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## Oregon Evangelists To Conduct Revival Beginning Oct. 25

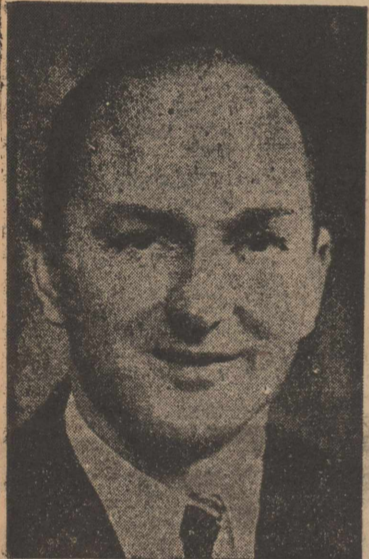
Evangelists Mr. and Mrs. E. Gilbert Cays of Eugene, Oregon have been secured for a revival meeting at the Christian Church for a two week period extending from October 25 through November 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Cays are noted evangelists, with a schedule of services that has only two opening dates between now and September.



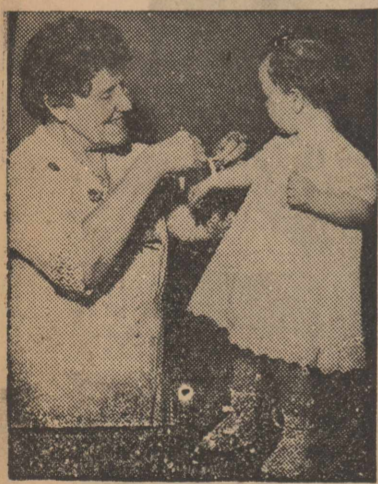
1943. They are natives of Oregon and are graduates of Northwest Christian College in Eugene. Mr. Cays also received M. A. and B. D. degrees from Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma. They have done evangelistic work in ten different states.

Mr. Cays is a dynamic gospel



preacher, says Rev. L. B. Chaffin of the Christian church. He also directs the singing. Mrs. Cays is a pianist, soloist and children's worker.

## 'TAKING THE PLEDGE'



Birmingham, Ala.—At the 66th annual national convention of Women's Christian Temperance Union, October 2 to 6 here, Mrs. Ida B. Wise Smith, president, will participate in the annual ceremony of tying white ribbons on children for whom a temperate upbringing has been pledged by their parents.

## RENT CONTROL EXTENDED

Fifty-four more defense-rental areas will go under Federal rent control on October 1st, the Office of Price Administration has announced.

In Texas, the following counties will be affected: Borger, Carson, Gray and Hutchinson.

Fish caught last summer sure are marvelous. Been dead for weeks, yet they continue to grow.

## CURRENT PROGRAM AT THE ROXY

Tonight, "MEET THE STEWARTS" with William Holden and Frances Dee.

Friday and Saturday, "ROXIE HART", starring Ginger Rogers and Adolph Menjou.

Sunday and Monday, "S H I P AHOY" with Eleanor Powell and Red Skelton.

Tuesday, "THE MAN WHO WOULDN'T DIE", with Lloyd Nolan.

Sept. 30-Oct. 1, "THEY ALL KISS THE BRIDE", starring Melvin Douglas and Joan Crawford.

## TAX SAVINGS WAR BONDS CHANGED TO FIT NEEDS

Secretary Morgenthau has announced changes in the terms of the Treasury Tax Savings' notes, which have been on sale since August 1, 1941, making them adaptable for the accumulation of tax reserves and for the temporary or short-term investment of cash balances which are at present idle.

This new series, the Secretary said, will furnish a security well adapted to investors for the mobilization of their idle funds for the War program. The new terms provide greater flexibility, and, through provision for cash redemption with interest, permit holders of Tax Series C notes to realize on the notes without loss of interest.

## Farm And Domestic Workers Can Benefit By Social Security

In this part of the State there are a great many men and women who spend most of their time working on farms or in domestic service, except for the summer months, when they find employment covered by the Social Security law, it was stated today by Dewey Reed, manager of the Amarillo field office of the Social Security Board.

Each of these workers should have a Social Security Account number card, said Mr. Reed, manager of the local office of the Social Security Board, because wages earned in such jobs are credited to an account maintained under this social security account number. Upon their death before age 65 or retirement after age 65, they or their survivors may qualify for an old-age and survivors insurance benefit.

Many of these people do not believe that this short period of employment from one to three months, could affect their entitlement to an old-age insurance benefit. However, it is just this type of employment that might fulfill their requirements for entitlement at some future date.

Each wage earner should have one and only one social security account number, which he should keep at all times.

The office of the Social Security Board located at 324 New Post Office Bldg., Amarillo, will furnish a social security account number card to any one who applies for such a number.

## Texas Governor Sure Ample Rubber Will Be Available For Tires

Governor Coke R. Stevenson stated Monday in an interview that capacity for producing 872,000 tons synthetic rubber annually would be available by the middle of 1943, which would be good news for the nation's car owners and drivers.

Quoting from a report submitted to him by George S. Armstrong and Company of New York, industrial engineers and management consultants, the governor asserted that 20,000,000 cars "could be kept rolling under normal operation" if available supplies of scrap rubber were converted into tires for civilian use.

"From July to January of next year alone," Stevenson told his press conference, "340,000 tons of synthetic rubber will be produced under present schedules."

"The military requirement for all of this year totals only 271,000 tons, according to a report from the War Production Board."

Asserting the WPB had allocated 150,000 tons of rubber for essential civilian use this year, Stevenson quoted a paragraph from the Armstrong report listing 310,000 tons for export exclusive of lease-lend requirements.

The governor said that he felt "a pertinent inquiry would be where this rubber for export is going in view of the small amount destined for civilian use in the United States."

When requested to draw conclusions from the report in relation to the Baruch committee's recommendation for nation-wide gasoline rationing to conserve rubber, Stevenson said:

"These figures speak for themselves."

## APPLES NEW VICTORY FOOD

Fresh apples will be the next Victory Food Special to be featured nationally September 17 through the 26th, Charles T. Watson, Food Industry Committee chairman, announced. Victory Food Specials are designated by the Agricultural Marketing Administration.

Local merchants, restaurants and other local food outlets will feature fresh apples to encourage full use of this important health food. Homemakers using fresh apples will be aiding the war effort by using food that is in abundance, thereby releasing other vital foods to meet war needs.

Mr. and Mrs. Fate Morris and nieces returned Tuesday night from a visit in central Texas.

## Travis Blevins Takes Technical Training At Special School

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Blevins received word this week that their son, Travis, has been selected for advanced training at the Naval Training School, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

The letter informing Mr. and Mrs. Blevins of this stated that during the eight weeks Travis spends in the course, he will be given a specialized course as a Motor Machinist's Mate, which will give him the theory, operation, maintenance and repair of Diesel and Gasoline engines.

The letter also stated, "We are very happy to have him as a student. This letter is to assure you that we are intensely interested in giving him valuable training. Upon successful completion of the course he is eligible for promotion in rate and pay. He will have an education in a skill which will increase his value to the Navy and be of great worth to him upon his return to civilian life."

## BUILDING NEW PARTS SHELVED IN STORE

Mr. Bennett, owner of the Bennett Implement Company has been busy lately building new parts shelving for his line of John Deere Implements. During the past harvest season he stated considerable time was lost in having more than one kind of part in a box when waiting on a customer, and as soon as the shelving is completed, there will be a place for each John Deere part kept in stock.

## Judge L. P. Hunter Back From California

Judge L. P. Hunter returned Saturday morning from a trip to San Diego, California, where he visited his daughter, Miss Caroline, who is a nurse in the naval hospital there.

He reports a pleasant trip and visit, and while in San Diego also saw Johnnie Bird and Mr. and Mrs. Bascom Brown. Accompanying him back was his nephew, O. G. Butler, who spent a day here and then proceeded to Albany, Missouri to visit his parents there.

## OPA Clinic Planned For Dalhart Monday

Business men and merchants in this territory are invited to attend an OPA clinic to be conducted in Dalhart, Monday, Sept. 28, by Tom Murray, senior merchandising specialist of the Dallas regional office of price administration.

Mr. Murray will be available Monday for private consultation, and a general question and answer meeting will be held at 8 a. m. Monday in the Dalhart district court room.

The clinic is sponsored by the Dalhart Chamber of Commerce and the rationing board.

## Paper Mill Waste Can Supply Costly Sugar

A rare sugar, which until recently cost \$18,000 a pound and is needed to make vitamin B-2, can now be had in almost unlimited quantities from the liquor waste of American paper mills. The sugar is D-ribose. The waste is sulfite liquor now poured into streams will supply the entire world with all of this sugar it needs for all now known purposes.

The report was made to the American Chemical Society today by Dr. Jonas Kamlet of the Miles Laboratories, New York.

B-2, also named riboflavin, is one of the three substances now added to white flour under a government sponsored national program. The others are B-1 and iron. Human beings need about two grams of B-2 daily. Eye and mouth troubles are a penalty of too little.

A Swedish process produces low-cost ordinary baker's yeast from the paper mill sulfite liquors. This yeast is the source of the rare sugar.

## Sherman County Bond Sales Up

War bond sales in Sherman county have been on an enthusiastic up surge, with both the First State Bank and the postoffice reporting many sales.

Since September 8th, the following have purchased bonds: Chester Plunk, Rowena McAdams, Mrs. Exie Holdman, David Steel, Alana Belle Davis, Mollie Ann Davis, Mr. and Mrs. L. Lyons, Howard and Fred Lee Green, Mr. and Mrs. Warner Williams, Mary Lou Lavake, Dixie Lea Lasley, Joyce Irene Gilbert, Almada Joe Wall, Rosemary Wertz, Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams, Lloyd King, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Flores, Joe Pete Flores, Wendelyn Flores, Mr. and Mrs. Burk Green, Mr. and Mrs. Belden, Ida Irene Bell, Gertrude Charlotte Brown, Charles Ernest Brown, Mary Frances Brown, Mr.

## McGee Promises More Stringent Action By Local Rationing Men

Mark McGee, Texas OPA director, announced this week in connection with the rubber shortage that "county boards may seem tough to you now, but they're going to get tougher. We simply don't have the rubber to supply the tire needs of those who are eligible."

He outlined a plan to organize share-a-truck pools among farmers, and in stating that gasoline rationing was on the way said it needed another name because "we would be fools indeed if we tried to convince anyone in Texas that gasoline is a scarce commodity here." The term "mileage rationing" was suggested as a substitute.

OPA officials suggest that dairy-men eliminate duplicating competing routes and pool their hauling facilities, and that farmers, truckers and gasoline haulers follow suit.

## FLANNEL FOR USE OF RED CROSS WORKERS IS READY

Flannel has arrived for use of the Red Cross in making children's pajamas, Mrs. Shuler Donelson, volunteer Red Cross chairman, has announced.

Mrs. Donelson is looking for someone to head a committee to have charge of making these pajamas. They will be distributed to needy inhabitants of the United States and its territories.

## TIRE AND TUBES ISSUED

Persons to whom tire and tube certificates were issued by Sherman County War Price and Rationing Board for the week ending Sept. 19, are as follows:

Texhoma—Omer C. Arnold, 1 pickup tire and tube; T. L. Marshall, 1 pickup tire; Carl Reynolds, 2 pickup recaps; Alvie Jackson, 1 tractor tire; Marvin H. Ingle, 2 passenger tires (school bus).

Stratford—T. F. Baskin, 1 pickup tire and tube; Travis F. Spurlock, 1 pickup tire; M. L. Keener, 1 pickup tube; W. O. Bryant, 1 pickup recap; W. B. Freeman, 3 recaps (pickup); Jack Dettie, 2 truck recaps; H. C. Shriner, 1 recap (core driller); W. O. Parvin, 2 recap (road grader operator).

## Experiments Attempt Preservation Ways For Ground Cereals

Experiments conducted this past year at Texas A. and M. College have attempted to find some way of preserving ground cereals, a favorite food whose desirability has been harmed by the fact that it does not keep well. Zero temperature storage was found to be a successful solution.

In tests on the cold storage of ground and whole grain wheat, including some weevily specimens, conducted at College Station, this year, no weevils developed in either the whole or ground grains at zero or 35 degrees. But they did appear in the whole grain wheat at 80.

After six months, all samples were stored at house temperature, and a month later weevils appeared in the ground wheat placed in paper or cellophane sacks, but not that in glass jars, apparently indicating that grinding may destroy weevil eggs on the grain.

## EXPRESS RATES INCREASED

Monday the Interstate Commerce Commission allowed a flat 10 per cent increase per package on less than carload shipments by express, effective this coming Thursday.

The increase, based on 1941 shipments, would net the Railway Express Agency, Inc., an additional \$1,853,395 annually toward offsetting increased labor costs, pay roll taxes, materials and supplies, the ICC said. However, a table of earnings for the first five months this year showed revenue was falling off sharply, which the company said resulted from restriction on manufacture of consumer goods.

## WARTIME INVENTION



Georgette Walters, Chicago, has improvised this method of guarding against stains or clothing and table linens at mealtime, following a suggestion of the American Institute of Laundering that folks forget some of the finer points of etiquette for the duration and help conserve essential stain removal materials.

## Martin Is Named To Head Rental Area Office In Dalhart

Robert O. Martin of Dalhart has been named examiner-inspector in charge of the Dalhart sub-office of the war rental area to which Sherman county belongs.

Mr. Martin's office opened last Saturday morning in rooms over the West Drug Store in Dalhart. Mrs. Mildred Ballinger is his office assistant. For the present, the office will be open from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m., every day except Sunday.

## Texas Prison Giving Scrap Iron to Help Win The War

The Texas prison system is contributing everything but the bars to Uncle Sam's campaign for the collection of scrap metal. And although officials won't admit it, there is a report that a few bars have gone into the war effort.

Since the first of the year 379 tons of scrap metal have been shipped, and workmen are engaged in an undertaking that will provide an additional 500 to 1,000 tons in the form of steel salvaged from an unused railroad track.

The prison system has shipped 301 tons of scrap iron, 62 tons of tin, 15,370 pounds of copper, 2,082 pounds of old radiators and 3,946 pounds of stainless steel since January 1.

Scrap has been collected from many sources throughout the system. An old sugar mill was scrapped. Leavings from the system's own iron foundry have been carefully collected and saved. Worn out farm machinery, old horseshoes and other available types of metal have gone into the collection.

## FROST SATURDAY NIGHT

The first frost of the year visited this section last Saturday night, damaging many of the row crops which were needing continuing fair weather to mature.

## SCRAP RUBBER SHIPPED OUT OF STRATFORD

According to a statement given out by J. D. McDaniel of the Texas Oil Company, 26,580 pounds of scrap rubber was shipped out of Stratford in the recent scrap rubber drive conducted in Sherman county.

## Six Registrants Are Sworn Into Service From Sherman County

Six more men listed with the County Draft Board have been accepted for army service and are now in their homes on the customary 14-day leave before being ordered to induction centers.

Names of the new service men are: Melvin Arthur Phillips, Oris Kerley Gamble and E. J. Massie Jr., all of Stratford; Elmer George Renner and Robert Lee Blinn of Texhoma, and Luther Earl Mallard, who lives near Gruver.

Two transfers from other local boards have been received by the Sherman county board. They are Jesse James Roberson from Abilene, Texas and Elbert Shelby Rorie from Clovis, New Mexico.

## Special Groups Are Being Formed By PTA

Organization of the Parent-Teacher Association into age-interest groups is proceeding, with the second meeting of the entire group being scheduled for next Monday at 3:15 p. m. in the grade school auditorium.

Twelve units of mothers are being organized, representing the different age groups of pupils according to the grades in schools. Each unit will have a representative who will call social or business meetings at various times, giving the mothers an opportunity to study the problems of their particular age child. Representatives will form a Field Committee, with members of the committee acting as personal representatives of every member of the group in discussing problems with teachers.

Both fathers and mothers are asked to attend the meeting next Monday.

## BILLY DIXON GRAVES IS SHOWING SOME PROGRESS

Billy Dixon Graves, 7, recently beset with blood-poisoning on top of a baffling infection of long standing miraculously rallied over the weekend in a Dallas hospital where he has been for a month.

All last week he seemed to be losing ground. His nose bled profusely and his head had to be kept almost packed in ice. However, Sunday he still was improving, according to latest word from his mother, Mrs. W. D. Graves.

His father, principal of the Conlen school had expected to go to Dallas last weekend when word came that the boy was better.—Dalhart Texan.

## Pooling of Trucks Asked of Farmers

Pooling of farm trucks as a means of getting crops to market has been urged by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

The fact that current tire and tube quotas were below needs to keep farm vehicles operating was cited by the chamber in calling upon the local chambers in its area to take immediate steps to meet the problem.

The matter of crop transportation was discussed last week at a meeting in Lubbock called by Mark McGee, state OPA director, who declared affected counties should help themselves in the emergency. A few farmers with adequate rubber might haul the crops for an entire community, McGee suggested. Washington authorities will be asked to aid.

## RUINS OF SEVASTOPOL



These photos copied from a German magazine were taken in the once great Russian city of Sevastopol. German soldiers are shown at top looking through their field glasses in search of the Guerillas who are still carrying on behind the German lines even though the Nazis have captured the town. The lower picture is of the Russian guerillas who have been captured by the Nazis after fighting behind the German lines.

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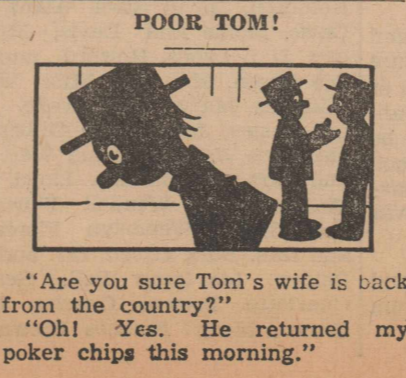
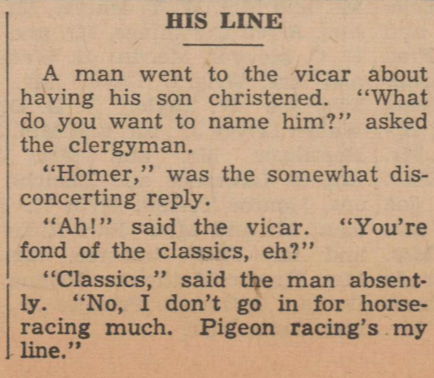
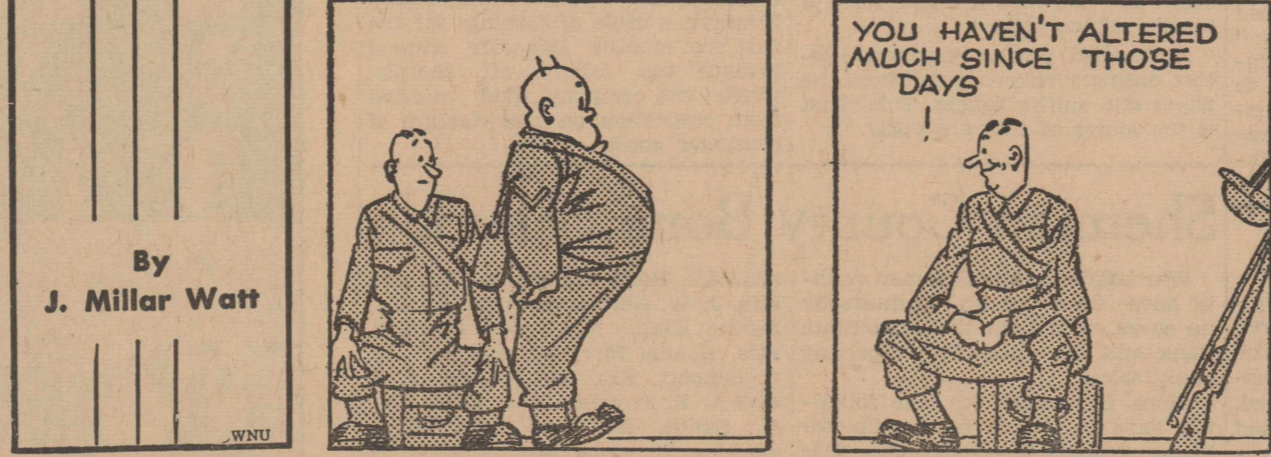
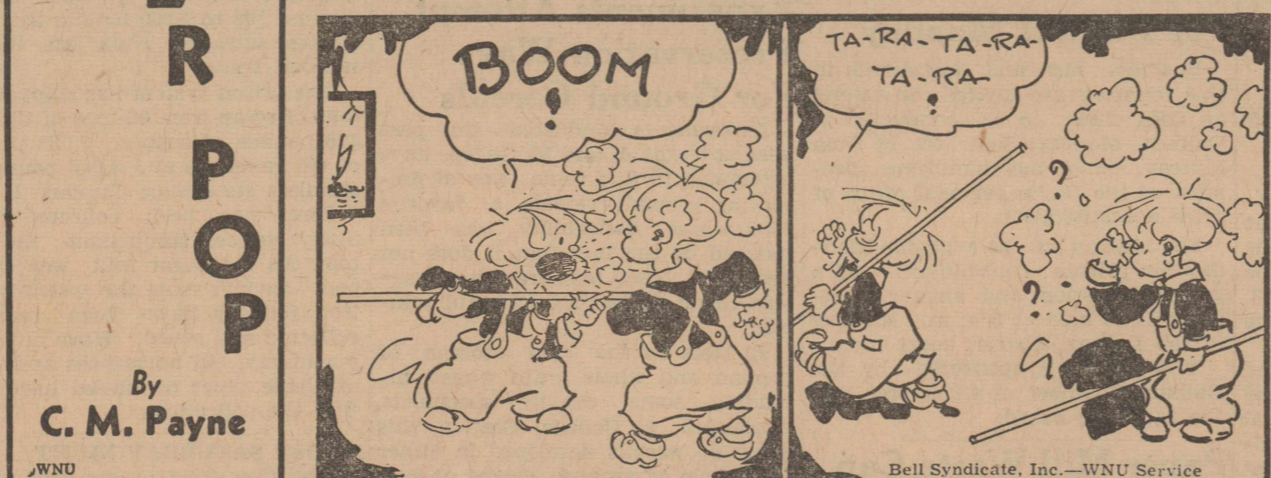
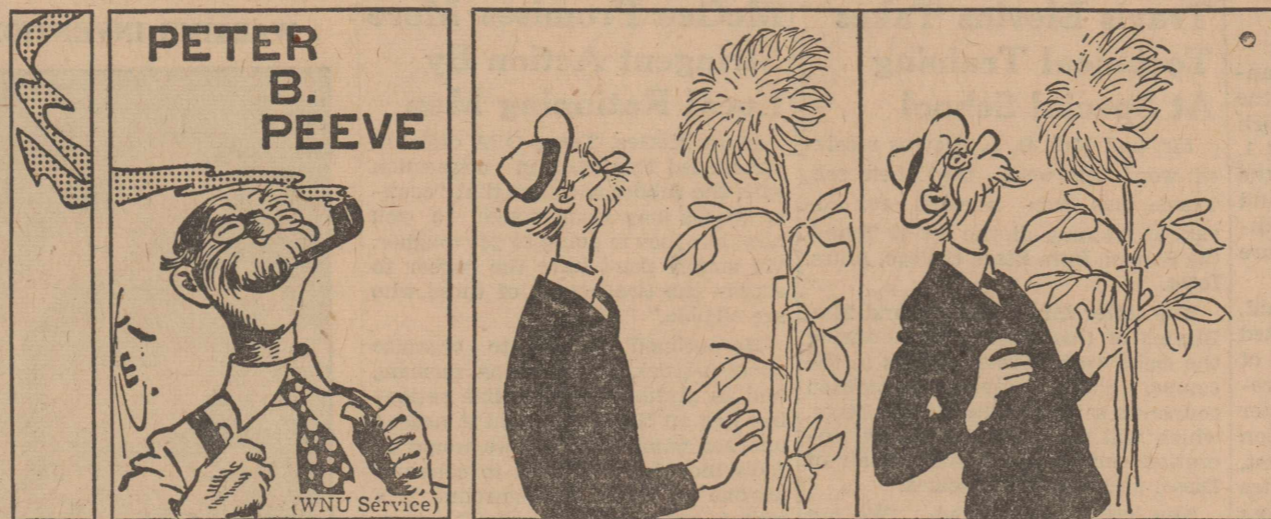
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3. What monster in literature had a hundred eyes?
4. Who was the youngest President ever to take the oath of office in the United States?
5. The treaty ending the war between Japan and Russia in 1905 was negotiated in what city?
6. What planet is nearest the sun?

- The Answers**
1. Glass.
  2. Fifty-six.
  3. Argus.
  4. Theodore Roosevelt. (He was forty-two.)
  5. Portsmouth, N. H.
  6. Mercury is the planet nearest the sun.



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# Army Strives for Right Man on Right Spot

## Fighting, Efficient Yanks First Aim of Personnel Officers

Sorting out and analyzing the occupational skills, hobbies, education and aptitudes of every man who enters the army and fitting him into an assignment where he can make his greatest contribution to the war effort is the job of more than 6,000 skilled personnel officers and men who were carefully selected and trained by the adjutant general's office of the war department and who are engaged in this most important of all personnel work in nearly every corner of the globe.

Unlike materiel, personnel is never static—it is always changing. A man entering the service today and classified as a mechanic or a potential machine gunner may next month or several months later display aptitudes which may make him a potential anti-aircraft gunner, a Diesel engine mechanic, a tank commander or an officer candidate.

Because some men fail to measure up to the first estimate of their abilities, and others demonstrate abilities far beyond anything that their civilian experience would indicate, the work of the classification and assignment officer has only begun when at the reception center the first duty or training assignment is recommended.

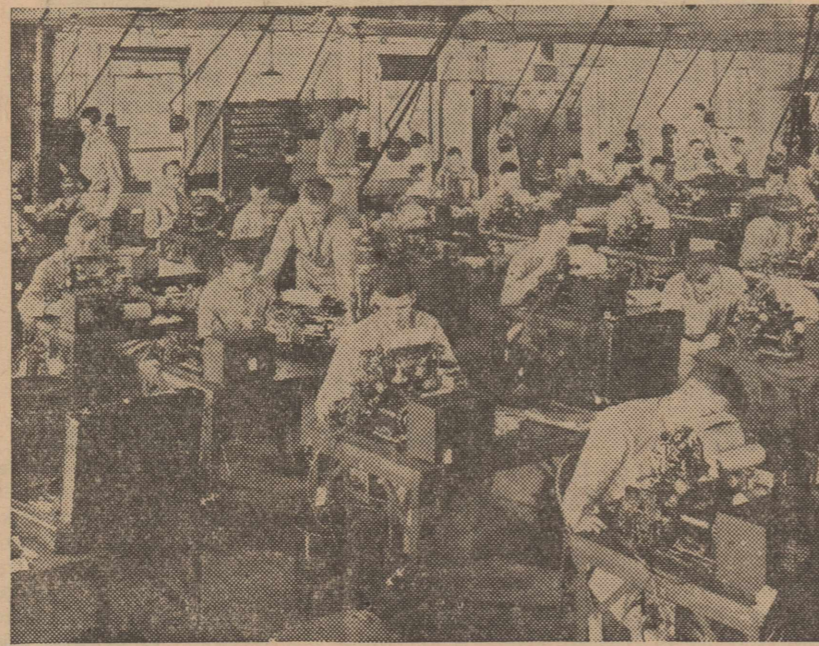
### Various Test 'Sieves'

Actual requirements of the various arms and services to provide filler and loss replacements for existing and new units are known and set up in requirement and replacement rate tables by the many civilian occupational categories that are required to make up our army and are furnished service command commanders in accordance with the selective service procurement allotment quota of each service command and also in accordance with the occurrence rate of procurement of each type of civilian occupation in each service command which experience has indicated. This provides the first sieve through which men are put when they enter the service.

A second is given them when they arrive at replacement training centers of the various arms and services. Here, their records of the interview and test grades attained are reviewed and they are placed in the type of training within their arm or service of assignment where it is believed they will do their best work.

It will be seen from this that while the objective of initial classification is to recommend a man for duty or training in an army job for which his civilian experience indicates he is best fitted, there are several contributing factors which may result in his being assigned to a duty entirely foreign, to his mind, to any experience he may have had. They include: a surplus of civilian occupations above army requirements; many civilian jobs having no army counterpart; a personnel history indicating leadership potentialities which the man himself possibly did not realize.

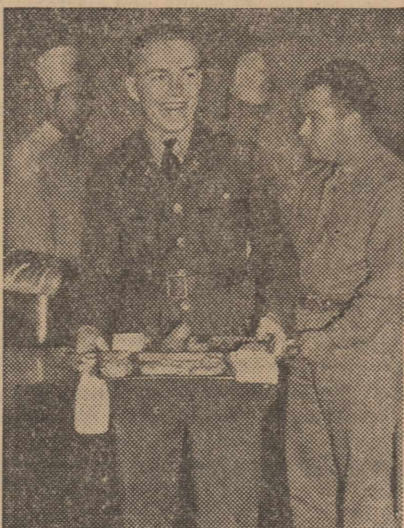
**At the Reception Center.** Here classification and assignment begin. Here all men are interviewed and initially classified. Here their basic classification form is filled out. This card accompanies every man throughout his army career, and will be used in helping to



Many of the soldiers in the army today are highly trained technicians. Many of them, their technical "talents" being discovered by various tests after induction, are receiving such training as these young men who are learning the detail assembly of teletype machines, and how to remedy any defects found in them.

find a job for him when he returns to civilian life. It summarizes his personal history, schooling, work experience, leadership ability, interests, hobbies, foreign languages, and previous military, ROTC or CCC experience. Additions and changes are made when necessary, insuring an up-to-date record of information throughout the man's service.

The first phase of classification is testing. Every man receives the army general classification test, which provides an index of his general ability to learn his duties. The score on this test and the corresponding army grade are recorded on the qualification card before the



Intensive training, hard work, good food—and plenty of it, such as what goes into the daily life of each and every one of Uncle Sam's soldiers. The big grin on this sergeant's face indicates that he's satisfied with what is on his tray.

man is interviewed. The mechanical aptitude test is given to all recruits who can read and write English. The test has questions on pattern-picture matching, shop mechanics, and mechanical movements, comprehension, and information.

The second phase of initial classification is the interview. The interviewer is skilled in questioning, in drawing out desired information, and in recording it accurately.

**After the Interview.** When the interview is over, the qualification card is checked for completeness, accuracy, and legibility. It is then referred to the classifier, who checks the man's civilian occupations and on the basis of the information on the card recommends his initial duty or training assignment either to a replacement training center or to a unit. This recommended assignment is not necessarily the man's main or even second-best civilian occupation, but is determined on the basis of a complete analysis of each individual which includes his occupation, education, hobbies, previous military training, intelligence, leadership, and other pertinent factors.

It is the practice to distribute men of various levels of educational and mental ability equally among the different arms and services so that the average level is equalized in all arms and services.

**At Replacement Training Center.** Here, incoming trainees are assigned to the type of training which they may most readily absorb. The particular needs of the service, however, may make it impossible to assign every man to the specific type of training for which he was first recommended.

The first task is to make certain that each man's training will be in accord with his aptitudes, interests and experience. Various means are employed to insure training only qualified personnel. When the ex-

perience data on the soldier's qualification card are questionable, the soldier is re-interviewed; and if his particular ability is still uncertain, he receives a trade test for that field.

In the final matching of men and jobs, other factors beside the test scores and work experience are carefully considered. Full utilization is made of leadership, age, previous military experience, and any other experience with predictive value.

### If Progress Isn't Satisfactory.

While the men are receiving these varied types of training at the Replacement Training center, the classification and assignment officer is continually informed about their progress so that any who are not progressing satisfactorily may be reclassified and reassigned to a different type of training.

This is especially important in connection with the training of specialists, since these schools have limited space facilities and can be used to train only those men best qualified for the instruction. The classification officer is also kept informed when men in the Special Training units are ready to return to regular training, so that they may be transferred promptly.

Near the completion of their training, all enlisted men are reported to the adjutant general by the specification serial number of the military occupational specialty in which they will be qualified for assignment to a unit. The adjutant general then issues transfer orders for these men to report to various units and installations for which requisitions exist.

At units, replacements are assigned to duties on the basis of the information on their qualification cards.

For various reasons, men may often be reclassified. A specialist gains new skills in the process of training, a soldier of long service can no longer compete physically with younger men, a conscientious objector requests in writing to be assigned to a combat unit, or an enlisted man finds it difficult, because of physical deficiency or emotional instability, to adjust himself to an assignment.

Reassignments are also made to balance the available skills and mental abilities within the units and through the service. Unit commanders report shortages and any over-supply of military specialists so that transfers may be made to balance skills throughout the parent unit and the army.

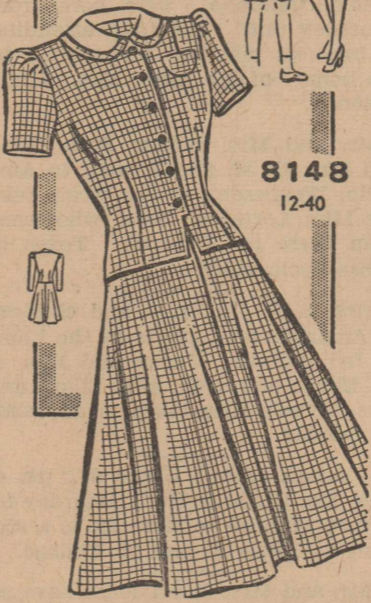
### Personnel Specialists.

The personnel technician is a classification officer charged with the administration of classification procedures and policies in the unit or installation to which he may be assigned. He must have had technical training and experience in personnel administration and must demonstrate organizing ability. With him rests responsibility for the administration of Classification Tests given to all enlisted men and for giving aptitude and individual tests when necessary.

He has on his staff the Personnel Consultant and enlisted men, also classified as Personnel Technicians, who help to maintain the smooth and efficient functioning of the classification program.

Through such classification and assignment, the army of the United States is endeavoring to use available manpower with one and only one object in view—the placement of each man in a job or duty where his strength, vigor, skill, aptitudes and intelligence may be utilized to strike the most telling blow against the enemies of our country.

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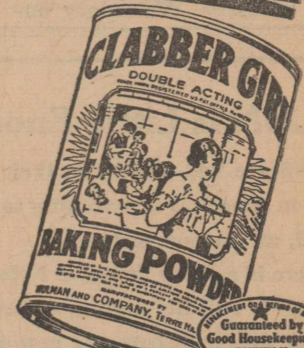
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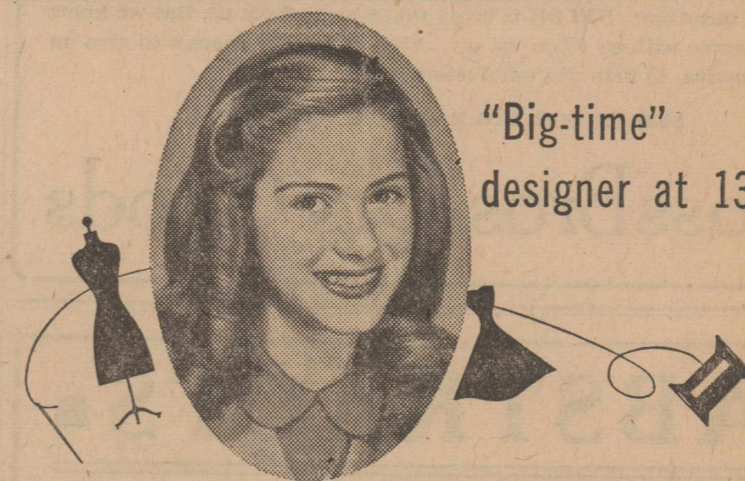
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## Concerts—No Audiences

In Naubat Hall in Bidar, India, a group of hereditary musicians still play five concerts daily, following a 400-year-old custom of their ancestors, despite the fact that they have no audience and that the fortress has been deserted and in ruins for a number of years.

# SPAGHETTI?



What's Happened To Yours, Mussolini?

ONE to feed Nazi soldiers? Something's wrong with that picture, Mussolini. Maybe you *did* start out with ideals, but you got into bad company.

We have spaghetti in America—plenty of it. We send some abroad to the United Nations. We also send great quantities of tomato juice, fruits, vegetables, meats . . . and *still* have enough left for the home front.

Yes, it's a job. We've never tried to feed half the world before and some equipment is lacking. Our food-canning industry is taxed to the limit. But we have the finest women in the world, Mussolini; they're fighting this war with kettles and spoons, pressure cookers and home-canning jars . . . *preserving food* at home, each for her own family. You see, it not only means a low food cost and a balanced diet—it means that commercially-canned foods can be loaded on hundreds of "food ships" for our fighting sons and brothers.

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The right man in the right place—that's the idea. But the important purpose of the army's training program is to develop fighting soldiers such as this one: Lieut. James A. Harden, "Bayonet Expert of the 31st Division."

## Yanks Taught Language of Land Where They Are Stationed

It is planned to supply every troop unit with a set of foreign language recordings upon leaving for a destination where a foreign language is spoken.

It is estimated that after six or seven hearings of the records and a short period of applied study of the references, the average soldier should have memorized sufficient phrases to provide him with an adequate speaking vocabulary for his needs.

Dr. Henry Lee Smith, former instructor of English at Brown University, Providence, R. I., and director of the radio program, "Where Are You From?" is in charge.

He points out that although the procedure is based on scientific analysis of principles of phonetics and phonemics, it is not intended as a basic conversational study of the foreign language. It was evolved only as an expedient for quickly and easily instructing American troops.

American troops embarking for a land where a foreign language is spoken will be taught an elementary speaking knowledge of that language through a new and simplified method of instruction featuring the use of phonograph records, it was announced by the war department.

The records are used in conjunction with reference pamphlets containing instructions in pronunciation and a glossary containing further information on the language.

### 13 Million In Army Foreseen By General

America's rapidly swelling army will pass the four-and-a-half million goal set for this year, Selective Service Director Hershey has announced.

Asked to give a house committee the number of drafted men, he stated the number is greater than the public realizes. He said the army might eventually reach a total of 13 million men.

General Hershey said industry will be shocked into realizing that many men can be replaced by women. He expressed interest in labor-management committees to advise draft boards which men should be spared for industry. Voluntary en-

listments in the 18 and 19-year-old group have been so heavy that less than half the number in that category would be available even if congress lowers the draft age.

#### MRS. HARDING HONORS SON

George Hayden Harding was honored with a party on his fourth birthday, by his mother, Mrs. Wayne Harding. The color scheme was carried out in pink, white and green.

After George blew out the candles on his cake, refreshments were served to Bob Reed Donelson, Wilma Arnold, Mac Boswell, Benny Ray and Bruce Biddy and Jo Wayne Harding.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Steele and Mr. and Mrs. Lon C. McCrory of Dalhart were here Sunday visiting in the Arthur Ross home.

### PERSONALS

Mrs. Woodrow Ferguson was in Brownwood, Texas Thursday of last week visiting with her husband. She left here Wednesday, and after visiting with him on Thursday, he with others were shipped to an unknown destination, and as usual it will be some time before it is known where he will be located.

Mr. and Mrs. Graden Gamble and Mrs. W. R. Gamble took Mrs. Crescens to Amarillo Tuesday of last week and met Miss Lillie Kerley, Chilli-cothe, Texas, who is visiting this week with her sister, Mrs. W. R. Gamble.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wilson and Walton Wilson met Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wilson in Alva, Oklahoma for a weekend visit. Mrs. Wilson reports that Eugene and wife were getting along nicely with their work at Tulsa.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Richardson of Pueblo, Colorado, were here from Thursday until Saturday attending to business matters and visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louie Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ross, Gene and Mrs. H. M. Brown went to Amarillo, Wednesday of last week, taking Miss Lorraine Ross, who went from there to Lubbock, Texas to Texas Tech. College.

Mrs. J. E. Crabtree and children of Amarillo were guests in the home of her parents, Judge and Mrs. J. W. Elliott last week. Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Mynola Ross taking them home on Sunday.

James Arthur Ullum Jr., son of Mrs. Eva Ullum, arrived Saturday for a visit with his mother. He is a student at Texas A. and M. College.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Thorpe have returned from Dumas to their home in Stratford. Mr. Thorpe is employed at Albert's Grocery.

Edgar and Edward Brannan, F. H. Bell and N. W. Hudson left the first of the week to enter West Texas State College at Canyon.

Miss Erma Lee Bonar left last week for Denver, Colorado, where she will attend college for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Headrick of Amarillo were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. C. R. Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Garrison took their daughter, Marcella to Canyon, Monday where she entered West Texas State College.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Pearson were in Amarillo visiting Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. O'Brien visited in Dalhart Friday with Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Waters.

Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Green and family, Mrs. J. W. Parson and Miss Lucille Parsons were in Amarillo Saturday on business.

L. M. Price and Leslie Parker were in Amarillo Friday transacting business.

Miss Myrtle Philips returned to her home in Petersburg, Saturday with her brother, Melvin Philips, who spent the weekend with his mother.

Mrs. A. W. Morehead left Friday for Providence, Rhode Island to visit her husband, who is in the Navy.

The Joe Billington home has recently been given a new coat of paint which adds much to its appearance.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Blake and daughter, and Miss Jewell Brooks were in Amarillo, Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. O'Brien, Mrs. Tim Flores and Mrs. Bill King were in Amarillo Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Winter of Eva, Oklahoma spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bockman.

Mrs. D. Wilson and children, Peggy Morse and Dean Turner motored to Amarillo, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Walsh visited with their daughter, Alma Dale Walsh in Amarillo, Saturday.

Mrs. Morgan of Dalhart spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cameron and family were in Amarillo, Saturday.

Bert Slay was in Amarillo on Monday transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Plunk were in Amarillo last week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Plunk.

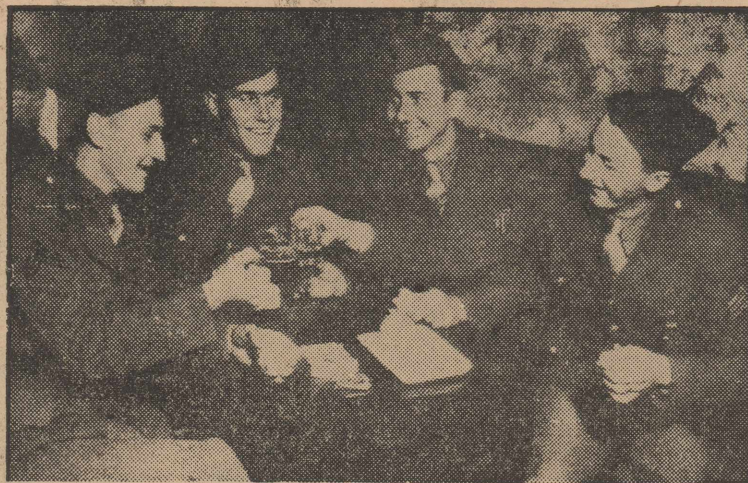
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Plunk visited with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Reeder in Amarillo last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Riffe were business visitors in Amarillo Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. B. E. Brown and mother, Mrs. Cash and Mrs. Roger Caldwell were Dalhart visitors last Saturday.

William Pendleton, student of A. & M. College, is at home for a visit with his father, J. R. Pendleton and Mrs. Pendleton and other relatives.

### RANGER-HEROES OF DIEPPE RAID



London, England—Back in London, four United States Rangers (commandos) talk over their thrilling experiences during the Commando Raid on Dieppe. Second from left is Staff Sergeant Kenneth Stempson, 23, of Russell, Minn., who commanded a twelve-man group, only five of which returned from the raid. At left is Corporal Wm. Brady,

22, Grand Forks, N. D., who was one of the first to get ashore. Brady told how one of his buddies, Corp. Franklin Koons, (second from right), of Sioux City, Iowa, got two of the snipers that were taking pot shots at the group. At right is Sergeant Alex Szima, 22, Dayton, Ohio, who told reporters "Our job was to go to a ravine and demolish some German mines. We did that."

### Be Like Soldiers These Little Tricks Show How It's Done

- \* If you can—
- Run 100 yards in 10.6 seconds.
- Run a mile in 6 minutes.
- Heave a 12-pound shot 40 feet.
- Broad-jump 8 feet 10 inches from standing position.
- Chin yourself up 14 times.
- Do 33 push-ups.
- Do 50 sit-ups.
- Complete an obstacle course in 1 minute 22 seconds.
- Then you are a soldier of "superior physical effectiveness."
- But if you cannot at least—
- Run 100 yards in 13.4 seconds.
- Run a mile in 8 minutes 15 seconds.
- Heave a shot 21 feet 6 inches.
- Broad-jump 6 feet.
- Chin 4 times.
- Do 12 push-ups.
- Do 15 sit-ups.
- Complete obstacle course in 2 minutes 36 seconds.

Then, fellow, you are of "unsatisfactory physical effectiveness" and had better be getting in shape.

Men of the 359th Inf. are finding this out these days as they are being put through physical tests designed to see that Uncle Sam's fighting men are physically fit for fighting.

Purpose is not to make athletics or make the whole Army a track team, officials explain. The idea instead is to make sure the training program is hardening men for field conditions as effectively as it is intended to.

All of this goes for officers, too. They have to be as fit as their men. They are required to go through their paces on a course west of the Field House in the same manner as enlisted men. Thus every now and then delegations of officers, many of them in fatigue clothes, trudge out to the course to get their physical prowess on record.

Camp Berkeley News.

### Nelson-Sutton Vows Read In California

In a double ring ceremony performed Thursday evening, September 10, Marcella Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Nelson of Texhoma, became the bride of Frank D. Sutton, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sutton.

The ceremony was performed in the Central Christian church of San Diego, California, in the presence of the bride's sister, Miss Glenda Ruth Nelson of Amarillo, Texas, the groom's father, and the groom's sister, Mrs. Clois Forrester, Oakland, California.

The bride wore a royal blue velvet dress with a corsage of pink rosebuds and light blue accessories.

Mrs. Sutton was graduated from Texhoma high school and attended business college in Enid, Oklahoma. She was an employee of the Cimarron Utilities Company for two years.

The groom graduated from Texhoma high school and is now employed by Consolidated Aircraft in San Diego. The couple will make their home in San Diego.

### Pepper Shaker Collector Passes Out Some Data

ALVA, OKLA.—How long have salt and pepper shakers been in use? Miss Lillian Dyer, former Alva high school principal, says they date back 150 years.

Miss Dyer is a collector of salt and pepper shakers. She has 325 sets of all sizes and descriptions from eight foreign countries and 42 of the 48 United States.

In her study of shakers, she learned they were used generally shortly after the Revolutionary war. Prior to that, cut glass pieces known as "dips" were used. Today "dips" again are becoming popular, she says.

### WANT ADS

FLOWERS: Call Mrs. H. M. Brown. Car of lump coal on track soon. Stratford Grain Co.

Notice—Please pay all bills due the Star to Mrs. Ross at the Star office and avoid confusion.

### Santa Fe Asks For Permission To Take Over Truck Lines

Albuquerque, N. M., Sept. 22—Application of the Santa Fe Trail Transportation Company, subsidiary of the Santa Fe Railway, for authority to purchase the Rio Grande Truck Lines was taken under submission by Examiner John S. Higgins of the Interstate Commerce Commission here today.

The proposed purchase would include properties and operating rights between Denver and El Paso, Socorro and Magdalena, Hot Springs and Engel, and Caballo and Silver City at a sum approximately \$225,000, according to testimony. The truck lines are operated by R. G. Spitzer of Albuquerque.

Principal advantages would be the transfer of a volume of less than carload tonnage from the railroad to truck operation, according to witnesses. This would expedite and permit discontinuance of railway merchandising cars with a consequent saving of freight cars at a time when railways are taxed to the utmost in connection with the war effort.

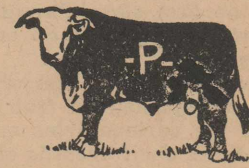
Robert S. Gish testified for the applicants that some local merchandise deliveries would be speeded through such operation by as many as four days. He said 242 railroad merchandise cars would have been released in July if the railroad had been able to utilize the truck line in that month.

H. R. Lake, vice-president of the Santa Fe Trail Transportation Company, outlined economic reasons for the purchase including expedited service to the territory, and asserted that the entire truck line personnel would be retained and perhaps increased if authority is granted.

The tenant house of Mrs. Hose Flores received a coat of paint this week.

### PRONGER BROS.

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But there is a silver lining as Nylon slowly disappears from hosiery. Necessity is still the mother of invention. And since Nylon is on its way out, we are discovering new stocking ideas in other materials. There are new shadow-sheer rayons, cotton lisle meshes and chifffons that will win your heart. You'll find them every bit as smart as they are practical and patriotic. As a matter of fact, so many hosiery improvements will probably be made that you'll want to keep your new, war-born stockings even after the war.

In the meantime, NYLON is being taken away from us. But we know you'll agree with us when we say, "Nylon is little enough to give up for America, to help win our Victory."

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2 piece Refrigerator Dish, Free.		10 Lb.	
COFFEE		Tea, Bright & Early	
Maxwell House	31	Regular size pkg.	18
Pound		Glass FREE	
COMPOUND		Oats White Swan	10
Vegetole	\$3.09	20 oz. pkg.	
16 Lb. pail		SHREDDIES	
CORN, Concho		Whole Wheat	21
Cream Style	25	2 Pkg. for	
No. 2 Can 2 for		Corn Kix	21
Spinach Texas	21	2 Pkg. for	
No. 2 Can 2 for		Peaches	
White Syrup		Water Pack	29
Blackburns	37	No. 2 1/2 tin 2 for	
1/2 Gallon		Vanilla Wafers	
Prepared		Sunshine	15
MUSTARD	12	9 oz. Box	
Full Qt. jar		Laundry Soap	
Toilet Soap		Big Ben	39
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### Castor Bean On Way To Being Important Cash Crop In Texas

Robstown—Give them time to learn more about production methods and castor beans might well become an important cash crop to some Texas farmers.

So believes Adolph Veselka, Nueces county farmer, who planted 30 acres of castor beans this year to help provide seed for possible big plantings of the important oil-bearing bean next year.

Veselka's acreage is part of the 3,300 acres planted by Texas farmers this year in the AAA's program to insure ample supplies of castor bean seed for planting next year—if it becomes necessary to practice self-sufficiency in castor bean production.

The AAA inaugurated its castor bean program when imports from the Far East were cut off by war. Meanwhile, the U. S. shifted to Brazil as a source of supply, but the AAA's program assures America plenty of seed in case shipping shortages should curtail imports from South America.

Veselka is just one of 838 farmers who are cooperating in the castor bean program. He, as did all the rest, planted seed furnished by the Commodity Credit Corporation thru the AAA. When the crop is harvested the CCC will buy the castor beans at prices ranging up and down from

four cents a pound, depending on grade. Cost of the original seed will be deducted from these payments for the crop.

Veselka estimates his probable yield at from 800 to 1,000 pounds per acre but admits it's hard because he knows so little about the crop.

Castor beans were planted in several Texas areas. In the Corpus Christi area and in several counties around Waco, farmers planted Doughty No. 11 seed, developed by W. D. Doughty. In the areas around Dallas, Lubbock and Vernon, Conner seed, an old-time seed was planted.

#### Christian Church

L. B. Chaffin, Minister  
Bible School 10 a. m., J. R. Pendleton, Supt.; Morning Worship 11 a. m. Junior Endeavor 7:30 p. m., Mrs. C. R. Bomer, sponsor; Intermediate Endeavor 7:30 p. m., Mrs. S. J. Calvird, sponsor; Senior Endeavor 7:30 p. m. Evening worship 8:30 p. m.  
Choir Practice Wednesday 8:45 p. m.  
Women's Council, first and third Wednesdays, 2:30 p. m.

#### Methodist Church

J. B. Thompson, Pastor  
Sunday school 10 a. m. Morning Worship, 11 a. m.; Evening worship 8:30 p. m.  
Revival date—Week beginning October 11. The guest speaker, Bishop John M. Moore of Dallas.

## AAA OFFICIALS INSPECT CASTOR BEANS



Castor beans, vital to America's war effort, might well prove a profitable crop in some sections of Texas, in the opinion of Adolph Veselka, Nueces County farmer, who planted 30 acres of castor beans as his part in the AAA's program to produce ample supplies of seed for the coming year. Above, left to right, Howard T. Kingsbery, State AAA Committeeman, Veselka, William C. Newell, Chairman of County AAA Committee, and Curtis S. Pegues, County AAA Administrative Officer, take a look at Veselka's crop which may make more than a thousand pounds of seed per acre.

### Mail Regulations Easily Broken, So Better Be Careful

A warning to all citizens: If you don't watch out, the next time you write a letter or send a package, you will be a law violator whom the FBI would love to get its hands upon.

Postal Laws and Regulations and the Postal Guide have provisions that can make the law-abiding citizen begin to look over his shoulders to see if the law is after him, and sneak up corners to avoid the innocent cop on the corner.

When you put a stamp on a letter and place it in your pocket to take to the mail box, you are in possession of a document protected by about 10,000 government laws and regulations.

Among some of these rules of procedure which might be violated are: A scribbling with pencil of the address on a package, is unlawful. The clerk may be lenient, but you should use pen and ink. Stamps slapped on so that they overlap are illegal.

Some day you might decide to play a joke on a company advertising free samples. You clip coupons and fill in fictitious names to get more samples. The FBI will get you!

If you get mad at a relative or a customer and send a nasty letter along the mail routes, you are in dangerous territory. That is a threat-

ening letter, according to the post office, and you are subject to heavy fines.

Chain letters are no longer legal. You might have bad luck if you break a chain. But you will certainly have bad luck if Uncle Sam catches you loading up his mail sacks with such unnecessary business.

And if you want to transfer a pet snake to somebody else via the post office, you will get back the snake and also get something that is not snake poison remedy.

The post office department is not made up entirely of don'ts. A very convenient arrangement for many members of the public is its free mail service to men in the armed forces and its free postage for Braille books sent to the blind from libraries and back.

But a final warning. Be careful what you drop into the mail slot. If you want it back, the procedure for getting it is more involved than making arrangements for an interview with Donald Nelson. Application must be made in writing. And the expenses of tracking down the letter about which you have changed your mind are charged up to you.

### Fire Prevention To Be Stressed In Week Beginning October 4

College Station—The week beginning October 4, next, has been designated Fire Prevention Week by proclamation of President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In February, Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard requested the Extension Service to assume leadership in organizing rural America for defense against destructive fires, and in disseminating information as to ways and means of reducing farm fire hazards. In accepting this responsibility the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service printed 400,000 copies of a leaflet designed as a guide for elimination of fire dangers.

The leaflet, titled "Prevent Farm Fires", is in the form of a check sheet listing the most common fire hazards around farm houses and barns and in the farm forests and fields.

About 250 persons lose their lives in fires on farms and rural communities of Texas each year. One-third, or about 83, of this number are children under 10 years of age. It is our desire that families use the check sheet as the basis for a complete record of the things to be done around the place to make it safe from fire—to prevent fires starting.

The farm fire menace is not confined to farm buildings and barns. There are millions of acres of farm forests and pasture lands, especially during the dry weather at the end of summer, which stand ready for ignition. The loss of farm machinery, livestock, cattle feed, buildings, grass and timber always is serious, but much more serious at this time when replacement cannot be made without using material and man power needed in the war effort.

#### Baptist Church

(Fern A. Miller, Pastor)  
Sunday school 10:00 a. m., L. P. Hunter, superintendent. Morning worship 11:00.  
Training Union 7:15 p. m., D. R. Wilson, director. Evening worship 8:00.  
Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening 8:00.

#### Church of Christ

A. C. Huff, Minister.  
Bible Study 10 a. m.; Preaching 11 a. m.; Communion 11:45 a. m.  
Young Peoples meeting 7:50 p. m. Preaching 8:30 p. m.  
Song drill every Wednesday night.

### OPA PREPARES CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR EVERYBODY

The Office of Price Administration has sent to the government printing office an order for the first issue of 150,000,000 "all-purpose" ration books designed for rationing any article or commodity.

Copies of these pocket-size, manila bound books will be ready for distribution to the nation's 132,000,000 persons probably around Christmas time. The books are designed in such a manner that they can be used when shortages develop in supplies of virtually any commodity. But they cannot be used to ration gasoline, fuel oil, typewriters, bicycles or similar articles which do not have

universal use because ration cards for such articles must be distributed only among persons who are normal consumers.

### PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHT FOR BROOMCORN RAISERS

Broomcorn harvest is proceeding rapidly throughout the Kansas, and Colorado area, with prospects for an enormous crop of excellent quality in view.

A labor shortage throughout the broomcorn district has caused workers to be brought from as far away as Arkansas at wages of \$4 and \$5 per day and board. Price for the product is running between \$130 to \$160 a ton.

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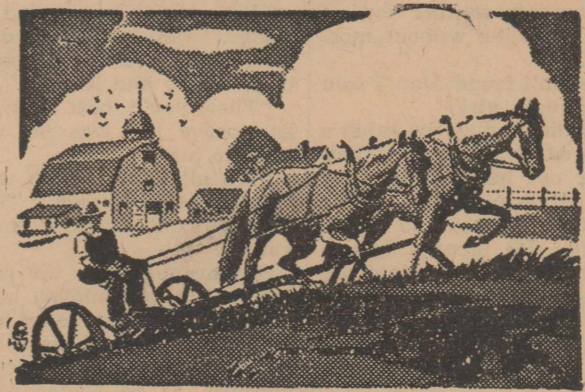
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## The Stratford Star

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# GHOST PLANE

By ARTHUR STRINGER  
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**THE STORY SO FAR:** To help save Norland Airways Alan Slade agrees to fly a supposed scientist named Frayne and his assistant, Karnell, to the Anawotto river in search of the trumpeter swan. With the proceeds Slade's partner, Cruger, buys a new Lockheed, which is stolen. When Slade returns from the Anawotto he starts out to find the plane, aided by an eskimo named Umanak and by his old prospector friends, Zeke and Minty. Slade goes to Frayne's camp, where he learns that the missing plane is being used by Frayne to take something out of the country. Slim Tumstead, a no-good flyer who has lost his license, is Frayne's pilot. When Slade attempts to investigate the plane's cargo he is knocked unconscious by Karnell. He is "rescued" by Tumstead, only to be abandoned by him on a deserted island. Zeke and Minty find Slade's plane and stay to guard it. Slade escapes to the mainland. Umanak is found, exhausted, by Dr. Morlock and his daughter, Lynn, and he tells them he has found the missing plane. He has also brought a sample of the plane's cargo, which turns out to be pitchblende, source of a new kind of power. They decide to take Umanak home and then look for Slade.

Now continue with the story.



"It's you who mustn't take chances," she reminded him.

## CHAPTER XVI

But taking Umanak home had its difficulties. "No like devil-bird," was his stubborn protest.

But the Flying Padre was insistent. And Lynn, after much talk and argument, finally persuaded the old Innuit to climb into the cabin. There he crouched down in a corner, with his hands covering his face. He moaned aloud as the plane took off. He continued to sweat and shiver on the trip back to Iviuk Inlet. And once there, disdaining Lynn's help, he disembarked with unexpected celerity, to be surrounded by an admiring group of natives whose exclamations of envy did much to restore the old man's shattered morale.

But Lynn's father was no longer interested in Umanak.

"Our next job," he said, "is to get in touch with Corporal McGarry at Great Bear. This begins to look like a case where the territorial authorities ought to get busy."

Lynn showed no active interest in that suggestion.

"Our first job," she maintained, "is to find Alan."

Some unlooked-for timbre of determination in her voice brought the Flying Padre's glance about to her face.

"But I feel we ought to swing over to Echo Harbor first. Umanak's an Eskimo, and you can, of course, discount his story a little. But if he's found what he says there it ought to be confirmed."

"That can wait," said Lynn.

Lynn studied the country over which the faded blue wings of the Flying Padre's plane drifted like a shadow. It was country that was new to her, yet in its general aspects it was oddly familiar.

She sighed as the Flying Padre banked and turned and settled down on a blue-watered lake where the wild fowl scuttled away at their approach. She remained silent as the pontoons moved slowly in toward a pebbled shore fringed by a scattering of driftwood.

"That's all for today," said the man at the controls. He sat for a moment in silence. His face looked tired and dispirited. But when he glanced at Lynn's equally dispirited face he roused himself.

"This is exactly what we're looking for," he said with a forced smile. "Firewood waiting for us and a clean shoreline without mosquitoes."

"But we haven't found Alan," said the still motionless girl.

"We'll find him," was the other's quietly assured response to that. After getting out his mooring line he rummaged through his cabin equipment for a jointed rod which he kept there. He ignored Lynn's clouded eyes as she sat watching him make ready his rod and tackle. "There's fish in these waters," he announced. "And if you'll get things ready we'll have a beauty or two for supper."

"But we haven't found Alan," she repeated to herself as she mechanically set about her work.

The question of Alan's whereabouts was still in her mind as they took off, the next morning, and headed deeper into the land of stunted spruce boles and empty ridges. A sense of timelessness crept through her as they flew on. Then she saw how the plane was veering eastward and her father was leaning forward to study the course of a river that wound sullenly in and out between the shadowy hills.

"That must be the Anawotto," he called out.

She took her turn at studying the terrain over which they were drifting. The Anawotto, to her, looked malignant, like a snake. She found so little that was consoling in its aspects that she was glad when they temporarily swerved away from its ever-changing course and headed for a district of bolder ridges interspersed with lakes that lay like pools of silver in the morning sun. Some of them were small and some of them were large. But the heavier tree-growth along their shores told her they had left the Land of Little Sticks behind them. Some of them, she also saw, were studded with conical small islands. One larger lake held the ghost of an islet in its very center, like a tiny pupil at the center of a wider iris of azure.

Lynn's eyes were on that island as they bore down on it. It lost its vagueness, as they drew nearer, and took on a new irregularity of outline. Then she saw it was not a dot of land. It was a gray-winged plane floating there in its bath of blue.

She could feel her heart come up in her throat.

"The ghost plane," she cried aloud.

But the Flying Padre, apparently, had also sighted the gray wings against the blue of unruined northern water. He turned and circled the lake, dropping lower as he looked.

"It's Alan's plane," he shouted as his pontoons took the water. "That's the Snow-Ball Baby."

Lynn could feel her heart pound as they drifted nearer. But no sign of life came from the plane so lazily dragging at its mooring line.

"That's queer," he observed. "I'll edge closer and climb aboard."

But an abrupt interruption came to that movement.

A rifle barked from the lake bank and a bullet went whining over his head. As he looked up, arrested, a second detonation echoed out over the lake water and a second bullet whined perilously close to his ear. Then a voice, husky but authoritative, called across the water.

"Keep off that plane," it commanded, "or I'll drop you where you stand."

The Flying Padre's eye, searching the shore, made out an unkempt and ragged old figure with a leveled rifle. On a rock point behind him, a moment later, he detected a second bewhiskered old figure, also with a leveled rifle.

"Keep down," was the Padre's warning cry to the girl in the cabin. "These fools are firing at us." Then he turned to the threatening figures on the shore. "Stop it, you idiots."

"Not on your life," was the huskily shouted response. "You back away from that plane and taxi in here or we'll blow you out o' the water."

The indignant man of medicine considered that threat. But it failed to stir him into action.

"Where's Alan Slade?" he demanded.

"What's that to you?" was the shouted response.

"We're friends," called back the Padre, "who want to find him."

He could see the rifle-barrels, at that, waver and lower.

"Then you'd best swing in here and prove it," was the call came back to him.

"It's all right," Lynn was saying from the cabin hatch. "They must be Alan's old miners from the Kasakana."

She dropped into the pilot's seat and started the motor, her still indignant father balanced on one of the floats as she veered about and taxied in to the shore line.

There, as he waded ashore, the old man with the rifle regarded him with a skeptical eye.

"Now, who're you?" was that old man's prompt challenge.

"That's not important," announced the Flying Padre. "I'd rather know who you are."

"We're a couple o' peace-lovin' lone-panners who've been prospectin' back on the Kasakana. I answer to the name o' Zeke Pratt. And this is my bunkie, Minty Buckman."

"Then you know Alan Slade," cried Lynn.

"Sure, we know Alan," conceded the embattled Zeke. "And that boy's a bit of all right. But what's worryin' us is why he ain't back here with his plane. She's been sittin' there empty, day after day, and I don't like the looks o' things."

"That's why we're guardin' her," concurred Minty.

"From whom?" questioned the Padre.

"From them damned swan-hunters who're up to some devilment round here we can't figger out. They've got a landin' dock and a plane o' their own hidden under a pile o' brush over the hills there. And when we tried to sleuth 'em out they started slingin' lead like a bunch of Sioux."

The Flying Padre's face remained thoughtful a moment.

"Could you take me to the camp

of these people with the plane?"

"Sure," said Zeke, "if you're ready to dodge bullets on the way."

"And you have no idea why those people are in this territory?" pursued the Padre.

"From the way they've been strippin' and dakin' and pittin' along the ridges I figgered out they was after gold. But they ain't workin' in the right rock for color."

"Supposing," said the Padre, "they were after pitchblende?"

That failed to impress the two old lone-fire prospectors.

"There's pitchblende in this neck o' the woods all right," conceded Zeke, "but what in heck would they be doin' with it out here?"

The Flying Padre had his own ideas about that. A plane ferrying a ton or two could carry a ponderable amount of uraninite from that uninhabited interior to tidewater.

"But what good would that do Germany," asked Lynn, "or any other country on the other side of the world?"

From an unmolested port like Echo Harbor, the Padre pointed out, a disguised Japanese whaler or even a furtive Russian freighter could pick up the cargo and quietly carry it on to Yokohama or to Vladivostok, where it could be transhipped and hurried on to the reducing plants north of the Rhine.

"This thing goes a trifle wider than you think," proclaimed the Padre as his gaze went from the two empty-eyed old sourdoughs to the disappointingly unresponsive face of his daughter.

"But this isn't helping us to find Alan," she objected.

The Padre studied the deepened hollow in her cheek and the sharpened line of the valorously poised chin.

"I know it," he agreed, "but one seems to weave in with the other. And I'm wondering which approach will bring the best results."

"If you take the one we took," interposed Minty, "you'll git results all right. You'll git 'em in the shape o' four-ounce slugs o' lead."

"Then we'll look 'em over from the air first," said the Flying Padre. He turned to the two ragged figures beside him. "Have you old-timers ever flown?"

"Sure," was the prompt response. But again Lynn interrupted.

"That's what we should both be doing," she insisted. "While you take Alan's ship I could take ours and be looking for him."

"Where will you look?" asked her father.

"I can't be sure yet," was her none too satisfactory answer. "But he wouldn't be away from his ship without some good reason." She stared out over the lonely spruce ridges. "And he'd come back to it if he could. That means he's somewhere out there waiting for us."

The Padre stood silent a moment. She had, as a rule, been singularly dependable. And the best antidote for anxiety, he had learned, was activity.

"All right," he acceded, "you can't stand around idle at a time like this, any more than I could. But keep some system in your scouting." He smiled at her prompt nod of understanding. "And no over-night stuff, remember."

"Not if I can help it."

"You've got to help it," said Lynn's father. "We can't afford a second searching party in these wilds. Mark this as your base and keep a close check on your course. And if the weather gets bad, head back here. One of these men will be keeping a signal-fire going. But the important thing, remember, is to spot your landmarks and know your lakes."

He found something reassuring in the girl's quiet smile.

"It's you who mustn't take chances," she reminded him.

For just a moment the firm young jaw quivered with some darker emotion. "You're all I'll have left, if anything's happened to Alan."

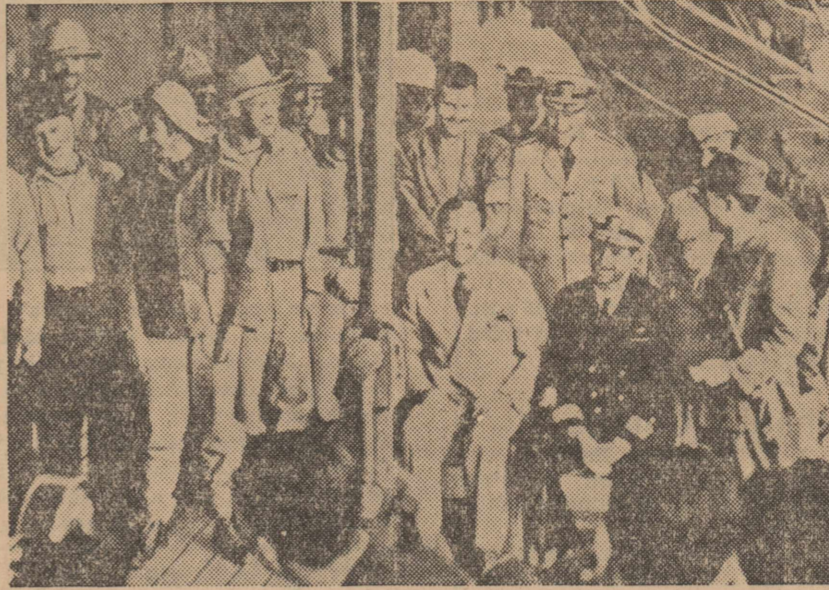
The Flying Padre forced a laugh. "I'm still betting on that bush hawk," he stoutly maintained. "He comes out of too hard a school not to know how to take care of himself. And today, remember, is the tomorrow we worried about yesterday."

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## WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

### New Allied Air Blows Take Heavy Toll Of Jap-Held Airports in New Guinea; Nelson Warns of War Production Cut; U. S. to Control Truck, Taxi Operation

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The above picture appeared in the Japanese propaganda magazine, "Freedom," and was brought back to this country by an American repatriated in the recent diplomatic exchange of nationals. The Japs describe this picture as showing a part of the 1,300 Americans captured at Wake island on their way to a prison camp in Kagawa province. The black uniformed officer is identified as Commander Winfield Scott Cunningham, ex-garrison chief at Wake. The picture is being used by the enemy as propaganda.

#### RUSSIA:

##### Nazi Advance

While Nazi troops besieging Stalingrad battled for a decision the German air force was reported to be concentrating its attack on Volga shipping, rail and highway communications as far southeast as Astrakhan, where the Volga flows into the Caspian sea.

The Russian high command announced that re-enforced German troops had made a further advance southwest of Stalingrad. German broadcasts told of Nazi troops entering the southern part of the city after capturing additional fortifications. However, the Russians claimed they were holding firm to the west.

The Red communique reported a new enemy drive on the western bank of the Don river, south of Voronezh, employing an entire infantry division and 100 tanks. The Germans were said to have lost 2,000 officers and men. In the Volkhov sector east of Leningrad the Germans were reported battling for a 12-mile stretch of the important Leningrad-Vologda railway.

Brighter reports came from the deep Caucasus. German troops in the mountainous region around Mzdok were said to be "withdrawing northward." Observers noted that recent snows in the Caucasus may have caused the withdrawal and said that the Axis may have relinquished hope of reaching the Caspian sea in that area before winter.

#### RAIDS ON BRITAIN:

##### From the Stratosphere

Germany's third new weapon for daylight bombing raids against England was revealed in London with a disclosure that Nazi stratosphere bombers, equipped with super-charged Diesel motors, have made several daylight attacks on Great Britain.

The first of these bombing raids on Britain were made from altitudes of approximately 40,000 feet. The bombers were modified Junkers 86-P's equipped with experimental pressure cabins. Others used were four-motor Heinkel 177's, carrying eight tons of bombs, equalling the capacity of Britain's biggest bombers, and the bomb-carrying Focke-Wulf 190's. The latter planes are primarily fighters and they are able to speed low over coastal targets, getting away before the fast British Spitfires can get at them.

#### PRODUCTION CUT:

##### Faced by Industry

In a straight-to-the-point speech, Donald M. Nelson, chairman of the War Production board, warned the nation that we are not winning the war and that, although the nation's production is not what it should be, shifts must be made in material allotment that will enforce layoffs and production changes.

He pointed out that further cuts in materials for civilian use and shifts in materials from one war product to another would be made to balance war production, and said such cuts and assignments would result in enforced layoffs for men and women intent on production for victory.

#### PACIFIC FRONT:

##### Action Continues

Allied bombing attacks against Japanese bases in New Guinea continued with smashing blows taking a heavy toll in the battle area. Lae and Salamaua were targets for the main attacks. Two bombers were destroyed on the ground at the Lae airdrome, where 17 tons of bombs were dropped on installations.

The communique stated that ground action in the Owen Stanley mountain range, where the Japs were halted about 40 miles north of the Port Moresby base, was confined to patrol activity.

Meanwhile, the battle of the Solomons seemed to have settled down to a battle of supply lines. The United States and Australia have poured planes and supplies in to the marines on Guadalcanal and Tulagi against Japanese sea and air opposition.

The Japs have not attacked in force since the major battle on August 24 and 25, when U. S. forces defeated an enemy invasion force of more than 40 ships. They have continued their occasional bombing forays and attacks with light naval craft. Recently the Japanese have bombed from high altitudes, using delayed action bombs.

#### MORGENTHAU:

##### Lauds Bond Sales

Flatly denying that he regards the voluntary war bond sales program as a "failure," Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau declared in a statement to the war savings staff that the treasury "will continue to rely upon voluntary lending for a large part of our financing."

The secretary's statement was made following a recent press conference. He said: "The impression seems to have spread that I regard the voluntary war bond program as a 'failure.' This is not only a distortion of anything I have said on the subject, but it is also an injustice to the hundreds of thousands of devoted volunteers in all parts of the country."

#### TRANSPORTATION:

##### U. S. Control

Before the operators of 5,000,000 trucks, 154,000 busses and 50,000 taxicabs can obtain gasoline, tires or parts after November 15, they will be forced to show "certificates of war necessity."

Government control of these vehicles as a conservation measure was announced by Joseph B. Eastman, director of the Office of Defense Transportation. Eastman said the certificates for commercial vehicles would require a tire check every 5,000 miles, or every 60 days—whichever occurs first. Certificates, he indicated, would be issued to all types of trucks and vehicles built primarily for transporting property and passengers and others available for public usage, such as ambulances and hearses.

The control measure was inaugurated to limit the use of vehicles to operations necessary to the war effort, or to the essential domestic economy.

## HIGHLIGHTS . . . in the week's news

**NICKEL:** Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau has announced that the new nickel will contain copper, manganese, silver—and no nickel.

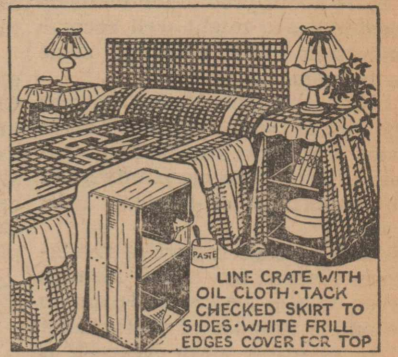
**AUTHORITY:** Organized with the assistance of United States experts, a central autonomous authority will be set up by the Brazilian government in a move toward stricter control over all phases of the nation's war effort.

**NAVY:** Approval of Clinton, Okla., as the site of an \$8,000,000 naval aviation training base has been announced by Navy Secretary Knox.

**RATIONING:** When Verney Harrop of Toronto, Ont., decided that "William, aged 6" should have a ration card, he ran into trouble. The wartime prices and trade board discovered that "William, aged 6" was a dog. Mr. Harrop was fined \$100.

## ON THE HOME FRONT

with RUTH WYETH SPEARS



THESE orange crate bedside tables are useful and easy to make; they are very decorative, too, when fitted out as illustrated. These were lined with green oil cloth cut, fitted and pasted as shown. The full skirt pieces were tacked to the top of the sides and lapped a few inches around the back. A top cover with a three-inch frill all around was added.

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**Lesson for September 27**

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**JOSEPH: AN EXAMPLE OF FORGIVENESS**

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 45:1-15; 47:11, 12.  
GOLDEN TEXT—Be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.—Ephesians 4:32.

Forgiveness, opening the way for the restoration of fellowship and the showing of kindness, brought the story of Joseph and his brethren to a happy ending. Under the good hand of God the story which began with tragedy is brought to a conclusion of blessing.

Following the earnest plea of Judah, the heart of Joseph could no longer withhold itself from the full expression of affection and devotion to his family.

**I. Love Overcomes Fear** (vv. 1-4). Joseph tenderly shielded the family troubles from the eyes and ears of strangers by sending out the Egyptians. It was the first step of consideration which paved the way for reconciliation. How often just the opposite is done—airing family affairs before the world, and humiliating those who may be in the wrong, thus making it difficult for them to admit their guilt.

Then, too, this was a moment too tender and delicate to be seen by outsiders. The tears of a strong man like Joseph mean a deep movement of spirit—a solemn and often a sacred moment.

It should also be noted that the brothers were afraid, and well they might be, because of their sin against Joseph. After almost 50 years these unrepentant men found themselves face to face with the one whom they had supposed they had disposed of, and they knew their sin had found them out. It always does, sooner or later, but inevitably.

How great and noble was the forgiving love of Joseph; an example to us, especially appropriate and needed in a world of hate and bitterness.

**II. Grace Overrules Sin** (vv. 5-8).

The guilt of these men was none the less and Joseph could not remove it, but he encouraged them by showing how God had used their evil devices to work out His own good pleasure. He can make the wrath of man to praise Him (Ps. 76:10).

It is worth stressing again that in the very hour when the prospects for Joseph's future usefulness seemed ruined, God was opening the door to the greatest experiences of his life and was preparing him to serve the thousands whose lives were saved by his wisdom and ability in the years of famine.

Nothing is more important in the life of a child of God than to be yielded to His will, unmoved by circumstances, abiding His time, responding to His guidance whether it be by the opening or closing of doors, prosperity or adversity. And herein is the marvel of it all—even sin may be overruled by God's grace for His own glory. That does not invite anyone to sin that grace may abound (Rom. 6:1, 2), but it does offer encouragement to the one who has fallen, that God can redeem the years that the locust have eaten (Joel 2:25).

Our lesson also sets us an example of how true forgiveness acts something we need. So often when forgiveness is asked or granted there is an "I can forgive but I can't forget" attitude, which means that while hostilities have ceased, at least temporarily, there is no real friendship or the disposition to show kindness. Is there any real forgiveness at all in such an attitude of heart and mind? We fear not.

**III. Kindness Provides the Best** (vv. 9-15; 47:11, 12).

It might have been enough to send food and a kind greeting with the brothers to their own land, but love does not seek the minimum expression of its feeling. It asks not how little, but how much can I give or do.

Bringing his aged father and brothers into the land of plenty was not enough, Joseph also gave to them the "best of the land" (47:11). His thoughtful consideration in sending for his father (Gen. 46:5-7) was part of the same piece of kindness.

Joseph puts to shame the modern "hard-boiled" attitude toward needy and aged members of the family. In their eager and relentless pursuit of fame or riches, many ignore or trample upon the members of their own families. Often they are ashamed of the broken bodies, the humble apparel, the broken or uneducated speech of their parents. They fear lest their new-found friends in the circle of wealth and supposed "position" will think them strange or ridiculous. God pity the man or woman who is ashamed of a humble or aged father and mother!

Joseph, who really had an exalted position gained by merit and by the blessing of God, never forgot his place before God as a son in the family and as a brother. Let us consider him and do likewise.

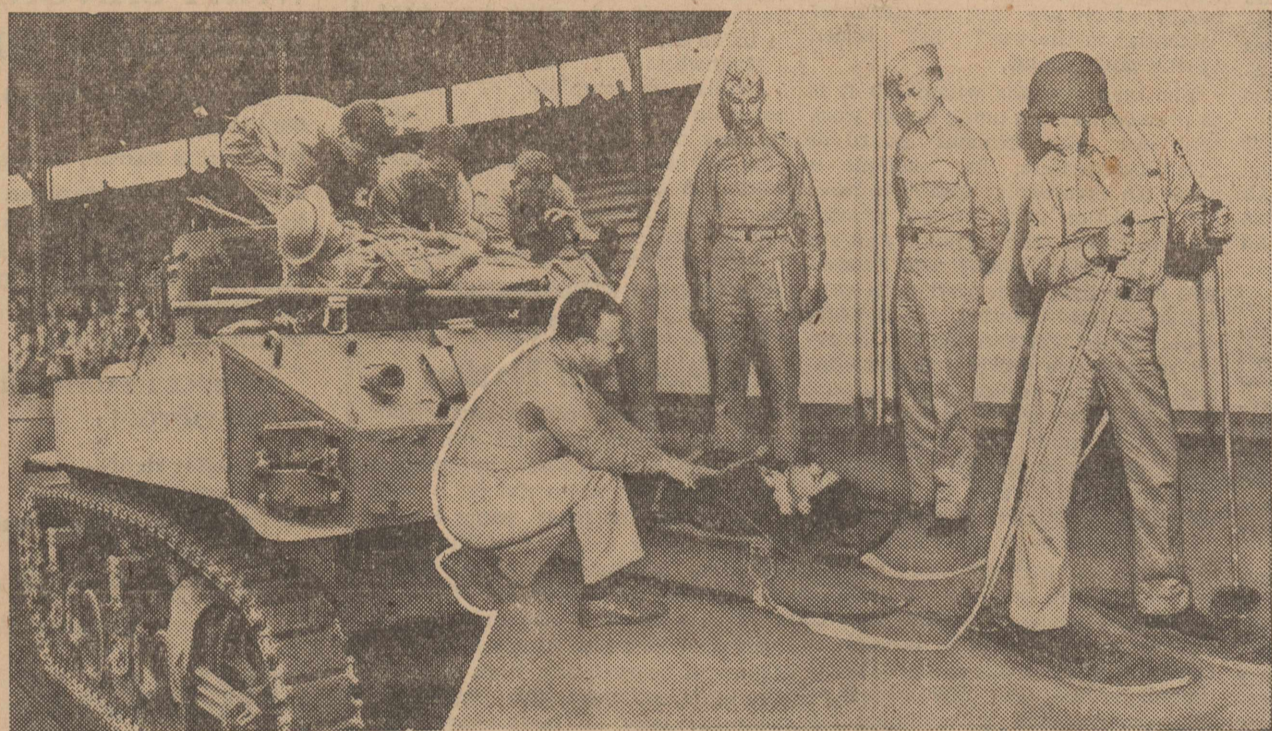
**U. S. Transport 'Wakefield' Burns at Sea**



The former luxury liner, Manhattan, now a naval transport ship and renamed the Wakefield, caught fire and was severely damaged at sea. More than 1,600 passengers and crew members were removed without loss of life by U. S. warships in the convoy. In the upper left the Wakefield is shown at sea, and at right is its commander, H. G. Bradbury. In lower left, passengers and crewmen are shown jammed on rear decks awaiting rescue. Notice the rope nets which were used to climb to the deck of rescue vessel. (Navy photos.)

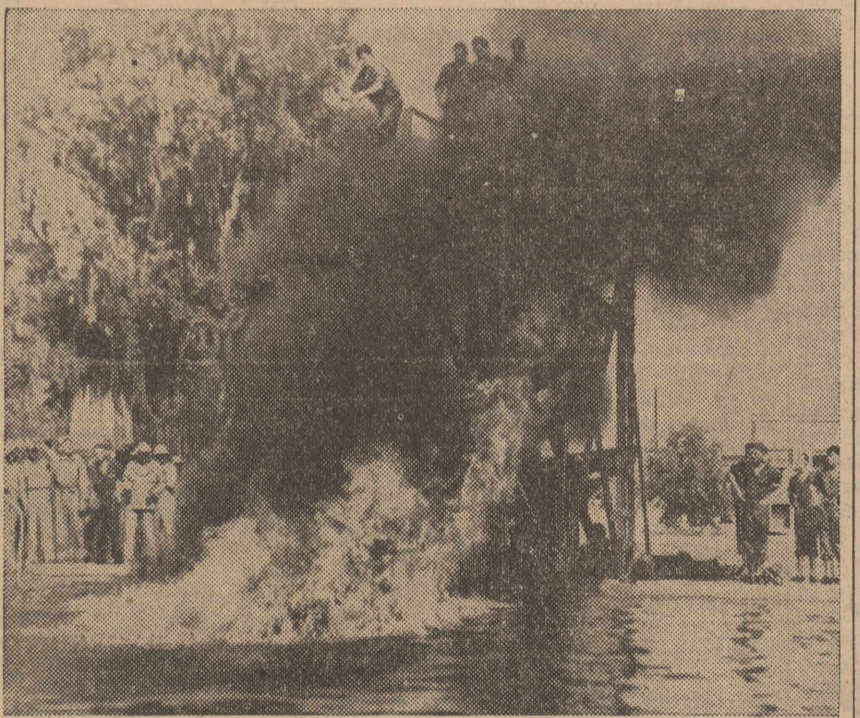


**Unsung Heroes of Medical Corps Play Important Role**



One of the most ticklish jobs which men of the U. S. army medical corps are called upon to undertake is the removal of wounded men from the inside of tanks. The method of this removal may mean life or death to the casualty. At the left you see trainees from the medical corps field service school at Carlisle, Pa., engaged in the task. The man has been successfully removed through the tank turret and is being placed on a stretcher atop the tank. At right you see a demonstration of a method of transforming a pair of skis into a smooth-running litter for transporting a wounded man over the snow.

**Commando Tactics at Harding Field, La.**



Soldiers are undergoing a special training course in Commando tactics at Harding Field, La. Here we see a soldier about to leave the jumping tower and dive into a blazing pool of water. The soldiers are taught to swim with a modified breast stroke, splashing water in front of them to protect them from the flames. The tower from which they leap is 20 feet high, the approximate distance of a transport's deck from the water. In case of a torpedoing, the soldiers would have to dive into the flaming water with their full packs and swim for shore.

**Mexico's President Makes Wartime Report**



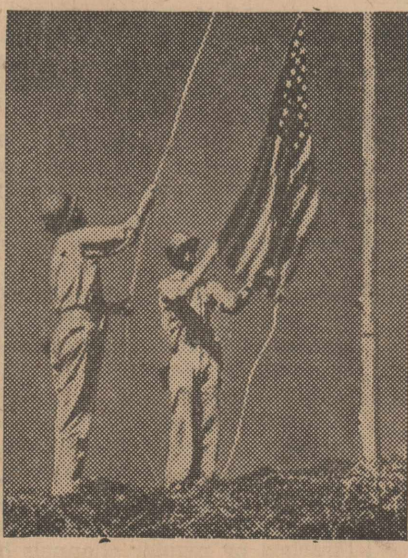
Gen. Manuel Avila Camacho, president of the United States of Mexico, makes his annual report before the congress of Mexico. This report—his first wartime capitulation of the situation—was particularly important and was addressed to the rest of the American continent as well as to Mexico. Thousands of distinguished guests heard him in person.

**Laugh Is on Axis**



The Axis boasted that a floating drydock they had sunk at an Egyptian port would never be raised. Capt. Edward Ellsburg, U.S.N., confounded them by raising the drydock in record time. He is shown here in an official auto in Egypt.

**Flag in Solomons**



Old Glory is raised over the embattled Solomon islands, eight months to the day after Pearl Harbor. This is the first territory that has been taken from the Japs since the sneak attack.



**'AMERICAN SYSTEM' AND POST-WAR WORLD**

BARRON'S, the National Financial Weekly published in New York, in a recent issue prophesied the loss to America of the American system with the close of the war. It is that system of free competition under which factories are erected and operated; under which merchants open stores in which to sell the products of farms and factories to consumers; under which professional men maintain offices at which to sell their services to the public.

It is the American system that has been responsible for the production of new commodities, and for seeking improved methods of production, to the end that better commodities be produced at less cost to the purchaser. It was the American system that built the railroads and made cheaper transportation possible; that perfected electric light and power, and reduced their cost to the public. It is the American system that accounts for the stores of a town, each competing with the other in the effort to best serve the public and attract patronage.

Barron's sees the passing of these things and in their stead the operation and financing of all manufacturing, transportation and merchandising by the government.

Should that prophecy prove true, it would mean one, instead of a number of stores in a town; it would mean all factory workers in the employ of the government; the government would name the price and conditions of purchase of each commodity. There would be no incentive for improvements; no incentive for lowering production costs or for the creation of new commodities.

There would be no place where those who, by effort and thrift, had saved might invest their savings and from such investments provide for their old age or their families.

Barron's is not alone in this fear of the passing of the American system of free competition. You see the possibility mentioned in the best of the national periodicals and the newspapers. It is talked about by statesmen and economists, and by the man on the street, but in that recent issue of Barron's the reasons why, and methods of such a terrific change for America are elaborately detailed. And that in a publication which for many years has been considered ultra conservative.

Should that prophecy prove to be true, it would mean a new America—a socialistic America, operated on the principles of Nazism, Fascism or Communism—take your choice.

**PICKING STATESMEN FOR REPRESENTATIVES**

BEFORE the congressional primary was held in the district, five men, recognized as district leaders of their party, were discussing the qualifications of announced candidates for nomination. Four of them talked at length of the ability of one or the other to represent the district in congress. It seemed largely a question of who could get the most for the district.

Then the fifth man, the editor of a country newspaper, asked a simple question:

"For what purpose do we select and elect a representative from this district? Is it to get as much 'pork' for us as is possible, or is it to make laws for the people of all the United States?"

We send men to congress—representatives and senators—to make the laws and direct the policies of the nation. For that purpose we need statesmen, men of broad vision and ability, not "log rollers." It is well that we should consider the job we are giving a man before we hire him. The candidate to hire as a representative or senator is the best statesman, the man of broadest vision and ability.

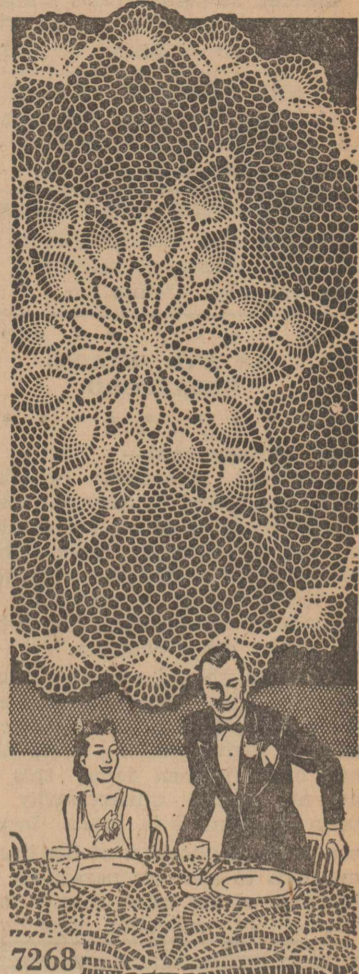
**TELEPHONE CALL FROM AN OLD FRIEND**

WHEN, AFTER MANY YEARS, you are separated from old friends and associates, when your path has led you in a new direction to new surroundings, what a pleasing thing a telephone call from an old friend can be. I thought of it the other evening when I had a call from Chicago. It was an old friend who just wanted to give and receive a friendly greeting. To hear that voice over thousands of miles of wire made not only a brighter evening, but will continue to brighten the days that follow—all because Waldo Logan of Chicago thought of, and talked to a friend he had not seen for months.

**FAST JOY RIDING HINDERS AMERICAN WAY**

FOR AN HOUR on a recent Sunday I counted the cars that passed my home at a speed definitely higher than the 40 miles an hour the President had requested. An average of one out of five failed to comply with that request. They were joy riders who would wail most vigorously if their gasoline were rationed; who would protest loudest against the edict of no new tires when theirs are destroyed by fast driving.

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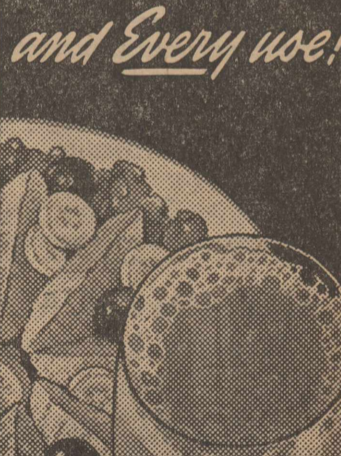
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**Are You Needlessly Suffering Constipation?**

Many people think that constipation is "one of those things" you must put up with. That the only thing you can do is take a purge or cathartic—and hope it doesn't come soon again. How foolish that is if you, like millions of others, have the ordinary kind of constipation that's due to lack of "bulk" in the diet.

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**IN AND AROUND STRATFORD**

**Land Measurement—**

The land measuring experiment being conducted in Sherman county is something of which we should all be proud, although "experiment" is probably the wrong word to use for it. The original "experiment" has become so successful that it is being copied by other counties.

Farmers should endeavor to cooperate with reporters measuring their land. This is not just another slice of regimentation being dished out, and the men doing this work are not nosing unnecessarily into your business. It is, in its broadest sense, an application of big business methods to the comparatively little business of the small farmer. Measurement of production capacity and

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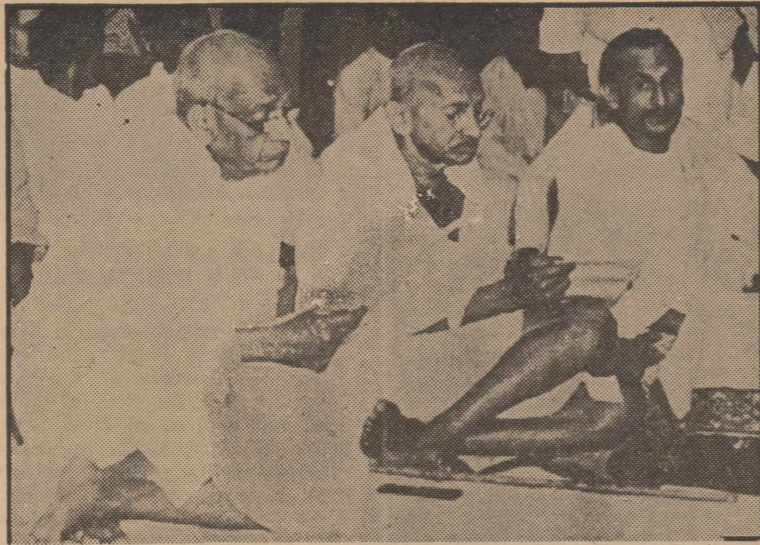
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**INDIA'S DRIVE FOR INDEPENDENCE**



Bombay, India—Following the burning of buses, their looting of shops and battling police, the British government of India arrested Mohandas K. Gandhi (center) along with other Indian Nationalist Leaders. Latest British communique reports that violence has subsided greatly.

Material conservation are done in every big business concern in the country.

**Fire Hazards Listed And Citizens Asked To Help Prevention**

For purely selfish reasons, if no other, every American citizen should become a participant in the war against fire. Shortages of materials and labor will make it difficult and in some cases impossible to rebuild homes which fire has destroyed. And the same thing will be true of businesses which are not on the brief "essential-to-the-war" list issued by the government.

The organizations whose job it is to prevent fire are doing better work than ever. The National Board of Fire Underwriters, for example, is doing an invaluable and extensive fire protection work, without charge, for the Navy, the Army, and for many important industries. Progressive cities have expanded both professional and volunteer fire-fighting departments. Civilian defense activity stresses fire prevention and control. But, these groups simply cannot do it all. They can't make certain that every home, every office, and every factory is as free of fire hazards as possible, and is adequately equipped to fight fire if it breaks out. The public at large must help.

There's no mystery to fire prevention in the home. Such hazards as accumulations of periodicals, old clothes and furniture in basements, closets and attics can easily be eliminated. So can most other hazards—improperly stored inflammable liquids, frayed lamp-wiring, defective heating appliances, etc. In industry, management should see to it that effective fire-fighting equipment is provided—and that all workers are trained in its use. That costs little, and it may pay vast dividends.

Fire destroys materials, money and labor that are vitally needed for the war effort. Fire, therefore, is on the side of our enemies. Fight it!

**Navy Enlistments Now Open to Women**

Enlisting of personnel for the Women's Reserve of the U. S. Navy began Sept. 11th as headquarters of Naval Officer Procurement in New Orleans and branch offices prepared to accept applications for Class V-10.

Designed to procure enlisted personnel for the WAVES to take over work being done in naval shore establishments thereby releasing men for sea duty, the program at present is particularly set up for the procurement of yeomen, storekeepers, radio operators and technically trained women of all kinds. About 100 women will be enlisted each month.

Inquiries should be directed to branch offices in Dallas or Oklahoma City in this district. Schools for the first quota enlisted will open October 9 at the University of Wisconsin, Indiana University and Oklahoma A. & M.

**National Shortage Of Steel Becomes More Threatening**

At least one steel furnace was completely shut down for want of scrap as September steel production started, and, because of generally disappointing results of the metal salvage campaign, the production of steel in the nation as a whole is about 250,000 tons a month below capacity.

Unless there is an immediate intensification of America's scrap collection drive, steelmakers said, even worse losses are inevitable this winter. With scrap piles reduced to levels sufficient only for a few weeks' supply, members of the industry declared that an all-out effort was required to keep production at its present below-capacity level.

To boost, in part, the dwindling scrap supply, a new federal agency, Waste Materials, Inc., has been organized. It is scheduled to acquire by the end of this year about five million tons of scrap that has been sidetracked by regular channels because of the high cost of recovery. The new agency is setting up headquarters in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and will have regional offices in strategic cities.

**ROAD TO VICTORY!**

By Stuart Cloete

Why should anyone buy War Bond? There is no compulsion to buy them. There is no winter relief . . . no SS man standing outside the door saying, "Buy or else." Nothing is at stake but the future of the country . . . perhaps of the World.

What then is a stamp or bond but a vote of confidence in ourselves? In our capacity to drive on, to break all opposition and then to reconstruct upon a new and better design, a world that will be different. A world of surplus instead of one of scarcity. But a bond is more than this. It is an investment. It is something of a miracle that freedom can be bought and that in addition it should pay a dividend of almost 3 percent. And this is not all, bonds stand between us and the spiral of inflation which could engulf us more easily than any enemy outside our gates. For the first time in many years, demand backed by money exceeds supply, which normally equals demand, and even stimulates it by advertising and credit purchase plans. Are we to save money against the time when we may need it, or bid for the few consumer goods that are left against ourselves?

There is one more reason for buying bonds. The President, who is also the commander in chief, has asked us to do so.

Meanwhile . . . while we hesitate . . . while we complain of normal hardship . . . men die . . . not only fighting men, but women and small children also. They die for a good cause. A good reason . . . for freedom. But we who are not dying must pay in time and money, or we shall

**Methods Proposed To Solve Labor Need On All Farms of Nation**

As the threat of serious labor shortages grows more intense, plans and methods of solving the question are being brought to the public eye.

Last week the farm paper Prairie Farmer, after a survey of the labor situation in four agricultural states, stated that three-fourths of the 81 Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and Michigan counties surveyed were found to be suffering from a shortage of farm hands. The publication claimed many farmers have been forced to disperse dairy herds and to reduce their plans for livestock and crop production next year, and some have sold their farms.

The paper urged the government to draft experienced farm labor to meet the threat of a serious food production drop in 1943. High, industrial wages which attract farm labor, as well as the draft, were blamed for the shortage, and government officials in charge were asked to keep needed farm labor out of military service and industrial plants.

Concurrently, Manpower Chief Paul McNutt told a house committee that a bill providing for a wartime labor draft was inevitable, although no specific bill was in mind. He believes a law requiring individuals to serve where they can be of greatest use in the war effort will do the trick, citing Great Britain as an example of a nation adopting such a policy. There is doubt, he said, whether voluntary agreements will long be adequate in solving the labor problem. Shortages are becoming more acute. He also declared other problems are increasing, such as a disposition by some employees to stay away from their jobs when they feel like it.

**Enlistment Campaign Dedicated To Carrier**

Secretary of the Navy, Frank Knox, emphasizing the Navy's need for men as well as ships and aircraft if the United States is to win the war at sea, announced this week that a new nation-wide recruiting drive will be conducted in connection with the launching of the new aircraft carrier USS Lexington, Saturday, September 26.

Enrollment of 5,000 aviation cadets and the enlistment of 10,000 more bluejackets than are ordinarily inducted during a two-week period will be sought in the drive, which closes October 3rd. Enlisted personnel recruited in the campaign, the Secretary explained, will be identified as "Lexington Volunteers" in tribute to the fighting men of the former Lexington, who smashed the Japs in the battle of Bougainville, in the Battle of Lae and Salamaua and in the Coral Sea.

The biggest increase in planted acreage this year were in oil-yielding crops—peanuts, soybeans and cotton. Biggest decrease is in wheat.

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**WHAT CAN ONE PERSON AT HOME DO TO HELP WIN THE WAR?**

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Dr. Thomas Parran, Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health Service, says: "Each individual can contribute to his own health protection by adopting a few simple ways of healthful living. Each of us must accept this responsibility and stick to it with firm purpose. The total of individual responsibility for personal health, accepted by millions of American men and women, will make an incalculable contribution to victory."

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