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O'Donnell, Lynn County Texas, Friday, Apr. 28, 1945

O'DONNALL GIRLS WIN IN TENNIS DOUBLES

Will start

Members and a guest of the Ace Bridge Club were entertained rsday evening by Miss Margarfursday evening by the bone of her par-Garner at the home of her par-garner. Bin-ats. Mr and Mrs. Lee Garner. Bin-peated here Tuesday as tennis the Morning Service will be at 11: E. Robinson, Jr. was missing in ac-the Morning Service will be at 11: E. Robinson, Jr. was missing in aca prize was won by Mrs. Milford queens of Region One, sweeping a-teMurtrey, olw score was won by side all opposition to again win the 00. iss Lometa Robinson and high re was won by Mrs. J. L. Adams. uring a short business meeting the gnation of Mrs. Waldo McLaur-Jr. was accepted. A salad plate ting of congealed salad, tuna

on and the hostess. Mrs. Britt Kemp of Tahoka was e weekend guest of Mrs. J. L.



Sun. - Mon. April 29 - 30 Carmen Mirando - Michael O'Shea in

Something For

The Boys

March of Time also Fox News and Comedy

Tuesday, May 1st lager Pyror - Tom Neal in Thoroughbreds

Also Selected Shorts

the girls doubles at the state tournament in Austin on May 3 and 4th. the O'Donnell barely missed chance to share the tennis honors with the Amarillo squad, but the andwiches, olives, potatoe Chips, boys double team of Pearce and ad iced cokes were served to istresses: W. Leroy Waggoner, O. Smith. Mack C. Bradley. Charles istresses. J. L. Adams. Milford Mc intry, and Miss Lometa Robin-Gilbert Lamb, Wincharger rep-resentative for this area informs the Index that there are over 1,000 32volt Winchargers successfully operating in West Texas and that four

> this locality: Dewey Middleton. F. Hamricks, O. K. Oliver and Fred McGinty.

L. L. Busby visited at Big Springs over the week end.

Waldo McLaurin was improved enough to visit in town last Friday and his numerous friends enjoyed greeting him on the streets.

WANT ADS

IOST: 3 books of ration book no I. See C. J. Beach, 35p

SEE OUR GRADE THREE Tires or too small. Brock & Hancock

one Model C Water well drilling a time when all machines. These machines are not for loan. Stewart Schooler Itc

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MODERN FIVE FOR SALE: om house, bath, two lots, Garage. Formerly the Campbell home. A real buy. Write or wire Leo Light-foot. Rt. 2, Brownfield. htp.

FOR SALE: Macha Storm-proof COTTON SEED, Price \$2.00 per bushel. Live 3 miles north and 4 1-2 miles west of New Home. J. H. Sweat, Wilson, Rt. 1 26c Mr and Mrs. Dick Harris

FOR SALE: One 1940 Long-theel base Ford Truck, new grain ed, 8.25 tires, 85 horse power new lotor. See Kenneth Moore Wed. - Thurs. May 2 - 8 Maria Montez - Jon Hall FOR SALE — Farm lands, ranches, business properties. Farms of all sizes in Lynn, Lub-bock, Borden, Martin and Terry & Gypsie Wildcat Abo Paramount News Comedy Gaines counties. ...Good ranches, in Texas and New Mexico, Large and small. Three good small ranches in Borden Co-Fri. Nite - Sat. Mat. May 4th - 5th Russell Hayyden in **GBusiness** of different kinds in dif ferent towns, Residence property in O'Donnell, Lamesa and Lubbock. Frontier Law If you want to buy, sell or trade on anything see me and if I do have what you want where want it. I will get it for you. Also Zorrors Whip No. 7 Cartoon you J. D. Fairley, O'Donnell, Texas

NOTICE: Beginning with the 1st Canyon — O'Donnell High school Sunday in May we will go back to girls tennis doubles team of Pegsy the regular time. The Church

> All the services were well attend ed last Sunday, yet we noted the a-bsence of many. We earnestly urge Call me at 6 o'clock". (Wednesday) everyone to attend the services with as great regularity as possible. The lady lives in New Jersey. as great regularity as possible.

MOTHER'S DAY is but a few ular day at the eleven o'clock service. This is ONE day of the year,

by our Government to be observed in honor of the Motherhood of America. NOTHING should come in to nore have recently been added in deprive the people of giving this UP A RAIN A. Honor to these who so justly deserve it. Keep this day in mind. Make

your plan sto attend the services of your church on that day. A cordial invitation is extended to all not obligated elsewhere to wor-

great Lesson Themes of these days. The Children Hour is held each speaks of a possible dry year. Monday afternoon immediately after school. We are having fine at-

tendance. The Story Hour features the Life of Christ. Next Monday will be a special Story of His early

Manhood. Please remember, these are cruc tal days in which we are living. They are days, the happenings of which should make everyone con-

Today. Good condition. No certificat-es required. No repair job too big scious of our need of Divine guid-Service in this town should be FOR SALE: ONE MODEL L and crowded with worshipers. This is week end. Mr. Hahn stated that churches our should stress things of first importance. We are striving in all our ser-vices at the Methodist Church to

Local News

Miss Margaret Garner and Mrs. Adams were business visitors in Lamesa Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. S. O. Davis of El Porado. Arkanses is visiting the A. H. Flatt

Mr and Mrs. Dick Harris had as

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH -- WORD AWAITED FROM LT. ROBINSON Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Robinson re-

Church ceived a wire from the War Depart tion. Received at the same time was

a wire from the wife of the planes pilot, on who's ship Lewis was fly-

It was thought by friends of the Robinson family that later news that day and the Special Mother's ing since April 7th. He has made Day Service will be held on the reg one other forced landing when a first reported missing in action on motor was shot out by flak. The vice. This is ONE day of the year, community is keeping its fine officially recognized and set aside crossed hoping that L. E. is safe.

SOME ONE NEEDS TO WHISTLE

It is the opinion of O'Donnell area farmers that a good soaking rain is just would the doctor Nestal, formerly of O'Donnell, and now residing in San Diego are the would order. Farmers state that a general rain June 15th would insure a start to- 14th. The little lady has been namship with us Sunday morning and war da crop. Cthers. long timers ed Charlotte Gay. The mother is evening. The Church School offers here, shake their heads and say that the former Miss Claudia Dorsay. opportunity to study with us the the little northers. sandstorms and

NAB A NICE FISH

W. L. Gardenhire, H. I. Hahn V B. Hahn, Johnny Vermillion, a Mr. Phipps. and Earl Greenlee brought home the bacon this time from the fishing trip to Devil's Lake near Del Rio. They caught lots of pan size fish and hooked a 25 pound cat ance and fellowshin. Every Church fish. D. J Bolch. and Dallas Vaughn joined the fishing party over the Devil's Lake is a beautiful recreational center.

Marriage Announced

Miss Corine Proctor, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Joe Proctor became the bride of Sgt. Harmen Hemsing of the Marine Corps on April 13th Worth. The wedding was in Ft. a Lutheran Church of that eity. Mr Hemsing is from North Dakota. The couple are now in California on their wedding trip. We join with friends in wishing Corine and husband every happiness.

business trip to Lubbock Wednes |end day

O. L. McClendon purchased one ed the musical recital. of Stewert Schooler houses in the southeast part of town. We under- Lamesa Tuesday. stand that a Mr. Pierce of Draw has purchased a house from C. H. Doak. children of Levelland visited

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to visit with relatives.

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HORNADAY MCLAURIN IS HOME ON LEAVE

Pvt. Hornaday McLaurin, a paratrooper, arrived home last week day was injured on Feb. 12th. in to San Diego, California. the Luzon battle of the Phillipines.

sling. It is good to have this returned veteran home again

NEW MOORE SOLDIER IS KILLED IN ACTION

Pfc. Billy Luke Snider, son of Mr and Mrs. Tully Snider New of March 2nd but go safely back to his fingers unit and was killed two weeks later. He was with an Infantry division of the first Army and had been in action for three months. His wife Louise and their infant daughter live in Big Springs.

S 1-c and Mrs. B. B. (Shorty doctor now residing in San Diego are the proud parents of a baby girl weighbetween now and ing 7 pounds and four oz. born Apr.

T-Sgt. Jesse L. Bolch. 28, son of Mr and Mrs. B. B. Bolch of Lamesa has been awarded the air medal at a forward base in India. Sgt. Bolch joined the 12th Bombardment Group (Earthquakers) of the 10th Air Force three months ago. He is engineer- gunner on a deadly B-25 He has 33 missions over enemy held territory in Burma. A gradu ate of O'Donnell High, Bolch enlisted in the Air Corps Jan., 5, 1942

Harmony News

MRS. JESSE LANE

Mrs. E. A. Gleghorn is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. L. Rankin and family at Seminole this week. Mr and Mrs. I. M. Davis visited with Pvt. Levin Davis at Camp

Walters this week end. Rudolph Furlow returned to his memberships. On May 6th there arine base in California Monday. will be a district meeting of the Marine base in California Monday. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. O'Brien of La mesa were visitors of Mr and Mrs. G. C. Aten Sunday afternoon. Mr. O'Brien is commissioner his precinct.

Mr and Mrs. Finis Gleghorn and children visited her sister. Mr and Mr and Mrs. C. H. Mansell made Mrs. Dayton White Croel this week

> Marcia Delle Lane visited Mozelle Wilson Friday nite and attend-

Mr and Mrs. Jack Smith were in

H. M. DEBUSK IS HOME ON LEAVE

All the state of the second

Elect. Mate 3-c H. M. DeBusk son of Mr and Mrs. W. O. (Bill) De end to spend a furlough with his Busk arrived home last Friday for mother, Mrs. Ella McLaurin. Horna a 30 day leave. He will report back

O'Donnell Has

the Cotton, Grain Poultry, Cream

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H. M. finished school here in His arm is still bandaged and in a 1941 and since entering the Navy has seen 18 major battles and three service engagements. As H. M. explained it. a service engage-ment is a point blank duel of big ship's guns and 8 miles is considered close quarters. He has served all his time on a very famous fighting ship, a heavy crusier, which is now being repaired. For his service he wears the American Defense War ribbon, the Asiatic Pacific ribbon and the Phillipines ribbon. He stated that he had visited most of the islands that have been in the war news. H. M. said that he would give a million dollars to have seen what he has seen free, but that he wouldn't give two bits to see it gain.

The only local boy he saw while oversea was Dean Schooler at Pearl Harbor. H. M. has a brother. Albert who is in the Navy fighting in the Pacific. Another brother, Ray, is missing in action. Ray was a nav agator on a heavy bomber.

Glad to have you home again, H. M., and come to see us! Pvt. Robert O. Burdett. Jr., son

of Mr and Mrs. Robert Burdett of C'Donnell, recently sent his dad a Jap machine gun as well as a Jap rifle and a wrist watch. He sent his mother a beautiful string of pearls. Robert is in the Marines and has been fighting for 27 months, He has seen action on all the island in-vasions of the Pacific War.

Received a card from the Rays at Rockport and they are enjoying trout dinners. Dr. and Mrs. Camp-bell also also there. Mr and Mrs. W. E. Hebisen and son, Bobble and Mrs Hall of Dallas are visiting the Rays

LEGION FOST HONORED

R. O. Stark, Adjutant of the local American Legion post. received notification that the chapter has been awarded the 1945 Distinguish ed Service Citation for adding new Legion at Lubbock at 11 a. m. A list of deligates will be carried next week. Recently the Legion hall was painted which has added a great amount to the appearance.

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" MAR O'DONNELL A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE."

Mr and Mrs. D. E. Sumrow had Leroy Waggone as week end guests their daughters insurance man. from Sweetwater. Mr and Mrs. Tom home in the east Harris and Barbra Joe and Mrs.

Neal Duke and daughter. Mrs. Betty Ruth Mitchell visited her parents, Mr and Mrs. Harvey McKee Saturday.

Robert Hale left Monday to re-Joe of Lawton, Okla. are visiting with Mr and Mrs. Shack Blocker. port for duty in the Navy. He left for Dallas.

Mr and Mrs. Ariee McDonald of Dallas are the proud parents of a mond, California is visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs. D. J. Bolch. fine baby daughter born last month Mrs. McDonald is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Proctor.

Knox. entucky arrived recently to spend his furlough with his grand-parents, Mr and Mrs. Jim Christo-pher. Sgt. M. L. McLaurin, who has been station at Fort Jackson, S. C. recently shipped oversea to the European area. Pvt. Ervy Earl Boothe, hushand of Mrs. Boothe of O'Donnell also recently shipped oversea going into the Pacific area. Cpl. Wilbur Line of Fort Meade, Md. is spending a seven day fur-lough with his brother and sister, Harvey and Alene Line.

Jake Gates spent Wednesday and Thursday at Robert Lee and while there visited his daughter. He at-tended the funeral of a friend of long standing there Wednesday.

Mesdames Joe Proctor and Maj-orie Bacon returned Sunday from Dallas and Ft. Worth where Mrs. Proctor visited her daughter at Dal las and a daughter at Ft. Worth. Mrs. Bacon visited a sister at Den-

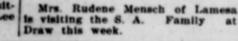
Miss Beth Walters and Mrs. Hul-en Bolch were shopping in Lubbock last Thursday.

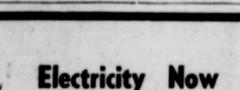
Mr and Mrs. John Garner baby of Washington are here visit-ing his parents, Mr and Mrs. Lee Garner.

WINCHARGER

W. W. Hancock Friday, April 20th. Ten members were present. Mrs. Huff led the devotional and Mrs. Pase Mansell brought some inter-esting Bible questions after which refreshments were served. Mrs. Blakemore and daughter. Mrs. Fletcher of Waco were guests of the social

The Dorcus class met with Mrs. V. W. Hancock Friday, April 20th.





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Mr and Mrs. G. insurance man, has purchased a Saturday and Sunday. home in the east part of town. He plans on doing some extensive re- Pfc. Teddy Flowers Pfc. Teddy Flowers was recently

al storage is acute. Tom Yandell stated that the awarded the Good Conduct Medal. Mr and Mrs. Tracy Veach. H. E. Mrs. H. V. Davis and daughter, School District's new bus began op Zedlitz, and Mrs. Ann Foster were Loretta left for Olney Wednesday Zedlitz, and Mrs. Ann Foster were visitors in the Wayman Fletce will likely be sold. More new bases home Sunday. Mrs. John F. JJohnson and son

Mrs. Floyd Myres of Lubbock spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey McKee.

Rev. R. T. Peek and wife. Rev. Ridener and wife and Miss Loree Farrell are attending a church con Mrs. Sybil Cabbiness of Richference at Plainview this week. Pvt. Wayne Christopher of Fort

The ladies of this area who have lots at the O'Donnell Cemetery are invited to assist in cleaning the lots return overseas.

before May 1st which is Decorat-

ion Day. O'Donnell has one of the nicest appearing memorial parks on the Plains and we commend the - thanks to Hoot Gibson and Shorty Summers. Come to see us at ladies for the interest they show. our new Temple and we'll buy the

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Lt. Wade Adams is visiting his folks this week, the J. J. Adams

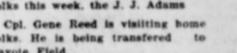
folks. He is being transfered to Payote Field.

Cpl. Oran Flatt, son of B. J. Flatt left for Washington State to

Well, we made it! We're moved

T. J. Yandell was a business visit or to Lubbock Monday. coffee.

Listen To -



U. S. Civilians Slain in Manila

Letters Reveal Killings of Americans by Japanese Before Yanks Came.

SAN FRANCISCO .- Letters reaching the United States from the Philippines tell of a wave of wanton killings of Americans by the Japanese in Manila in which two prominent business executives, a leading woman social worker and many others were executed during the week just prior to the arrival of American liberation forces, says the Associated Press

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Among those who were said to have met untimely death because ey sought to aid fellow-Americans and keep them from starving were: Carroll C. Grinnell of Albany, Far Eastern representative of International General Electric

A. F. Duggleby of Colorado and California, vice president and general manager of the Benquet and Balatoc Gold Mining companies. Mrs. Blanche Jurika, the former

Blanche Walker of Los Angeles. Californian Executed.

The reports said among those executed with Grinnell and Duggleby was Clifford Larsen of Los Angeles, assistant sales manager of the Atlantic Gulf and Pacific company of Manila, a construction concern.

Mr. Grinnell was head of the Internee Executive committee at the Santo Tomas camp in Manila for more than a year. Mr. Duggleby was one of the chiefs of supply and finance in the camp food organization. Mrs. Jurika was widely known as a social worker, author and ranmentator.

A letter just received from Professor V. V. Clark, a mining engineer well-known in the west and uth America, said Mr. Grinnell, Mr. Duggleby and a dozen other American internees were taken from the Santo Tomas camp, led to a vacant lot, and shot into a com grave. Later the bodies were recovered by American soldiers.

Other Americans Vanish.

Mr. Clark, who passed more than three years in the camp, wrote, "They were real men of the highest type and their end was so unjust." added that the other bodies recovered from the trench - grave "may clear up the disappearance of other Americans lately. Other letters said Mr. Grinnell, Mr. Duggleby and Mrs. Jurika 'died as heroes, trying to aid their

suffering fellowmen. Mrs. Jurika, held as a special political prisoner, was executed by the Japanese just two days before American soldiers raided the place where she was confined.

Another ruthless execution by the Japanese was that of George Louis, 27 years old, of San Jose, Calif., a Pan American Airways employee. He slipped out of the Los Banos night in search of food.

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Navy Acts to Keep Unfit Men Ashore

Overseas Drafts to Be Given Physical Examination.

WASHINGTON .- Many physically unfit men are being sent overseas for naval duty and the navy department says this must stop.

The navy's bureau of medicine and surgery and the bureau of napersonnel have sent a joint orandum to all ships and stations telling them what to do about the situation.

Numerous reports of receipt of men in the overseas areas who are not physically qualified to perform all their duties have been received by the bureau of navy personnel," said the memorandum, which went

"In view of the transportation involved, the unwarranted burden on medical facilities in advanced areas and the present congestion of men awaiting medical or dental treatment in those areas, it is extremely urgent that steps be taken to prevent transferring such men overseas.

The memorandum reminded that the primary responsibility for the correction of physical defects was that of the commanders of the naval training centers at which recruits received their initial train-

But the final responsibility, it adds, belongs to whoever has control of personnel at the port of embarkation

"A careful physical examination of overseas drafts will be made at embarkation ports and the physically unfit eliminated," the bureaus ordered

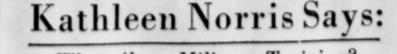
The memorandum made it clear that it expected officers in charge of intermediate activities through which personnel pass-between the two commands having primary and final responsibility-to take steps to correct defects that may have been overlooked at an earlier command.

"Men who have minor correctible defects other than of a communicable or contagious nature, and for which treatment has been instituted, may be considered fit for transfer if the ship or station to which they are being transferred has proper facilities for their further care should it be necessary," the memorandum said.

American Naval Might Has Grown to 9 Fleets

WASHINGTON .- American naval might, grown threefold in striking power since war began, has pushed the nation's battle lines in ever-widening circles away from her home shores

At least nine fleets now range the Atlantic, Pacific and Mediterranean waters, carrying the war to the enemy-a far cry from the days of the late '20s and early '30s when the three fleets, Atlantic, Pacific and Asiatic, then existing on organ-



What About Military Training?

Bell Syndicate .- WNU Features.



"It is only fair to our boys to have them ready. We didn't want it, we tried to do out it, but for 50 years to come I believe we must maintain a huge force."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

ORE than 500 American women have written to A ask me what I think of compulsory military service for our American boys and girls. I don't often let political or international questions get into this column, but this is an exception and I want to answer these women in this way:

In a word, I'm for it. I think we night well emulate the Swiss sysem, which means only a few weeks out of every year, or at least we night make a serious study of that system. But if we are to be drawn nto Europe's eternal boundary disputes and imperial quarrels in each succeeding generation, then in the name of common sense let us be ready for it, and save the lives of thousands of our boys by prepared-

It was my dream for many years hat by keeping the peace America might set the pace for the world. I still believe she might have done so. I still believe that if European countries had known, definitely and clearly, that we would not interfere in their old quarrels, they would have managed their affairs very differently in the last 25 years. The northern, civilized countries, respecters of boundaries and of individual rights, would then have gotten together. They would have presented a solid wall to Germany; in the very beginning of her anti-Semitic purges, they would have united a dozen weak armies into one invincible one. They never did. Holland, England, Norway, Sweden, France, Poland, Belgium, Russiawhat mightn't they have done against Germany's growing war menace! They never got together.

Skullduggery By J. D. RYAN McClure Newspaper Syndicate. WNU Features.

A S BILL SMITH hiked along the macadam road toward Summerfield, the draft board center, he had ample opportunity to calculate his chances of being drafted.

It was now six months after Pearl Harbor; he was twenty-two, strong and physically sound. He recalled how eager he had been to sign on when his boss sent for him. "Now, Bill," he began, "I don't want you to get any of these wild ideas in your head about enrolling. So far as war contribution is concerned, you'd be doing far more for your country by remaining here. You're a pretty valuable man."

Bill cleared his throat noisily, "That's all right for you to say, Mr. Jones, but I'm wondering what people will think about an ablebodied man working in a factory when he should be shouldering a rifle."

The executive pursed his lips. "Yes, Bill." there's something to that, He gazed reflectively out the office window. "Tell you what, Bill, you forget this volunteer business. In time, if you're needed, you'll be called. That way I'll have a chance to break in a new man. How's that strike you?"

Bill considered this proposition carefully. "O.K., boss," he decided. "I'll help you here until my number comes up.

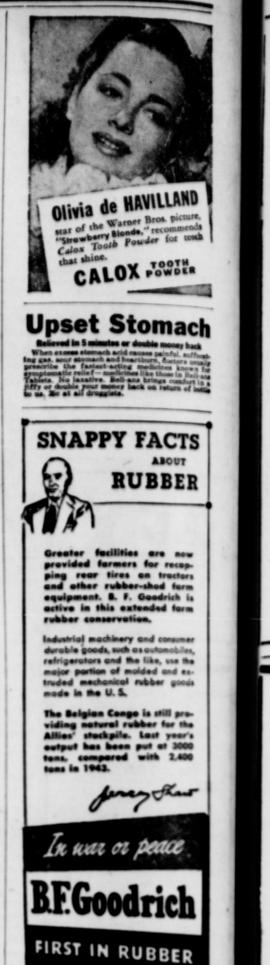
"That's swell." Mr. Jones shook hands with him to end the interview. Bill carried out his part of the bargain. Night after night he stayed overtime to expedite production. He was earning big money but dissatisfaction gnawed within him. "Won't be long now before I'll receive my selective service papers. They'll be singing 'You're in the Army Now. When the questionnaire came, Bill filled it out scrupulously, fearing to make an error which might delay his classification.

His job seemed drudgery now. Each day at mail delivery time he telephoned his landlady to inquire about letters. Then, when he had resigned himself to disappoi a penny postal arrived with the curt statement-Your classification is 2A. Necessary to defense.

A wave of bitterness swept over him-2A. Who were they to decide on his case without a physical examination? He had expressly noted that he preferred the rating 1A. And this was their answer. How did they come to settle on that?

Then with stunning clarity he knew. Mr. Jones. He must have written, asking for deferment. If the boss said Bill was necessary to his business, that would end it. No wonder they had placed him in 2A.

"What am I going to do about it?" Bill asked himself. There must be way to beat



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A HARSH NECESSITY After many years of advocating neutrality and non-intervention, Miss Norris has come to the conclusion that the only security

time.

in the future for America lies in a large, permanent force, land, sea and air. This great army and navy will mean universal military training for young men. The women's auxiliary corps will re-quire many thousands of girls too, although a draft of women probably never will be instituted.

There are certain benefits to military training, as Miss Norris points out, that to some extent offset the objections. Better health, wider experience and broader viewpoints are valuable by-products of army life in peace-

Japanese A sentry shot wounded him. He was executed the izational tables scarcely mustered next morning by order of the camp commandant

Old Battleship Oregon Rusting at Pacific Base

GUAM .- The glamour ship of the Spanish-American war, the old battleship Oregon, came out to the western Pacific to die in this modern new war. But she is still afloat. Navy men who had planned to sink her to help build a breakwater concede now she wouldn't even make good breakwater material. Crewless and denuded, the Oregon kes at anchor in a little inlet blasted through coral reefs at an island base.

In the Spanish-American war in 1898 the Oregon made history when she steamed from the West coast around South America to Cuba just in time to join in the victory over the Spanish fleet at Santiago.

When towed out to the western Facific to be sunk, the Oregon was loaded with 1,400 tons of dynamite -since unloaded-and a false rumor spread like wildfire that she was going to be towed right into Tokyo and blown up.

Guns Built for Firing Captured Rockets at Japs

MANILA, P. I. - Japanese troops on the Shimbu front were shelled by their own rockets recently but it took the ingenious efforts of Capt. W. E. Winterstein of Fillmore, Calif., to make it possible.

During the last few days, the first cavalry and Sixth divisions captured many thousands of rounds of big caliber Japanese rocket ammunition. But they didn't find any usable Japanese rocket guns, so Winterstein built one and fired Japanese rockets at the enemy.

The Nipponese used rockets, ranging in size up to 18 inches, more extensively on Luzon than any previcampaign in the southwest ous Pacific.

ARMY HOSPITAL, SOME-

WHERE IN THE MARIANAS .-

Maj. Floyd A. Thompson of St.

Paul, Minn., has a wardful of

patients whose limbs are wired

in odd positions to the ceiling

or cast in plaster. Some of the

boys feel pretty low, but Thomp-

son never fails to make them grin

each morning with his daily salu-

tation: "Hello, Goldbricks."

'Hello, Goldbricks'

the strength of a single modern fleet. Strength and disposition of individual fleets remain a closely guarded military secret. An innovation of modern naval warfare which also contributes to the fluidity of seapower is the "task force," organized out of available forces to carry out a particular mission. Such a task force could range in size from a task unit of the smallest possible self-sufficient force to a consolida-

New Tempest Plane Flies At 435 Miles Per Hour

tion of two or more entire fleets.

LONDON .- The Hawker Tempest Mark V, first of the Tempest fighter plane series to be put into production, has a maximum speed of 435 miles an hour and a ceiling of 36,000 feet, it was announced by the air ministry.

Its tactical radius is 500 miles, although this can be extended through use of auxiliary fuel tanks. Armament consists of four 20-mm. cannon in the wings. The plane has a 2,400 horsepower engine and a four bladed propellor, a bulletproof windscreen, and armor forward and aft of the pilot.

It scored its first victory in the air last June.

Chinese Learning to

Talk English Language

SAN FRANCISCO .- Although phonetics are a source of anguish and teachers are scarce, Chungking is alive with students of the English language.

Each of the city's two leading schools, conducted by American-educated Chinese, has graduated more than 1,000, and handles from 100 to 300 students daily.

As the student body was small enough to be taught in Chungking attics three years ago, the remarkable rise in attendance has been attributed to the presence of U.S. servicemen.

Canada Has Abundance Cheers Up Wounded

The original cost is \$3.30 a carton. Postage is about 35 cents; the S. ad valorem duty, 38 cents; U. S. import duty, \$1.50, and the special U. S. cigarette tax, 70 cents. The total cost is \$6.23 a carton or about 3 cents a cigarette. Few sales

Europe Won't Unite.

It is my sorrowful belief that they never will. Their claim, when any such federation is suggested, is that their differing languages, religions, backgrounds, traditions, histories make it impossible. This sounds funny in American ears. The truth is that their varying imperial ambitions cross and intercross after a thousand years of shifting loyalties and ineffectual wars, and now cannot be untangled even by their most brilliant statesmen.

So I have no hopes of them. Each one will do what some wise or unwise minister believes best for her, and chaos will result.

Meanwhile we have our own magnificent record, our long friendship with our neighbors, our peaceful skies, our unguarded borders. We know countries may live in peace together, and prosper all the more for that peace. But the deadly virus of war has been scattered everywhere now, and who knows what country will next break forth with improved guns and bombs and gases for a surprise attack?

It is only fair to our boys to have them ready. We didn't want for war. It won't be that, to us, it, we tried to do without it, but for | We're smarter than that.

Of Expensive Smokes

OTTAWA .- There is an abundance of cigarettes in Canada, but don't ask your Canadian friends to send you any.

to U. S. are reported.

50 years to come I believe we must maintain a sea and air force of perhaps three million men, and an auxiliary force involving per-haps one-third that many women. These will be our police. A great city without a police force would be in the same position as a great nation with its navy sunk and its men disarmed. Other nations must

know that we are ready to implement with the guns they have forced upon us what we say in defense of decency and honesty.

Might Have Been Stopped.

If our three or four million army had been in readiness eight years ago, when Germany's fanaticism broke forth in her anti-Semitic purges, we might have seen the danger then. We might have warned her then that her maniac leader was starting on the death trail. We might never have had the headlines that you and I are reading today. Too late for that now. But it is never too late to learn, and I, who preached non-interventionism and neutrality for so many years, from so many platforms, see now that we are a part of the great commonwealth of the world, that we cannot impress upon other nations our own ideals of unfearing friendliness with our neighbors, that we must accept a certain degree of militarism until all nations are wiser, and be ready to say "thus far, and no further," when the next Hitler pops up his ugly head.

Military training is essential to dictatorship, true. But it may be a democratic thing, too, ironing out some of the class consciousness of our boys and girls, helping them to appreciation of home love and home comfort, broadening their viewpoints in a way that will be beneficial to them all their lives.

I haven't come to it easily. But I've come to it now. We have to have universal military training, and be ready. It may mean, to other countries, an increasing desire

Girdles Still Scarce

Synthetic rubber is slowly becoming available for manufacture of girdles, but larger quantities of synthetic rubber than natural rubber are required to make the same amount of elastic thread. Also the supply of cotton fabric is still exceedingly short. All this makes it necessary that you get as much wear as possible from the girdle you now have. Wash it frequently with the same care you would give your best hose, and dry it away from direct contact with any radiator.

his own game.

At the plant he noticed how the chief avoided him. Just as well for his peace of mind, Bill thought, his blue eyes flashing dangerously.

A few weeks later Bill was called for a physical examination for reclassification. The boss was wearing a "cat that swallowed the canary" expression. "You're in this time, old boy," he prophesied. "I told you not to worry, but I suppose you couldn't help it. Young fellows are always impatient."

Bill had traveled about a half-mile when a car overtook him. "Lift, Buddy?" the driver invited.

Bill looked at the out of state plates, and shook his head. "Thanks all the same. Just a short distance to go.

The driver meshed his gears and was soon out of sight. Then another car stopped. Bill smilingly refused the offer of a second lift. When the third car stopped Bill

accepted. "Going far? the driver inquired. "To Summerfield."

"Just where I'm going."

"That's swell," said Bill. "I have to take a physical at the draft board.

"Think you'll make it?"

Bill tongued his cheek. "Heck, so far as that's concerned I'm all right. They won't take me and that's all right, too."

The driver flicked his gaze from the road to stare at Bill. "How do you figure that?"

Bill smiled sardonically. "A guy's a sucker to get in the army for fifty bucks a month when he can make that in less than a week in a machine shop. They praise you, too, and tell you how patriotic you are.' He nudged the man to press his point. "Why, my boss just writes the board, tells them I'm indispensable and-presto, I'm deferred. It's a racket, I tell you." The driver edged away from him. At the outskirts of town Bill said, "I'll get out here," and thanked him. "Be seeing you," he waved.

"You're right, you will," the other promised grimly. Bill grinned. "I'll have to seem

awfully surprised when I see that guy on the board. Let Jones try to get me in 2A now." He headed toward the local office humming. "You're in the Army Now."

Important Crops

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ific pressure on firms and individuals in the meat industry to violate

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is depriving our men in the Armed Forces, cheating her fellow citizen

of their fair share of meat under rationing, and lining the pockets of greedy men who are taking advantage of the war for their personal

With The 12th AAF In Italy -William C. Tayylor, son of Mr and Mrs. George W. Taylor. Box 945, of O'Donnell has been promoted to sergeant. Overseas since February

1943, Sgt. Taylor is an aeroplane mechanic with a verteran fighter group of the 12th Air Forces 22nd Tactical Air Command attacking in-

ground troops in Northern Italy. Sgt. Taylor's outfit participated in the Egyptian-Libyan. Tunisian.

Sicilian, Italian and French cam-paigns and has been awarded three

War Department Unit Citations for outstanding performance of duty.

OPA ASKS FOR HOUSEWIFE'S

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RAYMOND CURTIS WRITES OF

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helieve you me I really enjoy it. I see lots of new names that I don't recognize but whom I hope

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have written you. I have been get-ting the Index-Press right along

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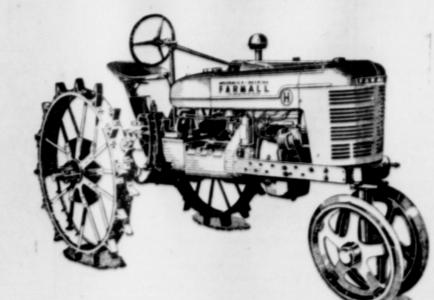
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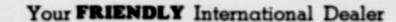
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SO' DIER WRITES OF GERMANS

(The following is a newsy letter ritten by Cpl. George L. Wyche of the Engineer Corps. fighting somewhere in Germany. He is the son of Mr and Mrs. R. S. Wyche of Route 1. We, too, home Lynn can get home in time for frying chicken season.

Germany, March 30th

Dear. Folks: We are still going over here and it looks like the Germans are about done for: I sure hope so. These people have some of the prettiest homes and as have good country as any I have seen over here and most of them are not ever scared at all and they seem pretty glad that we are here too. They even tell the boys where their run positions are and they don't have many cars or trucks left: the air corps have gotten about all of them so they just take off a-foot. Most of them want to give up so it may end any time now. I am really "sweating" that Southwest Pacific out; am afraid we will end up there but I hope to go home first.

We talked to some boys that had been captured for seven months to-day. We were the first soldiers to see them: they were really glad to see us. Said they were treated pretty - especially here lately since good we started moving so fast but said the eats were not so good. One said he had written one letter and had not got a one from anyone since he was captured. They were all in a hospital and were not able to walk far so the Germans left them hospital and were not behind. Don't guess I will get to send you a big clock. They are really getting tight on that kind of we are not supposed Mama, how ens? Get them good may be there to help I sure hope so. Lots LYNN

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Hitler 'Yes Man' Peas From Tut's **Tomb Live Again**

33-Century-Old Legumes Amaze Experts by Their Vitality and Beauty.

By CAPT. HARRY E. HAMMER Released by Western Newspaper Union

ORLANDO, FLA. - Outside a colonel's office window at the air rces tactical center, within sight of hangar and celestial navigation towers, garden peas are growing. As case with most things the at AFTAC, these peas are extraordinary

The tall, healthy vines are loaded with purple pods, and their stems are thick and branching. Atop the vines, pretty purple flowers wave in the Florida sunlight. The original seeds from which these vines sprang were placed by Egyptian priests in the tomb of King Tutankhamen 3,300 years ago.

At least, this is the only theory that fits what facts are known about the peas' origin.

Col. Harlan W. Holden, commandant of the school of applied tactics at AFTAC and present custodian of the King Tut peas, is the man who has done most to stimulate scientific interest in the little vegetables. He has mailed hundreds of seeds from his two crops to experimental and research agencies desiring to experiment with the "new variety." As to the peas' return from the tomb, Colonel Holden makes no claims. He merely points out the window to where the peas are growing and reminds skeptics that so far no one has been able to offer one fact to disprove the story as given to him.

Found by Carter. This is the history of the King Tut peas as compiled by Colonel Holden:

The original peas came from Howard Carter, who was a member of the Lord Carnervon expedition to King Tut's tomb in 1922 and 1923. Carter found them in an urn in the tomb. They went to Lady Gilbert of "Grimm's Dyke" Harrow Weald. Her head gardener gave some of the peas to Mr. A. A. Aldrige, who after obtaining a parcel of the peas gave two pods to his friend, Mr. Arthur Easton of Newport, R. I.

After raising one crop, Mr. Easton presented two of the pods to Maj. Walter D. Dyer, who planted them in his garden at Portsmouth, R. I.

They proceeded to grow as if they had just come from the grocer's The seeds from this crop, when planted the next year, bore profusely, and Major Dyer harvested about a pound and a half of fresh peas. Some of these he brought with him to the tactical center in Florida, where among a wide variety of military courses there is one on jungle survival.

Immediately intrigued by the peas' background, the comm indant Had Elaborately Furnished Home to Himself. COLOGNE, GERMANY. - His neighbors all called him a "dirty Nazi" but he had 25 bathrooms in

Is Paid Lavishly

his house. It is a snug little cot-tage with a pipe organ, three pianos and a kitchen no bigger than the Astor hotel ballroom

This Nazi big shot was "cooking with gas" as far as party prestige went, but his own modest meals were prepared on an electric stove with a dozen burners. It did nicely for the American battalion headquarters which used the house for a mmand post.

The owner had departed in haste, leaving behind a clutter of good things which had come his way as a reward for his uninhibited collaboration with Adolf Hitler's war program.

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The four floor rambling brick manion was built only a few years ago. bore a studious resemblance to the old castles which stud the Rhineland countryside and even the color of the bricks was chosen carefully to convey the impression of antiquity. A high brick fence enclosed building and the landscaped the grounds.

Inside his little dream bungalow, however, the owner, one of Germany's swastika profiteers, had gone to extreme expense to construct as modern and comfortable an ivory tower as his warborn millions of marks could buy. Into it he had channeled the wealth produced by great Rhineland mines and factories busy with war orders.

American doughboys have nullified this investment to a considerable extent. Only a few random bullets spanged through the windows but the owner didn't hang around to keep tab on his mines and factories or this 60-odd room hut by the Rhine. He skipped-but there are many mementos of his passing, including a few hundred thousand mark prop erty mortgages which now look susously like so much waste paper,

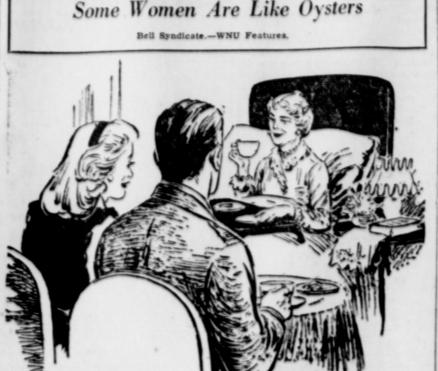
Yanks Hit Jackpot When Shell Gets Silver Cache

MANILA .- A 25th division artillery battery firing on suspected Jap positions near Rizal the other day hit the jackpot with a 105-mm. shell. A veritable geyser of silver spout-

ed up as the shell exploded. Coins showered down on troops several undred yards away. The shell had struck a cache of

Filipino prewar silver, including some U. S. money. The cash, scooped up into sand bags after Americans captured the area, required two trucks to haul it to the 6th army finance officer who began a hunt for the owners.

This was one of several such caches uncovered by advancing



Kathleen Norris Says:

"This man wants a wife, not a dainty, timorous, mollusk of expect him to dine of milk toast in an invalid's bedroom, smake in the back yard and enjoy the companionship of a few gossiping old ladies." and enjoy the company

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

OO many women are like oysters. When the oyster is young he is free and in-

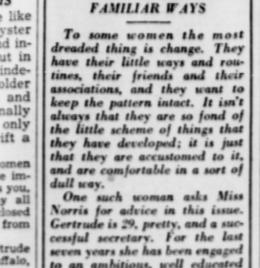
dependent; he swims about in the ocean in a glory of independence. But as he gets older his shell gradually forms and hardens upon him, and finally he is trapped in it and can only cling a great deal and drift a little

Perhaps you are one of the women who have grown shells and are imprisoned in them? Perhaps it is you, yourself, who have shut away all changes and adventures, and closed yourself into a narrow groove from which there is no escape.

It sounds to me as if Gertrude Day, who writes me from Buffalo, one of these "oyster" women. Gertrude is 29. pretty, clever, successful as a big man's secretary, devoted to an invalid mother. Gertrude and her mother live in a pretty white cottage with a garden, just out of town.

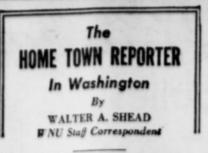
Engaged Seven Years.

For seven years Gertrude has been engaged to be married. This seems to me a record for America; in Europe and in England girls think nothing of a five or six-year engagement, and in Sweden I met a sweet serene woman who was engaged to an engineer who had been 11 years in Argentina. But these are not American ways, and hence Gertrude Day's letter indicates to me that she is fast on the way to becoming an



to an ambitious, well educated man, who is now a captain in the army. He wants to get married, now that he can well afford it. Gertrude, however, is so tied up with her invalid mother that she cannot bear to think of any adjustments. She wants her hus-band to do all the altering, yet she knows in her heart that she is asking the impossible.

is simply too big for this place. He likes hearty food; he actually suggested to me that we move Mamma to the third bedroom, off the kitchen, where she would have her own bath and be further away from us. This I will not even suggest to her.



Are You Watching Congress?

WNU Washington Bureau 621 Union Trust Building WONDER if this 79th congress is

responsive to the will of you folks . the 50-odd million of you in the Home Towns and the rural communities who voted to send them down

here to Washing-I have been laboring under the assumption that with the exception of three or four men who come under the head of "American Labor," "Progres-

sive," and "Non-Walter Shead Partisan League,' that the 96 senators and the 435 members of the house were either Demo-

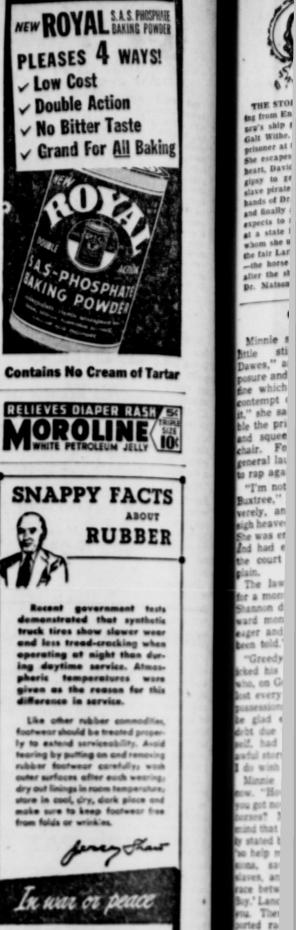
crats or Republicans. As a matter of fact they are so labeled in the Congressional directory.

But up on Capitol Hill in talking to the members, newspaper men, lobbyists and others around the congressional cloak rooms, a great number of these congressmen are tagged with labels of "Left-of-Center," "Right-of-Center," "Reactionary," "Tory," "Radical," "Lib-eral," "Conservative," or "Independ-ent" or some other ill-defined label.

As I see it, this congress is ruled by so-called "coalition" groups, groups pressured for one reason or another, groups prompted by opportunity, by prejudice, by likes and dislikes and motivated by a great number of reasons other than the traditional party convictions as we have come to know them. Whether this is a good or a bad sign, I don't know. Some folks here say it might bring forth a "do-nothing" congress. Others say independence of party labels is evidence of a strong and vigorous democracy.

Of course there are many earnest and sincere men here . . . a few stalwarts in both houses who will not compromise with expediency and opportunism . . . there are those who do not represent some bloc, some lobby, some pressure group but who still have the old-fashioned idea that they are here in Washington to represent all the people in their state or district.

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of AFTAC's school of applied tactics, Col. Harlan W. Holden, took up agriculture. The season was far from being the prescribed one for pea planting, but Colonel Holden acted on the premise that sand is sand, whether in Egypt or Florida. He also had a hunch that peas which had pulled through three millennia in a tomb could stand off-season cultivation. On April 10, 1944, after the regular Florida pea crop was finished, he planted about 60 seeds from the Rhode Island germination in the sand-based soil just outside his office. Any gardener in this part of the

country will tell you that you can't raise peas in this area in the spring. As a matter of fact, they told Colonel Holden that; and while he patiently listened to them over the phone, he looked out the window at the healthy vines.

Bug and Disease Proof.

Hardly were the first sprouts out of the ground when they started trying to set an altitude record. In the first eight weeks they grew 51/2 feet while the natives scratched puzzled heads. By the 4th of July Colonel Holden, who stand 6 feet, 2 inches himself, was looking up to count the budding pods at the tops of the vines.

Corp. Merle Tibbets, jungle survival non com, was fertilizing and watering the vines one day when he noticed another remarkable thing about these plants. Whereas the usual worms, green lice, and beetles continued to chew up surrounding vegetation, they spurned completely the Egyptian intruders. As one sergeant observed, perhaps the garden pests feared some kind of "King Tut curse," but leaving that theory aside the matter still was not entirely explained.

Meanwhile Colonel Holden noticed some more vines growing with zest in his garden. Then he remembered that a few worm-eaten, perforated peas from the same Rhode Island crop had been tossed out the door as worthless. Without any cultivation at all they too were doing fine. And-you guessed it-they were also immune from attack!

Captives, Is Report

Americans, said Capt. Francis Brannan, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Brannan hesitated to estimate the amount finally raked up, but said it certainly would run into the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Population in the North Decreased by 3 Million

WASHINGTON. - Latest estimates on wartime population shifts, issued by the census bureau, give this picture of the period 1940-44: South and West increased nearly 4,000,000; North decreased nearly 3,000,000.

State-by-state figures were given as between April 1, 1940, and July 1, 1944. The figures represent the changes both in civilian population and military population within continental United States. Thus army camps and training centers in the South had a great effect on that region's population.

Because of a large excess of births over deaths, the total continental population increased from 131,669,-275 to an estimated 132,563,271 in the four-year period, despite the sending of between 5 and 6 million men overseas.

Port and Pipe Lover

Woman Dies at 102 Years

CHICAGO .- Mrs. Catherine Copulos, who drank port wine and smoked a Turkish pipe for 50 years but abandoned the wine in favor of milk three years ago, is dead in Chicago, two months short of her 103rd birthday.

Mrs. Copulos took up wine drinking and pipe smoking at 50 upon the advice of her husband, Dr. Demosthenes Copulos, Greek neurologist, that it was relaxing for the nerves. Three years ago, after her hip was broken in a fall, she gave up wine, but continued to smoke.

When 77 years old, Mrs. Copulos visited New York and climbed to the top of the Statue of Liberty. At 80 years, against the advice of guards, she took two trips on the Coney Island roller coaster.

Window Service Flag **Can Designate Veteran**

WASHINGTON. - A family or organization service flag may now carry a symbol to designate an honorably discharged veteran.

The symbol, based on the same design used on the lapel button for a discharged veteran, will replace the blue star which represented a man or woman in service.

The design will be in gold color with blue edging to make it stand out on the flag's white background.

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"Frederick was a school-teacher when first we were engaged, and as I had full responsibility for Mamma, who is bedridden, and his salary was small, we could not think of marriage then. He taught in a school 40 miles away, so that we only saw each other for weekends twice a month. After some years he decided to study law, which took much of his time; passed his bar examination just before the war and immediately went into officer's training camp. He now has a captaincy and is temporarily stationed here after 15 months overseas, and his desire is to be married at once.

"Now, please don't think me a terrible old maid," the letter goes on, "but I just can't bear the idea of any change-I never could. I love Frederick, I know I do, but the thought of a man in this little white house of ours is staggering. Mamma and I have grown used to certain ways; breakfast late on Sunday, no cards or liquor in the house, certain radio programs every week, just a few dear old friends, mostly Mamma's, things in their right places, reading aloud. Also we have very light suppers, milk toast or waffles or a salad, which I serve on two trays in Mamma's room.

"We would have to live here, as Mamma naturally dreads the thought of moving, and-well, Fred

> .. "Gossiping old ladies. . . ."

Pork Fat for Shortening

Fresh-pork drippings can be used to season vegetables and to make gravy. If clarified, you can use this fat for baking in place of lard. Sausage, ham, and bacon fats are especially good for frying and warming foods, because of their excellent flavor. Put ham fat in dry-bean soup or bean dishes; the two flavors blend well. Use mild bacon fat, that has not been permitted to smoke, in muffins, cornbreads, cakes, gingerbread and cookine

Fears Change.

"In short," the letter concludes, "I am afraid I do not want to make the concessions he seems to take for granted. And yet I love and admire Frederick, and know that he has an honorable and successful career ahead of him. But I am so happy as I am that I fear to change present circumstances for the untried. On the other hand, Mamma has not long to live, in a year or two at most they tell me, or at any moment, she may leave me, and contemplating the utter desolation of that event I feel what a comfort Fred's kindness would be. How can I gently influence him to fit his

ways to mine, since I am so constituted that change is actual suffering to me?" My dear Gertrude, I say in answer, you can't. And it would only

be cruelty to try. This man wants a wife, a woman of an adaptable. imaginative, enthusiastic type of mind who will plan with him for a wider future, not a dainty, timorous, mollusk of a woman who will expect him to dine off milk toast in an invalid's bedroom, smoke in the back yard, and enjoy the companionship of a few gossiping old ladies.

You are too deeply encased in your shell ever to emerge into normal wifehood, and I wouldn't try. Just go as you are, and when Mamma dies try to get some other elderly woman to come and live with you, to keep the rugs and lamps and the teapot and the parrot-stand just where they belong.

Give Fred a generous and wholehearted dismissal. He'd wreck your little Dresden statue scheme if he married you. It will be a great relief to you to feel, "Well, that's over!" and it will free him to find some other woman, a woman who likes househunting and loves her man, and bears him children, and faces the daily ups and downs, the disappointments and triumphs, scares and glories, responsibilities and rewards, that make up married life.

Use a Water Softener

Soap won't soften water . . fact, you'll waste a great deal of soap if you try this. Get a good chemical water softener. There are plenty of good water softeners on the market, and Mrs. Bernice Claytor, specialist at the Texas A. and M. college extension service, says sal soda is one good softening agent. Studies made at one experiment station recently showed that where pure soap was used to soften hard water, the cost ran more than six cents per tubful.

state and his assistant William L Clayton because they were from the ranks of Big Business and were realists. All three eventually were approved.

The reason I raise the question of whether or not this congress is responsive to your will, and point out the formations of blocs and pressure groups and coalitions, is because within the next few months this group of men, particularly in the senate, must make the most important decision facing this nation since the Civil war. The people generally, I feel, favor ratification by the senate of the structure of the peace organization under the framework of the Dumbarton Oaks conference and the Atlantic Charter. Reactions in congress are good. Reactions to the Crimea conference, generally, are good, but here and there is heard a dissenting voice. Poland and other nationalities have large groups in this country. They have votes too.

Twenty-five Years Ago.

Former Senator James E. Watson of my home state of Indiana, writing recently in his memoirs, described how the peace treaty was beaten 25 years ago. Called into a conference with then Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, Watson writes:

"Senator, I don't see how we are ever going to defeat this proposition. It appears to me that 80 per cent of the people are for it, churches are very largely favoring it, all the people who have been burdened and oppressed by this awful tragedy of war and who imagine this opens a way to build peace are for it, and I don't see how it's possible to defeat it.'

"He (Lodge) turned to me and said:

"'Ah, my dear James, I do not propose to beat it by direct frontal attack, but by the indirect method of reservations." "

Then Senator Lodge described how he would propose reservations on this and that to attract support from the various groups and blocs. And Lodge won 25 years ago and the people lost.

And despite the optimism now for the peace ratification, unless the people who elected this congress are watchful, it could happen again. Just remember that minority of a third of the senate which scuttled the peace treaty after World War I. The groups and blocs are there. It still takes a two-thirds vote of the senate to ratify. The only factor, in this case favorable, is that leadership is not there . . . there is no one with the ability of a Lodge to lead in the fight against ratification.



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THE STORY THUS FAR: While voyaging from England to America, Lark Shan-nes's ship goes down. She is saved by Galt Withe, a bound servant, but made oner at the inn to which he takes her. he escapes, and is found by her sweetheart, David North, who is disguised as a gipsy to get a line on Dr. Matson, a lave pirate. Lark and Galt fall into the hands of Dr. Matson, but escape at night, and finally arrive in Norfolk where Lark spects to meet David. She meets him at a state fair, with Mara Mastings, to whom she understands he is engaged. At the fair Lark rides Red Raskall in a race e horse she had managed to hobble fter the shipwreck, and wins the race. pr. Matson is at the fair, a prisoner.

CHAPTER XX

Minnie said, "Damn your mean stinking soul, Plascutt Dawes," and then, with great comsure and good nature, paid out the fine which the judge imposed for contempt of court. "It was worth tempt of court. "It was worth she said loudly, "cheap at dout," she said loudiy, ble the price!" She winked at Lark and squeezed back into her arm For a moment there was general laughter, and the judge had to rap again for attention.

"I'm not done with you yet, Miss Buxtree," Plascutt's lawyer said severely, and Minnie, with a gusty sigh heaved herself again to her feet. She was enjoying herself thoroughly and had engaged the sympathy of the court room. That was very

The lawyer consulted his client for a moment and then said, "Miss annon did want to collect the reward money, didn't she? She was eager and greedy for that, I have en told.

"Greedy for that!" Minnie mimcked his tone to perfection. "And to, on God's green earth, if they'd ost every stick and stitch of their sessions in a shipwreck, wouldn't glad enough to collect a just t due them? I wish you, yourelf, had been through that Godful storm and that wreck, Mister, do wish it now!

Minnie played her trump card "How many Greatways slaves ou get now, Mr. Dawes? How many ses? Maybe it's slipped your ind that that detail was very clearstated by Mr. Terraine. He said, help me, I'll bet all my possesas, saving my daughter, my ves, and my horse-flesh, on this ce between Lancer and Thunder .' Lancet and Thunder Boy, mind Them two horses was the imted racers in the original bet. ter, when Mr. Terraine an' all rest of us thought that Lancer ad gone down aboard the Tema, Mr. Terraine picked up a furhorse named Black Jig. an' Mr. wes put the screws on Mr. Terne and forced him to follow this e bet through, against his own judgment and that of the stry-side, since 'twas a wellnown fack that Black Jig was an insound beast!

did set a match to a bonfire, didn't | citement. "That's what it do mean, I? What happens next, Ben Tav- don't it?"

ner?" The judge frowned. "This court accepts the responsibility of disposing of a valuable piece of horse-flesh."

Red Raskal

By CLARK MCMEEKIN

Withe and I had every firm intention of returning the horse to Squire Jarrod Terraine. We love Red Raskall dearly and can not accept Mr. Dawes' claim. All of you heard him, just now, threaten to put him behind a plow! Why Red Raskall's a thoroughbred! If you could get in touch with Mr. Terraine in Kentucky-" Judge Tavner said formally,

"Miss Shannon, it has been clearly shown by Mr. Dawes that Squire Terraine, by a very reckless written agreement, has forfeited all his possessions. Whatever may have been his spoken intentions as to his slaves and horses, this agreement, held by Mr. Dawes does give him claim to the horse you found, and the court must recognize it as such."

"Just a minute, please, Judge." Minuie was on her feet again. "What about them 'finders-keepers' laws? Why wouldn't they come into this case?"

"I assume you mean the Maritime Salvage Laws, Minnie. This court does have Admiralty Rights which I think are clearly applicable When we have finished hearhere. ing both sides of the case I have



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"Under the somewhat peculiar circumstances, and in view of the fact that Jarrod Terraine is certainly not able to reimburse her for the horse, I should opine, and do hereby de-Lark was on her feet instantly. cree, that since the horse was clear-"Judge Tavner," she said, "Galt by his at the time of the wreck cree, that since the horse was clearwhich preceded the race, it now belongs to Lark Shannon, to have and to hold, as her true and indisputable possession, in the sight of all men."

The court room rang with applause as Lark rose to her feet and bowed. Sherry Farrington smiled across at her and her grandmother sent a message that a week from today she would come calling.

When the crowd had melted away after many congratulations Lark said, "Oh, Galt, he's ours. Really ours, now!"

The scarlet leaves danced and whirled on the floor of the turn pike. Lark had closed the shutters of the toll-gate house and locked them tight against the prying wind.

She had lit a fire of pine chips and filled the blue stoneware bowls with bittersweet and Michaelmas daisies. The simple furniture was scrubbed and oiled, the pewter shined and the cups and napkins were laid out. . . . And it was only nine o'clock in the morning. Seven hours before Madame Farrington could possibly come to call!

Cupsie was churning in the dairy shed. She called, "Buttah done come, Miss Lark, you tole me say so when buttah comes."

Lark laid aside the bowl of frostsweetened fox grapes she was picking over, and went through the dogtrot from the kitchen to the shed. The boards here were white from scrubbing, clean-smelling and pungent with the faint fragrant sourness of butter-cream.

"See, honey?" Cupsie pulled up the long wooden dasher, with its blue-white patterns lacing its smooth brown length. Clusters of butter flakes clung to the plunger in granules and rosettes.

"Don't churn so fast, Cupsie, you're slopping the cream out!"

"Yas'm." Cupsie looked out of the big square window to the ten-acre lot where her newest swain was turning over the lumps of rich brown Virginia loam. The plaint of a melancholy song came to them. .

"Lawd Jesus, lissen to de lam's acryin'," the sharp hi-yi of the other field hands when an unwary rabbit darted from its haven in the surrounding scrub, was caught, whirled around the Negro's head, and slung into a pile, dead, ready for the frypan, come suppertime.

"Dem niggahs shore has a 'miration for Marse Galt," Cupsie said tentatively

"You're slopping that good



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Lesson for April 22

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THE FOUNDING OF THE NATION

LESSON TEXT-Exodus 18:19-24; 19:3-8. GOLDEN TEXT-Righteousness exaiteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people. -Proverbs 14:34.

God has a purpose for the lives of men and of nations. Happy are those who seek His guidance so that their lives may be directed in right and useful channels.

God's threefold purpose for Israel, which we noted in our lesson of last week, could only be worked out in a nation which was separated unto Him, following holiness in its life and service.

Moses, one of the greatest and most able figures of all history, was God's appointed leader. His success is explained by his willingness to follow God's leading. He sought:

I. God's Counsel (18:19).

Jethro, the father-in-law of Moses, naving observed how he was burdened constantly by the affairs of the people, came to offer him advice. He started in the right place, by urging Moses to continue to seek God, yes, to spend even more time in the Lord's presence, asking His wisdom and guidance.

No man can lead a people in the right way if he does not have his own life in constant touch with the throne of God. Much of the failure of our day centers right there. We talk much to other men about our national and international problems. There are multiplied meetings and conferences. They do have value, but very little, unless there is a seeking of God's will.

A day of national repentance and prayer would do more for us than many weeks of discussion and debate. We need to seek God's coun-

Note that the coming of Moses to God concerned the daily affairs of his people. That reminds us that not only the life of our nation, but that of our own homes-and our personal beings-all need God's counsel.

To aid Moses in administering the affairs of the nation, Jethro record mended the appointment of men who were to serve as:

II. God's Counselors (18:20-24). There has been not a little criticism of Moses for accepting this advice. It is pointed out that when God puts heavy burdens on us, the way out is not to shift the load on someone else, but to seek God's special grace to bear it and to do it acceptably.

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"We remember the race." Judge Tavner said, "Most of us here today witnessed it."

"You know the beast broke down the stretch," Minnie continued, but Squire Terraine, being a sporting gent of the first water, paid the ice. And that price didn't include orse-flesh. What I want to know. and this court wants to know, is how many horses of Squire Terraine's you got in your stables this minte, Mr. Dawes?" Minnie fired the vestion point-blank at Plascutt.

Plascutt said hastily, "Judge Tavher, this woman has nothing in writager was a personal agreement beeen me and Jarrod Terraine. I he no reason to re-open the points wered in the bet. That it was ade and carried out in good faith, think has been proven by past ents. Because I did not wish to ress my advantage as winner. I owed Jarrod Terraine to make that disposition he chose of his dayes and his horses."

Minnie said, "That man's twistin' he truth, Ben Tavner, honest to od, he is. Jarrod Terraine's downight claim was that Lancer (Red askall, we call him) could beat hunder Boy. And that's what hapned, ain' it? Looks to me like uire Terraine could claim all his ds back if there's any sense in awin'. S'pose I just write him now, ut there in Kaintuck and tell him w matters stand; that Lancer did eat Thunder Boy, fair an' square on

he county circuit track. I could ake my pen in hand mighty easy She glanced slyly at Plascutt. Mr. Dawes said quickly, "I have cided, Judge Tavner, to withdraw my claim to the horse and to cease itigation against Miss Shannon and

"Just a moment, Mr. Dawes," the udge said. "It is my considered ion that, in the ends of justice, he case must be continued. In retard to this horse-"

"I don't give a damn about the " Plascutt cut in irritably. "If had him I'd put him behind a plow! But if you think you're going to open up a bet that's been settled and

"This court has no jurisdiction wer any wagering, Mr. Dawes. as you say, is past and done But I resent your tone, sir, and fine you five pounds for conpt. Now will you be seated?" Plascutt sat down.

"Well," Minnie said proudly, "I



every intention of bringing them up and explaining them to the jury. Mr. Dawes, it is now in order for your lawyer to plead. . .

Mr. Dawes' lawyer spoke with great conviction but apparently made little impression on the jury who had already been prejudiced against his client.

After he had finished, the judge sent the sergeant for a certain volume and studied it for some moments.

Minnie said, "Read it aloud, Ben. We'd all like mighty much to hear just what it says."

The judge cleared his throat and began:

"'1. The salvage services must have been rendered within the jurisdiction of this Admiralty. . . .

Minnie nodded vigorously and smiled encouragingly at Lark.

"'2. There must be no legal duty on the party of the salvor to render assistance.

"All right, Ben, go ahead!" Minnie's excitement had spread to the jury, who were listening attentively. " '3. The property must have been in peril when rescued by the sal-VOL.

"It was, Ben, that poor horse was a-sinking fast in the quicksand would have been a goner if and Lark hadn't histed him with a spar." The judge looked over his spectacles at Lark. "That's perfectly true, ' she said. sir.'

"And lastly, the fourth point: The services must have been successful.

"Just take a look out the window Ben, and you'll see the horse hale an' hearty as the day he was weaned." Minnie beamed.

"'If these conditions be satisfied,"" the judge continued to quote, " 'salvage claims take priority of all others against the property saved, and give the salvor a maritime lien

upon such property, enforceable by action in rem." "What's 'a lien'?" Minnie wanted to know. "Say it in plain English

Judge." "A lien," Ben Tavner explained with gracious condescension, "is de-fined by the dictionary as being, 'right to retain possession of property till debt due in respect of it is discharged.' "

"So Lark gets to keep this horse, Judge?" Minnie asked in great ex-

cream," Lark said briefly. "You'se sorter edgy, ain't ye?" Cupsie asked companionably, "Ain't no need to be scairt of Ma'am Farrington. I'se bin up to de quarters ob Sheriden an' kin tell ye all about

her. Ole Ma'am Farrington, dey say she am 'bout de out-footenest lady 'roun' here." "I'm not interested," Lark said.

"Cupsie, mind your churning. Don't let me have to speak to you again!"

"No, ma'am." Cupsie was com-pletely unperturbed. "Ye bettah let me fix you up a bit o' lunch, Miss Lark, an' take time fur a lay-down to settle yoah tempah. Ye gonna crimp yo' haih, ain't ye? Ma'am Farrington's got sharp eyes. Ain't no lady roun' here don' foller de style. . . . Miss Pretty-Anne Taylor has a two-piece corset an' strings herself up to de bed-pos'."

"My hair looks funny crimped." "I ain't a-sayin' ye ain't got purty hair an' dat it don' look good plain, but Mistress Mara puts hers up on lil' rags ebry night ob de worl'. Marse David he laks crimp hair an' mos' folks do. Ole Ma'am Farrington laugh hersel' into a fit, goin' home from drinkin' a dish ob tea wid a gal wid straight hair."

"I can't help it if she does, and what's more, Cupsie, I don't believe she does. She told me Mistress Dawes had caught her in the barn, dosing the horses. She's not a fan-cified old lady at all."

"Sometimes she is, an' sometimes she ain't," Cupsie said judiciously, "She kin be plain as Satan's old heel when she wants to, but when dey have a ball up at Sheriden she decks herself up in lace spetiskirts an' emeral's an' di'mon's an' all. Dat's what I hear tell. She got a' eye for a han'som gent too, spite o' being one foot in de grabe. I heerd she tole some one Marse Galt wuz de bes' lookin' young mister-somebody she's seen for a coon's age."

When Lark didn't give Cupsie an answer the little darkey wasn't discouraged but went on. too, jes' look out de winder at Marse Galt a-stridin' dat Raskall out dar. Dey de pretties' pair ob critturs I ever did see. Look lak a' up-an'comin' man lak him wouldn' be so hin'most 'bout findin' hisself a wife. Mebbe he shy, Miss Lark an' need a lil' hint. What you t'ink, honey?" "Cupsie, I can't think when you talk so much!" Lark laughed.

"No'm. But when I laks a pusson, I jes' plain-out can't help sayin'

I never did coddle to Mistah David Nawth, though I 'spec he am rich, rich as this here buttah cream. Him an' Miss Mara's a good mate, iffen ye ax me."

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(TO BE CONTINUED)

tation; but when one considers the devout and careful approach of Jethro to the matter (vv. 9-12) and his evident desire to glorify God in it all, there is ground for believing that he was giving Moses good advice.

The great unorganized host of possibly two million people were going through a very difficult experience. The result was dissension and strife, often over trivial things, which needed to be settled. For all this to come to Moses seemed undesirable; therefore other men were chosen to be counselors to the people, interpreting for them the law and the will of God.

While each of us should carry every God-given responsibility with gladness, that does not mean that we are to assume that only we are able to do things. There is no more tragic figure than the pastor or church officer who tries to do everything. Why not put others to work? How can our young people and new converts ever find a place of service if older Christians hold on to every job in the church? Let us train them; then trust them with real responsibility. Counsel, encourage, pray, direct if need be, but do not try to do it all yourself!

Now we come to the solemn and crucial moment when God was ready to establish His people and they were ready to accept:

III. God's Covenant (19:3-8).

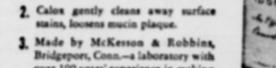
In the sacred and awe-inspiring meeting place before Mount Sinai, where the Lord was to give them His law (Exod. 20), they made a solemn covenant with God.

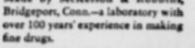
In preparation for it He reminded them of what He had done for them in the past. God is the unchanging One. If He was tender and gracious toward them in the past, they could enter the future confident of His blessing. And so may we!

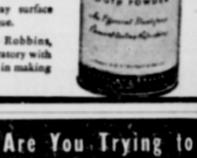
Note verses 5 and 6, for they give us God's great purpose for Israel. All they had to do was to obey His voice by keeping His covenant. This they, in solemn assembly, agreed to do (v. 8). How different their history-and that of the world-would have been had they kept their prom-

We lament their failure, but what about us who are so highly favored that we have Christ in our midst? Are we obedient?

Following the making of the covenant (which God will one day fulfill in spite of their failure), we have the giving of the Ten Commandments, and the establishment of Israel's center of worship in the tabernacle. It was the dwelling place of God among His people. How precious









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and Homer Simpson returned from a fishing spree on the Rio Grande without muck luck.

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THE STORY THUS FAR: While voyging from England to America, Lark non's ship goes down. She is saved Galt Withe, a bound servant, but ade prisoner at the inn to which he akes her. She escapes and is found by her sweetheart, David North, who is disguised as a gypsy, to get a line on Dr. Matson, a slave pirate. Lark and David hill into the hands of Dr. Matson, but cape at night, and finally arrive in orfolk where she expects to meet David. At the state fair Lark rides Red Raskall the horse she had managed to hobble after the shipwreck, and wins the race. tith the money she buys Galt's freedom. However, there is a dispute in court over the ownership of the horse,

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CHAPTER XXI

Lark snatched up a tray filled with utter-molds and carried it to the pring-house. When she came back Cupsie said, "Ye look real worndown, honey. Ah wants ye ter look pert. Lemme stop now an' cook ye up a bite. After dat I'll press you' blue bomberzine. Miss Lark, whilst "Im not going to crimp it." Lark

Gald exasperatedly, "You go get Mr. Galt's dinner, I'll finish this."

"Yas'm. . . Don't churn so habd, Miss Lark, you suah Lawd sloppin' half de cream away." Chuckling, Cupsie went to the kitch-Lark worked until she was finen. Lark worked until she was nnfies, thick as berries on a fruit drying tray, clung heavily to the cheese-Lark shook it and sent them into a disturbed buzzing protest. She ided the last of the butter and set it in the spring-house and went into the house, just as Galt came home m the fields.

"Why, Lark!" Galt followed her frem the warm pleasant kitchen into he stuffy chill of the parlor. He baned down to touch a sulphur ink to the frilled paper fan under the logs. Then he straightened up and glanced around with a vaguely uzzled air. "Something's funny, said, "something looks different, esome, somehow. Where are Minale's worsted mottoes?"

Lark looked guilty. "I took them down," she said primly, "those and the crayon portraits, Dan and the hers. . . . Oh, Galt, they're so mon, so outrageously vulgar. Galt said, "Lark, this is Minnie's se, not yours or mine. Minnie has her pride. Why, Lark, she took us in. . . . She won the Raskall for us. . Lark, honey, it wasn't Madame Farrington or Mara Hastngs or any of their breed. . . . But the first guest to arrive was at the expected one. It was David th. He apologized that the press af business had kept him from calling sooner, but refused the tea that offered. He had, he said, only

few minutes to stay. "On, David," she said, "I was so hat you, ye

W.N.U. SERVICE now on, and a good social position in the respectable society of Norfolk. I'm glad to offer all this to you, my dear, very glad, indeed."

The Seth Thomas clock spoke its four silver notes, and Madame Farrington's famous pair of trotters pulled to a halt at the toll-house gate.

Lark said, "David, I'm sorry, ter-ribly sorry, but we wouldn't be hap-py together."

"You mean you're not going to marry me?" David's astonishment was perfectly genuine, "but, Lark, why, Lark!"

The arriving guest stood in the doorway. "Oh," she said, "I'm sor-



She was in his arms now.

ry. I didn't know you had another

"I was just going." David picked up his beaver and bowed a stiff farewell to the two ladies. "Mr. North, wasn't it?" Madame

Farrington asked with a twinkle in her eye.

"I suppose he wanted you to come back and teach at that dreadfully genteel school that those obnoxious ly elegant Miss Hastings run," Madame Farrington said, curiously. "I hear that the most objectionable one of them (Mara, is that her name?) is planning to marry him."

Lark said, as she led Madame Farrington into the parlor, "Mr. North is a fine business man. "Business man!" Madame Farrington dismissed the breed with a wave of her ringed hand. "This is farming country," she said, "all our men round here are farmers." She glanced out of the window to where Galt could be seen astride Red Raskall, busy with the direction of the hands. Immediately she fell on the embroidered texts, gilded corn, and highly colored chromos with delighted appreciation. She laughed with Lark over them. And the ice was completely broken when Lark confessed her temporary desecration of hiding them. They were superb, she said, typical of Minnie, whose expert handling of the law case had established her as a neighborhood fa-vorite. "Minnie's got a quick wit 'My granddaughter, Sherry, wants

to hire her to entertain the guests at our annual Christmas ball. You and Galt must come to that, my

dear, you really must." "We'd love to," Lark answered and added, "Minnie's a character, but I've found out she's a lot more than that. She's so good, so kind,

Madame Farrington patted her hand. "So fine, in spite of her eccentricities. I share your admiration for Minnie. We were all delighted when it was her quick thinking that saved the horse for you. If Plascutt had won his case he would have been ostracized, completely ostracized, by the entire county.

"Well, I must be going now, but I've enjoyed my visit immensely. You must come to see me soon, Lark." Madame Farrington rose and gathered up her reticule and furred mantle, moving toward the door. "And, when you come, bring that good-looking young beau of yours with you. Tell him if he's going to get ahead as a farmer he'll need advice about his winter wheat and about the Raskall's training. I've been in the game a long time and I know a thing or two, in spite of my own grandchildren's opinion to the contrary. You two young people will pull well in harness together."

With a twinkle of laughter in her eye, she leaned over and kissed Lark quickly as she started calling her coachman to leave that pretty little yellow wench and help her into her carriage, threatening him with a whipping if he didn't come this instant; and then, when she saw him already outside, giving him the sug-ar cake she had filched from tea for his latest picaninny. Her black eyes smiled merrily at Lark. "Don't forget to ask Minnie about the Christ-mas party," she said. "But I'll be seeing you and Galt before then, many times!"

As Lark went back in the house, she heard Galt's voice calling her from the stable, asking if she didn't want to come help him pitch down hay for the horses' supper, as she usually did.

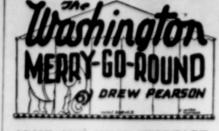
She ran to him. He looked up, surprised to see her in her good blue "Oh, I remember now," he said, "I'd clean forgot. Did the old lady come? Was she hi-faluting? I meant to come help you out. Lark, honest I did, honey!"

Lark said, "She came, Galt, and she was fine. But before then I had another visitor . . . David. Galt-he-he-'

"He wanted you to marry him? Lark, you look so funny." He looked at her queerly and said slowly, "That's what you've been wanting always, isn't it?" She nodded.

"Why, Lark, darling, you're cry-g!" He put his arms around her. ing!" Red Raskall whinnied softly. Lark said, "I'm crying because I was so foolish, so blind. First I wanted David more than I could bear, almost. Then I didn't want him. Then I wasn't sure. Did you ever know such a silly girl, Galt, ever in all your born days?" "I never knew so sweet a girl,

Lark, so dear a one!" denly, she was laugh



ARMY AND MEAT SHORTAGE. It happened behind closed doors, but a lot of housewives would have relished being present when Cong. Clinton Anderson's special food committee quizzed an array of Washington bigwigs.

A lot of star witnesses were pres ent, but the army, represented by Maj. Gen. Carl Hardigg of the quartermaster corps, chiefly took it on the chin.

War Food Chief Marvin Jones started the ball rolling when he produced figures showing that last year, when meat was plentiful, the army gummed up the works by failing to take anywhere near the quantity allocated to it. In the fourth quarter of 1944, the army had asked for one and a quarter billion pounds of meat. Actually, the army took half a billion pounds less.

That, according to the closeddoor testimony, was the chief reason why ration points on meat were dropped last year and the housewives got a windfall. The public then got back to the habit of eating meat. But today, with meat far less plentiful, the army has ordered even more than allocated to it last year.

General Hardigg was unable to satisfy the congressmen as to why the army failed to take up its meat last year, or at least failed to put it in cold storage for later use. Had this been done, army demands would now be much smaller. General Hardigg also was asked to report back to congress on meat consumption per soldier in the British army, also in the Russian army. Congressmen also asked Hardigg to report on how much meat was consumed by U. S. troops overseas, as compared with that consumed by troops in the United States.

RELAXED MEAT INSPECTION One proposal to ease the meat shortage is to abolish federal inspection in small local slaughter houses. These slaughterers have to pass state inspection anyway, and most of them are thoroughly reputable. But to sell inter-state they must pass fed-eral inspection, so many now sell only within state limits. This is one reason why cattle-raising

shortage today. General Hardigg, however, sat on the idea of relaxing fed-eral inspection. He argued that federal inspection must con-tinue. War Food Chief Jones and War Mobilizer Vinson were not impressed with Hardigg's argument.

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"I never tasted federally inicted meat until I was in my 20s," scoffed Texas-bred Jones. "Out in Kentucky we did all right without federally inspected meat, Vinson agreed. "I never had it until I was out of my teens."

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"I expected to win," he said, stiff-"I was in the right. That's what murts of law are for, Lark, to carry out justice."

"Yes, of course," she said hastiby, "I quite understand that. I just wanted to tell you how happy I was. I tried to find you to tell you so that day, but I couldn't catch you."

"Did you, Lark, did you really? I didn't know that." David crossed the room and sat down beside her on the little love seat. "I didn't know you cared. Mara said you ran away from me, that she wanted to make you comfortable and happy until I could come back from my business trip and we could all be ligether.

"But, David, I didn't want to be ugether' when you belonged to her. I was terribly hurt that you hadn't d me you were promised to Mara. If I'd known that sooner. . . . "

"But I wasn't. I'm not promised to her. Lark, she didn't tell you that? She couldn't have!"

"But, David, it doesn't matter now. I've got over caring, the way I did. So many things have hap-. . . Perhaps it was because on were the only man I'd ever own. You thought I was just a silly little girl. Well, I guess I was." "I want you to come back to Mara's, Lark. She, herself, suggested She pointed out that she might rganize an equestrienne course for ne of her young ladies. You would be equipped, she felt, to instruct in that. She heard that Madame Farrington had shown you special favor and thought perhaps you would be able to influence her to send some of her grandchildren to the school. She said the commistions would be yours. Then you wouldn't feel you were living on her charity."

Poor David, Lark thought, he doesn't see, not even the least little

"I'm not going back to Mara," she said gently, "I'm happy here." "Leading a tenant's life, Lark? You don't realize that in Virginia society.

"David, I don't know anything about Virginia society. I've no place in it and I don't want to have any." "But Lark, isn't young Withe here, too? Mara pointed out to me how unsuitable it was for you to be staying here without a chaperone. I feel like I've failed you. I promised I'd look out for you and I haven't done it. I'm not promised to Mara. I admire and respect her greatly. But Lark, why, honey, I love you!" "And I'm proud I've got a good

deal to offer you. A thousand pounds from this Matson business, a share in the profits of the Company from

"Even Cupsie had more sense than I had. She knew all along. She tried to tell me. . . . Galt, you don't like girls who crimp their hair do you? You wouldn't want your wife

He studied for a minute. "I like your hair, Lark, I like everything about you, just like it is. I wouldn't want a change."

She was in his arms now. It was comfortable there. Her heart was home. Red Raskall whinnied softly again, and Lark's hand stroked the silky sheen of his neck. The horse turned and nuzzled her shoul-

"His colt and Dosta's, we'll name it Madoc, won't we, Galt?" "Lark," Galt held her close to

him, "Lark, I never hope to see a vorite. "Minnie's got a quick wit and an engaging personality." Mad-ame Farrington said approvingly. Un prides my heart!" [THE END]

Representative Anderson of Al-buquerque, N. M., chairman of the committee, then took General Hardigg to task for the army's system of poultry buying.

"Out my way, where we've got plenty of meat," Anderson said, "the army isn't interested in buying poultry. Here in the East, where meat is scarce, you're taking all the poultry. Why not spread your poultry buying so that in areas where the public has a hard time getting meat it can at least get a little poultry."

He pointed out that the army is taking 100 per cent of the poultry in the Delmarva area - Delaware, Maryland and Virginia.

Vinson supported Anderson, telling Hardigg: "Try to work that out with the war food administration, General." . . .

SEVENTEEN SWORD WOUNDS.

INSIDE JAPAN. - The Jap high command ordered 15 divisions out of Siberia a month ago to defend the Japanese homeland. . . . But since the Russians denounced their neutrality pact, the Japs are frantically scouring the country for more troops to bolster the Russo-Japanese frontier. . . . During the Stalin-grad battle, the Russians depleted the red army in Siberia. It was the Cossack cavalry, rushed to Stalingrad, which saved it. Now the red army in the east is at about full strength again. . . . New Premier Suzuki of Japan was left for dead on the street when the young fascists of the Black Dragon society murdered most of Japan's moderate leaders a decade ago. He was carved up with 17 Fascist sword wounds. . . . Today Suzuki is front man for Japanese big business which long has leaned toward a negotiated peace. So has the emperor - if they can get it.

. . . CAPITAL CHAFF

€ Handsome Secretary of State Ed Stettinius spent several days in New York rehearsing for the state department movie on Dumbarton Oaks. But despite rehearsals, moviegoers get a chuckle out of the way Ed rolls his eyes. Reason is he didn't learn all his lines, had to look at a blackboard just over the moviecamera in order to read them. This makes his eyes roll away from the lens as if he were a torch-singer. Otherwise it ranks as an A-1 picture.

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