THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

CHICAGO was far down the line of windy cities for 1937 While it had but two 32-mile-per-hour winds, Buffalo had 105 days on which the wind equaled or exceeded that velocity New York City had 89 such days, and Cleveland 81

NEXT: How rattlesnakes locate their prey.

RADIO REPORTER By REX FROST

Something bright. Something light. A smile or two. Several household hints and suggestions. Such is the radio menu of that trio of "Wife Preservers", Wib Perry, Todd Russell and Michael Fitzgerald on the Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 11.15 a.m. timetable of CFRB, Toronto. And the show provides the opportunity for many a lady of the household to turn into cash her ideas and suggestions for lightening the domestic load. So ladies, if you've a brilliant idea why not shoot it along to the "Wife Preservers." Maybe a dollar bill, a five or ten buck reward may come your way. besides which the show itself is lots of good fun, and "easy-to-listen-to" entertainment.

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A new series of dramas, produced under the direction of Andrew Allan got under way over the C.B.C. Trans-Canada network last Sunday evening at the nine o'clock hour. Under the unusual title "Stage 44" this series will feature dramas written by Canada's leading playwrights. Last Sunday and for the next two Sundays, the plays presented are from the pen of Fletcher Markle, who attracted considerable attention a year ago with the dramatic sequence "Baker's Dozen". Fletcher Markle himself is now overseas with the R.C.A.F.

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In a day and age when the airwaves are often cluttered up with surmise and speculation, it is somewhat unusual to come across a programme titled "People enjoy facts". And for people who do enjoy facts the Canadian Bankers Association is initiating a new series of broadcasts which will be heard every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock over CFRB, Toronto. The series gets under way February 2nd.

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Are any of our readers interested in sewing? If so, the new sewing classes which will be heard every Thursday afternoon, 2.30 to 3 o'clock over CFRB commencing February 3rd, will be both educational and entertaining.

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Radio is at present lending its support to the I.O.D.E. compaign to collect books for the lads and lassies overseas. This is just a reminder, in case you haven't done so already, to look up some books which you can easily spare, and turn them over to your local Post Office or Public Library. 350,000 books are wanted. Send the books you have enjoyed yourself . . . up-to-date books of high adventure and romance, exciting mystery stories, and rip-snorting thrillers of the west. Books on travel. Stories by war correspondents. All will be very welcome. Will you do this much for the boys and girls who are doing so much for you?

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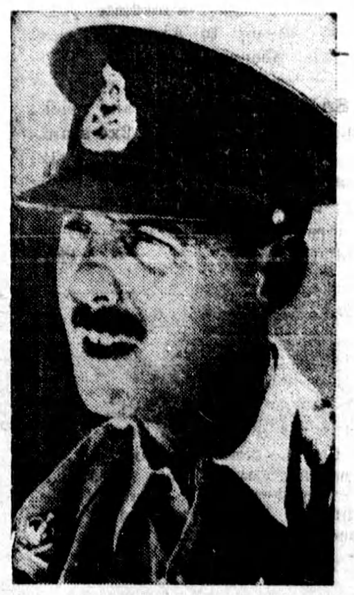
Speaking of programmes in the interests of the various war services, Maurice Bodington still continues to lend his adaptable personality to the "Red, White and Blue" broadcasts a Saturday feature of CFRB commencing at noon. Announcements of the activities of organizations working in the interest of the war effort, suitable patriotic music and poetry round out a diversified programme which, from all accounts, is steadily building up an appreciative audience. For a lunch hour lift on Saturday you can't beat it.

IN MONTY'S SHOES



Lieut.-Gen. Sir Oliver Leese was named commander of the famous British Eighth Army, to succeed Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, now n England to command British ground forces in the invasion of western Europe.

But Of Course, It Is Very Difficult

The story of the creation of the world is told in Genesis in 400 words.

The world's greatest moral code, the Ten Commandments, contains only 400 words.

Lincoln's immortal "Gettysburg Address" is but 266 words in length.

The Declaration of Independence required only 1,321 words to set up a new conception of freedom.

The United States Office of Price Administration uses 2,500 words to announce a reduction in the price of cabbake seeds!

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FEBRUARY 6
JESUS FEEDS THE MULTITUDES
Mark 6: 30—52; 8: 1—10
PRINTED TEXT
Mark 6: 35—44; 8: 1—9.

GOLDEN TEXT.—**I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall not hunger, and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.** John 6: 35.

Memory Verse: Jehovah is good to all. Psalm 145: 9.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time.—The feeding of the five thousand, and the miracle of our Lord walking on the water, took place in April, A.D. 29; the feeding of the four thousand took place the same year.

Place.—The miracle of the five thousand took place at Bethsaida, on the sea of Galilee; on this sea also the miracle of the walking on the water occurred. The feeding of the four thousand took place in what is known as Decapolis, the territory east of the Jordan River, towards the north.

Disciples Cannot Feed Them

"And when the day was now far spent, his disciples came unto him, and said, The place is desert, and the day is now far spent; send them away, that they may go into the country and villages round about, and buy themselves something to eat." The disciples realized the need of the people and possibly they were speaking from their own experience, they too would be feeling hungry and knew they had insufficient resources of their own to feed themselves and the multitude.

"But he answered and said unto them, Give ye them to eat. And they say unto him, shall we go and buy two hundred shillings worth of bread, and give them to eat? And he saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? Go and see. And when they knew, they say, five, and two fishes".

"Send them away", is the counsel of the disciples. "Give ye them to eat, is the command of Christ. Christ knew what he was about to do, but He would first show His disciples their great need and their entire helplessness. They must learn to look to Him for everything. Their resources were very small, totally inadequate, but how different was the case when placed in the hands of Jesus. We often face tremendous difficulties and problems with such inadequate resources, but when we in faith put our little into His hands, we are able to meet every demand.

All Were Satisfied

"And he commanded them that all should sit down by companies upon the green grass. And they sat down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties. And He took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake the loaves, and he gave to the disciples to set before them; and the two fishes divided He among them all. And they all ate and were filled."

Our Saviour always sought a blessing on his food. Do we?. If we paused a momen before giving thanks to think of all our blessings, our thanksgiving would be more sincere, less formal. At what momen the actual increase of the loaves took place we know not. The multiplication of the loaves and the fishes went on in the hands of Christ between the breaking and the distributing. All were blessed and all were satisfied. There is no stint with Christ; He gives in abundance. He invites us to a greater feast—the feast of the gospel. They who partake of Christ, of His life, of His word, find a satisfaction which cannot be found in any material thing.

The Economy Of Jesus

"And they took up broken pieces, twelve basketfuls, and also of the fishes. And they that ate the loaves were five thousand men." It was Christ who commanded His disciples to do this that nothing be lost. The guantity taken up shows how liberal had been Christ's provision. Our Lord gives generously, but He does not sanction waste.

The Second Feeding

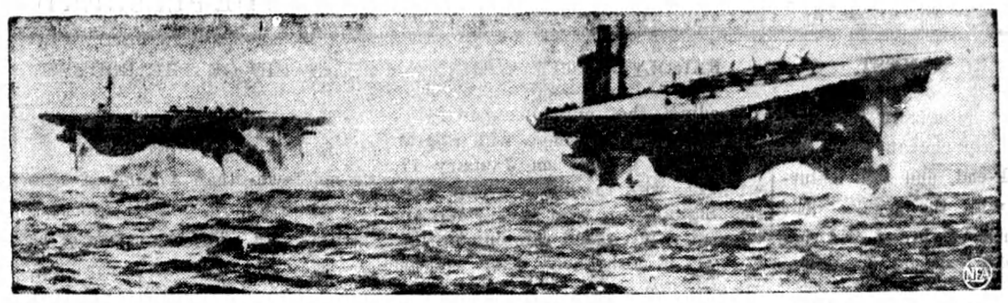
"In those days, when there was again a great multitude, and they had nothing to eat . . . and there were about four thousand, and he sent them away. "What a beautiful spirit of consideration our Savour shows for this multitude. Are we as thoughtful and considerate as we ought to be. It is said that 'evil is wrought by want of thought as well as by want of heart.' The disciples had forgotten how Christ had fed the multitiudes before. Is it not true of us all? How soon we forget God's mercies in the past!

Once again our Lord returns thanks. If the Son of God did not break the bread without thanksgiving how much less should we! Only after their need had been met, does He bid them depart. Jesus sends no needy soul away unblessed. He sent this hungry faint-hearted crowd away abundant satisfied. If we come to Jesus in the spirit of true repentance, He will fully and freely forgive us and send us on our way rejoicing.

CHIEF OF AIR STAFF

Air Marshal Robert Leckie, C.B., D.S.O., D.S.C., D.F.C., Chief of the Air Staff of the Royal Canadian Air Force.

CARRIERS CARRY ON THROUGH STORM



With flight decks aslant as winter storm lashes waves to angry turbulence, British carriers Avenger and Biter press ahead, escorting Allied convoy through dangerous waters.

CHRONICLES of GINGER FARM By Gwendoline P. Clarke

Generally I leave recipes and sucklike to cookery columns or recipe books but once in awhile I hit on something original and then I like to pass the good news along. So here's my latest—and why.

I was making pies and wanted one in a hurry for dinner. An open pie filled with the same filling as for butter tarts is usually my emergency pie. But on this day my supply of raisins and currants was low—and dear knows if we will get any more—so I looked around for a substitute. This was the result: I took 1 tablespoon of soft butter and blended it with ½ cup of brown sugar and two small eggs well beaten. Into this mixture I stirred one scant cup of mincemeat and then I put the whole concoction into an unbaked pie shell and baked in a moderate oven until it was set. It really turned out to be a delectable pie—it even brought forth expressions of unsolicited approval from Partner. Before that I thought the pie was good—but after that I knew it was. Partner, you will understand, like most men, generally expresses an opinion only if there is something he doesn't like. So I naturally thought a pie sufficiently unusual to arouse masculine comment was something to write to the column about. If you try my recipe and like it you might call it "Ginger Farm special." If you don't like it then let it be nameless—and don't send me your doctor bills!

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Do you know what I have done this year? I'll tell you. I have actually read two whole books and started on a third. And that's really something. Not because I don't like reading—don't ever think it—but it just seems that one's time is so crowded these days that reading to any extent is something one has to sacrifice. A scanty perusal of newspapers, magazines and "Digests" is about all I've had time for—writing letters, knitting and sewing for the Red Cross are so much more important, to say nothing of meetings, and reports and suchlike, to take up what would otherwise be one's spare time. Not that I have run out of jobs—far from it—but I just felt as if I had to give myself a break, as it were. You know how it is once in awhile, don't you? However, in case you think I'm lying down on the job, perhaps I should tell you that in the last three weeks I have also knitted five pairs of mitts, two helmets and two skull caps. But alas, the most one can do is still so little. If I hadn't done any reading I might possibly have had two more skull caps to my credit. But then I wouldn't have known so much about "The Men Around Churchill" by Rene Kraus or the struggle of the Comeau family in "The Sea is So Wide" by Evelyn Eaton. Another distraction was the show "In Which We Serve." I knew it to be a splendid show, but it was even better than I expected because I had not realised that a picture of that type would have so much humour in it. Without that saving humour the pathos of the picture would have been a little more than one could take.

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And then there's the radio . . . Tell me, my friends, what part does radio play in your life? Do you find it a diversion? Does it help you, amuse you, keep you informed, or is it an irritation and a hindrance? We know it can be any, or all, of these things. Like other inventions, its use or abuse depends upon the public. I know one thing—it can be the means of much wasted time. You turn on the radio—ah, that's a good programme—I'll just wait until it's over before starting that letter! And then something else comes along and first thing you know the letter doesn't get written. And what about the 'soap dramas'? Oh yes, I know you can work and listen too, but just watch and you will notice that your pace slackens as the tempo of the story increases. I know. . . even though I am not a regular radio drama addict.

THIRTEENTH U. S. PRESIDENT

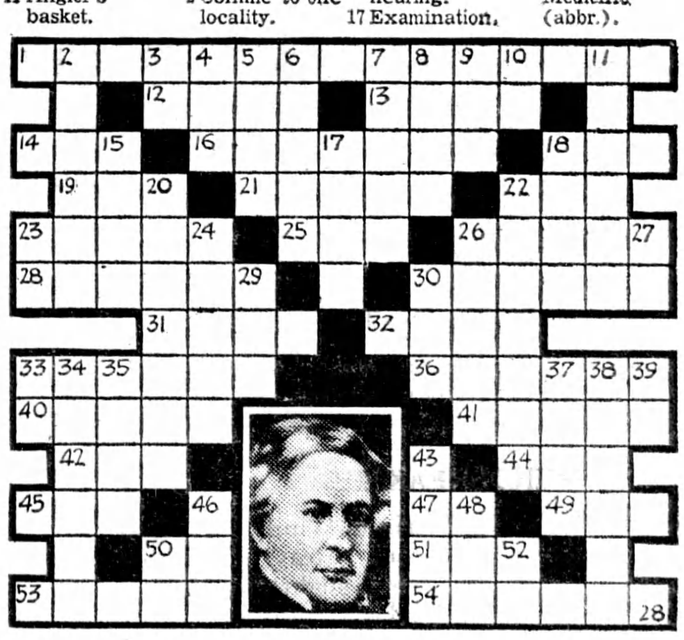
HORIZONTAL

1 Pictured former president of the U. S. A.,
12 Bustle.
13 Appraise.
14 Female saint (abbr.).
16 Redactors.
18 Pounds (abbr.).
19 Partake of food.
21 Expend.
22 New (prefix).
23 Gold braid.
25 Compass point
26 Shifts.
28 Having a handle.
30 Practiced falconry.
31 Torn.
32 Flat-bottomed boat.
33 Sleeping visions.
36 To populate.
40 Parts in plays.
41 Angler's basket.
42 Small child.
44 New Zealand parrot.
45 Interdict.
47 Mystic syllable.
49 Compass point
50 Military police (abbr.).
51 Fishing pole.
53 Seraglio.
54 Those who title.

VERTICAL

2 Confine to one locality.
3 Lone Scout (abbr.).
4 Bewilderment.
5 Clears.
6 Falls in drops.
7 Oily cyclic ketone.
8 Enrich with fat.
9 Lieutenants (abbr.).
10 Pronoun.
11 Redrill.
15 Organs of hearing.
17 Examination.
18 Onion-like plant.
20 Wearing a tiara.
22 He was born in the state of
23 On account (abbr.).
24 Plant stalks.
26 Kelp.
27 South Dakota (abbr.).
29 Half an em (pl.).
30 Twining moraceous vine.
33 Doctor (abbr.).
34 Wheel-shaped.
35 Ardor.
37 Hammer head.
38 Thinner.
39 Cloth measure
43 He was —— on Jan. 7, 1800
46 Roof finial.
48 New Zealand ratite bird.
50 Mother.
52 Doctor of Medicine (abbr.).

Answer to Previous Puzzle



POP—Then Pop's Had Plenty of Exercise

By J. MILLAR WATT