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much profit, if any, each cow makes above its feed cost; how much to feed each cow; when each cow should be bred and which bull it should be mated with, based on genetic characteristics of previous generations, and how long each cow should rest after calving.

The International Business Machines Corporation, the world's major computer manufacturer, took note of the growing farm use of its machines in sponsoring a four-day symposium last May at its plant in Endicott, N.Y. Fourth-eight agricultural specialists from universities, banks, government and private industry in the United States, Australia and Canada attended. It was intimated at this gathering that many of the cooperatives are beginning to go beyond record keeping and analysis of costs and production to enter into the more complex linear programming. As an example, a case was cited in which a Nebraska farmer used a computer to learn that investing a lot more money in land and equipment on his farm would not improve his income so much as simply adding more hours of labor during the month of October.

Not That Simple

Canadians who regard as a nuisance or worse the payment of separate provincial sales taxes on day-to-day purchases may be inclined to applaud a proposal that retail sales taxes be consolidated and collected by one level of government. The suggestion is contained in a submission by the Canadian Tax Foundation of Toronto to the federal-provincial tax structure committee that is concerned with devising an equitable tax-sharing formula.

On the merit side, the proposal certainly would eliminate the vexation experienced by taxpayers. Further, it could make for simplification of administration under certain conditions. One of these pre-conditions, the foundation observed, would be a uniformly-based tax combining a basic federal rate and a supplementary rate levied by each province, to meet its own needs.

This indeed would be the case if the single tax were collected by Ottawa. Otherwise, the federal government would be in the impossible position of having to attempt to impose and collect rates varying from province to province. But as the London Free Press points out, there is another issue involved here, of perhaps greater concern. The federal retail tax is a hidden tax incorporated in the end price paid by the consumer. The provincial retail sales tax is a direct at-the-counter levy. If the two were consolidated, the distinction between the two would become a single direct tax. Hence the constitutional and political responsibility for the impost would be lost. Certainly the Canadian tax structure is in need of simplification and realignment. But any course that short-circuits constitutional and governmental responsibility should be avoided.

Quips Aren't Answers

Under the above heading the Saint John Telegraph-Journal quotes a question raised last week in the New Brunswick Legislature of more than passing interest to voters in this province. The question was whether there was any basis for a report that the New-Brunswick Liberals were providing up to \$20,000 to the Prince Edward Island Liberals for their election campaign. When it was asked in the Legislature, Premier Robichaud said the question was "too crazy to be answered."

The Saint John paper says it doesn't agree. "The people of New Brunswick would have felt better, and would have been reassured," it says, "if the Premier had given a simple, clear-cut negative reply. This would have cleared the air and settled the matter. And then, if he wished, he could have ridiculed the query and the man who posed it by saying it was 'crazy or ridiculous or irrelevant or whatever he wished to say. But by evading a direct answer, by laughing off the question without giving an answer, he leaves the idea planted in the minds of all New Brunswickers."

EDITORIAL NOTE

According to the Windsor, Ontario, Star, the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation is working to have more mortgage money made available to Windsor builders, proportionately more than will be available for other areas. It might pay our local politicians to look into this matter.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON HAS BEEN RANKED AS ONE OF THE WORLD'S 10 BEST-DRESSED MEN - NEWS ITEM



TWO SIDES TO IT

NOW IT'S BIONICS

Engineers Become Nature's Copycats

Modern technology has never surpassed Mother Nature as an engineer. Eons before human engineers appeared, animals developed powered flight, underwater propulsion systems, electric circuitry, sonar, and countless other techniques. Today's engineers are turning to the animal world seeking solutions to many of their problems. A new science called bionics specializes in discovering nature's techniques and applying them to human technology.

It Makes For Nostalgia
Financial Post
There is something reassuring in the fact that despite the excesses of automation, reorganization and avid Royal Commissioning, bureaucracy in all its classic inefficient splendor can still be found in odd corners of government enterprise. Note this verifiable tale: A Toronto woman wrote to the Canadian Post Office postage stamp division March 14 requesting souvenir cards with commemorative stamps for three separate years. She enclosed a cheque for \$2, the correct payment.

Patient As A Tree

A late spring doesn't alter the green patterns, but it does change the rhythms. Leaves that would have unfolded deliberately, making a pale green haze in the treetops, come instead with a rush from the buds. You can almost feel the pressure behind them, the need to spread chlorophyll and get to work. There is little time left to dawdle. Woodlands turn green overnight. But what happens is in no way changed, really. The sequence is maintained, the inevitable order. The leaves were there, within the buds. The chlorophyll was there, waiting to suffuse the leaves. Once the leaves were spread there was no more waiting.

Youth Out Of Step

Judging by speeches made at a Young Communist's congress in Moscow, there is concern in the Soviet Union over the indifference to Marxism among the younger set. There was talk of vandalism in the country, "parasitism" and lack of discipline. The villain, as always, is the bourgeois West, whose values and pastimes have always been synonymous with 'decadence' in the Soviet Union.

Something Fishy

The English have suffered many rude slanders, about their national cuisine—some of them undoubtedly justified. But there are some aspects of English cooking which should be sacred and unsullied, free from the more high-falutin aspects of modernization. But it seems that nothing is sacred any more, because even that noble institution—the fish and chip shop—is being forced to change its image. Aided by organizations like the National Association of Fish Fryers and the Potato Marketing Board, the shops are trying to become glamorous. Egad, what a tragedy. For decades, Ye Olde English Fish and Chip Shoppe has floated serenely along in its own charmingly greasy fashion. Now some establishments have gone to the horrendous extreme of serving mushrooms and wine with orders. They have even committed the sacrilege of wrapping orders in clean, white paper instead of smudgy old newspaper. Gone that unforgettable flavor of mingled fish, soggy batter, grease and printer's ink. If Britain has become less class-conscious since the war, it appears to have become more status-conscious. It's no longer permissible to request an order of good, old-fashioned "Fish and Chips." Now, in the more boitoy places it's "poisson and pommes frites."

Coronary Disease

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen
For more than 25-years surgeons have tried to improve the circulation of the aging heart muscle via vessel grafts and re-routing blood flow. Procedures that bring relief of chest pain (angina pectoris) are now available and there is a good possibility that many who are now disabled by heart trouble will be able to live comfortably for the duration of their normal life expectancy.

Special X-ray studies (angiography) are a prerequisite to operations of this type. They show where and how extensively the coronary arteries are narrowed or obstructed. The heart muscle receives so little blood that chest pain develops after slight exertion or excitement. Some have anginal pain at night when in bed, possibly because of dreaming or additional curtailment of blood flow due to a fall in blood pressure.

The latest surgical attack on severe coronary disease was described recently by Dr. Arthur M. Vineberg, of Montreal. A supplementary blood supply is obtained via a triple procedure. The chest is opened exposing the heart. The sac surrounding the old pump is removed and the outer layer of the heart wall is peeled away. The next step involves implanting the open end of a neighboring artery into the cardiac wall. A tunnel is made first and the open bleeding stump of the vessel is pulled into the passage-way and sutured into place. The artery remains patent because the blood flows into the vast network of vascular spaces lying between the muscle tissue.

PURED VEGETABLES

Mrs. C. writes: My two-year-old does not like fresh vegetables, but prefers the pureed type of baby food. Will this lack of fiber in the diet harm her intestines?
REPLY: No, because she obtains bulk from fruit and meat. Meanwhile have patience, because many youngsters of this age are in the same boat. You might try adding new vegetables to the menus, not pureed but mashed.

KNEE JERK

M. McM. writes: My legs do not shoot out when my knees are tapped. Does this mean I have something wrong with me?
REPLY: No. It just means an absence or sluggishness of the knee jerk (patellar) reflex. This finding is significant only when associated with other neurological disturbances. Otherwise, forget it.

GOOD TEST

P. N. writes: Will a urinalysis show kidney trouble if it is present?
REPLY: A urinalysis is one of the best, easiest, and cheapest tests for kidney disease.

TODAY'S HEALTH HINT—

Remove doors from discarded refrigerators.
(NOTE: All correspondence to Dr. Van Dellen should be addressed to: Dr. Theodore Van Dellen, c/o Chicago Tribune, Illinois.)

Our Yesterdays

(From The Guardian Files)
TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (May 30, 1941)
It was announced that Lord Louis Mountbatten, cousin of King George VI, was in command of the destroyer Kelly, one of the four destroyers lost in the battle of Crete.

TEEN YEARS AGO

(May 30, 1956)
The Senate at Ottawa voted 40-7 to defeat a bill that would have eliminated parliamentary divorce.

TEST SOVIET SATELLITE

MOSCOW (Reuters)—An experimental color television program from Paris was beamed to Moscow over the Soviet Molnya-1 communications satellite Saturday, Tass news agency reported. The program, prepared by the Paris TV centre, opened with a speech by the French minister for scientific research, Alain Peyrefitte. The Soviet minister of communications, Nikolai Puzikov, and French Ambassador Philippe Baudet were at the Moscow studio to see the program.

NOTES BY THE WAY

The friendly neighborhood garage is beginning to specialize. Their suggestion is that the five-year-old family sedan be taken to a geriatrician. — Calgary Herald.
Dr. Harvey Cushing the world famous surgeon refused to waste time on patients whose ailments were spurious. Once, after examination of a patient revealed that she was faking—Cushing made a few passes in the air with his hand and pronounced her cured. The lady was indignant. "Do you always treat your patients in this silly manner?" she demanded. "No, madam," replied Cushing. "Only when they have silly diseases." — Windsor Star.

The rich man wins the \$1,000 inside the cigarette package, and the poor man gets a traffic ticket while he goes in for matches. It always happens. By a similar process of natural law, the \$50,000-a-year baseball player is given two new cars by the fans while the guy who had to go into hock to buy a 1949 model smashes it up the first time out. So we're not at all surprised to learn that a family with an income of \$12 a week has been blessed with quintuplets. — Brandon Sun.

Critical Time For Guyana

By Joseph MacSween
Canadian Press Staff Writer
The recent history of newly-independent countries points to a danger of Guyana, the former-British Guiana, becoming another keg of dynamite. The strains of independence are at best severe. But when a new country is divided racially, the situation becomes even more dangerous, requiring the wisest leadership and restraint.

Forbes Burnham, the 43-year-old Negro who took power 1½ years ago, has shown a lively awareness of the perils. He displayed considerable fairness and detachment in sharing appointments between Negroes and East Indians, the two dominant groups. He has not yet had to cope with a security problem because the country has been under a state of emergency since 1964 following racial and political riots in which 200 died. The test will come in October when the remaining battalion of British troops is scheduled to go home. Guyana has not only an extremely mixed population but one in which the two main groups are changing in relation to one another. This can lead to fears and friction.

RATIO CHANGES

In 1946 the racial composition of the territory — slightly smaller than Britain — was: East Indians 163,000; Negroes 143,000; mixed 38,000; Amerindians 16,000; Portuguese 8,500; Chinese 3,500; and British 2,500. Since then the East Indians have multiplied more rapidly than the other groups, thanks partly to control of malaria in the areas where they live. The comparison now is estimated at 320,000 East Indians to 200,000 Africans. The East Indians fall only marginally short of a clear majority over all other races. This gives weight to the claim by Dr. Cheddi Jagan, 48-year-old East Indian Marxist, that he will win the first election, which must be held before December, 1968. Jagan, perhaps the best-known of West Indian leaders, is given credit for putting British Guiana on the map during his seven years of rule. He charmed leaders around the world, with the apparent exception of the late U.S. president John F. Kennedy. Burnham, a socialist, ousted him only through lining up with a right-wing conservative party in an election conducted on the basis of proportional representation.

READY FOR SELF-RULE

Of course, none of this means that Guyana should not have become independent—it was far more ready for self-rule than many other countries. Its literacy rate, more than 80 per cent, is probably the highest of any underdeveloped country in the world. While the numbers of professional people such as doctors are not large in comparison with, for instance, Canada they are large enough to give Guyana a much better outlook than many countries in Africa and Asia. Canada has a stake of unusual proportions in Guyana. Canadian industry developed bauxite mines and Guyana sent foreign service officers to be trained by Canadians. A Canadian company was granted exclusive mineral exploration rights over a large area—450 years after Sir Wal-

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