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## Lynn County's Bond Quota Is \$695,000.00

In the Fourth War Bond issue drive, starting January 18, Lynn county has been given a quota of \$695,000. Of this amount the quota for the O'Donnell school district is \$93,825. Deen Nowlin, assisted by Truitt

Smith, will direct the campaign. B. M. Haymes, this city, will be our local chairman. This time, the county will be subdivided into school districts, each being assigned a quota, with a chairman for each district.

## May Enter Race

It is reported that Rollin McCord, our popular district attorney, contemplates entering the race for Congress. George Mahon, present incumbent, has held the office for the past ten years.

## Nice Snowfall

Yesterday's snowfall amounted around five inches. The O'Donnell area is getting the moisture, bud, for a big crop this year.

## Political Announcements

Rates: Congressional, \$25; District and County, \$10; Precinct, \$7 50; Cash.

This newspaper is authorized to announce the candidacy of the following persons, subject to the action of the July democratic primary:

For Tax Assessor-Collector:  
R. P. WEATHERS, re-election  
for County Commissioner, Prec. 3:  
JNO.A. ANDERSON re-election

**Dawson County Candidates**  
for County Commissioner, Prec. 2:  
G. C. ATEN, 2nd term.

## To the People of this Community

### YOU ARE IMPORTANT

There is no such thing as a "little" investment in the Fourth War Loan.

Your \$25 or \$50 or \$100 Extra War Bond may not have great importance in your mind in making up a 5 1/2 billion dollar total for individuals.

But multiply yourself by 130,000,000 and then you see in real perspective how truly great each citizen becomes in making national strength against the Nazis and the Japs.

Capt. Maurice Witherspoon, Navy chaplain aboard the Carrier Wasp when she sank, tells of a rescued wounded sailor, who, as he regained consciousness, asked: "Did I do my best?"

That's the only question you, too, have to ask yourself when you decide the extent of your personal participation in the Fourth War Loan.

There undoubtedly will be large single purchases of War Bonds in this community, but yours—if it is "your best" will deserve equally the red, white and blue shield you are privileged to display in the window of your home.

So "Let's All Back the Attack!"  
THE EDITOR.

## Big Bank Deposits

Reflecting the general prosperity of the O'Donnell sector, the report of the condition of the First National Bank of O'Donnell at the close of business Dec. 31st, reveals that deposits in this sound banking house had reached a total of \$1,298,675.36. From time to time during the past year, deposits have been increasing. This has been the record for several years as a result of sound, conservative methods put into effect by Cashier J. L. Shoemaker, Jr.

The accommodations and facilities extended by the First National are in line with those offered by banking houses in large Texas cities, and the growth of the local bank is pleasing not only to stockholders and directors, but also the business interests and the public in general in the O'Donnell sector, which it so capably serves. The report, which we publish on page three, is one of the best financial statements we have ever published. It is one which mirrors the fine shape our section is in, one which shows the ultimate effects of sound, conservative banking, and one which portrays a rosy future for this territory. Read the report and feel proud of our First National Bank.

## G. C. Aten Announces For County Commissioner

Yielding to continual solicitation of friends over a long period, G. C. Aten this week announces his candidacy in The Index-Press for a second term as county commissioner, Precinct No. 2, Dawson county. Five boxes are represented in the precinct.

Mr. Aten is widely known. He has been a resident of Dawson county for 22 years and is a man of thrift, erudition and ability. He knows the needs of the precinct and will give faithful service as was evidenced in his first term. Experienced in road matters, taxation, school affairs, and all other matters under the jurisdiction and administration of the board of commissioners, G. C. Aten is thoroughly qualified in every way for the office. A life-long democrat, he respectfully solicits and will appreciate your vote and influence, promising that if elected his every effort will be to give fair and impartial service to each part of the precinct, and to discharge the duties of the office in a way that should meet the approval of the entire precinct. It is his intention to personally contact each voter, if possible, and will be glad to discuss matters relative to the needs of the precinct. He asks for and will gratefully appreciate your support.

## Will Secure Names

At Tuesday's Rotary luncheon, Frank Liddell, Chas. Cabool, Augustus Hunter and Noel Boothe were appointed as a committee to secure names of men and women in the O'Donnell area who are in service during this present war, for the purpose of listing those names on the Roll of Honor to be erected on the court house lawn in the near future.

The board of county commissioners voted to bear 50 per cent of the expense of the Roll of Honor. Contributions for the balance will be subscribed throughout the county.

Roy E. Everett this week sold his residence in the north part of town to Joe Schooler.

## Joe Carroll, With Merchant Marine Tells Of 18,000-Mile Sea Voyage

### THESE WOMEN!

By d'Alessio



"Why don't you paint something from memory, dear? Say, a beefsteak or a pound of butter?"

## R. P. Weathers Announces For Tax Assessor-Collector

R. P. Weathers, our genial tax assessor and collector, announces his candidacy for re-election this week in the Index-Press.

Mr. Weathers has been a resident and taxpayer in Lynn county for many years, and enjoys the acquaintance of practically every voter in the county, and is held in high esteem by all. Prior to entering this office he had many years experience as a banker. He has very capably filled the office, operating it in a high-class, business-like manner. He promises the same prompt, courteous and efficient service in the future.

Mr. Weathers respectfully solicits and will greatly appreciate your vote for assessor and collector.

## First Anniversary

The Specialty Shop, at Lamesa, is celebrating its first anniversary with a big Close Out Sale on winter merchandise. The stocks were bought for this season and include, Coats, Dresses, Blouses and other wearables for women and children. Prices have been slashed deeply, and exceptional values are offered. They still have a few Chenille Bed spreads at sacrifice prices. Read the adv. on last page.

Here last week for the funeral of Neal William James were Mrs. George Ayers and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williams of San Angelo.

## COVERAGE

The Index-Press is proud of its circulation. Probably no other West Texas paper covers its territory as completely as The Index-Press. The other day, one of the local post office force complimented us highly with the reminder that The Index-Press had a coverage of 90 per cent in the O'Donnell sector. We are proud of the fact that our paper reaches the people—a paper that has a good circulation always brings good results to its advertisers. We are adding new readers each week, our old subscribers are renewing promptly—all of which betokens the fact that folks like to read The Index-Press.

## Jno. A. Anderson Announces For County Commissioner

Jno. A. Anderson this week announces his candidacy for re-election to the office of County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3.

Mr. Anderson is serving his first term in this office, and his capable, efficient services have been satisfactory. His knowledge of roads, taxes, and other matters administered by the board of county commissioners, has been ably demonstrated, and all in all, Mr. Anderson has made the precinct a splendid official. He appreciates the co-operation that has been given him. Mr. Anderson respectfully solicits and will appreciate your vote and influence for a second term as your county commissioner.

## R. H. Gary Passes Away

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday in Henderson for R. H. Gary, esteemed citizen here for many years, who died at the home of his brother, R. W. Gary, in O'Donnell last Sunday.

Deceased was a man of sterling character and had many friends in this locality who learned of his demise with sadness.

Survivors include six brothers R. W. and J. E. Gary, O'Donnell, J. D. Gary, Loraine, John. E. C. and J. C. Gary, Henderson; five sisters, Mesdames Ollie Neely of Bayton, Ora Davis, Mary Compton, Eva Maddox and Hagar, of Henderson.

Joe Carroll, old home boy, serving with the merchant marine, is home for a two weeks' visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Carroll.

When queried about his longest journey, Joe replied that he was gone 48 days, covered 18,000 miles on water, crossed the equator, and saw a little bit of land. "I strolled through one of the most beautiful parks I ever saw. It amused me to see natives riding in small cars on the left of the road, but one thing that impressed me was that everybody in this particular city closed their places of business, large and small, on Sunday and turned out en masse for church. I attended a dance in that city and found that the girls danced the American way, but they did not wear those long, formal, frilly dresses; instead they wore old, faded, mended, and even ragged dresses. Clothes, as well as food, was rationed. This was war.

Joe's ship transported 2,000 soldiers to this foreign port, and on the return brought back 600 sick and wounded to American hospitals. He says being seasick is no joke. It lasted him four days, and caused him to give up everything personal except his life, and that he recalled the scripture "ye shall seek death and not find it." "Don't ever doubt but what there is plenty of hardship and danger encountered on a voyage like that," said he, "I was so scared several times I couldn't even stutter. Of course, we had fun, too, and it was an exciting adventure to me. But, boy, was I glad to get home, once more. The train, at times, seemed like it was standing still, and it took will power to keep me from getting off and trying running after I got to Clovis.

"It was sure swell to see my old friends, but I miss a lot of folks who have left since I went away. I was glad to hear from Bobbie as I had not received mail from home in two and a half months. Mother and dad have just received a letter from Bobbie saying he was O. K. and received his Christmas parcels."

Mrs. B. G. Flatt is in a Dallas hospital for treatment for high blood pressure.

## Want Ads

LOST—1944 O'Donnell class ring with initials R. J. F. Return to Index-Press. Reward. 19

## JUST ARRIVED

Chick Fountains, Oil Stove Wicks  
Window Shades, Enamelware  
Color and Cut Out Paint Books, Mops  
Children's Sweaters

There's Always Something New At

Boydston Variety Store

MRS. W. E. HUFFHINES, Manager

Watch Our Ads In The Index-Press

## Fight That Cold...

With one of our sure-shot cold remedies. Get rid of it at once—don't run the risk of taking flu or pneumonia.

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Use judgment and a good cold remedy and be happy.

CORNER DRUG

# Who's News This Week

By Delos Wheeler Lovelace

Consolidated Features.—WNU Release.

**NEW YORK**—For this new year of pell-mell war traffic the Interstate Commerce commission has elected to its chairmanship William J. Patterson, who knows the nation's transportation system and its problems in war or peace from the ground up. He began studying them nearly half a century ago as a call boy.

Patterson became an ICC member in 1939, but he has been on its payroll for 30 years. He was hired as an inspector of appliances in 1914 when there was a considerable stir about safety. The job expanded until a score of years later it turned into the assistant directorship of the commission's bureau of safety. Next Patterson went onto the mechanical advisory committee of the federal coordinator of transportation. Finally membership on the commission itself came from President Roosevelt.

Patterson made his first connection with a railroad in Neenah, Wis. He was born there, where the Fox Indians used to hunt and do a lot of fighting, only seven years after the town was founded. A little while as a call boy made him want a better job. Correspondence courses were new then, and well recommended for kids who couldn't get other schooling, so he studied air brake and train operation by mail. That started him up the railroad ladder and finally he became a conductor. At the peak of his rise he married, fathered a son, a daughter. Later he switched to the ICC. He is 63 now.

**HITLER'S** legions fall back and the little kings whose little countries lie just beyond the smoke of battle turn more boldly toward Hitler's enemies. Maj. Gen. Royce talks of oil, transport rights, weather.

Hitler's Maj. Gen. Royce and his Allied military commission sit down to 10 sheep served on heaped up rice by shrewd warwise Ibn Saud, master of the best of Arabia. The talk, after chins are wiped, is of oil and transport privileges. But once, at least, the general certainly asked about the weather. An airplane pilot who has flown his own ships more than a million miles, he is always a little worried about wind and clouds and rain.

Royce is American commander in the Middle East, big, wide-jawed, with his military cap usually cocked at a Beattie angle. He gets on with kings. A while back Egypt's Farouk piloted him on an aerial sightseeing trip, though Royce could have piloted Farouk even more skillfully. He was one of the first 30 army officers to qualify as fliers and in the last war led a squadron of fighting planes in France.

In this war he began by fighting the Japs in the Philippines and won a DSC and the DFC there to add to the Croix de Guerre he earned a quarter of a century ago. Convinced that Germany can be beaten from the air, he has commanded in the Middle East since September. Like most of the army's top men he went to West Point.

**A** THIN, tireless Englishman helps make the fliers of the Eighth air force safer than Milton's "helmed cherubims" seen in glittering ranks with wings displayed. He covers more than the Americans' heads with steel. They fly cap-a-pie. Well, nearly! If they aren't armed from head to foot they wear, besides a helmet, an armored vest. And it turned blows like Lancelot's shield.

This war makes less and less sense. It uses every invention of history's most mechanized age, but the best protection for its champions is copied from the days of old when knights were bold.

A dozen years ago Leonard Barratt of the classic Wilkinson Sword company tinkered up an armored vest. Vests came easy to him. His father, grand and great grandfathers were tailors. Some were sold, in the Battle of Britain, to wives and sweethearts wanting extra protection for their airmen. Nearly two years ago Brig. Gen. Malcolm Grow, Eighth air force surgeon, heard of the dandy device. Scotland Yard helped him run down the maker and shortly Barratt was working until all hours.

The latest vests include a thigh-protector. Their flexibility is the result of overlapping plates, one, two and three ply. One ply stops light flak. Three ply stops even revolver bullets close up. Each small plate is sewn into an individual pocket on the canvas back. The whole yields to every blow, then readjusts itself as links adjust themselves in a chain.

Helmets are a development later than the vests—steel slats over leather modeled on a block to fit any need. They close down over the eyebrows, around the ears.



## Dismal Italy

By Frank Gervasi

(WNU Feature—Through special arrangement with Collier's Weekly)

Already the words "sunny Italy" have for the American doughboys of this war the same hollow sound that "La Belle France" had for their fathers in the last one. In terms of rain, mud and misery, Italy has become the France of this war—France, however, without Paris, for the only major city the Allies have captured thus far is Naples, a dark, sad city.

The next big town on the road to victory, Rome, promises only more waterless water closets, and children crying for biscuits and sourballs, and black-market prices spiraling out of an inflation partly influenced by the arbitrary Allied pegging of the lira at one hundred to the dollar, and partly out of an ancient Italian aptitude for gypping foreigners. And nowhere from here to Rome and beyond, is there even a faint promise of a hot bath.

**Win and Go Home.** Ever since they volunteered or were drafted, two thoughts have been uppermost in the minds of the men variously known as doughboys, doughfeet, jeeps, dogfaces and G.I. Joes. The first is to whip the pants off the Germans; and second, but not secondarily, to return home to double features, hamburgers, beer, baseball, girls, families, firesides, and Sunday clothes. A year in North Africa, Sicily, and more particularly Italy, has accentuated those American desires.

That isn't so completely true among those more highly organized intellectuals known as officers. Among them, I have found many who believe that America's responsibilities go beyond mere victory. But it's overwhelmingly true among the common soldiers (and I have talked with hundreds of them in and out of battle) in the militarily stagnant Middle East and on the active fronts in Italy. Here they cry, with one voice: "Let's get it over with and let's go home. Let's leave Africa to the Arabs, Sicily to the dagos and Italy to the wops."

Their state of mind is attributable to the fact that, in the broader sense, they don't know what they are fighting for, and anything beyond the necessity of defeating Germany will be one for the gentlemen in striped pants to contend with when they gather around the green baize tables to draft plans for the postwar world. In even the most inarticulate Britons, I have found yearnings, however vague, for the creation of world order wherein there shall be peace and justice, and work for all people, so organized that opportunities for tyrants again to raise their heads will be reduced to a safe minimum.

**Britons Fight Professionally.** Here on a front which is roughly half British and half American, it is possible to compare the British attitude toward war and its end, with the American. The British seem to understand war and to fight it almost daily and certainly professionally. They seem to know that war and politics are inseparable. The Americans fight much as they play football—intensely and enthusiastically, but with the sole idea of winning. There's nothing gay about Americans in battle. They fight dutifully, doggedly, bravely, but animated solely by the desire to win.

The Englishman knows he's not going to find the same old England when he returns to Limehouse and Leicester Square, and he's not at all sorry, but rather glad. The American doesn't want anything changed. To him social progress or change of any kind is synonymous with Communism, and he wants no part of Communism, preferring, as one doughboy put it, as he stood in the blood and muck of the battlefield after he had crossed the Volturno: "At least, under our way, every guy got the same chance of being President. Yeah, sure, it's dog eat dog, but you've got an even chance of being the dog that wins."

None of this is cabled in the spirit of viewing with alarm, but merely to set down what constitutes a major problem confronting the architects of peace, a problem which is drawing closer now with every hard-earned mile of conquered or liberated Europe. The problem is simply what to do about "I wanna go home."

The mentality of the American soldier and how to fit what that state of mind implies—isolationism—into, for example, the Willie world is the problem. Unfortunately, although the defeat of Germany is assured, Doughfoot or Dogface won't be able to go home as soon as he would like or, worse still, as quickly as citizens in the United States widely believe.

The fall of Rome doesn't mean that Italy has been conquered. There is the prospect of a long, hard winter fight, and only the disintegration of Germany, like a flywheel gone wild, will bring victory early in 1944.

## Huge Postwar Task in Europe

Repatriation of 30 Million Homeless People Is Stupendous Job.

**ATLANTIC CITY.**—Europe is going to look like a great railroad station the first few months after the Germans decide to surrender unconditionally.

Ragged and hungry people will trudge homeward all over the map of Europe. Here and there one white-faced person will recognize another white face. They'll fall on each other's shoulders. And it's no fiction writer's notion that they'll sob silently before the questions come: "Where have you been?" "Are you all right?" "Have you news of the children?" "Is mother living?"

And what about the hollow-eyed children? Their hair cropped because of lice. Their stomachs protruding because of malnutrition. Their wrists limp, their faces suspicious and lined, like old people's.

They may not recognize their parents when the relief committees return them to their home towns. The years will have passed, and how are the parents to recognize them?

### 30 Million Homeless.

It is believed that 30 million persons or more have been torn from their homes in Europe.

The problem of returning those still living to their homes will be stupendous. It's estimated in London, where committees for the exiled governments are at work, that during the first few months of peace it will be necessary to move 150,000 people a day.

To get the Belgians home it will take 1,000 trains. With 600 persons to a train, 12 trains daily, months will be needed.

The unhappy Poles are perhaps the most tragic of Europe's people. In 1939, when Germany invaded Poland, more than 1,500,000 Poles were driven from western Poland. But, even before the Germans tossed out these Poles, some 300,000 had fled the invading armies. And after that the Germans snatched another 1,400,000 as prisoners and slave labor.

On the eastern side of the country the Russians deported close to another 1,500,000 to Siberia.

The Polish rehabilitation committee figures it will take 1,600,000 tons of food to feed their country the first six months.

The French have lost 1,250,000 workers to Germany, and another 750,000 Frenchmen are held as war prisoners.

### Slavs Are Scattered.

The Jugoslavs have been scattered through four countries. About 600,000 were taken to Italy to work for the Fascists. Another 200,000 were scattered by the Germans through Poland, France and Germany. Now, several thousand in southern Italy are free again to go home, but as yet there's no way to get them there.

Little Holland has lost very high numbers proportionately. A total of 374,000 workers has been herded into Germany, Poland, and as far as the Dnieper; 37,000 have been taken into France, and some 50,000 are war prisoners.

Greece estimates 12,000 of her people are in refugee camps in the Middle East, and another 160,000 have ebbed across the country before the armies.

Norway lost only 2,000 labor conscripts to Germany, but recently 100,000 of her officers were arrested and shipped to Poland.

Czechoslovakia has lost 1,000,000 persons who are scattered through concentration camps and labor camps.

But the most curious irony of all is what happened to Hitler's notions of a "pure race." That was to be in Germany, of course. And today it's difficult to imagine a greater melting pot. Men and women from a half-dozen countries are working in Germany. And Germans? They're off in other countries waging war.

## Rare Trumpeter Swan Is Now Staging Comeback

**WASHINGTON.**—The fabulous and nearly extinct trumpeter swan, America's rarest and largest migratory waterfowl, is on the way to a comeback. In 1933 the trumpeter swan population of this country was down to 73, but now there are at least 221. Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson, director of the fish and wild life service, recalls that 1935 was the year which the Red Rock lakes national wild life refuge was established in Montana for the protection of the species. Trumpeter swans nest in no other region. The birds weigh at least 25 pounds and have a wingspread of eight feet.

## Blackout Lingerie Is The Vogue in London

**LONDON.**—Board of Trade investigators announced they had gotten to the bottom of the mysterious run on non-rationed blackout curtain material.

Women are using it to make their own panties.

"It will be most difficult to halt this practice," said the board spokesman. "How is one . . . to know?"

## Prepare for Shock Of Seeing Cripples

Families of Wounded Men Warned by Army Doctor.

**ALGIERS.**—A straightforward warning to American families of the psychological shock of receiving into their homes crippled and wounded sons, brothers and husbands was given by Col. Joseph I. Martin of Rockford, Ill., surgeon of the Fifth army in Italy.

The explanation, Colonel Martin said, is simply that the increased efficiency of army surgeons is saving men who in the past would have died. The use of land mines, booby traps and air-exploding bombs is increasing the number of maiming wounds, he went on, but now more of the victims live.

"The point must be brought home emphatically," Colonel Martin said. "It is an unfortunate psychological shock that awaits many families in the United States who after the war must give sympathy and consideration to their invalids."

"Medical men are not miracle workers. We can only do our utmost to save lives and prevent permanent disability to those under our care. The people must expect to see the results of the war."

He reminded laymen that a land mine often necessitated amputation and also caused "terrible damage" to face and arms.

"The war is not over with the signing of the armistice," he concluded. "These men whose lives we are saving will be soldiers as long as they live. Their fight won't have ended with their discharge from the service as disabled veterans. It will only begin."

"Above all, the folks back home must be preparing themselves to accept this sad part of our victory."

## London Faces Biggest Labor Crisis in History

**LONDON.**—Britain's capital faces one of the biggest labor shortages in its history.

It's about as easy to find the almost nonexistent lemon or banana as it is to get help for the office, the store or the home.

All over London there are chalked, printed and painted signs proclaiming the SOS of the short-staffed boss fishing in a market which is mostly a mighty demand and precious little supply.

There are jobs for cooks, waitresses, usherettes, janitors, stenographers, store assistants, maids, charwomen, glasscutters, taxi drivers, bus drivers and conductors, printers, elevator attendants, hotel porters, chefs, clerks, teleprinter operators, telephone operators, mailmen and street sanitary workers.

The pay is high according to British standards. The hours of work have been reduced. Ample leisure time is offered.

Bait includes "well-lighted cantenents," "Sundays and holidays off," "very nice quiet family" (for a maid-wanted ad), "No Saturdays or Sundays" (for a clerk wanted ad), and "no scrubbing" for maids and chars. But there are very few takers.

## Magnetized Checkers Are Now Made for Blind

**NEW YORK.**—As its latest invention for the amusement of servicemen who have lost their sight, the American Foundation for the Blind has devised a checker game with magnetized pieces, Dr. Robert E. Irwin, sightless executive director of the foundation, has disclosed. It is planned to make the game available later to all blind persons.

One of the features of the board is that it can be used almost anywhere without the game being upset by an accidental jolt.

The board is fashioned so that playing squares are metal and countersunk, while inactive ones are of wood. Only the playing squares attract the checkers. One player uses round checkers and the other square pieces.

## He's Had Basic Training Five Times; Now He's 55

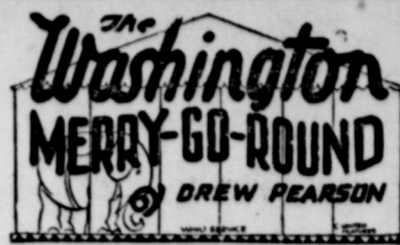
**CAMP DAVIS, N. C.**—Pvt. Alfred E. Halpin of this army anti-aircraft post, believes he is one of the oldest privates in the army—he's 55—and he is sure he is one of the best trained.

Five times since he donned khaki for World War II, Halpin has been put through basic training, that grueling period of hardening up that every soldier approaches with dread and completes with relief. Most soldiers undergo it only once, but Halpin's career has seen him switched from one outfit to another, and nearly every time he changed just in time to get in on basic.

Halpin saw active service in World War I. He is now a member of the public relations staff.

## Dog Days Are Gone, So Fleas Now Ride Trolleys

**CLEVELAND.**—According to an unidentified complainant, dog days are over for fleas, as they now ride on trolleys. The young woman said that while riding to work on Cleveland's street cars, she and some of her friends had been bitten on the backs of their legs by fleas. She said she had decided the fleas hide in the straw seats in street cars and then come out and bite when the ladies sit down.



Washington, D. C.

## LITTLE PIGS GO TO MARKET

Agriculture officials are staring with bulging eyes at the telegrams received from the livestock markets. The number of hogs killed in a single day has passed the figure of 300,000, and is still going up.

November has already set an all-time record in hog slaughter of 6,900,000 (federally inspected). December will go still higher. Cattle slaughter also set a record in November, but is now tapering off. Not so with hogs.

Nothing like this has ever happened in the history of the world. Nature, plus a low ceiling price on corn and the delay in putting a ceiling price on hogs, is now scattering pork all over the landscape. This will continue through January, February, and into the month of March.

In spite of the pork flood, however, there is no surplus, and officials insist that there must be no "holiday" from rationing. OPA and War Food administration agree on this. They have had many differences in the past, but they stand together on the matter of red points.

Fact is, they have debated removing pork from rationing, but ran into so much prospective grief that they gave it up. For if housewives could buy pork without stamps, they would use their stamps for beef and butter, which are still short. Or if OPA tied the points to the product, making separate stamps for pork, others for beef, and others for butter, etc., there would be outcry from different groups, such as Jewish people, who ban pork.

Conclusion is that the ration books must be left alone, and the only way to solve the bounty problem is to make federal purchases heavier and move them more rapidly.

Army purchases of beef were extremely heavy in the beef months of September through November. Today, Lend Lease purchases of pork are growing heavy and will hold up through the "hog run" now flooding the market.

But this does not always take the meat out of storage. Lend Lease shipments to Russia can be made only when Russia is ready to eat the pork, since they have no storage space. Britain, on the other hand, can store pork, and is taking shipments faster than the rate of use.

With livestock production high, and submarine sinkings low, more beef and pork are getting to Allied fighting forces overseas than ever before.

## MORE STRIKES AHEAD

There are a lot more strikes in the country than the public is aware of. The government has abandoned the policy of regular announcements of the number of strikes and the number of man-hours lost. Thus the strikes do not get into the newspapers.

But here are some figures which reveal that the no-strike pledge of labor organizations is not very effective.

In November alone, there were 120 strikes. The December figure will be only slightly lower. In the week before Christmas, 91,000 man-days were lost in plants engaged in war production. Two days before Christmas, 21,000 people were out on strike, and a number of critical items were behind schedule.

Some of the strikes have no relation to wages. Take for example the strike which Washington officials refer to as "the Baltimore back-house strike." The Western Electric plants at Baltimore are producing such highly important items as marine cables and radar wire. But white workers went on strike because white and colored workers did not have separate toilet facilities.

The war department was obliged to step in last week and take over the plants—solely because of toilet trouble. Workers began coming back slowly, but four days after the plants were taken over, over half the workers were still out.

Unfortunately, there is every probability that strikes will increase, rather than decrease in the future. Next in line demanding wage increases will be aircraft, steel and shipyard workers. John L. Lewis' victory broke the line, has stimulated demands for increases in many industries.

After the President yielded to Lewis, George Harrison, railroad brotherhoods chief, visited the White House and said: "For Gawd's sake, you give it to your enemies, why not to your friends?"

## MERRY-GO-ROUND

President Rios of Chile recently told newsmen he expected to visit the United States. This plan is now set aside, due to the grave situation in Argentina and Bolivia.

The Germans now make mines of plastic, which cannot be located by magnetic detectors. They are reported to have sowed a dense minefield along the coast of France to head off the second front.



If I Wrote the Peace:

A cooling-off period would be taboo. After more than a decade of Nazi and Jap infamy, the world shouts. Why sit back and let their mouthpieces, both here and abroad, to stifle justice by our sympathies? Sub-humanism must be crushed like cockroaches. There's nothing more dangerous than a leader who beats the rap. It gives the arrogance to search for a throat to slit.

Frozen-faced Junkers and Jap military hop-heads must be deprived of their tools. Bullets are their bread. They dedicate their lives to war. The loss of one tussle is only the signal for blue-printing another session of blood and steel. But you can't invade a neighbor with paper battle plans alone. They should be stripped of all weapons including putty-blowers.

Bumdist Fritz Kuhn and his cronies now in the hoseog should be shipped back to their Fatherland on the first cattle boat. Allowing them to go free in America is unthinkable. And why should taxpayers foot the bill for their food and board while they're in our clink? They wanted to share the loot of a Nazi victory. It is only right that they should be forced to share the burden of a Nazi defeat.

The war against intolerance must march on. Racial hatred was a disease before Nazism popped out of the wall, and it will remain after Nazism is under a tombstone. Bigotry can only breed civil wars that result in international unrest. The war cannot be considered won until we attain the tolerance we have fought for.

Our military forces should never again be allowed to rust. Our muscles must be in fighting trim at all times. The Air Age has shrunk the globe. Tomorrow's Pearl Harbor could be New York, Chicago, L. A. or a town in Montana. The cost of security will be high, but the cost of insecurity is higher—not only in dollars but in something more priceless: The lives of American youth.

Channing Pollack (in Your Life mag) climbs out on a precarious limb. He insists that wives hate their husbands as much as they love them. I don't believe it. . . . Newscaster Quincy Howe defends the CBS censorship in Atlantic Monthly. He states: "In so far as commentators do slant their views, those who slant them away from the New Deal have found favor with sponsors and the public alike."

Apparently Mr. Howe has not studied or even read the current radio ratings—(Crossley and Hooper)—which reveal only one news commentator-reporter among the first 20 radio programs. . . . That radio reporter's current rating (Hooper) is 22.2. . . . His New Deal support is famous. . . . The runner-up is sponsored by a Republican oil magnate. His rating is 14.2. . . . the other radiators are rated: (12.0) . . . (10.6) . . . (8.3) . . . (7.2) . . . (6.8) . . . (5.8) . . . (4.5) . . . (3.5) . . . (3.1) . . . (3.2) . . .

Mr. Kaltenborn's substitutes are rated 17.1. . . . (Finger-snap).

Navy men returned from the sea tell this column that a ship is still silhouetted against the lighted Florida skylines—especially on moonless nights. If anyone tells you the submarine is whipped in Southern waters—ask the survivors. . . . When the war is over watch this be confirmed: That the French island of Martinique was (until the Navy took it over) the Nazis' pet sub base. . . . Someone at the State Dept's stopped the Navy twice from taking Martinique. As a result too many American seamen and officers are gone. . . . The G-Men in two years of war probed more than 13,000 cases of reported sabotage in U. S. One in ten was found to be actual sabotage, but even these were due to carelessness, spite or hoax, play, etc. None by direction of enemy agents, says G-Man Hoover who adds: "That's no reason to lax, as the sabotage menace is great as before. The only effective weapon is vigilance."

On the 20th Century Fox lot were gabbing about Woodrow Wilson, whose saga is being filmed. When Wilson was ill and paralysed the Senate sent Senator Fallick to check if he was insane as rumored. . . .

As Fall was leaving the bed he paused at the door. "I want to know," he said, "that the Senate is praying for you, Mr. President. Without batting an eye, W queried: "Which way?"

Probably a coincidence, but railroad wrecks seem to be when loads of soldiers are in trains bound home on furlough. Couldn't some of those wrecks be from Nazi war prisoners who are in internment camps? Not all of them have been caught, have they? Good Nazi would do a job like wouldn't he? Our agents abroad it for us. . . . If sabotage is by the way—and announced by stituted police authorities, the line—no stalling or settlements.

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**Local News**

G. C. Aten was among Monday's visitors in O'Donnell.  
The rain and snow of last Friday added more moisture to the former good season in the O'Donnell sector. Livestock in this area fared pretty well during the cold snap. No losses reported as yet.  
Mrs. Dick Simpson was among Monday's visitors from Berry Flat.  
Frank Hill, junior editor of the Lynn County News, dropped in to see us Saturday afternoon while he was here from Tahoka.  
Mrs. Roy E. Everett and little son, Roy III, left this week for Belen, N. M., to be with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ables, while Roy is in military service.  
Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Wyche were visitors in O'Donnell from Mesquite Tuesday.  
The Index-Press prints funeral notices.

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**Would You Help A Wounded Soldier?**

The Surgical Bandage Room at the American Legion building hereafter will be open each Wednesday and Thursday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock. Ladies are needed to fold bandages. A new shipment of 15,000 bandages has arrived, and your help is urgently requested. Will you help a wounded American soldier?  
Mrs. Roy D. Smith was called to San Angelo last Friday to be with her sister, Mrs. Harris, who was seriously injured in a fall from a stepladder, sustaining five broken ribs and other injuries. Mrs. Smith left here as the snow was falling, and after leaving Big Spring was forced to alight from her car and clean the snow off the windshield hourly. Her sister, conveyed to a hospital, has been returned to her home and is convalescing.  
Ernest Goad is back on his old job at Line-Lambert Grocery this week, having received an honorable discharge from the army. Months ago Ernest undertook to enlist in the navy but was turned down on account of a former back

Charter No. 12831—Reserve District No. 11  
Report of Condition of The  
**First National Bank**  
Of O'Donnell

In the State of Texas, at the close of business on Dec. 31, 1943, published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS	
Loans and discounts (including \$ none overdrafts)	801,919.16
United States Government obligations direct and guaranteed	30,000.00
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	16,144.00
Other bonds, notes, and debentures	none
Corporate stocks (including \$1600.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	1,600.00
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	498,762.20
Bank premises owned \$5,000.00, furniture and fixtures \$350.00	5,350.00
Real estate owned other than bank premises	none
Investments and other assets indirectly representing bank premises or other real estate	none
Customers liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	none
Other assets	none
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$1,353,775.36</b>
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	\$1,237,045.47
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	12,500.00
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	8,181.92
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	17,175.61
Deposits of banks	none
Other deposits (certified and cashier's check, etc)	23,772.36
Total deposits	\$1,298,675.36
Bills payable, rediscounts, and other liabilities for borrowed money	none
Mortgages and other liens on bank premises and on other real estate	none
Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank and outstanding	none
Other liabilities	2,000.00
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>\$1,300,675.36</b>
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital Stock: (a) Class A preferred, total par \$ none, retirable value \$ none, (b) Class B preferred, total par \$ none, retirable value \$ none, (c) Common stock total par \$40,000.00	40,000.00
Surplus	12,500.00
Undivided profits	600.00
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock)	none
Total capital accounts	53,100.00
<b>Total liabilities and capital accounts</b>	<b>1,353,775.36</b>
MEMORANDA	
Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value): (a) United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities	30,000.00
(b) Other assets pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities (including notes and bills rediscounted and securities sold under repurchase agreement)	none
(c) Assets pledged to qualify for exercise of fiduciary or corporate powers, and for purposes other than to secure liabilities	none
(d) Securities loaned	none
<b>Total</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>
Secured liabilities: (a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law	7,883.22
(b) borrowings secured by pledged assets (including rediscounts and repurchase agreements)	none
(c) other liabilities secured by pledged assets	none
(d) <b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 7,883.22</b>

State of Texas, County of Lynn, ss. I, J. L. Shoemaker jr. cashier of the above name bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
J. L. SHOEMAKER, Jr., Cashier.  
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injury. Later he enlisted in the army, and the old injury gave him trouble, and after a 57-day stay in the hospital he was given his discharge. He arrived from Michigan Sunday, and his many friends are glad to again greet him.  
The Tahoka Rotary Club made a fine gesture last week in observing the second anniversary of the various OPA branches in Lynn county. Members of the panels were invited to the luncheon to hear the tributes paid to the different boards in appreciation of the fine services so patriotically rendered. We hail the Tahoka Rotarians for their thoughtful ness. Folks are prone in these days to cuss the tire board, the ration board, the gas board, et al. The board members are serving the county free gratis—losing valuable time from their own interests to help their fellow Lynn citizens, and are entitled to much praise and less cussing. We repeat, it was a worthy gesture for the Tahoka Rotarians.

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- WATER HEATING**  
Repair leaky hot water faucets. Do not leave hot water running while washing or shaving. Do not fill tubs for baths. Set water heater thermostat at minimum (120-140 degrees). Insulate tanks and pipes.
- COOKING**  
Cook whole meals in oven. Cook more one-dish meals. Use low blue flame. Use small amount of water to cook vegetables. Oven peeking wastes gas. Turn gas down when liquids start boiling.
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# HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers



Entertain Simply, But Do Entertain Even in Wartime



One small recipe can provide two dozen of these small, fluffy cake cakes which will be a delight at any get-together for your dessert luncheon or afternoon refreshment. They're particularly nice for a birthday.

Now that you've finished entertaining the family and relatives during the holidays, you can get back to your club work and social activity in earnest.

Most of us, from either the budget or ration point consideration, cannot afford to entertain for luncheon as we did formerly, but we can still afford the same gracious hospitality, even with less food for our guests. Should you wish to entertain at luncheon, do so with a simple salad, sandwiches or beverage. Or, it's very fashionable to entertain at a dessert and beverage luncheon.

A simple cake to go nicely with your dessert luncheon or afternoon refreshment is this one. The surprise item is coconut which now has found its way, even though in small quantity, to some markets:

**\*Coconut Candle Cakes.** (Makes 2 dozen small)

1 1/2 cups sifted cake flour  
1 1/2 teaspoons double acting baking powder  
1/4 cup butter or substitute  
1 cup sugar  
2 eggs, unbeat  
1/2 cup milk  
1 teaspoon lemon or vanilla extract  
1 cup moist sweetened coconut

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and sift together 3 times. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time, beating after each addition until smooth. Add flavoring. Turn into lightly greased cupcake tins filling 3/4 full. Bake in a moderate (375-degree) oven 20 minutes or until done. Frost with snowy lemon frosting and sprinkle with moist, sweetened coconut. Arrange cakes on a platter and insert candle holder with candle on each cake.

**Snowy Lemon Frosting.**

2 egg whites, unbeat  
1 1/2 cups sugar  
3 tablespoons water  
2 tablespoons lemon juice  
1/4 teaspoon grated lemon rind

Combine egg whites, sugar, water and lemon juice in top of double boiler, beating with rotary egg beater until thoroughly mixed. Place over rapidly boiling water, beating constantly with rotary egg beater and cook 7 minutes or until frosting stands up in peaks. Remove from boiling water, add lemon rind and beat until thick enough to spread. Makes enough frosting for 2 dozen cupcakes.

Well-seasoned finger sandwiches made from flaked fish will go well with an aspic salad for a very lovely luncheon:

Lynn Says

**Bits of Wisdom:** Gentle treatment is the rule for eggs. They are liable to get tricky if you use anything else.

Pare, not peel potatoes. You'll be able to see the difference. When boiling potatoes, be sure to use boiling water, plenty of salt.

For mashed potatoes, use enthusiasm plus a wooden spoon and don't spare either.

Waffles should be crisp. Don't open the waffle baker while the iron is steaming. That means it's cooking.

Recipes are a chart and a guide. Good cooks as well as brides need them—then you can always get good results, avoid failure.

Save Used Fats!

## Lynn Chambers' Point-Saving Menu

For Luncheon  
\*Tomato Aspic Vegetable Salad  
\*Finger Sandwiches  
\*Coconut Candle Cakes  
Beverage  
\*Recipe Given

### \*Tomato Aspic Vegetable Salad. (Serves 8)

1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin  
1/4 cup cold water  
2 cups tomato juice  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon celery salt  
1 tablespoon grated onion  
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce  
1 tablespoon lemon juice  
1 1/2 cups grated raw carrot  
1/2 cup diced celery  
2 green onions, sliced  
1/4 cup sliced stuffed olives  
Mayonnaise or salad dressing

Soak gelatin in cold water. Heat 1 cup tomato juice to boiling. Add gelatin and stir until dissolved. Add celery, salt, grated onion, Worcestershire sauce, lemon juice and remaining tomato juice. Stir to blend. Pour into a ring mold. Chill until firm. Unmold. Fill center with carrot, celery, green onions and olives which have been mixed with salad dressing.



This satisfying main course is prepared by melting 1/4 pound of process cheese with 1/2 cup evaporated milk, seasoning with Worcestershire sauce and 1/2 teaspoon prepared mustard, then serving on toast with poached egg. It's delicious.

Dieting friends will welcome this combination custard and cake dessert because it doesn't contain as many calories as rich desserts. It's delicate and ideal when served with tea for afternoon refreshment.

### Lemon Cups. (Serves 6)

1 cup sugar  
2 tablespoons butter or substitute  
3 egg yolks, beaten  
1/4 cup flour  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1 1/2 cups milk, scalded  
5 tablespoons lemon juice  
1 tablespoon grated lemon rind  
3 egg whites, stiffly beaten

Cream together sugar and butter. Add egg yolks. Beat in flour and salt. Add milk. Stir in lemon juice and rind. Fold in egg whites. Pour into custard cups. Bake at 375 degrees for 10 minutes, then reduce heat to 350 degrees. Bake for 35 minutes longer or until a toothpick thrust into the center comes out dry. Chill. Serve directly from custard cups.

Your guests, young or old, will like these attractive corsages. They're very much edible and good, too!

### Popecorn Corsages. (Makes 16)

1 cup sugar  
1/2 cup water  
1 teaspoon vinegar  
2 tablespoons light corn syrup  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 tablespoon butter  
1 teaspoon red food coloring  
6 cups popped corn

Combine sugar, water, vinegar, corn syrup and salt; stir until sugar dissolves. Cook to hard ball stage (265 degrees F.). Remove from heat; add butter and coloring. Reserve small amount of syrup for fastening wooden skewers. Pour over popped corn, stirring constantly. Form into two-inch balls. Dip skewers into syrup; push into balls. Back with lace-paper doilies and cellophane circles. Tie on bows of ribbon or cellophane.

If you want sugar-saving suggestions, write to Lynn Chambers, Western Newspaper Union, 210 South Desplaines Street, Chicago 6, Illinois. Don't forget to enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your reply. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

## Kathleen Norris Says: The Modern Stepmother Problem

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.



Yesterday's event was Carol's teasing her father to send Mommy a fur coat. "She said she would give me the prettiest doll in Watson's if you would give her a fur coat."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

I SUPPOSE I am just one more confidential secretary who pitied a lonely and misunderstood man," writes Alice Carter from Buffalo, "but it didn't seem that way three years ago, when Fred and I were married. His wife was entirely willing to divorce him and hand over to him full custody of their three-year-old daughter, Carol. Fred's and my love was the only thing in my life that mattered, but I adored the child for his sake, and indeed, until recently, when she has been getting somewhat out of hand, Carol was as sweet a baby as I ever saw. She is very pretty, and her mother, who has her every other week-end when she is anywhere near, spoils her. She has consulted Hollywood talent scouts about Carol, and got Carol a permanent when she was only five years old, which annoyed Fred and me, who want to keep her childlike.

"But these things aren't the problem. What is, is that Arlene systematically goes about undermining my influence with Carol. She tells her that I am no more to her than to any other little girl at school, and that when my own baby comes I will not care for Carol any more. She says not to ask me what she may do or not do, but to wait until Daddy comes home.

**Confused Child Is Impudent.** "Carol is becoming confused by all this, and with a child that means impudent and unmanageable. A few days ago she said to me, 'Mommy says you like money. She says you would never have married Daddy except for his money. She asked me if Daddy had his face lifted before he married you.'

"The commonness of this sort of thing distresses me, as does also the fact that Arlene takes Carol off on rather peculiar week-end visits to various clubs and mountain cabins. Carol, at six, naturally notices nothing amiss, but the time is coming when she will. Yesterday's event was Carol's teasing her father to send Mommy a fur coat. 'She said she would give me the prettiest doll in Watson's if you would give her a fur coat.'

"I don't know," Alice's letter goes on, "whether this seems actually pernicious to you, but it does to me. The constant nervous pressure on the child is certainly bad for her; the divided allegiance, the unfair appeal to her little sympathies, all upset her normal relationship with her father and me. If Arlene would only marry again things would be better, but she is one of scores of women who prefer freedom and a generous alimony to domestic responsibility.

"Now she has written to ask Fred to lunch with her, 'to talk about our small girl's welfare.' Perhaps I am bitter, but it doesn't seem to me that that welfare has concerned her much up to this point. But Fred is rather touched by her interest. 'Lots of charm in Arlene,' he said at breakfast. I have had full care of Carol for more than three years; her baths and naps, dressing and exercise, school and clothes, days in bed with colds, gym and doctor and dentist. Partly because of Arlene's alimony, I have never had a nurse for her. We have sacrificed many an evening engagement because our only servant is an old oriental, and not quite suitable as a nurse for a small girl.

"Now her mother resumes interest, and is annoying and upsetting me as only a clever and malicious

### CHILDREN COME FIRST

The welfare and progress of their children should be the first consideration of all parents. Usually this is the case. The exception is presented this week in the story of a mother who is upsetting her child's personality by cruel and spiteful actions against her former husband and his second wife. She had divorced the man and turned full custody of their child to him when the child was three years old. But now, three years later, she is systematically undermining the child's confidence in the second wife and the father. The stepmother asks Kathleen Norris' advice on how to stop this dangerous menace to the child's well-being.

woman can. Can you suggest any way by which we can settle this? Arlene lives in a town 12 miles away, so that she and the child would not meet ordinarily.

**Child Must Have One Guardian.** Alice, this is just one more variation, and a not uncommon one, of the second-wife problem. My only suggestion would be that you have a talk with Fred about it, and insist either that Carol go to her mother to stay, which I can assure you in advance wouldn't be Arlene's idea at all, or that she be handed over entirely to you and her father.

Fred is 42; Alice just 20 years younger. But even women much older than Alice often become dazzled by the prospect of a happy marriage, and pay small attention to the settlements and promises that precede it. Now she finds herself fretted on three counts; Fred's reawakened interest in Arlene, Carol's growing independence and rudeness, and Arlene's machinations to destroy her domestic peace.

Fred might well spike Arlene's guns at this proposed luncheon by telling his former wife that there is to be a new baby at his house, that Carol is growing somewhat unmanageable, and that he would be glad to turn the child over to her completely. He would be perfectly safe in doing this, especially if he suggested that Arlene's alimony would be expected to cover the child's expenses. If Arlene begged off this responsibility, as she would do, he might then decree that the week-ends must stop, explaining that they are growing demoralizing to the child.

Since Arlene abandoned her baby at the age of two years and preferred to take her own way, she certainly will not want the responsibility of a six-year-old now. It is an exacting age. There are considerations of school, lessons, clothes, gym, dentist, health, parties, friends. Arlene might try it, briefly. But she would inevitably turn toward a boarding-school, and because boarding-schools are expensive, that would mean that the child was once more restored to her father and stepmother. There is a hint in Alice's letter that Arlene may be an unfit guardian for a small daughter, and if that is true, she will be all the less willing to have a witness to her affairs.

**Parents Must Consider Child First.** Children ought to be the first consideration in the life of all fathers and mothers. Many a woman, if she knew the irreparable injury that quarrels, separations and legal questions would do to the growing minds and hearts and souls of her children, would adapt herself more heroically and self-sacrificingly to the home conditions she has thought insufferable.

## Hooper

By SMITH WHITLAND  
McClure Syndicate—WNU Features.

AS THE bus drew near camp Chris began to worry; wonder and worry. What would actors with whom he had worked think if they knew that he, Stumpy Chris, was now earning coffee and cakes entertaining soldiers? He remembered the words of his agent:

"Are you sure that you want to do this, Chris? You're just hitting the big time now and off you go on a wild-goose chase. Making the army camps is all right for some stunts but you're different. You'll be taking a big cut in salary. Stick with me and I'll get you thirty weeks of the best time. What are you going to do when the USO closes this performance?"

"Don't worry, Gus," Chris answered, "I'll mail you the 10 per cent as usual; it won't be quite the money that you've been getting from me for the last couple of years, though."

"I don't want any commission on a deal like this," Gus replied heatedly. "If you are set on joining this camp show unit, I donate my share to patriotism."

Thus Chris had joined "Gals, Guys, Gags and Fun," latest production of USO Camp Shows, Inc. Sure, he knew that Gals like him were getting their heads shot off overseas and he was still hoofing. So what? He hadn't asked for his draft deferment.

These were the things troubling Stumpy Chris as the bus pulled up to the entrance. Corporal Piney of the Special Services office was waiting at the post gate to meet and direct the troupe to the hospital. So it was to be a hospital this time? What a pleasant thought!

"Special Services sent me down here to see that none of you ham and egggers shows up lost, strayed or stolen," the corporal said.

"You talk as if you've been in show business yourself, Corporal," Chris addressed the newcomer. "Ever play a split week in Des Moines?"

"Yeah, I used to do a pretty fair magic turn," Corporal Piney replied. "You're Stumpy Chris, aren't you? We shared the bill in Des Moines a couple of years ago; remember? Some jump for me, huh; magician to soldier."

"Right, Corporal," Chris said, "sure I'm Stumpy Chris. How does your uniform fit by now?"

"Pretty good. This army life doesn't do a fellow any harm. Guess that they won't get you for a while yet?"

"No," Chris answered disgustedly. "You know these draft boards; they stick a guy who wants in the army in 4-F and put someone who'd give an eyetooth to stay out of it in 1-A. Mine's 4-F."

"Oh, well, you're doing your part," the corporal said in an understanding tone. "We need USO shows here; can't get enough of them for the boys. Say, it looks like we're almost to the hospital."

Glancing from a window of the bus, Chris noticed that a large building with a red cross painted the length of the roof had come into view. "Is that the recreation hall?" he asked.

Corporal Piney nodded.

"They got a stage to work on?" Again the corporal nodded.

Entering the building, Chris and his company were informed by a cheerful Red Cross Gray Lady that they would have fifteen minutes until curtain time. Upon further inquiry, Chris found that the building contained no dressing rooms. He wondered just what the army expected of a person anyway. What a life!

Fifteen minutes later, to the second, the audience began to file in. Dressed in bathrobes and pajamas they presented a rather bedraggled appearance. These fellows had seen plenty. What would they think of a 4-F civilian dancer?

Chris waited impatiently while the Carter twins finished amid a series of long-drawn-out whistles. It was tough to follow a sister team. Well, at least he could thank his lucky stars that he didn't follow the animal act.

"There's your cue, Chris." Stumpy Chris made his way to the center of the stage. They were stuck with him now. They'd have to like it.

"Say! That guy certainly has a lot on the ball!" a tall soldier, arm in sling, exclaimed to Corporal Piney who was standing at his side. "Can you tie that? Here I am with a broken wing feeling sorry for myself, and a one-legged guy comes out and goes through a terrific dance routine. I should complain, ha!"

"A lot on the ball?" the corporal replied enthusiastically. "That's an understatement. He's tops. I ought to know; I worked with him before the army got me."

Later, reflecting upon the evening, Stumpy Chris' heart warmed. Yes, they were just like the youngsters he had known in France. This was another war but they hadn't changed. Maybe he did have only one good leg; he could still show the best of them a thing or two about clog dancing.

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# BLACK SOMBRERO

by CLIFFORD KNIGHT

Elsa Chatfield, Hollywood artist, is disoriented by her Aunt Kitty, who died from an overdose of morphine. Hunt Rogers and Harry Madison, detectives, may believe to be Kitty Chatfield's murderer. On arriving they find that Elsa's party had preceded them by plane. During a fiesta at the ranch of Sam Chatfield (Elsa's father) James Chesebro is murdered. Later while on a fishing trip for marlin, Chatfield is playing the swordfish when his swordfish breaks. He topples out, the marlin rushes him and drives his sword through his body. Rogers gives a detailed account of the tragedy at sea to Lombardo, Mexican chief of police.

## CHAPTER XV

"I'm sorry, Senor Lombardo," said Dwight in English. "We are late for the reason that we searched in vain for George Rumble."

"He won't be hard to find," I suggested. "He probably moved to another hotel."

For a moment no one said anything, then Rogers turned to Lombardo.

"This will interfere somewhat with your plans this evening, Senor. But—perhaps we can go ahead with those of us who are here. I'm ready to be the first to put on the hat and walk to the room where Chesebro died."

There was a stir among us and we prepared to take up where we had left off the night Pedro fled.

"Where's the quilt?" inquired Rogers.

"Here," I said, picking it up from the table where it still lay beside Elsa's hat. I gave it to Rogers. "And now we need Rumble's black sombrero," I said, "but it's not here."

"Won't another do just as well?" suggested Reed Barton. He and I went out to the rack near the door. There were several hats there; none as large, however, as Rumble's huge black one. We settled upon one of straw. The head size was small, so that it perched on top of Rogers' rather large head as he began a slow, measured stride down the dim passageway to the door of the room, while Pedro from his station and the rest of us at vantage points looked on. Rogers opened the door and disappeared within the room. A moment later he emerged to learn the verdict which Pedro was quick to pronounce.

"No, sir; he is not the one," he said, his teeth chattering.

"Who's next?" inquired Rogers, extending the hat and quilt toward me. "Barry, you play the role next."

I took the hat gingerly and set it on top of my head, although it was a better fit for me than it had been for Rogers. I grasped the quilt firmly and with a slight sensation of cold playing down my backbone I began to walk along the passageway.

"Pedro!" exclaimed Lombardo. "Speak!"

My heart sank at the sound of the jefe's voice.

"He is not the man, sir," said Pedro in a voice that was little more than a whisper.

"You are sure?"

"Yes, sir."

With an audible sigh I removed the hat and handed it, together with the quilt to Dwight Nichols.

"You're next, Dwight, old man," I said lightly, although my voice sounded strained and unnatural in my own ears. He took them hesitantly, but before he could put on the hat, Margaret appeared at the end of the passageway. She halted abruptly at sight of us.

"Whatever are you doing?" she called. "Oh—" Her voice betrayed that she understood, and she moved slowly in our direction. "It's Dwight's turn, is it?"

"Yes, dear," Dwight replied soberly, putting on the hat.

The same hush descended upon us. There was the same suppressed breathing as Dwight moved slowly and deliberately past the place where Pedro crouched in his concealment, and on down toward the door.

Slowly he drew near the door; his hand was stretched out to touch the knob. There was a sudden movement in Pedro's place of concealment. Lombardo was alert to it instantly; he made as if to leap upon the man, then said sharply in Spanish, "What is it, Pedro?"

The sound of the jefe's voice startled Dwight. He turned about at the doorway and stood in an attitude of inquiry.

"Senor—" said Pedro hesitantly. "What is it, Pedro?" demanded Lombardo sharply.

"He is the man, sir."

"This is the man you saw, Pedro?"

Margaret's fingers dug convulsively into the flesh of my arm; she caught her breath sharply.

"Yes, sir; he is the one," said Pedro.

Elsa joined us as we entered the living room. No one had spoken in the passageway after Pedro made his accusation.

"What's happened?" Elsa demanded of me.

"The pulque man has accused Dwight of killing Chesebro," I said. A curious light flashed in Elsa's level gray eyes. She appeared not to have understood me. I repeated my statement. Dwight removed the sombrero and dropped it into a

chair, the quilt he tossed upon the table.

"The man is simply mistaken, Senor Lombardo," Dwight said, his voice remaining calm despite the strain he obviously was under. "I can understand how I might be thought to be the man you're seeking. It was like this: The night Chesebro was murdered we were all here in this room. We had been talking over the death of Mr. Chatfield's sister in California. Professor Rogers had been conducting a sort of investigation into it."

Lombardo's eyebrows lifted eloquently, and he glanced at Rogers then at Doctor Cruz who were intent upon what Dwight was saying.

"When the gathering broke up to go outside and look on at the dances which were the evening's entertainment, I was, I'm sure, the last to leave this room. The quilt there"—he indicated the whip on the table—"interested me. I stopped to examine the carved knob. Someone entered the room at the far end there." He nodded in that direction.

"It was a man—somebody dressed in white, like this man. A servant, I thought; I paid no attention to him. I put the whip down and went out into the hall, thinking to go out by the front door. The rack there with its many hats attracted me."

Dwight paused in his recital; he licked his dry lips and tugged at his collar, which seemed tight about his neck. He went on:

"It's curious the little mental quirks we get. Ever since I first saw Rumble wearing that black felt sombrero I've had a curiosity to put the hat on. A woman could understand that impulse, I suppose. And

of Kitty Chatfield. If he meant it, this is the time for him to talk; so why isn't he trying to find us to tell what he knows?"

I had no answer for that. Indeed the more we talked the more hopelessly involved we seemed to become. Perhaps while we slept our subconscious monitors could sort over the many conflicting factors. I remarked as much to Rogers.

"Sleep not only 'knits up the ravelled sleeve of care' but also straightens out many things. It's a fact," he commented. "Suppose we see if the launch still waits for us down at the wharf."

We set out to walk the comparatively short distance down the narrow twisting streets.

Rogers' hand suddenly was flung out to stop me. Two figures were idling under a street light a short distance from the end of the wharf; the rays of the light shone down upon a battered guitar which brown fingers were idly strumming.

"Our two mariachis," I said. They observed our approach and called out to us: "Buenas noches, señores."

Rogers returned their greeting. It was not until then that I realized what had drawn his attention so forcibly to them. We walked up to them and halted. Rogers pointed to the sombrero which Felipe, the larger of the two, was wearing.

"Que es esto?" he asked.

"Es un sombrero, señor," was the reply.

"Yes, I know," Rogers continued in Spanish, "but whose hat is it?"

"It is the hat of the gentleman who wears the fine clothes, señor," was the astonishing reply.

"That's what I thought," said Rogers. "How do you happen to be wearing it tonight?"

"I found it, señor."

"Found it?"

"Oh, yes, señor. Come. I will show you the very spot where I find it this morning."

Wonderingly we fell in behind the two boys who plunged into a dark passageway which, as we walked, I discovered was leading us to the water's edge underneath the wharf. We were stumbling along in the gloom when Rogers took out a tiny pocket flashlight to guide our feet.

"What is that?" asked Pancho, the smaller, when the light cast its feeble rays into the darkness.

"A flashlight, Pancho," replied Rogers.

"I have never seen one so small, señor," the boy replied.

A few steps farther on and we came out upon the damp sand. Here Felipe asserted was the spot where he had found the black sombrero—the very spot, right on the sand beside this very piling.

"Was it in the water, Felipe?" inquired Rogers.

"No, sir, on the sand. The tide was out."

"Had it been in the water? Was it wet?"

"Yes, sir; I think it had floated on the water and been left by the tide on the sand."

"H-m-m!" Rogers' voice was tense. "I should like to have the sombrero, Felipe, to take with me."

"Yes, sir." The boy took it off and gave it to Rogers.

"I'll give you something," he fumbled in his pocket.

"I want nothing, sir; it is not my hat. It is the hat of your friend who wears the fine clothes. I could not find him today to give it back to him."

We walked back up to the end of the wharf where we parted with the pair. Rogers still fumbled in his pocket. Suddenly he held out the little flashlight.

"Let me give you this," he said, "for taking care of the hat."

With an exchange of buenas noches we separated, the boys lighting their way up the street with the aid of the newly acquired flashlight, and we walking out upon the deserted wharf to the landing where the launch was waiting for us.

We went silently down to the launch. Arturo, loafing in the seats, sprang up to help us.

"Are we the last ones to go aboard tonight, Arturo?" Rogers inquired with an effort at cheerfulness.

"Yes, sir; all are aboard now, except you two gentlemen. Mr. Nichols say wait for you, and I wait." After some moments he stirred the engine into life and then cast off.

We moved slowly at first close alongside the wharf, pulling away only a little from the darker shadows. As we left the wharf's black edge and emerged into the area illumined somewhat by the lights on the wharf above us, the launch struck something in the water and careened slightly.

"What was that?" Rogers demanded.

"It are perhaps a log, sir," replied Arturo nonchalantly. "I hope it is not an alligator, the same being plentiful not far from here."

"It didn't feel like a log to me," Rogers retorted, peering over the side into the gloom. Something in his manner filled me with apprehension. He held up a shadowy hand to the pilot.

"Stop, Arturo; I want to see what that was."

The launch began to lose headway and soon we drifted. "We'll have to back up a few feet," The screw reversed and we began to move slowly backward.

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Rogers' hand suddenly was flung out to stop me.

# Now Is Time When Fancy Turns To Thoughts of a New Blouse

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



IF THE usual January lull that follows after the excitement of the holidays is gripping you, here's how to work a perfect cure—go blouse shopping! All signs point to the biggest blouse season ever this spring. The better part of wisdom is to make your selections early so you will get first pick before the choicest selections are depleted.

Please don't think that the mission of a blouse is merely to play accompaniment to the suit, for when it comes to important style news one of the outstanding themes for now and the months to follow is the blouse-dress. For these smart two-piece dresses not only is the blouse teamed with a dirndl or, if you prefer, a slim-silhouetted skirt for daytime wear, but the formal evening mode makes much of costumes that combine a floor-length sheathlike skirt of rich rayon crepe or elegant velvet with a gorgeous blouse.

This new favorite of fashion, the separate top for evening wear, provides a lovely way to stretch your dress-up wardrobe. The blouse centered in the illustration presents a striking use of glitter trim on the blouse that is otherwise strictly tailored. This handsome dinner-blouse of snowy ribbed rayon crepe has decorative Chinese characters done in gilt and crystal beading on each of the self-fabric covered buttons. This unusual blouse bespeaks arresting style distinction.

For refreshing appeal at this time of the year it's the gay print blouse that "steals the show." The importance of prints for the blouse is being acclaimed throughout advance spring fashion news. The delightful model to the left is typical of that which is to be. For this charming

little afternoon costume both blouse and skirt feature the new drawstring styling. For the skirt the designer uses fine rayon crepe in solid black, accenting its modishness with a deft drawstring treatment at the waistline. The flattering blouse, so sweetly feminine with its fluffy-ruffles, is done in brilliant floral-print rayon crepe. Drawstrings gather the long sleeves in at the wrist and a soft self-fabric bow decorating the V-neckline stresses the importance of the bow-tie blouse for spring.

To wear with skirts or slacks in the daytime or for dinner and lounging, a blouse of novelty ribbed rayon crepe in a brilliant rose gives utmost flattery, especially if it be styled after the manner of the blouse pictured to the right. The graceful cascading of the soft-falling jabot collar is in accord with newest styling trends. Take particular notice of the cuffs, for their long tab effect interprets a decidedly new technique which does away with the severity of a tight-buttoned wrist band. A high built belted-in front line distinguishes the trim military slacks which place rose-colored grosgrain ribbon stripes at each side seam. Smooth tailored spun rayon and wool in a smart herringbone weave is used for the slacks.

There is a luxury look about many of the new blouses that is very eye-appealing due to a great extent to the charm and loveliness of the new output of rayon-weave materials. These pretty fabrics are so easily available this year and they include a vast variety, from the very practical white crepes that come out white as ever after each tubing to the most formal types of velvets, brocades, taffetas and crepes in fashionable costume colors. Many of the smartest blouses are made of rayon jersey and the midwinter displays include lovely dressy types of rayon lace in black, white and colors.

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## Buttons in New Role



Buttons used as hair ornaments and as fine jewelry bespeak a departure from the strictly utilitarian use ascribed to them in yester years. Fashion's newest novelty is the ribbon necklet originated by Mainbocher to gracefully break the long throat line of milady when she wears the new low-cut frocks. It is a fashion that will go to many parties and opera scenes this year. The necklet pictured is easily fashioned by nimble fingers. Instead of a glittering jewel a beautiful silver button (silver jewelry is smart this season) is set in the heart of the bow. The lady also deftly anchors with the aid of bobby pins two silver button originals into her hair-do. It's a pretty fashion and one easy to duplicate. You can get silver buttons at the regular button counter that are as handsome as real jewelry.

## Luxury Lace Blouses Staging Revival

In this season, noted for its gala blouses, the revival of luxury lace blouses is a natural sequence. The new models are all delightfully frilly with lace jabots and ruffles and lace bows, also rosettes made of lace. The call for snow white accents with black brings the pure white lace blouse into prominence. Some of these are enhanced with glittering rhinestone buttons. Others look the part of elegant simplicity with their large white pearl-bead buttons. One pretty lace blouse has a huge rose corsage, fashioned of petals cut out of the lace, each huge petal piped around the edge. The big sensation is the blouse of exquisitely sheer black lace, you can't get it too sheer to suit Dame Fashion. The sheerer the more flattering is the prevailing sentiment. Some of the black lace beauties have tiny cap sleeves and devastating sweetheart or square necklines. Others equally as smart are long-sleeved to the wrist, where their slender close-fitting lines suddenly burst out into a wide flare of lace frills.

## Designers Are Using Much Black Lace for Edgings

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TWO YEARS AGO Boyce House ran for lieutenant governor. With 7 other contestants he ran a fine race. Boyce House did not make an extensive campaign—he was the last man to enter the race, the last man to file for a place on the ticket. We supported Boyce House in that race for the simple reason that he has been in favor of shooting square with our Texas old age pensioners. Before he ever got into politics, the old folks had a friend and champion in this man. He is still their friend—still vowing that our state should give the old folks their just dues! Like thousands of others, the Index-Press editor is tired of having the aged pensioners lied to continually, and we devoutly hope to have the privilege of supporting Boyce House again this year for lieutenant governor. In the July primary we cannot, will not support John Lee Smith, the present holder of the office, for re-election. Even though he should have no opponent, we shall scratch his name. We don't like the way he lambasts our national leaders, nor do we fancy a lieutenant governor traipsing around up north under the guise of delivering lodge addresses, giving aid and comfort to republicans. We will never support him in the primaries. But should he have no opponent and receive the nomination—being a brass collar democrat, we will have to vote for him in the November election, or go fishin'. Our

sanguine hope is that Boyce House will enter the race again this year. Fish don't bite good that late in the season.

RUNNING A NEWSPAPER is just like running a hotel, only different. When a man goes into a hotel and finds something on the table which does not suit him, he does not raise hades with the landlord and tell him to stop the hotel. Well, hardly. He sets that dish to one side and wades into the many dishes that suit him. It is different with some newspaper readers. They see an article occasionally that does not suit them exactly and without stopping to think it may please hundreds of other readers, they make a grandstand play and tell the editor how a paper should be run and what should be put in it.

WITH FOOD PRICES high and some foods scarce it is a problem to feed a small family, but it is not so difficult to provide food if you have a large number of children. In a large family the youngsters are trained to demand little meat and lots of gravy, and for dessert they don't ask anything better than molasses. In our old home where there were 10 children, there always was a huge dish of gravy on the table and the molasses pitcher had to be refilled at almost every meal. There will be hard times in this country for small families, but the big families will come through in fine shape. The mother of six or eight children really should lend a little assistance, in these trying days, to the mother of an only child.—Claude Callan

The Lord knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever.—Psalms 37:18.

WISE GROWN UPS in Indianapolis, Ind., were too smart to pick up the wallet. It lay for several hours on the sidewalk at a downtown intersection, undisturbed. Well, naturally, Hallowe'en was just around the corner—and probably some kid was watching, ready to pull a string if you stopped! Two 12-year old boys did watch the side-stepping pedestrians. Then being younger, and not so worldly wise, they reached down to pick up the wallet. No one yanked it away—and it contained \$34.

PLENTY OF TOWNS have been cut off from the outside world due to storms and floods, but Calhoun, Ky., is about to be "marooned" due to the gasoline supply drying up. This town of 12,000 population is 20 miles from a railroad, and is one of more than 54,000 communities in the United States dependent on highway transportation. Shortages of vehicles, parts, tires and mechanics are helping the gas shortage bring on a transportation crisis.

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"What a night!" thought she. What fun it would be to join in the New Year's celebration for once. This she had not done for some time, as her husband had always attended the annual stag party and had never thought she minded.

Now when he kissed her good-by and happily rushed off, she somehow felt a stifling vacancy in her heart, and longed to go with him.

The stag party, ablaze with lights, was in full swing, the very air permeated with the rip-roaring,



In Rushed a Band of Masqueraders Waving Banners.

hilarious spirit of New Year's! Streamers and decorations hung from walls and ceiling, also banners bearing all sorts of quotations such as "No Ladies," "Night of Nights," and so on.

At the very height of the celebration with the music raging in thunderous tones, the door opened, and in rushed a band of masqueraders waving banners, blowing horns and scattering confetti.

The orchestra started playing—"My Wife's Gone to the Country, Hurrah!"

That was too much! The masqueraders pulled the masks from their faces and the startled stags beheld their own wives.

Before they knew it each one had a partner and was dancing merrily, regardless of entangled streamers and confetti, regardless of the unexpected interruption, regardless of everything, only conscious of the New Year's Spirit.

**New Year's Day Saw History Made**

New Year's day may not seem very momentous to us, but in the past it has seen history made. It saw the unfurling of the first American flag by George Washington, and the emancipation of negro slaves.

Following is a list of important events that took place on New Year's day:

- January 1
- 38 B. C. The era of the Caesars began.
- 1349 A. D. Edward III, king of England, defeated the French before Calais with great slaughter.
- 1735 Paul Revere born.
- 1757 Calcutta, India, captured by the British.
- 1776 First Union flag of 13 stripes unfurled by George Washington.
- 1792 Kentucky entered the Union.
- 1801 Union of Ireland with Britain.
- 1814 American dragoons attacked the British who had seized Buffalo, N. Y.
- 1815 Gen. Jackson repelled British when they attacked New Orleans.
- 1825 Great Britain acknowledged independence of South American republics.
- 1863 Emancipation of Negro slaves went into effect by proclamation of President Abraham Lincoln.
- 1907 Pure food law put into effect.
- 1913 Parcel post system inaugurated.
- 1919 New Year's day declared a legal holiday throughout the country except in Massachusetts and Washington, D. C.

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**Lesson for January 16**

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**JESUS ANSWERS HIS CRITICS**

LESSON TEXT—Mark 2:23-3:6  
GOLDEN TEXT—Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely...for my sake.—Matthew 5:11.

Criticism and opposition was the constant lot of our Lord as He gave Himself in His labor of love for mankind. It follows His disciples to this day, for men seem to have not only ingratitude, but an evil spirit which rewards kindness with hard words and unjust accusation.

The scribes and Pharisees had already found ground for their complaint, for He had eaten "with publicans and sinners" (2:16). The fact that He went there to win Matthew and to heal the sick (2:17) made no difference. Then they wanted to know why His disciples did not observe a fast (2:18) in the solemn way they should. How could they, when the Lord was in their midst? They were joyful.

In our lesson we find these hating, watching enemies of our Lord's showing their bitterness in two ways.

**I. Open Accusation (2:23-28).**  
They got at Him this time through His beloved disciples. It was the indirect approach so often used by cowardly people who want to hurt someone, but who dare not face him squarely. They spread evil reports or unkind criticisms about a loved one, and thus wound the one they hate.

Their accusation was, however, in a sense a direct one. They claimed that He was the one who had permitted His disciples to violate the Sabbath law by plucking and rubbing the ears of corn to prepare them to be eaten. In other words, He had allowed them to do a secular thing on a sacred day and thus to violate the holiness of the Sabbath. What they did was not wrong, but they did it on the wrong day, said these critics.

Jesus met the charge by reaffirming the high viewpoint of God concerning man. We have lowered our conception of man's position, while at the same time exalting his undependable judgment.

Everything that concerns man is sacred in the sight of God. Hunger is natural, God made man that way. He gets hungry on the Sabbath day, so he must have food on that day. The Sabbath was made to serve him, and he must not be harmed or hindered by his servant.

Now, someone will say: "That means I can do what I like on the Sabbath—or the Lord's Day." No, it does not. What you need is right. What you desire may not be. You are more than an animal, so you must have more than physical rest and recreation on Sunday. You are more than a mental being, hence you need more than culture—reading, music or friendship on that day. You are a spiritual being and must have fellowship with God.

See how nicely it all balances up when we go God's way. Then nothing that concerns us is common or secular. It is all sacred.

**II. Silent Hatred (3:1-6).**  
Open criticism is bad, but it becomes worse when it is hidden in the heart of a watching man (v. 2), one who looks for his opportunity to strike.

The scene is a most dramatic one. Jesus came into the synagogue on the Sabbath day as was His custom. (By the way, is it your custom to go to church on Sunday?) "In that synagogue was a man with a withered hand. Here occurs one of those incidental things, which are so full of beauty in these narratives. Seeking to find accusation against Him, His enemies nevertheless all unconsciously paid Him a supreme compliment. They associated Him immediately, not with the chief seat of the synagogue, but with the most needy man in the crowd."

"They watched Him" (v. 2). The air was full of silent, malicious, cunning hatred. Jesus faced them with an alternative so high, so holy and exacting that they dared not speak. He pointed out that we either do good or harm, heal or kill, by our response to a human need. It cannot be ignored. What would they do with it? Keep their strict man-made regulations, or honor God by helping a needy one on the Sabbath? They dared not answer.

Then He healed the man. He did not touch him. He did not do any work, except a miraculous healing. But it was enough. The Herodians and the Pharisees, who hated each other, now became friends because they both hated Jesus.

What an awful picture of what may be in the human heart, even in the Lord's house on the day of worship. What was in your heart when you last went into the church? Love and a desire for the good of your neighbor, or hatred and malice?

Here again our Lord declared the dignity of man in the plan of God, and placed his need above the keeping of a day. We are too little interested in the help we can give, and too fearful of the criticism of others.

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7. Why can our army and navy bombardiers hit even camouflaged targets?
8. Approximately how many men registered in the first draft on October 16, 1940?
9. What is the clavicle in the human body?
10. How much launching grease is needed to get a ship safely into the water?

**The Answers**

1. Crossed pistols.
2. A dance.
3. The Tyrrhenian sea.
4. Thirty-five.
5. A person able to assume a wolf's form.
6. Helvetia.
7. Infrared film can spot false structure (netting, cloth streamers, artificial camouflage), so that a trained cameraman, with one look, can select the proper target.
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**AROUND THE HOUSE**

If your laundry stove smokes when first lighted, open the lower door of the chimney, place a roll of newspaper inside and ignite it. The heat will drive the heavy, damp air out and restore the natural draft.

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Mrs. J. W. Kirkpatrick spent Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. J. C. Thompson, who is in a Lamesa hospital.

Reed Yandell, arrived home Monday from Camp Beale, Calif., on a 15-day furlough to be spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Yandell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mann were guests, last week, of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Liddell. Mr. Mann is stationed at Chanute Field, Illinois.

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