Ship Sunk— By Butterflies!

Truth is often stranger than fiction; and it would take a fiction writer of real imaginative powers to come up with anything so bizarre as this authentic tale of a ship which was sunk by — of all things — butterflies.

The year was 1911, and the S.S. Alder was plying a course through the waters of the Persian Gulf. On the horizon was seen what appeared to be a small black cloud heading directly for the ship. The mate of the Steamship checked the barometer but found no change. The wind direction indicated that a storm, if it were one, should be moving away from rather than toward the ship.

By now the master was on the bridge, and as the cloud grew in size he ordered a ninety degree course change. Strangely enough the cloud changed its course too. Again and again the Alder steered new courses, but the cloud followed, growing larger and larger. The seamen were dumbfounded.

Soon the cloud was directly over the ship blotting out all light, and only then did it become clear that the "cloud" was a swarm of butterflies. Millions of weary insects, undoubtedly blown to sea by a storm, were now frantically searching for a place to rest their weary wings. Down upon the ship they came. The rigging, the gear, every inch of available space was covered with butterflies. Upon the backs of these piled millions more.

Already heavily overloaded with cargo, in keeping with the greedy custom in those days, the added weight of tons upon tons of butterflies caused the ship to slide lower and lower into the water. Ordered to abandon ship, the crew finally succeeded, but not without great exertion, just before the vessel slid beneath the waves.

In the offices of Lloyd's of London, the renowned insurance firm, hangs a plaque upon which is mounted a large butterfly. Inscribed beneath are these words: "In memory of the S.S. Alder."

Osteopathy, the science of healing by manipulation of the bones and tissues, was invented by an American doctor, Andrew Taylor, in 1874.

CANADIAN STYLE

A picture hat tops Kerner's grey linen dress with tucked scallops on the flared skirt and yoke. The wide, wide belt is in fire-engine red patent leather.

Conducted Tour to Feature Thornbury Blossom Celebration — Last year more than eight thousand attended the Blossom Tour ceremonies at Thornbury, Ont., and an even greater turnout is expected on Blossom Sunday, May 30th, this year. Well known radio commentators and other notables are expected to attend, and the beautiful Thornbury district will no doubt get much priceless publicity by means of this community enterprise. Chief features of the day will be personally conducted tours through the many orchards for which the district is noted.

CHRONICLES OF GINGER FARM

By Gwendoline P Clarke

Our first spring calf has arrived and Partner calls it "Minute". A young heifer is its mother and, according to Partner, the calf is "no bigger than a minute". I was down to see it today and thought it was appropriately named. But I also discovered that, in this case anyway, size has no bearing on activity for that same little calf was racing back and forth from one end of the stable to the other.

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How quickly animals sense the change of season. So often I notice the horses in the yard these days, heading against the wind, nostrils quivering, expectancy in every nerve and sinew of their bodies. Then the cows come out to water, and for sun and exercise, and they certainly show no great haste to return to the stable where they know only hay and meal await them. What is hay and meal to them when over the fence there is fresh, green grass? As I watch I notice first one bovine nose sniffs the air, and then another . . . "Ah, if only that fence were not there!" Then it is quite obvious Katie gets an idea — "Now if I can just get my nose between those bottom rails I might possibly get at least a nibble of that luscious grass." So she tries, twisting her head this way and that, but she can't quite make it. If she wasn't a lady one could almost imagine Katie saying "Darn these horns anyway."

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Personally, I have great sympathy for the cows and horses because I, too, would like to roam at will. Yesterday when I got into the car I felt I wanted to drive and drive — no special place, just anywhere just so long as it was in the country. All I did, however, was drive to town, mailed a letter, bought some bread, got meat from the locker, and then back to work in the house. So I was just like Katie at the fence and my horns were the jobs around home.

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One nice little chore we had this week was cleaning out the cistern. We had a man in to pump the water out, and to do the job he brought along a force pump connected to a little gasoline engine. A long length of hose carried the water away and the cistern was empty in half-an-hour. After it was cleaned out Partner began to worry because now we hadn't any soft water and that meant using water from the well for everything. That didn't suit Partner very well because at all times, and at every season of the year, we make a point of being very careful with our well-water. To be short of water is our greatest dread. On a farm it is more necessary than feed itself.

So Partner hitched the team to the stone boat — the boys were busy with other jobs — and for two afternoons he drew water from the creek in a barrel. Then he handed the water over to me by pailfuls to dump into the cistern. The creek was running fast so we knew the water would be clean and fresh. But still, that little job provoked an argument. I thought it was a good idea the first afternoon but when the cistern was half full I was ready to call off the job. But not Partner — no half measures for him! In spite of my protests he drew water for a second afternoon. "But why fill the cistern — if it rains there won't be any room for water," I argued.

"If it rains, all right — if it doesn't rain, then we've got some water," was all the answer I got. So the job went on and the cistern was three-quarters full before we quit. By that time I was suggesting that we continue and make sure the overflow was working all right! Now, just out of cussedness, I hope it rains.

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Oh well, life would be kind of tame if it were not for these little friendly spats. And after all I do like soft water. How some unfortunates get along without it I don't know. And yet some people do and from choice. I know one woman who has used hard water for years because one time when they were using their cistern she found a little dead bird in the eavestrough! One wonders how such people make out in a country ravaged by war where there would be more than little dead birds to worry about.

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TABLE TALKS

Eggs — Dressed Up

Barbecued Eggs

4 hard-boiled eggs
2 tablespoons diced onion
2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons catsup
1 teaspoon prepared mustard
1 teaspoon horse-radish
2 tablespoons vinegar
2 tablespoons water
1 tablespoon diced green pepper
½ teaspoon salt

Brown onions in butter. Add all other ingredients except hard-boiled eggs. Simmer for 15 minutes. Cut eggs in half and baste with sauce. Simmer a few minutes and serve hot. This makes four servings.

Snack Fare

4 slices bread (toasted on one side)
3 egg yolks
3 egg whites
pepper, paprika
½ cup grated sharp cheese

Add salt to egg whites and beat until stiff. Add pepper and paprika to egg yolks and beat until light. Fold yolks and cheese into egg whites. Heap on untoasted side of bread. Place on greased baking sheet and bake in moderate oven (350 degrees) 15 to 20 minutes, or until puffy and brown. Serve immediately. Serves 4.

Creamed Eggs

Try hard-boiled eggs in cream sauce. When diced leftover cooked meat and a little sweet pickle relish are added, you have a supper or luncheon dish that's appetizing and inexpensive. For a special occasion you might add some cooked sliced mushrooms. Serve atop broiled tomato halves, crisp buttered toast or hot fluffy rice.

Singer Defies Fates

Jane Froman, one of the most popular of radio songbirds, was on the ill fated Yankee Clipper when it crashed at Lisbon. She came out of the wreckage with a broken arm and leg, and for a while it looked as if her career was ended. Then, just out of hospital and with her leg still in a cast, she tumbled backwards from a bench backstage, and it was back to the hospital again.

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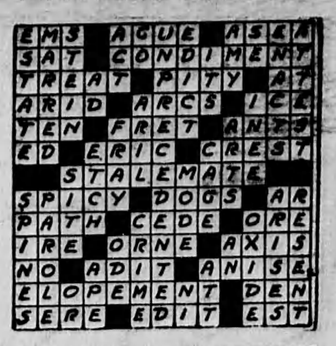
Answer To This Week's Puzzle



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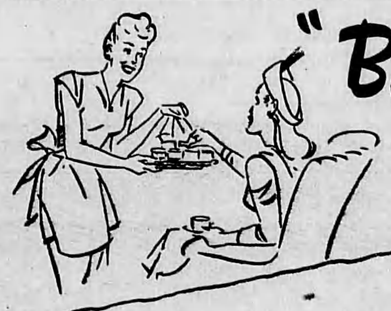

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(Keeps for 3 to 4 weeks if you use Calumet Baking Powder)

- 6 cups sifted flour
- 2 tablespoons Calumet Baking Powder
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1 cup (½ pound) shortening

Measure flour 3 cups at a time into sifter, add 1 tablespoon baking powder and 1½ teaspoons salt for each 3-cup amount; sift. Repeat, to sift full amount of dry ingredients. Cut in shortening until finely divided and mixture resembles coarse meal. Makes 7 cups. Store, lightly covered, in jar or bowl, in refrigerator. *For Biscuits* — Add about ½ cup milk to 2 cups Biscuit Blend. Stir to form soft dough. Knead 30 seconds on floured board. Roll. Cut with floured cutter. Bake in hot oven (450°F.) 12 to 15 minutes.

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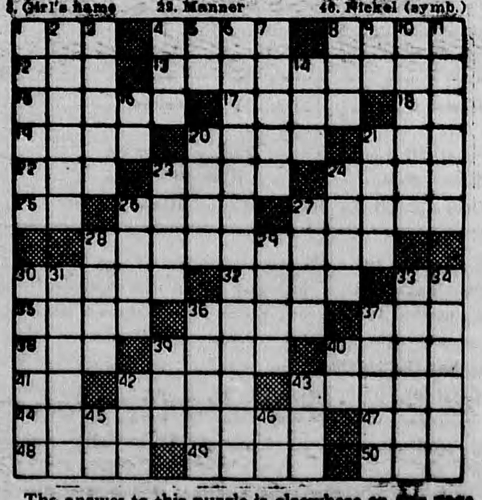

ACROSS
1. German city
4. Malarial fever
8. Muddled
12. Took a chair
13. Relish
14. Regale
15. Compassion
17. Rear
18. Dry
19. Bows
21. Solid water
23. Number
24. Chafe
25. Insects
26. Man's nickname
28. Norse viking
29. Plume
30. Draw
32. Aromatic
33. Canines
35. Land measure
36. Footway
38. Give
39. Crude metal
42. Anger
43. French department
46. Line of revolution
48. Negative
49. Mine approach
50. Fragrant seed
54. Secret departure
57. Lair
58. Dry
59. Redact
60. It is (Lat.)

DOWN
1. Property
2. Spotted
3. Bag
4. Dog
5. Sewer
6. Novel
7. Decade
8. Girl's name
9. Compass point
10. Legislates
11. Witness
16. Of that object
20. Public notice
22. Seed covering
24. Arrow poison
27. Sable
31. Crafts
34. Engrave with acid
37. Teller's office
38. Location
39. Manner
40. Thorns
41. Word of honor
44. Springs up
45. Take offense at
47. Felony
51. Oxygen compound
52. Lease
53. Article
55. Monkey
56. Blamed coin
57. Either
58. Nickel (symb.)

The answer to this puzzle is elsewhere on this page.

LITTLE REGGIE — By Margarita