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# Three Perish in Williamsburg Fire

Three Williamsburg people were burned to death and two others injured in a tragic fire which swept through the large frame home of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Becksted early on Wednesday morning.

Dead are: Mrs. Weldon Becksted, 45, mother of five children; her eight year old son, John, only boy in the family, and 11-year old Donna Becksted,a daughter.

Injured and taken to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital were Betty Becksted, 17, and her sister Myrna, 14, daughters of the fire victim. Both girls received first and second degree burns about the head, hands and body and were treated at the home of Mr. David Shaw, a neighbour by Dr. D. M. Robertson, who later had them removed to hospital. Condition of the two girls, said Dr. Robertson, is satisfactory.

Although the exact cause of the most tragic fire in Williamsburg's history is still unknown, it is believed to have started from an overheated cook stove in the summer kitchen, setting he pipes afire and spreading flames rapidly throughout the entire Becksted home. Mr. Weldon Becksted, husband of the deceased and Billie Mark 17, who had resided with the Becksteds, had arisen about five o'clock. Following a usual winter custom, the kitchen stove was fired up to produce a little more heat before Mr. Becksted and young Mark left for the former's farm, about a mile north of the village. hTe fire was first noticed about 6.00 a.m. by a neighbour, David Shaw, who turned in the alarm. First on the scene were Frank McMillan, of Bouck's Hill and Ramon Casselman of Williamsburg, both of whom noticed the fire reflection in the sky.

On arrival, they tried to enter the building but by then only minutes after the fire was first noticed, the big frame home was a raging inferno impossible to save from destruction. Williamsburg Fire Department under Fire Chief Bob Norval, arrived on the scene, and after a mechanical delay poured water on the raging fire and on nearby homes, which were miraculously saved from burning. They were assisted by fire departments from Morrisburg, Chesterville, Iroquois and Winchester, but lack of an adequate water supply prevented them from saving the Becksted property. Fortunately there was no wind and the temperature was moderate, about 30 degrees.

Miss Ann Colquhoun, daughter of ...nd Mrs. Mac Colquhoun, Mor... had been invited to spend ...ith Betty Becksted, but ... Another death ... ...ard the ...ng for help as they ...ed through the snow, and helped them to his home across the street It is believed Mrs. Becksted and her young son and daughter were sleeping at the rear of the house and were unable to find their way to an exit because of the dense smoke and the flames. Meanwhile, Weldon Becksted and Bill Mark returned to the village to find their home in flames.

Firemen and volunteers fought the stubborn blaze for nearly two hours, but were successful only in saving nearby homes. By eight o'clock the Becksted home was completely flattened, a desolate picture of ashes and ruin. Alarms were turned in to the fire departments at Iroquois, Chesterville and Morrisburg. All three responded but by the time of their arrival the fire had taken its toll, and they could only keep it from spreading to other properties. The charred remains of the three victims were recovered later in the morning. It is expected property damage will exceed $20,000. Lost in the blaze were the family car and a new TV set which had been insured only the day before the fire. Nothing was saved.

The Becksted home was located directly across from the United Church and it housed one the villages best loved families. The tragic loss of the three victims has left Williamsburg's residents grief stricken. Mrs. Becksted, the former Gladys O'Shaughnessy, is survived by her husband; three daughters, two of them, Betty and Myrna, survivors of the fire and Mrs. Richard McIntosh (Muriel) of Williamsburg. Her mother, Mrs. John O'Shaughnessy, also survives.

The fire on Wednesday was the third for the Becksted family. Previously they had lost a barn, and in another fire their home was damaged by flames, before they were brought under control.

Funeral services for the three victims of the tragedy were held this (Friday) afternoon, from the Locke & Fairbairn Funeral Home, Williamsburg, to the Williamsburg United Church, where service was conducted at 2 p.m. by Rev. George Dunlop, who based his remarks on 1st Corinthians: 15th Chap., 35th Verse: "But someone asked — How are dead raised; with what kind of body do they come?".

Under the direction of Mrs. Maefred Merkley, the choir rendered the anthem "Sweet Hour of Prayer". Hymns used were: "The Lord is My Shepherd" and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus".

Following the service, interment was made in Brinston cemetery.

**1956 MORRISBURG COUNCIL AT INAUGURAL MEETING ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD**



**Pictured above are the men who, as members of the Municipal Council, will guide the destiny of Morrisburg for the year 1956, probably the most important year in the long history of the Village. They need your co-operation and support. If you have any suggestions, you are invited to submit them to any member of the Municipal Council. Pictured from left to right are Councillors A. W. Guay and M. D. Wilson; Clerk Jas. T. Davis; Reeve George E. Beavers; Councillors J. Arthur Edgerton and Harry B. Duvall.** —Photo by Smith, Morrisburg

## TOWN STATUS SOUGHT BY MORRISBURG COUNCIL

At the inaugural meeting of the Village Council on Tuesday of this week it was proposed by Councillor Wallace Guay, that Council should investigate the steps to be taken to incorporate Morrisburg as a town.

Councillor Guay pointed out that the population was now over the 2,000 mark, the locations for the new civic centre, shopping district, residential sub-division, pumping station water reservoir had now been approved; that improved water and sewer services, and the cleanest and most attractive waterfront between Montreal and Toronto, will make the new town attractive to industrial expansion and home owners alike.

The inaugural meeting was held on Tuesday at 11 a.m. with all of the newly elected members present. All ...ers were administered the oath ... the Clerk, and prayers ... W. L. Terrion of ...urch, Mr. Jas. ... municipal ... meeting then adjourned until 8 p.m.

At the evening meeting, all members were present, and reports were received from the Police Chief, the Waterworks Superintendent, the Works Superintendent, and the Fire Chief.

Chairmen of committees were appointed as follows:

Administration, Finance and Town Property, George Beavers.

Police Department, Harry B. Duvall.

Streets and Sidewalks, J. A. Edgerton.

Fire Department, M. D. Wilson.

Waterworks, A. W. Guay.

Sewers, The Council as a whole.

All civic employees were re-appointed to their present posts.

Grants approved were to the Public Library, $400, and to the Fire Department, $1,000.

It was stated that the new intake pipe, of 18 inches diameter, to service the new Morrisburg, would be installed under the present canal in the next six to eight weeks. It was also suggested that at this time the Council should investigate the fluoridization of water in the new pumping station.

The Clerk was asked to secure a definite date in January for a meeting between Council, Ontario Hydro and represntatives of the C. N. R. to finalize details of the new C.N.R. station.

Approval was given before adjournment to continued membership in the Good Roads Association and the Association of Rural Municipalities.

## JOSEPH MORLEY BAILEY DIES AT SMITHS FALLS

(Smith's Falls Record-News)

Joseph Morley Bailey, of 26 Elmsley Street, passed away on Tuesday, December 13th, after a brief illness. He was in his 73rd year and had resided in Smiths Falls for the past 28 years.

Born in Winchester Springs, Ont., on May 1, 1883, he was a son of the late Christopher Bailey and his wife, the former Mary Ann Merkley. He was married in Williamsburg on the 25th of June 1902, to the former Carrie Merkley, who survives him. He was a member of the United Church.

Left to mourn, besides his wife are one son, Garnet Bailey, of Smiths Falls; two daughters, Mrs. Ed Coleman (Elva) of Morrisburg, and Mrs. Colin Horning (Gladys) of Smiths Falls; one brother, Donald Hanson of Waddington, N.Y.; seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted at the Amy Funeral Home on Thursday, December 15, Rev. W. C. A. McFarlane officiating. Interment was in Hillcrest cemetery. Pallbearers were Roy Levere, Merrickville; Bert Coleman, Howard Coleman, P. Himmelman, H. Hill and H. Timmins.

Many floral tributes and the large number of friends at the funeral showed the esteem in which Mr. Bailey was held.

Friends attending from a distance were: Mr. and Mrs. Lennie Merkley, Miss Helen Merkley, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Patterson, Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Coleman, Peter Coleman, Morrisburg; Miss Fay Coleman, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hanson, Bruce Hanson, Miss Mabel Rae, Stanley Carruthers, Waddington, N.Y.; Mrs. Emerson Harriman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Merkley, Williamsburg; Mrs. Harry Potter, Winchester; Morley Bailey, Jay Bailey, Mrs. Keitha Morrow, Jack Coons, Winchester Springs.

## TED SMITH IS VICTIM OF HIT-&-RUN DRIVER

Believed to be the victim of a hit and run driver who struck him from behind while riding a bicycle one-half mile west of Morrisburg, "Ted" Edward Smith of Mariatown, popular clerk at the local Brewers' Retail Store, is still listed as critically injured at the Ottawa Civic Hospital where he was rushed by Keck's ambulance Tuesday night, after he was found unconscious in a ditch by neighbours.

Provincial Police immediately upon being informed of the accident, set up road blocks in an effort to find the hit and run driver, but up until 6 p.m. tonight (Friday) had no clues whatsoever as to the identity of the vehicle which struck Smith.

Early gambled press reports attributed the accident to a motorcycle, but these reports were denied by the police. Constable Earl MacDougall of the Morrisburg Detachment is continuing the investigation.

Ted was riding his bicycle home from work, as was his custom, when he was apparently struck from behind by a driver who failed to stop.

He was found by two neighbours, Allan Deeks and his sister Yvonne, of Mariatown, who were driving home after visiting friends in Morrisburg. After driving past the place where Smith was lying they decided to turn around and what that something crumpled was that they had noticed passing the spot.

In a gully at the side of the road, they found Smith in an unconscious state. Loading him into their car they took him to the office of Dr. E. H. Lambert of Morrisburg, who had him removed to the Civic Hospital immediately.

His injuries include several fractured ribs, a punctured lung and severe internal injuries. In addition he was suffering from shock.

Specialists in Ottawa stated that in a man of less robust physique than Smith, death would have undoubtedly resulted from his injuries, but there is now a good propect of his eventual recovery.

## AUSTIN M. SALMON, WELL KNOWN RESIDENT, DIES AT KINGSVILLE, ONT.

Austin Matthew Salmon, a former widely known and highly respected resident of this district died at the home of his son, James Salmon, Kingsville, Ont., Sunday, January 1, aged 78 years.

He had been in ill health for about two months, though his health had not been good following an operation about a year ago.

The body rested at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John W. Casselman, Riverside, till Wednesday, Jan. 4, when the funeral service was held at St. John's Lutheran Church at 2 p.m. The pastor, Rev. F. L. Howald, officiated.

Following the service the body was placed in the vault to await burial in the spring.

## IDA JANE McBRIDE

Mrs. Ida Jane Coulthart McBride, a much respected resident of Dunbar, passed away in a Kingston hospital. She was a daughter of the late John Coulthart and his wife Elizabeth Dillabough, and was born on the James Coulthart homestead near Morewood, Sept. 13, 1873. In early childhood she moved with her parents to Dunbar, where she attended school and became an active adn devoted member of the Elma Methodist Church, now the United Church. She was industrious and thrifty, and of the wealth she accumulated a donation of $1,000, in memory of her brothers, Alva and William, was willed to her church, as well as $2,000 to foreign missions.

Frank Casselman rendered a solo, "Face to Face With Christ My Saviour" during the service.

Many floral tributes were placed about the casket.

We ... in the D... Morrisburg Lead..., ence Board of Review, and in our opinion, while the intent of the writer may have been of the best, the impression on the reader certainly would not be.

Press reports on the last decisions released by the Board of Review preferred to give considerable prominence to one or two points in the decisions that were not favorable to the property owner, but neglected to point out that an overall increase of many thousands of dollars has been recommended by the Board to date.

The decision on the VanAllen property has been the one of greatest criticism. The VanAllen property, while held under two titles was and still is operated as one basic farm unit. The Hydro proposal of purchase for the whole unit was $34,000. Hhe Board recommended a total of $36,000, or an increase of $2,000. It appears to be the Board's opinion of what was a fair division of this money, that is being criticized more than the amount recommended.

In a few other cases the Board saw fit to recommend the price offered by Hydro as fair, and it is also being ridiculed for this. It is, in our opinion unreasonable to expect that the Board should recommend an increase in every case that comes before it, regardless of what offer has been made.

The Board of Review was established so that a property owner, dissatisfied with an offer by Hydro, would be able to present his arguments and hear those of Hydro before a mediatory group. At these hearings all facts and figures relative to the case are brought to light and recommendations of the Board are based on these facts. A hearing before the Board costs the appellant nothing, nor is he bound by the recommendation of the Board.

The recommendations of the Board have in only a few cases been unanimous, but in our opinion, a sincere effort is being made to do the best possible job. It must be recognized that there has been no concerted effort by the people concerned to establish a measure of value for their property. This was clearly revealed at the hearing held by the Committee of The Board of Review at Morrisburg on November 7th. To date the only effort being made to increase prices paid in the Valley, is by the Municipal Members of the Board.

It would be worthy of note, if those that are so ready to criticize the Board, would do so only after careful study of some of the cases concerned, and if they were prepared to offer some better alternative before they put the axe to the only means the people have of arbitrating their differences with Hydro, without resorting to the expense involved in taking their cases to a higher tribunal.

The ill considered criticism levelled at the Board through the press and other-wise, without complete revelation of all the facts, only tends to create fear and distrust in the minds of the people when trust, co-operation and a united effort are most necessary.

Allan Farlinger.
E. A. VanAllen
K. G. Wells
T. W. J. Lane.
L. C. Davis.
Municipal Members of the St. Lawrence Board of Review.


## 1956 BARN MEETINGS

### SPONSORED BY THE DUNDAS HOLSTEIN BREEDERS' CLUB

**WINCHESTER TOWNSHIP——Wednesday, January 11th, 1956 at the farm of Angus Smith & Sons, Chesterville, 3-4 mile west of Chesterville**

**WILLIAMSBURG TOWNSHIP——Wednesday, January 18th, 1956, at the farm of Harry Holmes, Winchester Springs.**

**MOUNTAIN TOWNSHIP——Wednesday, January 25th, 1956, at the farm of Allison Fawcett, Winchester. Farm located 2 miles West and South of Winchester.**

### ALL MEETINGS START AT 1.30 P.M.

**Dr. C. K. Johns of the Dairy Division, Central Experimental Farm, will be the speaker at the meetings on January 12th and 25th.**

**Mr. O. R. Irvine, Head of the Dairy School, Kemptville Agricultural School, will be the speaker at the meetings on January 11th and 18th, 1956**

**Prizes will be offered for contests supervised by Mr. Grant Smith, your local Fieldman.**

**All breeders of dairy cattle of any breed are cordially invited to attend these meetings.**

ORVILLE SMAIL, Pres. H. W. GRAHAM, Sec'y.

## Move Forward

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...ntinues to move forward with increasing assurance to her place among the nations of the world and with growing confidence in her economic destiny. Advancement in transportation is an essential part of the nation's expansion in production and trade, and in this year, which marked its 74th anniversary, Canadian Pacific is proud to record its contributions during 1955 to the advancement of transportation — by land, sea and air.

These contributions were highlighted by inauguration of the longest scenic dome-car passenger train in the world, offering literally a new look at the Canadian scene; by operation of an increased number of speedy, self-propelled rail diesel cars in Dayliner service; by improvements in rail service resulting from the purchase of nearly 100 new diesel locomotive units; by the completion of two new branch lines to serve the country's growing mining industry; by the launching of the new 26,000-ton "Empress of Britain" to join the North Atlantic service next spring; by addition of the all-purpose train-ferry "Princess of Vancouver" to the service between Vancouver and Nanaimo, B.C.; and by the inauguration of an air route over the top of the world between Vancouver and Amsterdam.

The Canadian Pacific is backing its faith in Canada with money and action.

Competition is playing an ever more dominant role in transportation and a variety of choices is open to the shippers of today. The Canadian Pacific is prepared to meet this challenge and asks only that all competitors be subject to similar obligations and conditions.

The new streamlined, stainless steel, scenic-dome transcontinental passenger train "The Canadian" has been given an enthusiastic welcome by a large and growing number of patrons. This fine new train, which made transportation history, makes it possible to travel between Montreal or Toronto and Vancouver in luxury and comfort in less than three days — just half the time required by the Company's first transcontinental train in 1886.

In order to equip the transcontinental trains, "The Canadian" and "The Dominion", 173 stainless steel streamlined cars, including 36 scenic-dome units were purchased from the Budd Company at Philadelphia, the largest single order ever received by that company.

The year just ending also brought additional utilization of Dayliners, the speedy stainless steel, self-propelled rail diesel cars, also constructed by the Budd Company. Replacing conventional trains and enabling a speedier and more economical service to be provided, Dayliners were put into passenger train service in the past year between Calgary — Lethbridge, Lethbridge — Medicine Hat, Winnipeg — Riverton — Great Falls, Saint John, N.B. — Edmundston, Montreal — Quebec, and Victoria — Courtenay on Vancouver Island. Dayliners are also in use in passenger train service between Montreal — Mont Laurier, North Bay —Angliers, Toronto — Detroit, and Toronto — Peterborough in Eastern Canada and between Calgary and Edmonton in the West.

Dieselization of the Railway continued during the year, with the purchase of 97 locomotive units, bringing to 556 the number of diesels now in service on all lines.

To provide for maintenance and overhaul of its growing fleet of diesel locomotives the Company completed a new and modern service shop at St. Luc Yard in Montreal: an expansion of the already large St. Luc Yards, which is made up of 94.7 miles of track and includes every type of facility for the handling of motive power and freight train equipment, this new shop features a wheel-truing machine which restores the contours of worn locomotive wheels without their removal from the diesel unit. It is the third such modern shop on the system for the specialized maintenance of diesel locomotives, the others being located at Calgary, Alta., and Nelson, B.C.

At the same time, the Canadian Pacific made important additions to its freight car inventory to meet the demands of the fast-developing national economy. New units of freight and work equipment ordered during 1955 totalled 1,643, bringing the total number of such cars added since 1945 to 31,931.

As part of the Canadian Pacific's role to provide transportation services in keeping with the country's economic growth a 16-mile railway line connecting the mining community of Nephton, Ont., with the Company's line at Havelock was opened last January. This line provides easy access to an area producing non-metallic rock used in ceramics, glass, paint and other products.

In October a 40-mile branch line from Struthers, on the main line 33 miles west of White River, to Geco, a point north of Manitouwadge Lake, was officially opened. This line taps an important new mineral development, providing ready access to the Great Lakes and to the entire railway system of Canada and the United States for the base metals to be mined in this area.

On the sea, the Company's new 26,000-ton "Empress of Britain" was launched at Glasgow in June by Her Majesty The Queen. As the first new Canadian Pacific passenger ship to take to the ocean since 1930, this streamlined, specially-designed liner will add a uniquely modern touch to shipping in the St. Lawrence route when she makes her maiden voyage next spring. A sister ship, the "Empress of England", now under construction, will join the fleet in 1957.

The 7,000-ton train-ferry the "Princess of Vancouver", the largest vessel of its type ever constructed, entered service during 1955 to operate between Vancouver and Nanaimo, B.C. This all-purpose water carrier is licenced to carry 800 passengers and can handle 28 railway box cars or approximately 115 automobiles, or a combination of both. The vessel is equipped for stern-loading and is berthed at new specially-designed piers at Vancouver and at Nanaimo.

Canadian Pacific Air Lines, now having the seventh largest route pattern in the world, made two further notable advancements during the year. A new trans-polar route was inaugurated between Amsterdam and Vancouver, at which point connection is made with its existing routes serving Australia, New Zealand, the Fiji Islands, Hawaii, Japan and China, in effect bringing these countries 1,000 miles closer to Europe and the United Kingdom.

In early November, Canadian Pacific Air Lines introduced the first high-speed, non-stop service between Eastern Canada and Mexico, when it inaugurated weekly flights linking Toronto and Mexico City. Tourist fares for those seeking Mexico's sunshine and historic charm are available on this service which provides a shorter link between Eastern Canadian centres and South American points served by way of Mexico City by Canadian Pacific Air Lines. At year's end, Canadian Pacific Air Lines were operating 27,610 route miles in international service and 9,354 route miles in domestic service.

In October, Canadian Pacific Air Lines announced the purchase of a fleet of Britannia turbo-prop airliners, three of which are scheduled for delivery in 1957. Capable of a speed of 400 miles per hour and with a cruising range of 6,000 miles, these new Britannia aircraft will enable Canadian Pacific to fly 100 passengers nonstop between Vancouver and Amsterdam in 12 hours, and between Vancouver and Tokyo, non-stop, also in 12 hours.

During the year, Canadian Pacific Communications, in conjunction with their Canadian National counterpart, continued the development of microwave installations linking Montreal — Quebec City, Toronto — London — Windsor. This system of microwave "repeaters" located at intervals of approximately 30 miles, carries message circuits from city to city. Each microwave channel can carry one television circuit or 600 voice circuits. The present single channel system can be expanded to accommodate seven channels as demands warrant. The Montreal — Quebec City circuit, which inaugurated service in July of 1955 on a temporary basis and is now carrying television programs for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, will be completed in January, 1956. The Toronto — London circuit was completed in December and the London — Windsor circuit is likely to be completed in February, 1956.

The Company, following a policy of modernization with attendant increased efficiency, is in the process of streamlining accounting procedures through integrated data processing, using electronic computers. In furtherance of this new development, which is of broadest significance, a research group is working on detailed planning for the new system and preliminary changes in advance of installation are being put into effect as rapidly as possible. The core of the new system is an I.B.M. 705 electronic data processing installation, the first to be ordered in Canada, and scheduled for delivery early in 1957. Its electronic brain has such amazing speed in adding, checking, matching, multiplying and dividing that the new processes which it will make possible will affect the handling of much of the paperwork of all departments.

In another sphere the Company has maintained an enviable record. The National Safety Council's coveted "Public Safety Activities" award, in recognition of outstanding public safety programs directed to employees and the general public, was won this year by the Company. This award is designed to recognize and stimulate safety work by the railways.

In 1955, then, there has been widespread improvement and expansion of Canadian Pacific equipment and services throughout the nation and abroad.

This progressive modernization of its land, sea and air facilities will strengthen the position of the Company in the highly competitive transportation industry of today and will materially assist it in meeting the transportation requirements of an expanding Canada tomorrow.



**C ,CNN I.Y YD. DABI RU CY**—That's what Clarissa Cunningham, administrative assistant to the director of personnel, General Services Administration, seems to be saying to herself. At least, that's how the words "I will get the hang of it" come out when a novice first operates a government typewriter equipped with a new kepboard. It is the brain child of August Dvorak, University of Washington. Keyboard is designed to place letters used most frequently closest to fingers which normally do the most work, and to distribute work load more equally for both hands. Line of keps on which fingers rest on standard typewriter reads, from left: asdfghjkl;@. On the new machine line reads. aoeuidhtns-. It's LcmlnZ. (Simple?) Government will give the device a four-month trial.

## Claimed New Blood

Are most shoplifters frustrated fiction writers? From a study of their ingenious explanations, it appears that only the highly imaginative take to this form of theft.

Some of them actually do mention their literary aspirations. Said a book thief in London. "I am a writer and I want to go to jail for the experience." A woman who had stolen scarves and other oddments during the pre-Christmas rush, declared, "I am writing a story and I want to know the reactions of a woman who steals."

How can they expect people to believe them? "I've been honest up to now," said a Viennese, "but not long ago I had a blood transfusion — must have been given the blood of a thief.

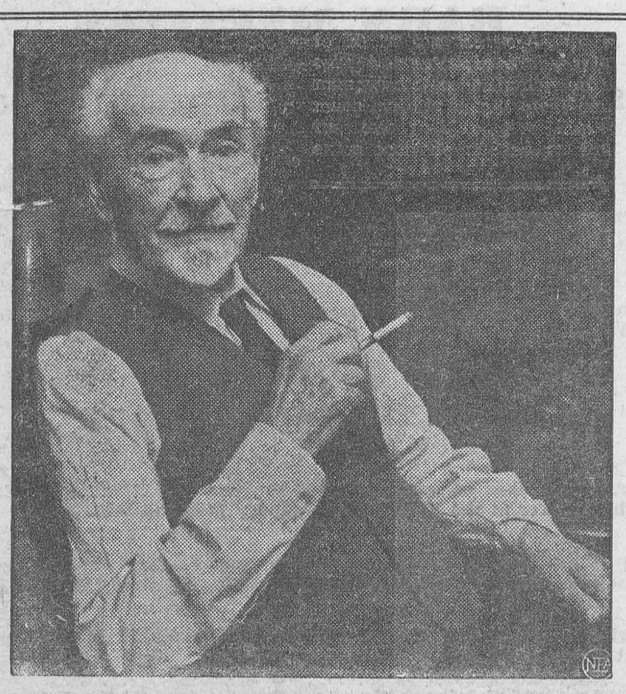
"I was hypnotized by a magician," stated a woman accused at Marlborough Street.

One housewife, arrested outside a store with a hat for which she hadn't paid, explained that when she tried it on it was so small she forgot it was still on her head. Another took to shoplifting to take her mind off her worries. A Sheffield woman, whose explanation was actually accepted, pleaded that a strict slimming diet, cutting out sugar entirely, had caused her to lose her memory.

"I only took them so I could see my way out," declared Joseph McChane, charged with stealing a pair of spectacles from a Hamilton, Ontario, store. In Lambeth a man told the magistrates that he had stolen an alarm clock in Brixton so that he wouldn't be late for an interview next morning. Shoplifters are imaginative not only in their explanations, but also in their methods.

In 1953 a Regent Street store was left with six ragged mackintoshes; six new ones had walked out on the backs of customers. In Oxford Street a pair of filthy corsets and some ragged underwear were deposited in a fitting room. Their owner had stolen a complete new outfit.

Hooks are sewn inside voluminous coats and articles attached to them. Jewellery thieves stick small pieces under the counter by means of chewing-gum; an accomplice collects later. In Kensington recently a woman switched price tickets, paid for the cheap garment and took the expensive one.



**IT'S GRAND, AT 3 OR 103** — Who said Christmas is just for kids? Certainly not Maximillian von Stephany who's seen 103 Christmas Days. "Young or old, Christmas can't help being wonderful," he says. "There's a bit of childhood left in all of us, and Christmas warms it up."

## TABLE TALKS

by Jane Andrews.

**By Helen Houston Boileau**
(Christian Science Monitor)

These breads are not hard to make, and they're very good!

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**SWEDISH RYE LIMPA**

**½ teaspoon sugar**
**2 tablespoons luke warm water**
**½ cake yeast**
**1 teaspoon caraway seeds**
**1½ teaspoons salt**
**3 tablespoons molasses**
**1 teaspoon grated orange rind**
**⅔ cup milk, scalded**
**¼ cup water**
**1⅔ cus sifted flour**
**1½ tablespoons oil**
**1½ cups sifted rye flour**

Stir sugar into lukewarm water. Add yeast and allow mixture to stand for 10 minutes. Add caraway seeds, salt, molasses, grated orange rind, scalded milk, and water. Cool to lukewarm, then beat well. Add all but ¼ cup of the white flour and beat. Add oil and rye flour, beating to make a stiff dough. Turn out onto a board sprinkled with the remaining ¼ cup white flour. Cover dough with a bowl and allow it to rest for 10 minutes.

Knead dough quickly and lightly and form into a ball. Place in a bowl, grease the top, cover, and allow to rise 1½ hours, or until doubled in bulk. Place in a greased 8½x4½x2¼-inch loaf, cover, and again allow to rise for 1½ hours. Bake at 400° F. for 10 minutes, then reduce the heat to 375° F. and bake for 40 minutes. Cool on a rack, uncovered but out of any draft.

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**DUTCH APPLE BREAD**

**2 cups flour**
**1 tablespoon baking powder**
**1 teaspoon salt**
**2 tablespoons sugar**
**1½ tablespoons butter**
**1 cup milk**
**1 egg, beaten**
**Oil**
**5 tart apples, cored and sliced**
**Sugar**
**Cinnamon**
**Butter**

Sift the dry ingredients together, then work in the butter. Add the combined milk and egg. Mix well, then roll out ½ inch thick on a floured board. Place in a greased layer cake pan. Brush top with oil and press in apple slices, overlapping them generously. Sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar and dot with butter. Bake at 375° F. for 25 minutes, or until done.

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**GERMAN CRUMB LOAF**

**½ cup butter**
**¾ cup sugar**
**1 cup scalded milk**
**1 cake yeast**
**¼ cup lukewarm water**
**2 eggs, beaten**
**2½-3 cups flour**
**1¼ cups soft bread crumbs**
**¼ cup brown sugar**
**1 teaspoon cinnamon**
**¼ teaspoon salt**
**2 tablespoons melted butter**

Cream the butter with the sugar. Add scalded milk and beat well. Add yeast, dissolved in lukewarm water, and eggs. Add enough flour to make a stiff batter. Beat well, cover, and allow to rise until doubled in bulk, about 1½ hours. Beat again, then spoon dough into a deep pie pan, greased and sprinkled with flour. Cover top with combined crumbs, brown sugar, salt, cinnamon, and melted butter. Allow to rise for 20 minutes, then bake at 400° F. for 20 minutes.

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**FRENCH BREAD**

**1 cake yeast**
**1 cup lukewarm water**
**1 tablespoon sugar**
**1 teaspoon salt**
**2 tablespoons cooking oil**
**3½ cups flour**
**2 egg whites, stiffly beaten**
**½ tablespoon cornstarch**
**½ teaspoon salt**
**½ cup water**
**Cornmeal**

Dissolve yeast in ½ cup lukewarm water and allow to stand for 5 minutes. Place the remaining ½ cup water in a bowl and add sugar, salt, oil, and 1 cup of the flour. Beat vigorously. Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites and enough of the remaining flour to make a stiff dough.

Turn out onto a floured board and knead until smooth and satiny. Place in a greased bowl, cover, and allow to rise until doubled in bulk. Punch down, then allow to rise again until doubled in bulk. Knead lightly, cover, and allow to rest for 10 minutes.

Roll dough out into a large oval, then fold the long sides into the center, making a typical French bread loaf roll, about 14 inches long and a bit wider in the center than at the ends.

Place the loaf on a cooky sheet lightly sprinkled with cornmeal, covered with a damp cloth, and let rise until nicely rounded. Cover with a glaze made by cooking together the cornstarch, salt, and water until thick and transparent. After glazing, use scissors to make ½ inch cuts or slashes into the...

Place bread in the ov... a large pan of h...

**1¾ ... flour**
**1 tablespoon oil**

Mix dry ingredients. Blend in the water and oil to make a rather stiff dough. Set aside for 20 minutes, then using hands, shape mixture into balls. Flatten these balls out as thin as possible and bake on a very lightly greased griddle, browning cakes on both sides. Serve hot or cold. About 2 tablespoons of dough per cake makes a good size. Makes about 1½ dozen.

## Risks And Hazards

When he was sixty-seven, George Brown pushed all his belongings 2,000 miles across Australia in a wheelbarrow. A cowboy once rode a bull 2,700 miles to New York. A Welshman carried a hundredweight sack of coal for fourteen miles on his shoulders.

Samson Garcia, a Spaniard, once won a pledge from his wife not to disobey him for the rest of the year. He bet her that he could win a tug-of-war with her donkey. She vowed obedience if he won. He did, but lost two teeth in the process! Still, in these days of artificial d... what's a loss like t... with peace in...

Ah, well... tricks like... happened in t...

Couldn't they? M... than three hundred and sixty years ago, in the reign of Good Queen Bess, William Kemp, a comic dancer, danced all the way from London to Norwich, a distance of 130 miles, gaping crowds thronging round him every mile of his strange journey.

After eight days he reached Norwich, where a tremendous celebration was held in his honour. William Kemp not only earned large sums of money fro... wagers for this stunt, but was awarded a pension of forty shillings a year for life.



**SOWING A FIELD OF DEATH**—Masked and gloved technicians spray a rice field near Taipei, Formosa, with a deadly insecticdie in the unending war against the rice stem borer, prime enemy of the Orient's staff of life. Skull-and-crossbones pennant, foreground, warns that field will remain toxic for a week after spraying.

# THE FARM FRONT

by John Russell

**Once or twice previously I have quoted dispatches from Washington telling how the folks over there are having their troubles with "crop control" and the ever-increasing problem of shrinking farm incomes and increasing farm costs. The following is along the same line and well worth reading, if only to assure ourselves that our "big brass" down in Ottawa are not alone in their bewilderment.**

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This administration is not proposing anything in the nature of the killing of little pigs, but in the "soil bank" idea it is advocating that farmers be paid for not producing.

It is proposing to spend an estimated $1,000,000,000 over a 10-year period to encourage farmers to stop producing so much wheat, cotton, and corn.

There is no doubt that the idea is compeltely abhorrent to Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson. But it is equally obvious that he has little choice in the matter. His opponents may not have succeeded in freezing him out of the President's Cabinet, but they have enforced the "politics first" policy as far as the farm program is concerned.

What is proposed in the soil bank is the retirement of land from production — the government paying the farmer to take so many acres out of the surplus crops.

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Some of the money will go toward the cost of conversion. Some of it will go in cash payments — thus helping to boost farm income. The Farm Bureau federation has proposed that payment might be cut-rate grain from the government. In other words, the government would sell back to the farmer at a low price the grain it has purchased from him at the support price. Thus, it would pay him twice for the commodity.

No one really knows at this moment how much it will cost the American taxpayer to foot such a bill. Estimates say it might cost $500,000,000 for the first 18 months, and then on into the billions as time goes on — depending on the length of the program.

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But as in the case of price support, once such a program has been initiated and cash begins flowing to the farmer, it is hard to take it away — particularly for politicians.

Not that the idea in itself is impractical. It is obvious that farmers are putting into production land that should be turned to conservation, at least for a time.

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But paying the farmer to do what he obviously should do will be hard to explain to city voters. Yet in any form emergency, the economic welfare of the whole country is involved, so essential is food production to the nation and so closely linked is farm prosperity to all prosperity.

The American Farm Bureau Federation, representing more than 1,500,000 farmers in its membership, and one of the most conservative of the three organizations, has just voted for the soil bank plan.

In fact, it has been proposing just such a plan for a number of years.

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There is no doubt that the administration has been forced to adopt it becaue of election-year uncertainities due in large measure to the continued slump in farm income. It will stick to its guns on the practibility of flexible price supports, however, as compared to the Democratic-proposed return to a rigid 90 per cent level.

The government already has more than $7,000,000,000 tied up in price-support operations — not all money down the drain, to be sure, since some of these commodities will be resold. But losses in the conduct of the program run higher and higher.

Yet despite this tremendous output to keep farm prices and farm income up, they are still on the skids. Republican politicians are clamoring for a solution.

The soil-bank plan is seen as a quick way of pulling land out of production and giving farmers a hunk of cash to bolster income at the same time. It is considered a relatively short-term operation, the theory being that as production is cut back surpluses will be liquidated.

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When the great surpluses now overhanging the market and depressing prices are gone, it is expected the present flexible price-support system will operate effectively under normal production conditions.

It has been estimated that under the soil-bank plan, some 25,000,000 acres will be taken out of production. Skeptics question whether this will bring the reduced production which has been figured, for, say they, farmers can still use more fertilizer on the crops which they do grow and step up the yield of acres already at work.

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One good thing, however, will be the retirement of marginal land.

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"Well, look at Sir Walter Raleigh!"

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27. Floor covering
28. Escapade
31. Withdraws
35. Give for a time
36. Bulgarian coin
37. Scattered (her.)
38. Fourth caliph
39. Waits for
41. Charge
42. Photographic device
44. Come back
46. Star in "The Dragon"
47. Gray
48. Flood
49. German river

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2. Edible tuber
3. This and that
4. Cooking vessel
5. Sting
6. Flower
7. Every one
8. Adhere
9. Bowler
10. Pilots
11. Steel tower
13. Portal
17. Legal action
20. Improve
22. Shield
24. Annoy
25. Project
27. Backward gear
28. Located
29. Tell
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31. Vermilion
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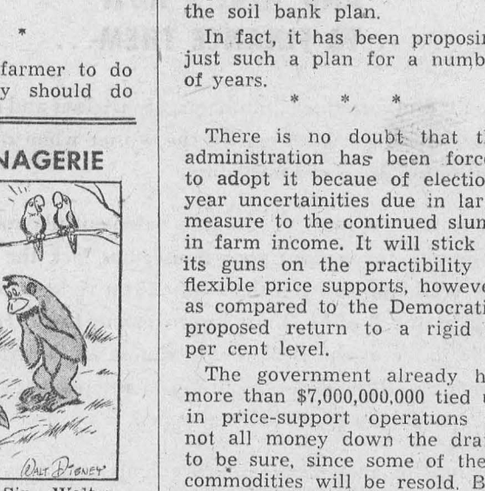

**Answer elsewhere on this page.**

## Raised The Dead For A Living

If an Irish farmer of Orrey, Tyrone, had let his son, William Burke, take possession of a potato patch and set up as a farmer, the notorious "Burke and Hare" murders would probably never have happened, and some sixteen Edinburgh people would have died normally instead of being skillfully cut to pieces. . . .

Born in Orrey in 1792, William Burke displayed no peculiar characteristic in his early life which picked him out as different from the average young man of his class and time. Largely uneducated, he found a job as house-boy at the manse of the local Presbyterian minister.

Later, he became baker, weaver and soldier in fairly quick succession. His enlistment in the militia was for a seven-year term, most of it spent as an officer's batman. He now had a wife and three children.

On his discharge from the army he returned with his wife and children to his father's home. He had an ambition to become a farmer and asked his father to let him have a large potato patch. His father curtly refused and a bitter quarrel ensued, which led to his deciding to leave Ireland.

He deserted his family and went across to Glasgow. Here he obtained work on the Union Canal as a navvy and picked up a woman named Helen McDougal. Though she had been a coarse-looking beauty in her time, Helen then was nothing more than an ugly and ill-tempered drab. On the other hand, a contemporary described Burke as having a "down-looking sleazy look of a dog." He was short and thick of frame, with a round full face, an insignificant nose and a sullen expression.

Together they drifted to Edinburgh where they became lodgers at Log's Boarding House. Here they met William Hare, of whose early life little is known. Hare was a tall, thin creature, "gruesome and ghoulish" of appearance, having a "hollow-ground" face, and grey eyes under thick eyebrows. He was more than friendly with the widowed landlady, Margaret Laird.

One day Old Donald, one of the lodgers, died—owing Hare £3 in arrears of rent. To Hare the event was a minor catastrophe. Then it was he thought of the body-snatchers, those soulless ghouls who raided cemeteries for freshly-buried bodies to sell to the anatomy schools for medical dissection.

At that time the bodies only of "malefactors, foundlings and suicides" could be turned over to medical schools for dissection by apprentice doctors, and the demand for bodies far exceeded the supply.

Hare and Burke switched a load of bark for the body in the coffin. They knew a likely client, a Dr. Knox, who had a reputation for paying good prices and no awkward questions asked.

So Burke and Hare visited Dr. Knox, struck a bargain, returned in due course with the body of "Old Donald" and exchanged it for then large sum of £7 10s. Their feet were set on a grisly path of easy money.

Another lodger, Joseph, a miller, was dying of fever. But he was taking so long over the job that the partners helped him on the way by stifling him with a pillow. His body brought them £10. A third body—that of another lodger, a sick Englishman—followed soon after.

The deceased had neither friends nor relatives to ask awkward questions; the apparent burial of the bodies in pauper graves (coffins stuffed with bark) satisfied the neighbours. But now the supply of sick lodgers ended. So, acting as decoys, Helen McDougal and Margaret Laird lured "clients" into the lodging-house. The first of these, it is believed, was an old woman named Abigail Simpson, a seller of "salt and camstone."

Other female bodies followed, the number being uncertain. By then Burke, Hare & Co. were prospering. They dressed better and, when not engaged in "business," spent the time carousing.

Among their early victims was a faded woman named Mary Haldane. When later on her daughter met Burke and Hare, the latter lured her also to the house, saying they had news of her mother.

But between te deaths of the two Haldanes came the affair of Mary Paterson and Janet Brown. Both were young, but Mary Paterson possessed an extraordinarily beautiful face and an exquisite, flawless body.

In the early morning hours, Burke came across the two girls in a grog-shop. Both were more than half drunk and hadn't eaten for twenty-four hours or so. Burke set about making them even drunker with the aid of rum and beer, and then took them to his brother Constantine's home which was close by.

Constantine, aroused from sleep, took little interest in his brother's affairs and let them in. A little later he went off to his work. By then Mary was asleep, sprawling across a table, but Janet, befuddled though she was, declared she had to go. As she left, Hare arrived. It settled Mary Paterson's fate.

That night her lifeless, but still beautiful, body was delivered to Dr. Knox. Though one medical student at least recognized the corpse, her untimely death awakened no suspicion beyond those harboured by Janet.

Their success and continuing prosperity made them brazenly careless, for the murderers now chose to kill and dispose of in the same manner a young imbecile named Daft Jamie. Inoffensive, harmless and lovable, Daft Jamie was known and liked all over Edinburgh.

For the first time, the sight of a cold, still body, instantly recognized, brought fear into the Knox establishment. Though several students declared it was Daft Jamie, Dr. Knox refuted it. Yet his first order on the dissection procedure was to remove the head and the deformed foot—the two outstanding features which would make the body recognizable to investigators.

Then followed the Docherty affair—and their last murder. Mrs. Docherty, an old Irish woman, was taken home by Burke after he had claimed that he, too, was a Docherty. To celebrate the occasion they threw a large party.

Living with Burke at the time were some lodgers, a Mr. and Mrs. Gray. To make room Burke suggested they spend the night out, which they did. When they returned the next morning, Burke warned Mrs. Gray to keep away from some straw in a corner of his room.

Woman-like, she had to investigate when the chance occurred—and found to her horror the cold and lifeless body of Mrs. Docherty. Leaving the house, the couple hurried to the police. And within twenty-four hours all four had been arrested, loudly protesting their innocence.

Not until Hare turned King's evidence did the authorities make any headway with the case. For who can exhume, for the tell-tale post-mortem examination, a body already cut into pieces and destroyed in the interests of medical science?

The trial, which began on Christmas Eve, 1828, saw the public in such a state of excitement that 300 extra police had to be sent into Edinburgh as reinforcements. Burke and Helen McDougal were indicted on charges of killing Mary Paterson, Daft Jamie and Mrs. Docherty. But only Burke was found guilty. The verdict against McDougal was "not proven." Dr. Knox, though implicated, also escaped justice.

On January 28th, 1829, William Burke was hanged before a vast, morbid crowd who occupied every window and vantage point to see the execution. With poetic, ironic justice, his body was sent to a rival medical school for dissection. Meanwhile, Hare disappeared, as did the two women.

Yet the murders did achieve something. Three years after Burke's death the Anatomy Act was passed, which removed for all time the motives which made the Burke and Hare murders possible.

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# THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

R. Barclay Warren, B.A., B.D.

**Jesus Rebukes Insincerity**
**Luke 11:29-44**

**Memory Selection: He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth. Luke 11:23.**

The modern way to make friends and influence people is to say to them the things that please them. Jesus didn't follow the modern line. He was more concerned about helping people than pleasing them. Hence we find him on this occassion sternly rebuking his hearers. He said, "This is an evil generation: they seek a sign." Nineveh repented at the preaching of Jonas but this generation was unrepentant though a greater than Jonas was here. Likewise the Queen of Sheba came to hear the wisdom of Solomon but this generation were unheeding of a greater than Solomon. This generation had great light but were not taking advantage of it. Hence their condemnation would be the greater.

While at the home of a Pharisee Jesus struck out boldly at the sham of this most religious group of the day. They fussed about ceremonial washings while their hearts were filled with wickedness. They were careful to tithe the most minute plants such as mint. This was fine. "These things ought ye to have done," said Jesus. But the Pharisees passed over judgment and the love of God.

The Pharisee loved the front seats in the synagogue. Most people don't. We have been told of one man who comes late to his seat near the front. His competitors say he does it for advertising. Perhaps they are wrong: perhaps they are right. God knows.

God knows our hearts. We may fool some people by appearing religious on Sunday while we cheat and flirt with other men's wives during the week. But we don't fool God. He knows the motives and will judge us accordingly. Meanwhile God detects hypocrisy.

Let us be honest with ourselves and it will be easy to be honest with our associates. Shakespeare expresses this thought: "This above all: to thine own self be true, and it must follow as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man."

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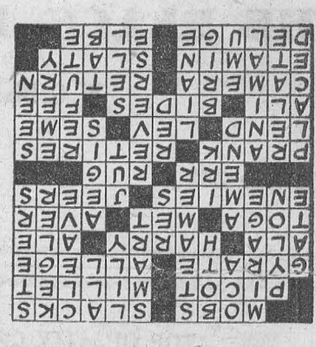



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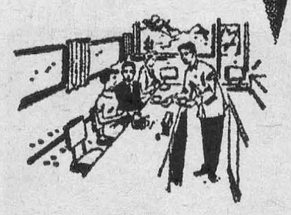

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"You know," he said, "I love my home. My kids were brought up here and all their friends live handy to them. And of course the wife and I like our neighbours too and see a lot of them."

I told him I thought that was very natural and asked him what he'd done to safeguard his home in case anything happened to him.

He looked sort of surprised and replied that she would be entitled to a small pension, to say nothing of two or three insurance policies. I tried to explain to him what a haphazard way this was of leaving things. A lengthy illness, succession duties and the many expenses that crop up at such a sad time all cut deeply into ready cash. If the estate weren't carefully earmarked and the family's income planned for, the widow's standard of living might take a nosedive. What a shame if she had to sell her house and move away, away from her children's friends and her old neighbours and the home that held so many loving memories of her husband.

"But I can't afford much more insurance," Joe protested in horror. "My expenses are terrific already."

I explained that quite possibly he needed very little more insurance. More likely it was planning and earmarking certain amounts for certain necessities so that those he loved would face a minimum of panic and hardship. No doubt about it — a little thoughtful attention now with possibly a slight extension of insurance coverage would pay great dividends for his wife and kids, or for himself if he lived to enjoy those wonderful years of retirement.

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"If we all could get together and find a place for her to live, I would do without anything; but we're all in the same boat — no money.

"My husband's unfortunate disposition is another problem. He is very, very hard to please, and though I do my best I can never predict whether he'll like it or not. He always says I can have anything I want, but that only holds good when I don't want anything. I have a few clothes, and I cannot express my personal taste in even our house furnishings. He must boss everything.

"The prospect of my mother-in-law living with us appals me! I feel sure things won't work out at all. Have you any suggestions?

**FRIGHTENED"**

I can imagine how you dread the coming of your husband's mother, remembering how she upset the whole household before. You have my sympathy. Yet some arrangement should be worked out to ease the situation. Ask your husband to consider this idea:

Get the two families together and discuss the matter frankly. Why couldn't they make a bargain — the mother spending an equal time in each household? It is not fair she should live with either couple permanently, and knowing when she arrives that she will be leaving at some definite date will lessen the tension of her visits. One can stand anything when she realizes it isn't going to last forever.

Another suggestion is that your husband's sister who is living with you should provide a place for the two of them. Since she refuses, she should certainly assume the responsibility of entertaining her mother during her visit with you, taking her to church and other places she wants to go, and so relieving you and your husband to that degree. That would keep her out of your hair, so to speak, and more often away from the children, who, from what you say, do not welcome her presence. Your husband should make it clear that she is not to interfere with their training, nor in household affairs.

It is unjust that you alone should have to look after her. A mother is the equal responsibilty of all her children. If they will admit this fact and approach the problem with good will all around, the burden should not be too heavy for anyone. I hope some equitable arrangement can be made.

Meanwhile, try not to dread the future so much. It may work out better than you expect — especially if you will try harder to win her friendship and make allowances for the eccentricities of old age. You say your husband is difficult; you are not close to your sister-in-law, either. Can't you take these difficulties more calmly, lessen your own tension and be more of the stabilizer in the whole family? It would help all around.

* * *

**The shadows of coming events can be blacker than the reality. It does no good to dread changes in our family life, but must face them with equanimity and courage. Anne Hirst has helped many a reader, and perhaps she can help you, too. Write her at Box 1, 123 Eighteenth St., New Toronto, Ont.**

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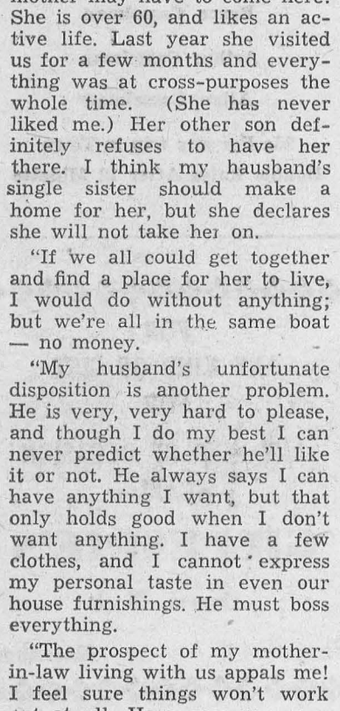

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## Royal Bank Net Earnings

The Royal Bank of Canada closed its fiscal year on November 30, 1955 with a profit, after taxes and all other charges, of $10,858,480, a 13.6% increase over the figure for the previous year. This represents earnings per share of $2.58, as compared with $2.28 in 1954.

The bank's profit and loss statement this year is being presented in slightly different form in that profits are shown after provision for depreciation and income taxes, which formerly were shown separately. It is also noted that the bank has set aside this year $11,215,000 for income taxes.

Out of net profit regular dividends of $6,604,422 were paid to shareholders plus an extra distribution at the rate of 20¢ per share amounting to $840,000.. The residual amount, together with the balance of undivided profits resulted in the sum of $4,-918,133 from which the bank transferred $4,000,000 to the Rest Fund, leaving a balance of $918,133. This is the 6th year in a row that the Royal Bank has transferred to the Rest Fund a portion of the current year's earnings. Capital and Rest Fund now stand at $42,000,000 and $108,000,000 respectively which, with undivided profits, bring the capital funds of the bank to $150,918,133.

The bank's annual balance sheet just issued shows total assets for the year at $3,284,-143,865, a figure which exceeds the record total of a year ago by well over $250,000,000.

The first Canadian bank to show deposits in excess of $3 billion, the Royal attained under this heading a total of $3,062,220,349 in 1955, an increase for the year of $264,672,200.

Loans, exclusive of mortgage loans under NHA total $1,243,-629,362, exceeding the 1954 figure by more than $55,000,000. Call loans are down by some $81,000,000, reflecting reduced activity in the securities market. Other loans, including commercial loans in Canada, increased by $137,214,338 to $1,-168,841,182, indicative of the degree to which the Royal Bank has participated in the marked industrial and commercial development throughout Canada during 1955.

A striking indication of the extent of this bank's participation in providing loans for new housing is the figure for "Mortgages and Hypothecs insured under NHA (1954)", which now stands at $100,865,965. This is well over four times the figure of a year ago and represents 38% of mortgage loans on the books of all Canadian chartered banks.



**OVERCOMES HANDICAP**—One-armed Max Dobis manipulates the delicate parts of a watch he's repairing at an exposition. Dobis, 38, was one of the handicapped employees who demonstrated their skills at the exposition. He lost his arm during World War II, learned the watch repair skill after the war, and now works as a watchmaker in a department store.

## Chronicles of Ginger Farm

by Gwendoline P. Clark

It is years since we have been as cold in the house ts we were last week. We were even cold in bed. At least I was. Partner had sense enough to get up and find an extra blanket for his bed. But I hated to leave the comparative warmth of the bedclothes for the chillier atmosphere beyond. And, oh dear, that wind! Until Partner reasoned it out we were a little alarmed at the house being so cold. We thought we had taken every precaution to make it comfortable —storm windows, insulation and plenty of coal. But it being fairly mild for so long Partner had kept the fire in the furnace as low as possible. So, when that cold nor'-wester struck this district the furnace firebox was half empty and, because of the wind, we were afraid to put on too big a fire. Better to be a little cold, we thought, than to get too warm by having the house catch fire. However, the storm was of short duration. It is now all in the past—and it departed without leaving too much damage in its wake.

We had two other worries last week. David, of course, was one of them. He is out of the hospital again but needs plenty of attention—steam at night and no draughts. If he cries for any length of time he gets very wheezy so I foresee a somewhat spoilt boy in a very little while.

Our other worry concerned a traffic accident in which two of our friends were involved. Apparently a car braked too suddenly and swerved across the road in front of M 's car. M received minor injuries; his wife was cut, bruised, and is still in bed suffering from shock. That kind of accident could happen to any one of us who might be driving along the road minding our own business. The current campaign for safer driving hasn't come a day too soon.

Oh yes—and we have another worry—what to do about Christmas. We intended holding it here as usual but now we cannot make any definite plans as Dee and Arthur won't be able to bring Dave out if the weather should be the least bit rough. Dee wants us all to go there instead but we think she has enough to contend with without taking on any more extra work. We could all help with the work, of course, but maybe too many around wouldn't be too good for Dave. However, I expect everything will work out all right—it generally does, anyway. It is just another of the kind of problems most of us meet with in our everyday life. Problems that we either face, overcome or . . . but no, we don't let them get us down, do we? We all run into periods of stormy weather—both real and theoretical. Rough while it lasts, but eventually the sun breaks through again. Just as the sun is shining now—so bright and clear—it would seem that cold, windy spell we had last week was little more than a dream.

Speaking of dreams—we hope plans for the Federal-Provincial Health Insurance will be something more than a dream. The way things are now too many people are haunted by fear—fear of the inevitable outcome of illness—doctors', nurses' and hospital bills. And that isn't any dream either—it's a nightmare! One woman, just after a series of X-rays—said to me the other day—"What's the use of working hard all your life and then when you're older paying what you've saved all out in doctors' bills?" What, indeed?

Of course, most people even on farms, have some sort of hospital insurance but it doesn't begin to cover the entire cost of an illness. No doubt we should be amazed if we knew how many farms carry a mortgage raised when money for medical expenses was an absolute necessity. Finance companies report a large percentage of their loans are also for the same purpose. At such a time it doesn't make things any easier to hear that tax figures show doctors to be the highest paid group in Canada. In 1949 they came third. It is my guess that, employment being at a high level, there are fewer bad debts on the doctor's books, which would naturally account for an increased income.

"State Medicine" are words of ill repute but surely Canada can benefit from the mistakes and experiences of proven medical plans in this and other countries. Saskatchewan seems to be quite satisfied with its prepaid hospital and medical plan. Dr. McKinnon Phillips has gone one further with suggestions for home-care for patients not urgently in need of hospitalization. Some such scheme should surely relieve some of the congestion in hospitals. Quite ofter patients enter hospital because it is their only way of collecting sick benefit. The chances are they would much prefer to stay at home.

A Federal-Provincial medical plan is bound to affect us all, so wouldn't it be a good idea to follow it carefully and be ready with our own opinion as to its merits—or otherwise?



**BLAMED**—Japan's Foreign Minister Namoru Shigemitsu faces a no-confidence vote for his failure to gain Japan's admission to the United Nations. The powerful Socialist party is demanding his resignation, blaming Japan's rejection on Shigemitsu's "mistaken knowledge of and policy regarding Nationalist China's attitude and his failure to restore relations with the Soviet Union."

## Mace & Orange Sweet Bread

Mix and sift 3 times, 2½ c. once-sifted pastry flour (or 2¼ c. once-sifted all-purpose flour), 3½ tsps. Magic Baking Powder, ½ tsp. salt, ¼ tsp. ground mace. Cream ⅓ c. butter or margarine and blend in ⅔ c. fine granulated sugar; beat in 1 well-beaten egg, 1 tsp. grated orange rind and ½ tsp. vanilla. Add dry ingredients to creamed mixture alternately with ⅞ c. milk. Turn batter into a loaf pan (4½" x 8½") which has been greased and lined with greased paper. Bake in moderate oven, 350°, about 1 hour. Allow loaf to cool in pan. Spread sliced cold bread with butter or margarine for serving.




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## *Condensed Annual Statement*

30th November, 1955

### ASSETS

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| Cash on hand and due from banks (including items in transit) | $ 542,453,934 |
| Government of Canada and provincial government securities, not exceeding market value | 944,686,948 |
| Municipal and other securities, not exceeding market value | 356,820,517 |
| Call loans, fully secured | 74,788,180 |
| Total quick assets | $1,918,749,579 |
| Other loans and discounts | 1,168,841,182 |
| Mortgages and hypothecs insured under N.H.A. (1954) | 100,865,965 |
| Bank premises | 27,119,386 |
| Liabilities of customers under acceptances, guarantees and letters of credit | 62,423,760 |
| Other assets | 6,143,993 |
| | $3,284,143,865 |

### LIABILITIES

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|---|---|
| Deposits | $3,062,220,349 |
| Acceptances, guarantees and letters of credit | 62,423,760 |
| Other liabilities | 8,581,623 |
| Total liabilities to the public | $3,133,225,732 |
| Capital paid up | 42,000,000 |
| Rest Account | 108,000,000 |
| Undivided profits | 918,133 |
| | $3,284,143,865 |

### STATEMENT OF UNDIVIDED PROFITS

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| Profits for the year ended 30th November, 1955, after provision for depreciation and *income taxes and after making transfers to inner reserves out of which full provision has been made for diminution in value of investments and loans | | $10,858,480 |
| Dividends at the rate of $1.57½ per share | $6,604,422 | |
| Extra distribution at the rate of 20¢ per share | 840,000 | 7,444,422 |
| | | $ 3,414,058 |
| Balance of undivided profits, 30th November, 1954 | | 1,504,075 |
| | | $ 4,918,133 |
| Transferred to Rest Account | | 4,000,000 |
| Balance of undivided profits, 30th November, 1955 | | $ 918,133 |

*Provision for income taxes $11,215,000

JAMES MUIR, Chairman and President

K. M. SEDGEWICK, General Manager

# Local and General

Mrs. A. N. Riley spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. George Tracey in Toronto.

The regular meeting of the Women's Institute will be held in the Public School kindergarten room Thursday, January 12th at eight o'clock. Topic for the meeting is Historical Research and Current Events and the roll call An Historical Event Important to Canada. Mr. Harvey Johnston will be guest speaker. Convenors are Mrs. George Casselman and Mrs. George Clark. All members are asked tto attend and visitors are welcome.

Mr. George Wagner and Mrs. Eva Moran of Cleveland and Mrs. Maguire of Montreal spent the holidays with Mrs. L. Mallan.

Winners of prizes at the Christmas Draw at Sherman's Store, Morrisburg were as follows: first prize, a Quick Robot Chef Broiler, Mr. Joseph Crites, Iroquois, R.R. 2; winners of $5.00 in merchandise are Mr. Ross Hess, Morrisburg; Mr. C. L. Kippen, Morrisburg; Misss Doris Groh, Morrisburg; Mr. Johnnie N. Beckstead, Brinston R. R. 2; Mr. John Kearney, Chesterville, Ont.

Mrs. Mary E. McIntosh of Iroquois spent a few days with her sister Mrs. Oral Casselman, Helen Holmes and Judy, and also visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Beckstead and family.

Mr. and Mrs. James O'Shaughnessy of Aultsville spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Smith and family. and also called on Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cheley, Rose St.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Robertson left this morning for Florida, where they will spend a few weeks.

Mr. Ernest Organ and daughter, Sheila have returned from Quebec City where they spent the past eight days visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Laurin and family of Ottawa were week end guests with relatives in Morrisburg.

New Year's ay guests of Mr. and Mrs. Art Laurin were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Canning and family of Gouverneur, N.Y., Mr. and Mrs. Basil St. Pierre and family of Iroquois.

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Mrs. Clair W. Gallinger of Gallingertown was a supper guest at the Cheley home on Rose Street on Friday.

Mr. Gallinger and Miss Joan Gallinger were callers during the evening and accompanied Mrs. Gallinger home.

His many friends will be glad to know that Mr. Carl Sharra of Brantford, formerly of this district has been named general sales manager of the Brantford Coach and Body Co. of Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Willard of Chatham spent the New Year's holiday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Willard.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Tenant and daughter Nancy of Kingston are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Coligan.

Miss Carole Luffman spent a few days with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brown in Toronto.

Miss Diane Ouderkirk of Smiths Falls spent the holidays with her father, P. E. Ouderkirk and family.

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## MORRISBURG CITIZENS ARE WELL-BEHAVED ON HOLIDAY WEEK-ENDS SAYS CHIEF

Morrisburg citizens were well behaved, at least in public, over the holidays.

For the first time since records have been kept, there no complaints, no arrests, no accidents in the municipality, according to Chief of Police C. D. Howard, over Christmas and New Year's.

## LAWRENCE — HOLMES

On Saturday evening, December 24, at the Manse in Shanly, Rev. J. L. Hurst, united in marriage, Douglas H. Lawrence, son of Albert Lawrence and the late Mrs. Lawrence of Montreal and Lise Lucy Holmes, step-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holmes of Montreal.

The bride wore a navy blue crepe dress with white accessories.

The attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bannan of Garry Owen.

Following the cermony a luncheon was served at the home of the groom uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Collicutt. Later the happy couple left for Montreal to visit relatives.

## WILLIAM R. WHITTEKER

A popular resident of Williamsburg for nearly seventy years, Mr. William R. Whitteker passed away at the District Memorial Hospital in Winchester on Monday. He had been in failing health for some time, having suffered from asthma and from a heart condition.

A son of the late Charles F. Whitteker and his wife, Deborah Whittekr, Wm. R. "Bil" Whitteker was born 69 years ago, just south of Williamsburg. For many years he farmed in the district before becoming a rural mail driver 20 years ago, a position he held until the time of his death.

Mr. Whitteker was married three times. His first wife was the former Dora Casselman. He later married Alice F. F. Wood of Dexter, N.Y., both having predeceased him. At the time of his death he was married to the former Effie Bowman who survives.

The late Mr. Whitteker was a Very Worshipful Brother in the Masonic Order, having sreved as a Grand Lodge Officer as Eastern District Secretary to the District Deputy Grand Master some years ago. He was also a Past Master of Williamsburg Lodge, A.F. & A.M., No. 480.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, Howard Whitteker of Ottawa; three sisters, Mrs. Clifford Casselman (Agnes), Williamsburg; Mrs. Herman Little (Phyllis) and Mrs. Mabel Casselman, of Toronto; and two brothers, Rev. Hugh Whitteker of Bridgewater, N.S., and Ward Whitteker of Ottawa. Another brother, Robert, predeceased him a few months ago.

Under Masonic auspices the funeral services for the late Mr. Whitteker were held from his late residence tto Williamsburg Lutheran Church on Wednesday afternoon.

Following the funeral services burial took place in Brinston cemetery.

Pall bearers were Harry Bowman, Jas. Cunningham, Ernie Trickey, Ford Cunningham, Edgar Whitteker and Oran Wert.

## CURLING NEWS

Our Christmas Bonspiel came to a dramatic finish on Friday evening, December 30th. This bonsipel which began early in November was definitely a good one for the beginning of any curling season. Competition was suprisingly keen throughout and there were many games that ended in a draw, or were decided byb a single point. Up to Thursday, December 29th, three teams were in the semi-finals: one skipped by J. E. Christensen, one skipped by Stan Finnie, and Jerry Harrington's rink. Christensen's rink was eliminated by Finnie on Thursday night. The thriller was on Friday night when Harrington's rink eliminated Stan Finnie's foursome in a twelve-ender.

So to Jerry Harrington, who skipped R. Kenndy, his third, M. McGrgor, his second and T. Oliver, his lead, the Club is pleased to extend to you its congratulations and to recognize you and your rink as the sole possessor of the Calvert Trophy, which shall be yours until somebody is able to release it from your grasp. We must not forget Harvey Johnston and Mike Morgan, who substituted on your rink for the finals. They played a grand game and contributed their share to your victory.

Our Club has been reorganized for the Dodge Trophy, which is already under way. Each team is an evenly balanced as possible and it should be a thrilling race for the club championship, which will not be decided before the middle of February.


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2. A Police Officer, upon discovery of any motor vehicle parked in contravention of the Highway Traffic Act may causeit to be moved and to be placed or stored in a suitable place, and all costs and charges in connection thereof shall be a lien upon such motor vehicles.

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Counties' Clerk-Treasurer.
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1st Sunday After Epiphany—
8.00 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Holy Communion.

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Sunday, December 8th, 1956—
9.45 a.m.—Sunday School.
11 a.m.—Public Worship.
4.30 p.m.—Opening of the Celebration of the 75th Anniversary Church Year, followed by the famous beautifully coloured pictures of Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh's visit to other countries of our Empire.

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# How Now, Brown Cow; Is Keeping You Worth the Milk?

By Kenneth Gilmore

NEA Staff Correspondent

Ever wondered if it would be cheaper to own a cow and have all the milk you want within tugging distance?

Well, sir, if you're considering such a venture, the U.S. Agriculture Department is making a game effort to lend you a helping hand. But watch out.

Experts at the Agricultural Research Service have just taken the wraps off a preliminary master plan to determine whether it costs more to milk your own cow or buy the stuff at the store.

Officially it's called, "A Method for Estimating the Relative Costs of Home Produced Milk and Purchased Milk."

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Unofficially it's probably the first attempt ever made by the federal government to see if do-it-yourself down on the farm is worth all the trouble.

It's also one of the most complicated schemes ever devised by Uncle Sam to make something simple. Among other things, you'll need a couple of economists and accountants for assistance.

To make this cow calculation or "Is old Bessie worth it?" test requires a special five page work sheet drawn up by the experts. It's full of neatly lined columns, strange symbols and lots of numbers.

You're not allowed to leave out a thing. Under cow expenses, for example, you must list veterinary, medicine and breeding fees, corn, hay, commercial feed, equipment and personal property tax.

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You also have to figure the cost of buying a cow, interest on the investment and depreciation per year of use. In case you didn't know, a cow priced at $162 depreciates $13 a year according to a sample worksheet.

The cream really thickens and sours when you get to the page which estimates milk needs in relation to supply. On this chart you must enter the monthly amounts of milk used for drinking, cooking, cream, butter and cottage cheese.

There are various explanations along the way, however. Under cottage cheese it notes in parenthesis that, "If No. 10 is positive or zero, enter 0, if No. 10 is negative enter ¼ of this negative number."

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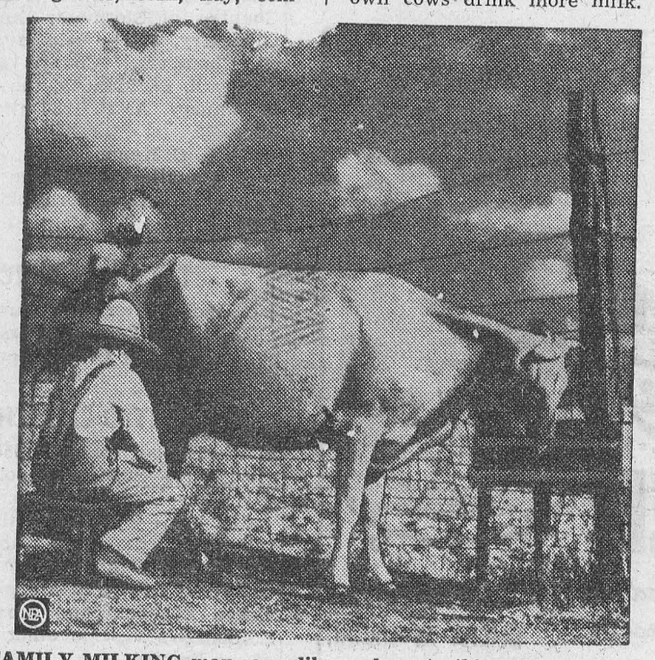
The last page attempts to pull everything together and clarify the situation. A sample of your yearly efforts might look like this:

1. Family need met by supply, qts. whole milk (Worksheet IV, 13) . . . . . 1422.
2. Cost of having milk cow (Worksheet III, 14) . . . $102.74.
3. Value of surplus milk (Worksheet V, B5) . . . $10.25.
4. Net cost of home produced milk (C2-C3) . . . . . $92.49.

And so on.

"We're trying to make the plan simpler," says Miss Eloise Cofer of the Household Economics Branch who is in charge of the project.

One thing she can report for sure. Agriculture Department statistics show that people who own cows drink more milk.



**FAMILY MILKING may seem like a chore to this youngster, but wait until he sees the charts for figuring if it's worth it.**

## Sword Swallowers And Their Ways

Medical specialists of the Royal Cancer Hospital recently scoured London looking for a reliable sword swallower.

They wanted someone to gulp down a 14-inch tube containing registering instruments which could help their experiments and eventually they found a West Ham ex-income tax official who was prepared to oblige.

Maurice Jarvis studied sword swallowing while on R.A.F. service in India, coaxing the throat muscles against the steel for over five months. In the end he became a professional sword swallower and the scientists' 14-inch tube was nothing to the 21-inch steel he can comfortably manage.

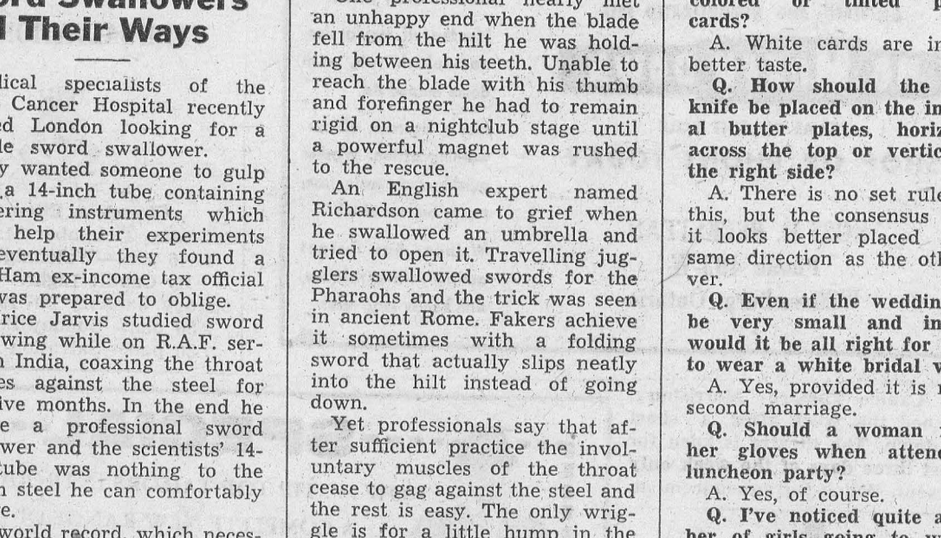
The world record, which necessarily needs a tall man, is said to be 26 ins. But even this record was unfairly eclipsed by a man who weighed down his stomach with a heavy meal before the test just to give him the extra inch he needed to win.

One professional nearly met an unhappy end when the blade fell from the hilt he was holding between his teeth. Unable to reach the blade with his thumb and forefinger he had to remain rigid on a nightclub stage until a powerful magnet was rushed to the rescue.

An English expert named Richardson came to grief when he swallowed an umbrella and tried to open it. Travelling jugglers swallowed swords for the Pharaohs and the trick was seen in ancient Rome. Fakers achieve it sometimes with a folding sword that actually slips neatly into the hilt instead of going down.

Yet professionals say that after sufficient practice the involuntary muscles of the throat cease to gag against the steel and the rest is easy. The only wriggle is for a little hump in the throat behind the Adam's apple.

Nowadays, some sword artists even swallow neon lights. With all theatre lights turned off the lighted tube glows as it goes down, creating a weird and wonderful effect.



**DEER'S FRIENDS HAVE GENTLE HEARTS**—All the good sports in the Pittsfield area weren't out gunning for deer during deer season. This young buck was given haven by police and firemen after he fell on the ice of Ghota Lake. He was carried by stretcher to a police ambulance and transported to a barn to recuperate from his bruises.





**JOINS RACING'S '400'**—Athena, at left, pounds over the finish line at Tropical Park, Miami, carrying jockey Willie Hartack to his 400th victory of the season. He is shown, at right, with trophy which symbolizes his election to racings "400". Only other member of the select society is track pilot Willie Shoemaker.

## *Modern Etiquette...*

**Q. If a man is standing on a crowded bus with his fiancee who is seated, and the seat next to her is vacated, is it all right for him to seat himself next to her, or should he allow one of the standing women to take the seat?**

A. If another woman is close by, he most certainly should offer her the seat.

**Q. When a man is assisting a woman out of an automobile, should he take her hand or her elbow?**

A. He should assist her by placing a hand under her elbow.

**Q. If a girl has promised a certain dance to a man, and the music begins, should she seek him out?**

A. Never; it is the man's duty to find his partner as quickly as possible.

**Q. What can a bridesmaid do when she has been asked to wear (and pay for) a dress whose style and color are definitely unbecoming to her?**

A. This is not an unusual situation. There is nothing the bridesmaid can do about it, except later to have it dyed and mabe remodeled. If she has considered to serve as a bridesmaid, she must accede to the bride's wishes.

**Q. Is it ever premissible to use the knife to convey any kind of food to the mouth?**

A. Never. The only purpose of the knife is cutting, and this should be done as skillfully as possible, and never in the manner of a saw.

**Q. Is it all right to use cream-colored or tinted personal cards?**

A. White cards are in much better taste.

**Q. How should the butter knife be placed on the individual butter plates, horizontally across the top or vertically at the right side?**

A. There is no set rule about this, but the consensus is that it looks better placed in the same direction as the other silver.

**Q. Even if the wedding is to be very small and informal, would it be all right for a bride to wear a white bridal veil?**

A. Yes, provided it is not her second marriage.

**Q. Should a woman remove her gloves when attending a luncheon party?**

A. Yes, of course.

**Q. I've noticed quite a number of girls going to work in the morning with their hair done up in pin curls. What do you think of this?**

A. I think it is in the worst of taste! They might just as well appear in public with mud packs on their faces!

## Unsolved Mystery Of Lovers' Glade

It was a romantic, moonlit night in a silent glade in Epping Forest, Essex, a wooded area much frequented by lovers. A little car had been parked in the clearing, and in it sat 24-year-old Kenneth Dolden with his fiancée, 21-year-old Jacynth Bland. They were happy and very much in love.

Kenneth had just been demobilised from the Royal Air Force — in fact, he was then on release leave — and shortly he and Jacynth planned to marry.

Then, without warning, their privacy was interrupted. The car door was pulled open and a masked man peered in at them. Three shots were fired at short range, and young Kenneth Dolden was mortally wounded. The killer slipped away into the night and the forest.

IN A FEW SHORT SECONDS THE HAPPINESS OF TWO PEOPLE HAD BEEN DESTROYED.

To the police and to everybody who had ever known Dolden the murder seemed totally without reason.

The events leading up to the shooting certainly gave no clue to the killer's identity. On that Saturday evening in November, 1946, Kenneth had taken Jacynth to a dance at a technical college in Walthamstow. After they had danced a while, they decided to go for a drive. Shortly before ten o'clock Ken Dolden backed his car into that glade in Epping Forest.

They had been there for about half an hour when the door was roughly wrenched open. The couple looked up to find a rough-looking man peering down at them.

From Jacynth's description, he was wearing a grey cloth cap pulled down over his eyes. A handkerchief masked the lower half of his face.

Ken Dolden ordered the man to go away. Without more ado the intruder leaned forward and deliberately fired at him three times. There is no doubt that he intended to kill.

One shot was fired with the gun pressed against the victim's body, and the other two were as close as they could be short of actual contact.

Ken Dolden did not die at once. He staggered out of the car as though to chase his murderer. After a few steps he fell, unconscious, Jacynth, horrified, ran off for help.

A hundred yards or so away she found another car, and in it a man and a woman. To them she gasped out her incredible story. At once the man drove her down the road to the nearest telephone box.

Then a strange thing happened. After telephoning, the man left his female companion with Jacynth and said he would go back and see what he could do for Dolden.

HE NEVER DID, FOR HE HAS NEVER BEEN SEEN OR HEARD OF SINCE!

Scotland Yard were soon on the scene of the crime. Before Dolden died he was able to make a short statement. In this he described the man, but said he had never seen him in his life before. He suggested that the motive had been to steal his car.

The forest was searched all night and all the following day, but there was no sign of the mysterious, ruthless gunman.

The police tried desperately to discover a motive for the killing. The dying man had suggested that the killer had wanted to steal his car, but this seemed unlikely.

Would a man deliberately kill to obtain a car he could not possibly use for more than an hour? He might do if he were desperate, BUT THERE HAD BEEN NO MAJOR CRIMES IN THE AREA THAT EVENING TO MAKE IT NECESSARY FOR ANYONE TO MAKE A QUICK ESCAPE.

There was certainly nothing mysterious or shady about the victim, Kenneth Dolden. He had had no association with anything dishonest in his life, and his character was exemplary. He had, apparently, no enemies.

The police made two very thorough searches. One was for the murder weapon, a .38 revolver. The other was for the man who had disappeared after taking Jacynth to the phone box.

They covered every yard of undergrowth and forest around the lovers' glade with mine-detectors. Electric magnets were used to sound the ponds. BUT NO TRACE OF THE WEAPON COULD BE FOUND.

The man in the other car proved a mystery, too. The woman friend said she had only met him that same evening when she accepted his offer of a lift. They had just stopped to smoke a cigarette when Jacynth came running up to them.

For some unknown reason the man did not want it to be known that he was in Epping Forest that night, and did not wish to be connected with the murder. Although repeated appeals were made for him to come forward, he never did.

However, the police were satisfied that he had nothing to do with the crime. Their sole purpose was to discover whether he had seen anything or anybody suspicious in the forest.

At the inquest on Ken Dolden in January, 1947, a verdict of "Murder by person or persons unknown" was recorded.

**Who murdered him? We shall probably never know, for the lovers' glade case is a classic example of murder without motive or meaning. But a killer is at large.**



**BOOTS FOR BABY** — Member of the training cadre of the new West Germany army tries on the new uniform and combat boot which will be issued to all recruits. He's stationed at Andernach, training center which will be activated in January.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