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Bennington Grange Holds Children's Night

The Bennington Grange offered hospitality to the children of their members on Tuesday night in the Grange hall. The children, very small, medium and large, furnished the program. One little three-year-old even sang a solo.

Gail Eaton, little great niece of Mrs. M. R. Sargent, was first on the program and spoke "When I was a Little Girl;" Sonny Taylor, small son of Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor spoke in a clear, strong voice, "Georgie Porgie;" Dorothy Chase, in her little blue dress, said "Pussy Cat, Pussy Cat," Dorothy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Chase; Alice Powers, just about three years old and with her shining crown of red hair sang, "School Days" and recited "Little Miss Muffet," a sweet little star belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Powers is Alice; Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Cashion and guest of her aunt, Mrs. Fred Sheldon, spoke "Goosie, Goosie Gander;" Bruce and Atheliah Hutchinson, niece and nephew of Miss Freida Edwards, sang and played the piano in a very accomplished manner for folks who are not so very big. The rest of the program was by larger folks of the junior group and was as follows: Vera Cashion, guest of Mrs. Fred Sheldon, "The Fountain;" Harriett Weston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Weston, "The Flag Goes By;" Ann Burns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Burns, spoke "I've Had the Measles;" George Weston, brother of Harriett, gave "The Village Blacksmith." Sometime later Velma Newton sang "Jeanie With the Light Brown Hair."

The committee, Mrs. M. E. Sargent, Miss Grace Taylor and Mrs. Maurice Newton, served refreshments of ice-cream and cookies.

NEWHALL—HODGDON

Mr. William Newhall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Olen Newhall of Bennington and Miss Ila Hodgdon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hodgdon of Claremont, were united in marriage by Rev. R. H. Tibbals of Antrim, Saturday evening June 22, 1940. The bride was attended by the groom's sister Miss Margaret Newhall, and the groom was attended by his cousin Lawrence Newhall. The double ring ceremony being used. After the ceremony the couple started on a trip to the mountains. On their return they will make their home in Bennington.

Read the Classified Columns.

Rites For Mrs. Maud M. Adams

Mrs. Maud Maria Adams, widow of David Adams, passed away at a Concord hospital. She was born in Monkton, Vermont, on October 30, 1870, the daughter of Erastus and Bertha (Littlefield) Roscoe.

She resided with her daughter, Mrs. Flora A. Bates of Antrim, coming here from Claremont in October, 1939.

The survivors are her daughter and sisters, Mrs. Garfield Grant of New Haven, Vt., Mrs. Grace Goodwin, Skowhegan, Me., Mrs. Bertha Goddard of Springvale, Me., and her brothers, Luther and Frank Roscoe of Charlotte, Vt., and Frederick Roscoe of Middlebury, Vt.

Services were held from the Woodbury Funeral Home on School street, Hillsboro, on Friday, June 21, at 2:30 p. m. Rev. Mr. Hanson of the Baptist church in Claremont officiated. The body was taken over the road to Bristol, Vt., for burial in the Greenwood cemetery, where Rev. Hugh Morton of the Baptist church of Bristol, Vt., officiated at the grave.

DAILY VACATION SCHOOL DEERING COMMUNITY CENTER

Registration cards for children who will attend the Daily Vacation School at Deering Community Center are beginning to arrive at the Center with the prospects of a fine attendance this year. Parents and guardians of children are requested to fill out these cards as early as possible, returning the same to the local committee in charge of Rev. Frank Tucker, Henniker; Mrs. Nellie Mellen of the primary teaching staff; Mrs. C. W. Wallace of Hillsboro, Rev. Wilbur W. Kamp of North Weare, Miss Alma Holmes at East Deering or through any pastor or public school official in their own community.

Parents and guardians who are able to do so are invited to share in the expense of the Vacation School by contributing to the cost of transportation. In past years many parents have contributed \$1.00 per child and some friends have supplemented these contributions with larger gifts. No child should be kept from coming for the lack of ability of parents and guardians to contribute. Every child from kindergarten to Junior high school age is welcome.

Ralph Whitcomb has moved to the Edwards bungalow on the Clinton road.

Deering Community Center Starts Summer Activities

The summer school session at Deering Community Center opened Monday, June 24th, with an offering of five Rural Extension courses which are an integral part of Boston University summer session. The program for the first three weeks is as follows:

From 8:00-10:00 each morning Prof. Walter Rautenstrauch of Columbia University conducts a seminar in "Economic Factors in Community Life." This seminar group will consider such problems as the production of wealth, the creation of services and the sharing by members of the community in the results of its activities. Special attention is being given to those economic relationships, which tend to promote co-operative living and a sense of the brotherhood of man and the worth of human personality. The basis of these studies will be the economic life and activities of Hillsboro, with business and industrial leaders of the town co-operating.

Beginning Monday, July 1st, the period from 9:00-12:00 each day, will be devoted to the Daily Vacation School, the general theme of study being "Our Relationship to the Life and Work of Our Community."

At 2:00 o'clock each day the department supervisors and teachers of the Vacation School will meet with the Director of the School, Mrs. Walter Rautenstrauch, in a "Seminar in Creative Teaching," in which the interests and needs of the children will be considered.

From 3:00-4:00 each day Miss Mildred Keefe will preside over the Dramatic Workshop participated in by the class in drama.

From 4:00-6:00 Mrs. Frieda Vargish, Supervisor of the Federal Project in Rural Child Welfare, under the Department of Public Welfare of the State of Vermont, will teach a course in "Mental Hygiene."

From 7:00-9:00 each evening Dr. Edwin L. Shaver, Secretary of the Congregational Board of Christian Education, will teach a course on "Current Emphases and Problems in Christian Education."

The opening assembly on Monday night, June 24th, was attended by faculty members, registered students and friends.

Residents of Deering and surrounding towns are welcome to register for audit attendance in any one of these courses.

RURAL CHURCH ARCHITECTURE

A lantern lecture on Rural Church Architecture will be given at Deering Community Center, Friday evening, June 28. Dr. Conover of the Architectural Bureau of the Federal Council of Churches, New York City, will be the lecturer. Everybody interested is cordially invited.

Joseph Kane and daughters, who have spent the winter in Florida, were Antrim visitors last week.

FATAL MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT NEAR HENNIKER

A fatal accident occurred at the turn near the Carmichael home on the road to Hillsboro on Monday afternoon when Raymond McBride, 20, of East Lempster, and Charles Buffum, of Marlow Junction, failed to make the turn on their motorcycle, and crashed into a tree.

The motorcycle left the road about three-fourths of the way around the turn as they were going towards Hillsboro and was found forty feet beyond the tree it struck. The body of McBride, who was killed, was found several feet farther on. The body was taken to the undertaking parlors of H. L. Holmes and Son to await arrangements. Buffum was taken to the Margaret Pillsbury Hospital suffering with severe injuries, the extent of which could not be determined. Merrimack County Solicitor Raymond Perkins, of Concord, who investigated with State Police, said the circumstances could not be determined until Buffum had recovered sufficiently for questioning.

It was not known which of the youths was operating the motorcycle. A new set of automobile plates found near the wrecked machine led to the belief that the two men were on their way home after registering a car belonging to one of them at the Motor Vehicle Department in Concord.

Antrim Locals

—Annual Strawberry Festival, Deering Town Hall, June 29. Entertainment by the California Coucens.

Miss Thelma Smith, A. H. S. '39, graduated last week from the Concord Business college secretarial course.

The Garden club will hold the July meeting at the home of Mrs. E. E. Smith at Alabama farm, Monday evening, July 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Demorest of Patterson, N. J., visited Mrs. Demorest's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Pratt, over the week-end.

Francis DeCapot of Nashua is spending the summer with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Munhall, on Concord street.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Winslow of Albany, N. Y., have arrived at Alabama Farm. Mr. Winslow will teach in a summer school as usual.

Miss Jacqueline Kidder of Keene daughter of the late Nelson Kidder of Antrim, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Werden, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Kidder, her grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt T. Hodges and daughter Eloise of Granville, Ohio, visited friends here last Tuesday. They were accompanied by a friend, Miss Rose Hanson, a missionary from Bolivia, S. A.

Former Antrim Boy Highly Honored



WILLIAM CONGREVE, JR.

In the first unanimous election ever held in the Department of Pennsylvania, William Congreve was chosen State Commander of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, an exceedingly high honor, and widely reported all over the state.

This is not the first time we have noted distinguished progress of this son of Antrim, for he has risen high in financial circles, first as head of the investment of trust funds of the State of Pennsylvania under Gov. Pinchot, and then as chief of the Municipal Bonding Department of the great banking firm of Stroud & Company in Philadelphia, his present position.

In the World War he early volunteered and served long in the mine sweeping division along the French coast. He remained in France for several months after the war as interpreter during the reconstruction, and then returned to finish his education and take his degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1922.

He has not forgotten Antrim, which he visits several times each year, and Antrim is not forgetting him. We predict further honors for our "Billie."

ANTRIM GARDEN CLUB TOUR

Between 20 and 25 members and friends of the Antrim Garden club visited a number of the beautiful gardens in town. Some of the gardens visited were of different types, showing what can be accomplished by thoughtful arrangement of species, colors and backgrounds. Among the gardens visited were Alabama Farm, Miss Turner's, Mrs. G. H. Caughey's, Mrs. Ida Hutchinson's, Miss Fluri's, Frank Wheeler's, Mrs. Flint's, Miss Winnie Cochran's, Mrs. Hattie Peaslee's, Henry Hurlin's, Miss Alice Thompson's, Mrs. Everett Davis's, Mrs. W. H. Clark's, the Antrim Library, Mrs. A. E. Young's, Mrs. M. A. Poor's, Mrs. William Hurlin's, W. Richardson's and several others. It is planned to have another tour later in the season.

ANTRIM LOCALS

Headmaster William Ramsden and Mrs. Ramsden left town Tuesday for their home in Newfields, where they will spend the summer.

Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Packard entertained a party of twelve one day last week from the church in Worcester, where Mr. Packard was formerly pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Roberts of Cambridge, Mass., and Mrs. Fred Swanson of Woodbury, Conn., visited the Wilkinson and Poor families over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Poor and Miss Marion Wilkinson went to New York City Monday to visit Miss Harriet Wilkinson, R. N., and friends. They will also visit the Fair.

FREE—a full color reproduction of Trumbull's painting, "Adoption of Declaration of Independence," illustrating a new poem by Edgar Lee Masters—on the front cover of the American Weekly Magazine with the June 30th Boston Sunday Advertiser.

Jeanette Linton Becomes Bride Of Donald M. Brown

Miss Jeanette Linton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Linton, and Donald Mason Brown, son of Mrs. Arthur E. Brown and the late Mr. Brown, of Milford, were married Saturday afternoon, June 22, at the home of the bride's parents. Rev. William McN. Kittredge, performed the ceremony before a background of mountain laurel and ferns.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white mousseline de soie with a finger tip veil and carried lilies of the valley and white roses. Her only attendant was her sister, Miss Margaret Linton, of Boston, who wore pink mousseline de soie and carried delphinium and snapdragons. Philip Brown, of Milford, was his brother's best man. Mrs. Albert Thornton played the wedding march.

Following the ceremony a reception was held on the lawn. The bride is a graduate of the Lexington, Mass. high school and of Simmons College and before her marriage was home demonstration for the extension service in Augusta, Maine. Mr. Brown is a graduate of Milford, N. H. high school and attended the University of New Hampshire, and is in business in Milford, where they will make their home.

CROOKER—THIBADEAU

Miss Margaret Thibadeau, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Thibadeau, became the bride of Norman T. Crooker Saturday morning. The single ring service was used by Father Hogan at Bennington. The bride was gowned in a Nile green traveling suit with white accessories and carried a bouquet of tea roses. Priscilla Thibadeau, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid and Raymond Mann, best man.

A wedding breakfast was served to relatives and friends at the home of the bride's parents, after which the happy couple left in a shower of confetti and good wishes.

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STAGE-SCREEN-RADIO
By VIRGINIA VALE
(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

WHEN you see Paramount's version of Joseph Conrad's "Victory" (directed by John Cromwell, co-starring Frederic March and Betty Field), you'll see some of the most-traveled film ever shown. Scenes were shot in Sourabaya, on the island of Java, in the Dutch East Indies; then the cans of film were transported by train, native boat, and finally by Chinese air line to Hong Kong. A Pan-American clipper flew it to Manila, and there it stayed; so many passengers were waiting to take the clipper home that there was no room for part of a movie.

It came along on the next scheduled flight. Meanwhile the cast was working at Baldwin lake. The scenes shot in the actual location of



BETTY FIELD

the story will be slipped in with the ones shot on the American location—and it won't be surprising if the Baldwin lake shots are the more convincing.

More than 100 boys are being paid for having the time of their lives; they're portraying real-life cadets in Columbia's "Military Academy," and much of the action calls for them to disport themselves on the track and football field of a local military academy. They sprint, put the shot, pole-vault—and the checks come rolling in. Tommy Kelly, Bobby Jordan, David Holt and Jackie Searl are in the cast.

Four-year-old Dickie Lyon, son of Bebe Daniels and Ben Lyon, (and don't tell me that you don't remember those two picture stars!) is worried. He's working in "The Howards of Virginia," and doesn't want his parents to find it out.

"They told me pictures was bad," he declares.

Bebe and Ben have been starring in a stage play in London, and they sent the boy back to California to live with his grandmother several months ago, because of the war. Frank Lloyd, who's directing "The Howards of Virginia," persuaded Mrs. Daniels to let Dickie take the role of the young son of Cary Grant and Martha Scott, and Dickie is doing remarkably well—except that he's worried. He's afraid of what his mother will think when she sees him on the screen.

"Maybe she won't like it," he says, ominously.

But Lloyd's not anxious. Some time ago he told Bebe that little Dickie was a good picture prospect, and she said, "I'd trust him with you."

Uncle Ezra (Pat Barrett) of radio's National Barn Dance is highly enthusiastic over making movies in Hollywood, but the most difficult thing he had to adjust himself to was the delay in starting. He recently returned to Chicago from the cinema city after making "Coming 'Round the Mountain" with Bob Burns; later he'll go back to Paramount and do two more.

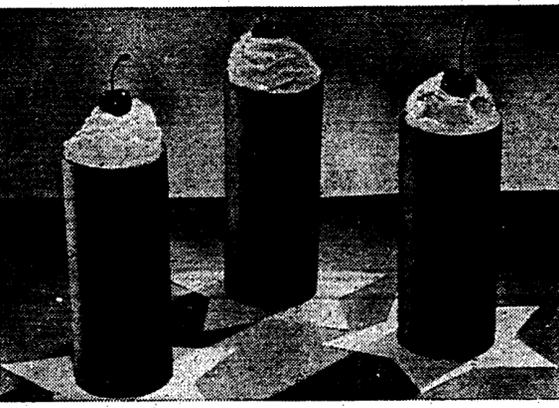
ODDS AND ENDS—Gary Cooper has a photograph of his two-year-old daughter, Mary, enclosed in the dashboard of his car. —Aenes Moorehead used a train and three planes in a frantic effort to get to New York from Milwaukee for a "Big Sister" broadcast, landed in Washington, and had to give up; when she found the New York plane grounded in Milwaukee because of bad weather, she flew to Cleveland, then to Pittsburgh, then to Washington, only to find that there wasn't enough time left to reach New York for the broadcast. —Virginia Dale and Lillian Cornell, whom you've seen or perhaps will see in "Buck Benny Rides Again," will supply the feminine interest in "Touchdown," with Wayne Morris.

Frances Langford finished a broadcast, then drove 700 miles to the Navajo Indian reservation in Arizona to spend her second wedding anniversary with her husband, Jon Hall, who's starring in "Kit Carson," an Edward Small production.

There are 50,000 Navajo Indians on the reservation, but the role of Indian chief went to Al Kikumi, a full blooded Hawaiian. After numerous tests Producer Small came to the conclusion that Kikumi looks more like an Indian chief than any of the Indians do.

Household News

By Eleanor Howe



A 'SAFE AND SANE' PARTY
(See Recipes Below)

Why not plan a party for the Fourth of July, to keep the youngsters in the family happy and out of mischief? It might be a party on the porch or in the yard—or a picnic in the country, if you prefer it. Make it a family affair, or invite a youthful guest or two to keep your own children company.

Whatever type of party you plan, make it a festive affair—with gay table decorations (if refreshments are being served at home), very special "Party foods" and patriotic party favors, too. Gaily colored paper table cloths and napkins are a must, and they do save work! And be sure to provide balloons and snapper crackers, or noisemakers of another kind.

Plan definite entertainment, with an active game or two to permit the children to use up excess energy, and a "pencil and paper" or guessing game to play when a little rest is in order. Pencil and paper games such as these two might be used—and you'll find that adults as well as young people enjoy them.

Jumbled Names.
Prepare for each player a typed or mimeographed copy of the following list of scrambled letters each of which, when unscrambled, spells the name of a famous American. To get an idea of what the game is like, why not try your own luck with the list before looking at the answers?

- Lyemkicn
- Nartg
- Connill
- Sajonck
- Gerphnis
- Gotninhaws
- Karnilif
- Smada
- Sejrefofn
- Swebret

How did you do? Here are the answers: McKinley, Grant, Lincoln, Jackson, Pershing, Washington, Franklin, Adams, Jefferson and Webster.

- Menu for July Fourth Party.**
- Tomato Aspic Salad
 - Assorted Sandwiches
 - Potato Chips
 - Ice Cream Fire Crackers
 - Pinwheel Cookies
 - Beverage

Parfait glasses full of Peppermint Stick ice cream, camouflaged in red paper cylinders to look like giant firecrackers, are amusing for a Fourth of July dessert. Top the ice cream with a cherry, with the stem left on to form the firecracker wick. And serve Pinwheel Cookies to complete the "fireworks dessert."

- Chocolate Pinwheels.**
- 1/2 cup shortening
 - 1/2 cup granulated sugar
 - 1 egg
 - 2 cups cake flour
 - 1 teaspoon baking powder
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 3 tablespoons milk
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 - 1 ounce chocolate (melted)
 - 1 teaspoon cinnamon

Cream shortening thoroughly and add sugar slowly. Add egg and beat well. Mix and sift all dry ingredients and add, together with the milk and the vanilla. Divide dough into 2 parts. To one part add the melted chocolate. To the other add the cinnamon. Roll each part one-eighth inch thick. Place the chocolate dough on the cinnamon dough and roll up like a jelly roll. Wrap in wax paper and chill for several hours. Cut in thin slices and bake on a lightly greased cookie sheet in a moderate oven (350 degrees) for 8 to 10 minutes.

- Potato Chips.**
- 4 medium sized potatoes
 - 2 to 3 pounds fat
 - Salt

Pare and cut potatoes into very thin slices. Allow sliced potatoes to stand in ice water until firm (about 1 hour). Heat fat to 375 degrees. Blot potatoes dry with a clean towel

and place potato slices in French fry basket. Immerse basket in hot fat by handle. Keep potatoes moving constantly so that the slices do not stick together. Remove basket and drain potatoes on brown paper. Sprinkle with salt.

Tomato Aspic.

- 4 cups canned tomatoes
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- Dash of pepper
- 1 bay leaf
- 1/2 cup celery (chopped)
- 1 tablespoon onion (chopped)
- 4 whole cloves
- 2 tablespoons gelatin
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/4 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce

Combine the tomatoes, salt, pepper, bay leaf, celery, onion and cloves. Cook gently for 10 minutes and strain. Soak gelatin in cold water and add to the hot tomato mixture, together with Worcestershire sauce, stirring well. Pour into ring mold and chill until set. Unmold on large plate, garnish with lettuce or watercress and fill center with cabbage salad.

Magic Peppermint Stick Ice Cream.

- 1 1/2 cups (1 can) sweetened condensed milk
- 2 cups thin cream or evaporated milk
- 1 cup cold water
- 1/4 cup crushed peppermint stick candy

Blend sweetened condensed milk, thin cream, and water. Freeze in 2-quart freezer using a mixture of 3 parts ice to 1 part rock salt. Remove dasher. Add crushed peppermint stick candy. Pack in ice and salt for 1 hour or more after freezing. Makes 1 1/2 quarts.

Special Peanut Butter Sandwich Filling.

- (Makes 1 cup filling)
- 1 ripe banana
- 1 cup peanut butter
- 1/4 cup dates, cut fine
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice

Mash banana with a fork and thoroughly blend in remaining ingredients.

Ice Cream Cone Clowns.

Place a ball of ice cream on a butter cookie, and with raisins or tiny gumdrops make eyes, nose and mouth in the ice cream. Place a cone jauntily on top of the ice cream. Add a ruff of whipped cream around the clown's neck.

Brown Bread Sandwiches.

- 1 loaf brown bread
- 1 3-ounce package cream cheese
- 2 tablespoons butter

Slice brown bread very thin. Mix cream cheese and butter together thoroughly. Spread brown bread slices generously with the cheese mixture.

Send for Your Copy Now!
Feeding Father is a pretty important part of a homemaker's responsibility. When it comes right down to cases, most of us plan meals to please the man of the family—and it isn't always easy to give father his favorite foods and provide a wholesome, well-balanced meal in the bargain.

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Refrigerator Packing
When storing foods in the refrigerator, always take them out of their delivery wrapping paper. If you want to keep them covered, however, rewrap them in waxed paper.

Corner Cupboards
Many a dining room can be improved in looks and made more useful by building in corner cupboards.

They Stay Green
Cook peas and green beans uncovered if you want them to retain their color.

AROUND the HOUSE

Items of Interest to the Housewife

Cracks underneath a rug are very hard on the rug and should be filled whenever possible. Tear newspaper into small pieces and let soak in alum and glue water until pulpy. Fill the cracks with the pulp and press in hard and smooth with a spatula until even with the floor. Then stain or paint floor when it hardens.

Salt added to potatoes when nearly boiled insures their flakiness and prevents them from going to pieces in the boiling process.

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Spotlight OF GRANTLAND RICE

The New York Yankees are looking closely at the Red Sox and the Indians. Although holding every club in the league dangerous on any given occasion, they naturally expect the strongest resistance from those two teams.

They are concerned with the pitching in Boston and Cleveland. As they see it, they will be aided by a continuance of the ineffectiveness of Old Mose Grove and menaced by the skill of Bob Feller. They even think—at least some of them that I talked to the other day—that these two pitchers, one near the end of the string as a big leaguer and the other just heading into the days of his greatness, may bring about a change in the positions of their two leading rivals.



Bob Grove

As Joe McCarthy puts it, Feller is doing for the Indians what Grove used to do for the Red Sox but can do no longer, apparently: step in and halt their skidding with a well-pitched game when the other pitchers are faltering. So far, of course, the Red Sox have managed to do all right without Old Mose in the form he held through last year. But what of the months ahead—the hot months when the strain will be heavier on the other pitchers.

Grove Through at Last?

I asked some of the Yanks if they thought Old Mose was through—that after 15 years of hurling, during which he slipped under the .500 mark only once, and that in his first year out of Baltimore—if the Longcoming Limited really had lost his stuff. I asked them that, remembering that everybody thought he was through as far back as 1934 when he won only eight games in his first year in Boston.

They remembered that, too—and remembered how he came back with a rush—and what a pitcher he was right up to the end of last season. Only one of them answered.

"I don't know," he said, "but that's what we heard when we were in Boston. The dope we got was that while he might come through with a good game once in a while—might get out there any afternoon



BOB FELLER

and blow that curve ball of his around the plate and then let go with a fast one now and then just to remind the hitters he still has it—he isn't going to be much real help to the club any more.

"If that's so, those other Boston pitchers had better be hot all season. Check back and you'll find that the 15 games Grove won last year meant the difference between second place and fourth—at least."

The Yanks Admire Them

Incidentally, Grove and Feller, who may in one way or the other have such an effect not only on the fate of their own clubs but on the fate of the Yankees as well, are two of the Yanks' favorite athletes.

Naturally, they like to beat the two Bobs every time they hook up with them. But they admire Grove for his year-in and year-out performances, the courage he showed in beating his way back when everybody had him tagged for the cleaners and the skill with which he has made over his pitching style.

They Don't Like 'Showboats'
They admire Feller not only for the natural stuff he has but for the way he has taken his fame in stride. There are no swelled-heads or show-offs among the Yankees and they freely hand it to the kid from Van Meter for having already touched greatness without making any fuss about it.

The Yanks, I might say, are critical of ball players they call "showboats." Not understanding Dizzy Dean, they took an almost violent dislike to him and got a terrific kick out of his crack-up in the all-star game in Washington in 1937 and the defeat they slapped on him in the World Series of 1938.

But Diz got them on his side after the final game of the 1938 series when he walked into their clubhouse at the Stadium and said he hated to lose but getting beaten by a great ball club took some of the sting out of the defeat.

Speaking of Sports

Sarazen, Like Old Man River, Keeps Rolling

By ROBERT McSHANE
(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

That sturdy little Roman, Gene Sarazen, gave golfdom one of its major thrills a short time ago when the fates decided that he and Lawson Little should battle it out for the forty-fourth National Open championship.

Little won the match, and no one denies that his was a gallant victory. But it was a sad blow to the thousands of fans who have rooted for Gene during the past 20 years. They took consolation in the fact that the 18-hole playoff was just as exciting as could be expected in a man-to-man duel between two of the greatest match players who ever lived.

Cocky and courageous, Sarazen has won virtually all the honors offered to a professional golfer. Thirty-eight years old, this was his twenty-first National Open tournament after his debut at Toledo's Inverness course. He won the Open in 1922, and again in 1932.

Standouts of the 30's

Looking back over the Terrific Thirties, one can find but a handful of standout golfers. The handful includes Ralph Guldahl, Sam Snead, Harry Cooper, and a few more. Most of the big names featured in today's golfing news belong to the Johnny-come-latelles—the boys who look good during a particularly hot stretch, and then settle down to a less publicized mediocrity.

Gene won all six of the major championships, five of them during the thirties. In 1932 he won both the U. S. and the British Open crowns, establishing a scoring record in England. In 1933 he won the Professionals' match play tournament. Two years later he scored his still famous double-eagle to tie Craig Wood and win the Augusta



GENE SARAZEN

Masters in a playoff. He was Western Open champion in 1930 and Metropolitan king in 1925.

Sarazen backers will concede that one other man was a consistently better golfer. That was Bobby Jones. From the time the Emperor Jones won his first title in 1923 until he finished competition the top man of them all was never without a title. He won 13 major championships, including the 1930 grand slam of the National Open, the National Amateur, the British Open and the British Amateur.

When Jones entered a tournament it was always him against the field. That can't be said about Sarazen or any other player since Jones' time.

Gene Calls the Turn

Gene called the turn about two months ago. He couldn't, he said, see any reason why, at his age, he shouldn't still be good enough to win. He planned on entering a few tournaments, getting plenty of practice, and then going out for bigger game. The success of his strategy almost made a third-time Open champion of him, and must have been a surprise even to himself.

There'll be no forgetting Sarazen's semi-final finish to gain a tie with Little. Needing to come back in 34 strokes, two under par, the Connecticut farmer picked up birdies at the eleventh and thirteenth. He got them by holing a bad eight-foot putt on the sixteenth, a terrific 30-footer on the seventeenth, and just missing a 60-foot attempt for a birdie that would have won the title for him on the eighteenth hole.

When the tournament was over Sarazen knew that youth finally had been served. Tournaments as tough as the Open are won by younger men—players whose muscles are elastic, who can shake quickly the effects of a grueling, punishing round against heart-breaking competition.

The little Italian spoke his feelings at the trophy presentation following the playoff. He placed his hand on the championship cup and said:

"I had dates with this graceful lady in 1922 and in 1932 and I had hoped to keep another one with her today. She led me on for three days, but today she said, 'I'm sorry, Gene, but I'm going to go home with Mr. Little. He's younger than you are.'"

Whenever golfing enthusiasts gather the name of Sarazen will conjure up tales of a truly great competitor.

FIRST-AID to the AILING HOUSE



by Roger B. Whitman

Stained Linoleum
QUESTION: How can stains from a garbage pail be removed from kitchen linoleum?

Answer: Wash the stained area with a scratchless scouring powder. The remainder of the stain may be removed by rubbing with fine steel wool.

Varnished Linoleum.
Question: By using a varnish on a linoleum floor for several years it has become discolored to a brownish tint. How can I remove this varnish, and bring the linoleum back to its original color?

Answer: The varnish can be removed with a solution of three pounds of trisodium phosphate in a gallon of hot water. Take a small area at a time, apply the solution and as soon as the varnish softens, wipe it off. Rinse immediately with clear water. The varnish remover should not be allowed to soak into the linoleum.

Yeast in Cess-Pools.

One of my correspondents, after long experimenting and making many tests, reports that for a cess-pool or septic tank of average size, about six yeast cakes a month will go far to keep them clear and free from odor. Fermentation brought about by yeast helps to destroy odor-producing material and to liquefy sludge. The usual method is to dissolve the yeast in a little cool water, and to pour it down any pipe that is directly connected with the tank or the pool; not down the kitchen sink, if that connects through a grease-trap.

Upholstery Spray.

Question: A couch in my living-room is used as a bed. What can I spray it with to prevent trouble from vermin?

Answer: If there are no insects in the couch, I should not do anything about it. Should they appear, you can send the couch out for fumigation, or can get in an exterminator to treat the upholstery with a liquid forced in under air pressure.

But if you feel very uneasy on the red rover question, you might take mental comfort from laying several squares of camphor under the mattress, if you can manage to do so. This is said to be a grand rover-repellent.

Broadloom Rug

Question: After my broadloom rug was washed it does not stay flat on the floor. Can you recommend something to size it with so that it will have the body it had before washing?

Answer: Sizing the back of the rug may correct this condition. Stretch the rug upside down on a floor where it can remain for 24 hours; tack it lightly into place. Brush on a thin coat of white shellac. Glue sizing can be used instead of shellac. (Protect the floor before you begin to work.)

Anti-Tarnish.

Question: I keep my best silver in flannel bags, and use it about every third week, during which time it tarnishes just enough to require cleaning. This detracts from the pleasure of using it. You have spoken of preventing tarnish by wrapping silver in cloth soaked in a solution of one-half pound of cadmium acetate in one gallon of water. Would it be practical to make a wood box and glue this cloth to the sides, top and bottom?

Answer: That would help, but you would get best results with cloth in close contact with the silver. In addition to lining the box, soak separate pieces of cloth in the solution, to wrap around the different articles and to lay over them. For cloth, use heavy outing flannel, which will not be greatly stiffened.

Paint Odor.

Question: After my three-room apartment was painted last December, a nasty oil odor permeated the apartment, in spite of the constant airing. Another painter, at his suggestion, painted the walls with a coat of shellac, then a coat of flat paint, but this condition has not been eliminated. What can be done to remedy this condition?

Answer: Allow a couple of weeks for further drying and airing. It is possible that the odor is in the enamel or paint used on the windows and trim. If this is so, try wiping the enamel with turpentine. Should this condition continue, your only remedy will be to remove the paint and refinish with a good quality paint.

Rafts.

Question: Are rafts all specially made? If so, I intend purchasing some old drums and having a local carpenter do his best. Is there any place I can get plans?

Answer: Rafts can be purchased already made. Beach and Pool Magazine at 425 Fourth avenue, New York city, can furnish you with the names of the manufacturers. This publisher may be able to advise you as to where you may be able to secure plans for a raft.

Aluminum Paint.

Question: Do you approve of an aluminum coating for flat roofs? Has it any insulating properties?

Answer: Yes, aluminum paint will help reflect some of the heat. Its efficiency, however, may be lowered when the surface has been covered with dirt and soot.

(© Roger B. Whitman—WNU Service.)

At That, We Doubt Ready Answer Saved the Day

A certain gentleman was very fond of golf, and of a little refreshment after the game. He arrived home very late one night, and was met by his wife in the hall.

"Well, and what excuse have you got to offer for coming home at this unearthly hour?" she asked angrily.

"It was like this, my dear, I was playing golf with some friends and—"

"Playing golf!" she cried in disgust. "Are you trying to tell me you can play golf in the dark?"

"Oh, yes, my dear," he said quickly. "You see, we were using the night clubs."

These Things Endure

IF WE work upon marble it will perish. If we work upon brass time will efface it. If we rear temples they will crumble to dust. But if we work upon men's immortal minds, if we imbue them with high principles, with the just fear of God and love of their fellow-men, we engrave on those tablets something which no time can efface, and which will brighten and brighten to all eternity.—Daniel Webster, "Speech in Faneuil Hall," 1852.

ASK ME ANOTHER ?

A Quiz With Answers Offering Information on Various Subjects

The Questions

1. What tragic handicap afflicted the composer Beethoven?
2. Are all meteorites fiery when they strike the earth?
3. What city in Europe is known as "The Bride of the Adriatic"?
4. Where and when did the tuxedo first make its appearance?
5. Are any dogs naturally tailless?
6. Where is frankincense obtained from?
7. If an army were decimated in battle, what fraction of the men would be lost?
8. In what city are the ruins of the Parthenon?
9. Have diamonds ever been known to explode?
10. Is the beaver a docile animal?

3. Venice.
4. In the cheap dance halls of the Bowery of New York city in the early nineties.
5. Yes, the Schipperke poodle is.
6. Frankincense is a fragrant gum resin obtained from trees.
7. Athens.
8. Athens.
9. Yes, freshly mined diamonds occasionally explode with considerable violence.
10. The beaver appears docile, but when aroused will engage in a fight to the death with his aquatic foe, the otter.

The Answers

1. Deafness.
2. Although meteorites shoot through the atmosphere in a blaze of fire and are thought to be very hot when they strike the earth, many are actually cold, reveals Collier's. In fact, one completely covered with frost fell in Colby, Wis., on July 4, 1917.

I'd Rather Be—

I'd rather be a Could Be,
If I could not be an Are!
For a Could Be is a May Be,
With a chance of touching
par;
I'd rather be a Has Been,
Than a Might Have Been, by
far,
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never been,
But a Has Been was once an
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THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 1940

REPORTERETTES

A good place for Americans these days is America.

Our idea of something really awful is a spinach sandwich—on dry bread.

The duke of Windsor has again abdicated—this time, apparently, from the army.

Remember when a little cornstarch in a bag was a pretty wicked powder puff?

When a body has a radio and a four-party line, what good's a paper except for bargains?

And while you are waiting, there is something you can do to help now. Aid the Red Cross!

Again all college graduates are reminded that "commencement" is well named. It is indeed only the beginning.

Too much figuring is done by those who love figures for figure's sake, rather than for the truth they might display.

Philadelphia is known far and wide as the city of brotherly love. But, in these convention times, not as the city of brotherly politics.

When a woman marries again it is because she detested her first husband. When a man marries again it is because he adored his first wife. Women try their luck, men risk theirs.

Sometime, somewhere, a monument ought to be erected to the inventor of the lawnmower. Who is he, anyway? Here is an unsung hero, an unknown worthy who has done his bit for mankind.

A generation of little girls, now grown up, will read with shocked surprise that a New York 12-year-old runs away from home because her mother insists that her hair be bobbed. It used to be the other way.

A man recently opened a lunch-room which provides no silverware for its patrons. The "house specialty" is fried chicken to be eaten with your fingers. A sand-pail full of water is provided for "dipping" purposes.

In reading the announcement of a recent wedding in a local daily we saw where the happy couple had left on a "wedding" trip to Washington, D. C. Evidently the knot tied by the minister had to be re-enforced, thus insuring no separation.

Legal Notices

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE Hillsborough, ss.

Court of Probate
To Charles X. Cutter of Antrim in said County, under the guardianship of Henry A. Hurlin and all others interested therein:

Whereas said guardian has filed the sixth account of his said guardianship in the Probate Office for said County: You are hereby cited to appear at a Court of Probate to be holden at Hillsborough in said County, on the 26th day of July next, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

Said guardian is ordered to serve this citation by causing the same to be published once each week for three successive weeks in the Antrim Reporter a newspaper printed at Antrim in said County, the last publication to be at least seven days before said Court.

Given at Nashua in said County, this 20th day of June A. D. 1940.

By order of the Court,
WILFRED J. BOISCLAIR,
Register

32-34

Administrator's Notice

The Subscriber gives notice that she has been duly appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Annie M. Heath late of Bennington in the County of Hillsborough, deceased.

All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make payment, and all having claims to present them for adjustment.

Dated June 8, 1940

30-2* Abbie M. Diamond

Executor's Notice

The Subscriber gives notice that he has been duly appointed Executor of the Will of Helen M. Hills late of Antrim, N. H. in the county of Hillsborough, deceased.

All persons indebted to said Estate are asked to make payment, and all having claims to present them for adjustment.

Dated June 7, 1940

Box 819 Antrim, N. H. or
Ralph A. Tuttle, Wilton, N. H.
30-32

CONSERVATOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, that the subscriber has been duly appointed by the Judge of Probate for the County of Hillsborough, conservator of the estate of Norman J. Morse of Antrim in said County.

All persons having claims against said Norman J. Morse are requested to exhibit them for adjustment, and all indebted to make payment.

Dated the 31st day of May, A. D. 1940

31-3 Archie M. Swett, Conservator

Administrator's Notice

The subscribers give notice that they have been duly appointed Administrators of the Estate of Charles H. Smith late of Bennington, in the County of Hillsborough, deceased.

All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make payment, and all having claims to present them for adjustment.

Notice is hereby given that Ralph G. Smith, of Hillsborough, in said County of Hillsborough, has been appointed resident agent for George H. Smith to whom all claims against said Estate may be presented.

Dated June 15, 1940.

31-3* George H. Smith
Howard W. Smith

ANTRIM LOCALS

The Antrim soft-ball team will play in Bennington Monday July 1. This is a league game.

A Union Daily Vacation Church School for all children of the town aged four to eleven will be conducted by the churches of Antrim July 8-19. Miss Martha E. Weed of Tamworth will be general superintendent, and local leaders will be in charge of departments. The school will be open from nine to twelve, five days a week, for the two weeks. All children of the above ages are invited to come.

Church Notes

Furnished by the Pastors of the Different Churches

Baptist Church
Rev. Ralph H. Tibbals, Pastor

Thursday June 27
Prayer Meeting 7:30 P. M. Topic: "Prepared to Take It"

Sunday, June 30
Church School 9:45
Morning Worship 11. The pastor will preach on "Poise in a World of Panic"
Union Service 7 in this Church.

Antrim Center Congregational Church
John W. Logan, Minister
Service of Worship Sunday morning at 9.45

Presbyterian Church
Rev. Wm. McN. Kittredge, Pastor

Thursday, June 27
The Mid-week service will be held at 7:30 p. m. Topic: Study of Acts 18.
Sunday June 30

Morning Worship at 10:30 with sermon by the Pastor from the theme, "Groping After God".
The Bible School meets at 11:45
The Union service will be in the Baptist Church at 7.

Mrs. Morris K. Crothers and two children from Cleveland, Ohio arrived in town Monday to spend the summer with Rev. and Mrs. William Kittredge.

Antrim Locals

The Chesham Band will furnish music for the 4th of July celebration. A heavy frost last Friday night did considerable damage to vegetable gardens.

Miss Alice Dickey is visiting her grandmother for the summer in North Bennington.

The tax rate for Antrim for 1940 will be \$3.63 per \$100. The Precinct rate 30 cents per \$100.

Mrs. Bert Smead, Mrs. Louise Clark and daughter of Springfield, Mass. were in town several days last week visiting relatives and friends.

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" "	3.55 p.m.
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" "	3.25 p.m.
" "	6.10 p.m.
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SCHOOL BOARD'S NOTICE
The School Board meets regularly in Town Clerk's Room, in Town Hall block, on the Last Friday Evening in each month, at 7.30 o'clock, to transact School District business and to hear all parties.
WILLIAM R. LINTON
ARCHIE M. SWETT,
MYRTIE K. BROOKS,
Antrim School Board.

Antrim Locals

Mrs. Inez Olson and daughter spent a few days with her father Mr. George Hunt in South Londonderry, Vermont.

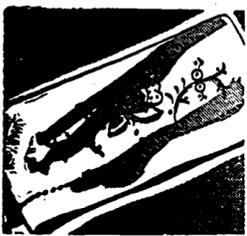
Mt. Crooked Encampment will be host to an Encampment meeting Friday evening, June 28 when several Encampments will be present and the royal purple degree will be conferred on a class of 19 candidates.

Mrs. Ida Hansli of Litterlock, Ark. and Mrs. Marie Hansli are with Lena Hansli.

The construction of new road between Bennington and Hancock on route 202 is planned to be completed July 10.

Mr. Joseph Hansli and Mr. Haynes of Paterson, New Jersey were in town over the week-end, visiting Mr. Hansli mother, who is very ill at her home on Depot street.

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Bennington

The date of the Church Fair sponsored by the Congregational Church is set for Saturday Aug. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Young, of Somerville, and Mrs. Van Idestine and daughter, of Gardner, are at the Knight homestead.

Miss E. L. Lawrence and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cody and Katherine visited Mr. and Mrs. William Mills, of Gardner, who are camping in Stoddard on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Harry Ross, Mrs. Arthur Perry, Mrs. M. L. Knight, Mrs. M. E. Sargent and Mrs. Maurice Newton visited Mrs. Perry's mother, Mrs. Martha Allen, in Contoocook on Wednesday.

Willard Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Perry, received notice to appear in Rantoul, Ill., on Thursday. He hopes to learn all about the mechanical part of airplanes. Vernon Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown, who is also in Rantoul, has received his appointment and is now in the United States Army. Examinations come first and then the appointment. Willard left Tuesday afternoon.

Antrim Locals

The Reporter will be printed on Friday next week.

There will be an all night dance at the Midway Pavilion in South Stoddard July 8.

Mrs. Alice Putnam has been the guest of relatives in Manchester the past week.

Miss Gertrude Jameson and Mrs. Tanner, her companion, have returned to town and opened their home for the summer.

The Ladies' Circle of the Baptist church held a successful silver tea and lawn party on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Hurlin on Fairview street. Home cooked food was on sale and while the lawn party had to be held in the house, about \$30.00 was cleared.

William Leonard, who purchased the G. A. Cochran farm last year, is at the farm for a few weeks. He has recently purchased the Mary (Thompson) George farm adjoining Mr. Leonard is engaged in sugar cane culture in Cuba at present but hopes to make Antrim his home later.

Rural Radio Survey

Readers of this newspaper are invited to participate in a rural Radio Survey and Conference intended to discover the interests and desires of radio listeners in this area. The resulting information and suggestions will be sent to the Federal Communications Commission at Washington to augment the rapidly accumulating data from many similar surveys and on the basis of which the Federal Communications Commission is undertaking seriously to improve the service rendered by the American Radio in this time of world turmoil and insecurity.

In order to participate in this survey, fill out the following blank and mail it to Mrs. Henry H. Meyer, Radio Associates Secretary, Hillsboro, P. O., R. F. D. Deering Community Center, N. H. Then plan to attend the Radio Conference at which the results of this survey will be presented and discussed, following several short addresses by distinguished persons in close touch with the nation-wide radio survey project. This conference will be held at Deering Community Center, near Hillsboro, at 1.30 p. m., July 10, immediately following a luncheon at 12.30.

RADIO SURVEY ASSOCIATES BALLOT

Prepared by Mrs. Clark Williams and Mrs. Joseph E. Goodbar of New York City, Directors

- What is the best program YOU have heard recently in
 - Music
 - Education
 - Religion
 - Entertainment
 - Farm and Home
 - Public Affairs
 - From which station do you get the clearest reception?
 - List the stations you can hear—beginning with the clearest, and ending with the one that comes in least clear.
 - What is your favorite radio program?
 - What hours are most convenient for listening to radio?
 - What children's program do you believe best for the child?
 - In your judgment, what subjects would be both interesting and beneficial to children?
 - What other suggestions would you make for the improvement of radio service for your community?
 - Name of Voter
(if you care to send it)
 - Town where you live
- Radio Conference at 1.30 P. M.
- Can you arrange to be with us at 11 o'clock, to see the Deering Community Center children at work?
 - If so, do you desire luncheon, which will be served at 12.30?

Please return the ballot promptly to
MRS. HENRY H. MEYER, Secretary

Hillsboro P. O. R. F. D. Deering Community Center, N. H.

GRANITE STATE GARDENER

—By T. A. Marsden, Jr., University of New Hampshire
Durham, New Hampshire

We are now at the season when the effects of many insects and diseases show up well. This is the time for action. All too often the home gardener waits too late before he does anything about insect or disease troubles.

The garden troubles boil down to one of three things: a fungous disease, an attack by an eating or chewing insect, or an attack by a sucking insect. I am sure you have all seen the lower leaves of phlox or delphiniums turn yellow to pasty white, and finally drop off. This is characteristic of a fungous disease. To control it a person should start spraying or dusting with a fungicide as soon as the first two or four foliage leaves show above ground, and continue this dusting or spraying every week or ten days through the growing season.

The gardener who is sure just what his trouble is—a particular disease, chewing insect, or sucking insect, can control it with a specialized spray or dust. The fungous disease is controlled by a fungicide such as Bordeaux mixture. The chewing insect is controlled by a stomach poison spray such as calcium or lead arsenate. A sucking insect such as the aphid is controlled by a contact insecticide like nicotine sulphate, otherwise known as Blackleaf 40.

For the gardeners who do not wish to bother with different sprays or dusts for the various troubles, I suggest the following complete dust to control all three kinds of pests—the fungous diseases, sucking insects, and chewing insects. The mixture is as follows: to make 10 pounds of the dust take 4 1/2 pounds of dusting sulphur, 2 pounds of monohydrated copper sulphate, 1 pound of calcium arsenate, 1/2 pound of nicotine sulphate, and 2 1/2 pounds of hydrated lime. The best way to mix these materials is to take a large tin can or vat, put the ingredients in the can with 5 or 6 rounded stoues the size of the fist, then roll the can on the ground or floor back and forth until the ingredients are thoroughly mixed.

For the average home gardener I feel that a dust is superior to a spray, because it gives better results when applied with makeshift or poor equipment.

Deering

Schools in town closed last Wednesday.

There was a heavy frost Friday night, June 21st.

Herbert Spiller is working for Alfred Rowe at Hillsboro.

Miss Martha Bizik of Hillsboro is employed at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Eaton.

Mrs. A. A. Holden and Miss Marjorie Holden are visiting relatives in Malden, Mass.

Miss Josephine Gardner is staying with her sister, Mrs. Ernest Putnam, on Clement hill.

Paul Gardner and Alvah Putnam are employed on the bridge construction at Hillsboro.

Miss Edith Johnson has returned home from her studies at Plymouth Teachers' college.

Herbert Dutton had the misfortune to lose one of the fingers on his left hand last Saturday.

Mrs. Wendall Putnam and son, Raymond Kimball of Hancock, were in Nashua one day recently.

Mrs. D. A. Poling and daughter Treva of Philadelphia have arrived at the Long House in Deering.

The family of J. Churchill Rodgers has arrived at their summer home, "The Eagle's Nest," for the season.

Miss Josephine Gardner has completed her labors at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Eaton on account of ill health.

Mrs. Alice Philbrick of South Weare and Edward Straw of Goffstown were callers at Pinehurst farm one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Harold Taylor and three children, Gertrude, Pauline and Alvin, spent the week-end with relatives in Providence, R. I.

Mr. and Mrs. John Herrick have recovered from their recent illness, which confined them to their home in the Manselville district.

Mr. and Mrs. William P. Wood and daughter, Miss Ruth L. Wood, of Concord were at their home, "Twin Elm Farm," one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Herrick and his daughter, Mrs. Arthur Winslow, who is at her summer home in Weare, were in Keene one day last week.

Word has been received from Private Charles H. Taylor, who is stationed in Hawaii, that he has been on maneuvers for the past two months.

Miss Gertrude Taylor attended the picnic of the graduating class of the Hillsboro Grammar school, which was held at Lake Winnepesaukee recently.

Miss Jacqueline Druin of Lebanon spent several days recently with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cote, at their home in the Manselville district.

Lester Adams has moved his family to the home of Herbert Spiller, while he moves his camp from the Kimball lot on Clement hill to the Ellsworth land on the Francestown road.

Miss Marjorie Holden has been enjoying a week's vacation from her duties as secretary at the Fox Forest, Hillsboro Center. With her mother, Mrs. A. A. Holden, she attended the graduation of Edward Holden from the Memorial high school in West New York.

Try a For Sale Ad.

Bennington

Mrs. Almon Flagg is in very poor health.

Roy Davidson is suffering with quincy sore throat.

There was a traveling show in town Tuesday night.

A number of our young folks attended the circus in Nashua last week.

Miss Esther Perry has gone to the Reavely Farm to work for the summer.

Mrs. Maurice Newton has started doing home cooking for the summer.

Mrs. S. Zachos entertained her niece and nephew from Concord recently.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mills, of Gardner, visited Miss Edith L. Lawrence and Mrs. Paul Cody one day recently. Mrs. Mills will be remembered as Hazel Beard teacher in the high school here about eight years ago.

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Little Dorothy Chase has been visiting her aunt this past week in Dunbarton.

Mrs. Patrick McGrath is confined to her home because of a fall she sustained.

Two of our girls, Pauline Shea and Phyllis Clymer have gone to work in the mill.

James Zachos is at home from Concord for the summer where he has been at school.

Mrs. Daisy Rawson, of Caribou Maine, is expected at Mrs. M. E. Sargent's on Saturday.

Mrs. Ruel Cram is suffering with rheumatic fever. Her left arm and hand are badly swollen.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Cram made a short visit with Rev. and Mrs. James Morrison in Paxton, Mass., this past week.

There is a box for contributions for the Crippled Children's special July 4th fund at the post office.

Margaret Edmunds, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Edmunds, has been visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Britton in Nashua.

The ladies of the Congregational Church are anticipating a good crowd on Friday night in the vestry when the California Condens in a Carnival of Fun are expected at 8 p. m.

An accident happened on the Greenfield Road one day last week. A Maine car collided with a telephone pole smashing the car badly. The four persons were taken to the doctors for treatment.

PLANTS FOR SALE

AT
THE ROAD SIDE GARDENS
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Cabbage, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts and Celery.....each, 1c
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at
Capitol Theatre
Hillsboro, N. H.

on
JULY 9 - 16 - 23, 1 P. M.

MISS MARGARET BUCHAN

WILL CONDUCT THREE SESSIONS

This newspaper announces with pleasure that arrangements for a Cooking School have been completed. It is to be held at the Capitol Theatre, July 9, 16, 23. The school will be a cooperative affair with the theatre, the Public Service Co. of New Hampshire, the manufacturers of Spry, the local merchants and this newspaper participating.

The sponsors are happy to announce that they have secured the service of Miss Margaret Buchan, who will conduct the school.

The features of the school as planned are:

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TIME-SAVING METHODS	

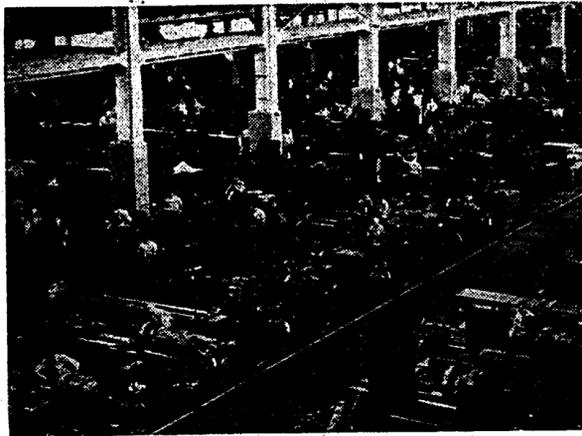
Watch these columns for further details on the above and remember the dates, Tuesday, July 9, 16, 23.



WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS By Farnham F. Dudgeon

Lack of 'Friends, Men and Guns' Hurt French Cause, Says Petain; U. S. 'Coalition' Cabinet Selected

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.)
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If all Henry Ford's tentative orders to turn out warplanes on a mass production basis materialize, this gigantic tool and die plant in his River Rouge, Michigan, plant will become the hub of the plane-motor industry. It is now the center of production for Ford motor cars and government defense engineers point out that once tools and dies are completed and set up to turn out a standardized plane, mass production could begin and continue at top speed indefinitely.

(Mass Production.)

THE WAR: 'Too Few'

While his armies were busy with "mopping up" military operations against a badly battered France, Adolf Hitler busied himself preparing the terms under which his soldiers would cease firing.

France, meanwhile, after cautioning her troops to fight on until the actual signing of an armistice was announced, dispatched her peace envoys in a snow white plane to meet the Germans and hear their terms of surrender.

As the nation waited, its 84-year-old premier, Marshal Henri Petain, explained why he had sought peace and why France had been unable to defend itself against invasion. France, he said, had too few friends, too few young men, too few guns and it had wasted the victory years following the armistice of November 11, 1918.

Military deficiencies accounted in large part for the distress of France, in the premier's opinion. He pointed out that only 2,780,000 troops faced the Germans at the beginning of the "battle of France" along the Somme and Aisne rivers. This was a half million fewer than France had on the battlefield after three years of hard fighting in the World war. England had not nearly as many men on French soil in 1940 as she had in 1914-18, and in addition, the old ally, Italy, was an enemy and ally United States a "neutral."

Biggest worry of ally England was the disposition of the French fleet following any armistice between France and Germany. If Germany gains control of the whole strength of this fleet, the Rome-Berlin axis will have sea power that could compete favorably against England's armada.

London was happy enough though over the appointment of Frank Knox and Henry Stimson to President Roosevelt's cabinet (See below). The British hailed this move as assuring a continued policy of U. S. material and moral aid to the allied cause.

THE PRESIDENCY:

Coalition

No respecter of precedent, but respected even by his enemies as a master political strategist, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, detracted little from his reputation in these two categories with his pre-G. O. P. convention appointment of Frank Knox and Henry L. Stimson to his cabinet. These two important Republican leaders were asked to serve in what was termed a "coalition" cabinet—Knox as secretary of navy and Stimson as secretary of war. Knox was the Republican vice presidential candidate in 1928 and Stimson served as secretary of state in the Hoover administration. Both have

NAMES

in the news

President of Yale university, Charles Seymour, warned his graduating class against a "complacent attitude" toward the serious challenge that totalitarian states have thrust at democracy.

After Col. Charles A. Lindbergh demanded in a radio address that the U. S. cease making "gestures with an open gun" (implying that the government's foreign policy was dangerous) Senator Pittman (D. Nev.) suggested that Lindbergh "cease efforts to create unfounded war fear and lack of confidence in our government."

Prime Minister De Valera of Eire (Ireland) called upon all his countrymen to volunteer to take up arms so that any attempted invasion of their land could be routed. He spoke at a national defense rally.

supported President Roosevelt's foreign policy.

Republican spokesmen hailed the appointments as the definite stamping of the Democratic party as "the war party." Some of them declared that they believed the President's plan was to create the impression throughout the nation that his stand in the matter of war was entirely non-political and that thus any attack against his policies by the Republican party would be branded as unpatriotic.

But President Roosevelt said otherwise. He stated that the appointments were made in "line with the overwhelming sentiment of the nation for national solidarity in a time of world crisis and in behalf of our national defense—and nothing else."

U. S. DEFENSE:

New Fleet

Because it has depended upon Great Britain's fleet to keep things on an even keel in the Atlantic, the U. S. navy high command has usually concentrated its major power in Pacific waters. Now that Great Britain has its hands full enforcing the sea blockade of Germany and Italy, and defending its own shores, the problem of providing the eastern seaboard of the U. S. with adequate protection becomes increasingly acute.

Congressional sources forecast an early proposal by the administration to build a completely separate Atlantic fleet. Talk of building up this division of the naval forces has been given added impetus because of the possibility of complete German-Italian victory in Europe.

At present the navy bill in congress (and it seems certain to pass) authorizes the construction of the largest navy in the history of the world. So big would this new U. S. navy be, that it alone would surpass the combined power of all potential enemies of this country. The new Atlantic fleet would probably be a section of this expanded navy.

Conscription

President Roosevelt has in mind a plan to conscript the youth of the nation in a great mobilization drive of human resources and to give American youth a toughening and disciplinary seasoning that could be compared to that of the totalitarian national youth programs.

In a Washington press conference he revealed that details of this plan may be submitted to congress within a few weeks. This program would include universal government service training for young men and women alike, between the ages of 21 and 31. In addition to military training for the physically fit there would be training in all types of skills required for the forces behind the actual combat lines.

Naturally such a program of conscription isn't going to be put into effect without opposition—both in and out of congress.

But the President and his cabinet believe that America must be prepared to cope with any type of conflict offered by the ideologies of the dictators. Such conflict may not be actual military operation. More surely there will be an economic struggle for control of world markets.

Mass Production

When Henry Ford stated a few weeks ago that he could turn out a thousand warplanes a day if he was given enough orders and six months in which to get ready, his offer was taken seriously by only a few people. Since that time, however, the government has been inspecting the possibilities of the motor industry in general and Mr. Ford's plant in particular, with the idea in mind that mass production of fighting aircraft might some day become a necessity.

Catching Pose



Here is 81-year-old Governor Luren D. Dickinson of Michigan, as he appeared last year in an "Old Timers" baseball game staged in Detroit. The governor now announces he has switched from catching baseballs to votes and will be a candidate for reelection.

INDUSTRY:

New Competition

Many are the economists who have forecast a trade war between Germany and the United States after Adolf Hitler has finished his political and military war in Europe. It now appears that the Nazis are not going to wait for a final cleanup of Europe before launching this type of attack upon the American markets.

For from South America comes news that German steel companies are offering steel in that sector at prices below United States quotations and are giving a cash guarantee of delivery by October. To some observers this early beginning of the long awaited trade war seems a bit premature. For Adolf Hitler still has a few big obstacles to overcome before he can expect to compete with American business in this hemisphere.

Germany bases her ability to deliver these shipments of steel upon the fact that she has virtual control of 95 per cent of the French steel industry and this, plus the Reich's own output, combined with the Belgium-Luxembourg production, amounts to about 40,000,000 tons per year. Biggest problem is keeping all these steel mills running at capacity and still being able to maintain order throughout the "protected" nations. And after the steel is produced, Germany must reckon with Britain's still-effective sea blockade.

Slump

Petroleum, another industry which has a big stake in foreign markets, has a more immediate problem on its hands. In Texas, oil reserve tanks are almost full, prices are slipping every day, and foreign markets are near collapse. That state's railroad commission, which controls the output of oil, is studying the problem and is considering a 30-day shutdown of producing wells to boost prices.

LATIN AMERICA:

Tangle

Latin American nations are at present in default of some \$1,000,000,000 worth of bonds held by U. S. investors. To the development of additional foreign trade and in the meeting of foreign competition in this hemisphere (see Industry) this default creates a huge stumbling block.

Economic relations between nations become difficult when debts pile up and as U. S. business has lost many of its foreign markets due to war in Europe, the federal government is making every effort to untangle the debt problem in the Latin American nations.

One current proposal is to launch a huge government loan program to the Latin American nations and give them a chance to make payments on their debts, eventually repaying the United States on a long-term basis. President Roosevelt is expected to outline details of this plan within a short time.

MISCELLANY:

Democratic National Chairman James A. Farley officially released the information that William D. Bankhead of Alabama, speaker of the house of representatives, will be named temporary chairman and keynoter of the party's national convention, which convenes in Chicago, July 15. Sen. Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky will be named permanent chairman.

Shades of World war days fell over the Pullman Standard Car Manufacturing company's plant in Butler, Pa., as it was announced that the British munitions purchasing commission had placed an order for 200,000 six-inch shells to be delivered not later than December. This plant also turned out munitions in 1917-18.

Eleven army fliers and bomber crew members were killed when two Douglas bombing planes collided in mid-air and crashed in flames during formation maneuvers near Mitchell field, Long Island.



Washington, D. C.
TRAINING CCC BOYS

It is timid nonsense to propose, by law, "non-combatant" military training for the CCC boys. What is non-combatant military service? It is a contradiction in terms—like talking about a two-legged quadruped or a one-bladed pair of shears.

A man may, as has been suggested, serve in the army as a cook, a truck driver or an oxy-acetylene welder and many such will be needed. But he is a soldier just the same and is not recognized, at international or military law, as a non-combatant.

This is just monkey-business with words.

This column has long opposed drafting CCC boys as such by any device. They are poor. Whatever form of military service we adopt must demand absolutely equal sacrifice regardless of wealth or poverty, race or religion, color or politics.

But giving military training is not requiring military service. In times like these it is a great boon to any boy who may later be called upon, under our democratic form of selective drafting, to do military service.

In the first place, it may save his life or limbs. It is the "half-baked recruit" who is slaughtered like sheep and who, as Kipling sang, "wonders because he is frequent deceased, ere 'e's fit for to serve as a soldier."

In the second place, if our bungling, blundering foreign and defense policies do get us into this bloody mess and require the raising of mass armies, the boy who has had sound military training before his conscription starts will have a very great advantage over his fellows in advancement, pay and comforts.

My only boy has had about all the military instruction the army gives to men his age and if I had another son who had none now, I would consider the best thing I could do for him would be to see to it that he got an intensive course in military training as promptly as it could be arranged.

It is true that modern war requires specialists in almost every branch of human effort—but basic military training is necessary in addition to any special civilian skill a boy may have.

General Marshall is reported to have said that the army prefers to give these boys only "non-combatant" training because it is "inconvenient" to give combatant training in CCC camps. I hesitate to disagree with the chief of staff because we are fortunate to have in him at this critical hour one of the best of the world's professional soldiers.

It is even hard for me to believe that he said that because it is wrong to the point of absurdity.

But General Marshall is an official of this administration—and utterly loyal. The whole of administrative policy on defense has been politically timid and never frank.

Up to the point of training by battalions, the CCC camps and organization are almost ideal if the army is prepared to furnish enough instructors, and if it isn't so prepared there isn't any use talking about training anybody.

Training now is multiple insurance against harm and danger, to the boy himself, to men later drafted raw from the streets that he may have to lead and train and, above all, to the nation which, if it comes, will find its very existence depending upon the degree of skill, strength and toughness of the men in its armed forces.

CCC boys thus trained will be subject to conscription to exactly the same extent and to no greater degree than any other young men of their age and condition as to health and dependency of others upon them. Let's not hobble ourselves with any such nonsensical legal restrictions.

RECRUITING ERRORS

Part of the war department plans for a major military effort is a whoop-la recruiting drive for volunteers to "bridge the gap of time until the system for compulsory selective service can be created and started working."

Before we got through with it, every boy who preferred to wait for the scientific selective service system would be called a heel and every impulsive youngster who was fied, kettle-drummed and orated into signing up would be a hero. The process would put a shadow on the former class and not get the best material in the latter.

Modern mechanized war requires careful selection.

An excellent, if extreme example, of the change is in the German parachute troops. Each man is dropped down strictly on his own behind enemy lines to be a little army in himself. Soldiers in mechanized troops have to be automotive and radio mechanics, expert gunners and drivers and sometimes adept with explosives, gases and defenses against both. They must know far more of the principles of military art than any non-commissioned soldier ever had to know before.



Washington, D. C.
RECRUITING SHOWS PHYSICAL DEFICIENCIES

The army campaign for new recruits is showing up all too vividly how the years of depression have left their mark on American youth.

Greatest difficulty in securing recruits is not the reluctance of young men to enlist, but their inability to pass physical examinations.

In peacetime, the armed services get most of their recruits from lower-bracket families. Because of economic conditions it is now the lower-bracket families, with the nourishment, which lack sufficient nourishment, fresh air and exercise.

This has been a particularly serious drawback to recruiting in the larger cities. During one recent drive to bring the marine corps up to full strength, recruiting officers left the cities and combed the smaller towns in farming communities. There they found a much huskier type of recruit, but many were rejected because of poor teeth.

In the cities, the biggest drawbacks are bad eyesight and underweight.

WAR DOOMS CROP CONTROL?

Henry Wallace's program of crop curtailment and soil conservation is about to face its toughest year. Reason is the certain food shortage in Europe and the demand that American farmers use their surpluses to feed war-torn Europe.

There are two causes for the food shortage. One is the fact that many countries have been too busy fighting to plant sufficient crops, and their fields have been fought over.

Second reason is lack of sufficient merchant shipping. Four countries—Norway, Holland, Denmark, and Belgium—have a total of 10,000,000 gross tons of merchant vessels which are immobilized, so far as supplying the home ports is concerned. Either they are bottled up at home, or they are in foreign ports, unable to reach home.

Vessels which a year ago were carrying U. S. fodder to Denmark, to feed Danish cattle, today are diverted to other trade or riding at anchor. Meantime, the cattle are eating up the existing supplies of fodder. When these are gone, the cattle will have to be killed.

And the killing will be done by the Germans, who will consume the cattle.

This is just one simplified illustration. No such restriction was known in the early days of the World war, because the United States, still neutral, insisted on maintaining its shipping to the neutral countries of Europe. But now its shipping is barred by the neutrality act from belligerent ports and combat zones.

All of this is sure to bring heavy demands on the U. S. farmer, also on congress to appropriate relief money to help Europe's starving populations. And this, in turn, is sure to upset crop control. For it was high food prices during the World war which increased acreage and also sent many farmers heavily into debt to buy new land.

DIPLOMATS MAKE WARS?

John Q. Public thinks the diplomats make the wars—and could stop them.

Argentine Ambassador Espil has a letter saying, "Your country should submit itself to becoming a part of the United States." (No Latin American country is prouder of its independence than Argentina, less likely to become part of the U. S. A.)

Uruguayan Minister Richling gets so many letters he is working overtime to answer them. The tenor is: "You must get rid of the dangerous Germans."

FRENCH FLEET

The White House is not advertising it, but the disposition of the French fleet was one vital point which came up in secret discussion with the French just before their capitulation.

Roosevelt wanted to make sure that the French navy would not fall into Nazi hands. For France's warships could just about tip the balance of naval power and give the Nazis a powerful striking arm in the south Atlantic against Latin America.

The French have two brand-new 26,000-ton battleships, the Strasbourg and the Dunkerque, probably the fastest in the world; also two new 35,000-ton battleships, the Richelieu and the Jean Bart, the latter not quite completed. These, added to the German fleet, would give Hitler 10 battleships against 15 for the United States, all much older and slower.

When you consider that 12 U. S. battleships are kept in the Pacific, with only three in the Atlantic, you get a rough idea of how difficult it would be for this country to defend the Monroe Doctrine if Hitler got the French fleet. Another thing he might get which would add to our Monroe Doctrine problem is the French naval base at Dakar, on the bulge of Africa jutting out toward Brazil.

Note—The United States recently has launched two new war monsters, but it will take several months to complete them.



AN APPEAL TO RADIO STATION CHIEFS

1—Must you link up ballyhoo for breakfast foods with the most momentous news in world history?

2—Must you give us the graphic tidings of a major battle in one breath and a talk on corn plasters or washing powders in the next?

3—Does it never strike you that the height of anti-climax is to follow a dispatch from the tragic fields off Belgium with an immediate boosting of somebody's catch-penny merchandise?

4—Have you ever listened and felt the revulsion that comes when the fellow who gives the stirring description of the war for the world shifts abruptly into a glorification of peanut butter or a shaving soap?

5—Don't you think, really, now, old fellow, that it jars the great unpitied audience to be flung abruptly from the European carnage and all its significance into a blurb for a baked bean?

6—Are radio listeners people?

7—And, if so, don't they deserve a break?

8—Do you think Otis T. Whiffle, bending over his radio set, depressed and startled by a hair-raising account of the fall of a citadel of civilization, likes to hear the announcer suddenly bark, "Did you feel low, tired, out of sorts this morning? Then go to your nearest grocer and ask for Twihums, the super cereal!"

9—Do you think that what is going on in Europe can possibly have anything in common with what is going on in the American cosmetics, hosiery, pickle or canned soup industries?

10—Don't you shiver at all when you hear Namur, St. Quentin, Mons and Louvain mentioned in the same breath with nail polish, wheatcakes, headache pills and somebody's soda pop?

11—What would you think if a newspaper gave you the first three paragraphs of an account of a desperate clash in the war of wars and then inserted three paragraphs telling how Spiffedorfer's Sausages were the peer of all sausages the world over?

12—What would you think if the caption under a newspaper picture of a shell-torn village was followed by a few lines of eulogy for a liver pill, a \$2 watch or a dog biscuit?

13—What do you think are the reactions of a radio fan who finds a chewing gum or a cooking grease being lauded by the same voice that has just broadcast breath-taking war communiques?

14—Look into this matter, will ya, please? It's got us throwing things at the old portable.

DEFINITIONS

Dictator.—A man whose ambition is to bomb the baby show at Asbury Park.

DO YOU REMEMBER—

Away back when America thought European wars were none of her business?

There is talk of sending Senator Pepper to the allies in exchange for two Chamberlains and a good utility infelder.

Next year Americans will be looking back and remarking, "Do you remember away back in 1939 and 1940 when taxes were infinitesimal?"

PEEPUL'S CHOICE

I'm sick of hearing the brassing ring of each politician's voice. And when the elections come next fall, Here's how I shall make my choice: I'll vote for whoever will swear to bring A balmy spring!

SANDRA T. HERRICK.

Whatever became of Neville Chamberlain?

REFRAIN.

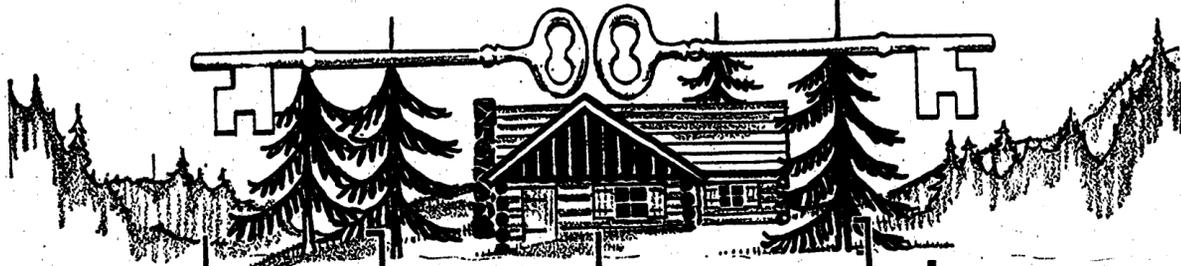
Reading an English novel, I often wonder whether I'll get through without a single "Pull yourself together."

Reading the sporting pages, I don't have to go great length Before I learn that so and so "Was a tower of strength."

The one that really gets me I'll murder and no maybe, That boss of mine next time he says, "Now that is your baby."

CLAYPIPER McSULLIVAN.

Ninety-six New York school pupils were found in one movie house playing hockey in a single afternoon recently. It is becoming pretty clear that if education is to get anywhere in this country the schools have got to pay more attention to organ music, soft seats and double features.



Two keys to a cabin

BY LIDA LARRIMORE
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SYNOPSIS

Charming, wealthy Gabriella (Gay for short) Graham, engaged to Todd Janeway, returns to a cabin in the Maine woods accompanied by a friend, Kate Oliver. The idea of a stay at the cabin occurred to her when she received a key to it following the death of her godfather, Uncle John Lawrence. The two girls notice that someone is living in the cabin. Kate suspects that Gay knows the identity of the mysterious occupant. The mystery man returns. He is John Houghton, a young doctor whom she had known in previous years. Immediately aggressive, Gay asks him by what right he is in the cabin. His right, she finds, is greater than her own. He, too, possesses a key, but more than that, is heir to it from his Uncle John, Gay's godfather. Gay is high handed with him, and he states courteously that he will leave. Looking at him in the doorway, her old feelings return. She knows that he is more necessary to her than is Todd Janeway, the man she is to marry. Gay asks John to reconsider his decision to leave.

CHAPTER III—Continued

Not that problems were pressing. They seemed to retreat farther into the hazy distance with each day that Gay spent at the lake. She was active from the hour of their early breakfast until the inevitable moment when her eyes dropped over a magazine, the parched board or the word games which Kate instigated to while away the after-supper interval when darkness fell over the woods and the lake. She slept soundly, without dreaming.

It was the air of Maine, she supposed, and the simple life she'd been living for—How long? Five days, she calculated, surprised that it had been that long, equally surprised that time had passed so swiftly. She hadn't realized how tired she'd been until she began to rest. It was for this she had come to the cabin, she thought, the contentment she felt, her pleasure in the sun and wind, the daylight hours of activity, the long nights of restful sleep. But would she have stayed if John had gone? Would she be so contented now, lying warm and drowsy in the sun on the rocking float, if he were not there in the cabin pottering with his test-tubes and microscope in the room that had been Mrs. Dill's?

But he wasn't there. At a cheerful hail from the shore Gay rolled over and then sat up. He stood on the boat-landing in swimming trunks and jersey, an arm raised in salute. "Is the water cold?" he called.

"Frigid. I have icicles in my ears."

"Think I'll paddle over."

"Sissy!" she taunted. "I swam."

"You were showing off." He dipped his toes into the water and withdrew them with a grimace.

"Pure exhibitionism."

"Superior stamina."

"Oh, yes?"

Thank heavens they'd gotten over being so terribly polite, she thought, watching him take a shallow dive from the end of the landing. The first day after she and Kate had arrived it had been pretty dreadful. They'd watched each other warily, suspicious of the meaning behind every gesture, all defenses stoutly guarded. It was different now. Each day that passed brought them closer together in an impersonal companionship, based on experiences shared, household chores squabbled over and gaily performed, a great deal of laughter. Kate's presence was a safeguard. Her wry humor, her resourcefulness, her energy and enthusiasm kept them occupied and amused. Gay, sitting on the float, her arms hugging her knees, wondered what would have happened if Kate hadn't been there. She was glad, really glad, that Kate was.

"Perishing?" she asked as John's head bobbed along the side of the float.

"Practically." He pulled his long body up on the planking, shook himself, scattering a shower of drops.

"Hey!" Gay said, ducking.

"Sorry." He sat beside her, opened the pocket on the belt of his trunks, produced matches and cigarettes. "Will you light one for me?" he asked. "My hands are wet."

She lit a cigarette, placed it between his lips. The brief contact was closer to intimacy than they had been during the past five days. For an instant their eyes met and held, then Gay glanced away.

"Are your germs behaving well?" she asked, when the light quick beating of her heart had subsided.

"Abominably." He stretched out on the float beside her, his hand supporting his head. "I've just buried the whole lot under a pine tree. The odor of the cabin is vastly improved."

"Oh, what a shame!" she said in sympathy, surprised that he seemed so cheerful.

"That's the way it goes," he said. "You've got to have the patience of Job."

"Aren't you—?" An altered tone in his voice caught her straying attention.

"Mmm?" she hummed on a rising inflection.

"I asked you if you were bored."

"Certainly not."

"You weren't listening."

"I was."

"Don't be polite." He sat up to light a cigarette. "There's no reason why you should be interested. It must seem very dull and, as you said, unrewarding."

"I can think of gayer subjects," she said, wanting to hurt him because he had hurt her.

"Such as—?"

"Well, aquaplaning, for instance."

"All right. Talk away. I'll listen."

"As a penance?"

"I shan't be able to add anything to the conversation. I've had neither the time nor the opportunity for luxury sports."

"Skiing, then."

"You're good at that, aren't you?"

"Fairly. It was included in the curriculum of the school at Geneva."

"I can't add much to that subject," he said. "I've done a little skiing on the hills at home. Nothing sensational. You'd consider my exploits amateurish, I'm afraid."

There was no humility in his voice. His obvious intention was to imply that an interest in sports was trivial in comparison with his more serious aspirations. Gay turned her head and looked out across the water toward the shore. If it was a defense, she could break through it, she thought. But was it a defense? Didn't he, hadn't he always, considered her interests trivial? Heaven knew, she thought they were. If, in justification, she could talk to him, tell him why she'd returned to the cabin—

"I can't talk about polo, either," he said, breaking a lengthening pause. "Or horse shows or yacht races or the Costume Ball at Southampton."

"Well," she said, presently, "I suppose we can talk about the weather."

"Always." She turned her head to find him smiling at her, not the ironical smile which fostered hostilities, but a smile which widened into his engaging grin. "I understand there's been a heat-wave in New York."

"Idiot!" Gay laughed. They laughed together, amused friendly laughter which narrowed the distance between them, laughter which held a trembling vibration more conciliating than words.

"That's better." He offered her a cigarette. "I suspect your motives when you're polite."

"When you're polite, I know very well what your motives are."

"What?" His eyes met hers above the match that he held to her cigarette.

"You're filled with disapproval."

"I'm not." His smile softened the contradiction. "I'm filled with suppressed curiosity."

"Scientific curiosity?" She sat back on the float, her arms around her knees.

"No, purely human." He hesitated, then asked, "Your experiment? Is it working out? Or have you buried it under a pine tree?"

His question caught her off-guard. Her eyes turned, again, to the canoe tied to the landing.

"It isn't so easily disposed of," she said.

"Are you—working at it?" His voice was very persuasive.

"Not seriously. I never seem to find time. I'm always sleepy or hungry or interested or—contented."

A shout hailed them from the shore. Gay turned to see Kate gesturing from the landing.

"Hello!" she called in reply to the hail. Kate eased herself down into the canoe, unfastened the tie-rope and picked up a paddle.

"The marines are coming." Gay looked at John, not knowing whether she felt more relieved or annoyed by the interruption. What he felt was obvious.

"Tell them to go shoot an Indian," he said.

CHAPTER IV

John caught the side of the canoe. It wobbled, then steadied against the float. Kate dropped the paddle.

"Are you landing?" he asked.

"No, thank you." Something had disturbed her, he thought. Her plain clever face, usually serene, looked both irritated and concerned. She glanced up at him as though he was the cause of her concern and irritation. "I'm going back in a minute," she said.

Then, why had she come? He thought, he was sure, that Gay would have answered his question if they had remained undisturbed. He liked Kate. He'd been glad, at first, that she was here. Lately, though—this morning—"Have you minded the mail-man again?" he asked.

"You'll land in jail. All those papers—"

"New York papers?" Gay scrambled to the edge of the float. "Where did you get them?"

"I sent for them," Kate said.

"Is there—?" Gay asked quickly. Then, more deliberately, "What's the news?"

"Your father sailed three days ago," Kate said in reply to Gay's question.

"But he wasn't to have returned until—"

"Exactly." His eyes turned to Kate. She sat with compressed lips looking up at Gay through slightly narrowed eyes. "He missed the auction in London," she said.

"That's bad. That's really very bad." Gay gave an exclamation, half dismay, half exasperated rage. "Aunt Flora probably cabled him," she said.

"Your mother has not been idle," Kate reminded her grimly, "not to mention a varied assortment of relatives."

"They're such an articulate family."

"Yes," Kate said dryly, "and, unfortunately, cable rates are no deterrent."

"But why couldn't they have waited?" The humor that had brightened her voice was gone. Though he saw her only in profile, John knew that her eyes were dark and mutinous. "Why must they jump to conclusions? Aunt Flora would, of

the landing. Gay remained silent, her eyes fixed upon the tiny waves disappearing in bright succession beneath the float. John's eyes rested upon her profile. Moments passed in an estranging silence.

"You needn't, you know," John said presently.

She glanced at him questioningly.

"Apologize," he said. "You can think of me as a landing-post, too."

"I am, I suppose," she said, after a moment.

His glance, in turn, questioned.

"All the things you're thinking," she laughed, a clear brittle laugh, quickly stilled. "Spoiled, selfish, inconsiderate."

There was no humility in her voice. She was neither apologizing nor admitting. She seemed, John thought, to be taking some sort of perverse pride in the unadmirable qualities she listed. The sincere protest which sprang to his lips remained unspoken. Tenderness crystallized into antagonism.

"If you are referring to the anxiety you are probably causing at home," he said coolly, "I think I agree with you."

"Of course," she said brightly.

"What else could you think? I have everything, haven't I?"

"Certainly, by any standards, you have a great deal."

"There's no sensible reason why I should run away less than a month before my wedding?"

She did not look at him. Her eyes were again fixed upon the waves disappearing under the float. Color had flushed into the cheek that he saw in profile. Her hands were clasped so tightly about her knees that the knuckles showed white.

"I can't answer that," John said. "I know nothing of the circumstances."

"Well, there isn't," she said. "No sensible reason. Todd is—splendid. I suppose we've been half in love with each other since I was six and he was nine."

Only half in love? he wanted to ask. Instead, thoughtfully silent, increasingly astonished, he lit a cigarette.

"We're to be married at Southampton in the Little Red Church on the Dunes." She spoke lightly, quickly, adding word to word as though she were building a house with cards which a breath, a too impetuous touch would destroy.

"It's Mother's show. You see Dad gave me my debutante party. Now she has her inning. It's a little complicated." She laughed again, that clear brittle laugh, quickly stilled.

"Aunt Flora insists that she won't attend the reception in my step-father's home. She will, though, if only to point a reproving moral."

"Todd's father is giving us a boat for a wedding present," she went on as though there had been no break in the clear rippling stream of words. "We're sailing south. We'll leave the boat in Florida for the winter and bring her north next summer. The Janeways have a place at Palm Beach."

"Will you actually sail?" John asked, his interest for the moment quite detached from Gay.

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course. But I thought Mother had more sense!"

"It's been five days," Kate pointed out. "They probably think you've been kidnapped. You can't wonder that they're anxious," she added in a tone of increasing exasperation.

"I've been away longer than that."

"But not at a time like this when something has been arranged for you practically every hour. Think of the excuses, the questions, the evasions."

"You think of them. I haven't the strength."

"You haven't communicated with anyone?"

"No. Why should I? Todd—understood. I told both Mother and Aunt Flora in the notes I wrote them that I would return at the end of the week."

"And will you?"

She remembered him, then. John's heart leapt as his eyes, for a moment, met her shadowed glance. It sank again as she replied with unconscious arrogance:

"I usually keep my promises, don't I?"

"In that case," Kate said, and he thought she sounded considerably relieved, "we'll be obliged to start in the morning. And I think we should both apologize to John. He can't have enjoyed having this discussion in his presence. And he couldn't escape," she added, humor, fostered by relief, breaking through concern and irritation. "He's holding me steady. Very generous of him not to have set me adrift."

"Think of me as a landing-post," John said, "if that will make you feel better."

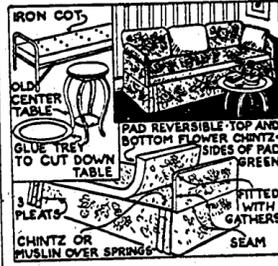
Kate drew the rope into the canoe. "It would—if I could," she said. Her smile was faintly derisive but the expression in her keen light eyes was not unsympathetic. She took up the paddle. "I'm going to get lunch," she said, speaking past John to Gay who sat still and aloof at the edge of the float looking down into the water. "I'll call when it's ready."

The canoe moved off from the float. The dip and swish of the paddle grew fainter as Kate approached

"You needn't, you know," John said presently.

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Warning Seemed Quite Superfluous to Car Owner

A gentleman was stranded at a railway station, on his way home to the country, in a heavy rain. Seeing a car at the roadside, he got inside for shelter, hoping to get a lift when the driver turned up. After a little wait the car began to move very slowly and in the direction he wanted to go, although the engine was not running. Eventually he reached his turning, so he jumped out. Then he saw a man about to get in, but warned him not to, as "there is something strange about this car—the engine isn't running." The stranger replied: "Don't I know it; I've been pushing the blamed thing for the last two miles."

Strange Facts

Deep in Sleep
Changing History
Stymied Immigrants

During hibernation, the dormouse, a small rodent resembling a squirrel, sinks into such a deep sleep that it must be aroused gradually or it will die. Even when shaken violently, it cannot be awakened in less than 20 minutes.

Ninety per cent of all history books have been written about Europe, which has never contained more than 30 per cent of the world's population.

St. Pierre and Miquelon, islands off the southern coast of Newfoundland, have an unusual history. They were French in 1660, British in 1702, French in 1763, British in 1778, French again in 1783, British in 1803 and French again in 1814, since which time possession has not changed.

The U. S. immigration border patrol, which guards more than 5,500 miles of our northern and southern boundaries, has apprehended, in a single year, as many as 33,000 persons who were attempting to enter the country illegally.—Collier's.

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WEEKLY LETTER BY PROCTOR FISH AND GAME WARDEN

Last week I saw more real wild game in the woods and on the high-ways than for many years. Deer, ducks and geese. Nearly every pond and lake within 20 miles of my home have some wild ducks and geese on them. No doubt some of these Canadian geese are some of the 12 I lost two years ago when the dogs scared them off my pond. I have seen at least 60 young wild ducks the past week and three broods of small ruffed grouse and two broods of ringnecks. This does not mention the seven young foxes and many hares and small rabbits.

By the time this column appears in print the mountain laurel should be right in its glory. No place in the state is the laurel as beautiful as right here in southern N. H. Over in the town of Mason each side of the road is banked for many miles.

We know where there is a wise old trout, a rainbow, said to weigh at least 5½ pounds, down under a dam in the village of the home town. Its mate was taken last year and was a beautiful fish. This big

the line of a lure but he is a wise one and will (no take). Some small boy with an alder stick and a bent pin will get him yet.

It's very evident that all the logs stored in the ponds in my district have not killed the pout. In the past week I have seen men standing on the logs stored in the pond and fishing down between the logs and catching some wonderful pout. Many I saw one night were over a foot long. Another pond I have in mind not a pout has been caught as the scum between the logs was very thick and had a very strong odor. Men tried the pond but could not stand the strong smell. In my mind this fishing from such a pond might bring down the strong arm of Uncle Samuel as there are many notices for every one to keep off Government property. Does any one know just what the Government means by those No Trespass signs? Does that mean a man cannot fish that pond?

Want a nice little brown male watch dog? Good with children. Make someone a nice dog. Come get him.

Have you got any good small hens that want to set. Have several peo-

People, Spots In The News



WHEN BOMBERS FALL . . . Whole row of houses at Clacton-On-Sea, England, was wrecked when huge German bombing plane crashed and exploded, killing five persons, four of them crew members, and injuring 90 residents.



HAPPY CHAMP . . . Lew Jenkins, spindly-legged but dynamite-fisted boxer from Sweetwater, Tex., did a joy-dance as glove was held aloft signaling his amazing third-round knockout of Lou Ambers to win world lightweight title.



PEACE ON EARTH . . . That's what millions of fortunate Americans were finding in their gardens and farms as cannon rumbled abroad. Bumper 1940 crop of new garden gadgets is typified by water, acid and spotproof back-to-soil tugs in flower prints for women, and by new aluminum seeder, 51 pounds lighter than old type, to ease planter's backstrain.

ple interested in some for setting on quail and pheasant eggs.

Well they tell me that the Hen-niker fishermen are getting real neighborly and are fishing the streams in my section with good success. Leon O. Cooper of that town tells me that I have real fishing. Four of the boys were over the other day and got their limit, among them being Louis Lux of that town.

CONFLICT BETWEEN MAN AND GOVERNMENT TROUBLES COUNTRY

The Walter-Logan bill, which is now in Congress, is about as important and necessary a piece of legislation as America's lawmakers have ever considered.

In the words of Mark Sullivan, the bill "goes to the heart of what is troubling the country and the world—the conflict between the rights of man, and the authority of government." And never in our long history was that conflict so bitter and intense.

The Walter-Logan bill is aimed specifically at the arbitrary exercise of vaguely defined authority by bureaus and commissions. And many an American citizen has discovered what that exercise of power means. We have established, principally in recent years, a great number of new bureaus for various purposes. The laws authorizing these bureaus have often purposely been made general, to the extent that even the proverbial Philadelphia lawyer can't discover where their powers begin and where they end. And the result has been that government officials have at times made themselves into prosecutor, judge and jury, all in one. Rules and regulations may be changed from day to day. Interpretations of the law may be revolutionized overnight. And the ordinary citizen, who cannot afford the time and money that years of litigation in the Federal courts demand, is helpless.

The Walter-Logan bill doesn't propose to limit the authority of government or weaken its functions in any way. It simply provides that when a board or bureau makes a decision which the litigant thinks wrong, he may have an immediate appeal to a judicial body. To quote Mr. Sullivan again, "That is the same as saying, and no more than saying, that every man shall be entitled to his day in court." And the late Senator Logan, when first introducing his bill, described it in these words: "The sole issue here presented to Congress is whether we shall have a government by men or a government by law."

We all know what government by men means—look abroad at Europe. The purpose of the Walter-Logan bill is to prevent that here. And no bill could have a more vital purpose.

Flag of United States Passes 163rd Birthday

The flag of these United States of America reached its 163rd birthday on Friday, but beyond the fact that it is red, white and blue, the majority of the people know nothing about it save that, so the story has gone, that it was designed and made by the seamstress, Betsy Ross, but that is now questioned.

The flag was first called "Old Glory" by Stephen Driver, an old sailor, during the Civil War.

The Continental Congress introduced the flag resolution in 1777, but the nation didn't have an all-American flag over the Capitol until 1866. English-made cloth was used before that.

Philadelphia has always been a centre of the flag industry and still furnishes all of the flags for the United States Army which are made up by the Army's Quartermaster Depot, only one of its kind in the country.

Everything from the troop guidons to the large garrison flags are turned out by the depot's mile-long factory building. Most of them are made by girls at swift-moving sewing machines but the brilliant, intricately designed silk regimental flags are done entirely by hand.

Every star in the flag represents a state. Can you pick out yours? (The order in which the states entered the Union is the controlling factor.)

How many horizontal rows of stars are there? Most people will answer eight. The answer is six.

If you sail up or down the Potomac River in a boat, regulations call for lowering of the flag when you slip past Washington's tomb at Mt. Vernon.

The two places where the flag flies day and night are the Capitol dome, and the grave of Francis Scott Key.

ANTRIM LOCALS

Several young people, formerly of this town, have graduated from high schools elsewhere: Robert Shephardson, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wallace from the Barre, Mass., high school; Frederick Nolan, son of Mr and Mrs. Angus Nolan, former residents, from the Goffstown high; and Miss Hazel Whitney, daughter of Mrs. Ethel and the late G. Granville Whitney from the Concord high school.

Rise Above Them

Mistakes are easy, mistakes are inevitable, but there is no mistake so great as the mistake of not going on.—Jex Blake.

TRI-MOUNTAIN LEAGUE

League Standing	W	L	Pct.
Goffstown	4	1	.800
Hillsboro	3	2	.600
Contoocook	3	2	.600
Weare	3	2	.600
New Boston	2	3	.400
Antrim	0	5	.000

Verdi's Last Opera
"Falstaff," written during his eightieth year, was Verdi's last opera. It is based mainly on Shakespeare's play, "The Merry Wives of Windsor."

Romance in Hardware

By ALICE DUANE
(McClure Syndicate—WNU Service.)

WHEN Peggy Prince was 15 she began selling kitchen utensils at Warner and Prince's after supper on Saturday nights. Peggy's father was half owner of the store, which did more business than any three other hardware stores in the county put together. Peggy had asked to work there to start with for the sake of earning a little extra spending money. At the time Harold Warner, just through high school, had just joined his father in the business.

Peggy had not tried to hide her admiration for the tall, fine-looking son of her father's partner. One evening after closing hours Mr. Prince had suggested driving Mr. Warner home in his car, and Harold had taken the hint and had asked permission to drive Peggy home in his father's car. So the custom had begun—for four years now Harold had driven Peggy home—and, incidentally, Peggy and Harold had become engaged.

Now Peggy was 20 and Harold was 23 and they were driving home after a Saturday evening that had been especially prosperous to the business which they would some day inherit.

"Of course, you like hardware," Peggy taunted Harold. "It's your whole life—hardware."

"I don't see why you jump at conclusions," said Harold. Then, after a pause, "As a matter of fact, I loath it—I loath hardware."

"You'd say anything to avoid an argument," said Peggy. "You haven't any idea of the way I feel about it. Sometimes I could just cut loose and run away. Lead my own life—in- stead of the life that has been cut out for me—"

Peggy paused and looked at Harold, but Harold, to her surprise, had not turned to look at her.

"I'd like to cut loose myself," he said at length. "I don't particularly hanker to lead a life that has been cut out for me either."

Peggy took a long breath, stretched out her arms, and then felt at a loss to know precisely what to say. "There are ever so many things I might do," she said. "I'd go somewhere where I'd have an opportunity. I'd want to be free; really to live, to think. Have you any brilliant idea for your own future—if you gave up hardware?"

"I have," said Harold simply.

"Well, if that's the way you feel, we might as well call our engagement off."

Peggy was decidedly annoyed, and this moment of her release from Harold didn't give her the sense of profound relief that she had anticipated.

"It's-O. K. with me," said Harold. "If that's the way you feel about it."

And so within a few days Peggy and Harold told their fathers of their broken engagement, and started forth to seek their fortunes apart from hardware.

Three months later Mr. Prince appeared at the usual time on Saturday night and with him came Peggy, looking a little thinner—a little less buoyant than usual. Mr. Warner, who was measuring chicken wire at the time, looked up in surprise.

"Peggy's back for good," said Mr. Prince, gleefully. "Says she'll come back to sell kitchen things Saturdays, the same as usual, if we want her."

As soon as Mr. Warner was at liberty he went to Peggy and, laying a rough hand gently on her shoulder, said: "I'm glad you're back, my girl—only perhaps you'd rather leave early. Harold's coming back on the eight-thirty from the East. He's coming right here to the store. He didn't make out quite so well as he expected. Went up thinking he could beat those wolves of Wall street at their own game. Funny you two never ran into each other—just by chance."

"New York's too big for that," said Peggy demurely. "Besides, Wall street is miles from Fifty-eighth street."

Mr. Warner was laughing to himself. "So you'll stay and meet him here?" he asked. "Well, maybe you can get together again—you two. Though I hope you won't do it just to please your father and me."

Harold had come in the store by the back way, had hung up his hat on the accustomed peg before anyone knew he had entered the store.

"Need a hand to help with the chicken wire?" he called out to Mr. Prince, by way of attracting attention to his presence.

Mr. Prince turned red, rubbed his eyes, shook hands and stammered his welcome, with something like tears in his beaming eyes. Then he thought of Peggy, looked about the store to see whether she had seen Harold, and felt much embarrassed. Peggy stepped lightly to his side.

"Harold's back," said her father in a whisper. "Maybe you'd better go home."

"Hello, Harold," Peggy said, lightly. Their eyes met and they seemed to exchange an understanding message. "No, I didn't tell them," she said aloud. "I lost my nerve, after all. I thought maybe father'd notice that my trunk tag said Mrs. Harold Warner, but he didn't. We'll tell your father and mine together after we close store." And Peggy went off gleefully to a customer who wanted to buy a new saucepan.

Long Time Soil Program Fixed

Yearly Tenant Changes Are Found to Be Conducive To Erosion.

WASHINGTON.—The agriculture department plans to broaden its nation-wide program to halt soil erosion, which already has damaged half of all the land in the United States.

Farmers and soil specialists meeting here recently with the bureau of agricultural economics, soil conservation service and the forest service developed a three-point program for the corn-belt states.

The group agreed that if a maximum amount of soil conservation is to be accomplished on the nation's farms, additional emphasis should be placed on:

1. Long-term farm management planning.
2. Long-term tenure contracts to farm tenants.
3. Education to spread knowledge of mechanical and cultural erosion-control practices.

Yearly Cost Staggering.

H. H. Bennett, chief of the soil conservation service, reported that soil erosion is costing farmers at least \$400,000,000 a year. At an average value of \$50 an acre that means that 8,000,000 acres are being washed or blown away each year.

"Across the farm and range lands of the country," he said, "some 282,000,000 acres either have been ruined or severely damaged by soil erosion. On an additional 775,000,000 acres the process of erosion is actively under way."

Recommendations of the conference were intended to supplement the work of soil conservation districts organized under state laws in 36 states. There are more than 200 such districts covering approximately 120,000,000 acres.

Claude R. Wickard, AAA north-central division director, told the conference that "surveys show that about 10 per cent of corn-belt soil has already suffered from severe erosion or has been essentially destroyed for cultivation as a result of erosion and removal of plant food."

Further Program Stressed.

"Although farmers have become more conscious of conservation during recent years and have adopted the practices of the AAA program to meet the problem, further efforts are required to maintain and restore the soil resources of corn-belt farms," Wickard said.

The conference adopted a report recommending (1) soil tests preceding applications of limestone, superphosphate and potash, (2) increase acreage in permanent pasture, (3) increased planting of trees and forest preservation and (4) county schools on controlling erosion by mechanical and cultural erosion-control practices.

The agricultural adjustment administration was requested to urge "that every farmer in 1940 and 1941 be encouraged to a greater extent to carry out the particular soil-conservation measure most needed and best suited to his farm." Farmers already using soil-erosion-control methods were urged to adopt at least one new method to serve as an example for neighbors.

College Students Convert

Junk Into Store Displays

BRIDGEWATER, MASS.—Junk for the dump yards is being used by State Teachers' college students here to provide window displays for local stores.

The work is part of the art appreciation course and the displays are offered free to any storekeeper who wants them.

One of the window displays consisted of old soup cans, which were dissected and then put together again in the form of two figures sipping soup from a bowl. The backdrop for the scene was a Venetian blind, rescued from an attic and painted green and silver.

Owl Becomes Mascot for

These School Children

SALINAS, CALIF.—In return for mice and other tidbits on the menu of the well-fed owl, Petey, a little gray-breasted owl, has become mascot for children at the Lincoln elementary school.

For three months, Petey has stayed in a bush near the school, clucking happily when approached by students, who intend to build him a home. Although Petey's vision during the daytime is none too good, gradually he is gaining the confidence due all mascots. There is little chance that he will leave his new job, for he has a broken wing and can't fly.

Hunt for Fortune

Left by Recluse

ST. CHARLES, MINN.—A search has been started through a ramshackle shed on the chance a recluse had left a hoarded fortune there when he died.

Fred C. Smith, 81, who lived alone after retiring as a school teacher at Tracy, Minn., was found dead in the shack where he lived for 30 years. About \$80 in cash was found in his pockets.