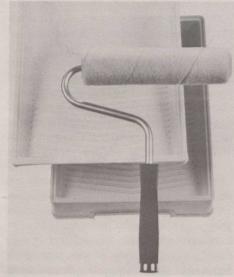
Following are some of the products — all invented and manufactured in Canada — that captured this year's Design Canada awards.

Bicycle saddlebags, designed for Kanuk of Montreal, are lightweight, and balanced, with a low centre of gravity to provide safe maneuverability. Because of their semi-rigid construction, they do not come into contact with the bicycle spokes or interfere with the cyclist's motion.

Made of strong polyethylene plastic, roto-moulded into a shape that provides extra strength with minimum wind resistance, the bags are also aesthetically pleasing. The special plastic also provides complete waterproofing of the whole unit.

Paint-roller set, designed for T.S.



Paint-roller set includes a lightweight roller, a tray that holds more paint, disposable liners plus a telescopic extension pole to reach out-of-the-way corners.

Simms and Co. Ltd. of Saint John, New Brunswick, is a boon to do-it-yourself home painters who often end up with a crippled arm. This model consists of a lightweight roller, a tray that holds more paint, is easier to clean and lasts longer.

There is a telescopic extension pole for getting into those hard-to-reach corners and a tray made of resistant plastic that will not corrode or rust. A tray liner allows for a change of paint colours simply by changing liners. The liner is a throw-away item which saves on the cleaning-up.

Duraglide spiral slide. The firm of Paris Playground Equipment Ltd. of Paris, Ontario has created the Duraglide, a segmented, moulded plastic slide consisting of four basic units: a step, top entry, mid-section and a bottom exit module. The step and mid-section module can be nested together.

With the exception of a steel centre pole and stair channel, the 2.4-metre-high slide can be easily packaged and shipped. This has allowed breakthroughs into new markets in Australia, Europe, the Middle East and the Far East.

Farm tractor. This powerful tractor with extra-efficient fuel consumption was designed for Versatile Farm Equipment of Winnipeg, Manitoba. This 1150 Versatile tractor is powered by a 470 BHP Cummins KTA 1150 C engine, improved sensing system, one-piece side glass for perfect visibility and features pleasant work conditions with an air-conditioning system and an AM-FM stereo cassette pick-up.

The single-pocket proof station was invented by NCR Canada Ltd. The product's major application is bank docu-



Duraglide spiral slide composed of moulded plastic modules is easy to package and ship.

ment verification, ensuring balanced transactions. The unit is also used for remedial reject re-entry, credit card billing, lock box accounting and load coupon encoding.

The station is used by a seated operator who places a cheque from the document tray into the "hand drop", and enters the required data on the integrated keyboard. The cheques are then automatically processed and stacked into a single pocket. The workstation has been designed to reduce operator fatigue and increase processing speed and efficiency.

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The dashboard of the Versatile 1150 tractor has an improved automated sensing system and an AM-FM stereo cassette pick-up.



Single-pocket proof station is designed to reduce operator fatigue and maximize processing speed and efficiency.