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Read And Inform Yourself

MORE THAN FLOOD WATER NEEDS CURBING IN TEXAS

THANKS TO the diligence of a Texas House investigating subcommittee headed by Representative Jo Ed Winfree (Houston), and the untiring work done by Representative Marshall Bell of San Antonio—serving his first term—Texas now has a law, awaiting only the signature of Governor Stevenson, which will check some of the activities of river authorities in this State.

Two such authorities—the Guadalupe-Blanco and the Lower Colorado River—were created in 1935 for the primary purpose of curbing the flood waters in the streams named in their titles. The house committee found, after weeks of investigating, that the Guadalupe-Blanco Authority had done no flood-curbing, and the Lower Colorado Authority had done little except in so far as the erection of dams to generate electric power upstream from Austin might be useful.

The Bell Bill is intended to curb something relatively as serious as flood waters—namely, a disregard for the responsibilities that should be assumed by every member of a State-created agency, whatever its size or purpose.

Therefore, the Bell Bill prohibits any agency heretofore or hereafter created by the Legislature to carry out the purposes of the Conservation Amendment to the Texas Constitution:

From paying or contracting to pay, directly or indirectly, any commission or fee to any person whomsoever in connection with the purchase, lease, or sale or acquisition in any manner whatsoever of any property, real, personal or mixed, then existing and being used for the purpose of generating, transmitting and distributing electric power.

From fixing, by contract or otherwise, the resale price of any commodity as service sold by such agency to any municipality or electric corporation.

From making any loan of money to another agency for any purpose whatsoever; from employing an attorney to perform any legal service in acquiring for the agency existing facilities for generating, transmitting or distributing electric power or energy except for a sum of money to be agreed upon at the time of such employment.

From making any contract or agreement under the terms of which its electric facilities may be operated—with either a private corporation, unless such private corporation be doing business in Texas in such a manner as to be subject to the jurisdiction of the State Courts; or a public corporation or public agency (whose principal business is the generation, transmission, distribution or sale of electric power or energy) unless such public corporation or public agency is created under Texas laws.

The legislation by no means covers all the devious activities of river authorities brought to light by the Winfree committee. It is not so comprehensive as the original draft by Representative Bell—but it is a start, and a good start when a Texas Legislature finds time to enact such a bill.

San Antonio's experience in recent months with two river au-

Visit Relatives

First Lieut. and Mrs. O. H. Campbell of Lubbock, Texas, visited home folks at Sanco last week end. Lt. Campbell received training at Abilene, then at San Antonio and was ordered to report by January 27 as Service Pilot to South Plains Army Flying Field near Lubbock. He enjoys his work there.

Local Items

Maynard Read is in McCamey visiting for a few days.

James Ulmer of San Angelo visited in the Craddock home Sunday.

Pfc. Glen H. Simpson is now located at Kessler Field Miss. He is taking a 4 month course in mechanical training, his wife will remain here until later.

Mrs. Audry Willbanks and daughter Beverly and Mrs. B. E. Davis visited in Bronte Sunday evening.

Sgt. Frank C. Wojtek Jr. from the Army Air Base, Muric Calif. is here on a furlough visiting with homefolks.

Miss Juanita Barger attended the District Sunday School Convention at San Angelo Friday and spent the week end there.

Nelda Stephenson of San Angelo is spending a few days with her aunt Mrs. Bob Read and Mr. Read.

Returned Home

Mrs. Lizzie Hester returned home Monday after spending several months with her daughter Mrs. Miller Montgomery and family at Rotan.

Visits Western Points

Mrs. A. J. Bilbo left Friday for Alpine to visit her daughter Alta Bell. On her return she visited her sister Mrs. A. F. Landers and family and Craig returned with her. Alta Bell will receive her degree in August.

Read Ads In Home Paper

A very satisfactory way to get your shoes repaired has been made with the 3rd Street Shoe Shop at San Angelo, and you can leave your shoes at Latham's Feed Store. Many of these firms in San Angelo will not spend one penny with your local paper and yet 50 percent of their business comes from outside territory. If you appreciate their ads patronize them. Your paper is financed by advertisements.

Authorities was responsible both for the House investigation and the passage of the Bell Bill. Enactment of the law does not end San Antonio's difficulties over a contract upon which the courts must pass—but San Antonio's experience has contributed to the benefit of other cities and the State itself.—San Antonio Express.

Special to the Robert Lee Observer:

We Have Had A Great Rain

We have all felt that we needed a great rain. A rain to nurture our crops and our pastures. Some of us prayed for it, so the rain came and we are thankful. But we need another rain, a rain from Heaven, a refreshing shower of God's power upon us to nurture our dried up souls.

The subject of the sermon at the Methodist Church next Sunday will be "Our Need of a Great Rain". Why not break the record and come to Church next Sunday?

W. Vasco Teer, pastor.

Visiting Relatives

Visiting in the home of Mr and Mrs. Russ Mathers of Silver last week were their children: 1st class Pvt. Arch C. Mathers of San Francisco, Calif.; 3rd class Petty Officer Elton Mathers of Norman, Okla. Miss Letha Mathers of San Antonio and Doyle from McMurry College at Abilene, Texas. A host of friends gathered at their home on Sunday for a dinner.

Locals

Miss Alma Deval has gone to Ballinger where she has employment at a hospital. Evelyn Deval has been employed there for some time.

Miss Ruby Jo Sparks attended the Sunday School Convention at San Angelo last Friday.

Mrs. J. I. Murtishaw of San Angelo visited several days with Mrs. Audry Willbanks and Mrs. Eil Hatley last week.

Mr and Mrs. Judge Upton of San Angelo visited in the home of Mrs. B. E. Davis Sunday.

Mrs. E. V. Lowrance was rushed to a hospital in San Angelo by the W. K. Simpson Ambulance service.

Mrs. J. S. Augustine Jr. and daughter Brenda of Sterling City are visiting in Robert Lee this week.

SEE the new Gingham at CUMBIE & ROACH

Mrs. F. K. Turney and sister Bessie May Bilbo of Iraan, Texas were here visiting their parents over the week end. They left for Dallas Monday where Mrs. Turney has employment.

Sheppard Field, Texas, Pfc. Shelby F. Markham a nephew of W. D. Markham has graduated from an intensive course in airplane mechanics and now is prepared to blast the Axis as one of America's "commandos in overalls".

We are never low and sometimes HIGH on Poultry, Eggs, Cream and Hides.

Major Lewis At ICE HOUSE

WASHING Special on quilts and blankets Mrs. Hattie Day



Ariel Club

The Ariel Club met in the home of Mrs. Fred McDonald Tuesday in an all-day covered dish luncheon to do Red Cross sewing.

F. A. Landers and family are here from Ft. Stockton visiting kith and kin.

Bill Ratliff, wife and daughter of Lubbock spent last week end with home folks.

Lots of non ration sandwiches at CUMBIE & ROACH

Baptist W. M. S.

Mrs. A. W. Littlefield was hostess to the W. M. S. Monday at 4 p. m.

The Missionary program was carried out with Mrs. Paul Good as leader.

Miss Juanita Barger gave the Bible Study Lesson in a very impressive way on the life of Job. Meses Gramling, Littlefield, H. S. Lewis, and Victor Wojtek, gave parts on the program. Following the business meeting all were refreshed with a glass of iced tea, salad topped with whipped cream and cake. Ten were present.

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DONA MECHE-JOAN BENNETT IN

"GIRL TROUBLE"

"Don Winslow and Cartoon

World's Largest Mobile Community, Built of 3,300 Trailer Coaches, Will House 13,000 Naval Workers

Removal After War Will Leave No Ghost Town; Improvements in Construction Expected to Stimulate Future Use by Migrant Workers.

From wasteland to a city of 3,300 homes in 46 days! That's the wartime "miracle" of Trailer City at Portsmouth, Va., where 13,000 persons will soon make up the world's largest mobile community.

When the navy found it was impossible to recruit workers for the Norfolk navy yard because of housing shortages, the Federal Public Housing Authority was requested to supply accommodations quickly. The huge trailer project is the FPHA's answer to this request.

Nothing approaching this feat has ever been seen in housing. Through the combined efforts of manufacturers, government officials, contractors and local workers, 100 mobile homes a day were transported to the site and placed on foundation blocks, ready for occupancy. Since all the units were completed and furnished at mid-western factories, it was a matter of a few minutes for four men to emplace them and connect electric lines.

The successful completion of this project, which is expected to be fully occupied about July 15, is the high-point of a revolutionary change in housing techniques, motivated by war necessity.

Deliver Complete Unit.

Completely reversing the centuries-old method of transporting parts or sections of houses to the site and then assembling them, the trailer coach industry has applied assembly-line methods to home-construction and delivers complete units, including essential furnishings.

Just as mass production techniques have changed automobile manufacture from small-scale output at high prices to million-unit capacity at low cost, this new construction method for homes brings speed, quantity and economy into housing at a time when all these factors are imperative for the war effort.

In manufacture, this method saves 90 per cent on manpower. The mobile houses require less than one-third the ordinary amount of critical materials, permitting much greater volume from a limited stockpile. The average trailer coach, furnished and installed, costs about

All other needs of this city, larger than St. Augustine, Fla., are being provided by the FPHA. Equipped playgrounds dot the 290-acre site, and two schools have been erected for the children. A non-denominational church will be available to all residents. Four community and recreation buildings will provide facilities for stage shows, motion pictures, games, meetings and dinner parties.

Four large play areas, each large enough for a full-sized baseball field, will be available for adults, and seven stores will occupy a large commercial building, eliminating the need for traveling into the city to shop.

Each trailer has a plot at least 26 by 46 feet. Drainage has made the soil fertile, and a Victory garden usually appears outside each unit a few days after the family moves in. Some build small picket fences around their gardens, adding the final touch of suburban atmosphere.

All trailers when delivered were standard olive drab, but because camouflage is not important at this site they are being repainted various hues, to suit the taste of the occupants.

FPHA rentals on these furnished homes range from \$6 to \$9 a week, far lower than prevailing rates for



This little girl even finds room for her dollie in one of the 3,300 trailers of the settlement near Portsmouth, Va. Whole families can comfortably occupy one of the new units. Playgrounds, schools and recreation centers have been built to accommodate the residents.

time occupations, the trailers will find wheels again and serve vagabondage or house migratory workers, and the ground that had been host to a thriving city will once more be an open field—no worse for wear. For Portsmouth there will be no bad effects, no 'ghost' slums, no regrets.

In this project also is seen the forerunner of a vast field for trailers in post-war Europe. With millions of persons returning to ravaged cities, communities like Trailer City will pop up to house them until permanent quarters can be constructed, he predicts. If American manufacturers can get sufficient materials in time, it is not unlikely that they will provide units for hundreds of towns as big as Portsmouth's to dot the European topography.

See New Trailer Use.

Peacetime uses for trailers will also show the effects of their wartime use. Large groups of migratory construction workers, moving from one reconstruction job to another, will use trailers so they can move their homes with them. Seasonal farm workers will do the same thing. Lighter and more powerful automobiles will make road travel more popular with salesmen and professional men, and trailer homes will permit them to keep their families together while they travel.

An upsurge in travel interest following wartime repression will enhance the normal market for trailers, too, and thousands of families who are finding these mobile homes satisfactory during the war will decide to retain this type of living.

The trailers that were moved into Portsmouth are tributes to the manufacturers' ingenuity, for they are as sturdy and comfortable as pre-war models despite sharp curtailments in available materials.

The chief shortages—rubber for tires and steel for under-carriages—are not serious because the units are placed on foundation blocks and are immobilized for the duration of the war, unless they are to be moved to another site after their first assignment is filled.

However, shortages of such basic materials as masonite, plywood and stainless steel have necessitated substitutions. The Portsmouth trailers have less than 275 pounds of steel, only three pounds of copper, and use homeosote in place of masonite.

The experimentation required by these substitutions will pay real dividends in the future, experts predict. "We've learned better ways to do things," these experts say. "We now can save weight, add space and increase comfort without increasing cost. After a year or two, when we get a supply of the new light metals and plastics we'll produce trailers that will be luxurious and practical—and at a small cost."

Meanwhile, the Portsmouth project is doing a big war job. Incoming workers pour into the project every day, bringing their families into a new type of living experience. Once in, they plan to stay.

"This kind of life," explains one worker after five days in his trailer, "is as much fun as camping and a lot more comfortable."

TO YOUR Good Health by DR. JAMES W. BARTON

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

BEHAVIOR TREATMENT

One of the difficulties about the treatment of behavior symptoms by the use of insulin or metrazol is that some patients who have undergone this method, or have spoken to patients who have done so, are somewhat afraid of it, notwithstanding that they have experienced or observed its helpful results. It is for this and other reasons that many physicians are now using the electrically induced convulsions in cases where the



Dr. Barton

mental symptoms are not due to any true or organic disease of the brain. I have spoken twice before about this method and in the Illinois Medical Journal, Dr. J. V. Edlin, Chicago, reports the use of electric shock treatment in 126 cases.

The length of time the patients suffered with their symptoms ranged from less than six months to 10 years, and included all the functional psychoses such as anxieties, fears, dream states and melancholia.

Of the patients who were ill for less than six months, about 53 per cent recovered; the rate for those ill from six months to one year was about 31 per cent; for those ill from one to five years it was 21 per cent, and for those ill from 6 to 10 years it was 20 per cent.

The best results were obtained by patients suffering from involuntional melancholia (depressed feeling of middle and old age). The next best occurred in patients with catatonia (where dream state passes into melancholia) and then those with hebephrenia (silliness which comes on at puberty) and dementia pre-cox combined with hebephrenic and catatonic features.

Dr. Edlin found that just as with insulin and metrazol the symptoms before receiving electric shock treatment determined the chances of his recovery; the shorter the time, the better the chances. Dr. Edlin prefers electrical to metrazol treatment because of the high percentage of recoveries and the almost total absence of fear. He also advises that the usual treatment of mental cases by questioning the patient and explaining the causes of the symptoms should be used in addition to the electric shock treatment.

X-Ray Treatment of Goiter Beneficial

In examining recruits for the last war we were always on the alert so that cases of early thyroid disease (goiter) were not accepted. When the heartbeat was fast the recruit rested for some time and was given a daily paper to read. If his heartbeat was slower after the rest and he was fit otherwise he was accepted. In some cases where, in addition to the rapid heartbeat, there was trembling of the hands and eyes were bulging he was considered a thyroid case and rejected at once.

The cause of the symptoms is that too much juice or extract is being manufactured by the thyroid gland and this juice increases the rate at which all the body processes work. The amount of increase is measured by a special apparatus and if it is plus 15 or more it is considered a case of early goiter, hyperthyroid as it is called. If test shows minus 15 it shows that the thyroid gland is not manufacturing enough juice.

When too much juice is being manufactured, all or part of the thyroid gland is removed by operation or by the use of X-ray treatments. If not enough juice is being manufactured the physician prescribes daily doses of the juice or thyroid extract.

Before treatment for removal of the thyroid gland is given, Dr. George E. Pfahler, professor of radiology, graduate school of medicine, University of Pennsylvania, in medical clinics of North America, states that the cause or causes of the hyperthyroid condition should be removed insofar as this is possible. Usual causes are focal infection (teeth, tonsils or other organ), domestic difficulties, worry, overwork or some other strain.

As many patients fear operation and delay should be avoided, Dr. Pfahler points out that X-ray treatment gives about as good end results as surgery and these patients will more willingly undergo the X-ray method of treatment. Where, however, the need for the removal of the thyroid gland is urgent surgery is the proper treatment.

Gems of Thought

THERE are two educations. One should teach us how to make a living; the other how to live!—James Truslow Adams.

What does he plant who plants a tree?
He plants the friend of sun and sky;

He plants the flag of breezes free;
The shaft of beauty towering high.
—BRUNNER.

Far and away the best prize that Life offers is to work hard at work worth doing.—Theodore Roosevelt.

Who can compute the worth of a character enriched by faith, self-control, brotherly kindness, and love?

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A substitute for rubber adhesive tape is being sought. Thousands of pounds of this tape are being used to protect plastic airplane glass in transit to airplane factories.

Seventy-three per cent of the 140,000 workers of 94 war plants in 10 states go to and from work by private automobiles. Nearly three-quarters of the cars used by these workers have tires more than half worn out, many of them unfit for re-capping.

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FIRST IN RUBBER



A total of 3,300 trailers dot 290 acres near Portsmouth, Va. Here, 13,000 workers in the Norfolk navy yard will make their home for the duration. Each trailer has a plot at least 26 by 46 feet adequately drained, and Victory gardens already have been set out.

60 per cent as much as the low-priced demountable house. Further important savings are made in manpower at the site, since four men can have a trailer ready in a few minutes, while even a demountable house requires several hours. Since war housing is needed in labor-scarce areas, this has made trailers even more popular.

Employment in the Norfolk Navy Yard, which is to be served by the Portsmouth trailer community, is due to increase about 40 per cent in the next few months. The speedy availability of the mobile homes will make it possible for the navy to recruit workers long before it could have if it had to wait for other types of living units. The effect on the naval shipping program will be important to the early completion of the war.

Trailers Accommodate Families.

Of the 3,300 units in Trailer City, 2,940 are standard trailers, normally housing two to four persons. The other 660 are expandible mobile homes, which are transported like trailers but have wings that are opened at the site to form extra rooms. With a few quick movements these expandibles form four-room homes, comfortably accommodating families of six.

This proportion of two sizes provides ample quarters for large families as well as smaller ones.

sub-standard quarters in the city. Electricity is provided at cost.

Although Trailer City at Portsmouth is the high-point of the FPHA use of trailers, it is expected to be followed soon by similar projects in other severely congested centers. The government already owns more than 35,000 units, situated in nearly 200 parks throughout the country.

Portsmouth Enthusiastic.

Portsmouth is enthusiastic about its infant addition, for the housing shortage has been its greatest headache since the emergency began. But even more than the speed of its completion, the project's effect on the city after the war is appreciated. Residents are glad that when the need subsides this emergency "subdivision" will be moved en masse, leaving only the vacant field it mushroomed from, instead of a "ghost" community.

George F. Miles, president of the Trailer Coach Manufacturers association, whose members supplied the mobile units for the project, sums up this aspect:

"This city's birth is spectacular, its contribution to the war effort will be noteworthy, and its fate when the war ends will make a dramatic sequel to the whole tale. For unless post-war needs exceed expectations, the whole community is likely to disappear even faster than it came. The workers will move on to peace-

ASK ME ANOTHER?

A quiz with answers offering information on various subjects

The Questions

1. The solid part of the earth is called what?
2. What American general is called "Blood and Guts"?
3. What proportion of U. S. senators is elected every two years?
4. What type of song is a barcarole?
5. What is a plexis?
6. What is meant by carte blanche?
7. Who was the first President of the United States to be born

under the flag of the United States of America?

The Answers

1. Lithosphere.
2. George S. Patton Jr.
3. One-third.
4. A boat song.
5. A network of blood vessels or nerves.
6. Full powers.
7. Martin Van Buren.
8. Rum.

To Be Sure It's Simple With the Man's Hat Off!

A woman entered the photographer's shop and addressed the proprietor thusly: "I want this photograph of my husband enlarged. Now, do you think you can remove the hat? I do not like it on him."

The photographer carefully studied the portrait for a time.

"Yes," he said at last. "I think I can manage to fake the hair all right. By the way, you'll have to tell me on which side he parts his hair. I must know that."

The woman thought for a moment, then said: "Oh, I just can't remember, but you'll be able to see that when you take his hat off."

AROUND THE HOUSE

Put a sponge in the bottom of your potted plants and you won't have to water them so often.

If too much salt is put in the soup, a few slices of potato will remove it. A raw potato in the refrigerator will absorb unpleasant odors.

Vinegar eliminates odors. Don't put away a frying pan that smells of onions, fish or some other strong-flavored food. Put some vinegar in the pan and bring to a boil. Then wash as usual.

If you find fruit jars difficult to get clean after cold packing corn or meat, rub the jar with salt and wash in the usual way.

To mend small holes in window screen, put a piece of mosquito netting over the hole and coat it with varnish. When dry, apply another coat or two.

Woolen garments will retain their fluffiness and will not shrink if a teaspoonful of glycerine is added to the warm water in which they are washed and rinsed.

Gay 'Bluebird' Kitchen Towels



Due to an unusually large demand and current war conditions, slightly more time is required in filling orders for a few of the most popular pattern numbers.

To obtain this pattern send 16 cents in coins to:

Sewing Circle Needlecraft Dept.
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Enclose 15 cents (plus one cent to cover cost of mailing) for Pattern No.
Name
Address

True Enough

Some visitors were inspecting a junior class in the school and things were going rather badly. When the teacher asked if any little girl could recite something, only one small hand shot up.

"That's a good girl, Betty," said teacher encouragingly. "Now step out in front of the class. What can you say for us?"

"Nelson's Farewell to His Mother," replied Betty brightly.

"Splendid! Begin."

"Ta-ta, mum!" said Betty dramatically, waving her hand in the air.

Modern Curtains to Make Your Bay Windows Appear More Attractive



Today curtains are hung to cover both wall and woodwork around the individual windows in the bay. This brings the group of windows together as a unit and makes the bay seem a broad and spacious part of the room. The sketch at the right shows a standard fixture that allows curtains to extend beyond the window frame; but don't rush out to buy new rods. The chances are that your old rods may be extended over the wall if you wire them to hooks or staples at the upper corners of the window frames.

NOTE—If you are planning new curtains, you will want a copy of Mrs. Spears' booklet that illustrates twelve different styles of curtains with directions for making them; including a simple home-made rigging for draw curtains. Ask for BOOK 1, and enclose 15 cents with name and address to:

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The little woman had worried the grocer over trifles at the busiest time of the day, and at last he had managed to satisfy her.

"Do you know, Mr. Peck," said the woman, "when I came into your shop I had a dreadful headache. I've quite lost it now."

"It isn't lost," said the distracted grocer, "I've got it!"

Stumped Cop

Traffic Cop (producing note book)—Name, please.
Motorist (caught speeding)—Aloysius Sebastian Cyprian.
Traffic Cop (putting book away)—Well, don't let me catch you again.

That's Safest

"Doctor, my wife tells me that I talk in my sleep. What should I do?"

"Nothing that you shouldn't."

Can't Beat 'Em

An American soldier in England was giving some illustrations of the size of his country. "You can board a train in the State of Texas at dawn," he said impressively, "and 24 hours later you'll still be in Texas."

"Yes," said one of his English listeners, with feeling, "we've got trains like that here, too."

"Bring your ration coupons—We serve you with a smile."—Sign in a meat market. And not much more do you get.

Uncalled for Help

Missus (rousing husband)—I believe a burglar's trying to open the living room window.

Mister—Good! I haven't been able to move it since the painter was here.

Added Weight

Visitor—Sonny, what's the noise upstairs?

Sonny—Ma's dragging pa's pants across the floor.

Visitor—That shouldn't make that much noise?

Sonny—I know; but pa is in 'em.

Some women walk to reduce; some husbands are reduced to walking.

Not Too Good

"Do you think you could learn to love me?"

"Possibly; but wouldn't you hate to think you were an acquired taste?"

Sent the Scent

His teacher sent a note home with Johnny asking his mother to give him a bath. The next day Johnny brought an answer:

"Dear Miss Smith, When I send Johnny to school I send him to be learnt, and not to be smelt; he ain't no rose."

When you see news photos of soldiers "off duty" in camp or behind the battle-lines—notice how often you'll see them smoking a cigarette. There's a good reason for that. Army officials say that cigarettes are an appreciable factor in maintaining morale—and the soldiers themselves add that a carton of cigarettes from home is always welcome. What brand? Well, sales records in Post Exchanges and Canteens show that Camels are the favorite cigarette with men in all the services. Though there are Post Office restrictions on packages to overseas Army men, you can still send Camels to soldiers in the U. S., and to Sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen wherever they are.—Adv.

A FEW cheer-up notes make housework more fun! Take, for instance, these busy little bluebirds to embroider on towels. They are quick to do—and how they brighten up the kitchen! Match them to the general color scheme.

Pattern 7492 contains a transfer pattern of 6 motifs averaging 5 1/4 by 7 1/4 inches; stitches; list of materials needed.

Crops and Stock Thrive On Most Northerly Farm

The Norilsk State farm, a Soviet agricultural enterprise, stands on the 70th parallel in the midst of a desert region, in the zone of eternal frost. There the Arctic night lasts for nearly two months. There are frequent heavy blizzards, when the thermometer drops to 60 degrees below zero centigrade.

Potatoes, cabbages, onions, carrots and sugar beets are grown successfully in the open fields of this Arctic farm. Tomatoes, cucumbers and spinach are raised in 28 hot-houses. An experimental sowing of melons has yielded encouraging results.

Livestock thrives on the farm, and is rapidly increasing in number. There are 133 cows, all born in this Arctic region. A subsidiary farm houses 200 pigs of pure Yorkshire breed.

Last year the possibility of growing oats for fodder was demonstrated by the yield from an experimental planting of 60 acres.

Orchard trees bloom during the short Arctic summer. They are still very young and bear no fruit at present.

HMM...DO I SEE COFFEE CAKE? MOLLIE, I DON'T SEE HOW YOU MANAGE TO GIVE US TREATS LIKE THIS SO OFTEN WHEN YOU'RE ALL TIED UP WITH WAR WORK

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Eric and his wife are nomads even in peacetime as he is the bright young actor who plays opposite Gertrude Lawrence in "Lady in the Dark", a show that has interspersed long runs on Broadway with cross-country tours and is soon to open in San Francisco.

The Brothersens love to entertain informally before and after the theater, but they like furnishings that fit in anywhere and can go into storage at the drop of a hat. That's why they're partial to big one-room apartments and have invested in a low partition of glass blocks and prefabricated wood strips that can readily be dismantled. In their New York apartment they set the partition up to separate the dining end of their huge one room from the end that serves as a living room. And a drop leaf table set against the glistening blocks provides an attractive setting for simple buffet suppers and after the theater refreshments.

Cooking is a gay cooperative venture in the Brothersens' maidless household, and Eric is especially proud of the icings he whips

Helen pours when the guests flock into their home for after-theater refreshments.

up for his wife's cakes. They've also trained their seven-month-old daughter Barbara to love a topsy-turvy routine of crowds and changes. Barbara goes along whenever they set out with the company of "Lady in the Dark" and sleeps like a log on overnight train trips. She bubbles with hospitable pleasure when guests overflow the family quarters, and is only unhappy if she's left out of things.

Like the wife of many a serviceman and transplanted war worker, Helen Brothersen believes in keeping the family together and always having a home, even though that home may be on one coast in December and the other in May. And wherever the Brothersens do settle they put out the welcome mat for friends and fellow actors who keep their household humming with good times.

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The refrigerator, which can't be replaced if it wears out, should



be handled with special care. It should be defrosted at least once a week and never overcrowded with foods. When preparing a meal, it is also wise to take everything you're going to need out at one time to avoid frequent opening and shutting of the refrigerator door.

The stove will wear better and use up less cooking gas if the burners are kept spotless. Pots and pans won't blacken so readily and much gas will also be saved if the flame is never turned up so high that it licks around the sides of the pans.

Where there's room, a desk or table for keeping wartime recipes and your ration coupon budgets is

a grand convenience in the kitchen today. Small horizontal panels of translucent glass blocks can be set into the wall above such a work table as well as in windows above other much-used work surfaces for better daylighting with complete privacy. These blocks can be kept sanitary by wiping them with a damp cloth, require no curtaining or painting, and will actually improve the kitchen's comfort because of their insulating qualities.

A waterproof varnish applied to the floor, if it is not a washable surface, will help preserve it from the inevitable spillovers of food or liquid and make it much easier to keep clean. And liquid wax applied to the wall surfaces that get hard wear such as behind the sink or behind the stove is a practical protection.

Every utensil in the kitchen is precious today because of the metals it contains and should be handled and polished with the same loving care that was once lavished only on the company silverware. The kitchen is going to get more use and less replacements than almost any part of the house, so it's up to the housewife to keep it looking and functioning as well as she can with the aid of modern equipment and plain old-fashioned elbow grease.



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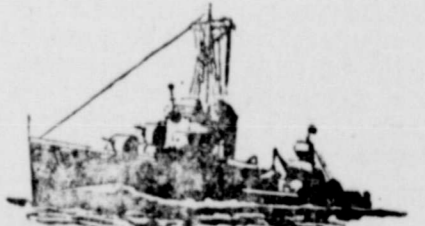
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Handies Tissues	200 count	10c
Kwik Fly Spray	Qt.	29c
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7 1/2 oz. Blue Plate OYSTERS	39c	2
Del Monico Macaroni Dinner		1
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Libby's Homogenized Baby food can	07c	1
No. 1 tall Nugget Fruit Cocktail	18c	15
Corn Nation's Pride vacuum pack 12 oz. can	12c	12
Full No. 2 standard Tomatoes	10c	16
Grocer Boy Peas, full No. 2	15c	16
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Hollandale Oleo lb	19c ; Pork Steak lb.	35c
Spiced Luncheon LOAF	lb.	45c
Choice Round Steak 43c - Round Bone Roast		32c
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L. H. Ridout, Jr.
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MARKET

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SEVEN "	lb.	33c
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