

Star Dust

STAGE-SCREEN-RADIO
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WELL, you never know when something you've bought may come in handy, especially in a motion picture studio. Paramount bought two rooms from the Hearst Collection when it was put on sale in New York, consisting of carved oak paneling of the 17th century, originally part of European castles. So—they were used as sets in "The Hitler Gang." They're the living room and library of the Nazi industrial magnate, Alfred Hugenberg, in the picture. Hitler comes to him seeking financial support.

The cast of NBC's "Johnny Presents" has been having a bit of fun with Ginny Simms, we hear, since she has become mayor of North-



GINNY SIMMS

ridge, Calif., where she has a 63-acre ranch. No more calling her Miss Simms or just Ginny—she's "Your Honor" now.

Warner Bros. is certainly trying to do right by Mark Twain. "The Adventures of Mark Twain," co-starring Frederic March and Alexis Smith, will have its nationwide debut in more than 200 theaters, will be shown at advanced prices for one week.

Those who have been confused by the conflicting stories coming out of South America can't afford to miss the March of Time's new release, "South American Front—1944." It tells, and shows, the truth about Argentina's so-called "palace revolution." It shows what an impressive amount of rubber, quartz, mica and tantalite were supplied us by Brazil, and how important was Brazil's grant of air bases.

Too bad everybody who listens to Joan Davis and Jack Haley on the air can't see them working—but it's a great break for the servicemen at the military posts where they've been broadcasting on their eastern trip. When Rudy Vallee went into the service radio wiseacre wondered if Joan could hold up the program that succeeded his; with the able assistance of Haley, the show has moved right into the top ranks.

Deafening noise was created on Vox Pop in a war plant the night Parks Johnson demonstrated the new army lip microphone, which permits distinguishable speech over disturbances. Later a worker who handled the rivet guns was heard talking to his wife over a pay station phone. "Did you hear that noise on the air?" he asked her. She evidently had. "Well," said he, "that was me."

For mystery fans: Republic's making "Secrets of Scotland Yard," with Edgar Barrier. International has signed Joan Bennett to play opposite Edward G. Robinson, in "Once Off Guard." And Dick Powell gets the starring role in RKO's "Farewell My Lovely."

Jim Jordan Jr., son of Fibber McGee and Molly, has had his option lifted by RKO. Some months ago the studio signed him as a contract player, and while receiving dramatic training he has appeared in several pictures. Seems likely that he got some coaching at home, too.

Robert Livingstone, that gun-totin' hard-ridin' western star recently promoted to straight dramatic roles by Republic, had to take it on the chin from his western pals, who razed him unmercifully after he had to wear a woman's coiffure and dresses in several scenes of "Good-night, Sweetheart." His one consolation was that, as a female impersonator, he fooled Ruth Terry and Henry Hull, who appear with him.

ODDS AND ENDS—Production on "Casanova Brown" was temporarily halted recently—the star, Gary Cooper, was injured when he fell off a bicycle. RKO borrows lovely Ella Raines from Universal for the lead with John Wayne in "Tall in the Saddle." Servicing in hospitals want sheet music, says Frank Novak of "Hook 'n Ladder Folies," who's been entertaining them: he cleaned out his files and sent them plenty, now he's urging others to do the same. It's reported that 20th Century-Fox took a second look at Perry Como's screen tests and raised his pay from \$25,000 a picture to \$100,000 for his first three films.

HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers



Daughter Can Make These for Mother (See Recipes Below)

Food Is Fun!

It's a good idea to let small fry take hold of the kitchen duties once in a while and give mother a rest. The children will enjoy doing new things and mother can feel she is contributing to their all-round development.



Naturally it isn't a good idea just to open wide the doors in the kitchen and leave the children up to their own devices. What I'm suggesting is that they be allowed to make up something they've watched mother do so often they know how.

There's a lot of satisfaction in making cupcakes, especially if they are iced with tinted icings and sprinkled with finely chopped nuts.

- *Delicate Cup Cakes.**
(Makes 18)
- 2 cups sifted cake flour
 - 2 teaspoons double acting baking powder
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 cup butter or substitute
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 2 eggs, unbeaten
 - 3/4 cup milk
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt and sift together three times. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually. Cream together until light and fluffy. Add eggs one at a time, beating thoroughly after each addition. Add flour alternately with milk, a small amount at a time, beating after each addition until smooth. Add vanilla.

Bake in greased cupcake tins in a moderate oven (375 degrees) 20 minutes or until done. Spread with confectioners' sugar icing or your favorite chocolate frosting. Decorate with chopped nuts, colored candies or tinted coconut.

A cookie that will keep fine and fresh and uses only a moderate amount of fat and sugar is this delectable citrus bar:

- Orange Marmalade Bars.**
(Makes 28 1-by-3-inch strips)
- 2 1/2 cups sifted flour
 - 3 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 3/4 cup shortening
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 3 well-beaten eggs
 - 3 tablespoons orange marmalade
 - 2 tablespoons grated orange rind
 - 1 cup orange juice
- Mix and sift together dry ingredients. Cream together shortening and sugar, then beat in eggs, marmalade, rind. Add dry ingredients alternately with orange juice. Turn into a greased pan and bake in a

Lynn Says

The Score Card: Good news is in store for homemakers for there will be plenty of eggs on the market and cabbage and spinach. All of these foods give a boost to health and to your menus.

You will be eating about a pound less cheese this year than last. The kind available mostly will be Cheddar—also the kind most popular. Kinds least obtainable will be limburger cream, roquefort and Italian. About 5 million more pounds of cheese are going to servicemen to help provide milk nutrients needed by armed forces. Cheese will also go to our Allies and to the Red Cross, which helps provide for our prisoners of war.

When you go marketing, watch weights and watch change. Just because you have more book-work to do with points, don't neglect your prewar precautions of counting change.

Lynn Chambers' Point-Saving Menu

- Pork Chops Cream Gravy
- Mashed Potatoes
- Buttered Spinach
- Raw Vegetable Salad
- Rye Bread Beverage
- *Delicate Cup Cakes
- *Recipe Given

moderate (350-degree) oven for 40 to 50 minutes. When cool, cut into narrow strips and spread with an orange icing made by creaming powdered sugar and orange marmalade. The icing may be omitted.

Frosted Fruit Bars.

(Makes 48 bars)

- 1 egg yolk
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1/4 cup molasses
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1 1/2 cups sifted flour
- 1/2 teaspoon soda
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ginger
- 1/2 cup nuts, chopped
- 1/2 cup dates, pitted and cut

Mix egg yolk, brown sugar, molasses and blend in sour cream. Sift together flour, soda, baking powder, salt and ginger. Blend into first mixture. Stir in dates and nuts. Spread into greased pan and bake for 15 minutes in a hot (400-degree) oven. Cool in pan. Frost with: 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar beaten into one beaten egg white. Add salt and lemon extract.

Have you tried the new toppings that don't require elaborate preparation? Most of these are low on sugar and ideal to use on cakes the children have made. Here, too, is a good basic cake recipe on which to use them:

- Standard Cake.**
- 1/2 cup shortening
 - 1/2 cup sugar
 - 2 eggs, well beaten
 - 1 1/2 cups sifted flour
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 2 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1/2 cup milk
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla

Cream together shortening and sugar. Add eggs. Sift dry ingredients together and add alternately with milk and vanilla to creamed mixture. Pour into greased, floured 8-inch cake pans and bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven for about 35 minutes.

In using any of the following toppings, frost only top of cake. Square and loaf cakes take less icing than layer cakes.

- I. Raisin Topping.**
- 1 cup raisins, ground
 - 1/2 cup water
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
 - Dash of cloves
- Mix ingredients in a saucepan and stir constantly while cooking until thickened—about 5 minutes. Cool slightly. Spread on warm cake.

- II. Apricot Topping.**
- 1/2 to 3/4 cup apricot jam
- Spread on warm cake.

- Meringue Topping.**
- 1 egg white, beaten stiff
 - 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar
 - 1 teaspoon flavoring
 - 2 tablespoons butter, softened
- Beat sugar into egg white with flavoring. Fold in softened butter and spread on cooled cake.

- Honey Icing.**
- 2 tablespoons butter
 - 3 tablespoons honey
 - 1 tablespoon hot milk
 - 1/2 cup coconut
 - Dash of salt
- Mix all ingredients together. Spread on warm cake and broil slowly until icing bubbles and browns but does not burn.

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Lesson for April 23

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PAUL BECOMES A MISSIONARY

LESSON TEXT: Acts 13:1-4; 14:8-20.
GOLDEN TEXT: The Holy Spirit said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.—Acts 13:2.

Men are God's instruments for accomplishing His purpose in spreading the gospel message. They must, for such a high and holy calling, be men called and prepared by Him, faithful to Him, and willing to sacrifice all for His glory. Paul is a great example of such a life. He was—

I. Separated by the Church (13:1-3).

God was about to begin the great missionary enterprise, which opened with the journeys of Paul and continues to this day. The church at Antioch had capable men in its membership, and the Holy Spirit called for the separation of two of these, Paul and Barnabas, for a special work.

A number of interesting things emerge here. It is good to note that the church had men trained and ready for service. Do we?

Observe that the Holy Spirit worked through the church. There are those who do not speak too highly of the place of the church in this matter. Certainly it is true that if the church has lost its vision and message, God may call men even outside of its membership. But the orderly way—and God's way, if the church is ready—is to have the church separate men for service.

The church at Antioch gave its best, without question and without hesitation. It is an example worthy of our emulation.

II. Sent by the Holy Spirit (13:4).

There is a sense in which the Holy Spirit functions as the executive member of the Trinity. His purpose is to magnify the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, to bring men to faith in Him. To carry out that plan, He sends men out to speak of Jesus. The sent one is always successful, for he goes the way, at the time, and in the power of the Holy Spirit. To be sent by Him is the mark of distinction upon the Christian worker.

III. Serving by Deed and Word (14:8-18).

The story of the healing of the man who had been a cripple from birth centers around that beautiful word "faith."

God is always looking for faith in men and women, and so we who serve Him should learn to be alert for even the slightest indication of a belief in Christ. All too often we blunder along, a bit too eager for action, or too insistent upon a thing being done in just our way, and thus fail to see the gleam of faith to which we may address the gospel appeal.

"Seeing that he had faith" (v. 9), Paul turned all the power of the eternal God loose in the impotent feet of the man, "and he leaped up and walked." God help us to be ready to be channels for the outflowing of His power!

Impressed by the miracle, the people wanted to accord the disciples the worship of gods. One is impressed both by the promptness with which Paul and Barnabas stopped the demonstration and the skill with which they improved the occasion for a testimony for Christ!

The servants of Christ are in far greater danger when men speak well of them and would worship them, than they are in the hour of opposition and persecution. Not that anyone would suggest that a true word of appreciation or honor be withheld from a faithful teacher or preacher, but let it be given for God's glory and not for the praise of man.

IV. Suffering for Christ's Sake (14:19, 20).

The highest praise quickly turns to the most bitter hatred. Finding that they had foolishly attempted to defy two Jewish preachers, and being visited by the Jews who made it their business to pursue Paul to this city, they stoned him.

Incidentally, it is of interest to observe how zealous people can be for an evil cause. Having set out to hinder the gospel they were willing, yes eager, to spend time and money to carry out their purpose. The children of Satan are often more diligent than the children of light (cf. Luke 16:8).

Paul was left for dead; in fact, there are those who believe that he was dead, and that it was at this time he was caught up into the heavens and had the vision spoken of in II Corinthians 12:1-4. If that was the case, the raising of Paul was an actual resurrection from the dead.

For a man so stoned as to be left for dead, to arise and journey on the following day to another city, was a miracle of God's power.

In this case, God delivered His servant, not from his troubles, but through them. We must not always expect to be saved from trial, but we can be sure that God will deliver us either "out of" or "in" our troubles. Let us trust Him!

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