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### raw Club Has Lively Meeting Takes Pastorate Finishes Course Post Office Clerk Jobs Open

m there should be at least one Reporter. it in closet, which will give adeate space for hanging clothes

d storing unused clothing. Miss Emily Waller, club poultry constrator, assisted by Mrs. wham Hensley, gave a short skit es for the service boys. All ds shipped to the boys should prepared so they will be pro-red against gases, grease, water, s, insects and odors.

president, Mrs. Dudley Marsecretary-treasurer, Mrs. Wes eral; reporter, Mrs. C. O. Galcouncil delegate, Mrs. R. R. n: food demonstrator, Miss w Waller; home improvement, Sealey.

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WHOLESALE-RETAIL

The Draw Home Demonstra- Those present who enjoyed Minister Garnie Atkisson has ac- An Air Service Command Sta- War service regulations have sons who are appointed now do Dixon, demonstrated "Storage Hensley; Misses Sybil Busby, Em- Monday the Bedroom." In each bed- ily Waller and Carolyn Dixon.

Transferred To Indiana

J. V. Burdett Jr., who is with the U. S. army, is here for a visit with homefolks. J. V. has been in training at Camp J. T. Robinson, packing foods for Christmas Little Rock, Ark., but has been transferred to Camp Atterbury,

Mrs. W. M. Blakemore arrived Sunday to join Mr Blakemore and will assist at the O'Donnell Officers elected for 1945 are: Drug Store. Mrs. Blakemore will be given a hearty welcome to our

> Mr. and Mrs. Marion Edwards and son and daughter, of Dallas, spent several days recently visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Edwards, in this city.

Mrs O. L. McClendon and daughter, were shoppers in Lubbock Monday.

Frank Lamb of Mesquite was a visitor in O'Donnell Tuesday.

Mesdames Jno. R. Burkett and I. O. Kirby were Lamesa shopoers was in a critical condition. Monday.

After conducting a successful revival at the Church of Chtist last Sunday night, Evangelist Lubbock Tuesday. James W. Adams, of Paducah, Ky., was stricken with an attack of mumps Monday morning where they visited with Mr.

this week suffering from an appen- texas every time. dicitis attack.

duties this week as instructor in O'Donnell. the Odessa schools.

Cpl. Milford McMurtry, returning from 17 months overseas with the Army Air Forces in the American theatre of operations, has arrived at Fort Bliss, Texas, prior to visiting his wife and parents, in O'Donnell.

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### Jood Kain

The O'Donnell sector got another rain the fore part of this week. The precipitation amounted to over an inch. The first of Sept. I .- Pfc. Billie M. Clayton, the dampness started with a good a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Clayintermittent rains Tuesday.

The added moisture will be great benefit to late feed crops.

#### Convalescing

was ruptured and for a time he Base Unit.

#### Satisfied With Texas Bort Adams was a visitor from

Bert and Mrs. Adams recently made a trip to Sonoma, Calif.,

The evangelist's host of friends are Adams' sister. Bert says Califorwishing for him a speedy recovery. nia is a wonderful state in some Clovis, N. M. Corky Beach has been quite sick respects, but he prefets Grandold-

Miss Louise Edwards, after as- Pfc. Clyde Brown, returning sisting her father, Don Edwards, from 15 months overseas with the for the past several months as Infantry in the Mediterranean bookeeper for the Cicero Smith theater of operations, has arrived Lumber Co., has returned to at Camp Shelby, Miss, prior to Odessa, where she resumed her visiting his uncle, R. O. Brown at

and pertinent tips on staying healthy in a combat theatre.

His next station will be one from which America's fighting planes after a sojourn at Eunice, N. M. Europe.

#### Promoted

Gulfport Army Air Field, Miss., Fortresses.

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**B.** M. Haymes

met Friday Sept. I, in the watermelon were Mesdames Frank cepted the pastorate of the Church tion in England, Aug. 26.—Cpl. been extended to substitute clerk not receive a classified civil service of Mrs. Louis McKay, from Cook, Leslie Cook, Sewell, A. R. of Christ in O'Donnell, entering Harold Ivan Line, the brother of positions in the post office, Mrs. status." 5p. m. The county home Hensley, Lula Busby, Gladys Gal- upon his duties this week. He and Harvey Line O'Donnell, Texas, Lora Ellis, local civil service secre- Persons interested in the subnetration agent, Miss Caro yen, Betty Lou Cook, Graham Mrs. Arkisson moved to this city recently completed an aviation tary, pointed out today to persons stitute clerk examination, should course designed to bridge the gap who are interested in this current file an application before Septem-Minister Atkisson is a live wire, between training in the States and examination which will be held to ber 25, 1944. with the director, and comes to O'Donnell from the combat soldiering against the ene- fill vacancies in the O'Donnell 10th civil service region, 210 S. post office.

splendid work. All O'Donnell will At this Air Service Command "Appointments to substitute "Applicants will be required to welcome this splendid young min- Station Cpl. Line attended a series clerk positions henceforth will be take a civil service written examiister and his estimable wife. The of lectures given by battle-wise made for the duration of the war nation which will last approxilocal church is indeed fortunate in veterans which included instruc- and not to exceed six months mately four hours," Mrs. Ellis said. securing the services of these fine tions on chemical warfare defense thereafter," Mrs. Ellis said. "Per- Further information concerning

#### Return To O'Donnell

Mr. and Mrs Bill Holtzclaw, cover our liberation of Occupied where they were employed, have dence, in this city.

#### Visited Homefolks

Chief Petty Officer Johnuy Richshower Monday night, followed by ton, O'Donnell, Texas has been ardson Shook, back from the South promoted to the grade of Corporal Pacific, was a recent visitor here of at this Third Air Force bomber with his foster parents, Mr. and base maintained for the training Mrs A. G. Shook. Johnny has of 10 man crews for B-17 Flying been in the Navy for the past eight years and this was his first visit visit home in four years. The underwent an appendectomy in a ing course as a gunner, Corporal young officer wears five gold stars, Lubbock hospital, is expected Clayton is attached to Squadron representing five major naval battles fought in Atlantic and Pacific friends will be glad to see them

ping in this city Saturday.

Harwood St., Dallas, Texas.

this examination may be secured from Mrs. Ellis at the post office.

#### School Opening

School opened last Monday returned to O'Donnell, and last morning with an excellent enrollweek purchased the Holman resi- ment. Supt. S. F. Johnson with his capable faculty of teachers anticipate a very successful school

#### Returning From Vacation

After an enjoyable vacation of several weeks at Rockport, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ray are returning this weekend, and will reopen their tailoring establishment Sept. 18. Both Mr. and Mrs. Ray enjoyed the vacation rest after months of strenuous labor. Their many

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cathey Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Boydstun were visitors in Dallas this week. were here from Sanger last week-Mrs. Gladys Galyen was shop- end, visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Huffhines.

### Just Installed

Electric pipe threading machine, the latest thing in this line. It cuts good clean threads quickly and we would like for our customers to see this machine in action.

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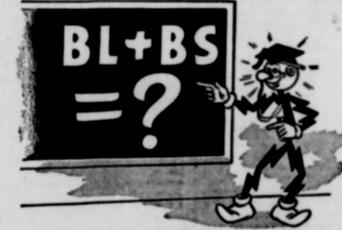
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#### Farm Science Steps Forward

#### Important Discoveries So New Some of Them Are Not Yet in Use.

STORRS, CONN. - Several discoveries in farm science are so new they have not been put into general farm practice as yet, Dean E. G. Woodward, director of the Connecticut college of agriculture, said:

"There is the control of mastitis, which is one of the most widespread diseases of dairy cows," he pointed out. "Possibly 20 per cent of the cows of the country are infected with this disease. It is of great economic importance because it decreases milk production. The disease means the difference between profit and loss on many dairy farms. It can be almost completely eliminated by systematic control measures.

"Then there is Bang's diseaseanother ailment of dairy cows which is yielding to carefully worked out control measures.

#### Faster Milking.

"A new system of fast milking based on new knowledge of milk secretion which saves time is being put into rather widespread use just now. This is the use of a hot application to the teats and floor of the tidder of a dairy cow to prepare her for quick and thorough milking.

"The most profitable dry period for dairy cows has been determined to be about eight weeks. That is two weeks longer than has been commonly accepted.

"Grass silage can be put up successfully without a preservative, providing the moisture content is controlled to about 65 per cent.

"Ladino clover is revolutionizing the carrying capacity of pasture in certain areas of the east in much the same way that lespedezia has changed the cropping routine of the midsouth in recent years.

#### New Hay Curing.

"Quick freezing as well as dehydration of farm products as methods of preservation are attracting a lot of interest. These are ancient practices, but new adaptations and inventions are bringing them into general use today.

There is the use of caustic sprays in the thinning of fruit stands which eventually may save a lot of labor and improve the quality of the crop.

"New methods of curing hay more quickly by mashing the stems and by blowing air through the hay are being tried.

"Industrial uses of farm products are opening up a field of immense possibilities. Plastic products from soybeans are the common example. Industrial use of farm products should do much to eliminate price depressing surpluses."

#### Rest Centers for Battle Veterans to Be Opened

WASHINGTON. - The war department announced the army ground and service forces are estab lishing rest centers in some of the nation's leading resort hotels for military personnel returning from fighting fronts overseas. The pro gram is similar to one already effected for air force veterans.

Men will receive "complete physical examinations," and each will be evaluated as to his "most suitable new assignment," the department

"These objectives will be accomplished in surroundings conducive to rest, relaxation and diversion in order that this short period may serve as a respite from the arduous tasks of war and as orientation for further duties," it was added.

Five such "redistribution centers" were understood to be planned to start operation in September. The department said "several hotels at Miami Beach, Fla., have been acquired and are being made ready" with negotiations under way at other unstated locations.

#### Cherbourg Dances After Wait of Five Long Years

CHERBOURG, FRANCE. - For the first time in five long years people danced in the streets of Cherbourg.

It was Bastille day-the French day of independence-and the celebration was held next to the harbor. where a very short time ago men died in battle.

American soldiers, nurses and officers, British troops and French sailors who helped to liberate this historic city danced along with the

While a band played, first serious music and then American jazz, the French people looked on in almost disbelief. Finally the tension broke and the crowd formed a little circle as an American captain started dancing with a Normandy girl.

#### Iceland Geologists May Study in United States

NORMAN, OKLA .- Young geologists of Iceland may come to the University of Oklahoma for training, Neils Dungal, dean of the University of Iceland, said in a recent visit to the Oklahoma school campus. These men will be sent here at the expense of the government of that country. The training would prepare them to make a survey of the natural resources of Iceland.

#### 'B-29' Grew Up in Second Air Force

Training Program Developed In Western States.

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO .-Now that the world's mightiest aerial weapon, the Superfortress, known as the B-29, has been launched against the Japanese homeland, officials say that it may be told that the long months of preparation for its development were completed within the Second air force, center of planning for the bulk of this country's four-motor bomber operational train-

Command jurisdiction of the very heavy bomber program was placed within the Second air force with headquarters in Colorado Springs, Colo., in November, 1943, because it had pioneered this country's heavy bombardment training program. The Second air force, which had its beginning as the Northwest Air district with headquarters at Spokane, Wash., in January, 1941, is now the largest air force in the country with bases in 22 states.

Four of these bases in the Kansas area were selected as sites for very heavy bomber training. There the program was developed "from scratch," officers report. The training bases were restricted to personnel engaged in the new program. No transient aircraft was allowed on the fields. All the experience available from the heavy program which now bears the scrutiny of all had to be trained for the first time on a new type of bombardment air-

Maj. Gen. St. Clair Street commanded the Second air force when the program was started. He was succeeded by Maj. Gen. Uzal G. Ent, the present commander whose experience with heavy bombardment overseas was climaxed by the lowlevel attacks on the Ploesti oil fields last summer.

The same high experience level was demanded for the crews who now man these air dreadnaughts. Airplane commanders (pilots) and their crewmen represent the cream of this country's crop of airmen experienced in heavy bombardment.

#### Gls in Leghorn Find Beer and Then Lose It

LIVORNO, ITALY .- In the capture of Livorno (Leghorn), the Allies took possession of a brewery which had been turning out choice beer for Nazi troops in Italy.

Some of the very first American troops to enter the city discovered the brewery. They tasted some of the cool "suds" they found in underground vats-and pronounced it delightful.

Word of their find spread rapidly through the ranks, but soon two military policemen got one of the most thankless assignments ever known

They had to say no to hundreds of soldiers who stood before the brewery in the scorching sun.

#### Nazis Put Booby Traps On Bodies of Dead Yanks

WITH AMERICAN TROOPS IN FRANCE. - The American First army has an authenticated record of three instances where Germans booby-trapped the bodies of dead Americans.

In each case the Germans had attached an explosive to the body and rigged hidden wires to stakes, so that if the bodies were moved the charge would be exploded. The wires were attached to the inside seam of the soldiers' trousers.

"We have signed statements of a sergeant and another soldier who discovered the trapped bodies and removed the charges," a staff offi-

#### Novice GI Artists Have Their Own Art Contest

ABERDEEN, MD .- The army ordnance proving ground here recently conducted an art contest for GI's stationed on the post. Contributions were limited to art work-painting. drawing, prints or sculpture-done as a hobby and for non-commercial purposes. Ninety-six dollars in purchase orders on an artists' supply store was awarded to fledgling Rembrandts in khaki.

#### 'Safe-Crackers' Jump on Arrival of a Patrolman

PONCA CITY, OKLA .- As Patrolman Claude Jones came upon the open rear door of a downtown store at midnight, he walked in and caught two men bending over a safe, attempting to crack it. One was the store manager; the other a locksmith he had hired when efforts to open the door failed.

#### Rubber Rafts Now Have Searchlights

WASHINGTON. - Rubber rafts are now equipped with a midget searchlight capable of projecting a 1,500-candlepower beam visible for 60 nautical miles. The new lamp, with the most powerful beam ever obtained from an incandescent unit that small, gets its current from a hand-cranked

### Kathleen Norris Says:

The Captain's Wife



She likes him very much; they love to dine and go to the theater together; he

#### By KATHLEEN NORRIS

7AR is a test of everything our young men have of character, selfforgetfulness, courage, vision. We demand of them that they put aside all the dreams, the hopes, the happiness and freedom of youth, to buy hope and security and happiness for thousands of other men, yet unborn.

And the magnificence of their response to this demand is holding the whole world breathless.

What'we women sometimes forget is that war years make similar claims upon us, too. If our boys must give their lives, physically, we are often called upon to give what is as dear as life. We have to sacrifice plans, dear companionship, the peace and harmony of home life, the smoothness of living which for so many years was ours.

It takes a woman strong in character to get through these days. It takes a woman with a brave soul and a prayerful heart, a woman who can laugh and work and hope, who can bear today because of what may be tomorrow. And because not all women are like that, the newspapers are filled with the tragedies of broken homes, faithless wives, all the moral irregularities that follow in the wake

#### Army Captain's Problem. Many of these, naturally, don't

get to the newspapers. In this class is the problem of a certain army captain, a man who has been for more than a year in England, and who wrote me just before the invasion.

"When I came across," says the letter of Capt. Leonard Blank, "I left a pretty wife and a small daughter of three behind me. Lynn and I have been married nearly six years; they have been heavenly years. Waiting -waiting-waiting for the big push to start, over here, I've dreamed of some of those summer trips in the old blue car: I've waked up crying more than once.

'Perhaps I'm really awake now. Perhaps it was all a dream. Anyway, here's the gist of a letter I got this morning from my wife. She's afraid friends are spying on her and I'll hear gossip, so she's telling me herself that she's been going about with a certain man we both know who is stationed at a plane factory near our home town. She likes him very much; they love to dine and go to the theater together; he comes out every Sunday and they take Nancy and go on a picnic somewhere. But everything's absolutely on the square, I'm not to believe what anyone says, for she hopes she has sense enough to stop short of anything wrong. She admits that he adores her, says he always has, although she never realized it before. But I'm not to get all worked up about it because it's absolutely all right. She hasn't seen my mother in two months because Mother asked her to stop seeing Brownie; it's too bad, for Nancy adores her Grandma, but Lynn doesn't propose to put up with that kind of interference from anyone, so if Mother writes me I'm to discount her letter accordingly.



#### MORALE WRECKERS

While most wives of servicemen are doing magnificently, holding the home together, working in factories, taking care of the children and doing Red Cross work in what "spare" time they have, there are some women who are so weak and selfish that they think only of themselves and their pleasures.

An army captain writes that his pretty wife, whom he has loved deeply for six years, tells him that she is going about with an old friend . . . picnics, theaters, and such. But it's "absolutely on the square," she adds hastily; just a little fun to help pass the lonely hours. The neighbors will talk, of course, but that can't be helped. She assures her husband, worried with military responsibilities, that while this old friend adores her, and comes to the house every Sunday, she "hopes that she has sense enough

"Maybe you think that's a swell letter to come to a man facing what we're facing here," the captain says in conclusion. "But I don't!"

#### A Weak, Cruel Woman.

Neither do I, Captain. Only a weak and cruel woman could write such a letter to her man at the fighting front, and whatever the outcome, whether you come home or don't come home, your idyllic married days are over. War has ruined one more home; war has shown up the devotion of one more wife to be an imitation of the real thing. Little Nancy is out of luck.

And Lynn, the wife, has lost a chance that would lead to deep and wonderful happiness, in a few years. She just couldn't see far enough, poor Lynn. She couldn't busy herself with the care of her child and her home, with some sort of service work, with hopes and prayers and plans for the happiness of reunion tomorrow. Loneliness and duliness and uncertainty were too much for her. That thousands of women are facing them with courage and energy, that thousands of women are writing their men brave letters full of reassurance and love and promises for the future-all this meant little to Lynn. She just had to be petted and flattered; she had to play with fire, make mockery of her husband, her marriage, her child.

The Lynns are having their day. But the day of the steadfast, patient, waiting wives and mothers, sisters and daughters, is coming fast. The women who endured, who worked, who prayed, who wrote letters saved money, kept their eyes fixed on the tremendous years ahead, will have their day soon. Little pretty Lynn, discontented, disillusioned, superfluous, airing a continual grievance, will drift into the shadows she herself has chosen for middle-age and old age. The others will help build the new America.

#### Leave 'Abandoned' Fawns Alone "Every summer when the new

crop of young animals is at the 'cute' stage, reports start coming in of people finding such animals abandoned by their mothers. Such stories very frequently center around young fawns," says Dr. Gabrielson, department of the interior.

"Cases of actual abandonment of fawns are very rare indeed. The best thing to do when such fawns are come upon is to leave them right where they are found; if taken away, they generally die."

### Page 1, Column 1

By JOHN C. PORT McClure Syndicate-WNU Features.

THE Old Man scooted his chair away from the desk in the corner of the print shop known as his office and handed a sheet of typewritten paper to the boy at the lino-type. "Page one, column one," he said briefly. Then he stalked to the rear of the shop. "Speedy!" he called, and the youth who was oiling the outmoded cylinder press straightened and ceased his opera-"Yes, sir."

The Old Man stroked his chin thoughtfully and regarded the boy through narrowed bloodshot eyes. "If you pi a form tonight it will be the third consecutive week you've done it. A pretty poor average when you consider this is a weekly pa-

Speedy ran his hand over his smooth black hair. "Yes, sir." The Old Man shook a menac-ing forefinger. "It takes Red a whole

day to pick up the pieces and make up the form again. If I wanted the paper to come out on Saturday, it would read that way instead of having Friday on the masthead!" He stopped for breath. "If you could once get your mind off play-acting you might be of some value here. But get this and get it straight; if you pi a form again tonight, you're through!" With that final warning the Old Man put on his shapeless hat and left.

Speedy walked over to the linotype. He stroked his chin thoughtfully and squinted his azure eyes at Red. "If you pi a form tonight, it will be the third consecutive week you've done it." He took his hand from his chin and shook a menacing forefinger. "Get this and get it straight; if you pi a form again tonight, you're through!"

Red grinned. "You left out some of it, didn't you, Barrymore?

Speedy laughed. "The Old Man still grousing about Walters?" "Yeah," Red answered. "Page one, column one. He'll land in jail, printing such stuff. Listen:

" 'The incumbent county treasurer, George Walters, has served his term of usefulness. He is a crook, as his record proves. He vainly imagines that he lends dignity to his office by clearing his throat at the beginning of a sentence and coughing at the end of it. The voters of this town will no doubt be glad to see their most distinguished citizen replaced by an abler man."

"The Old Man isn't my idea of an ethical editor," Speedy mused. "When he's mad, he'll do 'most anything - unless someone scares him. Then he's not so tough. You know what the trouble is, don't you?" Red asked.

"I could guess," Speedy answered. "The Old Man's sore because Walters gave the contract for the commissioners' proceedings to our competitor. Well, it's a free country and Walters had a right to do it. The Old Man ought to brag about the opposition candidate and lay off Walters and his asthma or what-

ever it is." "Maybe you're right," Speedy agreed. "Anyhow, what time will you be ready?"

"Midnight," Red answered. "Incidentally, if you'll just lock the forms on the press before you start it, they aren't so likely to fall off." The Old Man swore as he

stumbled through the darkness to the telephone. "Yes . . . " he said. He heard a throat being cleared and then: "If that rag of yours comes out this morning with another of your editorials, I'll sue!" A cough, and another clearing of the throat. "It's libel, and you know it-you won't have a chance! And

when I get through with you, you won't have anything at all!" The cough was more violent this time. and the throat clearing more prolonged. "Remember what I've told Then came a veritable you!" spasm. The Old Man hung up. He broke

into a cold sweat. "I'll have to go down there," he told himself. 'Speedy'll never hear a phone if that cylinder press is running." shook as he hurried into his clothes. "Got to stop it," he kept muttering. "Can't let it go out." A few minutes later he was at the shop. "Speedy!" he bawled. "Speedy, stop the press!"

But the press wasn't running. Speedy was looking at him, a queet expression in his blue eyes. "I forgot to lock the forms on again, sir," he confessed. The Old Man blinked. Then he sighed and a grin spread over his face. "Oh, well," he said, "it isn't

the first time. I'll call Red. There

are a few changes I want to make, anyway. The Old Man had left by the time Red arrived. "Congratula-tions," he squealed acidly to Speedy. "I'm surprised to find you're still here."

Speedy shrugged his shoulders. "The Old Man left copy for you," he said. "It's on the machine. He wants it to replace what was originally page one, column one." Red sat down at the machine.

"Was he pretty sore?" he asked.
"He didn't seem so sore." Speedy answered thoughtfully. Then, dra-matically, he lifted his pointed chin a trifle. "I phoned him as soon as I made the mistake, but I'm sure glad he didn't recognize my voice."

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My wife wasn't all joking.

She said that a real new car improvement would be to go easing sideways, right into a cramped parking space at the curb. I said yes-maybe in 1960. There's one swell improvement though, that's here already!-an OIL-PLATED engine! You get that immediately by switching to Conoco Nth motor oil. I don't say it's the only oil; they're not hiring me. But I had this engine OIL-PLATED around 1941. It's still running like a darb, using Conoco Nth oil all the while, to cut down damage from engine acids. If I know what I've read all through this War, the acids made by every engine are liable to cause corrosion inside. That's bad. But acids don't like OIL-PLATING-can't gnaw right through it. It's fastened real close or sort of plated onto working parts that you've got to protect till your new car comes. And even then you'll want the engine OIL-PLATED with Conoco Nth oil, the same as in the car you've got right now.



To Drill Deeper Heavy rig will be moved in

Cantrill, section 22, block 32, contract. northwestern Borden County. Op- The original block comprised erator plans to deepen to 7,500 6,040 acres, from which spreads

feet from its present depth of 5, were sold to support the wildcat. 024 feet. The 7-inch casing is Frank Liddell was flashing a big cemented 4,120 feet.

6,200 feet and 7,250 feet would be from Guam.

the Tom W. Doswell No. 1 R. H tested en route to the 7,500-foot

bank roll Saturday. It was Jap

Doswell reported that zones at money sent him by his son, Gwyn,

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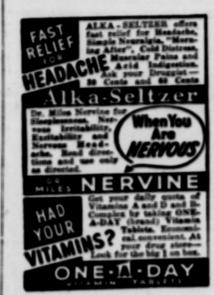
With a full sense of appreciation that will last throughout life, we wish to express our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness, during and after the death of our dear wife and mother, also for the beautiful floral of erings. May God bless each of you when trouble comes your way, is our praper. C. Boales and Children.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Stanfield of Hereford were visitors last weekend with former neighbors at Mesquite. Mr. Stonfield last year bought an irrigated farm near Hereford and is delighted with that section. He tells us that his Irish potato crop netted him \$150 per acre clear this season. His other crops are flourishing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hinkle are preparing to move to Tulia, where they have purchased a farm. Our section certainly regrets to lose this substantial family, but wish for them everything good in their new location.

John Proctor returned Friday from Fort Worth where he conveyed his son, J. L., to a barber coilege. J. L.'s grandfather says that of all the barbers in the family, J. L, is going to prove to be the best one.

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While Walter Winchell is away, this month, his column will be conducted by guest columnists.

#### Lady, Learn to Cook or Your GI Will Go Home to The Army!

By Captain Ben Irvin Butler (Founder and President of the Society of Amateur Chets.)

Sitting by the roadside on a Summer day "Chatting with my mess-mates, passing time away-

Singing in the shadows underneath the trees;

"Goodness - how de - li - ci - ous - eating GOOBER PEAS!"

That's an old Civil war song. And it goes to show that in all wars uppermost in the soldier's mind is food. I should spell that word with

capitals-FOOD. Zora Layman, the radio and recording artist, sang "Eating Goober Peas" the other night at a cocktail party. I don't know whether it was her singing or what, but Zora Layman's song practically started a riot. I was the center of it all.

The women at the party began asking me questions. They wanted to know all about Army food. And believe me, I told 'em! I told them both as an ex-Air Corps captain and as the founder of the Society of Amateur Chefs, an exclusive New York club composed of famous men who make a hobby of cooking.

First of all, I explained about this business of KP.

The movies and fiction have painted kaypee mostly as a business of peeling potatoes and cleaning gar-bage cans. But that's a lot of non-sense. Many soldiers try to get on KP. And why not—the kitchen is one of the warmest spots around the camp in the Winter time. The du-ties are easy enough. And there's always the pick of a well-stocked larder from which to select one's food. I'm not kidding. Instead of being a punishment job handed out by the army to recalcitrants, kaypee is one detail GI Joe doesn't mind.

According to Bill Rhode, who is one of the editors of Gourmet, many of their fan letters come from soldiers and sailors. I had lunch with Bill the other day and he told me how many requests for epicurean recipes there had been from men in the various services. That very day, he'd received a letter from an Admiral asking how to smoke herring.

The slogan, "the best fed Army in the world," has been tossed around a great deal. People don't any longer grasp entirely what it

The Army kitchen is no harumscarum affair. In many instances offering an open invitation to good cookery. It has everything in the way of equipment and, believe me. the medical officers see to it that itis as sanitary as a kitchen can possibly be made. No foolin'-you can just about see your face in the botom of an Army garbage can.

Thousands of Army lads have been carefully trained in cooking, butchering and baking and most of them have become good cooks. Some, at least, have become efficient cooks, although perhaps uninspired. And then, of course, some will never learn. Hence the discrepancy between reports from various camps and units. Some men will rave about the food they enjoyed in their outfit. Others will keep on yearning for Mother's beef stew and apple pie. But, take it from me, very few are telling their pals what a wonderful cook the girl s they left behind.

And there's something else I told the ladies at the cocktail party to ponder over.

Though the Army food wins no squawks, the GIs occasionally yearn for the finer things of life. For instance, a nephew of mine, John Piper, who is an Army pilot somewhere in the South Pacific, upon learning that I was back in New York, wrote to me for a recipe for Wild Duck a la Press. My old mess sergeant, now stationed in a southern climate, inquired as to how to make a tart lime marmalade.

Another inquiry came to me from a service man far away-I'll let you guess - asking how to make "Tuiles." These are thin wafers that accompany curry when the latter is served in the elegant manner.

An officer connected with the Army's dietary service told me that he'd had an inquiry from a mess sergeant asking how to make wine out of berries-a reasonable enough request-only the Army doesn't give out with answers to such questions.

They Know Now All Food Doesn't Come Out of Cans!

With repeal came the renaissance of American gastronomy. Slowly, an interest in good food returned. But with the War, millions of boys are learning and discovering that all food does not come out of tin cans. And this interest is growing by leaps and bounds. In camps, soldiers have eaten freshly baked bread and the old "cotton wadding" type of bread from the corner grocery store won't have much appeal to these boys in

With Ernie Pyle at the Front

#### Trapped 8 Days in Plane, Ace Lives and Grins

Courageous Allies See War at Its Worst and Carry On

By Ernie Pyle

ON THE WESTERN FRONT .- When you're wandering around our very far-flung front lines-the lines that in our present rapid war are known as "fluid"-you can always tell how recently the battle has swept on ahead of you.

You can sense it from the little things even more than the big

From the scattered green leaves and the fresh branches of trees still lying in the middle of the road.

From the wisps and coils of teleshone wire, hanging brokenly from high poles and entwining across

From the gray, burned-powder rims of the shell craters in the gravel roads, their

edges not yet smoothed by the pounding of military traffic. From the little pools of blood on the roadside, blood that has

only begun to

congeal and turn

black, and the

Ernie Pyle punctured steel helmets nearby. From the square blocks of building stone still scattered in the vil-lage streets, and from the sharp-edged rocks in the roads, still un-

crushed by traffic.

From the burned-out tanks and broken carts still unremoved from the road. From the cows in the fields, lying grotesquely with their feet to the sky, so newly dead they have not begun to bloat or smell.

From the scattered heaps of per-sonal debris around a gun. I don't know why it is, but the Germans always seem to take off their coats before they fiee or die.

From all these things you can tell that the battle has been recent—

from these and from the men dead so recently that they seem to be merely asleep.

And also from the inhuman quiet

Usually battles are noisy for miles around. But in this recent fast warfare a battle sometimes leaves a mplete vacuum behind it.

The Germans will stand and fight it out until they see there is no hope. Then some give up, and the rest pull and run for miles. Shooting stops. Our fighters move on after the enemy, and those who do not fight, but move in the wake of the battles, will not catch up for hours. There is nothing left behind but the remains—the lifeless

debris, the sunshine and the flowers, and utter silence.

An amateur who wanders in this a terrible sense of loneliness. Everything is dead-the men, the machines, the animals-and you alone are left alive.

One afternoon we drove in our jeep into a country like that. The little rural villages of gray stone were demolished — heartbreaking heaps of still smoking rubble. We drove into the tiny town of

La Detinais, a sweet old stone vil-lage at the "T" of two gravel roads, a rural village in rolling country, a village of not more than 50 buildings. There was not a whole build-ing left.

Rubble and broken wires still lit-

tered the streets. Blackish graystone walls with no roofs still smoldered inside. Dead men still lay in the street, helmets and broken rifles askew around them. There was not a soul nor a sound in town; the village was lifeless.

As we stood there talking in the lonely field a soldier in coveralls. with a rifle slung over his shoulder, up breathlessly, and almost

'Hey, there's a man alive in one those planes across the road! He's been trapped there for days!"

We stopped right in the middle of a sentence and began to run. We hopped the hedgerow, and ducked under the wing of the upside-down plane. And there, in the next hour, came the climax to what certainly was one of the really great demonstrations of courage in this war.

We ran to the wrecked British plane, lying there upside down, and dropped on our hands and knees and peeked through a tiny hole in

A man lay on his back in the small space of the upside-down cockpit. His feet disappeared somewhere in the jumble of dials and rubber pedals above him. His shirt was open and his chest was help. Because, you see, it was bare to the waist. He was smoking in that vacuum behind the battle, a cigaret.

He turned his eyes toward me when I peeked in, and he said in typical British manner of offhand riendliness, "Oh, hello." "Are you all right?" I asked,

He answered, "Yes, quite. Now that you chaps are here.

I asked him how long he had been trapped in the wrecked plane. He said he didn't know for sure as he had got mixed up about the passage of time. But he did know the date of the month he was shot down. He told me the date. And I said out loud, "Good God!"

For, wounded and trapped, he had been lying there for eight days!

His left leg was broken and punctured by an ack-ack burst. His back was terribly burned by raw gasoline that had spilled. The foot of his injured leg was pinned rigidly under the rudder bar.

His space was so small he couldn't quirm around to relieve his own weight from his paining back. He couldn't straighten out his legs, which were bent above him. He couldn't see out of his little prison. He had not had a bite to eat or a drop of water. All this for eight days and nights.

Yet when we found him his physical condition was strong, and his mind was as calm and rational as though he were sitting in a London club. He was in agony, yet in his correct Oxford accent he even apologized for taking up our time to get him out.

The American soldiers of our rescue party cussed as they worked, cussed with open admiration for this British flier's greatness of heart which had kept him alive and sane through his lonely and gradually hope-dimming ordeal.

One of them said, "God, but these Limies have got guts!"

It took us almost an hour to get him out. We don't know whether he will live or not, but he has a chance. During the hour we were ripping the plane open to make a hole, he talked to us. And here, in the best nutshell of a brave man whom you didn't want to badger with trivial questions, is what happened-

He was an RAF flight lieutenant, piloting a night fighter. Over a certain area the Germans began letting him have it from the ground with

machine-gun fire. The first hit knocked out his The first hit knocked out his motor. He was too low to jump, so-foolishly, he said—he turned on his lights to try a crash landing. Then they really poured it on him. The second hit got him in the leg. And a third bullet cut right across the balls of his right-hand forefingers, cliphing areas of them to the ping every one of them to the

He left his wheels up, and the plane's belly hit the ground going uphill on a slight slope. We could see the groove it had dug for about 50 yards. Then it flopped, tail over nose, onto its back. The pilot was absolutely sealed into the upsidedown cockpit.

"That's all I remember for a while," he told us. "When I came to, they were shelling all around

Thus began the eight days. He had crashed right between the Germans and Americans in a sort of pastoral no-man's-land.

For days afterwards the field in which he lay surged back and forth between German hands and ours.

His pasture was pocked with hundreds of shell craters. Many of them were only yards away. One was right at the end of his wing. The metal sides of the plane were speckled with hundreds of shrapne.

He lay there, trapped in the midst of this inferno of explosions. The fields around him gradually became littered with dead. At last American strength pushed the Germans back, and silence came. But no and only a few people were left.

#### GI Wounded Never Give Up

ribly. He slept some; part of the time he was unconscious; part of the time he undoubtedly was delirious. But he never gave up hope.

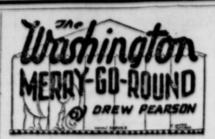
After we had finally got him out, he said as he lay on the stretcher

Everybody chuckled. The doctor back in again."

The days passed. He thirsted ter- | who had arrived said, "Not the remotest possibility. You were sealed in there and it took men with tools half an hour to make an opening. And your leg was broken and your foot was pinned there. No, you haven't been out."

under a wing, "Is it possible that I've been out of this plane since I crashed?"

"I didn't think it was possible," the pilot said, "and yet it seems in my mind that I was out once and



Washington, D. C.

PRESIDENT AND WILLKIE Only insiders know it, but after the President held his press conference denying he had sent a letter to Wendell Willkie, Judge Sam Rosenman and Steve Early rushed up to his desk and remonstrated that he had made a bad mistake. They were afraid FDR had rebuffed the man who had gone down the line for him 100 per cent on taxes, foreign policy and the war.

"They caught me a little unpre-pared on that one," the President admitted ruefully. "However, I tried to tell them it was a personal question. I didn't want to embarrass Willkie by letting people think he and I had a political deal."

Later, the President repeated to some of his cabinet that he hadn't expected the question at his news conference. Explaining that he wanted to talk to Willkie about postwar peace plans and foreign policy, not politics, he indicated that he would go ahead with his plans for the talk regardless of what had hap-

The President was quite irked that news about his letter to the former Presidential candidate had leaked out. Only a few people knew the letter existed. The carbon copy was not filed with his regular cor-respondence, and the first draft of the letter had been written in his own handwriting for Grace Tully, his secretary, to copy.

Despite this, Willkie began to get queries about the letter two weeks after he received it. The news men making the inquiries cited White making the inquiries cited white House sources, said they had the tip from Presidential secretaries. Willkie made no comment, never admitted receiving the letter, but he got the impression that the White House wanted the story out.

Therefore, you could have knocked him over with a feather when the President replied to news men last week that he didn't know anything about writing Willkie a let-

Immediately after the White House denial appeared in the press, Willkie's phone began buzzing with Republican friends warning him that Roosevelt would always kick him in the teeth. They urged him to come out for Dewey.

ARMY DEMOBILIZATION PLAN Here is the inside story on White House-war department plans for demobilizing part of the army after the defeat of Germany. The war department is planning to release about 2,000,000 men immediately after a German armistice.

Under this plan, the army will set up a point system for every man in the service, and men with sufficient points will be retired. Here is how the points will be calculated:

ice, every man will receive one

point.

2. Each month overseas will count an additional point.

3. For each battle honor, a man will receive four points.

4. The congressional medal of honor or legion of merit will count four additional points.

5. Each bronze star denoting service in battle will count four additional points.

6. For every child, a soldier

6. For every child, a soldier will receive eight points. 7. Married men without chil-

There are still several important gaps in this program which the army and the White House have not yet filled in. There still is no special credit for age. However, it is al-ready decided that, because the army will have a greater need for air men in the Pacific, a separate system will be set up for dischargng air corps veterans. Of course, the basic point which everybody wants to know is: "How many points will a man need to get out?" That has not yet been determined.

It has been determined, however, that at the end of the Atlantic war, the navy does not plan to release any of its men.

It can also be revealed that President Roosevelt is anxious to discharge hardship cases first.

When the President discussed this plan recently with several senators, they asked him how he planned to handle the problem of policing Germany and other occupied enemy territory after the armistice. He replied that he hoped to do so by using men who have learned to like the army, plus professional diers who were in the army before the selective service program got under way. He also plans to use men who have had no overseas experience and want to volunteer for it now.

CAPITAL CHAFF

@ Busman's holiday: Walter Win-chell sitting in the Stork club until all hours of the night - on a vaca-

¶ Seen at the Capitol: Senator Russell of Georgia carefully teaching a stray dog to go through the revolving doors of the senate office building. The pup had got penned up inside the senate.

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4. By what method do the mem bers of Finland's parliament vote? 5. Who delivered the famous

Cooper Union address?

6. What do the British call our baby flat-tops or escort carriers?

#### The Answers

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#### Marine Aviator In Fights With Japs Downs 14

Bails Out of Bullet-Ridden Plane Into Sea and Is Rescued.

By CAPT. WILEUR J. THOMAS MUNDA AIRFIELD. - Marine Aviator First Lieut. Wilbur J. Thomas of Eldorado, Kan., encountered "about 15" Zeros, blasting three of them out of the skies and sharing of Jap planes now stands at 14.

In the middle of the fight, his bullet-riddled Corsair (Vought F4U) began spitting oil and the engine froze. In a few seconds he was heading downward into the sea and bailed out, but was rescued several

While escorting dive bombers striking at the Jap Kahili airdrome, Zero fighters.

The first Jap he shot down came front on at his wingman and then assed through the gun sights of Lieutenant Thomas, his belly in perfect view. The marine sent a long burst of hot lead into the Jap and he "burst into a mass of flames. But before he had given the finishing blow to the Jap, his wingman had riddled him enough to make him

giving him half of the credit. Two Zeros were on the tail of one of Lieutenant Thomas' companions. He went after them and they ran. Another Zero closed in on a marine fighter pilot. This time Lieu-tenant Thomas tailed in on the Jap and shot him to bits before he had time to fire at the other marine.

smoke. This is the plane he shared,

Zeros Swarm Like Bees. In a split second, a Jap was making a head-on run at the marine pi-They traded a burst of lead and the Jap began to smoke and burn at the wing roots. As the Zero fell, Lieutenant Thomas saw the Jap pilot

While the Jap plane was still fall-ing, Lieutenant Thomas saw a Corsair zoom past him, with a Zero hot on his tail. He peeled over, put a burst into the enemy and "the Zero burst into flames and spun down."

Zeros were swarming around like bees, as Lieutenant Thomas put another burst in a Jap, saw pieces fall off his plane but did not see him smoke or crash.

Enemy bullets ridiled the rear of the marine's plane and he dove to head home. Oil was splashing on the left side of the greenhouse and he couldn't see whether or not the Japs were still on his tail.

The plane couldn't hold altitude and then the engine froze. The pilot looped it over and hit the silk. His companions circled, offering protec-tion, and marked the spot where he

The experience of being shot down was nothing new to Lieutenant Thomas. He had done it once before. Once in his small rubber boat he did his best to paddle away from enemy shore positions, but the winds and currents were too strong for him. Exhausted he covered himself with his parachute and began to doze off. He awakened to find a large bird, probably an albatross, perched

Plays Possum. "I played possum with it for a while just to see what it would do," he said, "then ventured to move a bit. The bird didn't seem alarmed, and it stayed there completely unconcerned. I put my hand out to stroke its head, but, instead of flying away, it bit my finger and shook it like a puppy shaking a rag. How-ever, it did not hurt."

Search planes then came into sight, but apparently they could not find the lieutenant. He did everything to attract their attention, but to no avail.

Disappointed and a little worried, he decided to take his mind off the situation by fishing. "The fish situation by fishing. "The fish weren't as friendly as the bird," he said. "I got no bites at all."

Late in the afternoon, the search planes appeared again, but this time tne fighters saw the tiny rubber boat bouncing on the water. A rescueplane landed on the water and soon Lieutenant Thomas was on his way back with this fighting squadron.

#### Sold er Is Captured

After Six-Hour Search VINELAND, N. J.-Sergt, Charles Palka, 25, reported absent without leave from an army camp in Colorado, was captured at the home of his sister here at 1 a. m. after a six-hour hunt by police through wood-ed sections between Vineland and Carmel, 14 miles southwest of this town.

State police at the Malaga barracks received information that Palka was at the home of his parents in Carmel. Police said that the soldier escaped into the woods and evaded them until he reached the home of his sister, Catherine. Police announced he will be turned over to army authorities.

#### 12 of 13 in One Family

Numbered as War Dead BELFAST, NORTHERN IRE-LAND.-One Belfast family lost 12 of its 13 members in the war.

In an air raid in 1941, the father, mother, six brothers, a sister and her husband and child were killed. Recently Able Seaman Henry Clarke was reported missing and presumed lost at sea. The surviving brother is a war worker.

John Henry Curry, after a visit with his mother, Mrs. Maple Curry at Mesquite, left Friday for Fort Ord, Calif., from which place he expects to be sent to the Pacific Islands He trained at Camp Elliott, Calif.

Mrs. Juanita Ellis returned last Friday from a visit in Amarillo.

Miss Myrtie Ledbetter was among Friday's shoppers in O'-

John D. Coff Jr., after a visit with his parents at Mesquite, left another with his wing man. His bag Friday for Fort Custer, Mich., Jno. D. has been stationed for the past 16 months with the U. S. forces in North Africa. He is with a military police escort guard company, his duties being largely to convey Germnn prisoners to prison camps. He accompanied a big lot Lieutenant Thomas ran into the Jap of Nazi prisoners to this country from North Africa.

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While Walter Winchell Is Away, This Month, His Column Will Be Conducted by Guest Columnists.

#### Nightlife Murders Baseball Says Babe Ruth

By the Home-Run King Himself Propped up on a cot in a hospital for several weeks recently, follow-

ing an operation for the removal of a cartilage from my right knee, I spent a lot of time considering the future of baseball.

Let's start with that nocturnal nuisance, night baseball. It's murdering the sport with the help of the cradle-robbing magnates, who are killing the source and substance of the game by neglect of the kids, without whom it cannot exist.

Night baseball is strictly a business proposition-an offshoot of war

One or two games a week to give the defense workers a break is O.K. But now both major leagues are planning four and five a week. That will spell the end of the sport.

The magnates won't give up the regular week-end gravy of Saturday, and Sunday daylight games. That will mean a layoff Monday and four

To the players, this will be a drastic and unhealthy way of life. Eye trouble will develop. Right now night games are compelling some players who never had to use glasses. to wear 'em. Babe Dahlgren is an

Irregular meals and sleep is another disadvantage. An athlete can't get along without regular sleep and that will be impossible under a day and night schedule of games.

#### Danger of Catching Colds In Night Games

Imagine what will happen to the veterans, pitchers in particular. A pitcher perspires profusely during a game. In the daytime, usually with the sun shining, there is less danger of catching cold.

I know what I am talking about. I caught one of the worst colds of my career in a night game, merely cting as a coach when I was with Brooklyn. What it is doing to those two-inning pitchers can well be im-

As for the fans. It's a mistake to hink the men of the family are going to attend four night games regularly each week. Mothers, wives and girl friends will soon stop that!

Much publicity already has been given to the fact that night baseball will take the game away from youngsters. Kids are the backbone of the game. Smart baseball officials have done everything possible in the past to promote the interest of these free to week-day, daylight games.

Boys, as prospective big leaguers, are not cetting a square shake from organized baseball, The major clubs show no interest in a boy until he's 16 and can get working papers. Then, if he's got the stuff, they send him out to a Class D league where they squeeze what they can out of him as a hired hand.

#### Softbal and Baseball

Just Don't Mix

There seems to be a growing apathy toward baseball. The village, town and former hot neighborhood teams and rivalries are fading. This cannot be attributed to the war, because the boys who made up those teams were usually under draft age.

I hate softball, though I approve any game that gets kids out in the sun, but softball has ruined many a potential big leaguer. You cannot play softball and excel at baseball. Progress is also pushing baseball

aside. Bit, by bit, we see the growth of cities and towns wipe out sandlots and semi-pro ballparks. Even in small villages you will discover cornfields that once were baseball diamonds. No efforts are made to save the diamonds.

Where are the kids going to turn

The kids themselves tossed the answer to me at one of my recent Saturday morning radio broadcasts on the A. G. Spalding program. Devise a plan whereby the big leagues would sponsor baseball schools throughout the country, using retired star players as instructors.

Boys start playing the game at eight years and, until they become 16, get little or bad schooling in the sport. So they acquire unbreakable habits in batting, throwing, sliding and fielding unless they are naturalborn players like the Otts. Cobbs. Collins, Speakers, etc. With professional coaching, the kids would be fit for league play anytime they were

I played during the last war and can vouch for the fact that few of the players who saw active service ever reached top form again. Some of the aces like Capt. Hank Greenberg and Bill Dickey, who are along in years, may never return to the game. Chaps like Joe DiMaggio, Bob Feller, Ted Williams and Terry Moore, depending on the type and length of their service, may take as long as three years or more to hit their former tride again, if they ever hit it

#### With Ernie Pyle at the Front

### Brave Medics Carry On Under Heavy Nazi Shelling

While Hundreds Are Hit, Ernie Has Charmed Life and Escapes

By Ernie Pyle

ON THE WESTERN FRONT .- The afternoon was tense, and full of caution and dire little might-have-beens.

I was wandering up a dirt lane where the infantrymen were squatting alongside in a ditch, waiting their turn to advance. They always squat like that when they're close to the front.

one I had just left had been hit

A solid armor-piercing shell had gone right through a window

and a man I knew had his leg cut off. That evening the

other officers took the big steel slug over to the hospital so he

When I got to another battalion

command post, later in the day,

they were just ready to move. A ser-

geant had been forward about half

a mile in a jeep and picked out a

farmhouse. He said it was the clean-

est, nicest one he had been in for a

So we piled into several jeeps and

drove up there. It had been only

about 20 minutes since the sergeant

had left. But when we got to the

A shell had hit it in the last 20

minutes and set it afire, and it had

burned to the ground. So we drove

up the road a little farther and

picked out another one. We had

been there about half an hour when

In a few minutes our litter bear-

ers came past, carrying a captain.

That's the way war is on an afternoon that is tense and full of might-have-beens for some of us, and

It just depends on what your num-ber is. I don't believe in that number business at all, but in war you sort of let your belief hover around

it, for it's about all you have left.

One afternoon I went with our

battalion medics to pick up wounded

men who had been carried back to

some shattered houses just behind

our lines, and to gather some others

The battalion surgeon was Capt Lucien Strawn, from Morgantown,

W. Va. He drives his jeep himself

and goes right into the lines with

We drive forward about a mile in

bearers they were even riding on

the hood. Finally we had to stop

and wait until a bulldozer filled a

new shell crater in the middle of the

road. We had gone only about a hundred yards beyond the crater

when we ran into some infantry.

"Be careful where you're go-ing. The Germans are only 200

Captain Strawn said

men that way so he turned

around to try another way. A side road led off at an angle

from a shattered village we had just passed through. He decided

But when we got there the road

had a house blown across it, and it

was blocked. We went forward a

little on foot and found two deep

So Captain Strawn walked back

to the bulldozer, and asked the

driver if he would go ahead of us and clear the road. The first thing

the driver asked was, "How close to

it isn't any closer than you are right

now." So the dozer driver agreed

While we were waiting a soldier

came over and showed us two eggs

he had just found in the backyard of

a jumbled house. There wasn't an

untouched house left standing in the

town, and some of the houses were

At the far edge of the town we

came to a partly wrecked farm-

house that had two Germans in it-

one was wounded and the other was

just staying with him. We ran our

jeeps into the yard and the litter

The doctor took his scissors and

began cutting his clothes open to

see if he was wounded anywhere

except in the arm. He wasn't. But

he had been sick at his stomach

and then rolled over. He was sure

When they turned away from the

jeep, they turned slowly and un-

steadily, a step at a time, like men

who were awfully drunk. Their

mouths hung open and their eyes

stared, and they still held onto each

other. They were just like idiots. They had found more war than the

bearers went on across the field.

to clear the road ahead of us.

The doctor said, "Well, at least

bomb craters, also impassable.

the front is it?"

still smoking inside.

a superman sad sack.

Shell Shocked GIs Wring Ernie's Heart

Two shock cases came staggering | corner until we came back, and then

down the road toward us. They were they could ride.

told them to wait down at the next | human spirit can endure.

to try to get up that road.

couldn't get to the wound

They stopped us and said:

yards up the road."

hit right beside his

awful realities for others.

right off the battlefield.

new house, it wasn't there.

while I was on the way.

would have a souvenir.

long time.

Suddenly German shells started banging around us. I jumped into a ditch between a couple of soldiers and squatted. Shells were clip-

ping the hedge tops right over our heads and crashing into the next pasture. Then suddenly

one exploded, not with a crash, but with a ring as though you'd struck a hightoned bell. The debris of burned

wadding and dirt came showering down over us. My head rang, and my right ear uldn't hear anything. The shell had struck behind us,

20 feet away. We had been saved the earthen bank of the hedgerow. It was the next day before my ear returned to normal. A minute later a soldier crouch-

ing next in line, a couple of feet away, turned to me and asked, 'Are you a war correspondent?" I said I was, and he said, "I want a shell struck in an orchard 50 yards to shake your hand." And he

reached around the bush and we That's all either of us said. It He was the surgeon of our adjo didn't occur to me until later that it was a sort of unusual experience. ing battalion, and he had been look-ing in the orchard for a likely place to move his first-aid station. A shell

And I was so addled by the close explosions that I forgot to put down

A few minutes later a friend of mine, Lieut. Col. Oma Bates of Gloster, Miss., came past and said he was hunting our new battalion command post. It was supposed to be in a farmhouse about a hundred yards from us, so I got up and went with him. We couldn't find it at first. We lost about five minutes, walking around in orchards looking for it. That was a blessed five minutes. For when we got within utes. For when we got within 50 yards of the house it got a direct shell hit which killed one officer and wounded several

The Germans now rained shells around our little area. You couldn't walk 10 feet without hitting the ground. They came past our heads so quickly you didn't take time to fall forward-I found the quickest way down was to flop back and side-

In a little while the seat of my pants was plastered thick with wet red clay, and my hands were scratched from hitting rocks and briars to break quick falls.

Nobody ever fastens the chin straps on his helmet in the front lines, for the blasts from nearby bursts have been known to catch helmets and break people's necks. Consequently, when you squat quickly you descend faster than your helmet and you leave it in midair above you. Of course in a fraction of a second it follows you down and hits you on the head, and settles sideways over your ear and down over your eyes. It makes you feel

Once more shells drove me into a roadside ditch. I squatted there, just a bewildered guy in brown, part of a thin line of other bewildered guys as far up and down the ditch as

you could see. It was really frightening. Our own shells were whanging overhead and hitting just beyond. The German tore through the orchards around us. There was machine gunning all around, and bullets zipped

through the trees above us. I could tell by their shoulder patches that the soldiers near me were from a division to our right, and I wondered what they were doing there. Then I heard one of them

'This is a fine foul-up for you! I knew that lieutenant was getting lost. Hell, we're service troops, and here we are right in the front lines. Grim as the moment was, I had to laugh to myself at their pitiful

I left a command post in a farmhouse and started to another about 10 minutes away. When I got there, they said the

not wounded but were completely

broken-the kind that stab into your

They were shaking all over, and

had to hold onto each other like

little girls when they walked. The

doctor stopped them. They could

barely talk, barely understand. He

#### Hope Seen for Malaria Cure

#### Experiments by Scientists At Atlanta Prison Give Promise of Relief.

WASHINGTON .- Bureau of prisons officials say there is strong hope that American scientists may have developed a cure for malaria after four months of an unusual government experiment at the Atlanta federal prson.

Malaria has been, and still is, one of the major obstacles of nature for Allied and Axis armies alike, particularly in the Pacific and Far Eastern theaters. Moreover, the Allied cause has been hampered by the loss of 95 per cent of the world's quinine supply to the Japanese.

The nature of the new drugs, being used to treat prisoners who volunteer to be infected by malariacarrying mosquitoes, cannot be revealed. It is not known whether the initial success of the experiment has contributed to malaria treatment in combat up to this time.

#### Extremely Hopeful.

However, army and navy medical officials and other medical men are extremely hopeful about the future essibilities which may result from the Atlanta project.

The experiment is being conducted jointly by the bureau of prisoners, the United States public health serv-ice and the national research council. It began in March with the infection of a group of specially picked volun-teers. Periodically since then, in groups of 15, other volunteers have submitted to the test.

The process of infection involves dividing the 15-man groups into five smaller groups of three men each. The latter groups are bitten by the same infected insect.

Thus, those infected similarly and multaneously make possible a clinical study of the comparative effects of the disease and the treatment. It is understood that each 15-man crew ust be treated ordinarily for 60

#### Test on Volunteers.

Only physically and mentally perfect volunteers are accepted for the project, according to prison officials, inasmuch as there is an element of danger involved. Up to the present time, it was said, no fatalities have occurred. The men have experienced illness of varying degrees.

The experiment was deemed necessary because neither quinine nor its more recent substitute, atabrine, actually cure malaria.

Armed forces personnel who responded to those drugs were found to be very susceptible to a recurrence of the disease as soon as they returned to a malarial environment

#### Sicily Harvest Worries Italian Authorities

concern over the harvest in Sicily where, he said, agents of Sicilian separatists are telling farmers to consume the wheat themselves and not send it to Italy.

He warned that the Italian government and the Allies would take strong measures against violations of the harvest laws.

This year's harvest is one of the most important concerns of the Italian government, and Granaii del Popolo (granaries of the people) have been set up to take care of it. They consist of local committees, representing all agricultural classes and presided over by the mayor.

They decide whether the yield declared by farmers corresponds to the amount actually harvested. Penalties, including imprisonment, are provided for infractions.

#### 'Sea Mule' Used by Yanks To Push the Invasion On A BRITISH PORT .- American in-

vasion forces have come through with another odd weapon-the "sea

This craft is used for pushing and towing. It takes the place of a tug but is more maneuverable, and is very cheap to build. It is shipped across the ocean in five parts, and is easily assembled at invasion ports for the trip across the channel.

It has a two-foot draft, carries a five man crew, has two powerful engines, and is virtually unsinkable.

#### Unit Formed to Restore Rome Property to Jews ROME.-Lieut. Col. Charles Po-

letti, AMG commissoner for Rome announced formation of an all-Italian committee whose function will be restoration of the property and ssessions of persecuted Jews and anti-Fascists in the Rome area. Some 11,000 Jews are involved. Poletti said housing would be provided for those whose homes were wrecked by Fascists and Nazis.

#### Britain Warns Neutrals About German Treasures

LONDON. - Britain has warned heads of neutral treasuries and banks that Nazi fortunes deposited with them will be regarded by the United Nations as legitimate contraband for confiscation, Lord Selborne, British minister of economic warfare, announced.

Lord Selborne revealed that representative Nazis already have attempted to deposit fortunes in neu-

#### Life in Burma Is Tough, Yanks Find

#### Discovery of One Fat Pig Is Important Event.

WITH THE CHINESE EXPEDI-TIONARY FORCE. - Eating and sleeping with their Chinese allies in the Salween river offensive, American liaison teams under the command of Brig. Gen. Frank Dorn live on rice, wild pig and pack horses, and lead perhaps the most rugged campaign life of any United States army unit in action anywhere in the world.

On some sectors of the front they live on red rice and half of a small can of "C" ration per man daily. With the Chinese, the Americans for-age through deserted villages of the mountain front for anything green that can be eaten. Pack horses that die beside the trail are skinned and divided up immediately.

Many of the wild pigs left to roam by fleeing natives are shot and boiled. There isn't enough fat on the hogs to fry them in. Lieut. Col. Oscar R. Dips, Free-

port, Ill., who has been helping the Chinese direct air support on the mountains, told of a day when the Americans finally found a fat pig. Some of the American boys on my radio team found a pig that was

well filled out the way pigs should be in the corner of a mountain com-"We were all sitting around the fire, soaked and hungry, when one

of the boys brought the squealing pig in. The sight of our guns and drawn knives as we jumped up must have been too much for him. He broke away and scampered down the mountain. There wasn't any chance of eatching him. "That night some strong men broke down and nearly cried.

"The next day the boys spotted that porker again and shot him on

Dips said the Chinese general he was assigned to had given him a saddle horse, but he couldn't ride

"The horse's legs were too short, or mine were too long—I don't know which. Anyway, I couldn't ride him. I would have him walk up the trails, and I would walk behind him hang-ing on to the horse's tail."

#### Radio Drying Speeds Up **Penicillin Production**

NEW YORK.—Penicillin produc-tion has been speeded up by 24 hours time through a cooking-by-radio process that has replaced a freezedrying method.

According to Radio Corporation of America, which has perfected the new system, heat generated by radio currents now can accomplish in 30 minutes what it took a freezedehydrator 24 hours. The electronic method of drying the infection-kill-SALERNO, ITALY.—Agriculture ing drug is also far cheaper, it was Minister Fausto Gullo expressed said.

Dehydration is vital to penicillin production as a bulk reducer. After penicillin is grown and purified, approximately 90 per cent of the water is removed, increasing the potency of the drug from 40,000 units a cur'c centimeter to 100,000 units. Fr. eze-drying still will be used to powder the drug in ampoules or vials for shipment.

#### Gun's Range Is So Great It Needs Fighter 'Eyes'

ALLIED SUPREME HEADQUAR-TERS, LONDON. - The Americans have several new secret weapons to use in their march to Berlin, Maj. Gen. Harry Benton Sayler, chief ordnance officer for the European theater, disclosed.

Among them, he said, is a gun with a range so great that the usual low-speed observation planes are useless as "eyes" for it and regular fighters will be used instead.

'We recently opened fire for the first time with the longer range weapon against German headquarters," Sayler said. "A pursuit plane was used for observation. The fliers saw the German personnel trying to get away in cars and went down and shot them up."

#### She's One Out of 25,000; Her Teeth Are Perfect CHICAGO.-Lois Price, 18, of Jef-

ferson, Iowa, who has never consumed pastry, candy, ice cream, soft drinks, coffee, tea or commercial vitamins, has "a perfect set of teeth," Dr. A. G. Barker reported in the July issue of the Journal of the American Dental Association.

"During the years of my dental practice, I have examined the teeth of approximately 25,000 people," Dr. Barker said. "Out of that vast multitude, I have found but one person whose teeth have fulfilled all the necessary specifications." Miss Price has never eaten fruit

other than oranges, Dr. Barker said.

#### Day's Fishing Nets Six Fish and One Fox

ELIZABETHTOWN, ILL.-John

H. Ledbetter, 15, and John M. Thompson, 13, caught three eels, one gar, two perch and one red fox in one day's fishing. The fox, alive and kicking, was caught when he snapped at some other fisherman's hook baited with crawfish. The boys turned him loose, as it was not the fox-hunt-

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LESSON TEXT—I Samuel 16:1-5, 11-18.
GOLDEN TEXT—Man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on
the heart.—I Samuel 16:7.

Outward appearance, by which man judges, is almost always de-ceptive. God knows the heart and is able to evaluate a man correctly. In calling David, the ruddy shepherd boy, to be king, God cut across the ideas of men, but He was, as always, right.

I. A Man from God's Storehouse (v. 1)-"I have provided."

God's great storehouses are full of blessings, material and spiritual, but He also has a great and constantly replenished reserve of men and women from which He calls and sends them forth. The thing we must guard against is the setting of hindrances in His holy way, either in our own lives or in the lives of others.

A man power shortage is very serious, for it simply cuts off the stream of production without which action becomes impossible. There should never be any shortage of man power in the Lord's work, and there would never be any if all His creation were willingly subject to

God was ready to set aside Saul, and He had David ready. Samuel

and He had David ready. Samuel
the prophet was still grieving over
Saul's failure. In a sense that feeling for Saul was most commendable, but it could not go on.
When men, even of our own families or circle of friends, persist in
rebellion against the Lord, we
must not let our grief hold us back,
but move on with the man of God's

II. A Man Who Had to Be Sought

(vv. 2-5)—"Send and fetch him."

Usually those who are quick to offer themselves for an important place are not the ones for the place. And those who are sitting around doing nothing but waiting for some honor to come to them, are not the

"Let the office seek the man" is the highst ground, even in politics; surely it must be the proper proce-

dure in spiritual activity.

David might well have wanted to be at the place of sacrifice and the feast that day, but since all his family were there, and someone had to care for the sheep, he did it. A man like that, hard at his work, is well worth seeking when something important needs to be done

The interesting story of Samuel's effort to find one among Jesse's seven sons (vv. 6-10) is well worth reading. Samuel still had the idea that a king must be prepossessing and able to thrill men by his ap-pearance. He should have learned better from his experience with

God put him right (v. 7), and we do well to renew our thinking on that point. The world is in a place where many leaders must be chosen in the months and years just ahead. Will we be eager and willing to have God lead us in our choice? Or will we be swayed by personal interests or political expe-

III. A Man of Spirituality (vv. 11-13)—"The Spirit of the Lord came upon David."

The Holy Spirit, ever active in all periods of Bible history, became the abiding presence in the believer's heart after Pentecost, but during the Old Testament period He came on chosen individuals for a particular work. As David was anointed king the Spirit came upon him for that service. In spite of his failings (when he forgof the Lord) David was throughout his reign a spiritually-minded man who wanted God's will and His glory to be uppermost.

God never calls a man without enabling him for his task, and the chief and indispensable enabling is that of the Holy Spirit's power. Like David, we may enter upon a Godappointed responsibility without fear or question, simply trusting the Holy Spirit to take, transform, empower, and use us for God's

IV. A Man Willing to Serve (vv.

14-18). Upon Saul there came tremendous moods of despondency. These were "from the Lord" (v. 14) in the sense that God permitted His disobedient and rejected servant to suffer the result of his self-will and failure. How awful it is for anyone to be out of the will of God and conscious of His disapproval.

To help Saul in those dark hours David, the sweet singer of Israel, was willing to serve with his voice and his harp. How many thou-sands of times David has served all the generations since with his psalms. He was a man of gifts, gladly given for the Lord and for

Bear in mind that while David was not yet publicly crowned, he was already anointed to be king. Yet he was ready to serve the one whose place he was to take even in his hours of dejection and hateful

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THE STORY THUS FAR: Zorie Corey, who hates herself for being meek and shy, is half-time secretary to Prof. Folsome. She agrees to deliver some invi-tations for the professor's wife, but while in a fit of tears over the job a handsome stranger comes along and gets her story from her. He destroys the invitations and deposits them in the trash basket. Her fiance's grandfather, Admiral Duncan, calls on Zorie and fairly forces her to accept a job writing his memoirs of the Spanish-American war. Aboard the steamer, Samoa, en route to Hawaii, she dances with Steve, brother of her fiance, Paul Duncan. Steve is the handsome stranger who had destroyed those invita-

#### CHAPTER VII

Zorie got up and latched the door again. She again tested the latch.

When she was awakened in the morning, by the phone ringing, the door was open again, but no longer banging, because the ship had stopped rolling.

She waited for Amber to answer it, but Amber did not awaken. She was lying on her back. Her face, in the clear, cold light of early morning, was shocking. All color was drained from it, and it was completely relaxed. Her mouth was open a little and she seemed hardly to be breathing. Fascinated by what she saw, Zorie stared. It was not now the face of a ruthless, imperious girl, but that of a girl with no illusions, no faith, no hope.

Zorie snatched up the phone as it started to ring again.

The admiral's voice said heartily: "Good morning, Zorie, good morning! It's a beautiful day-a fine day for work-hm? What do you say we get to work as soon as you've had a bite of breakfast?"

"All right," Zorie said in her melodiously meek voice.

She found the dining-room, which was almost empty-it still lacked eighteen minutes of eight a. m .- and a steward directed her to a small table against the wall.

The waiters did not seem to have much to do, but it was a long time before one of them came to her table. He looked insolent, and when he asked for her order, he was almost rude.

She presently felt eyes staring at her. She glanced up. At a table two removed from hers sat the man with scrubby red hair and powerful sloping shoulders-the man she had seen last night outside her room lighting a cigarette and, later, at the Palm Room bar with Winthrop Lanning.

His stare was so absorbed that it did not disconcert him when her eyes met his. They were expressionless. His long dark face was expressionless. He was searching and searching her face. It was not admiration. It was the most intense concerted inquiry.

Zorie felt the heat of embarrassment and resentment flash into her cheeks. She looked away. A waiter brought him his breakfast. Its main dish was a large thick steak. He carved it and ate it with a ravenousness that appalled her. His expression was bestial. He ate swiftly, bolting the steak, gulping his coffee. Now and then he stared at Zorie. He presently lighted a cigarette, got up and left.

Zorie was finishing her cold coffee when Paul came in and sat down in the empty chair across from her. He looked as if he hadn't slept well. He was haggard and gray and his eyes had the blurred look of suffer-

"Darling, look," he said. "I'm terribly sorry about last night, but this whole thing goes much deeper than you may suspect. I admit I'm jealous of Steve. I've always been jealous of him. But it isn't just that. I know that you haven't had much experience with his kind, and I was so afraid he'd turn your head."

He looked at her with a tentative, hopeful smile. She felt sorry for Paul: sorry for his unhappy, clever, analytical mind.

"I know how he affects women. But I should have had enough brains to see then, as I do now, that you're much too wise, much too fine and balanced to let a man like Steve turn your head."

"Yes, Paul," she said gravely. "The reason the admiral is so dis-gusted with Steve," Paul went on, "is that the United States Navy is a tradition in our family. A Duncan has been a naval officer in every generation for a hundred and thirty years. John Paul Jones Duncan, for whom I was named, was an officer on a Yankee corvette when he first

saw the Islands. "There've been Duncans present at every important American naval engagement—1812, the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, the last war. My father went down with the Invincible, you know, at Jutland. Grandfather, with all his faults, is a demand fine parties. damned fine patriot. And he wanted one of us to carry on the tradition. It's a proud tradition, you see. So Steve went to Annapolis, and Steve,

in turn, became a lieutenant, j.g. Am I boring you, Zorie?"

"No," she said hastily. "Of course you aren't boring me." Her eyes had no doubt betrayed her. She was looking inward again. She was seeing Steve, tall and splendid, on the bridge of a battleship. It was where she had intuitively seen him when they stood beside the telephone

"I feel so terribly sorry about it,"

me any more. I feel sorry for the admiral, and I feel sorry for Steve, too. And for you, Paul."

He was still looking at her uneasily. "You aren't sore at me for blowing off last night?"

"No, darling," she said gently. He seemed greatly relieved. Her tenderness for Paul had returned. She could forgive him for losing his temper last night. She was gratified that he had spent such a bad night. He wasn't, after all, taking her for granted.

As she looked at him, smiling, his brother became unimportant.

And when Paul said softly, "Darling, you know I adore you," she felt her heart lift up and glow with response. And that-and not the reckless physical feeling she had for Steve-was love.

Paul went to look for someone who would play paddle tennis with him, and Zorie went down to B Deck and the admiral's suite.

Steve opened the door. He smiled in a lazy, friendly way, and his eyes, bluer than she had ever seen



"Get out of here," his grandfather said shrilly. "Stop annoying me."

them, held a twinkle, as if they shared a secret. He wore blue lounging pajamas and he reminded her more than ever of a great, lazy, dangerous cat.

"Courage, my brave," he said with a conspirator's air. "He's in there. Waiting. And it's going to be pretty tough."

Admiral Duncan, in white ducks and a short-sleeved white shirt with no necktie, was pacing up and down the lanai. He was holding a handful of scraps of yellow paper.

"Sit down, my dear, sit down!" he cried. "It's a fine morning for work, isn't it? I've decided to skip my early years and begin with Annapolis. I'll just start with my first years there-hm?"

Her pencil flew across the pinklined pages. He never paused to spell proper names. Punctuation, he ignored.

Steve stretched out in a long bamboo chair and put his chin on his hand and smoked cigarettes. He kept his eyes half-closed.

He said, after a half hour of it: "Admiral, nobody will want to read that junk. If you must write a book, why not the story of the family? Begin it with your recollections of early days in the Islands. That's a story. It's wonderful stuff."

Zorie wanted to say, "Oh, boy! Do I agree with you!" But she prudently said nothing. "I'll get to that," the admiral

said irritably. "You won't have space for it," Steve drawled.

Paul came in. He glanced into the lanai, turned and started out.
"Wait a minute," Steve halted him. "The admiral has been dictating nothing but hooey. We'd like to

have your opinion."
"I don't want anybody's opinion," the admiral barked. "Count me out of this," said Paul.
"Zorie," Steve said, "read some
of that last stuff to Paul."

While the admiral fidgeted, she read several pages of it.

"Well," Steve said presently,
"what do you think of it, Paul?"
"I have a new slogan," Paul answered. "'Avoid controversies and you won't wear out so fast.' I've been up on the bridge with the skipper. He thinks we're going to have war with Japan any minute. What's

your opinion, Admiral?" "Not for a while," the admiral said. "We have them on the run. Our Far Eastern policy is stiffer than they expected. We've called their bluff. At the proper time, our navy will go out there and blast them off the Pacific-hm?"

Zorie was watching Steve. His expression was dubious.

hope," he murmured.
"Kuruso and Admiral Nomura are a pair of beggars," the admiral went on. "They were sent to Wash-

she said. "But please don't tell | ington to beg for oil and U. S. trade. They're on their knees because Japan is terrified of our striking power."

Steve was shaking his head. "Japan is playing smart," he said. "She isn't afraid of our striking power. She has plenty of striking power of her own. The popular idea that Japan is a pushover is a mistake. I don't trust Kuruso and Nomura and I'm glad the Hawaiian Station is on battle alert."

"What's your answer to that, Admiral?" Paul asked. His face was sober but Zorie saw the malice in his eyes.

The admiral suddenly glared. "You're trying to distract me from my book!" he said angrily. won't have these interruptions! Clear out, both of you!"

Paul sauntered out, but Steve stayed. "Zorie," he said, "what's your

opinion?" "Of war with Japan?" she gasped. "No. The book."

"I'm only an amanuensis," Zorie said promptly. "Well, that's an opinion. Your

book stinks, Admiral. "Get out of here!" his grandfather said shrilly. "Stop annoying

"Look," Steve said patiently. "You want an interesting book, don't you?"

"I'm going to have an interesting

"Why," Steve said gently, "not start with the family background? That's where all autobiographies Tell us about the first Duncan-John Paul Jones Duncancoming to the islands in 1824, giving up his commission and landing in Honolulu with eighty-five cents which he ran up into the finest sug-ar plantation on-"

"Everybody knows that story," the admiral angrily interrupted.
"Do you know it, Zorie?" Steve asked

"No," Zorie said meekly.
"There you are!" Steve cried.

He resumed his dictation. But it had nothing to do with early days in the Sandwich Islands. It dealt with his pranks at Annapolis.

It was almost noon when Steve, who had been lounging all this time in the long chair and gazing out over the sparkling blue sea, again interrupted.

"Your amanuensis is a wreck, Admiral," he said. "Go out and grab some fresh air, Zorie. I have feeling that all this fascinating material will keep."

Zorie was relieved and grateful. She didn't want to be in the same room with Steve any longer. She couldn't keep her eyes off him, or her thoughts away from him.

"Take a turn on deck, my dear, admiral ordered.

Zorie crossed the other room and opened the corridor door. A man was bending down close to the door. It was the beefsteak eater-Mr. Lanning's friend. There was a cigarette in his mouth. He flicked the wheel of his lighter and lighted it.

Zorie stopped, with the door open, with her hand clutching the knob. There was no question in her mind that this man had been bending down, with his ear to the door, lis-

tening. Her impulse to call Steve was so strong that she whirled about, with her mouth open. But she changed her mind. The man with scrubby red hair and powerful shoulders was Mr. Lanning's friend, and Mr. Lanning was Steve's friend. And she intended to ask Steve no more questions about his friends . . closed the door firmly, walked past the man and went on deck.

She looked about the ship for Paul and found him stretched out in a steamer chair reading a thick book by Anna Freud. She wanted to tell him about the eavesdropper, but Paul was obviously displeased by her interruption. He kept glancing back at the page.

He was again being inconsiderate. He had evidently forgotten his morning's anguish. Having reassured himself that he had nothing to fear where Steve was concerned, he had returned her to her niche in his mind-a niche that was doubtless labelled, "Zorie, mine, nothing to worry about."

She lunched alone and returned to the admiral's suite. She was dis-appointed—and glad—that Steve wasn't there. The admiral was down on his hands and knees in the lanai with a large sheet of wrapping paper spread out before him. On it was a crude, elaborate diagram in soft pencil.

Steve walked in. Steve wore a soft white shirt without a tie, and flannels. He peered over Zorie's shoulder.

"What is it?" he asked.
"The Battle of Manila Bay," his grandfather answered.
"What," Steve asked coldly, "was the Battle of Manila Bay?"

"Get out of here!" the admiral

Steve held out his hands implor-"Zorie, I ask you! Is this ingly. stuff the admiral's been dictating to you pure bilge, or is it pure bilge?"
"Zorie!" the admiral cried.
"Hasn't he a lot of nerve telling us how we want to write our book? We're doing all right, aren't we-

snapped.

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