

SIMPLE STORIES

IN THE TRAM

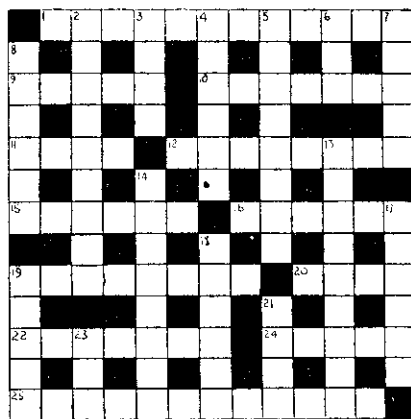
THE tram rocked itself down the hill towards the city. The heat was oppressive and the few passengers felt languid. But soon their flagging interest in their surroundings changed to one of amused tolerance, as the Bright Young Thing boarded the car and greeted an acquaintance. She looked more like a doll than anything ever purchased and started chatting immediately. "Oh, what a day! My word, look at those girls in uniform. How on earth they work in them these days, to say nothing of the drivers of the vans, and the girls on the land giving up the pleasures of cool feminine frocks and things, I don't know!"

Her grammar was slightly askew, but her hat also was at a rakish angle. "You wouldn't catch me joining the army for anything—me for the bright life every time."

Nearby a small child had been absorbed in studying something which Santa Claus had recently brought her. The Voice of Discovery shattered the Listening Silence. "Mummy, listen! The doll's head is made of sawdust!"

THE LISTENER CROSSWORD

(No. 130: Constructed by R.W.C.)



Clues Across

1. Appeasement.
9. With her, it belongs to them.
10. If you came this, you'd be a gatecrasher.
11. Was not built in a day.
12. Cane tray forms a certain curve.
15. Tea, sir! (anag.).
16. Deigns to be slightly burnt.
19. Enfeebles.
20. Pass into small serpents.
22. Do away with an exclamation about boils.
24. Hurlled.
25. Over ninety, but less than one hundred years old.

Clues Down

2. I came, Ruth! (anag.).
3. Separate.
4. A count transformed into a bird.
5. A cad over mice.
6. Bore.
7. Donkey.
8. Asters (anag.).
13. Bitter-tasting bark.
14. Prescribing.
17. Plan from 16 across.
18. Plant which furnishes colour for home-made dyes.
19. Attracted.
21. At a distance.
23. Possess.

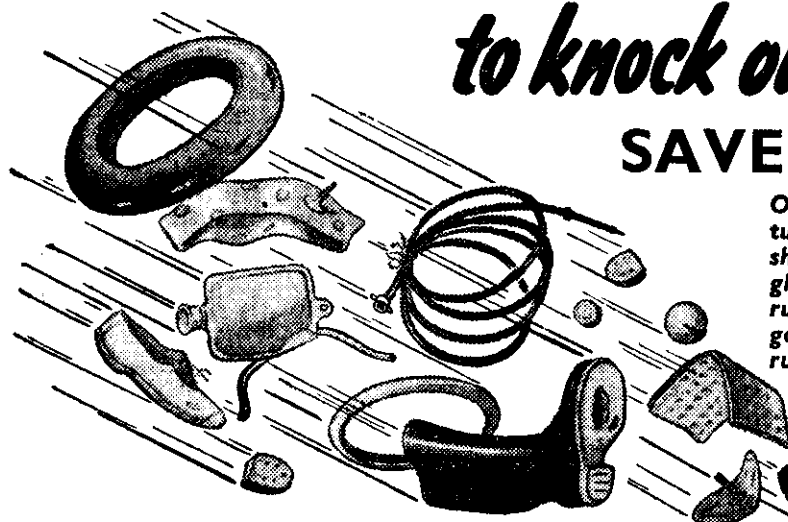
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MOBILISE SCRAP

to knock out the Jap!

SAVE RUBBER . . .



Old car, truck and cycle tyres and tubes; old garden hose; rubber soled shoes; hot water bottles; rubber gloves; bathing shoes and caps; rubber mats; old football bladders; goloshes; gumboots (tied in pairs); rubber heels, etc. etc.

SEARCH your home from attic to basement, search your garage. Look at the old familiar things in a new light. Your country needs every pound of rubber to provide the fighting materials our armed forces must have. Get started **NOW**. Have them ready to flow back into the bloodstream of our war production when called on.

Watch out for notification of collections in your district.

All proceeds from the sale of waste to go to Patriotic Funds.

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No. 2A



The need is URGENT! SALVAGE for VICTORY!