



read, would care to be without. The book is written with a fresh and courtly grace in a limpid style, and though by no means the first treatise on angling, it marks the beginning of true angling literature.

Although *The Compleat Angler* was intended as a practical guide to fishing, it contains masterly incidental descriptions of the countryside and the "lilled lowland waters" where Walton loved to fish. He delights to describe such things as riverside inns, gipsy singing and milkmaids' choruses. Along with these descriptive idylls and the discourses on the philosophy of fishing, the main part of the book is an account of the various kinds of fish and the way to catch them, including beside the trout the chavender or chub, grayling, pike, carp, and so on right down to the lowly eel. As such it is still a useful guide, despite the quaint lore from Gesner or the "divine Du Bartas." The second part, by Walton's swashbuckling young friend the poet Charles Cotton, contains some delightful accounts of cooking and eating the fish, and more advice than his mentor gives on such technical matters as tying flies. But it lacks the philosophic calm and graceful style which makes Walton's part of the book as it now stands such a hard-wearing work of literature.

Its true value, according to one of its most notable recent editors, the late John Buchan, is as "a transcript of old English country life, a study of the folk-heart." And it also, to quote Buchan again, "unfolds the heart and soul of the angler—a man who loves books as well as his art, who sees nature through the glass of culture, the townsman and the gentleman."

The programme, entitled *Izaak Walton*, will consist in the main of extracts from the book read in such a way as to form a consistent narrative.

Voices from Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD stars are featured in a new series of Voice of America programmes, *Cavalcade of America*, which will be heard on Saturdays at 10.0 p.m. from 22B and 42B, starting this Saturday, August 4, and on Sundays at 3.30 p.m. from 12B and 4.0 p.m. from 32B, starting this Sunday, August 5. Each complete episode dramatises some chapter of American history. Those taking part include Robert Cummings, Robert Young, Teresa Wright, Loretta Young, Ray Milland, Cornel Wilde, Melvyn Douglas, Ginger Rogers, Edward Arnold, William Holden, Brenda Marshall, Lee Bowman, Richard Widmark, Lucille Ball, Joseph Cotten, Charles Boyer, Margaret O'Brien, Martha Scott, Ralph Bellamy, Montgomery Clift, Virginia Bruce, Joan Caulfield, Ronald Reagan and others.

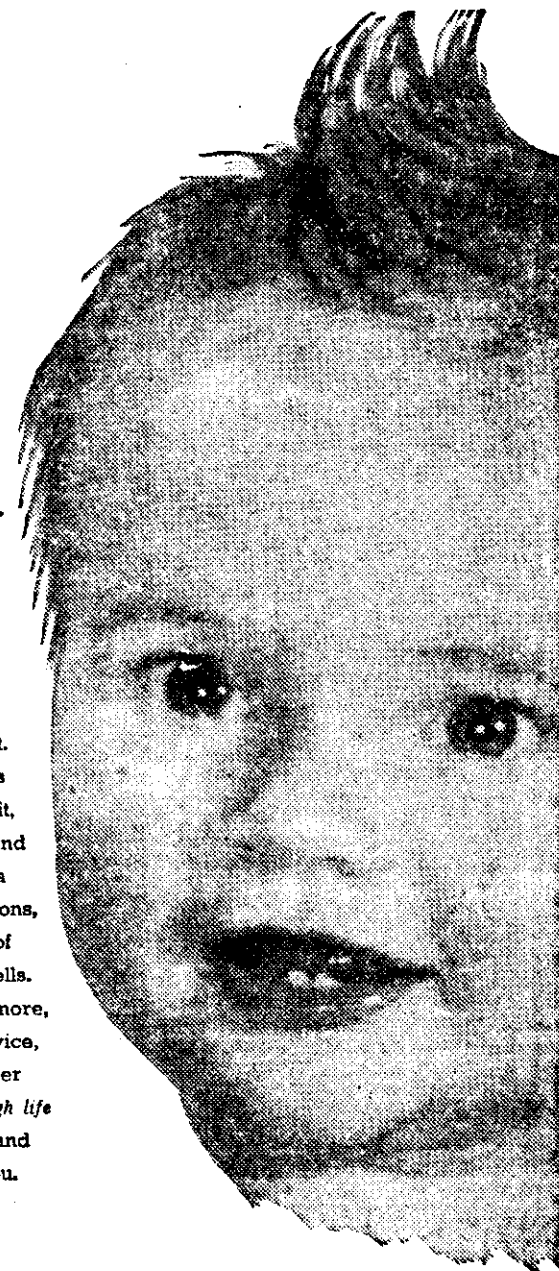
N.Z. LISTENER, AUGUST 3, 1951.

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you
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on...

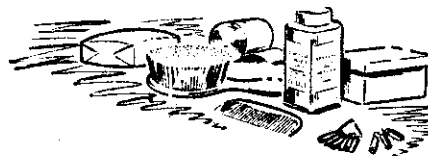


Big, bright eyes
gaze at a strange world.

Chubby hands reach out in wonderment.
How trusting, how dependent on others
is Baby. Although he is unaware of it,
Baby, from his first day, has a firm friend
in the Chemist. Because, faithful to a
tradition handed down through generations,
the Chemist sets rigid standards of
quality and purity in everything he sells.
He is guarding Baby's health. And more,
with gladly-given professional advice,
the Chemist guides mother in her
selection of baby needs. All through life
you depend on your Chemist and
your Chemist is happy to help you.
Use his services to the full.



Your Chemist



BUY WITH CONFIDENCE FROM YOUR CHEMIST

Baby foods, soaps, talcum, laxatives, tonics, brushes, hygienic toys, hot water bags . . . and first-aid requirements, medicines, cosmetics, toothbrushes and dentrifices, emulsions, toilet needs, lotions, health salts, shaving needs.