

THE SHIP'S ANNUAL INSPECTION



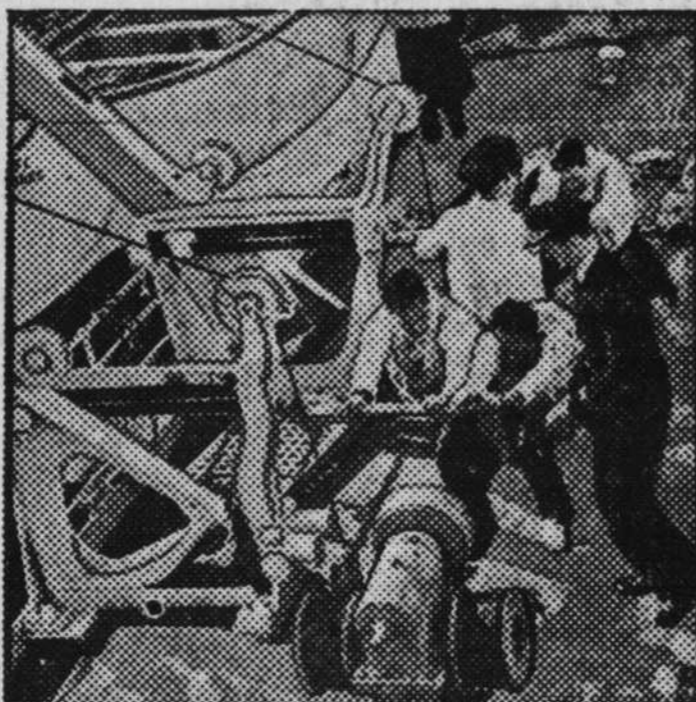
Grace Line's "Santa Lucia" gets its annual inspection. The U. S. government inspectors and Grace Line's Safety Engineer, John Allen, on the right, look aft from the "Santa Lucia's" starboard sun deck during the crew's fire drill.



The Chart Room, testing the radio direction-finder. By noting the readings of the maximum, checked by the minimum, intensities of any two known light-houses' call letters, the position of the ship can be calculated.



The Radio Room, radio equipment gets its annual fire drill test. Most important in emergency, radio transmitters must also be foolproof, so the radio operator dons his gas mask and tests the 500 watt "distress band" transmitter.



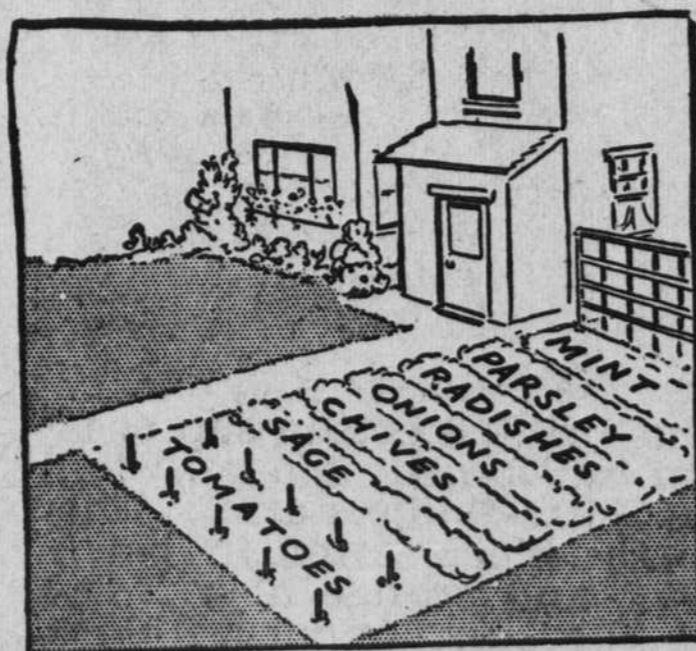
The Crew, "Santa Lucia," starboard boat deck. Lifebelts are on, lifeboats are cleared, seamen are at their stations, two stewards swing over the captain's lifeboat, always the No. 1 boat, to be lowered for rowing drill in port.

The Man With the Hoe Says



MARROWS SHOULD BE PICKED WHEN ONLY A FEW INCHES LONG.

The vegetable marrows make a delectable dish for the gardener who grows them. They are best cooked when very young. Pick them when the skin is so tender it breaks with a slight pressure of the thumb. They like a rich soil, good cultivation and plenty of moisture during dry spells. Destroy bugs as you would on squash or cucumbers. The bush type marrow should be picked when only 2 inches long. Start indoors for early crop, and outdoors for late summer crop.



Grow a vegetable garden no matter how little space you have. Even a 10 foot square will produce as much radishes, lettuce, spinach and carrots as a family of four can consume, and twice this area is large enough to take seriously.

Plan for succession crops (one after the other in the same row) and companion crops (sown in same row, one to mature and be eaten before the other). This procedure will double and even treble the yield.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ronnow have returned from a months visit in Pasadena with their son, Leon, and his family.

Ramber Writes Of Death Valley

DEATH VALLEY JUNCTION, Cal., April 18—As has been the custom for the past five years, religious Sunrise services were conducted in Easter Bowl at the sand-dunes in the northern end of Death Valley headed by Acting Superintendent T. R. Goodwin.

It was an ideal morning, and the services were impressive. Mrs. Harry Gower sang "An Ode to Death Valley," as she has done every Easter morning at the Sunrise Services for the past five years. Through the courtesy of the National Broadcasting Company, as the concluding quarter hour period of one hour of broadcasting by the National Park Service, Washington D. C., the services in Death Valley were sent out over the air.

Father John J. Crowley, of Lone Pine, conducted religious services at Furnace Creek Inn, at 5:15 A.M., Easter morning.

Thirty or 35 automobiles, carrying students and instructors from the College of the Pacific at Stockton, toured Death Valley during the past week. They were patrolled and assisted by a California State Highway patrolman, and were well organized and prepared for camping out and roughing it. They entered the Valley via Olancha, over the Darwin cut-off, and camped at the sand dunes near Stove Pipe Wells, Monday night; camped at Tanks, 10 miles east of Furnace Creek Inn, Tuesday night and arose at 4:00 A. M. Wednesday for the climb to Dante's view, after which they returned to the Tanks for breakfast. Then to the pool at the Inn for a swim, then to Las Vegas and Boulder Dam, Wednesday. They returned home by way of Baker, Barstow and Bakersfield.

Calvin Morgan, a resident of Salt Lake City, driving a truck loaded with four and a half tons of oranges consigned from San Bernardino to the Ely and Eureka, Nevada, mining district, went over the grade at 1:00 o'clock last Sunday morning at a point 15 miles south of the Junction.

The truck burst into flames and was entirely consumed; some of the oranges were salvaged but nearly half lost. Mr. Morgan was brought to the emergency hospital where an examination showed that he was not seriously injured. Auxilliary Driver Lon Thomas, who was sleeping at the time of the accident, escaped injury.

Young Byron Hughes, son of John Hughes of Pahrump Ranch, 30 miles southeast of the Junction, was in town the other day. In conversation with the Rambler he stated that several hundred acres had been sown to barley. This is on the ground planted in cotton last year. The large acreage of cotton planted on the old rancho last year did not "pan out" as well as had been hoped and expected, and was virtually a failure; just the exact cause or the light yield could not be definitely ascertained.

It is estimated that there is available, for irrigation purposes on the ranch, around 900 miners' inches, which by the newer method of calculation would represent about 10

Commission to Hold A Hearing

The Public Service Commission of Nevada will hold a hearing at the Clark County court house Tuesday morning, April 26, at ten o'clock to consider two applications.

R. A. Colton has made application to sell and Floyd Francis to buy, a certain certificate of public convenience and necessity previously issued by the Commission.

H. D. Abbot makes application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a common carrier of property between Las Vegas and Mesquite.

All persons, interested in the above applications may appear and be heard.

Witcher Finds Health Is Good

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Witcher returned Tuesday evening from southern California where they spent the past two weeks.

While in California Mr. Witcher spent a few days in the Loma Linda Sanitarium for a general checkup on his physical condition. He was advised that there was nothing wrong with him organically and that the run down condition which came upon him the past few months is the simple result of overwork.

From now on, Mr. Witcher declares, he will do a little less work and considerable more fishing.

ENTERTAINS GRAND MATRON

Mrs. Oscar Peiffer was hostess at a prettily appointed luncheon Saturday honoring Grand Matron Hattie Rulison, O.E.S., Carson City. Other guests were Past Grand Matrons Mary Belle Park and Eva Gibson; Grand Ada, Florence Ray of Caliente; Grand Ruth Ethel Dixon of Boulder City; Velma Van Eaton, Worthy Matron of Southgate Chapter, Lillie Pistole and the hostess, Grand Warder.

BABY IN STANFORD HOME

Coach and Mrs. Harvey Stanford are rejoicing in the advent of a new son, Monte Gene. The young man made his appearance at the Las Vegas hospital, Thursday evening, April 14.

second feet. This is all artesian water flowing out with no pumping necessary. The Rambler was informed that Hughes has developed around 300 inches of this flow by sinking five or six new wells, during the past year. Young Byron informed us that he was blessed by the arrival of a new sister born to Mr. and Mrs. Hughes at Porterville, recently where Mrs. Hughes has resided during the winter.

Miss Margurite Fuller and party, friends and chauffeur, toured the Valley last week on their way home from a trip which took them to the Grand Canyon of the Colorado, Boulder Dam and then to Death Valley. They were registered at Hotel Amargosa. Miss Fuller is the daughter of George P. Fuller, head of the Fuller Paint Co., with headquarters in San Francisco.