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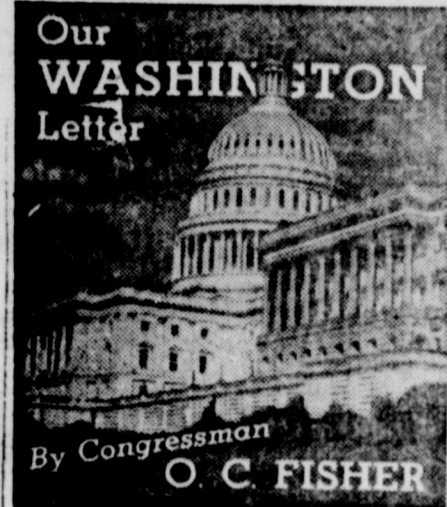
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Mr. Fisher, Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to proceed for 1 minute and to revise and extend my remarks.

The Speaker. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

Mr. Fisher. Mr. Speaker history will undoubtedly record John L. Lewis as the No. 1 saboteur of America's war-production program of 1943. At the behest of Lewis more than half a million miners were idle the past week-end. The manufacture of our vital sinews of war was retarded and the national interest was put in grave peril. Hitler and Hirohito can point to that strike and rightfully boast of their greatest triumph in months. For them, Lewis' strike and the possible recurrence of it constitutes more of a victory than would be the sinking of a battleship, the bombing of a factory, or the winning of a battle.

John L. Lewis, in causing that strike, flatly refused to submit to peaceful, orderly, and unbiased arbitration, and boldly and defiantly struck against the Government of the United States. He has challenged the Government's fight against inflation. He has struck against our men in uniform and gambled with their lives. He has put selfishness above patriotism and has betrayed the cause of labor in which he claims such a great interest.

The President is to be commended for making use of his wartime powers in taking over the mines in his effort to hold down further obstruction to our war program. Those who do not return to work at once should, as they are subject to the selective-service laws, be immediately inducted into military service and either used as combat soldiers or sent to the war areas in labor battalions. In addition, Congress should immediately pass legislation to protect us against a recurrence of such a shameful spectacle. There are a number of anti-strike bills now pending in committee which would accomplish that purpose. Such disputes should and can be settled, under law, by peaceful, orderly, unbiased mediation. The time to act is now.

The Speaker. The time of the gentleman has expired.

Receives Honors

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Craddock, Mrs. T. M. Wylie and daughter, Mary Frances, went to Texas Tech, Lubbock, this week to attend installation services in which Maxine Craddock was installed as president of the Association of Women Students.

Maxine has won the distinction of being the first coed ever to be elected to the high position of Student Council vice president and A. W. S. president simultaneously.



War Bonds and Stamps

War Bonds and Stamps will again be available at the street booth Saturday afternoon from 3 to 6 p. m. This special bond booth is arranged for the convenience of a patriotic public.

It also serves as a reminder that the armed forces fight consistently rather than spasmodically and the citizen at home are expected to do their part week after week.

Every bond you buy helps both and your country. It is the ideal investment for individual and family savings.

If you have done your bit, its' time for you to do your best.

Red Cross Work

All Red Cross sewing must be in by May 20, so it can be checked and tagged in time to get to Bronte the last of May. There are still a few garments left to be made so if any one will please help make these see me are get one from the store. Thank you very much.

Mrs. D. B. Collinworth.

Another Home Boy Advancing

Pvt. I. C. L. R. Richard C. Sheffield has completed satisfactory course S. F. General Automotive course S. F. General Automotive Mechanics (O14c) in the Ord-Crook Ordnance Base School at Fort Crook, Nebraska.

Wint Pruitt, retired farmer at Bronte died in a hospital at San Angelo at 5 o'clock, Saturday.

Joe Dodson Jr. and Carrel Leathers left for Mineral Wells Wednesday where they will be inducted in the Army.

GET YOU A STRAW HAT AT CUMBIE & ROACH

NEWSPAPERS PRAISED BY U. S. TREASURER FOR WAR BOND WORK

A message from Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, to the newspapers of the United States, sent to Frank Tripp, Chairman, Allied Newspaper Council, and read by him at the convention of the American Newspaper Publishers Association:

Frank, Tripp, Allied Newspaper Council May I ask you to express to newspaper publishers our thanks and appreciation for the truly remarkable contribution they are making to the Second War Loan. We feel quite certain that never before has any cause received such complete and effective support from the newspapers of the country, and we are grateful for it.

H. Morgenthau, Jr. Secretary of the Treasury.

LOST

A Purse between Mrs. J. P. Duncan's home and Mrs. Ethel Green's last Sunday. See Mrs. Ethel Green.

Mrs. Elizabeth Scott of Fort Stockton, and Miss Allie Scott, teacher at McCamey, mother and sister of H. L. Scott, spent Mother's Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Scott. Lee Scott of Fort Stockton was also a visitor.

Cpl. Horace Scott of San Angelo Bombardier School is spending a 15 day furlough with home folks.

Pfc. Eddie Patterson spent his 10 day furlough in Robert Lee with relatives and other acquaintances.

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Robert Lee Girl Transferred to FtWorth

Fort Worth, Texas -- Opal B. Meek, 21, of Robert Lee, Texas a member of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, was recently transferred from Daytona Beach Florida, where she received her basic training to the Army Air Force Pilot School, Fort Worth Army Air Field.

Auxiliary Meek has been assigned as cook's helper in the mess hall of the WAAC detachment of the Fort Worth air base. She is a member of the first contingent of WAACs to arrive at the local Pilot School.

Fifty Farmers Wanted

Fifty farmers wanted to hear the sermon at Methodist Church the fourth Sunday in May on the subject, "Soil Conservation Versus Christianity". Will you plan to be one of the fifty?

You are also invited to hear the subject "The Blessing of Giving" discussed next Sunday morning based upon the text: "Acts 20:35 'It is more blessed to give than to receive'."

W. Vasco Teer, pastor



Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Good spent Sunday in San Angelo with Mr. Good's mother who had been confined to the hospital several days previously.

Lieut. and Mrs. D. T. McCleskey of Dallas visited relatives in Robert Lee recently.

A. W. Littlefield and Glenda spent last week at Weatherford, Texas with his parents and other relatives.

Ensign Irving Cumbie Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cumbie, Bronte, is now stationed at Key West, Florida.

Aviation Cadet James Monroe Eubanks, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Eubanks, Bronte, is in training for flying service.

Baptist W. M. S.

The Missionary Society met in the home of Mrs. J. H. Hunt Monday afternoon and carried out a program on "Our Baptist Hospital." Mrs. Hunt brought a devotional found in the 15th chapter of John. Mrs. Cumbie had charge of the program with Mmes. Dodson, Hunt, and Good taking part. Mrs. Young dismissed with prayer.

Believe it or not, two of the oldest subscribers of The Observer renewed their subscription Monday. J. J. Vestal who lived at Hayrick when the paper was born, even helped to smear the ink on the George Washington Hand Press to print the paper. W. G. Byrd also has the honor of being among the original subscribers, along about 1890. How times have changed!

Juniors and Seniors had a picnic out at the lake Tuesday night.

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Extra First Chapter "Don Winslow of the Coast Guard"

War Brings America Knowledge of How To Eat Properly; Once Lowly Vitamin Now Important Item in Balanced Diet

U. S. Finds It's Protein and Not Meat That Counts; Most Nutritive Cuts Once Scorned By Housewives; Heavy Meals Necessary for Workers.

By AL JEDLIKA

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

Time was not so very long ago when all of this nutritive and vitamin talk sounded kind of silly.

That was the time when almost everybody thought that vitamins were something that came in capsules or pills; when women figured that they knew all of the tricks of the culinary trade, and when we all liked food for its taste and gave little consideration to its minerals, proteins, carbohydrates, etc.

Plates were heaped with potatoes and meat; if there were any kids around, few vegetables were served because they didn't like them; and then more potatoes and more meat, and finally a great big slug of pie, was put down to top off a good meal.

If the Little Woman came home from some cooking school all worked up about the science of food and its preparation, the head man dampened her enthusiasm by gently but firmly advising her that all that vitamin and mineral stuff was the bunk, and meat and potatoes were good enough to keep the world going.

In fact, the head man argued convincingly, hadn't the world been living on potatoes and meat, etc., since man's memory runneth, and hadn't she, as well as he, been raised on the old standbys—and, what was wrong with them? Nothing! of course.

But that was before December 7, 1941. A lot of things have happened since then and one of them is Mr. and Mrs. America's attitude toward the vitamin and its entourage. Meat and other rationing have thrown us on the defensive and it is now a question of stretching foods, finding substitutes and all of the time seeking to maintain nutritive values.

The upshot of the whole thing is that we might emerge from the war with a more intelligent knowledge of food, of the purpose of its varieties, and consequently be in a position to guide our healthy growth by exact standards.

If we were to be awfully enthusiastic about the situation, we might say that scientific nutrition may be the one big development following the war, just like the automobile came into its own in 1919. But a lot of people who will find it hard to reform their old eating habits probably would argue to the death that we were wrong, because the airplane will be the thing with peace.

Must Find Proteins.

Since meat rationing came along, food experts have been pointing out the necessity of seeking other sources of protein. In so doing, they have consoled us no end by their reminder that, after all, it's not the



Eggs have some meat value.

meat that makes meat valuable, but the protein it contains.

"Meat is necessary to our diet because of its high protein content," writes one nutritionist. "Therefore, other foods high in protein can be made to do as well."

"One of these," the nutritionist continues, "is fish. Perhaps during this war our domestic cheese will come into its own. From the simple cottage cheese to the fancy Swiss, it equals in quality any in the world and could be used to great advantage, being superb as a food because of the high quality of its proteins."

Soybeans have been found to be extremely high in protein and

economical in production. It has been estimated that the same amount of protein as in meat can be raised from soybeans at about one-tenth the cost.

Other high protein foods include white, navy and kidney beans; black peas, peanuts and peanut butter. Peanuts never have been taken very seriously except at ball games maybe, but with the emphasis on their decided food value and the industrial use for their oil, they have come into extensive cultivation in the South.

Nutritionists have been careful not to put all of their eggs in one basket, however.

While pointing out the food value of vegetables, one expert explains: "... 'Ersatz' dishes of beans, peas, lentils and the like are foods having a lower biologic value than meat itself. They are sometimes referred to as meat substitutes, and they are useful, but one should make certain that milk, eggs and cheese are included in the menu to furnish biologic values similar to meat, chicken and fish."

To obtain a balance in diet for necessary nutrition, another expert steps to the head of the class with the suggestion that milk, leafy green or yellow vegetables, potatoes, citrus fruits, tomatoes, whole grain or enriched cereals, meat or meat alternates and occasionally an egg be included in the day's meals.

Meats Also Have Vitamins.

This expert had in mind the fact that besides protein, meats also possess vitamins and minerals; so that in finding protein substitutes, it is also necessary to supply vitamin supplements.

Vitamin B1 and vitamins B2 and G are present in meat, chiefly in pork. To make up for any losses, whole wheat bread, enriched bread or cereals and milk may be eaten instead.

Some nutritionists believe that



Study food on nutrition basis.

Americans have never known how to shop for meat. One says that the most nutritious parts of every carcass are seldom chosen at all, but go into making fertilizer or feed.

Blood, lungs, stomach, pancreas, kidney, brain, sweetbreads and hearts—these are among the items which the housewife passed up with untroubled conscience on her shopping tours.

One nutritionist remarked that the meat packers who knew the peculiarities of the people, put choice bits like those mentioned above into their canned dog food. As a result, he says, much dog food was superior in nutritive value to some of the meat canned for human consumption.

"There is one thing we shall do well to remember," the nutritionist declares, "and that is there is no evidence to support the theory that when we buy expensive cuts of meat we are buying more or better protein than the cheaper cuts would provide us."

"Generally speaking, American habits of choosing, buying, preparing and serving meats have been wasteful of both food value and money. Americans in the main have scorned the animal organs and the cheaper cuts of muscle meat, tasteful and nutritious though these may be. Many people habitually spurn fat meats. On the other hand, we rush to buy the cuts which include a large proportion of bone and gristle, which represents waste."

Find Adequate Diets.

The National Research Council in a recent report on nutrition asserted that inadequate diets and malnutrition in varying degrees occur frequently in all parts of the country.

Diets of many industrial workers appeared to be below the level of what is required for optimum nutrition—and all because foods are not chosen wisely!

Nutritionists figure that the noon meal must include approximately one-third of the day's requirements of protein, minerals, vitamins and calories for heavy workers.

Good breakfasts are essential and between-meal lunches are helpful in overcoming fatigue during the day. Between-meal lunches of foods providing minerals and vitamins and about one ounce of easily digested carbohydrates are the most beneficial.

If the housewife has received one, she probably has received a thousand suggestions on how to get the most out of food these days. But when these suggestions are considered from both nutritive as well as economical viewpoints, it will be



Vegetables rich in proteins.

considered that most of them have something on the ball.

For instance:

It's the style to eat potato skins. Baked potatoes or potatoes cooked in their jackets have a lot of good minerals just beneath the skin, so when they're thrown away we're not getting the greatest nutritive value for our money. And this brings up the subject of eating the greens under salads. Valuable minerals and vitamins are stored there to be had for the eating.

The sugar supply should go farther now because it's considered good manners to stir tea and coffee vigorously after adding sugar, so we can get its full sweetening value. This will be even more important when iced tea days appear—if we have the iced tea.

We used to eat bread and gravy when we ate alone, or put aside our "Sunday" manners, but now it's the style to eat gravy on hot biscuits, muffins and bread. Every homemaker is being asked to save all drippings and to serve them as gravy to extend the good meat flavor and add nutritive value to the meal.

Everyone likes to eat around the bone of a juicy broiled lamb chop or a piece of fried chicken, and now we're not only told that it's permissible from the standpoint of manners, but we're encouraged to follow this procedure because it's the trend in the style toward patriotic eating. Every particle of meat is precious these days.

Learn to Carve.

Not the very least of the suggestions is one directed toward the head man as well as the little woman. Nowadays, if Papa does the carving at the table, Papa is advised to learn how to carve.

It seems there's more to carving than merely wearing the badge of authority; indeed, good carving avoids waste, assures uniform slicings (important to the preservation of harmony in every home) and affords extra servings.

Perfectly elementary in itself is the fact that a sharp knife is essential to a good carver. And equally elementary, a good carver should take enough interest in his tool to assure its care. Thus, knives should not be let loose in a drawer where other metal can dull or nick the blade. A properly sharpened knife can be kept keen for a long time by a dozen strokes with a steel before use.

In carving any cut of meat, it is desirable to understand the anatomy of bone structure of the cut to be carved and to remember that meat should always be carved across the grain. Steak, because it is tender and the meat fibers are already relatively short, is an exception to the rule.

Smile Awhile

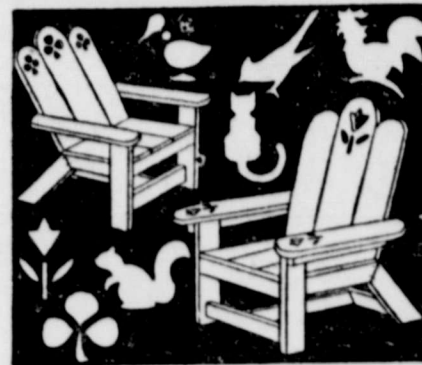
Compensating
 Doctor (after examining patient): "I don't like the looks of your husband, Mrs. Brown."
 Mrs. Brown: "Neither do I, Doctor, but he's good to our children."
Middle-Age — When a man ceases to grow vertically and starts to grow horizontally—at the middle.

Or Did They?
 "The law of gravity explains why people stay on the earth."
 "How did they stay on before the law was passed?"

Fair Question
 "I say, waiter, is this peach or apple pie?"
 "Can't you tell by the taste?"
 "No."
 "Then what difference does it make?"

Relapse Coming
 Young man in hospital—Nurse, "I've fallen in love with you. If I get well I'll have to leave, so I don't want to get well."
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If your time is limited cut the vegetables into smaller pieces than usual; they will cook more quickly.

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A quiz with answers offering information on various subjects

The Questions

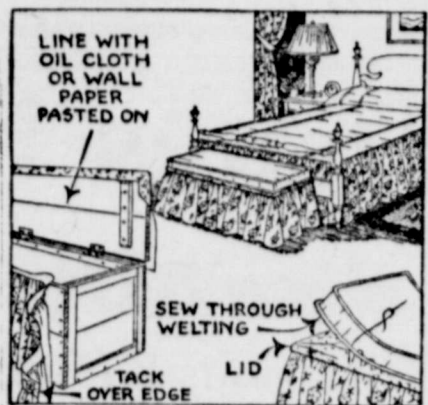
1. What is the approximate weight of the average incendiary bomb?
2. Which is lighter, a steel ship or a wooden one of equal dimensions?
3. What is an apostate?
4. What is a will-o-the-wisp?
5. What is a chinook?
6. What two large cities in the United States, one on the East coast and the other on the West coast, have the same name?

7. What is a foot-pound?
8. What does nadir mean?

The Answers

1. Two pounds.
2. Steel ship.
3. A renegade.
4. A mysterious light that appears above marshes.
5. A wind.
6. Portland, Maine, and Portland, Oregon.
7. The energy required to lift one pound to the height of one foot.
8. The lowest point.

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Some of the best perfume came from France, Italy and the Balkans. In those countries perfume-making was a very important trade, and millions of roses, jasmine, violets, and other flowers were harvested. These were bruised, boiled, and pulped until they had given up their oils.

The petals were boiled in water, the steam caught and condensed, and the essential oils skimmed from the surface. It was an expensive process, too, for it took 3,500,000 roses to make one quart of pure perfume. One ounce of pure violet perfume was the result of the compression and pulping of 25 tons of blooms.

A certain fat is used in the process, but the composition of it is kept secret by the distillers.

When the oil was finally extracted it was very strong, and a single ounce of it would be sufficient for many thousands of bottles.

That was the reason pure perfume was so very expensive, but scientists have discovered how to make synthetic perfume that smells just as nice and lasts just as long.

When armored knights met, it was customary for each knight to raise the visor of his helmet as a means of identification. This gesture has come down through all armies in the form of the salute. Traditional, too, is the Army man's preference for Camel cigarettes. With men in the Army, Navy, Marines, and Coast Guard, actual sales records in their service stores show that Camel is the favorite. It's one of the favorite gifts with service men. And though there are Post Office restrictions on packages to overseas Army men, you can still send Camels to soldiers in the U. S., and to men in the Navy, Marines, and Coast Guard wherever they are.—Adv.

Youth Took Lesson to Heart With Feet Down!

"Charles," said the sharp-voiced woman to her husband on the train, "do you know you and I had a romance on a train?"

"Never heard of it," said Charles.

"Don't you remember it was a pair of slippers I presented to you the Christmas before we were married that led to our marriage? You remember how nicely they fit, don't you? We were going to a picnic, you had your feet on a seat, and when you weren't looking I took your measure. But for that pair of slippers I don't believe we'd ever been married."

A young man sitting opposite with a girl, immediately removed his feet from the seat.

AROUND THE HOUSE

Since crisp cookies and crackers soften if kept with bread and cake, keep them in airtight tins or boxes of their own.

A common clothespin, split in half makes two ideal and economical pan scrapers which do not rust or scratch enamelware or precious aluminum.

If there is a tear in your lace curtain, tack tissue paper over it, loosen the tension on your sewing machine, and stitch back and forth across the paper both ways until

it is covered. A strong durable mesh will result. Paper may easily be removed when the curtain is laundered.

If the sugar in a pie is placed between two layers of fruit, the juice is less likely to boil over.

Lemon juice sprinkled over sliced fruit will prevent it from turning dark.

Stirring air into hot food during cooking or sieving increases vitamin destruction by oxidation.



Bulls'-Eyes

Tattered and bandaged, he was applying for a separation order.

"My wife ain't safe, sir," he pleaded. "She's been throwing things at me ever since we got married."

"And only now, after 20 years, are you seeking the court's protection," said the magistrate, skeptically.

"Well, sir, her aim's getting good!"

A little girl tried to get the early morning religious services over the radio. She dialed for about ten minutes without success and finally exclaimed: "Mother, all I can get is the silent prayer."

Convinced Him

Jim was accused of stealing a pig. He secured the services of a lawyer and was acquitted. Later the lawyer seeing him alone, said, "Come, Jim, tell the truth. You did steal that pig, didn't you?" "Well," replied Jim, "I thought I stole dat pig, but after hearing you talk, I don't believe I did, sah."

Feelings Hurt

A harvest hand was caught in the thresher belt and whirled around past Farmer Green several times before being tossed free.

"Quick!" cried Green, rushing up to his inert form. "Are you hurt? Speak to me, speak to me!"

"Why should I?" grunted the hand angrily. "I passed you a dozen times just now and you didn't speak to me."



A MAN needs two kinds of brains. One to say witty, brilliant things and another kind to keep him from saying them in the wrong place.

If the time doesn't suit you, suit yourself to it.

Once the foresighted farmer planted his watermelons in the center of the cornfield, but with all those airplanes overhead—where now?

As a man thinks, so he is, therefore some people never are.

A woman is always perfectly sure she is right until it comes to backing up her opinion with money.

It is only the very rich who are emphatic about the utility of riches.

Some men are known by their deeds—others by their mortgages.

Lost Desert Mines

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When one considers that for more than 20 years car and truck owners were encouraged to abuse their tires, through various forms of road hazard guarantees, it must be acknowledged that a laudable patriotism is being shown by them now in conserving their rubber supplies.

Remember the days when 20 pounds pressure per cross section inch was the standard inflation recommendation? Tough riding and flats were the order of the day.

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People, Spots In The News



JUST ONE GOOD BITE—Evidently that's all "Maudine," 1 1/2-pound Chihuahua, believes it would take "Doctor," 180-pound St. Bernard, to dispose of her. Both are Blue Ribbon winners in California kennel club show.



MORTAR SIGHT—Girl worker at plant of Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company inserts tiny level vials in an almost completed trench mortar gunsight, which will direct shells to enemy positions even though target is hidden by hills.



TRICKY WORK—Bayonets are mighty handy implements to have when you're hunting for Axis-laid land mines. British Royal Engineers gingerly probe Tunisian road before continuing pursuit of fleeing Germans.



LOOKING AHEAD

BY GEORGE S. BENSON
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Dictator-Proof

Production of essential war materials in the United States grew several months ago to a point where the daily output of the United Nations exceeded that of the Axis powers. Gradually since then good news from fighting fronts has come with more frequency; setbacks have been less often. No longer is America fighting a losing fight, although no one predicts a sudden and smashing victory.

Nevertheless there is hope that peace will come to the world again, and all except a negligible few hope it will be soon. Pledges, made by the Earth's most powerful leaders, that peace will bring victory to America and her Allies, are backed by men, materials and machinery as well as determination. Now the best of all things possible in the world seem to await only the bells and whistles which ultimately will proclaim an armistice.

Complicated Years

It will be a joyful sound but as certainly as it proclaims an end of carnage it will also announce the beginning of another struggle, an undertaking to make peace permanent. Many big questions will demand answers, such as: Will capitalistic Britain or communistic Russia dominate Europe, and who will help them decide? And all these questions will bespeak humanity's highest hope; hope that no more military maniacs can take possession of powerful peoples (as Hitler grabbed Germany ten years ago) and rob a whole generation of its rightful peace and progress, and centuries of accumulated wealth.

Here is how it happened: Hitler had no right to rule Germany but there was nobody to stop him. As a political demagogue he had gained some following. The German people were hungry. For three sad years they had endured unemployment and starvation. It took no brains to guess what they wanted. Hitler offered them jobs and bread; subsistence in return for work—much work.

They Fell in Line

With what they believed was "all to gain and nothing to lose," the Germans followed Hitler, followed him headlong into what they did not want, the most pitiless war of aggression ever known. Will it happen again? Hitlerism, to be sure, can hardly last, but power-madness will not vanish from the earth with Hitler. Grasping men will always scheme for power. How can the world's right-thinking people keep them from getting it?

Examine records of the past to learn how despots work and you will see one glaring similarity. Dictators climb to power over wreckage; wrecked lives, wrecked fortunes, blasted hopes. All men have inalienable rights to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," and they do not sell their privileges to work and vote and worship God. Only extortion takes it from them. When men are doing even fairly well, they hold on to their freedom. They turn it loose only in dire calamity, when their children are weeping for bread.

Safety in Prosperity

In a very real sense, prosperity protects human liberty. No Hitler can hypnotize and enslave a prosperous nation. People who are economically independent are dictator-proof. With full employment for labor and consequent high prices for farm products, with factories busy turning out marketable things for peace-loving customers, totalitarian rule is impossible, call it Regimentation or what-not.

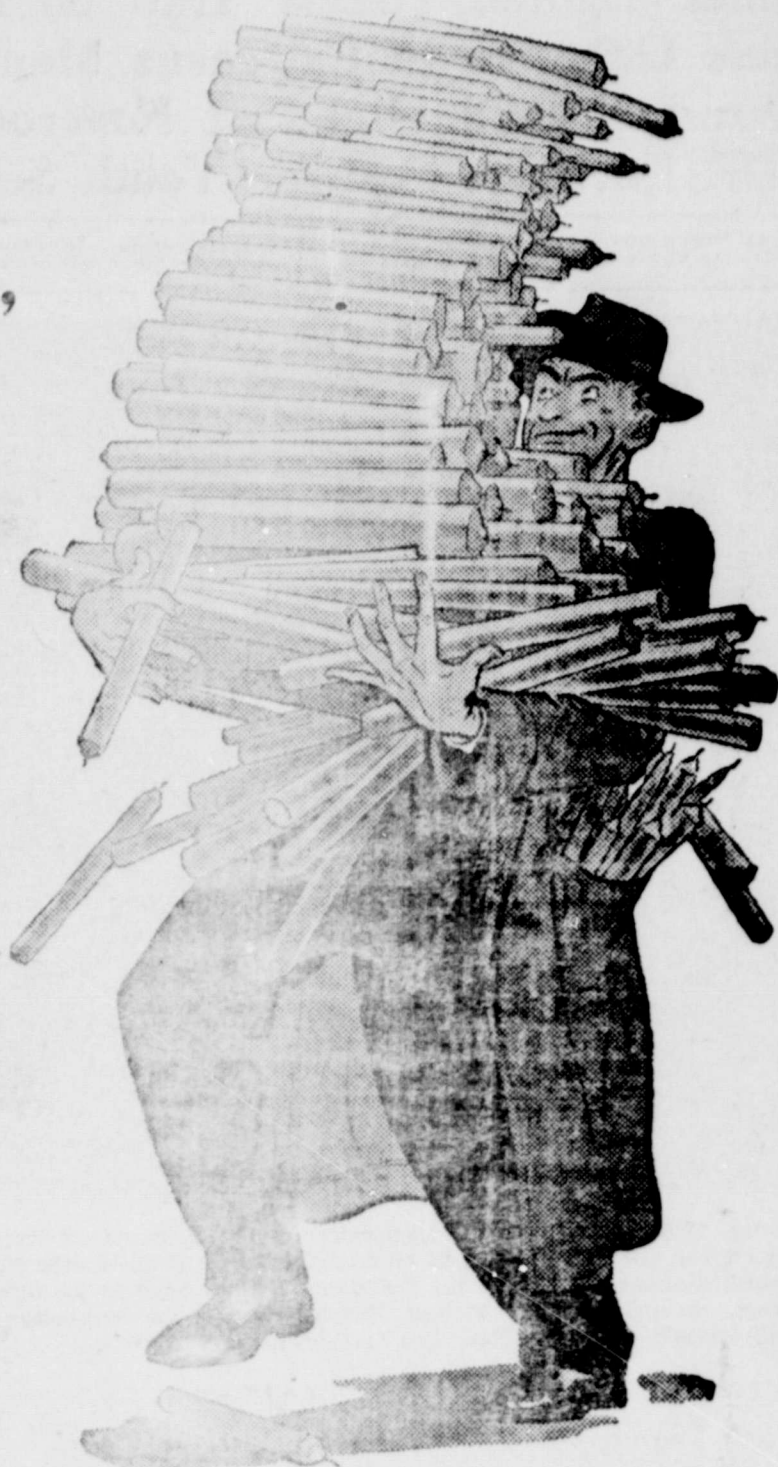
"Certainly dictatorship is unlikely in America," somebody will say, "but what has that to do with permanent peace? We are in war now on account of dictatorships in Europe. How can we stop it over there?" . . . That's a fair question and fortunately it has an answer. Prosperity in Europe depends on prosperity in America. We have only 6 percent of the world's population, nevertheless, the world prospers when we prosper.

Uncle Sam, Buyer

In normal years the United States turns out 40 percent of all the usable things manufactured. In order to do this, factories of the United States utilize 40 percent of the world's output of raw materials. Uncle Sam is Mother Earth's big customer. Prosperity follows the American buyer to the four winds. Troubles in Germany over which Hitler climbed to power resulted in part from America's big depression that started in 1929. The most important step toward a lasting world peace is prosperity in America.

The brightest spot in world politics today is the fact that business leaders in the United States are making

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NOW that there is widespread rationing of food stuffs, housewives are finding it necessary to keep a careful accounting of the points expended on their ration cards.

Processed foods are subject to this rationing and fresh vegetables, the sales of which are not subject to such regulations, are decreasing in variety.

Good Housekeeping Institute in the April issue of Good Housekeeping Magazine has these suggestions to make.

"Don't be daunted by limited choice in vegetables. Make up for lack of variety by cooking available vegetables expertly, by concocting new ways to serve them, by combining two vegetables. This is what we have been doing in our Institute kitchens, and we find we are creating a new interest in vegetables. Buy truly fresh produce, preferably grown near by. To conserve freshness and food value, get vegetables home, cleaned, and into refrigerator promptly.

"Remember that when your rationing stamps are gone, you can't buy canned or quick-frozen vege-

tables until the next rationing period begins. So do this:

1. Keep tab on current point values of all rationed processed food you buy. Clip the Official List from the newspaper, and use it when you make shopping lists. Note changes on grocer's list, too.
2. Plan meals two or three days ahead, and add up points your choices call for. Budget your points for each week of the rationing period. If you spend over your weekly allowance, you have less for coming weeks.
3. Whenever possible, use unrationed market vegetables instead of commercially canned or quick-frozen.
4. Don't buy cans or packages larger than you need. The larger they are, the more points required."

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AFTER THE CIVIL WAR THE LAUNDRY SITUATION WAS SO ACUTE MEN WORE STEEL COLLARS ENAMELLED WHITE WHICH COULD BE CLEANED WITH A DAMP CLOTH

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Allies Tighten Tunisia Trap on Axis; Russ Offensive in Caucasus Menaces Germans' Bridgehead at Novorossisk; FDR Envisions Postwar Youth Service

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)
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Adm. William F. Halsey, commander of the U. S. naval forces in the South Pacific (right) is shown as he conferred with Hon. Walter Nash, New Zealand minister to the U. S., following Nash's arrival at Allied headquarters recently. Nash visited Halsey during an inspection tour of Pacific islands in which New Zealand troops are active.

TUNISIA:

Smooth Teamwork

Irresistibly the Allied offensive in North Africa had rolled on toward Tunis and Bizerte.

Like well-co-ordinated teams the various commands performed their tasks. Principal objective of the British First army had been the Axis last mountain barrier before the plain of Tunis in the Medjez-El-Bab sector. Chief assignment of Lieutenant General Patton's American troops had been the overwhelming of three enemy hill positions on the road to Bizerte. And although the American forces ran into heavy counterblows in their enveloping tactics around Mateur and Tebourba, they had continued to drive ahead.

While these two strategic movements were being carried out as a prelude to a combined Allied assault, French troops in the south executed a maneuver that had cut the Pont-du-Fahs-Enfidaville road and exposed the flank of the Axis troops facing General Montgomery's Eighth army.

While the Germans faced the inevitable decision of final surrender or annihilation their commanders were using every possible device to slow down the Allied advance. Resistance against the British First army had stiffened sharply at the crest of Bou Aoukaz mountain, overlooking the valley to Tunis.

RUSSIA:

Battles in the Air

While Berlin reports announced that a large-scale Russian offensive had been undertaken against the Nazis' Kuban bridgehead in the Caucasus, Moscow communique said that aerial fighting was the principal activity along the far-flung front.

This aerial activity had various significances on various sectors. In the Caucasus, the Russian strategy was to wear down Nazi air power and thus enhance the Red army's efforts at dislodging the Germans from their bridgehead around Novorossisk.

In east Prussia, Red aerial bombing assaults were directed at breaking up concentrations of German troops and supplies being prepared for Hitler's spring invasion.

REFUGEES:

U. S.-Britain to Aid

Plans to ease the plight of war refugees in areas outside of occupied Europe and to reject any measures that might involve bargaining with Germany were believed by observers to have been embodied in a set of recommendations agreed on by delegates to the Anglo-American conference on refugee problems, held in Hamilton, Bermuda.

Observers indicated that the conference's recommendations include the temporary relocation in Africa of 80,000 refugees now in neutral countries until the end of the war, as well as provisions for the feeding and care of refugees unable to leave neutral countries.

TRAINING:

For Postwar Youth

The idea that the youth of America, making use of industrial plants and military camps might well give a year's service to their government in the postwar era was advanced by President Roosevelt.

Declaring that his recent inspection trip of war activities had convinced him that the armed forces and the home front factories are in their stride, the President said he was wondering what could be done after victory is won, with camps and plants in which millions have been invested. While he had no specific program to offer, he emphasized the benefits in physical condition and mental alertness that men and women in service and war-worker uniforms had realized in the last few months. He indicated he thought their training should be extended to all young men and women in some form after we win the war.

Any program that might develop, he said, probably would be only partly military.

COAL SHOWDOWN:

FDR Moves Swiftly

Blunt had been President Roosevelt's warning to John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers, to end the tie-up in the nation's soft coal fields.

The need for blunt action, however, had been clearly evident, for even at the moment the President had threatened to use his powers as commander in chief to prevent interference with the war effort, 75,000 miners already were on strike and a walkout of the entire 450,000 bituminous miners had been threatened.

Termining the miners' walkout as "strikes against the U. S. government itself" the President said that such action was clearly a violation of labor's "no-strike" pledge.

JOBS VS. PAY:

Essential Shifts OK

As the War Manpower commission extended its employment stabilization program to the entire nation, workers anywhere in the United States were permitted to shift from one essential job to another at higher pay, provided such transfers "enhance the war effort."

Previously such job shifts could take place only in 70 areas covered by the WMC's regional stabilization programs. The commission's action was taken after representatives of organized labor had protested that job transfers under the former regulations favored workers in the stabilization areas at the expense of workers in other regions.

Under the new plan, any worker in an essential industry may transfer to a higher-paying job in another essential industry if he obtains from his employer, from the U. S. employment service office in his area, or from his local WMC office, a "statement of availability" which declares that his transfer will benefit the war effort.

Washington Digest

U. S. Army Is 'On Alert' For Chemical Warfare



Many Developments in Gas Warfare Date From World War I; America Thought to Have Greatest Potential Gas Offensive.

By BAUKHAGE

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Some days ago the British short wave radio, beamed on Germany, was telling the German people, who dared to listen to the forbidden words, that if their armies used gas against the Russians, the British would retaliate and paralyze the German cities with gas bombs from the air. Just about that same hour, I was entering the Army and Navy club in Washington with a short, vigorous, bright-eyed general, whose mental agility makes up for his lack of length. It was no coincidence. I was there to learn something more about chemical warfare and I knew of no better way than to pump Brig. Gen. Alden H. Waitt of the chemical warfare service and whose book "Gas Warfare" has sold out twice in Washington book stores.

There was, however, a coincidence connected with that visit, for as we walked into the great, crowded din-

That was not the first use of gas in warfare—the first recorded use was some time earlier—in fact, just 2,445 years earlier—at the siege of Plataea, when the Spartans burned wood saturated with pitch and sulphur under the walls. It failed because a rain came up. Five years later a similar "gas attack" was a complete success at the siege of Delium where the fumes drove the defenders from the city's walls in a panic.

Recent Developments

The most recent developments in gas warfare has just been revealed. The Allies have known for some time that the Germans had a new powerful gas which it is almost impossible to detect by smell. It can now be stated that this gas is nitrogen-mustard, a relative of the deadly, burning mustard gas of the last war but far more volatile and that much more effective, for it enters the lungs in greater quantities. It can also now be stated that the Americans are able to manufacture this gas rapidly and in quantity, if necessary. Our experts are thoroughly familiar with its characteristics.

The other development which will greatly increase the efficiency of the use of gas, if it is used today, is the new method of spraying it from low flying planes. This makes it possible to contaminate an area containing troops almost without warning.

However, it is believed that the United States is not only prepared with the best protection but probably has the most effective potential gas offensive weapons of any of the armies.

What are the arguments in favor of the use of this weapon which, so far, has not been used? Let me quote Brigadier General Waitt:

"Every sensible man is agreed that war should be resorted to only when all peaceful methods have failed. When, in order to sustain its policies, a nation has no other choice but to use force to gain its ends, it should do this with as little loss as possible. Not only should there be little loss to the nation itself but unnecessary loss to its enemy should be avoided. Victory depends on the amount of loss. The smaller the loss to both sides, the greater the victory to the victor. This may be strange doctrine but it is sound."

Unusual Outlook

"War," Waitt believes, "is not carried on to kill or destroy but rather to enforce a policy, and if possible, the enforcement should be accomplished without loss of life or property."

We can work toward this end by the use of gas. He points to these facts for his argument: There were 275,000 American casualties in the American ranks in the last war. More than one-fourth were caused by gas. Of the gas casualties, only about 2 per cent died. In other words, the men wounded by gas had about 12 times the chance to live as those wounded by other weapons.

To urge the use of gas sounds strange, indeed. I recall how surprised I was when a young Chinese captain, who had fought through most of the campaigns against Japan, said to me: "Gas is a kindly weapon." Of course, he had never met it himself but he had seen plenty of men blown apart by shrapnel and high explosive and he was very positive in his statement.

What about civilians if gas is used? In the first place, America, of course, is in less danger than Britain because of distance but not out of danger. There has been much contradictory opinion expressed as to the possibility of gassing cities. One view is that it would be utterly ineffective, the other is that whole populations could be blotted out.

Waitt says both extreme views are wrong. That there is a middle ground, that gas can be used against industrial and political centers of importance for its disorganizing and demoralizing effect but that the chief targets will be strategic points such as railway stations, power and light plants and the like. Gas will not wipe out populations, he believes, it will not entirely supplant explosives. But it will be an effective weapon. The most important defense, aside from material means of protection which Waitt describes in detail, is education and discipline.



Soldiers stationed at Camp San Luis Obispo, Calif., outfitted with new type training gas masks.

Gems of Thought

WHAT thou wilt, thou rather shalt enforce it with thy smile, than hew to it with thy sword.—Shakespeare.

Education makes a people easy to lead, but difficult to drive; easy to govern, but impossible to enslave.—Lord Brougham.

Let us then be up and doing, With a heart for any fate; Still achieving, still pursuing, Learn to labor and to wait.—Henry W. Longfellow.

Lafing iz the sensation ov pheeling good all over, and showing it principally in one spot.—Josh Billings.

Gen. Eisenhower's Name Means 'Iron Chopper'

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower ("Ike" to the Doughboys) was ice works hand, boxer, cowboy and professional footballer before going to West Point.

His ancestors left Germany in the 18th century to avoid religious persecution, emigrated to America in 1732. The name means "iron chopper," which is appropriate for our leading tank expert.

"Ike" is 52. His soldiers swear by him—say he's both tough and lucky. He was certainly lucky when, as a young officer, he arrested a Negro National Guardsman who had run amok in Chicago. The Negro pulled out a revolver and fired five shots at him at almost point-blank range. They all missed.

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MURDER at PIRATE'S HEAD
By ISABEL WAITT

CHAPTER I

Pirate's Head always reminds me of a Summer squash. Its long neck juts out of Rockville, Mass., into the wild Atlantic. Once, according to legend, this rocky promontory was the lookout for buccaneers, who hid their treasure in a deep fissure called the Pirate's Mouth. Just the mention of that slippery shelf in the foamy sea makes my flesh creep!

It began to creep the day I received a queerly fat letter, the first week of my visit at the inn. How would you feel to receive a missive from an unknown, containing forty old twenty-dollar bills?

Postmark, Boston. Date blurred. Penmanship, sprawly, as if an attempt had been made to disguise it. Spelling, excellent. Astonished, I read:

"The old church should go for a song at the auction. Please bid for one who doesn't wish to be known in the transaction. Sentimental reasons.

"In return, you may later use it for tearoom or lending library, rent free.

"Please don't tell a soul, but buy at any cost. If not enough, will reimburse. If too much, keep the difference and oblige

"A FRIEND."

Nobody knew I was summering at the inn. As for the auction of the homely little church, scheduled for July 3, the following day, I'd planned to go just for fun. Everybody at the Head would be there to take a whack at buying that desolate, long-unused place of worship, standing on the bluff.

That odd letter, though I didn't realize it at the time, was my first clue in the series of dreadful things which were to occur. Thrilled to death at the mystery, and speculating as to my unguessed correspondent, I pinned the bills into a stocking and tucked the missive itself under the lining of my top bureau drawer.

Maybe this vacation wasn't going to be so dull, after all! I'd visited my Aunt Nella before, and found it deadly. But then she'd never had any murders to offer. I'll say this for murder—it's never dull.

Aunt Nella runs the inn at Pirate's Head, the only one there. In a way it was a comedown for her to open her lovely old colonial home to paying guests. For more than 150 years it had sheltered the Gerry family in decent privacy. They might have been comfortably off, except for the failure of the Lane Bank. This crippled Uncle Wylie, Aunt Nella's husband, worse than his rheumatism. Old Man Lane put a bullet through his head when his pet went into receivership, dragging down all his neighbors, but Aunt Nella went to making blueberry pies.

That's where I came in. She wheeled me into being hostess and general factotum, greeting the tourists and answering the phone while her hands were in the dough, as she put it. "You'll have a nice change," she said. "The Head is always so quiet and peaceful."

My funds were minus X, and I'm without near relatives, my parents both having died in a plane crash. Even Aunt Nella was only a play aunt, who had been my mother's dear friend.

We had only a few guests the first of July. Nice people, all of them, apparently, but merely names to me: The Reverend Jonas De Witt, Miss Lily Kendall, Hugh Norcross and his sister, Bessie; Mr. Thaddeus Quincy and Mr. Potter. The house staff consisted of Aunt Nella, Uncle Wylie and myself. A town girl came in to wash dishes, but she lived out and had nothing to do with the things that happened.

You can wager I didn't mention my letter to a soul. Visions of tearooms danced in my head. I'm going to skip the auction here, except to say that I bid for the old church and got it finally for \$300. I still had \$500 of somebody's money!

Along with the squat old building came sturdy, hard benches for seating maybe 125 people, a few dilapidated hymn books, and down in the basement the most wonderful sea chest you ever saw. Cedar. "There's my hope chest," I gloated. "A little polish and a lot of elbow grease —!" The thing was locked when I examined it after the sale. I was prying at it with a bobby pin when Uncle Wylie said Aunt Nella wanted me right away back at the inn.

Not until evening did I escape. Then I discovered Mr. Quincy out on the porch sitting patiently in his wheelchair, as usual. I liked Thaddeus Quincy, perhaps because he refused to use his infirmity as a topic of conversation. Though about 66, wizened and always alone, still whenever he was included he was the life of the party. Just then he

looked dejected enough, amusing himself by strumming on the piazza rails with the malacca cane he always had handy.

"Want me to take you for a ride?" I asked. "My, the fog is creeping in."

"Would you, Judy? Just down the ramp? Then I can manage for myself." He called me Judy since the first day, and I liked it, from him. To the others I was Miss Jason.

"How'd you like to see the inside of a church?" I asked. I held my breath while we made the planks Uncle Wylie had put over the side steps of the porch for this wheelchair.

"Saw all I wanted to this afternoon at the auction," he answered. "Yes. From the outside. Shouted your bid through the door. Only made one bid. Why?" I asked.

"Wanted you to get it cheap. Think I'd bid against you? What'd you want of that old eyesore?"

"Wait till I get it fixed up. Tea and crumpets. My, it's getting foggy! Left my handbag down in the basement. Taking you down while I get it. Guess how much money I have left?" I queried.

He eluded my little trap, but appeared grateful for the companionship. "How should I know what scads you make at the inn? Tell me something about the Lane castle." He pointed at the great stone mansion that loomed up ahead of us,



From beneath the cover of the chest a dead white hand protruded.

beyond the inn but to the left of the church, known to Pirate Headers as the castle. Hideously ornate it was, by daylight, with too many turrets. It had been vacant for years.

"Not much to tell," I replied. "Been closed since Mr. Lane committed suicide after his bank failed, three years ago. There was a nasty scandal hushed up, implicating son Roddy—Roddy, Jr.—whom you saw at the inn last night. He lives out West and never's come back here since. His mother went mad on account of his escapades, they say, and leaped into the ocean from one of those towers. No wonder the old man shot himself."

"Nice family," Mr. Quincy said. "Who's that?" A figure scuttled ahead of us, across our path to the Lane driveway. Believing it to be one of our guests, I called good evening. There was no response.

We were passing the old fish house, from the cracks of whose single window a feeble light shone. Mr. Quincy was all curiosity. Had I seen the old man who was staying there, he wanted to know.

"No, and nobody else," I said. "Only Uncle Wylie, and he at a distance, when Mr. Brown was fishing off the rocks earlier in the season. Sort of a recluse, I guess. Stone deaf. Uses an ear trumpet, funny old-fashioned kind, Uncle Wylie says.

Not a star to guide us. It was all I could do to keep on the path, but finally we reached the church, which faced the ocean.

"Got a match? I won't be a minute. Left my bag at the auction and have got to get a key out—"

"That you, Judy Jason?" Up rose a behemoth of darkness. As we recognized the voice of Miss Kendall,

one of our guests, she became conscious of the wheelchair.

As she moved away chuckling, I heard Mr. Quincy breathe, "Thank Heavens!" Poor Lily Kendall—corpulent, gabby, good natured, lovable, 40-odd, forever twisting her countless string of beads till they spilled all over the house, and heavens—what a pest! She'd seen mighty little of a sunset in all that gathering mist.

Once the door was open, I struck one of the two matches Mr. Q. had given me and hurried down the aisle of the musty auditorium. Wrong word for this little meeting place, but never mind. The flame went out, and for a moment I stood hesitant, listening to the ghostly lashing of the waves on the rocks. But I'd promised Bessie Norcross, our fustiest guest, a key for her door, having swiped said key from Albion Potter, our artist boarder. His key fitted Bessie's room, too, and he never bothered to close his door, let alone lock it. He'd probably never miss it. I'd stuck it in my handbag, having intended to go to Rockville and have a duplicate made. The bag must have been left in the basement near my new hope chest when Uncle Wylie called me away.

The basement stairs, very narrow and steep, led from a door at the side of the front platform, the church being built back-to, in a way. I didn't want any more complaints. I'd promised Bessie she'd have her key. I didn't want to break my neck, either. I groped down a step or two, clinging to the stone wall. Then I decided it was too precarious. The other match should last until I snatched the bag and started back, so I struck it.

The damp chill of that black little cellar penetrated my thin blue dress. Shivering, I hurried as best I could. There weren't many steps. The church had literally been built on a rock, so the floor was uneven, one end having a patch of dirt floor. A strong breeze came from somewhere.

I remembered the chest was against the wall abutting the sea. I could have reached it more easily by taking the path around the cliff to the tiny basement door, but I knew that would be locked from the inside. I'd told Uncle Wylie to lock up when he'd summoned me. He'd said he had, and hung the entrance key where I'd just found it. He was absent-minded, but in an emergency could be relied upon. Yet holding up that tiny flame I could see that the basement door was open a crack, and was swinging wider—wider!

Would the match last till I closed the door, locked it and found my bag? I measured the distance with my eye, approaching the while, and kicking at the door as I passed. From the darkness something twinkled at me. Was it a firefly? Another step. I held the flickering match closer. It couldn't be! I was seeing things. A final spurt and the glow faded, burning my fingers. Automatically I dropped the match. The pain brought action.

"You mustn't faint! You mustn't faint!" I kept telling myself. In utter darkness, with the moan of the sea and the creak of the door that wouldn't stay closed unless locked, I staggered for the stairs.

Finally I found the stairs, missed a step and stumbled. Down, down, down, I rolled to the bottom. Every second I expected someone to reach out and grab me. I scrambled to my feet, more careful this time, but sobbing till I made the main floor.

My skin prickled. The middle aisle—the door! I stumbled ahead, straining my eyes at the shadows. It wasn't a firefly I'd seen by that flickering match. From beneath the cover of the sea chest a dead white hand had protruded, and on it a huge square-cut diamond had winked at me. I'd admired it—was it only yesterday?

Somebody was screaming terribly. Below a door banged. Blindly I bumped into a human being near the entrance.

"Judy! Stop screaming! What's the matter, child?"

Thaddeus Quincy! In relief I grabbed at and nearly threw him. Not till afterward, in the safety of my own room, did I pause to wonder how he'd ever managed to reach the spot where he stood unaided.

"Quick!" I cried. "He's after us!"

"Who's after who? What are you talking about?"

I yanked at his arm, my one thought to get out of the church.

"Now then," he panted. "Who's after us?"

"The murderer. I—I heard it squeak."

"Are you crazy?"

"The door, I mean. When he ran out of the cellar. After he killed Roddy Lane!"

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Local Happenings

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