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**More Than Mere
'Security' Needed**

Fire insurance is the great economic and financial stimulus to progress. Its protection reaches out to the buildings on the farm, the machinery for planting and tilling and reaping, and the garnered foods in elevators and storage plants. It covers the goods on the shelves of the merchants. It stands guard against fire loss in the smallest home and the largest factory. It is the backbone of credit throughout the nation.

Commenting on the nation's future, John M. Thomas, past president of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, recently said: "In the years ahead lie the opportunities for greater service—a promise of the better America that is to be. They will be years of toil and sacrifice, but the swords will be sheathed, the plowshares and the good green earth will produce for the uses of peace, and the implements of service and construction will roll from the assembly lines in the place of the instruments of destruction.

The problems of reconversion for peace are as vast and almost as difficult as those of war. We must solve them in the spirit of the old but eternally young America.

"Yet there are ideas abroad in our land that would substitute 'planning' for enterprise, decrees for initiative, paternalism for freedom, and so-called security for the right to venture and to win or lose. Had 'security' been the goal of the souls aboard her, the Mayflower would have never sailed. Had 'security' been their first objective, the men who assembled in Philadelphia in 1776 would have issued no ringing declaration of 'inalienable rights' of men. We must retain our ancient landmarks and the principles which established them. By no other method can we guarantee to our returning soldiers the freedom here for which they fought abroad.

"May we keep in constant thought a desire for a better America, not a new one."

You Can Help Now

If you find it difficult to get on a train, remember that the railroads and the Pullman company, by order of the Office of Defense Transportation, have withdrawn from service all sleeping cars operating between points of 450 miles or less apart. The action was made necessary by unexpectedly heavy arrivals of troops from Europe.

This action makes available an additional 895 Pullman cars and gives the military the exclusive use of about half the sleeping cars operating in the United States. These cars afford a greater measure of comfort to our troops moving to the west

coast prior to embarkation to the Pacific theatre.

It is interesting to note that in 1918, with a total of approximately 41,000 coaches and sleeping cars, the railroads performed 42,676,000,000 passenger-miles of service.

In 1944, with approximately 27,700 passenger-carrying cars, the railroads performed 95,575,000,000 passenger-miles and the 1945 passenger load is expected to mount to 10 per cent, to more than 100,000,000 passenger-miles, or nearly two and one-half times the 1918 passenger load—to be moved in 30 per cent less passenger carrying equipment.

On account of wartime restrictions, the railroads have been unable to buy passenger carrying cars. The hauling job and the maintenance job they have done with the equipment at hand is almost beyond belief. They have rendered service more expeditiously, more courteously and with less waste than in 1918 when there was vastly more equipment, more engines and much more manpower.

You can do your part to help out in the greatest transportation job in history by traveling only when necessary for purposes other than pleasure.

Good News

Heartening information for the public was released recently before a Congressional committee by the petroleum industry. Oil companies stated emphatically that if the oil industry is given adequate incentive and freedom from legislative handicuffs Americans "for generations to come" will not need to concern themselves about lack of oil.

The expressed view of the industry is that none of many recent contentions that we are running out of oil and will shortly be dependent on foreign sources, is supported by a review of all the facts, soundly appraised with proper perspective.

On the contrary, the historic trends of the American petroleum industry demonstrate that, except for brief period of readjustment to suddenly changing circumstances, such as the result of war, it always has met the essential oil demands of this country and will continue to do so unless fettered by hampering restrictions.

Not until the petroleum industry fails under favorable conditions to find oil will it be time for genuine alarm. But even then there will probably be no sudden exhaustion of oil supplies, for as we make a transition to synthetic products, all necessary requirements can be met from the known proved reserves that will then exist.

This country has hydrocarbon resources sufficient to meet the nation's requirements for oil production for generations, provided that adequate incentives for exploration and development are permitted, free of unnecessary restrictions.

With the end of the war, the respective states and the industry ask and expect a complete relinquishment of Federal regulations and controls over the industry, or any part thereof, beyond the specific limits of interstate commerce.

Every time we stay out late at night the wife gets historical. She always brings up our past.

There are two kinds of women: Those who keep their love letters; and those who love letters keep them.



LOOKING AHEAD

by GEORGE S. BENSON
President—Harding College
Searcy, Arkansas

FROZEN HOPES

Saying what a man earns, expressing it in cents per hour or dollars per year, does not tell much about the measure of prosperity he enjoys. Good things depend on so many things that change from time to time and differ from place to place. Prosperity depends, in very large part, on what people must pay for the things they need and want.

Putting the conveniences and luxuries of life in reach of a large number of people helps to build a nation's prosperity. Franklin's discovery of electricity became a great discovery when electric lights began costing less than oil lamps. The automobile became a great invention when cars were priced down where only rich people could afford to own horses.

Paying for Service Plain people pay richly for favors; plain people are so many. Names like Edison, McCormick and Ford stand for huge estates because these men did a real service for a lot of plain people. It is because they hoisted a wholesome standard of living in a free country. Thousands of men have done the same thing on a smaller scale and profited handsomely.

Actually, the thing that inspires mechanical inventors to invent, the thing that fires scientific explorers to explore, is the chance to earn from a free people the rich reward for a valuable service. Once upon a time in the United States of America men who had ideas could afford to develop them. They can't do it now. How I hope those days soon return.

Big Ideas on Sale Edison, McCormick and Ford didn't need to hawk their ideas, neither did Bissell, Denton, Parker and O'Sullivan, but Foster Gunnison had to sell his. Gunnison's inventions came later. Do you ask, "Who is this Gunnison man?" Well, he is a great inventor, not yet famous. But unless I miss my guess, he is America's post-war Henry Ford. Gunnison invented a prefabricated house and worked out a plan to build it in mass production. His units were scientifically constructed, insulation built in, thoroughly modern in every detail. Individually, his house models are so different that a tourist might drive past 100 of them in a row and never guess that they were drawn by the same architect.

Alike and Different I could talk for hours about Gunnison houses. They come in eight sizes with great variety in looks. They are far better than any house possible to build of old-line materials in any community for the same money. They have everything from bathtub to garbage grinder, economy and convenience; a poor man's palace, amortized to \$1 a day. But the inventor sold to the U. S. Steel Corporation.—Why?

He lacked capital and, under today's tax laws, never could make much profit. The giant corporation can run the project in the need and deduct early losses from war profits, most of which the red and deduct early losses way. Unless our war-time tax laws are changed, every fertile idea in this inventive nation will have to hatch under the wing of some huge corporation that exists already.

No susie, the girl who knows all the answers hasn't been out with a questionable man.

The difference between a mirror and a woman is that one talks without reflecting and the other reflects without talking.

After a woman has had the last word she is just dying to know what her husband is thinking about.

Use the Want Ads!

WHICH BUS? - - - - - By Collier



BEHIND THE SCENES IN AMERICAN BUSINESS

BY JOHN CRADDOCK

NEW YORK, July 23—The nation is still on a buying spree. A few weeks ago, most observers were predicting a slackening in retail trade. Their arguments seemed based on sound grounds. War plants were getting cutbacks and cancellations, the stock market tumbled, and in most war production centers, much work was coming to an end. Lay-offs were expected to cut retail sales. But last week these predictions were upset. The Federal Reserve emerged with its latest retail sales figures—those for the week ended July 7. For the country as a whole, sales were 32 per cent ahead of the same period in 1944.

THE WRAP AROUND—Examples of American industrial ingenuity in meeting the problem of war production continue to emerge from under the blankets of censorship. The Douglas A-26 Invader is the Army newest, fastest and deadliest attack-bomber. The planes require an unusually large windshield—one which would afford full vision even under extreme frosting and icing conditions, and strong enough to withstand the terrific pressures of power dives. Designing the windshield was one thing; making it was quite a different—and a difficult—problem. Only now is the story being told. The wrap-around process, developed by Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass company, was the answer. Glass was placed vertically against special molds and allowed to wrap around the mold under carefully controlled temperatures. Since the development of the method, 4,000 aircraft assemblies for the A-26 have been completed by the company.

THINGS TO COME—Jet propelled motors to power postwar automobiles, predicts one official. Walls of open-joint brick veneer that will "breathe," thus minimize condensation. noiseless brakes with drums made of Aluminum, which is both a lightweight and a quiet metal. . . . A new liquid to neutralize the spray of a skunk. . . . A \$10 billion annual market for frozen foods, now only a \$200 million yearly business. . . . A tape recorder that will take dictation or other sounds for eight solid hours with out supervision, play back at the flip of a switch. . . . Postwar plane trips around the world for about \$700.

MORE NICKEL—The wraps of secrecy are also being taken from Freeport Sulphur company's Nicaro Nickel project. Started shortly after this country entered the war, this plant, Cuba's largest industrial unit, was erected in the face of seemingly insurmountable difficulties. J. T. Claiborne Jr., vice president of Freeport Sulphur, has just stated that the new Nicaro mines, operated for Reconstruction Finance Corporation, are producing 27,500,000 pounds of nickel a year. This cheering announcement comes just as manufacturers are struggling to find the metal they need to start a few household articles on their way to shelves of retailers. Aluminum is obtainable, although steel and copper are available only in limited amounts. Small quantities of a few other metals, including nickel, may be released later this month pending further clarification of the Pacific supply situation, according to the latest word

production for this year will run about the same as last—\$115,000,000. But metal and rubber are still hard to get, so continue to look for wood and plastic toys. . . . The air-conditioning industry will total \$300,000,000 the first postwar year, say economists. Only 10 per cent of all department stores, 25 per cent of railroad passenger cars, and only about 5 per cent of office buildings are air-cooled. . . . They honored the pioneer banana merchant last week. In Wellfleet, Mass., a six-day fete celebrated the deeds of Capt. Lorenzo Dow Baker, Cape Cod sea captain, who is credited with having brought the first cargo of bananas to this country in 1871. . . . Returning veterans are spurring the sales of men's clothing. . . . 1,272,376,000 chicks were hatched in the first six months of the year, just four per cent under the record first six months of 1943. . . . Tobacco distributors in New York predict American smokers will consume twelve billion cigars yearly after the war, an increase of 240 per cent over prewar years. . . . Cigarette consumption also will leap, say these same business men. . . . American Can reports the canned juice pack is now running more than double prewar years, thereby consuming vast quantities of citrus fruits, tomatoes and other products of our farms, groves and orchards.

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Pvt. Henry C. Laird Gets Bronze Star for Heroic Achievement

Pvt. Henry C. Laird, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Laird of Afton, has been awarded the Bronze Star medal for "heroic achievement in action" with the 34th Infantry division in Italy.

The citation signed by his commanding officer, Maj. Gen. Charles L. Bolte, reads as follows:

"Henry C. Laird (39105592), Private, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 168th Infantry Regiment. For Heroic Achievement in action on 17 April, 1945, in Italy. When the platoon to which Pvt. Laird was attached as aid man was taken under heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire, two of the men were wounded. Without hesitation, Pvt. Laird left his position of comparative safety to crawl through enemy barrage to render aid to his comrades. After dressing their wounds, he carried one and assisted the other back through the enemy fire to the

safety of an abandoned foxhole. When a heavy barrage of hostile artillery fire fell in the platoon area and wounded two more men, Pvt. Laird again crawled a distance of 150 yards to reach the wounded soldiers. Despite the fact that heavy sniper and machine gun fire was directed at him, Pvt. Laird dragged the men to a place of safety and dressed their wounds. Pvt. Laird's courage and initiative in going to the aid of his comrades probably saved their lives and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service."

A serviceman for over three years, Private Laird has been on foreign duty for two years and five months. He was reared in Girard, but his home address is now Lubbock, where his wife, the former Dorothy Parker, is living during his absence.

His Rest Disturbed

Sergeant—"You're late to go on guard. Wot's the idea?" Private—"I overslept and . . ." Sergeant—"In all that bombardment?" Private—"I'd be sleeping yet if some guy hadn't been writing a letter with a scratchy pen."

FSA Loan Power Is Raised \$25,000,000 To Aid Ex-Soldiers

Congress has increased the loan authority of the Farm Security Administration by \$25,000,000 to permit loans to returning veterans for the purchase of family size farms and ranches. Walter O'Neal, local FSA supervisor with offices in Spur, announced.

The loans are to be made under the provisions of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act through which approximately 37,000 loans to tenant farms have been completed successfully since the program was authorized by Congress in 1937. Loans of a maximum of \$12,000 which can be made under this program will bear interest at three per cent, payable over a 40 year period, O'Neal said.

In order to help protect veterans and other eligible families from entering unsound operations, a committee composed of experienced farmers in each county will assist in the administration of this program. Their duties will be to determine (1) eligibility of the applicant with respect to farm background, experience and likelihood of success as a farmer, (2) the adequacy of the farm to provide a living for the family and pay off the loan, and (3) the soundness of the loan.

The local farm committee is composed of R. R. Wooten, David McAteer and George Pierce. O'Neal, who is now receiving applications from veterans, has warned that due to sharply increased land prices in some localities, veteran applicants may find it impossible to purchase land on a sound basis. "Under this program," the local supervisor stated, "farms must be purchased within their earning capacity value as determined by long time prices."

WASHINGTON SNAPSHOTS

Astute James F. Byrnes, new Secretary of State, will play the star part in determining whether foreign cartels make a postwar comeback to compete with American farm and factory products, menacing jobs.

Defining cartel as "another word for monopoly or trust, which restricts competition and tends to raise prices to consumers," leaders of industry are urging the government to get rid of international cartels permanently through voluntary agreements with other nations.

Responsibility for such agreement would fall to 65-year-old "Jimmy" Byrnes, who represented South Carolina in Congress 14 years and served 16 months in the Supreme Court before resigning to become chief "trouble shooter" for the war program.

State Dept. Shake-Up Quick-witted, friendly, with a yen for singing tenor in informal quartets, the South Carolinian, who learned law while working as a court stenographer, will be entering a new field of endeavor when he attempts to prevent revival of German cartels and eliminate international monopolies in rubber, diamonds, tin, etc.

He is expected to begin by shaking up State Department's foreign service, particularly the commercial branches. But even with aid of his own choice, "Trouble-Shooter" Byrnes has a hard task to finish before he can spare much time off for his favorite sport of fishing off the Carolina coast.

THE LOW DOWN from HICKORY GROVE

You know, it is getting so folks skip over, and don't read these row-on-row of figures about what it is costing to run the Govt. and the States. If the papers says there are 2 million more folks than necessary of the tax-payer's back and they are pullin' down around 4000 million in salaries a year—not counting their swindle-sheets—nobody mums. It is more fun to read the funnies. If it is 10 million or 101 billion—what of it—taxes are not due for awhile and maybe the other guy will have to pay it anyway, and especially if the money is being spent in Alabama which is far away, if you happen to live in Idaho or So. Dakota.



Folks are fed-up on figures, but they are hot for pictures—so

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No time to prepare full-course, well-balanced meals? Can't afford a cook? Your family can still eat well! For working wives we offer fully prepared meals ready to be served temptingly and piping hot.

Mrs. Smith's Cafe

give them pictures—funnies or any kind. If the papers say the Director of Uplift gets 10 thousand a year, and free gas, nobody stirs, but if you would paint the gent's picture on the door of his shiny car, with his salary beneath same, folks would open an eye. And the mayor's car, and a million others, paint all of them—and with pictures. Let everybody see what the people on the tax-payer's back look like. Let folks see via pictures visus figures—it might clear the atmosphere.

Yours with the low down,
JO SERRA

Use the Want Ads!

Spur Soldier Is Chief Clerk at U. S. Base in Germany

First Sgt. Clarence H. Faulkner, Spur, is currently serving as chief clerk with the Headquarters Squadron of the Ninth Air Force's 63rd Fighter Wing at Schwabisch Hall, Germany, the Army announced.

A regular Army man since 1939, Sergeant Faulkner was a stenographer in civilian life. He attended Spur high school and Draughon's Business College.

Sergeant Faulkner has been overseas since Dec. 23, 1943, and has served in Scotland, Wales,

England, France, Belgium and Germany. Prior to going overseas, he saw service in seven different stations in the States. His wife, Mrs. Thelma Faulkner, lives at 1217 South Concord St., Los Angeles, Calif.

A LAME BACK

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Combed cotton knit short sleeve "T" Shirts in solid colors and stripes. All sizes from size 2 to 12 years. 2 FOR

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MEN'S

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\$1.00

MEN'S GENUINE PANAMA HATS. Values from \$5.00 to \$7.50—

\$2.98

Model Ready For Aluminum Auto

A model completed for an automobile manufacturer reveals that the all-aluminum car with rear-end motor is being considered seriously. If produced, the car will weigh about 1,000 pounds less than its prewar counterpart. Completion of postwar models in other companies reveals that the contemplated products are: new kind of dishwasher for 15; a toaster that can be set to produce golden brown toast with insides soft or well-done, as desired; and a 7-oz. camera, the size and shape of a pipe, which holds enough film for nearly 2,000 exposures.

Use Spur Want Ads for results!

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of thanking each and every one of our dear friends and neighbors for their thoughtful deeds, consoling words and lovely cards. You will never know the comfort that we received from each and every loving gesture bestowed upon us since we received the word of the loss of our dear son and brother, Pfc. Ocie H. Lee. May God's richest blessing rest on each and every one of you.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lee
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Pfc. Obie O. Lee
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Buy War Bonds and Stamps.



George Brent and Joan Fontaine are co-starred in the gay and vivacious story of a girl who could fool all of the men, "The Affairs of Susan."

Joan Fontaine Plays First Comedy Role

Previewers are saying the romantic escapades of Joan Fontaine in Paramount's "The Affairs of Susan" has that thing audiences are craving for these days—entertainment with a capital E. It's also got a brand-new Joan. The tragic robes of drama have been discarded for the gay, glamorous trappings of a girl who's out to have a high time of it and, incidentally, snares four men in the process.

"Affairs of Susan," showing at the preview Saturday night, Sunday and Monday at the Palace theater gives you the low-down on how Joan manages to get this handsome foursome altar-bound in spite of themselves. It doesn't seem to matter that George Brent, Dennis O'Keefe, Don DeFore and Walter Abel are completely divergent types. Joan is a woman of many moods and finds it very convenient to have one man for every mood. No less than four times she excutes a neat personality about-face which captivates the man of that particular moment, and has each of the quartet completely baffled. Edith Head designed a twenty-eight-change wardrobe aimed to fit each type.

Miss Fontaine, as actresses Susan Darrell, says "yes" to Walter Abel on returning from an overseas tour. But on a subsequent visit to Susan's apartment, Walter uncovers evidence of three other men in her life. To Abel, it poses the question of just what kind of a girl Susan really is. Walter decides to find out. With this idea in mind, he rounds up the rival trio and a protracted bull session follows leaving the prospective groom more confused than ever. The situation is ironed out when Susan finally makes up her mind.

"The Affairs of Susan" marks Produced Hal B. Wallis' initial on the Paramount lot with a score of hits already to his credit.

These include "Casablanca," "Yankee Doodle Dandy" and "Now Voyager." Veteran director William Seiter comes through with another brilliant directional job, making the most of a splendid array of talent while credit for an adroit script goes to Thomas Gorog and Richard Flournoy.

Credit Asso. Lays Post-War Plans at Abilene Meeting

Complete ownership of production credit associations by farmers and ranchers within the next two or three years was the main topic at the annual district conference of officers and directors of associations meeting in Abilene recently, Adrian Rickles, manager of the local office of the Stamford Production Credit Association, stated.

The Stamford Production Credit Association was represented at this meeting by J. B. Pumphrey, president, Old Glory; J. F. McCulloch, vice-president, Stamford; C. G. Burson, Haskell; Laster Hensley, Guthrie; Clark Forbis, Afton, Directors; and J. L. Hill Jr., secretary-treasurer, Stamford.

Pumphrey said that the 36 Texas associations have built a total of \$6,723,629 in reserves and member-owned capital in 11 years, a good part of it in the past two years. "At the start in 1934 most farmers and stockmen were without cash or credit, and the government supplied a substantial part of the backlog capital needed to obtain a dependable source of loan funds from the investing public on terms that fit our needs."

Plans were laid at the conference for outright ownership of associations by farmers and ranchers; financial help for members' replacements and improvements on farms and assisting returning war veterans in getting started again on their farms and ranches.

Sgt. Bud Thompson Returns from Eng., Visits Former Home

T/Sgt. Clarence S. (Bud) Thompson, former manager of the meat market in Spur's Safeway store, spent the week end in Spur visiting his cousin, Johnny Koonsman, and his old friend, R. L. Benson. He was accompanied by his wife, Dickie.

Since he left Spur in 1943 to join the Army, Sergeant Thompson has seen how our British allies across the Atlantic live and what they think. Based in England as a meat cutter at the 111th General Hospital for almost a year, Thompson said that we American civilians should feel lucky—we at least have meat some of the time, while English civilians seldom have it.

The former Spur resident now lives in Knox City and is on a 30-day furlough. He returned to the States on the Queen Mary on June 27, and will report to an Army post in Kentucky at the expiration of his leave.

Dangerous Curves

"The Lincoln Highway has signs all along warning the petters."
"What do the signs say?"
"Beware of soft shoulders."

Former Spur Man Receives Honorable Army Discharge

Ross Alexander, Floydada, former Spur resident, who has served 28 months with an ordnance unit in the Fifth Army in the European theater of operations, has received an honorable discharge from the Army. The ex-soldier was visiting in Spur last week.

Prior to his entry into the Army over three years ago, Alexander was employed by Godfrey and Smart auto company. He saw service in Africa and Italy and was a technician third grade at the time of his release from the armed forces.

While overseas, Alexander's job was to repair all mechanized vehicles. Most of his foreign service was spent in Italy. He said that most of the large cities were not badly damaged—Rome is almost untouched, and Naples and Florence, only slightly. Leghorn on the northern Italian coast, however, is almost totally destroyed.

A FREE COUNTRY

By RUTH TAYLOR

This is a free country. Sure it is—but free for what? It is free for work. No man has to be what his father was before him. No man has to work where his father worked. In time of emergency we may voluntarily regulate our man power but it is done under the laws we ourselves made, which are to be abrogated when the need is over.

It is free for knowledge. No man need stay ignorant if he has the will to learn. The history of the country has proven that. Of course, there are differences in educational opportunities—but the man who truly wants to learn, who is willing to work at the job of getting ahead, can do so. No man need stay ignorant.

It is free for courtesy. Where each man is counted as one, there need be no servile scraping nor condescending nod. Each man is free to accord to every other man the same courtesies of behavior to which he is himself entitled. It takes but one person to be polite.

It is free for friendliness. We are all equals under the law, bound by the same rules and regulations. We can therefore accord the comradeship of citizenry to our neighbor, regardless of his class, creed or color.

It is free for integrity. No man wears the yoke of another. No man is bound to another as his slave. Each man can stand alone—incorrupt, and loyal to the finest ideals.

It is free for thought. The unfettered mind of man is the secret of the advancement of the nation. Here no man need be told what to think or when to think it. He blows not hot or cold as he is ordered. He can be for or against and, provided he keeps to the law of the land—that self-made law of free men—he can think and act as he pleases.

It is free for belief. No man need worship or not worship at the behest of his master. Each man is responsible to his own conscience and to his own concept of God. Strong in his faith, he can stand or fall by what he believes. His beliefs are his own.

This is a free country—founded upon freedom and free to grow with the times to a newer and finer fulfillment of the law of liberty—which is the law of righteousness.

Virgil L. White Gets Army Discharge

Virgil L. White, Dumont, has received an honorable discharge from the Army, it was announced recently.

At the time of his discharge from Fort Sam Houston, Tex., White was a corporal. He served with the armed forces four years and four months, participating in the African, Italian and French campaigns. He was in the 132nd Field Artillery battalion and vividly remembers the fierce battles at Cassino and Salerno.

White is the son of Mrs. C. L. White, Croton, and holds the Order of the Purple Heart.

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THE VETERAN'S FRIEND

Q. How does an alien who is drafted for military service go about getting naturalized?
A. Aliens who served in the armed forces during World War II may be naturalized without complying with all of the usual requirements. Contact your nearest U. S. Immigration and Naturalization office.

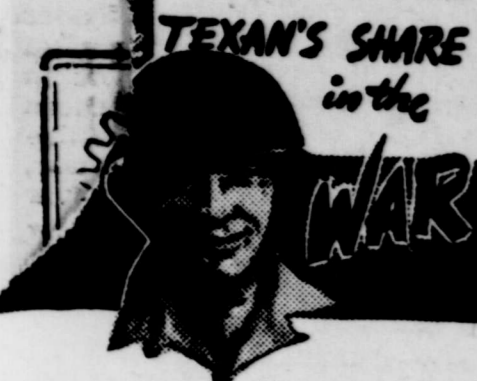
Q. Must I pay a fee for having a claim presented before the Veterans Administration?
A. No. The Disabled American Veterans service officer in your community or area will present your claim and provide any information free of charge.

Q. If a member of the armed forces is discharged for dependency reasons is he entitled to mustering-out pay?
A. Not unless he has served overseas.

Q. Before my discharge I took a course of study with the Armed Forces Institute. Can I continue it now?
A. A veteran is not eligible to participate in the courses, which are open only to enlisted men, on active duty.

Send questions with self-addressed, stamped envelope to The Veteran's Friend, Disabled American Veterans, 1423 E. McMillan St., Cincinnati 6, Ohio.

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School Equipment Drive Under Way



THE SCHOOLS OF THE NATION are doing their part in the Seventh War Loan Drive by conducting an Equipment Campaign. As each piece of equipment is bought through the sale of War Bonds its picture counterpart is pasted on the board until the soldier is equipped. Dona Overton, country student, of Milwaukee High School, Oregon, shows Shirley Potter, city student, of Lincoln High School, Portland, Oregon, how it's done.

"Why must we raise as much money this year as in 1944? Why, with European war over, can't the National War Fund budget for the coming year be cut?"

Those are natural questions—questions which every good business man and war chest worker can be expected to ask. They are simple but important questions and, fortunately, can be answered simply and directly.

Here, briefly, are the answers: With more than two million American troops left on duty in occupied zones, USO has doubled the number of USO-Camp Show units, to entertain men now idle who formerly were sustained by the excitement of battle action. Similarly, more USO-Camp Show units are being sent to the Pacific, where constantly-increasing numbers of men are fighting on lonely, uncivilized islands.

USO-Camp Shows now entertain more than two million American fighting men each week.

With more and more wounded men being returned to U.S. military hospitals, USO also has increased the number of units playing the "Hospital Circuit," staging shows in hospital wards, among the beds and cots of our wounded heroes.

USO also has expanded another service to the wounded, through USO recreation centers established at all military and naval hospitals.

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The Pacific war is a shipping war. Thousands of merchant ships, and increasing numbers of merchant seamen, carry the munitions, equipment and men required for the war against the Japs. Still others continue to serve the European front, carrying supplies and transporting troops home or to new battle areas.

United Seaman's Service follows the ships to all ports of the world, to provide off-duty recreation for the millions of seamen at the end of their voyages through battle zones. Submarines, bombs and suicide planes are forgotten, at least for a few hours, as the heroic seamen relax in facilities provided by this great National War Fund agency.

In the Pacific, the needs of relief agencies are constantly increasing, as new islands and new lands are liberated. The people of the Philippines, who fought the Japanese throughout the years of occupation, are in pitiful condition, as are Chinese in areas newly liberated from the invader. Thousands of children and helplessly aged people must be fed and clothed—and quickly.

The people of the Philippines are loyal Americans. China has suffered more and fought longer against the Japs than any other United Nation. Both deserve and must have continued and expanded assistance from the people of America.

For years the people of Europe suffered under the heel of the Nazis—and for years we were unable to help them. Now we can get in and give them a helping hand—life them to new hope and eventual self-sufficiency—save them from starvation despair.

Dire need among liberated slave-workers and other displaced persons has brought about a demand for additional services by refugee relief agencies. Plans call

Save The Spirit and Save America

By DR. ALFRED P. HAAKE

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Alfred P. Haake, Ph.D., recently elected Mayor of Park Ridge, Illinois, is a noted Economist, Business Consultant, Lecturer and Author.)

Recently a man asked me, "You're an economist and a business man, aren't you?" I replied, "Yes." "And you're Mayor of your town, too." Right? I said "Right." "And you learned your stuff in the practical school of hard knocks, didn't you?" I replied that I did; that there were plenty of knocks and they were hard enough to suit me.

"Well then," he demanded, "where do you get this religious revival idea that you're spreading all over the place?" So I told him the story of more than ten years of effort to help correct delusions and fallacies which the American people have swallowed since the depression. I showed him how futile economic logic can be so long as people prefer prejudices which they hug to their herats.

We can do much by decentralizing the responsibility and power of government. That is why I believe in working out our pro-

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blems at home, in our own localities. Make our cities, towns and villages right and the country will be right.

But, the real trouble with the world is that men have turned from the worship of God to the worship of Mammon. Until that is corrected, we are deluding ourselves with the various makeshift to make the world safe for mankind.

The wonderful thing about America is that this nation was built frankly on the solid rock of faith in God. In our beginning we worshipped God as the Creator of man and man's rights. We recognized Divine Law as superior to man-made law, and that even governments must obey God's laws or ultimately be destroyed for their disobedience.

That is why we cannot safely separate the five great freedoms—freedom of pulpit, speech, press, enterprise and assembly. All of them are built on the principle that man is free under God and responsible to Him for the way in which he uses his freedom and the talents God gave him.

The destruction of any one freedom must lead ultimately to the destruction of the rest. When man substitutes the State for God, freedom goes, men fall to the level of animals, and nations revert to new Dark Ages.

A devout preacher, leading a great movement, helped me to realize these truths. Criticized and even cursed by devotees of socialism, social action and pagan Statism, James W. Fifield, Director of Spiritual Mobilization, has persisted in the crusade for freedom on a level, of spiritual ideals. Some day America will recognize him for his magnificent contribution to our country, for helping us to see that we must save the spirit if we would save America.

As an economist and business man who has explored the fields of economics, politics and the social sciences for a remedy for our ills, I come with you to the one field where we can find the answer. Whether we like it or not, we must have a genuine religious revival if we are to save our material civilization from self-destruction.

Too Bad

Always remember, no matter how bad prose may be, that it might have been verse.

Fly

A fly was walking with her daughter on the head of a man who was very bald. "How things change, my dear," she said. "When I was your age, this was only a footpath."

That's Art

"Son: Daddy, dear, what is an actor?"

Daddy: "An actor? My son, an actor is a man who can walk to the side of the stage, peer into the wings filled with theatrical props, dirt and dust, other actors, stage hands, old clothes and other traps, and say: 'What a lovely view there is from this window.'"

Whee!

A man rushed out of the house, across the pavement, jumped high

into the air and fell in the gutter heavily.

A passerby rushed to his assistance, lifted him up and said: "You did a very funny thing just then."

"Yes," replied the other, "I thought I'd left my bicycle outside."

Precaution

A Scotsman (what! again?) was stripping wall-paper from the walls of his house when a friend called to see him.

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OFFICE OF DEFENSE TRANSPORTATION GENERAL ORDER 52

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OFFICE OF DEFENSE TRANSPORTATION GENERAL ORDER 53

"On and after 12 o'clock noon, July 15, 1945, no common carrier by railroad or sleeping car company shall operate or transport any railway car containing sleeping space or sleeping accommodations to a point of distance 450 miles or less from the point of origin of such car, such distance being measured by the shortest distance by railroad over which sleeping cars are operated between such points. Each common carrier by railroad shall forthwith cancel all reservations for space after 12 o'clock noon on July 15, 1945."

What about Travel now....

under the new Government rulings?

The Government has curtailed civilian travel by ordering the railroads not to make reservations on passenger trains more than five days in advance of departure and by banning sleeping car service on trips of 450 miles or less.

A lot of people are assuming that, with the European war over, the travel situation on trains should have eased up by now.

But they are finding out that it's harder than ever to get space. They're asking themselves, "Why?"

The reason is simply that the railroads are being called upon to repeat a job of moving over 3,000,000 soldiers. But this time it is to be done in 6 to 9 months whereas originally it took more than 2 years to move these men.

The railroads are still operating with the same number of passenger cars that they had when the war started. Building new passenger cars has not been permitted since Pearl Harbor.

Many Pullman cars have been converted into

hospital cars, and, of course, more Pullmans and coaches than ever are being withdrawn from civilian service to use in the movement of men to the Pacific.

The great bulk of traffic for the Pacific funnels into 4 railroads to ports of embarkation in California. Santa Fe, with its improved facilities, is carrying a large part of this traffic.

This all adds up to the fact that only a very limited amount of space is left over for civilian travel.

Of course we like to accommodate our friends and make new acquaintances. But you, too, agree that the troops and materials needed to whip Japan must come first.

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