

**Favorite Recipe of the Week**

**Asparagus au Gratin**  
**ASPARAGUS AU GRATIN** is just the dish to serve when you are looking for something especially good to eat that is easily and quickly made. The recipe given here calls for a medium-thick white sauce, but instead of making it you may prefer to use a can of cream of mushroom, pea, or celery soup. The soup adds flavor and eliminates the task of making sauce. If you use the soup, heat it with the cheese and serve over the asparagus on toast.

4 tbsp. butter  
 4 tsp. flour  
 2 cups milk  
 1/2 cup grated cheese  
 Salt and pepper  
 1 can asparagus  
 6 slices toast

Melt the butter, add the flour, and stir until smooth. Add the milk and cook until thick, stirring constantly. Add the cheese and season with salt and pepper. Heat the asparagus tips in their own liquid until they are hot. Arrange the tips on the toast and serve with the hot cheese sauce.

Fried slices of pineapple would be good to serve with the asparagus. Sprinkle the slices ever so lightly with sugar and brown in butter.

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**Impression of Pleasure**  
 For all knowledge and wonder (which is the seed of knowledge) is an impression of pleasure in its self.—Bacon.

**Nation Celebrates 250th Anniversary Swedenborg's Birth**

AMAZING as it seems that one mind could encompass so many varied realms of knowledge, nevertheless it is true that Emanuel Swedenborg, the 250th anniversary of whose birth is being celebrated this year, made important contributions in many fields of science, theoretical and practical, in statesmanship, philosophy, and religion.

In 1716-1718 he published the first scientific periodical in Sweden, containing records of his mechanical inventions and mathematical discoveries, which included the first airplane design to have fixed wings and moving propeller, the first air-pump to employ mercury, and the description of a method for determining latitude and longitude at sea by observations of the moon among the stars. In the "Principia," a work on physics and cosmology, he arrived at the nebular hypothesis theory before Kant and Laplace. He was 150 years ahead of any other scientist in his works on the functions of the brain and spinal cord, and on the functions of the ductless glands.

Swedenborg served as an active member of the parliament of his country for more than fifty years, introducing fiscal reforms and much general legislation.

At the age of fifty-five Emanuel Swedenborg discontinued his scientific pursuits and began his work as a theologian, publishing the "Arcana Coelestia, Apocalypse Explained"; "Heaven and Hell"; "Four Doctrines"; "Divine Love and Wisdom"; "Divine Providence"; "Apocalypse Revealed"; "Conjugal Love"; "True Christian Religion"; and other miscellaneous theological works. Information regarding the life and achievements and the works referred to, will be sent without charge by application to the Swedenborg Foundation, 51 E. 42nd St., New York City.

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**STAR DUST**  
**Movie • Radio**  
 \*\*\*By VIRGINIA VALE\*\*\*

**SONJA HENIE** is the most honored young woman in motion pictures these days. Recently she went to Washington to receive the cross of Knighthood of the Order of St. Olav, conferred by the Norwegian government through their minister to Washington.

A few days later her ice ballet, the same one you will see in her film "Happy Landing," played a benefit at Madison Square Garden in New York City sponsored by an impressive array of Carnegies, Astors, and Rockefellerers.

Beneficiary of the occasion was the Children's Village which lends a helping hand to New York's prob-



Sonja Henie

lem children, and thanks to Sonja a staggering number of thousands of dollars was raised.

Sonja expresses her gratitude for all these honors in neat little phrases, but she doesn't get the least bit cocky about it. She seems as completely unspooled, as completely oblivious to her unique position in the entertainment world as Shirley Temple does.

Gracie Allen, long radio's queen of nonsense, is at last to get the recognition she deserves from Paramount pictures. They are having the author of Philo Vance murder mysteries write "The Gracie Allen Murder Mystery." She will be the star, and no less a celebrity than John Barrymore will portray Philo Vance.

When Jack Benny first started talking about that rattletrap old car on his radio program, it was just the figment of a script writer's imagination. By the time radio audiences developed a hilarious attachment for his wheezy old motor, Jack began to wish that he really had one, so he and Mary Livingstone made the rounds of used-car lots and found just the car of their dreams. It is a 1921 model and cost thirty-five dollars.

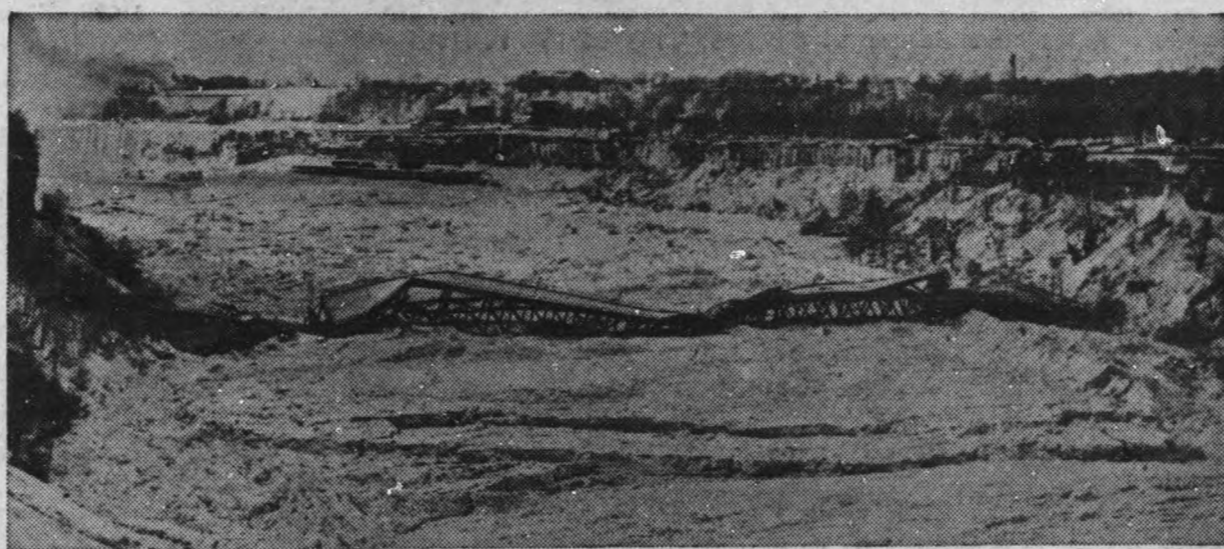
That long-promised return of Gloria Swanson to the screen is postponed indefinitely again. Columbia pictures, which had planned to have her play the lead in "Holiday," have decided instead to give the leading role to Katherine Hepburn. Joan Bennett and Cary Grant will be featured with her, so it promises to be one of those knockout pictures that Columbia turns out with unfailing regularity whenever they borrow ranking stars from other studios.

Radio stars are much more thrifty than the early motion-picture stars. Most of them invest their earnings in businesses that are not so dependent on youth and entertainment whims of the public. Jack Fulton, tenor of "Poetic Melodies," has bought a half-interest in a Fifth avenue haberdashery. Ethel Owen of Edgar Guest's "It Can Be Done" program, owns a dog and cat hospital in Milwaukee and is president of a dog biscuit company. Truman Bradley, commentator on the Sunday evening hour, is president of a cosmetic firm.

Three young men whose youthful ambitions were strictly serious have become radio's great comic trio. Lanny Ross and Charles Butterworth studied law, and Walter O'Keefe started out as a newspaper man. It was Walter's adaptation and revival of "The Man on the Flying Trapeze" that flung him into night club entertaining and from there to radio.

**ODDS AND ENDS**—On his return from a concert tour of 30 cities, Igor Gorkin will get his final American citizenship papers... Of all his triumphs Ken Murray is most proud of being asked to be master of ceremonies at the President's birthday ball in Washington... Warners have changed their minds again about who is to be the new Torchy Blane. Now it is Lola Lane who will play the role... Of all the stars in "Hollywood Hotel" it is Benny Goodman who gets the most riotous response from the audience... Alice Brady is headed for more big dramatic roles since "In Old Chicago," but first she will do another comedy "Good Bye Broadway" for Universal. Tommy Rigg of the Wallace weogram will appear in a supporting role. © Western Newspaper Union.

**Ice Tears Away Niagara Falls Bridge**



This twisted mass of steel girders among mountainous blocks of ice is all that remains of the 40-year-old Falls View International bridge which collapsed into the ice-filled gorge below Niagara falls after resisting an ice jam for 24 hours. This view of the famed "honeymoon bridge" was made from the American side. The noise of the crash of the 4,500,000-pound structure blotted out for a moment the roar of Niagara falls, 500 yards upstream. Thousands of spectators watched as the girders buckled. Workmen who had been sent into the gorge to strengthen the bridge's supports narrowly escaped death when the crash came.

**100 HOURS AWAKE**



Miss Ruth Jimmerson, nineteen, of Unadilla, Ga., one of six students at the University of Georgia who completed 100 hours of voluntary insomnia in a psychology experiment "in the interest of pure science."

**Looks at Record Between Dips**



Far from the sidewalks of New York and minus his brown derby, Alfred E. Smith, former governor of New York is pictured reading his newspaper between dips in the briny at a popular resort club at Palm Beach, Fla. The "Happy Warrior" enjoys an annual mid-winter vacation in the South.

**Farr Gives Tardy Handshake**



Tommy Farr, left, shakes hands with Jimmy Braddock, who won a surprising ten-round decision from the Welshman at Madison Square Garden, New York, recently, as the two met in Promoter Mike Jacobs' office. Farr, greatly disappointed over the result, said he had not seen Braddock coming over to shake his hand. A day or two after their amicable meeting, Jim Braddock announced his retirement from the ring.

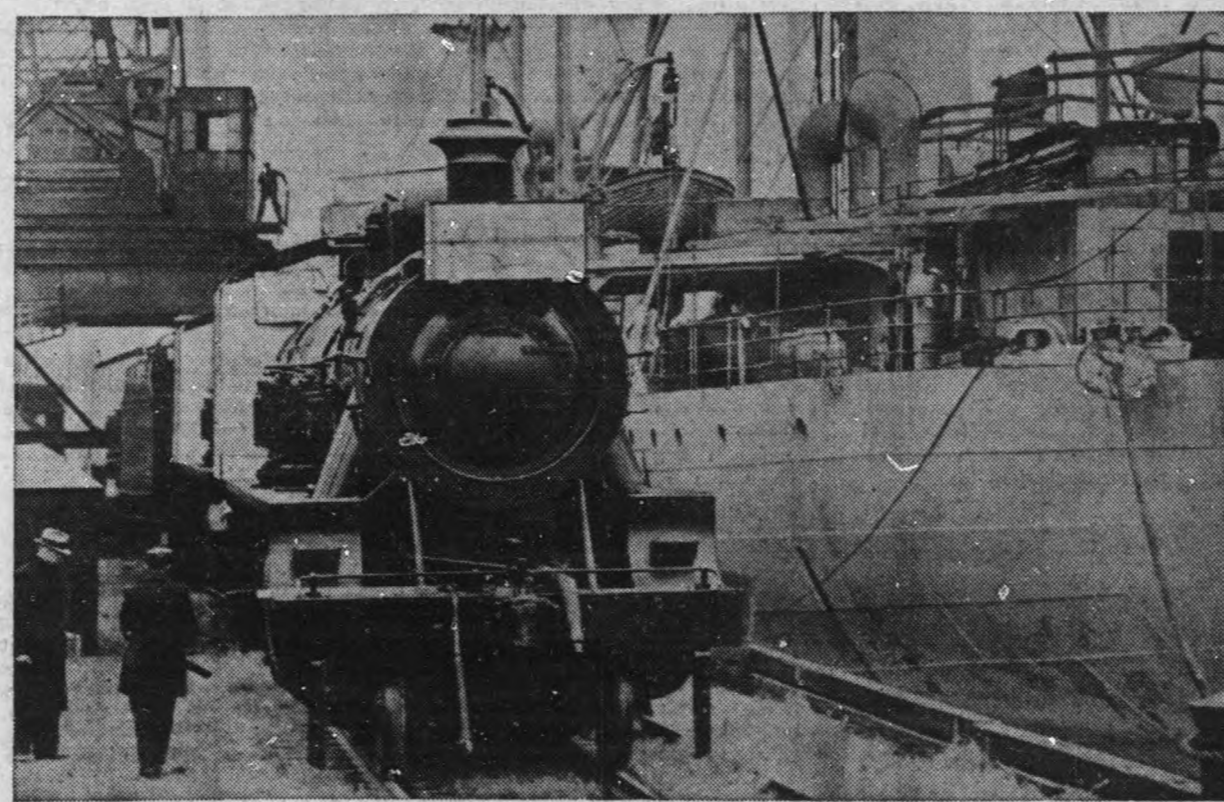
**Golfer Picard Shows Affection for Pet Putter**

Henry Picard kissing the putter that helped him win the Pasadena \$3,000 golf open over the Brookside course at Pasadena, Calif. Picard



was victorious with a total of 276. He made the final turn home in 35 which added to his outgoing 34 gave him a total of 69 for the final round and 276 for the tournament.

**American Locomotives Bound for China**



First of a shipment of 20 locomotives being shipped to China by American locomotive manufacturers from Philadelphia. The shipment, one of the biggest made from the United States in recent years, was bought and paid for by the Chinese government. Plans for getting the locomotives past the Japanese blockade were not disclosed.

**IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson**

By REV. HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, Dean of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, © Western Newspaper Union.

**Lesson for February 20**

**CHOOSING COMPANIONS IN SERVICE**

LESSON TEXT—Mark 3:7-19, 31-35. GOLDEN TEXT—"For whoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother—Mark 3:35.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Twelve Men Who Went With Jesus. JUNIOR TOPIC—Twelve Men Who Went With Jesus.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Working With Others for Christ. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Comradeship in Christian Service.

"God can save a man who is all alone on the top of the Alps." So spoke one who sought to discourage another who wanted to give his life for Christian service. No one questions that God could thus carry on His work in sovereign power, and that there are times when He does that very thing. But ordinarily God works through men. It was "the sword of the Lord, and of Gideon" (Judges 7:18).

What a glorious, inspiring truth it is that God calls men into companionship with Him for service. Sinful and weak though they be they may become strong and holy, and do valiant service for Him.

**I. The Need of Christian Workers** (vv. 7-11).

Although the hostility to Christ was growing apace among the religious leaders, the people thronged about Him in the hope they might have deliverance from the devil and from disease. The need was so great that the Lord Jesus now prepared to call those who were to be His fellow-servants.

The multitudes are in just as desperate need of Christ and of the ministry of His church today. Why, then, do they not crowd the churches and press in around His servants? That is the question over which leaders of the church are puzzled. There may be many reasons, but we suggest two as being at least worthy of careful thought. The first is that we live in a time of apostasy. In the time of Christ men had only begun to hear His message of deliverance. In our day men have heard and heard again and have hardened their hearts.

Another reason is that in many, perhaps most, instances, the church has so far separated itself from the Lord that it has no power. Needy men are not interested in the dead observance of religious forms. They want to see the workings of the power of the Most High God.

Whether men know their need or not, whether they throw our churches or not, their very need of Christ should impel us to serve the Master in reaching them. The love of Christ should constrain us.

**II. The Call to Christian Work** (vv. 12-19).

Much might be said at this point but we must limit ourselves to two thoughts. Note that the Lord chooses his own workers; we do not choose to work for Him. Then be encouraged by the fact that He chooses men of widely differing gifts, temperaments, and personal characteristics.

Then we note that He called some of unusual ability, others with little ability; some learned, and some unlearned—fishermen, a tax-gatherer, and others of various occupations. Note that none were by profession preachers. What a comfort it is to those who are in Christian work to remember that it is not what we are or may have been that counts; it is what Christ is and what He can do through us!

**III. Preparation for Christian Work** (vv. 31-35).

God has many ways to prepare His servants—but it seems that they all experience the heart-breaking disappointment of misunderstanding and the heart-warming joy of intimate fellowship with the Lord.

Look at verse 21 and you will realize that the family and friends of Jesus thought He was crazy because He devoted Himself so wholeheartedly to the service of His Father. Is it not strange that if a man becomes a scientist he is honored if he ruins his health in zealous research? If he is a business man he may burn the lights late in the pursuit of wealth, but if he chooses to give his life to the greatest of all occupations open to man—service for Christ—his friends and relatives try to deter him by calling him a fanatic.

Beautiful beyond words is the other side of our picture. Those who serve Him are "to be with Him" (v. 14). He sends them forth to preach, and gives them power. Yes, they even become the members of the most intimate family circle. "Behold... my brethren" (v. 34).

**Vain Regrets and Grief**  
 Forgive!—the years are slipping by, and Life is all too brief—A time will come when it's too late for vain regrets and grief.

**Come Apart and Rest!**  
 Even the busiest lives must have their breathing times, when the ordinary strain of effort is relaxed.

**Unconscious Benefaction**  
 It may well be that the good we unconsciously do exceeds the sum of all our purposed benefactions.

**Smiles**

From Now On, It Was Marigold—Young lady, I'll have you understand my word is law. Sally—Well, here's where I make a few amendments.

A sporting friend tells me of a referee who swallowed his whistle. A blow below the belt?

A Respite  
 Rastus—Dat's better. I don't like to see yo' all frowned up. But does dat smile mean yo' forgives me?  
 Mandy—Stay away, man, I've just smilin' to rest my face.

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