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## BOOKS AND REVIEWS

### The Unforgotten

Author: Ilse Stanley  
Publisher: Beacon Press  
Reviewer: Gay G. Sykes

When one is attempting to review such a book as *The Unforgotten* by Ilse Stanley, it is not so much a literary effort one tries to evaluate as it is a personal expression of an approach to life.

The author, a German Jewess, refuses to allow her own tribulation during Hitler's regime to color her considered judgment.

Her living concept of love in its largest sense puts to shame many pious Christian attitudes as well as many of her own co-religionists' views. For this reason alone, Mrs. Stanley's record is truly remarkable.

Having suffered all the degradation, savagery, and terror that Jews experienced while Hitler held sway, the Stanley sees the futility of revenge and the absolute necessity of re-education.

LOVING GERMANY as her homeland, she says, "The future of Germany, of Europe, and of the whole world cannot be solved by intellect alone but by clear, impartial, analytical judgment, honesty, simplicity and humanity."

And she can also say, "I know that hate is wrong and love is right; and that is the creed I follow with all my heart."

Perhaps her book is fraught with moments of rather florid personal

revelations but, nevertheless, the central theme, that of her refusal to become another "convert to hate and revenge," stands magnificently aloft her entire venture.

THE AUTHOR truly did stand at the edge of the abyss of hate and in the spring of 1936 her career in the theatrical world came to a close and she began her second life, that of rescuing scores of doomed men from concentration camps. Working up until 1939 when it became an impossibility to continue, she then fled to America to undertake a third phase of endeavor.

Having established herself here, she now is unflinchingly attempting to bring to fruition a personal vision which she calls the Bridge Builders. It is epitomized by this verse:

There is but one path  
Across the abyss of hate  
The bridge.

From my heart to yours,  
Its practical implementation as well as the entire experience preceding it makes a truly inspirational book and a must for all thoughtful viewers of the contemporary international scene.

### 20,000 Miles South

Authors: Helen & Frank Schreider  
Publisher: Doubleday & Co.  
Reviewer: Louise Renfrew

Today's armchair traveler seldom makes his pilgrimage by jeep. In 20,000 Miles South, he not only rides with Helen and Frank Schreider in their jeep, but he learns to cross open bodies of water in like manner.

The Schreiders are yesterday's pioneers with a lighter touch, and we look forward to their next adventure with real pleasure. Their fresh, young outlook and zest for life is contagious and the reader is reluctant to close the book.

THEY MET and married while still in the University of California and had planned a South American honeymoon after graduation. With an amphibious jeep they reasoned, they could be the first to take a jeep from California to Tierra Del Fuego via the Pan American Highway.

They found the battered bulk that was to be the Tortuga. But work on it rested for three years while they went to Alaska to earn the money for the trip. On Jan. 3, 1955 the trip started. On January 23, 1956 they rolled thru the streets of Ushuaia, mission completed.

The intervening months make fascinating reading. Though border officials could not define the vehicle and were reluctant to give clearance, small boys could and did, making it necessary to hide, garage or lock up each night.

THE TRIP through the Panama Canal with all the dignity of a Queen Mary, the horrifying climbs over tortuous mountain trails, the heat and biting cold, the sullen natives and the friendly San Blas Indians, the waiting making of motor parts, cocktails with the sophisticated, picnics on the sites of ancient cities, storms at sea and on land, mud desert or forests to be pulled or pushed thru, teas with governors and male with gauchos, all are delightfully penned and beautifully illustrated.

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### Glenn Ayers Gets BS Degree At VPI

Glenn M. Ayers, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Ayers of Puritan road, Birmingham, was graduated from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute of Blacksburg, Va. with a BS degree in business administration—public administration option.

Glenn served as first sergeant in the VPI corps of cadets, and as a member of the cadet senate, the student governing body. He was affiliated with Alpha Kappa Psi, national professional fraternity of business and commerce. He plans to enter law school in the fall.

### Birmingham Student At Shattuck School

John Calhoun, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Calhoun, of 31709 Bellvue trail, is a senior group member in the 43rd summer school camp at Shattuck School, Fairbault, Minn. The school combines for six weeks the activities of a summer camp with classroom instruction by members of the faculty.

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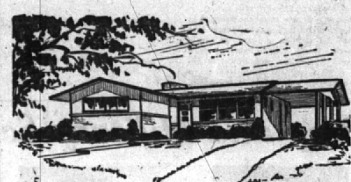
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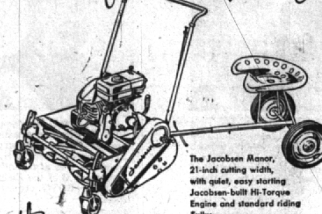
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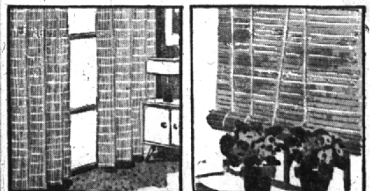
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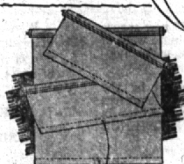
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