

Farmers Get Set to Achieve Still Higher Food Goals as 1944 Planting Begins

WFA Calls for a 6% Increase Over 1943's Record Production

Farmers all over America are busy with preparations for their 1944 production battle. They have set a goal of 380,000,000 planted acres, from which—including meat, poultry and eggs—they expect to produce 4 to 6 per cent more than the 1943 food record and enough vegetable oils and fibers to meet essential war needs.

That is an ambitious program, but the War Food administration points out that America's farmers have reason for their confident outlook. They've just closed the seventh successive year in which their intention to produce more food than the year before was fulfilled. Food production, at the beginning of 1944, has reached a point 32 per cent higher than before Pearl Harbor and 5 per cent more than the 1942 record, which many believed could not be duplicated.

Acres on most food crops will be increased in 1944, according to planting goals set at fall meetings of farm leaders in the agricultural areas. National needs for farm products, previously determined by the War Food administration, were presented at these sessions. Upon the basis of these needs, the goals were set.

Whether they are met or not will depend upon many factors, the chief one being the yield the farmer gets from his land. That yield, in turn, is influenced first by weather. A farmer may have the finest of soil, plus all the labor, machinery and supplies he needs, but if the weather is bad his crops will not be up to expectations. On the other hand, excellent growing weather can do much to mitigate the problems involved in labor and supply shortages, and even low fertility of land. The past few years, when records have been broken right and left under conditions far from ideal except as to weather, make this very clear.

Conservation Ups Yields. It should be pointed out, however, that conservation practices have played an important role in bringing the productivity of United States farms to its present all-time high. Yields per acre have averaged 20 per cent more during the past five years than during the previous 20, and on some crops the increase has been phenomenal.

The total acreage increase needed to meet the 1944 goal, most of which will be devoted to food crops, will be about 16,000,000 acres. Average yields would result in the hoped for upping of production over last year.

Chief increases in acreage planned by U. S. farmers are 50 per cent more sugar beets, 24 per cent more wheat, 23 per cent more peanuts, 21 per cent more dry peas, 19 per cent more soybeans, 14 per cent more sweet potatoes, 11 per cent more fresh vegetables, and 9 per cent more dry beans. Small increases are set up for potatoes, sugar cane, and vegetables for processing.

The farm goals also recommend a 2 per cent raise in total milk and egg output, with a similar increase in the number of dairy cows. A slight decrease will be sought in

chickens and turkeys raised, together with a sufficient volume of livestock slaughter to reduce the number of meat animals on farms from the record high reached in 1943. Such a volume of slaughter would bring an increase in total meat production this year of 8 to 10 per cent, and a 4 to 6 per cent increase over the all-time high reached in 1943 for the combined output of poultry, dairy and meat products.

The number of milk cows on farms on January 1, 1944, will be large enough to permit realization of the 121 billion pounds of milk set as the year's goal, according to figures from the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. However, it is pointed out that the level of milk production during the year will depend to a considerable extent upon the quantity of feed concentrates available

those shortages that must be overcome.

Labor, while it will be scarce again in 1944, is not expected to present any unusual problems except in specific areas. The main difficulty will probably be to get the workers where they are needed when they are needed. As in 1943, farmers will have to rely in the peak harvesting periods on voluntary help from the urban centers.

Assembling and marketing of crops, especially in the South, will need some attention to make the best possible use of the abundant harvests to be sought during the year. Marketing problems may be expected to remain largely local in character, and their solutions also local.

Conservation practices will receive further emphasis in 1944, with attention focused on those practices

1944 GOALS



to dairy producers. The feed situation is expected to become tighter as locally grown crops are used up in areas where supplies are short.

Livestock feed will be one of the chief problems in the northeastern dairy states and in the southern states where dairy farming is a comparatively new enterprise. It will enter into calculations everywhere, however, and in some areas maintenance of milk supplies may necessitate cutting in on other crops in order to provide sufficient feed.

The estimated feed-grain production for 1943 was 116 million tons, 7 per cent less than the record output of 1942, but 16 per cent higher than the preceding five-year average. While supplies of both wheat and rye available for livestock feeding and by-product feeds may be larger in the coming months, the number of grain-consuming animal units currently on farms is much above normal and considerably larger than a year ago.

Cattle-feeding operations are expected to be on a smaller scale than last season as to the number of cattle on feed, with shorter feeding periods also indicated.

Double-Cropping Emphasized. Another problem of national scope is the continued need for double-cropping to make possible the planting of some 15 million more acres to crops than there is good growing land to be planted. In 1943 farmers put 360,457,000 acres in crops on an actual acreage of some 340 million acres. This was accomplished by the planting of two or more successive crops on a given piece of land which otherwise would have lain idle after a single harvest for the year.

It is expected that inroads will have to be made in 1944 on summer fallow land, and that much idle land of low productivity may have to be brought into use if it does not seem feasible to continue double-cropping on certain farms or to increase sufficient of the permanent crop acreage to take care of the planting goals. Pressure for cropland is going to be heavy everywhere, says WFA, but especially in the West.

Machinery problems are not expected to be as severe in 1944 as last year, although machinery for harvest will still be less in quantity than would be desirable. Some planting equipment will be at a premium, also. Relaxation of specified restrictions by the War Production board, and continued efficient application of the time-honored sharing of equipment always a part of neighborly farming, will help alleviate

which will increase production this year and in 1945. The need is to keep a cover on the land, prevent immediate danger of erosion and apply vitalizing material to the soil in such forms as lime, superphosphate, slag and other fertilizers, green manure "turn under" and legume planting. These are all calculated to aid in increasing yields as well as in preserving the productivity of the soil.

Conservation problems vary with the different regions, depending upon topography, soil, climate and conservation needs of each state. Four points must be considered, says WFA, in determining the necessity for any specific practices. They are:

1. Will it contribute to increased production?
2. Will its returns be immediate and substantial?
3. Is it easily understood, and is its performance practical for the farmer?
4. Can it be easily and effectively administered?

For example, the use of more fertilizer is recognized as a major method of increasing food production on the proposed acreage of cropland, without increasing labor and farm machinery requirements. The use of fertilizer is estimated as probably accounting for a minimum 20 to 25 per cent of total food production in 1944, if supplies are available as anticipated.

Assistance Available. Government aids to assist farmers are available for the most part through the County Farmer Committees of the Agricultural Adjustment agency and the County War boards. These include help in procuring essential machinery and supplies, labor, information on marketing and transportation, necessary credit, and technical assistance of various kinds. Certain types of loans are expected to be available which will aid food producers.

Overall objective of the 1944 farm program, with its record-breaking goals on acreage and production, is to supply the largest amounts possible for food, feed and fiber for war without destroying future productivity.

Emphasis will be on production of crops with high food value for direct human consumption. War demands call for the right amounts of food, the right kinds of food, and food in the right places at the right time.

That is why producers are planning to grow the things that will stretch the food supply to the utmost.



Amateur farmhands will be available again this year, particularly during the summer vacation period when many city boys and girls are willing to help raise food. This Long Island, N. Y., high school girl learned to milk during a four-week course.

Manganese Found Essential to the Growth of Plants

Recent research work has disclosed that the element manganese is essential to plant growth and in the nutrition of animals, but it must be controlled so that excesses, which are injurious to growth may not develop.

H. J. Snider, assistant chief in soil experiment fields, University of Illinois college of agriculture, points out that as soils become depleted of their natural fertility, manganese becomes available in larger quantities

and may, under these conditions, prove injurious to crops. When soils are treated with limestone, the availability of manganese is greatly reduced and there may be no injurious effects on well-limed soils. However, the small amounts that are required must be supplied to prevent improper development.

Plant leaves contain relatively large percentages of manganese while grain and seed contain comparatively minute quantities. It is

conceivable that deficiencies might occur in animals and poultry when a strict grain ration is followed too closely. If they are allowed access to leafy plants, possibilities of manganese deficiencies are remote.

This extensive research project was made possible by the development of improved chemical methods for the study of manganese. Snider says, and the results have brought out the importance of this heretofore little known trace element.

Russian Generals Visit Allied 8th Army



Major General Vasiliev is pictured saluting as his party of Soviet generals drives away in a jeep after a visit to Gen. Bernard L. Montgomery's 8th Army command. Vasiliev was named as the commander who directed the campaign which cut off the German armies in the Crimea.

Railroad President Becomes Colonel



Ralph Budd, left, president of the Burlington railroad, as he was sworn into the army as a colonel of transportation. He was placed in charge of all railroads in the central western region when the army seized the railroads as a strike threatened to disrupt service. Left to right are: Budd, Col. D. A. Hart, Maj. A. Hillman, and Maj. G. E. Van Tassel.

Marshall Inspects Oahu Jungle Fighters



Gen. George C. Marshall, U. S. army chief of staff, and Lieut. John H. Ferguson (left) of the infantry, watch a well trained jungle fighter crash a barbed wire obstacle with a fast lunge. Lieutenant Ferguson, an instructor in jungle fighting, was the first married man to be drafted from San Antonio, Texas.

Marching Through Mud on Bougainville



Heavily laden marine infantrymen slog through deep mud of a jungle trail as they near the battle front. Continued American attacks on Japanese positions in the Pacific are steadily lengthening our striking power from the air. As the battle continued on Bougainville, American troops battled toward Rabaul which is considered a vital Japanese base.

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A MYSTERY

Editorial By Una Rhea
 While reading a thrilling mystery one afternoon, I received about the worst fright of my life. I was sitting out on the back porch and it was getting almost too dark to read. I was just at the crucial point of the story when something was just about to happen. If I remember correctly, the hero was going through the old deserted house, "when there was an awful clatter." Just as I read the word "clatter"—it materialized.

When I finally collected my scattered senses, I had lost my book, and I was on the front porch instead of the back. Upon investigation, I found that the cause of it all was about ten milk jars and buckets. They had been stacked on a small shelf that was rather "rickety." The shelf was on the porch and a few feet behind me. I have never yet been able to figure out why it chose just that particular moment to fall, but it did—and that was too much for me!

BRIDAL SHOWER

The bridal shower for Ruth Franks Mantooth, that was to have been held at the home of Mrs. McCasland last Friday, was held at the home of Rev. R. L. Franks Wednesday afternoon because of snowdrifts and muddy streets in the west part of town.

NEW TEACHER IN HIGH SCHOOL

We are glad to have Mrs. Chaudoin back as band director for both the high school and ward school. We are also glad to have Mrs. John B. Rice as a teacher in our school. Mrs. Rice will teach community civics and Texas history, and she will have charge of the high school library.

TIGER BASKETBALL TEAM

Our squad is young and inexperienced. The team consists of Zeke Gibson, Harold Meador, George Johnson, Doyle Batten, Dean Grigsby, Quentin Brooks, Johnny Chilton, Troy Bass, Bill Mounce, Harold Richardson, Robert Beall, Richard Grigsby, James Batson and Johnie Cubine.

WE'RE FROM MISSOURI

WANTED—Folding bed by a lady that shuts up and looks like a piano.—Blue Earth Cy (Minn.) Enterprise.

MEET THE SENIOR

Seventeen-year-old Juanita Earles was born in Ranger on March 21, 1926. She has been an active member on the Tiger Post staff for three years and also in the drum and bugle corps. Her ambition is to be a secretary, and her hobbies are swimming, dancing, and picnicking. Lots of luck in your future life, Nita, and may it be a road of success.

Our entire high school expresses its sympathy for Mrs. Dickinson and Ernestine in the temporary loss to Uncle Sam of their splendid young husband and father. McLean's and Pickett's loss is our Navy's gain. After "Anchors Aweigh," hurry home, Mr. Dickinson.

THE WRONG SPIRIT

Mr. Brown and his wife, Jenny, had enjoyed bickering for over forty years. But at last Jenny seemed to be really annoyed. For a week she had been harping about Eli drinking his coffee from his saucer. Finally, at supper one night she delivered her ultimatum. "Eli," she said with dignity, "if you don't stop a-drinkin' your coffee out'n your saucer, I'm a-goin' to leave you, that's all!"

Old Eli's jaw dropped. He looked at her, then surveyed his saucer of coffee in sorrow. He pushed away the saucer and spoke with a note of longing in his voice.

"Jenny," he said, "I'm a-goin' to miss you, gal."

SUMMER SUMMARY

"I've had all sorts of help this year," sighed the first farmer—

"Good, bad, and indifferent." "Mine's been all one kind," replied the second tiller of the soil—"Different!"

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
 TO: Dino Chelini, GREETING:
 You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock a. m. o. the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 24th day of January, A. D. 1944, at or before 10 o'clock a. m., before the Honorable District Court of Gray County, at the Court House in Pampa, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 10th day of December, 1943. The file number of said suit being No. 7476.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Bertha Riley Chelini as plaintiff, and Dino Chelini as defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: for divorce, alleging marriage on April 17, 1941, and separation November 25, 1941. Plaintiff says she is a continuous, actual and bona fide resident and inhabitant of the State of Texas for more than twelve months and of Gray County for more than six months immediately next preceding the filing of this petition. Alleges no children and no community property. Alleges defendant on or about November 25, 1941, voluntarily and without provocation on the part of the plaintiff, abandoned the plaintiff, with intention of living separately and apart from her and that he has so lived to this time, a period of more than three years. All of which conduct on the part of the defendant is alleged to constitute three year abandonment on the part of the husband. Prays citation be served on the defendant, and that a divorce be granted, with restoration of maiden name and for costs. Issued this the 10th day of December, 1943.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Pampa, Texas, this the 10th day of December, A. D. 1943.

MIRIAM WILSON, Clerk District Court, Gray County, Texas. By WILLADEAN ELLIS, Deputy. (SEAL) 51-4c-PC

WE PASS

When this daylight saving time pest was first imposed upon the country we were told that one of its principal purposes was to save electricity. Now our local school authorities are to postpone by 30 minutes the time for opening schools in the morning, and they make the change in order to save electricity. Count us out. We pass.—Daily Oklahoman.

To the People of this Community - THINK IT OVER

How about doing a little cold turkey thinking after you lay aside this newspaper tonight? You've got a good job. The chances are there is someone else in your family, perhaps two or three, working. Your son or your brother—may be away at war.

This war must end sometime. Your whole family, your neighbors, are praying it ends soon and those fighting boys of yours will come home safely. But will you be ready for whatever happens when peace comes? Will you have something laid away? We're all hoping there'll be jobs aplenty, jobs which mean making something for somebody's happiness and not for somebody's sorrow. That's where your War Bonds come into the picture. Sure, Americans own billions of dollars of War Bonds now; and before this 4th War Loan ends they will have put away billions more. But how about you? You're the one that counts. The bigger the pile of War Bonds you have when peace comes, the bigger chance you'll have to slip right into the post-war world you're dreaming about tonight. So "Let's All Back the Attack." THE EDITOR.

UNFAIR QUESTION

A famous alienist was visiting Bermuda and a certain prominent official happened to meet him. The official, after discovering that the alienist was authority not on immigration, but on the mentally unsound, asked:

"Doctor, how do you really tell if a person is insane?"

"Oh, we merely ask him a few ordinary questions which ordinary people can answer correctly."

"What type of question?"

"Well," replied the alienist, "this is the sort of thing. Captain Cook made three voyages round the world and died on one of them. Which was it?"

"Oh, I say!" objected the official, "I think that's a bit steep. I'm not very good at history."

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Charter No. 14165 Reserve District No. 11 REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE

American National Bank in McLean

of McLean in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31, 1943, published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS

Loans and Discounts (including \$266.43 overdrafts)	\$230,863.75
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	206,600.00
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	41,118.34
Corporate stocks (including \$1,950.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	1,950.00
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	555,337.19
Bank premises owned \$5,000.00, furniture and fixtures \$1,000.00	6,000.00
(Bank premises owned are subject to no liens not assumed by bank)	
Other assets	1,794.22

TOTAL ASSETS \$1,043,663.50

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$867,564.53
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	5,663.39
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	74,122.99
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	23,293.21
Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	50.49
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$970,684.61
Other liabilities	352.93

TOTAL LIABILITIES \$971,037.54

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Common stock, total par	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	18,000.00
Undivided profits	3,425.96
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock)	1,200.00

TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$ 72,625.96

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$1,043,663.50

MEMORANDA

United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities \$ 70,000.00
 Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law 44,337.49

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Gray, ss:

I, Clifford Allison, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CLIFFORD ALLISON, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of January, 1944.

(SEAL) O. G. STOKELY, Notary Public.

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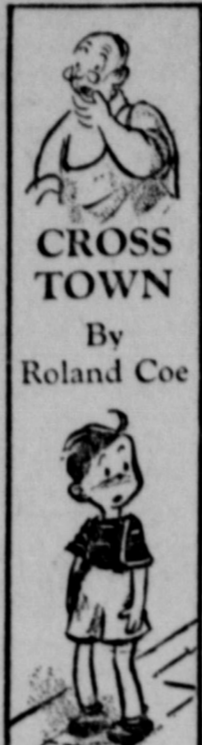


PRIVATE BUCK

By Clyde Lewis

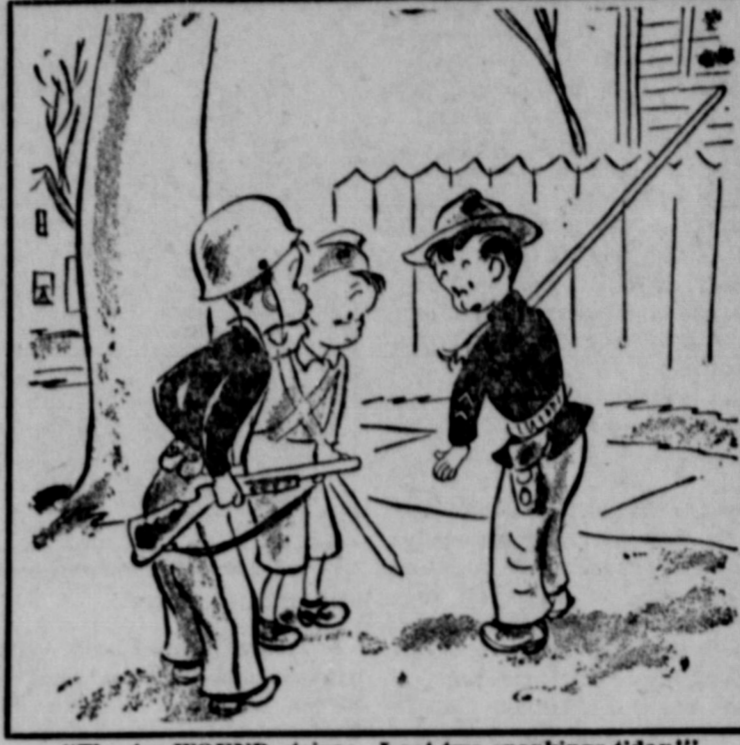


"It beats me how that guy, Buck, can sleep so much!"



CROSS TOWN

By Roland Coe



"They're WOUND stripes. I got two spankings 'day!"

SPARKY WATTS



DON'T WORRY ABOUT YOUR ADAM'S APPLE, SPARKY--IT'S AS STRONG AS THE REST OF YOUR BODY!

BUT, DOC--YOU SAID SILK PREVENTED TH' RAYS FROM TAKING EFFECT--AND WHEN YOU CHARGED ME I WORE A SILK TIE!?



THE FIRST TIME, YES--BUT WHEN YOU SHRUNK I RE-CHARGED YOU--AND YOU DIDN'T WEAR ANY SILK THEN!

MERCY, DOCTAH STATIC! GO LOOK WHAT'S COMIN' TO THIS HOUSE!!



WHY--IT'S SLAP HAPPY!

L-L-LOOK, SPARKY--HE HASN'T ANY FEET!!

By BOODY ROGERS

LALA PALOOZA--The 'Terrible' Turk



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HEY, MIDGE, THERE'S A TURK OUTSIDE WHO WANTS TUOIN THE CAMP--GIVE HIM THE ONCE OVER



I GUESS I PUT THAT OVER ALL RIGHT--NOW I'LL GET INSIDE AND FIND OUT IF THEY'RE HOLDING LALA CAPTIVE IN THIS TERRIBLE JOINT



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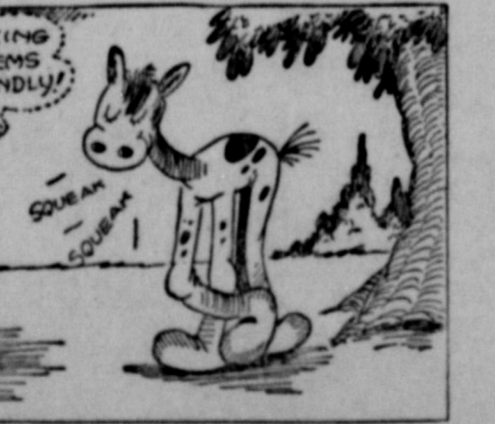
I'LL BET HE'S TH' ONEY LIVE SCARECROW IN TH' BUSINESS!

By GENE BYRNES

RAISING KANE--Pony's Error



SLAGGY IS HAVING A LITTLE ADVENTURE OF HIS OWN, FOLKS. YESTERDAY HE MET A PONY THAT SQUEAKS LIKE A MOUSE!



HE'S AN ODD LOOKING PONY! BUT HE SEEMS TO BE QUITE FRIENDLY!



LET GO OF MY EAR! THAT AIN'T HAY!

By FRANK WEBB



THOUGHT WE COULD GO OVER TO THE CHURCH SOCIAL TOGETHER, MARY. MAMA, THOSE ROLLS SMELL DELICIOUS! BUT HOW DID YOU EVER FIND TIME TO BAKE THEM TODAY?



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Our forefathers in Texas did very well with a 44. It remains to be seen what we can do with '44.

Marshal Stalin said at Tehran: "Without American machines the United Nations never could have won the war." This is proof enough of the importance of the home front and proof enough that there should be no strikes or other let up in the home front effort until the war is won.

Before women were given the right to vote it was said that they would "purify the ballot." Perhaps they have never had a fair chance to try their strength, but this year it is estimated that 60% of the voters will be women; so if the ballot can be purified, the women have at long last a chance to do it.

If oleomargarine is a good food, and it is so considered by health authorities, it is high time the high tax placed on it by the dairy states be taken off. There is no reason for taxing the man who is unable to buy high priced butter, or who prefers oleo for taste reasons, to have to pay a penalty for his right to choose his own food.

Now that there has been found a constitutional barrier for members of congress to serve in the armed forces without first resigning their job in congress, we should see less political maneuvering in this regard. There was never a time when we needed the right men in congress more than right now, and this need will continue for several years after the war.

It is to be hoped that candidates for legislative posts this year will refrain from promises of pensions, bonus drives and such like. With the country running into debt to the tune of 300 million dollars the past 11 years and the prospect of 500 millions before the war ends, we need men in legislative halls who will think of balanced budgets, stabilized finance, free enterprise, and things of like character, if we are to preserve the democracy we are fighting for.

The old hide-bound party man who used to sing: "Come on, boys, and join our song, and vote for your party right or wrong," is kept on the jump now-a-days as the old parties shift positions on various matters. Most all party leaders are come-outers, but they are the very ones to howl party loyalty and vote-er-straight, observe the party pledge, and all these worn-out schemes to keep the common voter in line. The wise man today votes for the man, regardless

of party ties, when forced to make a choice between evils.

Saving paper does not apply to communities like McLean at the present time, for there is no nearby market for disposing of waste paper. The better grades of waste paper are worth 40c per 100 pounds and old newspapers 25c, at the shipping centers, but it would take double that to get the paper to the center, so handling paper in McLean is out until such time as a better marketing arrangement is made. The News has a truck load of paper in bales, but no way to dispose of it; and judging from our telephone calls, many others have a lot of waste paper they would like to get into the war effort if a way is ever devised.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Lena Burns, GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock a. m. on the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 24th day of January, A. D. 1944, at or before 10 o'clock a. m., before the Honorable District Court of Gray County, at the Court House in Pampa, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 10th day of December 1943. The file number of said suit being 7475.

The names of the parties in said suit are: William J. Burns as plaintiff, and Lena Burns a defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: for divorce, alleging marriage on or about Oct. 11, 1941, and separation Jan. 5, 1942. Plaintiff says he is a continuous, actual and bona fide resident and inhabitant of the State of Texas for more than twelve months and of Gray County for more than six months immediately next preceding the filing of his petition. Alleges no children and no community property. Alleges defendant assaulted the plaintiff with her fists and slapped and scratched him, forcing him to defend himself and hold defendant to prevent her assaults or to leave the house. All of which conduct is alleged to constitute excesses, cruel and inhuman treatment and outrages of such a nature as renders their further living together insupportable. Prays defendant be cited and that upon final hearing hereof that plaintiff be granted a divorce from the defendant and that he have his costs.

Issued this the 10th day of December, 1943.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Pampa Texas, this the 10th day of December, A. D. 1943.

MIRIAM WILSON, Clerk District Court, Gray County, Texas By WILLADBAH HELLS, Deputy (SEAL) 51-4c-2PC

Somewhere in Sicily— Louise Groody, former Broadway actress, now a Red Cross theatrical manager in Sicily, was asked if she envies girls back among the comforts of New York. Her reply: "Why should I? All the best guys are here."

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MUCH TOO FAR

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The look in a man's eyes when he has nothing to look forward to isn't at all pleasant to see. He's a piece of clay without body or mind, he's lost before the battle is joined.

That's why the home front should start making plans now, looking toward the future when the boys come home again. That's why plans should be laid to give employment, create jobs, build morale for those men who are today fighting your battle across the seas.

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Choosing Right Breed Of Rabbits Important

Market Demand Should Govern Selection

Every farmer who wishes to raise rabbits should become familiar with market demands in order to select a breed that will find a ready sale, says a U. of California publication, "Rabbit Raising," by H. M. Butterfield and W. E. Lloyd. Some rabbits will satisfy the market demands better than others. For example, a market that prefers a small fryer rabbit weighing from 1 1/2 to 2 pounds dressed or 3 to 4 1/2 pounds live weight will justify the producer in considering a breed that develops early and soon reaches a marketable condition with a low feed cost. Breeds that are slow to develop or that do not fill out well when young are better suited for markets using large meat rabbits weighing five pounds or more.

Only a few breeders cater to a fur market and sell the meat from rabbits producing the fur for whatever it will bring. The meat from a six-month-old fur rabbit will usually weigh four or five pounds or more; it is important to find a market that is willing to take dressed rabbits of this size. Such meat is usually low in price, five to nine cents a pound live weight being a fair range in list price.

The production of breeding stock calls for a wise choice from the many breeds now available. The newer breeds usually sell for more than the old established breeds, and the beginner should anticipate a drop in prices for some of the present high-priced new breeds. Nearly always the final choice will rest on the value of the animals for meat and fur. A new breed may possess excellent fur qualities and yet have no value on the fur market because the pelts are not available in sufficient numbers for matching.

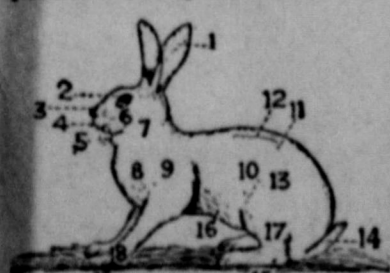
Breeds for the Beginner. Most rabbit raisers find it best to start with but one breed. The characteristics and requirements of one breed are far easier to learn than those of several. As skill is acquired and markets are developed, the producer may then find it profitable to cater to several kinds of demand.

Certain breeds have become popular because they have returned a profit and have had the approval of buyers. For example, the New Zealand Red or New Zealand White and the Flemish Giants are very popular for supplying the market demand for high-quality meat. Among the fur rabbits the Chinchilla, the American White, the New Zealand White, the White Flemish Giant, the Havana, the Lilac, the Castor Rex and its crosses, and certain blue and silver breeds have been very popular for fur and have considerable meat value. All these breeds are produced in quantity so that stock is easily purchased and the market demand is kept up by a regular supply. Some of the newer breeds might be more popular if they could be secured in larger quantities and at smaller expense. The introduction of a little-known breed is not always a paying undertaking.

Selection of Individuals. Some general characteristics which should affect the choice of breeding rabbits, regardless of the breed or variety are:

1. Ability to maintain health and vigor under commercial conditions; not unduly susceptible to disease.
2. Meat white, fine-grained, firm, and delicately flavored, in the case of meat rabbits.
3. Dressing percentage high, with a large percentage of the best meat cuts (saddle); body compact, meaty, with fine bone for the meat trade.
4. Ability to thrive on inexpensive feed.
5. Market weights and desirable plumpness reached at an early age.
6. Value sufficient to leave a profit for the producer under existing conditions.
7. Ability to reproduce true to color and type.
8. A good breeder the year around.
9. Females good mothers, able to bear and rear large litters.

Utility vs. Fancy Stock. The first concern of the breeder should be with utility rather than with fancy stock. Rabbit breeders have too frequently wasted much time on unimportant characteristics. Leg bars, black toenails, and nose or ear markings have little effect on the utility value of any rabbit, though such markings may sometimes be correlated with certain desirable colors in the pelt. Ultimately the popularity of a breed will largely depend on its utility value.



Terms used in describing rabbits: 1, ear; 2, eye; 3, nose; 4, mouth; 5, dewlap; 6, chest; 7, neck; 8, chest; 9, shoulder; 10, back; 11, loin; 12, saddle; 13, hip; 14, tail; 15, hock; 16, belly; 17, leg; 18, foot.

Now Is Time When Fancy Turns To Thoughts of a New Blouse

By **CHERIE NICHOLAS**



IF THE usual January lull that follows after the excitement of the holidays is gripping you, here's how to work a perfect cure—go blouse shopping! All signs point to the biggest blouse season ever this spring. The better part of wisdom is to make your selections early so you will get first pick before the choicest selections are depleted.

Please don't think that the mission of a blouse is merely to play accompaniment to the suit, for when it comes to important style news one of the outstanding themes for now and the months to follow is the blouse-dress. For these smart two-piece dresses not only is the blouse teamed with a dirndl or, if you prefer, a slim-silhouetted skirt for daytime wear, but the formal evening mode makes much of costumes that combine a floor-length sheathlike skirt of rich rayon crepe or elegant velvet with a gorgeous blouse.

This new favorite of fashion, the separate top for evening wear, provides a lovely way to stretch your dress-up wardrobe. The blouse centered in the illustration presents a striking use of glitter trim on the blouse that is otherwise strictly tailored. This handsome dinner-blouse of snowy ribbed rayon crepe has decorative Chinese characters done in gilt and crystal beading on the square breast pocket and on each of the self-fabric covered buttons. This unusual blouse bespeaks arresting style distinction.

For refreshing appeal at this time of the year it's the gay print blouse that "steals the show." The importance of prints for the blouse is being acclaimed throughout advance spring fashion news. The delightful model to the left is typical of that which is to be. For this charming

little afternoon costume both blouse and skirt feature the new drawstring styling. For the skirt the designer uses fine rayon crepe in solid black, accenting its modishness with a deft drawstring treatment at the waistline. The flattering blouse, so sweetly feminine with its fluffy ruffles, is done in brilliant floral-print rayon crepe. Drawstrings gather the long sleeves in at the wrist and a soft self-fabric bow decorating the V-neckline stresses the importance of the bow-tie blouse for spring.

To wear with skirts or slacks in the daytime or for dinner and lounging, a blouse of novelty ribbed rayon crepe in a brilliant rose gives utmost flattery, especially if it is styled after the manner of the blouse pictured to the right. The graceful cascading of the soft-falling jabot collar is in accord with newest styling trends. Take particular notice of the cuffs, for their long tab effect interprets a decidedly new technique which does away with the severity of a tight-buttoned wrist band. A high built belted-in front line distinguishes the trim military slacks which place rose-colored grosgrain ribbon stripes at each side seam. Smooth tailored spun rayon and wool in a smart herringbone weave is used for the slacks.

There is a luxury look about many of the new blouses that is very appealing due to a great extent to the charm and loveliness of the new output of rayon-weave materials. These pretty fabrics are so easily available this year and they include a vast variety, from the very practical white crepes that come out white as ever after each tubing to the most formal types of velvets, brocades, taffetas and crepes in fashionable costume colors. Many of the smartest blouses are made of rayon jersey and the midwinter displays include lovely dressy types of rayon lace in black, white and colors.

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Buttons in New Role



Buttons used as hair ornaments and as fine jewelry bespeak a departure from the strictly utilitarian use ascribed to them in yester years. Fashion's newest novelty is the ribbon necklet originated by Mainbocher to gracefully break the long throat line of milady when she wears the new low-cut frocks. It is a fashion that will go to many parties and opera scenes this year. The necklet pictured is easily fashioned by nimble fingers. Instead of a glittering jewel a beautiful silver button (silver jewelry is smart this season) is set in the heart of the bow. The lady also deftly anchors with the aid of hobby pins two silver button originals into her hair-do. It's a pretty fashion and one easy to duplicate. You can get silver buttons at the regular button counter that are as handsome as real jewelry.

Luxury Lace Blouses Staging Revival

In this season, noted for its gala blouses, the revival of luxury lace blouses is a natural sequence. The new models are all delightfully frilly with lace jabots and rufflings and lace bows, also rosettes made of lace. The call for snow white accents with black brings the pure white lace blouse into prominence. Some of these are enhanced with glittering rhinestone buttons. Others compliment the part of elegant simplicity with their large white pearl-bead buttons. One pretty lace blouse has a huge rose corsage, fashioned of petals cut out of the lace, each huge petal picoté around the edge. The big sensation is the blouse of exquisitely sheer black lace, you can't get it too sheer to suit Dame Fashion. The sheerer the more flattering is the prevailing sentiment. Some of the black lace beauties have tiny cap sleeves and devastating sweet-heart or square necklines. Others equally as smart are long-sleeved to the wrist, where their slender close-fitting lines suddenly blend out into a wide flare of lace frills.

Designers Using Much Black Lace for Edgings

Among the most attractive on the "little black dress" list is the type that is distinguished with exquisitely simple styling, placing the emphasis on the new slender silhouette. With these adorable black crepe frocks come matching long-sleeve boleros. Comes the feminine touch in way of tiny edgings of black lace, finishing off neckline, skirt hemline, the short cap sleeves of the dress and the long fitted sleeves of the bolero, also traversing the little bolero about its entire outline. It's the type of dress you'll love to wear.

Improved Uniform International SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

Lesson for January 16

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JESUS ANSWERS HIS CRITICS

LESSON TEXT—Mark 2:23-3:6. GOLDEN TEXT—Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.—Matthew 5:11.

Criticism and opposition was the constant lot of our Lord as He gave Himself in His labor of love for mankind. It follows His disciples to this day, for men seem to have not only ingratitude, but an evil spirit which rewards kindness with hard words and unjust accusation.

The scribes and Pharisees had already found ground for their complaint, for He had eaten "with publicans and sinners" (2:16). The fact that He went there to win Matthew and to heal the sick (2:17) made no difference. Then they wanted to know why His disciples did not observe a fast (2:18) in the solemn way they should. How could they, when the Lord was in their midst? They were joyful.

In our lesson we find these haters, watching enemies of our Lord's showing their bitterness in two ways.

I. Open Accusation (2:23-28). They got at Him this time through His beloved disciples. It was the indirect approach so often used by cowardly people who want to hurt someone, but who dare not face him squarely. They spread evil reports or unkind criticism about a loved one, and thus wound the one they hate.

Their accusation was, however, in a sense a direct one. They claimed that He was the one who had permitted His disciples to violate the Sabbath law by plucking and rubbing the ears of corn to prepare them to be eaten. In other words, He had allowed them to do a secular thing on a sacred day and thus to violate the holiness of the Sabbath. What they did was not wrong, but they did it on the wrong day, said these critics.

Jesus met the charge by reaffirming the high viewpoint of God concerning man. We have lowered our conception of man's position, while at the same time exalting his dependable judgment.

Everything that concerns man is sacred in the sight of God. Hunger is natural, God made man that way. He gets hungry on the Sabbath day, so he must have food on that day. The Sabbath was made to serve him, and he must not be harmed or hindered by his servant.

Now, someone will say: "That means I can do what I like on the Sabbath—or the Lord's Day." No, it does not. What you need is right. What you desire may not be. You are more than an animal, so you must have more than physical rest and recreation on Sunday. You are more than a mental being, hence you need more than culture—reading, music or friendship on that day. You are a spiritual being and must have fellowship with God.

See how nicely it all balances up when we go God's way. Then nothing that concerns us is common or secular. It is all sacred.

II. Silent Hatred (3:1-6). Open criticism is bad, but it becomes worse when it is hidden in the heart of a watching man (v. 2), one who looks for his opportunity to strike.

The scene is a most dramatic one. Jesus came into the synagogue on the Sabbath day as was His custom. (By the way, is it your custom to go to church on Sunday?) "In that synagogue was a man with a withered hand. Here occurs one of those incidental things, which are so full of beauty in these narratives. Seeking to find accusation against Him, His enemies nevertheless all unconsciously paid Him a supreme compliment. They associated Him immediately, not with the chief seat of the synagogue, but with the most needy man in the crowd."

"They watched Him" (v. 2). The air was full of silent, malicious, cunning hatred. Jesus faced them with an alternative so high, so holy and exacting that they dared not speak. He pointed out that we either do good or harm, heal or kill, by our response to a human need. It cannot be ignored. What would they do with it? Keep their strict man-made regulations, or honor God by helping a needy one on the Sabbath? They dared not answer.

Then He healed the man. He did not touch him. He did not do any work, except a miraculous healing. But it was enough. The Herodians and the Pharisees, who hated each other, now became friends because they both hated Jesus.

What an awful picture of what may be in the human heart, even in the Lord's house on the day of worship. What was in your heart when you last went into the church? Love and a desire for the good of your neighbor, or hatred and malice?

Here again our Lord declared the dignity of man in the plan of God, and placed his need above the keeping of a day. We are too little interested in the help we can give, and too fearful of the criticism of others.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS

If the ticking of a clock annoys an invalid, yet she insists on knowing the time frequently, place a glass bowl over the offending clock. It can then be seen but not heard.

To keep the clothes prop in place when used on a wire line, place a clothespin on each side of the prop.

When making a chocolate pie, try using half left-over coffee and half milk and see how much it improves the flavor.

When sewing, a medicine dropper filled with water and run along a seam which is to be pressed, is the simplest method of dampening the material.

Empty butter cartons are handy for storing cookie dough in the refrigerator. The dough is then easily sliced into uniform pieces for molding.

More juice can be obtained from lemons if they are warmed before squeezing. A good way is to let the fruit stand in warm water for a few minutes.

Insulating board, cut to proper shape and size, makes a neat and serviceable table pad. For larger tables, it can be made in sections.

A small section of rubber hose slipped over the end of a faucet will help to prevent chipping and breaking of glassware.

If your laundry stove smokes when first lighted, open the lower door of the chimney, place a roll of newspaper inside and ignite it. The heat will drive the heavy, damp air out and restore the natural draft.

Sometimes a hole is burned or worn in an otherwise good white tablecloth. The damage can be repaired most effectively by stitching a crocheted motif of fine thread over the hole and cutting away the worn or damaged fabric underneath. Add one or more additional motifs so the crocheted work looks intentional.

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Here's a way to overcome constipation without harsh laxatives. Drink juice of 1 Sunkist Lemon in a glass of water first thing on arising. Most people find this all they need—stimulates normal bowel action day after day! Lemon and water is good for you. Lemons are among the richest sources of vitamin C, which combats fatigue, helps resist colds and infections. They supply valuable amounts of vitamins B₁ and B₂. They pep up appetite. They alkalize, aid digestion. Lemon and water has a fresh tang too—clears the mouth, wakes you up, starts you going. Try this grand wake-up drink 10 mornings. See if it doesn't help you! Use California Sunkist Lemons!

SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER
Low costs prevailing, post-war world consumption of natural and synthetic rubber may total 2,000,000 tons a year, is the prediction made recently by John L. Collyer, president of The B. F. Goodrich Co. This would be nearly twice as much as ever consumed in a record year to date.

Some 32 million pounds of rubber will be needed by the Army Signal Corps this year for insulating W-110-B wire used in maintaining direct communications. An additional 4 million pounds will be required for friction and splicing tape. Just two of the many rubber-using items of this Army branch.

BAKE for Health
BAKE for Nutrition
BAKE for Economy

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goes with the BEST OF EVERYTHING for BAKING

CLABBER GIRL Baking Powder

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FARM ELECTRIC SERVICE AFTER WAR

Extension of electric power service to the farms of Wheeler and Gray counties during the period immediately following the winning of this war was announced this week by Orval Couch, manager of the Greenbelt Coop., Inc., with headquarters in Wellington.

Although no farm homes are now being served in Wheeler and Gray counties by this cooperative, applications are now being taken for electric service and lines will be built if sufficient interest is shown, Mr. Couch said.

In outlining the program now under way he pointed out that in addition to providing electric power for the two counties not now served by the rural electrification program, it will mean long extensions in the three Texas counties already receiving Greenbelt service.

"Materials for constructing these lines will not be available until the war ends, but the Greenbelt Electric Coop., Inc., is now taking applications for servicing farm homes when victory comes," Mr. Couch declared.

"The usual \$5.00 membership and filing out an application for service is all that will be required.

"Those who make application now will receive electric service from 12 to 18 months earlier than those who wait until the war is over," he explained.

The Greenbelt Electric Coop., Inc., was one of the first organized in this section of the state under the rural electrification program. After five years of service to the farms of Collingsworth, Donley and Armstrong counties, its results have been even brighter than its organizers hoped for. Mr. Couch has been in charge of the Greenbelt since plans for its formation were in their earliest stages.

Predicting that the extension of electric service would be one of the major steps in the progress of this area as an agricultural section in the years that immediately follow the war, he added:

"Greater use of electric power on farms will make possible the more efficient and more diversified types of agriculture which this part of the Panhandle must practice if it continues to prosper. It will mean farm living conditions right here equal to those anywhere in the country, and just as good if not better than those in the cities."

A CARLOAD OF CARROTS

A reader sends us the following story clipped from the Jackson (Tenn.) Sun:

"Notice of the shipment of a carload of carrots from Stockton, Calif., has been received by Kit Parker, superintendent of schools for Madison county. The assignment was made by the food distribution agency.

"Mr. Parker said he has not yet fully determined disposition of the carrots after they arrived here, but that they will probably be used in soup mixtures for the county's school hot lunch program.

"A carload of lima beans was received recently from the New England states for use by the county schools, but the beans were spoiled and had to be destroyed. A carload of Irish potatoes was on the railroad track this morning Mr. Parker said, awaiting some disposition.

"It has been indicated that a carload of sweet potatoes will also be shipped from California to this county."

The reader, who is a resident of Jackson, adds that it is a farming community where sweet potatoes are one of the principal crops. He points out that the carload of carrots had to be serviced with 20,000 pounds of ice by the California shipper and topped with another 5,000 pounds of ice when it reached Tennessee, indicating that most of the 30,000 pounds of carrots it contained will spoil before the county school system can use them up.

He calls these shipments an example of how the government is trying to "save" the railroads from freight traffic congestion and writes that "we do not need rationing points as much as rational thinking."

The planners just can't seem to abandon their give-away theories even though the country has to suffer hardship to permit them to have their fun.—Chicago Tribune.

What is that nation whose silent course of happiness furnishes nothing for history to say.—Thomas Jefferson.

UNCLE SAM: NO. 1 PUBLISHER

Under the above caption, Representative Marion T. Bennett of Missouri, has issued a reprint of an address he made in the House, with an appendix listing an amazing lot of Government publications. The total number Bennett was able to discover is 441, of which nine are dailies, one every other day, 48 weeklies, 12 bi-weekly, 24 monthly, eight bi-monthly, 33 quarterly, three semi-annual, 26 annual, two biennial, 63 irregular or seasonal, and one three times a year.

How many more there are which he was unable to identify, Bennett said he does not know, nor does anybody else. No department, bureau or agency of the Government has a complete list; none with a list anywhere near as complete as the list Bennett compiled.

Augustus E. Gigengack, public printer, according to law, is required to pass on all public printing undertaken by any Federal agency. At a recent meeting of the Boren sub-committee, during the investigation of the newsprint shortage, Gigengack admitted that he did not know of all the printing being done by the various government agencies. He is quoted by Bennett as saying that he "has been trying for years" to get that information. Gigengack testified that during the last fiscal year the government agencies used 161,611 tons of paper, 40% more than was used in the preceding year.

American newspapers already suffered three cuts in the amount of paper they are permitted to use, and an additional cut of 23% is in prospect for the first quarter of 1944, yet the Government is using 40% more than formerly.

Most of the Government printing is utter waste. Anywhere from one to 20 pieces of Government printed matter comes to the Gazette and News office every day. Practically 100% of it goes into the waste basket immediately. Occasionally there is a piece that serves a useful purpose. Not only is the paper wasted, but the cost of preparation, printing, packaging and postage also is waste. The Government, of course, pays no postage, but nevertheless pays for the cost of carrying it through the mails.

Commenting on all this, Bennett said:

"Heaven only knows how many thousands upon thousands of persons are employed in putting out all these various publications. Certainly, when an administration takes office and checks to get even an approximate figure, the people will stand aghast at the mone that has been thrown away or useless information that is nothing in the world, generally speaking, but cleverly designed propaganda to perpetuate the administration in office or to make over America into a state not unlike those against which our boys are fighting in Europe."—Texarkana Gazette.

TWELVE MEN AND A FLAG

One day the owners of a worsted mill which was turning out United States flags by the thousands decided to check on the national origins of all their workers who had a hand in a single flag's manufacture, from the clipping of the wool until the time it could be flung to the breeze.

Here is what they found as a result of their investigation:

- The flag was made of wool from American sheep. In the process, from start to finish, it was— Sorted by an American; Carded by an Italian; Spun by a Swede; Warped by a German; Dressed by an Englishman; Drawn by a Scotchman; Woven by a Belgian; Supervised by a Frenchman; Inspected by an American; Scoured by an Albanian; Dyed by a Turk; Examined by an Irishman; Pressed by a Pole.

Altogether, 12 different nationalities joined to make that one flag!

America is a melting pot. Its democracy is all inclusive.—Vincent Edwards in the Rotarian Magazine.

J. E. Kirby was taken to an Amarillo hospital for an operation Tuesday evening.

Carl Carpenter's subscription figures have been moved forward a year.

Pasteurized dirty milk is dirty milk still.

Millard Windom made a business trip to Pampa Sunday.

AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



As our guns groped blindly for vital enemy targets in Tunisia, Sergeant Donald V. Peterson of South Minneapolis crept beyond our lines. Snipers and machine guns raked the ground, but he pushed on, snaked forward into view of our targets. Sheltered from withering fire by one small bush, he radioed fire commands and our guns battered the enemy. His country recognized Peterson's bravery with the Silver Star. You can recognize it with another War Bond.

She—Honey, do you believe I love at first sight? He—I believe in love at first opportunity.

Opinions alter, manners change, creeds rise and fall, but the moral law is written on the tablets of eternity.—Froude.

FOR RENT Zero Food Lockers

ONLY 100 LEFT

First Come First Served

The building is ready and will be put in operation just as soon as machinery arrives.

Open all day Saturday to take orders for lockers.

McLean Zero Lockers

F. E. Stewart, Owner

Do you remember



when light bulbs looked like this?

The young lady in the costume of thirty-three years ago is holding a 100-watt light bulb, vintage of 1910. In those days it was considered a wonder and people were glad to pay \$1.45 for it! Yet it gave only half as much light as your 100-watt lamp of 1943.

Yes—you get twice as much light today for the electricity you use. But that's not all: Electricity costs you only about half as much as it did the lady in the picture above.

Southwestern PUBLIC SERVICE Company

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

RATES—One insertion, 2c per word. Two insertions, 3c per word, or 1c per word each week after first insertion. No advertisement accepted for less than 25c per week. Lines of white space will be charged for at same rate as reading matter. Black-face type at double rate. Initials and numerals count as words. All ads cash with order, unless you have a running account with The News.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE.—Modern 4-room house with 1 acre land; also 2 stucco houses, close in. Boyd Meador Insurance Agency, 1c

FOR SALE.—Full size 24x14x8 10 1/4 inches drawer file, only \$1.90 at News office. Plenty of file folders to fit above case.

STORAGE at News office.

GET WELL cards. Nice assortment at News office.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT.—Farming land Luther Petty, 52-2p-2c

FOR RENT.—175 A land, good house, good milk barn, good place for chickens. Orville Cunningham.

FOOD LOCKERS for rent. See F. E. Stewart, Saturday, 1c

WANTED

WANTED for our files—August 5 issue of The McLean News. Will pay 25c for the first copy brought in. Phone 47. 1

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

For Commissioner: C. M. CARPENTER

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Protection when needed. Safe - Sure - Economical

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SOUTHWESTERN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank our many friends who helped to make our sorrow easier to bear by their kind deeds and loving words of sympathy, and especially to those who rendered special services, in the passing of our son, father and brother. May God bless each of you.

Mrs. E. L. Minix. Sgt. C. A., E. E. Pvt. D. A. and D. J. Senclair. W. C., J. H. and Rev. B. I. Carpenter. Mrs. W. S. Kunkel and Mrs. Geo. Colebank.

Gordon Wilson renews his subscription to the home paper this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Christian of Dalhart were in McLean on business last week and visited relatives.

Mrs. E. J. Windom, Jr. and son came home Sunday from Shamrock.

Mrs. Merle Ford visited Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Ford at Kellerville last week.

T. J. Coffey renews his subscription to the home paper this week.

Avalon

Weekly Program

Thursday

"HAPPY LAND"

Don Ameche, Frances Dee

Friday, Saturday

"CHATTERBOX"

Joe E. Brown, Judy Canova

"BORDER G-MAN"

George O'Brien, Laraine Johnson

Sunday, Monday

"STORMY WEATHER"

Lena Horne, Bill Robinson

Tuesday

"ROOKIES IN BURMA"

Wally Brown, Allen Carney

Wednesday, Thursday

"RIDING HIGH"

Dorothy Lamour, Dick Powell

Double Feature

Friday and Saturday

at THE LONE STAR



WEIGHED IN THE BALANCE...

and found Ready and Able!

The new year is under way. What achievements are to be recorded on its pages no one can say.

In looking back on '43 there is great satisfaction in the transportation job that has been done. America's railroads performed brilliantly. Millions of fighting men were moved with clock-like regularity... millions of tons of war materials were transported with amazing precision.

But America's railroads live in the present and plan for the future. The achievements of '43, however noteworthy, are history. Laudable, yes, but useful now only insofar as they provide the railroads with the experience necessary for greater and still greater achievement.

And so we have moved into another year, to face with confidence the war job still to be done. It's a big task... a tremendous task. But every ROCK ISLAND employe is determined to do his part to see it through. This war for Freedom is our war, too.

As yesterday—and today—so tomorrow ROCK ISLAND'S sole purpose is to provide the finest in transportation.

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ONE OF AMERICA'S RAILROADS—ALL UNITED FOR VICTORY