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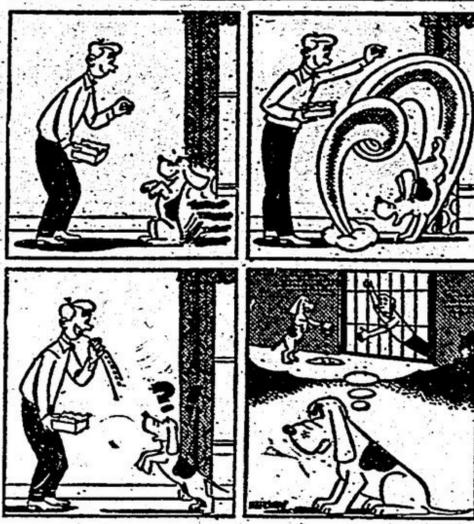
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will soon be able to come home. Mr. and Mrs. Allan Carson and daughter visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. Monahan at Orillia.
Mr. and Mrs. Morris Maynard of Schomberg visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Disney.
Mr. and Mrs. B. Jamieson, Donald and Mary Jean visited Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Parrott at Myrtle.
Mrs. Allan Carson has accept-

ed a position as teacher at the Brougham School.
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Disney, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pascoe and Mr. Ralph Jones attended the Odd Fellows' banquet at Pickering Saturday night.
The Mission Band will meet on January 25 at the home of Mrs. Ralph Jones.
Paper is Canada's most valuable export.
Wood is converted into pulp by pressing it on a grindstone or by cooking wood chips in a liquor.

GOODWOOD

Mrs. R. May
Many folk of our district have had unfortunate times with painful results. Eight-year-old Bobby Pugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Pugh, fell from his toboggan and suffered a broken arm, dislocated collarbone and torn muscles. Bobby was treated at Sick Children's hospital after Dr. Brodie x-rayed at Stouffville, but is home and able to enjoy life even though he has one wing tied down.
Miss Doris Woodland has missed some days at her teaching duties due to a badly sprained ankle.
Miss Mary Todd fell from a chair in her home and although no bones were broken, the doctor thought it best for her to be in hospital for a rest, Briar-bush.
Pleased to learn that Betty Bryan has been removed from the critical list at Sick Children's hospital.
Mrs. Tom Machesney is suffering severe agonies with lead poisoning, which affects the skin of her hands and arms.
A number of the Bible Class of the Baptist Church enjoyed an evening of fellowship together at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. May on Thursday evening.

THE BAFFLES By Mahoney



Light in Kitchen Window

When a man finishes chopping in his woodlot on gray-cloud afternoons, and heads down across the sidehill pasture and through the old apple-orchard on the slope behind the barn, he instinctively looks for the light in the kitchen window. Time was, a few decades ago, when the light shone from a kerosene lamp sitting on a shelf above the kitchen sink. Now it is more likely electricity, but the meaning of the light from the kitchen window is still the same—still a reassuring verity.
Over the years from fall until spring the light from home windows has meant something basic and secure, something dependable and familiar. In autumn the light beams show dimly, on the brown grass and leaves; in the heart of winter, when white beauty lies on the hills, the shaft of golden light paints a glowing picture on the snow.
Since pioneer days, a light in the window has meant home and sanctuary. Men and boys returning from hunting trips, from journeys to the nearest gristmill, from trips to market towns, have looked ahead to new homes hewn in a wilderness and a dim light that shone through oiled skins. As cabins gave way to frame buildings and glass replaced other materials, lights from kitchen windows at the end of day became beacons to men and boys in an expanding nation.
It grows dark early now in the last days of a dying year. A man finishes his chopping as gray shadows stretch long from the trees, and with axe on

Mink Knocks Muskrats to 40-Year Low

Millady is wearing mink instead of muskrat and trappers who go after the furry little 'rats in southwestern Ontario marshes are packing away their traps.
Muskrat prices are at their lowest in 40 years, say the trappers. They get only 40 cents a pelt and the current top price on the Toronto market is 60 cents.
"It's no use,"
"It's no use," says Joe Rosenthal, a fur dealer in Windsor for 50 years who now is seriously considering calling it quits.
"I have furs left over from last year and I still can't get rid of them. The price is too low."
Not too many trappers will be going to the marshes this winter, Joe thinks.
Just four years ago Joe bought 30,000 pelts from Essex County trappers. Last year this dwindled to 7,000.
Trapping Over
Jack LaFramboise of LaSalle, who has been trapping since he was a youngster, says "anyone who would trap 'rats for 35 or 40 cents a pelt would be crazy."
"You just can't make money on trapping any more. I won't set a trap this year. I guess trapping is over for good."

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shoulder he heads homeward toward the light in the kitchen window.—Ottawa Journal.

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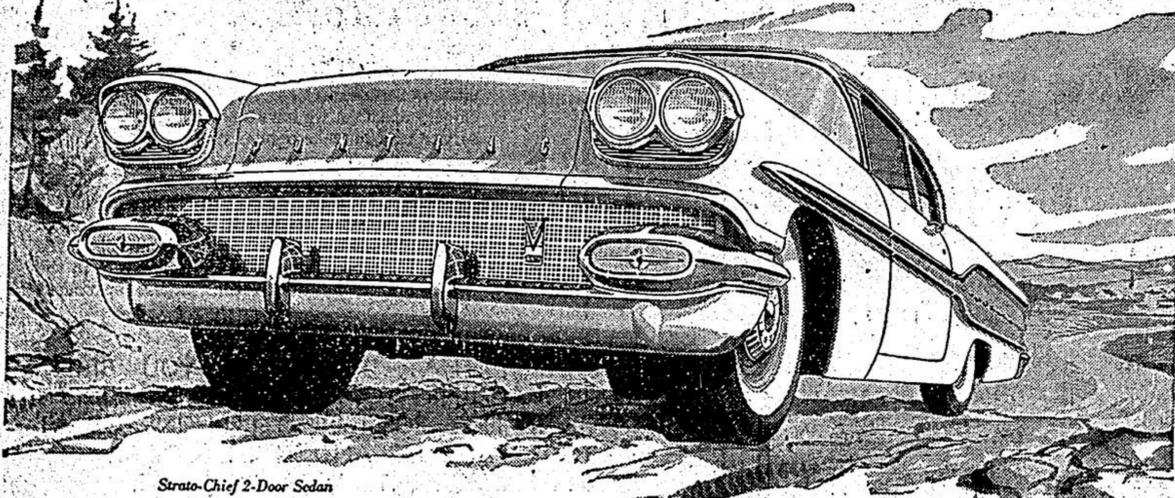
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