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Join The Red Cross

W. H. Maxwell Jr., Chairman of Coke County Chapter American Red Cross, Bronte Texas.

Again the American Red Cross is called upon to serve our Nation in war. Both Nationally and locally we face vast and definite responsibilities for service to our armed forces and for relief distress civilians. To provide essential funds red cross today is launching a campaign for war fund of minimum of fifty million dollars. The president will issue on Friday a proclimation support ing this appeal. Your Chapter quota is \$600.

report action taken. We must mas social. not and shall not fail in this crisis

> Norman H. Davis St, Louis, Mo.

Information On Roads

a letter from the highway depart- their talent in this department of and if you care to read it call at is being organized. his office. All money, time and labor during the present emer- students are best adapted to this gency will be spent op roads with advantage, a scientific rhythm military values, however the fed- and pitch test will be given in the

Come One Come All Volunteers Rush The Robert Lee Band, under the direction of Delbert Harrill, will be featu ed to night Dec. 19

in a free concert at the Robert Lee High School Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. The band and the icans are certainly awake to the director urge the presence of all patrons of the school and community.

Baptist W. M. S.

The W.M.S. met at the church Monday atternoon with 9 mem bers present for the missionery program with Mrs. Taylor Henley as leader. Those taking part on the program were: Mmes.Cumbie Myers. Harrill, Young and Miss Naomi Brown

Following the program was the Bible study on the book of Lam entations and after a short busi ness session the society adjourned

Chapter should at once devote to meet with Mrs. G. C. Allen full erforts to raising their quota Thursday morning in a 9 o'clock in shortest possible time. Please breakfast and have their Christ-

To Parents Of Robert Lee School Children

To further the cause of instri mental music in our school and Judge Wyley has in his office toallow more students to develop

In order to determine which eral road funds helping, is some Robert Lee schools from the 4th

To Enlist In The Armed Forces

"Never had such a rush. Amerfact that we are now at war and it seems all of them want to do their part" said Sergeant John W Mozingo of the U.S. Army Recruiting Station in the Post Office Building in San Angelo Texas There were 40 volunteers in the office Monday and 36 Tuesday, the first two days after the war was formerly declaired against the Empire of Japan.

Lions Club Meet

The Lions Club met in base ment of the Methodist Church on Tuesday night with a feed served by the Methodist ladies.

Parties from Abilene, as had been planned could not be pres ent.

Atty W. C. McDonald stated that he had been informed that bus service would start before the first of the year.

After the supper several subjects were discussed. The telewas subscribed at this meeting.

Judge Wylie also discussed the To buy Defense Bonds and USO program which was unfinish Stamps, go to the Post Office. ed, and a need of \$55 more.

Died In Arkansas

Clarence Wilbur Allison age 33 died in Hot Springs, Arkansas, family visited Miss Paulene Monday, Dec. 8. He was buried White Mrs. Malone's sister, in Dec. 11, in Robert Lee cemetery. Survivers are his parents Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Allison, San Angelo, two brothers. Burl of Big Lake, Albert Ray, San Angelo. two sisters Mrs. Eula May Yar brough San Angelo, and Mrs. R.H. Tolbert, Galveston

Open House

On December 21th, we will hold open house from 2 p m to 5 p. m., honoring Judge and Mrs W. H. Bell on their 50th wedding anniversary at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Clark.

Defense Quiz

What is the best safeguard for my child's future?

Buying Defense Saving Bonds which will help the Government to preserve your child's American heritage of freedom.

Will there be an intensive drive to sell Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps?

The Treasury Department sees gram from Red Cross h adquart- in the response to the program so ers was read by the president far indication that Americanswill which appears in this paper. \$300 support National Defense on a ment concerning road building, their education, a beginners band alloted to Robert Lee, \$62.50 voluntary basis, without high-week end, pressure methods.

S. F. Malone discussed the Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hallmark waste paper issue stating that his have returned to their home in

Locals

Mr. and Mrs. S F. Malone and Brownwood Sunday.

Henry Brisco renews his Observer.

Miss Edwina Ross of San Angelo came home Sunday for ten days visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ross.

Look at the date on your paper, the figure represent the month and the last figure the year your subscription is paid up to.

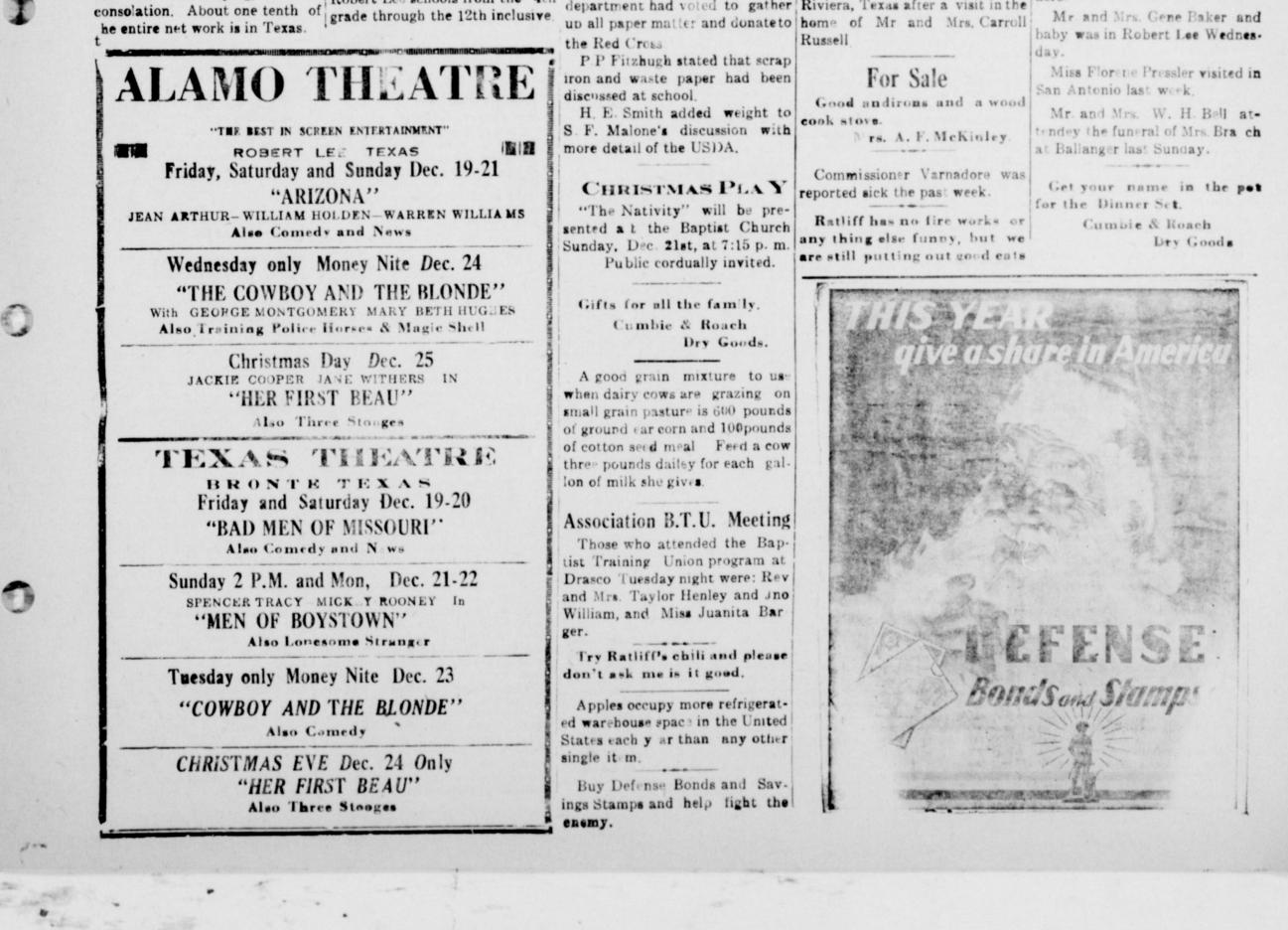
Federal funds have been allotted for paving of 17 miles of highway 158 fron. View southwest to Shep road and funds allotted for paving 7 miles in Coke County. on 158, leaving unpaved 6 miles in Runnels. Since the federal aid is taking part surely it will be completed.

Mr. and Mrs. R.H. McFarland of Winters, were in Robert Lee Monday shaking hands with old friends.

Weldon Fikes has been stationed at Fort Sill, Okla., according o information received at the Observer Office.

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Cowley and daughters Dale and Clema, visited relatives in San Antonio, last

Miss Earle Eubanks has gone to Sanderson T xas, to accept a position in the AAA work there and Miss Bryce Stewart is taking her place in the triple A Office here.



ROBERT LEE OBSERVER

Friday, December 19, 1941

By Edward C. Wayne WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS Japanese Follow Axis War Strategy **Of Attack on American Possessions** While Diplomatic Envoys Talk Peace; Nation Unites in All-Out War Effort (EDITOR'S NOTE-When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.) (Released by Western News) ISLANDS ALEUTIAN CHINA AWAHAN 15. to UNITED STATES 2392 Miles HAWAIIAN ISLANDS WAKE ISLAND AUSTRALIA

With the opening of the Japanese blitz on the United States the spotlight of news swung to this section of the world. Above are shown the battle stations of the Pacific. First blow, a bombing attack, was aimed at the chief naval base of Pearl Harbor in the Hawaiian Islands. Several points in the Philippines were bombed. Guam was attacked by planes. The British port of Singapore was bombed and Japanese troops made a landing on the Malay peninsula north of Singapore.

WAR:

Sudden Attack

When war came to the United States it came with a sudden fury that startled the entire nation.

First news of Japan's attack on the great U. S. air and naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, came from the White House in Washington. Later reports told of the attacks on the Philippines and on the island outpost of Guam.

Though the nation was startled it was suddenly united. From former "isolationist" leaders and newspapers came pledges of support to the government in dealing with an unprovoked attack upon the United States.

Invoking the Nazi blitzkrieg tactic of striking with great surprise, Japanese bombers swooped over the city of Honolulu, the stronghold at Pearl Harbor and on the army's hearby flying base. Hickman field, even as the Japanese envoys in the



When the Japanese started their ittack on U. S. outposts, President Roosevelt faced the biggest of the nany tough jobs he has had since he began his tenure in the White House. Shortly before news of the surprise attack by the Japanese was made the President had addressed Emperor Hirohito of Japan with a moving appeal for peace. But when bombs blasted loose over Pearl Harbor his job became not one of peace but of leading a nation at war.

PRESSURE: In Libya

The British trap in Libya had remained closed, and the war which had been confusing and swift-moving had changed to a "pressure battle" in which the British contented themselves with slowly closing the ring instead of attempting head-andhead battles with small German formations.

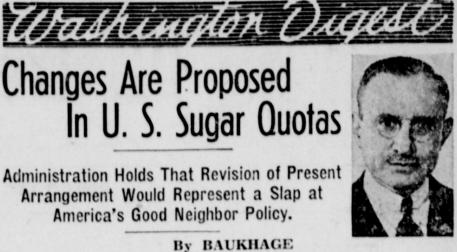
A partial totaling of German-Italian prisoners taken up to this point had been 5,000 in "rear camps" and 2,500 in temporary camps nearer the front.

The 5,000 were divided 3,000 Italians and 2,000 Germans and the other group was split into 1,500 Italians and 1,000 Germans. In addition the British claimed huge amounts of material captured or destroyed.

In the most recent fighting, one day's toll at Ed Duda included 15 Italian tanks destroyed, 130 vehicles and 50,000 gallons of fuel oil taken, 400 men captured, two batteries of medium artillery; five anti-tank guns, 50 supply trucks and a big quantity of ammunition.

Amusing stories abounded. The best was the German prisoner who said he was, at the time of his capture, escorting a score of British prisoners to the rear.

The men kept spreading out, he said, and finally, two of them made a break to escape. They fled toward an emplacement of Italian machinegunners. The German said the Italians, 11 in number, surrendered at once to the two fleeing Englishmen. who then grabbed the Italian guns and captured the German sentry, the whole group of one German and 11 Italians being taken back to the British lines.



National Farm and Home Hour Commentator.

WNU Service, 1343 H Street, N-W, Washington, D. C. Sugar Quota

And 'Good Neighbors'

In 1934 "after long and extensive hearings," as the Congressional Record puts it, a sugar law was The law stabilized the passed. sugar industry by establishing quotas to be raised, imported and refined and provided for benefit payments to growers for following certain agricultural and labor practices. Again, in 1937, after long and extensive hearings it was renewed. Behind that phrase "long and extensive" lies the story of a ferocious battle on the part of the sugar interests to defeat the administration measure. Each time they failed, but early this month in 40 minutes and in the teeth of the state department, the department of interior, the department of agriculture and the White House, the law was so rewritten by the house of representatives as to amount to defeat of administration wishes.

The senate is as yet to act, after studying reports from the above named departments. The bill as originally written authorized the secretary of agriculture to estimate the amount of sugar required by American consumers for a definite period. Then, according to a prescribed scale, it apportioned quotas among the producers of continental United States, Puerto Rico, the Hawatian Islands, Cuba and other foreign countries.

As passed by the house, the present measure would increase the amount of sugar purchased from the beet and cane sugar growers on mainland and reduce the the amount of raw and refined sugar purchased from other growers.

This step, if finally enacted into law, says the administration, would be a slap in the face of good-neighborship: Cuba alone would have her quota cut by 50,000 tons of raw and 75,000 tons of refined sugar. And it would completely dislocate the computations of Secretary Wickard who thinks that the sugar quotas and benefit payments for certain practices have kept the sug-

When Sam had absorbed all that the country school had to offer either in its regular sessions or when some visiting pundit proclaimed his views, he went to his father and said he had to go to college. The father was in favor of the motion but regretfully explained that there was nothing in the till for racoon-skin coats or flivvers or the local equivalent of the day. He did, however, present his ambitious son with \$25 in coin of the realm and escorted him to the station on the branch line that was to take him to the Texas normal college.

The boy was a good student, bright and determined to learn all that there was taught him. But when he finished his course and since he was, as we have noted, already on his way to congress, the next step was naturally the State university law school.

His shingle was hardly floating on the Bonham breezes when he was already ready for the legislature. At 24 he was elected. He was a member for four years and then, as per schedule, was elected speaker and served in that capacity for two more. Meanwhile in the summers he practiced law. Then one day in 1912 the county paper announced in blackfaced headlines:

"Stores Closed All Day and Everybody Out to Hear Fannin County's Gifted Son Who Is Candidate for Congress."

Just how this specialist in measures dealing with some of the most intricate and abstruse principles of political economy translates his record into votes for his constituents would seem difficult to fathom. His purely agricultural district is far more interested in stock with four legs and a moo than it is in a stock exchange, and a transportation act to them is chiefly the act of transporting a bale of cotton from hither to hence. But he gets things done for the folks and they seem to take him and his other achievements at their face value.

Written in large letters of achievement against his name are the Securities Exchange act, the Holding Company act and the Rural Electrification act, all, and especial-

United States were talking "peace" to state department officials in Washington.

Though the immediate attack came without warning the strong detense forces in Pearl Harbor went into quick action and heavy antiaircraft fire shook the Pearl Harbor sector as the battle got under way.

After news of the attacks had reached Washington, radio listening outposts picked up word that Japan had declared war on the United SUB-ZERO: States and Great Britain. By this time President Roosevelt had ordered U. S. army and naval forces in the Far East to execute "all previously prepared" orders. This order was carried out by U. S. aviators taking to the air and the fleet steaming out of Pearl Harbor to battle the enemy.

President Roosevelt called an immediate conference with cabinet members and legislative leaders to prepare plans for leading the nation through the crisis. As this conference was being held a report 60 miles west of the "spigot city of came in from Lieut. Gen. Douglas MacArthur, U. S. army commander in the Far East, telling of the several attacks on U.S. bases in the Philippines.

Planes participating in the bombing of Pearl Harbor were believed to be operating from an aircraft carrier somewhere in the region. A report by way of the Panama Canal Zone told of the sinking of a Japanese aircraft carrier in the Hawalian area.

Immediate Allies

Support to the United States was immediately forthcoming from other nations. On the same day as the Japanese blitz got under way the government of the Netherland Indies declared war on Japan. In the Western hemisphere, Canada drew up its declaration of war, as did the Central American republic of Costa Rica. Australia joined the ranks of Nippon's foes.

Even before congress could get into session, Great Britain's parliament had been summoned to draw up its declaration. Winston Churchill, British prime minister, had previously pledged that should the United States be forced to go to war | trapped many Nazi regiments.

not pasy it is significant to note the increase in destroyers and submarines. We have 170 destroyers today compared with 52 in 1917, and 113 submarines compared with 44. The available number of U.S. combat planes on the outbreak of hostilities was estimated at 7,500. As of November 1, 1941, the navy

against Japan, Great Britain would

join in the fight "within the hour."

contemplated but currently unex-

pected drive Russia was expected

to come with its forces on the side

"On any comparable basis, the

U. S. navy is second to none," de-

clared Navy Secretary Knox only a

day before the attack made on U.S.

possessions by Japanese bombers.

U. S. entered the First World war

in 1917, both the army and the navy

are on a larger scale. The army

had approximately 1,600,000 in uni-

form the fatal Sunday when the

bombs were let loose in Hawaii.

In 1917, there were but 200,000 men.

sels has changed in the capital

ships group, so that comparison is

While the character of naval ves-

Compared to the status when the

of the United States.

Strength

ARMY AND NAVY:

As the Japanese began their long

had in commission 17 battleships, aircraft carriers, 37 cruisers, 170 destroyers, and 113 submarines.

Moscow Defends

Once again the weather man, having dished out weather much too warm for Russian comfort, turned again to aid the Red defense of Moscow, and Pravda was reporting the Soviet legions falling on the attackers in a temperature 17 below zero, and shoving them back all along the line.

Described battle lines on the southern, or Rostov front moved back beyond the Mius river, some Caucasian oil," and a score of miles west of Taganrog.

Russian reports described attacks upon fleeing Germans from the waters of the Sea of Azov, the fleet's guns hammering the Nazis and preventing them from reforming their lines along the coastal road.

The Reds also claimed having crossed the Mius, and trapping German forces attempting to make it back to Mariupol, currently General Von Kleist's headquarters.

From the Moscow front came dispatches claiming a big Red victory in the Mozhaisk-Volokolamsk sector, directly west of the city, halting and hurling back a German drive which Berlin claimed had brought them within 16 miles of the city.

Rome reports said that "a million and a half men and 8,000 tanks were driving on Moscow" but the Russians said the pressure was less, and that with the weather more favorable (the Reds seemed to pick up speed under sub-zero temperatures), the defense of the capital seemed more hopeful.

As to the Mius river crossing in the south, the Russians said they had executed a maneuver which

PLANE: **Biggest** Damaged

The world's largest airplane, the 200-foot-wing-spread Martin navy bomber "Mars," was damaged by an explosion and fire on its maiden 'water test" and an investigation of possible sabotage had begun.

To watchers on shore it had appeared the plane had suddenly gone out of control, then there was a sudden roar, crash and one motor dropped off, to be succeeded by a burst of flame and smoke, the crew veering the ship to the river bank and then jumping overboard with fire extinguishers, and fighting the flames from chest-deep water.

Vice President and Pilot Ken Ebel said the fire was caused by a propeller blade coming off and shearing cleanly through the control room, injuring one man and cutting oil and gas lines, which started the blaze.

Investigation centered on the fact that the propellers were plastic, first time this material had been used on e of large size, an American though it had n reputedly used with success in German and Russian planes.

LEOPOLD:

Weds Commoner

After being "out of the news" practically since his dramatic surrender during the Nazi sweep through the Low Countries, King Leopold, the "tragic recluse of Laekan," has been revealed as secretly married for months to a commoner.

The fatal automobile accident which almost took his life and in which his former wife, Queen Astrid was fatally hurt, occurred in 1935.

ar situation pretty well in hand.

The only lobby I ever heard the President mention by name is the "sugar lobby." It is one of the most powerful pressure groups in the capital.

Speaker Rayburn Has Power, Energy

I looked down from the radio gallery of the house of representatives the other afternoon on a large pink globule in the well of the chamber. Every eye in the house was centered on it. It seemed to glow, to radiate power and energy as well as a roseate hue.

It was the all but hairless head of Speaker Sam Rayburn, and out of that head came the energy which directed the action which saved from defeat the administration's measure to revise the neutrality law. It was that energy which jammed through the Security Exchange law against stone wall opposition. It was that energy which carried out an idea starting in that same head when it was on callow shoulders and finally made him speaker of the United

States house of representatives. A barefoot boy curled up in the corner reading biographies of the country's great men was the avatar of this congressman. And he was still a schoolboy when he announced the fact that he was going to run for the state legislature as soon as he finished his law course, that he was going to be speaker some day and after that run for congress. And that's just what he did. And all he had to start with was \$25 and his father's blessing.

Young Sam Rayburn was 1 of 11 children, whose forbears came by way of Tennessee from Virginia to a borderline county in Texas (he was born in Bonham) and there turned the virgin furrows in a neighborhood that still wins its bread from the soil.

The country schoolhouse was the community center of the times and here on many a festal day the Rayburn buggy was tied while the whole family heard the local politician's oratory, or attended the recitations or spelling-bees and discussed the latest news in the weekly editions of the Courier-Journal.

ly the first two, representing long and bitter battles.

The pressure exerted on Representative Ravburn during the battle for the securities and holding company laws was terrific. The President knew this would be the case and that was the reason the Texan was chosen to handle them. Everybody knew that once he got his teeth into the measures neither fine words nor offered favors nor threats would make him let go.

It is still Sam Rayburn-now stepping down from the speaker's rostrum-who is picked to lead some of the President's biggest battles on Capitol Hill.

Mrs. Roosevelt's Plan For U. S. 'Farmerettes'

You can take the city girl out of the city but can you take the city out of the girl?

That will be the problem of the Office of Civilian Defense if Mrs. Roosevelt's idea, which she discussed at one of her recent press conferences, goes through.

The idea is to create a "land army" of women to help the farmers handle their crops next year when male hands will probably be scarce. If an unpaid land army of volunteer women workers is created, Mrs. Roosevelt's idea is that the Physical Training division of the Civilian Defense organization undertake the training of the "farmerettes." This division is headed by the famous athlete, former Olympic scull star, John Kelly. Obviously skull practice is necessary for contestants on an agricultural team. Mr. Kelly has as his assistants Alice Marble and Mary Brown, tennis stars, to say nothing of the advice and counsel of former heavyweight champion Jack Dempsey and the famous sports writer, Grantland Rice.

Undoubtedly Mr. Dempsey, who has tossed many a haymaker in his day, would be an excellent trainer for the ladies who hope to emulate Maude Muller. Grantland Rice knows his baseball. It seems logical that if you can criticize the way a man pitches a ball you ought to qualify to coach a lady pitching fertilizer.



a quandry. She decided to give the cafeteria a wide berth, and make excuses later. But six-fifteen found her with a tin tray in hand staring aimlessly at arrays of food that held no inducement. She finally selected chicken croquettes with cream gravy, a concoction she particularly loathed.

Jacqueline selected a table in a far corner where she could watch the door.

Six-forty-five and no sign of Mr. Cutter.

Jacqueline breathed more easily. She would give him until seven.

"Hello, there," remarked a cheerful voice. There, smiling down over a well heaped tray, was Larrimore H. Cutter of Montreal.

"So sorry I'm late." He deposited the tray on the table. "I've been busy . . . with our contract."

Jacqueline achieved a faint "Oh" in response to Larry Cutter's breezy reference to their marriage. After all, that was what he meant by that "contract." In the face of it, the bride-to-be's formal greetingthe one she believed she had prepared-evaporated.

There was something very compelling about this man, an easy assurance in all that he said and did.

Larry ventured a few commonplace remarks as he proceeded leisurely through his meal. Jacqueline's replies were even more commonplace. She felt thoroughly helpless-like a prisoner awaiting sentence.

She was not kept in suspense long. Larry summoned a bus boy and had the table cleared. Then he dragged out his inevitable briar and filled it carefully.

Through a faint haze of smoke she watched Mr. Cutter burrow in an inner pocket. "Here we are," he announced gravely, spreading a paper on the table and carefully smoothing out its folds.

Instead of proffering the document, Larry laid his hand on it and removed his pipe from his mouth. His dark eyes were fixed intently on Jacqueline's face.

He picked up the paper and gave it a final worried glance. "If I have overlooked anything, please don't hesitate to say so."

He reversed the paper and pushed

. when I you think it over. You'll find a few government bonds there. They're yours to use as you like. Incidentally, there's a receipt showing they were purchased by me and in my own name . . . from the Guaranty Trust. So you needn't worry about the source. Property of the holder, of course."

Jacqueline nodded her head helplessly.

Something told him that the first skirmish in his battle was won. His smile faded as Jacqueline looked at him steadily to ask, "How many parties must there be in a contract?"

"Two, supposedly. Why?"

"Because you have signed this, but . . . There's no place for my name anywhere."

"I know that," he responded with quick gruffness. "I'm not asking you to sign. I told you I wasn't asking for anything . . . Now." "But you would be willing to let

me . not be fair. I can't do that. I gave you my word. Please make some dotted lines for me."

In silence, Larry reached for the paper and produced a fountain pen.

the address on the back of an envelope.

"Would eight o'clock be too early?'

"I'll be ready." There surely couldn't be much left to discuss now. But Mr. Cutter still seemed preoccupied as he slowly rapped the bowl of his pipe on the ash tray. He looked up with a quick jerk of his head.

"I'm afraid all this has been pretty one-sided. I don't want it to be that way. Is there anything you want to ask me?" "Nothing."

"What a good little sport you are." He said it warmly, half to himself. I don't want to seem mysterious, but I'd rather like to have you . . well, trust me for a little time. There are some things that . .

"Please," Jacqueline interrupted in a low voice. "You have asked me for nothing and I . . . I signed. If you mean all that you've too. said

"And I do. Absolutely."

"Then there is nothing to talk about now. If you don't mind, I'd like to go home. "Where's your check?" Larry de-

manded abruptly. "I have it." Jacqueline's hand

closed over it. "I prefer to pay it myself," she added firmly. "Just as you say."

The little stenographer pushed back her chair, walked quickly to the cashier's booth and paid for her dinner. She took the occasion to slip the folded contract into her bag. "I am going out the lower entrance," she told him.

"I see. I wish you'd take a cab home. Please. I will not see you tomorrow . . . Until Saturday at eight. You can get word to me here, . . But I hope you won't of course . want to. Good night and . . . thank you.'

Jacqueline did take a cab to Courtland street. The gloomy privacy of the lurching taxi was a haven. The reaction to the day's strain possessed her.

Was that what she had become? A chattel

Safe within her little apartment, the door closed and locked, she felt secure. The soft lights, the familiar furnishings brought a sudden sense of peace. For the first time since she had established herself there, she had a longing for companionship. If only there were someone to whom she could talk.

THE COMING OF GOD'S SON

LESSON TEXT-Isaiah 9:6, 7; John 1:1-4, 10-14; I John 4:9-11. GOLDEN TEXT—The Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.—I John 4:14.

Christmas again! How shall we keep it in a world torn by strife and poisoned by man's bitterness against man? Let us keep it with all the joy and gladness at our command. Let us make this the best Christmas we and our families have ever had. How? By giving more and richer gifts? No-although they have their place when rightly given and received. By feasting and merrymaking? No-although they too have their place when carried on in the true spirit of love and friendship. What then? Let us make this an outstanding Christmas by centering our thoughts, our affections, our joys-yes, and our gifts of self and substance-around God's Son, whose "birthday" we celebrate.

I. His Coming and Character Prophesied (Isa. 9:6, 7).

God who was to send His Son into the world to become the Saviour of sinful man fittingly made known His coming through Isaiah (and others) 800 years before it took place. This greatest event in all history was the subject of exact and detailed prophecy, which was completely fulfilled. Although Isaiah calls Him "a child" (as indeed He was), he saw Him as the divine One whose glory and power is revealed in the magnificent array of names found in verse 6.

"Wonderful," a much abused and misused word. found its real meaning in Him-He really is wonderfu. in every way. "Counsellor!" He does not need or seek the counsel of others-He is the Counsellor. Have you sought flis counsel? "The Mighty God"-not a mere man, but God unlimited in power. "The Everlasting Father." which is really the "Father of eternity," the One to whom eternity owes its existence: 'The Prince of Peace," who will one day bring peace to the earth. Little wonder that "the government shall be upon his shoulders" (v. 6), and that He shall reign on the throne of David forever. That



she-You big strong man, do you believe in sleeping out of

A psychologist says some men disappear because they feel they are not wanted. And some disappear because they know they

From the Source

"I only know one good thing about Tom."

"And what's that?" "His opinion of himself."

SO HE WAS



Teacher-Gerald, what important thing happened in 1732? Gerald-George Washington was

porn. Teacher-Correct. And in 1742?

Gerald-George was ten years old.

And Gets It

"My wife doesn't know what she wants.

"You're lucky. Mine does!"

Stop worrying about what to send that man you know in the service. He's answered that Christmas gift problem for you in any number of surveys made in camp and on shipboard. It's cigarettes and smoking tobacco first. The favorite cigarette is Camel. The big favorite among smoking tobaccos is Prince Albert, the National Joy Smoke, according to actual sales records from service stores in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard. Local dealers are featuring Camels in your choice of two gaily wrapped packages, also pound tins and pound glass humidors of Prince Albert as ideal Christmas gifts for the men in the service .- Adv.



Underrated Duty There is no duty we so much underrate as the duty of being

it across the table rather reluctantly. Jacqueline stared down at it. Its surface was covered with blurred lines that gradually proved to be a man's flowing handwriting. Vigorous script. There were paragraphs, boldly numbered. She forced herself to pick up the sheet and start reading.

It was like reading something in a dream. But there was no mistake in the meaning of those numbered paragraphs. They set out plainly that Jacqueline Anthony would become the wife of Larrimore H. Cutter, in consideration of certain agreements by "said Cutter."

Miss Anthony was under no obligation to relinquish her maiden name, or mode of living. Save as she saw fit. The same freedom existed with regard to any association with the "said Cutter" during the life of the agreement. The marriage seemed rather an incidental thing. After six months, if she so desired, Miss Anthony might extend . Or tear up the conthe terms . tract and be free.

It all was quite as she recalled the earnest oral account. All except .

A sudden color suffused her cheeks. She shook her head and looked up with consternation showing in her blue eyes.

"Something wrong?"

Larry's heart sank. What had he done?

He could not know that the girl was wondering what kept her from tearing the paper to bits.

"Tell me," he begged in a low tone. "It's all right."

"I couldn't . . . do that," she faltered.

"Do what? Which paragraph is it?"

"Four." Jacqueline managed it with a little gulp.

that one? But of course "Oh . you can! I told you this was strictly a business proposition, until you were ready to make it something else. You will. But now . . . I'm glad you mentioned it. I was forgetting."

He dragged a long envelope from that same inner pocket.

"It's only right that you should have security for what you're doing for me. I wouldn't have it any other way. It's the one sensible thing Jacqueline watched him scrawl

"What a good little sport you are."

Jacqueline leaned forward and watched him jab a neat row of inky dots just above his signature.

When he had finished, he held out the pen. Jacqueline took it and. with steady fingers, wrote her name in small neat characters.

"There," she said.

Larry drew a long breath as he accepted his pen. "You always would be terribly square about "I knew that from the very voice first. You can't understand what this . It will take means to me years." He caught himself. "There's one other thing we really should settle tonight."

"What do you want me to do Jacqueline spoke in that now?" small flat tone again, for the first time. The dark blue eyes were suddenly bewildered, tired.

"Nothing - very bad. This is . . I want you to marry Thursday . me Saturday morning.

Jacqueline received this latest request from Larry Cutter with something bordering upon apathy. If he said this was Thursday, he probably was right. He had a disconcerting way of being right, or seeming to be. The past twelve hours had been an age. Tomorrow would be Friday. Then Saturday

Why not? It fitted well enough into this mad scheme of things. Mr. Cutter was explaining. "I don't wish to seem to arrange everything, but here's the plan I had in We can take my car and mind. run over across the State line. They're very liberal in their ideas of weddings . . . We can get a license and . . . have it over with in an hour. You don't work Saturday

afternoons, do you?" 'Not often."

off?" "I suppose I might . . ." "Seeing that it's a sort of special occasion," Larry smiled. "I think

it would be a good idea to get an early start. If you'll tell me where you live, I'll drop around and pick you up.

"Nine hundred and seven, Courtland street."

Sleep was quite out of the question, activity of some sort imperative.

Jacqueline opened the door of her wardrobe and stood looking at the neat rows of dresses and gowns suspended on their hangers. At the small shoes in orderly array. Hat boxes on a shelf and a smart little week-end bag

No. She wasn't going anywhere. things," he told her in a low earnest Just for a brief auto ride. And that brown ensemble was her going away costume. Her wedding dress! She was standing here staring at her trousseau

A strange little sound broke the silence of the room . . . a stifled hysterical laugh. It was years before morning came.

Mr. Cutter kept his word about Friday. There was no sign of him around the lobby. Jacqueline was grateful for that. Not that she really wanted to see him, but a glimpse of those broad shoulders would have been reassuring in a way.

Fortunately, Friday proved to be a rather busy day in the small office. That was a help. Although, quite to Jacqueline's own surprise, she found herself looking forward to Saturday's adventure with an unexpected feeling of calm.

Her only item of preparation for the event was a call upon Mr. Archibald Potter in his office on the mezzanine. She wondered if there would be an objection to her closing the office for the forenoon.

"I should think you might do it. I'll leave word at the desk and arrange to have one of the girls up here take care of any emergency cases. Go ahead. Have a good time.

That strange feeling of loneliness assailed her when she covered her "How about taking the morning typewriter and lowered it into the desk for the night. No . . . until Monday. The sensation persisted as she put the office in order. It was almost as if she never were coming back to the familiar little room. After all, Jacqueline Anthony wasn't coming back. When she came in here again, she would be a married woman . . . a bride . . . coming to work. (TO BE CONTINUED)

is prophecy yet to be fulfilled, but it will be, even as the others, for "the zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this."

II. His Incarnation and Redemption Completed (John 1:1-4, 10-14);

The Eternal One-who was in the beginning with the Father, He who was God and who made all things, this One who was the life and the light of men-humbled Himself and took upon Himself the likeness of sinful man. He was "made flesh and dwelt among us," revealing the grace and glory of God. The incarnation of Christ is a truth the greatness and glory of which we cannot fully understand; but we know that it was for us that He came-for our redemption.

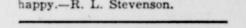
The world-His own world-received Him not. "But"-and thank God for that blessed "but!"-"as many as received him, to them gave he the power (or better, 'the right,' as in R.V.) to become the children of God." Redemption is by a new birth, a divine birth, "not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man." It is a complete redemption by faith in Him who revealed the grace of God to man This is the great message of Christmas. Let us not miss it.

But there is another word for this precious and blessed season-it is that of love.

III. His Love and Our Love Manifested (I John 4:9-11).

The love of God has been expressed in many precious ways, but the full and final manifestation was in the sending of His only begotter Son into the world that we might have life through Him. This is love supreme, that God loved us when we did not love Him, the altogether lovely One giving His best and dearest in loving sacrifice for the altogether unlovely ones.

Such love in making the unspeakable gift to us must of necessity call forth from us not only love toward Him, but also for one another. Christmas is an excellent time to deepen and sweeten the love which exists between Christian brethren. We need to be drawn very close to one another for mutual encouragement, strengthening of our faith, and for the effective outreach of Christ's love to the whole world through us.





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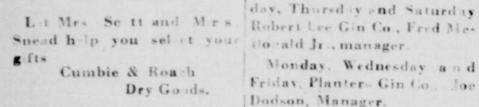
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Never before in our lives did world conditions change so fast Tags and Sacks, and reaching into remote corners at the Robert Lee Gin Co an how to adjust ourselves for sudden changes is b coming a problem, bu suffice to say if we will only try to be normal and let these whom we have elected to run the government do so, with our cooperation and various help we can be sure of success and vie ory than we can by hindering. Rem mber our leaders are bearing the most of this burden and they have a grave responsibility and our unity of every thing we have is needed to bear them over this tempestous storm and to wird up in victory. lowing gin days will be Tues-





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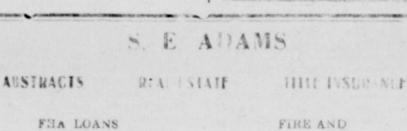
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Rising Costs

EVERYONE is aware of in-creased taxes this year. The ·ost of living has gone up, not ·lown, and if your income remainfixed you must take steps to meet these new demands.

There are countless ways in which 2 ou may economize without upset ang your usual way of living. A title thought and planning is all hat is required, says Mary B. Finke. who outlines a chart for saving money in the December Good Housekeeping magazine. Ask yourself chese questions, Miss Finke suggests to see if there aren't some easy way? of cutting down expenses.

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Do I fail to make a wardrobe plan at the beginning of each season-buy things that don't go together-get disgusted because I have "noth-ing to wear" - and spend extra money to restore my self-respect?

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Do I plan my meals to take adantage of good buys in the market. especially fruits and vegetables in season, and do I know how to cook the less-expensive cuts of ment so that they equal choice cuts in appe-tite appeal?

4 4 4 Do my utility bills -- Neht, gas, telephone-represent real utility or thoughtless waste?

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Do I play bridge for higher stakes than I should, because I'm too much of a coward to call a halt? * * *

Do I take unnecessary taxiswhich I justify because I'm late-when the truth is I'm lazy about getting started in time?

* * * Have I ever looked into how much we could save on insurance by putting aside a fixed sum every week and paying one premium annually ?

* * * Have I ever learned to say smilingly and without either emb ment or bitterness, "I'm sorry, but I just can't afford it"?

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Who says that you can't sell by TELEPHONE?"

"And all for a sixty-cent Telephone call. Boy! I was worried about that pending order in the next town. I couldn't be in two places at once. Lucky I thought of telephoning, for the Telephone sure pulled that order right 'out of the fire' and

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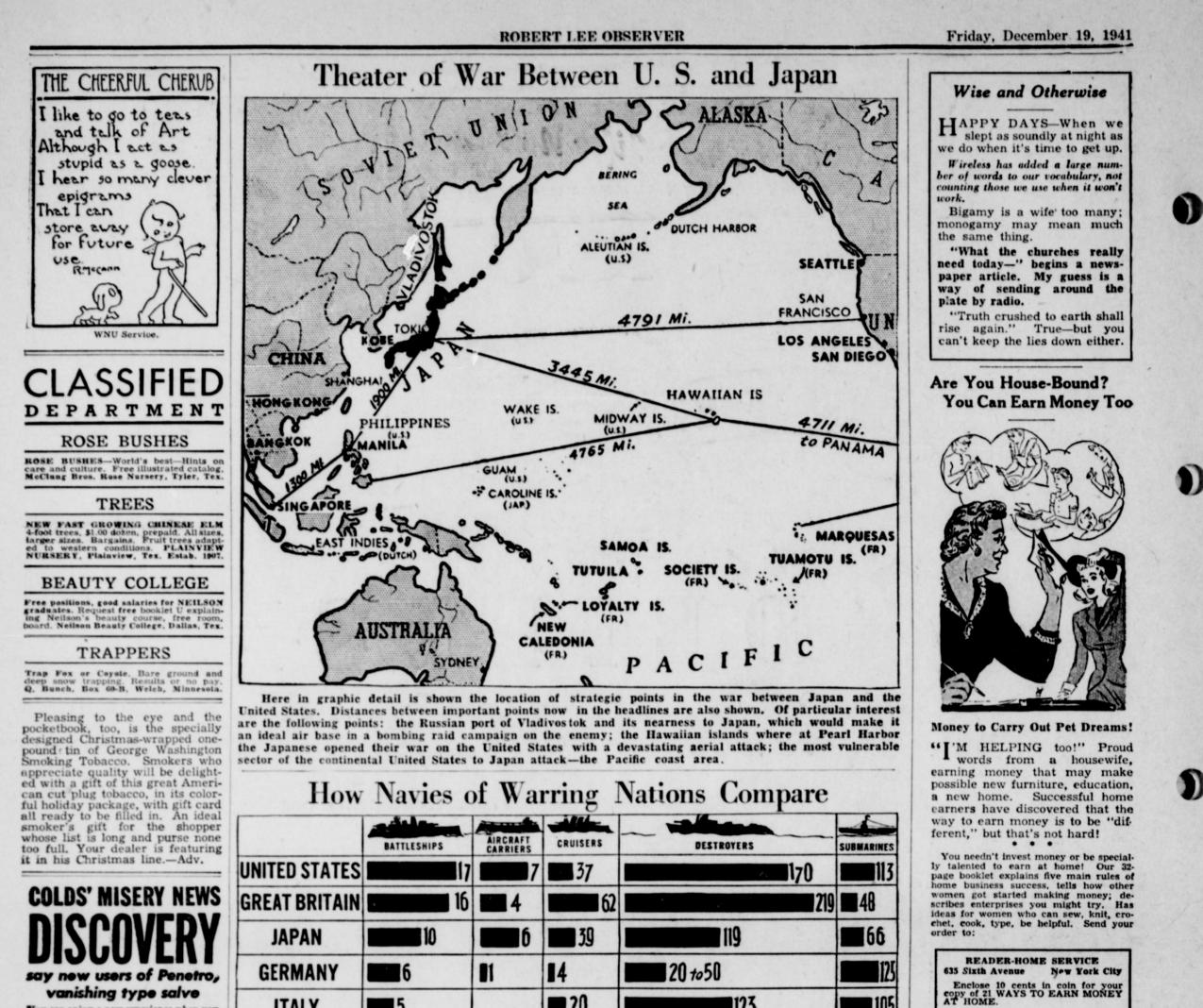
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This chart shows the naval strength of the Axis and Allied navies. Latest figures available are shown.

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Night to colds' miseries with Penetro.

Know Your Limitations Ere you consult fancy, consult your purse.-Franklin.



If you're cross, restless, nervous —suffer hot flashes, dizziness— caused by this period in a woman's life — try Lydia Pink-ham's Vegetable Compound. Made especially for women Helps to relieve distress due to this functional disturbance. Thou-sands upon thousands of women report remarkable benefits, Fol-low label directions.

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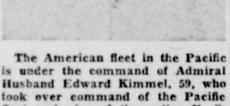
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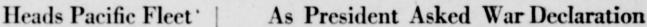
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fleet and also of the entire U. S. fleet last February 1.

In Asiatic Waters





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President Franklin D. Roosevelt addressing the joint session of congress, when he asked congress to declare a state of war against Japan. Congress passed the declaration 33 minutes after FDR's speech.

U. S. Fleet Off Coast of Hawaii



A splendid view of units of the United States fleet at anchor in Lahaina Admiral Thomas C. Hart, 64, who roads, Hawaii, near the scene of the unprovoked attack by Japanese commands the U. S. Asiatic fleet, bombers at a Sunday's dawn.



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A drop of perfume on an electric light bulb will scent the whole room. . .

To toast nuts, sprinkle them in thin layer in shallow pan. Heat slowly and cook until nuts are light brown in color, stir frequently with fork.

Remove the little black line in shrimps before using them. The line is the intestinal tract.

Avoid over-cooking vegetables. The one great fault in cooking them is over-cooking.

Jones Found It Difficult Matter to Change His Diet

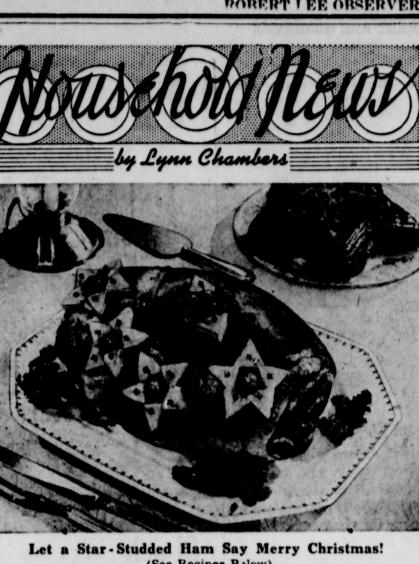
Going to a new restaurant for Jones ordered brown lunch bread. The waitress brought him white. Jones, being a reserved fellow, said nothing. The second day he ordered brown and again got white. This went on for a week.

Then he decided that the only way to get what he wanted was to order the opposite. So he started the new week by adding to his luncheon order:

"And bring me some white bread."

"But," exclaimed the girl, aren't you the gentleman who always has brown?"





(See Recipes Balow)

Deck the Table

Greetings, homemakers! Here's my Christmas present to

you, a menu with recipes designed to ring in the holiday season and to ham, crown your table with luscious food, just wonderful to eat. The menu is worked out in the best colors of the

THIS WEEK'S MENU

season.

Christmas Dinner Grapefruit-Persimmon Salad **•Sweet French Dressing** Baked Ham •Holiday Sauce •Virginia Cranberry Mold Sweet Potato Pone **•**Green Peas With Beets

Crescent Rolls Olives Jelly Celery Plum Pudding with Sauce Coffee Recipes Given

There's a touch of the traditional in the menu in the baked ham and sweet potato pone, topped off with the plum pudding, and then there's a dash of newness in the cranberry mold, the salad and its perky dressing and the holiday sauce.

Whether you're welcoming your

role in a moderate (350 degrees) oven, 30 to 35 minutes. *Baked Ham.

land?

You can depend upon your holiday dinner to go over if you serve a

glistening and shimmering. baked in sweet, spicy juices. Wrap the ham in clean wrapping paper. Place fat side up on a rack in an open pan. Use no water. Bake in a

slow oven. Hams weighing 16 to 18 pounds require 4 to 41/2 hours baking; 12 to 15 pounds, 31/2 to 4 hours; 10 to 12 pounds, 3 to 31/2 hours; and 8 to 10 pounds, 23/4 to 3 hours.

Remove paper and all rind. Cover with a glaze of pickled peach juice or 1 cup honey and 1/2 cup orange marmalade, or 1 cup pureed apricots for extra special goodness. To make stars, cut slices of pineapple and form into a star. Use a maraschino cherry in center. Bake until brown (about 15 minutes) in a hot (400 degrees) oven.

*Holiday Sauce.

For your masterpiece, the ham, serve a sauce that's rich and jewelred. Ladle it over the ham generously to bring out the best in the meat. Like all good things, the sauce is a simple, good-tasting combination. Melt 1 small glass of currant jelly in double boiler, add 3 tablespoons chili sauce, blend, and serve hot.



now ... and good will be found neither corruption nor defilement nor any CANDY malignant taint. Unlike the actor who leaves the stage before his COATED REGULAR part is played, the life of such a man is complete whenever death NR TO-NIGHT; TOMORROW ALRIGHT may come. He is neither cow-

and Every use!

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iffy. Divide easily into firm, uicy sections!

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sons from camp. your daughters from college, make this their gala feast, for Christmas dinners are some-thing to cherish and remember.

*Grapefruit-Persimmon Salad.

Be versatile with your grapefruit. Peel, separate into sections, then slip the thin peeling off the sections being careful to leave the section whole. Alternate the sections of grapefruit with thin slices of persimmon, having the outside sections on top so the fruit together gives the appearance of a mound. Use three sections of grapefruit per serving. Lay this on a crisp bed of lettuce and serve with dressing. Avocado and pink grapefruit sections may also be used in this way.

> "Sweet French Dressing. (For fruit salads)

9 tablespoons oil 31/2 tablespoons powdered sugar 1/2 teaspoon salt

3 tablespoons paprika 1/2 teaspoon worcestershire sauce

4 tablespoons lemon juice Set all ingredients in icebox for three hours before mixing. Combine in order given, blending thoroughly. Chill again in mason jar. Before using, let melt, then beat until thick with wooden spoon.

*Sweet Potato Pone. (Serves 6 to 8)

Delicately spiced, heart-warming and gracious accompaniment to your dinner is

this sweet potato pone. Satisfy your desire for sweet potatoes with ham this new-old way. It's like grandmotherused to make, homey, tasty, just won-derful food!

2½ cups grated raw sweet potato 1/2 cup butter 1/2 cup sugar

h cup milk 1 teaspoon powdered ginger 1/4 teaspoon mace

Grated rind of 1 orange Blend sugar and butter. Add sweet potato and milk. Beat well, then add spices and orange rind. Bake in a shallow, buttered casse-

"Green Peas With Beets.

Bright red and green touch in the best tradition of Christmas is your beet and green peas vegetable combination. Boil the beets with two inches of their tops left on until tender, 25 to 35 minutes depending or age and size. Plunge into cold water and remove skins. Scoop out center, add salt and butter. Just before serving, heat beets, fill centers with cooked, seasoned green peas, heated piping hot.

*Virginia Cranberry Mold. You'll want something tantalizing. ly tart as foil to the bland sweetness

of the ham. Here it is: 1 17-ounce can cranberry sauce Juice of two oranges Grated rind of 1 orange

1 cup hot water 3 packages gelatin

Mash cranberry sauce fine; adc rind and orange juice. Dissolve gelatin in hot water and add to first mixture. Pour into molds and put in cool place to set.

LYNN SAYS:

Few holidays can offer you the same decorative possibilities as Christmas season, so make the most of the evergreens, berries. cones, candles, ornaments, and rich colors.

Here are some centerpiece ideas which would be effective: Use a green wreath on a mirror and fill with evergreen branches dipped or sprayed with white paint and place brightly colored ornaments or fruits among the branches.

Surround candles with pine branches and cones and have several small silver bells around the base of the centerpiece as though they came out of the branches. Make a gingerbread house, frost with a thin powdered sugar icing and sprinkle with silver snow. Set this on a mirror or surround with spruce or pine branches and cones.

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ardly nor presuming; not enslaved to life nor indifferent to its duties; and in him is found nor that which putteth to shame. greater benefits. - La Rochefou--Marcus Aurelius.

Selfish Gratitude

The gratitude of most men is nothing worthy of condemnation but a secret desire of receiving cauld.





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