

Let's talk about horses

By Jennifer Barr

Now that we've come through a full winter with our little barn, I am able to report on its success. After many years spent on two farms, housing our horses in huge rambling barns, last fall we built a tiny 32'x24' barn on our new 10 acre property. It was erected by husband, Mac, for less than half the cost of other

such barns. The concrete block walls have produced very satisfactory results with minimal interior icing. The mortar has dried in some places leaving bairline cracks but these can be repaired in the warmer weather. Despite other gaps—we never did get the barn completely winterized before the cold set in — it remained warm and cosy. The horses are out all day anyway and stayed remark-

ably healthy. The original plan for nine horses has been re-vamped and is now an eight-horse-barn. Even though feed is in the loft, grain is presently in the house basement, and the tack room is part of the house, I still found it necessary to have a small area for storage in the barn. Therefore, one of the standing stalls has been converted into a work area, catching grooming equipment, forks, blankets, etc. I plan on making proper shelves and racks instead of the door placed horizontally on concrete blocks that serves the purpose now.

No regrets The earth floor has been just fantastic and the disadvantages of having to level it constantly is outweighed by all the advantages. It is the healthiest flooring for horses' feet and legs, and much warmer than concrete.

We knew when we built the barn that it would be cosy to the extreme. However, it is larger than it is although there's little room for fighters. The alleyway between the straight stalls and box stalls is wide enough for safe movement but too narrow to accommodate a kicking horse. So we just make sure we don't have any

- eliminates the problems. It's a cheerful stable with its bright wood partitions, antique hand-hewn beams and flower decorations (1 wanted curtains but Mac objected). In retrospect. there would have been few changes, even if we had all the money in the world.

First exhibition in town

A showing and sale of paintings on hand by members of the Palette and Pencil Club will be held in the Acton area of Halton Hills on Saturday, May 4 during the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. The location will be the St.

Alban's church hall. There is free admission and coffee will be available.

Two of the club's members are residents of Acton and this is the Palette and Pencil Club's first exhibition in this

New work, not previously exhibited, will be shown at the annual display and sale in late May. This year the location is the Cedarvale recreational building. Maple Avenue, Georgetown, on Friday evening May 24, day-time Saturday and Sunday, 25th and 26th.

Doctors' seminar

Halton TB and Respiratory Disease association is sponsoring a seminar for Halton physicians, next Wednesday April 24 at Holiday Inn in Oakville. The program deals with TB and respiratory diseases and is being underwritten by the Ontario Medical Assolcation under the guidance of Halton Medical Officer of Health Dr. J. H. Chamberlain and the TB RD Association's program director Dr. R. W. T. Haddon.

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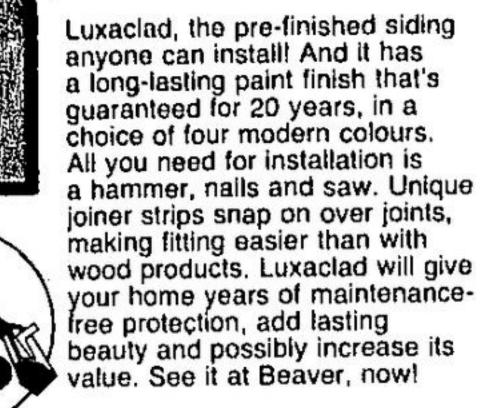
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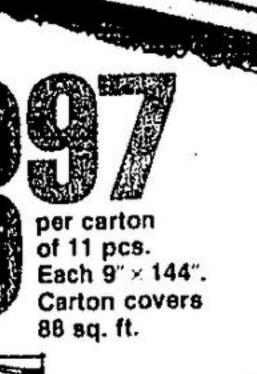
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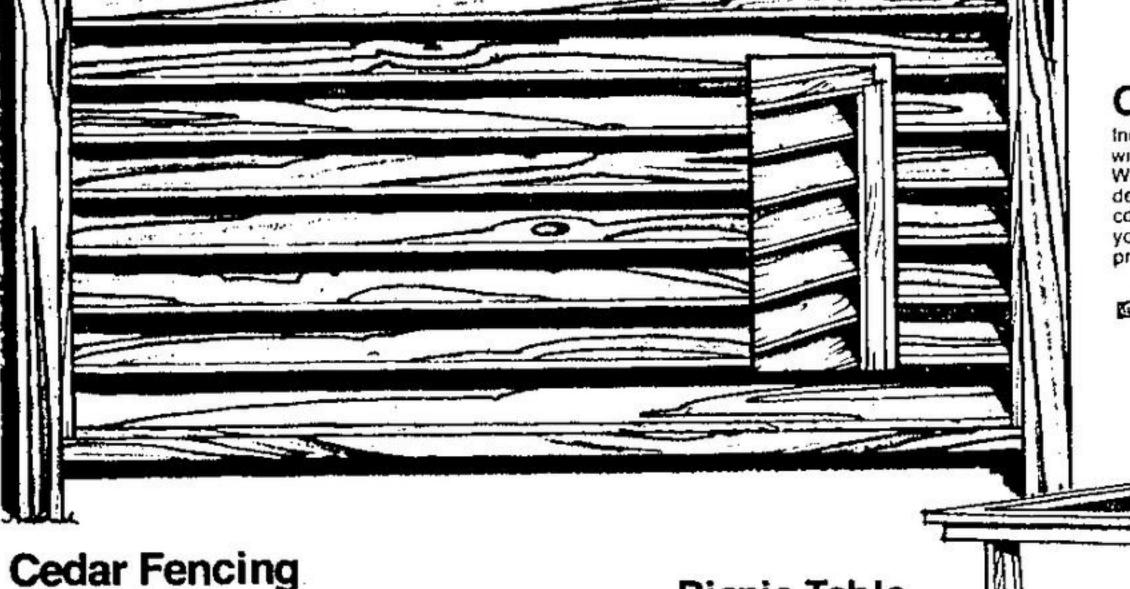


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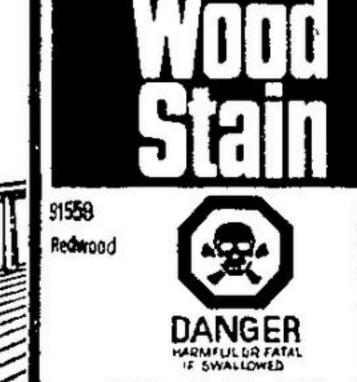
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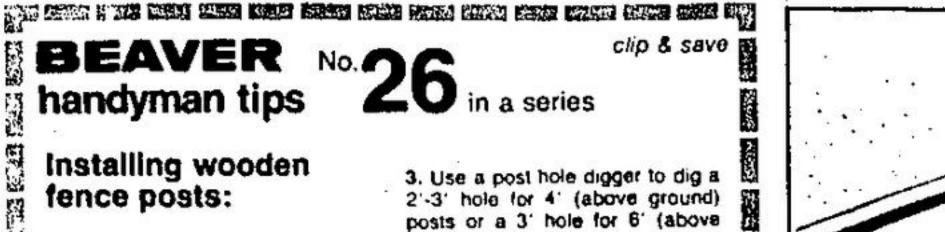
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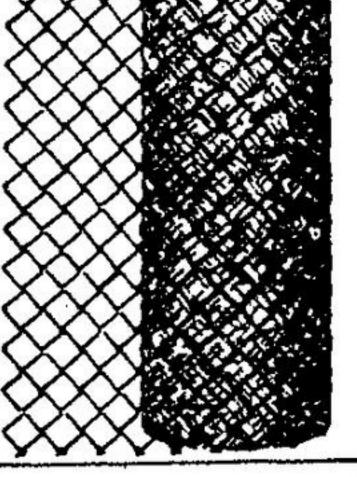
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