



SEA RESCUE—The U.S.S. Comstock stands by to pick up 26 survivors who were adrift for seven days after fire broke out aboard their ship, the net tender U.S.S. Elder, en route to Eniwetok in the Pacific. Thirteen crewmen remained aboard the Elder with their skipper, Lieutenant William F. Adams, to fight the fire and successfully save the ship. U.S. Navy radio-photo.

On the Side—By E. V. Durling

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Ah, what was love made for
If 'tis not the same
Through joy and through torment
Through glory and through shame.
I know not, I ask not,
If guilt's in that heart
I but know that I love thee
Whatever thou art.
—THOMAS MOORE.

A group of enthusiastic admirers of feminine pulchritude has named Patricia Reid to be "The Perfect Woman." They think Patricia is "perfect" because she has plenty of curves and they are all natural. Her figure does not need any artificial build-up anywhere. The measurements of Miss Reid, who is a blue-eyed redhead, are: Bust, thirty-five inches; waist, twenty-three inches; hips, thirty-four inches.

Horses & Women
What is the difference, if any, in the temperament, capacity for affection, culinary skill, etc., of a right-handed woman and a left-handed woman? That is a question on which I have asked our Horses & Women experts to do some research. Perhaps they could start by studying the members of the Sakowitz Rockets Bowling Team, of Chicago. This team is made up of five left-handed housewives.

Asides
"Pee Wee" Reese, of the Dodgers, and his charming spouse are very happily married. But, of course, they have their little quarrels. When Mrs. Reese is

angry with her husband she calls him "Pee Wee" and when he is in her good graces she calls him Harold. Now I have a reader in Hoboken, N. J. That town has a place in the memory of most of the veterans of World War I. It was from there they started for France and to there they returned. In 1918, the A.E.F. featured the slogan: "Hell, Heaven or Hoboken by Christ-mas."

Passing By
Branch Rickey, Boss of the Dodgers, is the proud papa of five daughters and one son. That fits right in to the Brooklyn picture where, in families of more than three children, the daughters always outnumber the sons. I used to call on a girl in Brooklyn who had eight sisters and one brother. Leo Robin, brilliant and prolific songwriter from Pittsburgh, Leo wrote that song, "Beyond the Blue Horizon," that Jeanette MacDonald sang in the film, "Mone Carlo." He also wrote "Love in Bloom," "Thanks for the Memory," and all the lyrics for the current Broadway musical hit, "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes."

Dream Husband
Have you a bachelorette daughter? What is her idea of an ideal husband? Recently, in South Africa, a prize was offered bachelorettes for the best description of an ideal or "dream husband." The winner, a 16 year old bachelorette named Jacoba Opperman, said her ideal husband was "a man who shows affection for his wife by a quick kiss or passionate hug. One who helps bring up the children, has a joint banking account, throws impromptu parties, bears no grudges and listens to his wife's point of view before making a decision."

Asking
Queries from clients: Q. What celebrated poet was a great boxer? A. I don't know how great a boxer he was, but Lord Byron took boxing lessons from a celebrated professional ringman of the period, named "Gentleman" Jackson. Q. Has there ever been a four horse dead heat? A. Not in this country, but there was a four horse dead heat in a five horse race at Newmarket, England. That happened October 22, 1855. It is very nice of me to give you this information as I had intended to hold it back to use to win a stogie from Clem McCarthy. Briefly

.... AROUND HOLLYWOOD

By VIRGINIA MacPHERSON
United Press Correspondent

Hollywood, Mar. 25.—(U.P.)—We had a luncheon date today to interview Martin and Lewis.



Virginia MacPherson

But getting a sensible statement out of these two screwballs is something no smart reporter ever tries twice. Jerry Lewis, the face-making half of this comedy team, started things off by asking the waiter for a "bowl of roasts." Gus thought his ears were going back on him. **Sugar In Teeth**
Then Lewis stuck four cubes of sugar in his teeth, leered at the poor guy and snarled: "Why is it I can never get a date."

Next he pawed over the butter pats, lined 'em up five in a row and played his own brand of dominoes, and, while Gus looked on goggle-eyed, Lewis

picked up a piece of French toast and powdered his nose. Then he splashed all five pats of butter in his water glass and took a big swig.

Lewis Throws Fork
Gus retreated to the kitchen. Lewis threw a fork at him.

Everybody in Lucey's swank restaurant thought this was hilarious. They jabbed each other in the ribs laughing. Lewis stuck his tongue out at 'em.

When Dean Martin, the singing half, waltzed in, Lewis threw a couple of forks at him, too. Then he flipped him with butter. Martin laughed as loud as anybody.

Punch Drunk Routine
Then Martin grabbed the lime-light and went into his punch-drunk fighter routine. That takes about five minutes.

By this time Gus had snaked back with a salad, threw it on the table, and dashed for cover. He was just in time. Lewis sprayed the air with garlic-soaked lettuce leaves.

When Gus brought his milk, Lewis turned the glass upside down and let gravity take its course.

Pack dogs used by northern hunters and explorers can carry about 35 pounds, or half their weight.

The Canals Of Mars

By J. HUGH PRUETT
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Continuing from last week when we pointed out that the bright, non-twinkling, reddish object in the eastern sky in the early evening is the planet Mars, we give here the promised discussion of the so-called Martian canals. This is a subject on which there is considerable disagreement among eminent astronomers. Some believe these fine markings are abundant and quite distinct; others—perhaps with less acute eyesight—have never seen them and declare they are simply "figments of the imagination."

The clear-eyed Italian astronomer Schiaparelli in 1877 was the first to announce the fine, dark lines which at times seemed to extend in various directions from the planet's surface. Later, the astronomers Douglass, Pickering, Holden, Campbell and Schaeberle in America, and Perrotin in Europe studied them extensively. Some said at times certain canals appeared double like the tracks of a railway.

Went Further
The one who really gave prominence to the canals was Percival Lowell at his observatory near Flagstaff, Ariz. His interpretations went further than any others. Favored with clear skies, an elevation of 7,300 feet, a splendid refracting telescope and the most sensitive of eyes, Dr. Lowell expressed his conclusions as follows:

As winter approaches in either hemisphere, the white polar cap is often small or entirely missing. Then sometimes gradually and

Note it stated there is now a law in England which compels a wife to take the name of her husband. I believe that is also true of the United States, or am I stuck for another stogie? ... In 1938, 20 per cent of the parents of Tottenham, England, named their children after movie stars. Gary and Shirley were the favorite names.

Cow
Ever milk a cow? I tried once but couldn't make the grade. Dr. Robert Wheldon, British agricultural expert, says the way the milker sits on the stool has much to do with urging the cow to give the maximum amount of milk. Doctor Wheldon probably knows what he is talking about, because he owns a cow named Diana, which produces 120½ pounds of milk in twenty-four hours.

Nerve Test
Am informed there is a "nerve test" which calls for lathering and shaving a balloon. If it can be done without causing the balloon to burst, it proves the shaver has steady nerves. There is something really interesting upper to go to work on.

at others quite suddenly, large portions of the polar regions turn white. Later, these gleaming areas may become quite extensive.

When spring arrives, the edges of this white mantle are the first to disappear, and their place is taken by a sort of misty darkening or obscuration. It seems that the snow is melting and its place is taken by water, over which hovers very moist air or fog.

Lines Lengthen
Next, very fine, short lines appear running out from this lake of liquid and in a general direction toward the equator. These lengthen at the rate of 51 miles per day and after several weeks reach the equator. When autumn comes, the lines disappear and a new set advances from the opposite pole, where it is then spring.

When we source on Mars, intelligent inhabitants, said Lowell, have constructed canals to ditch water from the melting polar caps to other parts of the planet. We do not see the actual ditches, but rather the strips of vegetation which spring up on both sides of them. The large blue-green areas are broad expanses of growing fields.

Considerable Work
Considerable work was done on Mars in 1939 at the Lowell observatory and in South Africa. Dr. Edison Pettit of Mt. Wilson observed extensively and became a fervent believer in the reality of the fine lines. Dr. H. N. Russell of Princeton has recently written:

"There is now no doubt regarding the real existence of these finer details, but the drawings and descriptions of them by different observers are remarkably discordant."

Excellent Idea But Didn't Work For Him

Jackson, Miss.—(U.P.)—William Clancy Barlett devised what he thought was a sure-fire scheme for getting his hands on narcotics.

He picked up the telephone, dialed a local physician and said, "This is Narcotics Inspector So-and-So. I'm sending a messenger to your office for a narcotics prescription. I have someone here that I'm sending to a narcotics hospital. He needs this prescription to tide him over until he gets there."

Then Clancy hurried to the doctor's office to pick up the prescription. He next headed for a local drug store, where he got in line to have the order filled. While he was standing there, one of the clerks called out to the man behind him, "Hello, inspector."

Clancy dashed for the nearest exit, but the inspector collared him. His next stop was the city jail.

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PICK ON ST. PETER

Milwaukee—(U.P.)—Louis U. St. Peter has been getting more than his share of annoyance from telephone cranks. They seem to find his name and address a source of wonder. St. Peter lives on St. Paul Avenue.

HE GUESSED RIGHT

San Jose, Cal.—(U.P.)—Henry Adler thought his brakes might need adjusting so he drove up to a garage. He was right. The car failed to stop and he smashed right through the doors of the A-1 Brake Safety Shop.

SPECTACLES COME BACK

Wellington, N. Z.—(U.P.)—Three weeks after his wife's spectacles were swept away by a wave, a husband found them in his fishing net as he was spreading it out to dry after a day's fishing.

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