Getting Ahead in the Crow World—Blackie h... been leading a life of ease ever since he became a favorite household pet three months ago. The other pets in the home—two dogs and three cats—got the "bird" and resent taking a back seat to the crow in their mistress' affections. No open conflict is in sight, however, as evidenced here by Blackie sharing a snack with Tootsie.

CHRONICLES OF GINGER FARM

By Gwendoline P. Clarke

It is Monday and Niece Joy has just left to catch the early morning bus on the first lap of her journey to New Brunswick where she will presently be working with the V.O.N. And almost everyone says to her "Why in the name of wonder are you going to New Brunswick?" Sounds like the end of the world, doesn't it?

It is two weeks now since our niece arrived and in all that time—and for a week before—we have not had so much as one cool day. But even at that we have been fortunate as the severe storms that have struck other districts have not hit us at all. True, one storm last week was a little noisy but I haven't heard that it did any damage. No, the worst we have had to contend with has been heat and humidity — and that's plenty! In this welter of heat there was one night however when we were really cool and comfortable. That was the night we went to Niagara. Daughter and her two cousins were staying there for a couple of days and for the sake of the drive Partner, Bob and I went down to bring two of them home. Of course we stayed to see the illuminations which none of us had seen before—and which, incidentally, I don't mind if I never see again. When several lights in different colours were played on the Falls at the same time it was so artificial all it did was remind me of velvet draped over stands on a dry goods counter. But I did think it was lovely when ordinary beams of white lights were thrown over the entire Falls, it showed them up to perfection, not unnatural at all but more as if the falling water was caught in silver moonbeams.

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Well, it looks as if it is Exhibition time again and from the crowds that are attending it one would think that half the people in the province were waiting at the gates to get in. Bob and niece Joy were there on the opening day and John was there Saturday night but Partner and I have not yet made up our minds whether we want to go or not. Certainly the weather will have to change before we can make the grade—anyway I guess the "Ex" will carry on all right without us. That being so there is no need to make hard work out of pleasure. Moreover from what Bob tells us a day at the "Ex" is a pretty expensive outing this year. Other years, when tired of wandering, it was always a joy and a relief to sit down quietly and listen to the band. Now the chairs are roped off and one must pay a quarter for the privilege of sitting. In fact any added attraction, other than advertising, must be paid for, and it costs two dollars to drive in with your car.

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But then these extra charges are not surprising if one stops to think of all the construction work and remodelling that has been going on since the war. Remember what it costs at home to even build a new chicken-coop, then look at all the lumber that has been used for seating accommodation along the water front, to say nothing of what will be needed for the grandstand, and we can understand pretty well why the prices have jumped. Somebody has to pay and since it is the public who wants the exhibition it is naturally the public that foots the bill—but to what extent depends on the individual.

Glory be—the weather-man has just predicted cooler weather for tomorrow! I feel better already.

Missus! Missus!

The old farmer was making his will: "I leave all my brass, house and stocks to my wife," he said.

"Your wife's name?" queried the lawyer.

The farmer thought hard, but had to admit he couldn't remember.

"Well, shout upstairs as if you were calling her," suggested the lawyer.

The farmer hobbled to the door, opened it, and roared: Missus! Missus!"

That Little Beetle Can Haul Big Load

A French scientist who once set out to measure the strength of insects determined that a beetle can draw 40 times its own weight. That means, according to Coronet, that if a beetle were the size of a cart horse and its strength proportionately as great, it could haul something like 100,000 pounds.

The pyramids are only about 450 feet high, and the highest building in the world is 1,250, a little more than 200 times the height of a six-foot man, but—the termite nests of Africa are a thousand times the height of the little insects that build them. The maggot of a little black fly has been seen to jump out of a box four inches deep. If a man could jump like that, he would be able to leap to the roof of an eight-storey building without a running start. The flea does better. It can jump 200 times its own length, which for a man would be more than a thousand feet.

Surest Method

"Did you order your silverware by mail?" asked the first recent bride.

"Well," replied the other, "I sent out sixty-five wedding invitations to out-of-town relatives, if that's what you mean."

Some Good Drivers Don't Observe Rules Of Safe Driving

Who causes the majority of accidents — wild, feckless, drunken drivers? Not according to Arthur Rowan, in charge of the accident recording division of the Ontario Department of Highways, who explained that "motorists who consider themselves good drivers because they have never had an accident and assume they never will have one, contribute greatly to the volume of highway traffic accidents."

Referring to interviews he had had with hundreds of motorists involved in accidents, Mr. Rowan said that practically all considered themselves good drivers. They told him their accidents happened when they were driving in the same manner as they had time and time again without mishap. But investigation proved they were not observing the rules of safe driving.

Rather than "carelessness" which he said was a catch-all term, Mr. Rowan attributed the basic cause of most car accidents to inattention, poor judgment, and lack of understanding of the requirements of safe driving and safe walking.

He thought that one of the most important rules for safe driving was to anticipate danger in time to be prepared for it. For instance, it was a safe practise, he explained, to slow down before reaching an intersection, by taking the foot off the gas and placing it in position on the brake pedal. This reduced the "re-action time" in event of an emergency. He also advised adopting the habit of slowing down when passing parked cars, as many accidents were caused by pedestrians stepping without warning into the path of a moving vehicle. Finally, all drivers should know thoroughly and should observe at all times the traffic rules and regulations.

Record "Fall"

The Central Air Club of Soviet Russia announced that a new Soviet parachute jump record of 11,200 meters (about 36,960 feet) was established by Lieut. Col. V. G. Romanyuk.

The announcement said that Colonel Romanyuk, who has made 1,576 jumps, was in the air 18 minutes and 40 seconds during the drop.

LIFE'S LIKE THAT — By Fred Neher

"Her father's a contractor and we're offering sealed bids for her hand."

Resort Tragedy Averted As 9-Year-Old Boy Rescues Friend

WINS DOW AWARD

GERARD HOGUE

OF STE. ANNE DU LAC, QUE.,

saves older boy from drowning

Ste. Anne du Lac, a summer resort about 250 miles from Montreal, was the scene of a near-tragedy one day a few weeks ago. Several youngsters were enjoying a swim in Ste. Anne Lake when suddenly someone on the nearby pier shouted, pointing to one of the swimmers who was thrashing about in the water — obviously in trouble.

SWIMMER SUFFERS CRAMPS

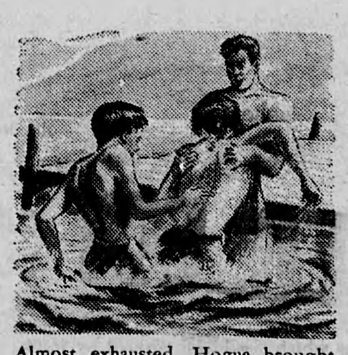
Floundering helplessly was 16-year-old Jean-Marc Daoust, unable to swim because of severe cramps. Then, as spectators gasped, he disappeared under the surface, with one arm only staying above the water.

Young Gerard Hogue, another swimmer, sped to the drowning youth's assistance with strong, fast strokes. The victim, however, was panic-stricken . . . and it wasn't until Hogue had spent nearly all his own strength that he was able to subdue the older boy and bring him safely to shore. After 15 minutes of artificial respiration, Daoust regained consciousness.

HEROISM RECOGNIZED

The gallantry and presence of mind displayed by 9-year-old Gerard Hogue of Ste. Anne du Lac, Quebec, are worthy of great praise. We are proud to honour this young hero through the presentation of The Dow Award.

The gallant young rescuer sped through the water as he saw the drowning boy disappearing beneath the surface.



Almost exhausted, Hogue brought the limp form of his friend to the edge of the pier. Both were helped by a spectator.

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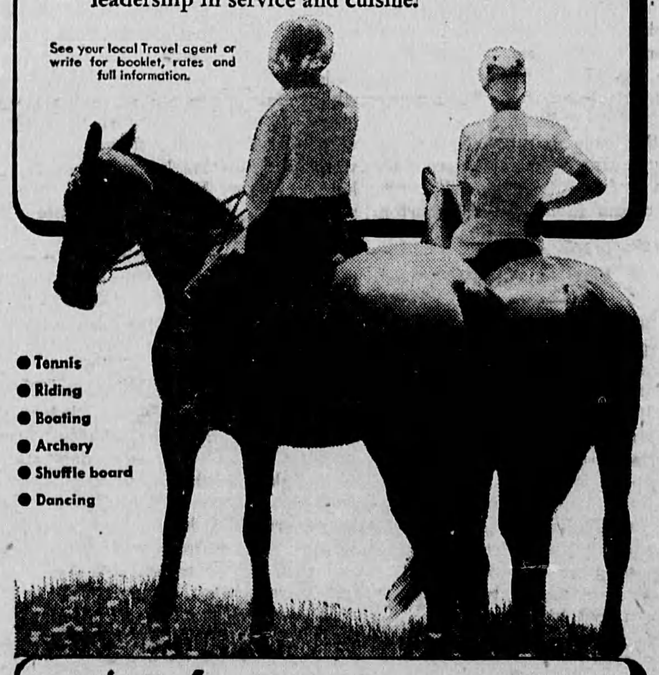

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25 Like
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37 Aluminum
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39 Feline
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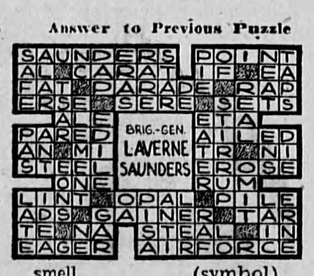

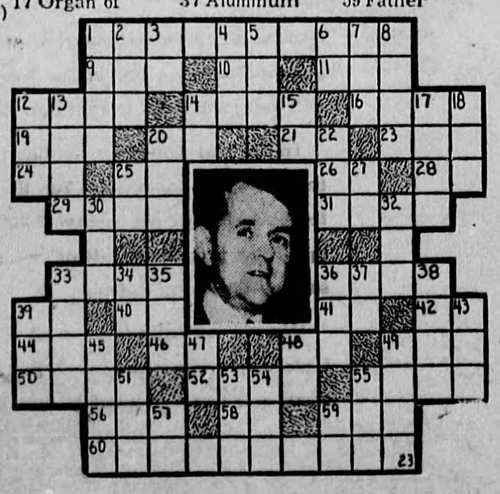
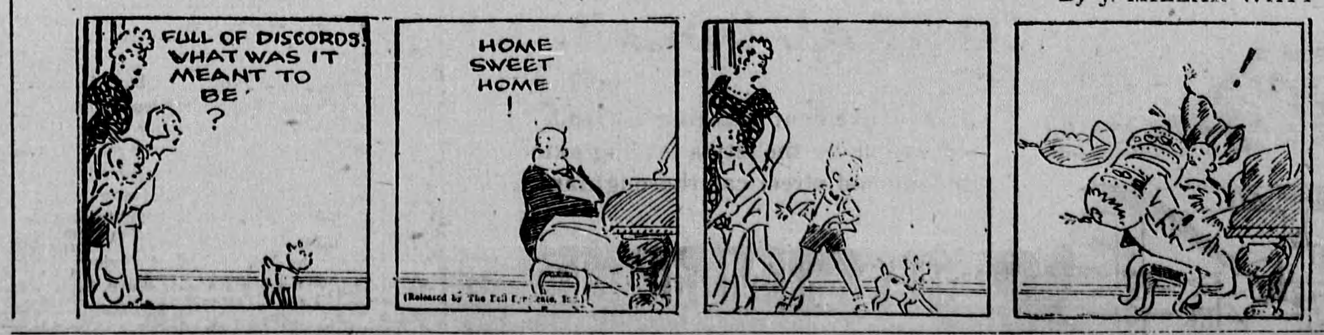
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