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### Port Day queen contestants wanted urgently

THERE are but 44 days left before Prince Rupert's Potlatch Week dawns and considerably fewer days left for the entrants in the Port Day Beauty Queen contest to be registered. To date no city maiden has stepped forward to gamble her looks, figure, personality, carriage, charm and deportment against others of the fair

As a former beauty contest judge, we naturally deplore the present situation. It also bodes no good for the highlight of the Port Day Ball on Saturday, July 26, because if there are no entrants there can be no contest and several hundred connoisseurs of the female form divine are going to be robbed of carrying out private judging of their own. We take a dim view of the Pacific National Exhibition ealling a halt to contestants wearing

swim suits but in keeping with the popular song we "like short shorts" and most dolls who have any natural beauty at all appear as eye-filling pictures in evening dresses.

Now, our unmarried eye (that's the roving left one), tells us that this city abounds in good-looking females between the ages of 17 and 21 who have nothing to lose by vieing for the Miss Port Day Queen and Miss PNE titles. All we need are some active organizations to persuade some of the most attractive lasses in our midst that there is admiration, fame and prizes awaiting those who enter the local competition and an all-expenses pair trip to the PNE and a chance for \$1,000 prize for the Port Day queen who will automatically become Miss Prince Rupert. Sounds pretty intriguing to us. Let's get going fellas and round up some contestants.

#### Vancouver looks afield

\*HERE is an authentic B.C. touch to the account of 46 members of the Vancouver Board of Trade who returned from Europe this week with the pledge of \$4,000,000 in new mortgage loans and larger investments in other fields by business enterprises in the United Kingdom, Switzerland, Germany, and The Netherlands. The delegation went to look for fresh business, and seems to have found it. While these investment sums are not large intrinsically, by today's yardstick, they are essentially new business and of a nature that has a habit of expanding enterprise in a new field.

Fresh mortgage loans will help Vancouver's housing program. New funds for industrial and other investments will be welcomed for the development which such employment of risk capital implies. But the chief point, to our mind, is that the Vancouver trade mission went after this new business and found it waiting.

While it might be considered confining these days to expect boards of trade to concern themselves with just that—new trade—is it not also refreshing? British Columbia will be the gainer as a result of this enterprising overseas mission.

-The Victoia Colonist.

#### Spring cleaning

tables, lists and the like has been delivered by a woman who believes that the annual rite of spring cleaning is all wrong. This lady, who prefers to call herself a homemaker rather than a housewife, says that women who try to do complete housekeeping jobs all at once end up either exhausted or frustrated. They should, she trges, "do" one room a week, or better still, make a list of daily, weekly, monthly chores so that they never,

never work more than eight hours a

Even if we could make a list and then stick to it there would be one flew in this vision of Utopia. One of the beauties of an annual or semi-annual onslaught is the contrast. Everything is now shiny and unfamilier—and the worker of these miracles receives just praise. A bit-by-bit routine sounds efficient but boring, rather like living in one climate all year long. And who would be impressed?

-The Peterborough Examiner.

## Soviet trade offensive worrying U.S.

By GEORGE KITCHEN Canadian Press Staff Writer

The newly-launched Russian trade and economic offensive is causing U.S. government circles more concern than Soviet sputniks and missiles.

hower down, have voiced apprehension over Nikita Khrushchev's declaration of war against the U.S. in the field of trade and his assertion that the U.S.S.R. will "bury" the U.S. through peaceful competition in consumer goods.

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On the surface, Khrushchev's statements sound boastful, especially when you consider that the United States today produces almost three times as much as the Soviet Union.

But official Washington, aware of some sobering facts lying in the economic background of the two countries, does not consider them so and is convinced that, sputniks and missiles notwithstanding, the Soviet economic offensive now constitutes the real Communist threat to the West.

State Secretary John Foster Dulles underlined fact No. 1 Friday when, discussing the perils of the trade war before the Senate foreign relations committee, he noted that Western capitalism, to survive, must make a profit.

The Russians have no profit motive. That is fact No. 2 and director Allen Dulles of the Central Inteligence Agency pointed it up recently when he said the Russians will "buy anything, trade anything and dump anything if it advances communism and helps destroy the influence of the West."

Allen Dulles is the state secretary's brother and, as director of the far-flung Central In-telligence Agency, is responsible for knowing, as well as anyone can, what the Russians are up to militarily, politically and economically.

The statements by the brothers Dulles underscored one of Washington's big worries—

that the Russians will use their trade offensive to grab markets in the uncommitted countries, undermine Western influence, draw those nations into the Soviet orbit and weaken Western defensive alliances.

This fear is one of the driving forces behind Eisenhower's request to Congress for a five-year extension in the U.S. trade agreements act and for \$1,300,000,000 for foreign economic

Failure to provide such aid, the president said, would result in a "beleaguered America". . . almost alone in a world dominated by international communism."

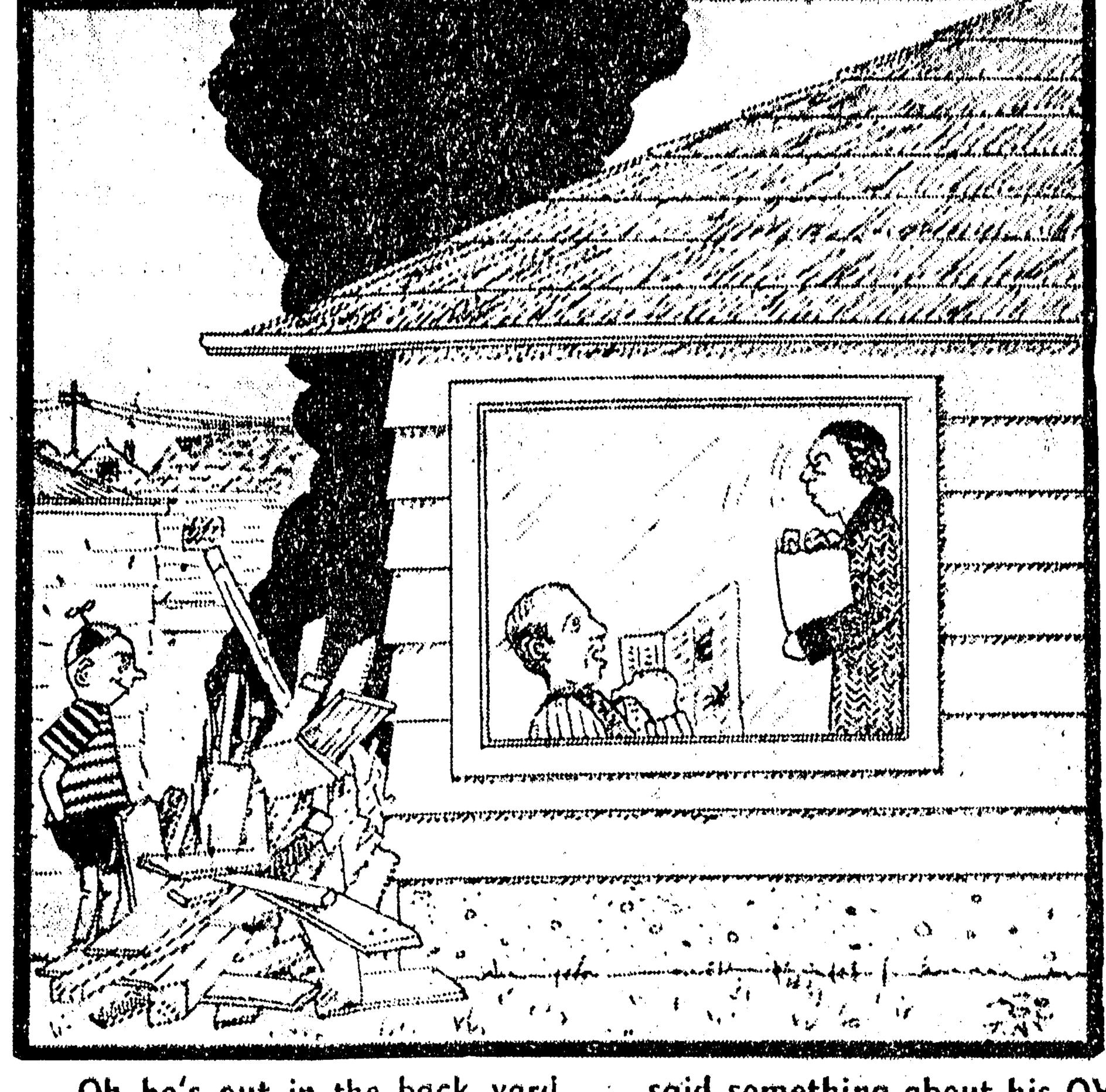
Another fact that troubles Washington is that the rate of Soviet economic growth now is roughly twice that of the United States and this at a time when the U.S. economy has been slowed by a widely-felt business recession.

The recession may explain, but does not alter, another equally disturbing fact — that during the first quarter of 1958 the Chinese-Soviet bloc, for the first time, surpassed the United States in steel production.

#### Sign here

From The St. Thomas Times-Journal

It is surprising how people can be induced to sign a petition, genuine or otherwise without the slightest investigation as to its merits. Petitioners have only to go from door to door, or take up a stand on the sidewalk, and proclaim the merits of their case, and a person will sign it even if, in fact, it was a petition to execute all those who signed next day.



"... Oh he's out in the back yard ... said something about his OWN Centennial bomfire."

tremendous job to do-which

is just as important as that of

the other senior levels—but we

do not have adequate tools to

work with. Our resources are

limited. We do not find the

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Hubbard, but we do find that

it has been pretty well strip-

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The municipalities, while

wanting more and fatter fin-

ancial handouts from the sen-

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to give up any of their powers:

they don't want to lose any of

their jurisdiction to the senior

Mayor Jackson put it this

"I am not in favor of muni-

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# Victoria Report ... by J. K. NESBITT

victoria—Premier Bennett, who's B.C.'s minister of finance, and therefore the controller of the provincial pursestrings—which means your money, and your's, and your's and your's—came out cold the other day and told the municipalities they can't have more provincial government money—not at this time anyway, since, just now, the municipalities are doing pretty well by the provincial govern—

The Premier didn't call the municipalities greedy or hoggish, but that's what he meant. Very politely, but oh so meaningful, he said that, in all his years in public life (since 1941) he couldn't recall a year when the municipalities expressed complete satisfaction with provincial-municipal financial relations.

That's quite right, because the more the municipalities get from the provincial government the more they want. It's equally true, too, that they more the provincial government gets from the Federal government the more it wants. It's a vicious circle, and one wonders what's going to happen if it isn't stopped.

The Premier faced hard, cold facts, and some unpopularity (but he didn't care, he's that fed up) when he said to the convention of Canadian Mayors and Municipalities: "Increased expenditures obviously can be made only when revenues warrant it, or if taxes are increased for that purpose."

And then he threw in his punch line: "It is precisely the same taxpayer who has to provide the means."

If this made the municipal hands squirm inside themselves, and ponder, as it should, they didn't show it.

All through their convention' here, the popular theme of the mayors and municipalities was this: "We want more and more from the provincial governments and the Federal government."

Yes, according to the mayors and municipalities, they are being robbed by provincial and federal governments.

Mayor Lloyd D. Jackson of Hamilton, Ont., in his presidential address mounted on behalf of the municipalities:

"We have no other recourse but to continue to press both

but to continue to press both provincial and federal governments for help. We have a

# Fat old PCs From The Montreal Gazette

For a great many years the Winnipeg Free Press has been picturing the Progressive Conservative party in its cartoons as a very old and very fat gentleman—a sort of indus-

one of the latest of these cartoons pictures Mr. Diefenbaker trying to balance, in an acrobatic act, a huge pile of these old gentlemen, while trying to make room for some more from Quebec. The caption of the cartoon is: "Get-

ting a Bit Difficult."

But it would seem that this practice of picturing the Progressive Conservative party as a fat old gentleman, or as a collection of fat old gentlemen, must also be "getting a bit difficult," after the last two elections, especially after the

Inst one.
Inasmuch as the Progressive Conservative party now has the biggest majority in Canada's history, it would seem that the number of fat old gentlemen in this country is becoming rather amazing.

## Can Mac outgolf Ike?

From The Toronto Telegram

The Seots are a proud race. Especially are they proud of their prowess at golf, their gift to the world's harassed business men and tired executives. They claim that the well-known British golf amateur, Harold Macmillan, is a better player by three to five strokes, than the celebrated U.S. golfer, Dwight D. Eisenbower

"Mas nae gets a game as often as President Eisenhower," say the Scottish equivalent of the cracker-barrel experts, "but Mac's the better striker of the ball" They offer as proof the score of 81, which Mr. Macmillan shot in the rain last week on a par 69 course.

It's not that they are unappreciative of Ike's golfing ability. He's the longer hitter, they admit. But Mac has a way with the medium irons, "the neat little pitches. They contend their Mac shines where it usually counts, in the putting. "Macmillan is Scot-

tish bred, you know." There's that pride showing.

The test may come when Prime Minister Macmillan visits Washington this week. Ike likes to treat his distinguished visitors to a game of, golf, and the possibility of a match has already been discussed at the ambassadorial level. But if the Scots are hopening to resolve the argument, they will be disappointed. Rieval golf scores at the cummit.

## Exasperating ..... From The Ottawa Journal Me

Surviving German generals must read morosoly Field Mar-shal Viscount Montgomery's statement that he never, never worried.

Sincerity ise more success-1 ul than genius or talent. —Mary Baker Eddy.



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ready to do, and to render

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ity that are so essential to de-

being too soft in the face of

the moans and the wails and

the tears of the municipalities.

Mr. Bennett is a fairly hard-

headed financial realist, and

he knows there's a lot of

truth in the old saying that,

in this world, there's nothing

for nothing, and precious little

for a quarter; in other words,

that you only get what you

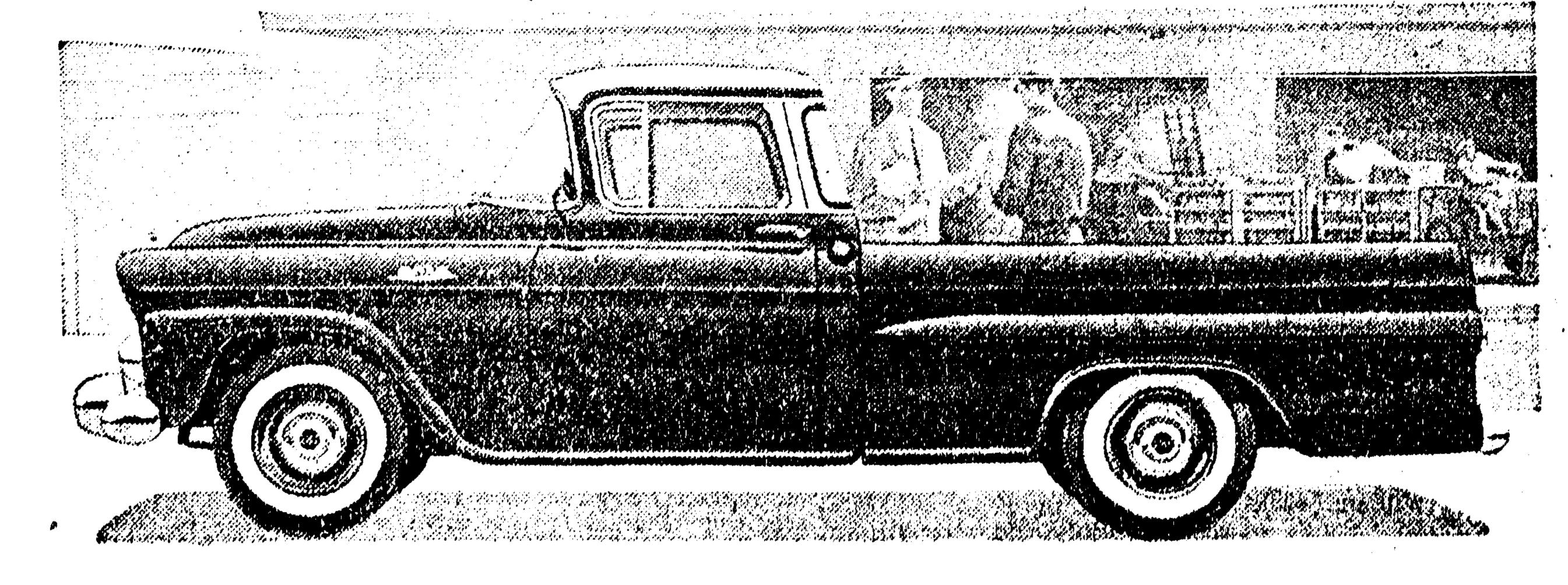
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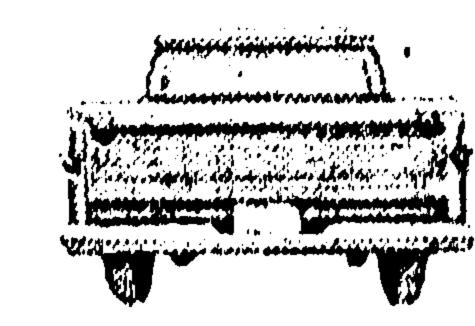
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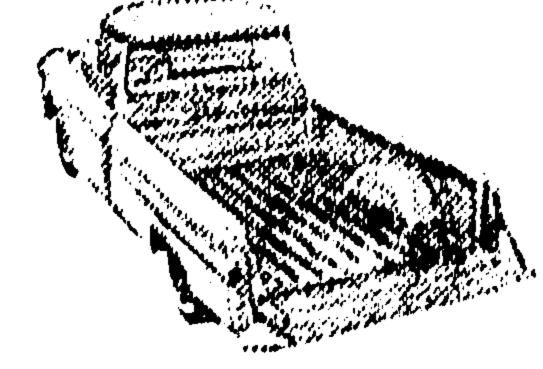
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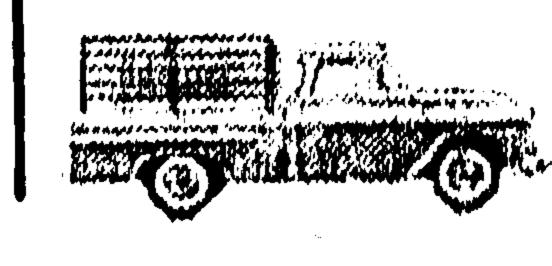
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