

Household News

By Eleanor Howe



IT COMES UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR . . . MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A CUP OF CHEER!
(See Recipes Below)

'Tis the night before Christmas and all through the house everybody's stirring except the wee people who are wandering in dreamland with Santa Claus. The little stockings have been filled to bursting, the last package has been tied up in tissue and ribbon, the Christmas angel has taken the tree under the shadow of its wings . . . and everybody's hungry!

So . . . when it comes upon the midnight clear—that glorious song of old—the family wish each other Merry Christmas and gather round the buffet table for a snack and a cup of cheer.

The bill of fare, on such an occasion, is as simple as the way it's served; a platter of cold meats, served with hot chili sauce; soft rolls or French bread or perhaps melba toast; and cookies for the sweet tooth are the perfect accompaniment to hot tea which quickens the Christmas spirit.

Or perhaps you'd like to serve bowls of creamy, old-fashioned oyster stew, with toasted hard rolls, a green salad if you like, and for dessert doughnuts with hot, spicy apple sauce.

Oyster Stew
(Serves 6 to 8)
1 quart oysters
½ cup butter
2 quarts rich milk
Salt and pepper to taste

Place oysters, strained oyster liquor, and butter in a saucepan and cook gently until edges of oysters begin to curl. Heat milk in a separate saucepan at the same time. (Caution: Milk should be thoroughly heated, but should not boil.) Add oysters to milk and season to taste. Serve immediately.

Stir-up Chocolate Cake.
(Makes 1 8-inch square cake)
1 egg (unbeaten)
½ cup cocoa
½ cup shortening
½ cup flour
1½ cups sour milk
1 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon vanilla
½ cup hot water
1 cup sugar
½ teaspoon salt

Put ingredients in mixing bowl in order given. Stir or beat until the batter is smooth. Pour into greased cake pan 8 by 8 by 2 inches square. Bake in a moderately slow oven (325 degrees) for about 50 minutes.

Boiled Icing.
2½ cups sugar
½ cup light corn syrup
¼ teaspoon salt
½ cup water
2 egg whites (well beaten)
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Place sugar, corn syrup, salt and water together in a saucepan and cook to the firm ball stage (250 degrees). Pour the hot syrup slowly into the well-beaten egg whites, beating constantly. Add vanilla extract and continue beating until the frosting will hold its shape when tossed over the back of a spoon. Should the icing become too stiff to manipulate easily, a very small amount of hot water may be added, or the icing may be remelted in the top of a double boiler. Spread on cake in swirls.

Buttermilk Rolls.
(Makes 3 dozen)
1 cake yeast
2 cups buttermilk (scalded and cooled)
2 tablespoons sugar
2 teaspoons salt
¼ teaspoon soda
4 cups flour
2 tablespoons shortening (melted)

Soften yeast in buttermilk which has been scalded and cooled to lukewarm. Add sugar, salt, and soda to the rest of the buttermilk. Add softened yeast and half of the flour. Beat until the batter is smooth and full of bubbles. Beat in fat and remaining flour, mixing until dough forms a ball. Turn onto a well-

WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON
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NEW YORK.—Early in September, 1924, the League of Nations assembly was in session, on a sunny afternoon, with every garden in place on the lapel of its morning coat, with decorous murmurs mingling with the bird song and the hum of the bees, heard through the open windows. The impeccable and somewhat desiccated Sir Eric Drummond, who played closer to his immaculate white vest than any living man, was presiding watchfully against any untoward procedure, any solecism, any break in syntax or punctilio, or move toward any overt suggestion or act.

There arose among the delegates a great, shaggy bearded man who started the windows rattling with his booming voice. He said: "You are just blowing bubbles. Your talk is hot air. You have done and will do nothing for peace. You know that the Dawes plan is doomed. You know that all treaties are destined for the waste basket."

It was a long, masterful and punishing philippic, delivered in a finished Harvard accent. Sir Eric was almost a hospital case.

The Jeremiah was Bishop Fan Styljan Noli, of the Albanian Orthodox church, and it is Bishop Noli, now supposedly living in Boston, who is named in a London cable to the New York Sun, as the popular candidate for a liberated Albania. With the aid of the Greeks, the hope of Albanian liberation is warming up daily, here and abroad. The huge, ruddy warrior-bishop, a medieval man with modern ideas, never has been caught in the feudal tensions and confusion of Balkan politics. He is a genuine libertarian and democrat, recruiting Moslems as well as Christians in his long running fight for modern free statehood for his country. His League of Nations speech was shushed in Europe, but all of it finally filtered through to American newspapers. It was the voice of a major prophet, as startling as the little flickering cinema spot on the walls of Belshazzar's palace.

If the bishop should reclaim and redeem Albania, America would get an assist, if not a put-out. He was educated at Harvard university, entering in 1908 and finishing in 1912. In the former year, the peaceful religious revolution by which the modern Orthodox Albanian church was established was just getting under way, and it was in that year, that he was invested with the robes of its priesthood.

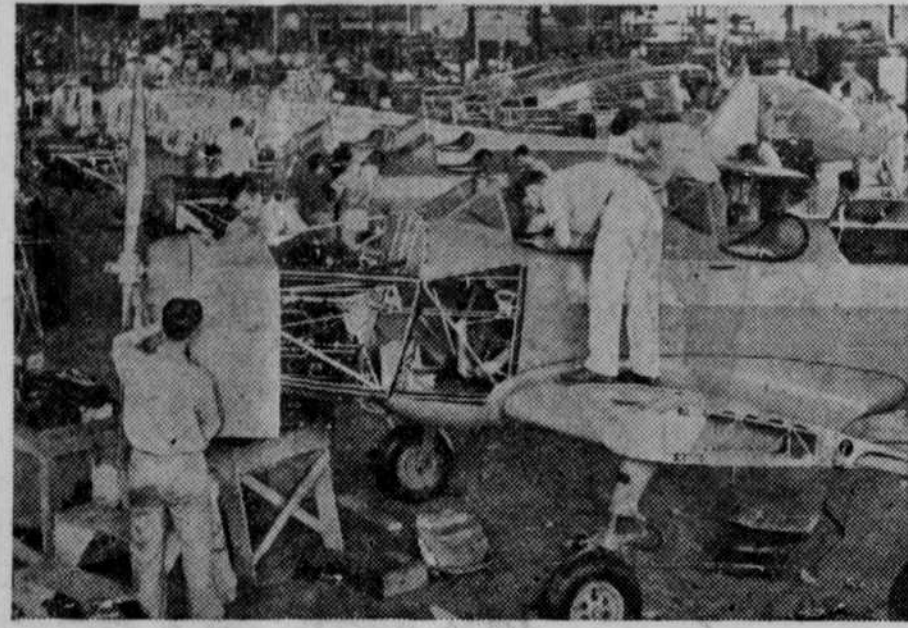
I got a glimpse of the bishop in the Commodore hotel in 1931, a keen-eyed, alert and powerful in every aspect of his face and person. He had arrived just a jump ahead of certain dissident Albanian gunmen. On this and many other occasions, he blasted Albania's duke monarch, Ahmed Zog much as he had blasted the tit-tat-toe assembly of the league. But he changed hotels frequently and mysteriously, as for many years he has had death close on his heels. And it was in 1931 that he said that Premier Mussolini would snatch Albania when he got ready, and that Zog's government was all make-believe.

SIR PHILIP B. JOUBERT DE LA FERTE. British air marshal, has had a long and distinguished career in the army, and in all these years he has been a model of discretion and impeccable official behavior. Hence it was a most extraordinary slip when he broadcast to the world details of where German bombs had fallen. The ministry of information, of which Sir Philip is a member, had been clamping down the censorship lid and British papers were printing German communiques, as the only news available. American newspaper men, sharply at odds with the censorship about getting news from Germany, are acclaiming Sir Philip for a fumble which they think was in the public interest. It seems to be his first fumble.

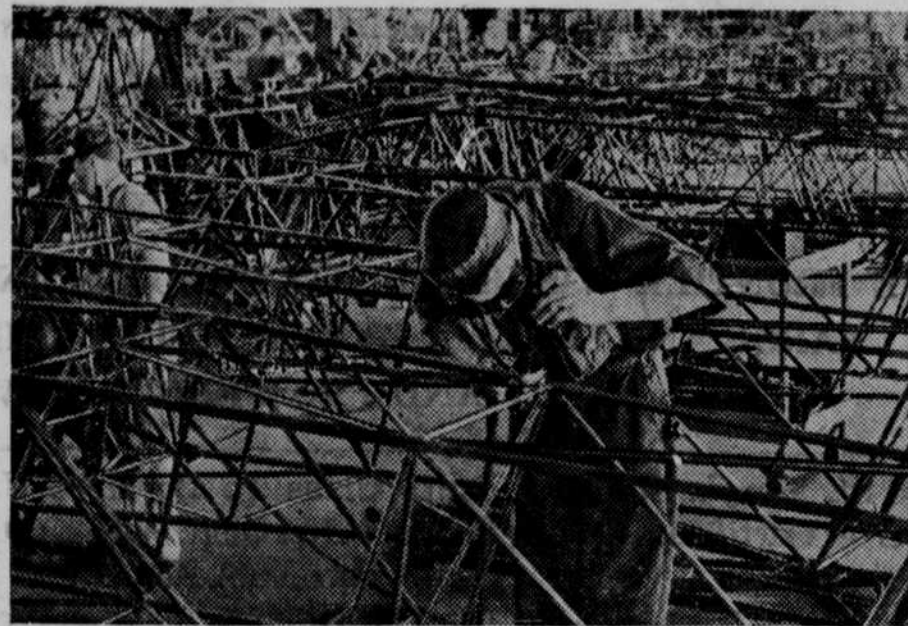
As a flier in the World War, he gathered both British and Italian decorations and was mentioned in dispatches six times. He joined the royal field artillery in 1907 and transferred to the royal flying corps in 1913. He was in France in first two years of the war and in Egypt in 1916 and 1917. After the war he was R. A. F. instructor at the imperial defense college and commanded the R. A. F. staff college in 1930 and 1934. He was given command of the R. A. F. in 1937. He was educated at Harrow and Woolwich.

Small Town . . . Big Job for U. S.

When most of us think of the great task involved in the carrying out of our gigantic defense program, we visualize belching furnaces and great shipyards where little men labor like ants to turn out big battle wagons. But we think of all these things as being in great cities like Chicago, Detroit, New York. However, vital jobs can be done outside of big industrial centers, as for example, Hagerstown, Md., one of the smallest industrial centers in the United States. Hagerstown boasts an airplane factory that is turning out three planes a day for Uncle Sam. It is the Fairchild Aircraft factory, makers of the training plane that bears the company name. This series of photos takes you through the plant.



ASSEMBLY . . . In this department of the Hagerstown plant of the Fairchild company the motors are installed in plane fuselages. Then the assembled ship is towed to Hagerstown airport where test pilots take the ships into the air.



MAKING IT STICK . . . Craftsman J. E. Clopper is engaged in welding the hollow piping used to shape the framework of an airplane. The piping is of aluminum alloy and each piece must be welded to its mate with the greatest care to withstand flight strain.



A BORN RIBBER . . . Ribbing is the assembling of the framework of the wings which is being done here. Then the wings of the plane are covered with plywood.

BRAIN DEPT. . . Before you can start to build an airplane there are scores of things you must know about aero dynamics. Here are two project engineers dopping out stress, weights, etc.



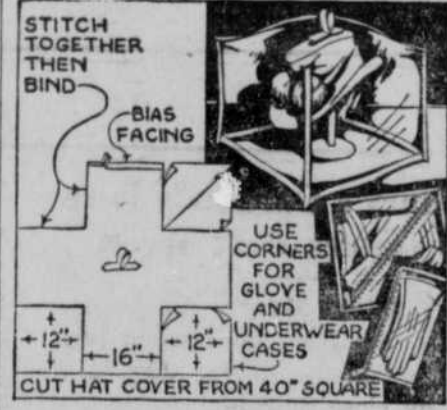
DEBUT . . . The men who take all army planes made in Hagerstown for their first trip are shown here in a brand-new ship. In the cockpit is Capt. C. W. O'Connor, U. S. A., army test pilot; chatting with him is Dick Henson, Fairchild's own test pilot. Henson has already flown the ship and passes it on to Capt. O'Connor.



A Fairchild plane, trim as a humming bird, makes its bow to the world.

HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



There are fascinating new transparent materials on the market now. Luncheon sets and aprons and rain coats and closet accessories all take on new glamour when made of them, and you will find that every left-over scrap will be used for something that is attractive and worth while.

Less than 50 cents' worth of this window-pane clear material made the hat cover, underwear case and two glove cases like the one shown here. All the directions for cutting and making the hat cover are given here in the sketch. The material from two corners made the square underwear case. The material from each of the other two corners was folded to make a glove or handkerchief case. Bright blue bias tape was used for seam binding and the bottom facing and loop handle of the hat cover; and

colored zippers to match the bindings were used for the case closings.

Today's article is typical of the economy short cuts that I like to plan for homemaking budgeteers. There are complete working drawings for thirty-two homemaking projects in SEWING Book 6—enough exciting ideas to keep you busy all the rest of the winter. Send order to:

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Drawer 10
Bedford Hills New York
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The Better Way to Correct Constipation

One way to treat constipation is to endure it first and "cure" it afterward. The other way is to avoid having it by getting at its cause. So why not save yourself those dull headachy days, plus the inevitable trips to the medicine chest, if you can do it by a simple common-sense "ounce of prevention"? If your trouble, like that of millions, is due to lack of "bulk" in the diet, "the better way" is to eat Kellogg's All-Bran. This crunchy, toasted, ready-to-eat cereal has just the "bulk" you need. If you eat it regularly—and drink plenty of water—you can not only get regular but keep regular, day after day and month after month! All-Bran is made by Kellogg's in Battle Creek. If your condition is chronic, it is wise to consult a physician.

Friend or Foe
The man that makes the best friend will make the worst enemy.

TO RELIEVE MISERY OF **COLDS** quickly use **666** LIQUID TABLETS SALVE NOSE DROPS COUGH DROPS

Spasmodic Joy
Joy, like the ague, has one good day between two bad ones.

THE AWFUL PRICE YOU PAY FOR BEING NERVOUS

Read These Important Facts!
Quivering nerves can make you old, haggard, cranky—can make your life a nightmare of jealousy, self pity and "the blues." Often such nervousness is due to female functional disorders. So take famous Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to help calm unstrung nerves and lessen functional "irregularities." For over 60 years relieving Pinkham's Compound has helped tens of thousands of grandmothers, mothers and daughters "in time of need." Try it!

Truth and Beauty
Beauty is truth, truth beauty.—Keats.

Miserable with backache?

WHEN kidneys function badly and you suffer a nagging backache, with dizziness, burning, scanty or too frequent urination and getting up at night when you feel tired, nervous, all upset . . . use Doan's Pills. Doan's are especially for poorly working kidneys. Millions of boxes are used every year. They are recommended the country over. Ask your neighbor!

DOAN'S PILLS

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Live to Apply
To live is not to learn, but to apply.—E. Legouve.

Hen, Rooster Motif For Tea Towel Set



No. Z9160

THE romantic story of a print hen and rooster, aided and abetted by Cupid in daisy form, is entertainingly told in motifs for a set of tea towels. Any bride, or matron, would welcome clever towels like these; there is one for each day of the week. The two extra motifs are for matching pan-holders to complete the set.

No. Z9160, 15c, brings the NUMO hot iron transfer giving these nine designs. Send order to:
AUNT MARTHA
Kansas City, Mo.
Enclose 15 cents for each pattern desired. Pattern No.
Name
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Happy Hours Ahead

A gift to make many happy hours for pipe and "makin's" smokers is the Prince Albert Christmas package—one full pound of ripe, rich-tasting, mellow tobacco. Colorful holiday wrappers put these popular presents in gay Christmas setting—and a handy gift card is enclosed. Your regular tobacco dealer has the one-pound gift tin of Prince Albert on display. Remember! Prince Albert is the cooler-burning tobacco—the National Joy Smoke.—Adv.

By Thy Deeds

Such as thy words are, such will thy affections be esteemed; and such will thy deeds be as thy affections; and such thy life as thy deeds.—Socrates.

TICKLE?

Soothe that throat tickle which comes from a cough due to a cold! Quick—get a Smith Bros. Cough Drop. (Black or Menthol—5¢.)
Smith Bros. Cough Drops are the only drops containing VITAMIN A
Vitamin A (Carotene) raises the resistance of mucous membranes of nose and throat to cold infections, when lack of resistance is due to Vitamin A deficiency.

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