

### Suspect Cattle Poisoned On Audley Farm

Three purebred Herefords which had strayed from the A. W. Betson farm at Audley last week were found dead and several more showed symptoms of severe illness before they could be treated by a veterinarian. Stomach contents have been secured for analysis but no report is yet available.

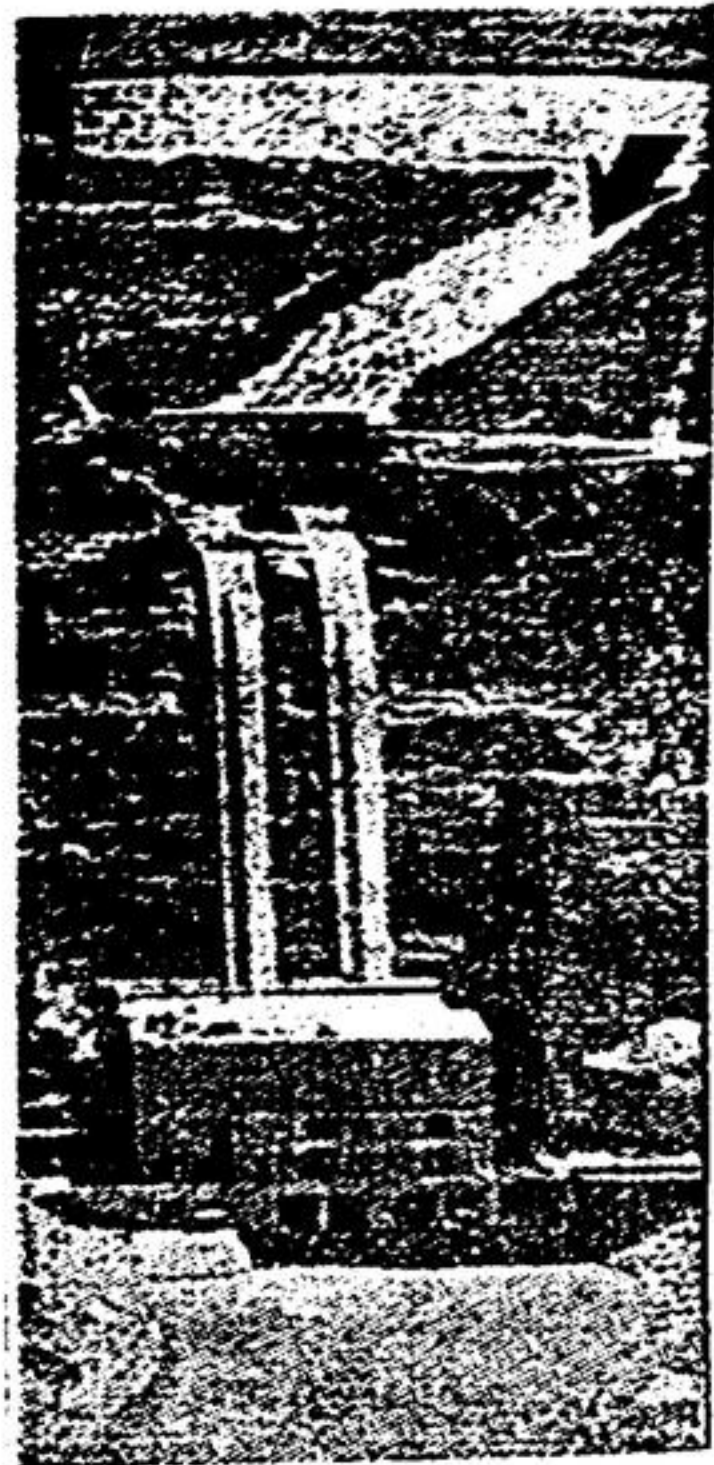
Though unwilling to discuss the occurrence, the Betson boys intimate that poisoning is suspected. No report has been lodged with the provincial police who patrol that area. The Betson farm is in the Audley district, two miles north of Whitby and two miles west.

Last summer a neighbour William Bell lost some cattle under similar circumstances.

The Betson farm is operated by three while Mr. Betson, Sr. lives in Toronto. Early last week his Herefords broke through a fence to a neighbour's property and from there went through another fence onto the road allowance.

"Certainly they weren't shot. It looks to me as though they had been poisoned," said a Whitby man who had seen the dead animals.

### DECEW FALLS MAY HELP SHORTAGE



State department and congressional officials expressed confidence in Washington that the U.S. will permit Canada to divert an extra 2,500 cubic feet per second of water from the Niagara river to the DeCew Falls generating plant during the winter months. This would generate an additional 1,250,000 kilowatt hours of 25-cycle power daily, which is enough to meet about 20 per cent. of the present shortage.



### THE MIXING BOWL

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Hello Homemakers! Gift shopping should be done according to plan. Too often we are carried away at the last moment by the "on the spot glamour" of expensive, impractical gadgets. Do not be too easily diverted from the items on your shopping list.

Take time to consider what the recipient will think of the gift two weeks after Christmas. A high priced article is even more costly if it has beauty but lacks durability. For example, a blouse for your sister: a solid colour will cost more than white in the identical material while a print design will cost more again. It requires an additional process to add colour and the dye itself costs extra while the design in the print costs still more. Quoting a merchandising expert, our friend suggested that we should consider usefulness and decorativeness balance each other.

Your key to intrinsic value lies in the answers to three basic questions: Of what is it made? Secondly, how is it made? Thirdly, what is the quality of workmanship.

To help on busy shopping days, we suggest quick cooking dishes, that will save electricity too.

Liver and Onions.  
Scalloped Tomatoes.  
Gingerbread Muffins and Apple-sauce.

Cream Potato-Cheese Soup.  
Cold Meat and Macedoine Canned Vegetables.  
Tea Biscuits and Chocolate Rice Pudding.

Corn Fritters and Sausages.  
Grated Carrot-Raisin Salad.  
Minced Meat Tart.

English Stew (Pressure Cooked).  
Carrot and Turnip Sticks.  
Jelly Roll—Canned Fruit.

Requested Recipes  
Mrs. T. G. asks for:

**Glazed Fruits**  
2 cups sugar, 1 cup water, 2-3 cup light corn syrup, small fruits or sections of larger fruits or whole nuts.

Make a syrup of the sugar, water and corn syrup. Boil, without stirring, to the hard crack stage (300 degrees). Remove the saucepan from the element and put it into an outer pan of boiling water to keep the syrup from hardening. Drop in the well drained fruit or the nut-meats, a few at a time. Skim out and place on heavy waxed paper to dry.  
Mr. R. F. asks for:

**Holiday Fudge**  
2 cups white sugar, ½ cup corn syrup, ½ cup water, ¼ cup candied cherries, 2 egg-whites, ¼ cup blanched almonds, 1 tablespoon almond or lemon extract.

Put the sugar, water and corn syrup into a saucepan. Stir it while it dissolves over the heat, then let it boil without stirring to the light crack stage (265 degrees). While it is cooking, beat the white of eggs stiffly and when the syrup is ready pour it over them, beating constantly. Cool slightly (on window sill). Beat until creamy, add nuts, cherries and extract, and pour into buttered tins.

Mrs. M. J. asks for:  
**Butter Scotch Sticks**  
¼ cup butter, 1 cup brown sugar, 1 egg, ¼ cup broken pecan meats, 1 cup sifted flour, ¼ teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Melt butter in saucepan, add sugar and when well blended remove from the electric element and cool, in the saucepan, until luke warm. Add unbeaten eggs to mixture and beat well. Mix flour, salt and baking powder, and add the nut meats and vanilla. Spread the mixture in a shallow pan lined with plain paper which has been greased. Bake 30 minutes in a hot electric oven (400 to 450 degrees). While hot, cut into strips an inch wide and four inches long. This recipe makes about two dozen.

Mrs. S. S. asks for:  
**Gingerbread**  
½ cup shortening, ½ cup boiling water, 1 cup molasses, 1½ teaspoons ginger, 1 teaspoon soda, ½ teaspoon salt, 2½ cups flour.

Melt the shortening in the boiling water. Add molasses. Sift the dry ingredients together and add them to the mixture. Beat vigorously. Put in a greased muffin tin and bake in an electric oven (350 to 375 degrees) 25 minutes.

The heir to an African tribal throne is in hot water with his people because he married a white girl.

The world is in a bad way. Current millinery seems about as sane as anything else these days.

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### Advertised Pigs Find New Homes

"I sold my pigs advertised last week in your paper to a buyer from out Stouffville way," said a Gormley man who got \$14 each for a bunch of porkers about 14 weeks old. Sow and eight pigs also sold for \$125, and the farmer was well satisfied.

Last week The Tribune recorded offers for more small pigs for sale than has shown up in any one issue of the paper all summer. Those whom the paper was able to contact reported having numerous enquiries and many pigs were sold.

It was suggested that with the approach of cold weather those who have not warm pens are dumping their young porkers now, at that young pigs just weaned are going at \$10 and \$12 each, a very substantial price.

Lobsters are fond of salt herring.

### 300 Mennonites Trek To Farms in Mexico

Winnipeg, Nov. 23—A new migration of Mennonites to Mexico was under way today with some 300 members of the sect reported leaving western Canada for better farming land and freer rein to practise their customs.

About 40 members of the sect, descendants of Dutch families who centuries ago fled their homeland, are due to pass through Winnipeg today on their southbound trip from Osler, Sask.

Their leader, Bishop John Leppky of Osler, said many are leaving Saskatchewan drought areas. Some, leaving their land to relatives, said they were unable to sell it because it was valued so low.

For the last four years, he said, he was able to sell his own produce for merely enough to buy cattle and chicken feed.

Three other Mexico-bound Mennonite families Saturday crossed the U.S. border at Haskett, Man. Other families are reported to be emigrating from Burns Lake, B.C.; the Swift Current district of Saskatchewan and south of Kinkler, Man.

The last time Mennonite families left Canada in any numbers for Mexico was between 1924 and 1926. They settled in the western section of Chihuahua, where 25 families of the latest emigrants hope to settle.

Atom-powered tube trains may traverse the continent one day, travelling 20 miles a minute.

### Farmers Income Tax Exempt on Sale of Basic Herds

Canadian farmers are allowed full exemption from income tax on the sale of what are called "basic herds" of cattle, sheep or swine. That is if the herds are approved by the Revenue Department.

This was announced in Ottawa last week by a spokesman for the department, who said the ruling goes into effect immediately.

The spokesman said livestock farmers who have been in business since last year may apply for approval of a basic herd before the end of April, 1949. And any farmer starting up during the next year has until April the 3rd, 1950, to make his application.

This is just another nuisance tacked onto that part of the public known as farmers. It will take scores of employees to account for this business for the government and worry thousands of farmers. When will so much government con-

tract melt away? Our guess is that unless the public bring enough pressure to bear on Ottawa to desist from packing on or piling up taxes, it will grow worse. Thousands and thousands of people employed in the taxing departments do not want taxes wiped out since it would wipe out their job at the same time.

Ontario, Manitoba and Prince Edward Island have farmer premiers. And they're doing the administrative chores as capably as the rest of them.

From 1871 to 1941 the percentage of males in Canada never dropped below 51% of the total population. In Western Canada it has varied between 53% and 59% in that time.

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