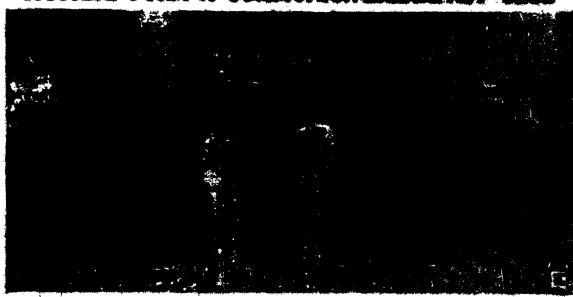
#### OFFICERS FORM A COMMUNION-BREAKFAST CLIE



In front of the USO Club in Bermuda, a group of Catholic essence of the U. S. Mary Personnel sigtioned at the Naval Operating Bane timer, are pictured following their for Breakfast. Consersing forbide the mention of the names of the affin

## TIMELY ETERNALS

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#### GROUCHY POLICEMEN

traffic regulation. I told him I thought but I politely invited him to give me a ticket and prom-ised him I would explain things to the judge. He dea fittle slip, but

continued to strafe me with strong innguage. Afterward when the in-cident was reported to the captain, it evolved that "Big Jim," a forvent frishman, had mistaken me for the fanatic minister of the Carrie Nution type, who was abusing free speech around New Orleans in a crusade to rest citizens of the right to take a drink some-

As a rule are policemen gentla-ien? We think they are. The trouble with them is thet, most of the time, they are exposed to such lack of consideration on the part of the public, most of whom are trying to get away with murder, it takes the staming of a saint to pleasant and good-humored, And, naturally, it would be some-what idle to look for saints on the

A man who is charged with the safety of people, especially a traf-fic cop at a busy corner, must have an iron constitution, both as to nerves and physique. He is bound to be high-strung all the time, covering four directions in an effort to protect people from injury, to pray for the repose of the soul He remains at his post of duty in of this particular Sister. She had the beating rain, the broiling sun been or the intense cold for hours at a time.

Drivers and pedestrians constantly disobey orders, either ignorantly, absent-mindedly or arro-gantly. In the last class are the offenders who are a thorn in any good policeman's side, "the boys with a political pull." If they are stopped, the officer is bound to get abuse, he cannot answer them back of give them a ticket, for it will not mean anything, or it may cause him to be fired or demoted; if he looks the other way and lete them get by with their offenses, he will be criticized or he will permit these favored individuals to endanger lives. That forced function never tends to improve his

phychology. Then, he has to contend with the dear lady drivers, so many of whom are blissfully unobservant or nervous in tight spots. The bachelor-maiden tescher was coming up a busy street, sweetly and unconcernedly crossing the traffic light. The policeman approached her car, holding up his hand, and, after she stopped he asked her, Madam, do you know what it means when I hold up my hand? She affably replied, "Son, I surely do. I have not been teaching school for nothing the last thirty years. You want to go home an help mother do the washing: What could the policeman do in

that case? Blush and lot her pain. A policeman, in his daily round of duty, has to face and deal-with fastest growing organization.

It was in September, 1915, the day after our historic trop ical storm in the South, that I was driving down Canal Street.

and was suddenly signaled by a traffic policeman to stop. The big, burly monthpiece of the law more arbitrary and contrary popuroused to tell me what he ple than anyons che, and munity thought of me. According to him, ander trying cheminateness. Therefore, humanly speaking, it is not fair to expect him to be very pleasant. We should be considerhe was mistaken ate and keep that in mind when one afficially approaches us,

whather we are guilty or not. Never thinking, or trying to place ourselves in the position of others with whom we have to often creates unpigesant, strained and cometines bitter feelings. Exaggerating our age, we imbue our-solves with the facilith expectation that everybody should react, according to our personal moods and disposition. It frequently happens that we are manyone of the trials and troubles, the hidden grief or molering, of people with whom we have to deal. We never give it a thought that a certain person may have a real mann or a good rea-nen for not appearing and acting normally. We preced at each to put him in our little book of sense-less criticism as somebody impos-sible, a grouch, "a pain in the neck"; whereas, if we could know or would to try to guess his or her alvokest allmost or mental misery. physical aliment or mental misery, we abould be moved by compansion and sympathy and should not increase his unhappiness.

Some years ago, in connection with my work, I had to confer, quite frequently, with a Nun in an orphan naylum. She never had a smile, and she seemed to be dissatisfied with the world in general. Hence, our relations were not too happy. One day, the head of the institution phoned to request me to pray for the repose of the soul days before, and it was found that her liver was esten away by cancer. The poor thing had suffered excruciating pain for years with-out telling anybody about it.

Charity demands, in abnormal cases like this, that we petiently consider what might be wrong with the other person.

#### Visiting With God

Our love for God should be so strong That nothing or no one could make it falter.

His love fee us indeed is boundless, for At Mass each day, He lives upon

the alter.

tall.

Behind the Tabernacle will, hid-His silent Form awaits a friendly But, busy man top often hurries past

Feating on life goods, scandal rumor Te no avail. An animated fraud Bereft of all the pleasures to be had

Pursuing earthly shadows as they

with God. -C. J. Keller

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#### The Farmer's "If"

If you can do the job of any totlor. Carpenter, mason, plumber, engineer. If you san drill a well, and mend

a boiler, And practice fifty other trades a

If you can run machines, and doctor cattle, Keep setting hene on duty at their nests;

If you can fight an unremitting With endiese armies of invading peaks;

you can face the haunch of the weather. Gambling with nature with your all at stake, when luck's against you al-

together Fight on, and never let your

osurage break; If you can hold your patience when you're coping With drought or flood, with blight and smut and scale, lose, and start again, and

keep on hoping. In spite of all the harvest that might fail;

If you can share the burdens of your neighbors Gladly, but leave their own atfairs, their own;

If, notwithstanding all your and-Your spirit keeps its warmly human tone)
If you can see your every task as

thrilling Because, though sometimes wearily you plot know each stubbern sere you

are tilliar new wealth you've created from the mod;

If you can feel a joy in turning over The good brown earth in fur-

rows clearly run; If you love scent of onts and wheat and clover And yellow corn that ripens in

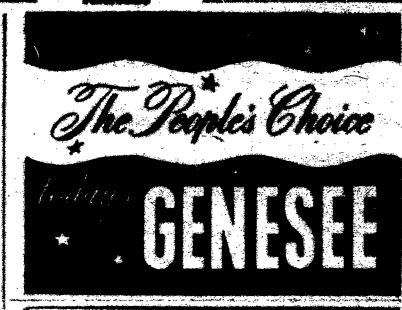
the sun; If you don't rob the soil, yet go on getting From every acre all that it is

worth. You are a FARMER, son and I am betting You wouldn't trade with anyone on earth.

-Berton Brakey (Reprinted by special permission of "The Saturday Exminy Post," copyright 1938 by The Curtis Publishing Company).

#### Nazis Deport 500,000 Children To Germany

LONDON. - The number of children kidnaped all over Europe by the Germans, according to actimates made public in Switzerjand. exceeds more than 200,000 and may be as high as 700,000, according to a report received by KAP, Polith Catholic Press Agency. Since 1941, the report stated, the Nasis have been deporting children be-tween the ages of 2 and 8 to Gor-MARY.



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