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Congratulations to Rainmakers

PRINCE RUPERT Senior High debt of gratitude to these eight boys school Rainmakers justly deserve and their coach for the excellent showthe "heroes' welcome" they received on ing they made at the University of their arrival home from the British British Columbia's War Memorial Columbia High School Basketball gymnasium. tournament in Vancouver yesterday. Congratulations also go to John That they didn't win the tournament is Olsen, who was selected for the tourunderstandable. The fact remains that nament's first All Star team and Dick they reached the runnerup spot, a Specht who made the second. Thanks height never before reached by any also should be extended to the ex-Prince Rupert or northern British Prince Rupert High school students in Columbia team. That coach Don Hart- Vancouver, their families and former wig's charges should attain this goal is Rupert residents who turned out to attremendous feat, reflecting wonder- cheer for our team. fully well on both himself and his hard- Not to be forgotten are those who working players. "suffered" back here at home, biting

Saturday night, Vancouver Col- finger nails, straining their ears at lege, the team that won the B.C. title, transistor radios, keeping track of the was an inspired group of boys. Yet games. The PRSH cheer section and early in the tournament the same crew students, the Civic Band and the City had trouble edging Oak Bay Totems Fire Department who co-operated to 38-36. Nothing the Rainmakers could make the home-coming a success, are do, plays, combinations or the drive to be commended. that had taken them through three. The whole saga of the Rainmakers, previous games to victory, paid off from the time that coach Hartwig de-Saturday. It often happens and the cided his team had a chance, through Rainmakers should not feel badly that the school's fund-raising drive to the they placed second out of a total of 16 finals, shows one thing clearly to the teams vying for the province's high high school, the city, the school board, school basketball crown. the younger basketball players com-

The Rainmakers with the stubborn, ing up and the whole northland. It come-from-behind style certainly won can be done. It shouldn't be too long Prince Rupert a great deal of good-before the British Columbia High will and highly favorable publicity. School Basketball trophy rests in

The whole city and district owes a Prince Rupert.

Money for Boy Scouts well spent

YOUTH is the foundation on which, night and Wedne'sday night volunteer we must build the country," canvassers will seek support from the Camada's Chief Scout, Governor- residential districts. General George Vanier said recently. While a portion of the campaign The governor-general was speaking of proceeds go to paying the provincial the Boy Scout movement and the role assessment most of the money does its if plays in developing "one of Canada's good right here at home, providing admost important resources, a vast, rich ditional facilities for the Scouts' sumhuman reservoir, coming from every mer camp and it is hoped the start of level of society, and filled with bound- a special Boy Scout library. Whether less energy, with a tremendous poten- the funds go to outdoor activities or tial for good."

Today the Prince Rupert District - By making a donation this week Boy Scout association launches its an-you can help a movement which inmual appeal for funds, to keep alive the cludes a quarter of a million boys in Boy Scout movement in this district. Canada, continue its job of keeping Letters have already been sent out to boys healthy in body, spirit and mind. the business district and tomorrow Help the Scouts.

U.K. papers more than hold their own

When the BBC initiated the first television service back in 1936. Ernest Chisholm Thomson—now of the United Kingdom Information Service—predicted that TV would increase, not lessen, newspaper circulation.

We have on hand some figures which seem to prove, 24 years later, that he was right. They have been prepared by UNESCO.

lightigt daily per capita newspaper readership on hours of solid entertainment,

For every 1,000 inhabitants of Britain, 573 newspapers are sold. The next highest figure is Sweden's-462 for 1,000 people.

indoor, the money is well spent.

The significance of this is enhanced by the vast figures involved. There are 1,456 newspapers in the U.K. of which 114 are dailies. The latter have a circulation of 20,100,000 and the non-dailies 41,900,000. The size of the non-* The U.K. is one of the most intensively, daily sales is accounted for by the fact there televised (to coin a verb) countries in the are 31,000,000 readers of the 16 Sunday papers, worldr yet the figures show it has today the and Sunday is a day when most TV fans count

-The Vancouver Province.

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

Attitude of Cuban bombing amazingly soft By JOSEPH MacSWEEN

Canadian Press Staff Writer divined planes to bomb Cuba than for Cuban-

owned planes to bomb the U.S. In the eyes of most observers, the U.S. govminment has shown remarkable softness in its action to curb illegal—and even war-like llights by American flyers into Cuban airspace at a time of acute tension.,

The U.S. Federal Aviation Agency, in an mmouncement Wednesday, said merely that a New flight control at Miami headquarters will receive voluntary information on proposed flights by private planes to foreign countries. New regulations also will require that all mon-scheduled flights offshore from the Florida-Alabama-Georgia constline must forward data momptly to the centre.

Anyone with information of illegal arms export by plane should communicate quickly, with the centre, and the customs office will may rewards to people giving information that loads to scizures and arrests.

t Those monsures aren't harsh in view of recent events. On February 18, a light plane with two Americans aboard crashed in Ouba While purportedly trying to bomb a sugar mill. The U.S. apologized to Cuba.

Cuba has charged many other incursions, capecially by planes dropping incondiaries on

Washington has firmly convinced the Cubans sugar cane fields. Last Monday the Cubans Int it would be far safer for United States- forced down a plane they say was about to pick up supporters of former dictator Fulgencio

Observers feel sure the Washington reaction would be much more sudden, hard and spectacular if Cuban-manned planes were to attempt unauthorized flights over southern U.S. Soil oil fields, for example, let alone anything in the nature of bombing raids.

No one - not even Cuban Premier mael Castro-has charged that the U.S. government s behind the illegal flights but the demand " for a halt has become sharper by the day, "Steps announced in Washington are a

partial answer," says the New York Times. "Why is there no air patrol between Florida and Cuba? Why are not many more men assigned to a surveillance of Florida airstrips and hangars? Why are not the known active and dangerous Cuban extles kept under strictor

What is foured is that highly-paid advonturors will set off a major disaster unless they are effectively reined. At the least, the danger is soon that the already angry relations will' needlessly worsened between Cuba and the U.S., where the official attitude is colored by anxiety that the island is drifting under Communist control.

All Aboard

By G. E. MORTIMORE Canada is a tea-drinking

"The biggest hot beverage in Canada," said Harold Hilliard, ex-Toronto Star man whose new public relations job is taking him across Canada on behalf of the national Tea

Montreal fashion model Joan McDonald and actor Jean-Roger Periard, also of Montreal, "Miss Tea" and "Mr. Tea" of 1960, smiled in agree-

Harold told me that the Maritimes drink more tea per capita than any other region of Canada. Tea consumption in the Maritimes is equal to Britain's. (An American professor recently described Hallfax as the "most British" of Canadian cities).

Second heaviest tea-drinking province is Ontario; third is British Columbia.

"Three cups of tea are drunk in Canada to every two of any other hot beverage," said Harold Hilliard.

"When you say any other hot beverage,' do you also include oxo, ovaltine and instant postum?" I asked.

Harold confessed that coffee was the only other hot beverage he had in mind. He had nothing to say against coffee. He seemed anxious not to hurt the feelings of the coffee in-

I was the only one present who used the word "coffee" at all. Harold, Joan and Roger referred to it as "the alternative beverage." "Canadians drink 11,500,-

000,000 cups of tea a year," said Harold. "That's an average of 667 cups a year each for every man, woman and child in the country.

"There are recipes now catering to all age groups. Theau-lait for children. That's half tea, half milk. Tea with orange for teen-agers. Skiball for the outdoors man."

"What's ski-ball?" I asked. "Tea, a slice of lemon stuck with cloves and a cinnamon stick to stir it," said Jean-Roger Periard, a handsome, cheerful-looking young man who played the part of a newspaper reporter (obviously Gill University production of sary. "My Fur Lady." He has done They never wasted money some television work; hopes to go to Hollywood.

. 'As one commentator exfor a swizzle stick," he added. Harold said that tea consumption in the United States was climbing rapidly. Missionary work needed to be done to cure the American habit of dunking tea in tepid water. Sales of tea bags and instant

tea had shown a big increase, Harold observed. I looked over toward Joan McDonald, a warm, sparkling brunette who used to be fash- ership. ion editor of the Winnipeg Tribune before she moved east a casin telegraph it had come to

model. "Are you elected Miss Tea for a whole year, like that a couple of white men Miss Rheingold?" I asked. Harold answered for her. "You could say Joan and Roger reign for a year," he said. Bolam camp on the Tatsa 18 days. After that, they'll be

This is the first time the Tea Council—a body composed of representatives of the governments of India and Ceylon and the tea-packing companies—has sent ambassadors

on tour. Joan dons a white wig and an antique dress for her formal public appearances.

"Tea is always identified with the pioneer group in Canada," Harold explained, "It is also the favorite beverage of the lumberman, the cowboy on the range...Lloyd Percival of Sports College recommends tea against fa-

'Roger represents the risdrinks tea...."

We had been discussing the a restaurant. The waitress politely interrupted us. "Will you have coffee?" she wanted to know. There was a moment of silence.

"We drink tea," said Harold pleasantly, indicating himsolf and his two young com-

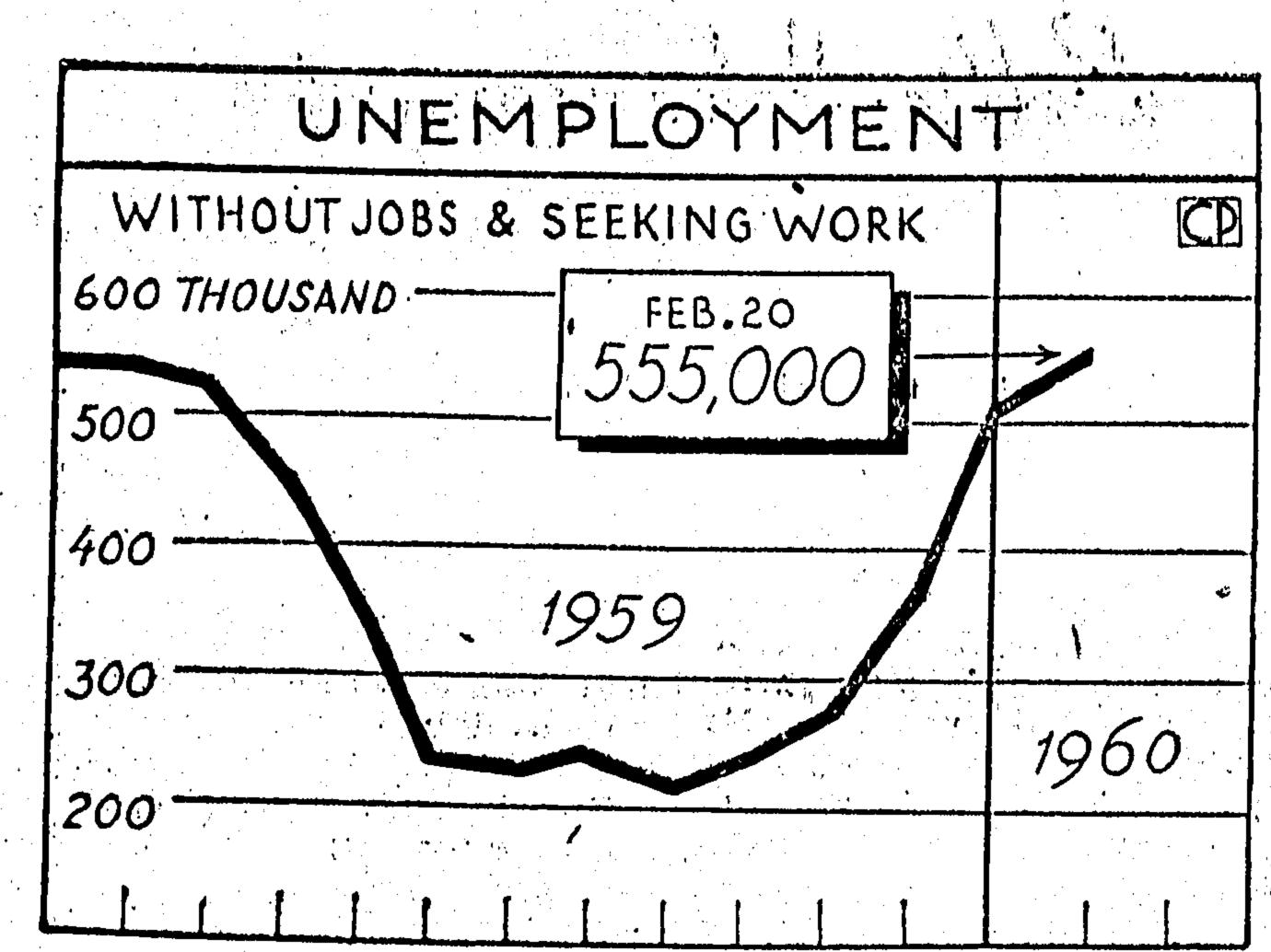
I toyed with the idea of saying "Coffee for me, thanks." But I thought bottor of it. Wa all had tea. Roger drank his

The lighter side

The woman was brought before the magistrate for reckless "What have you got to say?"

the magistrate asked. "Woll, Your Worshin," the amilled aweetly; "I washed my our this morning and can't do a thing with it." I to take orders to go out at |

more than a simple combination of knowledge, effort, courtony, pornoveronce, judgment onthusiasm, ability, brains and



UNEMPLOYMENT RISES—Unemployment in Canada rose to 555,000 at February 20, 51,000 more than a month earlier and 18,000 higher than in February last year. The post-war unemployment peak was 537,000 in March, 1958. Graph shows trend in unemployment, through 1959 and to date this year, based on Dominion Bureau of Statistics figures of those without jobs and seeking work.

Time and Place

By Wiggs O'Neill TWO FAMOUS TRAPPERS

About 1909 two strangers ar- and were never again disturbrived in the Ootsa Lake country, bent on a trapping venture away beyond in the lakes and rivers back in the sticks. They were the brothers Mat and Bob Bolam. They visited around with the Harrison family at their farm at Wisteria and got the lay of the country and a lot of good advice. They finally got a small canoe and outfit of grub and chose the Tatsa River and Tatsa Lake for their venture in trapping for the winter.

They were quiet and likable boys who had come from the Oregon country and were experienced bushmen and trappers. The country they decided to trap, is today the place where the Alcan's big power tunnel starts through the mountains for the coast.

The Bolams proved to be the greatest rifle shots ever seen in the country. If they wanted grouse, a duck or a goose, they would use a rifle and always shoot the head off. They would even go farther than that, always take the top of his head off and leave the eyes. They never owned miscast) in the original Mc- shotgun as it was not neces-

buying steel traps for the trap line always used stick traps and deadfalls, and from repressed it, a cinnamon stick sults the first winter, it would appear that they knew the trapping game from A to Z.

All the trapping country along the lakes and rivers in our hinterlands is all claimed by people of the various villages, which they were supposed to inherit from their grandfathers and great grandfathers who owned all the country before the white men came. They took great pride in own-

Some way, probably by mocto take a fling at being a the ears of the tribe who claimed the Tatsa countty were trapping their country and they made a trip in to investigate. They called at the "The trans-Canada tour lasts River and raised heck with them and ordered them out of available for special occas- the country. Their spokesman told them "We come back two week, you still stop, we shoot and dats the real business."

As this was the start of the season the Bolams had all their different lines run and refuge cabins all built, so this was a real problem confronting them, and the boys had to think fast, as they seemed serlous about it,

The Bolams after thinking the situation over decided on a plan worth trying. They were both expert axemen. They cut a tree down and fashloned out two blg presumably animal feet, a right and a left with toes and all about two feet long, drove nails in the toes for claws and a stamping pole attached to each. They went up and down the river banks and bars and stamped the Imsubject of tea over lunch at print of the big fact about 10 feet apart, then went off down the river and camped for a

> When they finally ventured back to their cabing by signs they could see there had been quite a bunch of visitors there, no doubt well armed! It wasn't long before the tall stories began to circulate all over the country about varimonstrous devil of some kind roaming the Tatsa country. The scheme worked to perfection for never t visitor appeared all winter. Tht Bolam boys trapped that country for 10 years and made same wonderful fur entches

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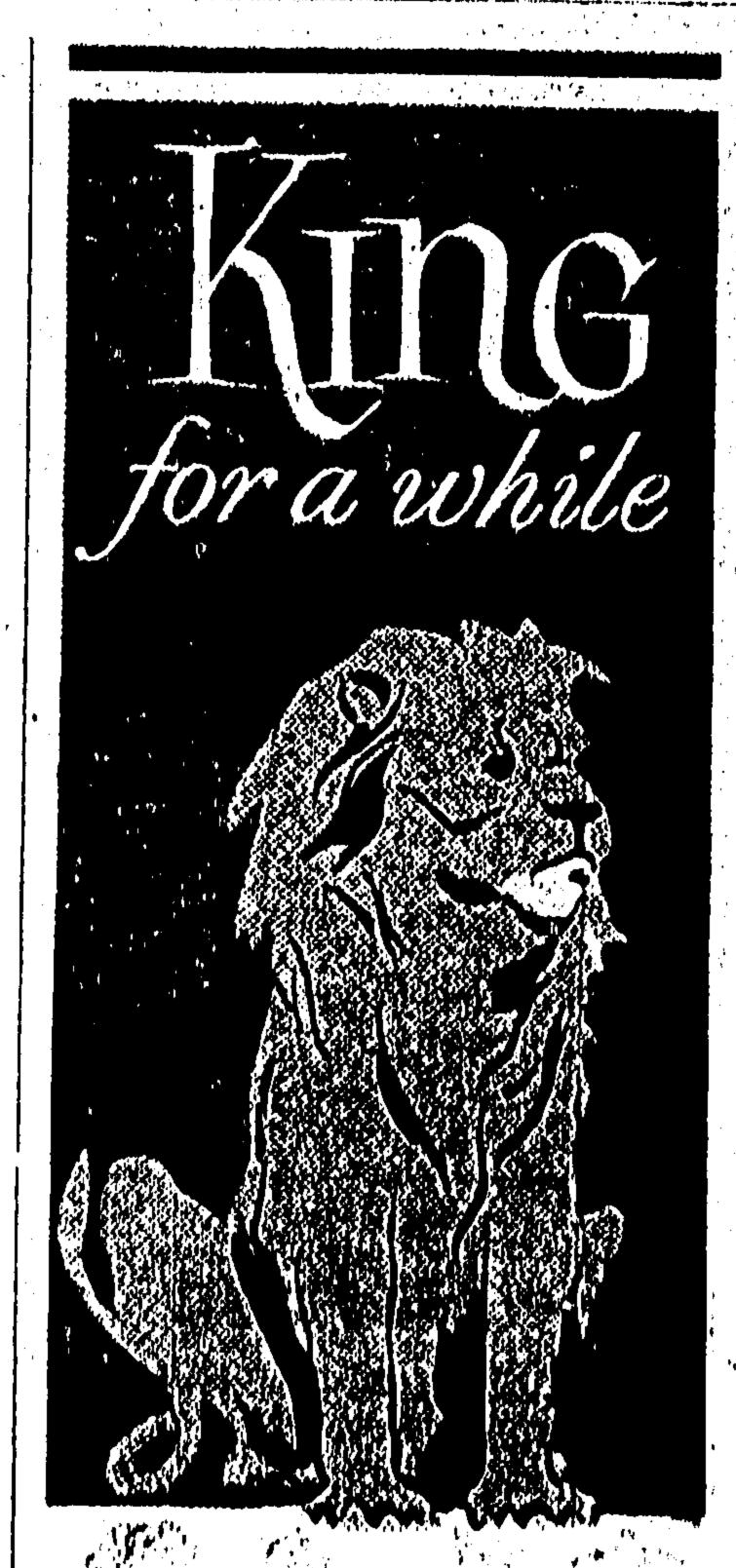
moro. Phone 6226

These boys came out in the Spring of 1918 with another big eatch of fur with another couple of trappers Shortie Haven and Harry McLean who had also done well. After disposing of their catches, they decided to take the local dentist Dr. Badgero for a bear hunt into the Big Eutsan Lake. They went up into the mountains and in no time spotted a grizzly across on the side hill: Their main object was to see the Doc shoot a bear.

After letting him take a shot they saw his bullet raise the dust about a hundred feet above the bear. They couldn't let that happen so one of the Bolam boys hid behind a rock and shot at the same moment the Doc pulled the trigger on his second shot. The Doc was thrilled, he had shot his first grizzly and the other four boys let him think so. The doctor was walking on air when they got in from the trip. The boys, of course, knew one of the

Bolam boys had done the job. When they came out in the Spring of 1919, with another big catch the fur market had folded up and they couldn't sell their fur. They took the train at Burns Lake to try and find a market. They played in wonderful luck. They met a lady on the train from New York, They showed her some of their wonderful dark marten and she got so enthusiastic she bought their catch for \$1800. The Bolam boys left the country for California and were never seen again after trapping 10 years in the coun-

It was reported that a couple of years ago, one of the brothers paid a visit back to the country and by the big "Cadillac" he had and his paid driver, it would seem that with the start they got on the Tatsa River, it must have paid off in



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ceed to the bus stop? An elderly friend of mine

"No," he says. "If there is anything that infuriates and frustrates me it is stepping out my front door just as the bus passes. Or worse, to be half way to the bus stop when it whizzes by. That gives me the nasty sensation of having missed the bus. By my method, I avoid that most humiliating experience."

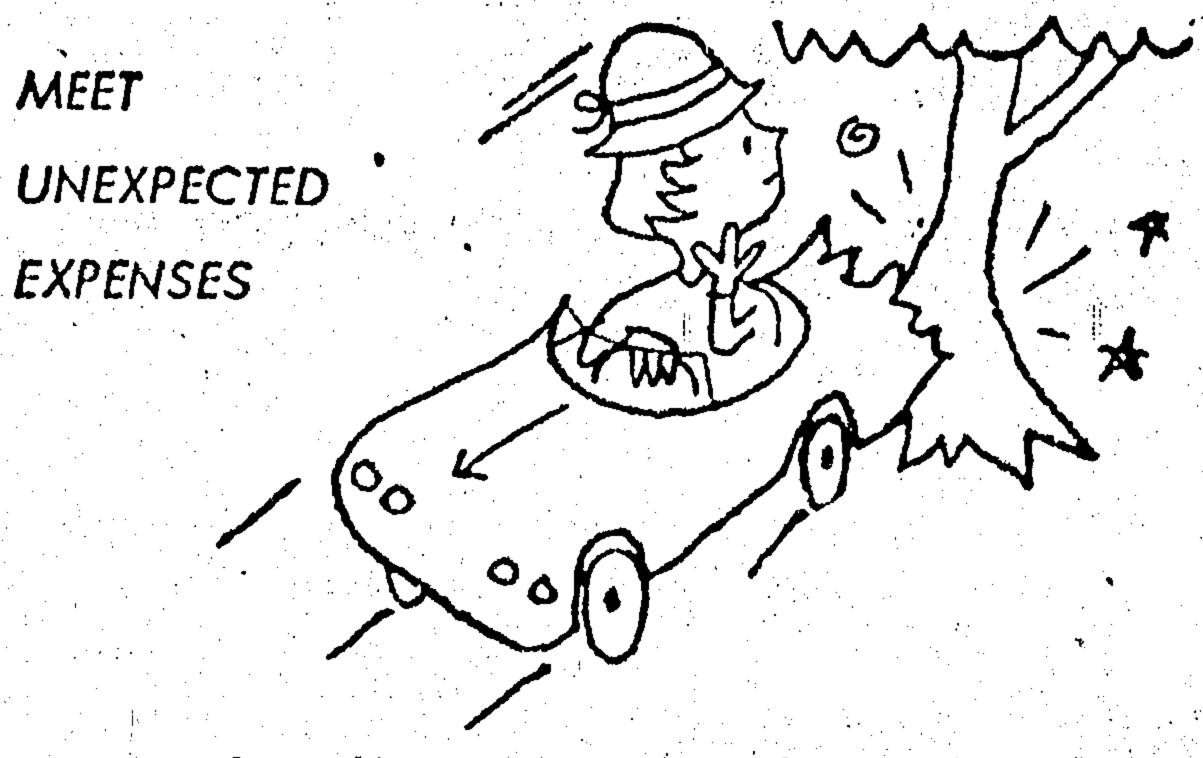
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