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**I See by  
THE PAPERS**

LONDON — Canadian university students who strained their backs a year in bed-pushing contests have to redouble their efforts to keep up with the British.

Twenty youth hostellers from Derby recently took 2½ hours to heave double-deck bunk, mounted on four wheels up 900-foot Thorpe Wood, one of the highest hills in England's Peak district.

The organizers claimed a world record for pushing beds up mountains although their bed fell apart halfway up the slope and had to be pulled the rest of the way by ropes.

John D'Arcy, 25, leader of the expedition, said the group "wanted to do something unusual to celebrate national youth hostels week. We are very pleased we succeeded."

The bunk, decorated with hostellers' names and the Union Jack, was borrowed from a nearby youth hostel. Between the sheets on the top deck was Pauline Blazey, 17-year-old factory worker. She fell out only once.

A stunt planned by London's Plattens will be even more difficult to match. He intends to cross the English channel in his grandmother's old brass bedstead mounted on empty oil tanks.

TOKYO — A task force of 432 cats sent to quell a rat plague on Oshirajima, an islet off the southern coast of Japan, has had little success and the islanders called for reinforcements.

The cats were collected after the island authorities made an appeal for "an army of 10,000 cats" to deal with the rat plague.

The cats were given a hero's welcome when they left for battle. They flowed freely at a send-off party and children who had given their pets lined the wharf to see them off to the war.

But a correspondent for the Japanese newspaper Yomiuri sent a report from the battlefield saying the first stage of "operation meow" is ineffective.

"We need reinforcements," he reported the islanders as saying.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Doctors here have shrunk cancers with radioactive beads the size of grains of salt, the Minneapolis Tribune has reported.

The new technique has been used

on 12 patients at Ancker Hospital, men and women whose cancers didn't respond to standard treatment. The cancers were in bladder, prostate gland, lung, breast and brain.

The treatment decreased size of the cancers in two of the patients, one with cancer of the breast and the other with lung cancer. There may have been decreases in the other cancers too, but the hidden nature of these didn't permit observation.

"Preliminary work in patients indicates that the method may be extremely useful," said Dr. Lloyd D. MacLean, chief of surgery at Ancker.

Dr. MacLean and Dr. John Kim, resident surgeon in training at Ancker, use beads eight times the size of red blood cells. The beads contain a radio-active isotope — unstable element — called Yttrium-90. The beta-ray producing isotope is firmly attached to the little bead.

When injected by the thousands into an artery leading to an organ, the beads spread the organ's bloodstream and get wedged in tiny blood vessels because they're too big to go farther.

Attacking cancer with radiation is not new. But, it was believed here, no one has succeeded before in getting radiation to a specific area, keeping it there and avoiding its spread to other, healthy parts of the body.

WINNIPEG — The possibility that someday there might be bone marrow banks, just as there now are blood banks, is suggested by work on radiation at the University of Manitoba.

Dr. L. G. Israel, associate professor of medicine, has been given a \$30,000 grant by the National Cancer Institute to pursue studies in this field.

Bone marrow is the agent that manufactures blood cells. It is possible to kill most cancerous tumors if the dosage of radiation is high enough but the marrow may also be destroyed.

Dr. Israel says medical men now are able to remove a small amount of bone marrow from a patient, store it, attack the tumor with radiation, then re-inject the marrow.

But in leukemia, or blood cancer, the bone marrow is the site of the primary disease. It is Dr. Israel's hope that research work will eventually find a way of replacing marrow with normal cells taken from another person.

While such transplants have been effective in dogs, Dr. Israel says it cannot now be done with humans because they tend to reject and destroy bone marrow from another person.

**Hands Off! For a Minute!!  
If You are First at a Crash**

"If You Are First at the Crash" is an excellent article by E. D. Fales Jr. that is now available as a Reader's Digest reprint. The Ontario Safety League quotes these extracts.

You're driving home from a trip when the fellow ahead brakes. There's a scream of tires. He smacks a culvert with a sickening sound, then flips over. Dead silence. You're what the police call the "first on the scene". What do you do now?

Your first instinct is to run to the car and start hauling people out. Don't. Highway rescue experts estimate that 80 per cent of the people hurt in cars are pulled out by frantic rescuers — and many are made worse, or even killed.

WHAT TO DO FIRST. Park your car far enough away from the crash scene to protect it, and then take a second to think. What are the conditions at the scene? What else can happen?

It is often far more important to "protect the scene" than to go at once to the injured. Flag down the first cars, have the drivers pull off the road and ask them to warn and slow traffic.

DEALING WITH THE VICTIMS. As soon as you can get to the wreck, turn off the ignition to prevent fire. If the victims of the crash are hurt at all, leave them in their car until trained help comes. Don't twist, turn or move them. If they are lying in the road, leave them there and take steps to guard them from traffic. Two doctors told us: "We often see people die who could have been saved if they had not been moved by volunteers."

HOW TO GET THE POLICE. Hail passing cars and send them in opposite directions to find telephones and call police.

IF PEOPLE ARE PINNED. Often accident victims, otherwise unhurt, appear to be trapped when they are merely held by a foot twisted under a seat. Crawl in and gently release the foot.

WHAT ABOUT LIFTING CARS? "Thousands of people get hurt all over again because motorists try to lift cars, find they can't and let the cars fall back," said one

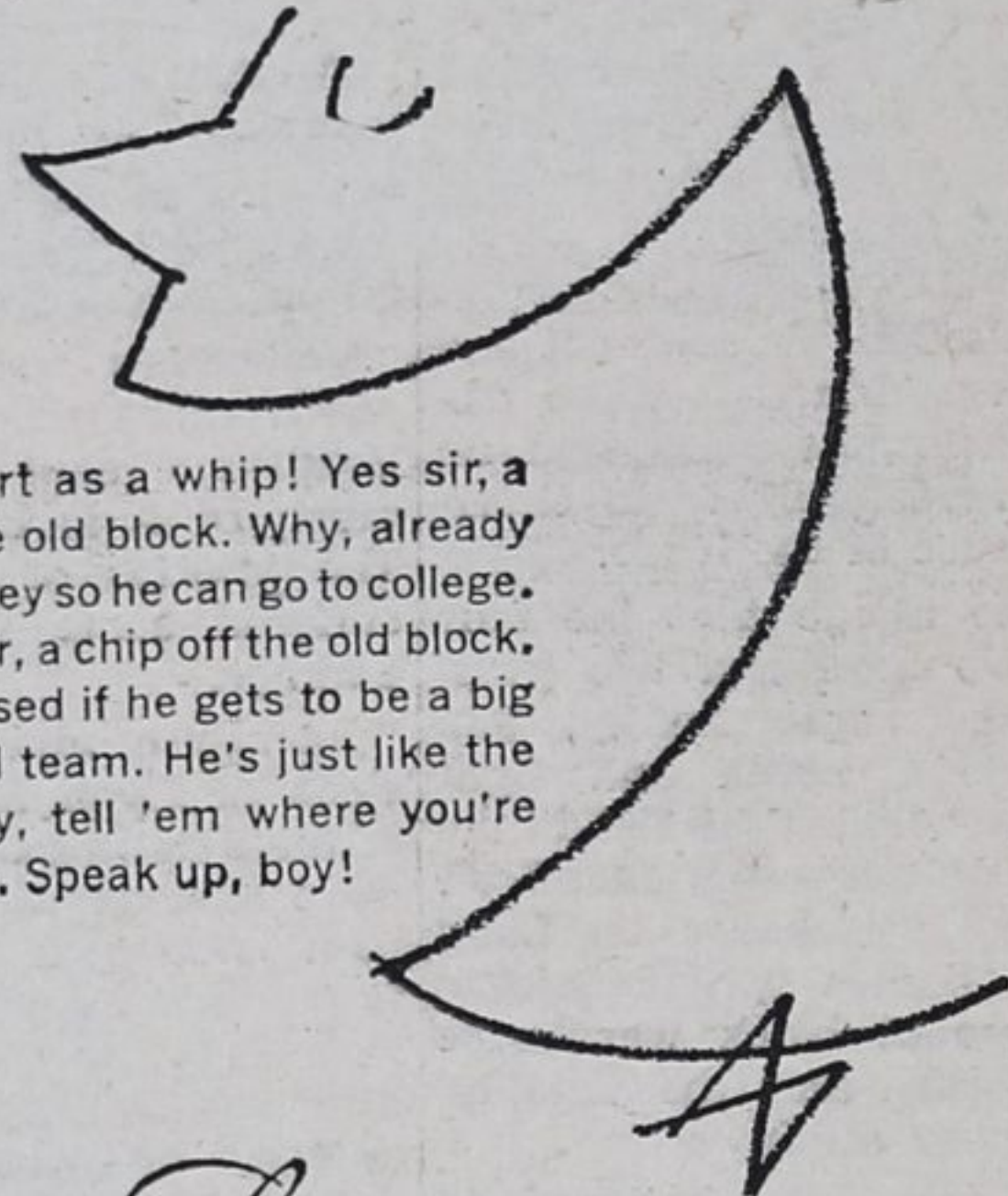
police veteran. "Don't attempt to lift a car until you have eight or ten strong men."

WHAT ABOUT FIRE? About one car in seven catches fire in a crash. But if fire doesn't start right away, you can relax a bit, for it rarely starts afterwards.

WHILE WAITING FOR THE

AMBULANCE. If you are skilled at first aid you may find you can render some assistance. If not, do these things:

- \* Put coats or blankets over the injured to keep them warm.
- \* talk to the injured; say help is coming. Never tell them anyone else has been killed or is badly hurt.



My boy is as smart as a whip! Yes sir, a regular chip off the old block. Why, already he's saving his money so he can go to college. That's right. Yes sir, a chip off the old block. Wouldn't be surprised if he gets to be a big star on the football team. He's just like the old man. Now, boy, tell 'em where you're saving your money. Speak up, boy!



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