

### Merry-Go-Round

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between teams in order to give the President extra sleep.

#### More Gold Braid

Roosevelt's contacts thus are limited by remaining in Washington, and in Washington also, he is more circumscribed than ever. He does not see nearly as many members of congress and men from many walks of life as formerly. This is because he is concentrating so much time on national defense and foreign affairs.

All important decisions in the state department come across his desk. The freezing of Axis funds, the closing of German-Italian consulates, the speeches of Secretary Knox, have to get the President's O. K. Important decisions regarding the army and navy come to him, and a constant stream of questions regarding OPM and aid to Britain confronts him daily.

So the President sees far less of the men who helped to build up the New Deal, far more of army-navy officials, One Dollar Men and diplomats. Much of this is unavoidable, though part of it could be eliminated by more diversification of control.

However, this change in the President's mode of operation is not as important as the change which gradually has crept over his general outlook. On the surface, and in press conference, he is the same old wise-cracking, fun-loving Roosevelt. But underneath he is not.

No longer does he have the same zest for what he is doing. In the old days when he was building PWA bridges and WPA schoolhouses, writing labor laws, crusading for social security, fighting the big utilities, he loved every minute of it. He was building up, crusading for human needs and human rights. And his enthusiasm was boundless.

No War Enthusiasm. Now, however, he knows that every step he takes in foreign policy, every dollar he spends for the navy, every man he inducts into the army, may be a step toward tearing down rather than building up. He believes the steps he is taking are absolutely necessary. But he has no enthusiasm for them. In other words, he has no enthusiasm for war.

Most of the men around Roosevelt believe that war is inevitable, and it may be that he does, too—though he has not admitted that publicly. But judging by his hanging back in opposition to his more vigorous military-foreign policy advisers, the President hates and dreads the idea of this nation going into war.

He hates the reactions and aftermaths of war, and he hates the idea of having history record him as a War President. At the same time he believes that this country will have to move fast, and if it does not move now it may be too late. For the best definition of an isolationist, Roosevelt firmly believes, is one who by procrastination wants to see his women and children in the thick of the fighting here at home.

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Ben Welles, son of Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles, is working as a newsman in Panama. Nelson Rockefeller, government worker, gets up at five in the morning, shuns parties, goes to bed at ten.

The Rockefeller office has been flooded with requests from movie stars who want to tour Latin America.

When senators fail to pay their bills at the senate stationery room, the disbursing office, instead of dunning them, merely docks the amount from their pay checks.

"America," latest popular book-let by David Cushman Coyle, has been officially endorsed by the American Legion, General Federation of Women's Clubs, the Council for Democracy, and the selective service board.

#### Pins and People

Let's come to the point. A straight pin is a plain enough household object, but it would be a good idea for us to follow its example.

In the first place, it exists for service to others. It stays quietly in its place until called to duty, but it can do many things. A bent pin is useless—so is a misdirected life. But as long as it remains straight and true, a pin cannot outlive its usefulness.

"Some pins are rusty," you say. That is true. They've lain idle so long. And it's the same way with people. We may become rusty and useless.

There's no trimmings on a pin. It has no put-on. It's level-headed too, and never "loses its head." It would be hard to get along without the pin; and we will have led a worth-while life if we can become as necessary as it is.—Uncle P. F., in The Progressive Farmer.

#### Thrips

Approximately 75 per cent of the present acreage in Northampton County has been affected by thrips this season, says H. G. Snipes, assistant farm agent of the N. C. State College Extension Service.

## THE POCKETBOOK of KNOWLEDGE

## WINCHELL

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### 4-H Short Course Opens At State College Monday

One of the richest educational experiences that can come to any farm boy or girl awaits the 1,000 or more 4-H Club members who will attend the annual 4-H Short Course at N. C. State College beginning Monday, July 28, and continuing through Saturday, August 2.

L. R. Harrill, State 4-H Club leader, and Miss Frances MacGregor, assistant state club leader, have announced the following speakers for the general morning sessions: Dean I. O. Schaub, director of the Extension Service, and Miss Ruth Current, State home agent, on Tuesday; Dr. Frank P. Graham, president of the Greater University of North Carolina, Wednesday; Dr. J. O. Howard of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, Thursday; and Governor J. M. Broughton, on Friday.

The small fee of \$5.50 will entitle a delegate to meals and lodging, and incidental expenses, throughout the week. Each youth will bring his or her own bed linen and towels, and Harrill has stressed the fact that delegates must wear their distinctive 4-H Club uniforms while at Short Course.

The theme of the meeting will be "Our Responsibilities as 4-H Club Members in the Present World Crisis." A Citizenship Ceremony will be held Thursday morning.

The annual Health Pageant, at which the State 4-H King and Queen of Health will be crowned, is scheduled for Thursday evening on Riddick Field. Miss Madeline Stevens of the National Recreation Association will direct the pageant, with the assistance of Miss Virginia Wilson, Greenville County home agent.

State contests for dairy demonstration and judging teams will be held, starting Tuesday, and the winners will receive free trips to the National Dairy Show to be held in Memphis, Tenn., in the fall.



### WHAT KIND OF A HOUSE GUEST ARE YOU?

A novel quiz which enables anyone to rate his or her virtues or vices as a week-end guest. Don't miss this amusing feature in the August 3rd issue of

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### Irish Potatoes Go To 22 States

Raleigh, July 17.—North Carolina potato producers have already shipped 4,704 commercial carloads of potatoes into 22 states and the District of Columbia and Canada. A. B. Harless, marketing specialist of the State Department of Agriculture reported today.

Shipping point prices during the 1941 season were higher than in 1940, Harless said. "The seasonal range (June 4 to July 9) was \$1.15 to \$1.30 for 100-pound sacks as compared with the 1940 price range of \$1 to \$1.00. Incidentally, during this season most of the trading was at prices above \$1.35 compared with the bulk at \$1 to \$1.30 last season." Harless said "that washed potatoes during the season sold at prices 10 to 15 cents per 100-pound sack higher than for unwashed potatoes," explaining however, that "fewer sheds were equipped for washing this year."

The U. S. Surplus Marketing Administration purchased many cars of U. S. No. 1, size B, potatoes for relief purposes at 70 cents per hundred at various North Carolina points to aid growers whose crops were small sized as a result of the early season dry weather.

The North Carolina Irish potato crop this year was estimated at 2,000,000 bushels, approximately 40 per cent under last year. Yields were reported "unusually light due to the spring drought. Late in the season, however, diggings and shipments were delayed following a series of heavy rains."

"Quality of the cobbler variety was only fair, running heavily to small sizes in many fields," Harless said. "During the late harvesting season the rains caused many potatoes to go to market showing dirt and the shipping quality was not exceptionally good because of rot or break down."

"Carlot movement commenced on June 4, six days later than for 1940, 11 days later than in 1939, and about 3 weeks behind 1938. Shipments during the third week totaling 1,412 cars were the heaviest for the season."

### For Beautiful Iris Next Spring

Iris should be planted in July or by mid-August for perfect blooming next spring. In this connection Mina B. Hoffman, writing in The Progressive Farmer, offers this timely advice: "An old guide for iris planting says let each plant have three fans on one rhizome and plant it like a duck on water—half in, and half out." But one inch of soil over each rhizome when planted will settle down to the right depth by the first spring.

"There are but two requirements for this old bearded, or German iris: sun and good drainage. Plants grow well in almost any kind of soil, but when soil is too rich, root rot is very likely to set in. In preparing a spot for iris I usually mix with the soil very old, crumbly barnyard manure and compost for body, and allow it to settle through one rain, or else give it a good soaking with the hose.

"If you would like the most beautiful iris combination at all, use together a pale blue and deep yellow. It is breath-taking in splendor!"

### Innocent Bystander

Magie Carpet, Ralph Ingersoll, the publisher, now on his way to Russia to interview Stalin, was complaining to Steve Early at the White House the other day. "Steve," Ingersoll intoned, "these Russians are holding my passport."

"They are?" responded Steve. "And they want us to give them a hundred million dollars worth of machinery!"

Steve then called the State Dept and, before Ingersoll knew it, he was on his way to Moscow.

Eyebrow Lifter: Mr. Ingersoll was saying before he left that he had just learned the hardest thing to find in Russia was a Communist.

"How's that?" he was asked. "Because," he explained, "the population of Russia is 160,000,000, and there are only 5,000,000 party members."

Despite the rigid censorship in Germany, the underground manages to circulate the latest news picked up via short-wave from England and America. When they want to discuss in public what they heard on BBC, the favorite method is to say, "Do you know what I dreamed?" and then proceed to relay the news picked up on the foreign station.

Another popular method is to tell about a speech heard on the Nazi station and praise it and then add how a foreign station cut in with a "lot of lies." The speaker repeats the "lies" he heard, and his listeners get the drift.

Since meetings are verboten in Germany, the anti-Nazis have become great funeral-goers. When a funeral is announced, a mob shows up at the cemetery and, as they walk behind the hearse, they trade information.

Add Picturesque Reporting: The best description of the Russian-Nazi tangle, with both sides out-bragging the other in their communiques, is the New York Times' Edwin L. James' phrase: "The war of the typewriters."

By Way of Report: They are going to film the life of Lou Gehrig, which certainly was a life to admire.

There is plenty of drama in the career of another ball player. After he had been great for two decades, he faded. But the baseball mighties put a bust of him in the Hall of Fame. His bust had a home, but he had none.

Grover Cleveland Alexander. Cartoon Material: A Nazi spy overhears a conversation between two of Secretary Hull's aides and gleefully sends the punchline to his decoding office, to wit: "Awful news, but awful! I just drew the Washington Senators in the \$10 pool!"

You've Met 'Em: It's Paul Hartman's tale of the three efficiency experts who were waiting impatiently in front of a hotel for a friend—so they could make it a foursome going through the revolving door.

Canning Caution When glass jars are used new rubbers of good quality should be provided. Place rubbers in position on jars which have been filled with the product and seal according to the following directions: On the screw top jar, screw the cap down evenly until it catches hold of the rubber ring. For the two-piece caps which consist of screw band and lid with sealing composition attached, place the lid on jar and turn screw band down firmly for any method of processing. With wire-clamp glass-top jars, raise the upper clamp in position to hold the lid in place, leaving the lower clamp loose. After processing, fasten tight all clamps and screw top or screw band with rubbers. If the two-piece self-sealing type lid is used, no rubber is needed.—The Progressive Farmer.

Available An inexpensive and efficient homogenizing machine for small dairies, operated by a quarter-horsepower motor and weighing only 137 pounds, is now on the market.

Eggs The unusually favorable position of the Nation's poultry industry is reflected in the June output of more than 4,000,000,000 eggs, largest for the month since 1930.

### Snap Bean Crop Will Be Larger

Raleigh, July 17.—Snap bean growers in western North Carolina expect to harvest a crop two per cent larger than in 1940, Russell P. Handy, junior statistician of the State Department of Agriculture, announced today.

"Snap bean production of 270,000 bushels, or about 6,000 bushels above a year ago, was indicated on July 1," Handy said, basing his information on a U. S. Agricultural Marketing summary. "The crop this year will be harvested from an estimated 3,000 acres or nine per cent under the 3,300 acres harvested in 1940."

An estimated snap bean yield of 90 bushels per acre, 10 bushels above a year ago, but 10 bushels under the average of recent years was reported.

Handy explained that Henderson county leads all other western counties in the production of snap beans.

Western North Carolina farmers last year received an average price of 50 cents per bushel for their snap bean crop, or a total return of \$144,000.

"The crop in Western North Carolina was only partially planted on July 1 and none of the acreage is ready for harvest," Handy said. "A few beans have been picked in the Southwest section of Virginia, but the main crop will be harvested during the latter part of July and the first part of August. Recent rains have been very beneficial to late plantings."

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