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than 20 years ago. This is reported in a survey by the National Industrial Conference Board in the U.S., where the trend toward larger farms is more noticeable than in Canada.

No doubt, as the Financial Post says in commenting on these figures, the explanation is simple. Larger farms not only mean far more revenue per farmer but also more machinery and other equipment and more working capital to operate them.

The flaw in this statement is that a farm isn't altogether a factory. Its mechanical operations can be speeded up, particularly in the big grain growing areas where most of the mechanization has taken place.

Mr. Fleming says the Canadian textile industry complained about competitive Japanese imports, mostly clothing, and accordingly discussions were undertaken with representatives of the Japanese Government in Ottawa and Tokyo in the course of which the views of the Canadian Government were communicated to them.

This latest restriction is imposed on top of the "voluntary" quota restrictions already enforced by the Japanese textile industry lest it antagonize its Canadian competitors.

Canada had, he noted, agreed to fix certain tariffs and Japan was entitled to count on them unless they were renegotiated. Nevertheless, it was told that while the tariffs would remain unchanged it must make sure that it sold less in the Canadian market.

The Opposition has protested against this shortsighted policy in the House of Commons, and the Winnipeg Free Press calls it a breach of international contract.

Other Factors Involved Since the late thirties, the number of persons living on farms in the United States has dropped by about one third, from 31 million to 21 million, and the number of farms has fallen by a fourth, from 6.5 million to 4.7 million.



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Hard Working Committees

The excellent work being performed in committees of Parliament here this session has already been referred to in this column.

The Senate has long been outstanding for its valuable but often under-utilized committee work. Under the long tenor of the Liberal administration, members of the House of Commons found that any criticism, whether constructive or destructive, tended to be muzzled.

This session, the Senators are distinguishing themselves in their committee studies of our relationship with our NATO allies, and of the threat posed to our economy by inflation.

As the Commons Committees at last emerge into their deserved place in the sun of independence, outstanding have been hard-hitting reports by the Committee on Mines, Forests and Waters, under the effective chairmanship of J.W. Murphy, Conservative M.P. from Sarnia.

EDITORIAL NOTES The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation may not be happy about the diligence with which the Commons broadcasting committee has been examining the costs of its television programs.

The U.S. fighter-bomber wings of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization will soon be moved from French bases to fields in Britain and Germany—due to President de Gaulle's insistence on control of French-based nuclear weapons.

A trade department survey of economic conditions in Western Europe provides much evidence that Canadian sales can be increased if Canadian exporters go after them.

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asks, is such an important job as that of head of the Travel Bureau given to a man who earned his spurs as political secretary to ex-Health Minister Paul Martin?

The Ottawa landscape of course is liberally dotted with burned-out slaves of bygone politicians; that appears to be one of the forms of pasturage the taxpayer is expected to subsidize.

British Labor Party Split

By Alan Harvey Canadian Press Staff Writer

Britain's Labor party is perpetually on the boil. Take one kettle off the fire, and another starts to sing.

At the Transport and General Workers Union conference on the Isle of Man Thursday, Cousins piloted his 1,300,000 workers overwhelmingly against labor's revised policy on weapons of mass destruction.

HELPFUL SALMON ALDEBURGH, Eng. (CP) — A 10-pound salmon leaped into a fisherman's boat moored in the Aikie River in this Suffolk town. He sold it for £3.

Science Aids In Hay Fever

By Herman N. Buesden, M. D. HAY fever and asthma sufferers only too often tend to blame the whole ragweed family for their troubles this time of the year.

RESEARCH PROGRAM But down at the Southwest Research Institute in San Antonio, Texas, Dr. Fred W. Bieberdorf is conducting a yearlong research program to find out why some pollens are more troublesome than others.

"FINGERPRINTS" POLLEN Dr. Bieberdorf's technique is to let them draw their own chemical composition picture. A sample of the pollen extract is placed on a paper disk, which is then rotated on a centrifugal chromatograph.

These substances possess different molecular weights. Therefore, they are absorbed on the spinning disk at different rates, separating into bands, each of which may be a pure substance causing one or several allergies.

For example, there are several new drugs available. Among them is a new type cortisone drug called Aristocort triamcinolone. Some researchers already report they are obtaining "good" or "excellent" results in about 80 per cent of the hay fever and bronchial asthma patients treated with the drug.

Those who know Cousins feel sure that he is sincere when he says he is not interested in extending his anti-nuclear campaign into a bid for party leadership.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

Call them senior citizens, call them older people, retired people, elders, pensioners; but don't call them old. Old people do not care to be called old.

A German woman, forty years old, was halted in court at Munich on the charge of having given a false age on her passport. She tearfully told the court that she had met "a very nice man" while vacationing in another country, and she had tried to make it appear that she was only thirty.

Our YESTERDAYS (From the Guardian Files) TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (July 13, 1934) A fire which originated on Monday in Abney assumed dangerous proportions yesterday and swept a distance of a mile and a half on a two mile front through woodland in the rear of farms at Murray River.

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