





# DWINDLING CATCH SUGGESTS WHALE FACES EXTENSION

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LONDON (UP)—The savagery which marked man's assault on the wild life of the American great plains and the African veldt is being repeated in the slaughter of animals of the ocean. Scientists and marine experts warn that economic extinction of many valuable forms of life may be imminent.

This season's whale catch in the Antarctic, last stronghold of the world's largest mammals, was less than it should have been after a seven-year respite. Hunting lagged during the war when men were busy killing men instead of other animals.

Latest totals on the whale catch are incomplete. Russian and Japanese catches were not reported with those of other countries, but early estimates said over 15,250 blue whale units were taken, giving 1,772,934 barrels, or 295,489 tons, of whale oil and 67,725 barrels, or 11,287 tons, of sperm oil.

That would amount to a total of 306,776 tons of whale products. By an old-time whaler's rule-of-thumb, the figure, divided by 10, would give the approximate number of whales actually caught—30,678. The term "blue whale unit" is used by the international whaling convention as a convenient term for classifying catches. All types of whales are grouped, according to size and output, in accordance with the worth of that gigantic prize of the sea the blue whale.

That sounds like an enormous single season and it is. But in the number of whales to be killed in a record year of 1938-39, when more than twice the number of expeditions were working than went south this season, over 45,000 whales were killed.

Fewer whales than that were taken annually in the "golden age" of whaling 100 years ago, when Nantucket, New Bedford, and Hobart, Tasmania, were the world's major whaling ports. And yet it was the comparatively primitive whaling of that day which chased the great beasts from six of the seven seas.

Will the relentless attack on their final retreat in the Antarctic Ocean obliterate this type of animal life?

"The years of respite during the war have done little to halt the decline in the whale population," Harald B. Paulson, Norwegian whaling authority, said. "There is no hope for pelagic whaling without strong international regulation."

The decline, he said, was most marked in the best species—the blue whale—where reproduction dropped about 17 per cent. Will that mean their extinction?

One of Britain's foremost marine zoologists, Prof. C. M. Yonge of Glasgow University does not think so, although he fears they may be driven into economic oblivion.

"Man, the hunter, has inflicted a terrible loss on marine mammals," he wrote in an article in a British scientific publication. "Fortunately it has not been



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worth his while, to drive them to final extinction."

The fate of the whale has been duplicated in the case of virtually every sea mammal having economic importance. But only one, the siren, or sea cow, was a completely wiped out.

Other valuable animals have been almost wiped out. The time was when 12,000 walrus tusks were sold annually in San Francisco. In 1852 about 900 walruses were killed in a single day near Spitzbergen.

Seals have suffered a like fate. By timely international action, the valuable fur seals of the north Pacific were preserved and the United States-controlled Pribiloff Islands rookeries were protected.

## Rare Augustinian Book Preserved

SCHENECTADY, N. Y. (UP)—Union College has added the first Italian translation of St. Augustine's religious masterpiece, "The City of God," to its rare book collection.

The volume is one of only two copies of the first edition known to be in existence. Printed by A. Micomini in Florence Italy "not after 1483," the wood-bound volume consists of 332 pages of thick rag paper with 47 lines to the column two columns to the page. Part of one metal clasp remains, and Union's librarian, Hel-

mer L. Webb, says that except for the worn cover and a few worm holes, the book is in remarkable condition for its age.

Nine pages in the middle of the historical volume apparently were lost or left out by the printer. But they were copied, presumably by a monk, and authorities say the difference can be distinguished only by the ink. According to records, the volume now owned by the college was first owned by the Monastery of Santa Lucia at Castellina, Italy. Its validity as the first Italian translation was established by translation corrections made in later editions.

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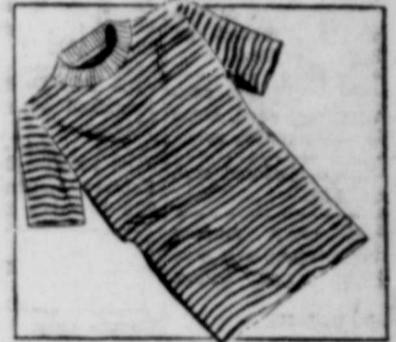


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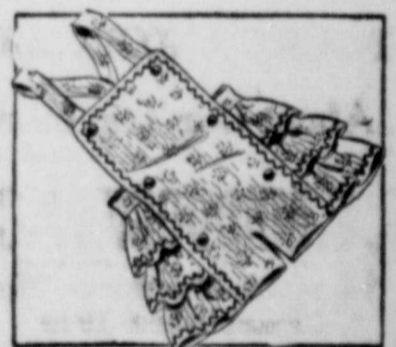
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There also was Dixie Cola, Square Bell, General Davis Pres. ident Dickinson, Apt Greene, Effort Hicks, Ina Hogz, Stonewall Jackson and Early Jones. In Bessemer, Main Line Harris is a truck driver.

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**RETURN ENGAGEMENT**  
 By Gwen Dawsonport  
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**THE STORY:** Salty and Vicky go sailing. Salty kisses her. They return to the "Bogate" to find Vicky's house, a childhood friend of Salty's, waiting for him. For the first time in her life, Vicky is jealous.

**XVII**  
 ARRIVING back at home, Vicky went into the library through the French windows from the veranda. In the drawing room Basil Vaslov was playing Bach's "Little G minor Fugue" on the piano, which was slightly out of tune but very sweet in tone. Sophie was lying on the sofa listening to the music, arrayed in a rather startling magenta gown, ankle length—as always—because the van Eyck legs, concealed by the fashions of her heyday, had never been all that they might. Sophie's cheeks were flushed like a girl's under her rouge.

Vicky stopped. This was no time to talk to her grandmother. Sir Charles lay in his armchair, feet on the ottoman, and Marcel was stretched on the floor, nodding his head against the carpet in time to the music; his eyes closed appreciatively.

They were awaiting the arrival of Godfrey Mansbridge.

Vicky went on upstairs to her own room. She lay face down on her white counterpane, thinking about Salty and his mother and Nell. She did not hear the taxi which brought Godfrey back to his love.

Madame van Eyck heard it, though, disturbing the gravel on the driveway just as Basil reached the end of the fugue and brought the melody out of the minor key into its triumphant major resolution. She clasped her hands together, pressing her rings into the white flesh, and turned her face toward the hall. There was a moment's silence as the music ceased, then the doorbell rang.

No one moved.

"Sir Charles," Sophie whispered, well as committee meetings. Reporters say their biggest headache is taking down the remarks of Prime Minister Clement Attlee, who sometimes develops an indigestible mutton.

**Parliament Too Talkative, So Reporters Say**

LONDON (UP)—Members of Parliament are now talking so long, so fast and so indistinctly that Hansard's reports for the first time since 1893 are falling as much as two days behind in publishing the doings of the House of Lords and Commons.

Not even in 1881, when Commons set a still-standing endurance mark by staying in session for 41 hours and 30 minutes, did Hansard's shorthand experts fall behind. Now they complain that they work 12 hours a day and even at that can't keep up with the torrent of words.

There are 18 reporters covering the sessions of the two houses as

**Stamp Believed World's Oldest**

ROME (UP)—A tiny rectangle of paper, supposedly the world's oldest postage stamp, has been rediscovered in the small Italian Adriatic coastal town of Cerignola. It was purchased for a "considerable amount" by agents of Louis Masabro de Villas, a Mexican philanthropist.

The ancient stamp bears no date mark, but was attached to a letter written March 22, 1806, in which an Aleppo merchant gave secret information to the "Magnificent Messer Leonardo" Contarini of Venice about Napoleon's plans for the conquest of Rome.

More than 34 years older than the world's recognized oldest postage stamp, the British one-penny edition of May 6, 1840, the Aleppo stamp carries no indication of national origin but only the legend "Genoa-Cadix Post" and a figure representing the Virgin and Child. Its expressed value is one "pistacina" an old and long valueless Portuguese coin.

Hidden through two world wars, the Aleppo stamp narrowly missed being lost when the liner Titanic sank off Newfoundland after striking an iceberg in 1912. An American agent had intended to buy the stamp and ship it on the Titanic, but called off the transaction when suddenly ordered home by his firm.

**Hermit's Sister**



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Anderson was at work at the entrance to Glacier National Park when a big black bear decided to investigate his parked car.

The bear opened the door to get in, and then let it slam shut on him. He couldn't get out. By the ordinary route, that is, So Bruin just tore the car to pieces and smashed his way out.

**Makes Speed Record**

WICHITA FALLS, Tex. (UP)—Two Wichita Falls boys, Ralph Parker, Jr., and Johnny Duncan, released five top balloons late one afternoon. One of the balloons was found at Sumner, Iowa, the next morning, having made the 800-mile trip at about 65 miles per hour.

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