gives Judy a picture of the church he

Now continue with Judy's story.

CHAPTER XV

I kept a good lookout, too. I could

see Uncle Wylie's bent figure down

at the bridge. In the living room,

cooler than the porch, the men were

put it into shape. Victor agreed;

anything was better than idly wait-

ing. Mr. Quincy could sit on the

beach and wave his flag to try to at-

"Not the beach!" For the first

time I saw Mr. Quincy staring at

Victor with genuine suspicion.

"Beach isn't visible, and you know

it. Anybody could finish me off

down there. No, thanks. I'll stay

where I can be seen by all. Then,

if some killing occurs, you can't

blame me." He told me afterward,

when the men had left the room,

he'd really begun to think Quade

was our killer. Stark fear had re-

placed his former bantering man-

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Egg Slices Ring Around Lima Bean Casserole (See Recipes Below)

Nutritious Dishes

Are you struggling with the problems of planning meals with ration-

ing or depleted stocks of food? Do you get late to market some days and find you can't find what you wanted? Then, today's recipes and suggestions will be of real help to you-for these times are

real problems for every homemaker.

Now that you are shopping not only with a budget but also with a point budget, you must plan carefully so as not to use all the precious points before your month is Use as many unrationed foods as possible, and budget those points carefully which you have to use. Never lose sight of nutrition qualities however, for your body must be properly fed to do its work.

Lima beans, rich source of vegetable protein, thiamin and riboflavin make an excellent meat extender. With three eggs and careful seasoning, it will have an unmistakable appeal-and plenty of hearty satisfaction:

Lima Beans California.

(Serves 6) 2 cups dried limas

2 tablespoons butter 1/2 cup hot water

2 hard-cooked eggs 1/4 teaspoon pepper

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 tablespoon parsley, chopped

1 egg beaten 1 tablespoon lemon juice

To cook dried lima beans, soak in cold water 4 to 5 hours or overnight. Before dinner, cook in same water 20 minutes, add salt and cook 20 minutes longer or until beans are tender.

Cream butter, add salt, pepper, parsley, lemon juice, and beaten egg. Mix well. add hot water, ? then pour over limas and cook in double boiler until creamy. Turn into a hot vegetable dish and arrange hard-cooked eggs over top

and sprinkle finely chopped parsley in a border around dish. Plump limas combined with another good protein food, cheese, in

a good main dish: *Lima Bean Cheese Loaf. (Serves 6)

2 cups cooked, dried lima beans,

pureed 1 cup cracker crumbs

tablespoons melted butter 2 tablespoons chopped green pepper

¼ cup onion, minced ¼ cup ham, ground 2 tablespoons parsley, minced 1/2 cup American cheese, shred-

¼ cup milk

Lynn Says:

The Score Card: When you plan meals these days, do it with ration book in hand. Remember, you're spending not only money but points and that requires extra keeping of accounts.

Plan meals in advance keeping in mind what you need and what points you can use to best advantage with it. Don't squander points. If, for example, you have an eight-point coupon, and need something valued at six points, try not to use the eightpoint coupon except with anything which corresponds with it.

Since canned and packaged goods will be at a premium, plan those menus carefully. Don't do without fruits and vegetables if the coupons are used up-have plenty of fresh, unrationed ones

This Week's Menu

 Lima Bean Cheese Loaf Orange-Apple Salad Oatmeal Refrigerator Rolls

Snow Pudding Custard Sauce

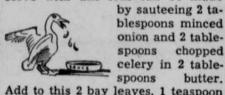
Beverage *Recipe Given

2 tablespoons chili sauce ½ cup meat stock

One cup of dried lima beans makes about 3 cups when cooked. Soak them overnight in cold water, then cook for 20 minutes, add salt Quade." and cook 10 to 20 minutes more until tender. To puree lima beans, put through a sieve.

Brown onion and green pepper in butter. Blend all ingredients except stock together thoroughly. Pack into a well-greased loaf tin. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees) you did. But I'm sure Victor for about 50 minutes. Baste fre- Quade-" quently with stock.

An excellent tomato sauce to serve with this loaf can be made by sauteeing 2 tablespoons minced cloth from the linen closet and tie



spoons butter. Add to this 2 bay leaves, 1 teaspoon whole cloves, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1 can tomato soup. Simmer 10 minutes, strain, and serve with loaf.

spoons chopped

Several times recently when I have visited the butcher, he has offered me pork tenderloin. This is an excellent tasting meat-very rich in vitamin B1 or thiamin, which prevents nervousness, restlessness. listlessness and tiredness.

Breaded Pork Tenderloin.

(Serves 4) 1 pound pork tenderloin

1 teaspoon salt

1/8 teaspoon pepper

1/2 cup fine bread crumbs

2 tablespoons water or milk Meat drippings

Cut tenderloin into 2-inch sections. Flatten. Season with salt and pepper. Dip in crumbs, slightly beaten egg, diluted, and again in crumbs. Let stand in refrigerator 15 minutes. Brown on both sides on hot drippings. Cover and cook slowly for 30 minutes.

An unrestricted meat is tongueyou don't have to carry a ration book to get it at your butcher's. Learn how to cook it, and you will really discover a culinary delight this dish, meet the requirements of for your family:

Tongue With Carrots in Spinach Nests.

1 fresh beef tongue

Water

2 teaspoons salt 31/2 cups cooked spinach 2 cups cooked, diced carrots

Cover tongue with water and add salt. Cover. Allow to simmer 1 hour to each pound of tongue, or until tongue is tender. Remove from water and skin. Serve hot, sliced. Arrange nests of spinach and carrots on platter around tongue.

Smothered Chicken. (Serves 4) 2 pounds chicken 1 pound mushrooms

1/2 cup milk 2 tablespoons butter or fat 1 teaspoon salt 1/8 teaspoon pepper

1 tablespoon flour Cut chicken in serving pieces and brown in fat. Slice and fry mushrooms until browned. Place chicken in baking dish, cover with mushrooms. Thicken remaining fat with. flour, add salt and pepper, then milk and cook until thickened. Pour sauce over mushrooms and chicken. Cover baking dish and bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven for 45

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MURDER at PIRATES HEAD By ISABEL WAITT WING RELEASE THE STORY SO FAR: Judy Jason, | He began to stroll away from the | in that casual, sneering way of his who is telling the story, receives an barn, while from the piazza Thadanonymous letter enclosing \$800 and askdeus Quincy waved a red cloth from ing her to bid for an abandoned church the end of his cane and yelled at me.

in an old chest, the body of a man identihim. "Oh, please, Mr. Quade! Does fied as Roddy Lane. The body disapshe say he did it?" I said to Quade. pears a few hours later. A fish shed burns, apparently killing an old man Victor gave a low whistle. "This named Brown who is supposed to have beats the Dutch! Listen, Judy. It's lived there. Judy finds Roddy Lane's diaa confession." mond in the handbag she left at the

church the day of the auction. Lily Kendall is found dead, with Hugh Norcross' earf around her neck. Albion Potter

sane mind, do hereby of my own accord, on this Fourth of July, confess to the murder of Rodney Lane Jr., and Lily Kendall. But I did not have anything to do with the death of that poor old man recluse, they call Brown, whom I never even saw, gathered, still talking things over. nor the burning of his shack, nor the Finally, they decided to get out explosion at the bridge. I feel sure, the least damaged boat and try to though, there were no fireworks at the Head the night before the Fourth, both were accidents. The

> " 'But my brother, Hugh, did not have a hand in any of this murder business, nor know that I had. He is entirely innocent in every way, although several things might look suspicious. I can account for all three: The initialed golf club, the blue scarf and his being seen before the crime of Roddy's death, in the vicinity, I mean, by Judith Jason and Thaddeus Quincy. He told one lie-to save me. He said, when he went out, having missed me, last

"At first, I only half suspected him," he said. "But it's all too pat. He turns up from nowhere and trouble begins. He could have done all of it. The letter, the money, the fire and the killing. He found Miss Kendall's body. Judy, stay with your aunt. I don't trust Victor

"Well, I do!" I returned with some heat. "I guess a woman's instinct is worth more than-" "Didn't do that unfortunate Ken-

dall woman much good, did it?" "You're letting this get you, Mr. Quincy. Perhaps I did it. Perhaps

"So that's how it is!" If I'd felt the blood flooding my neck before, it crept all over my face now. "I'll get you a red table-

onion and 2 table- it around a broom. That do?" 'Nicely," he said. "Then will you wheel me down the ramps, right

where I tell you?" "Uh-huh." I clipped up the stairs. The linen closet adjoined the bathroom. I found the faded old cloth I wanted and was about to run down again when the sound of crying reached me from up the hall. Poor Bessie Norcross! No wonder she couldn't sleep.

I tapped on her door. The weeping stopped immediately. I tapped again. The least I could do was to give her her brother's message. And the least she could do, I thought, was to learn how he was. I tapped a bit louder.

"Miss Norcross!" Rap-rap-rap!

"Bessie, it's Judy." I heard her stirring and waited, but she didn't unlock the door. "Bessie, I've a message from

Hugh. Open the door." I could hear her bedsprings creaking again. Then footsteps. She came close to the door. This time the cry-

ing commenced again. "I'm all right, Judy. For heaven's sake, go away. And give this to the police when they come."

Amazed, I waited for her to open the door. Instead, I heard a shoving sound on the floor, and saw at my feet a white envelope. I picked it up and said, "Did you say-police?"

"That's what I said. Have they come yet?" "No." I said, backing away, as a

feeling of horror came over me. "Well, they will. And they'll keep me awake hours asking questions, questions, questions! I've got to sleep, and the medicine won't work." She was fairly raving at me. "Hugh took the rest of it away. Oh, Judy, beg him to give you just one of those veronal-darn him!"

I was already heading for the stairs. "I'll try!" But I had no intention of getting veronal or anything else. What kind of a person was she to help trap her own brother? I never heard of anything so cold-blooded in my life. Her tone, when she said Hugh had taken her dope stuff, had been full of hate. He was such a good brother to her. and now, in his necessity, she not the scene of my broken heart and only locked herself in but helped the police.

"Come here, quick! Bessie Norcross thinks her brother's guilty! Look, she's written to the police." Victor shushed me when I told him about Bessie's letter. "Bless you! Want the crew upon us?" He wagged his dark head at the men who were standing around trying to figure how to get the boat out of the barn loft.

Without a moment's hesitation Victor tore open Bessie's letter. I was tickled mauve that he dared, yet I couldn't help wondering why he didn't let Hugh do it. A fleeting suspicion crossed his mind. If Hugh were right and Victor guilty-!

"End justifies the means, Judy."

to be auctioned the next day. She finds, "Just a minute!" I yelled back at

"Not Bessie!"

"Bessie." Victor made a quick survey to be sure he wasn't overheard and then commenced to read in a low tone:

" 'I, Elizabeth Norcross, being of bridge may have collapsed; I don't



He fell down the stairs and must have struck his head on the granite

night, about the time Judy spoke to a shadow, that he saw my light come on in my room, so he knew I was all right. He couldn't have. My room is on the other side of the house. Go look for yourselves. He did it to protect me.' "

We glanced at the inn bedroom and saw she was telling the truth. Then continued: "'Now, about the spot on my coat. It's blood. Hugh tried to save me there, also. He didn't borrow any turpentine from Mr. Potter. I did. I tried to clean off the blood, but made it worse, I guess. Mr. Potter's door was open a crack. He'd gone to town. I took the bottle from his table."

"Please, won't somebody help me down the ramp!" I heard Mr. Quincy holler again, but this time I did not turn around.

"Let him quilt," Victor said, re-

suming the letter:

" 'To make this horrible story short, I'll say that my motive was vengeance. Five years ago Roddy Lane jilted me after a summer's courtship in this very place. My brother was just a boy, but he saw me have a nervous breakdown and vowed he'd get even with Lane some day. I'd reserved that same pleasure for myself. I take the Rockville paper just to keep track of Roddy. When the auction of the church was advertised I hoped he might show up. Got Hugh to vacation here, ostensibly to prove I could again visit show him the wound didn't bleed any more. Hugh fell for it. He's been a good brother to me. I told him the sight of the Castle, where I'd laughed and danced and had my romance, didn't give me a pang any longer. It wasn't true.

" 'When Roddy walked into the dining room at Gerry's, all the old bitter-sweet love came back again. And he didn't even pretend to recognize me! I'd never wronged him. I don't have to bare my heart any more. The old adage about a woman scorned is enough. I determined to go through with it. He'd never live to break another trusting heart.

" 'I left the table, passing but not speaking to him. I couldn't bear it if he greeted me like an old friend,

which was the way he treated his castoffs. I'd studied his career and found it full of things he'd neglected to mention, such as his wife!

I'd never dreamed he was already

married while making love to me. " 'I picked up the club Mr. De Witt had been using on the lawn and went for a stroll. Everybody, nearly, had gone to town, so I thought. Hugh was in his room. I saw Roddy coming down the Castle drive. He wanted to talk to me, he said, to tell me how miserable he'd been-the mistake we'd made of our lives. Could we ever forgive ourselves! And begin again! " 'I had to steel myself against

his passion. All the old feeling came

rushing back. I was beginning to

melt like sugar. He had to get some-

thing out of the church basement before it was auctioned off, he said. I asked him if he'd meant it when he said at supper he was going to buy it. "Buy it? What for?" he said. "I only came to the Head because I knew you were down here." I knew that was a lie. Hugh and I had only just arrived the week before, quite unheralded. We went into the church-the door was unlocked-and he told me to wait but I followed him. "Roddy, are you asking me to marry you again?" I said. He took me in his arms and kissed me. For a minute I was were standing at the top of the basedown the stairs and must have nothing could be smarter! struck his head on the granite floor. Ugh! I can see him now-all smashed. I dragged him to the 39-inch material, jacket 1% yards. chest and somehow got him in. I forgot about the golf club, which must have fallen down into the pool of the most popular pattern numbers. of blood. I heard somebody on the steps-Miss Kendall, or maybe it was Judy and Mr. Quincy. Anyway, I ran out the basement door and home. Judy will remember she heard the door squeak, so I must have not quite closed it. I didn't know what to do. I considered jumping into the sea but hadn't the courage.' "

"Poor Bessie!" I murmured.

Victor turned the last page. " 'I never intended Lily Kendall any harm. She was a bore and a pest, always bragging about her niece-that Gloria Lovelace, and trotting out her pictures. Gloria was her whole life, but I hadn't come to the Massachusetts coast to hear about her. Hugh and I couldn't take a walk but it was Gloria all the way. I knew Lily had seen me earlier that fatal evening when she'd gone to watch the sunset, but before reaching the church, of course. I knew she'd seen me wearing Hugh's blue scarf around my head. I'd lost the scarf while I was with Roddy. When you all went to the bridge to connect with the milkman, Lily didn't go. Neither did I. We took a walk together toward the sea. She told me she'd picked up my scarf and thrown it into the ocean, but the wind had blown it back into the Pirate's Mouth. She accused me openly of killing Roddy. I got her to show me where, and gave her a little push, too. She fell you know where, and I rolled her toward the slit in the rock, where she struck. The handkerchief was there, all right, but I didn't tie it around her neck. It slipped out of my fingers beyond reach into the crevice. I had nothwashed away. But some wretch tied next year?-Horace. it around her neck to make it look as if my brother did it. I didn't

strangle her. She died, just as Roddy did, from the fall. If she hadn't said I killed Roddy because he jilted me I wouldn't have pushed her in. That word jilted finished me.' " "She's crazy!" I gasped.

"Oh, no," Victor said. "Just a little more of it." And he read the last pitiful explanation of that awful night.

" 'I was afraid I might be seen, so I crept out of the Pirate's Mouth. up the other side, the steep way, crawling around the cliff back of the church, and down to the strip of beach to the woods back of Gerry's barn. I got across the road to the inn and back to my room without being seen. And that's all. I'll try to answer police questions-if I'm awake. But, before God in Heaven, my brother is innocent!"

"How dreadful!" Victor sighed. "Yes, how dreadful. What does she mean-if she's awake? Does she take sleeping medicine all the time?" He jerked around and started back. "Hurry, Judy, She's pretty desperate."

"Don't worry. She begged me to beg Hugh for another pill or tablet, or however veronal comes. And I heard her say he'd refused to give her any-darn him. Her words, not mine."

"How she must love him!" "Sounded pretty mad at him through the door."

"Poor girl. No wonder she wanted sleeping tablets after writing all this." "Wasn't she brave to confess!"

"Confess? Why, you innocent lit-

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