The Green Thumb By Gordon L. Smith The Tiny Plot It is eally ama ing the results in

satisfaction and beauty one can get from a tiny plot of flowers. And they will not take much work either.
A little digging and a few packets of seed or boxes of started plants are all that are needed. If one has more time it can be enlarged, and

grows more frills can be added. The quick-growing annuals can be useful, as ground covers in front of shrubs and around the base of roses and lilies.

Some, like ageratum and swee alyssum, make trim edgings for formal beds. Others, like certain the petunias and the California poppies, give charmingly informal can be used to fill space. left bar after spring bulbs, or to provide allsummer effects around early bloomers such as the Oriental poppy, bleeding heart, or peony.

Not Too Many Colors If your garden is small, it is best not to have too many colors. A long border is prettiest if the nasses of color shade into one another in drifts. Avoid a spotty effect. Don't forget the value of occasional white - especially i you enjoy evenings in the garden. you want to attract humming bi.ds and those beautiful great night moths, plant for fragrance as well. Nicotiana will draw them. Cosmos is a favorite with the little

Try Experiments It is always exciting, also, to raise something entirely different or new each year, or to experiment in some new field. A "blue garden" or a garden border planted for vening .. joyment is fun to ork out. A new variety of an old fayorite might be included each year. Getting acquainted with an annual not previously in your garden - for instance, do you know the spicy, fragrant annual dianthus? - add a new flower-friend each summer to your social list.

Proof Wanted promise you, on the word of gentleman, to pay it back tomorrow." "Bring the gentleman round and

One Way of Relaxing After a Hard Day's Work-Something

new in the National Film Board's rural program is a picture,

of Scottish origin, showng how a young couple-with the

assistance of neighbors-overcame the problem of crowded

living quarters and the necessity of healthful relaxation.

"After Six O'Clock"

of a venture started by a young

couple in Scotland. They lived in

an apartment, and, although they

were happy, they had their troubles

Their chief trouble was noise-

noise emanating from the next-door

apartment of a young trumpet-

playing enthusiast, who practised

the trumpet-fiend, but to no avail.

"You have your right to silence."

he said, in effect, "but I also have

my right to make noise with my

trumpet." There seemed to be no

The young couple pondered the matter, and began to see that both

parties had their rights. But where

without bothering their neighbours

Then the idea came to them-an

idea which is as applicable in Can-

ada as it is in Scotland. Why not make a community centre, where everybody could make the best

use of their talents in their spare

A bit dubious as to the recep-

tion their idea would get, they began to approach their fellow citizens cautiously. But their fears had

could they practise these rights

solution to the problem.

They attempted to reason with

is art both night and day.

"After Six O'Clock" is the story



Auction Sale at Dixie-Spring received its official welcome to Dixie at the annual community auction sale. Organized by the farm labor co-operative group, the auction brought out an amazing assortment of articles. Easy chairs waiting to be sold lured buyers into relaxing enjoy ment of the sunshine. The wily auctioneer got more action after selling the chairs

For Something

TED M. RIDER

heard Carol's heels clicking swift-

ly on the sidewalk. Bax Ham-

mond towered one step behind her

and was pretty mad because the

thin scar on his cheek looked twist-

1 under the bla.ing light of the

Then the storm broke. "What's

gotten into your niece, Jan? Yes-

own ticket to the barn dance. To-

night, she paid her own way into

Bax paused .o settle his blue

eyes indignantly on Carol's bowed

bored tone, "Girls are becoming

pretty independent nowadaws, are-

"We'l, for the luvva Pete!" Bax

gasped explosively. "We're engag-

n't th y Uncle Jan?"

Teeming Millions Of China and India

We are accustomed to nearing the expression "China's swarming millions," but few Canadians have any exact knowledge of what that actually means in numbers. The Chinese national census bureau of the Ministry of the Interior has computed the total population of the country for the second half of 1947 as 462, 798,093. There is a predominance of females 241,913,638, as against 220,-884,455 males. The total number of families in China is estimated to be 86,637,312. Nanking, the national capital, has a population of 1.034.995. while among the large special municipalities, Shanghai ranks first with

millions," and the 1941 population of that country is given as 388,997,935, with 2,108,891 of them in Calcutta, the largest city. This total population included those of the dominions of India and Pakistan combined.

If the Western world is interested n the political and economic future of these two vast countries, it is largely because the combined populations of them is the stupendous total

> ed aren't we, Carol? And you'll be dependent on me for the rest of your life, won't you? Why, that's way I want it!" 'Oh, you do? Well, thanks for ettin me know that, Mr. Boss Hammond. Now I'll tell you somehing. Here's your ring back." She jerked the sparkling diamond from her finger and shoved it into the stunned young man's palm, then lammed through the screen door with a speed that made Unle Jan

"Bax why didn't you and Carol

"How could I marry her, then, Jan? I was stone broke and had to start my automobile agency on a flyer. And you know how things went. First, I couldn't get any stock. Then, my garage burned down and I had to start from scratch again. We're through!" Uncle Jan stopped his departure by quickly asking for a match. He ad to untangle things someway. Why, Carol had always wanted to marry Bax. Even two years ago she'd come right out and asked if marriage wasn't a partnership where each person shared rain or shine as it came.

munity held the same ideas. The THERE'S ONE THING FOR minister of the local church, the SINUSPAIN Get a bottle today; keep it handy. FOR FAST, SURE RELIEF ed it up, painted it, and were soon



no basis in fact. It soon appeared

that many other citizens of the com-

town school authorities, and many

their interest in the project.

other community groups expressed

Soon a citizen's committee was

formed, and a financial target deci-

ded upon, and attained through vari-

ous promotional stunts. In short

able building. The members clean-

plunged into such activities as sew-

ing, amateur drama, folk dancing,

order the committee located a suit-







loose. When this happened, bridgetenders had to chase the wayward Three Minutes of Fiction Jun Bax hadn't wanted her when fire Chief Rescues things were going bad for him, so

she was wondering why he wanted

After five long years of waiting,

her sudden desire to be indepen-

dent was nothing but a cover-up to

She wanted proof of his love.

a cure. It would be a pretty dras-

tic one but it would show them

He turned to the door and hel-

lowed. "Did you say Carol won't

scar on your cheek, Bax? Well,

that's something to think about."

In a second, the screen door flew

open and Carol stood there, her

hand on his shoulder and her heart

in her eyes staring down at Bax's

white strained face. He'd taken the

felt suddenly frightened. If Carol

"Bax," she said, simply, "your

scar stands for everything fine; for

duty, loyalty, sacrifice-for every-

Her hands rose to tremble o

the muscles ridging his jaw grimly.

Then, as he stiffened, she stood on

When he still stood like a gran-

the statue and Carol started to cry,

Uncle Jan roared in high dudgeon,

"You going to wait five more years

to kiss her back, you dumb galoot??

That's why she busted the engage-

ment. When a guy makes a girl

wait that long she wants something

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besides words to prove he loves

her. Get it?"

thing fine I love in you."

tip-toe and kissed the scar.

remark seriously, and Uncle Jan

didn't handle things right, now . .

fear had replaced confidence, and

hide that fear. Maybe she was fearful that P just considered her WINS DOW AWARD another step up the ladder for him self, something to be bossed around because he was paying the bills.

Historic Floating

One of the few floating bridges

still in existence in Canada is about

to give way to a more modern struc-

travellers a nine mile detour around Lake Chemong, just northwest of

Peterborough. The more adventur-

ous type of traveller will be sorry to see it go, as negotiating the mile-long bridge—considered the longest

of its type in the world—was often a

Quite often a motorist, driving

across with windows open, would get a drenching when a wave smashed

against the car; and passengers

could often be seen walking behind

during the crossing, just in case.
With an overall width of 20 feet

the bridge had a double-floored

centre strip only about 14 feet wide.

This wasn't sufficient for 2-way

traffic so this strip had half a

dozen "pullout" places for cars to pass one another. Total load limit

was five tons, and even when an ord-

nary passenger car travelled the bridge water would squirt through

the floor boards as the bridge sank

under the weight.

In Fall and Spring the bridge be-

came a twisted tangle of timber and

e. Winds buffeted the structure

and either sank por ions of it under

the heavy ice or tore whole sections

Bridge Must Go



Eleven Month old Baby

it wasn't the sight of angry flames enveloping her two-storey home that filled Mrs. Anderson's heart with terror. It was the thought of her 11-month-old baby boy — trapped alone in that aby boy — trapped alone in that lazing inferno! For a second or Diazing inferno! For a second or two she stood rooted to the ground . . . and then a scream from inside the house brought her back to reality. Three times, in spite of neighbours' protests, she tried to reach her baby. But she had to give she had to give up . . . her face and hair singed by the flames.

We are proud to recognize publicly the gallantry and out-standing bravery of Fire Chief Robert Dey of Pembroke, On-

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Dodd's Kidney

of Pembroke, Ont performs gallant deed although wrists slashed by broken window

DEY ENTERS THROUGH WINDOW By this time firemen were battling the blaze and Chief Robert
Dey was attempting to force his
way into the house. Finally he
smashed a window and crawled
through. Although both his
wrists had been cut by the broken
glass he fought his way into the
blazing living room and managed
to find the little boy. Then,
choking from the dense smoke
and terrific heat, he made his
way back to the window and
soon had they oungster safe in
his mother's arms.

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tario, through the presentation of The Dow Award. THE DOW AWARD is a

rately. Mrs Anderson trie

enter the burning house. After the

attempts, her hair and face singed,

she realized that she must give up

Stumbling through the dense smolt

from room to room, Chief Dey finally

found the child. Then, with the

terrified boy in his arms, he fought

his way back to the window.

Largest Ch (though New York is a d up). But in area, the co "Hounded" HEADAC

onary Phonograph Plays Records Vertically-It is claimed that this newly developed raph pictured above will completely revolutionize the playing of recorded music. Its ovel feature is that records are played in a vertical position. They are never turned or In addition, it holds 200 selections ready for instant playing and will automatically record in the library, plays either one or both sides and return it to storage without touching any of the recordings, pick-up arm or mechanism. The machine furnishes han 14 hours of continuous music without ever repeating a single selection. A timer starts it playing at any time desired and ends the program at a predetermined time.

sincerely sorry to see the Hamilton

Tigers pass out of the League. Nor

do we mind predicting that there

just a trifle more generous in help-

ing ease their financial load by cut-

ting them in just a trifle deeper on

The conditioning of athletes is a

business for experts nowadays, as everybody knows. Meeting our old

friend Bill Kelly-now an official

on Ontario race tracks—the other

day brought back memories of the

only time we were ever attempted

in an amateur way, to assist in such

After several years absence from

the saddle, Kelly had been asked to

ride in a certain Steeplechase; and

cumulated suet he invited us to spend

the night at his house, then come

out with him for an early morning run. "We'll get up at four in the

morning, run about five miles, then

* * *

After what seemed like about 30

minutes in the hay the alarm went

off; and with many groans and much

mutual sympathy we donned sweaters

grey dawn. Our path led up along toward Riverdale Park; and as we

passed the fire hall the clock bonged

the half-hour. Looking up we saw

come back and have breakfast."

away-from home gates.

Sports - And One Thing or Another

By FRANK MANN HARRIS

aper writers whose task it speak with any authority. All we every move of these behalf of a palpitating pubently have a lot of idle between games and ions. This is especially t will regret that they weren't when a team is in some or several days on ac-Stanley Cup series or

them put in most of this engaged in card games mild innocuous variety. Il wander cut to see the pastime is said not to be popular as formerly, now r's moral and social beof almost as great interest the chief means of timeis just to sit around

such gab-fests somebody is ound to start picking All-star teams; and some weird derful combinations of past sent hockey standouts are One of those we best reput together by a sports shall remain nameless, most strenuous feat of letic endeavor was chalk-

ed to jot down on a piece the names of his mythical have made the best selecto have the privilege of raily. And when it came read them off it was disthat this chap had written following - Howie Mortch" Nighbor; Fred Taye Shore; Lionel Conacher five names.

there," somebody yelled, forgotten to pick out any "Brother" was the uneply, "with a bunch like do the goaltending myself what's more I wouldn't even put on pads!

* * * Hamilton Tigers should

of the Big Four-as seems present intention—a whole time color will be missing football loop, and their ill be regretted, especially who remember them in the their greatness. Some of our sports memories recall Autunts to the Ambitious City, roars of a football-crazy elling for the Tigers to "Eat

is in a slightly different

suppose it's just another When little boys play with CHOICE FRUIT TREES it's seldom the big fellows hurt." Upper-bracket footstrictly a dollar-and cents nowadays-although this ed by some of those beand Hamilton just cannot rake in sufficient money to s on a par with Argonauts lettes in the search for tal-

as it is rumored that down shade of Parliament Hill help to make up for com-

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MILK OF MAGNESIA

FOR CHILDREN

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body-we each blamed the otherhad set the clock for an hour early. Nothing daunted we plodded on down the steep hill leading into The Park which-as some of you will no doubt recall-houses Toronto's Zoo. After a few moments the path started to lead upward, and breath seemed harder to get. Cage after cage of animals we passed, but in nary a one of them could we notice a single

Suddenly Kelley pulled to a halt, a very serious expression on his face. "Over there," he said, pointing, "are the zebras. Over there a cageful of monkeys. In that cage, the lions, I that one, Heaven knows what. All dumb animals — yet all with sense enough to be sleeping their heads off, while we're out here running ourselves to death. Doesn't see sensible, does it?"

sign of life.

"It certainly doesn't," we panted in ren!y. "Let's go home and get back to bed." And since then all our participation in athletic conditioning has been strictly from the sidelin - and after the sun was well up in

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