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HE world staggers from day to day, from week to week, from month to month, in such a dizzy fashion that about the only way to find out where we are now is to stop deliberately and water." look back at some fixed point.

Let's take the latter part of March three years ago. General war had not yet come to Europe, though it had swept China, Ethlopia and Spain. Europe was just shaking itself free of the shock annexation of Austria by Hitler's Germany. But many, many people did not realize that general war was inevitable Many still hoped for restraint in one who had shown no restraint.

England, under Chamberlain, began to step up preparedness (against Labor opposition). wrong to say that Chancellor Schuschnigg of Austria had been intimidated by force into resign ing, and that it was really none

In France, Premier Chautemps had just resigned, denied special powers for defense by opposition of the socialist and communist deputies. France specifically stated that it would back up Czechoslovakia if it were attacked. Leon Blum succeeded to the premiership, and was greeted with a wave of strikes when he tried to modify the 40-hour week in the interest of better defense.

Germany, having mopped up the matter of Austria, had already begun to turn toward "resolution of the Czechoslovakian "problem." Italy, no doubt inwardly disturbed at the sudden appearance of German troops on her borders, did nothing. are not easily worried," said Mus-

Few listened to Schuschnigg's last despairing cry from sub-merged Austria: "I state before the world, we bend to violence. We have ordered our army withdraw . . . God save Austria."

The England that was so complacent three years ago now wall, fighting for her life. The France that was so sure it would support Czechoslovakia, lies with it in a twin grave. The Germany which had no purpose beyond "freeing" German minorities in other lands, now holds most of Europe, including lands without Germans. The Mussolini who was not easily worried, is worried

Seeing what we have seen in these last three years, it seems impossible that Europe should have stood so inert and fascinated while its fate was being prepared. But it did.

It is easy to be wise after the event. But even that is useless unless the wisdom gained prepares one for the next event to

Approximately 130,000 European refugees are now in the United States, according to the national refugee service, and half of them are concentrated in New York and a few other large

That's one refugee for every thousand Americans, which wouldn't seem to be any very menacing proportion. Experience here would seem to tally with that of Mexico, where Eu ropean refugees cling to the big

cities. That's unfortunate, be- OUT OUR WAY cause they would probably learn American ways and establish themselves far more quickly in small towns. But most of them, being involuntary and not voluntary immigrants, still hope to get back to Europe some day.

Those who really want to stay in America after the war, having established themselves, will stay; many will return. But in the meantime, until the United States has provided refuge for 10 times as many homeless peo ple as have now found it here there wouldn't seem to be any reason to worry about American life being engulfed by a foreign tide.

Typical of a line of reasoning that is all too prevalent in the world today is this, from Japan ese Rear Admiral Gumpei kine, a naval critic. He was discussing the political fate of all the Asiatic lands lying to the outh and west of the Japanese

Japan has no territorial ambi Admiral Sekine asserts, but the crux of the matter lies in the question: If Britain is de feated under whose control would the southerners fall?"

The simplest answer never seems to occur to anyone today Why anybody's control Why not let them control themselves?

Editorials on News (Continued from page 1.)

ondon says today:

"We must be prepared to face osses until the battle of the Atlantic is won. The enemy is The price of virtually every combringing into play his maximum modity advanced today. forces under, on and over the

TOKYO announces today that Foreign Minister Matsuoka, en route to Berlin and Rome. will stop for important "converand coming.

Japan is trying to make a deal to protect her back door before lal shipments to Britain might going all out through the front remove some of the surpluses

EVER since the war began the curve which started to hot spot of Europe has been gently forward last fail. around. Today Yugoshifting slavia is sitting on it.

Look at the map and you will see that Yugoslavia is surround-Chamberlain insisted that it was ed on three sides by stooges. Only by a narrow strip of Greek border or by the dangerous Adriatic sea, through the narrow strait of Otranto, could British of England's business if he had, aid reach her. If she refuses to go with the axis her fate will probably be swift and terrible.

in the face of such a situation.

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REMAINING HOURS TODAY

3:45 Dance Time. 4:15 Ma Perkins, Oxydol, MBS. 4:30-String Quartet Recital, MBS.

4:45 Sentimental Concert, MBS.

5:00—Symphony. 5:15—Border Patrol, MBS.

6:00 Interlude. 6:05-News, Calif. Pacific Utili-

6:10 Dinner Music. 6:15—Fulton Lewis, Jr., MBS, 6:30—John B. Hughes, MBS.

6:45 - Melodies Modern. 7:00 Talk by John Paul Dixon, 7:15 Dance Orchestra.

-Wythe Williams, Star Blades, MBS. 7:45-Art Linkletter, MBS.

8:00—Standard Symphony Hour, Standard Oil, MB5.

tra. MBS 10:00-Haven of Rest, MBS.

FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 1941 6:45 Eye Opener 7:00—News, Los Angeles Soap Co., MBS.

10:30-Sign Off.

7:15-Stuff and Nonsense. 7:40-State and Local News 7:45-J. M. Judd Says "Good

Morning."
7:50 - Rhapsody in Wax.
8:00-Haven of Rest, MBS.

8:30 News, MBS. 8:45 BBC News, MBS.

9:00 Interlude.

9:15—Man About Town. 9:30—Dick O'Hearn, Tenor, MBS 9:45—Keep Fit to Music, MBS. -Lady of Millions, Copco. Muse and Music, MBS.

10:30 Helen Holden, Gov't Girl, MRS -Bachelor's Children, Old Dutch Gleanser, MBS

11:00—Friendly Neighbors, Alka Seltzer, MBS. 11:15-Wheet of Fortune. 12:00 Luncheon Music.

12:15-Sport News, Truck Sales

By Williams SAY, ALECK, THAT'S A REPAIR JOB FOR ONE OF OUR OWN O.K .-THAT'S SOME BUT THEY'LL SAVE MONEY AT THAT -- SOME OF THESE NEWLY SPOSE GAG, ILL BET, BUT I CAN'T ITS MACHINES -- SO WHEN YOU GET IT DONE I WANT MADE WAR MACHINISTS WOULD THINK IT'S AN OIL HOLE AND EMPTY TH' CAN ENOUGH SEE IT, CUZ THEY HAVE YOU TO CUT THEM CENTER HOLES TO PUT NEW EMPTY TH' CAN EVERY MORNIN' FER CENTERS IN OFF OF IT! EH? EVER HAVE BEST 1841 J.R.WILLIAMS THE DEAD END

## **Food Prices Begin** To Climb Upward

NEW YORK, March 20.-(AP)

soared to the best levels in 13 months to 4 years. The rush to accumulate food-

stuffs and industrial raw matersations" in Moscow, both going lals started with congressional approval of the lease-lend bill. Prospects that food and mater-

ping shortages might curtail the normal flow of sea-borne freight

Cotton, which jumped \$1 a bale yesterday, gained as much as another 50 cents by midday. Rubber added 1-10 to 2-10 of a again. cent a pound after lagging be-hind Tuesday's climb.

probably be swift and terrible. of a cent a pound as soot raw Give the Yugoslavs credit for and refined sugars sold in heavy great courage in even hesitating volume at the best prices since late 1939.

> cent. Spot delivery cocoa was priced at the highest in four years. Advances in cottonseed oil re-

flected strong upward tendencies in other edible oils and fats.

Coffee jumped around 1-10 to cent a pound.

Silk advanced 21 to 41 cents a pound.

At Chicago wheat sold at the 5:15—Border Patrol, MBS.
5:30—Varieties.
5:45—Cap't Midnight, Ovaltine,
MBS.
6:00—1.

> 12:25 Rhythm at Random. 12:35-Parkinson's Information

Exchange. 12:40—Five Miniature Melody Time, Golden West Coffee.

12:45—News. Hansen Motor Co.

12:50—News-Review of the Air. 1:00-Henninger's Man on the Street.

1:15-Interlude. 1:30-The Johnson Family Swansdown Flour, MBS. 1:45 The Bookworm, MBS.

2:00 At Your Command. 9:15—Leighton Noble's Orchestra, MBS.
9:30—Freddy Martin's Orches2:15—As the Twig Is Bent, Post's Bran Flakes.
2:30—At Your Command.

2:45 Let's Play Bridge, MBS.

A. P. News, MBS. 3:05 Interlude. 3:15 -Fill Find My Way, MBS.

3:30 Affairs of State, MBS. 4:00 American Family Robin-

4:15-Ma Perkins, Oxydol, MB5. 4:30 -The Tune Jambore

5:00 - Symphonic Strings, MBS, 5:30 - Varieties. 5:45-Cap't Midnight, Ovaltine,

6:00 Interlude 6:05-News, Calif. Pacific Utili-

ties. 6:10 Dinner Music.

6:15 Fulton Lewis, Jr., MBS, John B. Hughes, MBS Melodies Modern

7:00—Raymond Gram Swing. White Owl Cigars, MBS. 7:15 Dance Time. 7:30 Lone Ranger, MBS. 8:00 Sinfonietta, MBS.

8:30-1 Want a Divorce, Juan Blondell, MBS. 9:00-Alka Seltzer News, Glen Glen Hardy, MBS. 9:15 Bob Nichols Hawatians,

4 Service Co., owned by L. 9:30 - Freddy Martin's Orches-R. Chambers, and the Dun-tra. MBS. 10:00 - Sign off.

SERIAL STORY

**DUDE COLLEGE** 

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BY OREN ARNOLD

YESTERDAY: Andre and Lona becuer, Mr. Balley. If you could Most quotations moved to the almost quarrel when the girl reget Fabian to let me have charge highest since mid-1940. Some fuses to tell him where she has of the noon meal, why I would hidden the stolen bomb sight. day, Andre goes to the Bailey ranch, finds rebuilding al y underway. He offers to with furnishings, takes Ronready nie to a trading post. He is "Perfect! Perfect all around.
particularly interested in a large
drum, buys it for a friend in don't let that interfere, son. I nie to a trading post. He is Mexico.

RONNIE IS IN DANGER

now hanging over the sent sharply higher a price curve which started to move gently forward last fail.

That Lona Montoya should be liberately kiss him was both shocking and confusing to Wessell by York. In all honesty he had level to himself that the kiss ping shortages might curtail the to admit to himself that the kiss where, ever and always, normal flow of sea-borne freight was not unpleasant, but that had "I'll get Fabian to keep the to the United States aroused been squelched in a little flash stakes on ice until noon," Wes of shame. He had turned nervously formal again and escorted her back to town. He had felt a Mr. strong urge to see Ronnie Bailey

steaks and drove straight from the butcher shop to the ranch homesite. Workmen were busy Cocoa moved up more than 1-29 homesite. clearing out burned debris of the house, and Mr. Bailey, supervis-ing them, came forward to greet

see you. Want you to look over plans for the new house right away.

"Glad to, Mr. Bailey. And say I brought out some meat. Hap-pens I'm a real good steak bar- Bailey declared, exultantly.

13 Custom.

14 Regions

(abbr.)

whiskers. 28 Sugar-cane

29 Sounds. 30 Cathke. 31 Pair (abbr.).

32 Measure.

33 Contining

34 Opposed to

21 Fashions

stalk

15 Kind, 16 Fool

put some expert touches on these steaks for you and me and Ron-ica, sir. We could do it in the outdoors here-wonderful weather right now, isn't it?"

can eat twice as much as you think anyway. You'd never know I came west with indigestion." Wes felt let down. He had ex-

chitect. Now you mustpected—hoped to find Ronnie here. But he knew from experi-ence that she seldom "stayed out." She was on the go somened in thanks. would fire me, sir. But I intend to build a western home of my own some day so I've given it some thought. And I'm glad to

said, trudging off.

and details on plans for the new ranch house. No architect had been hired, because Mr. Bailey Rubber added 1-10 to 2-10 of a spann death of the new But not until next morning.

But not until next morning, ranch house. No architect had Saturday, could be go back to been hired, because Mr. Bailey Said a cent a pound as soot raw and refined sugars sold in heavy and refined sugars sold in hea who was already on the job.

> "You're full of ideas, son," Mr. down, too, of course, but that didnt' stop the thief."
> "And you think -?"

> > 16 Undraped

17 He was called

statues

20 Rebellion.

## LEADER OF GREECE

HORIZONTAL Answer to Previous Puzzle 1 Late dictator of Greece. 11 Squirrel skin. 12 Heron. (DANA) 20 Rebellion. 21 Heaven sent food. 22 Salty. 23 Mine shaft hut 18 Toward. 19 Highly flayored sauce. 20 Mountain

7 Deputy.

41 Advocate of realism. 43 Money factories. 44 Amidic. 45 Reluctant

VERTICAL 2 Molding. 3 Skein of yarn

7 Deputy.
8 Roentgen ray.
9 Bronze.
10 Street (abbr.). 37 Writes. 13 Under his 39 School of leadership his whales. country — 40 Pine tree. Italian invs- 42 Each (abbr). sion. 43 Myself.



hereby hire you as consultant ar-

help you. A fire is a tragedy."
Mr. Bailey was suddenly serious, intent. He jabbed a pencil For an hour after that he and Mr. Bailey sat at an outdoor table and checked measurements at Wes.
"Son," he said, in low tone "No, Wesley, I don't know who did it but—whoever did had it well planned and well timed. They used that as a cover to steal

Wes pointed out myriad details the new bomb sight from one of his home and ran to the tele-phone. Then he stopped short. he had forgotten a place for gun racks, he could use ranch branding irons for an attractive dining room chandelier, he could every army man over here, nat-make a floor of cement and flag-urally. Some thief went right in, "Good morning, son! Glad to stones that would be both firecut the sight off and took it away. The only hour those ships haven't been guarded since the proof and patterned better than any rug he might buy, he could make a hat rack of deer and elk new sight was put into them. The sight was welded and bradded

"And you think-"No, not a clew. Of course— strictly on the quiet, now—the federal agencies are onto it. But haven't learned a single

"No!

Wesley was astounded. He stared off into space, frowning, hardly hearing his host give the other details. He was deep

the "--- man of Greece." 19 Small depresin his own thoughts. Here, shockingly, was yet another mysterious occurrence to add to the long list of unexplained incidents which crowded Wes ley's mind of late, this the most important of all. Ronica knew SOUSE 24 Upon. some of those things with him some of those things with him but he alone knew them all. He - infection wished earnestly for Ronica now so that he might talk with her. Possibly together they could evolve something. He looked at

his watch. Almost noon.
"Mr. Bailey, if I'm not being too inquisitive, could you tell me when I might see Ronnie? Where is she likely to be this afternoon?

"Why son, she's headed for Mexico. I believe. Flying her plane down. Said they'd have lunch at the dude ranch where Andre is staying and take off from there about 1 p. m." "Andre? . . . Andre?" Wes ex-claimed the name twice. "Why yes. You know him, Wesley. Andre Girardeau. Fine young man. He has business con-

nections down in Guaymas on the west coast of Sonora, and Guaymas is also a resort town. as you may know. He and Ron-nie and some other girl named-let me see Lona? Is there a Lona somebody in the college "Lona Montoya!" Wes looked

straight at his host, "Was she she going too? Flying with Gir-ardeau and Ronics? Into Mex-"Why yes, But—"
"I've got to go, Mr. Bailey!
Excuse me, sir, but—well I've
got to hurry! I—I'll explain

later, I ! never finished. He had

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"Can't hire out," Wesley grin-ed in thanks. "The university

now, "that fire was no accident,

either!"
Wesley looked closely at him

"Yes, Wesley! The fire drew

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jumped up, half dancing in his necessity of reasoning now, that

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Montoya, but she was out. Back to his car, he drove fast then to the office of the United States border patrol in this area, and luckily did find Inspector

rected. "You look excited." "Listen, Mr. Starr—it's nearly greeted. one o'clock now. Can we is is the patrol autogiro plane around? ear here? Is-?"
"It's out 10 miles or so, out

Sheridan Starr there.
"Howdy, Dr. York," the officer

As for Wes, though, the all speed records for his old car in driving to town. And he tried to think while speeding. A lot

of details needed thinking out.

of the ranch where Girardeau

He couldn't remember

stayed, if ever he knew it

He braked to a sudden stop at

near The Tanks where we keep field stables also. You know the place. There's a pilot there, and-"Then for God's sake, Mr. Starr, let's hurry! Come on I can tell you about it while we're on our way!"

Running with the officer, Wes felt like sobbing as a frantic boy might do. He knew, without the

excitement, and all at once he Ronnie Bailey was in grave dan-just ran to his car and hastened ger; and he knew he loved Ron-away, leaving an elderly man nie Bailey better than anything just ran to his car and hastened away, leaving an elderly man smiling after him and slowly else in this world. shaking his head. There is no explaining the impulsive actions of youth, reflected Mr. Bailey; especially of youth when Ronnie was involved. He wandered if this quiet-mannered rouse professor was interested in Honnie personally. Wouldn't mof if he was

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