

**Our Assurance of Eternal Life**

**ILLUSTRATED SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**

By Alfred J. Buescher

Scripture—Mark 16:1-7; John 11:25-27; John 14:1-2; I Corinthians 15.



When LAZARUS died, Jesus told his sister that he would rise again. Martha said, "Yes, in the resurrection," but Jesus answered, "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth on Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."



The night of the last supper, Jesus told His disciples that He was leaving them. "Let not your heart be troubled," He told them; "in My Father's house are many mansions. I go to prepare a place for you."—John 14:1-2.



Early on Easter morning, two Marys went to Christ's tomb. They found the stone was rolled away, the tomb empty, except for a young man dressed in white, who said, "Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth; He is risen."—Mark 16:5-6.



Paul reminds the Corinthians that many had seen the Risen Lord, "And last of all He was seen of me, also," referring to Christ's appearance to him on the road to Damascus.—I Corinthians 15:8. MEMORY VERSE—John 11:25-26.

**The Golden Text**



Easter morning.

"I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me, shall never die."—John 11:25-26.

**THE CROSS AND CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

The followers of Christ should bear His cross daily. Scripture: Matt. 21:1-11; Luke 9:23-24; John 20:26; 2 Cor. 5:14-19; Gal. 2:20-21; 6:14-17.

By Newman Campbell

The time is Sunday of Holy Week, and Jesus and His disciples are on their way to Jerusalem. "And when they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethpage, unto the Mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples: He told them to go to the village, where they would find an ass tied, and a colt. They were to loose and bring them to Him. If anyone objected to this, they were to say to him, 'The Lord hath need of them,' and they would be allowed to take the beasts."

Jesus had spent the evening before at the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus, knowing well that He would never be in that quiet, friendly household again, except in spirit. Too well He knew that in going to Jerusalem, His enemies there would find a way to end His life on earth. The disciples did as they were told and they threw their clothes on the ass and seated Jesus on her, "that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, and sitting upon an ass and a colt the foal of an ass."

princes, and some spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the trees as they were in the habit of doing at the feast of the tabernacles. All the multitude cried, "Hosanna to the Son of David; Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest." When they entered the city everyone was excited and asked, "Who is this?" and the multitude said, "This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee." All the children in the Sunday school will be greatly interested in this part of our lesson, picturing to themselves the scene as it is told. The remainder of the lesson may be a little difficult for them. Now we turn to John 12:20, the happenings of which are presumed to have taken place on the Tuesday following. In Jerusalem there were some Greeks among the worshippers of the feast, and they asked to see Jesus. They came to Philip with their request. Philip told Andrew and he told Jesus. Jesus said to them, "The hour is come that the Son of Man should be glorified. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit."

This too, should interest the children, who may have helped their parents put seed into the earth where in time tiny shoots of green would appear to grow and grow into fine plants producing flowers of all colors, or into vegetables or fruit. If the teacher could bring the happenings of which are possibly plant a seed, or have

**Drowns in Ice-Covered Creek, Mt. Joy**

Sidney Merchant, 2 1/2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Merchant on the Mount Joy sidewalk west of Markham, drowned on Friday when he fell through the ice on a creek near his home. The little lad was playing ball with his sister Anne, 5, when he ran out on the ice-covered creek. Anne ran into the house and called her

mother but the child had disappeared under the ice. His mittens, a toy gun and a rubber ball were lying close to the hole. Constables Donald Dukes and Bill Shearn of the Markham Twp. Police and the Markham Village fire brigade were summoned to the scene. Firemen

Lou Durant and Howard Jarick recovered the boy's body. They worked on the boy with an inhalator but could not revive him. Mr. and Mrs. Merchant have two surviving children, Anne 5 and Ricky 9 months. They reside on the former Samuel Ramer property.

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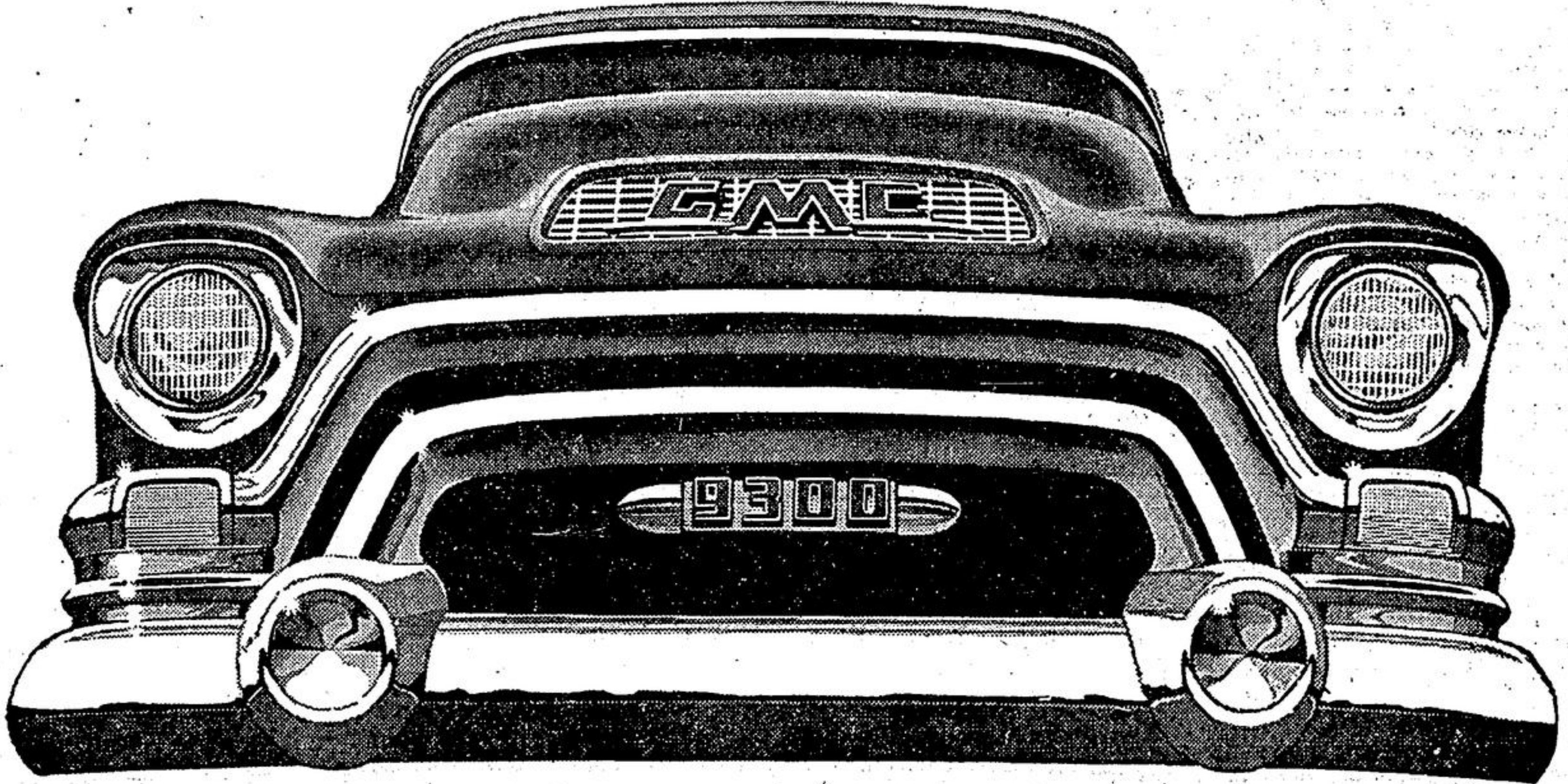
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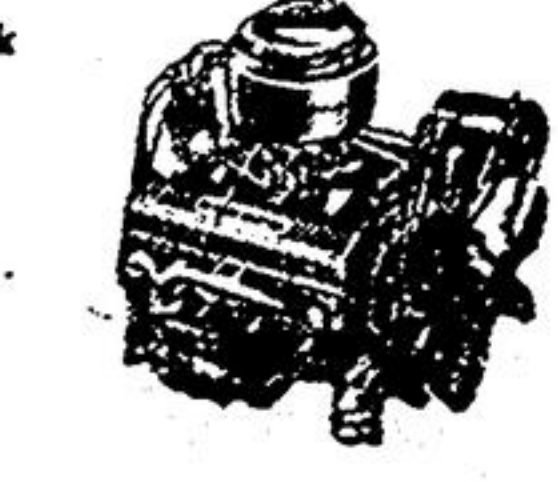
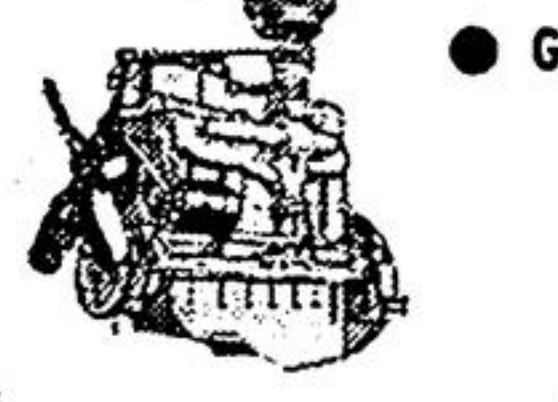
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**February Farm Forum Report - Ont. C'ty**

At the meeting of February 7, the topic for discussion was a public relations program. The question of "what farm people can do to improve relations with the public" arose. Contact between both groups through service clubs, press and radio would be a start. Some farmers felt that more space in the weekly papers would put the farmers' problems before the public. In order to be effective, it would have to be a two-way program. Another point of consideration concerned farmers being willing to increase membership fees to raise funds for publicity programmes. The majority said "yes" but all would like to see more results for what they are already paying. On February 14, the second meeting, the topic of Farm Marketing was debated. They decided that price supports should be kept at a level, with no surplus. However, they should not be too low, as to cause hardship. The forum felt that price supports protected the farmer from disastrous drops in prices. The farmers were divided in opinion as to the question of whether price supports should be higher than prices in export markets. The members could not arrive upon a decision about whether or not you can have effective price support without increasing trade barriers. The debate for the meeting of February 21 concerned the Farmer and the Urban worker.

One question arising from this discussion was: "What factors should be considered in deciding who is better off—the farmer or the urban worker. The fact of income, education, working conditions and household conveniences were argued. Taking these factors into consideration, the forum members thought that the farmers were in the better of the two positions. One member thought that the farmer should be compared with the small businessman, and the businessman's hired worker to the farmer's hired worker. Another argument was that living in the country is conducive to better health than the tense rush of the cities. It was suggested that the exchange of jobs would be one way to enable the farmer and businessman to get a more attractive viewpoint on each other's problems. One forum in the south have businessmen living around them and they find this beneficial in understanding each other's problems. Diseases of the heart and circulation, responsible for nearly 800,000 deaths yearly, are the nation's No. 1 health problem. A sign in the Everglades National Park in Florida warns would-be anglers that "fishing within one mile of Royal Palm Ranger Station is for the birds." The sign illustrates the point by a picture of a bird holding a fish in its mouth.

**Eleven Trucks Drawing Sewage In York County**

During the month of February and the last few weeks of March, plans for polio vaccination of grades 1 and 2 children have been prepared, and parents' signed "requests" for individual vaccination of their children in grades 1 or 2 have been obtained. Approximately 4,000 children are eligible for this limited vaccination, and the response from parents has been almost 100% indicating that they wish their children to be vaccinated. Inoculation will be in three doses, first and second dose a week apart and the third dose four weeks later. The first doses will be given in the week of 18 April, and during this period almost all other public health nursing activities in the County will come to a temporary standstill. A major sanitation problem is looming on the horizon of the County of York, and rural township Councils might well be prepared to deal with it as soon as possible. The rapid subdivision development in the semi-urban suburbs surrounding Toronto has included tremendous numbers of septic tank installations in suburbs just beyond the reach of municipal sewers. The necessity for periodic cleaning out of septic tanks has resulted in the development of a thriving trade of pumping and hauling septic tank contents, and the dumping of these domestic unsanitary wastes in rural areas. A health unit survey during the last few weeks reveals that there are seven operators of septic tank cleaning outfits using approximately 11 tank trucks capable of dumping at least 33,000 gallons of sewage per week in the County of York. About two-thirds of this amount of sewage is brought in from metropolitan suburban municipalities who apparently do not permit its disposal within their municipal boundaries. Safe and sanitary disposal of this sewage material is difficult, and rapidly leads to obnoxious unsightly waste land unsuitable for many common uses for many years in the future. The question might well arise as to the moral obligation of a municipality to accept such waste materials from other municipalities or the possible obligation of a municipality to adequately dispose of its own wastes within its own boundaries. In the meantime, the individual operators of the cleaning and dumping firms can expect to be required to meet much higher standards.

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