

# THE FARM FRONT

By John Russell

### Got any snow around your way?

Down here, in the southern portions of Ontario, it hasn't exactly forgotten HOW to snow—but the snow doesn't seem to know how to STAY. And as one who has enjoyed his full share of shoveling out driveways, paths to the barn and other buildings, I'm keeping my fingers crossed.

### Give Light and Seedlings Will Hustle—Coddle your seedlings in electric hotbeds like these and you get your vegetables 10 days earlier, or your flower blossoms a month earlier, says Robert L. Zahour, Westinghouse engineer. Here he looks over a set of three by six-foot frames which are warmed by eight regular 25-watt incandescent light bulbs.

## SPORTS

By A SIXBIT CRITIC

Over in London just a few weeks ago—on February 13th to be precise—a Canadian established a new world's record in a well-known and widely played branch of sport. To do so, he had to break one of the toughest marks there was—a mark which many experts thought might stand for years. Yet comparatively few of us on this side—who are fed up-to-the-minute bulletins on the amount of hemstitching the M.D.'s had to do in Elmer Lach's dome or the present condition of Joe DiMaggio's most recent Charley-horse—ever heard of this Canadian, or of the remarkable feat he just accomplished.

Not to make too deep a mystery out of it, the man is George Chenier, a 41-year-old French-Canadian originally out of Winnipeg. And the mark he set was a score of 144 in that highly popular game of skill generally known as snooker pool. (There are persons who claim it should be Snooker's pool, although just who Mr. Snooker may have been is something we either never knew, or have long since forgotten.)

That describes, briefly, what you try to do for yourself. Again quoting from Mr. Skilton "that is the positive side of the game. But there's a negative side too. If he is executing or persuading your opponent to execute 'foul' shots. These are too numerous to describe fully here but the main ones are perpetrated by hitting the ball other than the one you're supposed to, missing the objective altogether or permitting the cue ball to go into a pocket. You can best do this by leaving a ball between the cue ball and the ball he is supposed to hit. When you do this you have "laid a snooker" or "snookered" the enemy.

Getting back to the new record holder, he is unusual in that he uses an almost upright stance, instead of the customary stoop. This is probably the result of playing on Canadian and United States tables, which are somewhat lower than the English. He has his own special cues, which weigh 18 ounces and measure 58 inches—almost three ounces heavier and three inches longer than the average English cue.

Which will have to be about all, just now, for the French-Canadian from Winnipeg except to say that he has become intensely popular. "Haver Ome," where they think that if the 147 break is ever made, George Chenier will be the man to do it.

Oh, yes. Just in case your interest in Chenier, when he made his 144 mark put down 12 blacks, 3 Davids, when he shot his 141, pocketed 11 blacks, 3 pinks, 1 brown, 18 reds and all the colors. Come on, George! Let's see you shoot the works! Then come back to Canada, and maybe the Mayor of Toronto will let you have your picture taken shaking hands with him!

Snooker is played, as most of you probably already know at least from

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# Says Thatched Roofs Are Best Of All

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During the thousands of years of progress since men first built roofs, it is really rather remarkable that no method of covering roofs has yet been invented which can equal thatch in being both waterproof and resistant to extremes of temperature. Not only does the thickness of the thatch makes the house warmer in winter and cooler in summer, but the reeds have an effect like a cavity-wall, with similar insulating properties.

As a thatcher of some fifty years' standing, I have always found the job very interesting. I actually started work with my father and grandfather when a boy of about ten years of age. It is a highly skilled job, if properly done, requiring a good eye and plenty of patience, but it is work of which anyone can be proud.

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Up And Atom—Summer Pike (left), who will take over as acting chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, confers with retiring chairman David Lilienthal. Pike, who had been vice-chairman, will serve as head of the AEC until President Truman appoints a permanent chairman.

# Here's An Idea For Busy Mothers



Little Bobby Seaman has been playing Indian for nearly six months—ever since he was three months old. Today, like any good little papoose, he enjoys nothing better than being toted around Boston's Back Bay, strapped securely to his cradle board.

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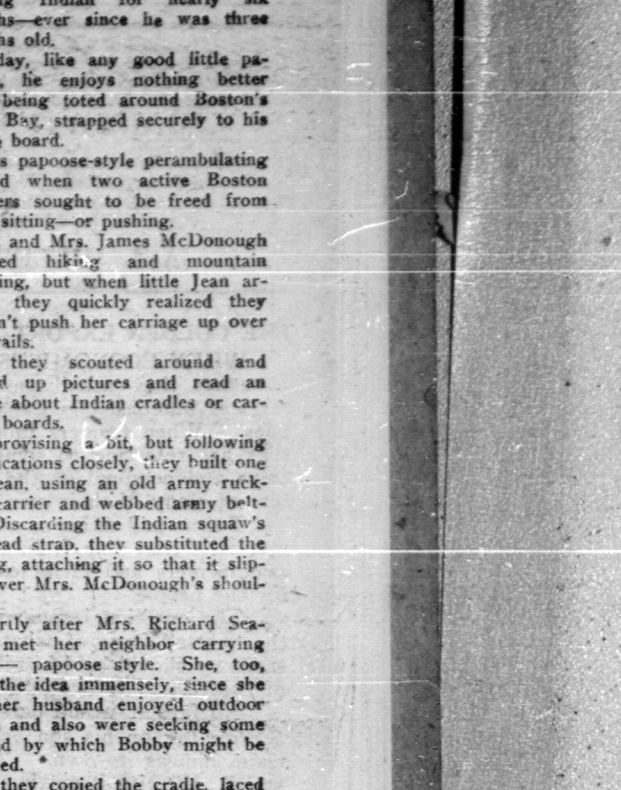
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