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## Revival Meeting Will Begin at Church of Christ Sunday Aug. 8

A revival meeting will begin at the Church of Christ 2 blocks east of Coke Motor Co. Sunday Aug. 8.

Preacher White from Abilene will conduct the service. You are cordially invited to attend these services if you are interested in the future and eternity.

## Married

Lieut Henry C. Varnadore and Miss Theo Lord were married at the Post Chapel at Marfa, Texas, Saturday at 6:45 p. m. Lt Varnadore received his wings Wednesday July 28 and will be transferred to some other field. Mrs Varnadore will remain with him until he is transferred.

## Funeral For Finis Turney Barnes

Finis Turney Barnes of Hatch New Mexico was killed in a car accident July 22 and was brought here for interment.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Barnes of Hatch New Mexico. Mrs. Barnes is the former Ila Ruth Turney daughter of the late Dr. Turney.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist Church at 10 a. m. Thursday with Rev. Vasco Teer in charge. W. K. Simpson & Co. Funeral Home in charge of local arrangements.

## Preaching At The Robert Lee Baptist Church Sunday

Remember every Baptist is requested to keep in mind that Sunday Aug. 1st Rev. A. Felder Cade of Winters will preach at 11 A. M. and 9 P. M. We do not have a pastor and we are badly in need of one, so be on hand and help to do your part in carrying the work on. Everyone is invited to come.

## Training Detachment

Cpl. Horace Lamont Scott Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Scott of Robert Lee, has recently arrived at the 94th College Training Detachment, located on the campus of the Southwest Texas State Teachers College, San Marcus.

There he will undergo a course of Army Air Force instruction lasting approximately five months prior to his appointment as an Aviation Cadet in the Army Air Forces. During this period he will take numerous academic courses as well as military and elementary flying training.

## Business For Robert Lee

William Caswell has opened up a shoe shop in our city and needs no introduction as he has lived here before. But we need a shoe shop for keeps, if you want it to stay here patronize him.

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Is the privilege of every person. No doubt you have had the opportunity to walk with some great person and you felt greatly honored. But you have the honor of walking with the greatest person every day of your life who has ever walked the paths of life, Jesus Christ. Will you walk with him next Sunday by coming to the Methodist Church. Perhaps we will worship with the Baptist congregation Sunday night.

W. Vasco Teer, pastor

## Locals

Mrs. Erie Conger visited in Sterling City last week.

Miss Naomi Brown of Dallas spent the week end in Robert Lee.

Alma Devall visited home folks the last few days.

Evelyn Devall, nurse at Halley & Love Hospital Ballinger, visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Devall the past week.

H. C. Varnadore and Miss Mary Theo Lord motored over to Marfa last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. McGuire of Lubbock visited in the B. W. Bilbo home last week.

Pfc. Frank Tubbs from Scott Field Ill. arrived in Robert Lee Tuesday to visit with his parents and other relatives.

Mrs. Miller Montgomery and children of Rotan spent the past week with her mother Mrs. Lizzie Hester.

Mr. and Mrs. Ulmer and son of San Angelo spent Sunday with the Craddockes.

Visiting in the home of Mr and Mrs. D. J. Walker over the week end were Pvt. and Mrs. W. K. Varnadore of San Angelo, and Edith and Agnes Walker of Abilene.

The revival meeting at Silver with Rev. O. D. Welch of Colorado City doing the preaching will continue through next Sunday. Everyone who can are urged to attend.

## Baylor University's 98-year Record And Going Strong

Declaring that war will not black out Baylor university's 98-year record of continuous service, President Pat M. Neff has announced that the doors of the oldest institution of higher learning in Texas will open as usual for civilian students on Tuesday, September 14.

Presence on the campus of a unit of pre-engineers in the army specialized training program will not alter plans for beginning Baylor's 99th year, Pres. Neff said. The soldiers, having separate courses, teachers, schedules and quarters, do not conflict in any way with the regular routine of college life. Adequate living space for boys and girls will be provided in university dormitories and houses the president stated.

Baylor University was chartered under the Republic of Texas and has withered five wars without closing her doors for a day.

Of the 601 students in the summer session, 351 are women and 250 are men, and has been termed most satisfactory in view of existing world conditions by Dean David A. Weaver.

## Baptist W. M. S.

The W. M. S. met in the home of Mrs. Paul Good Monday and carried out the monthly missionary program "The Witness of the Lifted Lamp", Phil. 2:15-16, with Mrs. Good as leader.

Mrs. S. R. Young gave the devotional on the Life of Jonathan and David. Meses Gramling, Cumbie, and Dodson had parts on program. The hostess served iced drinks and cookies to those present.

Born to Sgt. and Mrs. Murle Day on July 25th, at Wichita Falls a baby boy.

Mr and Mrs. J. E. Garvin attended the funeral of a friend M. T. Dean in San Angelo Monday.

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## Local Items

Emery Davis and family visited in Robert Lee last week.

Cpl. F. H. Parker, 502 N. Car Street Sherman, Texas, will read the Observer for the next twelve months.

Mrs. G. A. Payne and son of Slaton visited over the week end in the home of her mother Mrs. W. L. Clawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Davis and family spent later part of last week in Robert Lee.

V. W. Bilbo has changed his address from Lake Valley, N. M. to 1007 Picacho, Las Cruces N. M.

Miss Virginia Clayton has been here visiting in the F. C. Clark home.

Miss Maurine Stewart of New Mexico has been here visiting her grandmothers, Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Sparks.

Mrs. Lee Ligon and children returned to Odessa after a visit in the Roy Taylor home.

O. K. Rabb, M. M. I. C.; C. E. Benningfield, M. M. I. C.; J. H. Escue, F. I. C. U. S. N. R. are at liberty for 9 days and are visiting with home folks in Robert Lee, will return to Gulf Port, Miss.

Mrs. Ruby Pettit and daughters Doris and Lurlene have returned to Robert Lee after spending several months in California.

Mrs. A. M. Tallant and Arlene Tallant of Iraan spent last week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Bilbo.

Mrs. W. H. Bell and Jeffie Bell of Big Spring visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Struman at Elida, N. M. the past week.

Miss Katie Sue Good accompanied by some friends Mr. and Mrs. McMillan and daughter Martha, Miss Dorothy Lyles, Sgt. Allen Campbell, and Sgt. Ernie Davis of San Angelo visited Sunday in the Paul Good Home.

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And rests on that alone;  
Laughs at impossibilities,  
And says it shall be done.  
—CHARLES WESLEY.

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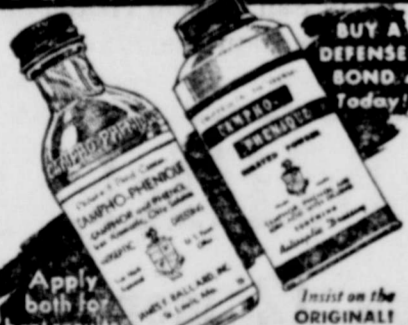
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**Current Social Security Board Report Visualizes Coverage of Added Millions**

**Benefits Outlined For Farm Help, Domestic**

Our social security program as a nation-wide undertaking began eight years ago this August. In its seventh annual report the Social Security board points out that while great progress has been made toward security for the American people, there are serious gaps in the program as it stands.

While many millions of people are covered by the insurance features of the social security act, other millions are not. More than half a million are regularly drawing monthly insurance benefits amounting in all to about 1 1/2 million dollars a month. These are benefits paid under the old-age and survivors insurance system which covers wage and salaried workers on business or industrial jobs. The benefits go to these workers and their families if the worker qualifies at age 65 or over and is no longer at work, or to the family in case of the worker's death, whatever his age. There are, however, some 20 millions of workers who are now excluded from old-age and survivors insurance.

The same is true of unemployment insurance. Millions of people are covered by the state unemployment insurance laws, operated by the states but with administrative costs paid by the federal government. During one year when jobs were hard to get nearly 5 1/2 million people who were out of work received benefits for weeks at a time. Now during the war boom when jobs are so plentiful, fewer than 120,000 people are getting unemployment benefits in any one week. The number may go down even further as the war continues.

But when the war is over, millions of former soldiers, sailors and war workers will be looking for jobs. Many will be entitled to unemployment insurance while they are looking. There will also be many who will need the insurance payments but will not be eligible as the laws now stand.

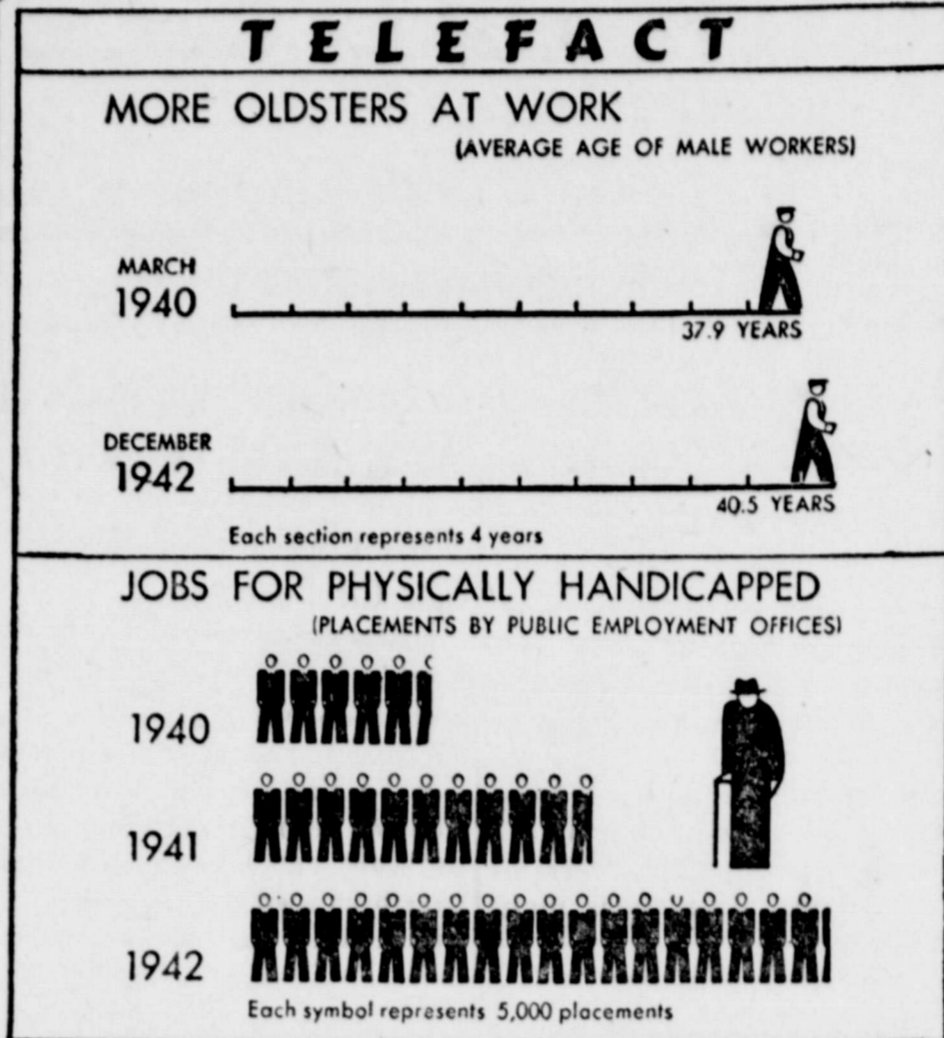
Under the public assistance programs of the social security act, three million needy people are receiving monthly cash payments which last year amounted to more than \$770,000,000. These payments go to persons who do not have enough to live on and cannot provide for themselves because they are old and cannot work, because they are blind, or because they are too young to work and have lost a parent's support or care. There are about two million old people and one million children on the lists. The blind number around 55,000. But many other people who lack the bare essentials of life cannot be helped under the present public assistance programs because they are neither over 65, nor very young, nor blind.

**Gaps in Insurance.**

Most serious, however, according to the social security board, are the gaps and shortcomings in the insurance features. The purpose of these programs is to furnish some income for families to live on when the breadwinner cannot earn wages or salary. But wages or salary may stop for reasons other than unemployment, old age, or death. If a person cannot work because he is sick or disabled, not only does his



When a worker loses his income through sickness or injury, he generally is unable to support his family for long, after he is unemployed. Frequently he must meet heavy medical costs, so his savings are soon exhausted. His wife and children then often suffer privations. The social security board recommends that the laws be amended to cover such cases.



Right now more old and physically handicapped people are employed than ever before. But everybody knows it's the war boom. When peace comes, these marginal workers will be dropped. Then, whether supported by relatives or private charities, many of these people will be hard pressed to live decently. The social security board proposes to extend the benefits of social insurance to millions who will fall into the over-age or crippled class in a few years.

pay check stop but he has the extra expense of his illness. The social security board thinks we should have insurance against disability and the costs of hospital care, along with our present unemployment insurance and old-age and survivors insurance.

About 20 million workers, including some of the lowest income groups in the country, are not covered by the old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the social security act. Most of these do not have the protection of any social insurance system. Farm workers, domestic servants, employees of non-profit educational, religious and charitable organizations constitute the largest groups of wage and salary workers left out in the cold. The self-employed, such as farmers and storekeepers, are also excluded. More than 600,000 persons already are drawing monthly payments under old-age and survivors insurance. Thousands more have earned rights to benefits and will be able to claim them whenever they stop regular work. The benefits go to insured workers and their families when the worker is 65 or older and is no longer employed, and to the families of insured workers who die either before or after they are 65.

As the law stands today, the old-age and survivors insurance system covers wage and salary workers on business and industrial jobs—that is, all kinds of jobs in factories, shops, mines, mills, stores, offices, banks, hotels, restaurants, laundries, telephone and telegraph offices, and other places of business or industry carried on by private firms, corporations, or individuals. This leaves, however, a good many who are not covered, merely because of the nature of their employment. For example, the \$10,000 executive employed by a corporation comes under the federal insurance system; the man working for himself whose income may fall below \$1,000 a year is not insured, because the present law excludes the self-employed.

**When a Worker Is Disabled.**

Every time the clock ticks off a second, five people in this country get hurt or get sick, to such an extent that they are unable to carry on their ordinary activities for one day or longer. If the disability is slight, the worker may not lose much, but to a man dependent upon his earnings, every dollar counts. The loss is especially serious if the injury lays him up for life.

Yet the big majority of workers disabled off the job have no insurance protection—nothing to make up, even in part, for the pay they lose and the extra expense they have to meet. Congress has directed the Social Security board to make recommendations for such changes in the present regulations as will provide for insurance payments to ease the blow of these calamities.

Disability insurance is one of the missing girders in the social insurance structure we have been building in this country since 1935. Already in place are two of the main supports—unemployment insurance, which pays weekly benefits to in-

sured workers who lose their jobs through no fault of their own and cannot get other jobs within a short time; and old-age and survivors insurance which pays monthly benefits to insured workers and their families when the worker is old and retires, or to his family when he dies, whatever his age. The social security board believes the next step is insurance against disability, temporary or permanent, with provision to cover also the costs of hospital care.

The need for such a program is pointed up by the fact that of more than 3 million disabled workers between 16 and 64 years of age, nearly one million have been disabled for more than a year. Around 7 million people are ill on any one day in the year—many of them for protracted periods of months and years; many with no prospect of recovery.

**Six Cents on the Dollar.**

No new governmental agency would be necessary to administer disability insurance, and no additional reports would be required of employers. The cost of the entire social insurance program, including disability protection, could probably be met through a total contribution rate of 5 or 6 cents on each dollar of pay roll from employers and 5 or 6 cents on each dollar of wages from employees. The total of 10 or 12 cents on the dollar (the rate would depend on the exact benefits provided) instead of 9 cents which will be the figure in 1949 under the present law would provide insurance protection against all the most important economic risks faced by all workers. American families would be assured of an income when wages of the breadwinner stop because of unemployment, old age, illness, disability, or death and would also have insurance protection against the costs of hospital care.

Twenty-eight nations now provide insurance protection to their workers against temporary disability. With only one exception (Spain), the United States is the only country which provides insurance against old age without also providing against the risks of chronic or permanent disability.

"When can we best afford the additional cost of an expanded social insurance system?" asks Arthur J. Altmeyer, chairman of the social security board. "Now, when earnings are high and all the wheels of industry are turning, workers and employers can set aside the contributions needed to ensure future rights to benefits," he replies. "There is no way in which increased earnings could be better invested, from the standpoint of either the family or the nation. For the family which actually meets with disaster—sickness, unemployment, chronic disability, or death—insurance benefits give a far greater protection than could have been obtained if the worker's insurance contributions had been kept as his individual savings. In any period of recession, the money now saved would be paid at a time when it is most needed and to those who most need it."

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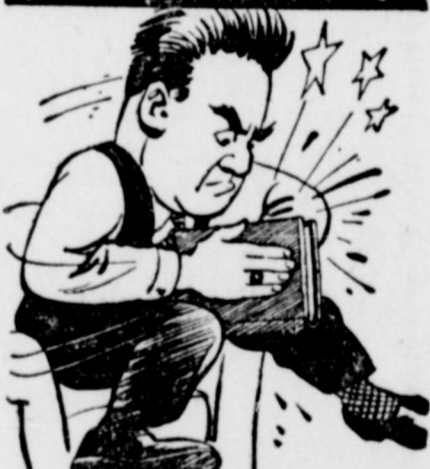
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God the first garden made, and the first city Cain.—Cowley.

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**HOW NOT TO CATCH A FLY**



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# AROUND THE HOUSE

Place a ball of twine in a twine sack, cut a small hole just above the ball, thread the string through the hole, then hang the sack on the wall and the twine will be handy when needed.

When buying a housecoat, if you choose a wrap-around model, be sure it has a good lap, sitting or standing. Otherwise it will gap.

Instead of spreading newspapers on the inside of bureau drawers to keep them clean, try finishing them with a coat of white enamel.

Less sugar will be needed if a pinch of salt is added to sour fruits during the cooking period.

Hooks, eyes, and snaps are most satisfactory when sewed on with the buttonhole stitch.

Watering a garden in the evening means less evaporation and more moisture left in the ground.

Additional flavor is given baked beans by adding salt pork which has first been ground fine and fried a delicate brown.

## Why Bother About Cat When Meat Is at Hand?

Mrs. Bronson was perturbed to find that the three pounds of meat she had bought had disappeared. Her husband, helping in the search, noticed what he took to be a guilty look on the family cat's face, and pointed to her and said, "There's your meat."

"Why, no," objected Mrs. Bronson, "that little thing couldn't get away with all that meat."

"Well, let's weigh her and see," suggested the husband.

They did so. The scales registered exactly three pounds.

"Yes," admitted Mrs. Bronson, "there's the meat all right, but where's the cat?"

## ASK ME ANOTHER?

A quiz with answers offering information on various subjects

### The Questions

1. Where is the Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes?
2. What state's name means "red people"?
3. What is the chemical symbol for gold?
4. What name is given to a person who derives pleasure from inflicting pain?
5. What opera was based on the assassination of King Gustave III of Sweden?
6. The separation of complex light into different colored rays is called what?

7. How long did federal prohibition last in the United States?
8. What is the approximate civilian population of Alaska?

### The Answers

1. The Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes is in Alaska.
2. Oklahoma.
3. The chemical symbol for gold is Au.
4. Sadist.
5. "The Masked Ball."
6. Dispersion of light.
7. Thirteen years.
8. Approximately 72,000.

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| 1 egg                      | 1 tablespoon             |
| 2 teaspoons salt           | chopped parsley          |
| 1/4 teaspoon pepper        | 1 cup milk               |
| 2 tablespoons minced onion | 1/4 cup catsup           |
|                            | 1 cup Kellogg's All-Bran |

1 pound ground beef  
Beat egg slightly, add salt, pepper, onion, parsley, milk, catsup and All-Bran. Let soak until most of moisture is taken up. Add beef and mix thoroughly. Shape into 12 patties. Bake in hot oven (450° F.) about 30 minutes or broil about 20 minutes.

Yield: 6 servings (12 1/4 inch branburgers.)

## SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER

Millions of wild Hevea seeds from Brazil have been sent to neighboring countries and as far north as Central America in the extensive program under way to encourage rubber development in the Western hemisphere. Congress appropriated \$500,000 in 1940 to stimulate rubber planting in the Americas.

India rubber pontons and ponton boats were used by the U. S. government 100 years ago. They were made of coated canvas in three compartments, each inflated by a separate tube. They were inflated by a hand bellows and collapsed and sank with the slightest leak.

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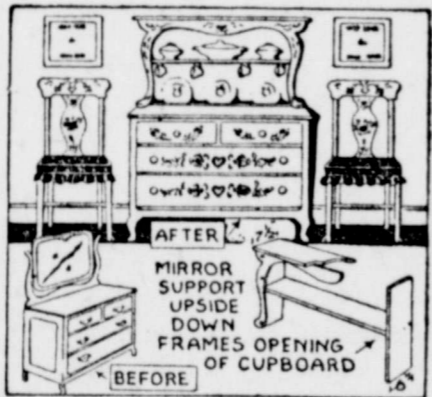
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## That's Diplomacy

What is the difference between a woman and a diplomat? When a diplomat says "Yes," he means "Perhaps." When he says "Perhaps," he means "No." A diplomat never says "No." When a woman says "No," she means "Perhaps." When she says "Perhaps," she means "Yes." A woman never says "Yes."—Old French Riddle.

Definition of a diplomat: A gentleman who can tell a lie in such a manner to another gentleman that the second gentleman is compelled to pretend that he believes the first gentleman, although he knows that the first gentleman is a liar, who knows that the second gentleman does not believe him.—The World News, Sydney.

## ON THE HOME FRONT with RUTH WYETH SPEARS



IF YOU are furnishing a combination living and dining room with odds and ends from the family attic why not use paint and inexpensive fabrics to harmonize unrelated pieces?

Here a combination chest and dish cupboard has been made from an old dresser. The cupboard at the lower right sits on top of the dresser and a quarter round molding nailed to the dresser top holds plates in place. Both dresser and chairs are painted cream color and quaint Dutch de-

signs in gay colors are stenciled on them. The chair seat covers repeat the colors in these designs.

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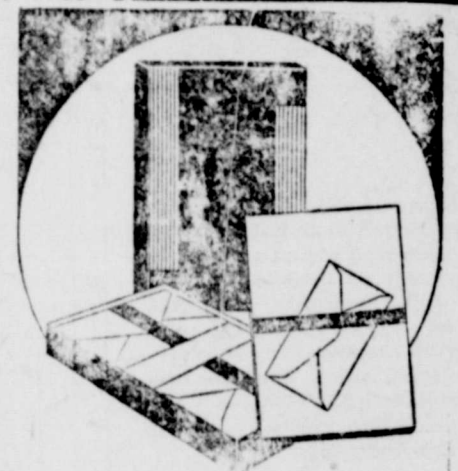
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# LOOKING AHEAD

By GEORGE S. BENSON  
President, Harding College  
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## Money Talks

Public school teachers are now being asked for donations to a legislative campaign fund. The goal is \$600,000, which the promoters seem to think will be enough to convert the great heart of Congress, and secure an increase in pay for teachers, to the amount of \$200,000,000 a year out of the national treasury, which, somehow, some seem to think will never run dry.

Teachers, most of them at least, deserve more money than they get. Increases, however, should come from the local communities which teachers so faithfully serve. The success of the present effort to secure an appropriation from the Federal treasury would jeopardize the freedom of our entire public school system. Therefore I hope the effort will fail, and judging from the temper of the present Congress, I believe it will. We cannot afford to sell away our freedom for a mess of Washington pottage. Why not increase teachers' salaries from local taxation? We will pay for it locally in the end anyway. Washington gets no money except through taxation.

## Why Ape Hitler?

The very fact that America is in war makes certain distasteful things necessary. To save the integrity of the United States, our young men are being conscripted and sent to battle; civilians are giving up their individual rights. Without resentment, they subsist on less and pay more for it. We are forced by war to do a number of things that our enemies did first. But there is no point to Nazifying our public schools by placing the whole educational system in bondage to bureaucracy. It will cost each community more than it will gain in money, besides costing priceless freedom.

"Educational Finance Act of 1943," better known as S.637, written by Senators Elbert D. Thomas of Utah and Lister Hill of Alabama, is worded adroitly. Section One starts right off with this disarming provision: "No department, agency or officer of the United States shall exercise any supervision or control over any school or state educational agency with respect to which any funds are expended pursuant to this act."

## Some Will Believe

Many teachers by nature are hopeful and trusting folk. Likely they will believe employees of the federal government to be entirely without selfish motive; that they will pass out easy money indefinitely to big slices of voters without finding a way, now or later, to boss their dependencies. The idea is childish. The hope is vain. The wish is father of the thought—a wish for money.

Immediately after Section One, which denies the existence of a "hook," comes Section Two, presenting the "bait" which is a boost in pay for pedagogues. That's the only news in S.637. It is an old bill. Starting in 1938 it has been presented to Congress four times and thrice voted down. Now, at a time when governmental economy is more essential than ever before, it suggests the appropriation of 300 million dollars of Uncle Sam's money with two-thirds of it earmarked as salaries for teachers.

## How It Works

The bill recognizes the United States Commissioner of Education, authorizing him to apportion the money to the various states. It creates penalties that make it possible for Mr. Commissioner to crack a whip over state school authorities in general and (in Section 12) empowers him to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary. The net result is to give education a dominant head in Washington.

If every school teacher in the United States would turn back to an old Fourth Reader, quietly review and contemplate once more the fable of "The Arab and His Camel," it might do the schools of this country much more than 300 million dollars' worth of good. As the story goes, the Arab permitted his camel to put her head in his tent one cold night. But the camel (with a precedent established) got her neck inside also, then her forelegs and at last entered completely, leaving no room for the Arab.

Bureaucratic control of schools is the camel in 1943, and S.637 is the camel's head. At first, all it does is give the teachers a raise in pay and establish a precedent. After that it becomes possible for a federal bureaucrat, with concern for his personal prestige and for the sake of politics, to wield tremendous influence over the public schools of America.

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# Fight the Fliers in Victory Gardens



There are many kinds of insects that attack all types of garden vegetables and among these are several flying varieties which make life a burden to the gardener unless action is taken early to control them.

Probably the most active flyer and one which attacks many kinds of vegetables is the leaf hopper. This insect appears on potatoes and spreads to eggplant, rhubarb and horse bean. It also is found on grapes and other fruits. It causes its main damage through hopperburn or tip burn, which appears first as a triangular spot of brown at the tip of the leaf and spreads till the whole leaf except part along the middle looks as if it had been shriveled by fire or drought. If tiny insects are found on the under-side of the leaf, they will very likely prove to be leaf-hoppers, the cause of the trouble.

Bordeaux mixture will control the leafhopper, as will also the Black Leaf 40 spray, but both must be applied early while the leaf-hoppers are in the nymph stage. The adult hoppers fly all over the place and are hard to control after they become full-grown.

In fact, unless the "hopper" is caught and destroyed while young the jig is up for that year.

Again we come around to our oft repeated cry of "Spray early!" Only early spraying can be effective with a great many insects.

We even go farther in our recommendations and strongly advocate the destruction of all trash, old vines and the like in the garden before spring weather comes on. When you destroy the vines, weeds, vegetable stalks and other trash you also destroy insect eggs, insects that wintered over, and simi-

lar sources of trouble for the coming season.

Raising a garden is a constant battle with insects. Nature has endowed the insect world with great powers of multiplication. Once they get a good start the problem is immense. Kill the seed stock that winters over if you can—you will still have plenty to contend with. Then get the sprayer going early. One pair of bugs killed early in the spring may mean the equivalent of a basketful in mid-summer. The insect problem is not insurmountable nor is it anything to be discouraged over. Just be watchful, be on the job early, clean up and spray regularly.

It is interesting to note that the ever present aphid is a flyer in the first generations in the spring. The aphid winters over in the form of eggs which are deposited on grass, weeds and like foliage. These eggs hatch and the first brood comes out as flying insects. These migrate to whatever crop may be available and start giving birth to

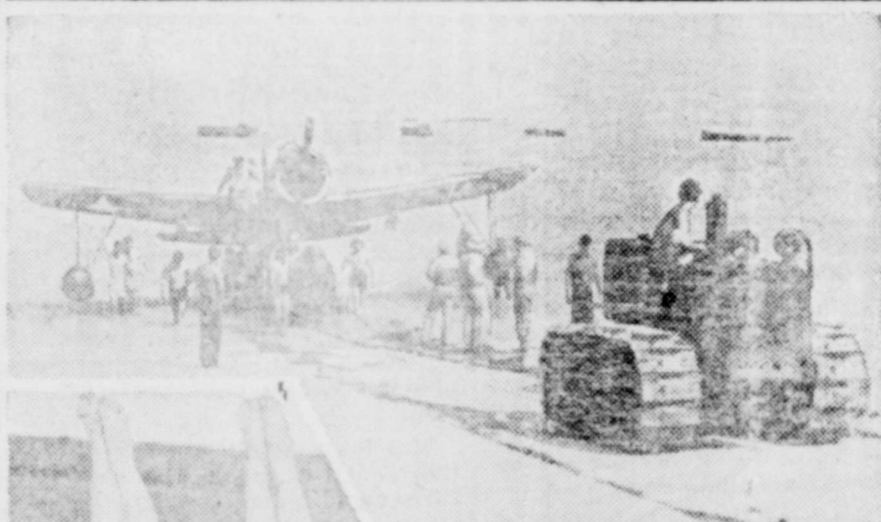


young. These young have no wings and are marooned wherever they may happen to be born. It is a strange fact that should conditions become unfavorable a winged generation is born which again migrates to another crop.

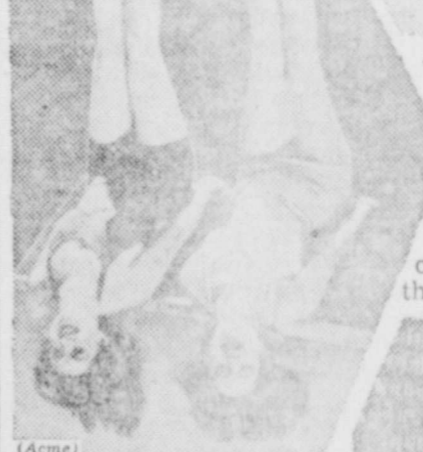
A good aphid spray is made by adding one ounce of Black Leaf 40 to six gallons of water. Add enough soap to make suds as the spray goes farther when soapy. Spray thoroughly, especially the under side of the leaves.



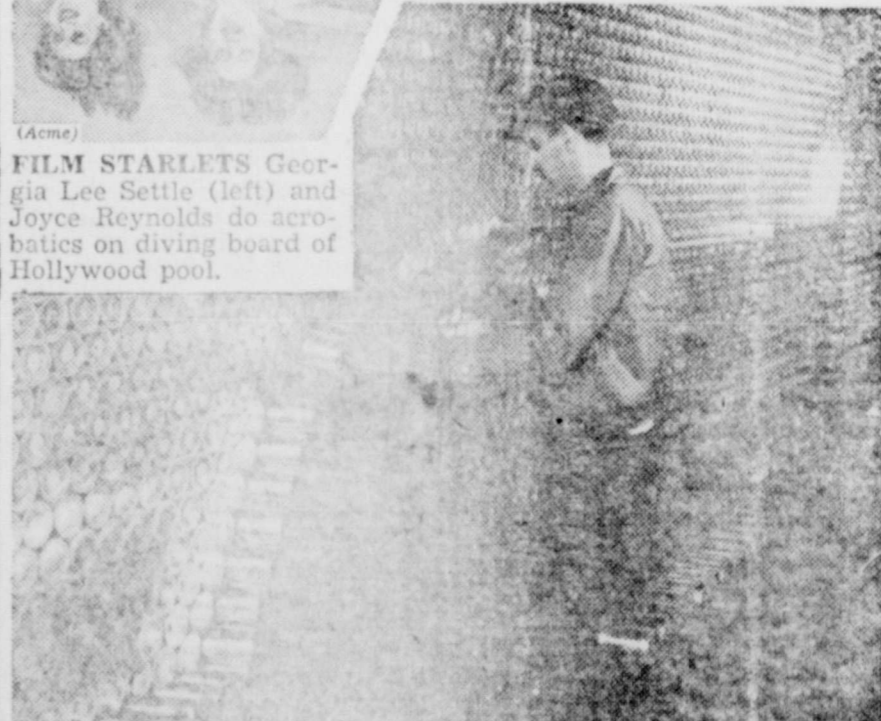
## People, ... in the News



**AMERICANS TAKE OVER**—United States Marine tractor hauls Navy "Kingfisher" plane up on the beach on Funafuti, principal island in Ellice group recently occupied, without opposition, by U.S. forces in South Pacific. These islands are strategically located midway between Samoa and the Solomon Islands.



**FILM STARLETS** Georgia Lee Settle (left) and Joyce Reynolds do acrobatics on diving board of Hollywood pool.



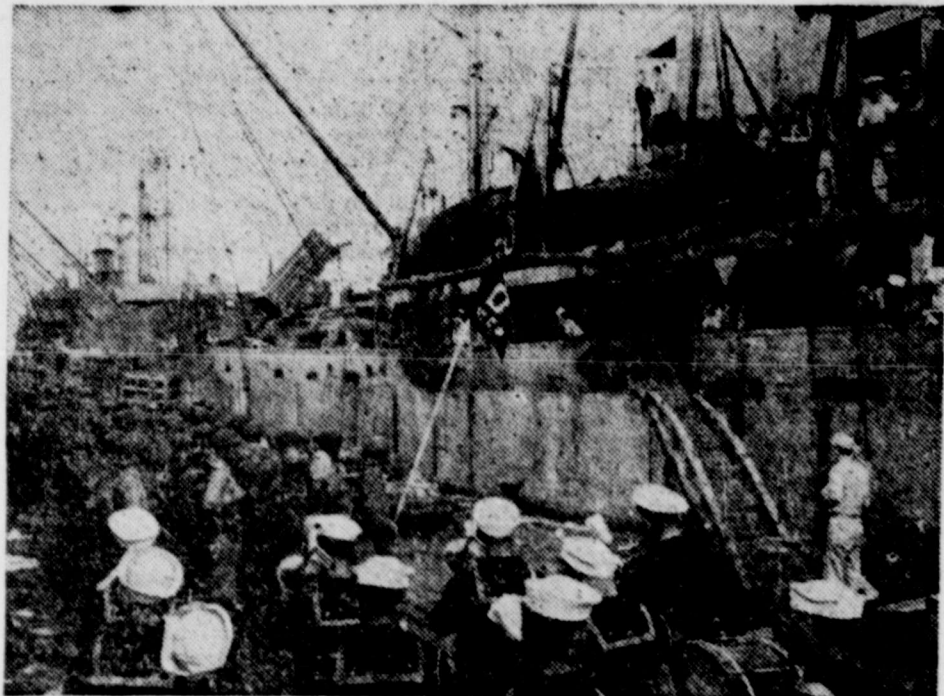
**NO TIN CANS?**—Revision of government requirements for canned food—recently announced—will release additional 30,000,000 cases for civilian use from 1943 pack. And the cans will be ready. Here they come from one American Can Company production line at the rate of 400 per minute.



## WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

## FDR, Churchill Seek Italy's Surrender As Allies Smash at Sicily Resistance; MacArthur Forces Gain in New Guinea; Farmers Get First Call on Gas Stocks

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)  
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Seabees are shown about to board a transport somewhere in Australia for duty in a combat zone. A naval band gives the men a lively sendoff. Although performing construction work, Seabees are also trained to protect themselves against attack.

## SICILY:

**'The Hour Has Come'**

Axis resistance on Sicily stiffened as Gen. Bernard Montgomery's British 8th army moved on the big port of Catania, which is 55 miles from the terminus of Messina, where but two miles of water separate the island from the Italian mainland.

As the battle of Sicily raged, President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill told the Italian people the hour had come to honorably capitulate.

While British troops clattered toward the great plains which roll around Catania, Gen. George S. Patton's 7th American army fought its way into the area of Vizzini, from which the British flank can be covered or an assault sprung toward the Axis rear.

Hundreds of Allied paratroopers continued to be dropped behind the enemy's lines near Catania. To the front, the 8th army recovered from a heavy Axis blow with which they had driven into Montgomery's base at Augusta before being repelled.

## FUEL:

**Gas for Farmers**

Predicting a tightening of the supply of crude oil in the West, the Petroleum Administration for War took steps to provide sufficient gasoline for farmers throughout the country by giving them first call on available stocks.

According to WAP, farmers are using about 100,000 barrels of motor fuel daily, 90 per cent of which is being consumed outside of the East. About 70,000 barrels are required in the Middlewest.

As the WAP made its announcement, the big-inch pipe line running from Norris, Ill., to the East was opened. Eventually the line will pump 300,000 barrels of crude daily, thus draining the West of supplies that had previously abounded because of a lack of transportation facilities.

Meanwhile, the oil industry continued alarmed by the drop in oil reserves, partly caused, spokesmen said, because of a virtual cessation of exploratory drilling as a result of prices for crude. Between 50 to 60 billion barrels of new oil will have to be discovered within the next 20 years, it is said, to maintain present production.

## RUSSIA:

**Giants Locked**

Rain drenched the sprawling Ukrainian plains around Belgorod, hindering mechanized activity on the south end of the flaming Russian front, but Red armies attacked in force above the northern pivot of Orel, extending the battlefield to 225 miles.

Both the Germans and the Russians were agreed on one thing: the great number of men being used on both sides. Around Orel, the Nazis admitted that the Reds had broken their lines at two points, but had been driven back in counter-attacks.

Heavy ground action at Orel was supplemented by strong Russian aerial action. Red bombers blasted the principal railway installations of the town, from which the Russian lines bend southward in a great arc, thus offering the Germans a pivot for encirclement from the rear.

## PACIFIC:

**New Guinea Victory**

With the fall of Mubo, the big Japanese base of Salamaua in New Guinea lay in peril of capture by Australian and American forces operating from all sides.

Mubo fell about two weeks after the start of General MacArthur's Pacific offensive. American troops had landed on Nassau bay to the east of the town, and then marched into the interior to cut off Japanese forces from the rear and effect a junction with the Australians. At the same time, Allied soldiers attacked the enemy's main lines, and thus, completely enveloped on all sides, Mubo was overrun.

The Allied success at Mubo came as American troops pressed closer to the Japanese air base of Munda on New Georgia island. Approaching the stronghold from the north and east, doughboys worked cautiously through jungle foliage to gain ground. Squeezed, the enemy launched one counterattack, but withdrew fire after being stopped.

## CANNED GOODS:

**Cut Civilians' Share**

Already rationed, canned fruits, vegetables and soup supplies for civilians will be cut another 15 per cent in the next 12 months, the War Food administration announced. Of the prospective pack of vegetables and soups, domestic consumers will get 70 per cent, and of canned fruits and juices, they will receive 53 per cent.

The total supply of canned vegetables and soups in the next year is expected to total 262,000,000 cases. Of this amount, civilians will be allotted approximately 180,000,000. The War Services will obtain practically all of the remainder, with about 4 per cent going to the Allies and other purposes.

About 61,000,000 cases of canned fruits and juices, excluding citrus, will be produced, WFA estimated, and of this supply, civilians will be allowed approximately 31,000,000 cases. Approximately 24,000,000 cases will be allotted to the services, with the remainder marked for the Allies and export.

## FOREIGN DEBTS:

**Mexico, Canada Pay**

An improvement in financial conditions arising from the stimulation of the war was noted in the action of the Mexican and Canadian governments in announcing plans for the discharge of their debt obligations.

For the first time in years, Mexico resumed payment on 15 issues of national debt, excluding all railroad bonds except the Tehuantepec National railway 5 and 4½ per cents. Annual distributions on the issues will amount to only \$2,050,000, however, on a total Mexican debt of 1 billion 200 million dollars, including back interest.

Last December, the Mexican congress ratified an agreement to pay 40 million dollars in settlement of all U. S. claims except for expropriated oil property.

Canada's improved financial condition was reflected in its redemption and prior payment on 106 million dollars of bonds

## CABINET:

**FDR Restores Order**

Hereafter, if any administrative heads in Washington are in conflict over fact or policy, they must resolve their differences quietly or else turn in their resignations. That, in short, was the ultimatum President Roosevelt laid down after Henry Wallace had charged Jesse Jones with interfering with the operations of the Board of Economic Warfare, which Wallace headed.

The President solved the Wallace-Jones fracas by abolishing the BEW and establishing the Office of Economic Warfare and then appointing as its director Leo T. Crowley, alien property custodian and chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance corporation.

The action relieved both Wallace and Jones of direction in the government's purchase of foreign materials. Previously, the two agencies had shared in the program, with the Reconstruction Finance corporation, which Jones heads, supplying the funds for the buying.

## OPA:

**Raps 'Bright Boys'**

Declaring the best thing that could happen to the Office of Price Administration would be a reduction of 50 per cent in its staff of 2,700 attorneys, Lou R. Maxon, deputy administrator of OPA, turned in his resignation.

Maxon's withdrawal came at a time when he was being prominently mentioned as a general manager for the OPA, a job later given to Chester Bowles, a New York advertising executive. He complained of the government's failure to establish a definite food program, charging that instead of working out a set policy, the administration was meeting each crisis with a makeshift compromise, thus creating the basis of another crisis. Price Administrator Brown replied that OPA had a definite policy in "roll-backs" to reduce retail costs to September, 1942, levels.

A Detroit, Mich., advertising executive, Maxon flailed OPA "theorists" and "professors" for attempting to institute a grade labeling program for goods, which would eliminate all trade marks and brands and have the effect of eliminating competitive merchandising.

## CATTLE:

**Marketing Increases**

Marketing of cattle increased in the face of talk in Washington that the OPA was considering establishing ceilings on livestock to break the speculative angle of growers and spur liquidation of herds. Plans also called for modifying the government's support price of \$13.75 for hogs, to discourage feeding for heavy porkers.

Although cattle marketings increased over recent abnormally low levels, supplies still were well below last year's runs. Calves remained



Calves scarce in market.

exceptionally scarce. Continued heavy shipments of hogs and sheep, however, bolstered the over-all meat production.

OPA's plans for livestock ceilings have been bitterly contested by congressional farm spokesmen, meat packers and cattle raisers. Under the present system of setting wholesale ceilings, small packers have found difficulty operating since no bar has been set on prices paid for stock.

## BANKING:

**Deposits Rise**

The extent to which banks are financing the war was illustrated in the announcement that the investment in government securities by 20 of the nation's largest banks approximated 18 billion dollars on June 30, an increase of 7 billion dollars from a year earlier.

The announcement also revealed that the 20 institutions had total deposits of 31 billion dollars on June 30, a rise of six billion dollars over 1942. Total resources amounted to 33 billion 700 million dollars.

# Washington Digest

## 'Food Will Win the War' —And Maybe an Election



Washington Politicians Awaken to Fact That  
Voting Public, Like an Army,  
'Moves on Its Stomach.'

By BAUKHAGE

News Analyst and Commentator.

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Wars and rumors of war, war production, man power, post-war plans, race riots, roll-backs, gas rationing, strikes, floods, offensives—you can think of a lot more probably. All right, pour them all into the hopper. Grind them up. This is a pretty dish to set before a voter in 1944! Don't worry, he can take it. But take away his bread-basket, and he is a different animal.

Food will win the war. Lack of it can postpone victory if it doesn't spell defeat.

And food, or lack of it, can lose an election, that is what you are hearing in Washington these days.

An electorate, like an army, moves on its stomach. On an empty stomach, it moves away from the "ins," hollers for the "outs" to bring back the bacon. And when you get a customer with both an empty stomach and a full pocket-book hammering on the table and demanding service, you have a hard customer to please.

Slowly, Washington politicians are beginning to awaken to that fact—that food is going to be the big issue in the next election.

### President Saw It First

The President and his keen-eyed, ears-to-the-ground political scouts recognized it first, and when Phil Murray, head of the CIO, and William Green of the AFL began to call for the roll-back of prices, the administration was quick to promise that they would be served "right away." Meanwhile, some of the other guests are beginning to feel neglected.

But before roll-backs au gratin could be served, congress stuck its foot out and tried to spill the tray. For a while, it looked as if there was going to be embarrassment in the political kitchen.

Even if the administration is able to silence the demands and threats of labor, there are a lot of other Oliver Twists who "want some more" and who will twist out of their straight-ticket voting and start looking for "a better 'ole" unless this food question is solved before the ides of November MCMXLIV.

Through the days when congress was first trying to fold its tent and steal away from the banks of the Potomac, one thing was clear: unless the administration pulled a nice, fat and succulent rabbit out of the hat which could be served up to the electorate with enough basketsfull left over for the fighting forces and the hungry Allies and other prospective clients, the Gallup poll vaulters which had re-elected the New Deal in advance would have to start their polling all over again.

The enemies of the administration are building up a barrage to the effect that Mr. Roosevelt has babied labor and has left his old friends, the farmers, in the lurch. They say that because he was afraid to offend labor, he listened to their demands for lower prices and turned a deaf ear to the farmers' troubles.

This, of course, since it comes from hardly non-partisan quarters, has to be taken with a grain of salt, but whatever the working man says, when he sees the cost of living eating up his former "raises" if he has had them, the record will show that despite John Lewis' polysyllabic attacks on the President, labor has not been treated exactly as a step-child.

But what has the farmer been getting meanwhile?

A couple of assists, at least, which have benefited him and the war effort at the same time.

### FCA Head Reports

Let me report to you what I learned from Governor Black of the Farm Credit administration, an institution which has managed to escape the attacks which most of the government agencies have had to weather. Governor Black was in Washington the other day—the headquarters of the Farm Credit administration were moved to Kansas City a year ago, you know, in the interest of decentralization and with the idea that after all, Kansas is nearer the center of American agriculture than the Atlantic seaboard.

The governor tells me that the FCA has been used heavily since the first of the year to see that farmers are getting the credit they need to achieve all-out production. He admits that the 50 million dollars loaned to farmers and stockmen isn't much compared with the total amount of production financing which the farmers use in a year but it's something even in these days of astronomical lending, leasing and spending.

The loans are made through the Regional Agricultural Credit corporation.

Here are just a few of the facts Black produced from his briefcase.

Take flax—flax is as important in its way as tanks are in theirs. The automobile manufacturers have had it made worth their while to manufacture tanks instead of autos. The farmers up in—take North Dakota, for instance—have "shared the risk" as Black puts it, with the RACC (Regional Agricultural Credit corporation) which extended them credit to "change over" to flax. Instead of one million three hundred thousand acres of this valuable crop that was harvested last year, a million EIGHT hundred and forty thousand acres were seeded this year (41.4 per cent government financed).

Take dry beans in Montana: 50,000 acres seeded this year, double last year's planting, 84.5 per cent of the crop government financed. I could go down the list with peanuts in Louisiana and Mississippi, ad infinitum.

### Simple Machinery

The way this share-the-risk thing works is simple. The farmer puts up his land and labor, the RACC puts up the out-of-pocket costs after the county war board and its own representatives have approved the deal.

If the crop comes out all right, the farmer pays the loan. If it is wiped out by bugs, drought or disaster (and when Ol' Man River went hog-wild this spring, there was a lot of wiping out) his liability isn't wiped out, too, because his liability is limited to what he took in from the crop and the incentive payments or insurance on it.

"It wasn't so much a matter of how much money was loaned," Governor Black said to me, "as where it was loaned and what it was loaned for. In the past few months, the country has awakened to the necessity of producing the vital crops to the limit, and that's where we concentrated our financing."

Well, that is one agency that has been able to go ahead without having to duck the political brickbats.

Other government agencies, not so lucky, had to take a lot of punishment that wouldn't have been directed at them if it weren't for politics. The poor Commodity Credit corporation, which everybody seems to love for itself alone, got into an unpleasant jam with the subsidies, and had a tight squeeze partly through pure politics, partly because congress and the President didn't see eye-to-eye on the anti-inflation program.

What most people fail to realize is this: even now with all the splendid effort the farmers have made, agriculture has not yet been entirely "converted"—I don't mean converted to the "all-out" idea but converted in the sense that civilian industry was converted to war production—autos to tanks and planes, sewing machines to machine guns. Industry had plenty of "incentive." The farmers have had some help, will have more.

And the consumer (who is really everybody) and the farmer and the worker, haven't gotten it through their heads yet that unless they all hang together, they'll hang separately.

If we don't get the food, we won't be able to eat the dollars, no matter how many we may have in our sock.

The per capita use of eggs in 1942 was 316. Prospects for this year are about 324 per capita. The army and lend-lease need about 3 eggs out of every 10 produced, which leaves 7 out of every 10 for civilians.



# MURDER at PIRATE'S HEAD

By ISABEL WAITT

W-N-U-RELEASE

THE STORY SO FAR: Judy Jason, who is telling the story, receives an anonymous letter enclosing \$800 and asking her to bid for an abandoned church to be auctioned the next day. Judy bids for the church and gets it, only to find, in an old chest, the body of a man identified as Roddy Lane. The body disappears a few hours later. A fish shed burns, apparently killing an old man named Brown who is supposed to have lived there. When the anonymous letter disappears, Judy tells Victor Quade. While exploring the "Pirate's Mouth" for clues, Lily Kendall sees something which frightens her. With Victor, Judy is looking for her bag.

Now continue with Judy's story.

## CHAPTER XII

I'd thought it a wild cry coming from the sea.

Victor heard it, too. "Just a gull, probably. They sound like that." He was halfway up the stairs. "Come on, Judy."

I saw him hesitate, run a little way back and inspect the waters around the bluff; then, just when I was wondering if he were going to go down into the Pirate's Mouth after whatever was there, he came back and made for the inn, two steps at a time. I could hardly keep up with him.

"Only a gull," he reiterated. "Nobody's been down there, evidently." Our guests had scattered. I could see Bessie Norcross' white coat disappearing into the house, with some man holding the door for her. Hugh, no doubt. The others were out of sight, save the minister. He had stopped by the fire ruins and was waving something at us.

"There's your bag, Judy!" Victor called. "Where did you find it, Mr. DeWitt?"

"Why, right there." He pointed out a young juniper bush beside the path which ran in back of where the fishhouse had stood. We'd all been on that path innumerable times and not seen my bag.

"Thank you very much."

I hunted for Bessie's key. Yes, there it was. Now she could lock her bedroom door and I could give the artist back his key. My coin purse was O. K., too, with a little change in it. Also, I saw at a glance, the lovely compact a girl friend had sent me from Florida. Hugh stopped me in the hall. "Wait a minute, Judy. I was just going back to the church for you. Do you think it's safe for you to hang around that Quade fellow alone?" He tried to hold me by putting his hand over mine on the newel post.

I yanked away. I was so mad I forgot he was a guest. "Suppose you attend to your own affairs. And your sister's."

The thrust shot home. He stepped back. "I was only considering your safety, Judy. You—you know I—Bessie and I, like you."

"Well, thanks, Hugh. Don't mind me. Here, give your sister her key. Where is she? I'll do it myself."

"She's powdering her nose. Then we're going down to the bridge with the gang. Will you come, too?"

He was being decent after I'd been pretty rude.

"You bet I'm coming. Wait for me, too."

"Well, don't be long. Some of 'em have already started. Poor Mr. Quincy is wheeling himself."

"Go help him then. Bessie can come with me." I tore up to my room, and after a trembling moment went boldly in. The money was still there.

"Ssssh, beat it," came from a crack in the storeroom door. "How can I ever trap anybody with you—?"

I ran out and closed my door again.

"You won't. They're all going to the bridge. I—I only wanted to powder my nose." I opened my bag and took out the powder pouch, pressing the lid. Then I nearly catapulted down the stairs.

Roddy Lane's square-cut diamond gleamed pinkly through the powder. "Oh! oh! oh! oh!" I slumped weakly down on the top step, groaning aloud. Victor came out of his hiding place and told me to shush. I handed him the pouch, just as Bessie Norcross peeked around the banisters.

"What's the matter, Judy? You sick?"

"She's a little faint, and no wonder," Victor answered for me. I never saw anybody recover himself so quickly as Victor Quade. "Don't try to show me the plan of the house till you feel better, Miss Jason," he said, solicitously, knowing full well Bessie had caught him up there. "Shall I call your aunt?"

I had presence of mind enough to press my hand against my side. "It's nothing. Just a stitch in my side. Getting old," I tried to laugh. I saw Victor putting my pouch in his pocket. Would he think I'd sto-

len the ring from that awful hand? "Your key. Here it is, Miss Norcross." I tossed it to her as she came part way upstairs. "Hugh is waiting for you. You two go along. You, too, Mr. Quade. I'll be all right now. The pain's gone."

Let her think what she wanted to; it couldn't be helped. By the time we reached the piazza our guests were ambling toward the bridge. Uncle Wylie had already gone down, my aunt said, scolding because I put off setting the luncheon dishes out. He'd beaten the whole of us, taking the minister's car, as he explained later, when he'd seen a truck skimming along the Neck.

Hugh Norcross was helping Mr. Quincy into another car, Potter's presumably, over near the garage. De Witt already had a front seat.

"Wait for us," Victor called, but they didn't. Perhaps they didn't hear him. Anyway, they were started before we were down the walk.

"Why don't you go back, Judy?" "No, no. You don't think—I've got to know. You couldn't believe I'd touch—"

"Of course not, my dear girl. Some friend has not only made a



"Nobody's been down there evidently."

tool of you, but now is trying to implicate you further. That's the same ring?"

"Looks like it. Not sure of course."

Victor's stride increased. "Good grief! Look—that first car is coming back again!"

The car with my uncle in it! And the truck was rapidly disappearing down the long curving Neck.

"Won't be long now. Keep mum about the ring, Judy."

We hurried along to meet the two cars, which were now stopping midway and holding a powwow.

"Everything jake?" Victor shouted as we came up.

They didn't answer, but kept talking among themselves in a puzzled manner.

"Everything O. K.?" Victor repeated.

"Dunno." Uncle Wylie, who was leaning against the steering wheel of the minister's car, opened the door for us to get in.

"He isn't sure the feller heard him," Hugh said.

"Milkman, wasn't it?"

"Uh-huh. Him, all right," Uncle Wylie said. "Nearly ran the truck over into the gap. I shouted to get the police. 'Been a murder!' I yelled. 'We want the police!' But he answered sort of queer."

Uncle Wylie scratched his scraggy head, windblown every which way. "Ain't sartin he understood. I yelled 'Murder!' again."

"But surely he'll tell everyone he meets about the bridge," Victor said. "Even if he believes it was a prank."

"Will if he thinks of it," my uncle said, lighting his old corncob pipe. "Hop in, you folks. Nothin' to do here. I got some clams to shuck."

We got in. "If you'd only waited for Mr. De Witt," I said, "he could have made them hear way down to Rockville."

"Didn't you tell him we didn't have a boat?" Hugh and Mr. Quincy asked the same question that was in my mind.

"Don't know's I did. Why should I?" Urcle could be so exasperating sometimes. "Got a boat, ain't we, up in the loft of the garage?"

"Well, for the love of Christmas!—why didn't you say so? Drive on!" screamed the minister. "Didn't say so because she—she leaks!"

Their car made the difficult about face on the narrow road, and I held my breath while Uncle Wylie followed suit. I didn't want to plunge into those swirling waters, dangerous at any time, despite the peaceful-looking marshland beyond.

I was wondering why my uncle hadn't spoken about his boat before. He could repair any leak that ever sprang. I was also beginning to wonder if he'd told the truth about the milkman. Nobody else was present. It was quite possible Aunt Nella had sicked him on to being Horatio at the Bridge just to keep the police away a little longer, in the hopes that some of the mystery would solve itself. I said as much to Victor.

"He, yes, and his wife, too, can't wish to keep quiet about what's under the tarpaulin."

Aunt Nella was standing in the doorway waiting for the milk for her chowder. Did she think they could throw it across?

"You might have rigged up a breeches buoy!" she accused.

There! She'd struck it. If nobody came to the bridge, if the boat couldn't be made seaworthy right away, couldn't we rig a breeches buoy of some sort? But Victor didn't listen to me. He and the men went across to the old barn where the boat was stored in the loft.

"I loathe steamed clams," Bessie Norcross grumbled, when she heard my aunt's luncheon alternative. Bessie had been cleaning the spot on her coat with some smelly fluid. Now she draped it over the hammock to dry. Personally I thought she'd made it much worse, with the encircling yellowish gray rings.

I stooped to pick up a couple of Lily Kendall's crystal beads. Lovely beads, they were; expensive. I hoped she'd saved enough to have them restrung. It was then I realized she hadn't been with us on the Neck. I ran up and knocked on her door, but, receiving no answer, hurried down again.

"Where's Miss Kendall?"

Bessie shrugged. "Haven't seen her. Been locked in my room. Hughie called to me not to bother about the old bridge, so I've been right here. He thought I'd been overdoing. Look, they're coming back from the garage."

"How's the boat? Any good?"

They all answered together. I gathered it was unseaworthy. "Hole in her big as a bucket," Mr. Q. shrilled gleefully.

"Somebody chopped it on purpose," Potter added.

"If I find out who in tunket dared to do such a thing—!" Poor Uncle Wylie. He looked like a little mad bantam rooster.

Hugh went up and sat beside his sister. "Glad we came by train, Sis. Our car wasn't in that barn. Neither of us had occasion to enter it."

I saw the clergyman turn so purple I thought he'd have an apoplectic stroke, when the artist's jaw dropped ludicrously.

"Open all the time, isn't it?" Victor saved the day.

"Sartin. 'Cept when I lock up at night. Keep my own old Fordie in there when she ain't in the back yard. You can see her now, with a busted axle, et cetera."

"Anybody seen Miss Kendall?" I cut in. "She's not with us and she's not in her room."

That was odd in itself. Lily Kendall never missed anything. She was, as Thaddeus Quincy had put it—ubiquitous. Well, she wasn't ubiquitous now. She wasn't in sight.

"Make sure, Judy," Victor said. "Look all around, will you?" His face was clouded with anxiety. He started down the path as if he were quite sure I wouldn't find Lily in the house.

"Will you wait?"

He nodded. "I'll walk slowly. You call 'yes' or 'no' from the door. I'm going to look at the—the ruins of the fire."

Aunt Nella called me to come and help her. Was Miss Kendall with her? I asked. No, nor in the parlor. Nor her room. Nor the bathroom. Nor the lavatories. I tore out to tell Victor.

"Oh, Mr. Quade—that cry! You said it was a gull."

"Nonsense. It was a gull." But his eyes belied his words. "Norcross! Potter! De Witt! You, too, Wylie! Please make it snappy." Victor was positively running now, with me at his heels and the rest after us.

As I hurried along I was conscious that the tide must have turned, and with it the wind, for a refreshing salt breeze changed the air into one of New England's perfect summer days. It wasn't sultry any more; I didn't feel so tired despite all the racing around I'd done that terrible morning.

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## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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### Lesson for August 1

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#### GOD DELIVERS HIS PEOPLE

LESSON TEXT—Exodus 5:22, 23; 6:1-7; 12:51.

GOLDEN TEXT—Call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.—Psalm 50:15.

Why doesn't God do something? People are quick to ask such a question in a time of crisis. Today they want to know why God permits the war to go on. In the day of our lesson Moses wanted to know why God did not deliver His people from Egypt. He and Aaron had been appointed of God to lead them out, but their first efforts only met with failure and increased persecution.

I. Moses Said, "Thou Hast Not Delivered Thy People" (Exod. 5:22, 23).

When the efforts of Moses brought heavier burdens on the people they blamed him and Aaron for making their situation worse. This sorrow and shame made them doubt God's calling and commission. How quickly men are discouraged in their purpose to serve God.

The people were wrong in their attitude. They should have been patient. They ought not to have assumed that the loss of the first skirmish meant the loss of the whole campaign.

Are we not just like them? The new minister or the recently elected Sunday school superintendent makes a mistake and instead of helping him to pick up the pieces and start over, we decide that he just will not do, that we must have a change.

Even though the people were wrong, however, the man of God should not have lost his faith and accused God of failure to keep His promise. He was supposed to have learned the lesson of patience in the long years on the backside of the desert. Had he forgotten the experience of the burning bush?

II. God Said, "I Am Jehovah, Thou Shalt See What I will Do" (Exod. 6:1-7).

In other words, Moses was to remember that he was dealing with the Eternal One, unchangeable, and always true to His word and able to make His will come to pass.

God's covenant with His people was established (v. 4). He had heard their cry (v. 5) and His deliverance was sure (v. 6). The only thing Moses had to do was to wait and see God work.

That word "wait" is a little one. It seems to call for no effort, to be easy of fulfillment; yet it seems to be the hardest thing for a human being to do. Men who carry the burden of active warfare with ease and with honor become discouraged and sick when they must sit in a prisoner's concentration camp and wait for deliverance.

Christians who can speak and work for God when things are active and moving become querulous and despondent when they have to wait for something to happen, or when they are laid aside for a time.

His promise is sure. That is not just a religious sentiment. It is a fact, and it is proved by history. Note that in the case of Moses—

III. History Said, "It Came to Pass the Selfsame Day" (Exod. 12:51).

Moses had to take God's word, for "the selfsame day," which we read here came later. It came in God's own time, after He had, through Moses, humiliated and broken the hard will of Pharaoh. Then He gave His people the great memorial feast of the Passover, teaching them the needed lesson that redemption is by the shedding of blood.

In that night Jehovah did bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt. That deliverance was as certain the day He made the first promise to Abraham (v. 3, and Gen. 12:1-3) hundreds of years before, as it was now that it had been accomplished.

History is really God's story, revealing His outworking of His plan for mankind. The torn and blotted pages are man's handiwork. Sin and unbelief have caused him to hinder the work of God, but God is not defeated, and in the midst of man's self-created chaos, He proceeds quietly to work out His own purpose.

The many prophecies of Scripture which have been fulfilled not only prove its divine inspiration, but demonstrate its dependability. Every promise of God is "yea and amen" in Christ (II Cor. 1:20, 21). We can count on that!

## Uncle Phil Says:



It's a pretty safe conclusion that the man who says he never had a chance never took one.

When you consent to argue with a fool he is certain to be doing the same.

If you can't make light of your troubles—keep them dark.

Funny what ten years will do. At ten a youngster knows all the questions, and at twenty he knows all the answers.

When you get experience you are usually looking for something else.



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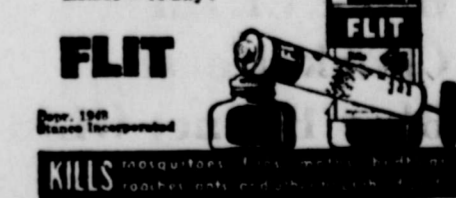
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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schaeffer and Mr and Mrs O. V. Wallace of San Angelo visited over the week end in the J.E. Garvin home.

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