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A VOICE WE NEED TO HEAR

There are many voices calling today. Many voices of the Government calling to us: "Buy bonds, drive slowly, live economically, produce all you can, fight for liberty, etc." These voices should be heard and obeyed.

But, there is another voice, a small still voice, but one that rings clear—it is the voice of God, calling everyone. We should hear and obey this voice, first, last and all the time. We will undertake to tell you something about this voice next Sunday at the Methodist church. Will we see you in the congregation and also have your prayers?

W. Vasco Teer,
Pastor.

Misses Edith and Agnes Walker of Abilene spent last week end with home folks.

Mrs. A. D. Williams and baby of San Angelo visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith, over the week end.

Dallas, September 16—Competition for the second largest premium list ever offered for a National Hereford Show will be keen when the 1943 event is held here November 15-20, according to Jack Frost, president of the sponsoring Texas Hereford Association.

"Assurance of entries from nine states three months in advance of the show indicates the interest which breeders have in the \$20,000 which will be distributed to winners this year," Mr. Frost said.

State Fair of Texas' excellent facilities have been made available for the show, although no fair is to be held this year.

Following a long-established Dallas precedent, special emphasis is being placed on club calf classes this year.



Mrs. J. J. Slaughter received a birthday greeting by cablegram September 14, from her son, Roy Ledbetter who is stationed in Alaska. Roy was promoted to 3rd Class Petty Officer in the Navy recently.

WASTEFUL

As much as 50 per cent of the light is wasted when dirt and dust are allowed to accumulate on reflector bowls of floor and table lamps and on glass globes of ceiling fixtures, says Miss Myrtle Fahsbonder, director of home lighting for Westinghouse. To clean, remove glass parts and wash in warm soapy water, rinse and dry thoroughly inside and out.

T. E. Rives renews his Observer.

Coke Austin renews his Observer.

E. D. Jordan sets up his Observer to 44.

Uncle Bob Roberts celebrated his 76th birthday, September 7.

Funeral Rites For Mrs. George W. Cong

Funeral services were held at Sterling City, at 3-30 in the afternoon, Monday, September 13, in the First Baptist church, for Mrs. George W. Conger, who died Saturday night, at 10:30 o'clock, in the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. A. Austin. Interment was in the Foster cemetery at Sterling City. Rev. Stovall pastor, officiated.

Mrs. Conger was a pioneer of West Texas. She is survived by one daughter, three sons, eight grandchildren and two brothers. She was an active member of the Robert Lee Baptist church and had made her home with Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Austin.

Those attending the funeral from here were Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCabe, Mrs. Gerald Allen, Mrs. W. J. Cumbie, Mrs. Lamont Scott, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Craddock, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr., B. F. Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Clark, Ira Bird, Mrs. Aubrey McKinley and Mary Jo Bird.

The Intermediate Fellowship of the Methodist Church met Sunday evening at 7:45, and under the direction of League President Jamie Chloe Bilbo, discussed the "Symbols of the Church." With the beginning of the school season the organization anticipates renewed interest in its many activities, and we are looking forward to having more of you young people with us on Sunday, September 19, to take part in our discussion on the topic, "What Riches Have We to Share?" Let's all of us get into the swing of energetic enjoyment that the invigorating approach of fall instigates, and not miss another inspiring program as the one this past Sunday evening proved to be.

V. V. Wojtek is back at home after spending several days in Veterans hospital at Amarillo.

NOTICE

It is a violation of a City Ordinance to herd stock in the city limits of the City of Robert Lee. Signed City Commission.

Mrs. R. M. Cumbie of Bronte visited her son, W. J. Cumbie, Tuesday. She is 92 years old next January.

We have lots of new Merchandise come and see for your self CUMBIE & ROACH



HEADQUARTERS 987th FIELD ARTILLERY Camp Bowie, Texas September 7, 1943.

Dear Mrs. Patterson: I am sure you will be interested to know that your son Eddie, has recently been awarded the Good Conduct Medal. This represents a year of excellent conduct and performance of his duties.

The officers of this Battalion are proud of Eddie's record. Men of his calibre have made it possible for his Battalion to establish a splendid record.

Sincerely yours,
William H. Smith,

Lieutenant Colonel Field Artillery.

Loc

Mrs. J. E. Roane was called to be at the bedside of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Charlie Lovelady, at Valley View, Texas, last Sunday.

C. E. Mathers renews his Observer.

Marvin Simpson set his Observer to 44.

NOTICE

Friends, let us keep our cows out of our neighbor's garden and yards and spend the dollar for feed.

Pound Man.

Get that Christmas gift off to the boys overseas Now. We have a nice selection of GIFTS.

CUMBIE & ROACH

SCORCHED COTTON

If cottons scorch while ironing, this is what Westinghouse home economists recommend: Plunge into cold water immediately and allow to stand for 24 hours. By that time the marks will have disappeared.

Local Items

Mr. S. B. Ratliff, father of O. M. Ratliff, was here visiting last Monday.

Jno. F. Robertson is back home after several weeks sojourn in Dexter, New Mexico. He reports that Guy C. Saunders lost a valuable pump plant by fire.

Gene Baker has purchased the Simpson residence where A. W. Littlefield lives and Littlefield will move to the S. M. Conner residence.

Read Barnett left Sunday for San Angelo.

Gertie May Burgess underwent an appendectomy in a San Angelo hospital last Sunday night.

A party was given in honor of H. A. Jolley, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anten Mika at San Angelo last Sunday. Billie Faye, Yvon and Joyce Jolley were special guests and report a real swell time.

Mrs. Hugh Lewis Jr. and baby spent a few days here last week.

Miss Katie Sue Good left Saturday for Denton where she will take up her work in TSTC, where she left off last spring.

Lt. Eddie Lewis left Tuesday for Seaborn, Alabama, after spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Lewis.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jno. L. Robertson left Monday for Dexter, New Mexico for a lengthy visit with their daughter, Mrs. Guy C. Saunders.

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Comedy and

"VALLEY OF VANISHING MEN"

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Dad



Jones Was Handicapped In Not Knowing Neighbor

"Those new people across the road seem very devoted to each other," said Mrs. Jones to her husband who was well hidden behind a newspaper.

A rustle of the sheet was all the reply she received, but she was used to that.

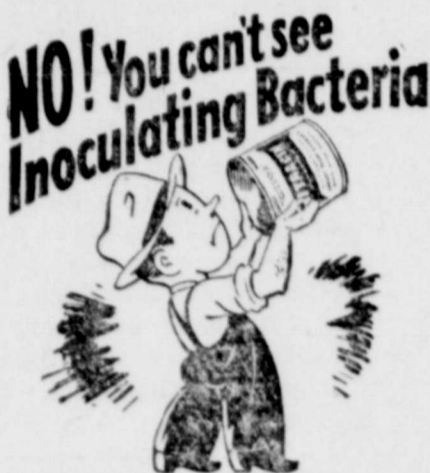
"He helps her clear the table and wipes the dishes after supper. I just noticed that."

"H-m-m," and another rustle of the newspaper.

"Every time he goes out he kisses her, and goes on throwing kisses all down the road. Edward, why don't you do that?"

"Me?" snorted the man behind the news, "I don't know her!"

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Nation's Food Producers Achieve 1943 Goals, Elevate Sights to Meet Next Year's Demands

Farmers Beat Floods, Cold and Drought to Reap Record Crops

America's farmers have done it again!

Last year the skeptics said they'd never meet their goals. So the farmers upped food production 13 per cent over 1941, for a record total of 23 per cent more than the average for the five years before the war!

Came Farm Mobilization day in 1943 and the skeptics were sure it couldn't possibly be done that time. So the farmers decided which of the most-needed crops they could grow the best and planted the greatest acreage in 11 years! They brought together the largest numbers of livestock and poultry in history, and pushed egg, meat and poultry production to a new peak.

Today they are exhibiting a national food basket containing 4 per cent more than the 1942 record production, and 31 per cent more than the yearly average for 1935-39!

Now those farmers face another growing year—and doubtless another crop of skeptics who haven't learned, after seven consecutive years of record food production, that American farmers know what they are doing. They attack the problem of raising food for war with the same spirit the American fighting man displays on the field of battle. And, like that fighting man, they get results!

Estimated production figures for 1943 are significant. Despite a late and rather unfavorable spring, destructive floods in the corn belt and other hindrances such as labor and machinery shortages, nearly 352 million acres are being harvested. Total crop production is slightly less than 1942's record harvest, but 15 per cent greater than the five-year average of 1935-39.

Food crop acreage under cultivation in 1943 exceeds the 1942 acreage by about 3 per cent. The decrease in crop production is largely attributable to smaller yields per acre on certain crops, although some plantings were lost through the floods, and others came to maturity but could not be harvested for lack of "hands" or machines, or both.

Livestock for food shows an estimated 8 per cent increase over the 1942 record, and 22 per cent over the previous record set in 1941. An increase of more than one-third, or 38 per cent, is estimated over the average for 1935-39.

Lowered food crop figures are more than offset by the livestock increase, to push total food production in 1943 about 4 per cent above the 1942 record, and 31 per cent over the five-year period average of 1935-39.

Meat Output Tops Record.

Production of all meats for the year is estimated at an all-time high of more than 23 billion pounds, an 8 per cent increase over 1942 and 44 per cent more than the average for the earlier five-year period. Pork production will exceed that of 1942 by about 18 per cent, but it is expected that beef and veal, and lamb and mutton will show totals slightly below last year.

Both poultry and eggs will mark a record production, if an anticipated four billion pounds of chicken is reached and the hens lay their expected five billion dozen eggs. These results would push poultry figures 34 per cent above 1942 and 72 per cent above the 1935-39 average, with eggs going 13 per cent over last year's record and about 43 per cent over the previous five-year period.

Milk and milk products are expected to show considerable fluctuation. Maintaining of milk for human consumption at an expected level only about 1 per cent less than in 1942—a record consumption—will lower production of cheese and evaporated milk about 13 per cent from last year. Government restrictions on the use of milk solids will reduce ice cream production about 20 per cent, although butter production is expected to be upped about 4 per cent over 1942.

Housewives will be encouraged by estimates on production of edible fat and oils, exclusive of butter, at about 10 per cent higher than 1942. The increase for lard is set at 15 per cent, for compounds and vegetable cooking fats at 12 per cent and margarine at about 46 per cent. Among the field crops many records are anticipated this season. The

peanut harvest is expected to set an all-time high with a total of 2,986,450,000 pounds, 35 per cent more than the 1942 record and almost 2½ times the average for the ten-year period from 1932 through 1941.

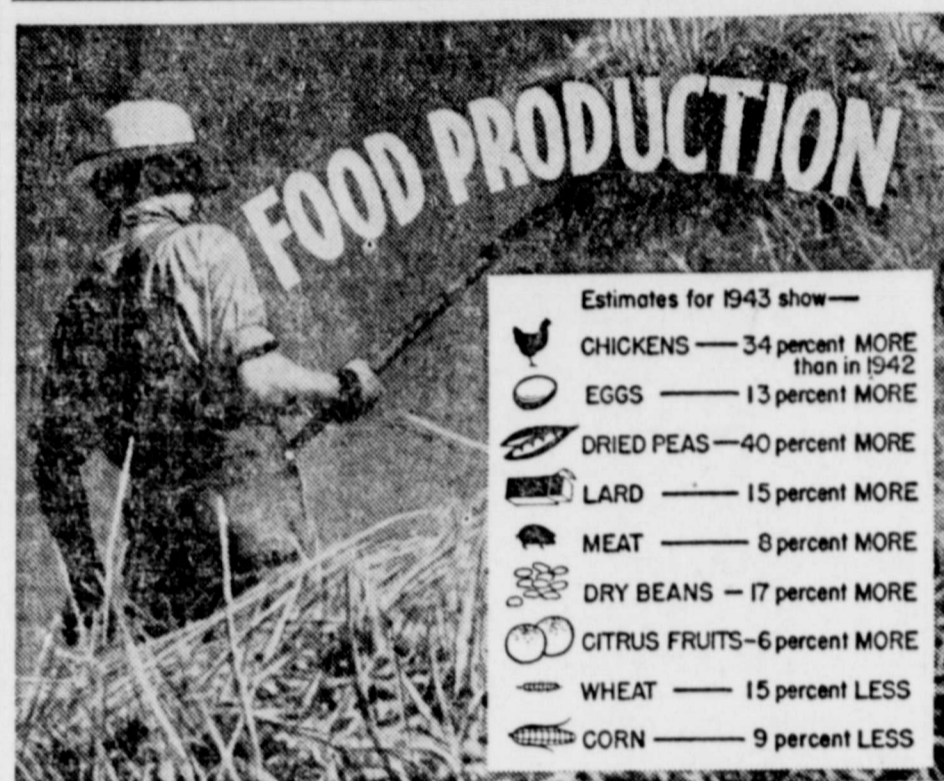
Dry bean growers will harvest a record crop from a record acreage—23 million bags of 100 pounds each, or an increase of 17 per cent over last year's peak and 59 per cent over the 10-year average. Another record will be set when estimates of 10 million bags for the dry pea crop are realized. Last year's crop was seven million bags.

Potatoes dug this year will total some 443,067,000 bushels, another record and a sizable increase over

fruits will be consumed in larger per capita quantities than last year, but will not match the 1941 record.

Among the meats, civilians will get a larger per capita supply of pork during the current year but less of the other meats such as beef and veal, lamb and mutton. Nearly two-thirds of the prospective 1943-44 supply of all meats combined has been allocated to civilian use, 63 pounds out of every 100. This amounts to 66 pounds out of every 100 of beef, 80 pounds of veal, 59 pounds of pork, and 65 out of 100 pounds of mutton. The large amount of pork available, despite the apparently small allocation per 100 pounds, is due to the unusually large

Farmers' Scoreboard for the Year



the 1942 harvest of 371,150,000 bushels. Sweet potatoes are expected to exceed last year's crop by 24 per cent for a total of 31,255,000 bushels.

Although truck crops for processing will be about the same in the aggregate as in 1942, three of the four principal processing crops show marked increases. Processors can anticipate a harvest of 11 per cent more snap beans, 7 per cent more green peas and 4 per cent more sweet corn. Beets, a less important crop, also show an increase. Tomatoes, the fourth of the leading vegetables for processing, will probably be down about 2 per cent below last season's supply.

Where the Food Goes

Now that the farmers have come through with another topnotch harvest, what is going to happen to all this food? Well, civilians will get most of it—a good, round 75 per cent of the total. Of the remainder, some 13 per cent will go to the armed services, 10 per cent to lend-lease and 2 per cent to other outlets. The civilian portion is about equal to the average amount of food consumed in the years 1935-39. Civilian per capita consumption in 1943 compares favorably with consumption during that period and is greater for many commodities.

For example, preliminary estimates of per capita consumption are larger than 1941—record year for consumption on most foods—for chickens, eggs, fluid milk and cream, margarine, potatoes, sweet potatoes, dry edible beans, and the grain crops: wheat, rye, milled rice, corn, oats and barley. While total fats and oils consumption will be about 1 point less than 1941, it will show an increase of slightly more than 1 point over 1942. Canned juices, dried fruits and fresh citrus



Women who are taking over the many difficult jobs deserve a large share of the credit for the enormous crops being harvested despite manpower shortages. Mrs. Elden King binds oats on her farm near Arlington, Ohio.

poundage of pork available for marketing. Total meat allocation for civilians, out of the more than 23 billion pounds produced, is 13¾ billion pounds. The armed services will get 3.9 billion, lend-lease 3.2 billion and reserves and other needs, 1.4 billion pounds. The major portion of meat going to lend-lease is pork.

Marvin Jones, war food administrator, has pointed out that in spite of the United States' enormous production record, short supplies of various foods will arise from time to time, and some foods will maintain a constant shortage.

"In fact," says Jones, "no matter how much we increase production, the requirements for foods by our fighting forces, our home front and our Allies will outdistance the supply."

Planning for Next Year.

The busy farmer knows that record demands are absorbing his record food production and asking for more. He has no time for resting on his laurels after another successful year. Even as he harvests his 1943 crops he is planning the sowing of some 380 million acres in 1944, an increase of about 5 per cent over this year. In addition, he must make sure of sufficient pasture for his livestock, which will push the farm acreage in 1944 over the billion mark, an increase of 16 million acres over 1942. He has to plan the maintenance of high levels on production of meat, dairy products and eggs, too.

Once there were limits on the amount of food for which farmers could find a ready market, at home or abroad. In the world at war today there might be said to be no limit to his market. It's production that is now of first account for the farmer, not where he can sell what he raises.

For this reason, he's looking ahead to plan his own crops for the best use of as much acreage as he can plant. Every farm crop grown in 1944 will be a war crop, except for a few special crops already much curtailed. Greater emphasis will be placed on cereals, including an increase in wheat acreage, and there will be special need for more soybeans, dry beans, the dry peas, flax, potatoes, canning crops and feed crops.

Conservation practices to increase production next year will be emphasized under the agricultural conservation program carried out by the Agricultural Adjustment agency of the department of agriculture. These practices include measures to assist farmers to reach and maintain maximum productivity of their land, without jeopardizing production in succeeding years.

After the farmer has set up his own farm plan, the AAA committeemen, both county and community, will assist him in obtaining equipment, materials such as fertilizers, and other items essential to getting the production job done.

Aussies Use Tobacco as 'Mad Money' in Jungle

From twenty to thirty tons of U. S. dark twist tobacco gets a No. 1 priority for monthly shipment to the Australian army. However, the "Aussies" do not chew this tobacco. It is given the Australian pilots to use as "mad money" in the event they are shot down from a plane over New Guinea, the Solomons, and New Britain.

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Scientists are working on the theory that sea fish can be multiplied by increasing their sea-plant food by adding nitrogen and phosphates.

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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers




Put Registered in That Lunch Box
(See Recipes Below)

Let's Pack a Lunch

Do you realize as your children once again begin the trek back to school with their lunch boxes that those mid-day meals should carry a third of the day's calories in them? Lunches that are a bite-and-run excuse for a meal will not give children or workers nourishment from which they are to draw the pep and energy, vim and vigor they need to do their best day's work. Their loads are heavier to carry these days than ever before, and it behooves every homemaker to be on her toes to put in the box the very best lunch she can pack.

Packing the lunch need not take undue time or effort. Assemble the equipment needed for packing a lunch at one convenient spot, and then you can get right to work with it as soon as you've put breakfast on the table. Keep staples on hand to simplify the lunch-making problem. This should include such things as crackers and cookies, cheese, milk, eggs, peanut butter, beans, salmon, sardines, dried fruits, nuts, jelly, marmalade, pickles and olives.

Sandwiches are the mainstay of the lunch box. However, as they are used so often, vary the bread and fillings as much as possible to avoid that mealtime monotony. Cut them in sections—they're more attractive and easier to eat that way. Wrap in waxed paper to keep from drying out. Have the fillings moist to keep them from being unappetizing and spread the bread with butter, margarine or mayonnaise to keep it moist, fresh and tasty.

Sandwich Fillings.

Chopped hard-cooked egg, pickle or celery, mayonnaise on oatmeal bread.

Cream cheese, chopped olives on white or whole wheat bread.

Cream cheese or cottage cheese with jelly and marmalade with Cheese.

Lynn Says:

Going Places? Lunches that go places to school, to the defense plant or office should be just as attractive as you can make 'em. A box is better than a bag, as it will hold the food without having it get mused.

Keep lunch boxes clean and air out. If the box has an enamel finish it can be washed out with soap and water. Any box can be aired out between lunches, kept free from crumbs.

Use waxed paper to keep sandwiches fresh and moist, vegetables crisp and fresh. A vacuum bottle will keep beverages hot or cold, soups steaming hot. Easy-to-pack crackers with soup furnish energy—give a real homey touch to the lunch.

Try surprises often in the lunch box just for morale's sake. A piece of favorite gum, candy or a few nuts, an orange, sectioned and peeled and peeled fitted over orange to give the appearance of being peeled but to keep it fresh and moist do loads to give the school child or worker a lift.

Lunch Box Menu
Cream of Tomato Soup
Crackers
Ham Salad on Whole Wheat Bread
Chopped Egg Salad on White Bread
Carrot Strips
Fresh Apple
Cookies

ton Brown bread.
Peanut butter or ground peanuts with chopped figs, dates or prunes, mayonnaise or cream to moisten on white bread.

Ground dried beef with pickle and mayonnaise to moisten on rye bread.

Meat or sardines in thick white sauce on white bread or bun.

Ground ham and carrots with sour cream dressing on buttered rye bread.

Cooked liver or liver sausage, mashed or ground fine with fried onion, minced, chili sauce on whole wheat, rye or pumpernickel bread.

Chopped carrots, raisins, and nuts, moistened with mayonnaise, on white or oatmeal bread.

Oatmeal Bread.

- (Makes 2 large loaves)
- 2 cups oatmeal, uncooked
- 1/2 cup molasses
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon shortening
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1 cup milk
- 1 cake yeast dissolved in 1/2 cup lukewarm water
- 5 cups flour

Measure oatmeal, molasses, salt and shortening into bowl. Add boiling water and let stand 1 hour. Beat in milk, dissolved yeast and flour. Let rise until doubled in bulk. Knead well. Turn into greased bread pans, let rise again until double in bulk. Bake 15 minutes at 425 degrees, then 45 minutes at 375 degrees.

Milk Drinks.

Vary the lunch box beverage as often as possible, serving milk, hot chocolate or cocoa. For a change of menu, try an old favorite which contains iron—molasses milk drink, made by mixing 1 quart of milk with 2 or 3 tablespoons molasses and a dash of nutmeg.

Spiced milk: To 6 cups heated milk, add 3/4 teaspoon cinnamon, dash of nutmeg and stir vigorously. Add sugar, if desired, and serve hot or cold as preferred.

Fruits make wonderful desserts and add a generous portion of the day's vitamin and mineral health.

Orange Marmalade Bread Pudding.

- (Serves 6)
- 1 1/2 cups dry bread crumbs
- 1 1/2 cups scalded milk
- 1/4 cups sugar
- 1 tablespoon melted butter
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 cup orange marmalade
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg

Soak bread crumbs in hot milk. When cool, add remaining ingredients in order given. Place in a buttered baking dish and set in a pan of hot water. Bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven for 45 to 50 minutes, or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Serve with lemon sauce or cream.

Are you having a time stretching meats? Write to Miss Lynn Chambers for practical help, at Western Newspaper Union, 210 South Desplaines Street, Chicago, Ill. Don't forget to enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your reply.

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ASK ME ? ANOTHER! A quiz with answers offering information on various subjects

The Questions

1. How high is the dome of the Capitol in Washington, D. C.?
2. What name do the Scots give to a lake?
3. What is the lightest metal known?
4. The words cumulus, stratus and nimbus generally refer to what?
5. What President of the United States was a bachelor?
6. Where did Alexander Graham Bell give the first demonstration of the telephone?

7. The king of what country was killed while mountain climbing in 1934?
8. What was the city of Oslo's former name?

The Answers

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2. Loch.
3. Lithium.
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5. Buchanan.
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7. Belgium (Albert I).
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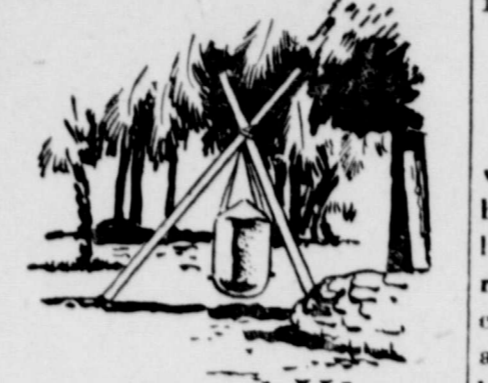


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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

First Landings on Italy Foreshadow Final Crackup of 'Fortress Europe'; Nazis Fall Back to Banks of Dnieper; U. S. Civilians Slated to Get More Meat

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To Gen. Dwight Eisenhower (left) fell command of the Allied forces which made their first direct assault on Hitler's European fortress with landings on the Italian mainland. British and Canadian troops spearheaded the invasion under Gen. Bernard Montgomery (right).

INVADE ITALY: Fortress Assaulted

Four years to the day following Great Britain's declaration of war on Germany, Allied troops set foot on the Italian mainland.

With Allied bombers blasting roads and rails; with speedy dive-bombers swooping low to smash at defense positions, and with warships covering transports and barges, British and Canadian troops under Gen. Bernard Montgomery were the first to swarm ashore at Reggio Calabria.

Facing the Allies for the first time on their home grounds, Axis troops fought bitterly, with German soldiers leading the Italians a hand.

At the command of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower were more than 500,000 seasoned American, British and Canadian troops. In process of mobilization in North Africa were approximately 150,000 Frenchmen, for whose equipment the U. S. government already had furnished \$60,000,000.

The Allies struck even as German spokesmen pointed to the mass of shipping assembled in North African ports. Before the first Allied soldier set foot into Hitler's vaunted European fortress, bombers tore up railroads and highways in southern Italy to impede troop movements to meet the invasion.

RUSSIA:

Germans Fall Back

High in the Kremlin, dark and mysterious Josef Stalin grimly received the battle reports.



All along the southern front German troops were falling back to the banks of the bulging Dnieper river. Russian armies reclaimed more and more of the coal and iron of the Donetz basin; they recovered vast stretches of the wheat and cotton belt of the Ukraine.

At Adolf Hitler's headquarters, the Nazi war chiefs spent four days in conference. While German field dispatches stated that defensive fighting was being conducted according to plan, the result of the Hitler meeting was said to be the decision to retreat to the Dnieper. Shortening of their line would enable the Germans to mass their troops more thickly along the whole front.

BERLIN:

In Ruin

Once, Herman Goering proudly boasted that not one bomb would drop on Berlin. Today, Germany's No. 2 Nazi walks the streets of the city, where gaunt and blackened walls and piles of brick and mortar rise in ghastly silhouette on all sides.

Bombed 72 times, staggered by a series of gigantic RAF raids, Berlin has been visited by all the horror of modern war. Entire districts have been wiped out, the extensive railroad system girdling the city has been crippled, and gas, electric and telephonic utilities have been disrupted after each big raid.

Following the latest assaults, 200,000 people were reported homeless.

To protect Berlin's essential industry, 1,000 Nazi fighter planes rose to combat latest RAF attacks. Huge six-inch barrel anti-aircraft guns mounted in concrete threw up barges of steel shells.

FOOD:

More Meat

Civilians were assured of bigger meat supplies with the War Food administration's order lifting the quotas on packers' slaughter for September and October. Under the order packers will be able to butcher and distribute pork, veal, lamb and mutton freely, but they still will have to set 40 per cent of beef production aside for the services.

The order also provided that packers must continue payment of support prices for hogs. WFA decided on the order to avoid congesting packing houses later in the season and relieve the tight feed situation.

Supplies Up

Record meat and fowl production is expected to lift the total U. S. food output for 1943 approximately 5 per cent over last year and 32 per cent above the pre-war average. Balancing a 9 per cent drop in grain and other crops, will be an estimated 10 per cent boost in livestock marketing. However, government claims to the food supply, will hold civilian consumption to present levels.

In making its predictions, the department of agriculture reported that continued droughts in the Southwest and sections of the Midwest threatened late crops. In some areas, the department said, pastures dried up, and stock died from lack of water. Conditions were described as especially serious in Arkansas and Oklahoma.

BOOM TIMES:

Farm Income Rises

As a result mostly of increases in receipts from food grains and vegetables, farm income for July approximated 1 1/2 billion dollars, to bring earnings for the seven months of 1943 to 9 billion, 700 million dollars, the department of agriculture reported.

In July, government payments amounted to 35 million dollars, while for the seven months, they totaled 435 million dollars.

According to the department, income from food grains and vegetables during July was more than seasonal, while the decrease in receipts from livestock was less.

Retail Sales High

Sales continued to keep ahead of prices during the seven months of 1943, the department of commerce reported. While sales were 63.8 per cent greater than in the 1935-'39 period, prices were only 33.9 per cent higher.

Although business maintained an active level, there were signs that shortages of merchandise might begin to affect total business. In terms of dollars based on cost values, inventories were 22 per cent lower in July than they were a year ago.

CASUALTIES:

55,476 Dead, Missing

With heavy fighting still to get under way, American casualties in the war to date total more than 100,000, with 55,476 of these either dead or missing. The rest were wounded.

The army's casualties number 69,358. Of these, 8,927 were killed; 19,391 wounded, of whom 8,748 have left the hospital or returned to duty; 21,406 missing, and 19,634 prisoners.

Of the navy's 21,556 casualties, 7,840 were killed; 2,533 wounded; 8,917 missing; 2,246 prisoners. The marines reported total casualties of 7,904, with 2,005 dead; 2,501 wounded; 663 missing, and 1,195 prisoners.

Washington Digest.

Canadian, U. S. Universities Offer Plan for Prosperity



Two Schools Offer Prescription for Post-War Depression in Pamphlet Entitled 'The Midcontinent and the Peace.'

By **BAUKHAGE**

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Out of the part of the world farthest from the fighting, literally and figuratively, has come an interesting international prescription for the cure of the world's post-war headache—the spell of depression that we have to be ready for.

The formula is summarized in a 43-page pamphlet that I wish everyone could read. The title is "The Midcontinent and the Peace." The cover is an earthy brown embellished with alternating rows of golden grain sheaves, fat porkers and trucks.

It is a report made jointly by the Universities of Minnesota and Manitoba. It has nothing to do with departments of state, it has no official status beyond the fact that the American and Canadian governors asked their respective state universities to do the job. It is a splendid down-to-brass-tacks example of the recognition of the common interests of two important areas lying on opposite sides of an international boundary line.

The gist of the report is this:

I. Western Europe must arrange greatly to increase its imports of wheat, lard and pork after the war.

II. Canada and the United States must reorganize their automobile-producing industries so that a maximum employment in Canadian factories can be maintained; cost of autos be reduced to Canadian buyers and American car output increased.

III. Agriculture in the prairie provinces of Canada and the central northwest United States must continue along the lines of agricultural specialization developed out of necessity during the war.

The Connection

Now, at first glance, the connection between these steps may not be evident, but the report makes the whole effort clear and also shows how the program can be carried out. There is nothing new or revolutionary in the methods discussed, nor in the reasoning concerning their results, but a striking assemblage of data gathered and arranged in such a manner that it offers what appears to be a logical program of action.

In the first place, the report shows how domestic economic policies (the ones I briefly summarized in the three points above) are, in fact, international policies. It demonstrates with figures and explanation that "sound and strong internal economies in Canada and the United States" must have "resoundingly important effects on the external world."

Examples offered to prove this include the figures which show how the rise and fall of demand in Canada and the United States affected other parts of the world up to and after the depression hit us in 1929.

In less than three decades, imports in the United States of ten different commodities increased from 300 to 1,700 million dollars worth. Take silk: the yearly average importation of silk bought by the United States from 1901-05 amounted to 45 million dollars. In 1929, it had jumped to 432 million dollars. But when the depression struck, it fell to 114 million dollars in 1932.

The total imports of the ten commodities dropped from 1,718 million to 534 million dollars—and you can imagine what happened in the producing countries when these markets disappeared.

One interesting point brought out is that in this period of expanding trade (both import and export) in which Canada and the United States shared, the MUTUAL interests of the two countries greatly INCREASED and their competitive interests declined.

Industry Predominant

The report shows how agriculture has ceased to be our greatest source of wealth, how industry has become pre-eminent and to maintain our agriculture, a healthy condition of industry must be maintained. The old statement is quoted: "Tell me the amount of factory payrolls and I will tell you the price of meat and butter."

The plans for our own agriculture

are fairly simple—maintenance of the same type of specialization now going on. The plan for Europe is more complicated but since the question of whether the people of western Europe eat at all for the next few years, depends largely on what Russia, the United States and the other grain producing countries do, these countries may be able to get western European countries to do what we want.

According to the Midcontinent planners, an arrangement should be made whereby western Europe for a period—perhaps 15 years—would absorb our surplus wheat, pork, lard and other farm products. Production of these products would be stopped in western Europe and resources saved would be put to efficient use. The producing countries would assist in reorganizing European agriculture to this changeover. The producing countries would also agree to reduce certain tariffs so that the Europeans can pay for the agricultural products they absorb with goods they can make. (Of course, there is the tough spot.)

As for changeovers in agriculture, it is pointed out that they are not new. Minnesota was once the greatest wheat producing state in the country. That is no longer true. "Mixed farming" has greatly increased. Diversified farming rose in Denmark and improved the standard of her people—these changes come about automatically because the new type introduced pays better. Similar changes, it is implied, could be brought about by ukase, too.

Unfortunately, space does not permit a detailed review of this report but quite as important as its actual content are the forces which initiated it—in the first place, it brings to our consciousness the mutual interests of this country and our northern neighbor which are plain to any American familiar with Canada and her people but which many in both countries ignore. Again, it shows how groups in two separate countries can get together and work out steps mutually beneficial and likewise advantageous to the whole world. The most important thing of all, however, is the emphasis on the fact that domestic problems are frequently international problems.

Diary of a Broadcaster

Let me tell you of another crazy rumor story that I heard today. It is so old that it has whiskers but people up and down this land are listening and believing it.

A reliable, otherwise hardheaded man told me that an acquaintance of his wife had a friend or relative who had a letter from her boy, a prisoner in Japan. The boy said that he was being well treated and then made a reference to his stamp collection.

He had none, so the remark got the people to thinking—they repeated it "then the FBI or somebody" took the letter, steamed off the stamp, and under it was written—

Well, before the man finished telling it, I said: "I know what was under it—They've cut my tongue out."

How did I guess? Well, I heard that story a dozen times in the last World war.

But to make sure, I made a few inquiries, simply to check the procedure. In the first place, prisoners of war don't use stamps. They can't write direct to their next of kin. The messages all are relayed through the International Red Cross anyhow.

Before we got into the last war, I was sitting on top of a Fifth avenue bus in New York, reading an article by David Lawrence, which reported how the department of justice had run down a story to the effect that sweaters knitted for the Red Cross were sold to soldiers. The bus stopped—a Liberty Bond orator was making a speech—I listened. He was telling the same story that the department of justice had run down and found it had absolutely NO basis whatever.

Remember this before you repeat these charming fantasies. Enlistment in the WACS, as fine a corps of American women as were ever gathered together, has been slowed down by a cheap and dirty story made out of whole cloth and passed from one drooling lascivious mouth to another.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for September 19

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THE SIN OF MOSES AND AARON

LESSON TEXT—Numbers 20:1-13, 27, 28. GOLDEN TEXT—Be ye angry, and sin not.—Ephesians 4:26.

Sin is a serious matter, and even though men in our day may not call it by its real name, it is as much here as it was in the days of Moses—and it is just as awfully sinful as ever.

Sin is universal; it appears not only among the people, but also among their leaders. God's dealing with it is on the basis of "greater privilege, greater responsibility." No leader, especially in God's cause, can expect special consideration of his weakness. He must meet God and answer for his sin.

I. The Unbelief of the People (vv. 1-5).

It is well to bear in mind that the people of Israel who were now at Kadesh-Barnea, on the borderland of Canaan, had been here once before—40 years before. Here they had rebelled against God in unbelief because of the report of the spies concerning the land. Because of their unwillingness to take God at His word, they had been sent to wander 40 years in the wilderness until the complainers had died. Read that graphic and instructive story in Numbers 13 and 14.

Now they were back at Kadesh—and a new generation shows that the spirit of unbelief and distrust has a hold on humanity, and makes son like father.

They had run short of water. The spring which had served their fathers on the previous visit to Kadesh had run dry.

II. The Answer—God's Power (vv. 6-8).

Moses and Aaron, now old men but still God's chosen leaders, took their sorrow to Him (v. 6). It was the right place to go, for power becometh unto the Lord (Ps. 62:11).

Instead of punishing the people for their unbelief, God calls upon His servant Moses to show them that He (God) is able. At a word from Moses, the rock would bring forth water before their eyes.

Is not that the perfect answer to all man's questioning and lack of faith—the revelation of the omnipotence of God?

But God's purpose is defeated (at least in a measure) by the

III. Unbelief of the Leaders (vv. 9-11).

Instead of taking their place as the servants and subordinates of God, Moses and Aaron claimed that they would provide water (v. 10). Instead of showing God's power by speaking to the rock, and His mercy in providing for the people, they uttered a rebuke; and then, by smiting the rock, took to themselves the honor that really belonged to God.

Let us also note that if the punishment seems severe, we should recall that they had broken a type of Christ. Christ was the Rock. He was to be smitten at Calvary, that the water of life might flow forth. But He died once for sin (1 Cor. 10:4) and is not to be smitten again. We need now only speak to Him in faith and receive life.

In Exodus 17:5, 6, Moses smote the rock, presenting the first half of the type foreshadowing the work of Christ; now he was to speak to it, fulfilling the type, and in unbelief he destroyed God's picture or type of redemption. It was a grievous sin.

IV. The Answer—Judgment (vv. 12, 13, 27, 28).

Moses and Aaron were not to be permitted to enter the promised land, because of their failure. No doubt it was true that their departure to be with the Lord was in a sense "far better" for them; and yet it cannot be denied that there was disappointment in not seeing the conclusion of their long and arduous labors.

The lesson is clear. We may serve God long and faithfully, but that is not any excuse for "letting down" in our closing years. We dare not presume, as though our intimate touch with God and place of leadership gave us an "inside track," a right to take it easy, spiritually or morally.

Sin is always sin; and it is especially grievous in one who has the privilege of high position and of power with God.

God buried His workmen; but His work went on. For Aaron there was his son Eleazar (v. 28). For Moses there was a Joshua, "full of the spirit of wisdom" (Deut. 34:9). It is always so. None of us is indispensable.

Gems of Thought

Use no hurtful deceit; think innocently and justly; and if you speak, speak accordingly.—Benjamin Franklin.

Let us, then, be up and doing, With a heart for any fate; Still achieving, still pursuing, Learn to labor and to wait.—H. W. LONGFELLOW.

Doubt whom you will, but never yourself.—Bovee.

Liberty is the only thing you cannot have unless you are willing to give it to others.—William Allen White.

The world will never starve for want of wonders; but only for want of wonder.—G. K. Chesterton.



That Settles That

Son—What's an infant prodigy? Pop—It's a boy of about your age, who doesn't need to ask questions.

"I'm going to change my tailor. He reads too much," complained Pete. "Every time he writes me he begins—'On going through my books—'."

Not This Fellow

Mother (anxiously)—What made you stay so late? Have a flat tire? Daughter (dreamily)—No, mother, I'd hardly call him that.

On the Chart

Eye Doctor—Can you read the fourth line on the chart? Patient—Sure. Why that's where my father was born.

Earlier Period

A man visiting a feeble-minded institution asked one of the inmates what his name was.

"Abraham Lincoln," came the reply.

"The last time I was here you were George Washington," said the visitor.

"Oh," replied the inmate, "that was my first wife."

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Joseph Shaw

In war or peace

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MURDER at PIRATES' HEAD

By ISABEL WAITT W-N-U RELEASE

CHAPTER XIX

"Tell me," Victor said. "You killed Lane the night he came to the Head, didn't you? Rigor mortis must have set in, judging from the way Judy described that hand. How did you happen to leave him there?"

"I wanted the body. Had to have a body for Brown. Used all Mrs. Gerry had in her kerosene can and the gas from Lane's car. That was stupid of me, but I wanted a big fire, and De Witt's breaking the window of the garage made it easy. She burned like tinder, as you saw. Took off the ring and put it in Judy's bag.

"Hurry, man! It was you that Quincy and Judy saw running along the bluff last night?"

"No, that must have been Norcross," he said. "He'd gone the back way, through the woods, up the strip of beach and climbed to the church."

"But you took me to town!" Wylie objected.

"Be quiet!" commanded Victor. "Hurry, Potter. You drove to town three times, didn't you? Afternoon to the movies for the stub alibi. Again with Wylie and De Witt after supper, when you knew your chance had come because Lane had come to the Head. But you only stayed until dark. Then you came back, after phoning the milkman to cooperate for a reward. Told him it was a Fourth of July prank at the bridge."

"Right. He said the old bridge needed repairing and that was one way to get it done."

"So you left the time bomb, knowing you'd pick up Wylie Gerry, and the only other car out was the minister's?"

"De Witt had said he'd be back early. Wasn't much of a chance. Left my car in the woods, off the road near Gerry's barn. Luckily, I met no one on the Neck, and no one at the Head saw me. Kept my lights out. Then I made for the church, after reconnoitering a bit, through the basement door via my pass key. Miss Kendall was asleep on the church steps, worse luck, but I had to take a chance to get Lane out of the chest and into the shed."

"He was in the chest, then? Since the night before? While the auction was going on? Why?"

"Listen, will you? Can't you see the way this tub's filling? The night Lane came I was hidden in the church basement. I was disguised as Old Man Brown. I watched Lane digging where his treasure had been taken out by me. Then I came out of the shadows and told him who I was. 'Get up and fight like a man!' I cried. He was an awful coward. He fell at the first blow of my fists, then he pulled a gun. But I got it away from him and struck him with it. He went down and didn't get up again. I had a skeleton key that would unlock anything. I wanted to go get my little cart from the shack and drag Lane's body there, but I heard someone coming. That Kendall woman was always hanging around the church steps. So I opened the chest and dumped him in. He was quite dead. As evidence against Lane, the gun might come in handy, so I kept it. Later it seemed best to hurl it into the sea. I was afraid to fire it for fear of being heard by the person outside, and I wasn't sure it had been fired—to make it look like a murder weapon. Besides, I had to be sure the body wouldn't be recognizable before leaving the gun. Then poor Miss Kendall—" he broke off.

But Lily Kendall had seen it on the rocks near the Pirate's Mouth, just as Victor had; only Victor'd kept still about it, while Lily showed her suspicion.

"And she thought it was yours, Quade," Potter was saying. "She told me to get that revolver. She believed you'd killed Lane with it. She never had any fear of me, when I asked her to show me where. But when she leaned over, I struck her with a rock I had ready. She screamed once and my heart stood still. She didn't scream again. I had Norcross' blue scarf in my pocket, and you know what I did with it. Then I scrambled around the cliff, to the beach, to the woods, to my car in Gerry's barn. Heaven alone knows why none of you caught me, though the beach isn't visible from the inn. Same as the night before, after dragging Lane from the chest to the shed in the cart I'd bought for the purpose, which burned up in the shed. Then I put out the shed light and went through the woods to my car, drove to town and picked up Gerry. Saw De Witt's car and got him to help me persuade Gerry, who was tight, to come home. Strengthened my alibi. But Judy nearly caught me in the church basement. If she'd come out the rear door she'd have stumbled over my little wagon."

That squeaky door! I shuddered as Potter half-grinned at me. If I'd taken the cliff path!

"While you were pushing Quincy's chair out the front way, I was loading my burden onto the wagon. I knew it was now or never. I'd meant to go back the night before and finish the hiding of that body in the shed, but—well, maybe I got cold feet. The little cart was right behind you on the path—at a safe distance, of course. It was well greased; didn't rattle. I hid behind some bushes while you investigated the shack where the light was still on. The minute you passed, did I hustle! You'll find the thick glasses if you hunt in the brush."

"You'd cut the phone wires earlier?"

"Before going to town the first time—after supper, that is. And the boats were hacked the night Lane died, when I got the gas for my pyre. Norcross, your club I'd picked up where De Witt had left it. Used it as a blind to confuse the issue. Also your sister's coat. It was lying in



"Get up and fight like a man!" I cried.

the hammock all last night. I wore it part of the time, in case I should be seen running through the darkness. Sorry about the spot."

The police boat was almost upon the Eleanor. Would it reach there in time? Just as I was wondering, she slipped into the sea.

"Judy," Hugh said to me, the night before they left, "she's headed for another breakdown right this minute. I'm taking her off on a cruise so she can't make a fool of herself

here. When we get back—and this has all died down—there's something I want to ask you. Will you write me, dear?"

Poor Hugh! With that sister of his he'd never have a chance to ask a girl anything. It was the second time he'd called me dear. "I'll answer all your letters," I said.

Hugh's dark eyes held mine soberly. Then he leaned over and kissed my hand. We could both hear his sister calling:

"Oh, Hughie! Come close my trunk straps."

Victor Quade was standing in the doorway. Had he seen Hugh kissing my hand? Evidently he had, for as Norcross hurried away to his Lady Simon Legree, Victor said, "Parting is such sweet sorrow! Going to miss him? And me?"

It had come then. Victor was stepping out of my life. I couldn't conceal that I cared, and didn't try.

"Of course I shall miss you—both, when people have been through—"

"Exactly. Judy, what'll you do with the old church?"

I shrugged. "Sell it if I can."

"Will you? That's what I hoped. I'll buy it. Grand place to write mystery stories. So full of—atmosphere. Do you know shorthand?"

"My heart gave a great bound. 'No, but I could learn.'"

"Bless you! You'll have to. But we'll try to get through this one straight to the machine. Type, can't you?"

"After a fashion. Why?"

"Because, now that the police have wound up this case, I want to get busy right away. You remember my title—'Murder on the Bluff'? Not bad, do you think?"

"Not good, either. Not distinctive enough. 'Murder at Pirate's Head' doesn't sound so—so much as if it had been used before."

Victor's hands gave a loud clap. "I knew it! You'll be invaluable to me. You will help me, won't you?"

"I'd love to help you, Mr. Quade."

"Why Mister me now, after all we've been through, Judy? Vide, my friends call me—Vidor Quinn."

"You'll always be Victor to me," I said, and saw how pleased he looked.

"This case will write itself," he said, "all but one thing. What did Potter do with the gun—throw it into the sea the second time? Hardly think so. He seemed pretty nervous about those fingerprints I guessed at."

"Wait," I said, recalling the green bead near the hollow stump. The bead had been in the mixed string which had caught on Potter's button when we were going over the auction, and I remembered that he'd only run for the Eleanor after he'd started tearing down toward the willow. As the idea clicked I got Victor to hunt down the path. We searched thoroughly and found Lane's revolver hidden in the hollow stump. The little green bead must have clung to his coat by the broken strand and dropped when he bent to toss the gun from his pocket.

"That," Victor said, "fixes everything. Potter was afraid to hurl this into the sea lest he miss again or have someone see him."

"Everything except the fingerprint he left in my powder compact. I didn't see any."

"Naturally," and how his teeth gleamed as Victor grinned at me. "Bless you! There wasn't any."

[THE END]

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