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GIRLS GET CHANCE

The female sex has long sought more recognition in urnalism without much success, but now with the war, begins to look as though e gals will get their break. Have You Met . . .

Happenings of Long Ago

5 Years Ago Aug. 5, 1937



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Spreaders

The candidate stood before his audience, pleading for their votes; upon the stand he scanned at times the words upon his notes; with arms outstretched, his voice a-quiver, he thundered eloquence; what mattered if the whole he said was lacking in good sense? The night was cool, the audience sat in a coldish chill—the hot air uttered by the voice was warming, so the bill for paying into government's hands the taxes that come due are cheap, indeed, for all the warmth that candidates give you. So feel not hardly, Friend, when come elections o'er our land, for this is how we get our fun—to learn what profound stand the seekers of our votes have taken on the problems many that confirmed in our current us on every side, that cost a pretty penny. The stand they take, alas, alack' is not on. Truth's side often: they stand on publishes that tend, as semeone said before: "what' dendered and twendered eacher than platform words said by one whose stand is a manure spreader?"

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There are individuals in every community who take pride in their aloofness from organized religion, although riully conscious of some very definite heliefs.

We have no criticism of this attitude if it represents real independence and the insability to give acquiescence to the tenets of any available church. When it is based on a conviction that the individual is not good enough to helong to any church, we think the man or woman is making a mistake, even though we recognize the provaction that comes from the church members who are always ready to tell everybody else what to do and how and when to do it.

If all of any would frankly admit our own appeared nature and realize that organized the serve house beings all our instrument of serve house house, and our attributed to serve house house, and house the realize therance to others, the way would be open to greater growth of church membership.

Truth of the matter, the failure of some church where distinct personal and social gains can be secured, is not to be blamed entirely on the absent individual. This thought in gift sound like treason to some dowout readers, but a little thinking on the subject to the contract of the property of the presentable church leaders might bring results.

results. A MAMBR OF LOCAL BESIASS concerns and residenters paid \$5.00 recently for failing to observe the last blackout in Birmingham; it was agreed that none of them intentionally were negligent. No sensible person, failing to turn out all lights, should object to being assessed; after all, in case of an actual raid, a light attracts and guides the enemy—and he or she who fails to turn out all lights is aiding the enemy, no matter how unintentional the failure is.

The U.S. ARMY PLANS to open a shoe-repairing shop, to re-condition no less than 5,000 pairs of shoes each day. That certainly is saving a lot of soles for wearers who are not heels.

Paper Is a
Fire Hazard

The War Production
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with so great a public response that there is
now a surplus of waste paper, and no need
now for further collections, except in a few
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The National Board of Fire Uyderwriters has issued a simple set of commongense rules, which should be rigorously observed in handling waste paper now and in the future. The paper should be in tightly tigh bundless and shemever waitable a balling matchin landled, there should be no smoking. Churches, schools, club houses and other public or semipublic huildings should not be used for proposed to be supplied to the paper is stored, suitable aisless should be maintained between piles. Care must be taken to see that the windows are not blocked, that the paper is not scattered loosely about. The storage place should be periodically inspected by a fireman or some other expert.

In the home, similar safeguards are essential. If the paper is stored in the basement, it should either be kept in a covered how or tied in bundless not over eighteen inches high. Bundles should not be stacked or top of each other, and storage must be well away from furnaces or stoves. Matches should never be struck near the paper.

The observance of such rules as these will go a long-way toward eliminating the danger of fire. Safety lies in understanding the hazards—and then taking the definite steps that will offset them.

INDEED, IT IS VERY DIFFICULT even to imagine that Satan himself will be in the mood to welcome Hitter when this gent shuffles off this mortal coil.

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