

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Do island women really make clothing of flour sacks, or is that just something you see in the comic strips?

Many women make different articles of clothing from flour sacks. Indeed, the Textile Bag Manufacturers Association put out a booklet of patterns for making clothes of sugar bags, salt sacks, meal bags and feed bags, as well as flour sacks. And many of the bags are printed in attractive floral designs in colors.

Of course every farm boy and girl knows that a cow's stomach is divided into four compartments. When the cow is grazing it chews the grass enough to be able to swallow it—and the fodder then gets into the stomach compartment No. 1. The next step in this complicated digestive scheme finds the grass passing into compartment No. 2, where it is pressed into a sort of cuds. When the animal lies down to rest, it regurgitates the cuds, one by one—thoroughly chews them, and swallows them again. This time, they go via a special valve in the throat, into compartment No. 3—where digestion actually gets underway. Finally the food passes into the stomach No. 4 and that's that.

Strange but true, the size of a ship is increased by cutting her in half, adding a section and then joining the pieces together. When the largest additions in recent times was added to an oil tanker, which when lengthened by over 42 feet enabled her to carry 4,000 more barrels of oil than before.

For several years I carried a nickel with my initials carved on it. Then one day in 1950 I spent it by mistake. Last month, while making a purchase in one of our city's stores, I was handed the same nickel in change!

Believe it or not, but a cloud-burst over the city of Macomb, Ill., actually drowned 1200 sparrows on their perches. Later they fell to the ground and were picked up by people.

If Mrs. Charles Tinden of Tampa, Fla., hadn't left her dirty dishes in the sink while she went on her front porch to doctor her husband's sore toe, she most certainly would have been killed.

While she was on the porch a lightning bolt struck the roof and grounded itself through the sink. The heat was so great it melted the metal parts of the sink.

An English judge recently gave John Ayling, 72, of Brighton, Eng., 515 years to pay off a debt of \$600. To put it another way, Ayling must pay off the \$602 at the rate of eight cents a week.

The only person ever to survive a suicide jump from San Francisco's majestic golden gate bridge (125 feet above the surface) is Cornelia Van Ireland, a young government employee. Cornelia jumped on Sept. afternoon in 1941. She plunged into the water feet first. Result: two broken arms, a broken back, and internal injuries, but she was out of the hospital in about three weeks.

Since the bridge was built 126 persons have slipped over its side for the three-second plunge to the swirling tide below. 162 others have been talked out of the fatal dive by alert guards.

As a rule, peace making among nations means buying hatchets and burying battle axes.

No one will question that our grandmothers had it tough, but at least they didn't have to thaw out nearly all of their food before they could cook it.

Tying matrimonial knots is one of the chief jobs of Ernest R. Hall, a Salome, Arizona, Justice of the Peace. Tacked above the door of Hall's office is this unique sign: "Marriage knots tied day or night." Another arresting sign appears in large letters at the side of the door: "Where 2 Become 1."

"With love and proper care my marriage knots will last a lifetime," Hall tells newlyweds.

With an ad like that no wonder youths from nearby states flock to Hall for the splices. Some days he ties as many as 20 knots.

Before he went into the matrimonial knot tying business and Justice of the Peace, Hall was a newspaper publisher.

All Indians of the U.S.A. have been citizens since 1924. Indians pay taxes, except on real and personal property and the American Indian population is increasing rather than decreasing. When Columbus set foot on this continent there were estimated to be between 700,000 and 800,000 Indians.

The original Americans are now having a better life than they have for a long time.

Want to find out just where that leak in your inner tube is? Apply soapuds to the surface. The bubbles will indicate the leak. Works too for a garden hose or gas pipe.

Dipper birds can endure temperatures of 50 degrees below zero.

Honey bees can take water as well as honey.

Chimpanzees can be taught to do simple sums.

Wing of butterflies are made up of scale similar to those on the body of a fish.

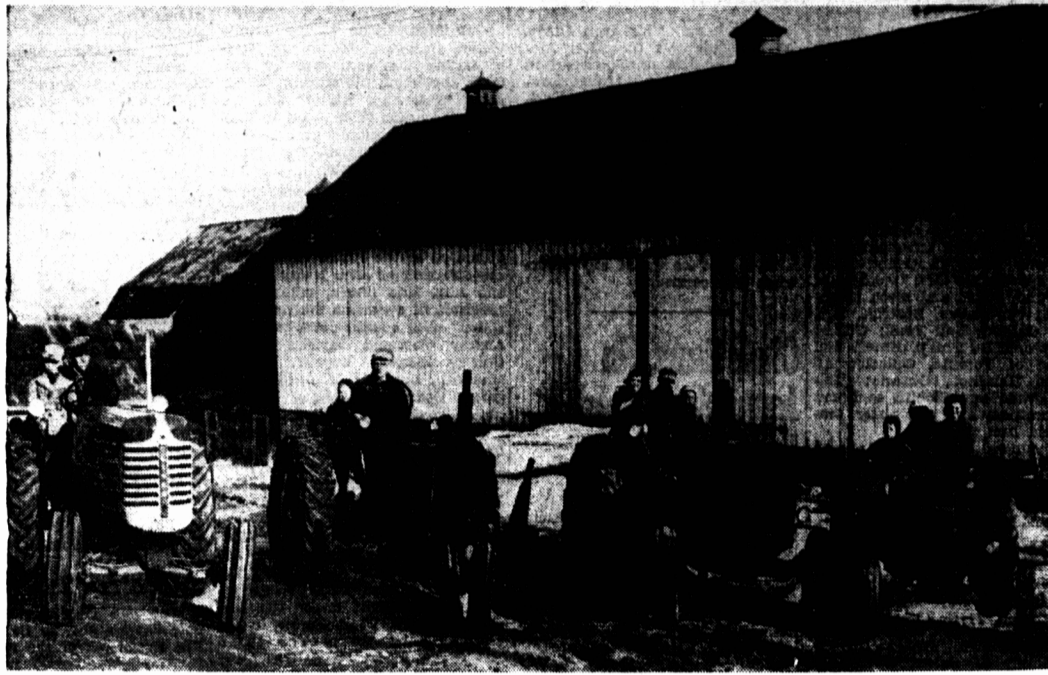
Ants carry water up shafts on their heads. Each ant carries but a single drop at a time. But a colony working a whole day could carry enough water to sail a canoe.

RIVERDALE-CHURCHILL W. I.

The monthly meeting of Riverdale-Churchill Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Donald Currie on April 7. Nine members answered roll call by saying something nice about the member sitting at the right. Four visitors were present.

A letter of thanks was read from Miss Mildred Crosby, who received treats; also a letter of thanks and

Ontario's First Co-operative Farm on Point Full-scale Operation



After nearly five years of planning, Ontario's first co-operative farm is on the point of full-scale operation as seven farmers and their families set out to show that by helping one another they can cut operation costs and most of the drudgery from heavy farm work. While Hemlock Park Co-operative farm—spanning 1,800 rolling acres along the pretty Reden canal five miles north of Kingston—is the first of its kind in Ontario, co-operative farms have been operating on the prairies for some years. The big Matador farm near Swift Current, Sask., which covers 25,000 acres, and has 40 families, was studied by the men before starting their own project. Each man will specialize and give all his attention to one phase of the work, such as sheep or chickens, while at the same time having an interest in the whole operation. This will be easier than one man working an entire farm

with the task of looking after everything. "The more knowledge you acquire in your own special line, the more interesting it becomes," said Harold Ghent, at right, president of the incorporated company, a member of the Co-operative Union of Ontario, which has received a provincial government charter. With him is Secretary Art Haas, who along with six others concerned in project pulled up his stakes in Grey-Brace district to begin their new venture. They bought 900 acres and leased another 900, and at the same time acquired 23 buildings, including eight homes, all in a row. With the buildings went a considerable number of farm implements—some of which are seen at left—to which their own assets were added. As most of the buildings have been standing vacant for a number of years, the biggest task of the new owners was remodeling. They're still at it, and when they're finished they'll have a completely mechanized, up-to-date farm.

Freetown and Vicinity

Ronald Lewis and Brian Scales, students in Rothesay School, arrived April 3 to spend the Easter holidays at their homes in the village.

Mr. Jesse C. Burns of Lower Freetown has returned to the polio clinic in Charlottetown for further treatment. All hope for him a complete convalescence.

Among those from Freetown attending the funeral of the late Senator Jones were Mr. and Mrs. Colby Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lewis, Messrs. Austin Scales, Andrew Jardine and William Cairns.

Sincere sympathy goes to Mr. Walter Stetson in the death of his only brother Mr. Albert Stetson, who passed away suddenly at his home in Clermont, New Hampshire. Mr. Stetson had lived in U.S.A. for many years. He, in company with his wife last visited his island home 30 years ago. He is survived by his wife (nee Mary Cleary) formerly of Ireland. In Freetown his brother Walter and a nephew, Albert E. Stetson, are left to mourn.

Birch Grove Women's Institute met April 1 at the home of Mrs. Russell Burns with Mrs. Cecil Paynter presiding. The roll call was answered by 15 members. The school committee, Mrs. MacNeil and Mrs. MacEachern reported a visit to the school and found everything in order. The principal asked for maps for the school and the committee in charge was asked to procure one. Mrs. MacNeil suggested that two flags be bought for Miss Smith's room, the same as in the Principal's room, and that the pupils be instructed to salute the flags each day. The salute committee reported three calls made. Correspondence was read regarding the district convention, and a letter from the Rural Beautification Society, also a communication from the Institute of office containing the government grant.

New committees appointed are: School committee, Mrs. Cecil School and Mrs. Fred Paynter; visiting committee, Mrs. MacEachern and Mrs. John Lewis; program, Mrs. McNeil and Mrs. C. Paynter; lunch, Mrs. Russell Burns; Mrs. A. Campbell and Mrs. Alfred Curley; music, Mrs. F. Perry and Mrs. Robert Jardine. The program consisted of a reading by Mrs. John Lewis and a contest by Mrs. MacEachern. Lunch was served by hostess and committee. Next meeting with Mrs. Albert Campbell.

NEW HAVEN W. I.

The monthly meeting of New Haven Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Clarence Frizzen on April 6, with an attendance of 19 members and two visitors.

Roll call was answered with a story book for the school library. The secretary gave a financial account of the jamboree held since the last meeting. The sick committee reported five calls, treats taken and thanks expressed for same.

Correspondence was read and discussed including a letter of thanks from James E. Murphy of Vancouver, B. C., for a treat received; a letter from Dr. O. H. Curtis regarding the immunization clinics; one from Miss Mary Tobin regarding the Mysore Project, also one from Mrs. Neil A. Matheson,

from the Protestant Orphanage who received a quilt.

A guessing contest was put on by Mrs. Bell Lamont, prize being won by Mrs. Waldron MacKinnon.

Next meeting is to be held in the school, roll call to be answered with flower slips or garden seeds.

Lunch was served by hostess, assisted by Miss Erma MacKinnon and Mrs. Gerfield MacFadyen.

Government Grant of \$320 Had

been received. Correspondence read included a letter from Mrs. H. S. Henderson acknowledging the donation sent and a letter from Miss Robin about the Radio Council Evaluating Groups. Mrs. MacLeod was appointed to act on this. There was also a letter from Dr. E. M. Found concerning a donation of \$10.60 from the W. I. which sum had been given to a former patient of the Sanatorium and also a letter from this patient. A card of thanks was also read.

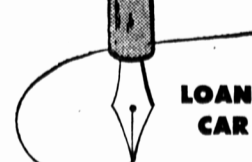
It was decided to hold a social in the school soon. If no invitation is received for the May meeting it will be held in the school. Roll call will be answered by passing in a Spring hat, to be followed by an auction of the hats received.

A notice from the T. B. League was read, and all adults were urged to attend this unit when it visits the community in May. The program for the evening consisted of several contests prepared by Mrs. Howard Ling and jokes read by Mrs. Hill, Mrs. MacLeod and Mrs. Dickieson.

OTTAWA, (CP)—Charles R. Dela-

ular army strength has reached 50,000. Army headquarters said Wednesday the recruit who raised the rollcall to 50,000 is James Alexander Reid of Toronto. He hopes to join the ranks of the 1st battalion, Black Watch, now based at Aldershot, N. S.

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Broadbalt and Vicinity

Mrs. Lorne Seaman was a visitor to Charlottetown on April 9.

Mrs. Gerfield Wood, Hunter River, was a visitor to Broadbalt, on April 11.

Mrs. Jackie Anderson, Broadbalt, was a visitor to Charlottetown on April 9.

Friends of Mr. William Anderson, presently a patient in the Provincial Sanatorium, will be pleased to learn that he is convalescing satisfactorily.

Mrs. Hammond Newson, visited her brother-in-law, and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Good, Charlottetown, for several days during the week of April 4.

Miss Juretta Murray resumed teaching in Rose Valley School, on April 12 after an absence of two weeks, due to illness.

Mrs. Vernon MacRae, Wheatley River, spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Blamark Cousins during the week of April 4.

Miss Mary Deighan, teacher of Broadbalt rural school, has resumed her duties, after an absence of several weeks because of illness.

Mrs. Angus Gillis, Mrs. Lawrence Newson and Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Deighan, Broadbalt, were among the visitors to Charlottetown, on April 9.

Miss Freda Hickox, who has been employed at Simpsons-Sears, Halifax, during the winter months, returned to her home in Broadbalt, on April 10. Before leaving Halifax, Miss Hickox was presented with a very beautiful set of jewelry, by a number of her associate employees.

Mrs. Elton Somers entertained on

VanHorne - MacMillan Wedding

Washington, D. C., (Special) — The wedding of Miss Mary Isabella MacMillan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ewen Judson MacMillan of York Point, to Col. Edwin James Van Horne, (U. S. Army retired) took place in St. Mary's Chapel of Washington Cathedral on April 9. The officiating clergyman was Maj. Gen. Luther D. Miller, retired former chief of Chaplains of the United States Army and now Canon at Washington Cathedral.

The bride's father, Mr. MacMillan, now retired, was formerly undersecretary for agriculture of the Union of South Africa.

The bridegroom, is a 1926 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point. He is now deputy Chief of the United States office Intergovernmental committee for European immigration.

Following a wedding trip, the couple will reside at nearby Alexandria, Virginia.

April 8, in honor of her daughter Ariene's birthday. Ariene was the recipient of many good wishes and gifts from her little playmates. Jolly games concluded with the serving of dainty refreshments including a beautiful birthday cake.

The Women's Missionary Society of "Crawford Memorial" Christian Church met for the April meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Murray, on Friday the ninth. Mrs. John Hickox presided. A period of devotion and prayers followed in which all present participated, was followed by a program of readings suitable for the Easter season; a solo "The Old Rugged Cross" by Dorothy Matheson and a Bible quiz concluded this part of the meeting. The members are looking forward to a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rempel, Missionaries from the Kulpahar Mission, in June. The next regular meeting in May, roll call will be answered by a Bible verse containing the name of a flower.

GREAT ADMIRAL

Admiral Lord Nelson, killed at Trafalgar in 1805, descended from a family of clergymen.

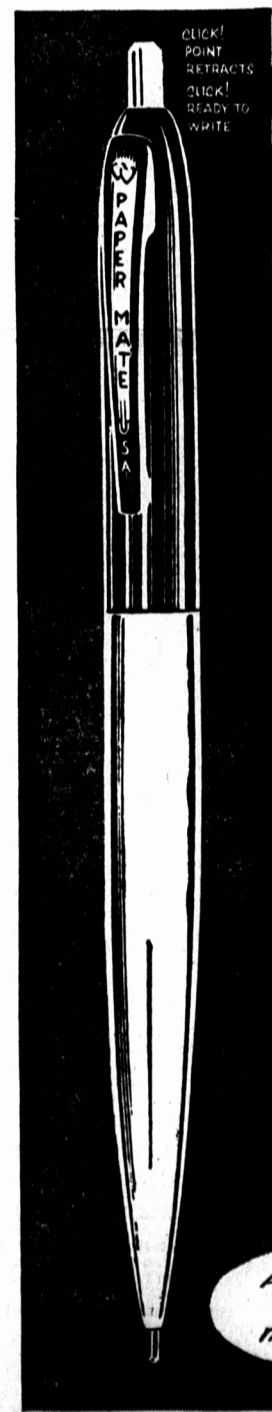
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