During the winter she had more or less trouble with one of her hands, and was attended by a specialist. Just now she is hoping for the warm rays of the sun like a lot more people, because it has such great healing properties. Mrs. Sharpe's grandson Ronald Legge, six years old, ran a needle into his knee. It was located under the x-ray in the hospital, but physicians fear to remove it, because it might injure the knee joint. It is being allowed to remain in the leg in the hope that it may move to a safer part when it can be removed without so much danger of leaving the lad with a stiff knee.

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Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for April 30—"PAUL CROSSES INTO EUROPE"
Golden Text—After he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia.—Acts 16:10

The Lesson As A Whole

The entrance of Paul and his companions into Europe was an event that should ever be of deep interest to those of us who are descended from the various Occidental peoples whose pagan forefathers first heard the Gospel through the lips of the apostle to the Gentiles and those associated with him. It is quite possible and in fact probable that there had been isolated instances of Christian testimony in European lands, even in Rome itself, before Paul went to Philippi, for over twenty years had elapsed since Pentecost, and we know that Jewish traders, some of whom had doubtless become believers in Christ, traveled the highways of the world visiting all its great cities and lesser communities, and these would, without question, give the Gospel message to their friends in distant places. But Paul's entry into Macedonia was the true official beginning of Europe's evangelization, for while his message was invariably to the Jew first, his chief sphere of ministry was to the pagan world. His years of service in Asia had been used of God to the establishment of many churches in all the regions north and northwest of Palestine. The natural thing would be to cross over into contiguous European lands, spurred on by the desire to see further triumphs of the cross of Christ.

Verse by Verse

Acts 15:36 "Let us go again." Paul took the initiative in suggesting a second tour to Barnabas, but apparently he only had in mind revisiting the scenes of former labors. The unhappy difference of judgment between these two men of God concerning John Mark (vs. 37-39) led to a separation, and when Barnabas sailed away with his cousin to his old home and former scene of labor in Cyprus, Paul chose Silas (15:40, 27, 32) and left to carry out his purpose, commended by the church of Antioch unto the grace of God.

Chap. 16:4 "They delivered them the decrees for to keep." Paul and Silas visited the different churches in Syria, Cilicia, Phrygia, and Galatia, and everywhere they went they made known the decisions of the Jerusalem council. At Lystra young Timothy was added to their company.

Verse 5: "The churches established." One can well understand the help and encouragement the visits of these three men of God brought to the young converts constituting these early churches. They were built up in the faith, strengthened in testimony, and inquirers were led into the knowledge of Christ, and thus added to their numbers.

Verse 6 "Forbidden of the Holy Ghost." After these visits to churches already formed, they were ready to enter new fields. Asia, a proconsular province, was close at hand and seemed a likely sphere for service, but in some unmistakable manner the Holy Spirit made it clear to them that God would have them go elsewhere.

Verse 7 "The Spirit suffered them not." Bithynia was next suggested to their minds, but it was not yet the Lord's time for them to go there. According to the Revised Version, "the Spirit of Jesus" turned them aside.

Verse 8 "They . . . came down to Troas." Evidently perplexed and bewildered, they passed on to Troas, a thriving commercial city of Mysia, a port over against Macedonia on the Aegean Sea. It was here, we gather, that Luke, "the beloved physician," joined them, for from this time on we find the author of the Acts using the pronouns "we" and "us" (except when he tarried behind), showing that he was now a member of the missionary party.

Verse 9. "A man of Macedonia." The fact that Paul had to be directed by a vision would seem to indicate that there was something

troubling him and beclouding his sense of communion. Possibly he had not yet gotten over the perturbation of soul occasioned by the rift with his own fellow laborer. The Macedonian in the vision represented the multitudes of heathen in Europe whose deep need constituted the cry, "Come over . . . and help us."

Verse 10 "Assuredly gathering." Notice Luke's "we." Paul conferred with his companions. All were unanimous that the vision was the expression of the mind of God directing them to begin the great work of the evangelization of Macedonia.

Verse 11 "We came with a straight course." As soon as they were convinced that the Lord was leading them to this great forward step, they hesitated no longer, but sailed directly to Samothracia, an island port in the Aegean Sea, and then on to Neapolis, which was eight miles from Philippi, the Macedonian capital.

Verse 12 "Thence to Philippi." Brooking no delays, they pressed on to the capital, a Roman colony (or colonia), that is, a city governed directly from Rome and whose freeborn inhabitants were reckoned as Roman citizens. Upon arrival, however, several days seem to have elapsed ere they found anyone interested in their message.

Verse 13 "Where prayer was wont to be made." Evidently, there were not enough Jews in Philippi to maintain a synagogue, but they had a recognized prayer place by the river where ceremonial cleansings could be practiced. Thither went the little group of evangelists and found only a few women, to whom they preached the Gospel.

Verse 14 "Lydia . . . of Thyatira." Behold the wonder of sovereign grace! Thyatira was a city of Asia, that province which they had been forbidden to enter a little earlier. But God had an Asian woman in mind, one whom he knew to be ready for the message, and he brought them to Philippi to find her. Her heart responded to the truth, and so the first convert in Europe was an Asian woman!

Verse 15 "Come into my house." Lydia and her household (see v. 40) were all baptized, thus constituting a Christian assembly. Doubtless, she was a business woman with a large establishment; and in her home the traveling preachers found a dwelling place from which to go forth to carry the story of the cross to the people of that great city.

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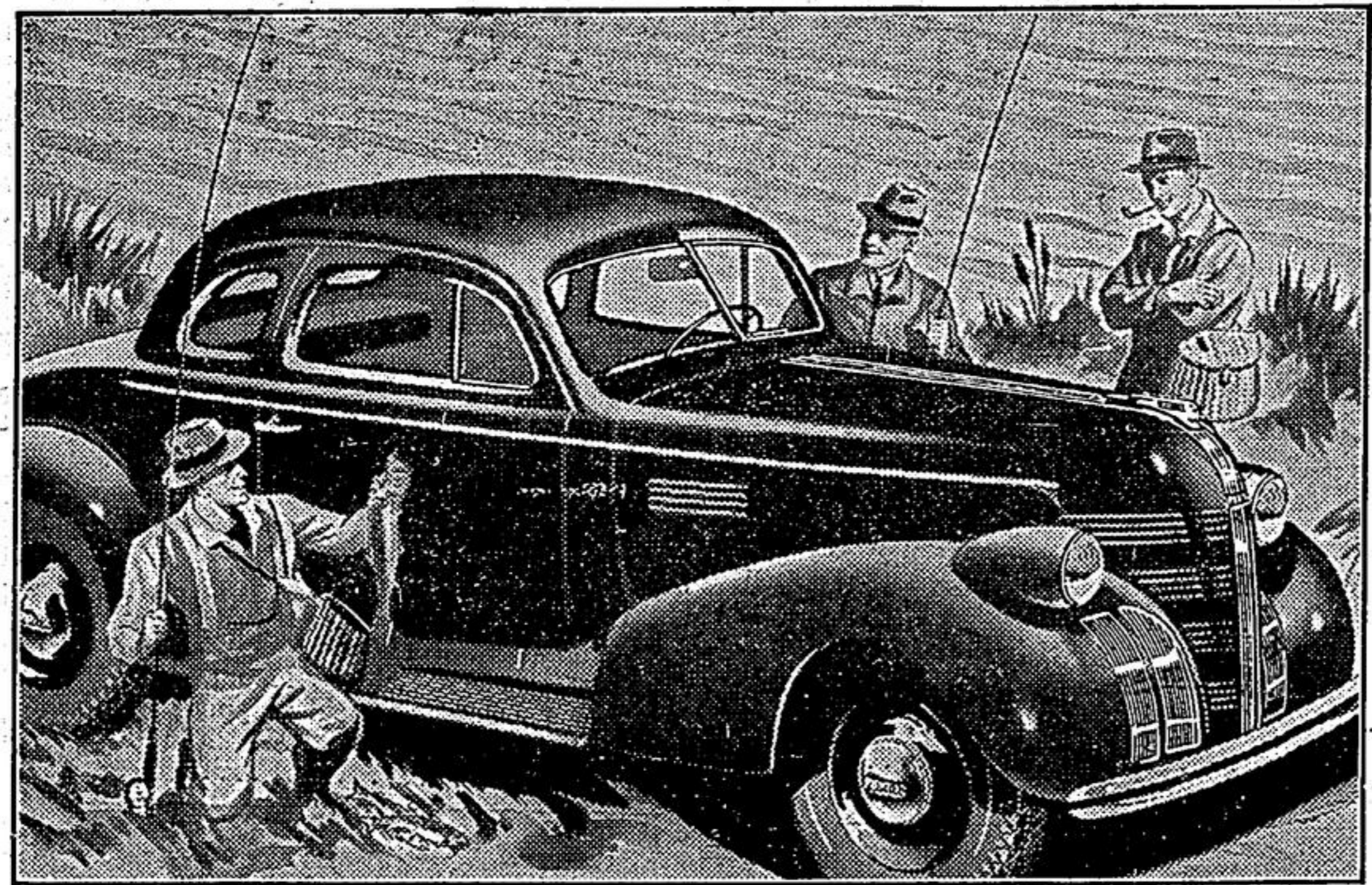
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