

A Century to Celebrate

The Ontario Veterinary Association (OVA) reaches a milestone in 1974 as the Association celebrates its centennial. From its small beginning in Toronto a century ago with Dr. Andrew Smith, OVA membership has grown to 1400 veterinarians, licensed under an act of the Ontario government.

As in other highly skilled fields, veterinary medicine has become increasingly specialized over the past century. As horses were replaced by machines, the focus of veterinary medicine evolved. The dedication and concern of veterinarians for the health of food-producing animals has improved the quality of Canadian livestock, resulting in a worldwide demand for our livestock and livestock products.

As the switch from rural to urban lifestyles continues, the veterinarians' role is again changing. Companion animal practices are extremely important to handle the growing needs of dogs, cats and other household pets — as well as the growing population of pleasure horses.

While the health of small and large animals are the primary concerns of modern veterinarians, their involvement in feed and pharmaceutical industries, in research and diagnostic laboratories, in zoos, in international ports of entry, and in developing countries is invaluable. Because of the ability and perseverance of Canada's veterinarians, we can look with pride at the healthiest livestock available anywhere and salute the Ontario Veterinary Association as it starts into its second century.

(Photos by Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food)



Champion Farm Page

Sobering thoughts

Agriculture future bleak

By Walter Scott
Are you aware that: —Only four percent of Canada's total land area is suitable for agriculture and much of this is limited by climatic conditions.

—Ontario presently produces over 40 percent of Canada's total agricultural produce.

—Ontario has only 2½ percent of its land area remaining for agriculture.

—Class 1 and 2 agricultural land is at present being encroached upon at the rate of 26 acres per hour.

—Class 1 agricultural land disrupted during construction of hydro towers near the intersection of 401 and 10 Highways over 10 years ago is unproductive today even while the immediate area is successfully cropped.

—Garden plots around Toronto are renting for \$2,178 per acre.

\$1 a loaf
—The Baker's Association of the United States is predicting \$1 per 24 oz. loaf of bread before the end of this year.

—World wheat and feed grain reserves are at an all time low (less than 10 percent).

—Canadians consume an average of 2,000 pounds of grain directly or indirectly annually.

—The energy crisis in U.S.A. was precipitated by withdrawal of Arab oil which was only seven percent of U.S.A. consumption.

A story to tell your grandchildren in the future will be about the fresh Canadian grown apples and peaches

White fly attacking

By Robert Stokes
Each year about this time, vegetable gardeners encounter small white flies on their tomatoes. These sucking insects also will attack indoor plants and are frequently found on the undersurface of the leaves. Their feeding causes the leaves to become mottled or turn yellow and die.

If warm temperatures are present, these insects can go through a life cycle in two to three weeks so you can understand why you have so many so quickly.

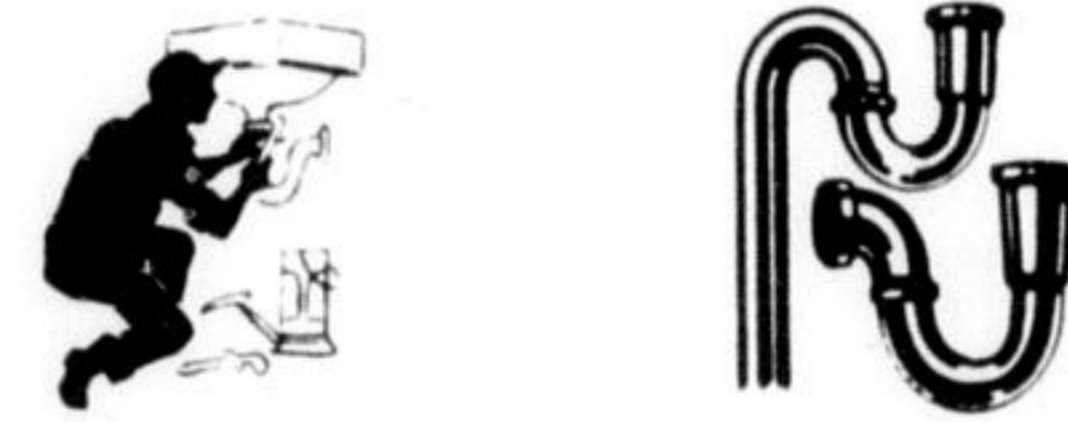
To control white flies on tomatoes and cucumbers, use malathion once a week for three weeks. Remember to

wait the one day waiting period from treatment to picking. An all-purpose household spray should give relief to indoor plants bothered by the white fly.

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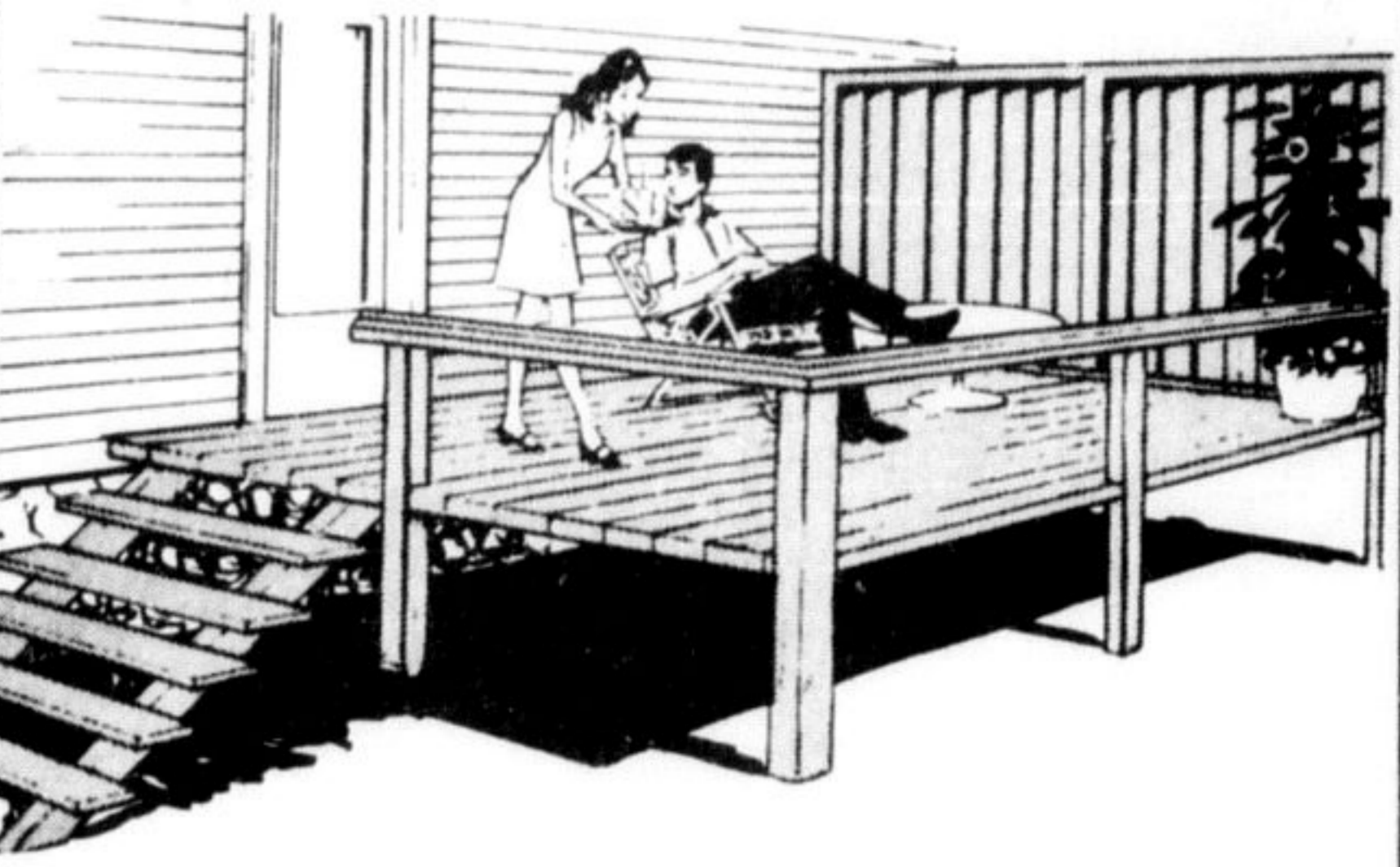
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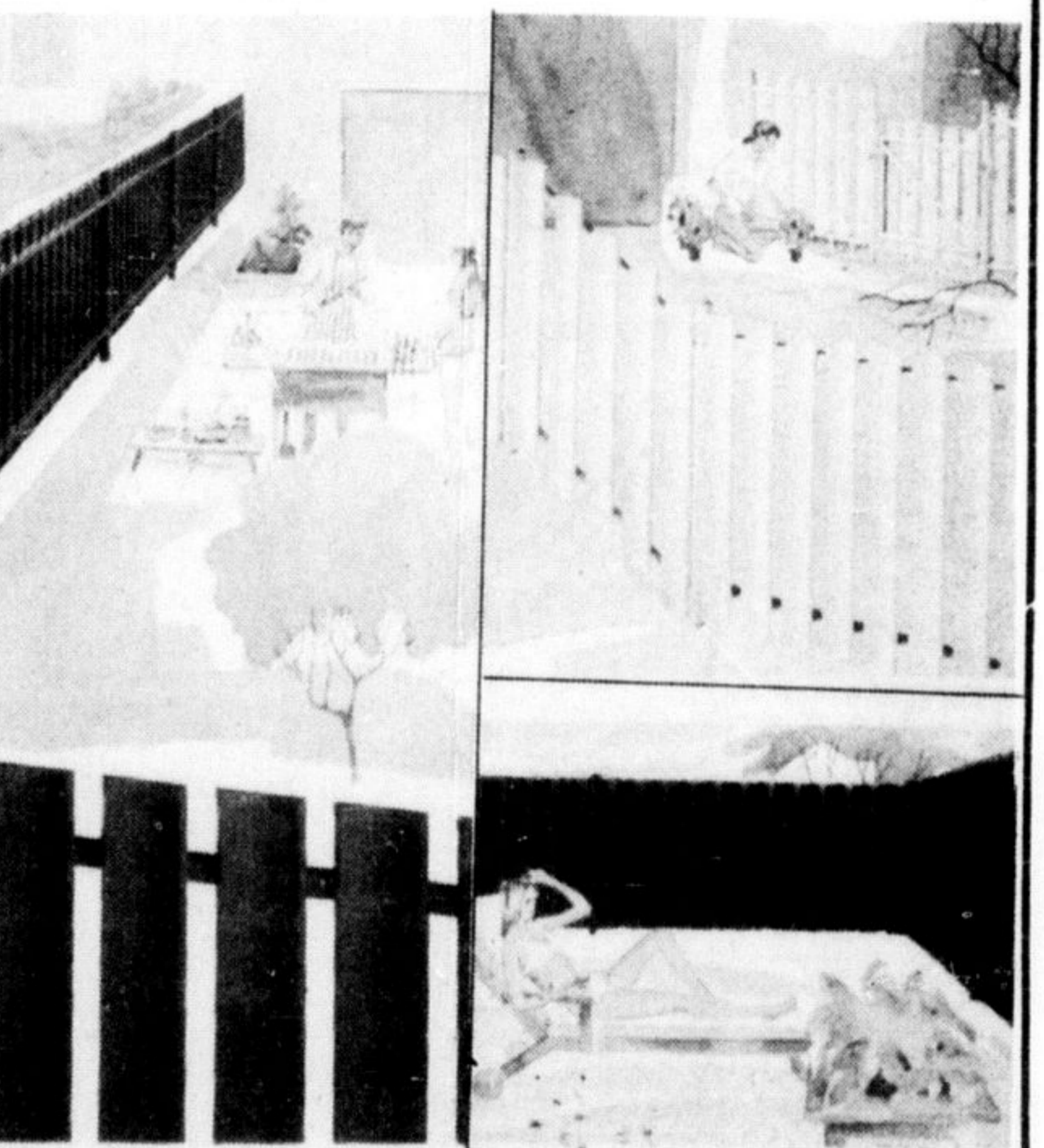
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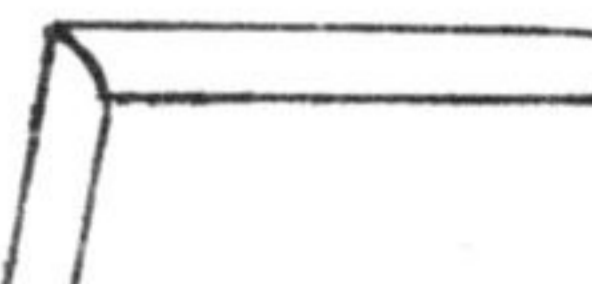


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Loreen Bozman, Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Helen Thompson, Lenore King, Irene Brush. Photo loaned by Mrs. Baz Groeneweg (Helen Thompson) of Ottawa.

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