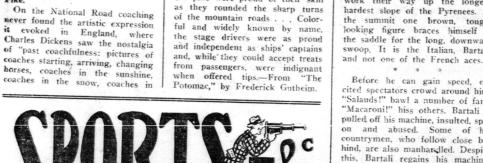
of the National Road was carried in its wagons, the glory and spectacle of the road was the stage coaches with their gleaming side panels. In their hey-day the coaches whisked travelers from Cumberland to Wheeling in twentyfour hours. Under pressure they could do better than that. The two hundred twenty-two miles from Frederick to Wheeling were once covered in less than twenty-four lours to carry a special presiden tial message, and over one stretch the stage reached an average of fifteen miles an hour. The stages were operated be

regular lines, carrying such names as "Good Intent," "Peoples," "National Road" or Lucius Stockton's popular "June Bug" line. A Jersey man, Stockton was colorful and imperious, and struck a patrician note s he raced over the road in his private carriage, the "Flying Dutchman." In the early days of the railroad, it was he who had challenged the locomotive with his horse and buggy-and had won. He was a superb driver and com manded the respect of those who drove his stages.

Another titan of the road was the giant six-foot-five Scotsman James Reeside, who habitually wore a scarlet vest and tie. Called the land Admiral," Reeside expanded his line to a total of for aundred men and a thousand horses, and branched out from the National Road to haul the mail from Philadelphia to New York and other points, becoming the largest mail contractor in the na-

Before the coming of the railroad a great lore had accumulated around coaching, part of which is presented in Thomas B. Searight's Homeric recollection of The Old

On the National Road coaching never found the artistic expression evoked in England, where Charles Dickens saw the nostalgia of "past coachfulness: pictures of coaches starting, arriving, changing horses, coaches in the sunshine,



rain, coaches in all circumstances

compatible with their triumph and

victory, but never in the act of

breaking down or overturning." Coaching on the National Road

did create a small literature and

larger folklore. A skillful driver

was a joy to watch, and the young

ld pike were proud of their skill

and confident stage drivers of the

Mexican-Grown Cortisone-Will the "miracle" hormone drug Cor-

tisone ever be plentiful and inexpensive? Above, a Mexican

aborer carries what scientists believe to be the answer, "Cabeza

de Negra," the root of a wild, poisonous plant. Synthetic Corti-

sone made from the vegetable source appears to be as effective

as the Cortisone derived from ox-bile being used at present in the

treatment of arthritis, critical burns and some types of cancer.

the wind, coaches in the mist and lists who think that a Saturday or

take a swivel at what happens over

there, and find out that you don't

as if their lives depended on it,

work their way up the longest, hardest slope of the Pyrenees. At

the summit one brown, tough-looking figure braces himself in

the saddle for the long, downward swoop. It is the Italian, Bartali,

Before he can gain speed, ex-

cited spectators crowd around him

"Salauds!" bawl a number of fans.

pulled off his machine, insulted, spat

countrymen, who follow close be-hind, are also manhandled. Despite

As a result, the entire Italian

French Foreign Minister, apolo-

gizes to the Italian Ambassador.

The French take their cycle rac-

appears to cause more apoplexy

and high blood pressure than all

the test matches since the Austra-lian cricketers first won the Ashes.

hottest of the summer months!

figuring among the first twenty. Some of the passes are 6,000 feet

post at Paris on the final day.

Is it worth tearing one's insides

round France for nearly thirty days

during the hottest period of the

year? Only those who have raced

and lost can answer that question.

lines,

on and abused. Some of his

"Macaroni!" hiss others. Bartali is

and twenty-seven—count them— 15,127 cash customers at the To-ronto Maple Leaf Baseball Stadium! And on a hot, humid, not to say sticky washday evening, already!! And with the attraction NOT the Dodgers and Yanks in a World Series final, or some such, t merely Toronto and Montreal currently locked in an Internationa League struggle so tense and nerveracking that only a paltry nineteen

We never thought we'd live to see the day. In fact even now we can't help wondering if it wasn't just a dream.

those fifteen thousand odd-a bigger baseball crowd than the Queen City has produced, excepting or the memory of the most ancient inhabitant. So it begins to look as though the Bill Veeck's and the lack Cooke's are right after allthat baseball, by itself, is all very well as an attraction so long as your team is up there battling fo the pennant, but that when it isn't you have to jazz it up a bit.

"Give them bread and circuses" one of the Caesar boys-we think t was Julius although it may have been Irving-once said with regard o keeping the crowds pleased. "Give them free hot dogs and flagpole sitters" is the way the modern

Fifteen thousand, one hundred [ And even if it's a little hard on those who profess to look upon baseball as something sacred and untouchable-"a great American institution" . . . "one of God's greatest gifts to mankind" . . . and the like-who is to say that the Cooke's and the Veeck's haven't the right idea in this cockeyed day and age?

> Certainly not us, we can assure you. We have always deeply sympathised with the ham-and-egg fighter who, after being congratulated for the 'steenth time on the good game battle he had put up, plaintively remarked, "Being a good game loser is O.K. but I'd like most gruelling physical tests in all sport. It is a 3,000-mile road race good game battle he had put up,

Or, to put it even more succinctwhich would you rather have, hree cheers or three bucks? So go right ahead brightening up the atmosphere around the Fleet St. Flats, Mr. Cooke. Bring along the bull fighters, or David and Goliath with the original cast and see if we care.

Now, for a change of pace, we urn to a sport which requires no bathing beauties, radio comedians or anything else in order to get the crowd into a dither. In fact the spectators take an interest a lot too warm for comfort in what is described at the world's most gruel-ling race—the three thousand mile bicycle race known as the "Tour de France." You Canadian bicyc-



Jeepers!-Whizzing along at 35 miles per hour, these guys and gals on sleds hope to popularize sandplaning, a sport which combines he most terrifying features of bobsledding and aqualaning. Equipment for the daredevil pastime consists of a plycar' sled a jeep for towing and a paid-up life insurance policy

Most of them describe it as thirty days of Hell. For the winners-

The state of the s

. . . At least \$15,000 in prize money is put up before a single machine moves off. The first man is certain of a minimum of \$3,000 in cash and perhaps another \$30,000 in bonuses and subsidies from manu acturers. His future is rosy. He can open a cycle business that will always be well patronized, for the man is now a hero in the eyes of millions.

The remainder of the prizemoney is divided among those who finish among the first dozen, and for the first six there are also fat bonuses and rewards. Each day the man who makes the best time rereives the equivalent of \$50 and the second man \$25.

There are numerous other prizes; awards by manufacturers and enthusiasts for special sprints; for being the first up this pass or down that; or for making the fastest time over certain tough stretches.

The spectators are strictly partisan. There is no nonsense about hoping that the best man will win.

All Frenchmen hope that a Gaul will push a wheel in front for the honour of La Belle France.

HOW CAN-1? By Anne Ashley

Sunday run along some of our car-packed highways is tough going, Q. How can I mix whitewash? A. Fill a bucket half-full of lime and cover it about two inches with water. Let stand 24 hours to slack or until it is the consistency of paste. Dip out a portion of this A hundred sweating, toiling men, slacked lime into another bucket their tired legs thrusting machines and thin with water to the desired consistency. Add one teaspoonful of bluing to ½ bucket of whitewash to clear and make white, and 1/2-pint of salt to make it stick.

\* \* \* Q. How can I treat perspiring A. An excellent remedy is to rub the hands several times a day with a solution of 125 parts of

8 parts of glycerine. Q. How can I make a good roach powder very easily? A. One roach powder which has proved effective is made of equal this, Bartali regains his machine, mounts it and achieves the descent from Col d'Aspin into Perpignan parts of plaster of Paris and powdered sugar.

at the record speed of ninety kilo-metres an hour. He comes in first, Q. How can I treat colored fashouting, "Ive been assaulted and I'm going home!" bric on which acid, such as lemon or vinegar, has been spilled and has changed the color? A. Sponge with a solution of team withdraws from the race and one part ammonia to four parts returns to Italy. Then M. Schuman, cold water. Apply carefully, slightly touching the stain, and the color

will be restored. and for some days "L'affaire bicyclette" elbows Korea from the head-Q. How can I prevent the leaves of a book from crinkling if water has been spilled on them? A. Place a blotter on each side ing with deady stiousness. Especially the Tour de France, which of the wet page, and then press

with a medium hot iron until dry. Q. How can I restore the color to a red-print garment?

pineapple relish? run in twenty-one daily stages, with A. Combine 2 cups of diced cana day's rest for the riders every four ned pineapple, 1 cup of sugar, 1/2or five days. The daily mileage cup vinegar, juice and grated rind of ½-lemon, 1 stick cinnamon, 1 averages out at about 140 miles and s covered at approximately twenty teaspoon whole cloves, ½-teaspoon allspice, ½-cup water. Cook until slightly thickened; seal boiling hot miles an hour. Pretty good going.

gar to the rinse water,

Cyclists enter from every country in sterilzed jars. in Europe, Britain included; and today there is even a sprinkling of entries from Australia, South Africa, the States, and some of Q. How can I remove mud stains from a garment? A. If a brisk brushing does not the Asiatic countries. entirely remove mud stains from a garment, rub the spots with a The event, which was run recentraw potato. This seldom fails. y is always run in July, the

Q. How can I successfully drive From Paris the riders make for a tack or nail into a place where the west coast, then turn towards the Pyrenees and up their steep slopes. These are the hardest climbs it is difficult to hold it with the A. Thrust the tack or nail in the race. A man must be in the through a small strip of paper and hold the end of the paper while very pink of condition to emerge from this section with a chance of

driving.

high; many of the long, grinding climbs continue for twenty miles HARNESS & COLLARS and the midday temperature in the Farmers Attention - Consult you shade may well be ninety! nearest Harness Shop about Staco Then, as a relief to the toiling Harness Supplies. We sell our good only through your local Staco Leather Goods dealer. The goods are right, men comes the rush down the slopes from Perpignan, on the and so are our prices. We manu-Spanish frontier, to Cannes. From facture in our factories - Harness here the riders go north into the French alps; more desperate, back-Horse Collars, Sweat Pads, Horse breaking, muscle-tearing, agonized Blankets, and Leather Travelling climbing. The riders now reach Goods. Insist on Staco Brand Trade Strasbourg, and turn finally for Marked Goods and you get satisfac-

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THE FARM FRONT by John Russell

vast areas of the earth, the world's Anti-Locust Research Cen-tre directs a scientific campaign back again is called. And their work in the years between the wars food supplies. This cam-paign an outbreak starts. The first re means so much to every one of us that I thought you might be interested in some of its details as reported by Dr. J. S. Kennedy in "London Calling."

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"The description of the solitary insects to live and breed, so that they multiply rapidly. For the desert locust the crucial conditions against to be missingled. "London Calling."

east to the Atlantic coast of Africa in the west, from the Caspian Sea in the north to Tanganyika in the south. Like any marauders, locusts | happens, the insects can find suitsouth. Like any marauders, locusts are bad enough when you know they are coming, but they are far worse when you do not. Until a few years ago people seldom did know, and that made for a rather ing and migration, in any region at

All the same, why is it, after all these centuries, that we still have to fight the fully mobilized locust armies in this way? It is an arduous, costly kind of war in which only a few relatively small place victory is never final. Why have we not tamed this wild competitor for our food supplies, as we have

This has always been the main aim of the Anti-Locust Centre and its director, Dr. B. P. Uvarov. But the first thing needed was much more knowledge about locusts. There is not just one but a numeach adapted to life in a particular climate and a particular type of

The swarming locust is a mobile, elusive subject of study. The biggest mystery of all was what hapof plague years not only the swarms but even the individual insects disappear completely, everywhere, only to reappear several years later.

Between plague periods, locusts live like other grasshoppers, as scattered, inconspicuously coloured insects leading solitary and mostly

one into the other simply by keep- across many more frontiers, not ing the insects apart or by keeping

the plagues.

It was more than that: it was a discovery of first-class importance or biology generally, because the changes induced by crowding provd to be hereditary, showing up in the offspring of crowded parents even if the offspring themselves | to blame its neighbours for sendwere not crowded.

Biologists went ahead to exploit the discovery of "change of phase,"

against this insect menance to our has built up this picture of how Locust plagues are probably as good rains, so that extra gener old as agriculture. Our own century has witnessed a succession of the country dries up again and them, and now, once again, crops are threatened from India in the garious swarms from the myriads of

fatalistic attitude toward locust in-vasions. If warnings can now be inside them, as a result of which issued, that is only because over a their behaviour, colour and shape period of years reports have been | all change. They become attracted sent in to the Anti-Locust Research | to each other yet, at the same time, Centre in London from all over the world. There they have been movements, so that their excitement painstakingly pieced together, un- grows until they cannot keep still. il a reasonably connected picture | In a few generations they have as emerged of what the locusts | ceased to be solitary grasshoppers, are likely to do in the way of breeding and migration, in any region at swarm which sally forth on the restless, far-ranging flights which make them such unexpected and

The important thing is that this sequence of events can occur in by each kind of locust. The soli taries may often become very num erous elsewhere, but if there is little crowding no swarms are produced to emigrate and spread the danger And since, generally speaking, the old-world locusts live mainly in re gions that are under-developed agr culturally, the damage they do not often serious, as long as they remain solitaries and stay at home.

Thus, the way to deal with the locust problem became clear. It was to locate the special "outbreak areas" and, as a first step, to des-troy the swarms there before they got away; and, as a second step, to seek the best way to alter conwere not swarming. After a run ditions of vegetation, and so on, solving the problem.

With these aims in view, international organizations have recently been established in the outbreak areas of two of the African locusts. Success can already be claimed in suppressing outbreaks of these two, the red locust of East and South ary grasshoppers, when they are | Africa and the one called the Afria brightly coloured, gregarious and is West Africa. The third main ntensely restless form-so different African locust is the desert locust, from the solitary form that it was once taken for another insect altogether.

which has now broken out again.

It is a much more difficult problem. Its outbreak areas are in t was Dr. Uvarov who first made ous and less constant in locality

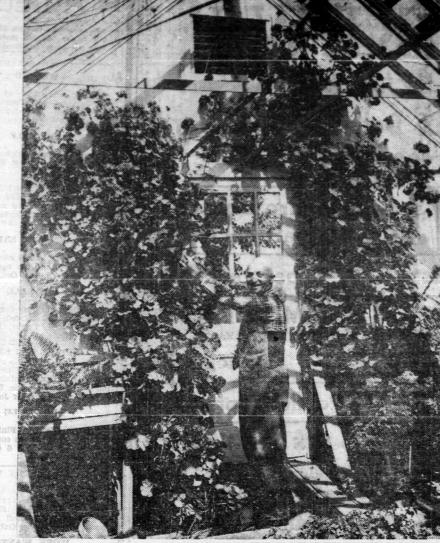
> only in Africa but away across to locust plague once it was upon them, but to lose interest when it eventually subsided from natural causes. Every country was inclined

ing the locusts. was available, so that a plan for as the transformation from the plague-prevention could be worked

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these 200-year-old London shops?

There certainly is nothing stuffy

about most of these old-established

and old traditions. But the firm

freely admits its present-day appeal

is dependent on the efficiency of its

modern organization. Visitors may come and look at a museum. But

shops depend for their existence on all comers being persuaded to buy,

It is recorded that in 1861 the late S. Endicott Peabody of the United

States entered Thresher & Glenny's and ordered some of the India

tweed suits which he thought would

be suitable for the American clim-

ate. Today representatives of the

year in the United States booking

the best traditional English and

well, the latest 100 per cent rayon

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in clothes, this publication provides

a wealth of other unexepected in

What is the origin of the phras

"Pop goes the weasel"? When used to sing that old song as a small boy I used to conjure up a picture

of a greedy weasel eating too much. But according to Thresher & Glen-

weasel is a long, thin pressing iron,

Though the firm specializes. in

ottish cloths, it is pioneering, as

orders for individual customers

Science Monitor.

"Pop Goes The Weasel" Really Means That The Tailor Pawned His Iron

and a constant of the

Some of the many London shops lished in 1690 and caller "The Silver which are featuring specially color- Mouse Trap," in Carey Street just which are featuring specially colorful window displays to mark the Festival of Britain have been in behand the law courts in the Strand, writes Peter Lyne in The Christian usiness for 200 years and more. That is a long time to have been carrying on the same trade in the

There is a story that an eccentric Londoner decided he would only deal with shops which has been established at least 200 years. He is and to have had no difficulty in explorer, designed a marketable mosuito net?

Are there cobwebs on the ceiling the fashioned by same shop.

There is a story that an eccentric and are the shope old-fashioned be-

In the case of the Strand firm of Thresher & Glenny, shirtmakers, tailors, and hosiers, it means that | hind the counter? Not a bit of it. Admiral Lord Nelson used to step over the same threshold at 152 Strand where festival visitors to
London now are entering to buy
anything from a finely tailored suit

firms. In fact, they claim that an old
firm must be specially progressive
or it would not survive these moto a festival tie.

It is quite a thrill in itself to enter

dern days.

Thresher & Glenny, for instance,

the discovery that the two so-called "species" could be converted one into the other simply by keep-are into the other ings. He was greeted by Mr. Thresher, who hastened to express ing the insects apart or by keeping them crowded together. Here, at last, was the key to the origin of the plagues.

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The trouble is that until rather story goes, with this jest: "Tut, tut, man: lucky for you it wasn't my leg. recently governments have tended to pour out money to deal with a locust plague once it was upon

stockings."

There are other shops of similar antiquity, like James Lock, hatters, of St. James Street: Ede & Ravens-croft, robe makers and tailors, of Holborn, and, believe it or not, a delightful little silversmiths, estab-

out, similar obstacles still stood in the way. Since the locust knows no frontiers, the plan called for cooperation by many different countries-above all, against the desert locust. . . .

International agreement to implement the plan was obtained only in 1938. Now, at last, it is being implemented-at any rate for the hree types of locusts I have mentioned. It may well turn out that the final prevention of swarming by some locusts will be economicpossible only as a by-product of plans for general agricultural ny's monthly miscellanea, the

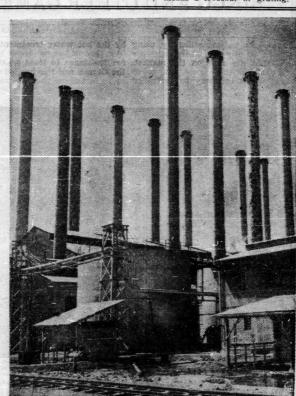
the most easily spared of all tailor's irons, hence the first to be pawned, or popped, as pawning is colloquial-That explanation seems far more likely in the context of the rest of

the warning in the song, which went "And down the city road. In and out the Eagle (a tavern), But are they stuffy and antiuated, What sort of shop window and

That's the way the money goes— Pop goes the weasel." Then there was another verse about half a pound of tuppeny rice and half a pound of treacle. Anyway, the British Broadcasting Cor-Thresher & Glenny's explanation, and there was quite a national argu-

term was first applied to the chanwe talk of a budget, we mean only

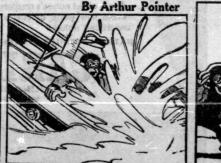
The chascellor himself was origmeans a crossbar or grating.



No Smoke, No Oil-Smokeless smokestacks at the huge oil refiner at Abadan, Iran, symbolize the fact that oil production there has dropped almost to zero since Iran nationalized the industry and Britain ordered its trained personnel and oil tankers out of Iran.







Budget' Once Meant Small Leather Bag

Some English words are mos lables a whole picture can be con jured up by the person who knows the fascinating history of a particular word. Coward, for instance, is derived from the Latin, cauda, a tail, and the idea is conveyed of an animal

slinking away with its tail between

ts legs. Even today with universal edueation, some people still find it a laborious business to write a letter. Lines are scratched out and of the page. That's just as it should erb meaning to smear. When characters, that is individ-ual letters, were first put on record, they were smeared or scrawled

on parchment.

A book, strictly speaking, should always be made of wood. This word s a modernization of the Anglo Saxon boc, a beech tree, which

We are so used to hearing of charwomen that we never wonder how they got their name. They are women who do a chare, or turn of work. Shakespeare spoke of "the maid that milks and does the mean-

Honey and Moon Constables who pace the beat are ccupied very differently from the original holders of their office. Comstable is a distortion of comes stabuli, the count of the stable, once a high state official. There is, however, disagreement

among the authorities about the

origin of the word honeymoon. A charming explanation is that there was once a custom in northern Europe of drinking mead (made from honey) for thirty days after a marriage feast.

But more people incline to the cynical view that a honeymoon is merely the time during which affection first grows to a peak and then

wanes, just like the moon after it has reached the full. People always admire a good profile. Literally this means in front That Budget Bag A word which has been much in our tongues recently is budget. This merely means a little bag, rom the French bourgette. The

the contents of the bag.

Exchequer, incidentally, is derived from the Old French for a chessboard. In the days when French was the language of the English court, accounting had not been brought to its present fine art. Not being very skilled at calculation, the treasurer used to reckon

counters on a board marked out in inally an official in charge of a chancel, or latticed barrier, in the law courts. The Latin, cancellus,

