

to indicate superior quality of driver. Length of pennant to vary directly with rank and inversely with F.S.O. grade.

- 8 - Sixth wheel to take extra weight of corpulent ambassadors or their corpulent spouses (not standard equipment)
- 9 - Exhaust extension - removable if junior officer is getting the full treatment.
- 10 - Loading hatches for cocktail bar built into door. In case of dire emergency they can be accidentally tripped to fall outwards against the knees of irate traffic cops not too angry to take a hint.
- 11 - Roller to iron out bumps in the road, including pedestrians.

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### BOWLING ALONG

The season's best team, when scores were totalled on March 8, is that of Roger Sauriol, captain, and Mrs. E. Payne, Miss B. Robert, Miss Beverley Murphy and Mr. Frank St.-Jean, members. Play will be underway on March 15 and the two succeeding Thursday evenings for the Pearson Trophy and the Consolation Prize, which will be given out at the bowling banquet on April 12.

Competing for the Pearson Trophy, in addition to Roger Sauriol's team, are teams captained by F.B. Smith, Keith Henry, Bernie Asselin, Andre Tardiff and Dick Ager. Consolation Prize team captains are Miss Esther McGoff, Miss Françoise Gagnon, Miss Jan Munro, Gary McSorley, Jack Hughes and Pierre Robitaille.

### THE NEW CONSULATE GENERAL - EAST OF EDEN

Late in November members of the Department in the East Block probably never noticed a mass departure of friends and colleagues to open a New Mission in the Nearer East. Somewhat unexpectedly (although some had thought for a long time the move was inevitable) it was decided that this new Consulate General should be established on a beachhead East of Eden. The actual territory assigned to the new office has been quite small, but the responsibilities will be sufficient to require the services of a Consul General, several Consuls and Vice-Consuls, and numerous assistants.

The work to be done by the new Mission should approximate the normal duties of a Consular office, with differing emphasis. For example, frequent calls are expected for Consular assistance for distressed Canadians (from the Jasper Lounge). These will be dealt with expeditiously and repatriation will be arranged in deserving cases by appropriate transportation (the O.T.C.).

There should be comparatively little call on the new Mission's representational resources, as its remote location will discourage visits from higher Departmental officials (and inspection teams). Because of its strategic location close to an important waterway, there may, however, be frequent occasions when the new Consulate General will be called upon to be host to ships of the Royal Canadian Navy when they make formal visits during exercises in nearby home waters. In fact, plans have already been made for a large reception aboard HMCS Magnificent when it arrives from Kingston at this first port-of-call on its 1956 world cruise.

Issuance of passports and visas may easily be limited to expatriate members of the Department who have completed their tours of duty in quarters close by the Consulate. This should not be an onerous task, but like the related duty of arranging for reception of deportees sent down by the Department, it will have to be handled with delicacy.

G.R.H.