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Notes and Comments

Conservation

Common to all Canada is the current problem of Conservation. Which is not to say that it follows the same pattern, because while the old settled sections of the east are struggling to replace thoughtless waste of natural resources, which followed the cutting of the forests and settling the land, the outposts of today are trying not to commit the offences and to plan ahead for the generations who will have to live when the wealth of today has been harvested and spent.

Conservation is sometimes described as an inadequate term for the many activities which it embraces. But it is not so far out, at that. In the early days of Canada, our grandmothers made a special preserve called a "conserve." It gathered the riches of the harvest of fruits, tied it all up together and added a sufficient quantity of sugar to make sure that it would keep against the cold days of winter when fresh fruit was not available.

She used it up during the winter, but in her thrifty habits as housewife and gardener she still had, year after year, the fruits from the well tended bushes from which to make her "conserve."

The preservation of these natural resources is the first duty of those who are organized these days under the banner of Conservation. They will make good farm, fine forests, beautiful parks which will be used and still preserved for generations to come.

Farmer's Income Is Higher

Net income of Canadian farmers generally was 13% less last year than in 1952, and 23% less than the record total in 1951.

The decline is disappointing, but not too significant against the background of the years. Net farm income has risen almost without interruption from 1936. There were setbacks in only three years of 15. Of course, there has been a concurrent rise in the cost of most things that farmers have to buy. But there is another factor, seldom noted; net farm income is divided among progressively fewer operators.

Compared with 732,832 occupied farms in 1941, there were 623,091 at the 1951 census, and that trend has continued. Ratio of farm population, 40% at the beginning of the century, is about 20% now. The 1951 census showed 997,000 persons employed in agriculture, compared with 1,210,000 in 1941. Last year's net income approximated \$2,760 per farm, or about \$1,600 per person; the 1941 net income was \$615 per

Prof. W. B. Baker, chairman of a commission looking at agriculture in Saskatchewan, gives the picture there. Occupied farms numbered 142,000 in 1936, now total 100,000, but cultivated acreage has doubled since 1911. It has taken only 25 years to move from a horse economy to a tractor economy on the farms of Saskatchewan. A similar report comes from W. K. Riddell, agricultural representative in Middlesex, Ontario. The number of farms in that county has dropped, he estimates; from 7,000 to 5,700 in 15 years, because effective use of machinery demands larger farms.

Not to rely upon statistics, it is convenient to quote the boss farmer of Canada. Rt. Hon. James G. Gardiner told the House of Commons the other day : "Agriculture is in better condition today throughout the Dominion than it has been at any other period in my experience - and I do not mean only my experience in the Government, but I mean as well my experience in farming." -The Telegram.

Barber-Shop Shaves

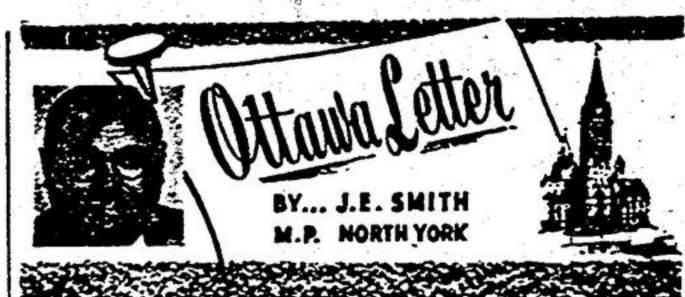
How often does one see a man being shaved in a barber shop these days? It is so unusual as to be almost rare. The exceptions are a few old-timers who always have made it a practice of getting shaved by a barber, or a few others who have slept late and have rushed out from the office to make up for the morning's neglect.

Only a few decades ago many business and professional men made a habit of a daily shave by a barber. They would have their own particular time for slipping out of the store or office to the barber shop. Each would have his favorite barber. Indeed, in some barber shops there were regular shaving mugs for regular customers, each with his own initials

There was something restful about being shaved by a good barber (though a poor barber who scraped and hacked was an annoyance). It was soothing to be plied with hot towels; to feel the strong, sure fingers of the barber; to have the whiskers cut crisply by a sharp razor of good steel.

There are several reasons for the decline in barber-shop shaving. The advent of safety and electric razors has been a boon to those timid about shaving themselves with an old-fashioned straight-blade. Modern bathrooms, with hot and cold running water. are a convenience to men who shave themselves. The tempo of modern business and professional life makes it more difficult to leave the office or shop.





bout 2 feet of snow on the believe it would be possible.

We were among a group of members of the Commons and U the Senate making an inspec- Keep Gardens tion of the military establishment and operations at Chur- Canadian

chill. Fort Churchill is about 1200 thern terminal and has become in the last quarter cen-

lation of about 1000 and boasts gardens has not kept pace with a railway terminal, a grain ele- that of our homes. vator and modern harbour, a white whale processing plant, home and garden design have two missions, two hotels, sev- come from California where clieral, stores, a theatre and a mate and living habits - the modern school The railway was two most important influences completed in 1929 and two in architecture and garden degiant elevators with a capacity sign - a re quite different to of 21/2 million bushels were our own. Rather than adopt get the "rectangular axes" and LOCUST HILL MAN cargoes of grain left Churchill fashionable and "modern", we plans because we have done Sept. 20, 1931.

The harbour is open to ship- adapt them to our conditions. our homes. ping approximately, four | Contemporary Californian | But we still must arrange months of the year. In 1953 gardens are designed to "rid us our gardens to meet the real and now of Locust Hill to a when there is not much sun- proaching adolescence, she thirty-one shiploads of grain of the discipline of traditional needs of our family rather than were shipped through the port. form" to quote a recognized the demands of the latest fad. Scheduled rail service is lim- text. The main aim seems to Canadians will always prefer ited to two passenger and one be the use of structural build- to watch plants grow rather mixed train per week. There ing materials, rather than plant than admire plywood fences; is a twice weekly air passenger materials, to extend the lines children need open space to service.

smaller.

established by U.S. Command only as ornaments to provide ditions. in 1942 but was taken over by colourful displays in jardinieres, the Canadian Army in 1944. It flower boxes, or formal beds. is operated as an experimental In Canada, few of us sit or and training station dealing even walk in our gardens for with all phases of warfare un- at least six months of the year der Arcuic conditions., It is and we are not interested in ideally located for such opera- winter shade. We prefer open tions. It is very near to the spaces so that ew can enjoy our tree line-south it is wooded gardens from inside even on and north quite barren and summer days. We can get amwith little or no vegetation. ple 3 dimensions into our gar-

and well equipped military es- between conifers and decidutablishment is to proivde ex- ous plants or conifers standing perimental and training station out against the snow rather for Canadian forces, the Na- than by cutting spaces with tional Defence Board, and U. confused kidney-shaped beds S.A. Forces in order to develop of plants. Further we like acthe art of warfare under Arc- tually working with plants and tic conditions. It is used by watching them develop through the three branches of our own the summer season. It is a welarmed services, the U.S.A. and come contrast to winter. the United Kingdom. It is the scene of operation of many form of our plantings to the scientists in a wide variety of new proportions of our houses.

Our two day visit was crowd- beneath low broad windows. ed with activity and included a Clipped and buttressed hedes tour of the townsite, a visit to lend emphasis where needed Eskimo Museum, and a trip and provide patterns in three over the Barrens in Penguine dimensions which match the and Bombaiders, caterpillar dirven snowmobiles which travel up to 40 m.p.h. over the barren snow-covered waste land. We visited army constructed igloos, snow caves and service tents.

We visited the very well equipped Research Laboratories where tests are under way with all kinds of modern vehicles and equipment and in every phase of human and animal life. Flies and mosquitoes are a terrific pest in the short summer season and control projects are under experimentation. On a calm day in summer it is impossible to relax and enjoy life in the open because of the fly nuisance. The oversize mosquitoes are No. 1 nuisance but there are black flies and sand flies and many other species.

Interesting tests and trials have been carried out in a great variety of fields and include combat clothing, all weather rubber insulated boots tent equipment, gas stoves, snowshoes, arctic mitts, sleds. troop shelters, all sizes of tanks, oversnow vehicles, cargo earriers, endurance trials of tractors. Particularly interesting are the human energy expenditure trials under Arctic

conditions. Humans, service personnel and native Eskimos are put through all kinds of tests to demonstrate the varied reactions and varying efficiency under extreme cold. Under all tests the Eskimo performs with much less loss of effici-

ency due to cold. Army postings are varied but mosily are from two to three years. Quarters are excellent with comfortable well furnished apartments for married men. Well equipped and well staffed schools take

Last Saturday morning we care of the educaton of childboarded an R.C.A.F. North Star ren. Five mess halls, gymnasat Rockliffe Airport at 9.30 jums, theatres and almost a.m. and five and a half hours every possible recreational later we landed at Fort Chur- facility is provided to guard chill on Hudson Bay. When we against the possible boredom left Ottawa the temperature of the frozen northern waste. was about 60 and the tulips Despite all some still get were in bloom At Churchill the "bushed" after a few months! temperature was just a little of life in the North. After a above zero and there was a short two day visit we can well

Contemporary building defiying miles from Ottawa It is sign has undergone a rapid Manitoba's seaport and Nor- change in recent years, states R. W. Oliver, Division of Horticulture. Central Experimental tury an important upply point Farm, Ottawa, Ont. Because the for many Eastern Arctic ports. average Canadian does his own Today Churchill has a popu- gardening the edsign of our

Many of the modern ideas in

of the house into the garden play rather than curved hedges Beluga or white whales, a and thus reduce the labour of to trip over. By all means use (i) Keeping an interest in your do not pull down on the shoul- you some excellent practical member of the dolphin family, gardening. Opaque glass screens an outdoor kitchen with a pavare abundant in the Bay dur- or woven fences are used to ed area for chairs and tables ing the ice-free season. The provide privacy and wind shel- but Canada has plenty of attracwhales are approximately 16 ter rather than hedges or tive stone readily available and ft. long and they weigh aproxi- shrubbery borders. In Califor- more suitable to our tastes mately 1600 pounds. Whales are nia gardens shaded areas where when backed by well arranged harpooned, processed for edi- one can sit at ease must be hadges or conifer groups than ble oils and the remainder sold provided for all seasons of the coloured concrete backed by to fox or mink farms or used year, and so two or more sets plywood. as fertilizer. Approximately 700 of shade trees are needed to Let us develop a style of garwere killed and processed in take care of different angles den design that satisfies our 1952 but in 1953 the quota was of sunlight; consequently space needs in a modern setting ratends to be cut up by lines of ther than trying to follow fa-The original army post was clipped trees. Plants are used shions set under different con-

The purpose of this modern den pictures by the contrast

We must, of course, adopt the Ground covers are admirable lines of the houses. We can for-



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More. Like Her Mother Every Day



New photographs of Prince Charles and Princess Anne were made at Windsor recently shortly before the children left England on the royal yacht Britainnia

to join their touring parents in North Africa, One above shows Princess Anne looking more like her mother every day, playing with a toy dog.

completed in 1931. The first these ideas because they are "symmetry of paot" garden GIVES LECTURES

should sift the good ones and away with them in planning Gardening Time" is the title of milk, protein in the form of articles on their heads, are faa lecture to be given by Walter meat, eggs, fish and cheese. mous for their graceful walk. Dandie, formerly of Pickering Cod liver oil in the months If you have a daughter aplarge group of garden enthus- shine is also essential. iasts in Toronto about the mid- A child's clothes must allow with a book on her head occadle of May. The lecture is div- for plenty of freedom for sionally. Gym periods at school ided into three parts each illus- movement. Tight belts hinder also encourage a good carriage. trated by coloured motion pic- the activity of the abdominal If you are concerned about ture films with special sound muscles. Care must be taken your collegiate child's posture, effects. The three divisions are: that a child's stocking garters the gym teacher might give garden, (2) The flower parade ders. The supports should be tips. Why not ask for them? from frost to frost, (3) How on the side of an underwaist,

> ends, history and romance of comfort. the world's finest garden subjects. This, and the other lec- taken idea that any bed will tion." tures in the course is being do for a small child, so long as made available to garden he gets to sleep quickly. Each groups, horticultural societies child-should have his own bed winter of 1954-55.

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FO PARENTS ONLY



YOUR CHILD'S POSTURE

By Nancy Cleaver

He gives the general impresture. rather poor?

busy and their children are so suggestions for ways to overdear to them, that it is hard come faulty positions. with the chin in? What about cles of unnecessary strain. not pretrude unduly?

are inter-dependent.

bone and muscles, the child fun as well. "Cheer Up, Sad Heart-It's needs green vegetables, fruit,

well do you know your plants? with a built-up neck. Shoes, The lecture is one of a series stockings and nightclothes based upon the fascinating leg- must all be large enough for fers this good advice: "It's much

Some parents have the mist tempt to drive in that condisary, and if used should be a perspective.

What a pleasure it is to small flat one. The coverings watch a child with good posture should be light and not too walking along the street, wide- tight. A sagging bed can do awake, healthy, full of energy! real damage to a child's pos-

sion of a happy youngster in Ask your doctor about your excellent physical condition, child's posture next time he What about your own child's has his annual medical examiposture? Is it good, medium or nation. Your doctor may comment on some defects in your Mothers and fathers are so child's posture and make some

for them to take a critical look A child is much better with at the way their own young- furniture built to his own size. ster carries himself! 'Asking a Sometimes a child develops a parent to be objective, is al- slouching position when sitting most like requesting him to because he is uncomfortable climb out of his own skin!" one in his chair. His feet should father protested. But it is im- not dangle Insecurely in the portant to check up on Junior's air! A father who is handy posture. Is his body held in a with tools might be able to natural easy position with the construct a child's table and weight resting on the balls chairs. Junior's own chair, and outer sides of his feet? Are which supports his back and his knees straight, his tummy feet, helps him to sit up held in? Is his head held up, straight and relieves his mus-

shoulder blades-do they At bath time, Mother can often encourage a little child to A child should gradually de develop good habits of posture velop the use of all parts of by praising the way he stands the body with the right bal- up straight and holds his tumance. Faulty posture is often a my in. If a child needs special factor in excessive fatigue. help in posture, instead of us-Good posture and good health ing a set of exercises which must be done as a duty, choose A well-balanced diet is of certain games which will acgreat importance. To build complish the same end and be

Oriental women, who carry might enjoy practising walking (copyright)

The Wall Street Journal ofbetter to sit tight than to at-

Always looking on the bright side of things impairs the visand other interested clubs and with a firm, flat mattress and ion to the extent that a person associations during the fall and springs. A pillow is not neces- can't see things in their proper

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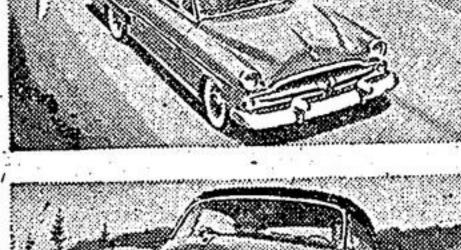
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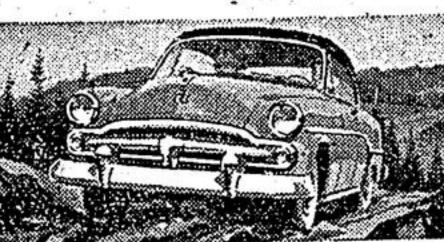
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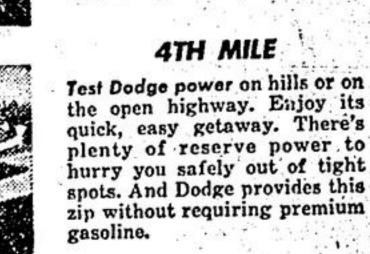






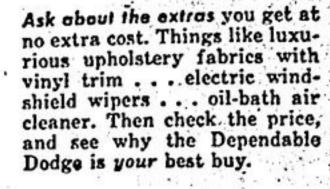






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