"Asleep at the Wheel By FLOYD GIBBONS Famous Headline Hunter

I ERE'S Fred Bock, whose address is Brooklyn, but whose home is Route 34, or Route 36, or maybe some other route altogether. Fred, you see, drives one of those big transportation trucks that move between one city and another. Those lads might get back to their houses once in a while, but a good part of the time they do their sleeping on the big front seat of a truck parked at the side of the road. That's the sort of lad you have to catch on the fly. But I've nabbed Fred, and here's his story.

On a Thursday morning in November, Fred and hs partner Charlie were delivering furniture at various houses in Brooklyn. They went out with a load, delivered it, and finished up about one o'clock in the afternoon. They had some lunch and pulled into the office at two, hoping they were through for the day. But no such luck for Fred. He still had a man-sized job to do that day-and besides that there was a little adventuring to be taken care of. At that stage of the game, though, he didn't know anything about adventuring.

Taking a Load to Washington.

After Fred had settled up his accounts, the manager called him into his office and told him the bad news. There was an immediate delivery to be made in Washington, D. C., and Fred had been elected to do the job.

They loaded the truck and were on their way. Route 1 was to be their home this time. They picked it up in Jersey City and rolled into Philadelphia along about nine o'clock in the evening. Fred and Charlie knew a good lunch wagon in Philly, and they went there for dinner. Back in the truck again, Fred suggested a nap. They had been up since early morning, and both of them were pretty tired.

They lay down on the seat and started to snooze, but not for long. After a brief interval they were awakened by a cop who told them that the main drag of the Quaker City was no lodging house and suggested that they take their big truck out of there. So they started to move.

Fred Was Getting Sleepy.

They threaded their way through the city, and once more they were bowling along the open road through a cold, bleak November night. The wind swept across the fields in fitful gusts and the road ahead seemed to darken. Fred drove on through the night. The hours rolled by and he was getting more and more sleepy. Along about midnight a filmy haze began to cloud his

Says Fred: "The feeling was nothing new to me. It came from staring ahead over long periods, and had happened to me many times before. I knew that the best thing for me to do was pull over to the side of the road for a short rest. I began looking for a convenient parking space, but the minutes fled by without a sign of a place to stop. The road was getting narrower and more gloomy. My eyes seemed to be getting heavy as lead.

"We began to roll down hill. Flickering, fantastic shadows danced across the path of the headlights and the road ahead suddenly inclined in a long, steep, tortuous grade. I looked at Charlie and saw him the seat fast asleep. His peaceful repose seemed to tempt me. And then-"

Running Wild Toward a Wall.

And then, suddenly, Fred's eyes were shut and the truck

was running wild! Fred doesn't know how long his eyes were shut or how the truck managed to keep on the road. But something in the back of his brainsome drivers' instinct-brought him wide awake as suddenly as he had fallen asleep. As his eyes came open he saw in the beam of the headlights a sharp, narrow turn in the road and, just at the beginning of the bend, a white concrete wall.

The headlights brought that scene to his eyes with startling clearness. "It didn't take me long to realize what that meant," says Fred. 'A narrow bridge spanning-spanning what-was the question. I didn't know, and for a minute it looked as if I never would know."

In the few seconds Fred had been asleep the speedometer had climbed to forty-five. A glance told him that-and then he jammed on the brakes. "But even as I did so," he says, "I knew it would be useless. The bend in the road was too narrow to permit a quick turn with a large truck. I couldn't save myself from crashing into the wall."

Steep Cliff Just Ahead of Them.

Fred took a lightning glance to right and left, searching for a way out. There was a clear space at the beginning of the wall. How long it was-what obstructions he might find in it-he didn't know, but he determined to take a chance and trust to luck that he didn't run into a tree and pile up. He turned his wheels and headed for the clear space. Then, just as his wheels left the road, the headlights showed him what was ahead. There were no trees in his way. There was nothing. The car was plunging toward a steep cliff, at the bottom of which ran the river!

Fred's hand tightened on the wheel. The top of the bank was a scant ten feet ahead, and he knew he would never be able to stop that car. With his whole body tense, he waited for the sickening plunge over the bank-and the end.

And then Fred got the surprise of his life. Suddenly, the truck slowed down as the wheels struck something soft and mushy. It moved another two or three feet and came to an abrupt stop. Fred climbed out of the cab and jumped to the ground, and heaved a sigh of relief and gratitude. The wheels had run into a pile of sand left by the highway patrol. And Fred says: "As I stood there listening to the swish of water far below it certainly seemed to me as if Providence were riding with us that night. For if that pile of sand had been six feet to right or left we would have shot over that clearing and dropped into the river below."

-WNU Service.

"Sidereal Month"

every twenty-seven and one-third

days, in a period called the "side-

real month." Its path is not a circle,

but an ellipse. Each time it goes

around, says Science Service, there

is one point when it is nearest the

earth, or perigee, and one when it

is farthest, called apogee. Because

of the pull on the moon by the sun.

and other bodies in the solar sys-

tem, the shape of its orbit is not

constant. At some times it is pulled

out into a longer ellipse, while at

other times it is squeezed into a

more nearly circular form. The

earth is not at the center of the

ellipse, but towards one end, at a

Bull Terrier a Gladiator

gladiator among dogs. It was the

day of dog fights-when the gentle-

man sportsman thought it correct

and good fun to pit dogs against

each other. It was then that the

self. He was taught to be a plucky

scrapper, full of courage, ready to

fight for himself or his master. And

he was bred so that he was strong,

significance of the word "quit."

Years ago the bull terrier was the

point called the focus.

The moon goes around the earth

Duke Was a Dude George Villiers, first duke of Buckingham, was a real dude. His jewels alone were reckoned at a total of 300,000 pounds English money. It was common with him at an ordinary dancing party to have his clothes trimmed with great diamond buttons and to have diamond hat bands, cockades, and earrings; to be yoked with great and manifold ropes and knots of pearl; in short, to be imprisoned in jewels. On a visit to Paris in 1625 he had twenty-seven suits of clothes made, the richest that embroidery, lace, silk, velvet, gold, and gems could contribute, one of which was a white uncut velvet, set all over, both suit and coat, with diamonds.

Pecularity of Owls

Owls see objects with both eyes at once. Their eyes are set fast in their sockets, which means that they have to turn their entire heads in the direction they want to see. If one walks around an owl, and the bird desires to watch, its head | bull terrier made a name for himwill turn clear around with the utmost ease until it looks directly backward. If a person goes farther, the owl will follow as far as possible, then turn its hear so quick- very agile and to never know the ly that one does not notice it.

THIS WEEK

BRISBANE

Competent Mrs. Simpson If Edward Has a Son The Latest Gang Killing Goose and Gander

"Mrs. Simpson purchases villa on the north coast of Africa, look-

ing out on the Mediterrablue nean, for her royal honeymoon' with the former king of England." Here you see

the capable young American woman; she buys honeymoon villa; if she married an American she would have expected him to buy it.

Arthur Brisbane This incident helps to explain how Duke Edward came to rely on the Baltimore girl.

The former English King Edward in his "instrument of abdication" declared his "irrevocable determination to renounce the throne" for himself and his descendants. All very fine now, but suppose Edward should have a son, and the son should grow up, a man of power and ambition, as he might, with an American mother. He would by inheritance be the rightful occupant of the throne of England, and might reasonably say that his father could not deprive him of his right before he was even born. That might be embarrassing if in troublous times a weak English king or a nervous queen were on the throne.

Europe will turn from important matters to read about the latest American gang killing. Joseph Scaduto, aged twenty-eight, was shot down two months ago while having his shoes polished in New York city. Night before last his brother Dominic, who had hurriedly moved from New York, was with 13 other men in a Chicago pool hall.

Three gunmen entered, herded the 14 into a back room, motioned to Dominic Scaduto to step out from the crowd and stand against the wall. He did so, and was riddled with bullets. The executioners were old for their trade, thirty-six to thirty-nine; young killers, usually, do

worth of typewriters, union labor | son's formal modes are the various complained that manufacturers were "unfair," and the purchase

was stopped.

As far as New York city was concerned that was done to get votes: no New York citizens are involved in the alleged "unfairness."

If all makers of typewriters signed an agreement not to sell a typewriter to New York city for 50 years, and never to repair one, that would not embarrass the city; for the courts would punish that as conspiracy. What is sauce for the goose is not sauce for the gander.

H. G. Wells, who has influence in England, was "brought up in a simple, sentimental, low - church English home." Referring to the archbishop's slurs on Mrs. Simpson, he writes: "I learned to think the proper treatment of men who insinuate shameful vague things they cannot specify or substantiate about a woman is horse-whipping."

The archbishop of Canterbury hardly expected all this, or half.

Doctors announce a new compound that kills "sinus germs in the blood stream," a most important announcement. The new compound, called prontosil, is non-poisonous to the patient, kills the germs that cause sinus trouble, and may kill other disease germs. The transfusions of new fighting blood, sometimes not used often enough or early enough in medical practice. may be replaced by chemical compounds that will pursue various disease germs in the blood stream, helping the white corpuscles.

Congressman Fish of New York wants members of the Republican national committee to abdicate, that a liberal Republican party may be built up.

Does anybody imagine that a "liberal" Republican party could have held back the political Johnstown flood last November?

If the Republican party turns liberal now, it may find in 1940 that it has done so just in time to miss carrying an election that conservatism might have carried.

The world would like to know more about the Baroness Eugene de Rothschild, hostess of the duke of Windsor, former king.

She was Miss Catherine Wolf of Philadelphia, has been three times married, and when the king amuses himself with bowling in her castle, she beats him, and all the other men players. Plenty of energy there.

Our good neighbor Chile, anxious to keep gold at home, decided to restrict "luxury importations" and unwisely included automobiles, including trucks, among "luxuries." As a result Chile's industries face heavy losses, her network of modern highways will fall into decay. © King Features Syndicate, Inc. WNU Service.

# Period Influences Superb Fabrics | Molasses, Cheap

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



season are said to be the most elegant, the

gant that has been seen at any time since pre-war days. The "dress-up" movement is growing more and more so with each passing hour. From style centers come reports that an astonishing number of formals are selling this season and that the call for handsome afternoon gowns in rich metallics, velvets and laces is reaching beyond the usual.

Gorgeous, glinting, gleaming, sparkling and arrestingly colorful are the fabrics and laces that are fashioning the luxury apparel noted at fashionable gatherings. Then, too, the trend to greater elegance is expressed in the emphasis placed on luxurious accessories, on flattering little dinner hats and elaborate evening headdress.

Even more thrilling than the elegant materials and the vainglorious New York city ordered \$126,795 accessories that distinguish this seaperiod influences that mark their styling. Designers seeking inspiration for the costume creations are delving into fashion lore of centuries past as they never delved before. The picturesque Tyrolean and Dalmatian mood is expressed in terms of colorful embroidery which is generously used at present and in other intriguing details that are adding greatly to the gaiety of current fashions. Boleros are flourishing in the mode both day and night and in the evening the latest is to throw a lace mantilla over head and shoulders and wear a red, red rose for corsage—fashion has gone as picturesquely Spanish as that!

One of the most outstanding gestures toward recapturing styles of the past is the reincarnation of the lovely Empire gowns taken from the days of Josephine and Napoleon. The stately and very beautiful dresses worn by the standing fig-

most sumptuous and most extrava- | ures in the illustration bespeak the new Empire move as interpreted by district. In these gowns we see the modern woman transformed into a glamorous true-to-tradition Napoleonic type. The silhouette, as you see, achieves a fashionable figure launched with a new profile of erect carriage and imperious dignity, accenting a high bust and waistline, short puff sleeves and long graceful

> color are used for these gowns. The | flows out slowly. gown to the left is of an eye-catching metal brocade in an alluring tangerine color. Handsome lame in a vivid emerald green fashions the center dress with narrow greenmetal ribbon accenting the high

splendor in keeping with the new condition of a cow when she realm also. Very lovely Chantilly laces have their floral patternings outlined in metal threadwork, while some laces add a decorative touch of embroidery or perhaps are starred with sequins, pearls and such. A dinner and evening ensemble stressing the vogue for the jacketed formal gown is attractively expressed in metalic-outlined Chantilly as worn by the seated figure in the picture. The neckline of the dress is square and the jacket ties softly with a bow. Which is the same as telling you when you buy lace for your frock it is not enough, you must allow an extra length for a jacket. In this way it serves a twofold purpose—with the jacket informal enough to wear to the simple dinner party, without the jacket a gown formal enough for the most pretentious evening occasion. @ Western Newspaper Union.

### LACE MANTILLA By CHERIE NICHOLAS



White metallized silk moire for a picturesque wide - skirted formal evening frock with a Spanish mantilla of black silk lace gracing shoulders and head, here indeed is the costume-ideal for the debutante to wear to mid-winter festivities. Such grand silks as we have with us this season! The silk moires are beloved indeed and they are lovely in white or colors. White shot with silver is supremely chic. And the new silk brocades! One can't describe them for their beauty is beyond word pictures. These brocades are stun-

ning for princess evening coats

that button down the front.

### HATS NOT BECOMING TO AVERAGE WOMAN

The selection of becoming hats promises to be more difficult than ever this season. Seldom has there been such a generous choice, as far as actual style trends go, but most of the numerous different shapes prove unbecoming to the average woman.

Height still reigns supreme, although many milliners have tried to retain the more moderate rounded and shallow crown. The tall crowns, still shaped like inverted flower pots, prevail on every type hat, but the turban. Some of these felts seem to be inspired by early Pilgrim days in America, while others look more board, like modern Alpine hats with taller

### Adding Accessoies Gives New Effects to Costumes

perfection.

For afternoon and informal eve- Dairyman. ning needs there are elegant blouses of metallic fabrics and satins, while for tailored needs the shirtwaist blouse with studs is the smartest you can find. Light gloves, dark gloves or bright gloves have their advantages as do hats of felt or velvet.

Pointed Hats

Young women have adopted with enthusiasm the fashion of high pointed hats trimmed with long curling feathers. These are worn well off the forehead.

# Live Stock Feed

Can Be Fed Either Diluted or Undiluted, Sprinkled on the Hay.

By Prof. E. S. Savage, New York State College of Agriculture.—WNU Service. Cane molasses is a good feed for livestock, and is the cheapest feed on the market. Farmers are urged to become familiar with it and to learn to use it.

Molasses is hard to distribute, but it is planned to have it widely available in drums this winter. Reports from a hurried study of the New York milk shed indicate that retail prices for molasses in drums may be from \$21 to \$26 a ton.

Cane molasses is about one-fourth water and has in it more than 56 per cent of total digestible nutrients. The principal constituent is about 55 per cent total sugars which give molasses its feed value. A ton of molasses, or 171 gallons, has about three-fourths the value of corn when properly used in the ration.

The following amounts may be used for stock with excellent results along with other feeds:

Seven to nine pounds a day for horses and mules; two to three pounds for dairy cows; three to four pounds for beef cattle; one to two pounds for hogs; and a halfpound for sheep and lambs. These suggestions as to amounts are conservative, and every feeder should try to use the maximum.

It can be fed either diluted with hot water or undiluted. If diluted, the molasses can be sprinkled over the hay, silage or grain. If undiluted, a paddle or big spoon spreads designers in the style apparel cre- it on the roughage or grain in the ator group of the Chicago wholesale | manger. A mixture of one-half molasses and one-half water will not

Roughage such as corn stalks can be cut or shredded and sprinkled before feeding with diluted molasses; or a stout, shallow box about four feet square with flaring sides about six inches deep, put up on flat diaphragm, deep decolletage, strong, well braced legs, makes a good self-feeder in the yard. A barrel of molasses can be placed end-Superb lame weaves gleaming up in the feeder and a shingle with gold and silver and striking placed under it so that the molasses

> Dry Period 31-60 Days Found Best for Jerseys

Perhaps no definite answer can be made as to the exact time a cow should rest between periods of lac-The spirit of embellishment and tation, for much depends upon the luxury trend has invaded the lace is through milking and how well she recovers from her work, states a writer in Hoard's Dairyman.

Arnold and Becker of the Florida Agricultural Experiment station found that a dry period of 31 to 60 days was necessary for Jerseys to produce maximum milk yields. A dry period of longer than 91 days appeared to result in lower milk production. When cows were dry less than 30 days, there was an indication of an earlier decline in milk yield than those receiving a longer rest period.

In practice it has been stated that a cow should rest from a month to six weeks and this research by the Florida Experiment station indicates that this is about the right period for cows to recover in order to secure the best flows of milk.

### Built Straw Silo

When the hot July sun seared Frank Canfield's cornfield, ruining a promising crop on which he had counted to feed out a bunch of cattle, he felt blue. Mr. Canfield, who farms east of Des Moines, Iowa, reports the Country Home Magazine, began figuring the best way to use his fodder crop which was good. He had a big pile of baled straw and that gave him an idea; build a silo of straw bales! He lost no time building a huge round silo and filling it to the brim with his blasted corn crop. Now he finds that a straw silo has several advantages. The walls go down as the silage recedes, and there is no pitching up as with a pit silo. Pliers, pitchfork, and a little headwork are providing his hungry cattle with both bed and

## Mastitis

Mastitis may be regarded as any abnormal condition in the cow's udder. Whether this condition is such If you know your fashion arith- that it can be transmitted to other metic you will discover that one cows depends on the nature of the costume can be made into two by trouble and perhaps more on how the addition of the right accessories. far it has progressed. Young ani-Take those black suits, for exam- mals are not so likely to be affected ple, which have a modest bit of as are older ones, particularly those Persian lamb trimming on collar, of high production. It is not unusual cuffs and pockets. It doesn't mat- for good dairy cows to have a swolter whether the jacket is short or len or congested udder for several long, or whether it is fitted or swag- days after calving. The milk at ger-the choice of a blouse, hat and such times is not always normal. gloves determine the ensemble's This does not mean that the cow has infectious mastitis. - Hoard's

Grafting of Trees

Grafting is a method by which a superior tree is made to develop on inferior stock of the same genus. The cambian layer of the graft, that is, the layer of tissue between the bark and the wood, must fit together accurately, so grafting is a skilled job for an expert. Since the peach and plum are both of the same genus, says a writer in the Detroit News, a peach graft may be made to grow on a plum tree, or the other way round.

# ed Prize-winning Recipes of the South

CLOVERLEAF CHEESE BISCUITS Mrs. Mary Owen, Memphis, Tenn.

Mix and sift 2 cups flour, 4 tsps. baking powder and ½ tsp. salt. Rub in 4 tbsps. Jewel Special-Blend Shortening with the tips of the fingers or cut in with a knife. Add 34 cup grated cheese and mix well. Beat 1 egg yolk and add to 78 cup milk. Then add to dry ingredients and mix until soft dough is formed. Cut dough into small pieces, mould into balls and place 3 together in each muffin pan. Bake in hot oven (400 degrees F.) about 20 minutes. This recipe makes 11/2 dozen Cloverleaf cheese biscuits.-Adv.

### ------Ask Me Another

A General Quiz

@ Bell Syndicate.-WNU Service. 

1. By what country were doubloons coined?

2. In politics, what is a referendum? 3. Who was father of Mary

Queen of Scots? What was a corvette?

5. What are the two chief islands of New Zealand called? 6. What is the atlas bone?

What is an Eurasian? Who was Pluto's wife? 9. What president of the U.S.

had Rutherford for his first name? 10. What is a collect?

11. What is a foot pound? 12. Who won the Battle of the Pyramids?

Answers

1. Spain.

2. The reference of some question to a vote of the people.

James V of Scotland. 4. A wooden war vessel.

5. North Island and South Island. 6. The top-most bone of the

7. One of mixed European and

Asiatic blood. 8. Persephone (or Proserpine).

9. Hayes.

10. A short prayer. 11. The work required to raise

a pound-weight one foot. 12. The French under Napoleon.

### Don't Irritate **Gas Bloating**

If you want to really GET RID OF GAS and terrible bloating, don't expect to do it by Just doctoring your stomach with harsh, irritating alkalies and "gas tablets." Most GAS is lodged in the stomach and upper intestine and is due to old poisonous matter in the constipated bowels that are loaded with ill-causing bacteria.

If your constipation is of long standing, enormous quantities of dangerous bacteria accumulate. Then your digestion is upset. GAS often presses heart and lungs, making life miserable.

You can't eat or sleep. Your head aches, Your back aches. Your complexion is sallow and pimply. Your breath is foul. You are a sick, grouchy, wretched, unhappy person. YOUR SYSTEM IS POISONED.

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