POST HISTORICAL ARCHIVE

5 Things To Know

5 Interesting contributors

(try finding them with the Browse Contributor feature)

- Ivor Montagu: Aristocrat, table-tennis fanatic, and identified after his death as a Soviet spy, writing about "what is a classless society".
- Evelyn Waugh: The great 20th century author (and staunch Catholic) wrote about the final burial of Sir Francis Xavier in 1953.
- Nancy Mitford: Reporting on the sensational "Arsenic and Old Lace" poisoning trial in Paris in 1953.
- Winston Churchill: Writing in March 1939 on the eve of war on "What Britain's policy should be".
- Edward Hulton: Owner and publisher of *Picture Post*. Not a man afraid to express an opinion - the archive contains several hundred of his articles on the greatest issues of the day.

4 Highlight articles to read

- The Morning after the Blitz (May 3, 1941)
- The Great Atom Row (Dec 11, 1948)
- Korea: 12 Months (June 23, 1951)
- Nasser grabs the Suez Canal (August 4, 1956)

3 Special Issues to discover

(try using the 'Browse by date' feature)

- 1939 (undated) Battle of the River Plate (A special issue commemorating the first major naval battle of the Second World War)
- 28 June 1940 Special on "The United States"
- 1955 (undated) Special on The Festival of Scotland

2 Humorous articles to find

- France is the land of Bearded Men! (Oct 15, 1938)
- It's nice to believe in Flying Saucers (Dec 17, 1955)

...and 1 Fascinating Fact

• During the war years, it is estimated that Picture Post had a readership of 80% of the British population!

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