

**CANVEY ISLAND FLOOD VICTIMS ARRIVE TO TAKE UP NEW LIFE**



First Canvey Island flood victims to reach Canada under the dominion government flood-refugee scheme: Mrs. Frederick Pace, with her two children, Norma and Malcolm, are seen as they arrived in Quebec. They plan to start anew in Winnipeg. Their home on the Essex island was completely ruined by the floods.

**Fifteen Percent Rise in British Municipal Taxes**

By George Abell of Stouffville  
Don't think that the township, village, town or city where you live is the only place where taxes have gone up in the last few years. The story is just the same on this side of the water and the last month has produced a lot of unpleasant surprises for property owners when the tax demand envelope arrives. There are 1500 tax areas in England and at this time of year the new rate is set by each one and reported in the big papers. Almost without exception there has been a rise that averages 15 percent. The papers are full of letters from "Indignant Taxpayers" and "Disgusted Property Owner" giving their local council a blast and throwing up their hands in horror. But the odd letter writer seems to realize that everything costs more and that if the people insist on more and better services of every kind then more money has to be found and there is no use kick-

**UNITED CHURCH OVERSEAS WORK COSTING \$659,919**  
The United Church plans to spend \$659,919 in maintaining and extending its overseas work. Dr. D. H. Gallagher,

secretary of the church's overseas mission board, announced last week. Area allotments are: West Africa, \$88,000; Northern Rhodesia, \$15,000; Central India, \$195,000; Japan, \$147,000;

Korea, \$15,000; Trinidad, \$79,000; Hong Kong, China and Northern Rhodesia and three of the united missionary boards, \$8,300. The Women's Missionary Society has also appointed four new missionaries for overseas work.

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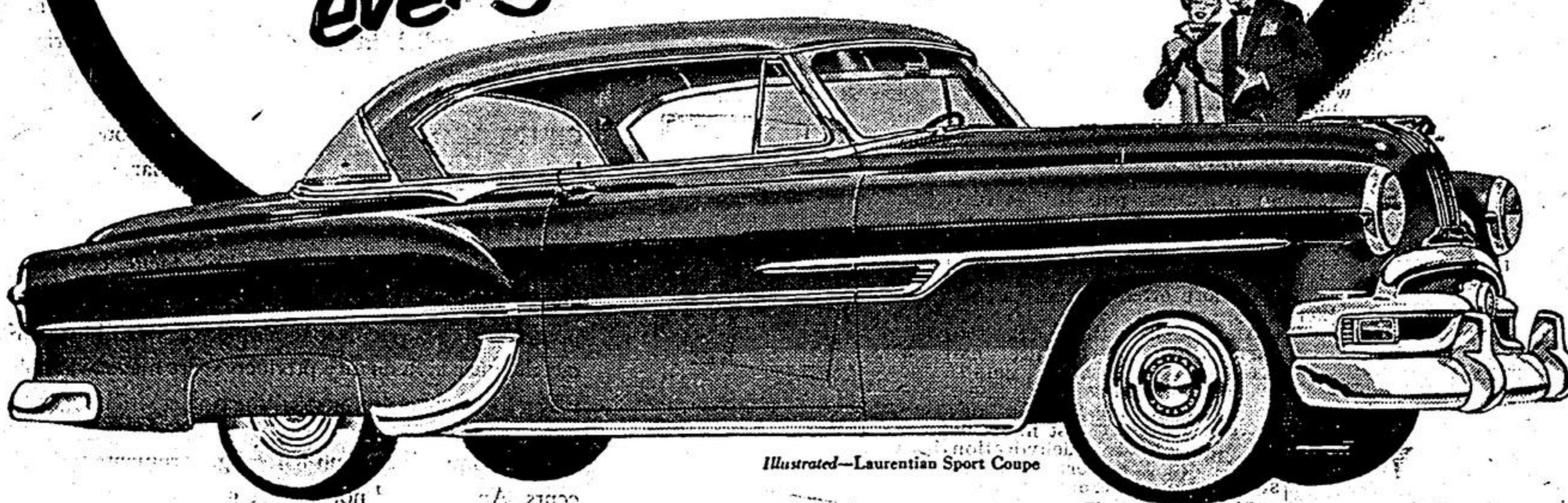


WARNER BROS. PRESENTS  
**DAY REAGAN** **LOVEJOY**  
Directed by LEWIS SEILER.

**1952 Calendar Year Canadian Passenger Car Registrations**

1st PLACE	Car A	ANOTHER GENERAL MOTORS VALUE (CHEVROLET)
2nd PLACE	PONTIAC	
3rd PLACE	Car C	
4th PLACE	Car D	

**PROOF POSITIVE of Pontiac's ever-growing popularity!**



Pontiac again gives dramatic proof of its ever-growing popularity! The passenger car registrations (obtained from sources subscribed to by the industry and considered to be reliable) show more Canadians chose Pontiac in 1952 than any other car produced by a competitive manufacturer. Pontiac easily won second place in the entire industry, with a marked lead. Back of this latest record-breaking story of Pontiac's constantly mounting popularity are the hard facts of Pontiac's all round superiority in beauty, value, performance and consistently advanced engineering features. Pontiac for 1953 offers you a choice of 29 different models in five great series—the Pathfinder, Path-

finder Deluxe, Laurentian, Chieftain Special and Chieftain Deluxe. Pontiac offers you the flashing power and amazing economy of two famous high-compression engines—the Pontiac "6" and "8". Both incorporate numerous refinements for 1953 and the "6" now delivers 115 horsepower with synchronous transmission and 118 horsepower with Powerglide or Hydra-Matic Automatic Transmissions. No other car offers a range of features that includes dramatic new Dual-Streak styling, new Wide-Horizon vision with one piece curved windshield, increased roominess, luxurious color-keyed interiors, handsome panorama view instrument panel, new crank operated ventipanes and rugged body by

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ing up a fuss. Contrary to general belief it is not the high salaries paid to local government employees that takes the money for the million people employed by the local authorities are among the lowest paid of any one, averaging just under twenty dollars a week. And strangely enough, it is not the huge low rent building developments with their snow-balling debentures. Most boroughs and counties are able to finance them without higher taxes this year. In every case the places with big tax jumps are naming two villains who are responsible. These are the young people and the very old. The young are villains because more than ever before are in the school age groups and that means all the things that you people are so familiar with just now, new schools, more teachers, expensive equipment, increased insurance and so on. What happened here was that the whole educational set up was thrown off balance a few years ago when the school leaving age was raised to 15. Couple this with the hordes of children born in the two or three years after the war who are now going into the schools and a kind of Frankenstein's monster has been created that has the authorities on the dead run. A new council (public) school for 250 children was opened near here last September. There are now over 400 children crammed in it and the boroughs concerned have had to plan an addition to hold another 200 which will no doubt prove to be inadequate by the time it is finished two years from now. If it were not for the many private schools where so many children are sent the situation would be very serious. The parents who pay for their children to be educated at them feel they should be exempt from paying any part of the education levy in their taxes but always get the same answer. You can guess what that answer is in this high priced age when every tax dollar is spent before it is collected. So much for the children, now just how do the old people figure in a property tax increase? Same reason as for children, all at once the percentage of people over 65 has taken a jump. People are living longer (for why? don't ask me) and the National Insurance pension of 32 shillings a week to men over 65 and women over 60 is not enough to enable the oldsters to live decently. As a consequence every place finds itself spending larger amounts for housing, medical care, home helps, etc., for the aged and these increased expenses are being

felt in all parts of the country. Twenty years from now it is calculated that those over 65 will be one in three of the population. What fun our dear old friends "Indignant Taxpayer" and "Disgusted Property Owner" will have then.

**County Farm Shows Profit of \$788.18**

The Ontario County Farm has finished 1952 with an operating profit of \$788.18. This was learned at Wednesday meeting of the Ontario County Council when Oscar H. Downey, superintendent of the farm, made his report for the year. Mr. Downey reported that receipts for the year had totalled \$9,499.17, which amount included \$3,776.59 from the sale of cattle alone. Expenditures for the year, he reported, totalled \$7,612.29. This, he pointed out, left a profit in the year's operation of \$1,887.18. From this amount he subtracted \$1,099, the decrease in the livestock inventory during the year. This left a net profit in the year of \$788.18. Councillors were told that this was the lowest net profit in a number of years, if farm showing profits of about \$4,000 in recent years.

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