Boy Scout incendiary raid fire watchers on a London roof warm themselves in the grey morning at a fire of their own in an old bucket. Splendid work done by these lads has cost numbers of them their lives.

How Can I?

BY ANNE ASHLEY

Q. How can I drill a hole into the bottom or side of a heavy china vase which I wish to convert into a lamp?

A. Use an ordinary twist drill. The drill should be sharp and have a low pitch. The china should be kept wet with turpentine.

Q. How can I restore chiffon that has acquired a crumpled and lifeless appearance?

A. Hang it in the bathroom and let the bathroom fill with steam. After a few minutes of this, the chiffon can be taken into the open air where it will return to its bright freshened condition.

Q. How can I remedy the lock of a closet door in which the key refuses to work smoothly?

A. Dip the key into machine oil and then place in the lock and work back and forth several times. It will soon work with ease.

Q. How can I remove an annoying squeak from my black shoes?

A. If the shoes are black, the following is an effective remedy: Place the shoes in a basin and pour in enough linseed oil to cover the soles. Allow to stand until the following day, and the squeak will have disappeared.

Q. Is it true that buttermilk is a good cosmetic?

A. Yes. It is claimed to be one of the best cosmetics known. Apply it to the face and hands. The milk may be warmed, but should not be boiled.

Modern Etiquette

BY ROBERTA LEE

1. If riding in someone else's car and he stops for refreshments, whose place is it to pay the bill?

2. Should a woman always remove her hat in a theatre?

3. If a friend has a book one wishes to read, is it all right to ask outright to borrow it?

4. Is it proper to talk "shop" while out in society?

5. When dining in a restaurant, what should a woman do with her purse and gloves?

6. Should a girl smoke, if she would rather not, just because the older girls in her crowd do?

Answers

1. If the host suggested stopping, he more than likely expects to pay. However, the proper thing for the guest to do is to offer to pay (and with sincerity), or at least to suggest "Dutch treat."

2. Yes. It is bad form to keep the hat on, no matter how small it may be. 3. No; one may ask if the book is interesting, but if the offer is made to lend it to you, let the matter drop. 4. Not unless someone has asked you a question pertaining to your work. Your work may be very interesting to you, and even to your friends, but to talk it continually is in poor taste. 5. Place them in her lap or on a vacant chair, never on the table. 6. No; she should realize that smoking is a matter of personal taste.

No Winter Fair Again This Year

Efforts to have the Ontario Provincial Winter Fair staged in Guelph this year have failed, Dr. W. J. R. Fowler, of Guelph, president of the fair board of directors, said recently. The great "farmers' show" had to be cancelled two years ago when the Department of Defence took over the buildings used here for the fair, as barracks for army units.

The buildings have been vacant for some time now, and it was hoped that they might be available for the four-day show early in December, but government officials refused to grant their use.

New Shah of Iran Gives Up Fortune

Iran's new 21-year-old Shah has decided to cede all the possessions of his fabulously rich father as a gift to the nation.

The new ruler also has prepared a special amnesty decree for all political prisoners of the regime of his abdicated father, it was announced.

The former Shah, a one-time Cossack cavalryman, reputedly was the richest man in Asia when he gave up his throne.

Almost all of Mazanderan province was his private holding and the revenue from monopolies, hotels, motor transport and many kinds of stores and factories bulged the royal purse. Vast sums were banked in his name in the United States and Britain.

Seizure of this property was actually decided upon at a secret parliamentary session prior to the taking of the oath by the new Shah who promised to rule as a constitutional monarch.

A Chinese proverb that has become an unwritten law: "Before you buy, visit at least three merchants."

SEEN AS AXIS RECRUITS

King Boris of Bulgaria, pictured, left, inspecting troops, is seen as the latest "junior partner" of the Axis, military reports say. Russo-Bulgarian friction, plus Nazi bait of rich post-war territorial rewards, have swung the Balkan patzon to Hitler's side.

Nature Supplies Defence Methods

Many Protective Measures For Wild Creatures Says Allan Devon, in Reader's Digest

Many defence methods and devices used in modern war have amazing counterparts in the protective measures evolved ages ago by Nature for creatures of the woods, fields and sea.

Artillery: The bombardier beetle carries a cannon—a peculiar gland in its abdomen—and when it fires a blast of self-smelling gas accompanied by a bang like that of a tiny pop-gun, its enemies, predaceous ground beetles and birds, retreat in panic.

Grapples: News dispatches report that the British have developed a projectile which, upon exploding, releases metal filaments that enmesh a raiding airplane's propeller. Similarly, the paramecium, a protozoan found in ponds, protects itself by shooting out a mass of grappling threads that entangle the foe while the paramecium escapes.

Smoke Screen: To mask itself from a prowling predator that interrupts its search for food on the ocean floor, the squid ejects a cloud of inky fluid under cover of which it slinks away to a rock-cranny home port until danger passes.

Camouflage: Of the countless examples of camouflage in Nature, the spider crab has the most astonishing trick. Taking cuttings of seaweed, it chews the ends to give them better purchase, then affixes them among the hooked bristles that grow on top of its shell, where they take root and effectively conceal the wily crab.

Parachutes: The common spider of our woods and meadows clambers up a tree and spins out a long floating filament of silk; when this catches the breeze the spider lets go of its perch, and after it has reached the desired distance it partly reels in its parachute and thus floats gently to the ground.

Air Combat: As the pursuit plane's greater speed and manoeuverability enables it to rout the bomber, the hummingbird drives large hawks and other marauders away from its nest by darting at them and aiming its lancelike little beak at their eyes.

15,000 Parcels To Prisoners of War

Dr. F. W. Routley, national commissioner of the Canadian Red Cross, Toronto, said his organization is sending 15,000 parcels a week to continental Europe for prisoners in enemy occupied territory.

The parcels, he said, cost $1.90 apiece to put up and transportation expenses are $2.50 each. They contain a week's supply of food, giving 2,000 calories a day.

Dr. F. Tisdale, of Ottawa, one of Canada's nutrition experts, designed the content of the packages so as to give maximum food value in the poundage allowed.

War Won't Stop Good Old Custom

Canadian soldiers are going to be able to take baths right on the battle field it was indicated by announcement at Military Headquarters in Toronto that a mobile bath unit would be formed.

The unit will supply hot water and soap to men who have been in action and will be equipped to disinfect clothes as well.

Ontario Will Give Up Taxes

Ontario will abandon the income and corporation tax field for the duration at least, it was learned in authoritative quarters at Queen's Park recently.

When the federal government first invaded these fields of taxation the Hepburn government protested but now it is learned an amicable arrangement has been made.

The province would be compensated for loss of revenue on the basis of last year's collections, which amounted to $33,000,000 from corporation taxes and $6,800,000 from income taxation. Treasury officials suggest that the total collected this year might mean a loss of $5,000,000 to the province but the fact is that the government budgeted for less in 1942 than in 1941.

It is also expected that Ontario will be compensated by the Dominion for loss of gasoline tax revenues resulting from the federal imposition of an additional tax.

Soldiers' Parcels

An interesting fact has been brought to light by the return recently of an Officer from Overseas. A great many parcels arrive in a damaged condition due to those at home not packing the contents properly and also not realizing the great distance of travel and the number of times the package must be handled.

And so from this experience overseas was born an organization, the "C. A. O. Parcels Dispatch Reg.", 350 Bay Street, Toronto, who, for the sum of One Dollar dispatches a parcel containing three packets of Razor Blades, Two cakes of Soap, Two packets of Chewing Gum, and small individuals of Gum or Salted Peanuts to fill all spare space; Shoe Laces, Chocolate, Oxo and Cigarettes all of these articles being difficult to obtain overseas.

Each parcel contains a post card addressed ready to be sent back to the sender in acknowledgment.

The idea of these Dollar parcels has met with ready response, not only from individuals, but from small groups of persons and Organizations who find the service a great accommodation.

No Central Canada Pork For Maritimes

John A. McDonald, Nova Scotia Minister of Agriculture, said he approved of the suggestion that shipment of pork from Central Canada into the Maritime Provinces be prohibited.

"It should act as an added incentive to our farmers to produce our own requirements," he said.

It was announced at Ottawa recently that the banning of pork importations into the Maritimes from Central Canada was one of the measures which received consideration by the Canadian Bacon Board in an effort to boost the exports to Britain.

1,546 Bags of Mail For Overseas Lost

The post office department announced recently receipt of word that 1,546 bags of Canadian mail destined for the United Kingdom and leaving the dominion during the last week in August had been lost through enemy action.

Included in the shipment were 1,392 bags from the base post office at Ottawa containing military mail for soldiers overseas.

Air Training Plan Praised By Duke

The Duke of Kent, back in England from his tour of Canada to study progress of the Commonwealth Air Training Plan, declared in a broadcast that the Dominion can take "special pride in its outstanding success."

He said he had been amazed at the growth of the plan. The people of Britain, he said, have no idea of its magnitude.

"Two years ago it was a plan," the Duke said. "Today it is a vital war industry, which combines the advantages of mass production with the most skilful selection and individual training."

Profanity Fines For Worthy Cause

Not that railwaymen are any more addicted to profanity than the ordinary run of mortals but the Queen's Canadian Fund received a rather, unexpected, contribution recently from a Canadian National train crew who undertook to fine themselves every time they uttered a swear word. By mutual consent it was agreed that any member of the crew who made use of a profane word while in the van would place a penny, in a receptacle set aside for the fund. The last week-end on which the crew reached their terminal, the receptacle was full to overflowing. It contained nine dollars and fifty-six cents—which went to aid victims of German bombs in Britain.

War Doesn't Stop Progress of Art

More than 200 drawings and paintings by British children have reached the National Gallery in Ottawa and will go on exhibition today and later be shown in various Canadian cities.

War has not been allowed to interfere with the progress of art education and cultural development of children in England, said H. McCurry, Director of the Gallery. "Letters and reports show they cling more tenaciously than ever to these values in life."

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HAVE YOU HEARD?

The young salesman was looking very depressed on his second day in his new job.

"Come, come," said the sales manager. "Don't look so down in the mouth. I know it's difficult at first, but you'll soon get into it. When you've had a little more experience you'll get along all right."

"It isn't that," said the young man. "When I got home last night I practised that sales talk on my wife and now I've got to buy her a new vacuum cleaner."

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"We have been married over a year now, and we never quarrel. If a difference of opinion arises and I am right, Henry always gives in immediately."

"And if he is right?"

"Oh, that hasn't happened yet!"

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The golfer stepped to the tee and drove off. The ball sailed straight down the fairway looped on to the green, dived into the hole.

"What have you suddenly gone crazy about?" asked the golfer's wife, who was trying to learn something about the game.

"Why, I just did a hole in one!" yelled the golfer, a wild gleam in his eyes.

"Did you?" said his wife, placidly. "Do it again, dear. I didn't see you."

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Good Samaritan (after an hour's hard work changing a tire for a lady driver): "Well, I hope that spare will take you home."

Lady Driver: "It's sure it will. I live only a few houses down the street."

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Tommy was doing penance in the corner. Presently he thought aloud, pensively:

"I can't help it if I'm not perfect," he complained. "I never heard of more than one perfect boy, anyway."

"Who was that?" asked his mother, thinking to point out a moral.

"Papa," came the reply, "when he was little."

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Joan: "Father, what's a garden plot"

Father: "The bugs and worms planning to eat up your stuff."

Parliament Will Open November 3

The visits and consultations overseas of Premier King and the Conservative Leader, R. B. Hanson, will be reflected when Parliament resumes on November 3.

Present plans call for reconvening Parliament on November 3 with the opening of the new session fixed for November 5 or 6. This was the course followed last year.

It is expected that two or three weeks will be taken up in general review of Canada's war effort with the first hand information the missions overseas will have produced. The financial appropriations will suffice till the end of the fiscal year in March.

If there is any emergency legislation of a budgetary character similar to what was enacted last November, it seems certain to be in the nature of widening restrictions and the "spend less and save" formula which the Finance Minister is repeatedly emphasizing. An adjournment from early December till February is regarded as probable.

What Science Is Doing

THE "SULFA" FAMILY

Germ-killing "Sulfa" family, sulfanilamide, sulfapyridine, sulfathiazole, which combat, with amazing success, 32 types of germs that produce pneumonia and kill 100,000 Americans a year, are coke by-products. New members of the sulfa family are sulfathiazole and sulfamerhylthiazole, mortal enemies of dreaded staphylococcus infection of blood stream, fatal in 99% of such cases. When the new sulfas were put to work experimentally, they cut the mortality rate to 20%. New sulfaguanidine, recently announced, joins the sulfa family.

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A new remedy for burns, promising speedier healing and a reduction of scar tissue, was disclosed last fortnight in the Bulletin of the Johns Hopkins Hospital by Dr. Kenneth L. Pickrell, resident surgeon of the Baltimore institution. It is a preparation of sulfadiazine, one of the new sulfa drugs.

The method: a severely burned patient is placed on sterile sheets, sprayed with the solution every hour, and kept warm. The frequency of spraying is reduced an hour each day. In four days a thin scab is formed, which begins to separate from the new skin in ten days. The solution is mild enough to be used on the eyes, and it penetrates the burned area so rapidly that much of the pain is allayed at once.

Johns Hopkins surgeons have been so impressed by the solution that it is now being used on all burn patients.

Bacteriological War Forseen by Baxter

If Germany begins to lose the war, Hitler will not even stop at bacteriological warfare, Beverly Baxter, Member of Parliament, said recently after his arrival from Lisbon on the Yankee Clipper at LaGuardia Field.

"If we get Hitler on the run, he will concentrate on England with things you never even thought of before," Mr. Baxter said. "If things go badly with him in Russia, he will turn loose a vengeance war on us, not stopping at bacteriological warfare. After all, the object of Hitler's real hate is England, although he's getting awfully cross at the United States."

Why Shouldn't We Give Britain Food

Hon. R. B. Hanson, Conservative Leader in the Canadian House of Commons, suggested that Canada might donate food from "all our abundance" to help Britain's war effort.

Mr. Hanson interviewed three Cabinet ministers, toured the Houses of Parliament, signed the visitors' book at Buckingham Palace and made his food suggestion after a conference with Lord Woolton, Britain's food minister.

"Lord Woolton," said Mr. Hanson, "gave us a closer viewpoint of the food requirements (of Britain). I explored the possibility of contribution of food by Canada. With all our abundance why shouldn't we give them food?"

Types Faster Than Most People Talk

What are probably the world's fastest fingers belong to Margaret Hamma of Brooklyn, America's super-typist, who pounds out words faster than most bosses talk, says American Magazine. Margaret recently copped the world's typing championship in an international contest in Chicago, clicking the keys for a solid hour non-stop at 149 words a minute. Her total for the hour was 46,500 separate strokes —780 per minute, thirteen per second.

This is the fastest typing ever recorded for a human being, and it toppled the record holder, Albert Tangora, from the throne he had occupied for seven years. Margaret's accuracy in her job in a New York business firm earned her a trip to Chicago, and a place in the novice class last year, and she won. That inspired her to shoot for the title, and for months she trained an hour a day.

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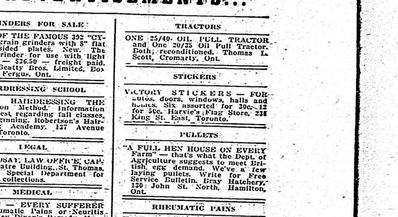

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Spending Down Employment Up

Hon. C. D. Howe, Suggests That The Two Go Hand in Hand

Direct action is to be taken by the government to ration the production of luxury consumer goods, Munitions and Supply Minister C. D. Howe announced at a press conference.

While admitting that wholesale and retail trade would suffer he said consideration of that could not be allowed to interfere with the war program.

May Slash Car Proction

The production of passenger automobiles had been cut to 42 per cent of the 1940 output for 1942 delivery and it likely would be necessary to cut the proportion even more. But the automobile plants would be turned over to greater production of munitions as machinery, space and labor, was freed from the motor car manufacture. The same would be true of plants to be affected by the rubbing order against such goods as washing machines, refrigerators, vacuum cleaners, and other lines of consumer goods.

"We will fill up their plant capacity," said Mr. Howe. "There is more work to be done than we can place just now."

The whole priorities system is being reorganized under the direction of Allan Williamson, the new controller of supplies. The old initiative in obtaining supplies of raw materials was being abandoned.

No Loss of Employment

"There should be no loss of employment by this change-over," said the C.W.C.A. president "we can use will be used. No man should have any difficulty getting a job today."

The "bits and pieces" program was going ahead. By this program the government would utilize every small machine shop and plant that can handle war orders.

More women will be employed in war industry as time goes on. "They will be taken on in increased numbers," the minister said.

In reorganizing the priorities system on raw materials Canada and the United States had got together. On United States priorities Canada was being treated there as steel and other materials was concerned just as if this country was a state of the Union. As to Canada's supply of raw materials to the United States, that was by definite contract.

DEFENSE DAMSEL

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON I— October 5

GOD OUR HEAVENLY FATHER.

—Gen. 1:26-28; Ex. 34:4-7; Ps. 103:1-13; 139:1-12; 90:2-7-31; Matt. 6:24-34; 22:35-38; John 4:24; 14:20-23; Acts 17:24-30; 1 John 1:1-4.

PRINTED TEXT Gen. 1:26-28; Matt. 6:24-33.

GOLDEN TEXT— Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name.—Matt. 6:9.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time—The first chapter of Genesis, of course, refers to the time of man's creation, which we do not attempt to date. The book of Exodus was written some time between 1490 and 1290 B.C. Inasmuch as the 103rd Psalm is a Psalm of David it was probably written between 1020 and 1040 B.C. The prophecy taken from Isaiah was written about 712 B.C. The Sermon on the Mount was delivered in the summer of A.D. 28, whereas the conversation of our Lord with the lawyer took place on Tuesday, April 4th, A.D. 30. The passage from the 14th of John was uttered on Thursday evening, the same week, April 6th.

Man has never been able, by his own wisdom, to come to a true knowledge of God. Even God has three ways of revealing Himself—through His Word, through His World, and through His Son. Our lesson considers the revelation of God in His Word.

Man, in God's Image

26. And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our own likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. 27. And God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He them; male and female created he them. 28. And God blessed them; and God said unto them, Be fruitful and multiply, and replenish the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the heavens, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. It was specifically the mind of man that was created in the divine image. It was created with "original righteousness." As God is holy, so man was created holy. This great attribute of man, as he came originally from the creative Lord of God, might be called the moral and spiritual image.

God as a Father

24. "No man can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will hold to one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. 25. Therefore I say unto you, Be not anxious for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than the food, and the body than the raiment? 26. Behold the birds of the heaven, that they sow not neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, and your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are not ye of much more value than they? 27. And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit unto his measure of his life? 28. And why are ye anxious concerning raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: 29. Yet I say unto you, that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 30. But if God doth so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? 31. Be not therefore anxious, saying, What shall we eat, or what shall we drink? or, wherewithal shall we be clothed? 32. For after all these things do the Gentiles seek; for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things." What is meant by God being our Father? There is a definite relationship implied here a relationship of love. The heathen thought of God is that he is far removed from our perplexities, either ignorant of our struggles, or unsympathizing with them. The Christian has the double armour against anxiety—the name of the Father, and the conviction that the Father's knowledge is as great as the Father's love. He who calls us his children thoroughly understands what his children want.

Practice Righteousness

33. "But seek ye first His Kingdom, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. The Kingdom of God includes all that part of the universe in which God has sovereign sway. We are already in the Kingdom of God, if God rules over lives. In the Lord's Prayer we are told to pray, "Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done." The Kingdom of God comes to each man when that man yields his life to God through Jesus Christ. Some day the whole universe will be under the rule of God, but today, the world itself, apart from God, is marked by lawlessness. Of course the Kingdom of God is righteousness. God is righteous, and to seek God's Kingdom is to live righteously. It is to desire, His righteous way in us. To seek the Kingdom of God is not to dream about it, or to with that we were participating in His Kingdom, or even to approve the rule of God, but it is to yield our lives to God; not to talk about righteousness, but to practice righteousness.

WINDOW FOR PLASTER CAST

Dr. Fred Walnitz, and assistant demonstrate in New York the use of a new "window," a transparent plastic device used to observe wounds through a plaster cast. Idea was developed in Britain to aid in treatment of complicated bomb wounds.

Victory Rests On Supremacy in Air

It Is Predicted That Britain Will Achieve Air Supremacy In Another Year

Mastery in the air, as the first target at which British should aim in her struggle against the Axis powers, should be achieved in another year, the authoritative magazine Aeroplane predicted in a review of the first 100 weeks of the war in the air.

"Victory will rest on that foundation," the magazine said. "But we shall have to fight hard for it."

"One hundred weeks of war are over. Perhaps there are 100 more to come. Yet, with all the hardships and toil ahead of us, the tide is slowly turning in our favor as our striking power develops. We began the war with single motor Fairey battle and Tiger-Whitley bombers as our chief striking force. Today we have four-motor Stirlings, Halifaxes, Fortresses and Liberators, each capable of carrying far bigger loads far greater distances at far higher speeds. And there are better still to come."

German Advance Less

The article said that in proportion, the German power of attack had advanced far less since the war began. The Nazis started with Dornier 17s and Heinkel 111s. Their chief power of offence still lies in these two types, with the addition of the Junkers 88 and a few Kuriers, which have not proved satisfactory in action.

In fighters, too, Britain's superiority is more marked than ever. The Me109F represents the peak of enemy development at present, and it has shown itself in action to be notably inferior to the Hurricanes and Spitfires it has met.

The Bristol Beaufighter, powerful long-range fighter, is seen as a "great contribution" both to Britain's striking power by day and the country's security at night. It has proved its prowess in both these directions, by day in the Middle East and by night over England.

British Officials Cross Germany

British diplomatic personnel left Helsinki by train recently, en route to Turku, to board the Finnish ship Oihonna for Lubeck, Germany, on the way to Lisbon and home. Finland and Britain have broken diplomatic relations.

(The transit through Germany will be by sealed train and it is unlikely the Britons will be permitted to raise the shades for a glimpse of enemy territory.)

Invasion Tactics Tried At Quebec

A Canadian Army motorized unit seized the Quebec Provincial Legislature recently in a mock attack designed to acquaint the public with invasion tactics.

The attack almost failed when thousands of spectators blocked the roads to see the demonstration unit dash through the streets. The crowd thinned, however, after a "gas" bombardment bathed the area with clouds of thick vapor.

Japanese Talk "Encirclement"

It is queer how the Japanese talk of "encirclement," says The St. Thomas Times-Journal. Japan was not "encircled" until she accomplished it herself by pushing her Co-Prosperity Sphere down to the borders of Thailand which she also wants. But the result is she finds herself with China in the North, the British also North at Hongkong, India in the West and Singapore to the South, the Dutch south and south-east with the East Indies, and the United States East in the Philippines.

The fact is that if Japan had been satisfied with the huge grab of Manchuria she would not have been in the position of so-called encirclement. She simply stuck her neck into it.

Expectancy

How long will you live? Life Insurance men, notes American Magazine, often use this formula for obtaining a rough estimate of life expectancy: Subtract your present age from 80, multiply the result by 7, and then divide the whole by 10. The system doesn't seem to work out for people over seventy, because, strangely enough, the longer you live, the longer you can expect to keep on living.

Air Battleship's Successful Test

New United States Flying Battleship Passes Initial Severe Tests

A new experimental "air battleship," constructed for the United States Navy and described as the largest flying boat ever built, was given its first static test last week at the Glenn L. Martin Company factory at Middle River.

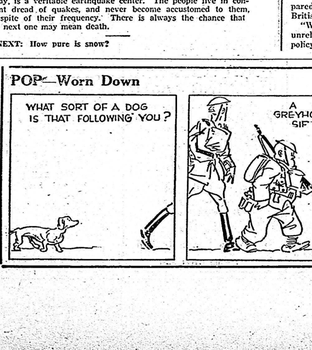
While navy inspectors, company officials, newsmen and photographers looked on, hydraulic jacks pulled upward on the plane's wings to give it overload tests. A special steel frame rig, about as high as a two-storey building, enveloped the plane.

The flying boat, the XPB2M-1, has not yet been taken out of the factory. The stationary tests will continue for several days. In about ten days or two weeks, officials said, it will be rolled out for the first time and in a month or six weeks it will be ready for its test flight.

The all-metal flying boat has a 200-foot wingspread, a two-deck hull 117 feet long, is powered by four 2,000-horsepower Wright depiex cyclone engines, and has a normal gross weight of 140,000 pounds. Its armaments are a secret, but it has six turrets.

The plane is said to be under the Martin-built Russian Clipper of 62,000 pounds, the largest flying boat previously constructed, and the trail blazing China Clipper of 52,000 pounds normal gross weight. It is roughly comparable in size to the United States Army's new Douglas B-19 bomber the world's largest land plane.

NEW SHAH



Mohammed Riza Pahlevi, above, has succeeded his father as Shah of Iran after the latter reportedly abdicated because of the crisis resulting from the invasion by British and Russia of ancient Persia.

Boy Churchill Was A Bomber

New Book Reveals Interesting Traits of School Days

Winston Churchill was a bombmaker when a mere boy it was disclosed recently.

And he was inquisitive, determined and forceful—all of which characteristics are described in a book just published under the title "Winston Churchill and Harrow."

Trying to explore a haunted house while attending Harrow School the boy Churchill found an old well, at the bottom of which ran a passage to the house. Churchill made a bomb to clear the passage.

He lighted the time fuse and lowered it to the bottom, then stayed for some time. Churchill leaned over and looked down. The bomb exploded, singeing his eyebrows and blistering his face.

In another incident Churchill was called before the headmaster, who said: "Churchill, I have grave reason to be displeased with you."

To this Winston replied: "And I, sir, have very grave reason to be displeased with you."

Won't Collaborate With Communists

The Trades Union Congress, Britain's labor parliament, has unanimously indorsed a proposal of its General Council for establishment of an Anglo-Russian trade union council.

Sir Walter Citrine, Secretary of the Congress, in support of the proposal asserted firmly, however, that "we are not prepared to collaborate with the British Communist Party."

"We have found them totally unreliable for carrying out any policy," he said.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

JAPAN, situated as it is, with the ocean bed dropping sharply away, is a veritable earthquake center. The people live in constant dread of quakes, and never become accustomed to them, in spite of their frequency. There is always the chance that the next one may mean death.

NEXT: How pure is snow?

POP—Worn Down

By J. MILLAR WATT

RADIO REPORTER

By DAVE ROBBINS

Bert Pearl doesn't have to take a back seat to anyone, anywhere. Bert's friendly Happy Gang personality will be seen in evidence when he becomes Master of Ceremonies on Saturday night of the great new 1941-42 SHARE THE WEALTH series of programs. Filled with all the entertainment ingredients that made last year's show such a standout, Share The Wealth brings it all back to the airlanes every Saturday night at

8.30 through the fall and winter from the C.B.C. network. Including CKSO, CFRB, CKCO, CHL and CKOC in Hamilton.

The "Musical Beauty Box," new national network program, will get it's first airing from CKOC and the C. B. C. National Network on Thursday evening, October 2nd. One of Canada's most prominent young musicians will have a hot to do with the show, but at present his name is a secret. Tune in for one of the radio season's big surprises: Thursday evening, 9 p.m. E.D.S.T., on the national network of the C. B. C.

Toast and Marmalade Time is good-morning funetime for all who listen to the 1250 morning program schedule. You'll hear "The Comic Strip of the Air," daily, at ten minutes past eight, featuring comedy stars from everywhere, and getting Toast and Marmalade off to a happy start. The Comic Strip has laughs aplenty in store.

The music that the rural community often enjoys at it's favorite dances is the songs that are on top of the popular hit parade, and the heart songs of the years all neatly combine in a twice-weekly feature program from CKOC, Named "Hoedown with Ozden" and featuring Fiddlin' Ed and his Violin — Dorothy White song stylist, and a harmony quartet, the program is heard Tuesday and Thursday at seven o'clock. Arrange a home party and enjoy the show!

Tips From Here and There: Bubbling, bubbling Bob Hope has returned to the air. Tuesdays, 10 p.m. NBC. Canada's Percy Faith is conductor for another season of the Contented Hour, NBC, Mondays at 10 p.m.

Alexander Woolcott, "Town Crier" of radio fame, is en route to London to make a series of broadcasts for CBS.

There are persistent rumors that the "March of Time" may soon return to the air!

Record for the week — Lanny Ross singing "Til Reveille!

Due to the United States reverting to standard time, the major portion of network shows originating over there and in Canada, will be heard by listeners in Ontario one hour later than they have been accustomed to hearing them. In other words, the Happy Gang will be heard daily at 2.00 o'clock, Charlie McCarthy at 3.00 on Sundays, and Guy Lombardo at 9.00 on Saturdays.

LADIES' ACTIVITIES

Many ladies' societies are raising worthwhile money by selling Christmas Cards. It is a pleasant way to renew old friendships and to 100% profit can be made under the excellent merchandising plan. Master Kraft Cards, 242 Doherty Bldg., Toronto, have one of the largest and finest lines of Boxed Assortments, all selling for $1. A letter to the above firm will readily obtain particulars. Up to 100% profit can be expected under their well-thought-out merchandising plan.

Cure For Worry Just Go Fishing

Mrs. Anna Chayee, aged 92, is a candidate for the title of oldest woman fisherman.

Mrs. Chayee, with her sunbonnet and high-necked dresses, is a familiar sight along the banks of the Peribonca River, fishing for "cat" and bass.

She keeps a phot