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Upton County Lags In Series E Bond Sales

Directors of Rankin Wool House Declare 10 Per Cent Dividend

At a meeting of the directors of the Ranchers' Wool and Mohair Association of Rankin Tuesday afternoon a ten per cent dividend payable before January 1st was declared. Five per cent was paid in June of this year also voted to buy the Tom Richof Rankin and will repair it for use as a warehouse

Stocholders are as follows: Hamp and Herman Carter, John from two to 10 per cent. and Tom Elrod, C. G. Harral, Wendall Parker, Walton Poage, tal depth 7,750 in shale. Earl Powell, J. P. Rankin, J. B. Ratliff, Jr., Jack Smith, M. Tippett & Son and Tom Workman.

Credit Corporation totaled 1,-458,102 pounds. Next week the woolhouse will start shipping about 207,000 pounds of 1943 fall and eight months wool to Bos-

District Basketball Schedule Completed

A meeting of officials of Basketball District 73-B was held section in the lower Permian. one share of stock. A spot colin McCamey Tuesday evening schedule and to establish a me-thod of determining the District championship. Committeemen representing the 7 schools in the district elected Brady Nix of Crane chairman of the commit- Standard of Texas No. 1 McEl- represent it at future Associatreasurer. Iraan, Grand Falls. Fort Stockton, Crane, Rankin, Reagan County and McCamey are the 7 schools in District 73-

It was voted to decide the disment play. Two tournaments lime and was standing. will be held, the first at Grand Falls on February 10 and the second at Big Lake on February 17. Winners of the two tournaments will then play for the championship unless the same team wins both tournaments.

Members of Rankin Chapter Eastern Star Attend Crane Banquet

Members of the Rankin Chapter of Eastern Star journeyed to Crane Monday evening December 11, to attend a banquet given by the Crane Chapter in honor of the official visit of Deputy Grand Matron Addie Bell to Crane. Members of the local Chapter attending the banquet were the Mesdams Paul as called for in the treaty. Crandell, Walton Harral, W. A. Hudson, Nettie B. Messick J. O. Barfield, Andy Mitchell, Evelyn Jo Moore, Jap Edwards, Chas. Hemphll and Miss Maggie Tay-

the banquet were Pecos, Big cessor by the Federation's execu-Lake, Grand Falls, Pyote, Mon- tive council. ahans, Odessa and McCamey.

Mrs. Lola Jones was a visitor in San Angelo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Stephenson were in San Angelo Friday.

S. E. Scott and daughter, Mrs.
B. Black, and Mrs. L. Z. Titsber, 1923, was ordered released in C. B. Black, and Mrs. L. Z. Tits-worth were San Angelo visitors an assnesty decree by the German Monday

Oil Swabbed By Humble Parrott In Upton County

TESTING FAILS TO LOWER FLUID 4,800 FEET FROM SURFACE

Prospects of oil production by ious. Humble No. 1 J. M. Parrott, eas- Fire-fighting equipment wa making fifteen per cent paid tern Upton County wildcat, re- rushed from McCamey, Fort during the year. The directors portedly from the lower Per- Stockton and Grand Falls, but mian lime, brightened Thursday arrived too late to save the ardson building on Main Street with the swabbing of 108 barrels school installations. The buildof oil in an unspecified period. ing was totally destroyed with This lowered fluid from 3,350 to only fire-charred uprights stand-5,400 feet from the surface. The ing when fire trucks arrived Geo. Atkins, Ed Guy Branch, shakeout of drilling mud varied from the neighboring cities.

Testing followed the injection Walton Harral, Pat & Wren of 400 gallons of mud acid Jackson, Langford Bros., Ed- through perforations from 7,480 ward A. Lee, Dunn Lowery, Dick to 7,500 feet and 600 gallons Midkiff, Mrs. Jerry Monroe, Will through perforations from 7,530 Plans Completed Monroe, Ad Neal, Henry Neal, to 7,570 feet in 7 5-9-inch casing James A. Neal, O. W. Parker, cemented at 7,635 feet, with to-

No 1 Parrott was shutdown one hour to repair the swab af-Wool handled through the house in 1944 for the Commodity fluid rose 600 feet to 4,800 feet ter the recovery of 108 barrels from the surface. Swabbing four hours then failed to lower the column below 4,800 feet. The amount and content were unreported.

> the top. Swabbing was under the charter. way again early Thursday. The

to arrange this season's playing the southeast corner of section 3, tending the meeting raised EL&RR Ry. Co. survey, 12 miles enough money in donations to northeast of Rankin and 2 1-2 buy the share of stock for the

tee and McCamey Badger Coach roy, west central Upton wildcat tion meetings. The Club will be Wayman Wilson Secretary- C SE NE 135-E-CCSD&RGNG, entitled to one vote. was drilling at 7.125 feet in black

Texaco No. 3-B Hobbs in south eastern Crane County, northwest outpost to the Crossett field cemented 7-inch casing at plugtrict championship in tourna- ged back depth of 3,290 feet in ceive wide and favorable pub-

> Mrs. J T. Langford visited relatives in Odessa over the week-

20 Years ago

Discovery, in a single sealed room of a factory near Berlin, of 20 times the number of parts of machine



guns that the Treaty of Versailles author ized all Germany to possess. was series of revelations that the Reich is armir.

which caused France and Great Britain to refuse to evacuate the Cologne bridgehead on January 10,

Samuel Gompers, 75, founder and 43 times president of the America: rederation of Labor, died in San Antonio, Tex., 11 hours after arriv Other Chapters represented at Mine Workers, wa named his suc-

> Poisonous bootleg liquor took a heavy toll throughout the nation in December, thirty-eight being re-ported dead in New York alone. ores of others taken to hos pitals in serious condition.

Adolph Hitler, serving senten

Imperial School Burns to Ground Friday Morn

The Imperial school was destroyed this morning when an explosion of undetermined origin started a fire that quickly be came a blazing inferno. One teacher was burned, but her injuries are not believed to be ser-

Upton County Fair Assn. Organization

The Upton County Fair Association, meeting last Tuesday evening at the Justice of the Peace office in McCamey, voted to fix the capital stock at \$60,-000, divided into shares of a \$100 par value. No stockholder may own more than one share of stock.

President Jimmie Hayes, Secretary-Treasurer E. P. Halamicek and Burley McCollum were The wildcat next was shut in authorized to vote to sign the 10 hours, during which fluid rose Association charter and other the press a day late. 200 feet to within 4,600 feet of papers incident to the filing of

Acting upon a motion made by oil bearing formation is believed County Agent C. Snell, the Upin some quarters to be a stray ton County 4-H Club was voted No. 1 Parrott is 660 feet out of lection among stockholders atmiles west of the Reagan County line.

4-H Boys. A representative will be appointed by the 4-W Club to

> temporaneously, outlined the benefits that will accrue to Upton County through the Association. He pointed out that the the second day of January. County and its citizens will rehibits, rodeos and carnivals. The financial gains, Hayes added, will be considerable, what with many visitors attending these events.

Mmes. Walton Harral, Lloyd Yocham and Preston Patton were San Angelo visitors Tues-

Mrs. Mary Pierce, accompanied by her brother, Jesse Kuykendall of Amarillo, spent last week in Royce City transacting

Mrs. R. C. Schlagal and Mrs. Bud Hurst were shopping San Angelo Friday.

Top 4-H'ers in Texas

TWO 4-H boys have been selected by the State Club office as Texas' winners in 1944 wartime activities. The two State winners, who each receive an all-expense trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, Dec. 3-6, and brief outlines of their records, are:

Royce Howard (top photo), 16 of Midland, wins the coveted honor for his achievement in the Westinghouse 4-H Rural Electrification Activity. His 3 year record shows that he studied electric installation, helped set poles and wire family residence, barns, henhouse, garage, water pump, cream separator, electric fence, houses for hired hands, and lights for lawn. He also installed plugs and switches for reading lamps and radio in his home.

Laddie Sloan (bottom photo), 16 of Estelline, is the State's highest scoring participant in the In-ternational Harvester 4-H Food for Victory Acternational Harvester 4-H Food for Victory Activity. During 4 years in club work he handled 149 beef cattle, 148 dairy cows, 37 hogs and 200 fowls, helped harvest 200 acres of alfalfa, and raised a Victory garden from which a large part of the vegetables was canned for his family's use. Although he attended school, he produced enough food to feed 59 service men. Three participants scoring next highest to Laddie, who each received a \$25 War Bond, are: Alvin G. Davis, of Post; Billy Snodgrass, Tokio, and Clyde Jacobs, of Goliad. Laddie was also a State co-winner in the 4-H Farm Safety Activity, for which he received a \$25 War Bond from William G. Mennen.



Journal Printed on New Printing Press

Because of delays incident to moving and the obtaining of essential items of equipment, this week's issue of the Journal left

This week's larger issue was printed on the paper's new press. Readers will note that an additional column has been added to each page, thus allowing more space for news material.

Christmas Holidays Announnced

Superintendent John G. Prude announced this week that holi- Santa Fe Directors days for the Christmas season would be observed by the Rankin schools from Wednesday

licity as a result of 4-H Club ex- Piano Recital Monday Afternoon at 5

music recital Monday afternoon at the high school in the auditorium at 5:00 in the afternoon Mrs. Christy has given a Christmas recital for many years as part of the season's Christmas programs.

The public is invited to attend.

Bonnie Miller and Bill Moore spent Tuesday in San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunn Lowery spent Friday in San Angelo.

Christmas Program

Tuesday Evening

At High School The school Christmas program will be presented in the high school auditorium Tuesday evening, December 19th, at 8 p.m. The program will be a

Christmas Concert and will be under the direction of Miss La Verne Monroe who has charge of the music in the schools. Christmas carols will be sung in unison and other favorites.

Dividend of \$1.50 per Share Declared by

afternoon, December 20th to that at a meeting of that com- carving. The threat was not carof \$1.50 per share on the com- Cafe, but was ejected. mon stock of the company was Christy will be presented in a \$2.50 per share on the preferred stock of the company was declared payable February 1. to Front Grocery. stock of record, December 29,

> Mrs. A. G. Prude and daughter, Martha, left Rankin Monday for Georgetown. They were accompanied as far as Georgetown by Cpl. Winston Holcomb who it his sister, Mrs. Claude Clark, before returning to Camp Caffee, Arkansas.

Odessa Half Breed Tries to Hurrah McCamey, Is Jailed

C. C. Massad, said by Deputy Grand Theatre Sunday night af- set for the county was \$60,000. ter movie-goers sitting on the Sales of all other series totalbalcony reported to the theatre the quota of \$105,000. management that someone was the balcony. The cashier im- other series \$30,437. mediately called the police.

Meanwhile, Manager Howell Johnson rushed to the balcony series \$125,870. in search of Massad, whom he suspected had committed the Grand Theatre drew approxiuntoward act, and found him mately 220 bond-buying moviesleeping on the balcony floor, goers. Total amount of bonds Throwing a hammer-lock on the sold are not yet available. man, Johnson forced him down the balcony stairs and through the lobby to the door.

Massad at this moment decided that he would rather be inside the theatre than outside and was struggling to break past Basketball Tourney Johnson when Deputy Sheriff Harold Wynne and Constable Shorty Belcher drove up.

demonstrate his cop - beating attendance methods, but Massad became very docile and allowed himself without undue fuss.

After Massad was safely bebehind bars, Wynne told a representative of the News that the defeated Iraan 33 to 15 to win Indian had forced four of his Odessa cronies to drive him to McCamey, then made them return to Odessa without the car, which was the property of one of the four.

sad drew a knife on them while Fred G. Gurley, President of they were in the Club Cafe, the Santa Fe Lines, announced threatening to do a bit of choice 26 to 21. pany's Board of Directors held ried out, however. The Indian in Chicago recently, a dividend then decided to hurrah the Club Barfield, Jack Garner, Zackie

He turned up next in Vick's Bobby Bell is first substitute and declared payable March 2, 1945, Cafe, repeating his treats to do to the stockholders of record at some fancy hurrahing which the close of business, January failed to develop. Wynne said Piano pupils of Mrs. John 26, 1945, and that a dividend of that Massad also tried rough tactics on local residents while standing in front of the Blue

Massad, who had been drinking heavily, according to Wynne was fined \$25 and costs.

Having no money, Massad called Odessa in an unsuccessful 'g attempt to raise the money, then managed to borrow it locally. He was released upon payment of the fine and warned that any was en route to Houston to vis- further untoward actions would result in a heavy penalty.

Rationing Tips

Oil heating, oil cooking, gas 34 to 20. heating and gas cooking stoves; went back on the rationing list, effective December 1, 1944. Coal and wood heating and cooking stoves are the only rationed stoves that are certificate free.

On November 24, PWA announced, "Effective immediately it will disapprove all applica- County; and Barfield and Prude, tions to install equipment burning butane or propane-butane. Adoption of this policy is necessitated by the increased military requirements for 100-octane gas-

Purchasers of used or recapped passenger tires are not required to turn in the tire listed on their purchase certificates, as is the case when purchasing Grade 1 tires.

Upton Series E Bond Sales Far Below Quota

Upton County remains one of the few counties in the Stat failing to exceed the quota set for the Sixth War Loan Drive. Sheriff Harold Wynne to be a Figures received by the News half-breed Indian from Odessa, Friday show that Series E sales was arrested in the lobby of the total only \$43,537.50. The quota

main floor directly below the led \$156,307, as compared with

Series E bond sales in McCamurinating on their heads from ey totalled \$23,887.50 and all

In Rankin, Series E sales amounted to \$19,650, and other

The Bond Premiere at the

Reagan County High School Wins Rankin

For eight years the Rankin schools have staged a basketball Wynne, who had received in- and volleyball tournament in formation indicating that Mas- the local gym the second week sad was a famous Odessa cop- in December, and the one finishbeater and had been keeping an ed here last week-end was one eye on him since his arrival in of the most successful in many McCamey, invited the man to years, from point of interest and

Reagan County defeated Crane 2 to 22 to win the tournato be escorted to the local gaol ment. Rankin defeated Sterling City 42 to 14 to win the thirdplace trophy.

In girls' volleyball, Imperial the title.

Rankin's first game of basketball was played with McCamey Friday night and after taking this game, on Saturday morning they played Sanderson and won this game with a score of 21 to Before the four men left, Mas- 19. This threw them into the smei-finals with Reagan Co where they lost out by a score of

> On the first string for Rankin were John Robert Prude, Tuffy Monroe and Herman Calcote. played a good deal during the tournament. The defensive play of the Rankin quintet is outstanding and while the offensive is fair, a Ittle more developed sped will show a great deal of improvement in the team

Results of the second-round basketball matches Saturday follow Rankin beat Sanderson, 21 to

Reagan County defeated Alpine, 42 to 26.

Sterling City edged out Grand Falls, 14 to 13. Crane eliminated Marfa, 22 to

21, in an extra-period game. Semi-final results in basket-Reagan County beat Rankin,

26 to 21. Crane defeated Sterling City,

In volleyball semi-final matches, Iraan defeated Sterling City 33 to 20; and Imperial beat Reagan County, 27 to 14.

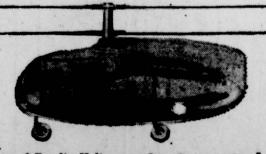
Most valuable player awards in the basketball tourney went to Franco, Marfa: Higgom, Crane Varnadore and Smelser, Reagan Rankin.

Outstanding volleyball players were Owens and Collett, Iraan: Atkins and Holloway, Imperial; June Owens, Barnhart; and Barbee, Reagan County.

O. P. Adams of Grandfalls refereed the basketball games. Pearlie Hatchell of Rankin was the volleyball official.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Crandell were San Angelo visitors Friday

VINCENT BENDIX'S HELICOPTER



Vincent Bendix, President of Bendix Helicopter, Inc., has completed engineering on the above model of his new helicopter limousine. The company, which is not affiliated with Bendix Aviation Corporation, will go into production within a short time on the new machine which has a top speed of 140 miles an hour and a cruising speed of 120 m.p.h. using 75% of the power of a 300 horsepower radial air-cooled engine.

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A General Quiz

The Questions

- 1. What surnames are most tommon in our army?
- 2. What two structures deternine the height and width of our varships?
- 3. Corse is the poetic form of what word?
- 4. What great midwestern city is named after Sikak, the skunk? 5. What name is given the inherent right of a state as a sovereignty to take private property for public use?

The Answers

- 1. Smith, Johnson, Brown, Miller and Jones, in that order. 2. The Brooklyn bridge determines the height, while the Pana-
- ma canal determines the width. 3. Corpse. Chicago.

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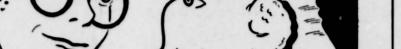
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PERSONAL

Anyone knowing whereabouts of S. W. (Jack)
Terry, are 46, who formerly lived at South-mayd, Grayson Co., Tex., will please advise his mother, Mrs. Emma Terry, Rt. 2, Whitesboro, Tex. Not seen for last 2 years.

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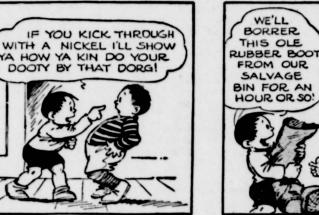
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Noel Coward will apologize for his careless comment on Brooklyn over. CONGRESSIONAL BROADCASTS seas soldiers in hospitals. . . . Is

Att'y Gen. Biddle will inherit a U. S. radio station has now taken the bull Supreme Court bench. His succes. by the horns, will dramatize conprobably will be Tom Clark of gress to its listeners once a week. the Dep't of Justice.

Bob Hope's new col'm is said to have already made 60 gazettes. His weekly take is about a "G." .

planned marrying, she replied: "I The idea was originally proposed am 36 and too old for such non-to Florida's Sen. Claude Pepper by (Red Book) on page 46?

Many secondhand Army cars are now being offered by dealers at \$400 each. Some paid \$200 for them. It costs another \$60 to repaint from the Army color. . . . If you think there is no racket on the cig shortage, how come so many now show up wrapped in cellophane?

The Red Cross in Hawaii and Australia sent out urgent requests for ublicity women, who are needed. Salary: \$150 per month (to start) plus room and board. . . . By now, each of the Army nurses who escaped from Bataan has been promoted to at least the rank of Major. . . . Emergency surgery saved the index digit of talented Ethel Smith, he organist. Almost lost it in H'wood preparing sandwiches for servicemen. . . . Despite the re-cent reports, pals of the heirs insist the N. Y. Yankees team is not for sale now. Unless, of course, you have a fabulous offer. . . . 75 new mags will hit the stands within 6

Insiders hear that the banks are keeping a record of all large bills for Mr. Whiskers. From "C" notes up. The reason may be to call them in eventually and ask owners how they got them. Also to check on marketeers, many of whom are offering 2 per cent to get them hanged into 10s, 20s, and 50s.

Upton Close hasn't yet offered us any documented proof that Gov't or to compete with ice cream and other pressure groups got him fired cream certain bank (not in N. Y.) read getting better prices for their prodthat an accused Hitlerooter was in ucts, so have been able to pay more the owner's employ-they withdrew nearly six million dollars by noon day of publication here! . . . Betty Food administration has proposed million slugs, and can't find a the public be increased five cents H'wood house at any price.

Sallies in Our Alley: Buss Fawthe mag-nate), reports on the maid sitcheeayshun in H'wood. Alexis
Smith's new maid was all dolled dustry advisory committeee urged up the other day ready to accompatress politely reminded her that she was hired as a housemaid, not as a personal attendant. To which the gal exploded: "Nutz to housework, madam. I only took the job so I could meet Errol Flynn." . . . Sunny Skylar offers cigarette-shortage gag No. 66543, to wit: "The cig famine has slowed the tobacco auctioneers down to a drawl."

Memos of a Midnighter: That deafening explosion was Carole Lan- coming to a head as a result of dis screaming back at the Shuberts. who scolded her for missing rehearsals, etc. . . . Judy Garland has her heart set on a Broadway musical and may not resume in H'wood for a while. . . . Garbo is no longer a vegetarian. Has to build up resistance by eating food. . . . Smartest looking pair at Gilmore's were the Ronald Colmans (Benita Hume). . . That German ace (who is cred-102 Allied planes) was shot down by an American, now back here. But

ited by the Nazis with bringing down I mustn't reveal his name. Why's The Late Watch: A 60-year-old fe-

rendezwoos with a caballero, age 25. When Billy Rose's "7 Lively Arts" premieres it'll cost him one mill-and-a-1/4, including the fee for the Ziegfeld Theater. . . . Broadway's toughest detectives are looking for that louse who beat up a beoned Army officer in a hotel. Cut his face to shreds with a broken glass. . . . Beaverbrook, they say, will invest 20 million to make Canada the world's movie center. . . . Maria Montez's earrings have her husband's pix on them. He's Pierre

Newspapermen in New York hear rumors about the OWI pictorial service. That it may be taken over by news syndicate. The A.P.? . . Info Please starting Feb. 12th. Same time, same station. . . . Returned Marines boost Ty Power this way: Marines boost Ty Power this way:
"We heard he was a regular guy,
but his rating went away up when
the rumor spread that he had even
done some brig-time!" . . . The
Paris edition of the H-Trib goes to
press next week. Everett Walker
ed the staff here has gone to edit



Washington, D. C.

Although congress has consistent-Sec'y Morgenthau resigning from ly refused to permit its proceedings the Cabinet after this bond drive? Washington insiders insist that who foot the bills, one New

Station WMCA, New York, has decided to take the most interesting portions of each week's debate on the floor of the house and senate, rebroadcast them with actors portray-Photoplay's coming out with an ar- ing the legislators, give the public a ticle on Bette Davis and her Cor- sample of what sort of repreporal chum—quoting all items on sentation it is getting in the nation's them. When Bette was asked if she capital.

to Florida's Sen. Claude Pepper by sense!" . . . And just what is the "March On Washington Movement." Housing Administrator Nathan which is listed in the N. Y. Classified Straus. Pepper then introduced a resolution in the senate urging that debates be broadcast, but has been able to get nowhere with his resolu-

Meanwhile, Straus polled the radio industry on his plan, found that many other stations want to do the same thing and will probably broadcast dramatizations similar to that being worked up by WMCA. Congress can't stop stations from dramatizing its debates, so will probably watch its speeches more carefully when it learns what is being done.

MANPOWER SHORTAGE The War Manpower commission is considering a drastic new plan to provide manpower for war plants which are now having difficulty getting enough labor.

In the shortage areas, according to WMC's new plan, factories which have recently been put back on peacetime production after having worked on war contracts will be closed until the war plants have sufficient labor. This should remedy the fact that workers are flocking to those plants which have already been reconverted, figuring that the jobs there are more permanent.

PRICE OF BUTTER UP Because OPA's dairy price chief,

Arnold J. Burke, refuses to place a ceiling price on cream sold by producers, the price of butter may oon go up five cents per pound.

This is to permit butter-makers cheese manufacturers in buying cream. The latter have been for cream than the butter factories.

To solve this inequality, the War Hutton, we hear, is worth nearly a to OPA that the price of butter to per pound. Despite its attempt to hold down prices, OPA may have to go along. This increase will not eett, publisher (or, if you prefer, solve the problem, though it will mean slightly more butter.

cream at the producer level, but Burke would not consider it.

NOTE - Burke, incidentally, submitted his resignation to OPA some time ago, but his resignation was never acted upon. It will be shortly, to his chagrin.

> REPORT ON CHINESE COMMUNISTS

U. S. concern regarding the longsmouldering Chinese situation is two developments:

1. It became apparent that the Japs could not be licked merely by island-to-island operations in the Pacific. This type of warfare might destroy even the Japanese main islands, but because the Japs have been moving their war industries to China, a major campaign on the Chinese mainland is going to be necessary.

2. The United States was able to send an official mission to visit the Chinese Communists or Agrarians for the first time in five years. This was arranged as a result of Vice President Wallace's trip. The mission's subsequent report, recently male resort owner is having nightly reaching the president's desk, convinced him that somehow or other the two divergent factions inside China must be coordinated.

> HOW GUERRILLAS OPERATE The American mission's report to the White House is a very human

document. It tells a vivid story of the lengths to which free people will go to fight an aggressor. With no ammunition to speak of - perhaps averaging 20 rounds to a man -Chinese guerrillas will attack a much stronger Jap force in order to take away their supplies.

One of their most effective weapons is home-made dynamite, manufactured from saltpetre, and sometimes mixed with odds and ends of metal to make hand grenades. Dynamite has been too precious to use in blowing up railroads so the guerrillas rip up railroad ties. and rails by hand. To thwart them, the Japs now rivet their rails to-

So many telegraph poles have been sawed off by the Communists that the Japs now have to go to the trouble of making concrete poles.

Kathleen Norris Says:

When Sweethearts Are Wives

Bell Syndicate.-WNU Features.



Harwood, who is in the merchant marine, went away; presently he was back, and Betsy stopped crying and was suddenly all for dances, movies, parties, the old girlhood and engagement days routine.

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

AY DAUGHTEReight months married—isn't a wife at all!" writes Mary Purvis from New York City. "She's a sweetheart, expecting flowers, entertainment, night - clubs, fun when he gets leave, and moping about idly when he is away. She gravitates from feverish excitement and gaiety to deep depression, driving her father and me almost out of our senses.

"Harwood, the young husband, is 22; Betsy is 19. Of course they were too young to marry, but they were very much in love, and my husband and I, after only a two-months courtship, which to them seemed a long

time, gave our consent. "Two weeks after their pretty country wedding, Harwood, who is in the Merchant Marine, went away: presently he was back, and Betsy stopped crying and was suddenly all for dances, movies, parties, the old girlhood and engagement days routine. No talk naturally of home or cooking or hospitality or the hope of children. They knew they couldn't have those things yet.

"Every leave since then has been the same. Wild laughter, new frocks, new friends, drinking, dancing, wasting money, coming in late and breakfasting at 11 or 12 the next day, and always the excuse that Harwood may not come back from the next trip, and they must have fun while they can.

"Lately, during the last month or two, there have been quarrels, and Betsy is moody and unreasonable when Harwood is here, and heartbroken with self-reproach when he goes. The whole thing is as unnatural and unsatisfying as it can be. My husband and I worry ourselves sick about it. Betsy is our only child, she has never had any home duties, being busy with school and social engagements, and while she sometimes works fitfully with the Red Cross, it is not with any interest or enthusiasm. Week after week goes by; her young life is wasting away, and yet she has no home or husband, none of the normal activities that knit young mates together and build for them a real future as man and wife. I don't think that our pushing her out to establish a little place of her own would help; do you think that it would?

The answer is, no, I don't. Your trouble, Mary, is one that touches us all. You are trying to rationalize and make reasonable conditions that are basically abnormal. War is unfair to everyone, but it is especially unfair to young women.

If girls stay home in inland towns

and all the men go away to war, that's hard on the girls. If girls fall in love and wisely

refrain from consenting even to an engagement until the war is over, that's equally hard.

If a girl announces her engage ment and the man goes away that means that both man and girl have to be faithful to a memory that fades faster and faster until they almost feel themselves strangers. If there is a war wedding, and then separation, the conditions described by Mary Purvis' letter pre-vail, the little bride is lonely and noccupied, and the few glimpses



There is no use pretending that life can be lived in the usual pattern during a great war. The stresses and dislocations are especially hard for young women to endure, whether they marry or stay single for the duration.

her own way, both and at home. She had no par-

but because they were so obviously and intensely in love, Betsy's parents consented. Soon after the wedding, Harwood was called to duty. He comes in on brief leaves every few weeks.

tional storms for the young couple. Betsy wants to rush about to dances and parties. She expects the exciting whirlwind of gay experiences she enjoyed as an engaged girl. Lately Betsy and Harwood have quarreled on inconsequential matters. When he goes away again, she is moody and self-reproachful.

she has of her husband are times of

PAN-FRYING SMALL FISH

STRESS OF WAR

Betsy is only 19. She has - ways had things pretty ticular responsibilities. Social activities and a little Red Cross

work filled her days.

After a courtship of only two
months, she and Harwood
were married. He is only 22,

The short meetings are emo-

as the solitary waiting is.

And if there is a wedding and prospects presently of a baby, then an almost sadder situation arises, for through all the wonderful first months and perhaps years of that baby's life, he doesn't get what every baby should have, his father's as well as his mother's love and care-and the young mother carries her responsibility alone.

So it's a bad arrangement all 'round, for young women, girls, and everyone. But we can draw good out of this bad by holding before these bewildered war brides an example of faithfulness on our own part, of sturdy belief in the brighter future, by setting up a high ideal of service and goodness in home life. Paint for Betsy's consideration a picture of the little home she will have, of the peace and quiet of her duties and responsibilities, joys and privileges there. Remind her continually that when Harwood comes home he and she must start almost as if they were strangers, learning to know each other, building their early passionate young love into true married trust and devotion, setting their whole young crowd an example.

A strange truth that it is hard for any two really fine persons. equipped with a sense of humor as well as personal courage, can work out a successful marriage. That all husbands have faults, and one man is as hard to live with as another. That all wives have failings too, and can at moments seem difficult and unreasonable. That time and love solve these problems and turn even the most unpromising beginnings into true marriages.

A favorite way to cook steaks or fillets and small fish that have been split down the back is pan-frying. Dip them in cold water, then roll n a mixture prepared by combin-

SUNDAY Uniform International SCHOOL *LESSON *

Lesson for December 17

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CHRISTIAN LIVING AT ITS BEST LESSON TEXT—Galatians 5:22 · 6:10. GOLDEN TEXT—If we live in the pirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.—

Life and profession must be in accord. To follow Christ means more than embracing a creed, or following a ritual; it calls for daily living of the highest type.

Herein Christianity differs from all other religions. It is a living faith in a living Lord-which produces a living testimony. Such a life

I. Spiritual (Gal. 5:22-26).

The Christian receives his new life through the ministering of the Holy Spirit. Since that is true, "let us also walk by the Spirit" (v. 25). Every child of God (not just a few, as some suppose) is to live this kind of spiritually fruitful life.

The works of the flesh, horrible in their wickedness and lust, are listed in verses 19-21, and then by striking contrast we have the fruit of the Spirit in the life of the Christian. Note the distinction: work is something we produce; fruit is something that grows.

Walking in the Spirit the Christian finds in his life the inward graces of love, joy, and peace. These then express themselves outwardly in long suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness, and self-control. The Spirit-filled man is not only a good man, he lives a good

Gentle (Gal. 6:1).

stiantity is not harsh and ung toward one who has Certainly there can be nothing but stern condemnation of continued, flagrant, impenitent sinning. But toward the one who has failed, the winsome attitude of loving restoration should be the first reaction.

There is good reason for this, for God is kind, and Christ would not quench the smoking flax (Matt. 12:20). Then who are we, weak and fallible human beings, to treat an erring brother with hardness?

III. Kind. (Gal. 6:2-5). We are to help the brother in need, lift his burden and bear it for him (v. 2). At the same time do not go around expecting anyone to bear your burden (v. 5). Ask God for grace and bear it yourself. If your

brother helps you-good. If not, do not be offended. Too many Christians expect others to help. Then there is the need for kindness in thinking of oneself, and one's neighbor. Pride is self-deception (v. 3). It puts God against us (James 4:6). We will have no time or occasion to judge our neighbor if we honestly appraise our own life (v.

IV. Honorable (v. 6).

While the Christian will not be seeking any glory or reward for himself, he will always be honorable feverish emotion almost as upsetting in caring for those who serve him in the gospel. Salvation is free, and no true preacher or teacher of the gospel would set a price on it. But the necessities of life must be provided, and it is the obligation of the one who is served to "communicate" of that which he has to his teaching brother.

It need hardly be said that if the church had obeyed this and similar admonitions found in many places in Scripture, we should not have the disgrace of an underpaid ministry. of an understaffed church, and of missionaries waiting to go with no money to send them. Let us be honorable about this matter.

V. Consistent (Gal. 6:7, 8). There is an inexorable law which brings only the harvest which is planted. Too many Christians are trying to reap the fruit of spirituality when they have sown only the seed of indifference and worldliness. It can't be done!

Self will is always struggling against God's will in the life of the Christian. Sowing to the flesh means yielding to self. And the result? Corruption. Yes, even in the life of a Christian. How much there is of that, and how it hinders God's work!

There is here the important truth that the one who sows to the Spirit these young persons to accept is that reaps eternal life. That speaks of salvation itself, but it also speaks of spiritual development. VI. Diligent (Gal. 6:9, 10).

It has been said that we have three classes in the churchers, jerkers and shirkers. The shirker does nothing. One wonders whether he is really saved, since there is no sign of life. The worker is the one upon whom one can always de-pend. The jerker is the one who takes hold mightily, and then is gone when you most need him.

Christian living at its best calls for consistent, persistent, diligent application to the work of God-not only today, but tomorrow, and the

next day, and the next! Note the suggestion of special in a mixture prepared by combining one-half cup each of flour and corn meal and 1 tablespoon of salt. Heat 8 or 4 tablespoons of fat in a heavy skillet until it just begins to smoke. Place the fish in the pan and brown on both sides. Cover the pan and cook slowly. Ten minutes should be sufficient for allest and the suggestion of special thoughtfulness toward our fellow Christians (v. 10). Some folk operate on the opposite principle. They are their fellow believers with a little extra coldness—a special thoughtfulness toward our fellow Christians (v. 10). Some folk operate on the opposite principle. They are the suggestion of special thoughtfulness toward our fellow Christians (v. 10). Some folk operate on the opposite principle. They are the suggestion of special thoughtfulness toward our fellow Christians (v. 10). Some folk operate on the opposite principle. They are the suggestion of special thoughtfulness toward our fellow Christians (v. 10). Some folk operate on the opposite principle. They are the suggestion of special thoughtfulness toward our fellow Christians (v. 10). Some folk operate on the opposite principle. They are the suggestion of special thoughtfulness toward our fellow Christians (v. 10). Some folk operate on the opposite principle. They are the suggestion of special thoughtfulness toward our fellow characters. surely is not Christian living at its

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Children's Hush Newspaper A copy of Ladybird, Poland's underground newspaper for children, recently brought to London, contains such material as news of boy and girl war heroes, a prayer for freedom and various ways to

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Slight Hope for Relief On Cigarette Shortage Given Senate Group

Senate War Investigating Committee's inquiry into the cigaret shortage ended today with its members pretty well fagged out. , They packaged up a lot of new testimony from a manufacturer who could increase production 25 per cent if he had population. more tobacco and a grower who fears for the eprice of the crop if the machinery and could get the The letter reads:

hope that things might conceiv- supply of leaf" and that their mas yourself." ably get better for smokers as problem is manpower and ma- Santa sends this Santagram to soon as the Army-Navy pipe- chinery. lines (no relation to pipes) get Williams said he usually buys "Dear Dan: I will look through

In normal times, he explained. He had another advantage, he

take chances, they must keep Letter From "Dan" the chain smoke line between this country and troops overseas constantly filled, and a minimum 90 days' supply abroad.

He brought this out when wondered if the soldiers were ing to read a letter from "Dan" overpuffing, a wonder raised by

While Williams said he had them? get more aged tobacco, Floyd a big stuffed animal.

S. Clay Williams, chairman of ters and he has had little trouble everything you ask for and can the board of the R. J. Reynolds picking up his favorite brand get them down your chimney, Tobacco Company (they make except on five or six occasions, then you'll find them around the

Camels), said 511/2 per cent of But sometimes, he conceded. Christmas tree Christmas morphis production goes to the arm- it meant walking more than the ing." advertised mile for it.

the supply only 30 days ahead when he's there.

Because the military can't Santa Claus Receives

Santa Claus, very busy selecting Christmas presents for little boys and girls all over the world Senator Ferguson (R-Mich) paused long enough this morn-

"I am a little boy 7 years oldthe thought of 12,000,000 Amer- and am going to school. I like icans using up 511/2 per cent of my teacher very much. I am a supply made for the whole trying to be good, so will you bring me what I ask if you have

1945 quotas are raised more than duction of cigarets if he could a tinker-toy set (a big one) and man-power to boost his own pro- "I want a telephone, a train,

said that "other manufacturers "I surely will thank you, and dence was the tiny spark of tell us they have an adequate hope you have a Merry Christ-

his own cigarets at hotel coun- my storeroom and if I have

manyfacturers operate on a ma- admitted, in that he can pick up M. A. Wilson of Big Lake was chine-to-mouth basis, keeping a package around the plant a business vsitor in Rankin last

Uniersity Professor Stresses High School Physical Education

AUSTIN, Dec. 14.-Health and physical education for high school boys and girls in their junior and senior years should be part of high school curriculum, Dr. D. K. Brace, professor of physical and health education at the University of Texas, said

"Although there has been an increase in enrollment in physical education, the fact remains that one half of our boys and girls-over 1,100,00-in the last two years of high school are not receiving physical education," Dr. Brace said.

Only 20 per cent of the boys and 20 per cent of the girls in it is slow getting here, it's still their junior and senior years are enrolled in health education, he

"Workers in physical and many problems which demand eraton," he said. "After the war

McCamey Boys United In New Hibrides Through News Story

Cpl. Bennie Rockett, writing from New Hebrides, says that a story appearing in the September 29 issue of the News enabled him to locate Ruby Eckols and visit with him. The letter

"Just received the September 29 issue of the McCamey News. Read the piece about "Champ" Eckols. So I looked him up and we had a nice long talk about home and the football team. Sure was glad to see someone from home. Champ was in fine shape and we plan to get toget her again this week-end.

"Sure enjoy the News. Altho news to me. Just keep it comng

health education in schools and issues, and the future of this sort colleges are face to face with of education demands thoughtful appraisal of present tendencareful and cooperative consid- cies and energetic leadership in meeting issues of war and peace.

stationed on a very pretty island. kett's letter concludes

But I sure get tired of looking at "I'm doing just fine and am coconut trees and jungle," Roc-

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Roy Lane is Awarded Raymond Williams Is The Purple Heart Posthumously

Mrs. R. J. Lane, whose husband, Navy Torpedoman Third the Bronze Star Medal for hero-Class R. J. Lane, was declared ic achievement while in action dead by the Navy Department in the vicinity of Brest, France, last September 14, early this on September 8, according to week received the Purple Heart and certificate awarded posthumously to her husband.

The certificate, signed by Chief of Naval Personnel Randall Jacobs and Secretary of the Navy James Forestal, reads: "This is to certify that the Presvested in him by Congress has awarded the Purple Heart, established by General George York, August 7, 1782, to Roy

Awarded Bronze Star

First Lieutenant Raymond A. Williams, Jr., son of Raymond A. Williams, Sr., has been awarded word received from Lieutenant Williams' father.

The citation accompanying the award reads:

"Second Lieutenant Raymond ident of the United States of States Army, for heroic achieve-

Mate Third Class, United States Washington at Newburgh, New Naval Reserve, for military merit and for wounds received Lane, Torpedoman's in action resulting in his death."

the vicinity of Brest, France. Lieutenant Williams was acting as a forward observer and conducting the fire of his platoon on an enemy machine gun emplacement. Before the mission was accomplished, the Observation Post from which Lieutenant Williams was operating came under heavy enemy mortar, heavy artillery and sniper fire. Without regard for his own safety, Lieutenant Williams continued to observe the fire and report the same until the machine gun emplacement was destroyed. The courage, continuous de-A. Williams, Jr., 01535550, Chem- votion to duty and the heroic ical Warfare Service, United achievement displayed by Lieu- pany here before entering militenant Williams constitute, and America pursuant to authority ment on 5 September, 1944, in are in keeping with, the highest outbreak of the current conflict. traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Colorado.

> Williams, a Second Lieutenant when the award was made, has Lieutenant.

Oliver Pettis Serves With Mobile Unit In France and Germany

Word has just come to the News that Sgt. Oliver L. Pettis, serving with a mobile Quartermaster trucking company behind th efront lines in Germany, is helping to keep supplies rollng to our combat troops.

Raymond Williams, Sr., was superintendent of the Pecos Valley Power and Light Comtary service shortly after the He served in the first world war and held the rank of Major in this war until his return to civil life.

Lieutenant Raymond Williams since been promoted to First Jr., attended the McCamey schools

A letter from the headquarters swer to the increased transpor of the European theatre of oper- tation problems brought about

clothing, gasoline and food to to fill in schedule gaps with mo-American combat forces in the bile units. front lines.

"This trucking company typclock-like schedule which neither nor other obstacles can disrupt. Their schedule already is taxed to capacity, and the men work under difficult conditions, but the work goes on.

Large trailers and trucks make scheduled trips from the beaches later fell into enemy hands. The to inland supply depots in the drivers made the discovery and Loire Section of France, and made their way to friendly termany convoys roll on even fur- ritory." ther to the battle fronts.

Mobile trucking companies like this one have been the an-

by the rapid advance of the U. "Sergeant Oliver L. Pettis is S. Mechanized forces. Longer attached to a mobile trucking supply lines have meant increascompany which provides trans- ed transportation, and, although porattion facilities for the move- every available means has been ment of vital war supplies, utilized, it has been necessary

"Each week, this company moves thousands of tons of enical of many throughout France, gineering equipment, gasoline, is answering the call with a clothing and food supplies. Convoys frequently include as many ther enemy fire, inclement wea- as 50 vehicles. Two men are assigned to each truck.

> "Some of the experiences have been thrilling and dangerous. On one occasion a convoy was dispatched to a territory that

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Wallace Littleiohn's Gulf Service Station Looted Wednesday Nite

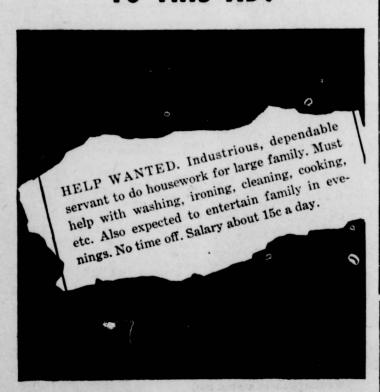
Tire and gas coupon thieves broke into Wallace Littlejohn's Gulf Service Station Wednesday night and escaped with four Grade 3 tires. Although they thoroughly ransacked the establishment for gas coupons, they were unable to locate them.

This is the second time within the past month that the Gulf station has been robbed. Robbers broke into the station office on November 25 and made off with "C" and "T" gas coupons totalling approximately 450 gallons, according to Littlejohn. Local authorities had not found any trace of the missing tires late Thursday.

Have You Bought Your E Bond?

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS-

Losses Pinch German Economy; Civil Strife Upsets Greece; 4-H Selects National Champs



Displaying awards captured in national competition at the 4-H club's 23rd annual congress in Chicago, Ill., champs include (left to right) Mildred Reed, girls' leadership winner; Donald Mowery, boys' achievement winner; Mary Jo Morgan, girls' achievement winner, and Donald Sullivan, boys' leadership winner. (See: 4-H.)

GERMANY:

Under

Army Commands

With the great battle for Germany

raging along the western front, the

tary operations from intuitive Adolf

foxy Field Marshal Von Rundstedt,

close to Hitler since his rise to power

in 1933, German generals were us-

ing every trick in the book in an

effort to slow up the Allies' power-

house drive to the Rhine. Masses of

field artillery were concentrated

against vital Allied points; tanks

were thrown in in counterattacks to

blunt Allied spearheads, and green

troops were seasoned on less active

fronts and then hurled into the main

Despite tremendous German

losses, the Nazis were reported to have no less than 6,000,000

men afield on all fronts, includ-

ing supply and maintenance

units. Although only about 1,250,-000 between 19 and 46 were said

to be of crack quality, the high

command has shown a dis-

position to sacrifice the inferior

troops in forward and rear-

guard actions, where they would

occupied territory resulting in de-

in the east and west since mid-

Germany has suffered because of la-

At the height of their Euro-

pean conquest, the Nazis con-

trolled a continental steel indus-

try with a capacity of 60,000,000 tons; but here again, German retreat resulted in the loss of

about 24,000,000 tons in Italy,

France, Belgium, Luxembourg,

the Balkans and Hungary, and

Allied bombings were estimated

to have chopped off an additional

6,000,000 tons in the Reich itself.

veloped in southwestern Hungary,

where a great Russian breakthrough

beyond the Danube carried within

As the Reds rushed onward, the

Nazis were expected to reform their lines around 50-mile-wide Lake

Balaton, which would appreciably

decrease the length of their front at

a period of the war when the econo-

my of manpower, rather than of

maintenance of territory, was the

On the western front, most spec-

tacular advance was in Lieut. Gen.

Patton's drive on the vital coal-laden

Saar basin, but hardest fighting cen-

tered east of Aachen, where the

to grind forward toward the edge

of the sprawling Cologne plain, with

overriding consideration.

MISCELLANY

40 miles of the Austrian frontier.

Hard Fighting

creased food and steel supplies.

eventually be written off.

Economic Pinch

4-H: Champs

Left fatherless at 15, with the family deserted by the hired hand. young Donald F. Mowery of Terre country's top army commanders Haute, Ind., took upon himself the took over complete control of miliyoung Donald F. Mowery of Terre man-sized job of running a 158-acre farm. At 18, he had earned nearly Hitler. \$14,000, and with it, the 4-H club's boys' national achievement championship at the 23rd annual 4-H congress in Chicago, Ill.

Adjudged the girls' national achievement winner was 19-year-old Mary Jo Morgan of Laurel, Miss., with an income of \$6,808.25 drawn from nine years of club work in gardening, canning, clothing, foods, poultry and home improvements. Both boy and girl winner will receive a trophy from the president and a \$200 college scholarship.

To 19-year-old Donald F. Sullivan of Potsdam, N. Y., and 20-year-old Mildred Reed of Bristol, Conn., went the national boys' and girls' 4-H titles for leadership in their clubs and communities. Awards for these honors are the same as in the

"EARL HARBOR: Trials Off

Because separate army and navy investigating boards found that Maj. Gen. Walter C. Short and Rear Adm. Husband E. Kim-



mel were guilty only of errors in judgment in defensive preparations at | dict, what with the reduction in Nazi Pearl Harbor at the time of the Japs' attack, the war and navy departments German army and home front decided to drop were well fed as a result of food courts - martial pro- imports from conquered nations; ceedings against but with the Allies advancing both

Adm. Kimmel them At the same time. the departments declared that the to fall back before being able to

boards' findings would remain se- stock up with 1944 harvests. In addicret for the duration so as not to tion, 1944 agricultural production in impair national safety. Although not providing the bor and fertilizer shortages.

grounds for courts-martial, the two commanders' errors in judgment were serious enough to warrant their retirement from service, it

LIBERATION:

Political Scuffles

Diplomatic as well as military problems pressed the Allies in Europe, with British troops coming to the assistance of the rightist gov ernment in Greece in the latter's fight against leftist elements, and the U. S. condemning Britain's interference in Italian politics.

Of the two, the situation in Greece was the most serious, with many killed and injured in rioting following the leftists' refusal to give up their arms on the grounds that the rightists' were being allowed to keep theirs. With Greece on the threshold of the vital Suez canal passage from the far east, Britain maintained a deep interest in the situation. Said Britain's commander in Greece, Major General Sco-I stand firmly behind the (rightist) government, and shall aid them to the limit of my re-

sources. . . Although directly slapping at Britain for its resistance to the naming of Count Carlo Sforza as foreign minister in a new Italian regime, the stiffening U. S. State Depart- U. S. 9th and 1st armies continued ment also declared that all other united nations should be given full opportunity to develop their own the Reich's industrial heart about democratic forms of government. 20 miles away.

WAR PRODUCTION

To prevent the possibility of incurring shortages in the Japanese war, U. S. arms production will be maintained at substantial levels after Hitler's fall, with only about

Even prisoners are doing their part for Uncle Sam in the war. Inper cent reduction in output. mates have turned out \$25,000,000 As a result of the government's of industrial products since July, new plans, only about 2,000,000 rathof industrial products since July, er than 4,000,000 people are expect- marine and cargo nets, work garments, blankets, rope, parachute cords, stretchers, camouflage neted to be released from war industries on V-E (victory in Europe) day, and manpower and materials ting and ammunition boxes. In adcontrols probably will be retained dition, prison farm production has increased to \$43.556.343 annually.

How General Rommel Was Shot



Lieut. Harold O. Miller, left, who strafed a German staff car carrying German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel. Upper right shows photo made from camera of fighter plane when car was spotted. Lower right shows the fatal shot causing his death. The injuries received by bullets, in fire and wreck were fatal and led to his death during the invasion of France. The death was officially reported.

Nazis Headed for United States



Hundreds of German soldiers, captured in the Allied drive across France and into the Reich, jam the deck of a coast guard manned troop transport headed for America. The prisoners of war will be held in internment camps in the United States until peace clears the way for

V-2 and Portable Platform



Here for the first time is an artist's conception, based on authoritative analyses and reports, of how V-2 may be hurled from its portable platform from a powerful truck. In the drawing the launching ramp, adjustable, has been raised to a 45-degree angle which gives maximum range. The platform rests on hydraulic jacks to absorb the recoil.

Bombing of Manila Harbor



Destruction of Japanese shipping in Manila harbor is dramatically Bustrated in this photo which was taken at the height of the recent strike by carrier-based planes. Many parts of the city were left in flames, and a large number of new installations were wrecked. Several Japanese warships were reported sunk and damaged.

Select Stettinius



Edward R. Stettinius, new secretary of state, named by President Roosevelt to take the place of Cor-dell Hull, resigned. The Dumbar-ton Oaks security plan is his prime interest and has top priority on the state department list of musts. His selection met with general approval on both sides of congress as well as official Washington.

D-Day Landing Hero



Pvt. Carlton W. Barrett (left), of Saratoga Springs, N. Y., is awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor by General Lee in Paris. He received the award for "extraordinary gallantry" on D-Day in the landing at St. Laurent-Sur-Mer, Nor-

Half-Million Fire



Above shows a scene at the halfmillion-dollar fire which destroyed a 200-foot-high storage building, elevator, in Chicago, which contained 750,000 bushels of grain, government owned. The fire will smoulder for several days, it is believed.

Future Americans



These two young club members of the Hollywood club are looking se-riously to the future, learning wood turning and doing very well too—

This Charming Doll House Will Be Thrilling Surprise for Christmas

By Ruth Wyeth Spears



DO YOU know a young house-keeper who would love to make a home for a family of dolls in this charming Colonial house? It is easy to make from scraps of plywood or from panels with slight flaws now available for civilian use. It is even possible to make the front, partitions and other special features to fit book shelves that you may have now. Another important feature of

this house is that it fits into a 281/2 inch space against the wall, where it won't be stumbled over. Yet it is light enough to be moved about. The convenient lower shelves are an aid in keeping any play spot orderly and, when doll

An easy way to coat doughnuts with sugar is to place them in a paper sack with powdered sugar. Shaking the bag will do the rest.

Adjust the cover of the ironing board onto the board while it is still wet after washing. It will then fit tight.

Never put food in paper bags in the refrigerator. Air should circulate freely around the food if it is to be preserved at a safe tem perature.

If, when you decide to make a cake or spread sandwiches, the butter is hard as a rock, invert a warm bowl over the butter plate, and this will soften but not melt the butter. If you haven't a warm bowl, pour some very hot water into the bowl for a few minutes.

Use the corn popper to toast odd bits of stale bread.

days are over, the house also may be turned into shelves for books and trinkets.

NOTE—Pattern 273 gives illustrated di-rections and dimensions for making the combination doll house and shelves shown-here; also actual-size outline drawings for the doors, windows, shutters, fireplace and views into up-to-date kitchen and bath. Directions for coloring these features and gluing them in place, making flower boxes and other details are included. To get this pattern, address:

MRS. RUTH WYETH SPEARS Drawer 10 Enclose 15 cents for Pattern No. 273. Address.....

Sousa Wrote First Theme Song, a Popular March

The Washington Post March by John Philip Sousa was not only the first theme song but has become one of the most popular marches in musical history, says

Collier's.
Sousa was commissioned to write it in 1889 by the Washington Post, a newspaper of the capital, and his band introduced it shortly afterward at a large public gathering sponsored by the publica-

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AUNT SASSIE and the FOLKS



drove her near crazy harpin' and harpin' on the crispy, tender corn sticks his sister makes. "What's ahe got that I haven't?"

shorts Ella. "Well," I says,
"ahe uses new Royal S.A.S. Phosphate
Bakin' Powder. Why don't you try it?"
So Ella changed to new Royal right off
and now the compliments are comin' her

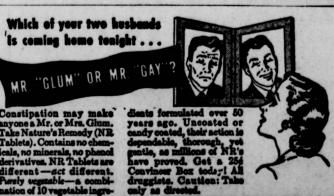
Try Aunt Sassie's CORN STICKS

I cup milk

Sift together flour, baking pow-der, salt and sugar. Add corn meal and mix thoroughly. ombine beaten egg, milk and oled, melted shortening. Pour , melted shortening. Pour our mixture and stir just ough to moisten the dry in-dients. Bake in greased, hot, ron corn-stick pans in moder-te oven at 400° F, about 30 to 0 minutes. Makes 8 large, de-

Use new Royal for all het breads, cakes. See how light, tender, fine-grained they will be.





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Air Crew Invited Jerrys To Make Daily Mail Stop

Fighter Pilots Are Forgotten Men Despite Their Brilliant Work

By Ernie Pyle

(Editor's Nose): This dispatch was written and first published when Pyle was with the GIs during the air battles in French North Africa. He is currently taking a much needed rest in New Mexico.

A FORWARD AIRDROME IN FRENCH NORTH AFRICA. —While bad weather stymies the ground fighting in Tunisia, the air war on both sides has been daily increasing in intensity until it has reached a really violent tempo.

Not a day passes without heavy ombing of Axis ports, vicious strafing of cities and airdromes, losses

> patrolling. Here, at one of our airdromes. all of us can assure you that being bombed is no fun. Yet these tired, hard-work-

on both sides and

constant watchful

jokingly decided to send a telegram to Allied headquarters asking them to arrange for the Jerrys to stop there each evening and pick up our mail.

ing

I am living at this airdrome for a while. It can't be named, although the Germans obviously know where it is, since they call on us frequently. Furthermore, they announced quite a while ago by radio that they would destroy the place within three

I hadn't been here three hours till the Germans came. They arrived just at dusk. And they came arrogantly, flying low. Some of them must have regretted their audacity, for they never got home. The fireworks that met them were beautiful from the ground, but must have been hideous up where they were.

They dropped bombs on several parts of the field, but their aim was marred at the last minute. There were no direct hits on anything. Not a man was scratched, though the stories of near misses multiplied into the hundreds by the next day. One soldier who had found a bottle of wine was lying in a pup tent drinking. He never got up during the raid-just lay there cussing at

the Germans. When the raid was over he was untouched, but the tent a foot above him was riddled with shrapnel.

Another soldier made a practice of keeping a canteen hanging just above his head. That night when he went to take a drink the canteen was empty. Investigation revealed a shrapnel hole, through which the water had run out.

Another soldier had the front sight of his rifle shot off by a German machine-gun bullet.

Some of the soldiers were actually picking tiny bits of shrapnel out of their coats all the next day. Yet, as I said, not a drop of American blood was

When this airdrome was first set up the soldiers dug slit trenches just deep enough to lie down in during a raid, but after each new bomb ing the trenches get deeper.

GIs Outdig WPA. Everybody makes fun of himself -but keeps on digging. Today some of these trenches are more than eight feet deep. I'll bet there has been more whole-hearted digging here in two weeks than WPA did in

The officers don't have to hound their men. They dig with a will of their own, and with a vengeance. If we stay here long enough we'll probably have to install elevators to get to the bottom of the trenches

After supper you see officers as well as men out digging. Each little group has its own trench design. Some are just square holes. Some form an L. Some are regulation signag.

The ground here is dry, and the trenches don't fill up with water as they do in the coastal and mountain camps. The earth is as hard as concrete. You have to use an ax as well as a pick and shovel.

You'd love our air-raid alarm system. It consists of a dinner bell hanging from a date palm tree outside headquarters. When the radio watchers give the order the dinner bell is rung. Then the warning is carried to the far ends of the vast airdrome by sentries shooting revolvers and rifles into the air. At night it sounds like a small battle. When the alarm goes the soldiers get excited and mad, too. When the Germans come over the anti-aircraft | ful of five fighter pilots for the past guns throw up a fantastic Fourth of July torrent of red tracer bullets. gone.

But to the soldiers on the ground that isn't enough, so they let loose with everything from Colt .45s up

to Tommy gans. It happens that my best flying friends in this war have been bomber men, but I wish somebody would sing a song, and a glorious one, for our fighter pilots. They are the forgotten men of our aerial war.

Not until I came up close to the African front did I realize what David. our fighter pilots have been through and what they are doing. Somehow or other you don't hear much about them, but they are the sponge that is absorbing the fury of the Luftwaffe over here. They are taking it and taking it and taking it. An everlasting credit should be theirs.

In England, the fighters of the RAF got the glory because of the great Battle of Britain in 1940. But in America our attention has been centered on the hombers. The spectacular success of the Flying Fortresses when they went into action made the public more bomber-con-

There is still rivalry between the fighters and the bombers, as there always has been. That in itself is probably a good thing. But of late it has sort of slipped out of the category of rivalry-it has developed into a feeling on the part of the fighter pilots that they are neglected and unappreciated and taking a little more than their share on the nose. Their ratio of losses is higher than that of the bombers, and their ratio of credit is lower.

Bombers Need Fighters.

There have been exaggerations in the claims that the Fortresses can take care of themselves without fighter escort. Almost any bomber pilot will tell you that he is deeply grateful for the fighter cover he has in Africa, and that if he had to go without it he would feel like a very naked man on his way to work.

Our heavy bombers now are always escorted by Lockheed Light-nings (P-38s). It is their job to keep off German fighters and to absorb whatever deadliness the Nazis deal out.

they drop when the fight starts. mind. They mix it with the enemy when they are already tired from long since the Sunday visit, and Lark, flying at high altitudes. And then packing and repacking her things. they get crippled they have to navigate alone all the way home.

The P-38 is a marvelous airplane. and every pilot who flies it loves it. But the very thing that makes the Lightning capable of these long trips -its size-unfits it for the type of combat it faces when it gets there. If two Lightnings and two Messerschmitt 109s get in a fight the Americans are almost bound to come out certainly remembered his saying, the little end of the horn, because

the Lightnings are heavier and less The ideal work of the P-38 is as an interceptor, ground strafer, or light hit-and-run bomber. It would be a perfect weapon in the hands of the Germans to knock down our daylight bombers. Thank goodness they haven't got it.

Convoying bombers is monotonous work for the fighter pilot who lives on dash and vim. These boys sometimes have to sit cramped in their little seat for six hours. In a bomber you can move around, but not in a fighter.

The bomber has a big crew to do different things, but the fighter pilot is everything in one. He is his own navigator, his own radio operator, his own gunner. When you hear the pilots tell all the things they have to do during a flight it is amazing that they ever have time to keep a danger eye out for Ger-

A though our fighters in North Atrica have accounted for many more German planes than we have lost, still our fighter losses are high. I have been chumming with a room week. Tonight two of those five are

Aerial Combat Tactics Change

It is hard for a layman to understand the fine points of aerial com-bat as practiced at the moment in North Africa. It is hard even for the pilots themselves to keep up, for there are changes in tactics from

change everything to counteract it But basically, at the moment, you can say that everything depends on this war is certain to be a dead hero the pilots themselves to keep up. for there are changes in tactics from week to week.

We will have some new idea and surprise Germans with it. Then they'll come across with a surprise maneuver, and we will have to this war is certain to be a dead hero within a week. Sticking with the team and playing it all together is the only guarantee of safety for everybody.

American sports has instilled teamwork into the fiyers collectively.



Red Raskall BY CLARK MEEKIN

but can do nothing about it. Her father, Parson," had recently come jogging home in a pony cart, dead. Bethel North, nearest neighbor to the Shannons, held a nearest neighbor to the Shannon, neid a note against Rector Shannon, and the sale of the horse, she said, would clear the note. Lark, now 18, tells Bethel she is planning to leave England for Amersnugly about her. ica, to marry David North, Bethel's son, America and Lark goes to see him. Jaggers, Bethel's husband, offers to steal some money from Bethel's box under the bed, to help Lark.

CHAPTER III

Lark's heart was thudding in slow, heavy, pounding beats.

David frowned. "I'm troubled about taking you on the long voyage over. . . . Norfolk is a great town for gossip, and I would not want to treat you in any way not right,

Lark. "Oh, you wouldn't! I know that,

He shook his head impatiently. "You know nothing of loose tongues, here in this back-water. might be-just might be the best for you to marry me, Lark. I must think about it.'

"I don't want you to marry me, David. I-" "You will have to leave decisions

like that to me," David said sternly. "I must judge what is right and

"All right, David."

"Don't you want to marry me, Lark? I thought- But you act-" "Oh, David, no girl wants a man to-to marry her-if he doesn't love her very much. I couldn't bear a thing like that, David."

"I have said I was fond of you." They could hear Jaggers coming down the stairs. "I think it would be natural, even seemly, Lark, for you to-for me to kiss you, Lark. . Warm, quick with love, Lark lifted

her face to David, her lips tremulous against his firm straight mouth. She opened her arms to him, drew herself into his arms, clinging to him lovingly, her eyes suddenly brim-

ming over.
"There, there," David said.
"There, now, Lark."

Jaggers tiptoed in looking knowing and pleased. "Bethel forgot her keyring," he said. "I haven't seen the inside of that box for years. She's got a sight of money. I found my own old money belt. I wore it in America. It's still filled with my bounty money, my money. There's no question of taking from Bethel, because it is my own money, Lark, and I give it to you."

the Tempora at the Liverpool quay. It was hard for Lark to believe in It means longer trips than fighters his ever having been in this house, ever made before. Sometimes they to know she was set to go, even to have to carry extra gas tanks, which call up David's face, clearly, in her

No word had come from David stance, any possible reality to this plan for her going, for her going with David, David North, to marry him in the new country, to meet his friends, the fine Mistress Hastings, the gentlemen of the Cargoe Riske, perhaps. . . . Lark wasn't sure whether or not David had actually proposed to her, and yet she

"Maybe it would be best for you to marry me. . . ." She held firmly to that, tried not to think. . . Lark closed and snapped the little leather trunk that had been her mother's. She said, "Bethel, you've been charitable to me, and I want

you to have the things I'm leaving -my furniture, and-Lark thought, I really am going. David will be at the ship. . . . And Bethel, after saying she didn't know what use Lark's oddments

would be to her, broke into one of

her sits of remorse. "You don't leave this house. Lark Shannon, without being married tight and proper to David. A marriage knot is a thing to hold to, What's to keep David from forgetting all about you, in that savage America country? He's got a head full of business now, always has had. It's a penny here, and a pound there, and that's what he's

thinking about." "He gets that fair enough," Jaggers, nervous as a setting hen these days, spoke up. "From you, Bethel. You be thrifty."

Jaggers stood silently by, during these farewell threats and tirades of Bethel's. But he thought about them. He and Lark had barely started their drive to Liverpool in the hired trap, when he said, "Bethel do have some right to what she pointed out, Lark. David was ever full of business. He was too busy to marry you proper, at home, because of that Runny meade ship he was searching. . .

"David will take care of me. Oh, Jaggers, I'm so happy, so-"

"Maybe I ought to of let you buy Madoc back with the bounty mon-ey." Jaggers swerved the trap to pass a turnip cart on its way to mar-

were right, a little, I think, Jaggers. with her bound girls. I wish we'd David is-I know he is fond of me." For a long time Lark just sat there on the deck of the Tempora.

The ship's bells marked the hours. And still David did not come. She shivered in the chill night wind and

There was a great lot of running about and shouting of orders. Big Saloon and Lounge." Dan, the giant with the golden beard dores, rolled the final casks down into the hold and sealed them with a vast square of tarpaulin. Once or twice, in passing Lark, he flung out joke at her but she turned her head away and didn't answer him.

out the lantern and the moon. David hadn't come . . . not yet . . . but there was still time. There was a stir and bustle on the

Presently dawn began to wash

quay below and Lark sprang to the deck-rail with all her courage and A middle-aged man and a stylishly

dressed young girl got out of a coach and came on board. They stared at Lark curiously as she turned and walked away from them, trying to hide the tears of disappointment in her eyes.

The gangway was being drawn up now under the direction of the mate. Lark came to him and laid her hand on his arm impulsively.

"Couldn't we wait a little longer just a few minutes? My friend, Mr. David North, has been delayed.



He isn't here yet, but he's coming. I'm quite sure. . . . He promised.

"I'm sorry, Miss." There was genuine concern in the mate's voice. "But the Old Man's said the word. We've got to take advantage of the tide, you see."

"Maybe that's David now!" Lark's straining eyes quickly seized on a figure running down the hill toward them.

Mr. Swalters hesitated and after a moment motioned Big Dan and his companion to hold the gang-plank in readiness to be dropped for the late boarder.

But it wasn't David. Lark could see that now. This was a slighter figure, a ragamuffin boy. As he panted on to the wharf he shouted and waved a note high above his head. Mr. Swalters gave the word of command for the gang to be lifted and called out to the boy to toss the

"It's for you, Miss Shannon," he said, catching it expertly and reading the address quickly.

Lark tore it open. Her fingers

shook, and her heart was fluttering. "Quick, Miss," Swalters said impatiently. "Do you want to disembark? There's not a second to lose. No time for your bag. The anchor's already weighed, but I could send you ashore in a jolly-boat."

"No," Lark said in a small tight "No, he says for me to go shead. He had to make other arrangements. He sailed last night

"That's hard luck, a beastly shame." Clink Swalters didn't quite know what to say. That was plain enough to Lark.

"It wasn't his fault," she said quickly. "His business plans changed at the last minute. You see, he was sent over by his company, the Cargoe Riske, on an important mission. Naturally, that had to come first with him.'

"I see," Clink Swalters said thoughtfully. "So you'll be traveling alone. That's not very pleasant, sometimes, for a lady.

now, Mr. Swalters, if you'll tell me pass a turnip cart on its way to market. "Maybe you'd ought to of stayed safe here, till—"

"Without the farm I couldn't have kept him," Lark said. "With no stable, not even ground under my feet, I couldn't have. No, Jaggers, where I'll find my quarters. . . ."
"They're not much in the way of quarters," he said apologetically. "The only second-class arrangement

something better to offer you." "I'll be comfortable there," Lark said easily. "I'd like to wash up before breakfast."

"You look worn out, my dear, It's been a long hard night for you." listlessly fastened her coat more | Clink's tone was sympathetic as he led Lark through a passageway and pointed to a door marked "Women's

"You'll have to pass through who was in charge of the steve- there," he said. "Your cubicle opens off the big room.

In response to Lark's thanks, Clink said he'd see her at breakfast before long. His tone was cordial and distinctly hopeful.

Entering the large saloon, Lark's searching glance took in a strange scene. A smoke-grimed lamp burned pallidly in the dim morning light, showing the recumbent figures of the dozen sleeping women in the hammocks which lined the walls. Minnie was squeezed in the central hammock. Above her a cross-stitched motto was tacked to the wall. Lark paused to read it.

"But who is this, what thing of sea or land,-

Female of sex it seems— That so bedeck'd, ornate, and gay, Comes this way sailing Like a stately ship"

Lark chuckled. Minnie's quotation was so extremely apt. Her amused eyes caught those of a justawakened girl who was watching her. This girl was more refinedlooking than the others. She mo-tioned for Lark to wait for her as she climbed down out of her hammock and, opening her portmanteau, took out a bit of soap and a linen towel, and pointed to the adjoining washroom. With a nod Lark drew back the curtain before her cubicle, opened up her bag, and got out her own toilet articles. Her nose wrinkled fastidiously in the airless stuffy room. Most of the bound girls, she noticed, didn't even have on night-robes but were lying in their homespun shifts, half-covered by the soiled blankets.

But the girl who had preceded her into the washroom was fresh and clean, and her dressing sacque had a breath of country lavender caught in its newly ironed folds.

"My name's Clelia," she whispered, pouring water into the stoneware bowl from the crockery jug which stood on the shelf. "What a pretty name." Lark said

and introduced herself. "The only thing I know much about is sewing," Clelia confided. "I'm going over as an apprentice to a mantua maker in Philadel-

Lark smiled at her companionably. She felt as if, already, she had found a friend. She hummed happily as she unfastened the little silver Scotch brooch from the rumpled frill at her neck and laid it aside on the shelf, while she fastened a bit of fresh linen about her throat. Clelia said, "That isn't quite straight. Here, let me help, Lark.'

as her deft fingers found the inside button at the back of the collar line. Lark gave a quick little tug to straighten the frill, and the button popped off in Clelia's hand. This was enough to send the two girls into peals of childish laughter

In an instant the curtain was flung back and a cross and sleepy Minnie stood there scolding them.

"Drat you two crowing roosters." she said crossly, "waking a body out of a sound sleep. "We're terribly sorry, we just

didn't think." Clelia's voice was genuinely contrite. Minnie ignored her and stood watching Lark thoughtfully. "You're the lass," she said, "who was asking after David North, ain't ye? Well now, I know that lad, well as the corn on my great toe. Tried to tell

listen.' Lark said, "You know David North, my David North?" wondering if there might be another one. It was not a too-uncommon name.

you that last night, but you wouldn't

'Well now, I wouldn't know whether you might rightly call him yours or not. Maybe a certain young lady named Mara Hastings might have a word or so to say on that. Ever hear your David mention her?' 'Of course I've heard him men-

tion Mistress Hastings," Lark said with spirit. "David said she was a good friend of his and that she'd velcome me." Minnie considered this for a moment, "I've heard their two names

linked in Norfolk-town," she said. "Ain't often a woman o' thirty cottons to a young skit from a man's home town. . . . Where's your fine David now?" Minnie asked with sly "His plans changed." Lark said

briefly. "He couldn't sail with me." "Maybe he come ahead on the Runnymead," Minnie hazarded. "I seen him in town night 'fore last with a huddle o' heathen gipsies who was sailing on that ole tub. He was dressed in pagan rags like them an' jabbering their own gibberish to 'em. I hollered at him, friendlylike, but you'd a thuck he'd never my toll-gate house to see him stare me through. I couldn't make it out for a caution. What trick's he up to now? I'd give a mint to know!"
She eyed Lark with sharpened interest and frank curiosity.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

SEWING CIRCLE PATTERNS

Grace and Dignity in This Dress Jumper Frock a Figure-Flatterer



THIS graceful and dignified afternoon frock for the matron will be perfect for all those occasions when you want to look nicer than ever. The softly gored skirt and scalloped finish on collar and

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Jumper Frock

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Skiing, While Long Known, Practically New as Sport

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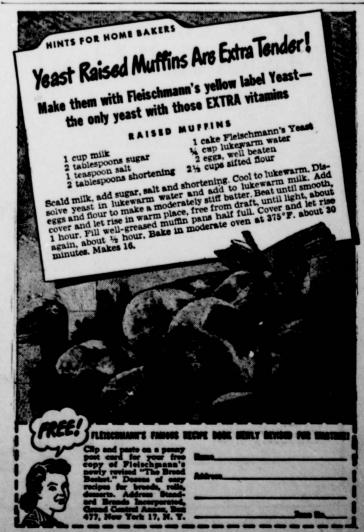
Then make a syrup by stirring two cups of granulated sugar and one cup of water a few moments, until dissolved. No cooking needed. Or you can

solved. No cooking needed. Or you can use corn syrup or liquid horey, instead of sugar syrup.

Put the Pinex into a pint bottle a add your syrup. This gives you a fulpint of cough medicine, very effective and quick-acting, and you get about four times as much for your money. It never spoils, and is very pleasant—children love it.

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Mr. Wiess will also make a by Rene Paul Chambellan, pro- pany. Several thousand employminent American Sculptor and ees and members of their famiis cast in bronze, depicting var-Rear Admiral William Ward H. Arnold, signed in his fac- ble people, as well as the gener of governmental agencies and Smith will represent Secretary simile signature. The medal will al public, will be visiting the of the Navy, James J. Forrestal be presented in specially desig- plant for the first time. Motion Representing Under Secretary at the ceremony and voice the ned booklet which contains a pictures, accompanying the exfor War, Robert P. Patterson, appreciation of the Navy for the message from the management hibits will also be shown to

achievements of Humble peo- of Humble, commeding the emple in the production of vital ployees for their war production achievements.

Approximately seventy - five token presentation to employ- employees chosen by lot from ees of the medal which was the widespread operations of the struck especially for the occa- Company will be in attendance sion. The medal was designed as special guests of the Comious refining operations with a Baytown will likewise visit the refinery worker in the fore- refinery during the period of ground. The back side of the December 14 to 17th inclusive medal shows a squadron of fly- at which time booths and exing fortresses dropping bombs, hibits depicting the Company's while below is printed a con- operations and displaying Army gratulatory statement to Hum- and Navy equipment will be ble employees from General H. open for inspection. Many Hum-

before they are taken on an in spection tour of the giant petroleum assembly lines. The celebration and all displays will be open to the general public and anyone desiring to visit the refinery may do so, according to Company officials.

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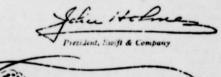
ness of feeding this nation of ours well.

A short time ago I was taiking about improved methods with a farmer. He said, "The way I look at it is this what helps agriculture helps all of us."

That is it in a nutshell. What helps agriculture does help all of us-producer, meat packer and processor, retailer and consumer. So the purpose of this page is to tell in a few words and many pictures about all manner of things that do help agriculture. We hope that by searching out news items, telling of new trends, big or little, reviewing findings of agricultural experiment stations, by recounting the experiences of successful individuals, and in many other ways, we can render a worthwhile service to all who produce our nation's food. •

The Editor will be F. M. Simpson, who is already well known to many of you as Manager of our Agricultural Research Department. He will welcome your suggestions and original ideas. Mr. Simpson is the Editor - but it is your pag-. Please help us make it a useful one.

A Merry Christmas to you all!





Sorry if I disappoint some home folks this Christmas. But I've got a date with the Service men and women. I mustn't be too little or too

Nutrition Is Our Business-and Yours!

in flour, then brown in hot fat in a

heavy kettle. Add water, cover tightly

and cook slowly for two hours, or until tender. Add peeled potatoes, onions and carrots, and cook for one hour.



These six Americans are united in the job of seeing that 132,000,000 fellow Americans get enough of the right kinds of food to eat. The rancher, farmer, meat packer, retailer, housewife and scientist, each has a part in the preparation and distribution of meats and other foods.

Feeders of livestock know that diet has a lot to do with the health of their animals. It is the

A beef chuck,

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same with human beings. There is a great deal of research being conducted at the present time in our universities to find out more about the relationship between diet and human health, and Swift & Company gives many grants to aid this kind of research.

Not so many years ago a lot of people said meat was hard to digest; that children should never be given pork, etc. Nutritionists have proved that pork is one of the most digestible of all meats, rich in Vitamin Bi. These and many other basic truths about meats and other foods have been established by the work of nutritionists. You can readily see why such discoveries help the sale of meat and of livestock. That is why we say-"Nutrition is our business-and yours."

> Does lots of wool on the face and legs of a sheep and a wrinkled skin and a wrinkled skin help to make a more valuable fleece? No, says the U. S. D. A. Sheep with wood over their eyes produce fleeces of lighter weight and less value than over force sheep. than open-faced sheep.

If you are caught with "soft" corn, due to a sudden frees before your corn matures—remember you still have feed. It makes a good fattening feed for steers.

These were the conclusions of the South Dak: As Experiment Station, based upon the first year's feeding trials, wherein cattle, hogs and lambs fed soft corn were compared with others fed sound corn of No. 3 market grade. The soft corn was bought at 50 cents a hundredweight—the No. 3 corn at 75 cents a bushel.

No preparation was given to this soft corn.

CANVAS COATS FOR SHEEP PAY OFF

Range lambs grazing in mountains and valleys, fashionably dressed in ducky little white dock coats sounds more like a pipe dream 'tian a practical possibility for sheep growers. However in an experiment at the University of Wyoming, coats of 15-ounce canvas were tailored to fit helf of a flock of 684 range sheep. The fleeces were carefully compared at shearing time and the "coats" proved their worth in a big way.

"coats" proved their worth in a big way...
more clean wool per fleece; 6.8 per cent less shrinkage; 13.5 per cent less dirt content; and the staple was a full half-inch longer than on the

This adds up to extra wool profit no matter how you look at it. In addition, the ceats protect the sheep from cold weather, wet, and dirt, burrs, stickers, and reduce death losses and feed consumption. Wool from the coat-wearing sheep compared favorably with the best white

For further information, write R. H. Bures, University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyo.

SOFT CORN FATTENS LIVESTOCK

sheep that wore no coats.

No preparation was given to this soft corn. It was stored in uncovered piles on the ground, and fed field run—soft, moldy, rotten, husk-covered ears just as they came.

Yearling steers were fed for 150 days, calves 155 days, pigs from 87 to 118 days, lambs 90 days.

In ALL cases the return was greater from the lits receiving the soft corn, due to the price at which two corn was purchased.

The gains of both cattle and pigs on soft corn, compared to those on hard corn, were reduced after the beginning of warmer weather in April. It is advisable to feed your soft corn early.

In figures, the soft corn had the following encorimate values when compared with the price of the 3 car corn in the rations had.

tion, write the Animal Hustaning Department, South Dakots Saste C. Jene Prockings, South Dakota.

Ex-Farm Boy Knocks' Em Dead Maybe you've heard the epistory of "Zeke" Givan. "Zeke" was a farm boy from I carles County, Indiana—until he enlisted in the Marines. Its first big show was at Kwaja-

enlisted in the Marine. Institute him, and "Zeke" started to shoot. When the strong stopped, those present were "Zeke," one red-hot Browning Automati Rifle, and 35 dead Japs. "Zeke" says in destly, "I did nothing except my duty." Later he was wounded at Saipan. We'll say that like many thousands of other farm boys, in and out of the Service, he is doing by auty extra special well.

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roast, accompanied by browned on-

ions and carrots. Roll the beef well