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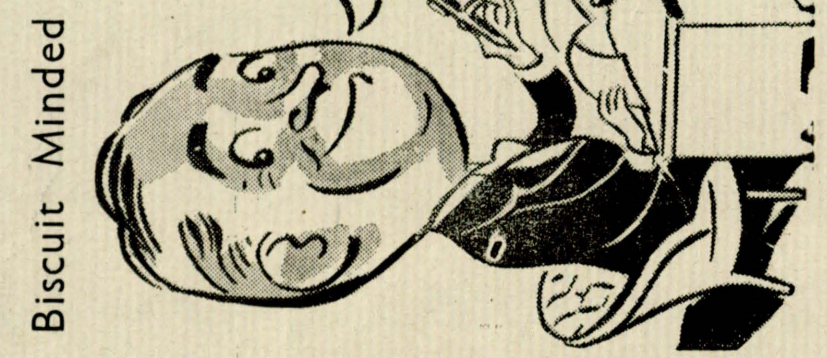
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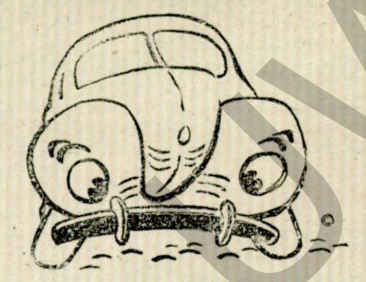
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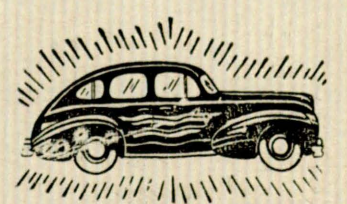
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THE PACIFIC ERA

By V. K. Wellington Koo
Chinese Ambassador of the United States

THE fine spirit and the good work of the Christian Church and its elevating influence in helping the people to broaden their views on world affairs and deepen their interest in human welfare are things which I very much admire.

Among the church organizations, the Federal Council of Churches, as a sort of the "United Nations" organization among them, occupies a unique position. More than the local churches, which are perhaps chiefly concerned with the spiritual life of the individual and the local community, it takes interest in the broad social, economic, and political issues and the application of the principles of Christianity to the practical problems of international life. A notable instance of such interest is the work of the Commission for a Just and Durable Peace. I understand that long before the end of the war the Federal Council of Churches had started to mobilize public opinion and create public sentiment against isolationism and in favour of positive international action to maintain world peace. The well-known "Six Pillars of Peace" has been, I am sure, an important contribution to American thought on world organization. The Federal Council of Churches therefore has been one of the main pillars which support the movement in favour of setting up a world organization as we now have in the United States.

The Christian movement which was started by Protestant missions in the early years of the 19th Century has left a most impressive record in the development of modern China.

After a brief appearance in the Tang and Mongol dynasties in the 7th and 13th centuries respectively, the Christian faith was reintroduced into China by the apostles of the Protestant churches as early as 1807. The net result of the labours of almost one century and a half has been, according to latest figures, a harvest of approximately one million people in China who are professed followers of Christ. From the standpoint of evangelism this result perhaps cannot be said to be very prodigious if taken numerically. Yet the influence of the movement has been perceptible of the far wider circles than the mere size of the Christian community could indicate.

The introduction of modern medicine and scientific thoughts, for example, was

*Message to the Biennial Convention of the Federal Council of Churches, Seattle.

initiated by the missions. The establishment of a modern educational system in China also was accelerated through the co-operation of the missionaries. In the latter field, the Protestant missions and more especially those from the United States have played a leading role.

DURING the recent war, it is only fitting to point, foreign missions in China, both Protestant and Catholic, have faced the challenge and trials with great courage as well as with a spirit of fortitude and triumph, and have rendered conspicuous services which have been deeply appreciated by Chinese and foreign friends alike. It is no exaggeration to say that whatever doubt might have existed in the past, the Christian missions in China have fully justified their existence in a foreign land.

That the mission activities were extended so long ago to the rim of the Pacific basin was perhaps not a matter of pure coincidence. It is a testimony to the vision and wisdom of the churchmen that they early recognized the growing import of Pacific relations.

Their enthusiasm kindled an interest in the Far East and contributed to the formation of a fairly general realization that the region was destined to become one day the central axis around which the political and economic forces of the world would revolve. Thus over ninety years ago, in 1853, William H. Seward already uttered the prophetic words that "The Pacific Ocean, its shores, its islands, and the vast regions beyond, will become the chief theatre of events in the world's great hereafter." Likewise, Theodore Roosevelt declared, at the turn of the 20th Century, that "the history of mankind began with the Mediterranean epoch, it continued in the Atlantic period, and now it is entering into the Pacific era."

Although it is true that the shores of the Atlantic Ocean remain today an important arena of world politics, there is clear evidence that the centre of gravity of international relations has been shifting to the Pacific world. To gauge the importance of the Pacific area, it is only necessary to recall that during the past hundred years at least five major wars were fought in this region, that the invasion of Manchuria by Japan in 1931 was the real beginning of the Second World War, and that the infamous attack on Pearl Harbour was the spark which ignited a general world conflagration. On the great number of far-flung islands

and atolls sprinkled over the Pacific Ocean, I need hardly stress their strategic importance as the memories of the bitter struggle over these lands are still fresh in our mind and indeed such names as Guadalcanal, Bougainville, Rabaul, Leyte and Okinawa have already taken an unforgettable place in American history.

THE importance of the Pacific to my mind, rests principally upon three factors. The first is the fact that the Pacific region has a colossal aggregate of population. About 723,000,000 people, or over one-third of the total population of the world live on the shores of the Pacific.

This tremendous reserve of manpower is important, first from the standpoint of military defense, and secondly for increasing production in agriculture and industry. By experts it has been estimated that China alone has a military manpower pool of some 20,000,000 men who will doubtless have much to contribute to the maintenance of peace and security. Given proper instruments for the development of productive enterprises and with adequate training in the technological field, these people of the Pacific region could become, in the life-span of one or two generations, skilled labourers in no way inferior to those of Europe and America, thereby adding much to the prosperity and the happiness of a peaceful world.

The second factor which makes for the importance of the Pacific has to do with the natural resources — potential and actual — which the countries possess. It is universally recognized that the importance of an area depends primarily on its ability to manufacture large quantities of articles for territorial defense as well as goods for general consumption. In the existing condition of technology the apparatus for manufacturing them are predominantly made for various minerals.

A word must also be said about world trade. Although it is true that the Atlantic is still the main channel through which a large bulk of international exchange of commodities passes, the share of the Pacific countries in world trade had been steadily growing in volume prior to the war. It is a significant fact that out of the seven major imports of the United States during the ten year period prior to Pearl Harbour six of them, namely, rubber, sugar, coffee, vegetable oil, raw silk, and tin were obtained from the Pacific countries.

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FOWL PLAY

S.H.C.

CHICKENS are the cussedest varmints ever spattered upon the face of the earth. If you don't believe me, just you start from the egg and try getting a full grown champion layer out of that. They say that in days gone by, she-male witch doctors used to have a lot of faith in the curative powers of hen fruit. About the only thing it seems to cure these days, is 'stage-fever'. Used with discretion and an equal quantity of aged tomatoes, it can still "whoa"-down a weak stage show. But those witch doctresses had an idea that it was a cure all, and would ask their clients to park a healthy specimen of hen-apple under an arm and hold same there for a few days, until a hen-let struts out of the shell. Be that as it may, I still maintain that there must be an easier way of increasing the chicken population.

Just about when I was worrying most about what shall I eat, and wherewith I shall be clothed, my eye while window shopping in the Gleaner came across an add stressing the importance of purchasing and maintaining a brood of day old chicks. It seemed to indicate that any ambitious person who had the time, the patience and incidentally, THE MONEY, could get rich quick by this fool proof method. I will not say how many of these vital assets I possessed, but the facts are that I bought a dozen of these little chicks, set myself up in business by the act, and dispensed with whatever small change I possessed in the way of peace of mind.

Chickens, by the way, whether I have mentioned it before or not, are just about the doggoned most cussedest animals alive. For a start, three of them decided that they would like to remain as advertised — 'day old Chicks' so they promptly upped and died. The other nine, having had a twenty four hour taste of the world and liked it, decided that life was worthwhile living, if not for me, certainly for them.

FROM my window shopping spree, I gathered that there were various mashes for a poultry farmer (that's me), to play with. Accordingly, before purchasing any, I was determined to tick them off on my fingers, weigh their values respectively on the bathroom scale, and so give my little ones a firm start in

life. This wasn't too difficult. I knew what I wanted of them, so I started them off with laying mash. I did not know how long it would take those tots to start giving with the hen fruit, but I figured I would give them a couple of weeks. I don't for the life of me know why they wouldn't go on a sit down strike because that's when we get results from them, but I thought it quite logical for a guy who wants laying hens and their by-product, the eggs, to feed the boids on lay-mash. Anyway, a guy can learn; he's gotta someday.

Having straightened out the little matter of diet with the family medico, I relaxed to enjoy the fruit of their toil. I watched them grow, not without some paternal pride. My neighbours watched them grow — and if they ever entered their gardens! My only regret is that among the varied and sundry watchers, there was included a specialist in praedial larceny who watched, watched and waited. And one morning, I had good reason to wish that I had not been content to just sit and watch.

When the breakfast bell rang one morning last month, only six sleek chickens came to table. I sent them back to their bedrooms and had them come out again, one at a time. Even with the aid of an adding machine, I still counted only six. I scratched my head in perplexitude, but no chick were roosting there. With my heart in my mouth I stole over to the fence and peeped, but my neighbour's lettuce beds were still intact. I called them by their nick names, I called them by names of endearment, I made rash and sweet promises; but to no avail. Oh for the touch of a vanished chick and the sound of a 'cluck' that is still, as the poet hath it. I went back to the scene of the crime. Diligently I searched for a clue, even the tiniest. Then I gave a shout of triumph and raced to the phone to summon the police. I had a vital clue. What I had taken to be an excavation by the sewage disposal people, was merely the footprint of the thief.

WHEN the police arrived, they wanted to take a plaster cast of the print, but on checking up with the general stores clerk they discovered that there were only two barrels of the

plaster of paris left. One man suggested the use of ordinary cement to make up the quantity but was threatened with instant dismissal. Didn't he know there was a shortage of cement. Finally, they contented themselves with taking the measurements, using a yardstick and went their way.

Was I upset! For days I couldn't eat. I swore off Chicken Patties for good. But all to no use. Like Clementine in the Ballad of the same name, they were lost and gone for ever. For all I knew, they were Stone Cold Dead in The (or Some) Market.

I passed a palsied hand over a fevered brow and took a nervous glance at the profit and loss account. I saw it leaning crazily to one side. Determined to end it all, I took a strong dose of arsenic and went to bed. When I awoke in the morning, the situation, like the equally important one in Palestine, remained unchanged. Then suddenly the state of affairs grew worse. My youngest son and incidentally my only son, came screaming in with pride to tell me that he had killed the only rooster with a single shot from his catapult. I was so pleased and proud of my son's marksmanship, that I promised him an air rifle on the spot. Slowly the grey mold in my cranium began a reshuffle and soon it dawned on my gradually returning consciousness that I was one chicken less and well on the way to being chickenless. Can you imagine the chickens who were left all dying of old age, and in the prime of their spinsterhood. Seems contradictory doesn't it, yet I maintain it can be done, with a little effort. Imagine them fluttering around day after day and not a man in the house.

How long could it last. Apparently not very. The chapple came last night and took the remaining five.

I am writing this last paragraph in the hope that if he sees this issue of the Pagoda he will have pity on a poor unfortunate and send me his cheque for twenty two shillings being the cost of the day old chicks. I will forget all about the cost of feeding them and helping them to maturity. I will charge that to experience.

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MOVEMENTS OF NOTE

By I. C. Evre Ting

AS anticipated the C.A.C. has been a beehive the past fortnight. The Bridge Tournament scheduled for this evening started quite a few enthusiasts off in an orgy of play and practice. Judging from the discussions and post-mortems, Culbertson has evidently written many more books than he has been credited with as there is usually many variations and interpretations of each bid and play.

IT is natural with so much activity at the Club that the executive committee make a drive for members and more funds for the Club. Result is that quite a few delinquent members including myself, have had to dip deep into their pockets to pay arrears in dues. The committee stresses the fact that the Club cannot exist on moral support alone. Quite so indeed but those greasy, grimy, ringing metal have so little affinity for our pockets which is really very disturbing. To help members pay their dues without feeling it, I suggest that the Club give to any member who wants one a penny bank so that he can drop in a loose penny or so every day and bring it in to the treasurer at the end of each month.

IT seems that I gave out some incorrect news last time regarding a radiophone at the Club. By some remarkable coincidence the presence of a radio at the Club and the remark made by someone was misinterpreted until it assumed quite pleasing proportions when it came to my ears. So the

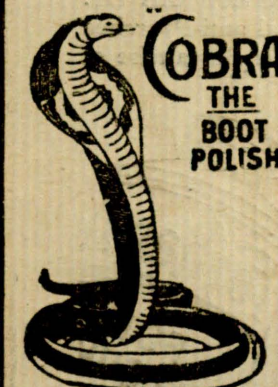
fact is that no new radiophone has yet been donated to the Club and there is still the opportunity for any generous-hearted supporter to play fairy god-mother and donate one to the Club.

YOU'VE no doubt heard about husbands climbing windows and going about on tip toe after a late night out. Invariably he bounces over something and makes enough noise to wake up the wife and the entire family. This seems to be the other way round—a wife coming home after a late mah-jongg session and has no other means of getting in than climbing the front gate. She does it so neatly that even a champion hurdler could hardly do better.

SOFTBALL seem to be growing in popularity everywhere. On every ground you can see one or two teams practising everyday. The Club is no exception and there are more young ladies than that you care to count. If the ladies keep on coming to the Club for softball, ping pong and tennis we will be having a lady assistant secretary to take care of arrangements for them.

If you call a girl a "hen" you are liable to get your face slapped. But if you tell her she's a coquette she may feign anger — but really she's a little flattered. Yet the word "coquette" comes from the French "coq" — hen — and to be a coquettish is to act like a hen.

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PERSONALIA

At the special general meeting of the Chinese Benevolent Society held last Saturday the following persons were elected to serve as members of the executive committee for the current year: Messrs. Lee Tam Yin, Chong Fong, Chen Koon Yee, Lyn Fook Kong, A. Tie Ten Quee, Lee Chit Chong, Chen Chu Pui, Sidney Chang, Albert Chin Yee, Chang Shing Shue, Chin Choon Yee, Stephen Yap, and Victor Yap Ten Yee. The following will make the Supervisory Committee: Messrs. Wong Kin, Lue Yuck Chiang, Chang Yet Kee, Tie Kee, Ho Len Shue. The committee will meet in the near future for the election of officers.

A large number of persons have been arriving from Hongkong during the past few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Hector Chin and Mr. Anthony Fong arrived here on Monday, February 24th. Mr. Chin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chin of Montepellier while Mrs. Chin is from Ecuador. Mr. Fong is the young son of Mrs. Hilda Fong of St. Andrew.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Kong arrived last Sunday, March 16th. Keith, who is the son of Mr. and

Mrs. Kong Kin of Kingston, left here last July and returns with his bride of a few months.

Mrs. Daisy Fong Yuen, wife of Mr. Wilson Fong Yuen, returned last Wednesday, March 19th.

In the island for a short visit are Mr. and Mrs. Fung Lai Law of New Zealand as the guests of their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wan of Constant Spring.

Mr. Sidney Chang, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chang of Spanish Town, arrived in the island last Wednesday, March 19 from Columbia University, New York, where he has been studying.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Fong (nee Chin) announced the birth of a baby boy on Monday, March 17th, 1946.

A ping pong match was played between the C.A.C. and the Mountain View Club last Friday, March 14th at the C.A.C. The latter won by winning eight of the thirteen matches played. The following played for the C.A.C.: Robert Chin (capt.) Cecil Chuck, Hubert Chin, Noel Chin, Eddie Wong Pow, Harold Chen, Johnny Wu, Ronny Tie, Danny Chen, Hugh Cheong, Morris Cheong, Lennie Chin.

A tournament has been arranged for the lady members of the C.A.C. to take place sometime next month. Prizes have been offered by the Caribbean Products Co. Ltd.

Tonight there will be a paired duplicate Bridge tournament at the C.A.C.

Prizes have been offered by Messrs. Caribbean Products Co. Ltd., Wong Chew Onn & Co. Ltd., Albert Chang & Co. Ltd. and Crown Life Insurance Co.

A dance is scheduled to take place at the Chinese Athletic Club on Saturday, April 12th.

The next Blue Funnel Line for Hongkong will be the M.V. Adrastus which will probably call here for passengers sometime late next month.

The Chinese Students' Association has just published their Association's magazine. The magazine contains many articles of interest by members both past and present. Price is 2/- per copy.

The C.A.C. cricket team lost their first match of the season playing Relief Works last Sunday at Tinson Pen. C.A.C. made

98 runs all out while their opponents passed that figure with the loss of only 5 wickets. The C.A.C. will play Lucas at Nelson Oval tomorrow afternoon.

PORT ANTONIO

On February 28th a basketball squad from the U.S. Submarine Sea Robin played a brilliant game against the Chinese Sports Club. The visitors, using their 'five-up-and-down' organised combination proved too much for the home team. Result, 42 to 26.

The "Sea Robin" played the Chinese Sports Club at Volleyball the next day. The visitors lost in three straight sets, 15-12, 15-10, 15-14.

On both occasions a very large crowd was present and enjoyed the exhibition games immensely. It is hoped to start Badminton soon at the Chinese Sports Club and a committee in charge is looking after the purchase of the necessary equipment.

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The ceremony was largely attended and proved to be a most colourful one, opening with the presentation of the colours, followed by an address by the Rev. T. E. Newlin. Lady Agar, Island Commissioner for Guides, gave an appropriate and simply expressed vote of thanks to all who gave so unstintingly of their time to help forward this worthy cause.

Coincident with this historic happening in this Island, has been a visit here from Lady Somerleyton, M.B.E., a member of the Executive Committee for Guides in London, who, accompanied by the Hon. Mrs. Watson, is on a tour of some of the West Indian islands on behalf of the Girl Guide Movement.

MORE ABOUT CELEBRITIES

Seldom before have any celebrities come to this Island who have made such a hit with the public as Sir Richard Tauber and his able accompanist, George Schick, nor any which have been more charmed by ourselves. The attraction has evidently been mutual, though Jamaicans undoubtedly feel that we have had the better of it.

During the succession of recitals given here under the Stephen Hill Concerts Plan by these two noted performers—the final one featuring piano solos by George Schick also—they expressed themselves as being most struck by the warmth of reception they were given at all times, and stated before leaving that they hope to pay us another visit next year. We shall certainly welcome them back, both for their marked abilities and own warmth of feeling in responding to us.

There is every possibility that Jamaica may be visited under this Concerts Plan, by the world famous pianist Jose Iturbi and his sister Amparo Iturbi, already known to us through the medium of the films, and other celebrities mentioned in the list of future performers here are Benjamin Gigli, another famous tenor, and

Arthur Rubenstein, noted pianist who has once, sometime ago, played to us.

THE J.S.P.C.A.

Once again the Jamaica Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has been very active in raising funds for the work it carries through on behalf of suffering animals in the Island. The Tag Day held just before Lady Huggins left the Island has been a great success, the sum of £164 having been collected within the Corporate Area alone, other parishes having organized their individual Tag Days.

A large meeting was held near the end of February at which Mr. Martin Cooper Chairman of the Society, presided, Lady Huggins being elected the new Chairman on his resignation which took effect at this meeting. The work of this Organization has considerably increased during the past year, and has spread into many of the country areas, and persons everywhere are learning daily to be more kind and considerate to our dumb friends.

JAMAICAN AIR SERVICE

Last week a Jamaican Air Service was inaugurated by Messrs. Coxo Bros. called the British Caribbean Airways Ltd. which, founded on local capital and almost entirely staffed by local personnel, will be running regularly between Caribbean ports and possibly to and from Miami as well in a short while. A fast and reasonable freight service will be a feature of this new Company, and already loads of tomatoes have gone through on their Lockheed Lodestar land plane—The Caribbean Queen—at present the only aircraft in this new service, but one which is only the first of several others to come, all of which will bear equally royal names such as the "Princess" and "Duchess."

Messrs. Coxo Bros. are to be congratulated on putting into action this helpful factor in the development of the Caribbean area which should promote the cause of federation through a more frequent, easier and economic intercourse.

BOOKS AND HISTORY

The British Council has been highly active again during this past fortnight. Miss Whitely, B.A., Fellow of the Library Association, and officer in charge of the Empire Section of the Book Department of the British Council's London office has been, accompanied by Mr. Hugh Paget, making a tour of certain parishes throughout the Island in connection with the development of Jamaica's regional Library scheme,

and she has been met enthusiastically by all associated with the scheme wherever she has been. Mr. Paget gave a Cocktail Party in her honour at the Liguanea Club, at which many prominent members of the community were present.

In connection with the Jamaica Historical Society, there was a most interesting lecture given at the office of the Society to its members by Professor Herbert Bell, a noted historian who has been a visitor to the Island, on Monday last. Dr. Bell is the author of several historical books and lectured in a pleasant and informal manner on Woodrow Wilson, the subject of one of his books, a talk which was much appreciated by the members present.

STILL THEY COME

Jamaica's influx of Winter visitors are still coming, and among the more recent ones number editors, writers, businessmen and professionals as well as many veterans of both World Wars.

Outstanding among those who have come our way in the past fortnight have been Dr. Patricia Drant, a dermatologist of world fame; Mr. William Aitken, a nephew of Lord Beaverbrook, who is Manager of the London Express Newspaper Service in England, just from the Caribbean Press-Conference held in Barbados; Mr. Max Eastman, Roving Editor of The Reader's Digest, his wife, a professional colour painter, and his Secretary; Viscount Hardinge, a Director of the Jamaica Public Service Company, and several others.

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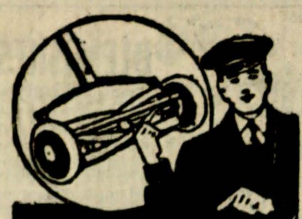
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The Moscow Conference

On March 10, the conference of Ministers of the Big Four—Britain, the United States, Russia and France, was opened in Moscow, for the main purpose of bringing to a peaceful conclusion the affairs of Europe as affected by the conquered nations. By the evening of the ninth the four Foreign Secretaries — Mr. Ernest Bevin, Mr. George Marshall, Mr. Georges Bidault and Mr. V. M. Molotov, with their large staffs had arrived in the Soviet city which had been elaborately prepared for such an occasion.

The actual conference got down to business with small ceremony, and discussions on some of the most urgent items on the agenda were entered into without delay. Foremost among these was the German treaty on which the entire peaceful solution of the Europe of the future rests. The Russian demand that Germany should pay ten milliard dollars reparation to her within a period of twenty years is still a subject of debate as well as concern. The declaration to Congress by President Truman of the aid the United States is prepared to give to Turkey and Greece has also been another important matter under discussion, but, for the most part has been highly welcomed by all countries except Russia which sees in it a threat to European peace. Mr. Truman is determined, however, that the free peoples of the world should help the fallen countries and with British aid nearing its end the President feels it is up to the United States to take necessary steps to alleviate the condition.

Mr. Molotov was rebuffed on his demand that China's internal affairs should also be discussed at the Moscow Conference, despite the fact that China is not represented at it. It was suggested however, by Mr. Bevin and seconded by Mr. Marshall, that an informal talk by the Big

Three, providing China could be represented, might be held at this time in order to concede to some extent the request of the Soviet Minister. To such a suggestion the Chinese Government did not agree. It refused to have its affairs discussed, however informally, at the Moscow Conference, and Mr. Marshall then put forward the idea that an exchange of written information on China might be carried through before April 1, of which the Chinese Government will receive copies.

It is commonly felt that the Soviet Minister should not have tried to go back on the agreement reached at the Moscow Conference of 1945 when the Big Three decided on a policy of non-interference in China's affairs. Russia should realize that no immediate good could be gained in taking up such a matter at a time like this, however desirous she may be of having many vital points settled in connection with so close and important a neighbour.

THE PACIFIC ERA

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In short the conclusion is inescapable that the Pacific region possesses great potentialities for developing into a key industrial and commercial area of the world.

The third factor which I would mention is the long cultural heritage of the Asiatic peoples. While in many parts of the Pacific region the population may not have as yet attained a high cultural level, there exists in China a most ancient civilization which had once radiated its influence upon the European culture of the 17th and 18th centuries, and embodies the longest, unbroken cultural continuity which finds no parallel in human history. In spite of innumerable vicissitudes and titanic upheavals through the ages this civilization was able to preserve its homogeneity and unity. That it has survived the recent war of unprecedented cruelty and destruction testifies to the vigour and vitality which it must still possess.

THROUGH the contact with the Western civilization, new ideas have been assimilated and transformation has taken place in various aspects of the cultural life of China, more especially in the readjustment of her social and political institutions, in the adoption of modern educational methods, and above all in the application of the scientific techniques for the solution of her multifarious problems. At the present time, the culture of the West, it should be noted, has also incorporated certain ideas and ideals indigenous to the Chinese culture, such as greater appreciation of fine arts and literature, the cultivation of moderation and tolerance as a concept of life, and the enhancement of the value and dignity of man.

History is replete with gratifying results of cultural contacts between different peoples such as between the Ancient Egyptians and the Greeks, between the Arabs and the Roman Empire, and between Renaissance Europe and the Byzantine. If these events afford a criterion for judging the present, the merging of the East and the West must inevitably form a great landmark in human progress.

At the present time, when the attention of the entire world is focussed upon the problem of readjusting post-war relationships of nations, we are naturally concerned with the prospects of establishing permanent peace in the Pacific area. To achieve this peace, I maintain, three basic conditions must be fulfilled.

The first is that a strong and unified China constitutes the best guarantee for the stability of the Pacific. During the past hundred years, Far Eastern history was unfortunately fraught with conflicts, rivalries, and bloodshed. Historians have suggested that the imbroglio was mainly caused by the military weakness of China, the political ambition of Japan, and the economic rivalry of the Western powers. To remove these fundamental causes of conflict, China must be truly free and independent, must be united and democratic and must not be made again a theatre of international power rivalry. She must develop sufficient power so that she can effectively defend herself against external aggression.

WITH great patience and in a relentless spirit, the Chinese people are endeavouring to set their house in order, to re-establish governmental authority throughout the land, and to achieve national unity and a constitutional democracy. This task must be made a real success if the Far East is going to be assured of tranquillity and play its

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AN EX-GI VIEWS CHINA

By Robert B. Hotz

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From CHINA NEWS DIGEST

ONE year after the end of the war, victorious China appears to be in worse shape in most respects than vanquished Japan.

At least four million Chinese will starve to death before the end of the year. Trade is paralyzed by lack of all kinds of transportation. Prices are sky-rocketing in the vicious spiral of inflation that has shown no signs of abating. Official corruption is spreading. As this is written, serious and regrettable political disagreements are headlining the news despatches from China. One year after the end of the war against Japan there is no real peace in China nor any effective attack on the problems of postwar reconstruction.

On the basis of this evidence it is easy to conclude that the Chinese are incapable of organizing themselves as a nation; that they are beyond all help and that the best policy for the United States is complete indifference as to whether China sinks or swims.

Many Americans who saw brief service in China during and after the war are enthusiastic supporters of that attitude. However, the truth about China is not that simple.

Practically all of China's many and grievous ills stem from her war against Japan — not the 3½-year war that so sorely strained our own economic and military power — but the 8-year war which China fought for nearly five long years alone without any effective aid from any of her eventual Allies. In the flush of our victory in the Pacific it is easy for us to forget that China was the first to fight Japan, that she fought the longest of all the Allies and that she took the worst beating.

Americans who went to China for the first time during the war were like theatre-goers who took their seats during the final act of a long and complicated tragedy. Not knowing what had gone before, most of them became confused, bored and angry, and after a while departed loudly shouting "fraud".

All Asia is a shock to most Americans venturing for the first time from the land of inside plumbing and relative plenty. Many never recover from their initial shock at the smell, the squalor and incredible poverty;

the existence and the relatively low regard for human life generated by the pressure of overpopulation against a limited food supply. For them Asia, China included, was never anything more than a bad smelling nightmare of dirty, ragged and corrupt people.

THIS is admittedly a superficial view; yet it is the sole basis on which the majority of Americans formed their judgments on China. Added to their personal frustration with military life, homesickness and the boredom of an army anywhere, it produced a virulent criticism of China and of all things Chinese as an easy, if not intelligent, form of relief. This in spite of the fact that Americans who served in China had little real cause for personal complaint.

Wartime life in China was not a vacation in Miami Beach, but it was infinitely superior to a waterlogged foxhole in France or the pestilential Pacific Islands. From the days of the first American Volunteer Group (the original "Flying Tigers") in 1941, the Chinese made a determined effort to play host to American forces in China.

They provided food, cooks, mess-boys, guards, quarters, houseboys and laundry service for all American service personnel at a cost of only \$1 a day to the U.S. Government.

Except in extremely rare instance no GI in China ever did KP; few sweated out chow lines or had to police and clean their quarters or stand guard duty. Specially trained Chinese boys of the War Area Service Corps did our dirty work. Chinese soldiers guarded our planes, dumps and compounds.

There were no foxholes for Americans in China. Wherever we were stationed the Chinese built quarters with roofs that seldom leaked, crude but comfortable beds, charcoal stoves and hot water showers. Airfields and ground force training centres were generally located miles from the nearest town and the combination of American Army and Chinese W.A.S.C. created neat "cocoons" in which most Americans were warm, relatively well fed, completely bored and almost universally ignorant of the land and people around them.

IT took a determined effort or an accident to break through this ignorance and prejudice and understand the real China that lay beyond. My own introduction to what China was really like came through a Mitchell bomber that refused to fly without gas, and a nylon parachute that did everything the manufacturer's "ads" said it would do. It happened one moonless night coming back from bombing Jap air-drones at Canton. Along with six other crewmen I landed on a bare and rocky mountain peak in southeast China. Without the help of the Chinese we might never have emerged from that maze of rugged and complicated ranges.

During the 11 days the Chinese guided us to safety, we began to realize that they were human beings like ourselves, full of human vice and virtues, hopes and fears — in short, fundamentally good people.

Those 11 days are an unforgettable kaleidoscope — small brown villagers who shared bowls of gummy unpolished rice with us and gave us hot water because they were too poor to have tea; day after weary day over the narrow mountain trails with sinewy coolies' legs jogging before us carrying all our gear; futile efforts to pay anybody for their services; coolies running down the trails to return our money after we had left it under breakfast rice bowls as payment; the mountain village chief who, lacking anything else to give, presented each of us a bamboo walking stick freshly cut by his two-handed sword; and the dour garrison commander at the first telephone we reached who insisted on drinking bottoms up with rice wine at breakfast. Everywhere we went the Chinese shared their lot with us. Nowhere would they accept a penny of payment.

"We know why you are here," was the universal answer. "You have done enough for us already."

And yet one member of our crew seemed to learn nothing from the experience. He complained bitterly about everything, from the lack of plumbing and cigarettes to the rain. The Chinese saved his life and charged him nothing for the service, yet he returned to the United States, still an enthusiastic critic of all phases of Chinese life.

We were just a few of the hundreds of American airmen whose lives were saved by the Chinese during the war. The country was too vast for any organized system for rescuing fly-

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LORENZ



MY HEAD was in the clouds that warm day in April driving up Broadway. The radio in my jalopy was tuned in on Tom O'Neill, my favourite voice of the year. I was listening to The Songshop Hour when the sharp blast of a whistle brought me down to this too solid earth. I'd driven straight through a red light.

As a big, burly traffic cop swaggered over to my battered coupe, my knees shook. I had a deep respect for law and order.

"What's the big idea, sister?" he bellowed.

"I'm sorry, officer," I said meekly. "I was late for school."

"Better be late than sorry," he said in an altogether different voice as he caught O'Neill's lush rendition of "Irresistible You." He jerked his head and smiled at the radio. "You know, that guy's not bad."

"He's simply super," I gurgled. "He makes me all goose-pimpley."

The blue eyes of the law flickered, then fell on the volume of Popular Melodies on the seat beside me. "Music! What do you do for a living?"

"Piano teacher," I replied. "at Miss Pollens Day School." I gave him a wan smile.

He pushed back his cap and wiped the moist, blond ringlets plastered to his brow. "Ever do any radio work?"

That made me wince. "I just wish I had a dollar for every audition I've had."

"Pull over," he ordered.

I obeyed with alacrity. At the curb I became voluble. Anything to stave off a ticket. I told him that radio was a snare and delusion for any ambitious young girl. I'd got nowhere. "Sorry, we have our own staff accompanist. Sorry, nothing right now, but if you'll leave your name—"

He grinned, and it was like a burst of sunshine. He leaned against my car, looking at me as if I were a crossword puzzle. "Say, how about dinner tonight?"

You could have knocked me over with a feather. "Why, I don't believe—" I began primly. "You see—" If he thought I was a girl who could be picked up, even by a policeman.

"Okay sister," he grunted. "I get it." Then his voice became official again. "Well, I'll let you off this time."

"Thank you, officer," I said.

"But don't let it happen again. Remember, I'm keeping my eye on you."

I looked at my watch: 8.45. I'd never make it by nine. Not when I had to pick up that daily cargo of seven squirming kids and convey them to the red brick build-

ing that was my prison five days a week. I sighed. Art is long and life is short, and didn't I know it. I'd probably go on teaching sassy brats five-finger exercises until the grave yawned. Especially now that Charlie had gone international on me. Corporal Charles Brent, No. 1 heel! When I got his bombshell of a letter two months ago, telling me coolly he'd fallen for one of those Aussies, I kissed all hope goodbye of ever marrying an artist. Charlie played the bassoon before the Army made him play bazooka.

Until today I thought he'd broken my heart. But that night in bed, when I tried to picture him, all I could see were a pair of sky-blue eyes, strong white teeth, and moist, blond ringlets under a policeman's cap. I felt a twinge of remorse at having snubbed him. What if he was just a traffic cop? Maybe something could still be done about it.

Next morning I wore my new Easter bonnet, a pink, flyaway confection. On my radio O'Neill was given deliciously with "Time Waits for No One." My heart went boomp as I approached the crossing on Broadway. There stood my nice giant in a shaft of sunlight. I drove straight through the red light. At the blast of that tin whistle I jammed on the brake. He sauntered over, twirling his shiny toy.

"Well sister," he said sternly. "If you're gonna make it a habit,

I have to take steps. Let's see your license."

I looked at him in sheer dismay. O'Neill went crooning on, but my traffic cop seemed deaf this morning. "Make it snappy." So I fumbled in my imitation alligator bag and fished out the license folder. "Beryl Thompson," he read, and took down the number, name and address. Then he tore off a summons slip and handed it to me. "Here you are."

"You conceited goon," I told myself hotly, watching his broad back. "Serves you right."

The low ceiling depression that hung over me all that day was lifted at 5.35 when I got back to my room and found a message to call Mr. Burnham at the radio station. I flew to the hall phone.

"Be at the studio tomorrow night at 6.30 sharp," he said over the phone.

The next day I was on hand long before six. "It's a transcription programme," Mr. Burnham explained. "Miss Miles, the studio accompanist, is out sick, and her substitute's having a baby."

"What's the programme, Mr. Burnham?"

"The Songshop Hour. Studio B. Here's the music. You'll have plenty of time to run through it before O'Neill gets here."

"O'Neill? But he broadcasts mornings, doesn't he?"

Jamaican Proverbs

Their Meaning and Significance

The definition of a Proverb. In addition to what is given in former issues, I now add the following from the New English Dictionary, namely, "a short, pithy saying in common and recognized use." This seems wide enough to include all the saying I detail from time to time. Whatever the differences of opinion we all agree that they are interesting as illustrative of negro thought and character. Still on letter B, I now continue with sub-heading BOOT.

BOOT

44. If you no ben put on new leda (leather) you would no feel how boot pinch.

Mostly all improvements are accompanied by corresponding disadvantages. The barefooted negro in the African will suffer inconveniences. Only after he had commenced to wear shoes that he realised what was meant by corns and carbuncles caused through wearing tight-fitting boots and shoes.

BREAD

45. If you want half a bread beg s'mody buy it, but if you want hole a wan, buy it yourself.

Bread—loaf; s'mody—somebody.

If you want a thing well done, do it yourself, would be a fair comment on this proverb which is purely of African origin. Anything can happen to the loaf of bread which you ask someone to purchase at the grocer's shop or at the bakery, according to the quality of the person asked. The naughty child may bore holes in the loaf and eat a good portion of it on the way back. A well intentioned grown-up may rest if on the wayside and a dog may come along and run off with a good portion of it.

46. Man hab too much bread, junju grow pon some. (Junju—fungus).

Naturally, if a householder hoards up too much of any article of diet some of it is apt to get spoilt.

BREADFRUIT

47. De more you chop bread fruit root de more him spring.

The fruit of the breadfruit is a great source of food to many Jamaicans. People from abroad prefer it roasted than boiled. I heard a Scotchman say once, humorously.

A breadfruit boiled Is a breadfruit spoiled.

The reference in the proverb is to the fact that when the root is cut a young plant usually springs up, and the plant is propagated that way. One explanation of this pure-

ly African proverb is as regards the use of adversity. I quote from an unknown writer who said, "Prosperity has not enriched the world as Adversity has done". The great lesson is to be courageous in adversity.

BREAK

48. Hour may broke wha' age nebbber men' — (wha—what; men'—mend). A self-explanatory saying to induce people to be careful always, both in ordinary things as well as in the case of acts which become habits and which may mar your character.

Sow an act, you reap a habit; Sow a habit, you reap a character; Sow a character, you reap a destiny.

49. Mug no broke, coffee no' trow 'way.

Another self-evident saying an instance of the manner in which simple things can be used to illustrate the deeper things of life.

BREECHES

50. Borra breeches can' dance in a ring.

One has to be extra careful how he used borrowed goods. The literal reference is the case of the man who has borrowed a pair of trousers to wear to a dance. Disaster may befall the breeches if the wearer is not careful about his movements, especially in these days dancing has taken the vogue of a series of "jumps and jives".

BRICK

51. Brick pon brick mek house.

As in building a house you place brick upon brick so in the building of one's character you go step by step up the mount of glory or up the ladder of fame.

BRIDGE

52. De bridge between laugh-in' and cryin' no long. A philosophical saying based upon a physiological treatise which explains that laughter and tears emanate from the same facial glands, known as the lachrymal glands. Compare with the Scotch proverb which says—"Laugh at leisure, you may greet ere nicht".

OR

The French: "Tel qui rit vendredi, dimanche pleurera". 53. Don't bruk down bridge you jus' cross. You may need it again. Who knows?

There is an old Jewish proverb which says, "Cast no mud into the well from which thou hast drunk." The proverb is often quoted by speakers and writers to emphasize the necessity of remembering the past.

PLUTO.

"He records at 6 the night before."

As the green baize door of Studio B closed soundlessly behind me, I felt like turning cart-wheels. A little before 6.30 a familiar voice broke up my practising. "Hello, sister!"

I looked up, and my fingers began to prickle. There was my traffic cop, bare-headed and in shirtsleeves. "Pardon the attire," he said with mock politeness. "I'm not supposed to wear my coat off duty."

"Are you Tom O'Neill?"

"Professionally speaking, yes." He came over and began polishing with his hand the badge on his blue shirt, which read, "The Singing Cop." "Nobody knows about it except the gang here. I told 'em it had to be that way, or else. If the boys down at the station knew I was a crooning canary, life wouldn't be worth livin'."

I sat still, looking slightly gaga. "Say," he said, his eyes twinkling, "that's a fine reception, considering that I finagled you a radio job."

"You did?" I gasped. "But Mr. Burnham said—"

He waived his big hand at me. "I know. When I heard about Miss Miles, I asked him to give you a tryout." He looked up at the clock. "Okay, beautiful. Let's try that old number, "Why Don't You Fall in Love With Me?"

I obeyed mechanically. As I said before, I have a deep respect for law and order.

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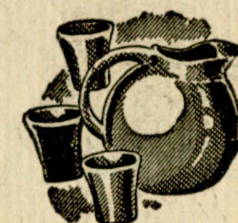
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"It's when I'm weary of con-
siderations,
And life is too much like a path-
less wood
Where your face burns and tickles
with the cobwebs
Broken across it, and one eye is
weeping
From a twig's having lashed
across it open.
I'd like to get away from earth
awhile
And then come back to it and
begin over
I'd like to go by climbing a birch
tree,
And climb black branches up a
snow-white trunk
Toward heaven, till the tree
could bear no more,
But dipt its top and set me down
again."

Robert Frost: "Birches."

ENGLAND

"Full many a gem of purest ray
serene,
The dark unfathom'd caves of
ocean bear;
Full many a flower is born to
blush unseen,
And waste its sweetness on the
desert air."

Thomas Gray:
"Elegy."

ECUADOR

"Drizzle from the mountain
Makes the last firewood hiss,
Burden in brilliance
The communal villagers carry the
sunrise
Caught in the teeth of their
sickles,
Down to the earth below
The Indian rebellion carries the
morning
In the protest of their shovels."

Jorge Carrera Andrade:
"Indian Rebellion."

POT POURRI OF THOUGHT

JAMAICA

"You cannot keep a good man
down
Wherever he may be,
He'll sometimes sink but never
drown
On life's tempestuous sea . . .
A good man will keep going still
When all his rivals drop,
And never will stay down the hill
While there is room on top."

William Fleming:
"A Good Man."

GERMANY

"Everything in nature acts
in conformity with law."

Immanuel Kant.

WALES

"I chant with challenge fearless,
The loveliest land on earth.
For she, indeed, is peerless,
This Gwalia of my birth.
And while Llewellyn's spirit
And harp her sons inherit,
No foe shall slight her merit,
No rival mock her worth."

John Morris Jones:
"My Land."

RUSSIA

"On the steppes the feathergrass
Trembles like a dying ghost,
While the moon behind a cloud
Darts a gleam and then is lost.
Soon the moon will fade away,
Shining on till all is lost,
And the feathergrass will shake
Like a pale departing ghost."

Konstantin Balmont:
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"On the Eastern Way at the city
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matched by flower;
Across the road, — leaf touching
leaf."

Sung Tzu-hou: "Song."

ITALY

"No man will be respected
by others who is despised by
his own relatives."

Titus Maccius Plautus

CANADA

"I wanted the gold and I caught
it;
I scabbled and mucked like a
slave;
Was it famine or scurvy — I
fought it,
I hurled my youth into the grave.
I wanted the gold and I got it—
Came out with a fortune last
fall—
Yet somehow life's not what I
thought it,
And somehow the gold isn't all."

Robert W. Service:
"Songs of a Sourdough."

FRANCE

"Those who never retract
their opinions love themselves
more than they love truth."

Joseph Joubert

IRELAND

"We must pass like smoke or live
within the spirit's fire;
For we can no more than smoke
unto the flame return:
If our thought has changed to
dream, our will unto desire,
As smoke we vanish though the
fire may burn."

George William Russell:
"Immortality."

PERSONS PLACES THINGS

By Old Joe

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a distinguished physician and
sanitary reformer, and in his pub-
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whose admiration was outstand-
ing. Born in the parish of Clar-
endon, August 1814, son of an
Anglican Clergyman, he was edu-
cated in England, Royal Academy
School in Edinburgh, and at
Edinburgh University where he
graduated M.D. in 1836. He also
visited Paris and Germany during
his student days. He was offered
a commission in the British Army
by the Professor of Military Sur-
gery; but he refused it in order to
return to Jamaica in accordance
with the wishes of his father.

In October, 1836 he was ap-
pointed Physician-General of
Hospitals in the Militia, Jamaica,
and was elected President of the
College of Physicians in the is-
land. In 1840, while practising in
Spanish Town, he married a
daughter of the Rev. Alexander
Campbell, Rector of St. Andrew.

Leaving Spanish Town in June,
1853 he settled in Kingston hav-
ing entered into partnership with
his brother-in-law, Dr. Charles
Campbell, the firm being later
joined by Dr. Izett Anderson. It
was, however because of his use-
ful and unselfish service to the
island why he has been remem-
bered and honoured. His vigor-
ous campaign against the bad
management of the Lunatic Asy-
lum and the Public Hospital in
1858 caused the Secretary of
State for the Colonies to ap-
point a Commission of Investiga-
tion which resulted in many im-
provements and reforms at these
institutions. He was very in-
terested in the Royal Society of
Arts and Agriculture, the Volun-
teer Movement, the Boys and
Girls Reformatory, the Co-opera-
tive Fire Insurance Company, the
Lying-In Hospital, Homes for the
Blind and Destitute.

Dr. Bowerbank also served the
island politically. In 1860 he
was elected to the House of As-
sembly as Member for Kingston,
and in 1862 was appointed Cus-
tos for the City, a position which

he held for nine years. He was
also a good Churchman. In 1865
he was presented with a Testi-
monial in the form of a piece of
solid silver plate, three feet one
inch high and weighing 341
ounces, the cost being £200. The
design was a palm tree with a
beautifully carved group repre-
senting the good Samaritan.

Dr. Bowerbank continued to
practise in Jamaica until Febru-
ary 1876, when, broken down in
health he left the island and died
at Ealing, near London, in Oc-
tober, 1880.

Shortly before he left Jamaica
however, the statue referred to
above was carved at a cost of
£800. It was not erected till after
his death when it was placed at
the northern entrance to the
Parade Gardens (now Victoria
Park), facing Upper King St.

In July 1891 a new pulpit was
erected in the Kingston Parish
Church to the memory of Dr.
Bowerbank and his brothers-in-
law, Venerable Archdeacon Camp-
bell and Dr. Charles Campbell.

HAROLD CHARLES SAVAGE,
Assistant Postmaster for Jamaica,
who died in Kingston August 13,
1935 at the age of 51 was not only
a devoted Public Officer but a
zealous Church Secretary and
Treasurer of the Congregational
Church in Jamaica. His whole
life was one of quiet, devoted ser-
vice. Son of an Inspector of
Schools he entered the Civil Ser-
vice at the age of 21 as Clerical
Assistant in the Colonial Secre-
tary's Office. In the following
year, 1906 he was promoted As-
sistant, and after seven years'
service he was appointed Second
Class Clerk.

Six years after, in 1919, he at-
tained the goal of First Class
Clerk. In the same year he served
as Secretary of the Titchfield
Trust and Secretary of the Select
Committee of the Legislative
Council on Salaries. In 1920 he
was further promoted Principal
Clerk in the Colonial Secretary's
Office; and during the five years
in which he occupied this posi-
tion he, on several occasions,
acted as Second Assistant to the
Colonial Secretary, Clerk to the
Privy Council and of the Legisla-
tive Council.

In July 1925 he was appointed
Assistant Post Master and acted
as Post Master on several oc-
casions. So keen was he on his
work that in 1933 he made a tour
of the United States, Canada and
England and visited a number of
large Post Offices to gather data
for the improvement of the local
service.

PLACES

Bits of Old Jamaica

(Continued from last issue)

SEVILLA NUEVA—A name of
Spanish origin figures among the
place Names of Jamaica. His-
torians identify it as the spot
where the first Spanish Governor
is buried. Esquimal was his name.

Sir Sibbald Scott, the Author of
"To Jamaica and Back," who
visited the island in 1874, says
this:—

"Herrara, who wrote in 1620,
and other Spanish Historians, tes-
tified to the mild Government of
Esquimal, who, unhappily for
Jamaica, did not live long." Be-
fore his death however, he had
given instructions that he should
be buried at Sevilla Nueva. The
Spaniards afterwards named it
Sevilla d'oro, from the splendour
and opulence to which it shortly
rose. It was from the first
Spanish Governor that what is
now Old Harbour received its
ancient name of Esquimal.

THE GOLDEN CAPITAL. Jam-
aica Golden Capital "was not des-
tined to last long," said Scott;
"but obscurity and mystery hung
over the period of its destruc-
tion." Sir Hans Sloane, who
visited the ruins in 1688, gave an
interesting account of them. The
ruins of the Abbey are still to be
seen (1874), about two miles from
St. Ann's Bay. He found re-
mains of a Church and Castle,
the former which he believed to
have been unfinished, was built
of freestone and brick. He
traced a pavement two miles
from the Church, which gave an
idea of the extent of the town.
The walls of the fortress, four
feet thick, were composed of pe-
bbles and bricks. Two coats of arms
lay on the ground, one a ducal
and the other that of a Count.
When the English first occupied
the island (1655), the ruins were
overgrown with wood, the trunks
of some of the trees being 60 feet
in height. Over the gate of the
Church, which then stood entire
and beneath a coat of arms, was
the following inscription (in
Latin)—

Peter Martin of Angleria, an
Italian citizen of Milan, Apos-
tolic Brothnorary, Abbott of
the island, Counsellor of the
Senate of the Indies who built
this edifice of wood, twice
destroyed by fire, then of brick
and square stone.

"Colonel Ballard (1655) told
Sloane that it was thought by the
Spaniards that their countrymen
had been cut off by the Indians
and so the Church was left un-
finished."

WHEN THE SPANIARDS CAME

The foregoing had reference to
the Spanish occupation of the is-
land. This was the year 1503,
and here is the description, ac-
cording to Scott, of the Spanish
Invasion:—

"The Landing of the Spaniards
was not altogether unopposed, a
flotilla of canoes, (piraguas), fill-
ed with natives brandished
lances and pointed wood, and
yelling furiously, sallied forth in
hostile array. Columbus landed
next day at Auracabego, but not
before his boats had been attack-
ed.

"It is remarkable that so small
a body of Spaniards should have
succeeded in gaining possession
of the island in the teeth of a
large population."

The explanation is, that "The
native Indians seemed to have
been utterly incapable of com-
bining, even in self-defence
against the arms and tactical

unity of the Spaniards."

(It seems to me however, that
from some adequate cause, Sevilla
became suddenly deserted and
this led to the selection of a site
remote from the scene of its
disasters.)

(To be continued).



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TALKING IT OVER

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Dear Miss Martin:
For some reason my hair is becoming prematurely gray. I am only twenty-nine and as far as I know I am in very good health.

I really look much younger than my age and other people have always remarked on it. As I'm rather shy and sensitive my graying hair is causing me great embarrassment. I do not wish to dye it and I have already tried regular massage and brushing. What would you advise?

"Gray"

Dear "Gray":
It certainly is a pity to let your graying hair cause you unhappiness. I am in a position to sympathise with you for my black hair started to go gray when I was only 21. Like you I disliked dyed hair, so for several years I was very miserable.

However, now that I am many years older I realise that gray hair with a youthful face is very attractive. So hurry up and turn your worry into a definite asset.

First of all it will need meticulous grooming. It must be kept spotlessly clean, burnished with the brush and thoroughly combed. Your hair-dresser is the best person to advise you about a rinse.

Next, with her aid also, choose a really becoming style. Last but not least, teach yourself to regard your well-groomed gray



hair as an added attraction rather than a defect.

E. M.

Dear Elizabeth Martin,

I am thirty-eight years old and am to be married shortly to a man slightly younger than I, to whom I have been engaged for the past three years.

Recently I have noticed that I am beginning to show my age. My neck and mouth muscles are beginning to sag.

What can I do to preserve my looks?

M.

Dear Marv S.

It is only natural that when a woman is about to be married she is anxious about her looks.

The best remedy for those sagging muscles are regular tightening exercises. Drop your head forward and draw your chin in as you raise it slowly ten times. Next, let your head drop back and raise it slowly still with your chin tucked in. Rotate head slowly. Drop it forward carrying round to the left, to the back, over right shoulder, forward and straighten. Repeat five times in each direction.

For the mouth take a big gulp of air, and blow it against your mouth and cheeks without letting it out.

Pay special attention to your complexion. Keep it clean and massage it gently each night with a good nourishing cream. Try a new hair style. If you are inclined to put on weight watch your diet and exercise daily.

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Above all don't worry about it and try to put in ten hours sleep at least three times a week.

E. M.

Dear Miss Martin:

Please advise me. I will be taking a trip shortly but I do not know anything about travelling, such as getting the passport, money, etc. etc. And as I don't want to be a bother would be thankful for your kind advice.

Helen L.

Dear Helen L:

Your first step is to get a photographer to take passport photos for you. He will know the size and the number of prints required. These you take to the Passport office where they will provide you with the necessary forms to fill out giving date of birth, birthplace, nationality etc.

For the money part of it you will have to apply to the Finance Board. When you have told them the purpose of your trip, they will tell you how much you may take with you. You will find them very helpful and the Bank will arrange about the currency for you.

If you are going over to study you will not be allowed to take

the whole amount of your study fees and maintenance with you, but they will arrange for you to get a certain sum each month or quarter. I hope this will be helpful.

E. M.

Dear Miss Martin:

I am so tired of offering my seat in buses to women who just glance at me and shake their heads. Others who are only going a block or so, against my own long trip accept and then get out and let someone else, often a man, take it.

Is it necessary for me to continue the politeness, when others don't?

"X"

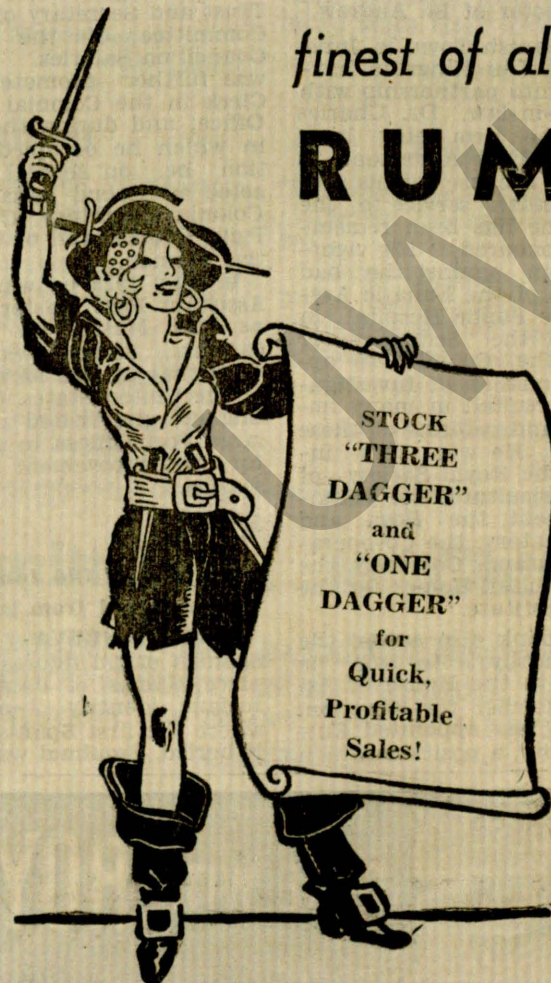
Dear "X"

It is just the gentleman in you and so long as it's there you will continue to offer your seat to the so-called "weaker sex." I must admit that women are very selfish and inconsiderate about such things these days.

However, so long as you do your part you can feel that you have never been found lacking in courtesy, and if you are refused you can enjoy your seat with a clean conscience.

E. M.

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IN PARENTHESIS

A woman doesn't know what kind of a husband she doesn't want until she marries him.

Nature is wonderful! A million years ago she didn't know we were going to wear spectacles and look at the way she placed our ears.

"What's the best way to teach a girl to swim?"

"That requires technique. First you put your left arm around her waist, then you gently take her left hand and —"

"She's my sister."

"Oh — push her off the dock."

We learn from experience. A man never wakes up his second baby just to see him smile.

A dramatist employed to write stories from the Bible in radio form was astonished, at the end of the broadcast, to hear the announcer say:

"Will Cain kill Abel? Tune in at the same time tomorrow morning and find out."

—The Forum.

"Where have you been for the past four years?"

"At college taking medicine."

"And did you finally get well?"

When God gave out brains, I thought

He said trains,

And I missed mine!

When He gave out looks, I thought

He said books,

And I didn't want any!

And when he gave out noses, I thought

He said roses,

And I ordered a big one!

When he gave out legs, I thought

He said kegs,

And I ordered two fat ones!

When He gave out ears, I thought

He said beers,
So I ordered two long ones!

When He gave out chins, I thought

He said gins,

So I said, Give me a double !"

God, am I a mess.

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Mistress: "I see you take the grapefruit rinds home with you. What do you use them for?"

Maid: "Well, mum, I think they make my garbage look stylish."

When a bunch of girls get together, the Lord pity the first one who leaves.

In Trenton, N.J., Edward Wiley wandered into police headquarters, loudly ordered a beer, was served with two months in jail, for drunkenness.

TIME.

The city girl asked a dairyman why cream was so much more expensive than milk. "It's the cows' fault, ma'am," was the explanation. "They find it much harder to sit on the small bottles."

A lady in San Francisco was eating her lunch when the telephone rang. The maid answered, giggled shrilly, said "Sure is," and hung up. A moment later the phone rang again — short, insistent jinglings of the bell. Again Agatha answered, laughed even louder, called "Sure is," and hung up the receiver. The lady was puzzled. "What's going on there?" she asked.

Strangest thing in the world, "explained Agatha. "Some fool person on that phone calls up just to say 'Long distance from New York.' So I says 'Sure is' and hang up."

Scientists find that when ants grow tired after extended work, they puff and blow like humans.

—News Item.

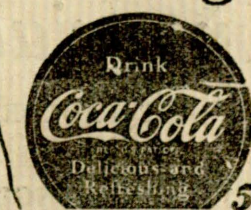
Enthusiastic youth to friend: "That star over there is Mars."

Unsympathetic friend: "Is it?"

Then the other one, I suppose, is Pa's."



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FAR EAST BOOKS

THE CHRYSANTHEMUM AND THE SWORD

By Ruth Benedict.

Ruth Benedict is a cultural anthropologist who was called upon by Washington to help us employ Japanese behaviour as a war asset rather than as a liability. She has never been to Japan but nonetheless has turned out a diverting and illuminating book.

As early as page two, the author states a very basic premise. "Both the sword and the chrysanthemum are a part of the picture. Th Japanese are to the highest degree, both aggressive and unaggressive, both militaristic and aesthetic, both insolent and polite, rigid, and adaptable, submissive and resentful of being pushed around, loyal and treacherous, brave and timid, conservative and hospitable to new ways. They are terribly concerned about what other people will think of their behaviour, and they are also overcome by guilt when other people know nothing of their misstep. Their soldiers are disciplined to the hilt but are also insubordinate."

In attempting to dispel the haze of this acknowledge Japanese duality, Mrs. Benedict emphasizes that we not only do not know

what but similarly what makes the United States a nation of Americans, or Russia a nation of Russians.

"Lacking this knowledge, each country misunderstands the other. We do not give ourselves a chance to find out what their habits and values are.

If we did, we might discover that a course of action is not necessarily vicious because it is not the one we know."

Thereupon Mrs. Benedict settles down to the keys of Japan's historical national background; the purely native ideals of individual honour, virtue, obligations and honesty. She delves into family life, sexual relations, rearing of children and selfdiscipline, all of which are vastly different from our own conceptions, but which the author gives a reasonable cloak of naturalness in the Japanese mind at least.

Mrs. Benedict finds that "Americans have good reason to be proud of their part in the administration of Japan since VJ-Day." She notes that many American feared a sullen, hostile and vengeful Japan when our army moved in. That has not eventuated, for "probably among no other peoples would a policy of

good faith have paid off as well as it did in Japan."

Explanation for this Mrs. Benedict sees in "Japan's real strength . . . her ability to say of a course of action, 'That failed' and then to throw her energies into other channels." With their "ethic of alternatives," having fought and lost, the Japanese now can discard militarism "because their whole training has conditioned them to possible changes of direction."

The author stresses that General MacArthur's administration has accepted this peculiar Japanese trait, and he has "not impeded that course by insisting on using techniques of humiliation."

This book should be translated for the Japanese themselves, since few of them ever rationalized their behaviour as does Mrs. Benedict.

—John Goette in
The China Monthly

CHINESE GHOST AND LOVE STORIES

By P'u Sung-Ling

Translated by Rose Quong

During the 17th Century there lived in China one P'u Sung-ling, who, having failed in his chosen career, turned to the recording of his Nation's folklore. Soon his reputation became known and men from miles around came to him with their tales of ghosts and spirits. These he compiled and retold in his own words. The

result was a classic in Chinese literature, which today still enjoys more admiration and popularity in China than any other prose work.

Miss Quong's translation retains much of the flavour of the original. Both in grammatical structure and general construction of the volume, Miss Quong has set the mood necessary for the full enjoyment of these stories. This is further done by her use of woodcuts for illustration. From her preface, and an introduction taken from Martin Buber's German translation, we derive pleasing pictures of the author and the general social customs in China at that time. They serve as a valuable introduction to his succeeding pages. The essence of each story is exemplified in a short verse preceding it. Some of the more unusual tales are further explained by short commentaries.

These stories are well written and should be a delight to the casual reader as well as to the student of Chinese folklore. Since, however, the stories all more or less follow a similar pattern, they will be enjoyed most if read a few at a time at odd moments. "Do not take me as real but only as one seen in a dream," is the key to enjoyable hours with Chinese Ghost and Love Stories.

—Abby Fischer in
The China Monthly.

AN EX-GI VIEWS

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ers to function, but we learned that no matter where you went down you could be sure that some Chinese in faded and ragged blue would be the first to reach you and help you home.

After the Chinese rescued most of the Doolittle Tokyo raiders in East China, the Japs launched a punitive expedition that included 600 bombings of Chinese towns and the razing of every village and city where they suspected an American had been aided. Every Chinese knew the price he might have to pay for helping us, yet there is no authentic record of the Chinese turning a single American over to the Japs. Men even went down in the suburbs of Jap-occupied Shanghai, within sight of the Jap garrison at Kiukiang, and on the edge of the Jap airfield at Canton and still returned home to tell about it through the aid of the endless unofficial chain of anonymous Chinese.

The majority of American troops in China were non-com-

batants. Airmen of the 14th Air Force were the only Americans who actually fought the Japs in China. Yet few Americans hesitated to criticize the Chinese war effort.

THE Chinese could have used a long list of legitimate retorts to these criticisms. They might have cited the United States' long record of selling scrap iron, aviation gas and engines to Japan and then sending charity to Chinese victims of that combination. They might have mentioned the British closing the Bruma Road in 1940 under Jap pressure; the British refusal to allow Chinese troops to fight in Burma in 1942 until the campaign was lost; the British and American defeats that led to China's isolation; the pitifully small quantities of lend-lease equipment actually delivered to the Chinese before V-J Day and the persistent refusal of the American high command to allow deliveries of arms to Chinese troops in East China, even when they were fighting for their lives during the 1944 campaign. Most

Chinese were too well-mannered to rake over these coals in public, but the continued Allied criticism during the war added to their private bitterness and under-minded their faith in American aid.

By the time the Americans arrived in 1942 the Chinese armies were war-weary, completely lacking in modern equipment, decimated by disease and malnutrition. They had to live off a land where farmers were already hard pressed to survive. They were paid in money that was almost worthless and their morale was generally low. China was going through her Valley Forge.

The bulk of American aid for China was diverted to the Burma campaign and thousands of Chinese troops remaining in China were flown to India for the campaign, further weakening the defense of China. When the great Japanese offensive of 1944 burst over central China like a thunderstorm there were only poorly equipped Chinese armies and a handful of American airmen to meet the onslaught of 800,000 well-equipped Japs supported by a numerically superior air force.

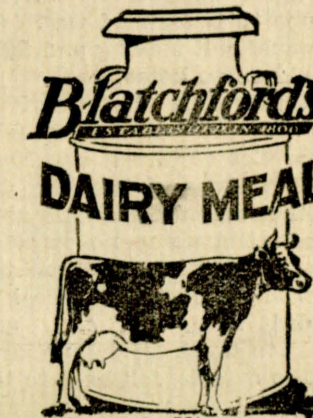
DAY after day, during that offensive, we parachuted rice into the besieged city of Hengyang to keep the defenders going. The American high command refused to allow lend-lease arms to be dropped to the Hengyang garrison so we dropped our own .50 caliber ammunition and 75 mm shells from our Mitchell cannon to keep their few heavy machine guns and ancient French 75's in action. When the city finally fell, only 125 of the 10,000

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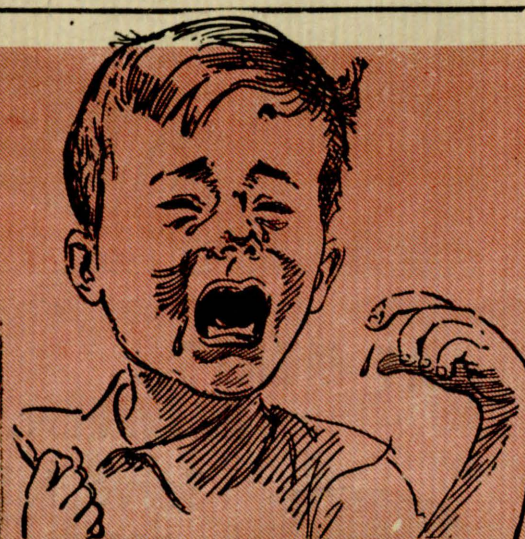
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defenders were alive and the Jap chances for a quick, decisive and inexpensive East China campaign evaporated.

When you weren't flying that summer you could watch the barefooted regiments paddling up the dusty roads through Kweilin to the front—thin, underfed boys, many of them already weak with malaria; a rifle for every two men, two machine guns to a regiment, no artillery, no food except the rice bag they carried on their backs. They kept going until they hit the Jap's mortars, heavy artillery and tanks. They knew they didn't have a chance but they never stopped trying and most of them stayed to fertilize the Hunan hills.

Back in Kunning and Chungking, where the only martial noises during the later months of the war were the popping of corks and firecrackers, there was always some American ready to buttonhole you at the bar and explain:

"Those damned Chinese just won't fight. That's what's holding up this damned war. If they would quit stalling and fight we could all go home."

Well, they didn't have much to fight with after Hengyang fell. The armies of Chang Fa Kwei defending Kwangsi Province decided the campaign was lost anyway and there was no point to further slaughter. But the armies of Hsueh Yuen, who had defended Hengyang city and fought to break the Jap siege from the outside, fell back to the mountains between the Japs and the sea and dug in to defend the cluster of American airfields that remained in East China for months after the Japs thought the area was cleared.

(to be continued)

CLOTHING GIFTS—More than 800 tons of clothing purchased by voluntary contributions from individuals and organizations have been shipped and distributed by one American agency. This will be a large factor in making this winter more tolerable for many war impoverished Chinese.

THE PACIFIC ERA

(Continued from page 8)

part in the maintenance of world security and peace.

Western countries need not fear that China might one day become too strong. The essential characteristic of her civilization has always been peace-loving and in her history she never deliberately made war on other nations either for territorial expansion or political dominance. She has profound faith in the efficacy of international cooperation and is contributing her utmost to the perfection of a machinery for the maintenance of international peace and the promotion of human welfare.

The second condition is the establishment of a genuine system of world security. In this rapidly shrinking world problem as disturbance and unrest in one part of the world inevitably affect the rest of the globe. It is an encouraging sign that the United Nations, which had its inception in San Francisco is rapidly growing to become a working machinery for the consideration and adjustment of international differences and for the promotion of international cooperation and understanding.

A third basic condition for the peace of the Pacific must be the economic recovery and development of both the war-torn areas as well as countries less affected by hostilities. The fundamental objective of economic reconstruction is of course to promote agricultural and industrial output and thereby to raise the standard of living of the teeming millions of Asia.

In this connection the services of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration has made a most valuable contribution in opening the way for large-scale reconstruction of the devastated areas. In addition to its initial efforts towards recovery, however, there must be a more systematic programme of economic reconstruction and development. The question of unemployment, which breeds attitudes dangerous to the spirit of peace, must be given a proper solution. For the strengthening of the fabric of international economic relations, there must be full collaboration between the nations of the Pacific for the improvement of labour standards and the promotion of social security and welfare. There must also be equal and unfettered access to raw materials and trade

without which there cannot be general prosperity. The international flow of capital which enlarges the fruits of industrial enterprises must be given every encouragement. A rational and well-planned system of free exchange of goods, greater investment and maximum employment of technical skills will remove the danger of cyclical fluctuation in economic activities.

On all these matters, it is gratifying to note, some international agencies have been either created or in the process of development. The International Bank of Reconstruction and Development is already open for formal business transactions and a conference looking to the establishment of an International Trade Organization is now in progress in London. These are constructive measures which will be surely helpful to the peoples of the East, and will benefit all in years to come.

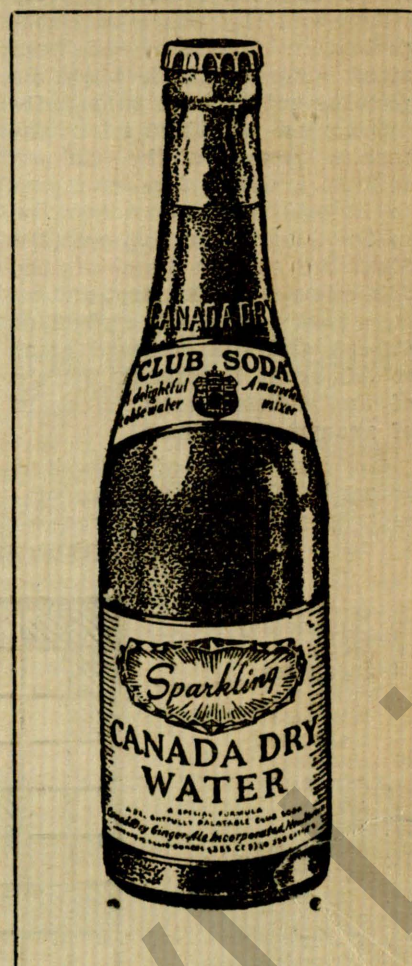
To recapitulate, I wish to emphasize that the emergence of a new Pacific is taking definite shape. The Chinese people after a protracted period of suffering and destruction are determined to bring to a final completion the important task of national unification which I daresay will be accomplished in much shorter time than the world is led to believe. The recent inauguration of the Philippine Republic symbolizes not only the rise of a new force in the community of nations but also the happy consummation of the processes of adjustment and cooperation between the Eastern and the Western peoples. The newly won freedom of India—a country which, though not geographically located on the Pacific is by sentiment and outlook drawing closely to her Pacific neighbours—must constitute a new source of inspiration to certain Asiatic people in their quest for self-government or independence. Korea too, will no doubt regain in due course full statehood, compatible with her aspiration and tradition.

With the complete liquidation of the vestiges of Japanese militarism and with the genuine cooperation and goodwill of the Powers, great and small alike, the Pacific will witness the realization as a living reality of a cherished ideal of the Chinese that "within the four seas all men are brothers."

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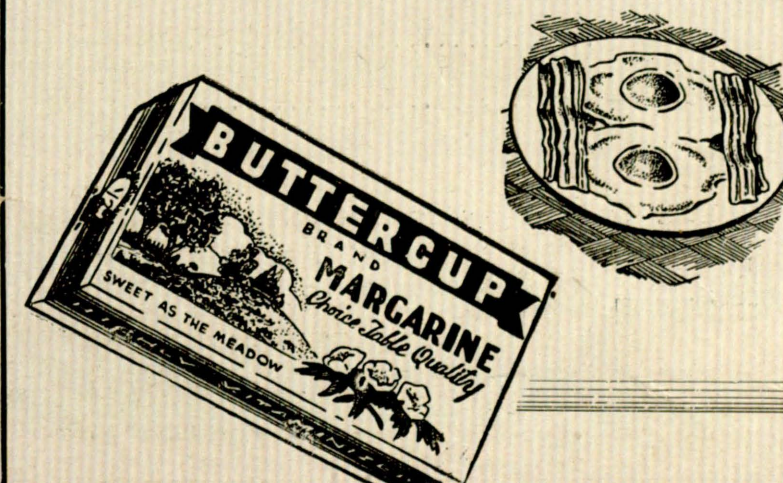
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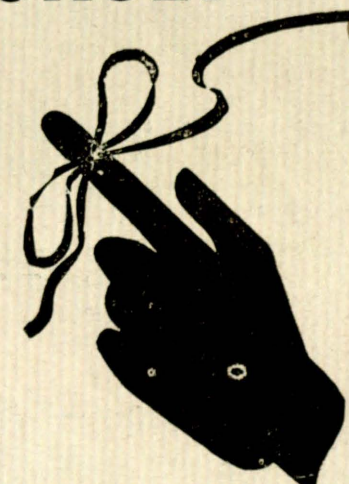
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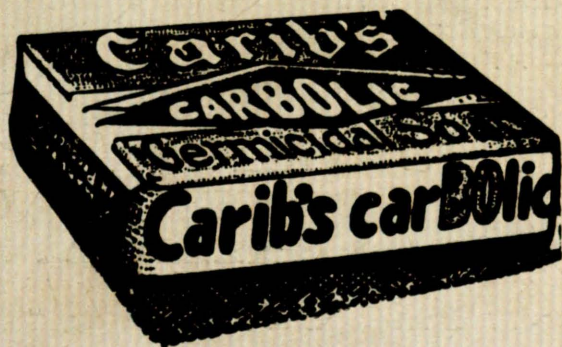
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