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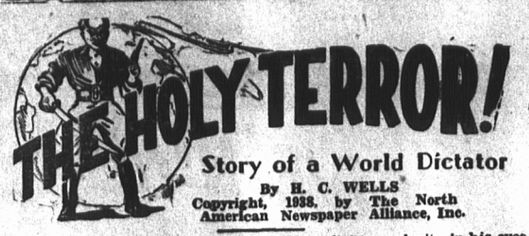


## Story of a World Dictator

By H. G. WELLS

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### CHAPTER XV. THE POPULAR SOCIALISTS

To these conferences in the Steenhold flat there presently came a bunch of young men from Lord Horatio Bohun's once hopeful Popular Socialist Party. At first they argued with Rud, and then they crystallized about him.

"But this is our stuff," they said.

"No," said Rud, "It's what your stuff ought to be. If it had more bones and less white meat." They were ripe for Rud. The spirit of their movement was changing, and they realized the need for a renewal of its vitality. They were growing up mentally, and the idea of being thoroughly disagreeable to Jews and long-haired communists no longer satisfied them as an objective in life. They no longer flaunted decorative purple shirts because the wearing of party uniforms was now rather heavily penalized, and that loss of color also was reflected in their bearing.

The biggest of them was a man named Rogers, some sort of amateur boxing champion, with a streak of almost maternal protectiveness in him and a bias for a good clean vigorous fight. He did not mind very much what the fight was about, and he hated to think it might lead to bad feeling. Bodisham, another of them, seemed to be a born director; he would have been an able producer of films or plays and he played chess and was said to play bridge with a swift, uncanny realization of how the game was going. Later on he was to justify his reputation and become a brilliant controller of meetings and party maneuvers. And he was to end as one of the greatest of constructive statesmen. Rud perhaps had a quicker grasp of a general situation, but it was instinctive, not reasoned; Bodisham's turn for either massed details or isolated details was not to be equalled. And when it was a question of the scientific handling of a problem Rud gave way to Bodisham's perforce. Bodisham had come out of the London School of Economics; his first ambition had been to supplement the mental deficiences of Bohum. When he had found that they were not to be supplemented, he had turned to Rud. He was the only one of the group who wore spectacles; it seemed to accentuate his claim to be the intellectual influence in the party. Irwell came in from a stockbroker's office. He was living by sub-editing a financial paper, and when he talked of money the others listened with respect.

Another of this bunch was a man whom Rud had a haunting sense of having met before. His name was Colin Dreed. At first Rud could not think where they might have met, and then he identified him, though not with absolute certainty, as one of two purple shirts who had visited his rooms in his second year. Dreed perhaps had an equivalent doubt, and at times Rud would catch a slight perplexity in his eyes, an expression of inadequate recognition. But nothing was ever said about it. Dreed was now nearly an adult and no longer that bright potential furniture-smasher of Rud's second year. But he was still essentially a partisan. He did whatever he was told, and he always did it with a faint suggestion of surprise at not having thought of so obvious a thing himself. But he never thought of it himself. One or two other purple shirts and ex-purple shirts came less regularly and talked less freely, but these were the nuclear personalities of what was destined to be Rud's primary organization.

It was evident to him that all these young men were extremely dissatisfied with Bohun's leadership, and that they did not know clearly what to do about it. They felt misdirected and frustrated, and yet they still retained something of the good intentions that had brought them into his movement.

Many years ago Lord Horatio had come into British politics with a considerable flourish, as a young man of wealth, position and influence, destined to play a brilliantly unorthodox role in public affairs. He had also evidently proposed to himself a wide conspicuousness as a splendid individual. He had narrowly escaped the House of Lords; his brother was the Duke of Wybrow, a defective so defective as to be unfitted for anything but procreation, in which indeed he had been eminently successful.

So Horatio, cut off from any hope of a Dukedom and a senatorial career by a growing zareba of nephews, had decided to be the British Julius Caesar; the Duce, the leader of a renascent patriotic Britain. Plus Byron without the limp. At first everything seemed to favor him. There had been only one insurmountable obstacle to his ambitions, but that was hidden from him, a complete lack of originality in his makeup. He was so completely destitute of ideas that he had no ideas. He behaved therefore as though he had ideas, and for a time there were admirers to share his illusion.

He had been what is called a "spoilt" child, the favored younger brother, and he was still essentially Lord Horry." He had one of these faces whose features seem asymmetrical and confused when seen in front, but which have a certain resemblance to handsomeness in profile; he was pale, freckled and red-haired, with the rebellious forelock so frequent with romantic personalities, and his voice was arrogant and adenoidal. He carried himself with a certain solemn haughtiness, breathing heavily, with a projected chest balanced stiffly against a projected behind. At first he had proposed himself as the rising hope of the Liberal Party; but in those days very little was left of the Liberal Party except rising hopes; many of them were already middle-aged and they had shown very clearly that an addition to their numbers would be unwelcome. He was an imperious rather than a patient wooer and so he had transferred his proffer of leadership almost convulsively to the communist wing of the Labor Party.

Here again his reception was inadequate; the Labor Party did not seem to realize in the least what an accession this splendid and brilliant young aristocrat would be to its all too pedestrian front, and while he was still reluctantly realizing this poverty of the leftiest imagination, the successes of Mussolini and the Nazis gave a new turn to his ambitions. He became the sedulous student and ape of the Italian and German adventurers, not realizing that there was a certain incongruity between their methods and formulae and the peculiar large scepticism of the Anglo-Saxon tradition, with its lamentable disposition toward facetiousness on serious occasions.

What was more natural than for the rejected romantic leader of the Reds to invert himself in another swift transformation, become an anti-Red, and stretch out his strong right arm to protect the rich old ladies of the land from the Red Horror? They responded to his heroic gesture with copious subscriptions and profuse press support. Lord Thunderclap and all the Daily Clarion group of newspapers hailed him with enthusiasm. He was speedily in a position to provide headquarters, highly decorative purple shirts, brown belts and a sense of purpose to a perceptible following of unemployed young men. So far as the police would let him—and at first they let him quite a lot if only on account of his rank—he organized a series of demonstrations against the Reds, and he induced the Jews to advertise him by a campaign of annoyance and menace against these far too responsive, expressive people.

So it was Lord Horatio after his abortive explorations of the alternative avenues to the Left of Life, made his definite entrance upon the political scene from the Right. No further transformation was possible for him for there was nothing more for him to copy. He was now past the first blush and beauty of youth and he found himself in a bright limelight of expectation. For a time—indeed until the dynastic trouble about the Duke of Windsor in 1937

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## A Morning Smile

### QUICK WORK

"I've just called to compliment you on your service," said the old lady to the Postmaster. "Yesterday I received a telegram all the way from London, and when I opened it the gum on the envelope was still wet."

### GETTING TIRED.

The new vicar (during a lengthy discourse on the minor prophets): "And now, my brethren we come to Malachi. Where shall we put Malachi?"

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### Mothers and Fathers Must Use Judgment and Diplomacy in Seeing to it Their Children Meet the Right Kind of Prospective Mates

The question of how much parents should interfere with their children in the selection of their mates is one over which fathers and mothers, sons and daughters have fought ever since Cain and Abel went a-courting. Dad an Mom have felt that their superior wisdom and experience, and the fact that they were not blinded by passion, made them much better able to choose a suitable wife for John and a good husband for Mary than they could for themselves. John and Mary retorted that inasmuch as they were the ones who had to live with their wife and husband they had a right to do the picking.

Outwardly, in this day of emancipated youth, that is an academic discussion in which parents seldom have any way of enforcing their views. If all Father has to look forward to is his old-age pension, he obviously can't keep John from marrying Myrtle by threatening to disinherit him. Nor can he terrorize Mary into marrying the rich old widower he has picked out for her husband by telling her that he will turn her out of house and home if she doesn't. For Mary, who is self-supporting, would like nothing better than being able to set up her own little bachelor apartment.

But, while, on the face of it, it may not seem to matter to the cocksure youngsters who are head over heels in love, whether they have the parental blessing or no, or whether Mother and Father are going to receive the new daughter or son who has just been wished upon them with open arms or give them a welcome with icicles hanging on it, in reality it does make all the difference in the world.

Because family relationships do not end at the altar, and nothing else causes more heartbreak or more divorces than Mother not liking John's wife, or Father disapproving of Mary's husband. On the contrary, nothing does more to make marriage a grand sweet song than for in-laws to belong to that same class and sing harmoniously in the same key.

Of course, primarily marriage is the children's business. It is John who has to work his fingers to the bone if he marries a spender, or have his spirit crushed if he marries a nagger. It is Mary who has to flash a souse out of the gutter if she marries a drunkard, or take in boarders to support a lazy loafer. But when these catastrophes occur it is not the children who suffer alone. The parents agonize with them.

When John's wife runs him in debt and Mary has to leave her good-for-nothing husband and come back home with the children, it is Father and Mother who have to pay the bill for their ill-advised marriages. So rathers and mothers DO have some right to a say-so in the marriages of their children because they have to underwrite them.

But the difficulty lies in how to do this, for it is true that the one who is undertaking to live with another person for forty or fifty years has a right to choose his companionship. It is also true that the success of a marriage depends not so much upon the intrinsic worth of the wife or husband a man and woman get, as upon him and her suiting the tastes of those who marry them. Unfortunately, parents seldom like the same dish in individuals any more than they do in food. Father thinks of marriage in terms of roast beef and domesticity, while son craves caviar and romance.

Nor are parents infallible in their judgments of mates for their children. All of us know mothers and fathers who have kept their daughters from marrying poor men who become millionaires, and who forced them into marriages with rich men who became paupers. We have seen mothers who broke off their sons' marriages to splendid girls because they were not in the social register. And other mothers who inveigled their sons into marriages with spoiled society debutantes who broke their hearts. This has made us feel that marriage is one of the things whose results are so unpredictable and so fraught with weal and woe that we dare not meddle in it.

Hence about the only thing that parents can do with safety in influencing their children's marriages is to try to surround them, as far as possible, only with boys and girls whom they would not object to them marrying if it came to the pinch. For to let drunkards and rogues, addle-pated little flappers and hard-boiled little gold-diggers and shiftless, lazy ne-er-do-wells have the run of your house and play around with your children, and then try to keep John or Mary from marrying one of them is folly.

DOROTHY DIX.

## How Can I ??

(By ANNE ASHLEY)

Q. How can I treat my gums so as to harden them?

A. Use salt on the tooth brush occasionally instead of the usual toothpaste. This invigorates the gums, and if used with cold water is an excellent mouth wash or gargle.

Q. How can I remove a glass cork which has broken off in the neck of a bottle?

A. Hold the neck in boiling water for a few minutes, and then tap gently with a wood block.

Q. How can I restore the luster which has disappeared from oak furniture?

A. Try applying hot linseed oil with a flannel cloth.

## THE COOK'S CORNER

### White Christmas Cake

Three-fourths pound fresh butter, 3-4 pound fruit sugar, 6 eggs (add 1 at a time and beat well sultana raisins, 1-2 pound red and after each addition), 3-4 pound green glazed cherries, 1-4 pound candied citron peel (shredded), 1 thick slice candied pineapple (sharedded), 1 teaspoon baking powder, 4 cups sifted flour. Cream sugar and butter well, add eggs, 1 at a time. Flour the fruit, then sift the baking powder with the remaining flour. Add flour gradually to the egg mixture, then add the floured fruit. Mix well, place in greased and paper-lined loaf cake tins, and bake in an oven of 200 degrees for 3 hours. A tablespoon of rosewater gives a delightful taste to this cake.

### FRUIT CAKE COOKIES

Two cups sugar, 1 cup butter, 2 eggs, 3 cups cake flour, 3 teaspoons baking powder, 1-2 teaspoon cloves 2 teaspoons cinnamon, 1-2 teaspoon nutmeg, 3-4 cup milk, 1-2 cup candied pineapple, 1-4 cup chopped citron, 1 cup each raisins, glace cherries and walnuts.

Method: Cream the sugar and butter and add the eggs one at a time, beating hard after each addition. Sift the dry ingredients and add alternately with the milk. Chop the fruit and nuts and mix them in well.

Drop by spoonful onto a greased cookie sheet and bake in a moderate, 375-degree F. oven until they are a delicate brown. These will keep for months.

### Shortbread

Two cups flour, 1 cup butter, 1-2 cup icing sugar. Cream butter and add sugar, gradually, beating well each time. Add the flour, a very little at a time, and beat well.

Pat out on a floured board about 1-4-inch in thickness. Cut in finger lenths or rounds, prick each cake with a fork and bake in slow oven, about 325 degrees Fahrenheit, until a light brown.

## Modern Etiquette

(By ROBERTA LEE)

Q. Is it good form to praise any member of your family to outsiders?

A. No; it is almost as bad form as praising yourself.

Q. Do the expenses connected with use of the church and hotel ballroom come under the financial obligations of the bride's parents?

A. Yes.

Q. When buttering a piece of bread, should one hold the bread in the left hand or keep it on the plate?

A. Hold the bread against the plate while buttering it.

## Household Scrapbook

(By ROBERTA LEE)

### Oily Skin

Try the following astringent lotion for oily nose or skin: Alum 35 grains; rosewater, 3 ounces; thick almond milk, 6 drams. Dissolve the alum in the rosewater, and pour the mixture slowly into the almond milk, beating it constantly with a silver fork. Apply several times daily with a soft linen cloth.

### Stiffened Shoes

If your shoes have become stiff from being wet, you can soften them by first washing in warm water and then rubbing them well with castor oil.

### Frying Doughnuts

Doughnuts can be kept from burning if a few slices of potato are placed in the lard while the doughnuts are frying.

## The Housewife — AND — Her Activities

### A YULETIDE THOUGHT

Now, isn't it wondrous thing,
The joy that Christmas Morn can bring
To them who have throughout the year
So little, in their lives, of cheer?
But, wouldn't it be better, much,
For him who hath to get in touch
With them, less fortunate than he,
And try to end their misery?
To do this every chance he gets;
Quietly, and without regrets?
For then he'll surely find himself,
Devoid of all desire for pelf,
Except for that with which he can
Do some good for his fellowman.
Would not this be a splendid way
To have a year-round Christmas Day?

—By Thomas A. Hanley.

### SUPERSTITION

It is curious that the superstition about spilling salt has come down to our day, for even now there are people who imagine they will have bad luck in consequence. The notion is absurd, of course, but at one time it was universally believed, though from Roman times it has been thought that the evil could be averted if a pinch of salt were thrown over the left shoulder with the right hand. It is interesting to note that in Leonardo da Vinci's famous picture of the Last Supper we are able to recognise Judas by the salt cellar he has accidentally knocked over.

Salt is often mentioned in the Bible .In the Book of Genesis is the curious old story of Lot's wife who, we are told, was turned into a pillar of salt; and in the Book of Numbers we read of a covenant of salt which could not be broken. Jesus spoke of the good as being the salt of the earth.

### SPORTSWEAR BECOMES VERY DRESSY

The windbreaker type of jacket is becoming more and more popular. Both a child of sportswear, the windbreaker or lumber jacket has insinuated itself very strongly into dress developments.

Although some 2,000 species of termites are recognized, they fall into two types: the entirely wood-dwelling insect of the far south and the subterranean type.

The female of the pugnay fish carries the eggs in her mouth during incubation. When hatched, the young dart back into her mouth if frightened.

When cutlets, fish rissoles, and so on are to be coated with egg and bread crumbs, a little olive oil should be beaten up with the egg. It improves the dressing and helps to bind the crumbs. Fillets of fish should be wiped dry with a soft linen cloth before they are dressed with egg and bread crumbs.

When liver has been sliced ready for frying, it should be dipped in milk before it is placed in the pan. It will then be more tender when cooked.

### FASHION FLASHES

Light colors are noted for suit blouses.

Pleats are a feature in the Lelong collection, with several blouses in tiny box pleats and youthful suits with short fitted jackets and pleated skirts, suggesting a continuation of this silhouette in jacket-and-skirt "matchmates."

Schoolgirl blouse types of white dimity are among the many blouses to be worn. Fitted afternoon chiffons in gathered and draped ideas are also mentioned. An evening blouse costume here is an eyelet embroidered cotton blouse and jacket worn with a black tulle skirt.

### APPROPRIATE WRAP FOR "HOOPS"

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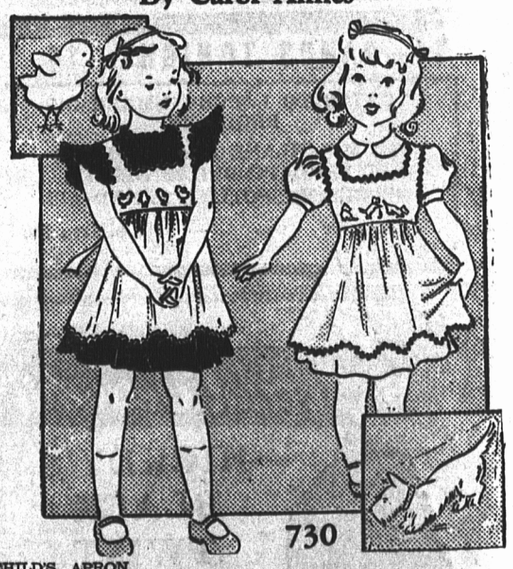


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