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A GREAT NATION MUST HAVE A NATIONAL CONSCIOUSNESS

AS A NATION Russia is big. It occupies one sixth of all the land surface of the world. It has recovered all the territory that was Russian under the czars, with the exception of a portion of Finland. That loss is more than compensated by a con-siderable portion of East Prussia. In territorial extent Russia is ex-ceeded only by the British Empire.

Russia's 180 million population equals that of the United States and England. It is some three times the number of people in any one of the European nations.

Russia is big, but it is far from being a great nation. Greatness calls for more than territorial area, population and resources. It calls for a national soul, and that Russia has not yet acquired. Without that she is not a nation to be greatly

That the Russian people will fight valiantly for what is theirs has been demonstrated, but they fought in-effectively. With all the Russian population and resources the Russian armies could not stop the German armies until the German sup-ply line became too long to be ade-quately maintained. Russia alone against Germany would have been badly defeated.

Despite her vast territory, her population and her natural re-sources, Russia will continue to be big but not great. She can become great only when her people have acquired a national consciousness. It is doubtful if that can be accomplished under a totalitarian government with a Marxian background. Russia is rapidly developing a class distinction that belies Marxian socialism. At the same time the masses are acquiring literacy that will cause a revolt at class distinction. Russia has built up a vast governing and managing class with privileges, compensation and other marked inequalities as distinguished from the poverty and serfdom of the masses. Such a condition does not build that national spirit, without which Russia will not become great not become great.

The present Russian government, Joseph Stalin, will bluff just as long as that is possible without too great of the bluff being called. It will force compromises and appeasement if it can, but Joseph Stalin will not carry any threat to the point of war, now, or at any time while Marshal Stalin lives. Russia has not the equipment, physical or mental, to fight a war. She can, and must, be told what the terms are that she must accept. The bear will not like it, will growl loud and long, but will accept. There will be no war with Russia.

My guess is that Russian totalitarianism, the rule of a dictator, will not long survive Stalin's passing. A literate mass will not stand for persecution. In the meantime we cannot safely continue the late President Roosevelt's appeasement policy.

# CITY SALES TAX ADDS ONE MORE BURDEN

THE INDIVIDUAL who finds his expenditures exceeding his income cuts out what he considers the least essential of his expenditures. When those who are spending the other fellow's money find they are exceed-ing what the other fellow is providing they seek methods of extracting more from his bill fold. Most spend more rather than attempt to find the least essential expenditures. A popular new method of extracting from the taxpayer's bill fold is a city sales tax, and the pop-ular amount is one half cent on each dollar, or fraction of a dollar, That is not enough to kick about, but in a city whose mer-chants do a 10 million dollar business each year it means not less than \$50,000 more money for the city fathers to spend. That is not peanuts.

THE Reconstruction Finance corporation, RFC, is the largest bank-ing institution in the world, and it ing institution in the world, and it is financed by the taxpayers of the United States. The government's auditor general, who is supposed to audit the books of RFC, tells congress the records of the corporation are so badly muddled as to be in-comprehensible to his trained auditors. Many billions of the taxpayers' money have been poured into the corporation. The result is what we can expect of the government in business managed by a bureaucracy.

ANYWAY, WE TAXPAYERS had one lucky break. The federal treasury used the billions of that last loan to pay off a bit of the government debt before the bureaucrats and congress had a chance to spend it.

THE BACK SIDE of a hair brush. applied at the right spot, may help to keep a boy out of jail.

WOULD SOME GENIUS please invent flowers and lawns that will grow without water.



ELMER TWITCHELL ON RESTAURANTS

Either the wrong men are operating too many lunchrooms and res-taurants in this country or else they're just too scared to speak to the help about things.

"I do my share of eating in mid-dle class eating places," said Eimer Twitchell today, "and it is my con-viction that most of the operators are glorified dog-wagon men. I am no chef myself but I could get up better dinners with an old broom and a bucket of switch-grease."

Elmer was quite sore. "What's become of the old-fashioned restaurant proprietor who wanted things right? Whatever happened to the chef who had pride in his work? Where is the old-fashioned bartender who knew how to mix a drink right?" he demanded.

"It's years since I have run across a proprietor who has a con-science, thinks it important to hold his trade and won't water the soup, cut down the portions more than necessary or feel upset if he dis-covers the potatoes have not been served cold served cold.

"And I am not referring merely to the Grade B restaurant. Some of our best clubs are now employing cement mixers as chefs.

"I had a business man's lunch at a private club last week and I still can't figure if the manager and chef were former pig feeders or just a couple of boys who confuse human beings with seaguils."

Elmer wanted to be fair. "I admit it's hard to get foodstuffs," he concluded, "but it seems to me the boys should know what to do with it when they get it."

### Ex-Pfc. Purkey in A Quonset Hut

Dear Ed:

Well now I know how it feels to live inside of a egg, or even inside half a egg. The wife and me has just got one of them Quonset huts. We already got roundshoulders and we stoop over even when standing

After you have been in one a day you have no more doubts about the world being round. Already I am working on a book which I will call "The Half Egg and I" or maybe "Life With Low Ceilings." The first thing you got to learn is not to get off a chair too sudden. You can teil how long a couple has lived in one of them huts by the bumps on their noggins.

A real love life is necessary on account of if a couple do any scrap-ping there is no neutral corners to go to after the knockdowns.

-Oscar.

His doctor declares President Truman is at the peak of health after 14 months in the White House. He has gained 10 pounds, has a deep tan and can throw the veto 300 yards without puffing.

The Italians roamed the streets crying, "Down with America, Eng-land, France and Russia."—News

# Fourth down, no gain!

"In the evening the President sa a movie 'Janie Gets Married.' "-News item. \_--

Ideal picture for him would have been "The Grin Years."

A Russian newspaper man visiting this country says he saw \$200 hoxes of cigars being sold here. Nonsense! It's just the impression anybody gets from looking into a cigar case and trying to locate something for 10 cents.

'Summer hotel rates are up from 15 to 100 per cent all over America. Hotels that were on the verge of closing as a result of the war years have heralded better times by jumpfor two people in a double room to \$65."—News item.

Elmer Twitchell went into one the other day and asked for a room with cross inflation and a view of the banditti. He reports that the hotel in which Washington once slept has become the inn where even a Rockefeller burns up.

## AIN'T IT SO?

"Too Few College Teachers Are Inspired, Speaker Says." - News

Brother, it's hard to be inspired
When you're underpaid and tired.

—Larry Singer.

The United Nations is still hunting a site for a permanent home. How about Dodge City, Iowa?

We know a fellow who would write his congressman but doesn't know how to spell OPA.

# Woman's World Brighten Up Home by Making Couch Covers and Slipcovers

By Ertta Haley

E'VERY homemaker arrives at the point where everything at home looks happy. Usually this is when the children have passed that gangly stage and don't seem to concentrate on wearing out the fur-niture since their activities take

them outdoors a bit more.
Or, if you don't have children, perhaps you suddenly cast a look about the house and discover that the furniture has faded and is not exactly on the better side of several years wear. It's really a sim-ple matter to cover faded uphol-stered chairs, and particularly

If the day-bed or couch has no arms or back, it is very easily covered with one of the new informal couch covers. You'll find after getting into the work that the job is even easier than making a dress, so don't let the size of the couch dis-

turb you one whit. Select the material with the greatest of care as to color and weave. The color should harmonize with the room and yet add some sparkle and newness to the entire decora-tive scheme. A weave that wears well is desirable, and, if the fabric is plain colored, perhaps you can se-lect one of the new fabrics with a nubby texture or an interesting pattern woven through it that adds so much decorative interest.

### Fabric Measured on

Couch to Be Covered

To cut the cover to fit the couch, select a piece of material long enough to cover the couch and touch the floor at both ends. The material, when placed on the couch, should touch not only the floor at both ends, but also in the front. If it is not wide enough to extend fully across the couch to the back, the fabric will have to have a seam where it shows least. If a floral pattern is used, match the two pieces together before sewing.
This informal type of couch cover

is hemmed with a narrow hem on all sides and allowed to hang free on all sides. If the couch is placed next to a wall, tuck the cover un-der the mattress on the wall side to make it stay in place and give a

For the tailored cover, a little more work is necessary, but the re-



Add decorative touches to the home. .

sults are well worth the effort. This type of cover is made to be cut in two pieces, one piece of material being used to cover the entire seat and enough to hang over the sides.

The second part of the cover is
that which is used for the flounce
or the pleat. This is gathered or
pleated and pinned and cut sepeasily without showing), then at-tached to the first part.

For the tailored type of couch

cover, lay the fabric on the seat. At the corners, pin a seam through band of fabric which you have for the top section. If you cut for the top section. are skilled at sewing these seams may be stitched without basting, but do this only if you have pinned them carefully together and are sure the corners are properly squared to give a tailored effect. The seams are sewed on the right side



By making a snew slip-cover.

of the fabric and may be finished with an upholsterer's seam, cording

Let us assume that you have cut the seat part and the band (which should be one inch wider than the depth of the mattress) to go around the mattress part. Then you are ready to cut the pleated exten-



A white linen dress, made with open sleeves, scooped out neck and wing sleeves by Adele Simp-son spells cool perfection for sum-

sion which will act as a skirt. This should be cut wide enough to reach from the band to the floor, allowing for a seam at the band and a hem. The pleated edge should be cut twice the length of the band to allow for nice, full pleats, or, if you pre-fer, pin the pleats in and cut accordingly.

To finish, hem the pleat and join

the pleating to the band, allowing the corded edge to head the pleats. Cording may also be run down each

### Ruffled Edge Looks Pretty on Couch

If you are using a studio couch in an informal sort of room, you

might plan to make a ruffled edging for the skirt. This is done much the same way as the pleated edge. Plan to use 2½ times as much for pleating as you use for the band, and be sure to allow for the seam

and the hem in cutting just as you do for the pleated type.

Hem the ruffle before attempting to gather it, as it will be easier to work with a straight piece of ma-terial. The gathering may be done by hand if you can sew very fine stitches, or it can be done with a very loose stitch on the machine. It is very important that the gathers be very even. If you plan to finish the cover with a piping in contrasting color, baste the ruffled edge to the band before joining the ruffle.

### Slipcover Material

Select attractive colors, but don't neglect serviceability when choosing material for your slipweave, as well as fast colors, and colors that wear well are qualities that you will want in the long run.

For cording or piping use con trasting colors, but make sure here, too, that the colors will wear well, and that the edges can be turned under easily enough to avoid raveling.

To get the most satisfaction from your goods, choose a fabric that is designed for the other furniture in your room. In early American rooms, chintz, simple striped effects, cretonnes and homespun are the most effective.

For simple, modern rooms, choose plain solid colors with good weaves. Consider such fabrics as linen, novelty cotton and duck—all of which are very

sturdy. It all of your house is predomi-nantly Victorian, you'll enjoy ginghams, calico and novelty cotton. In this case, be very care-ful that the colors you choose harmonize with the other pieces of furniture you already have.

## Summer Fashion Notes

Waffle pique is popular for lingerie touches on black costumes. You can use a touch of it on the neckline, on cuffs or other decorative touches. Hats are going sensible again,

and undoubtedly will carry all the lovely feminine touches that so endear them to women. Rhinestones, roses, veiling and velvet are scheduled to do the trimming job for the season.

For real style in the afternoon dresses, you'll find lovely floral prints in silk. Painters, like Gauguin, seem to have been the inspira-

If you're young and tiny, you'll be perfectly at home in a shirred bodice and a dirndl skirt. Puffed sleeves are in with all their femininity and should make summer clothes even more eye-appealing.

## Cattle Brucellosis Checking Possible

Testing of Cattle Eradicates Disease

There was a further increase in brucellosis last year, according to the American Foundation for Ani-mal Health, and the increase in the incidence of the disease practically doubled in the last five years.

Continued testing and retesting of our cattle herds is the mainstay of

the nation's fight to eradicate this costly problem, as shown by the sharp increase it has made during the time when there were not sufficient veterinarians avail-

able to carry on with the testing program. Altogether too many farmers in recent years, have come to look upon vaccination as an easy answer to brucellosis con-trol. Vaccination is highly desir-able, but it should always be looked upon as an important adjunct, not a replacement of the testing pro-

gram.
With the recent return of thousands of veterinarians from military service, livestock health authorities have expressed hope that the sharp wartime upswing in cattle brucel-losis may be checked in the early

### Know Your Breed Holstein By W. J. DRYDEN

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### Guard Rail for Pigs

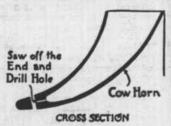


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### Horn Medicine Funnel



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