

We hear a lot about atom bombs --- and not very much ~~xxxxxxxx~~ of what we can do about them. So here for a change is a ship of the Royal Navy undergoing what is known as "pre-wetting". This is a process designed to protect warships against radio-active particles, in the region of an underwater atomic explosion. It involves the spraying of three hundred tons of water in an hour.

AUSTRALIA'S GOLDEN FLEECE.

For a peaceful occupation --- in the rich grazing district of Young, in New South Wales, it's shearing time; and among the busiest workers are the dogs who drive the sheep into the shearing-sheds. About twelve pounds in weight comes off each woolly sheep; and the ~~xxxxxxxx~~ expert clips approximately two hundred a day.

RODEO.

This is the forty-third annual rodeo in Pendleton, U.S.A. --- the broncho-bumping is so catching it infects the audience. But here's a crash --- that suddenly turns the show serious. He was badly shaken --- but, fortunately, not badly hurt.

SKI-ING.

And there are falls a-plenty, in a Chicago ski-ing contest on a jump of chipped ice and straw.

So the last ~~xxxx~~ competitor decided to do his somersault first and get it over.

DRUM BAND CONTEST.

Here's a novel contest from Zwelle in Holland. Boys and girls competing for the prize for the best biscuit-tin drumband.

Why not give Junior his Christmas present drum right now? Then, by the time Christmas comes, you'll be so deaf you won't hear it.

QUEEN MOTHER.

Her Majesty the Queen Mother --- before returning to London from her Scottish holiday, flew to Crail in Fife for a military inspection. On parade was the 2nd Battalion, the Black Watch... about to leave for a tour of duty in British Guiana. It is the second time in three years, that Her Majesty has wished God Speed to a Battalion of this famous Regiment, of which she is Colonel-in-Chief.

*The prize? - a tin of biscuits*