

ANNUAL
Missionary Convention
at the
Gormley United Missionary Church

— CONCLUDING SERVICES —

April 26th—Rev. Horace Braden, Ethiopia, S.I.M.
April 27th—Rev. Geo. Wepler, Africa Inland Mission and Jess Pike Trio.
SUNDAY, 10.00—Gormley, Rev. Wayne Brenneman.
12.00—Bethesda, Rev. Wayne Brenneman.
7.30—Gormley, Rev. Charles Hunsburger.

Special Singing and Pictures in These Services.

— EVERYONE WELCOME —

Rev. C. Hunking, Pastor.

PROCLAMATION
Daylight Saving Time

APR. 29, 1956 to SEPT. 30, 1956

Whereas the Village Council by resolution adopted on April 5, 1956, has authorized me to issue a proclamation requesting the citizens to observe a period of Daylight Saving Time for the current year, commencing at 2 o'clock a.m. Sunday, April 29th and to continue until 2 o'clock a.m. on Sunday, September 30th.

To carry out this request of the Village Council it will be necessary that all clocks and watches be advanced one hour at 2 o'clock a.m. on Sunday, April 29th.

Elmer R. Daniels, Reeve.

— GOD SAVE THE QUEEN —

DEPT. GIVES TIPS
ON PROPER
TREE HANDLING

As more than 25 million young trees go out in the next few weeks from Ontario Dept. of Lands and Forests nurseries for planting on Crown and private lands, the Division of Reforestation warns that improper handling of stock before and during planting is an important cause of failure in establishing plantations.

Nursery stock is packed carefully in crates or cartons and the roots covered with moist sphagnum moss. Most of this moss comes from the Parry Sound area where it is baled during the summer. Sphagnum moss is used because of its excellent water-holding capacity.

Usually, this method of packing protects trees in shipment by express to most parts of the province.

Trees should be picked up promptly from the express office, officials advise, and wet thoroughly. The sooner they're planted, the better. For a two or three day hold-over, they should be kept moist and stored in a cool, shady spot. If held over for longer periods, they should be heeled-in in moist soil.

For those setting out forest trees, a bulletin, "Planning for Tree Planting" is available from the Department on request. With every forest tree shipment is included a bulletin, "Care and Planting of Forest Trees," which gives detailed instructions.

Trees that are cultivated will have a better chance of survival and will grow faster in the earlier years, experts say. It is advisable to cultivate a deciduous or hardwood plantation, but usually evergreens can be established successfully without cultivation. Where there are relatively few trees, such as in a windbreak or small plantation, cultivating the evergreens is frequently advisable.

Small talk isn't really too irritating except when it's handled out in large quantities.

BIBLE COLLEGE
GRAD. EXERCISES

The Annual Graduation Exercises of Toronto Bible College on Friday, April 27, 1956, will terminate the Sixty-second Session of the College's teaching ministry in the heart of Toronto. The Arena of the University of Toronto again will be the location of this service of music and witness. Among those receiving diplomas and certificates will be Miss P. Jean Brown of Stouffville.

Principal E. L. Simmonds will conduct the exercises, and assist President Wm. Inrig in presentation of diplomas. Specially featured will be the award of the John McNicol Scholarships, to be presented by Dr. E. G. Baker, member of the Board of Governors, to two students completing their first year. The Scholarships are given on the basis of outstanding Christian character and general proficiency in classroom work.

While the student choir under the direction of the College Director of Music, Rev. Arthur Poynter, presents a background of music befitting the service, four of the graduating students—Vivienne Rose, Sally Shideler, B.A., Hector Massey, and William Mackey—will testify to their faith and Christian experience.

Founded in 1894, Toronto Bible College is the oldest institution of its kind in Canada. Its graduates now serve on every continent in over fifty lands. Out of a total of more than 900 in active Christian service, 300 are ministers, while approximately 300 are missionaries working under 51 mission boards. While the students are in training, local Toronto missions such as Yonge Street, Scott, and others, are assisted by student musical and preaching teams.

In 1955-56 the student body has included members of 20 denominations and representatives from 13 countries—England, Ireland, the United States, Jamaica, Bermuda, Holland, Germany, Turkey, Israel, Northern Rhodesia, Transvaal, Hong Kong and Japan—as well as from 6 Canadian provinces. A goodly proportion of the graduating students are intending to take missionary posts in the overseas fields.

The olive oil of Spain is a triple-use product. It is fine for food, has several medicinal uses and is an ingredient of many cosmetics.

Sinking Fund: the average bank account.

**Baker Hill Church Has
An Interesting History**

The last time I wrote, I told my readers I was going to write about the Baker Hill Church, but before doing that I wish to refer back to some instances around that little hamlet of Bloomington. I understand, or have been told, how this little town got its name. An elderly lady who has long since passed on said there were so many fine looking young ladies in that vicinity that the young men named it Bloomington.

I called on that fine hard-working gentleman, Everett Barnes, a week or so ago, and his memory hasn't failed him very much. He is 87 years old and he told me he played on the Lincolnville football team when they held the picnic north of Alfred Baker's bush. He named over nearly all the men who kicked on their team. All those boys have passed on—Tom Lewis who owned that fine chestnut team; Ralph Brown, the barber who had a shop near the Tribune office; two of the Lavender boys and Will Henderson. I have already forgotten who the rest were. Everett told me the old clock that was bought when John Hoshel taught the school, is still running and hangs on the wall in the school which was built in 1898. I wonder how it still keeps going. I can't see why it didn't freeze up in that cold old school, never to start again.

I'll go west now, out the side-road to Baker Hill and down to the Church. There is no date to be seen on this fine old Church, but there should be. If any of the Bakers or their relatives could find a record of this, it should be put on the building. I walked by a Baptist Church a few days ago out in Darlington township, that was built in 1861, a frame building similar to the one at Baker Hill.

Abner Baker told me one day when I was working for him, that when he was just a boy, he went to Aurora with either Will or John Jackman with the team and wagon to get the lumber for the seats which are still in use in the Church. Back in the sixties or about that time by what my father has told me, on the road in front of this fine old Church, they had the loading place for their ship-masts which were sent to England. That was long before they were drawn down through Bloomington. Those masts came from north of Ballantrae or Vivian from the virgin pine holdings owned at that time by the Bakers and John Jamieson. Several good teams all went together on those trips down to Frenchman's Bay.

They would go down one day and stay all night at Secker's Hotel at Liverpool and come back the next day. I have been told—or I heard my father and Mr. Davis the carpenter at Lemonville say that this man Secker had two wives, one to run the kitchen and the other the dining room. This doesn't sound very good but it was stated for a fact by Mr. Nighswander who lived south of the 8th concession Pickering-Markham townline. They used to haul those masts down past his farm. You could hear those teamsters singing for a full mile away, he said. They must have been a lively outfit. But remember, you young people—it was not all fun, those men knew what hard work was.

The first preacher I remember at Baker Hill was a Mr. Newman. He was there when they held the big picnic that Everett Barnes told me about. The next was a Mr. Harris, by what I have been told. A wonderful man of God, he had one of the largest revivals ever held at either the 6th line or Baker Hill. Next was a Mr. Stobo, who was buried at Dickson's Hill. He was followed by Mr. Alex Kennedy, a brother of Bert's who ran the lumber yard in Stouffville, and who married the late Charles Brodie's daughter.

This man Kennedy was a good preacher, a big strong gent who boarded at Alfred Baker's when Luke Jordan, another stalwart, worked there. Alfred had a field of hay ready to draw in and Kennedy said he could pluck it all on that afternoon if Jordan could load it. Well, it all came in that day, but Alfred had some fun that afternoon. My sister was working there at that time and I heard her tell all about it.

This preacher Kennedy was also a good smart athlete. He played on the Baker Hill football team against Lemonville, north of Ratcliff's barn. Someone on the other team kicked into the bottom of Kennedy's pants and tore them up above the knee. He laughed about it and said he would get one of the choir girls to sew it up for him.

I don't remember just what year the choir started, led by Seneca Baker, but it must have been in the late eighties or early nineties. If my memory serves me right, there were 18 in that choir and six were from his own family. I don't recall who was pastor at that time. I was a scholar at that Sunday School and a young one at that, when John L. Hoshel used to walk across Jonathan Lemon's lane and across John Jamieson's farm to Sunday School. The late Isaac Pike and a gentleman from Bogartown by the

name of Bogart drove over to address the School, with a black team of carriage horses. Mr. Pike gave the school a good talk that afternoon. Some of the thoughts I still remember, but did not follow up to the letter, sorry to say.

Mr. Pike was a learned man and left a wonderful example for the young people around Bethesda and the surrounding community. I have heard him preach many good sermons. If any of the Bakers or anyone else could find out what year that well-kept church was built, I would like to see it printed on that board on the front of the church near the top, at the gable end.

This church is still well taken care of, in every way. I go there the odd time to see how they are progressing; it brings back memories of bygone days.

—OLDTIMER

TEACHERS SEEK
MONEY HELP
FROM PROVINCE

Ontario's public school men teachers will ask the provincial government to grant financial assistance through loans to prospective teachers in training and to teachers who wish to improve their qualifications.

Decision to make this request was reached at the Easter assembly of the Ontario Public School Men Teachers Federation at the Waipar Hotel, Kitchener. More than 125 delegates from throughout the province are attending the two-day sessions which end today.

The federation felt such loans might help to alleviate the teacher shortage and induce secondary school graduates to enter the profession.

While the federation has had a fund to help prospective teachers who need financial assistance, the fund is not large enough to provide any sizeable aid to needy students. Members felt, too, that the government should accept some of the burden.

The assembly was told that every Canadian provincial government except the Ontario government, provides financial aid to teachers in training.

In July, 1954, British Columbia set aside \$100,000 to provide interest-free loans repayable in four years from the date of issue. A student teacher there may receive a maximum loan of \$800.

The Saskatchewan government has a revolving fund of \$1,000,000 from which loans without interest are made to students attending university or other teacher-training institutions.

In New Brunswick a government interest-free loans to a maximum of \$600 to be repaid from the teacher's government grant, is available to student teachers. For each of the two summer school sessions required to make a licence permanent a student teacher receives a grant of \$100.

The provincial assembly, representing almost 5,500 public school men teachers, will ask the Ontario Teachers Federation, which comprises all teachers in the province, to urge the government to make similar loans available.

Delegates also favored a hospitalization and surgical fund

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For men teachers. The fund will be open to all public school men teachers in Ontario and their families.

A new constitution, adopted yesterday, provides for complete hospitalization and surgical benefits at a cheaper rate than that being asked by other companies.

It is open to teachers of all ages and provides up to \$630 for an adult and \$360 for a child for each illness.

Following yesterday's ses-

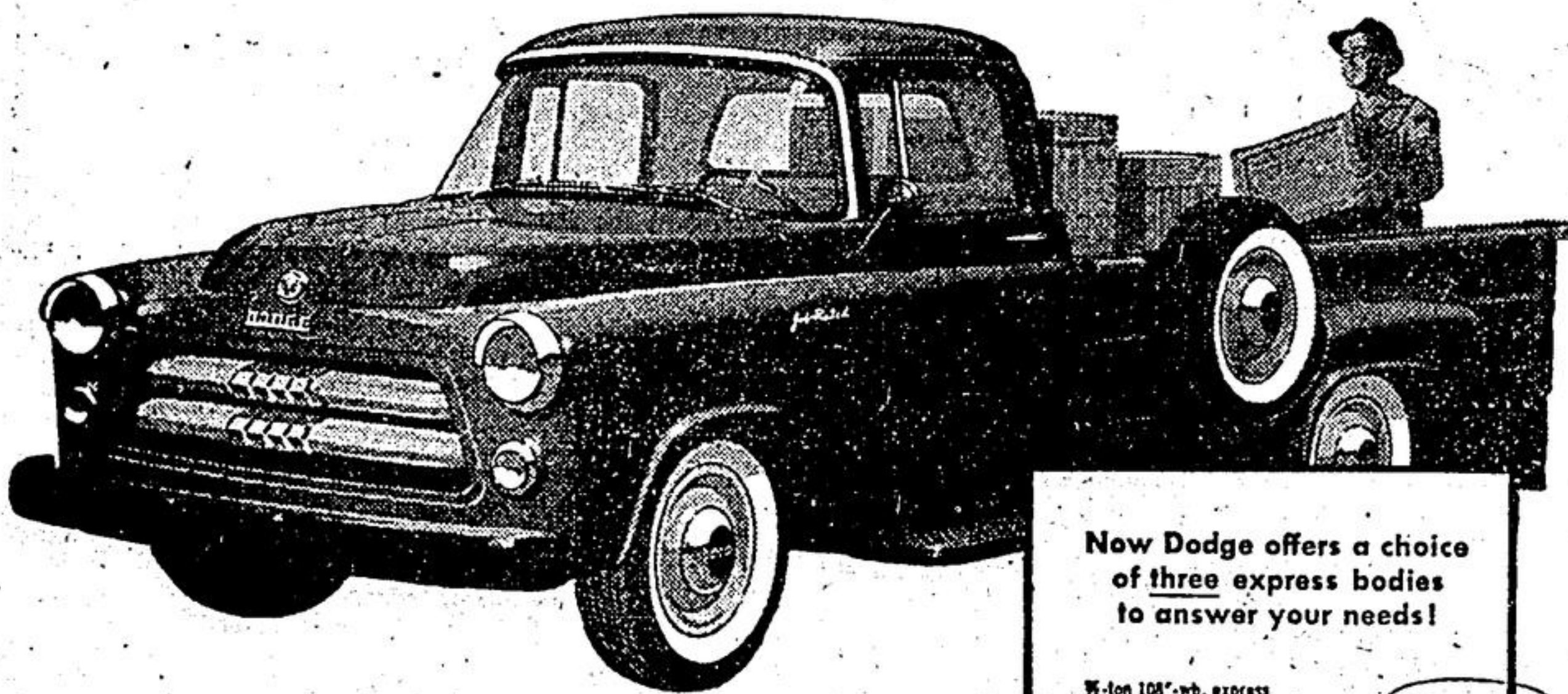
sions delegates had a typical Waterloo County dinner of pig-tails and spareribs at Smithson School.

Federation members are attending from as far away as Cochrane, Sault Ste. Marie, Fort Frances and Kenora.

While some delegates favored changing the policy to recognize some university courses, the federation voted in favor of continuing its present policy.

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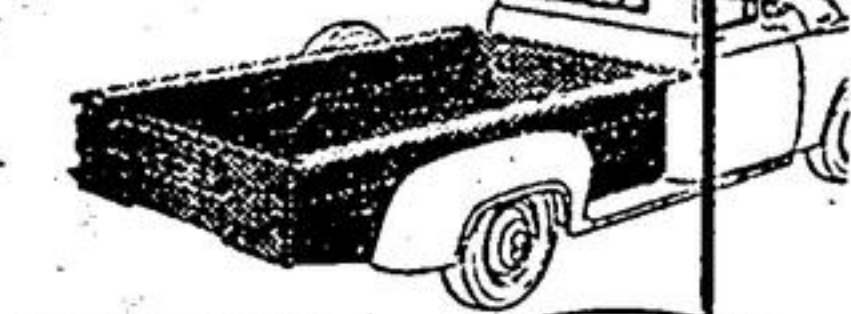
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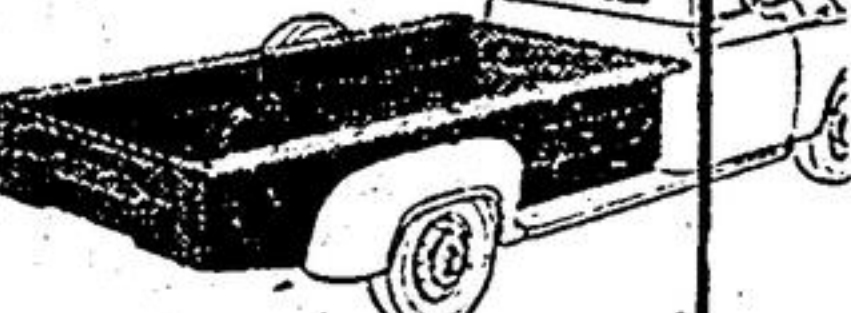
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