

Public Enemy Number 1-The Common House Fly

THE FARM FRONT John Russell

During the war a well-known co respondent was stationed in Italy and one evening dropped in for a meal at a little restaurant. Over the door he noticed a big sign read-ing GUERRA/CONTRA LA MOSCA (War Against Flies). But when the waited brought him his meal, the correspondent saw that e platter was rimmed with flies, with some of them even struggling in the spaghetti itself. "Hey, waiter," he cried, "what

AGAINST FLIES?" "The sign is quite true, signor sighed the waiter. "We did have such a war here once- but th flies were victorious."

That little tale is just by way of introducing the fact that a declaration of war against such pests was recently made on a national scale by the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Canada. From coast to coast rural and urban communities are being urged to rid themselves of flies, mosquitoes, rats, weeds and a horde of other pests which have plagued mankind for centuries.

Fortunately we are well equipped to fight a pest war today, as science has forged weapons which our grandfathers never though possible. We have hand sprayers and dusters -power-dr n and turbine sprayers-and aerosol bombs. We are even experimenting with airplanes helicopters for laying down lethal patterns of weed and bug The dawn of a pest-free world is here but the fight can be won only if everyone contributes

A famous authority on insect pests recently made the statement that the common housefly is the most dangerous living thing within the United States or Canada. This could apply especially to Canadian farms, where flies are present in astronomical numbers during Summer and early Fall.

Because of the nature of its breeding places, and its habit of crawling over all manner of filth, the fly is a carrier of many disases of man, domestic animals and poultry. Many health authorities agree that it is largely responsible for the and many parisitic worms.

Like any other campaign against diseases and insects, fly control should be carefully planned to take advantage of the insects' habits and breeding customs, so that attack can be made from every possible angle. Entomologists give the following advice for practises to be followed in all "all-out" anti-fly

Manure piles and other known breeding places of the fly should be sprayed with a fifty per cen DDT wettable powder, mixed at the rate of one pound of powder to ing will destroy both the develop ing maggots and the egg-laying

Every four to six weeks walls and ceilings of barns and stables should be sprayed with a solution containing one pound of fifty per cent DDT wettable powder in one gallon of water. This amount of spray should cover approximately

> Farm animals should be sprayed wettable DDT powder in from ten to twenty gallons of water With some pests, they should show apwill be much easier to handle milk ing time.

As for the home-a fly-free house and kitchen is made possible by the use of DDT household sprays and all other places where flies

Russia grows millions of tons of sunflowers every year. The Government of Queensland announce that it will devote half a million chiefly for the purpose of feeding pigs. And the British Government is examining their value and it is probable that the three million acres now being planted to peanuts i Central Africa for the purpose of obtaining vegetable oils, will be in rotation with sunflow

The average amount of oil in sun flower seeds is 30 per cent, only 6 per cent less than that in peanuts. Sunflower oil is edible, with pleasing odor and flavor and is said to be even better than olive oil because it remains liquid at lower temperatures. For use in paints 1 transcends the drying qualities of linseed by a margin of eight hours

LIFE'S LIKE THAT By Fred Neher



by fish a vacation! !"

So Now You Have to go to University To Learn—of all things—Horseshoeing Britain Still Tops As Carrier Nation

More than 11,000,000 tons of Bri-

ish mercantile shipping were sunk

during the recent war, and latest official report from London is that the nation is only 1,000,000 tons short of prewar tonnage. In addition to building for themselves, the

British have built great numbers of

ships for foreign countries, and if they had not done that they would

All this has been accomplished in

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They are steadily producing more

than 15,000,000 tons a year, which

surpasses all previous output ex-

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The new British freighters are

far finer than any built before the

war. Instead of the 5,000 to 10,000

"tramps" that plowed the seven

seas, many of the new freighters

are 15,000 to 20,000 tons, with the

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the crews, far better equipment for

handling cargo to enable faster load-

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greater speed. The result will be

Britain retains her position as the

great carrier nation of the world, and in that respect Britannia will

The first Canadian steamboat on

the Great Lakes was the Walk in-the-

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continue to rule the waves.

Water, launched in 1818.

graceful lines of an Atlantic liner,

While we have yet to hear of any great revival in the buggy-whip business, it's a fact that in at least three United States colleges—Michigan State, Rutgers and California they have courses designed to turn out graduates in-of all things! the ancient art of horseshoeing. More colleges soon are expected

to be offering similar 14-week courses, with no worries about placement of the graduates. According to the president of the United States Trotting Association, the young men who complete these greater progress has been held back for lack of steel. But the steel-workers are doing a great job. courses are simply rushed into wait-ing jobs. The tremendous demand for their services comes from practically every state of the union. The reason, it seems, is the widespread revival of harness racing, which is now flourishing in the U.S. from coast to coast and from the Gulf of Mexico to points in this Trained in 14 Weeks

Most of the old time horseshoers have departed this earthly scene. Until recently, few youngsters tried to replace them, and the sport of harness racing got into a bad way as a result. Half a dozen years ago or so, less than 4,000 trotters and pacers campaigned annually in the U.S. In 1947, however, the number was close to 9,000. Yet there were fewer horseshoers than back in 1940 and 1941. As a result, the man who six-ounce shoes, and the present owned a trotter or pacer, and needed shoes in a hurry, often found

moderate in all things.

and a happy man.

REG'LAR FELLERS-No Respect For Age

in his gait.

The MODERATE MAN

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He has the respect of his family, his friends

And when an occasion calls for the use of

and his associates. He is, in short, a contented

whisky, he is a man who knows, as The House of

Seagram has so frequently pointed out, that he

has an obligation to himself, and to his com-

munity . . . it is, to drink moderately or not at all.

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Then servicemen, returning from the wars and seeking some trade or the folial methods and the serious methods are the s profession which could be quickly learned, sensed the opportunity in horseshoeing. Colleges were ap-proached on the subject of introducing courses in the art. The three ing courses in the art. The three mentioned responded quickly, and it was discovered that youngsters could be adequately schooled in the fundamentals of horseshoeing with-

Shoes Made To Order Shoeing horses for harness racing, however, apparently is a specialized branch of the business. Even in the case of running horses, shoes can

be manufactured in wholesale quantities, since they are standardized small, thin plates. But shoes for a harness horse must be made to order. A style of shoe which would fit a certain harness horse perfectly might be all wrong for another and Tractors have been pooled cause him to go into frequent breaks As in the case of every other ac-

cessory to locomotion, the tendency now is to make horseshoes lighter tributing an insecticide to out serious outbreaks. pound shoes for harness horses were the grub which hatches on the derside of the leaves and

Britain Invaded By Potato Bugs

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on just one issue—the new State of Israel. The Arabs insist that they just about a year ago-to be exact—that India will never make peace as long as this State exists; and demand, besides, that no more Jewish immiin. Naturally there was grants shall be allowed to enter Palestine. Israel insists, just as ches for those who strongly, that it will never make peace unless its sovereignty is maintained intact. t that, within the

There are said to be, altogether, from 30 to 35 thousand Arab troops in Palestine. Eight to 10 thousand of these are members of King Abdullah's Transjordan Legion-well disciplined and well equipped. Egyptian forces number around 8 thousand; and there are around 2 thousand Iraq troops. These are second in efficiency to Abdullah's forces. The remainder are Syrian, Lebanese, and "irregulars" how touchy, and jealous are reported to be of indifferent

fighting quality. The State of Israel is said to have 40 thousand well-seasoned first-line troops and, in addition, 50 thousand second-line defense forces. They are well supplied with machine guns and small arms and may also have some fighter aircraft, although not very many.

The United States was the first nation to recognize the State of Israel, and there are some in Washington who think that the Truman Administration should help Israel by lifting the seven-months embar go on shipment of arms to the Middle East. Another school of though, however, considers that to do so would be a big mistake-one that would antagonize the whole Arab world and perhaps result in the Arabs cancelling American oil con-

Great Britain has very close ties with the Arabs, and the question has been just how-in view of these ties-she will use her influence in the Middle East. It is widely felt that sooner or later Britain will recognize the State of Israel; perhaps such action will have been taken by the time this reaches print; and there seems little doubt that the British Government has been putting pressure on the Arabs to call off the

cessions.

In any case, it is to be hoped that some solution of the entire problem will soon be found. The conflict could have repercussions far more important than a number of Jewish and Arab casualties. Already the Palestine problem has done much to alienate the United States and Britain-and the anti-British feeling south of the border is far stronger than most Canadians begin to realize. As for open enmity between Britain and the U.S.A. - by no means a probability but still a distinct possibility-what a chuckling and rubbing of hands that would cause behind the walls of the Krem-

a moral, hidden somewhere in there -something about virtue being its own reward or the like; but right now it's too hot to do any digging in order to find out just what it is.

pendable pitching staff with at least four heavers who can be depended to go the route, or at least a major portion thereof. This is a distinct and refreshing contrast to many other teams we might mention, where there is such a continual parade from bull pen to pitching e aging Connie Mack's hirp have always been—as com-to other big league outfits box to bench that the ground keepers have to work overtime, filling in the ruts made by the procession. when the Athletics topped all

use eight or ten pitchers-to say nothing of pinch hitters, pinch-run-ners and other time-consuming line-up switches-may represent one of those keen battles of managerial wits the slick-paper sports experts like to write about. On the other hand it may just indicate that those same managers have clean forgotten that they have any obligation toward the fellow who really keeps the game going-the chap who comes in, not on a Press Badge or other form of Annie Oakley, but by paying good cash.

As a concrete—to match our head Sox,-nowhere is a -illustration of what we mean we ezed harder or let loose turn to the first paper at hand. It reluctantly, than around describes a game played between the Brooklyn Dodgers and the New York Giants. Manager Ott, of the latter outfit, used seventeen players. Manager Durocher, of The Bums, was content to put into action a mere, paltry fourteen. The playing time was three hours and sixteen minutes—and didn't even go into extra innings but was completed in the regulation nine. 31 players; 196 minutes; 9 innings. 'Nough said.

A Book for Every Thinking Canadian

Just off the press is a book which will eventually be a "must" for be kicked downstairs." every thinking Canadian-a book which hits hard at economic planning and its fallacies, but one whose arguments will be hard for even the most ardent Communist, Socialist or "fellow-traveller" to refute.

The title of the book is "Ordeal by Planning" and its author is John Jewkes, professor of econemics at the University of Manchester, England. He should know something of what he writes about because, during the war, he was a member of the British beaureaucracy.

ning and economic stability was compelled to order, at a moment's notice, the closing down of about two-thirds of British industry." "No country," Mr. Jewkes points

Referring to the 1947 British coal and power crisis, Mr. Jewkes writes; "A government pledged to plan-

out, "has ever suffered from a more sudden or catastrophic economic seizure . . . The price system brings justment in a changing economic

about gradual and continuous read- ty. This is no accident . . . It is due world; the central planning tech-nique means that, from time to the individual."

"I believe," he continues, "that Great Britain is largely of our own making . . . At the root of our trouble lies the fallacy that the best way of ordering economic affairs is to place the resonsibility for all crucial decisions in the hands of the state."

But though he shows again and again how planning leads toward powerful indictment of it rests on its destruction of freedom: "When Sir Stafford Cripps declared in the House of Commons on Feb. 28, 1946, that no country in the world has yet succeeded in carrying through a planned economy withou compulsion of labor, he might, with equal truth, have gone much further and admitted that no planned economy has yet operated without suppressing free speech, destroying representative government, robbing the consumer of free choice, and virtually abolishing private properto the logical incompatibility of a

Youth makes daring leap into rock-filled river **WINS DOW AWARD**



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save 6-year-old girl from drowning A child's scream pierced the quiet of the late April Sunday on. Strollers near the Peace Bridge at Fort Erie, Ontario, gathered quickly on the banks of the Niagara River. A six-year-old girl had tumbled the waters far below.

DIVES IN FULLY CLOTHED

terrified scream had barely died away when Don Murray, a visitor from Winnipeg, sprang into action. Racing the 100 yards to the water's edge, he leaped in, fully clothed. Spectators gasped ... for he had missed the jagged rocks at the edge of the river by not more than a few inches. Soon Murray reappeared and began

One of the reasons for the Athswimming to the rescue of the letic's success is, of course, a delittle girl. In a few moments he had her safely ashore and in the arms of her frantic mother. The fact that the onlookers than Murray did does not detract from his heroic action. We are proud to pay tribute to the courage and gallantry of Don Murray, of Winnipeg, Man., through the

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