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NOTES and COMMENTS

Improved Forestry

Improved methods of forest operations are resulting in considerably less waste of a resource that is no longer regarded as inexhaustible. In the conversion of trees into lumber alone not much, if any more, than one-third of nature's raw materials is turned into boards, planks and timbers, the remainder being tops, branches, high stumps,

unmerchantable logs, edgings and sawdust.

The monthly commercial letter issued by the Canadian Bank of Commerce points out that research, forest engineering and chemistry are steadily lessening this waste, and at the same time making more and better forest products available. For example, one of the most noteworthy developments in Canada is a recent project for a pulp mill on the Pacific coast to use waste material from lumber and plywood mills operated by one of the major concerns in that region. This constructive step in wood utilization will probably lead to similar projects and perhaps eventually bring about a quite widespread integration of forest industries, the by-product of one plant becoming the raw material for another.

The most recent and perhaps most interesting. development is a method for making sponges out of wood

Right now in a smaller way management of the Vivian forest in Whitchurch are seeking for new uses for the young pine that are being taken out as a thinning operation. Up to the present they were sold for pit props, but that market is gone because of Britain's inability to take them as imports. Other uses for the young pines will be found.

Considerable progress has already been made in the last 15 or 20 years in enlarging and refining forest operations. New logging methods have been introduced, particularly suitable in sections where dense stands of large timber have been partially depleted and which cannot, under current conditions, be operated profitably with heavy equipment, such as logging railways. Power saws have come into use for felling trees, tractors for skidding and trucks for hauling of logs to mills. These newer types of operations have not only resulted in economies in overhead and labor costs, but in making possible the rutting of small and partly defective trees which could not be used profitably under earlier methods. Moreover, re-logging of various stands, that is, cutting of trees left in the woods from previous selective operations, and the salvaging of

wood from burned forests, has also been possible under these new methods.

· But One Language Make Difference

It is interesting to remember that the United States is made up of almost the same nationalities which are trying to get together to make and keep peace in Europe. In the United States. however, there is one great advantage, only one language in general use, while, in Europe, there are barriers everywhere, erected by differences of tongue. It is to be hoped though, that even a language bar in Europe will not prevent greater union among the freedomloving people of that continent.

Different languages are bound to be a barrier to friendship since when folks cannot readily talk to each other in an understandable tongue they are more likely to be less friendly. It is so in Canada where the government has given us the French and English against the wishes of many

Canadians. Has it made for friendship here?

Daylight Saving

Opinions on daylight saving differ south of the border just as they do in Canada. With the exception of the populous northern states, fast time will be observed only in scattered sections of the United States again this year.

A survey shows that some 60,000,000 of that country's 145,000,000 population already have or will set their clocks forward. The relatively new converts for 1948 include California, Nevada, Detroit and other Michigan cities and some Northern Ohio cities, including Cleveland. Californians advanced their clocks last month as a power conservation step induced by an intense drought.

The main opposition to fast time is in the rural areas where activities are regulated to a great extent by the sun. Urban folks generally welcome "fast time" because quitting work an hour earlier permits extra outdoor recreation in sunlight and enables one to put in more time looking after gardens, lawns and keeping property in a good state of

repair. There is an "in between method" that might be adopted, that would satisfy all parties. Let the urban dwellers who want fast time, determine to go to work an hour earlier, and stop work an hour earlier without interfering with the clock. Such a method could be adopted by a city or town, just as changing the clock is adopted at a given

Persons who commence work at nine could start at eight and accomplish their "daylight evenings" just the same. Then the rural people or farmers could go on with the clocks on standard time, and would only have to watch their step when going to town on a shopping expedition. All Agreed on Change-Over

Evidently everybody in the Ontario legislature is in agreement on the advisability of changing the Niagara power system over to 60 cycle, for the entire 72 votes polled by Conservative, Liberal and all other groups favored the measure and the vote was recorded in that way.

It would seem that the general public are not too well schooled on the issue, since a lot of people had not made up their mind for or against the change-over. The legislature evidently have very good grounds for the change when there was no opposition to it.



obtained.

The sap run in Ontario was poor, and farmers in Dufferin County put away their pails before the run was over because of the lack of good sap run. Too wet, many of them

AURORA TAX RATE

The Town of Aurora has struck its 1948 rate for taxes at 51 mills, which is a four mill increase over 1947 tax rate. Aurora has an assessment of \$1,788,872.



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Monday and Tuesday, April 26-27

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THIS KNOWLEDGE

woollens?

A .- By using clean soapsuds as the last rinse. Squeeze the woollens with the hands instead of rubbing them. Soda in the rinse water will cause shrinkage.

Q.—How can I prevent milk from that have become a dirty gray? curdling when it is boiled?

into it.

Q .- How can I smooth a scuffed

place in the leather of a shoe? A.—When you discover a piece of loose leather on a scuffed shoe, do polish, paste it down securely, shine the shoe, and the place will never be noticeable,

Q.-How can I take away the cloudy appearance of soup?

egg into the soup, and when the soup.

whiter?

A.—The application of a solution as usual? Q.-How can I remove fruit quart of water.

stains, also ink stains, from linen? THE GUESS ON INCOME TAX A .- One effective method is to EXEMPTIONS Q.—How can I restore shrunken hold it over the fumes of a small piece of burning sulphur. This should be done immediately. Do not

> igniting the sulphur. Q.-How can I treat white lines

A.—Use a small pointed brush A .- By stirring a pinch of soda and paint them with black lacquer. The fireplace will be modern and clean-looking when it is finished.

> Q.-How can I remove a stamp from an envelope? A .- Soak a blotter in water, then

not tear it off. Apply a liquid nail place it over the stamp and hold Q.-How can I prevent rubber

boots from cracking?

and the air will be permitted to with family dependants from \$1,500 A .- Try dropping the white of an circulate freely through them, if to \$2,000. it the boots are held erect with rolls This, it has been reported to THE DOG-GONE DOGS curdles, remove it. This will clarify of cardboard when they are not in

when they do not appear as lively

When Finance Minister Abbott brings down his budget next month, fail to dampen the linen before you'll be getting a tax cut as good, perhaps even better, as last year's average 29 per cent reduction. Cabinet has pretty well decided. between the bricks in a fireplace The Record's correspondent was reliably informed, that some \$200,-000,000 of Mr. Abbott's current surplus-running between \$700,000,000 and \$800,000,000-will be "spent" on cutting income tax.

supports the recent demands of the but it looks that way to us, if potent bishops of Quebec for an Ottawa fails to allow higher tax increase in the exemption levels, exemptions. Now wait and see. raising that for single persons from A .- Rubber boots will not crack, \$750 to \$1,000 and for taxpayers

cabinet by finance and revenue Mr. Editor, department experts, will "cost" the Nothing in last week's paper Q.-How can I make the teeth Q.-What is a remedy for goldfish Treasury about \$215,000,000.

better than your own, but here it tighten the dog by-law which has of peroxide of hydrogen diluted A .- It will often help them if one is. The government will cut the been "winked at" all winter. with one-half water will be helpful. teaspoonful of salt is added to each tax all along the line. If the so- People would think it highly

benefit by way of raising exemptions, thousands of people would be wiped off the government pay rolls who find employment in attending to the forms and hounding the small payer over the years. It would not be popular therefore to lower the exemptions so that a hundred thousand forms would not have to be made out, and therefore would not require a huge staff to check

Our guess is that the Ottawa Cabinet will go for the general reduction, which will keep the little Still in the process of discussion fellow making out returns and is the method by which this will be provide employment for a lot of done. One group in the cabinet people. It's amazing to contemplate,

The Editor's Mail

pleased me more than the report The guess of this newspaper is no that the authorities were about to

called little fellow were given the improper if their children ran all over other people's yards and flower beds, and dogs are not given the same consideration as the child, so keep the dogs at home. Now, then having ordered the

dogs home, what will be done about those people who sneak'em out after dark and let them run over the onions and early lettuce. Can that be stopped also?

A Dog Owner with a Leash

'SYNTHETIC' MAPLE SYRUP

CAUSES FLURRY AT OTTAWA Ottawa, April 9-That tin of "maple syrup" you bought the other day may be synthetic-and no bargain, either.

The Agriculture Department warns that syrup made of ordinary cane sugar, water and artificial maple flavoring has been sold recently for as high as \$4.50 a gallon. They estimate its cost \$1.25 a gallon.

Department regulations require that containers of maple syrup sold outside the province where it it originates must be labelled "maple syrup" and bear the name and licence number of the packer.

As a protection against synthetic syrup, the department suggested, consumers ought to either get the maker's name and address-or taste the syrup before buying it.

The season's output of maple syrup-genuine-may be better than officials feared at first. The season began badly because of mild weather, but last week's frost in the producing areas of Quebec helped prolong the flow of sap.

Quebec produces 80 per cent of the country's supply. So far, about half of a normal crop has been

-NOTICE

TO ALL GROWERS OF BEETS, CARROTS, CABBAGE and PUMPKINS FOR PROCESSING IN ONTARIO

The Ontario Farm Products Marketing Board has received a request from growers of Beets, Carrots, Cabbage and Pumpkins that the provisions of the Ontario Vegetable Growers' Marketing-for-Processing Scheme be amended to include these additional crops.

A mail vote by ballot of the growers primarily concerned has been arranged, so that the Board may determine if the growers making this request are fairly representative of all growers marketing these crops for processing.

A Ballot, with return envelope, has been sent to all growers who sold beets, carrots, cabbage and pumpkins for processing in 1947.

> YOU ARE URGENTLY REQUESTED TO MARK YOUR BALLOTS FOR OR AGAINST THE SCHEME AND TO MAIL THEM AT ONCE IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED FOR THE PURPOSE.

Vote as You Like-But Please Vote

ONTARIO FARM PRODUCTS MARKETING BOARD Parliament Buildings, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario

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