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## Japan Surrenders

World War II, the greatest and most destructive war in history, ended Tuesday night with the unconditional surrender of Japan. President Truman made the announcement at 6 p. m. and jubilant celebrations broke out all over the United States.

General Douglas MacArthur has been designated Supreme Allied Commander to receive the surrender.

As a result of the war's end, Selective Service officials will draft no man over 26 years old. Gasoline rationing is no longer in effect. The Navy department has cancelled six billions in naval contracts. News, mail and radio censorship is folding up. Congress is to convene Sept 5.

Wednesday was proclaimed a national holiday and throughout the nation Americans observed the day with thanksgiving. Here in Robert Lee business houses were closed in observance of the return of peace.

### VJ Service.

A Thanksgiving VJ service at the Baptist church was well attended Tuesday evening. Pastor Fred Blake presided. Music was directed by J. C. Wallace and E. C. Davis. Talks were made by Bro. J. C. Campbell, Bro. Blake and others.



### Monogram Stationery

The Observer makes a specialty of printing Monogram Stationery. You may get box stationery from your druggist or stationer and bring it to us for printing. Or if you wish large quantities, we have bulk papers and envelopes in stock.

Monogram stationery is the latest vogue—we're turning out orders each week. See samples.

### Wears Purple Heart

Somewhere In The Pacific (delayed)—Jap snipers and mortar men had the range of Pfc. Russ Doyle Mathers' platoon on Iwo Jima. In seven minutes they killed or wounded eight marines.

The Sanco Leatherneck finally stopped keeping score by his watch, for mortar fragments eliminated him from a campaign in which he was ill-fated from the start. On the beach after being knocked out by a knee mortar he had launched a hazardous search that enabled him to find his advancing company a day later. Mathers, 21, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Russ Mathers of Sanco. A wearer of the Purple Heart, he was a sophomore at McMurry College before enlisting in 1943.

### Vacation Bible School

The Methodist Vacation Church School opened Monday and is continuing through this week. Community wide in scope, all children four years and older are invited to attend. In charge of beginners Mrs. McNeil Wylie and Miss Martha Smith, topic, "My Home and Family;" primary, topic, "Palestine," Mrs. Marvin Simpson; junior, topic, "What Is My Bible?," Mrs. Roy Taylor; intermediate, "Becoming a Person," Mrs. Travis B. Hicks.

### Buys Former Reeder Place

Crowley Harmon has purchased the old Reeder place of 280 acres on Paint Creek from Mrs. Winnie Murtishaw. Consideration \$5600.

As good quality of corn as ever went into making flapjacks or corn bread was brought to us last week by C. H. Millican who has 25 acres at his place nine miles southwest of the capital of the Promised Land. Three ears, white, yellow and red, repose on our desk. The yield will be fine. Wish I had several hundred acres, along with a pen of Durocs. Boy howdy, that O. and P. A. bunch could go jump in the creek along about Xmas when ham gravy would be right in style.

### Prepare Silage Now

With the winter feeding season coming on farmers need to consider some way to by pass the cotton seed and cake shortage which will surely come with the shortest cotton crop in Texas since 1895.

The answer to this feeding problem lies in silage properly prepared. Grain sorghums cut before maturity contain a higher protein value than if left to make mature grain. Therefore farmers should begin right now putting away green succulent feed for winter feeding. The only serious objection over raised to feeding silage is that it takes labor to harvest and labor to feed, but when this may be the only source of protein feeds, we may have to resort to labor instead of cost. We know that livestock do not need cottonseed cake while running on green fields or pasture, neither will they need much protein supplement when fed a good grade of silage.

The other route now used by many stock farmers of harvesting their crops with livestock certainly has its good points. Labor is reduced to a minimum and the livestock are fattened and sold before having to be fed. This solves the food problem all around except to those who have to keep breeding stock or stockers.

Think this over, lets not wait until the storm breaks to consider building a shelter.

### It Does Pay

There are 170 mountain peaks in Colorado taller than Pike's Peak, but very few people know about them. The reason? Pike's Peak has been advertised.

The value of advertising in the Robert Lee Observer was brought very forcibly to our notice the other day. Recently a gentleman moved to Robert Lee. He subscribed the first thing for The Observer, and closely read the first copy. Being in the market for a certain kind of merchandise used in every home, he read the advertisement in this paper and during the course of his visit his purchases amounted to some \$200.

Certainly it pays to advertise. It pays to keep your name before the public. Just how long would the public demand Ivory soap, Oxydol, Conoco gas, Star Brand Shoes, and hundreds of other items, if merchants did not advertise them? There are a million and more items which have gone into discard because they were not advertised. There have been thousands upon thousands of firms that went out of business for lack of advertising. Sure you can run your business without advertising just like you can run your car without gas. The man who said it didn't pay to advertise was just joking. The very shirt he wore, the shoes he had on his feet, his suspenders, his hat, his underwear—the shaving soap he used to shave with that very morning—were all highly advertised products. In fact, he was a walking advertisement for the other fellow. It does pay to advertise. Noah advertised for 40 years. Came then the flood.

Miss Myrtle Murray, Home Industries Specialist of A. & M. College, who is among the attendants at the Women's home demonstration club encampment at Bronte, is to be present at a meeting of the W. H. D. marketing committee, Thursday afternoon at 2:30 at the Methodist church in Robert Lee.

### School Days Near

Robert Lee high school opens Sept. 3. Everything betokens a fine term of school. Supt. Geo. Taylor has his school faculty complete with the exception of a teacher for the commercial department, and anticipates that the place will be filled shortly.

For years Robert Lee has had a splendid high school—brought about by the co-operation of the town, county and patrons with the superintendent and faculty and local school board. This record should be kept up. The education of our boys and girls is at stake. As never before, we should stress a thorough educational program. The future is far different for young men and women than it was a decade ago. Conditions have changed greatly, and the men and women of the future must have educational backgrounds. The responsibility for the success of our Coke county youth does not rest wholly upon the shoulders of their teachers. Every citizen has a responsibility in the matter. The boys and girls are entitled to the best as pertains to schooling. They have had excellent tutelage in past years. Parent-board-teacher co-operation has been fine. Let it be kept so in years to come. With patrons co-operating success will loom large on the horizon.

### Revival Meeting Closes

Evangelist Williams, Oneness minister of Sweetwater, closed a 4-weeks revival in this city Sunday night. Twenty-two persons were baptized in Jesus' Name.

Jimmie Don Rabb is here from Roswell visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rabb.

The encampment of the Coke county W. H. D. clubs at Bronte Wednesday was an outstanding success. Attendance was large and a splendid time is the report of all.

Miss Bryce Stewart, with the FSA office at San Angelo, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Stewart.

Brother Blake is conducting a revival at the Sanco Baptist church. Good crowds, good interest.

Mrs. L. C. Steffey, age 96, is here from Cisco visiting her son, B. B. Steffey, and old friends and neighbors.

### Wins Scholarship

Johnny Clawson, graduate of Robert Lee high school, was among 11 high school graduates in West Texas to be awarded one of the Massie Memorial Scholarships last Friday, San Angelo College authorities announced. The scholarships pay tuition to San Angelo College during the 1945-46 school year.

### Attends Coach's Meeting

Supt. Geo. L. Taylor was in Abilene last week attending the meeting of coaches of West Texas schools. Some 400 persons were in attendance during the several days' meeting, and at the close a big football game between North and South Texas teams held rapt attention, the South Texas squad winning. A number of football celebrities were on the program, and a very instructive meeting is the report. Supt. Taylor, who coaches the Robert Lee high school team, will make capital use of some of the ideas presented, and we confidently hope the home team will repeat again this year in winning top honors.

### Enjoyable Event

A family get-together was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Wojtek, Sunday, in honor of Pfc. V. V. Wojtek Jr., who recently returned from the Pacific War Theatre. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Wojtek and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Cobb and Sandra Kaye, J. C. Wojtek, Jack and Jean Thomason, all of San Angelo, Norma and Doyle Wojtek of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wigginton, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wojtek, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wojtek and family, Mrs. Inez Nutter and family of Bronte, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wojtek and family.

Pfc. Wojtek will return to Corpus Christi for further orders, Aug. 17.

### THE WEATHER

SOMEWHAT WARMER TODAY with MODERATE to FRESH WINDS—Plan a picnic supper—but don't forget to salvage used cooking fat!



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Don't stay away from our store too long. We will miss you and we hate like sixty to be lonesome. Come out today—NOW. We're expecting you. Bring the folks. Bring ma and the kids—we've got POP on ice.

## Earl Roberts Grocery

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**WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS**

**Big Three Curb Germany in Agreements Remaking Europe; Air Blows Shake Jap Civilians**

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 (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.)



Red army men have been greatly intrigued by American timepieces, with this Russian holding wrist-watch to ear, paying G.I. \$300 for it.

**POSTWAR EUROPE: Big Three's Design**

Against a background of congressional opinion ranging from the declaration of Senator Ellender (Dem., La.) that the agreements "hold much promise for the eventual democratization of the whole of Europe" to the charge of Senator Taft (Rep., Ohio) that the changing of Germany's eastern boundary "sows the seeds of future war," the nation pondered the decisions of the Big Three at Potsdam.

Reached after lengthy sessions in the Hohenzollern's old palace grounds outside Berlin, the agreements called for the complete demilitarization of Germany; the destruction of its war making potential and supervision over domestic industry; the transfer of German populations from Poland, Czechoslovakia and Hungary; disposition of the German merchant marine, and the extension of the western Polish border up to the Oder-Neisse river lines of eastern Germany.

At the same time, the Big Three praised Germany's former partner, Italy, for wiping out Fascism and re-establishing democratic government, entitling the country to eventual admission into the United Nations. Disposition of Italian North African colonies is to be left up to a five man council of the foreign ministers of the U. S., Britain, Russia, France and China, who will also negotiate peace treaties with Germany and the other Axis satellites.

Other Big Three agreements included payment of material reparations to repair war damage and the transfer to Russia of 25 per cent of the industrial equipment in the U. S. and British occupation zones of Germany; immediate trial of war criminals, and exclusion of Spain from the United Nations because of its close Axis ties.

Prohibition of the production of arms, aircraft and ships; close supervision of the metal, chemical and machinery businesses, and elimination of cartels, syndicates and trusts, will seriously restrict the once-efficient German industrial establishment. In declaring that German industry would be geared to supply the needs of an agricultural and peaceful domestic economy, the Big Three stated that the country's living standards would be raised to the average European level, exclusive of Britain and Russia. Upon the German people's willingness to co-operate with the Allies will depend the restoration of their independence, it was said.

**PACIFIC:**

**Japs Squirm**

Having turned a deaf ear to the Allied ultimatum for unconditional surrender, Japan writhed under the mounting pressure of U. S. aerial blows, with Nipponese propagandists crying:

"We are enduring the impossible, with grinding teeth and clenched fist, when we see enemy planes penetrating our homeland and proudly flying over our heads."

Increasing swarms of B-29s added to the havoc already created by earlier raids, carrier plane assaults and naval bombardment of coastal points. Whereas the soldier in the field once bore the fury of Allied attacks, Jap propagandists said, the homeland now bears the brunt, with enemy troops at the front exhorting: "Hold that line, mother."

With more and more superforts being hurled against the Japanese, heavy bombardment of industrial

centers further reduced the war-making potential of the Nipponese, appreciably cutting down on the production of munitions for the more than 4,000,000 enemy troops under arms. In addition to smashing at factories, Allied airmen have hammered at both overwater and inland transport, not only severing communications with the Asiatic mainland but between the home islands themselves.

As a result of the attack against communications, aircraft factories are experiencing difficulties receiving shipments of aluminum from the southern section of the homeland, and coal deliveries from the north have been seriously impaired.

Though the Japs spoke of underground factories for maintaining production and of the resolute will of the people to escape national annihilation, neutral sources did not rate their stock highly. Though the Japs had spurned the Potsdam surrender bid, the Vatican said, intensification of U. S. attacks must make the Nipponese government appreciate the hopelessness of the military situation and improbability of stopping the Allies short of full victory by inflicting heavy losses.

**MANPOWER:**

**Rap Army**

Already partly blamed for slowing up reconversion by tying up materials and tools, the army was further charged with hoarding manpower and thereby threatening war production and orderly demobilization.

Declaring that the army could use only 3,000,000 of 8,000,000 men against the Japanese, Sen. Edwin Johnson (Dem., Colo.) said that retention of 5,000,000 in service not only imperiled coal and steel output, but that now was the time to release them while they still could be easily absorbed by industry.

Johnson's statement followed Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes' assertion that unless the army were to free sufficient coal miners not only would industry be forced to operate on a four day week, but domestic consumers also would receive reduced supplies. With hard and soft coal production expected to fall 43,000,000 tons below needs, Ickes has sought the release of some 30,000 out of 130,000 miners in the services.

Though the army has consistently refused to let coal miners go because of its opposition to occupational releases, the war department announced that it planned to return over 7,000 ex-railroaders from Europe to help ease the transport labor pinch created by the redeployment program.

Meanwhile, civilian government agencies came in for their share of criticism over the tight manpower situation on the west coast, where virtually all war industries, but particularly shipyards and railroads, have been plagued by labor scarcities.

Assuring far western employees that the section would share in reconversion, and permitting war workers to sign up now for postwar jobs, would help to stem the exodus eastward in anticipation of better opportunities, a house committee said. Further, civilian government agencies should tighten regulations over job jumpers not subject to selective service, the committee declared.

**POSTWAR BUSINESS: Big Expansion**

Emerging from World War II with a lot of cash on hand, industry plans to spend over 10½ billion dollars for new plants and equipment and working capital by the middle of 1946, the department of commerce reported.

Of the total, manufacturers expect to lay out over 9 billion dollars, while the railroads and gas and electric utilities plan to spend the rest. Manufacturers generally will finance three-fourths of their expansion with their own resources.

About half of the manufacturers' expenditures of over 9 billion dollars will be used for plant, equipment and alteration; almost 3 billion for increasing inventories, and the rest for furnishing credit to wholesalers for purchasing goods.

**U. S. EXPENDITURES: Overseas Total**

Exclusive of lend-lease aid of 39 billion dollars, loans of over 1 billion and relief shipments of 373 million, the U. S. spent nearly 11½ billion abroad from July 1, 1940, to March 31, 1945, the Foreign Economic administration revealed.

Of the 11½ billion dollars, the FEA reported, over 4 billion was spent for metals and other supplies, much of which were used for war production, 4 billion for pay to American military and civilian personnel, and almost 2 billion for army and navy bases.

More than 5½ billion dollars were spent in the British commonwealth including the United Kingdom, Australia, Canada and India; 3 billion, 300 million in South America, and 147 million in Russia. Against total U. S. overseas expenditures of over 50 billion dollars for all purposes, foreign countries made cash purchases of 3 billion, 270 million dollars and extended almost 5 billion in reverse lend-lease.

**Shooting Star**

With the comment "it's the finest plane I've ever flown," Col. William H. Councill, 33, set his jet-propelled P-80 Shooting Star down at the New York airport after winging his way from Dayton, Ohio, in 62 minutes.

Built by Lockheed Aircraft and General Electric, and resembling a huge bat in flight, the Shooting Star could have covered the 544 miles in even less time, Councill said, revealing he has flown it at even greater speed than recorded on the flight.

Possessing a pressurized cabin, and capable of attaining a 45,000-foot altitude, the Shooting Star handles easily, Councill said. "There's no vibration and no noise," he reported. "You don't notice the acceleration. The pilot suffers far less fatigue than in the conventional type plane."

**FRANCE: Star Witness**

Nervous, haggard and still a chain smoker, swarthy Pierre Laval promised to become the star witness in the treason trial of Marshal Petain following his surrender to American authorities in Austria and prompt transfer to the French.

Petaim's counsel moved to call upon Laval following revelation of secret friendly dealings with the Allies by Gen. Maxime Weygand and Adm. William Leahy, chief of staff to the late Mr. Roosevelt and President Truman.

Testifying in court, Weygand disclosed that Vichy had agreed to keep the Germans out of North Africa in return for the delivery of American goods, while Leahy wrote a letter to Petaim dated June 22, 1945, recalling that the marshal had acted against Axis interests at his request during his ambassadorship to France from January 1, 1941, to April 19, 1942.

Called Petaim's "evil genius," Laval was an open advocate of wholehearted French collaboration with Germany, while the marshal has sought to prove that his objective was to play off the Nazis.

**GRAIN STORAGE: Less Wheat**

Grains stored in the country totalled 1,412,000,000 bushels as of July 1, with 1,108,000,000 bushels on farms and 304,000,000 bushels in off-farm storages, the department of agriculture reported.

Of the huge stockpile of grains, 281,000,000 bushels is in wheat, 783,000,000 bushels in corn; 239,000,000 bushels in oats, 97,000,000 bushels in barley, and 13,000,000 bushels in rye.

Current stocks of wheat are 11 per cent less than a year ago and only 45 per cent as large as July 1, 1943. Corn storage is 31 per cent larger than a year ago but 7 per cent less than July 1, 1943. Oat reserves are 14 per cent higher than last July, but 9 per cent less than two years ago. The carryover of barley is 28 per cent larger than a year ago but 20 per cent less than July 1, 1943. Rye stocks are 41 per cent less than a year ago and only 27 per cent as large as July 1, 1943.

**Washington Digest**

**Plans Reorganization Of Labor Department**



**New Secretary Undertakes Task to Knit Activities of Over 20 Agencies; Seeks to Avert Vet-Union Row.**

By **BAUKHAGE**  
*News Analyst and Commentator.*

WNU Service, Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

It took Hercules just one day to clean the stables where one wealthy but not too sanitary man had kept 10,000 oxen. At least that is the way I heard it at my father's knee. Since my father pioneered in Washington state in the early '90s, I wish he were here now to witness another Washingtonian doing a Herculean job which he hopes to finish by September 1.

I refer to Secretary Schwellenbach, whose assignment is to put the department of labor in order. He isn't going to have to do much cleaning out, but he has been tidying up so that he can bring back under his aegis most of a score of prodigal agencies, all having to do with labor, which are scattered all over the District of Columbia and points north and west.

Most of the labors of Hercules were decidedly thankless ones and were given him for spite because his stepmother, Juno, didn't like her husband's extra-curricular children. Schwellenbach's job is thankless enough, but it wasn't given to



Secretary Schwellenbach

him for spite. It was given to him by his old friend, Harry Truman, because the President believed that, like Hercules, Schwellenbach could deliver. He was a popular, hard-working senator. He was a popular, hard-working judge. The requests of goddesses and presidents are commands, so the judge laid aside his robe, rolled up his sleeves and started in.

The first thing he found out when he reached the palatial "stables" on Constitution avenue was that taking care of administrative matters would keep any labor secretary as busy as Augeas should have been with his 3,000 oxen. No wonder nobody quite dared to try to corral the 20-some agencies, rightly under the authority of the department. To administer them would under the present set-up be an impossible job. And so they grew up with their own public relations departments, their own statistical services and legal advisors, separate entities all going their own sweet, if sometimes conflicting, way.

So the first thing that Schwellenbach did was to get together a small group who knew the department, who knew organization and who knew Washington, to find out if something couldn't be done to knit the functions of the department more closely together so the head man wouldn't have to sign all the travel orders and decide whether there was enough ice in the iced tea in the cafeteria; and attend to other trivia which might better be delegated.

This was the first step in preparing the old home to absorb its prodigal children. When the new secretary arrived in his paneled office, he called the staff of the department together and said he knew that everyone agreed that there had to be a reorganization and that each division head also probably agreed that his own group didn't need to be tampered with. Then he went ahead.

As this is written it is hoped that the report of the crew of investigators and a similar study of the extra-mural activities will be completed soon so that a comprehensive report will be laid on President Tru-

man's desk by the first of September.

**Reorganization Touchy Problem**

The next step would logically be an executive order from the President embodying the Schwellenbach report to make the suggested changes. With his war powers, the President wouldn't have to ask the pleasure of congress. But President Truman doesn't want the changes he makes to be temporary affairs. Like every other president since Grover Cleveland, he has requested powers to reorganize the government and never has congress offered a carte-blanche go-ahead. Such a bill is pending in congress now. However, if the suggestions made by Secretary Schwellenbach were considered reasonable, they might be put into a bill and passed. In any case they will probably be presented before the other measure authorizing wider presidential authority is considered.

In the meantime, labor itself is tending to cloud the atmosphere insofar as acceptance of any efforts to restore full, free, collective bargaining, which the no-strike pledge and various wartime restrictions have virtually suspended. The public is getting very irritated with violations of the no-strike pledge and what many feel to be union demands which, whether or not they appear fair as between labor and management, do not take the consumer into consideration.

Much of the antagonism is due to the feeling of the men who resented strikes while they were in the service. Schwellenbach managed to smooth out one of the toughest veterans versus unions troubles the country ever witnessed back in his home state of Washington after the last war. He admits there is no doubt that such antagonism exists now. "We may as well face it," he says. But he thinks he can handle it.

One habit which Schwellenbach wants to break up, and it is assumed the President wants him to break up, is having labor disputes leap-frog right into the lap of the White House. Some of the old-line labor department officials used to write every time a long, hot telegram went out such as some of those addressed to John Lewis while the coal strike was going on, which were signed by President Roosevelt, but dictated by the War Labor board, which labor and management had snubbed. These old-timers felt that many of the questions could have been settled with the machinery which already existed within the department.

Of course, the War Labor board, which has had all the tasks complicated by the war to perform, will die with V-J Day.

**Vows Impartial Labor Department**

Other separate agencies dealing with labor will continue. The United States Employment service and the apprenticeship and training program are now part of the War Manpower commission. Social security is run by the social security board. If the movement to create a new department of welfare succeeds, this new set-up might conceivably absorb social security and also the children's bureau, now under the labor department.

The National Labor Relations board, which administers its quasi-judicial functions under the Wagner act, now independent, would have its "housekeeping" done by the department—that is, its financing, personnel and such matters would be under the secretary of labor.

Since Schwellenbach has been in office he has talked to a whole string of labor men and a whole string of management men, too.

"I am not a labor official," he says. "I am a public official."

That pretty well sets up his position and, as I said, it makes his job, so far as the lobbies of labor and management go, about as thankless as the labors of Hercules. Congress feels that the labor department is supposed to look after labor interests and what Judge Schwellenbach is shooting at is to have it operate with the impartiality of a court. But his chief concern now is to consolidate under one head all government activities pertaining to labor.

## 50 YEARS AGO IN COKE COUNTY

Early Day Items From Files Of The Coke County Rustler, Jan. 18, 1896

Rufe Whiteside was in town Wednesday with some nice pork.

Stephen Parker came in the other day and bought a big turning plow from Burroughs & Co. with which to turn the sod.

I. J. Good of Pecan was in town Thursday shaking hands with friends.

C. M. Ralls has sold his ranch on the Divide to Dud Reed.

Angelo livestock deals: J. N. Farquhar has sold to Charles McFarland 30 three year old steers at \$20. J. S. Miles sold 27 mules

and 4 horses to J. M. Oden, Louisiana, for \$1150. C. B. Metcalfe sold 30 mules to the same party for \$1050. Wm. Anson sold 260 steers to Martin & Beaman at \$20. The same steers were worth \$24 last fall but there has been a decline in prices.

On last Tuesday evening "Dr. Cunningham," with grip in hand stepped into town from some unknown quarter and proceeded to tank up on liquor and talk dentistry. After staying a day or two and drinking a big lot of whiskey and beating his hotel bills, he disappeared like a beautiful dream.

Several loads of lumber is on the ground for a mill and gin.

J. H. Burroughs circulated a petition this week for fencing the graveyard and we will soon have a substantial fence placed around the same.

Uncle Johnnie Rogers of Bronte was here Wednesday and reported that he had sold his interest in the Pettit gin and mill to Mr. Walton, the gentleman who is putting up the gin and mill here.

Pursuant to a call, the organization of a Sabbath School in Robert Lee has been perfected. G. W. Webb was elected superintendent, F. E. Thomas, secretary-treasurer, and B. F. Montgomery, assistant superintendent. The secretary has

### Says The Wildcat Apostle



One authority claims that the adult mosquito can fly 15 miles. What I can't figure out is why they make so many one-point landings en route to a destination.

ordered literature from David C. Cook. A senior class was organized with the following members: Mrs. D. T. Averitt, teacher, Misses Edna Reed, Lucy Mobley, Florence Winters, Eva Vestal, Sallie Perry, Mrs. J. R. Patteson, G. W. Perryman, and Frank E. Thomas. Sunday school at 3 p. m. each Sunday.

W. M. Billingslea has bought the Cobb store on Kickapoo.

The new comet can now be seen in the heavens a little after 5 o'clock in the morning. It attained its brightness yesterday. With an ordinary glass it can be plainly seen and appears to have one long streaming tail curved upwards and several shorter ones. It is well worth getting up early to see.

#### A New War Story

"All Over But the Shooting," is the title of our new serial story, the first installment appearing in this week's issue of The Observer. Read this thrilling, gripping narrative. It is a book within itself—a book which would cost \$2.50 at the book sellers. Being a subscriber, you get five or six stories a year. That's saving you the purchase of the books at \$2.50 each.

#### Receives Honorable Discharge

T-Cpl. Lloyd Payne, recently returned from Europe, last week received his army discharge at Ft. Sam Houston. Cpl. Payne served with the ninth Corps, 62nd Field Artillery. He was in the invasion of North Africa, Sicily, France, Germany, Czechoslovakia, and was in Prague when VE Day came. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Payne, and was in service four years, four months and twenty-three days.

Mrs. Jessie Fay Brock leaves Sunday for a visit with friends in Arkansas.

#### TODAY'S BEST NEWS

Oh that thou wouldst rend the heavens, that thou wouldst come down, that the mountains might flow down at thy presence, as when the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil to make thy name known to thine adversaries, that the nations may tremble at thy presence.—Isa. 64:1-2.

### When...

Your subscription to the Dallas News, Fort Worth Star-Telegram or any other paper expires, they cut your name off the list. But when your subscription to the Robert Lee Observer expires, we take the trouble to stamp your paper, notifying you that your time has expired. Then if you do not renew before the next publication day, the paper is discontinued. Not having any favorites and being impartial to all, this week several of our good friends will miss this issue. It ain't our fault. They just forgot to renew for the rabbit twister journal.

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Lv. 6:25 A. M. Lv. 3:40 P. M. Camp Barkeley	Lv. 12:10 P. M. Lv. 11:45 P. M.		
Lv. 6:30 A. M. Lv. 3:45 P. M. View	Lv. 12:05 P. M. Lv. 11:40 P. M.		
Lv. 7:10 A. M. Lv. 4:25 P. M. Happy Valley	Lv. 11:25 A. M. Lv. 11:00 P. M.		
Lv. 7:49 A. M. Lv. 4:55 P. M. Bronte	Lv. 10:55 A. M. Lv. 10:30 P. M.		
Lv. 8:05 A. M. Lv. 5:20 P. M. Robert Lee	Lv. 10:30 A. M. Lv. 10:05 P. M.		
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Wheaties, 8-oz. package 11c

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3-Minute Oats 27c  
Large Package

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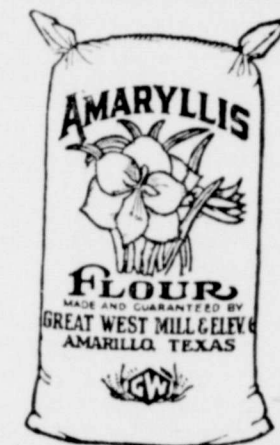
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*The good things which belong to prosperity are to be wished, but the good things that belong to adversity are to be admired.—Seneca.*

Let us consider the reason of the case. For nothing is law that is not reason.—Sir John Powell.

Nothing is impossible to a willing heart.—John Heywood.

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**Ten Per Cent of Army Veterans Want to Be Farmers; Seven Per Cent Hope to Start Small Businesses**

**More Than Half Will Work for Wages Again; 8% Going to School**

By WALTER A. SHEAD  
WNU Washington Correspondent

Seventy-five per cent of the officers and enlisted men in the United States army have definite ideas about what they intend to do "when they get back home." Another 20 per cent have made tentative plans for their postwar work. A survey by the research branch of the information and education division of the army shows that:

**Fifty-two per cent, roughly 4,000,000 men, plan to work for salary and wages;**

**Seven per cent, or about a half million men, intend to go into small businesses, retail and service trades mostly, for themselves;**

**Ten per cent, or more than 750,000 men, plan to operate farms;**

**Eight per cent, or about 600,000, plan to go to school. The remainder have made only tentative decisions or are undecided.**

The army, however, points out that at least three factors must be taken into consideration in interpreting the results of the survey: (1) the length of the war; (2) economic opportunity after demobilization; (3) an increasing percentage may seriously consider attending full-time school, opening a business or buying a farm under G.I. Bill of Rights provisions.

One interesting feature of this survey reveals that 80 per cent of the white enlisted men plan to return to the states in which they lived before entering the service. This leaves 20 per cent who may migrate to another section of the country. As a matter of fact, 10 per cent, or about 750,000 men, definitely anticipate moving to another state, the other 10 per cent being still undecided. This ratio is heavier in the Negro enlisted personnel where only about two-thirds expect to go back to the same state in which they resided in civilian life.

**Young Men Going West.**  
The great majority plan to migrate to the Far West. Among the Negroes, the greatest shift is from the South to the northeastern states. If the indicated shifts materialize among these returning servicemen they may happen as follows:

- 1.—A rapid expansion to the Pacific coast states.
- 2.—In-migration, but on a much smaller scale into the industrialized east north central states.
- 3.—No net movement, in-go balancing out-go in the New England, middle Atlantic and mountain states, and,
- 4.—A heavy out-migration from the highly agricultural areas running from the west north central states through the entire tier of southern states.

If the plans for 7 per cent of our soldiers to enter business for themselves materialize, it means creation of a little more than a half million new firms in the small business field, or just about the number which went out of business in the two-year period following Pearl Harbor. A great majority of these, about 52 per cent, will enter the retail trade . . . radio stores, filling stations, shoes, hardware and general merchandise outlets. About 16 per cent plan to go into the service fields, 9 per cent into wholesale and small manufacturing, 8 per cent into transportation and public utilities, 6 per cent into construction, the other 9 per cent being spread over all other industries.

Of the three-quarters of a million men who plan to take up farming either as owners or farm workers, the survey shows that 9 out of 10 have had at least a year or more of full-time farming behind them. Only about 2 per cent have had no farming experience at all. Even the men with relatively vague plans for farming have had considerable previous farming experience. One out of four of those who seriously plan to farm, already owns a farm. These men are the least inclined to migrate, this survey shows, and the great majority of the prospective farmers plan to return to the same region from which they entered the army. By and large, they expect to go back to the same type of farming with which they are familiar. These three-quarters of a million men who plan farming as a career, are, roughly equivalent to the total who were farming just prior to induction, although induction records show that more than a million and a half men have been taken from the farms. These, however, included

farm youths who were in school and were not classed actually as farmers.

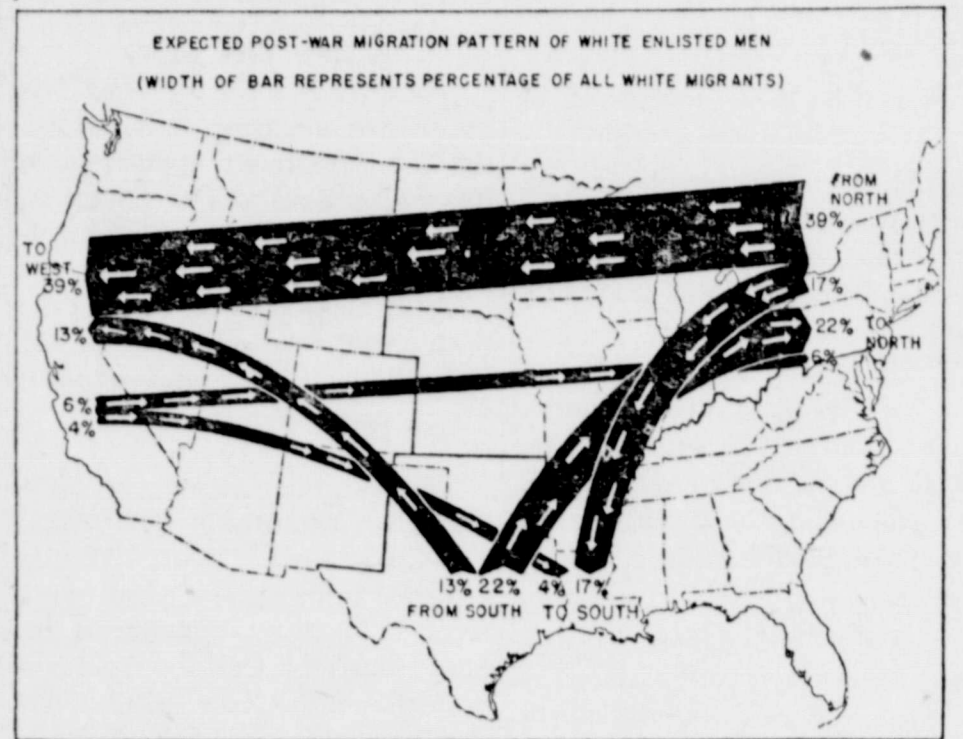
**Not Room for All on Land.**

According to the army, the chances are that the nation's farms will not be able to absorb all of the men planning to return to them, in spite of the current shortage of a million farm workers. The army says that rural areas normally produce more young men and women than can be efficiently utilized on the farm. The problem may very well become acute considering the wartime increase in farm production achieved by more efficient use of labor on fewer farms.

A little more perspective on the

this group definitely plans to seek governmental jobs. The federal government now is by far the largest employer in the country and the monthly report of the Civil Service commission as of May 1, the latest report, shows paid employment in continental United States totaled 2,897,077, of which 2,001,186 were in the war agencies. Of this number, only 252,054 are in Washington.

While war cutbacks are expected to decrease this number somewhat, government work is expected to maintain the upward trend which has prevailed since the last war. State and local governments normally employ more than twice as many persons as does the federal



problem may be had by a further analysis of the intentions of these men definitely planning to farm. In the first place, the survey makes it clear that a much larger proportion of the men want to become farm operators, by either buying or renting, than were farm operators before the war. A majority say they can count on returning to a tract of land which they or their families own . . . or they already have in mind a specific piece of land they expect to buy or rent. However, one out of every three indicate they will need to locate a farm to rent or buy after leaving the army.

So if the plans of all these prospective farmers materialize, there will be thousands of veterans looking for farms in the postwar period . . . and they very well may come up against a shortage of good land, which may, too, be selling at much higher prices than before the war. So there is fear on the part of the army that many of these men may be forced to settle on cheaper sub-marginal land.

The army points out that relief would be possible on this score if large sections of public domain or reclaimed land becomes available. About one out of six veterans said they would be willing to move on such tracts of land.

The same thing is true with respect to the farmer-serviceman as with the prospective businessman . . . most of them are thinking of investing sums ranging up to \$4,000. This may be compared with the department of agriculture estimates of \$5,000 to \$8,000 as the average cost of the family sized farm, not counting necessary tools, equipment, livestock, etc. . . . So these prospective farmers will also need financial help. How many will actually end up on the farm will depend on this aid, and on the comparative opportunities offered by industry and agriculture after the war.

In conjunction with the American Historical association, the Armed Forces institute has prepared a booklet entitled "Shall I Take Up Farming?" which is available at the Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

**Most Will Work for Wages.**

Of course by far the greatest segment of the armed forces plan to work for wages on their return. Two aspects of the plans of these four million men are noteworthy. First, only one-third of the white enlisted men who were employees before induction and plan to be employees after the war, definitely expect to go back to their former employers. Another one-third say they may return, but are not sure. This leaves another million men who will either migrate and move to other jobs or who have learned new trades and expect to do different work.

As a matter of fact the tendency among a large percentage of these servicemen is to aspire for work calling for a higher level of skill and in general, the proportion who plan to pursue their prewar occupations declines as one proceeds along the occupational scale. Five per cent of

government, and the five years immediately following the war are expected to see more than a million and a quarter jobs opening in this field.

Favorable employment opportunities and special considerations for veterans are expected to draw probably 10 per cent of the 52 per cent who plan to work for wages and salaries, into this federal, state and local government field.

**Many Returning to School.**

Veterans counting on going back to full-time school after the war is nearing the 600,000 mark.

That most of these will enter college is indicated from the fact that more than 9 in 10 are high school graduates. The army points out that this war has brought about the first large decrease in college enrollment since the turn of the century and that non-military enrollments in colleges and universities dropped 44 per cent after the first two years of war. Civilian college and university students in 1943 numbered smaller than 20 years ago. The deficit of college trained men, particularly acute in the liberal arts and teaching fields, will continue to accumulate as the war goes on. In view of these facts, it is interesting to note that the two most popular courses picked out by servicemen are engineering and architecture, and the liberal arts and sciences.

**Engineering Most Popular.**

Other courses mentioned include business administration, pre-medic, medicine and dentistry, agriculture, law, education, journalism and theology. In general about one man in five is considering courses of study which can be classified as liberal arts and sciences, and the remainder are thinking in terms of professional and technical specialization, with engineering leading the field.

Another point of particular significance is that this full-time school course will take these men out of the labor market, about half a million of them. But the same thing cannot be true of another large group, about 18 per cent additional, or about 1,300,000, who plan to attend part-time school, that is work and go to school at the same time. Three-fourths of these students desire trade and business school courses. These also are in an older group and about one-third are married.

There is one more section of veterans which the survey classified. These were a group of about 3 per cent, about 225,000 who said they definitely plan to stay in the army. Up to more than 10 per cent who would consider re-enlistment under certain specific conditions. Two major considerations which will govern the actions of this segment are (1) the terms under which re-enlistments will be offered, including retention of rank, choice of service, duration of enlistment and opportunity for commissions, and (2) the kind and opportunities for civilian jobs which will be available after the war.

**Household Hints**

Try a dash of cinnamon on cold watermelon.

The washer manufacturers have carefully worked out the amount of water that will give best results in their machines. On most machines the water line is clearly marked. Follow this guide for best results. The size of the load is also worked out, usually in pounds.

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**WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS**

**Internal Reform Faces Britain, But Diplomacy to Remain Same; Allies Give Japs Peace Terms**

Released by Western Newspaper Union.  
(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)



With the war in the Pacific in the decisive stage, map shows disposition of Japanese forces throughout Asiatic theater.

**GREAT BRITAIN: Future Outlook**

Though profoundly affecting Great Britain's internal economy, the sweeping victory of the Laborites in the first general election since 1935 is not expected to appreciably alter the country's foreign policy based on maintenance of the empire to assure comparatively high living standards.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Laborite triumph represented the ascendancy of leftism in the United Kingdom, the fact remains that the country is so dependent upon the empire for raw materials and markets to support its industrial struc-



Laborites Attlee, Morrison, Bevin.

ture that retention of ties abroad, strength on the seas and control over vital bases undoubtedly will remain the substance of its foreign policy.

With Laborites ruling, concessions may be made to Leftist elements in Europe and elsewhere, but in overall policy, Great Britain's historic diplomacy will remain essentially British.

At home, however, tradition-bound old Britain may be in for a radical remodeling, with the Laborites' platform for nationalization of industry tempered by the amount of private management that will be tolerated. Under Prime Minister Clement Attlee, former Minister of Labor Ernest Bevin and ex-Minister of Home Security Herbert Morrison, goals of the Laborites include:

Consolidation of all railroads, commercial carriers on highways and coastal shipping into one transportation unit under government control; nationalization and mechanization of all coal mines and improvement of working conditions by increasing production; socialization of the iron and steel industry and the Bank of England.

**SECURITY CHARTER: Fight Ahead**

With only a scorching address by Senator Wheeler (Dem., Mont.) marring the even temper of the debate, the United Nations security charter headed for quick senate ratification, with indications that the big battle lies ahead when the upper chamber will consider the power of the U. S. delegate and the contribution of armed forces.

Declaring that like President Wilson the late Mr. Roosevelt had jeopardized the prospects for successful postwar collaboration by concessions to the major European powers, Wheeler himself foreshadowed an impending fight over details of U. S. participation. Though he would vote for ratification, he said, he would do so only on the strength of statements that the senate would later work out operational arrangements.

Prior to Wheeler's speech, Senators Connally (Dem., Texas) and Vandenberg (Rep., Mich.) advocated ratification, stressing that the security pact in no way affected

U. S. sovereignty but did provide the country with an opportunity to exercise its self-determination for effective international co-operation to prevent future warfare.

**PACIFIC: Allied Terms**

Trembling under the bombardment of Allied air and naval forces, Japan was threatened with even greater catastrophe by U. S., British and Chinese chiefs unless the nation gave up the hopeless fight and set about the establishment of a peaceful and democratic rule.

The Allied answer to rampant peace talk, the U. S., British and Chinese declaration issued in Potsdam where the Big Three met, called upon the enemy to rout its militaristic leadership, relinquish control of conquered territory, and submit to occupation for fulfillment of terms. In return, political and religious thought would be respected, and Japan eventually permitted to resume its place in foreign trade.

Though issued from Potsdam, Russia conspicuously refrained from joining in the declaration, lending credence to reports that the Soviets had acted as middlemen in a Jap peace overture, expressing willingness to comply with major Allied terms, but asking for exemption from occupation of the home islands.

Even as the Allies called upon Japan for unconditional surrender, Admiral "Bull" Halsey's mixed U. S. and British aircraft carrier force continued its heavy attacks on Nippon, with one great 1,200-plane strike further battering the enemy's already stricken navy.

Sweeping in against minor opposition, Halsey's Hellcats ripped up 20 Japanese warships in the Inland sea, with three battleships, six aircraft carriers and five cruisers damaged. As a result of the attack, the enemy reportedly has few warships in commission, with most of these being cruisers and destroyers.

In addition to hammering the Japanese fleet units, Allied carrier pilots continued to whittle down enemy air strength, and also further disrupted coastal shipping linking the home islands by firing cargo vessels and small barges.

**FRANCE: Petain Accused**

As the dramatic trial of Marshal Henri Petain moved smoothly following a stormy outburst on the opening day over a barb by Prosecutor Andre Mornet that there were too many German-minded spectators present, none of the principal witnesses against the old soldier openly accused him of betraying his country. They charged he failed in his duties as a Frenchman.

Nevertheless, former Premier Paul Reynaud and Eduard Daladier and ex-President Albert Lebrun rapped Petain unmercifully for negotiating an armistice with the Germans while an effort was made to keep up the fight; assuming supreme power and virtually ruling by decree, and acceding to Nazi requests for manpower and material.

In testifying for the state, Daladier declared that France was not as weak materially at the time of her defeat as generally suspected, but fell because of errors in conception on the part of the general staff. Declaring the Germans were amazed to find huge quantities of equipment on hand, he said France possessed 3,600 tanks at the time of the invasion of Holland and Belgium to the enemy's 3,200.

**Washington Digest**

**Domestic Problems to Test Truman's Mettle**



Harmonious Relations on Foreign Policy Soon To Give Way to Contention Over Difficulties of Reconversion.

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The political armistice in Washington will end shortly after the President's return from Berlin. The Big Three meeting followed so closely on the heels of the San Francisco conference that foreign affairs have dominated the scene almost to the exclusion of domestic matters, which sooner or later must test the mettle of the new administration.

Another reason, perhaps, why President Truman's honeymoon has been extended is the fact that the main issue before the country, the United Nations charter, has been robbed of its partisan flavor. This is largely due to the long and arduous efforts of former Secretary of State Hull. He built up a working understanding on foreign affairs between the administration and the congress, which resulted in the

only a former senator, but a former Supreme court justice. Byrnes provides an understanding link with the judicial branch as well as with the legislative. The secretary of the treasury, Fred Vinson, is a former member of congress as well as an ex-judge. Secretary of Agriculture Anderson is not only a former member of congress, but was head of the house food committee, which directed some of the most serious criticism against the former administration's handling of the food situation. This committee is now working closely with the new cabinet member.

While Secretary of Commerce Wallace does not bring to his department the close associations of the men over whom he presided as president of the senate, the scope and function of his office has been considerably reduced by the reor-



Vice President Truman shortly before his elevation to the presidency discusses politics and artillery shells with Baukhage.

whole-hearted co-operation of most of the leaders of both parties, sturdily supported by public opinion.

Secretary Hull was able to achieve this harmony because of the confidence in which his former colleagues held him and also because of his experience as a member of the legislative branch of the government. Roosevelt could never have been as successful in this endeavor and, because he realized that fully, he left the matter largely in Hull's hands.

**Chief Still One of the Boys**

In the first place, President Truman stepped directly from the upper house to the vice presidency, and ever since he left the legislative branch for the executive, he has been acting as liaison between the two.

Shortly before President Roosevelt's death I had occasion to interview the then vice president. I talked about the forthcoming San Francisco conference with him (as well as the field artillery, of which we are both alumni). He indicated that he was holding aloof from any public participation in the discussions of international affairs but was attempting to carry on and to complement the work of Secretary Hull in promoting a sympathetic discussion of the Dumbarton Oaks agreement with members of the senate foreign relations committee, the house committee on foreign affairs and others.

One of his first unorthodox acts was to take lunch with some of his old colleagues at the Capitol. This was almost as if the king of England were to attempt to enter the City of London without first having a formal parley with the lord mayor. But it was a perfectly natural act on Truman's part—like his spontaneous remark to the effect that there was a certain Chinese restaurant where he would like to eat while he was on the West coast. On second thought he realized that, as President, he couldn't do such a thing and admitted it with a smile.

The President's informal visits to the Capitol haven't hurt him. Nor his formal ones. After his last appearance, when he delivered the charter, he lingered so long in the senate chamber, shaking hands and patting backs, that an aide had to hint gently that he wasn't a senator any more and must hurry back to his work.

His cabinet appointments are highly significant. Truman's secretary of state, James Byrnes, is not

**Gems of Thought**

THE Utopians wonder how any man should be so much taken with the glaring doubtful luster of a jewel or stone, that can look up to a star, or to the sun himself. — Sir Thomas More.

Man is his own star, and the soul that can render an honest and a perfect man commands all light.—John Fletcher.

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But riches needless is as poor as winter  
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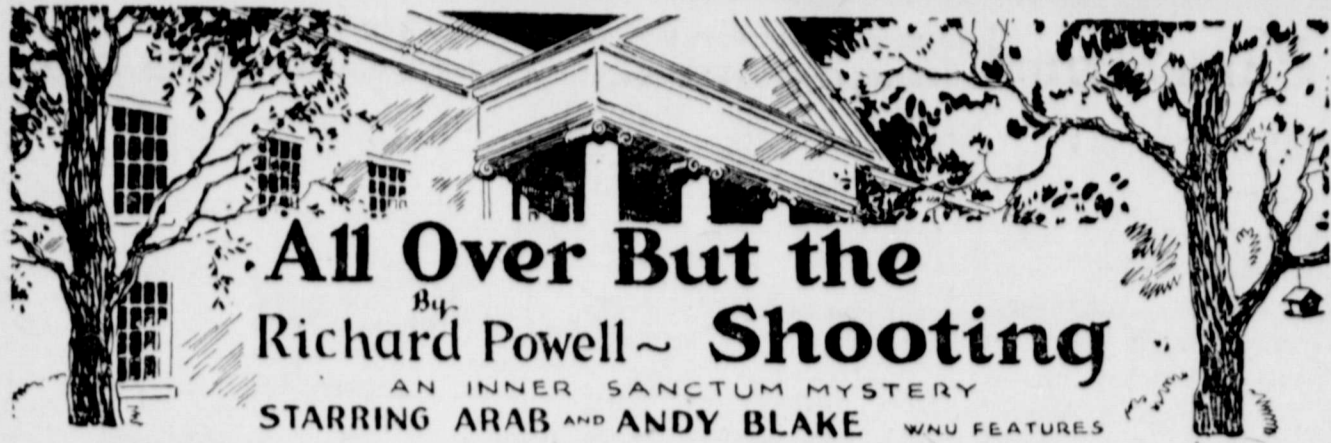
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# All Over But the Richard Powell ~ Shooting

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## CHAPTER I

War-time Washington was quite restful until my wife Arab arrived. Of course, there had been a certain upsetting quality about it, like living inside a concrete mixer, but until Arab came there had been positively no chance for me to win a decoration for valor . . . posthumously.

Like most of Arab's actions, her arrival in Washington was unannounced. I was sitting at my desk studying the latest A-2 cables from my theater. As usual they didn't give the answers to half the questions the General was sure to ask; nobody could answer all his questions short of the German High Command. You can't, however, tell a general please to refer his questions to the German High Command, and so I was worrying along and not noticing things . . . including what felt vaguely like something brushing the back of my neck.

A voice behind me complained, "Even if there are eight girls to every man in Washington, when I kiss one I expect him at least to realize he's got company."

I jumped up and gasped "Arab!" and grabbed her. My colonel cleared his throat like a B-24 warming up and remembered an errand down the corridor, my one fourth of a secretary dove into the files, and my two majors picked up their telephones and called each other. I held Arab's slim body closely and for a minute the grim mass of The Pentagon seemed to spin and dip like a rickety merry-go-round.

She pushed me back to arm's length, finally, and laughed chokily and said, "Oh, Andy, it's been so long and if you'd been overseas I could have managed but I couldn't stand it just a hundred and forty miles away and—"

"I should have dragged you down here by the hair two months ago," I said, "but you were being patriotic and saying useless people shouldn't move to Washington and . . . and you are going to stay, aren't you? Aren't you?"

"Really want me?"  
"I'll give up my rubber heels," I babbled. "I'll take my old-fashioned without sugar. They can have the car for scrap. I won't deduct you from my income tax. I'll be patriotic any other way but—"

"Oh, we're still patriotic, darling."  
"Swell. How?"  
"I'm not going to be useless. See?"

She flipped the identification tag she was wearing. It was the type they hand out to new employees for use until their photograph badges are ready.

"Gosh! Does that mean you're going to work here?"  
"Uh-huh. I'm going to take a job as a secretary."

That ended the pause for romance. You can whisper "Here comes the General!" or "Greer Garson's in the corridor" and cause less general disturbance than if you say "Here's a girl looking for a job as a secretary." My one fourth of a secretary looked up from her files as if she had heard the first words of a new Emancipation Proclamation. My majors dropped their phones and swung around wolfishly. My colonel got back in the room and up to us like a Commando heading for an objective.

"Where did you sign up?" I asked grimly.  
"Well, Andy, it was this way. I just happened to—"

"Where did you sign up!"  
"All right. With Ordnance."  
"Oh, Lord," I said. "Shotguns were bad enough around the house. Now it'll be bazookas."  
"I'm awfully sorry," Arab said, "but I'd pay tuition to work for Ordnance."

The chief's fist hit the desk like an antipersonnel bomb. "It's an outrage," he said. "I won't stand for it! How do they expect us to operate? Either they get me another girl of I put in for a transfer. Four officers and one secretary, and we can't get half the work out. I'd trade any two officers for a good typist. Throw myself in too. Ordnance! Guns!" He took a deep breath, then growled, "Got a place to live?"  
"N-not yet."

"What's Blake thinking of, letting you come to Washington before he gets a place for you? You'd better start looking. Good-by, Mrs. Blake. Clear out, Blake. Help her get settled."

I said, "Sir, I was going to stay tonight and finish up the report for tomorrow on my theater."

"Major Ingliss can do it. His theater's quiet."  
"I can't take Andy away from the war," Arab protested.  
"Young lady," the colonel said, "finding a place to live in Washington is twice as tough as winning this war. And," he added gloomily, "it may take twice as long."

I grabbed my service cap and we sneaked out of the office, while behind us Colonel Parker was starting to complain that he personally would throttle the next man who showed him a secretary he couldn't have.

"Sure," I said, "I'm glad to see you. The way a guy's glad to see his right arm when he wakes up in the morning. The way he's glad there's enough air to breathe. The way . . . look, I can't say these things properly."

"You could try. You could start courting me all over again. You only spent about two weeks at it last spring, Andy, and I always felt a little cheated."

"Cheated?" I said. "How about me on our honeymoon? You got us in a shooting scrape so fast we almost used the wedding flowers for a joint funeral."

"You needed to be stirred up, Andy. You were turning into a vegetable. You were in a rut."



"Oh, Andy, it's been so long—"

"Vegetables are in furrows."  
"And I'm afraid," she said, looking at me seriously, "you're in one now. You've been here two months. You're still a first lieutenant. No citations. No ribbons. Not even a badge for pistol marksmanship."

I growled, "The way I handle guns I'll get a pistol badge and a military funeral at the same time."  
"You're getting fat, Andy. I bet your joints are starting to creak."  
"In other words, meet Lieutenant Blake of the Chair-Borne Infantry. No hero. Just a guy doing a job that calls for a uniform. I know all that. What am I supposed to do about it?"

She said softly, "This is October, 1942. The Japs may take back Guadalcanal. The Germans have half of Stalingrad. The war's getting on all right, he guesses."

I gulped.  
"He's glad to see me the way a man's glad to see his right arm in the morning. In other words, he takes it for granted as long as it's there."

"Look—"  
"Andy Blake, you're not going to take me for granted. And you're not going to guess the war's getting along all right. You're going to start worrying about things. I don't know how I'm going to do it, but I'm going to uproot you if I have to use dynamite."

We went to O'Donnell's for dinner and had Shrimp Norfolk and that cheered me up even more. Then we tackled the problem of finding Arab a place to sleep. She had come down with only a suitcase, which she had checked at Union Station, and she hadn't made an attempt to wire ahead for a room. Probably it wouldn't have mattered;

you have to be entered for a Washington hotel room almost at birth, like getting into Groton or St. Paul's. I was rooming with a family out near Falls Church, in Virginia; they might put Arab up for the night in an emergency, but it would be better to get her a place of her own.

We checked the newspapers and made a few phone calls and located a couple of possibilities way out in Chevy Chase. That made us feel very gay and carefree, and we boarded an L-5 bus for the Circle and I had no suspicion that it was the last carefree moment I'd have for a long time.

Riding a Washington bus in any of the rush hours is like holding a wrestling match in a revolving door. You don't even dare let out your breath all the way because then they'll get somebody else in the bus and you have to give up inhaling until somebody gets off.

The bus had traveled only a few blocks when Arab gripped my hand and whispered, "Did you hear what that man said? The one behind me?"

"No. What?"  
"Something about shipping locomotives to England. I think he mentioned twenty."

"That's not so good," I muttered. "People talk too much."

We listened a moment, and a girl's voice cut across the babble, saying, ". . . and he always used to write three times a week so when Jane told me that, I said, Jane, if you haven't had a letter in two weeks those parachute boys have moved out and his next letter will have an APO number on . . ."

Arab whispered, "Are they crazy? Don't they even know how to read?" She pointed up. Right in front of the man talking about locomotives was a car ad reading: NEVER DISCUSS MILITARY OR NAVAL INFORMATION IN A PUBLIC VEHICLE. Arab went on, "Is there much of this kind of loose talk?"

"Yeah, I suppose so," I said. "Something ought to be done about it."  
"It ought to . . . and it's going to be, right now!"

"Now listen, Arab," I said uneasily, "you've got to take things easier. A lot of people are working on this business of loose talk, and—"

"And maybe I can help them! I'm going through this bus and listen to what people are saying and make notes. And I'm going to write letters to newspapers and do a report for everybody high up I can think of and make speeches and everything."

I tried to calm her, without success. She dug out a pocket notebook and a stubby pencil and scrawled a few lines of symbols. It was my introduction to the Arabella Blake Shorthand System: a method which combined the worst features of Pitman, Gregg, and the way Arab marks checkbook stubs.

"You stay here," she said. "I'm going to work my way up to the front of the bus."

Gradually I began to realize that something was wrong. I couldn't figure what. The big Capital Transit bus was still rocketing up Connecticut Avenue through its bright tunnel of raindrops. Voices still chattered . . . but there was a difference. The passengers didn't seem the same. It was almost as if I had been transferred, while I drowsed, to a bus filled with utter strangers. The impression was so strong that I looked carefully at nearby faces. They hadn't changed.

Here in the middle of Washington, in a brightly lit bus filled with middle-aged civil-service workers and government girls and housewives and businessmen, a witch hunt was assembling. Sixty normal people were being slowly fused into a mob. A mob with one idea. Shreds of talk whipped by my ears like leaves in a gale.

"It was a girl . . ."  
". . . while I was talking about Jane she . . ."  
". . . standing right by me and listening . . ."  
". . . a girl in a white raincoat . . ."  
". . . listening to every word I said."

"I was telling you about that British carrier and she had a notebook and . . ."  
"I peeked down and she was writing in some kind of code."  
". . . a girl in a white . . ."  
"She's up in the front of the bus now . . ."  
". . . listening to every word I said . . ."

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## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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### Lesson for August 19

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#### JACOB REALIZES THE PRESENCE OF GOD

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 28:10-22.  
GOLDEN TEXT—The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon Him, to all that call upon Him in truth.—Psalm 145:18.

Crises bring out the real qualities of man. When they lead him into the very presence of God, they become an experience, the remembrance of which can bring blessing all through life.

Jacob had such an experience in our lesson, and it is the more remarkable because he was a man whose life was far from commendable. His mother, Rebekah, had determined that Jacob was to have Isaac's blessing, even though she had to use falsehood to get it.

Jacob shared the deception planned by his mother, and thereby he received the blessing of Esau. Not willing to wait God's time for the carrying out of His purpose, they sinned to gain an advantage. Then to escape the wrath of Esau, he had to flee.

#### I. A Revelation of God's Grace (vv. 10-15).

The fugitive was overtaken by darkness on the second night of his journey, and made his bed in the open. Then came the magnificent vision of the ladder to heaven.

Heaven and earth are not separated. There is a way to reach the throne of God, and there is a way for God to reach and bless His people. The vision of the ladder reassured Jacob.

God renewed to Jacob the covenant with Abraham and with Isaac. He does not forget. Men make treaties only to break them. God says, "I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken" (v. 15).

In His matchless grace God relieved Jacob's fear by assuring him of His protection; his loneliness by His divine presence; and his uncertainty regarding the future by the promise of blessing.

Jacob's heart was deeply moved by his dream, and as he awoke to full consciousness, he came to

#### II. A Realization of God's Greatness (vv. 16-19).

Full of holy fear and awe, Jacob realized the presence of the infinite God. It is a proper and wholesome reaction when a man, realizing himself to be in God's presence, is overcome by the awe-inspiring experience.

Theologians, preachers and teachers have dared to speak swelling words of disrespect concerning His miraculous power, have denied the deity of His Son, and have questioned the authority of His Word. Having sown the wind of unbelief, they have reaped from the people the whirlwind of irreverence, a belittling of God, and a rejection of His authority (Hos. 8:7).

Jacob was reminded of God's immediate presence, "the Lord is in this place." The place of his vision of heavenly things had special meaning to Jacob.

The thing that Jacob "found out that night was not that God visits man, but that God is with man wherever he is. We expect to meet Him in the sanctuary, but He is near us in the market place. Not alone in the sanctuary, but where the multitude gathers in defiance of His law. He is here" (G. Campbell Morgan).

#### III. A Recognition of God's Goodness (vv. 20-22).

The God who would supply his every need, who would watch over him and keep him, was recognized by Jacob as being worthy of his devotion, and he made a vow that He should be his God (v. 21).

Jacob made a very practical and workable decision to demonstrate the reality of his vow. He promised that one-tenth of all God gave him should be returned to Him.

Note also that Jacob raised a stone of remembrance, and gave the place a name which forever after would recall not only to him, but to posterity, the wonderful blessing of that night. It is a great thing to keep fresh the memory of the occasions when we have met God in special blessing.

Trickery and deception were changed to truthfulness and devotion when Jacob met God face to face. The same blessed transformation awaits those who meet our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in faith. Have you met Him?

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### Skillet Chicken and Rice Is Zestful Dish

IT'S chicken every Sunday and oftener, once the family has tasted Skillet Chicken and Rice, says Marjorie Griffin, rural home editor of Capper's Farmer, a farm magazine of national circulation.

As the ingredients cook together, the rice takes on an added flavor. Served in a white fluffy mound, surrounded or topped with a tender, browned piece of chicken, this rice combination is an appetite-tempting favorite. Parsley sprigs and red



paprika give it added color appeal, the Capper's Farmer expert points out.

#### Skillet Chicken and Rice

1 fryer	1/2 c. fat
1/2 c. flour	3 c. boiling water
1 1/2 tsp. salt	3/4 c. rice, washed
1 tsp. paprika	1 onion
1/4 tsp. pepper	parsley

Cut chicken into serving pieces; rub with mixture of flour, salt, pepper and paprika. Brown in the hot fat. When well browned, reduce heat, add boiling water and onion (or 1 clove garlic). When chicken is about one fourth done, sprinkle rice over it. Cover tightly. Cook gently until chicken is tender, rice is fluffy and tender, and water is evaporated—1 to 1 1/2 hours. Remove onion. Serves 5 to 7 depending on size of bird.

### Sharp Characters Act At Ease With Others

WHY is a sharp character sharp and why is a sad sack sad? Why do some guys and girls seem at ease with others? Why do others with just as many assets seem to be beating their brains out trying to decide what to do with their hands?

It's all a matter of learning to control your outward actions, no matter how awkward you feel, says Holly Miller, whose column in nationally circulated Capper's Farmer is a popular feature among teen age boys and girls as well as their elders.

"The smoother you act, the smoother you feel," she counsels.

"To be well-groomed may cost you an effort, but don't let it show. Mend your clothes by midnight oil, get up at dawn to press your suit, spend half an hour before your mirror getting your make-up right—if you must. Then forget your appearance.

"Boys, that means no fussing with ties and trying to make a crease where there should be one. Girls, that means no peeking in mirrors, no patting your hair, no pulling of clothes and straightening of stocking seams."

Among Miss Miller's suggestions for cultivating poise and ease are: Stand up straight; Look 'em straight in the eye; Avoid mannerisms; Don't talk with your hands.

"Beat your gums—but not so loud," she advises. "A shrill, loud voice is curdling to the spirit. On that same subject, resounding giggles and horselaughs are strictly for the birds."

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Says The Senator From Sanco

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## Fine Palominos In Coke, Too

Coke county for years has been noted for its quarter horses. This is a real horse country. And lovers of fine horses are starting in also for Palominos. The other afternoon I saw Judge McNeil Wylie exercising his future saddle pony. The young animal was being broken to saddle. A hackamore, in lieu of a bridle, curbed him pretty well. He wasn't particularly impressed by that load of saddle on his back, and had plenty of fire in his make-up. Subject to registration, he's going to be one of the prettiest saddle animals in this area, and when entered in some of the horse shows he will be bringing home some ribbons. The man who doesn't like a good horse doesn't like to read, doesn't like to fish, doesn't like to coon or cat hunt, doesn't like pie, doesn't like friends.

### Oh Yes You Can

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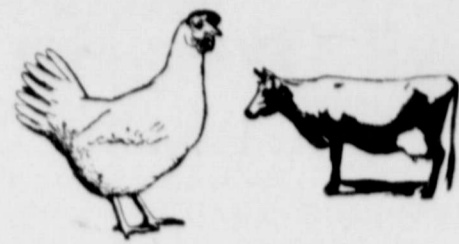
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The State of Texas. To W. E. Bowling, defendant, greeting: You are hereby commanded to appear before the honorable district court of Coke county at the court house thereof, in Robert Lee, Texas at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 24th day of September A. D. 1945, then and there to answer plaintiff's petition filed in said court on the 6th day of August A. D. 1945, in this cause, numbered 1622 on the docket of said court styled Mrs. Julia Bowling, Plaintiff, vs. W. E. Bowling, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit for divorce and change of plaintiff's name, plaintiff alleging a course of unkind, harsh and cruel treatment by defendant toward plaintiff of such a nature as to render their further living together as husband and wife insupportable. Plaintiff judgment for divorce, for change of name and general relief, as is more fully shown by plaintiff's petition on file in this suit.

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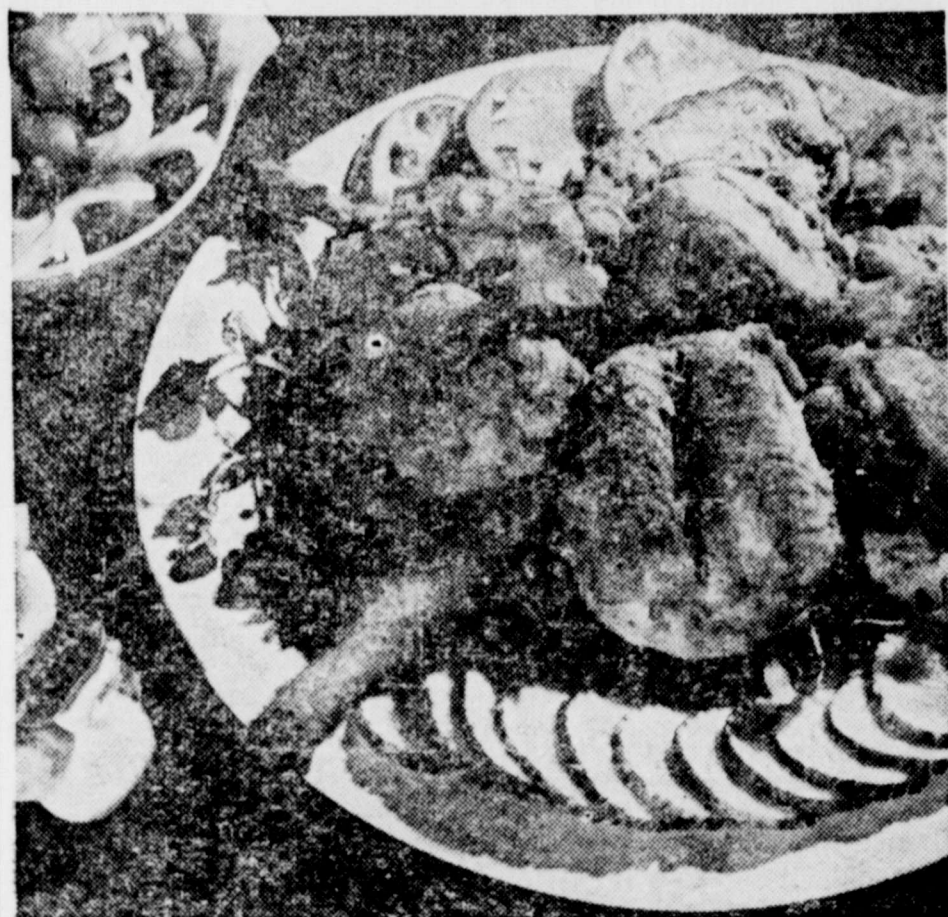
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**HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers**



**Fry Chicken Until Golden and Crisp**  
(See Recipes Below)

**Summer's Best Fare**

Is there a better looking sight than crisply fried, golden brown chicken nestling close to lacy, green cucumbers and moist red slices of tomato? Yes, that's the \$64 question and the answer's right in the picture.

Chicken is fine food and it wears its Sunday best when fried to succulent brownness. It's light enough to make a summer meal well balanced and good enough to be satisfying to all branches of the family.

There are many schools of thought on the question of how chicken should be fried. Some prefer it battered, others like just the dusting of bread crumbs or flour on it. Take your choice from these tasty recipes:

**Maryland Fried Chicken.**  
(Serves 4)

- 1 3-pound chicken.
- 1/2 cup flour
- Salt and pepper
- 1 beaten egg
- 2 tablespoons water
- 1 1/2 cups fine, dry bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup drippings

Clean chicken and cut into frying pieces. Roll in flour seasoned with salt and pepper. Dip into beaten egg mixed with water, then into crumbs. Brown on both sides in hot fat; cover and cook slowly or bake in moderately slow (300 to 350-degree) oven about 1 hour. Make gravy from drippings. Pour over chicken and serve from a bowl.

**\*Country Fried Chicken.**  
(Serves 6 to 8)

- 2 3-pound chickens
- 1 cup flour
- 1 1/2 tablespoons salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper
- 1 1/2 tablespoons paprika
- Fat

Clean chickens and cut into serv-

**Lynn Says**

**Tricky Tips:** When glassware has chipped slightly on the drinking edge, smooth it out with an emery board or sandpaper to make it smooth.

To make delicious flavored tea, add a little grated orange rind to it before serving. It imparts a delicate fragrance and saves sugar.

Lemons which have been heated slightly will yield twice as much juice as chilled ones. Cover lemons with hot water for a few minutes before extracting juice.

To flour chops or chicken pieces before frying, place in a brown paper bag with bread crumbs or flour and shake. This will coat the meat evenly and not leave excess in pan after frying.

If the family objects to biting into a bit of garlic in spaghetti or other sauce, spear the clove of garlic with a toothpick and remove it before serving.

Add leftover sausage, bacon or meat balls to potatoes when frying for extra delicious flavor.

**Lynn Chambers' Point-Saving Menus**

- \*Fried Chicken garnished with Tomatoes and Cucumber
- Corn Pudding
- Tossed Green Salad
- Buttermilk Biscuits with Strawberry Jam
- Sliced Cantaloupe with Fresh Berry Sauce
- Iced Coffee

ing pieces. Mix flour and seasonings. Dip chicken lightly into flour mixture. Lightly brown on both sides in fat. Add a little water; cover closely and cook over low heat for 1 hour. Uncover to brown and crisp. Light and pretty enough for even the hottest days of the season are these two splendid egg main dishes:

**Eggs A La King.**  
(Serves 6)

- 6 hard-cooked eggs, diced
- 2 tablespoons catsup
- 1/2 cup cooked or canned peas
- 2 tablespoons chopped pimiento
- 1 cup sliced, canned mushrooms
- 2 cups medium white sauce
- 6 slices tomato
- 6 slices buttered toast

Carefully combine all ingredients except tomato slices and toast. Heat thoroughly in double boiler. Broil tomato slices 5 minutes. Place on toast and pour over creamed mixture.

**Ham and Egg Souffle.**  
(Serves 6)

- 1/4 cup diced ham
- 3 slices egg
- 3 slightly beaten eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika

Brush bread with bacon drippings; cut slices into small pieces to fit deep casserole. Arrange in layers, sprinkling each with ham. Combine eggs, milk and seasonings. Pour over bread. Bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven until puffy and mixture does not adhere to inserted knife, about 45 minutes.

Summer desserts accent fruit and make a tasty, mouth-watering combination. Here are two suggestions which you will want to make use of some time this summer:

**Summer Apple Tarts.**  
(Serves 5)

- 2 cups sliced apples
- 1/2 cup honey or dark corn syrup
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon grated orange rind
- 1/2 tablespoon butter
- 5 baked tart shells

Mix together sugar, spices and orange rind. Add to apples and toss together. Fill pastry shells with apple mixture. Dot with butter. Bake in a hot oven 15 to 18 minutes. If desired, these may be topped with beaten egg white or bits of American cheese.

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**AROUND THE HOUSE**

Varnish the soles of children's shoes, allow them to harden, then varnish a second time. This will render them impervious to dampness and also make them wear longer.

Add a few chopped ripe or green olives to either plain or lemon sauce served with fish.

If you are resingling your house, think about color. A thoughtfully chosen roof color may greatly enhance the appearance of a house.

Before starting to polish leather-seated chairs, wipe off the seats with a cloth dipped in sweet milk. You will be surprised at the dirt that will come off. Polish as usual.

Never use waxed thread in stitching woools. In pressing, heat of the iron melts wax and leaves a greasy line. This gathers dust and may attract moths.

Peanut butter mixed with a little cream makes a good filling for white or graham cracker sandwiches.

**Old-Fashioned Salt Box and a Pan Holder Rack to Make of Plywood**



Both box and rack are easy to cut out of plywood or thin lumber scraps—either by hand with a coping saw or with a jig saw. The quaint stencil design may be applied right on the wood with wax crayon and then shellacked to fix the color.

NOTE—Mrs. Spears has prepared an actual-size pattern for all the pieces of this salt box and the kitchen rack with step-by-step directions for making. A pattern and color guide with complete directions for the stencil design is also included. The pattern may be used over and over for decorating canisters, place mats and other attractive gifts. Ask for pattern 251 and enclose 15 cents which covers cost and mailing. Address:

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# BUTANE GAS TANKS

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J. W. McMinn of Corpus Christi is here spending a couple of weeks with his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harmon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Barnes of Buena Vista were here last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Summers.



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8. Test ignition coil and wiring
9. Adjust or replace distributor points
10. Clean air cleaner
11. Road-test the car

## IVEY MOTOR CO.

Mrs. C. L. Owen of Cain City orders The Observer sent to her address.

Commissioners court was in regular session Monday looking after routine business.

Drive on to Robert Lee.

John Burroughs, pioneer Divide ranchman, was in town Monday telling Freeman Clark and the editor a few things about those old time alpaca coats and California plaid pants.

A little want ad will sell it.

**Plenty of 2x4s  
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Windmills, Tower Timbers  
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Paints, Tools, Plumbing Supplies  
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## Folks You Know

G. C. Allen is driving a new Ford pickup.

Franklin Cowley, out in the Fort Stockton realm, has our thanks for subscription renewal to The Observer this week.

Everybody is mighty glad to see Sheriff Frank Percifull up and stirring about. As a result of heart trouble the doctors have had him confined to his room for some time, and now that careful treatment has worked wonders, he is able to be back on the job and to resume his usual activities.

T4 Dave Parker, after a several days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Parker, left Monday for Camp J. T. Robinson, Little Rock, Ark., where he reported for duty.

Miss Fay Croslin, our popular home demonstration agent, leaves Sunday for a week's vacation with homefolks at Honey Grove. If anybody in Coke county deserves a vacation, Miss Croslin is that person. She has been busier than most any official in this part of the Promised Land.

After three years in army service in the Quartermaster Truck Company, T4 R. H. Blaylock, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Blaylock Sr., received his honorable discharge at Fort Sam Houston, July 22. Many friends are glad to welcome him home.

Mrs. Eddie Adams, Mrs. Sam Powell and Stanley Adams returned last week from a visit with friends in Harlingen. While away they visited points of interest in Mexico.

It's Cpl. M. D. Capps now. The old home boy, with the 375th Medical Battalion in France, received his promotion recently.

Uncle Wiley Byrd was a visitor in Bronte Monday.

Mrs. C. M. Barger of San Angelo, and her sister, Mrs. J. H. Bonnell of Dinton, La., were here this week, guests of Mrs. Annie Sparks.

The city hall has been given a new coat of paint. My friend Besent did the job.

After a visit with his mother, Mrs. Viola Gramling, John Martin Gramling returned to Sheppard Field Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Good and daughter, Miss Katie Sue were visitors in Ozona Saturday. The latter is to again teach in the Ozona school, and while there made preparations for the fall term.

Misses Nina Fay Kuykendall and Freddie Brown are here from Big Lake visiting Mrs. W. M. Summers.

Stanley Adams is pretty good with the typewriter. Monday we saw a map of Coke county he had drawn with a typewriter. Boundary lines, river courses and towns including their populations, were indicated in a fine way on the map.

Mrs. F. M. McGallion returned Monday from a visit with friends in Odessa.

Judge McNeil Wylie was in San Angelo Monday on school business.

### Uncle Sam Pins Orchids On Local Women For Saving Used Fats!

Things have really been happening to fat-salvage-collection figures since town and farm women got busy on the job! Latest official government records show that their fat savings have left the excellent record of city women way behind.

But it isn't a drop too much. This year, we face a shortage of 1 billion, 500 million pounds of fats in domestic supplies. Tons more of war and home front supplies made from fats are needed!

Farm folks get more meat these days than most city people—so it's up to them to save the fats. Skim stews, soups, gravies. Scrape pans. Melt down meat trimmings. It all helps you fill the fat-salvage can, and you get up to 4c and 2 red points a pound. If you have any difficulty, call your Home Demonstration or County Agent.

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## Things . . . . —a man appreciates

SAFETY RAZOR BLADES—we have many brands in stock.

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## The Mayor Of Edith Says



Times haven't changed much. It was Thomas Jefferson who said: "I think, myself, that we have more machinery of government than is necessary, too many parasites living on the labor of the industrious."

## WANT ADS

For Sale—Coal heater. \$4. Inquire at Observer office.

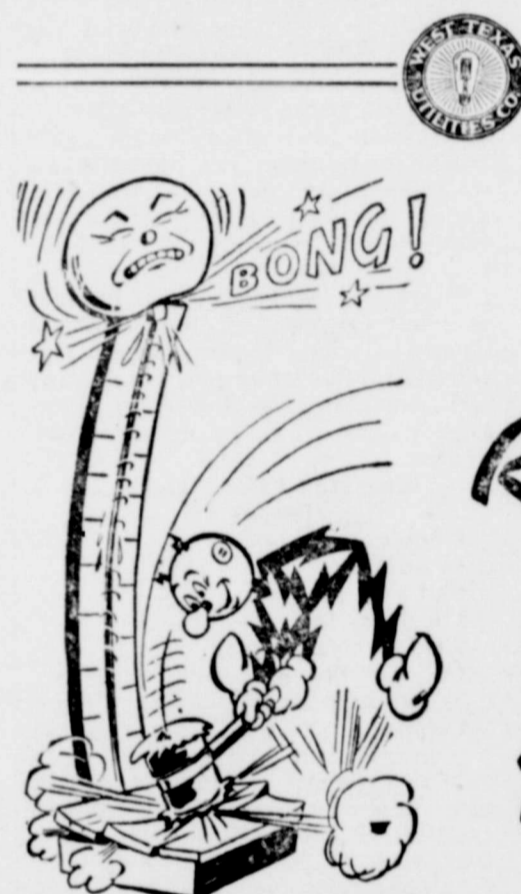
If you need a bull see Mose Jackson. 8

For Sale—Allis Chalmers Combine, small, in A1 condition. See Fred McDonald Jr. 9tc

Cardboard, 22x28 inch sheets. 15c, at Observer office.

For Sale—Farm house near Sango.—Ila Adkins, care W. R. Gunnels, Robert Lee, Texas.

For Sale—Wood range stove, practically new. See it at Monroe Parker's.



## Reddy's Entire Weight

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