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OUR EDITORIAL COMMENT

Watch Out for Canadians, Uncle Sam

Canadian-American relations are at the lowest point today that they have been for generations.

The recent episode in a Toronto theatre almost caused inter-national repercussions. It seems that a Canadian audience cheered when newsreel scenes of the dismal failure of the U.S. Navy's first Vanguard were shown. The Canucks ridiculed the U.S. satellite with derisive laughter. Somebody reported the incident and half a dozen Congressmen got a letter. One letter went so far as to suggest the next atomic bomb testing grounds should be in southern Ontario. Another letter suggested the United States should take over Canada, lock, stock and barrel.

Well, much as we like and admire the Yanks, Canadians wish to remain independent. As long as the Americans retain their high-handed methods of dealing with Canada, Canadians will remain a prickly lot. The very thought of merging the two countries should be more frightening to the Americans than the Canadians.

North of the 49th parallel, the people are a highly indigestible lot.

For example, Canadians are very conscious of the constitutional rights of provinces, even more so than the individual rights of states. If Canada became part of the United States, each of the ten provinces would insist on being taken in a separate state of the union with the Yukon and the Northwest Territories adding another two.

This would, of course, mean 20 new senators all of whom would be unruly, independent, difficult to con-

trol and almost impossible to assimilate. Add to them another two hundred in the house of representatives who would be equally flamboyant, boastful, gregarious and independent and you have a lot of trouble on your hands.

Then, the people who live on the Atlantic provinces in Canada would immediately proceed on the assumption that they were destined to control the United States as they have succeeded in controlling Canada. The Maritimes approach this question in deadly earnest. They say they eat more fish which makes their brains more fertile, vigorous and ingenious. And they'll go out of their way to prove it.

The Yanks would find the easterners talking day and night about being sold out for the prosperity of "Upper Canada" and the westerners talking incessantly of wheat.

Yes, the attempted absorption of Canada into the United States would definitely play hob with the even tenor of affairs across the border.

It would be upsetting and, finally humiliating because the resourcefulness of the Canadians would have them owning and running the great neighbor to the south in a few short years.

Besides, Canada has grown up as a nation, finally, and Canadians are able to laugh at themselves as well as others. Apparently, the Americans have lost the ability to take a joke. They have become so great in their own eyes they must be laughed "with" at all times — never laughed "at". — Elmira Signet.

Indians Liked It Too

The time of year is again with us when many residents of the rural areas are in the sugar bush collecting the annual "haul" of maple sap and making syrup, candy and sugar.

While it may not have been welcome to this section, the blizzard of a few weeks ago did have some good effects. Those who have knowledge of this business, point out that when there have been big snows as spring approaches, there have been good runs of sap. This year's run is proving quite good.

Though many of us may believe the making of maple sugar began with our forefathers who were pioneers in this country, the Royal Ontario Museum reveals that the art was one of the few contributions to our civilization by the Indian. After

slashing the tree slantwise with a tomahawk, a wooden chip or spout was inserted to guide the fluid into birchbark pails resting on the ground. A number of such receptacles are on display in the museum in Toronto, varying in size and design.

One of the methods of boiling down the sap was to use earthenware pots. The other was to drop red-hot stones into a sap trough such as those commonly used by the Mohawks — hollowed-out basswood logs. In the latter process the stones were removed when cold and more hot ones dropped in so that the boiling down was accomplished only after a great deal of labour. Although poor in quality and meagre in quantity, the product thus obtained was a highly valued one, being the only sugar available.

Would Make Unemployment Insurance More Unjust

It was interesting to note that last week a group of workers who were presently on strike were to seek the payment of unemployment insurance benefits from the Dept. of Labour. Just how much "brass" can one take. Just why those who will not work should dip their sticky fingers into a pot provided to a large degree by thousands who are quite anxious to keep employed, few will be able to explain.

This is just a sidelight on the injustices of unemployment insurance. While thousands and thousands who pay unemployment insurance have drawn on that fund, justly, hundreds of thousands have never had a cent from this insurance. They are the workers who have steady employment and often at a lower rate than those who demand fancy

wages out of all proportion to their worth.

We believe that to be fair, after a worker has paid into the unemployment insurance pot for a period of say five years, without drawing any benefit by reason of true unemployment, that he or she should be given a reduced rate of assessment.

As it is, workers, most particularly in rural sections who do enjoy steady employment year in and year out, continue all their lives to subscribe to the fund. Surely after a good number of years of uninterrupted work, it is proof that a man or woman's job is reasonably steady, and they should not have to pay the standard rate. To us, it is rank injustice, and should any government even consider such an agreement as to pay this insurance to strikers, the injustice cup would overflow.

New Books in The Local Library

(FICTION)
A Family Affair — Eddy
Best Two S. — Faber
Peace River Country — Allen
The New England Story — Hough

4.50 From Faddington — Christie
A Straw in the Wind — Bennett
One White Star — Carroll
The World of Suzie Wong. — Mason

Post Stories of 1956
Arctic Submarine — Mars
Blue Nose Ghosts — Creighton
Confessions of a Scoundrel — Orlando

The 'Beside Guardian' — Brown
Angel with Bright Hair — Bachelor

(NON-FICTION)
Black Moses — Beattie
The Desert Rats — Verney
Nine Rivers from Jordan — Johnson
Tonga — Leyard
The Bridge-players Bedside Companion — Ostrow
Raiders from the Sea — Lepotter
Complete book of Annuals. — Rockwell

Liquor Vote Richmond Hill Set for June 21

Richmond Hill Town Council Monday night on motion of Deputy-revee Donald L. Plaxton and Councillor W. J. Haggart asked the Ontario Liquor Board to have the vote on the question of establishing a beer and liquor store here on Saturday, June 21.

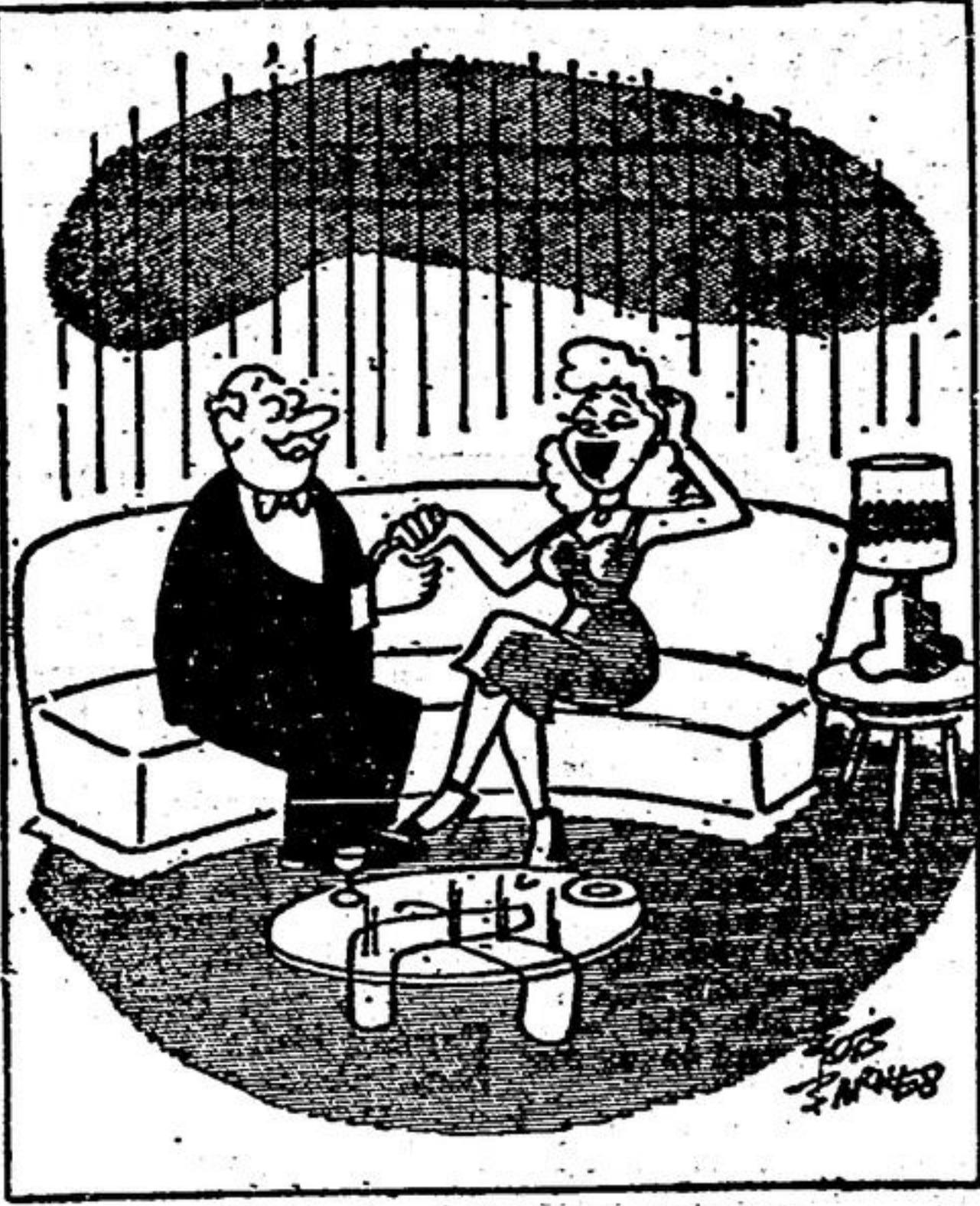
It was generally agreed that a Saturday vote would be most convenient for the majority of the ratepayers. The council's choice of date is subject to the Liquor Control Board approval.

Perennials for Every Garden — Wilson
Two Years in the Antarctic — Wakton

Cassino, Portrait of a Battle — Majdalany
Over Prairie Trails — Grove
A Temperate Dispute — Neatby
The Book of Canadian Poetry — Smith

The English Masters — Shipp
The Dutch Masters — Shipp
Drawn from Memory — Shepard

LAFF OF THE WEEK



"Oh, Mr. Rigney—I'll bet you say that to all us gorgeous creatures."

IN OUR MAIL BOX

TREATMENT OF ANIMALS

Stouffville Tribune, Dear Sirs:

We were sorry to see in this week's issue of your good paper, the picture of a farmer using a two-year old bull to work alongside of a horse. This is not only cruel, in that a horse is so much faster and higher, but is against the law. We hope that this farmer, and any other who so uses his animals will be visited by the right authorities, and instructed on the proper way of treating his good servants.

We are always astounded to see how thoughtless some people are towards animals. Yet God Himself, through His Word shows such great concern about the welfare of every single creature which He has created. Read the following for instance, and see how touching is His care for them:—

"Thou shalt not plow with an ox and an ass together," Deut. 22; (which means, that if an ass cannot be used, most certainly a horse cannot.)

"Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn. Dost God take care for oxen?" 1 Cor. 9:9.

"Thou shalt not see thy brother's ox or sheep go astray; but shalt surely bring them again to him. In like manner, shalt thou do with his ass or other; and if one of them fall by the way, thou shalt not hide thyself from it, but help to save it." Deut. 22.

Note also: how He thinks

about the smallest detail, and that none is overlooked by Him:

"If a bird's nest happens to be in thy way, either on the ground or in a tree, thou shalt not take the mother with the young; but shalt let the mother go and take the young ones to thee, that it may be well with thee and thou mayest prolong thy days." Deut. 22. And so we could go on and on.

It is written that stewards must be true and faithful, and He made us stewards over all His works. Therefore, knowing that "the eyes of the Lord are everywhere" and there is nothing hid from Him," it behooves us all to search and mend our ways: for our treatment of these creatures is as important to Him as our treatment of one another, regardless of color or creed.

In the Book of Zechariah God requires, not only an answer as regards our stewardship, but requires even "their blood at our hand!" I warn you, this Book is most painful, for it is the fulfillment of the promise made in Genesis 9: "Into your hand are they delivered. And surely your blood of your lives will I require!" As we have done with them, so shall it be done with us. Let us not be deceived in thinking that this means "Man towards Man" only, but towards ALL. The prophet makes himself clear here if we will read carefully. Let us therefore, read and understand!

—DOLORES DEVERELL

Not Township's Duty for Warble Fly Spraying

A township council is not required to provide a warble fly spraying service at all, W. P. Watson, Ontario Department of Agriculture livestock commissioner, stated in a press report last week.

He said townships do it merely as an accommodation to cattle owners. He had been asked to clarify the situation. Some Township councils have been puzzled by a recent change in regulations concerning warble fly spraying. In former years, they sprayed all cattle. To have herds examined and only infested animals sprayed would be more expensive, councillors believed.

Two Rates Suggested

Mr. Watson suggested townships set up two rates—a nominal charge for spraying a whole herd, and a much higher charge for inspecting and spraying only infested animals.

"While the Warble Fly Control Act is a provincial statute, it does not apply in any township until or unless the majority of owners in the township petition to have it apply. Such being the case, cattle owners, and not the provincial government, decide whether they wish to take such steps as are appropriate to control this insect.

"If an effective job is to be done, all efforts must be concentrated on treatment of cattle with warble grubs. It is scarcely logical or reasonable to require the treatment of cattle that cannot possibly contribute to the spread of this pest," Mr. Watson said.

When the original act was placed on the statutes in 1947 a majority of young cattle in this province were infested with warble grubs.

"As a consequence, it was deemed advisable to require all cattle to be treated."

Provide Exemptions—

With the passing of time, it was discovered that few mature cattle or calves born after Sept. 1 of the previous year were infested. The regulations were then amended to provide for exemption of these two classes of

cattle.

"In the meantime the majority of farmers treated their young cattle in accordance with the methods outlined in the regulations, and quite a number of them succeeded in eradicating this pest from their herds.

"Out of deference to their efforts, the regulations have been amended in 1958, to provide for exemption of all cattle free from warble grubs.

"Thus, commencing this year, only those cattle with warble grubs have to be treated."

Ever since the act was passed, farmers have had the option of treating by spray or brush methods.

Method not Fixed—

"Councils have never been granted authority to impose a particular method on any cattle owner.

"In a number of townships, spraying equipment has been purchased and in some cases councils have endeavored to require farmers to make use of the service which they were providing.

"In the majority of cases farmers were glad to comply, presumably because brushing cattle is not a particularly pleasant job," he said.

"In view of the fact the majority did take advantage of the service, it was possible for townships to make it available at a very nominal cost."

Now that compulsory features of the act apply only to cattle with warbles, it is rather difficult to estimate in advance the number of cattle that may require treatment, Mr. Watson said.

"As a consequence, we feel councils owning spray equipment or arranging for private operators to provide the service, should establish two rates — a nominal rate to apply in cases where farmers treat all their cattle, and a much higher rate per head in herds where treatment is limited to cattle with warble grubs.

FOR PARENTS ONLY

Family Motor Trip

By Nancy Weaver

"A wise traveller never despises his own country," wrote Goldoni and in Lady Eaton's fascinating autobiography, "Memory's Hall" she mentions twice her desire that her children should see Canada. A train trip is a delight to a child and a plane flight is a never-to-be-forgotten experience. But the great majority of families travel as inexpensively as they can, by car.

Holidays spent happily unify the family. New experiences are exhilarating and travel is one door to education. A good journey is one which every member of the family recalls with pleasure. Why not plan a trip for this summer's holiday?

Write at once to the Tourist Information Bureaus in the areas you hope to visit. Be sure to include time spent in some of our beautiful National or Provincial parks. Children love maps and they will appreciate having a part in vacation preparations. Give one child the job of keeping track of the mileage each day, another might write down money spent on gas and oil. Participation is the basis of enthusiastic co-operation.

Parents travelling with little folk have found it very worthwhile to write ahead and make overnight reservations at recommended hotels, resorts or cabins. If this is not possible, observe the rule of stopping well before darkness falls to find suitable accommodation. There is nothing more upsetting than an unsuccessful search for a place to sleep with cross, overtired children constantly wailing. "When are we going to get there?"

Fatigue quickly produces irritability in both adults and children. Arrange a rest period after the noon meal for all the family, every day. If baby is small, he can sleep in his basket, or the seat of the car can be used as a bed, with safeguards to prevent him falling. A rug and pillow spread under a shady tree encourages relaxation. It is worthwhile to turn off the main highway and travel down a quiet country road in search of solitude.

It is grand for mother not to have to prepare meals and wash dishes. In order to cut on costs the family may want to "eat out" only one of the three meals. If at all possible, have the dinner meal at a good restaurant or hotel. An early start can be made if breakfast is eaten at the place where the family has stayed overnight.

Travelling with a small baby is easier in some ways than travelling with an active youngster who is "into everything." The little baby stays in one place—but the diaper problem is not an easy one to solve. An extra supply must be taken along and mother must have the opportunity every other day to wash out the diapers and get them dry. Some families make a twenty-four hour stop in a city with a Daily Diaper Laundry Service, in order to avail themselves of this help.

Clothes for travelling for children should be comfortable, durable and washable. Sucker or jersey sun suits need no ironing, and corduroy overalls for cooler days are an excellent choice for the same reason. Tuck the dirty clothes directly into the laundry bag. Do as little washing on the trip as possible. A jar of water and a wash cloth and towel to wipe small sticky fingers is worthwhile. Bibs and paper handkerchiefs are good ideas too.

Small children get tired travelling in a car and mother and dad must be willing to stop fairly often. Take son or daughter for a walk to stretch little legs. Fill the thermos bottle with cold, tested drinking water in the morning and keep a supply of paper cups.

The driver's attention should not be distracted by anyone in the car. Mother will have to keep the children amused from time to time. Repeating a nursery rhyme, singing songs, reciting short poems, all can be lots of fun. A picture book with large colored illustrations is a good thing to have handy. Dressing a doll is a good diversion for a small girl.

Even little children can enter into the good times of simple games such as seeing who can see a barn or a red cow or a sheep out the car window, or "I spy" using colors instead of letters. If mother and dad can stand the noise, a mouth organ can amuse a child for a long time.

Family motoring is a real adventure. May you have a safe and happy trip this vacation!

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A Specialist Looks Back

Even in the remote rural districts, people seriously ill find it wise to consult a "Specialist", and frequently do so on the advice of a local doctor.

A famous New York physician, Dr. Loomis, wrote an account of his thirty-five years experience as a consultant. The book was entitled Consultation Room and revealed how a wise and extremely sympathetic doctor felt about the thousands of troubled people who, during those years, had sought his advice. One must have patience, he insisted, even with people whose troubles seem imaginary.

He said that often, when listening to a sufferer from a disease such as cancer, he would be deeply moved in spite of the fact that he had been hearing similar stories over a long period. Just to know that the patient had suffered so much and would continue to suffer, made him sympathetic. After the person left his room, another would come in whose ailment seemed trivial and superficial, hardly worth bothering about.

"My first impulse," Dr. Loomis said, "is always to say to such a person: 'Your trouble is trifling and petty. A person has just left this room whose malady is ten times — twenty times — as great as yours. You are just making a mountain out of a molehill!'"

The doctor goes on to say, however, that it is a mistake to make people feel you despise them. After all, their trouble is very real and you cannot help them by holding them up to ridicule.

Even if it is only a sore toe, or something less painful, it clouds their whole sky. The wise thing to do is to listen patiently and attentively and by tact enable them to get over it. Whatever you do, don't snub them.

This is good advice. When people are distressed, even if it seems frivolous, they want to tell their story. If they have their say and talk themselves out, they may realize they are making much ado about nothing, but it is better to allow them to arrive at that conclusion themselves. Dr. Ambrose Sheppard of Glasgow, one of the greatest preachers of the last century, was filled with self-reproach in his old age because he had not been more patient with people who bored him; he felt he had not been a good listener.

In a magazine article on good salesmanship, the writer insisted it was necessary that the salesman should train himself in the art of listening. "You don't win the confidence and good will of prospective buyers by talking them down," he said. "If you do that, they resent your aggressiveness; after all, conversation isn't a one-way street."

A business man went on a trip to England and returned to his family after an absence of four months. As he approached home, his six-year-old boy shouted from the verandah: "Daddy, I'm writing with ink now." Lots of more important things had happened in four months, but to that youngster, the world-shaking event was that he had graduated to a place where he could write with ink. That wise business man appeared astonished and said to the youngster: "That's wonderful son; I want you to tell me all about it."

It takes a genuinely wise head and kind heart to listen to other people's woes, but it is well worth doing, and there is scriptural warrant for it. The prophet Ezekiel was distressed and bitter when he saw the idolatries of his fellow-countrymen during their exile, but he wanted to help them as well as rebuke them; and he tells us how he did it. "I sat where they sat," he wrote. He listened to them and got their point of view, and only then was he in a position to help them.

Dr. G. H. Morrison points out that although Jesus became indignant we never find Him ridiculing anybody. He knew what was in man and that knowledge filled Him with compassion, even for the most sinful. When Paul wrote to the Philippian Christians he knew how sound was this advice: "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." It is easy to raise a laugh at people and sneer at their weaknesses, but it is a dangerous thing to do; it degrades others and does harm to the man who indulges in it. The mind of Christ was never scornful.

Our quotation today is by Edmund Burke: "Next to love, sympathy is the divinest possession of our humanity."

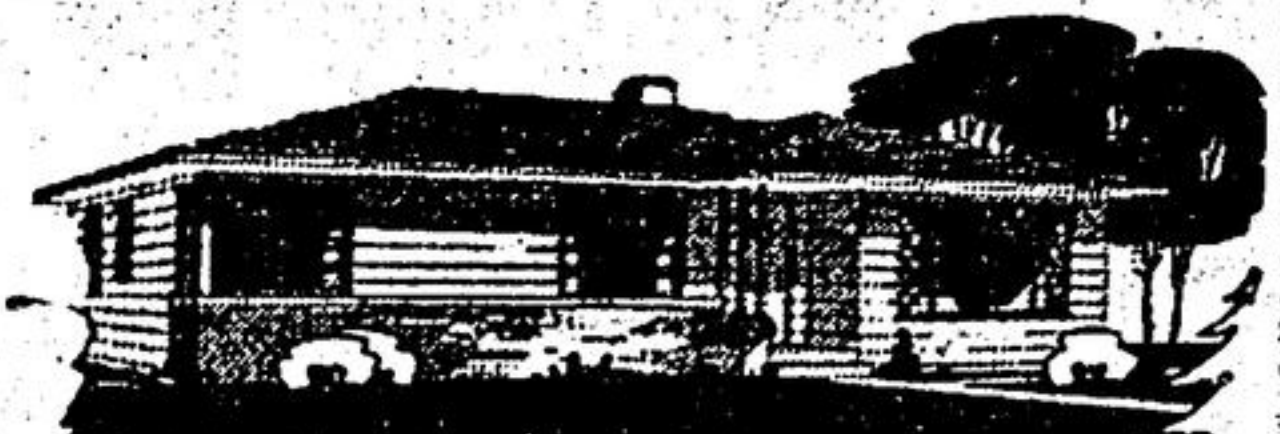
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