

Malta, Comino and Gozo.

Malta Is Great Britain's Base In Middle of the Mediterranean

be exercised.

It is a peculiarity of the Maltese

Maltese Are Good Farmers.

Among the most typical of the

The lacemaking industry is tradi-

Cicero referred to Malta as a land

Solidly Built Up of Stone.

Because of the density of popula-

And every corner of the islands

Hard and Soft Woods

Prepared by National Geographic Society. | Noble Mary Inguanez, baroness in Washington, D. C.-WNU Service. ALTA, Great Britain's her own right of Diar-il-Bniet and Bukana. mid - Mediterranean This lady resides in an ancient base, is an island of and beautiful palace in Notabile. palaces and churches, and the The Baroness Inguanez represents, governor of Malta is probably cient Maltese clan of Sceberras, more interestingly housed than which once owned the promontory any other colonial administra- on which Grand Master La Valette

built the city of Valletta. The head In Valletta he has, though it is of the Sceberras family at that now mainly used for official pur- time, so tradition has it, generously poses, the massive Palace of the gave the land on which the grand Grand Masters, with its magnificent | master's palace was erected, to be state apartments, its armory with held by the grand masters on a perone of the finest collections of ar- petual leasehold for the annual paymor in the world, and its tapestry | ment of five grains of wheat and the chamber with a superb set of Gobe- offering of a glass of water from lin tapestries. These were made the palace well. for that very room at the end of The water was to be offered to the Seventeenth century by order of the head of the Sceberras family by the Spanish Grand Master Perellos | the grand master himself in the hall and they are as well preserved in of the grand council, now the throne coloring and texture as if they had room, or Hall of St. Michael and St. George. It is legitimate to supbeen completed yesterday.

The throne room served as the pose that the special opening of the original chapter hall of the British | mouth of the well outside the throne Order of Saint Michael and Saint room on the first floor of the palace, George, and is adorned with a con- protected by an ornamental grille, temporary frieze depicting various was made to enable this right to incidents in the siege of Malta.

Adjoining one side of the palace is the library, the last building of titles that, although they include the importance to be erected in Malta | ranks of marquis, count, and baron, by the order and containing a nota- there is no distinction in seniority ble collection of manuscripts, books, between the ranks, precedence becharts, deeds, and armorial bind- ing determined solely by the date ings connected with the order. The of creation. Some of the titles are archives of the knights, dating back | sonorous in the extreme, as examto the period of their rule in Rhodes, ples will show: marquis of St. which Bonaparte had not time to George, Marquis Testaferrata Oliviremove, are housed in another of er, baron of Ghariexem and Tabia,

the departments of the government. | baron of Benuarrat, marquis of Gni-Except in the hot summer months, en Is-Sultan, count of Ghain Tufthe governor usually resides in the fieha. Palace of San Antonio, between Valletta and Notabile, whose gardens, The principal industry of the isopen to the public, are celebrated. lands is agriculture, and the Mal-

The summer residence is the lord- tese, despite the stony nature of ly feudal castle of the Sixteenth | their land, are skillful and industricentury that dominates the southern ous farmers with a wonderful knack end of the island and was built by of extracting the utmost from the the splendor-loving Verdala, the soil, despite methods still somewhat only one of Malta's grand masters | primitive. who was at the same time a cardi- Maltese potatoes and Maltese ornal of the Roman church. This anges have a high reputation, vegemoated fortress is surrounded by tables are good, while wheat does the Boschetto gardens, containing | well where there is room to grow it. the sole wood in these islands so But the islands can produce only a bare of trees. There Verdala and fraction of their annual consumpguests were wont to hunt the ga- tion of cereals, and much has to zelles which he imported from the | be imported from outside.

north African mainland. Auberges of the Knights.

modern survivals from the era of The Knights of the Seven Lan- the knights are the underground guages, or nations (later eight), into granaries in the open space between which the order was divided, were | Valletta and Floriana. These are lodged in their several auberges, or sealed with round stone lids and hostels. These auberges, magnifi- still are used for conserving the iscent buildings for the most part re- land's stocks of imported grain. taining their original features unimpaired, are still in use. That of tional, and cloth is beginning to be Italy now is the museum; that of woven from locally grown cotton. Castile, the finest of all, serves as The countryside cannot be called naval and military headquarters; grand, but Malta itself, and still that of Auvergne houses the courts | more the sister-island of Gozo, are of justice; that of Provence, with pleasantly green in winter and a its magnificent dining room, the Un- rich red in March and April when ion club. The Anglo-Bavarian au- the clover is in flower. Later the berge is a school, those of Aragon freshness of winter and spring and France serve government pur- gives way to a brown aridity.

poses. The division into Langues, so of honey and roses, while the Malcharacteristic of this international tese like to call their country the Order, is manifest also in the sump- "flower of the world." This term, if tuous Co-cathedral of St. John in held to refer only to scenery and Valletta, among whose principal vegetation, might seem to verge on features are the richly decorated the excessive. If it be taken to apchapels set apart for each of the ply to the many-sidedness of Malta's Order's component nations. What interests and amenities, it is not with these, and its tombs of the altogether without justification. grand masters, its heraldic paving stones of members of the order, and its tapestries likewise given by tion, the paucity of soil, and the Grand Master Perellos, not Gobelins | abundance of excellent building this time, but masterpieces of the stone, which in the course of ages Brussels factory, some woven from takes on a beautiful golden patina, cartoons by Rubens, St. John's is the proportion of Malta's area that one of the most brilliant churches is built on is exceptionally high.

in Christendom. Beautifully crowning a rocky is eloquent of the history of the scarp that rises picturesquely al- Knights of Malta. In towns, villages, most in the middle of the island, the and even the tiny islands of Comino, small fortified burgh called M'dina from whose stony fields, where is in Maltese is one of the most un- cultivated the cumin seed from spoiled of all medieval and Renais- which the island takes its name, sance towns. It also is known by its | there rise the massive square keeps other names of Notabile, or Citta which they scattered throughout Vecchia, because King Alfonso of their territory. Aragon called it the most notable | The villages, called casals in Maljewel in his crown. It was the capi- ta, are not villages in the ordinary tal of Malta before the knights came | sense. They are compact stone and Grand Master La Valette built | townships of tall houses and nar-

the city which bears his name. Consisting almost entirely of con- substantial baroque architecture vents, churches, and the roomy, and sometimes holding a population stately palaces of the Maltese no- running into five figures. them only as a narrow streak of cally, is the parish church, usually a om with a low front and back. blue, Notabile is indeed a gem of a baroque structure of golden sandbygone era and a haunt of ancient stone flanked by two massive towpeace.

Nobility of Malta.

Malta has its own nobility, recognized by the Court of St. James', own committee of privileges.

Hard wood is the wood of the dewith an official precedence granted | ciduous or broad-leaf species—that by the Maltese government and its is, the trees which shed their leaves. They include maple, oak, There are 25 of these Maltese birch, hickory, beech, poplar, gum, peerages, most of them feudal titles | chestnut, mahogany, walnut, cherry granted by the grand masters, but and teak. Soft woods are the woods one of them goes back to the Four- of the evergreen needle-leaf trees teenth century. The present holder and include white pine, yellow pine, of this venerable title and the pre- spruce, cedar, douglas fir, hemlock mier noble of Malta is the Most and cypress.

You Must Have a Glamorous Blouse

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



THERE is a disposition among "above-the-table" effects, as they please to term it, and this is where the blouse of gleaming lame weave plays a stellar role. Your jacket or caped suit or your fur coat may be as conservative as you may inunderneath witness a blaze of glory when it is revealed. For a fact, the with an artfully gathered bodice and flange points at the neck which the gullible public. sist but when it comes to the blouse

like that, this season. What's more, though it's hard to believe, notwithstanding its unmistakable-luxury appeal, when comes right down to figuring it out a blouse of gorgeous sparkling metblouse as dreams may picture.

prohibitive in price, on the contrary are to be had these days at com- go stepping during the mid-winter paratively little cost. For formal social whirl. wear silk lame is favored not only If not a blouse of glittering lame silk core reduces tarnishing haz- dress of silver weave like the one ards. As to the newer styling the pictured in the center background. blouses that look festive with much This type is a perennial favorite, glamour and glitter feature the same | and somehow they look prettier than corseted waist, high bust line, ever this season. See the clever

seen in the smartest dresses. mal afternoon suits show sleeve in- afford to be without a cunning pock- Bing Crosby a doctor's degree in terest concentrated on top. Pin et like this, to our way of thinking. music. Now Northwestern univertucking, shirring, cutout or contrast- And the adorable hat with its dev- sity's going to bestow the honorary ing encrustations of mat on brilliant astating veil done with the usual degree of "Doctor of Innuendo and or vice versa are used as trimming Lilly Dache artistry, what more Snappy Comeback" on Charlie Mcfor otherwise simple blouses. To the right in the picture we

show a turquoise silk lame blouse | night clubs, publicity seekers, and smartest dress-up blouses are just makes it a 1937 model. This attractive style is also adapted to large sizes in which the corselet effect is modified. The points of the collar may be turned down for the shorter

The blouse to the left is the last al cloth is a perfectly safe and sane word in modish detail. Firstly, it adventure in economy. How so? plays up glitter and glamour to a Well, it dresses you up at a mo- finish. Secondly, it carries the mesment's notice and accommodating- sage of stripes, and the matter of ly conceals itself under a friendly stripes in elegant fabrics, especialjacket when you do not want to be ly in luxurious lames, is very imtoo dressed up. And if you are in portant this season. In this instance the "make your own" class, all the material is black and silver that's needed is a yard or so of lame. Then too this blouse prohandsome fabric, a simple pattern claims the very advance and widely and a determination to do and dare | heralded high surplice model which in order to acquire as elegant a is fashioned along the new molded

for its smartness but because the then choose a shirtmaker cocktail draped bodice and close fitting neck little pocket with the decorative monogram embroidered in green Many silk blouses completing for- silk. No lame shirtmaker dress can started something when it awarded could a debutante desire?

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CURL COIFFURE By CHERIE NICHOLAS



dours may give way to bobs for a dresses with stitching or beading to time, but they come back again," give a two-piece effect in front with explained Charles Dana Gibson in | natural waistline in back, detail ac discussing his famed Gibson Girl centuates the bustline and gives a of the 1890s on his recent birthday. long, slim waist, and suit coats are And now New York and Paris ar- from hip to three-quarter length. biters of fashion confess that the new styles for Palm Beach and Daytime Furs Have More Southern wear have been to a great extent inspired by the Gibson Girl. The "1937 Gibson Girl" shown here coiffure which Twentieth - century | three-quarters boxy coats for sports, her to arrange herself with one of every conceivable description. row streets, solidly built in good the new automatic bob pin curlers. This beauty gadget shoots curls into | the Revillon collection. Jackets and the hair in almost the twinkling of coats of three-quarters length are an eye. It works so easily and sim- made with elbow-length puffed treasured items of collectors. The veteran bility, surrounded by a moat and by Their outskirts may be dignified ply the curls can even be done after sleeves, the costumes worn with screen star, graduate of the Copenhagen a complete cincture of walls and with the spacious country house of slipping on this striking two-piece matching long gloves. A mink day- Arts school, covers the margins with bastions that rise superbly above some nobleman, concealed behind flame-colored chiffon evening gown time jacket has capelike loose the plain, with narrow, shadowy high walls amid charming gardens | made with an ingeniously sleeved | sleeves to the elbow. streets along which sandaled friars | —the beauty of the Maltese gardens | capelet to slip on after dancing. pad their silent way, streets so nar- is celebrated—while the focus of the | The gown is made tight fitting along row that the sky appears above casal, both literally and metaphori- corseted lines, draped over the bos-

VERSATILE PUMPS HIGHLIGHT FASHION

By CHERIE NICHOLAS

small because of its glovelike fit.

The open-throat pumps are hailed with delight as they do away with the cut-in discomfort across the instep. Other pumps are sandalized two hours a day to learn just the er place is on the scaffold. attractively while others are fashioned along d'orsay lines. For the many who love pumps but do not have pump feet there are soft step ins styled in fascinating variety.

Tunic Blouses Styled on

Modern Greyhound Lines With "greyhound" lines, Mainbocher's ideal for daytime, slim tunic blouses are shown with dark suits and handknit sweaters come well down over the hipline instead of stopping at the waist. The illu-"Fashions may change, pompa- sion of the length is achieved on

Variety Than Ever Before Daytime furs this season have glories in a modern pompadour curl more variety than ever before, with science has made it possible for classic dress coats and jackets of

Short sleeves are outstanding in

Barrel Sweater The barrel sweater is becoming a campus favorite.

What Women Want to Know About Fashions

Draping is used this season to design high necklines for afternoon. Golds with browns and navy are shown in a variety of styles for

Chic accessories shown for winter wear in Paris fashion houses are an integral part of the costume. A cuff on the hem of a skirt is something to consider if you are looking for new fashion themes.

Sheer stockings are the rage these days regardless of the weather. Calot and three-quarter coats of colorful suede delight the younger

Knitted and crocheted hats are being shown to match sweaters of new sports costumes. Ombre-shaded hosiery proves that the fashion world continues to clamor for novelties.

DUST Movie · Radio *** By VIRGINIA VALE ***

HE best motion picture of years, according to the figures on the cash registers, is "Nothing Sacred." This mad and merry story through which Carole Lombard and Fredric March scramble draws such crowds to theaters wherever it plays that engagements are being extended even in smaller towns where two-day showings are the usual rule. In big cities, it looks as if "Nothing Sacred" had settled down to spend the whole winter.

Carole plays the role of a village beauty who comes into national prominence when a doctor says that she

has radium poisoning and will live but briefly. They soon find that he was mistaken, but in the meantime a metropolitan newspaper has assigned one of their reporters, Fredric March, to fill her last days with enough excitement to act as a circulation builder for the paper. Hilariously the picture

Fredric March pokes fun at newspapers, doctors,

proven so popular at the box office | mats and napkins so that the ma- | whipping the edge as I have shown that Hollywood producers are vying with each other thinking up extravagant star-studded casts for their new pictures. Columbia is going to have Grace Moore share top billing with Edith Fellowes, whose singing in "Little Miss Roughneck" is a thrilling surprise. Bing Crosby and Fred MacMurray are going to be teamed in "Harmony for Three." Jack Benny is going to abandon musicals for once to appear opposite glamour-girl Franciska Gaal in "Never Say Die."

Before starting his picture for Warner Brothers, Rudy Vallee line. And please to take note of the rushed back to New York for a night Not that the ready made blouse is cunning hat and whimsical veil. Yes | club engagement. Popular as ever, indeed, this ensemble is a perfect if not more so, he drew such vorce)—How long have your reit's surprising what lovely models | criterion of what to wear when you | crowds that hundreds were turned | lations been unpleasant? away. One old friend who managed to get a ringside table was Frances | been as nice as pie. It's his who've Langford. Called to the stage to be | caused all the trouble. introduced to the crowd, Frances told, with tears streaming unashamedly down her cheeks, how much it meant to her to have Rudy Vallee send for her a few years ago to sing on his program.

Gonzaga university certainly Carthy. Edgar Bergen,. Charlie's mentor, worked his way through college at this same Northwestern by presenting Charlie in shows.

Leopold Stokowski is slated to receive various honorary awards for advancing the cause of classical mu-Pumps in every imaginable inter- | sic on the screen in "One Hundred | greatest one for billing and cooing pretation are conspicuously in the | Men and a Girl." But Stokowski I ever saw." foreground now and will be even | believes that Mickey Mouse can do more so in the spring showings. even more to popularize great mu-There is a new seamless kind that sic. He has offered to arrange and spells comfort itself at the same direct the score of "Sorcerer's Aptime that it makes the foot look | prentice" for Mickey. Don't be surprised if it is advertised as "One Hundred Men and a Mouse."

> Bette Davis is going to school right Southern accent for "Jezebel"



and Professor Dalmerly of Louisiana | tor's name was? State university, reports that she is proof the very small I know it. roles in this picture is played by Henry

O'Neill who knew Bette Davis and Bette Davis Henry Fonda, costars, nine years ago when they were all with the Cape Cod Playhouse. O'Neill was the star then. Fonda painted scenery and Bette was an usher.

ODDS AND ENDS—"Three on Match," the picture that launched Joan Blondell, Bette Davis and Ann Dvorak toward stardom will be remade featuring Warner Brothers' newest discoveries, Lana Turner, Gloria Dickson and Mary Maguire . . . The bearded outlaws is "Robin Hood" had to clank tankards of root beer instead of the ale the script called for, because Bidwell Park, where the scenes were filmed, was endowed by a prohibitionist . . . Jean Hersholt's scripts for "Dr. Christian" are rapidly becoming sketches during rehearsal . . . Spencer Bentley played both Betty and Bob on a recent broadcast when Betty Reller fainted just before broadcast time. Early in his stage career, he did a female impersonation act so he wasn't nervous. © Western Newspaper Union.

Fossils in Amber The age of the prehistoric fossil nsects imprisoned in amber has been placed by Harvard scientists

at 60,000,000 years, making them

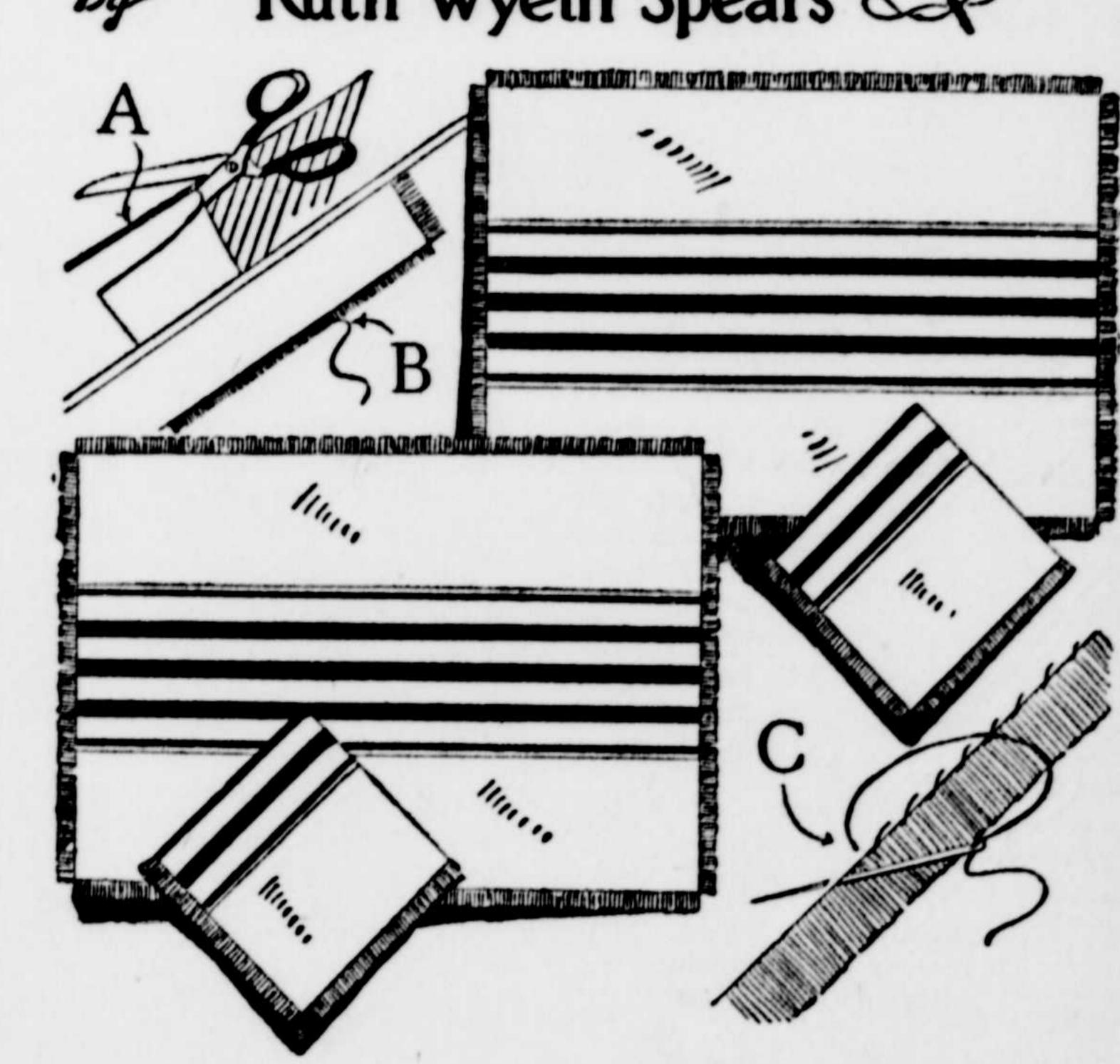
among the oldest survivals of life

on the earth. Donnybrook, Ireland Donnybrook is part of the city of Dublin. It was famous for its fair, which was first held in 1204. It was abolished in 1855 because of the

fighting and debauchery for which

t had become notorious.

Ruth Wyeth Spears 3



Make Luncheon Sets of Striped Material.

mats and napkins it is best to pull inches. a thread to guide you so that the Pull out the threads to make the edges will be perfectly straight fringe at the edge as I have shown and fringe easily. Cut right along here at B. From a half to threethe little opening made in the ma- quarters of an inch is a good depth terial by drawing the thread as for the fringe. Save the threads New combinations of stars have | shown at A. Plan the size of the | you pull out and use them for

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Fly in the Ointment Attorney (to wife seeking di-Wife-My relations have always ____

You can't catch cold from leaving off your bad habits.

LESS COOING



"Before marriage she was the "Well, she hasn't changed much

only the billing has increased."

Building Contractor (who called upon to respond to a toast at a public dinner)—Ladies and mal that can laugh, but we believe gentlemen, I am not accustomed that a dog does. to public speaking, and feel very out of place here-er-my prop-

That's Me O'Flanagan (to hospital attend-

Attendant-Doctor Kilpatrick.

Attendant—Why not? O'Flanagan-I'm Patrick.

THE napkins and mats are terial will cut to good advantage I fringed and then whipped to and the stripes will arrange themkeep them from raveling and to selves in a pleasing way through strengthen the edge. This is a the center of each piece. Napkins very quick and easy finish to use for this purpose may be as small for linens of the coarser weaves as nine inches square though and is in harmony with peasant many people like them a little dishes and provincial furniture. | larger than this. The mats are In cutting the material for the usually about eleven by eighteen

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Charged for Ignorance

There are no new laws of Nature, but men never seem to learn the importance of those that already exist.

If we must gossip, let us gossip about the important people dead and gone. That's what most of the new biographers do. We envy the Indian for at least one thing. He doesn't make ex-

Reason why it is so hard to suppress noise in the big city is be-

cause big cities up to 1890 used to be proud of their noise.

Deadens Our Outlook It never did any good to dwell on gloom and regret.

Why do men like to march in parades? None of the Emersons. Carlyles, Maupassants, Montaignes, Charles Lambs or Dr. Samuel Johnsons have ever fig-

Almost every man is important

-to some one. Man is said to be the only ani-Everything is in the top drawer

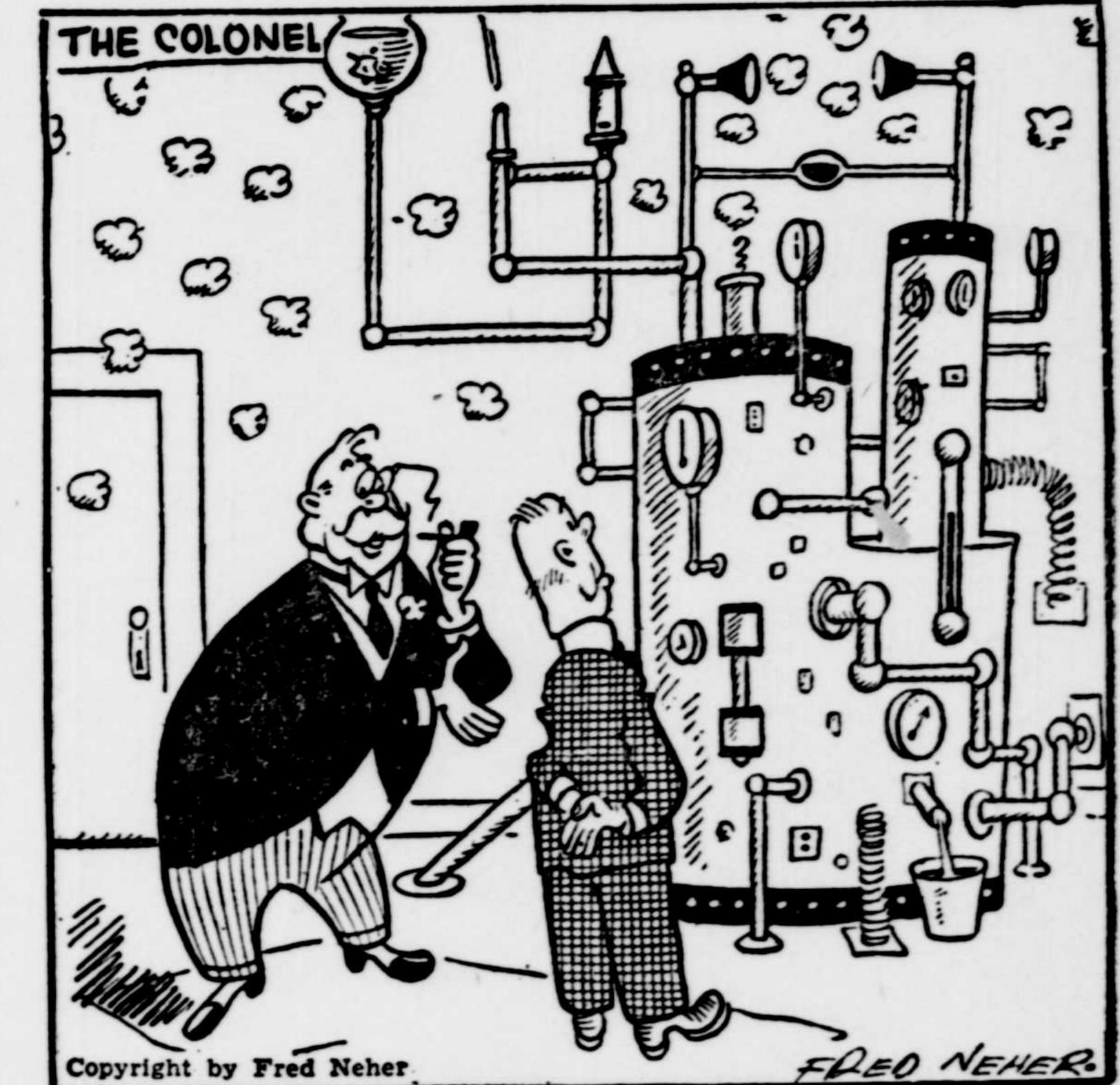
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By Fred Neher LIFE'S LIKE THAT



"I'd like to take out a patent on it, but I'll be darned if I know

what it is."