If lemon juice is squeezed over bananas and apples after they are sliced, they will not become dark.

Try drying your wool sweaters on a window screen. It allows free circulation.

When the fabric of your umbrella is completely worn, take the frame to be re-covered-or do it yourself. Use the original as a pattern and stitch up a cover of waterproof or firm, tightly woven material. Usually a yard of 39inch fabric will be sufficient.

Do not clean the enamel top of an oven with a wet, cold cloth as the enamel is apt to crack. Let it cool first.

Soak an old chicken in vinegar and water for a few hours to make it tender.

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Symptoms may be nagging backache.

olson the system and upset the whole ody machinery. Symptons may be nagging backache, ersistent headache, attacks of dizziness, etting up nights, swelling, puffiness nder the eyes—a feeling of nervous nxiety and loss of pep and strength. Other signs of kidney or bladder disder are sometimes burning, scanty or frequent urination.



The story thus far: Robert Scott, a West Point graduate, begins pursuit trainand high and thick that you could ing at Panama after winning his wings no longer go around them or over at Kelly Field, Texas. When the war them-you had to just get on instrucomes to us he is an instructor in Caliments and bore through. In some fornia, and fearing he will always be an ways, though, it was a relief-for instructor he writes to many generals pleading for a chance at combat flying, and at last the opportunity comes. He says goodby to his wife and baby and leaves for Florida, where he picks up his Flying Fortress. He flies to India where for some time he is a ferry pilot, flying supplies into Burma, but he does not like

this job. They fly over bombed and burn-

ing Chinese towns as Burma falls. After

Burma is in the hands of Japs he meets

CHAPTER X

Back at the field I found that

Payne had loaded the transport with

forty sick or wounded Ghurkas. In

fact, we had to keep more from get-

ting aboard by threatening them

with our guns, for after all, we had

the same small field for taking off

we'd had for landing. Johnny swung

the ship into the wind and we were

off in some six hundred feet. We

went in many times again, after

the Ghurkas had lengthened the run-

way slightly, and we finally moved

out most of the soldiers before the

monsoon rains ran us out. But I'll

never forget Captain Payne's feat in

that first landing of a transport at

Following the defeat of the Allied

armies down in southern and cen-

tral Burma, the refugees poured to

the North and to the Northwest.

Those to the Northwest tried to walk

out by the Lido Road, which was

nothing more than a game trail.

Many of them died, and of those

who came out many died after enter-

ing India. I heard stories of bod-

ies by the hundreds, almost buried

in the mud, all along the trail from

Burma to India. Those who kept

coming North from Shwebo up the

railroad to Myitkyina finally wound

up on Myitkyina's small field, anx-

iously waiting for aerial transporta-

tion over the remaining one hundred

Some of the loads that ferry pilots

packed into those DC-3's would have

curdled the blood of the aeronauti-

cal engineers who designed the ship.

The C-47, or DC-3, as the airlines

called the Douglas transport, was

twenty-four passengers or six thou-

sand pounds. The maximum alti-

tude was expected to be about 12,000

feet-but we later went a minimum

times we had to go to 21,500 to miss

the storms and ice. Carrying the

refugees, we broke all the rules and

regulations because we had to. There

were women and children, pregnant

women, and women so old that they

presumably couldn't have gone to

the altitude that was necessary to

cross into India. There were hun-

dreds of wounded British soldiers

with the most terrible gangrenous

infections. At the beginning we used

to load the wounded first, those who

were worst off; but later, when we

realized that with our few trans-

ports we'd never get them all out,

we took only the able-bodied. That

was a hard decision to make, but

we looked at it finally from the the-

ory that those must be saved who

I remember one of the bravest

men I have ever seen, who helped

us load and control the refugees on

the field at Myitkyina. He was a

big, bearded Sikh officer, one of the

aristocratic British colonials. He

must have been six-feet-two, a fine

looking man. He worked religious-

ly with the refugees and soldiers,

always efficient, always trying to

send those out who should have

gone. I can see him now, standing

there in his tattered uniform, with

his turban perfectly placed on his

dark head, his beard waving in the

wind from the idling propellers. He

would patiently herd the passengers

into the transport, sometimes hold-

ing hysterical people back physical-

ly, and in more crucial times pull-

ing his pistol, but never becoming

flustered or excited. I sometimes

think he was the greatest soldier I

have ever seen. Day after day, as

the Japs moved North and ever clos-

er to Myitkyina, he would be there.

When the end came, and I knew

that the field would be taken in the

next few hours, I went to him and

explained the situation. I found.

however, that he knew more about

it than I knew myself. The refugees

had told him, he said, and he knew

there. So I asked him to get aboard

my ship and leave for India; after

all, he was an officer and could best

be used when once again the British

The Sikh officer refused with ma-

jestic pride. His orders had been

to stay there and supervise the evac-

uation of those refugees, and he con-

sidered that trust sacred. We had

to leave him, and when I last saw

him he was herding the ever-increas-

ing numbers of stricken people on

to the North, towards Fort Hertz and

the blind valley that led inevitably

to the impassable mountains towards

Tibet. I guess the Japs finally got

him. But I know how he must have

died, with that pistol in his hand,

and finally just the knife-and I

know that several Japs died be-

The winds from the Indian Ocean

grew stronger, and the monsoon sea-

fore they killed him.

this was the last day we could land

doing his thankless job.

entered Burma,

could some day fight again.

of 18,000 across the hump, and some-

and ninety miles to Dinjan.

General Stilwell and his party.

there in the safety of God's elements the Japs couldn't bother our unarmed ships. Many times I heard the remark that there was always something good in everything-even bad weather. I can hear still some of those pilots griping, saying they never thought the day would come when they'd be out looking for bad weather. But it was the truth. With the Jap fighter ships all over Burma

now, it was comforting to know that

there were rain clouds to dodge into

with the transports. On April 26, the AVG finally had to leave Loiwing, due to the failure of the air-warning net to the South. They moved on back to Paoshan by Mengshih, and finally to Kunming. One day about that time I went over to see General Chennault, for I had a question I wanted to ask himone that I'd carried on my mind ever since I'd been shanghaied off the "dream mission." I still wanted to fight. Though this Ferry Com-



Lieut, Gen. Joseph ("Vinegar Joe") Stilwell, one of the most popular generals in the United States army, who has seen a lot of fighting constructed to carry a full load of on the Chinese front.

> mand was important, I'd been trained for a fighter pilot. And here I was, just sitting up there in a transport, like a clay pigeon for the Japanese.

I still remembered that for nine years I had been too young; then when war came I was suddenly told I was too old to be a fighter pilot. When had I been the right age? I wanted to tell General Chennault that story. At the great age of thirty-four, I just didn't consider that I was too old to fly fighter planes and with his help I meant to prove it. Even with only one fighter ship in the sky with our transports, I know I could give the boys in the transports just a little more confidence. Besides, I kind of thought I had a date with destiny, so to speak-or at least a date with a Jap somewhere over there in Burma. I desperately wanted to slide in behind one of those enemy bombers or fighters and shoot him down.

Finally I had my chance to tell the story of my ambitions to General Chennault. Busy as he was, he listened to my case, and even as I talked I admired the great man more and more. Here, I knew, was a great officer and leader as well as a great pilot. Here was an American who was a General in the Chinese Army, held by the Chinese in admiration and respect-a soldier who could see the problems that his modern war imposed on land armies as well as on navies and air power. Here, I knew, was genius.

I told the General that I wanted one single P-40 to use in India and Burma. I knew they were scarce, but I would promise him that nothing would happen to it, and the instant he needed the ship I would fly it back to him in China. The General smiled. I'm sure he was thinking back and wondering whether, if he were in my position, he wouldn't have begged for the same chance. He didn't give me some excuse that he well might have used-that the P-40's belonged to the Chinese Government, that it would have been against regulations, and so forth. General Chennault knew that I would use that "shark," as we called the P-40's, against the Japs. He made his own regulations then; what did it matter who killed the Japs and who used the P-40's so long as they were being used for China?

By the twinkle in his eyes I knew that I had won my case. The General said, "Some Forties are on the way from Africa now. You take the next one that comes through. Use it as long as you want to." That's the way I got the single fighter plane that was to work out of Assam.

With anxious eyes I waited, looking to the West for the next "sharks" to come to India.

Three P-40E's or Kittyhawks came to us from Africa on April 29. Two went on to Kunming for the AVG. but Number 41-1496 stayed with me. It was mine, and I was as proud of it as of the first bicycle my father on began. And oh boy, the rains had given me. All through the night

came! The clouds built up so black | I read the technical files and learned every little item about the Allison engine and the engine controls. I memorized the armament section of the book, and by morning I was

> ready to put theory into practice and test it out.

> That morning I found a painter. Buying red and white paint from the village, I had him paint the shark's mouth on the lower nose of the Curtiss Kittyhawk. On that afternoon of April 30, I remember that as I waited for the paint to dry, I walked round and round my ship, admiring the graceful lines, a feeling of pride in my heart. I gloried in the slender fuselage, in the knifelike edges of the little wings. The sharp nose of the spinner looked like an arrow to me-the nose that sloped back to the leering shark's mouth. At sight of the wicked-looking blast tubes of the six fifty-calibre guns in the wings, I felt my chest expand another inch. This was shark-nosed dynamite, all right-but even then I did not quite realize what a weapon this fighter ship could be when properly handled.

I don't know how long I walked around the fighter admiring it and caressing its wicked-looking body. I know the paint on the shark's mouth hadn't dried yet-but I'd held the suspense as long as I could. This was as if I were rolling old sherry around on my tongue; sometime I had to really taste it. Now, stepping on the walkway of the left wing, I threw first one leg and then the other over the side of the fuselage and slid into the little cockpit of the fighter. As I adjusted the rudder pedals and fastened my safety belt, I primed the engine a few shots. Turning on the toggle switches, I energized and engaged the starter with my foot, and now I heard the Allison break into a steady roar as I moved the mixture control from "idle cutoff." Out in front of me-a long distance, it seemed-the heavy, eleven-foot, three-bladed prop became a gray blur in my vision. An Allison, or any high-powered engine, doesn't have to warm up, and idling will soon foul the plugs. I was taxy. ing almost as soon as the engine settled down to the steady roar.

Very proudly I taxied out for my first take-off in the new Kittyhawk. All around me on the airdrome I could feel the jealous eyes of every American and British pilot, even those of the earth-bound coolies-or at least my ego thought it felt their looks.

During the test flight over the dark green acres of Assam tea gardens, sweeping low over the Brahmaputra and then climbing steeply for the Naga Hills, I contemplated with keen anticipation the wonderful days that lay ahead. Here was no defenseless transport, no lumbering and unwieldy four-engine bomberhere was a fighting weapon, with a heart and a soul like the other combat ships. But more than that, here was an instrument of war with a distinct individuality, a temperamental devil of the skies. Truly like a beautiful woman, it went smoothly and sweetly at times; and then, as speed increased, it might yaw dangerously as the pressures built up. Again, it could become completely unstable. It had to be flown every second of the time; ignore it for one second and there was no automatic pilot to keep it on course, no co-pilot to help you-it would fall away and very soon would be out of control. Yes, like a beautiful woman, it demanded constant attention. There were no extra members in the crew to worry about, and here in Assam there were no other fighter ships to worry about.

We were both isolated individuals. When I had landed and had taxied back to my niche in the heavy jungle trees surrounding the field, I climbed out and reverently patted the ship on the cowling. The P-40 was fast becoming a personality to

Next day I tested my guns and dropped aluminum-powder practice bombs, bombs that leave a splash of aluminum paint on the ground or an aluminum slick on the water where they hit, in order to show the pilot how near he has come to the target. I aimed at the black snags in the river with the guns, then came around again and tried to dive and glide-bomb the snags with the little bombs. I was trying to train myself, trying to make up for the four years that I had been away from pursuit aviation and from tactical training in the art of killing. I needed a lot of this gunnery and bombing, for my life was very soon to depend on it.

I'll never forget the first time 1 pressed the trigger of my guns and heard the co-ordinated roar of the six fifty-calibre machine guns. Just by pressing a small black button below the rubber grip on my stick I could make three lines of orange tracers from each wing converge out ahead of my fast-moving fighter and meet on the snags in the Brahmaputra. Nearly a hundred shots a second those six Fifties threw out. and the muddy river turned to foam near the targets. The sense of their power impressed me as the recoil slowed me many miles per hour in my dive; I could feel my head snap forward from the deceleration. Sometimes when the guns on only one side would fire, the unequal kicks from the recoil would almost turn the ship.

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DAY DREAMING

A tough looking man walked into lawyer's office in Boston and wanted to know: "Do you respect confidential information given by a client?"

"Yes, of course," replied the law-

"Well, then, exactly what is the number of years you can get for holding up a government mail

truck?' The lawyer consulted his books: "Ten years," he answered. "When did this crime take place?"

"Oh, it's still in the planning stage," the gangster replied.

Clock Watcher

Harry-How did Brown happen to lose control of his car just as he reached the railroad crossing?

Jerry-Well, you know Brown. He's the kind of a fellow who always drops everything as soon as the whistle blows.

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Johnny-What makes that kid down the block so tough?

Jimmy-His mother feeds him marble cake, rock candy and brick

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