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### Tigers, Crop Eating Parrots and Locusts Plague New Inhabitants Of Paraguay

Many of our readers have followed with interest the fortunes of the Mennonites who left the West for greener pastures in Paraguay, and now learn with dismay that things were not as expected, so that untold hardship has been the lot of these unfortunate people.

Tigers, swarms of locusts, crop-eating parrots, long treks through rough country to reach market—these are some of the "problems" faced by Mennonites now living in Paraguay.

C.J. Dyck, who returned to his Canadian homeland recently after five years' service with the Mennonite Central Committee in Paraguay, told audiences here that the Mennonite settlers are "learning to cope with their problems and will make better progress from now on."

Mr. Dyck said the rail line ends about 68 miles from the community where the Mennonites are settled. It takes 14 to 18 days to travel the distance by ox-team. However, extension of the railway for about half the distance to the community is expected to be started shortly.

The Paraguayan government provided the settlers, many of whom came from Canada, with 100 tons of poison to battle locusts and other pests such as the cotton-leaf worm and giant ants. Mr. Dyck said that ripe kaffir (corn) growing near woodlands is often ruined by flocks of parrots.

He also told of two boys, 11 and 13 years of age, who had been sent to market with a load of kaffir. Just as they were on the point of pitching camp for the night, a tiger and his mate sauntered out of the woods towards them.

One of the boys spent the night in prayer while the other shone a flashlight into the beasts' eyes. The animals slunk away at dawn. On another occasion, said Mr. Dyck, a farmer and his wife were attacked by native Indians on their homestead. They regained consciousness and made their way to a hospital for treatment.

### TORONTO SUBWAY JOB STILL AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

Still two months ahead of schedule, Toronto's \$30,000,000 rapid transit subway project is beginning to look like a subway instead of an ugly hole in the city's main street.

The subway is expected to be completed by November, 1953, from the Union Station north under Yonge St. to Eglinton Ave. This would take it from near the

harbor front to North Toronto.

You can't see the progress from the streets, but a trip underground showed two 100-foot stretches of concrete flooring already in place, 40 feet below the street surface, and others will be poured next week.

The method is to open up various sections of Yonge St., Toronto's main thoroughfare, for excavation, from which the subway is tunnelled and paved north and south while the excavation is

covered with heavy planking over which street car and motor traffic continues normally.

Flirtatious spring is most likely misbehaving just to attract your attention. You should ignore the hussy.

"Thief Drives Away in Parked Ambulance," says headline. Well, maybe so. All sorts of incredible things are happening these days.

## Where does the money go?



At times most of us have looked at purse, wallet or bankbook, and wondered: "Where does the money go?"

You may have wondered, too, where does our money go—the money we receive for gasoline, fuel oil, lubricants and other products we sell. Well, last year each dollar we received went this way:

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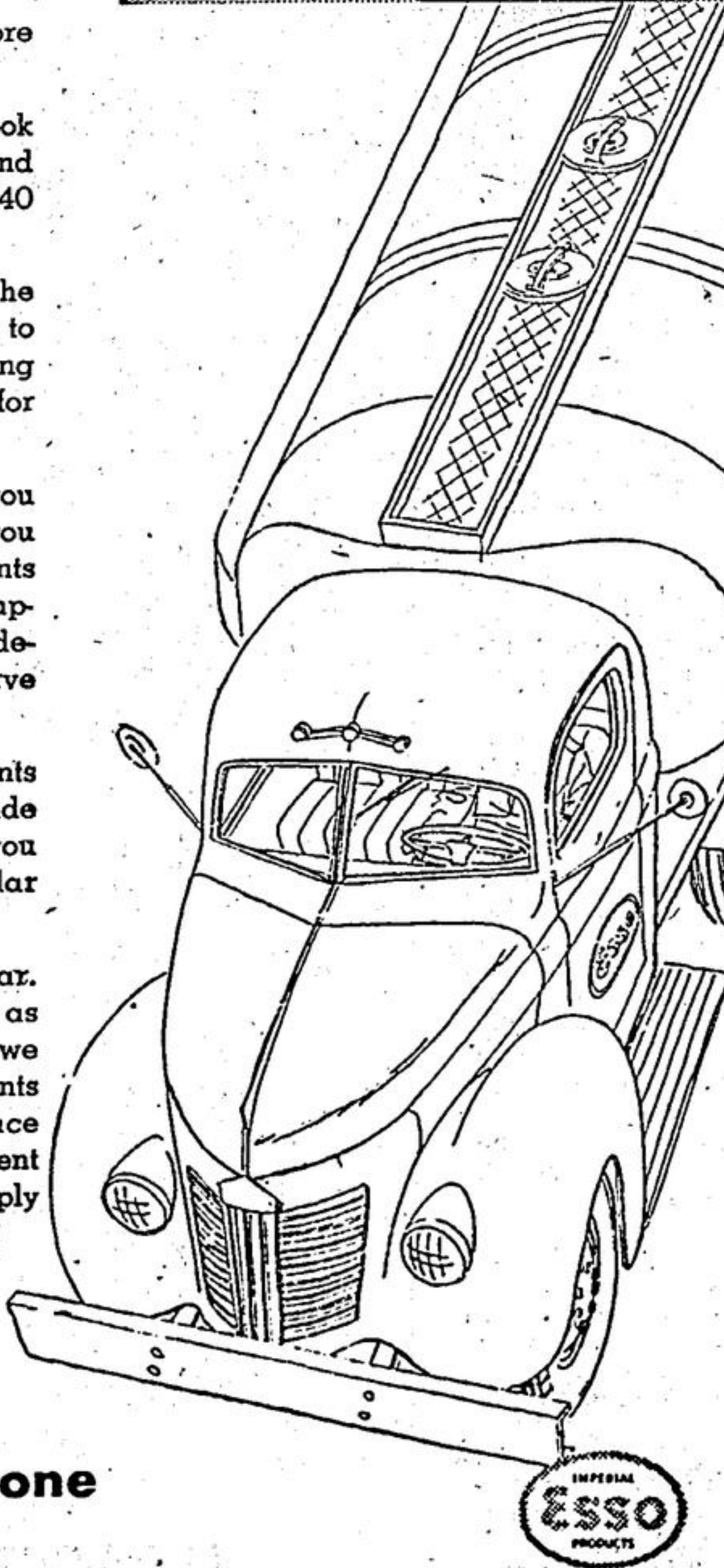
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Mr. Dyck said establishment of a spinning and weaving industry would provide a greatly-needed cash income for the Mennonites. Paraguay imports all her textiles and Mr. Dyck said an attempt now is being made to obtain the necessary machinery for the project.

### CANADIAN GARDEN SERVICE (By Gordon Lindsay Smith) As Soon as Possible

In most parts of the country gardeners will have to content themselves largely with planning and dreaming and reading the seed catalogues. Until weather and soil really start to warm there is not a great deal of active work possible. But there are a few jobs that could and should be done.

Fruit trees can be pruned and thinned and also the late blooming shrubs. For the other kind it is usually best to wait until the flowering season is over. One can also prepare hotbeds or flats for early sowing. Often, too, there is a spot in the garden where frost leaves early and the soil dries sufficiently to sow sweet peas.

### Sweet Peas

To do well, sweet peas must go in early. If one follows directions on the seed packet success is guaranteed, that is unless we live in that very limited area of Canada where summer heat, and especially heat at night, is excessive. Dig a trench about a foot or so deep. Tramp in some well-rotted manure, leaves, etc. Top off with two or three inches of the finest and richest soil available and plant in this about three inches apart. Let the weather gradually fill in the trench to encourage deep root growth. Provide the necessary climbing material—strings or brush—and when the plants start to bloom clip daily.

Lawn Work Early, Too  
Lawn grass is another plant that likes to get started early. One can't sow too soon in the spring. Some people even broadcast over the last snow and as it melts it carries the seed down into the soft earth. On a sloping place, of course, this might carry seed away.

Good grass seed usually comes in packages, and it consists of a blend of several different grasses. Some of these germinate quickly, providing some color and also the necessary protection for the later more permanent sorts. For shady locations one should get a special mixture. Either for patching or

new lawns grass seed should be sown liberally and lightly raked in.

Like most plants grass will appreciate good soil and on occasional application of fertilizer. New grass is easily pulled out so one should make sure the mower is sharp.

### Hotbeds and Window Flats

Where a large quantity of started plants are needed one can save expense by growing in a hotbed. It is best to get a government bulletin which will give the details of construction and maintenance. Briefly the affair is simply a bed of rich soil mounted on a layer of horse manure or something similar that will generate heat and the whole protected by a rough wooden frame on which is a sloping window. Or one can use a shallow box, three or four inches deep. Fill with a mixture of fine soil, sand and leaf mould. Until seeds germinate cover lightly with cloth or blotting paper. Water through this and don't let soil dry out.

### 700 DELEGATES TO ORANGE GRAND LODGE

Over 700 members of the Loyal Orange Lodge in Ontario attending the 91st annual sessions at Cobourg last week, passed strong resolutions protesting against commercializing the Sabbath Day, and against the Dominion government ever proposing to send an envoy to the Vatican in Rome.

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