

Dr. Norman Bethune lived at least three lives: as an extraordinary surgeon who originated surgical techniques for arresting tuberculosis, as a critic of the medical establishment, and as a political radical who organized an ambulance service while fighting with the Loy-

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alists during the Spanish Civil War. In 1938, at the age of 47, he went to China and joined Mao Tse Tung as Chief Medical Man for the Eight Route Army. Before he died the next year, he performed thousands of battle-field emergency operations and organized twenty teaching hospitals, converting teen-age boys and girls into surgeons with remarkable success. He is a national hero in China.

#### Évangeline

Évangeline and Gabriel actually lived, loved and lost each other. Horace L. Conolly of Boston, who knew the story of the Acadian exiles to Louisiana, tried to persuade Nathaniel Hawthorne to write the story. Hawthorne never got around to it, but he told Longfellow who said he'd do it in a poem.

#### Make Fish

"Making fish" is the drying of cod in the sun.

#### Little Iceland

The biggest Icelandic community outside Iceland is at Gimli, Manitoba. Two hundred and forty Icelanders settled there after coming down the Red River in flat-bottom boats. Gimli has an Ishendingadaguninn (Icelandic festival) each year.

### **Sled Dog Information**

It takes twenty dogs to pull a goodsized sled. When crossing rough ice they sometimes wear bags of leather, stout hide or strong white cloth on the paws. These are called dog moccasins. Dogs without moccasins have ice balls form on their paws, and they bite them away when the team stops.

## Arctic Cotton

The Inuit use the soft white blooms of a reedy marsh plant for lamp wicks. It is called Arctic cotton. A wick floating free in tallow is called a bitch.





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