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their flight from California. They developed the trouble over a field in Waterloo, Iowa and were forced to land in a farmer's cornfield. Neither of the ladies were badly hurt, but Mrs. Carmichael, on reporting the incident, said that a farmer rushed out and thanked her and Mrs. Cummings for landing on the cornfield instead of the adjacent soybean field. "He told us that corn was only worth \$2 a bushel and soybeans were \$7," said Mrs. Carmichael.

That garbage strike currently on in Hamilton, may be a little tough on most homeowners, but it's been a real money-maker for four young boys. John Stadafora, 12, his brother Frank, 15, Pat Petrucelli, 11, and Sam Alaimo, 13, set up business last week carting garbage from four blocks of the area where they live to an emergency dump. They offered to carry the garbage away, at 25 cents a bag. They made \$5 between them one day last week and at last count had pocketed close to \$30.

When they do something in Reno or Las Vegas they do it in a big way. Last week, slot machine king Si Redd set up what he calls the world's largest slot machine in Reno. He calls it Super Bertha and some lucky gambler could wind up winning \$1 million by rolling it. Each jerk of the handle costs \$10. The slot machine is a biggie, standing six feet tall and 10 feet long. It uses a five-horsepower electric motor to power its chain-driven reels. It will pay \$1 million for a \$10 bet if the bettor cranks up the right combination of symbols on its eight 20-character reels. And if you don't feel like playing 10 silver dollars at a time, the machine will pay lesser amounts of \$100,000 or even \$500,000 for the right combination of smaller bets. Redd warns, though, that the odds against the \$1 million combination coming up are 25 billion-to-one.

In case you're shopping at a Miracle Mart store in Thunder Bay, here's a tip. The chain of stores has launched a campaign to recover necklaces containing poisonous beads, and there's a slight chance some of those necklaces may still be hanging around the Lakehead stores. The beads are red with a black tip at one end, and are dangerous if chewed. The beads, a Miracle Mart spokesman says, are in combination with non-poisonous beads on the necklaces, which were imported from Africa. Miracle Mart has put up posters in all its stores asking customers to return the necklaces, if bought, for a refund.

Then there's the story of the thief who got a guilty conscience in Edmonton, last week.

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TODAY'S CHILD

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THE TORONTO SUN SYNDICATE

Jack, 10, enjoys school tremendously. He is finishing Grade four in an open area setting and has above average academic ability. He is articulate, imaginative and creative, alert and responsive.

Naturally with these qualities Jack is also good at thinking up ways to get into mischief, but both his work and his behavior are good when he is with firm, understanding teachers and foster parents. He has a temper which he is learning to control.

Jack is handsome and healthy with big black eyes, brown hair and medium brown complexion. Robust and athletic, he likes sports, especially basketball, and loves camping or any kind of outdoor activity. Fishing is a special interest and he is fond of animals, big and small.

Jack seems to have considerable mechanical ability. He likes to fix all kinds of things, from toys to household gadgets.

Jack likes to draw, his favorite subject being racing car models. He is fond of music and hopes to have lessons on either piano or guitar. He attends church regularly with his foster family and is never absent from Sunday School.

A family where love and firmness are combined, where there is much activity and where there is a strong father to be imitated and admired, is needed for Jack.

To inquire about adopting Jack, please write to Today's Child, Box 888, Station K, Toronto M4P 2H2. For general adoption information, please contact your local Children's Aid Society.



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