RETURN OF THE RUSSIAN

Only bleak ruins remain to greet him as a soldier of the Red Army returns to his home in town retaken from the Nazis. This dramatic picture is from the March of Time's "One Day of War," documentary film of a single day on the many fronts of Russia as filmed by 160 Soviet soldier-photographers.

Have You Heard?

The reporter limped in.

"Well," said the news editor, "did you get the interview?"

The reporter pointed to a pair of black eyes.

"We can't print a pair of black eyes. Where's the story?"

The reporter lifted his hat and displayed a huge bump on his head.

"Look," he repeated.

"What good is that? We can't print things like that. Didn't you get the chap to say a few words?"

"Yes," was the reply, "but you can't print those either!"

Man (employed by an Aberdonian): "I have been here ten years, sir, doing three men's work for one man's money, and now I want a raise."

Employer: "I canna gie ye that, but if ye'll tell me the names of the ither twa men I'll sack 'em."

When the threat of invasion was at its height and all signposts had been removed, a motorist stopped a country yokel and enquired of him the way to a certain village.

The yokel, pointing the direction, replied: "That were the way before the war, but I b'aint be tellin' anybody now."

At the end of a lesson in general knowledge the teacher asked if any member of the class could tell her what he knew about Lord Woolton.

One boy got up. "He's the bloke what tells us to eat less of what we ain't got none of."

Little Boy: "I met Mr. Jones in the street going to school, and he said he wanted to see papa about something, and he called papa a walking encyclopedia."

Mamma: "Indeed! And what did my little pet say to Mr. Jones?"

Little Boy: "I called him an old centipede and threw a snowball at him."

"Hey, Mom," exclaimed the little boy, tugging at his mother's hand, "isn't that monkey just like Uncle James?"

"Hush!" said his mother.

"Don't be so rude!"

"Ah; the monkey didn't hear me, Mom!"

As the mathematics professor was working out an example on the blackboard, he noticed that one of the pupils wasn't paying any attention. So, he said sharply:

"Board, Jeffries, board!"

Roused from his day-dream, the lad replied unthinkingly:

"Yes, sir, very!"

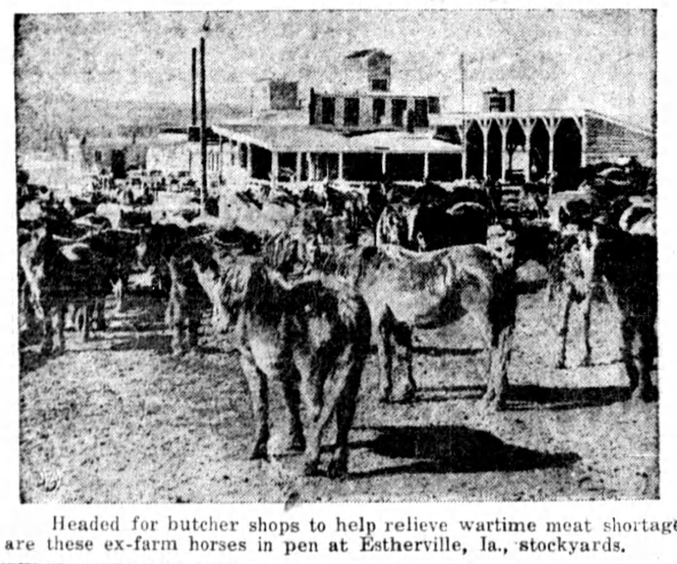
"Who was that you were talking to for a whole hour, at the gate?" asked Mr. Simpson.

"That was Mrs. Smith; she hadn't time to come in," replied his wife.

Buckwheat

The reason for giving the name buckwheat to the grain from which buckwheat flour is made is very simple, says the Fort William Times-Journal. The buckwheat grain, while very mrch smaller, is of the same triangllar color as a beech nut and naturally was called bockwheat or beukwheat at first. Time works its changes on language as on everything else and so today this beechwheat is called buckwheat.

HORSEBURGERS ON THE HOOF



Headed for butcher shops to help relieve wartime meat shortage are these ex-farm horses in pen at Estherville, Ia., stockyards.

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

1. Which wedding anniversary calls for gifts of crystal?
2. Should one ever express anger in a letter?
3. Would it be bad taste for a man to wear a tuxedo or dinner jacket to a formal dinner?
4. What is the correct attire for a woman speaker at an evening affair?
5. When a girl has been going with a young man for several months, and she knows his birthday, should she give him a gift, if he has never given her one?
6. What is the correct way to eat celery?

Answers

1. The fifteenth anniversary. 2. Never. A person should develop enough self-control to suppress anger even verbally, but in a letter it stands as a permanent record, and usually the person who writes such a letter regrets it many, many times. Yes. Unless he has formal evening dress he should not attend. 4. A simple evening dress. 5. No. The man should be the first to begin giving gifts. Send him a nice birthday card. 6. Pick it up with the fingers and bite into the stalk.

WHAT SCIENCE IS DOING

PARACHUTES OF GLASS

Army bombers are using parachutes made of woven glass fibres to drop million candle power flares.

The glass chute is blackened with graphite to shield the airmen's eyes against the glare. This chute has to stand the intense heat of the million candle power flares and, although the glass fibres are almost as fine and light as silk, they can stand a temperature that would soften iron.

Many other uses of fibre glass are secret. But a dozen are listed which are not secret. On the sea coast, fibre glass goods are used in camouflage to stand extreme moisture.

The Navy is using the fibre to coat one side of insulating boards used in warships' interiors. This has freed enough aluminum to make 200 four-motored bombers, as the glass replaces an insulating material that had to be sheathed with aluminum.

The signal corps uses field telephone cable made with woven glass, replacing metal and lightening the weight. Ships and planes are using all sorts of cables covered with glass cloth, sometimes pure woven glass, sometimes mixed or impregnated with other materials.

Planes use the glass cloth for insulation against cold. The glass makes warmer Army barracks. The prize exhibit is the tent workshops used in the Arctic, where glass insulation has reduced the bulkiness of the structural materials by 75 to 80 per cent.

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How Can I ??

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I dry paint quickly?

A. Ozonized turpentine makes the paint with which it is mixed dry quickly. This is turpentine that has been exposed to the air and sunlight.

Q. How can I give a shining appearance to cake icing?

A. If butter is an ingredient in the icing for the cake, ice the cake and then put it in the oven for a few minutes with the door open. The frosting will have a smooth, shiny appearance.

Q. How can I clean steel which has become very rusty?

A. First rub with a cut onion and leave for a day. Then polish it with paraffin or turpentine and brick dust whichever you happen to have on hand.

Q. What can I use as a substitute when wax is not available for a floor that is to be used for dancing?

A. Powdered borax may be used, and will prove a good substitute.

Q. How should salad dressing be served?

A. If possible, serve the dressing separately and let the guests help themselves. Not only does the lettuce wilt after the dressing has been on it for any length of time, but people have so many different ideas in regard to salad dressing.

The Calm Courage Of Women At War

A naval officer had gone down from Portsmouth to London with an important message to deliver without delay to the captain of a warship, relates the Windsor Star. He was to be picked up at the quay by a motorboat and taken to the warship.

Coincident with the arrival of the naval officer at the base came a blitz. As he took shelter in a porch, the naval man heard the familiar put-put-put of a motorboat. Steered and manned by Wrens, the little craft nosed its way to the landing.

Saluting as meticulously as though on a parade ground, instead of in a blitz, the Wren in charge reported to the officer. The girls took him out to the warship, waited for him and brought him back right through the worst of the business. The Wrens took the duty in stride, never worrying about bombs or danger.

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She wore a plastic blouse,
And they both lived happy
In a little plastic house.

Plastics are said to date from 1868, when a printer made a billiard ball out of gum camphor and cellulose nitrate. It was as good as ivorp in every respect but one. In collision with another ball it exploded. — New York Times.

3,400,000 Murdered By Huns In Europe

The Inter-Allied Committee said recently that, on the basis of persons had been murdered in occupied Europe.

"The figures are mostly German so the extent of the toll of human life and suffering is only partially revealed," the committee said. "Deaths at the hands of Gestapo agents are never revealed and accurate information is difficult to obtain."

The committee said 2,500,000 persons had been executed or had died in Polish concentration camps, and 744,000 had been executed in Yugoslavia.

Other totals include: France, 24,000; Greece, 18,000; Czecho-Slovakia, 2,463; Netherlands, 2,200; Belgium, 193; Norway, 140 and Luxembourg, 129.

The figures do not include victims of towns such as Lidice, Czecho-Slovakia and others in Yugoslavia and Greece which were wiped out in reprisal for sabotage or resistance.

Reindeer Meat To Help Out Rations

Game and other delights of the gourmet are helping to solve the food problem. One piece of good fortune is the surplus of reindeer on Nunivak Island, off the coast of Alaska. From fewer than 200 animals the herd has increased in twenty five years to an estimated 19,000, with browse enough to support only about 10,000 reported to be available.

All buck fawns of the 1943 crop and surplus adults are to be killed and the meat supplied to the armed forces and civilians.

Elk present a similar picture. In United States national parks they are protected. During the present winter, co-operation of state and national agencies, favored by weather and other factors, has made possible a total reduction to 7,230 elk. The meat of the killed animals was consumed by the Indians and residents of Montana.

Although many different dialects are spoken in China, the written language is the same in all sections.

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