#### Have You Heard?

The head of the house was read. ng a newspaper article very care-fully. When he had come to the end he remarked to his wife: "Do you know, dear, I think there's something in what this article says—that the eleverness of the father often proves a stumbling block to the son."

His wife heaved a sigh of re-"Well, thank goodness," she said, "our Bobby won't have anything to fall over!"

Man isn't so smart as he years before he even thought of them, the turtle sported a streamlined body, a turret top, a retractable landing gear, and a portable house.

The vocalist at a camp concert seemed to have an endless reper-toire. The fact that his voice was obviously beginning to grate on the audience did not deter him in

tener shouted: "Hi, d'you know 'The Long, Long Trail?" "Why, yes, replied the vocalist, roudly. "Shall I sing it?" "No," quickly came the reply;

Small Boy (in chemist's shop): "Please, I want some powder for my sister." Chemist (jokingly): "Something that goes off with a bang?" Small Boy: "No, something that goes on with a puff."

In a small country town meeting had been called to discuss the question of a brighter Sun day for the people.

Various proposals were put forward when some daring soul suggested a "Pleasant Sunday After-A grim woman rose and said: "There will be no pleasant Sun-

day afternoons where I am." First Irishman: "Which would yez rather be in, Pat -an explosion or a collis-

Second ditto: "In a collisn, because in a collision here yez are, but in an exon were are yez?

hear that Farmer Jones' man left him." es, he said he couldn't stand y, it's no colder on the

To, but he heard over the that farm labor was to be

She was peaved and called him Mr. Not because he went and But because just before As she opened wide the This same Mr. Kr. Sr.

# WHAT SCIENCE IS DOING

RABBITS IN WAR Rabbits, thousands of them, are turning out a new kind of serum, one now being used by army doctors in every induction centre in the country to tell what group of blood runs in each soldier's veins, Priscilla Jaquith writes in Coronet. You can see the results by looking at the little metal tag a service man wears around his neck. Stamped inside a circle are the initials A, B, AB, or O, letters that tell what kind of blood he can safely take into his veins. If he's wounded and needs blood in a hurry, that letter may save his life. Still other rabbits are turning out serum to fight pneuthe doctors diagnose.

CATTAILS

After ten years of experiment ing Dr. C. F. Burgess of Chicago announces that the plant known as Typna latifolia to botanists and cattail to us of the street has industrial uses. He has found that from cattail fibre a fluffy, duced which can be used as a stuffing for toys, sporting goods, upholstery, life-preservers and padding for tanks and airplanes

### Engine To Go Back In Form of Bombs

An engine of the German Zeppelin Hindenburg destroyed by fire at Lakehurst, N. J., May 6, 1937, may go back to Germanyin bombs and bullets. The 1,600norsepower, 12-cylinder motor, used for several years as a demonstration and practice unit in an aviation machine shop at a training school, is in a jurk yard await-

#### Modern Etiquette By Roberta Lee

1. When one is in the pres of another person and a telegram or letter is delivered to him, which he must read at once, what should 2. What is the customary num

ber of bridesmaids at an elaborate church wedding?
3. Is it permissible for a dinner guest to mention any preference

4. To what should one give the greatest thought in the cultivation of a good speaking voice?
5. Should candles be used the luncheon table? 6. How should a girl refuse a dance?

1. "Will you excuse me please?" 2. Although the number is entirely a matter of personal five nor more than ten brides maids at an elaborate wedding 3. No. He should accept what is offered, and under no circumstances make reference to some other kind of dish he particularly likes. That would be the height of ill-breeding. 4. To pitch or tone, and to the enunciation and pronunciation of words. The most pleasing voice is one that is low and gentle—not too low to be heard, but clear. The voice should come from the chest, and not

from the head or throat alone. 5 No. 6. Say, "I am sorry, but I have this dance engaged," if true. Otherwise, she may say, "Thank you, but I am sitting this out." In either event, the girl should

decline graciously and with a

smile.

# Soldiers Taught "No Withdrawal"

Canadian Army in Britain Specializes in Attack

A new Canadian Army battle school, where they concentrate on attack and don't teach a thing about farmland area of southern Eng-

Classes of 200 young officers and non-commissioned officers spend 25 days, with a seven-day week and plenty of night work thrown in, going through the best battle training ever given Canadian

resented at this school and while infantrymen predominate, there also are men from armored regiments, engineers, gunners and army service and ordnance corps. Even medical corps troops are being taught to carry out their job with the assault units. The school includes infantry, mortar and Bren gun carrier wings and instructors teach new attack drills that are being used now by

Live Ammunition Used The students start from scratch with instruction in elementary field craft and use of infantry weapons. Then training develops through section and platoon work

British and Empire troops on many

to a company basis.

Attacks by infantry, carriers and mortars are co-ordinated and there is more "live stuff" thrown around here than anywhere else in the army. Live ammunition is used in every exercise.

#### **GOODIES FROM HOME**



Happy smiles light the faces of these Soviet men and women soldiers as they open boxes of food sent from folks at home to troops in front-line trenches.

#### How Can I? By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I overcome the annoyance of a shoe tongue that persists in slipping to one side? A. If two short slits are cut near the top of the tongue, about a quarter of an inch apart, and the lace is slipped through these slits before inserting through the top holes, the trouble will be over-

Q. How can I mend enamel-

A. By mixing equal parts of putty, salt, and coal ashes thoroughly. Apply to hole and heat on stove until the composition is hard. It will withstand either hot or cold liquids. Q. How can I make a substi-

tute for cracker crumbs? A. If you have no cracker crumbs on hand, try using corn flakes. Toast them, then crush with a rolling pin, and you will have a tasty substitute.
S. How should small washable

rugs be laundered? A. They may be washed in the washing machine, but they should not be put through the wringer. Instead, hang them dripping wet on the line to dry, and they will then keep their shape. Q. How can I avoid making

bitter-tasting coffee?

A. Coffee should never be allowed to boil. Boiled coffee develops bitterness, and the boiling destroys both the aroma and th

The school emphasizes night attack. "The Germans have shown they are poor night fighters, so and N.C.O.'s the tops in the dark," said Major Campbell, chief in-

A study is made of German wearons and Nazi army organization and tactics. Manoeuvres are orilar to the way the Germans would

Obstacle and assault courses have been built over the 10-squaremile training area. House fight ing is taught in a group of old uildings alled the "devil's anti-

### "Horseburgers"

There's nothing wrong with horse meat—but the idea.

Americans, if rationing drives them to it, can eat their horse-burgers and choice cuts of old Dobbin secure in the knowledge that as a body builder horse meat is just as good as pork, beef or

poultry.

Medical science, nutrition experts and diet authorities agreed today that aside from an old American prejudice — not shared by many Europeans - there's nothing against the horse as a source of food.

The 30,000 pounds of horsemeat sold by one butcher in Boston in 48 hours may be the forerunner of general acceptance of this as the share-the-meat program depletes the supply steaks and chops.

#### TO ADOLF, WITH WORST WISHES



The crew of this American Flying Fortress in England fixed a bang-up Christmas present for Adolf Hitler in the form of the Yule-greatinged bomb seen in the photo. The "Santa Claus" is Lieut. A. J. Davis, of New York.

Latin America has been getting

whole textile mills, about six of

which have already been shipped

Factories making refrigerators

shoes, paper, paint and varnish, fire brick and cement are listed

in a confidential draft of 300-odd plants for possible South

American export which govern-

ment agencies have just drawn

We Can Get Along

The Japs in British Columbia

had about 1,500 fishing ships when Japan declared war, states

the Simcoe Reformer. They were

promptly relieved of these and

sent inland. Silly, thoughtless people made an outcry saying that

this would mean a much smaller catch at a time when canned sal-

mon was an important war food. They have had their mouths close of

by a report that shows that 59?, 242 cases of sockeye alone have

been canned on the Pacific Coast

this year. There has been no such

pack as this for nearly 30 years. It sould teach us that we can get

along very well in our industries without Japs-and without other

foreigners, for that matter. Our

of taking up all jobs that offer,

and there will be plenty of them

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#### Powdered Meats In Wartime Diet

British Food Minister Lord Woolton indicated not long ago that powdered meat would become an item in the national wartime

dried eggs and powdered milk," he said in a speech. "They will, before the war is over, hear some thing about powdered meats."

# Wholesale Plant **Export Program**

Entire Factories Being Shipped From United States

A wholesale plant export program, in which entire factories are being lifted up and shipped from the United States, is being carried on by Washington agen-cies, which plan to accelerate shipments soon, Newsweek points out.
Latest evidence of this came when the Office of War Information announced that the Douglas Oil Refinery, near Los Angeles, would be shipped to Russia and is expected to be making 87-octane gas there within a year. It will transferred under lend-lease. This follows other such purchases for Russia, including Ford's tire plant. These are to be shipped Shipments already made to the

Soviet included a considerable amount of oil pipe line and pumping equipment and some locomo-tives and freight cars sent to the Iran-Iraq region for Russia's supply lines. Part of an aluminum mill has also been exported, with the rest to follow, and under con-sideration now are a power plant

# and another tire-making factory.

announced last week that Helen Rix of Toronto had chalked up a perfect score in winning the Ex-pert Shield award for sporting ralle proficiency, first woman to post perfect figures in the com-

Rifle Association, shot a 6,000 A 6,000 in winning the award. While several women in Canada have won the award at various times, she was the first to get perfect

To win the award-ton hono in sporting rifle competition in Canada, contestants must post score of 5,820 or better out of 6,000, shooting 60 targets, 20 each in the standing, sitting, and prone positions. The score must be per fect in the prone position, 98 or better on each shot of the sitting or kneeling position, and 95 or better on each shot of the standing off-hand stance. Miss Rix hit the x-ring squarely on every shot in each position.

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The basis of all air-power is single-seat fighter and both in typt and in French North Africa Supermarine Spitfire, flown Beitish, American and Imperial

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The 1,500 mile flight by the Am-

t) leader of the Senussi Arabs, is greeted by his

THE WAR - WEEK - Commentary on Current Events

**ARABIAN KNIGHTS** 

Superiority in humaniza-3—Adequate ground organiza-tion for servicing, maintenance and erican and British troops under Lt. Col. Edson D. Raff in their Douglas transports from England to Africa must rank as one of the

great feats of its kind in this var and of immense significance for the future. In every way the Twelfth Air Force of the U.S. Army, now in Africa, must be congratulated on a fine piece of work which will lead to great

How great these things are to be in the near future will lepend very much on the air-strength of the United Nations. The axis is likely to try and set up the stronglikely to try and set up the strong-est possible air cover in a triangle over Sicily, Sardinia, Corsica and Southern Italy—all well-equipped with airfields. The Sicilian Chan-nel between Tunis and Marsala in Sicily is about 90 miles wide which means that strong Allied tighter swaeps would be possible fighter sweeps would be possible from Tunis in support of concentrated bombing. Furthermore, Malta—which now turns from grim and gallant defence to swift and shattering attack—is only 60 miles from the Sicilian shore. Now at last Malta comes into her own.

The first task is thus to clear

the axis neck and crop out of Africa. The next is to establish air superiority from African air bases out over the Mediterranean The third is to destroy as much as possible of the Luftwaffe on its advanced bases to create the conditions in which successful combined operations can be advanced a step further. The Luftwaffe must be made to fight-the more it fights the better for the Allied cause. Aircraft production in America and Great Britain nov outstrips that of the axis by a wide margin. The higher the rate of wastage which can be forced on the axis the quicker will come the absolute air mastery, which is

the key to victory. Of the 21,500,000 women between the ages of 14 and 65 in the United States, more than 13,500,000 are

POP-Talking Turkey

WHAT MAKES YOU

THINK I'VE BEEN

RAIDING THE

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# THE BOOK SHELF | Air Depots Built OUR HEARTS WERE YOUNG AND GAY By Cornelia Otis Skinner and Emily Kimbrorgh Cornelia Otis Skinner and Emily

Kimbrough went abroad together. This was in the early twenties, and they were not quite in theirs.
"Emily," Cornelia said, "attracts trouble the way blue serge attracts lint." But it was, after all, Cornelia who came down with the measles and a great many complications. Emily did nearly a huge assembly base somewhere down the coast of the Red Sea from which planes, guns and sup-plies were sent to the Egyptian front. drown a man, but her intention was only to be helpful; and when she hit an English nobleman in the face, it was unpremeditated and in sport. Certainly the shipwreck was not the fault of either of them, though Cornelia has al-ways averred that the mere fact of Emily's being there helped to heing it about

bring it about. They were young and foolish and their hearts were gay. They laughed at nearly everything but they cried, too, at England, and the sight of France, the Eiffel Tower and Joan of Arc. They had been brought up to know about such places, and sure enough they were true, and Cornelia and Emily were there to

They were every young American girl on her first trip abroad.
They discovered and they owned Europe, or such part of it as they awkwardly cantered over, and they adored almost everything they encountered. Such things as they did not adore they hated.
They would not have known
enough nor how to be bored. They
longed to be considered worldly
but they were not of the world; they were on top of it.

Our Heartz Were Young and

Gay . . . By Cornelia Otis Skinner and Emily Kimbrough . . . Dodd, Mead & Company . . . Price \$3.00. VOICE

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PRESS SAVE THE YOUNG PIGS Lowering the mortality rate in young pigs is the greatest single step toward meeting the bacon production objective of 675,000,000 pounds set in the new British agreement. In fact, this may be the only assured means of achiev-

ing the goal.

Too many young pigs are lost stretch of sand remains, and the monoony is only broken by seeing each year — almost invariably through ignorance rather than carelessness. Lack of iron, result-ing in anaemia, worms and disease ous losses in young pigs.

—Winnipeg Tribune. germs are common causes of seri

LOOK IT UP, HITLER "Granting that Herr Hitler feels all the admiration for the music of Richard Wagner he professes, its still a cinch bet one of the composer's works is never played or mentioned in his presence. That's his 'Rule Rritannie' ence. That's his 'Rule Britannia'
March which he wrote and sent
to the London Philharmonic Orchestra for performance in 1840."
—Detroit Free Press.

WE DON'T BELIEVE IT One o' our readers claims to of overheard the followin' dia-

Buyer—"Oh, go down in the ellar and have a look around."

Dealer-"I can't." Buyer-"Why not?" Dealer-"Cellar steps are block ed with cases." Buyer-"Cases of what?" Dealer-"Butter." -Starbeams

COLD-BLOODED Japanese airmen have deliberately bombed Red Cross hospitals in the South Pacific. That's just nother double-cross by the Japs. -Windsor Star

THEY GO UNDER Lloyd's of London is nov housed in offices 50 feet under ground. Yes, they're the under -Hamilton Spectator

MATTER OF OPINION

made-over dress than mother.

Dad gets more pleasure out of

A LITTLE BIRD

TOLD ME,

SIR

In African Jungle

A great many planes have been flown from the British Isles to the Middle East, but thousands have been shipped from the United States to ports in West Africa, re-assembled, and then flown to their bases. President Roosevelt stated a long time ago that the Allies had

planes, shipped from the United States, have been flown to the North Africa fronts. It became necessary to establish African depots after the fall of France which made the Mediterranean route dangerous, and this, the largest of the plants, is 6,000 miles from the theatre of war. The place selected was only a tribal hamlet on the fringe of a forest along the coast, but it had a good harbor. Thousands of natives were rounded up, and with the aid of army engineers, they built, deep in the hinterland, what is one of the best

gineers had to hack their way through in order to establish emergency landing places where planes could refuel and be serviced. There were not even paths through the forests. In order to win the co-operation of the natives the word was spread that if they found any airmen who are forced down, rewards would be paid in gold for

conducting them to the nearest emergency field. The R.A.F. officer, who has flown the route himself, says it is one of the most interesting, and perhaps most terrifying territories in the world. The land below teems with lions and other wild animals, and if airmen came down in certain places a bag of gold would not be much use to them. When the planes reach Khartoum the worst of the trip is over, but a 2,000-mile

# SCOUTING ...

The Chief Scout for Canada The Chief Scout for Canada, His Excellency the Governor-General, has announced the week of February 21-27 as Boy Scout Week in Canada. The opening feature of the observance will be memorial services for Lord Baden-Powell on February 21, the day prior to the birthday of the Founder of the Boy Scout Movement terranean for 500 miles.

an occasional Arab tent, or a

camel caravan.

ment. A few Boy Scouts of Liverpool,

England, opened a Service Bureau to give information in the much bombed city. It proved so sucted with a problem adopted the habit of telling people "Go to the Scouts about it." The service has been extended and three Scout help centres are now in operation.

A group of British Boy Scouts, anxious to do their bit in purchasing war bonds, organized a mole hunting expedition. They skinned the moles, sold the skins and invested the proceeds in bonds.

Twenty Scottish Wolf Cubs were waiting outside a theatre to see the movie version of Rudyard Kipling's "Jungle Book." Nearby was a crippled sidewalk artist. The Cubs went into a huddle, reached a unanimous decision, turned the movie money over to the cripple and went home without seeing the picture. Their good turn for the day was done.

A Jewish contingent of the United States Army has made a donation of five pounds to a British Boy Scout Troop which extended the facilities of its

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THE UNCONQ
By E. K. In The Christian ABLES

when tenced to die, were heard fi their comrades.

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German bullets, we hand in hand and cry

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our dear France and for us, and tell the truth everywhe

Jean M.

Both were shot at dawn. They

French underground papers have published their story, and their

names have become a symbol of French resistance against Nazi

oppression. Thousands and thous-ands of French youth are willing

The United States War Produc-

tion Board has shortened the na-tion's shirttails to insure an ade-

quate supply of the visible parts of these garments and ordered,

for similar reasons, sweeping re-

cuff fans and zoot-suit addiets

were deprived of further oppor-tunity to indulge their fancies

The board ordered from two to

three inches taken off men's and boys' shirts made after Dec. 15

and estimated that this will result

million yards of cotton and other fobrics. More than 10,000,000 additional shirts will be manufac-tured from the material saled, h

in an annual saving of several

forms in pyjama styles.

Men's Shirttails

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They were twelve young, very young Frenchmen, mostly from the Norman and Breton coast. When the war started, they aff volunteered for the French flying forces and became student-pilots in one of France's air schools. They were easer to tight against They were eager to fight against the hereditary enemy of their country, but France broke down and the students were dismissed. Yet the twelve would not return to their homes. They decided to continue the struggle against the Nazis on their own. General de Gaulle's appeal to the

General de Gaulle's appeal to the French had reached them, and in their secret meetings the young men resolved to join the Free French army. They borrowed money from their parents and friends and bought a small nine-ton sailing vessel, the "Buhara." They installed an outboard motor, purchased some food, and on An officer of the Royal Air Force who has arrived in New York re-vealed that there is an assembly depot in a jungle in Western Africa from which thousands of tor, purchased some food, and on a cold, foggy winter day set out to sea, hoping to reach England. Soon the motor broke down, and the small coat went adrift. When dawn rose, the craft was over-taken by a German patrol-boat and the young men were arrested. When they returned to port, and equipped air depots in the world.
There is a journey of about 4,000 miles through some of the wildest parts of Africa before reaching the edge of the Sudan desert, and en-

When they returned to port, and were led to prison surrounded by German soldiers, the town people watched from their thresholds, grim and sad. The trial before the German military court was summary. The German judges offered mercy to any of the young men who were willing to denounce the instigators of their flight. All refused! The Nazis sentenced the oldest of them to be executed, and the others to hard labor for lifetime. None of them flinched.

When they were brought back to prison, Jean M. and Pierre D.

oppression. Thousands and ands of French youth are to follow their example. Scout Hall to the unit for religi- ! War Shortens

. . . .

A former Patrol Leader of & Northampton Boy Scout Troop, now in the R.A.F., has formed a Boy Scout Troop in Iran. The troop is operating smoothly despite language difficulties. All orders have to be passed on to the boys through an interpreter. Eight months ago the Medical

Officer at Lansdowne Barracks, Ottawa, asked Boy Scouts to provide the centre with used medieine bottles. Since that time Ot-tawa Scouts have provided thousands every month. The military centre has not had to purchase one bottle, and an official report a cash saving of \$205, the amount spent in medicine bottles during the same period the year before.

The "Rock" chunk of limestone two and a half miles long and 1,550 yards wide, Gibraltar controls the Medi-

At the same time, the order imposed a general simplification program on men's and boys' pyjamas, effective Dec. 15, which will save enough material to make 2,200,000 additional pairs of pyjamas.

By Fred Neher



FRED NEMER. 5-23 "Do I look like a person who stops every time a strange man whistles at me?!!"

