

It has been announced that bamboo, an easily grown product of the south, has been developed as a substitute for wood pulp in the manufacture of newsprint.

Bamboo was selected after many experiments showed that it meets strength tests comparable to the highest testing chemical pulp. It was proved to be able to stand several years without damage, whereas southern pine becomes unsatisfactory for use in a few months time after being cut.

The same chemical test used on wood is said to be used in the treatment of bamboo.

Rationing of used cars may be necessary in the near future, according to Elliott Taylor, chief of the Office of Price Administration auto ration branch, reports say. "Seven out of ten war workers depend on cars for their transportation and we must provide cars for doctors, farms and other essential civilian users," he is reported to have said. He also said that in order to do this the OPA is now working on a plan to ration the cars as the supply cannot be replenished until after the war but the plan will not be put into effect immediately, but is coming closed every day.

Carload shipments of pineapples are now arriving in Texas from Mexico right along. Some shipments are said to be passing through on their way to Canada while a large per cent is finding markets in this country. The highest peak of shipments of the fruit will be reached during this month the report stated.

Teacher: "Bobbie, your composition is the worst in the class. I am going to send your father a note telling him about it."

Bobby: "You will only make him sore. He wrote it."

Stranger—How about a ride, sister?

Girl.—Are you going north?

Stranger.—Yes.

Girl.—Good. Give my regards to the Eskimos.

"Sambo, you are late this morning. Any reason?"

"Yassah. When ah looked into de glass dis mawnin' ah thought ah must have gone to work. It was two hours after dat ah discovers the glass had dropped out ob de frame."

The National Geographic Society at Washington states that tons of "waste" hulls which accumulate at factories where peanuts are shelled for market may soon be scooped up and made into a substitute for cork. The peanut hull cork would be used in bottle caps, refrigerator linings, wall boards, inner soles and fill many other cork needs.

Normally all our cork needs are supplied by Portugal, Spain, France, Italy and North Africa.

Miss Moina Michael, who originated Poppy Day to aid sick and crippled veterans of the First World War, died May 10 in Athens, Ga. after a long illness.

Miss Michael was a member of the Georgia State University for more than twenty-five years. The state of Georgia paid tribute to her in 1937 by unveiling a marble statue of her in the state capitol.

She was 74 years old at the time of her death.

A son was born to Mrs. Jack Wrather Jr. of Dallas on May 9.

Mrs. Wrather is the only daughter of Senator and Mrs. W. Lee O'Daniel and is remembered by many as the former Molly O'Daniel.

The young son has been named Jack Devereaux Wrather III and weighed ten

## Home Demonstration Club Council Met Saturday, May 27

The home demonstration club council met Saturday, May 27 in the court house at Baird, Mrs. Carl Cook, council chairman, in the chair.

Mrs. Frank Monroe gave a treasury report; Mrs. Jim Barr, Cross Plains, gave the prices on pineapple.

USO stations are usually for entertainment only, but the one in Baird will be more for business purposes, says Mrs. Cal Dyer. The soldier boys from troop trains have been unable to get cookies, candies or drinks on account of the quantities required, now they will be able to obtain them from the USO.

Club women will be able to help in this worthy cause and are urged to meet with the planning committee. Kits for the soldiers were given out to the different clubs to make and fill with things that were needed.

Mrs. Frank Monroe brings an interesting report from the district meet in Eastland. The next district meet will be in Ballinger, Runtells county.

The annual encampment was discussed, but no definite plans were made. The number of delegates, whether two or three, will be sent to the state meet, will be taken care of at the next council meet. Would be well for each club to select a delegate before the June council.

## Seven Democratic Boys, Eighth Got To Reading Papers

The writer was in Cisco a few days ago and a crowd of men were standing on the sidewalk discussing politics along with other current subjects and there was one man in the crowd that did quite a lot of talking and he finally got to discussing his family and the number of boys he had, after bragging on his sons until he was just about out of breath, he revealed the fact that he had eight grown sons, then he said, seven of them are the finest boys I ever saw and all seven are democrats.

Republican standing on the side: "How does it happen that seven of those boys are democrats and the eighth strayed off so far as to be a Republican?"

Father: "Well I hardly know, but he got out away from home visiting among the neighbors and got in the habit of reading newspapers."

## Uncle Sam Borrows Money to Pay Part On Our Butter Bill

Generous Uncle Sam is using a part of the money he borrows from us to help pay for our butter. Good old Uncle Sam, he is always thinking of something to make us happy. There are times however, when we wish the old rascal would worry a little more about his own credit.—Ex.

## PRECINCT CHAIRMEN APPOINTED AT RALLY CALLED LAST WEEK

At the meeting called by Judge Freeland for the purpose of organizing the county for the Fifth War Loan Drive, Judge Freeland was elected chairman for the county and I. G. Mobley was selected as the precinct chairman of Putnam, Hart, Erath and Zion Hill. The quota for these four places was fixed at \$20,000 and each community in the precinct will be allotted quotas according to the amount they think they can pay, and on the population of such community.

pounds and six ounces. He is the Wrather's second child, Molly Jr., being two years old.

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## SKF Ball Bearings Being Shipped for German Army Use

According to news reports, it is an open fact that the big SKF ball bearing works in Sweden is selling war essential ball bearings to Nazi war plants. That being the case the organization should be No. 1 on the American-British black list of foreign firms doing business with our enemies.

And if there is any relationship between the Swedish SKF works and its Philadelphia SKF Industry Incorporated, the Secretary of State, Secretary of Commerce, Attorney General Biddle and the alien property custodian should find legal means to expropriate the properties.

It is reported that War Production Board Vice Chairman William L. Batt, is the operating head of the SKF-Industries, Inc., located in Philadelphia. If the parent company is directly or indirectly affiliated with the Swedish SKF firm and he knows, he should do something about it quickly.

## UNCLE BUD RUSSELL TRAVELS 3,900,000 MILES WITH PRISONERS

Uncle Bud Russell, known to every peace officer and many other people, makes record in service. He has retired to private life as a stock farmer after nearly forty years with the state prison system. He has passed through Putnam many times with a truck load of prisoners going to Huntsville where they furnish free board to the persons who are too big for the laws of Texas.

Mr. Russell and his one-way wagon traveled 3,900,000 miles. And from the county jails of Texas and other states he delivered 115,000 persons to the prison system.

Russell attributes most crime to environments. "When you take discipline out of the home, what can you expect?" But he says he found out that there's a little good in every person, also a little bad in every person, that it is human to err, divine to forgive and there was but one perfect man.

## Three Candidates For Representative In 107th District

The Representative's race in the 107th Floterial representative district has settled down to three candidates. The district is composed of Callahan and Eastland counties. All three candidates are from Eastland county. O. H. Burkett, the present incumbent, W. B. Starr, farmer, who is connected with the peanut growers association of Eastland and L. R. Pearson of Ranger, who is a lawyer and has lived in Ranger for several years and practiced law in the courts of Eastland county.

## Passenger Car Tire Quota Increased 56 Per Cent Over May

The June quota for passenger tires has been increased more than 50 per cent of the May quota. The 49 counties in the Fort Worth district will according to OPA, be allotted 27,962 new passenger car tires.

The June quota of small truck tires was increased 5,802 from 4,714 in May, but the allotment of large truck tires was increased only 2,029 from 2,024. The number of large truck tires being released for rationing exceeds production for civilian purposes, and heavy warm weather demands may mean that some trucks will have to stand idle, the OPA officials announced.

## List of Grand for June Term of Court

List of persons selected by the jury commissioners of the District Court of Callahan county, Texas, at the February term, 1944 thereof, to serve as grand jurors at the June term, 1944, said jurors to appear on Monday, June 5, 1944:

J. R. Betcher, route 1, Ovalo, N. H. Stephenson, route 1, Clyde, Dick Young, route 2, Baird, E. J. Barton, route 2, Clyde, W. R. Thompson, Cottonwood, Ben Atwood, Cross Plains, M. E. Jolly, route 2, Clyde, Floyd Phillips, Rowden, Fred Wylie, Moran, John Berry, Clyde, L. F. Burch, Clyde, R. D. Williams, Putnam, D. J. Anderson, Baird, Fred Stacy, Cross Plains, A. R. Dyer, Baird, F. A. Ellis, route 1, Baird.

## Baird Luncheon Club Meeting Monday, May 22

The Baird Luncheon club held a meeting in the Baird Presbyterian church in which Ace Hickman was program chairman and L. L. Blackburn gave the invocation. J. M. Rosenborough was the guest speaker from the Extension department of the Agricultural and Mechanical college at College Station. There were several special guests who attended this meeting from other places with a good attendance of members being present.

Members present were B. L. Russell, James H. Bardwell, M. H. Perkins, B. L. Boydston, Earl Johnson, Ace Hickman, H. A. Warren, Roland Dunwoody, Hugh Ross, E. L. Woodley, T. Baulch, F. E. Mitchell, A. R. Keiton, L. L. Blackburn, Bob Norrell, B. O. Brame, N. L. Dickey, Judge B. H. Freeland, W. B. Jones, W. M. Meador, county agent, D. J. Anderson, J. C. Lee, B. L. Russell Jr., Raymond Young, Dr. V. E. Hill and M. R. Lawlin.

## ONION HARVESTING SOON, HOW TO CARE AND STORE FOR WINTER

Onions. Right away your onions will be ready to go in storage for winter use. Before onions are harvested they must be well ripened and thoroughly cured if they are to keep well in storage. In selecting onions for storage, select those where the tops have ripened down or shriveled, and be sure that the outer skin of the bulb is dry before they are pulled. Use "Thick necks," immature, or soft onions immediately as they do not keep well. At harvest the onion tops are clipped to 1/2 inch length. They may be placed in crates or open mesh sacks in the shade until they are dried. Drying usually requires five to seven days. Globe type onions keep better than the flat Bermuda type.

A few essentials in successful onion storage are:

1. Well matured and dried until they rattle when handled.
2. Storing in open crates of not more than one bushel capacity.
3. Plenty of ventilation; low temperature; dryness.
4. Insure safety from actual freezing.

## Car Inspectors Must List All Serial Numbers

On tire and tube applications, tire inspectors must list all serial numbers of the tires on all vehicles they are inspecting and give the condition of both the tires and tubes.

The tire panel of Callahan Rationing Board wants to cooperate with the people, but they must have the correct information on the application before tires or tubes can be granted.

## Canning Sugar

Two periods for canning sugar has been established by the District Office, they are:

1st issuance 10 lbs. per person, March 1, 1944, ending June 30, 1944.

2nd issuance 10 lbs. per person, July 1, 1944, to Feb. 28, 1945.

There will be available up to twenty-five pounds of sugar for every person in your family to use in canning food if you need that much. Before you decide that you are entitled to twenty-five pounds, ask yourself, "How much do I actually need for canning?" Perhaps five or ten pounds for the whole year will do the job for you.

Won't you, therefore, please ask for just enough sugar for your canning needs and not more than ten pounds per family member if you do not need it. Please don't apply at all if you are not going to do any canning or preserving. This is a direct appeal to your American patriotism based on what we know to be true—How about it, neighbor!

## Final Filing Dates County and Precinct Candidates June 17

Final dates for county and precinct candidates is drawing near. The date for district filing for all candidates who are making a race in more than one county, expired on May 15. All candidates running for an office in county, must file an application for a place on the ticket not later than Saturday, June 17. If you fail to make this application your name will be barred from the ticket. No candidate could plead ignorance and say there is no need for any record as it is not necessary. The committee would promptly refuse your name a place on the official ballot because you failed to comply with statute in filing your application.

## How to Harvest And Take Care of Irish Potatoes

The Callahan County War Food committee makes the following recommendation on the home shortage of vegetables:

**Let Potatoes Mature Before they are dug.** Potatoes can be dug before the tops die, but they should be mature if they are to keep properly. To check maturing press the thumb against the skin of a few of the potatoes. If the skin is tough and does not break easily, the crop may be harvested. In areas where excessive rainfall has occurred a short time before harvest, water blisters (small elevated white spots) are likely to form on the skin. Delay harvesting until the blisters have dried. If harvesting is done while the potatoes are blistering or sappy, heavy losses by rotting may occur.

**Use Care in Handling.** Potatoes should not be handled like stacks of stovewood if they are to keep. A turning plow or a middle buster run 8 to 10 inches deep may be used to dig the crop. Separate all skinned or bruised potatoes from the good ones. Use the skinned ones first. If storage conditions are right, the others will wait patiently for their turn on the table. Remember to handle them almost as carefully as you would an egg. As soon as the potatoes are dug, place them in the shade so that they will not blister.

**Good Storage Conditions Are Essential.** A cool, well ventilated cellar is satisfactory for potato storage, provided it has an overhead vent that will allow the warm air and moisture to escape. The door and overhead vent should be opened at night and closed during the day to keep the interior cool. If outbuildings or the area under the farm house are to be used for storage purposes, cross ventilation is essential. If exposed to light, potatoes will turn green, which makes them undesirable for consumption. Avoid spreading the potatoes directly on the ground or floor. Provide a slatted false floor with at least four inches of air space. Even willow poles or hay on which the potatoes are spread will allow the air to completely circle each potato. Ventilation picks up the moisture and keeps the potatoes dry, which tends to reduce rot.

## RECIPE FOR COOKING BUTTERSCOTCH COOKIES, A TREAT FOR THE HOME

Every week Callahan county mothers, sisters, and the girl friends, send boxes of cookies to "Our Boy." One kind that is simple to make and easy on the sugar bowl is Butterscotch refrigerator cookies. They are, also, a treat for the home cookie jar.

- Butterscotch Refrigerator Cookies**
- 1/2 c. butter
  - 1 c. sugar, brown
  - 1/2 t. vanilla
  - 1 egg
  - 2 t. flour
  - 1/2 t. soda
  - 1/2 t. cream of tartar
  - 1/2 t. salt
  - 1/2 c. nut meats.
- Cream butter, add sugar and mix well. Add beaten egg and vanilla. Mix and sift flour, soda, salt, and cream of tartar and add to first mixture with nuts. Put on slightly floured board and make into a roll. Wrap in waxed paper, put in refrigerator for at least twelve hours. Then slice in thin slices and bake in a moderate oven until a delicate brown. The roll of cookie dough can be kept in the refrigerator and cookies baked from it a few at a time when wanted. This recipe makes about 60 cookies.

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**UNION DEMONSTRATION CLUB MET WITH MRS. JACK MERCER MAY 24**

The Union home demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. Jack Mercer, on May 24. Mrs. J. C. Dyer was there and gave a demonstration on flower arrangements and making corsages. She was assisted by Miss Maurine McCollum; Mrs. Wesley Wagley gave a talk on the district council meeting and also a talk on the most dreaded disease (cancer). The club voted to send a donation to the cause of cancer research.

Those present for the meeting were as follows: Mmes. Wesley Wagley, Maggie Dyer, Eugene Green, Bill McCollum, Burette Ramsay and Jack Mercer.

We were proud to have as visitors at this meeting, Mrs. Wagley, a former member of the club from Cisco, also Miss Maurine McCollum.

Our next meeting will be with Mrs. Ennis Qualls, June 14, when Miss Wilkinson will give a demonstration on re-finishing furniture at the meeting. All who can try and come to the next meeting.

**Texas Democrats Split, Elect Two Sets of Delegates**

Texas Democratic convention split wide open over at the State convention at Austin last week, electing two sets of delegates to attend the National convention at Chicago. The rump convention elected delegates to the National convention instructed to vote for Roosevelt for a fourth term. The regular convention elected delegates uninstructed but passed a resolution releasing the electors of any responsibility of supporting the nominees of the Chicago convention unless the southern delegates were given more recognition than they have been given in past National conventions. They were instructed to vote and work for the restoration of the two-thirds rule in nominating candidates for president and vice president.

Resolution No. 2 passed by the regular convention is as follows:

First, securing the election of delegates to the National convention in Chicago who will not support the nominee of that convention unless they are suitable to this faction.

And, second, to select candidates for presidential electors from Texas who will refuse to vote for the nominees of the National convention unless this faction can force the convention to adopt its program.

This is what the writer calls independent action. This country is too big for any one to dictate the entire program and it takes independent action by the people back at home letting the politicians know that they still believe in a government run under a written law and by private enterprise rather than be socialized and run by bureaus that have no direct relations with the people and not responsible to anyone for their actions.

**The Woman's Study Club Holds Final Meeting of Season**

The Woman's Study Club of Putnam held the final meeting of the season in the home of Mrs. E. C. Waddell Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mrs. L. A. Williams, retiring president, presided. The minutes were read by Mrs. A. B. Hutchison, retiring secretary. Plans were discussed whereby the club decided to assist in providing recreation facilities for Camp Barkeley. Roll call was answered with the name of a music composer and a song composed. The program featured piano selections by Gayle Williams, Lexie Dean Pruet, Ellen Williams, and Wanda Merle Lowery of Hardin-Simmons University. Aura Frances Waddell furnished a violin solo, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. E. C. Waddell. A rising vote of thanks was extended Mesdames L. A. Williams and A. B. Hutchison for two years of unusually faithful and good service as president and secretary. Miss Mildred Yeager of Washington, D. C. was a visitor and discussed topics of interest in Washington in round table fashion.

Refreshment of pineapple cake and ice cream were served. Those present were Mmes. Homer Pruet, Pearl Peterson, Louie Williams, U. L. Lowery, John Cook, Jim Yarbrough, A. B. Hutchison, Frances Clinton, L. A. Williams, J. N. Williams, Douglas Fry, S. M. Eubank, E. C. Waddell, Misses Betty Mobley, Wanda Merle Lowery, Lexie Dean Pruet, Ellen Williams, Gayle Williams, Nancy Hutchison, Aura Frances Waddell, Mildred Yeager of Washington, D. C.

**LOWER HOUSE PASSES BILL TO PENSION PANAMA CANAL WORKERS**

The lower house of Congress passed a bill last Monday which pensions for another majority group. This bill would aid all who participated in the building of the Panama Canal after members had described the bill as a benefit to the persons who helped to build the canal paying a just debt to men who imperiled their lives for their government.

Representative Bland (D. Va.) asserted "it is a matter of justice to provide for these old men." Russell, Democrat of Texas, replied, "there is no reason on earth to pension these men who considered themselves lucky to get the high wages they did down there."

Editor: Judge Russell is eminently correct and it is just some more high pressure political bombardment by a minority group to get something they are not entitled to.

**CLYDE GARRETT INJURED IN CAR WRECK AT CISCO**

Judge Clyde Garrett and daughters, Miss Virginia, Miss Katherine and Mr. Day were in a car wreck late Saturday night on their return home from the Hardin-Simmons University homecoming. They had passed through Cisco and was going over the viaduct over the M. K. & T. railway when they met a car going west, driven by George Damon with Mrs. Damon and Miss Marion Pearl with him. Mr. Damon states he was driving west when the Garrett car turned down from the high point on the viaduct throwing the lights in his face, blinding him so that he could not tell where he was driving, that resulted in a head-on collision. Judge Garrett was injured and taken to Graham's for treatment, and it is reported he will not be able to resume his campaign for Congress for several days.

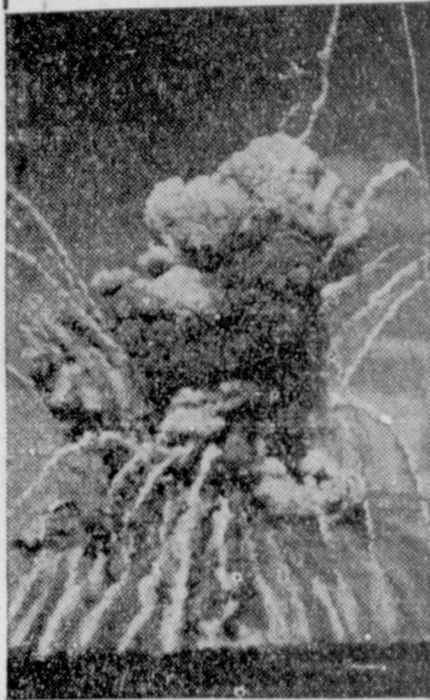
Mr. Damon stated it would cost him about three hundred dollars to have his car repaired, but he did not think the other car was damaged seriously, more than damaging fenders and lights.

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**WEST AND OTHERS TO DRILL 2,000 FOOT WILDCAT WELL**

Bill West and wife are up from Houston for a few days. West and associates are assembling a block of 600 acres a mile west of the Atwell store nine miles southeast of Putnam for a 2,000 foot test. The well will be drilled on the John Barton survey within a short distance to the Tom Carney-Guyton No. 1, drilled about 5 years ago. The well is to be spudded within 60 days from the time block is assembled.

**WAR BONDS In Action**



U. S. Coast Guard Photo

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**WAR BONDS In Action**



Signal Corps Photo

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**WAR BONDS In Action**



U. S. Coast Guard Photo

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PUTNAM, TEXAS, THURSDAY, JUNE, 1944.

## NOTABLE NEWS EVENTS IN PICTURES



**WASHDAY**—Although American forces have cleaned up a good part of the Marshall Islands, there's still a little washing that individual soldiers have to do. Here S-Sgt. Nick E. Langony, of Chicago, Ill., takes pants off line at 7th Air Force base with grace of a housewife who knows how to handle laundry.



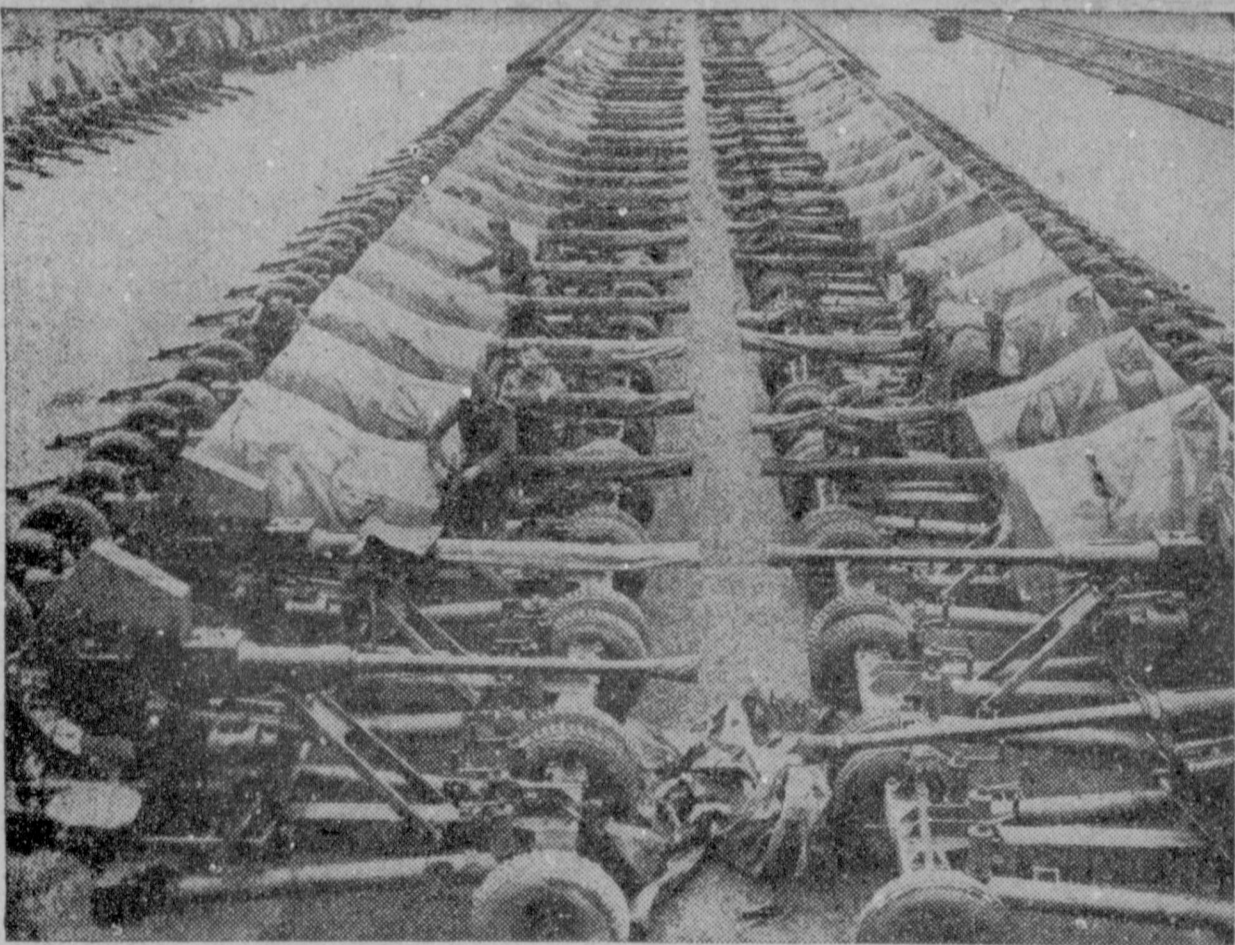
**SUN-TIME STYLE**—Briefed to comfortable minimum for high style and lots of sun, this cool summer dress is white waffle pique with giant rose print border. Model is actress Janet Blair.



**MOCCASIN GOES TO WAR**—Skilled hands of Nigel Wolff extract poisonous venom from water moccasin at Philadelphia zoo. CPAR Beverly Roberts, of Des Moines, Iowa, watches operation which will yield antivenin for inoculating armed forces stationed in snake infested areas of North America. The venom of the moccasin is as deadly as the venom of the rattlesnake. Watch out for moccasins while fishing from stream banks. When not in water they lurk in underbrush along banks and may strike at an intruder when disturbed.



**WAR HERO COMES HOME**—It's a great day for the Childers family of Broken Arrow, Okla., as Lt. Ernest Childers, Creek-Cherokee Indian comes home from the wars with coveted Congressional Medal of Honor, received for outstanding action in Italian campaign. Brother Clarence, sister-in-law and their son, David, inspect medal.



**BIG GUNS READY**—Destined to shoot Axis planes out of the skies, these 40 mm. Bofors light anti-aircraft guns on Mark II mountings are stored in depot somewhere in England. Quantities of shells, guns and equipment are stored in similar depots dotting British countryside.



**LEADING AIR ACE**—America's leading air ace, Maj. Richard I. Bong, who has downed 27 enemy planes, was ordered recently to report to the War Department in Washington. He will probably help to start Fifth war bond sale.



**WINTER LOGGING**—War pressure for critically needed lumber caused unprecedented logging while snow is still on ground in California's High Sierra. Log buckers pulled cross-cuts through large Ponderosa Pine logs from slit trenches in snow. Bulldozers ploughed up frozen logs so tractors could get at them. Photo shows crew loading logs on flat cars.



**CAFETERIA STYLE**—Self-Service Shaving Department at Nick Isoldi's barber shop in New York City got its start when customer in big hurry, sidestepping the line, sat down and shaved himself. Mr. Isoldi liked the idea. Now, for 15 cents a customer gets shaving equipment, lotions, combs, brushes, and does the job himself.



**BRA-BLOUSE**—Here's photo of latest fabric-saver in blouses. Called bra-b blouse, it's Mireau creation in celanese. It has neither sleeves nor back, but lines are carefully tailored.



**MOTHER DAY**—Mrs. John McFarlane Phillips, of Pittsburgh, American Mother of 1944, gets a real movie star welcome as she arrives in New York for Mother's Day. Boy Scouts David Manners (left) and George Wurzer are on hand to greet her with flowers.



**WESTERN STYLE**—Throwing in old-fashioned sorghum and all the trimmings, Gov. Robert S. Kerr, of Oklahoma, (right) shows Emile Violat, chef at New York City hotel how flapjacks are made out Oklahoma way.

# The GREAT ALLIED OFFENSIVE In Southern Italy

WAR ANALYST EDITOR  
(New York Times)

ON May 12th, south of Rome, a great Allied offensive had ended a six months' stalemate on the Italian peninsula and was breaking through German defenses and driving toward Rome. There could be little doubt that this Allied drive in Italy which rapidly gathered momentum had large implications for the grand strategy of the spring of 1944. It was a forecast of things to come.

Phase I of this drive for the conquest of Hitler Europe rolled on at a dynamic pace. Massed strength, relentlessly applied, was apparently proving the answer to the problem of Germans well dug into natural defenses.

In itself and in its relation to the other fronts the action in Italy epitomized the battle the Germans face. With all the advantages of defensive terrain and internal communications on their side, the Nazis were attacked on a narrow front by superior forces and were beaten back with heavy losses. The Allies took and held the initiative, shifting the focus of attack back and forth, making frontal drives and encirclements, reducing strong points or flanking them—keeping the Germans off balance. Presumably the Wehrmacht could have held if it had been reinforced with men and weapons from other fronts, but the peril on those other fronts was also grave and imminent.

## Objectives of Allies

The Allied objectives in pressing from the south of Italy were several. The fall of Rome would have great psychological effect—on the enemy, the neutrals and the satellites. Further territorial gains would provide new airfields from which to press the bomber attack on Germany's inner defenses and provide new ports as bases of operations. Carried far enough, such an advance would link the Allies by land with the Balkans, which in turn are the link to the Russian front. Immediately the offensive would engage twenty-five or more German divisions and prevent their use in other battle areas.

For these purposes the Allies had reinforced and regrouped their armies. The bulk of the British Eighth had been shifted from the Adriatic end of the front to a position between Cassino and the Liri Valley. The largely American Fifth had been shifted from this sector toward the Tyrrhenian Sea. Where the two sectors joined there were strong

French forces. At various points along the line were other French, Poles, Italians, Dominion and colonial troops. Under Gen. Sir Harold R. L. G. Alexander all had been welded into a powerful striking force.

These recent battles in Italy came so fast that the whole twenty-five-mile

## Pincers at Cassino

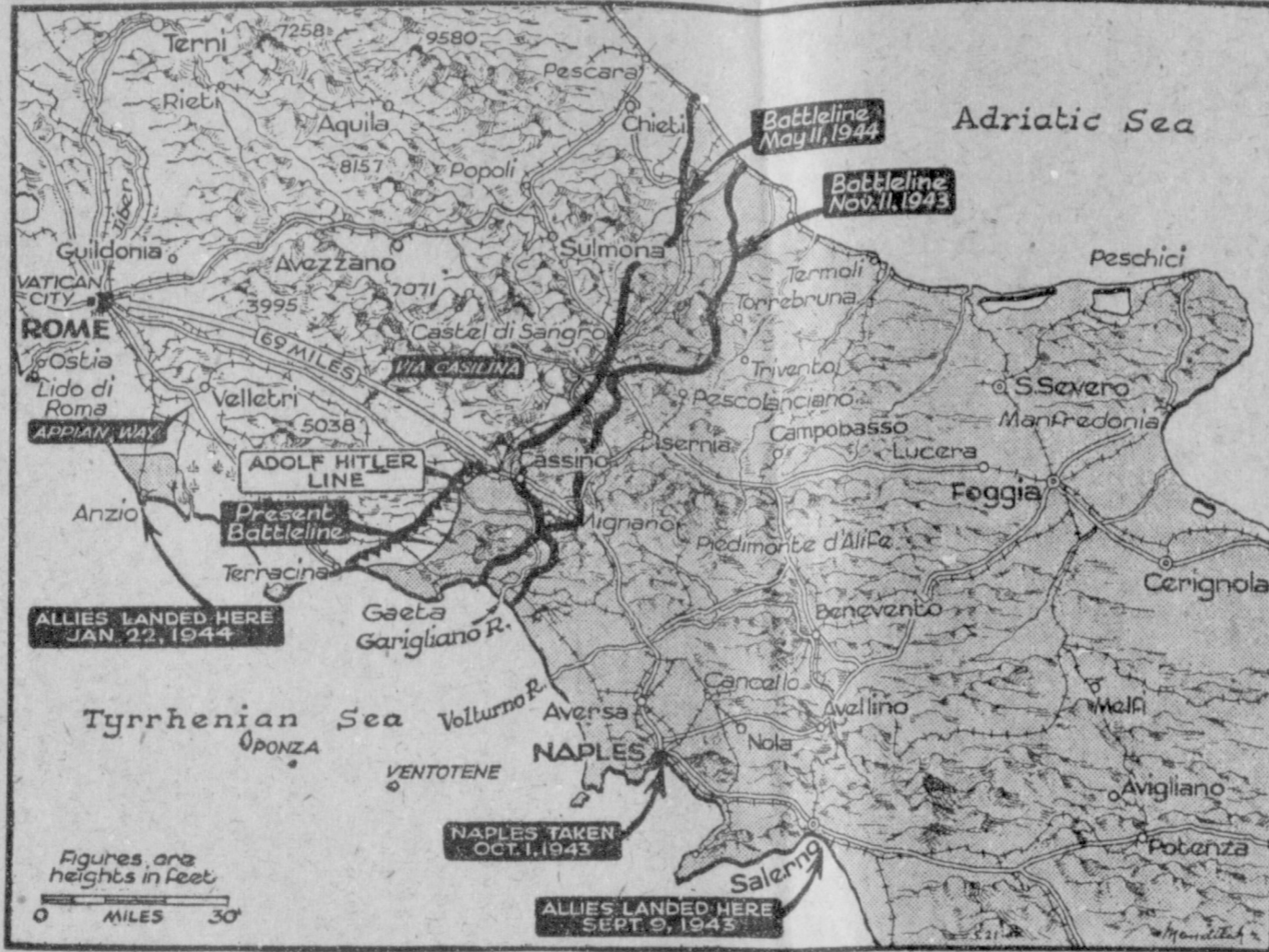
In this latest attack the Eighth Army drove around west and north of Cassino, cutting the road to Rome and joining lines with the French who had stormed ahead on the northeast. Polish troops swept through Cassino and up the hill. The speed of the operations trapped more than 1,500 of the enemy, including part of the famous First Parachute (Green Devil) Division; the savagery

spring and winter. The men's mood reflects not so much the new weapons and equipment as the fact that they are living more comfortably and even the surrounding countryside is far more hospitable than it was in the bitter mountain drives of October through January. Dust has replaced the mud; poppies and yellow daisies cover the fields where men had shivered in wintry wet. And, of course, the psychology of spring is involved—the men, particularly the French, seem to realize they are nearer victory and nearer home. This feeling is fostered by the encouraging progress of the drive so far.

## Equipment Abandoned

Allied spokesmen said the retreating Germans were abandoning "mountains" of equipment. The Fifth Army alone was reported to have captured material enough to have equipped two artillery divisions. The pace of the great offensive was so fast that no over-all estimate of enemy casualties was possible, but prisoners ran into the thousands. By May 20th the Allies had seized a whole series of fortifications in the Hitler Line, were turning its left flank—one report placed them within twenty miles of the Anzio beachhead—and were girding

themselves for the assault on the inland anchor at Piedimonte and Aquino.



After a six months' stalemate the Allies drive ahead in Italy.

front from above Cassino to the Tyrrhenian Sea was in constant motion. Towns and hill features whose names had long been symbols of redoubtable strength were stormed or cut off and swept into Allied hands. The greatest of these symbols was Cassino, with the Abbey of St. Benedict on the mountaintop above the town. The Germans had made town and abbey a fortress bristling with heavy guns and automatic weapons. Devastating bombardments by Allied artillery and planes had leveled the walls but not dislodged the Nazis. Earlier encircling efforts had failed. A bloody frontal assault in mid-March had won part of the town, but the Germans had held out in the rubble.

of the fighting killed large numbers of others.

Similar hammer-and-tongs engagements won other towns—Ausonia, San Ambrogio, Coreno, Castelforte, Formia and many more. Then the determined Allied forces drove on, smashing at both ends and the middle of the Hitler Line. The contrast between this kind of action and the months of grinding, inconclusive campaigning that had gone before impressed itself on front observers. Milton Bracker, New York Times correspondent who is with the Eighth Army, cables:

"The difference between the present Italian offensive and the previous ones is actually the difference between

## The FOOT SOLDIER Decides Victory

(Popular Mechanics)

WHO is the most important man in the Army? There's only one answer to that. It's the common, ordinary infantryman, the soldier who fights on foot.

The infantry has been called the "Queen of Battles" for its the infantry that decides a victory, captures the enemy, and occupies his territory. All the other arms including tanks and aircraft simply aid and support the infantry in its job.

The foot soldier is the man who does most of the work and usually gets least of the credit. He's the man in the wet muddy uniform who sticks it out behind his gun, eating emergency rations out of a can. He's the one who faces machine gun slugs, who gets knocked around by high explosive shells, and who gets blown up by land mines. Tanks charge him, aircraft bomb him, and flame throwers and gas shells were devised to kill him. He gets the works, and keeps going.

In the last war Pershing asked for men who could "salute, march and shoot," specifying in three words the ideal soldier who has been trained to carry out orders, has the endurance for marches and combat, and the marksmanship that leads to victory.

## The American Soldier

The American Soldier, Model 1944, is all that and more. He was an experienced trooper before he got into combat. He had learned how to camouflage himself and take advantage of cover. He had learned to shoot straight at still, moving, and flying targets. He had been taught by lectures and demonstrations and motion pictures the thousand and one things a soldier has to know, how to guard against land mines, how to build barbed wire barricades, how to protect himself from gas, and the mechanics of his weapons and equipment. He had been fed scientifically balanced meals and he was in the best physical condition of his life. He had learned the necessity of sticking by his mates, the value of teamwork, and the importance of carrying out the orders passed down to him. He had even been indoctrinated into battle itself by means of infiltration and combat training in which machine gun and snipers' bullets came close to hitting him and land mines blew up nearby.

He has to know a lot more than any soldier ever had to know before. To the basic infantry weapons of rifle, bayonet, and hand grenade have been added a whole arsenal of specialized arms. The man in the ranks is familiar

with them all and is an expert with several.

## Weapons of Infantry Regiments

In the average infantry regiment you will find the following: pistols, semi-automatic carbines, Garand and Springfield rifles, Browning automatic rifles, bayonets, various types of hand and rifle grenades including anti-tank grenades, land mines, rocket-throwing bazooka guns, .30 and .50 caliber air and water-cooled machine guns mounted for both air and ground targets, 60 mm. and 81 mm. mortars that can toss shells over hills and into gullies, 37 mm. and 57 mm. anti-tank guns, and even 105 mm. howitzers.

Light artillery as part of the regular



Close up of soldier practicing bayonet charge.

infantry was unheard of a few years ago but so were a lot of other weapons that the infantry now uses. The new cannon companies that are equipped with the howitzers operate in direct support of the other companies.

The bulk of infantry consists of rifle companies. In each such company there are machine guns and mortars as well as the standard infantryman's weapons of rifle and bayonet. Heavier machine guns and mortars are handled by special heavy weapons companies. anti-tank companies use the new big rapid-fire guns against tanks and vehicles. Anti-aircraft guns are scattered all through each infantry organization. In fact, all available guns including rifles are used to pour a mass of fire against any low-flying enemy aircraft.

## Infantry Organization

Included in the infantry are Pioneer outfits that have the job of reducing obstacles, clearing away booby traps, and building temporary bridges. Service companies provide transportation for the foot soldiers and take care of (Continued on Page 5, column 3)

## Success of BOYS' RANCH At Old Tascosa

By LEWIS T. NORDYKE  
(Read Magazine)

FOUR years ago, half a dozen bewildered boys were taken to Old Tascosa, (Oldham county), in the Texas Panhandle for the adventure of their lives. They were the first cowhands on Boys' Ranch, one of the most amazing ranches in the whole of the cow country, and now one of the nation's top projects for chanceless boys.

Over 54 sturdy boys operate it. They have 90 purebred Hereford cattle, 14 milch cows and 20 calves. They are raising pigs and have a string of saddle stock. They gather eggs from 200 hens. They have 450-acre orchard and have under irrigation 30 acres for garden truck and other crops.

Cattlemen of the Panhandle and businessmen of Amarillo are responsible for the success of Boys' Ranch. Cal Farley, a businessman, had the idea. He figured that an American boy's cherished desire to be a cowboy some day could be used to bolster his pride and help make a man of him. The late Julian Bivins, a large ranch operator, donated 120 acres. Mr. Farley and a few friends put up the money to start the project.

The boys, few of whom had ever been in the country, made a hit. Sunshine, fresh air and freedom from hunger put a bronze glow on sallow skin. Some of the lads gained 15 pounds in a month. There was not a softie in the bunch.

The work and play of the boys impressed visitors. Ranchers who were skeptical at first, became backers. An Amarillo packer bought a purebred Hereford heifer and gave it to the ranch. One by one, ranchers gave the boys purebred Herefords. With this herd, the boys are nearing the point where they will be self-supporting.

## Boys From Poverty-Stricken Homes

When the growing population of Boys' Ranch crowded the quarters, businessmen and ranchers promptly built a \$15,000 combination dormitory, gymnasium and storage basement. The school is conducted in the new building.

The boys have come from broken and poverty-stricken homes. Some of them had no home. None had the chance of the average American boy. Some were

on the very threshold of the State's reform school. Mr. Farley and the others felt the lads needed only a chance. The boys proved it.

They handle their own discipline. Alton Weeks, a veteran in boys' work, and Mrs. Weeks, a mother to all, have been the directors from the start. They lead by example and suggestion. A new boy pulled out a tobacco sack and started rolling a cigarette. A veteran nudged



"Tricky," the ranch's pet donkey, knows a few tricks about pitching.

ed him. "Thought I ought to tell you we don't smoke here."

"A rule?"

"Not exactly. We just don't smoke."

The recruit learns from the boys that profanity is never used on Boys' Ranch. The lads have a traditional ranch organization—a foreman, wranglers, straw bosses and a few Texas Rangers. They are the law.

## Work and Play

These lads, who range in age from 6 to 13 years, work and play. They have a large swimming and boating lake, which is full of fish. They hunt on the prairies. They go to school, have their own independent school district, and do the chores, including washing dishes. They eat from their own garden and livestock, and store up food for the winter. They are learning by doing. They are growing into men.

An April issue of Saturday Evening Post contained a good story of Boys' Ranch. I quote in part:

"Boys' Ranch is just what its name implies—a ranch and home for boys,

ed up with politics. It is an outgrowth of the belief that one of the surest places for a boy to grow up and develop whatever is good in him is the open country, where his surroundings provide the chance to pour out his energies on useful tasks, and both work and play bring him close to clean, wholesome natural things. The founders of Boys' Ranch provided the setting, employed a wise man as ranch dad, gathered the boys from here and there, and turned them loose on endless acres under matchless skies. Results in the half dozen years since the founding have been such as to deserve attention wherever there are boys.

## Once Cow Capital

"The site chosen for the ranch had exciting possibilities. It is forty-odd miles from Amarillo, on a gravel road that is often empty of human beings from end to end. Romance and history abound. This is an old Comanche Indian country. Not far from here, in Hutchinson county, was fought the Battle of Adobe Walls, between white buffalo hunters and Comanche, Kiowa and Cheyenne Indians, a fierce battle that lasted three days and resulted in victory for the buffalo hunters. Thanks to excellent springs located at a good crossing of the Canadian, Tascosa in the 70's and 80's became the cow capital of a big area.

"The town thrived suddenly, and then as suddenly died. Coming of the railroad did not help it. Dobe shacks became dust again, and the courthouse, which was built substantially of stone, was about all that remained to indicate that once this had been an ambitious, thriving place. But in 1938, Tascosa stretched and came to life again. Not as a cow town, but as the headquarters of Boys' Ranch."

So, Tascosa is no longer a ghost town. Back in the 70's and 80's it was a rip-sartin', guntotin' frontier town, made up chiefly of saloons and dance halls. Killings were common. Bothill cemetery is still a part of Tascosa where are buried those who died there with their boots on in the early days.

Boys' Ranch is on its way to greater accomplishments. The boys will show what can be done to improve and redeem a town once noted for its wild and woolly days.

# CURRENT COMMENT

By A STAFF EDITOR

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## Famed Russian Cavalry

PROBABLY the most spectacular evidence that the horse still has his place on the battlefield are the whirlwind activities of the famed Russian cavalry. The hard-riding Russians make excellent guerillas, arriving unexpectedly "out of nowhere," and dashing off just as suddenly. The Germans found them such a plague that in the summer of 1941 they offered a 50,000-mark reward for the capture of Maj. Gen. Lev Dovator, who, with only 3,000 mounted horsemen (though estimated by the enemy to be anywhere from 18,000 to 100,000), broke the Nazis juggernaut into bewildered fragments with rapier-like thrusts far behind the lines.

During one 12-day stretch horsemen comprising the Second Guard and a contingent of picturesque Cossacks routed the 430th German infantry regiment and killed 2,500 enemy soldiers.

## Airplane Duck Herders

The government is now herding ducks by airplane. Due to the lack of hunting ammunition, ducks have become more plentiful than at any time in years—so much so that they have become a menace to some farms, especially the rice fields of California.

As a result, Charles Branstetter of the Nevada-Pacific Airlines has been retained by the government to swoop over the rice fields, scare the ducks into the air and, by flying behind them at a slow speed, herd them into government reservations. The same principle is used as that of the shepherd dog—namely, flying on one side or the other in order to steer the ducks in the opposite direction.

## Accident Death Toll

Industrial accidents took a higher toll of American lives from Pearl Harbor to last January 1 than military action, a War Production Board official told the National Conference of Industrial Hygienists.

John M. Fewkes, Washington, chief

of the industrial health and safety section of WPB's Office of Labor Production, said 37,000 American workers were killed during the period from Pearl Harbor to last January, compared to approximately 30,000 military dead. Workers permanently disabled totalled 210,000, while 4,500,000 were temporarily disabled, approximately 60 times the number of military personnel wounded and missing.

"Injuries," Fewkes said, "account for approximately 10 times as many lost manhours as strikes."

## Food Outlook for Germany

The Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations in Washington reported the food outlook for Europe in general as unfavorable.

Wartime shortages of manpower, fertilizers, draft power, farm equipment and machinery, the agency reported, have combined with military operations to affect not only actual production, but transportation as well.

The office ascribed the relatively good German food supply so far to expanded output at home, supplemented by takings from other Axis and Axis-occupied areas, plus an efficient distribution system.

Food conditions were said to be poorest in Greece, Poland and Belgium. In liberated Italy, which normally produces less than it consumes, a large part of the population must continue to depend mainly on imported food.

Acute distress was said to prevail among Frenchmen unable to buy in black markets or to obtain food from friends and relatives on farms.

## For Those In Battle

In all great national undertakings it is inherent in the Anglo-Saxon peoples that they ask God to go with them in whatever may be their struggle. The circumstance of the great undertaking which is the invasion of Western Europe by Allied armies naturally inspired the American people to turn to God for strength and solace.

By request we republish a prayer printed earlier in the war. It is a prayer for today, for every day, for the well-being of those who are chiefly in our thoughts:

"O, Almighty Lord God, the Father and Protector of all that trust in Thee, we commend to Thy Fatherly goodness the men and women who through perils of war are serving the Nation, beseeching Thee to take into Thine own hand both them and the cause wherein their country sends them. Be Thou their strength when they are set in the midst of so many and great dangers. Make all bold through life or death to put their trust in Thee, who art the only Giver of victory, and canst save by many or by few."

## Daily War Costs

The United States is spending each day on the war almost three times as much as the cost of the War of 1812, and twice the cost of the Mexican War. Fifty days of spending equals the total outlay for the Civil War, including pensions to 1938.

In the first six months of the fiscal year ending June 30, the United States spent slightly more than the cost of the first World War.

The war costs for the fiscal year will be roughly \$87,668,000,000, the highest for any fiscal year in history and about \$15,500,000,000 more than the \$72,109,000,000 expended in the last fiscal year.

Non-war spending is estimated at \$6,235,000,000 for the year, making a total outlay of \$93,903,000,000.

The average daily war spending has been running recently about \$307,300,000 and the average daily non-war spending about \$19,462,000.

## Meaning of Maintenance of Membership

The maintenance of membership clause in the Montgomery Ward & Co. contract that expired, provided that for a period of 15 days after signing of the contract union members might resign from the union if they desired while others could join it. Nonunion employees

were not required to join the union to retain their jobs. The check-off for union members was optional; that is, a member's dues might be deducted by the company from his wages or he might elect to pay them direct to the union treasury. But if a member failed to pay his union dues the company was obligated to discharge him. Montgomery Ward's manager refused to comply with the union's demand for maintenance of membership and because of this refusal the government seized the plant.

## Aces of Two Wars Meet

Two fighter aces, both bronzed and fit, got together recently and compared notes.

At the War Department, Capt. Edward V. Rickenbacker, top American ace of the first World War, met for the first time Maj. Richard I. Bong of Poplar, Wis., the first Army pilot of this war to break the Rickenbacker record.

Captain Rickenbacker's score was 26. He shot down 21 German planes and five enemy observation balloons. Major Bong has 27 confirmed victories over Japanese planes in the Pacific.

They compared speed—Captain Rickenbacker's best was 130 miles an hour in a Spad, Major Bong's around 400 miles an hour in a P-38 Lightning.

## Warning Against Lagging Interest in Home Gardens

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics said prospective government requirements of canned vegetables for war purposes, difficulties of transportation and shortages of labor at canneries suggest the wisdom of home gardens as the surest means of having the kind of vegetables at the time they are wanted.

Despite recent action of the government in taking frozen vegetables and most canned vegetables off the rationing list temporarily, the bureau says the civilian supply of processed vegetables in the season ahead may be from 5 to 10 per cent smaller than in the season now drawing to a close.

Reports received by the War Food Administration indicate there is a flagging interest this year in home gardens. The WFA insists that more gardens, rather than fewer, are needed. It has ordered canners to set aside 40 per cent of this year's output for the military services and other war programs.

## What Is Penicillin?

Penicillin is a precious powder extracted from green mold, similar in appearance to the mold you have seen on stale bread. It is formed from the mold like golden drops of dew. These drops are reduced to powder form for shipping to battle and hospitals where, like plasma, it is dissolved in distilled water before being injected.

To our wounded fighting men who are invaded by frightful infections, this drug means hope and happiness. For penicillin is a heavyweight champion in the battle against infection. For example, in some cases, penicillin is almost 200 times as effective as the sulfa drugs.

Injected, penicillin races unflinchingly for the area where the infection is deepest. And almost invariably, the infection is wiped out. Like sulfa, penicillin is not a cure-all, however. But, it has cleared infected wounds when everything else failed. It has, moreover, averted countless amputations.

## Swap Stores

There is a chain of stores in New York where money doesn't do a shopper any good, where ration books aren't worth the paper they're printed on, and where even the most carefully cultivated friendship with the storekeeper won't help, writes Ariene Wolf, of the Associated Press staff. It's the CDVO swap shops, where swappers can get anything from a genuine prewar electric toaster to a new dress—providing they have something to swap in return.

Borrowing the slogan "if you can't use it, swap it" that started similar stores in England, New York's Civilian Defense Volunteer Office has set up three swap centers to relieve wartime shortages.

More than 19,000 articles have been exchanged in one of these shops in one year, with electrical appliances and metal articles most in demand. Roller skates and baby carriages roll in and roll right out again. A swapper may tote in two pie-plates, a vase and a pair of

shoes that don't fit, and walk out with a box of rose food and an electric iron.

Articles are evaluated by CDVO volunteers according to supply and demand, not monetary value. An electric cake-mixer, for example, probably would have a higher swap value than a dress, because you can still get dresses, but mixers are off the market.

## A Greater Killer Than War

Lumbermen's Mutual Casualty Co. recently called attention to a situation which is getting worse as wartime restrictions are gradually relaxed—the increasing number of motor traffic casualties. In its annual report this leading automobile insurance company pointed out that from Pearl Harbor to January 1, 1944, war casualties of all types totaled 139,858, while traffic casualties were 1,954,000.

The report includes that any relaxation of driving restrictions is followed immediately by an increase in the number and seriousness of accidents. In less than a week after the "no pleasure driving" ban was lifted on the Atlantic Seaboard, Lumbermen's had a sharp increase in accidents, which has continued unabated up to this time.

"One survey completed late in 1943 indicated that less than half the motorists are observing the 35-mile-per-hour speed limit. Traffic fatalities for the last quarter were 10% greater than in the last quarter of 1942."

In view of the manpower situation and the tremendous toll on industrial production alone which these figures reveal, it seems to us that the War Advertising Council, the automobile, tire and petroleum industries and the insurance companies have before them an obvious need for advertising which will impress on the American public the ugly facts of motor traffic to accidents at home.

We are shocked by the losses of war, but we are complacent in the fact of greater casualties at home. This is an unnecessary loss which all of those directly concerned should be interested in doing something about.

## Far East Rubber Lands May Become Jungles

Japanese-held cultivated rubber lands may once more become overgrown jungles unless, as is considered improbable, they received constant and painstaking care, it is pointed out in Industrial and Engineering Chemistry.

The tropical nature of the rubber-growing country fosters the growth of jungle plants, creating an imminent threat to any cultivated land in that region. Although the Hevea trees now cultivated are to a large extent resistant to blights and pests, they are not immune, and if neglected will succumb.

"The conquerors of Malaya and Singapore came into sudden possession of rubber stocks far beyond their capacity to fabricate and consume," the journal reports. "In this situation no reason has existed for them to exercise the scrupulous care necessary to keep the trees in continuing productive health."

Neglect for even the short period since the fall of Singapore can cause substantial damage to the value of these lands, and the damage may prove to be even greater.

## Plastic From Sawdust

Waste sawdust and shavings from sawmills and lumber manufacturing plants may be used successfully to make a new black opaque plastic of high tensile strength and high resistance to acid and moisture absorption. Dr. Robert A. Hardin, of the University of Oklahoma, at Norman, developed the plastic after 18 months of experimentation.

The new plastic has a tensile strength of 9,000 pounds per square inch.

# Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY  
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THE late James Whitcomb Riley wrote a great poem about June. He said he was "knee-deep in June"—bogged down by roses, tulips, petunias, gardenias, morning glory, honeysuckle, etc. Recently I visited the home of a friend who has a honeysuckle vine that literally covers the backyard porch and fence. Its beauty and fragrance was inspirational. All homes should have flowers. The remembrance of my mother's old-fashioned roses still abide with me after many years.

This June is notable for other things than flowers. It is the month when two great conventions will meet in Chicago to select candidates for the Presidential election. We already have a pretty good idea as to who will be nominated though a black horse could run away and upset the apple cart. No matter who may be nominated he will, of course, reduce taxes and save the country. The country has been saved so often it's no use to worry about that. What we shall worry about is who will save the candidates and see that they keep their platform pledges. When a man runs for office he needs lots of religion and a "rite smart of money." He will need money for campaign expenses and religion to forgive those who solemnly promised but did not vote for him.

June is also the beginning of the harvest season. We farmers are behind with our work—in fact have never caught up with it—because of rains and weeds. I put in most of my time chopping weeds. One week I chop weeds out of the corn, the next week out of the cotton, but after all weeds are chopped out of the cotton they grow back into the corn. The devil invented weeds. If there were no weeds there would be less profanity and less wickedness in the world.

Much is being said about saving faces. Some faces are not worth saving. It would be better to say more about saving souls. You hear very little about saving souls, yet if a man would save his soul his face would take care of itself.

Excessive rain in places has damaged Victory Gardens, yet there is time

enough to replant and raise some vegetables. All you need is a strong back and a thimbleful of brains to do the job. Just go to work with hoe and rake, put seed in the ground and the good earth will do the rest. Let your conscience be your guide. Raise "food for freedom!"

There is an old saying that money is not everything. That may have been true in the good old days, but not now. If you think money is not everything just try to do a little shopping. Wife came home from town the other day with a long face. She had been shopping and she said, "Joe, I don't know what is to become of women. A simple dress that used to sell for \$10.90 is now \$29.98; a small rayon undergarment that used to sell for 29c is now \$1.15; a shirtwaist that I once bought for 79c is now \$2.29. You men criticize women for wearing few

clothes. How can we dress up at present prices?" To all of which I replied: "Dear, you are different from most women, you don't have to dress up to look pretty." She smiled a bit and said: "That's the same old blarney you handed me 20 years ago while courting me. I know you are lying when you say I don't have to dress up to look pretty, but I like to hear you say it."

The rat population increases despite poison bait and other methods of extermination. It is estimated that rats eat and destroy 50 million dollars worth of food each year. The reason rats increase is because they outsmart their enemies. Men war against each other and kill millions of the world's population, but rats have too much sense to war against each other and hence increase in population. On rainy days we farmers get together at our barns and kill rats. Nothing I enjoy more than killing rats, crows and hawks.

It is claimed that penicillin the wonder drug you hear so much about as curing soldiers of infectious wounds, was first used several thousand years ago by the Mayas in Mexico. Castro Monforte, one of Mexico's foremost Mayan scholars, says: "The Mayas were able to cure many illnesses of infectious origin with 'cuxum,' a tiny mold which grows on damp wood or on food plants. I have learned this mold

the Mayas used is the new famous penicillin."

American Indians used medicinal herbs to cure many diseases and herbs were used by our grandmothers to cure many ailments. I have been told that onion poultices will cure ulcers. I remember my mother once cured me of acute inflammation with poultices made from peach tree leaves.

When the aeronautical engineer is able to design the fuselage and wings of an airplane that will stand the stress, the mechanical engineer can devise a jet-propulsion unit that will carry the plane through the air at 1,200 miles per hour, Robert W. James, a University of Texas student engineer declared recently. Why this terrific speed? It's not necessary that we travel through air at 1,200 miles an hour. We have too much speed as is. Speed alone is killing about 15,000 persons in automobile accidents each year together with several thousand that are killed in airplane accidents. We poke fun at horse and buggy days, yet horses and buggies killed few people. Stark tragedy haunts the highways. All our speed is not worth the price we pay for it in money and lives.

Everything, it seems, is going to war. This time it's the corn cob. They are used to clean Navy airplane engines after a lengthy search for a substance that would do the job of blasting carbon and grime from engines without harming the metal. Heretofore, corn cobs have been a nuisance around barns, to be used sometimes for fuel. Old-timers can remember when cotton seed were a nuisance around gins and was burned to get rid of it.

Bernard M. Baruch has donated \$1,100,000 for physical medicines to rehabilitate 700,000 men. These medicines, he says, are "exercise, water, light, heat, cold and electricity." Baruch is right, but I know how he can get all this without spending a nickel, and my plan is very simple. Farmers have everything on the farm that Baruch has listed as "physical medicines" except electricity and some farmers have electricity. On my farm plenty of exercise can be had by plowing, chopping wood, chopping weeds and doing other various and sundry work. My windmill produces plenty of water. The sun produces plenty of light and heat. The winter produces plenty of cold. I can be of great assistance to Mr. Baruch and at no cost whatsoever. If he will get in touch with me I shall guarantee to supply him with enough farms right here in Texas to rehabilitate 700,000 men, and the farms need the men to take up the labor shortage slack.



"He said he was 'knee-deep in June.'"



"He wanted a bowl of turtle soup and told me to make it snappy."

# TEXAS BRIEF NEWS ---from Over the State

## PENICILLIN ALLOTTED TEXAS HOSPITALS

Forty-one Texas hospitals have been designated as depots for limited distribution of penicillin, the new wonder drug, for civilian use.

## WANT A JEEP?

Albert Odom, Houston youth who recently won an Army jeep at a war bond rally, says it is for sale, that he wants to convert his jeep into war bonds.

## FORMER SLAVE SAYS SHE IS 110

Harriett Cocker, of Bay City, (Matagorda county), believes she is 110 years old. She declares she was a slave in the county before the Civil War. Only two or her 14 children are alive.

## TEXAS SCIENTIST GETS MEDAL

Dr. Otto Struve, director of McDonald Observatory at Fort Davis, (Jeff Davis county), has been awarded the Isaac Newton Medal for 1944 by the Royal Astronomical Society of London.

## CIVIL WAR VET DIES

Phillips Rhodes, of Polk county, one of the few Civil War veterans left in East Texas, has been buried in Livingston. He was 95 years old when he died.

## LAMB KILLER TRAPPED

Lane Hudson got mad when a varmint started killing lambs on his ranch near Luther, (Howard county), so he set a trap and caught a bobcat which measured 56 inches. He got a fox in another trap at the same time.

## MARRIAGE VOWS AMENDED

An East Texas negro pastor evidently wanted his newlyweds to get off to a good start. In addition to the questions usually asked at a ceremony he added this one: "Does you intend to make your Army allotment to your wife or to your folks?"

## WOMEN GARBAGE COLLECTORS

"I guess we will have to hire women," declared the chief of San Antonio's garbage service when the Army took 25 of his employes. To the chief's surprise, eight women applied for the jobs, were hired, and are reported doing the work well enough.

## OLD JOURNAL TO BE PUBLISHED

The journal of an aide to Gen. Santa Anna, which was lost on San Jacinto battlefield in 1836, is to be published in Texas soon. The document was picked up by Anson Jones, of the Texas Army, and recently was found by Samuel E. Asbury of Texas A. & M. College.

## SIX DENTISTS IN ONE FAMILY

Six Chandlers, all dentists, registered at a recent dentist convention in Houston. They were Dr. W. E. Chandler and his five sons. The father lives in El Campo, (Wharton county), two sons in San Antonio, and one each in Corpus Christi, Weslaco, (Hidalgo county), and Kingsville, (Kleberg county).

## FAMILY OF 13 OUTLIVE MOTHER

When Mrs. Dollie Lambreth Bruce, of Dawson, (Navarro county), died, it was the first death in her family in 60 years. Mrs. Bruce and her husband moved to Navarro county in 1892. She is survived by her husband and 13 children, 46 grandchildren and 43 great-grandchildren.

## 250 GOATS JUMP TO DEATH

Otis Grubb, foreman of the Jim Espy Ranch in the Davis mountains, saw 250 goats follow their leader by jumping over a bluff when the leader was crowded off the bluff on a narrow trail. Grubb stopped the jumping by riding to the foot of the cliff and shouting at the animals. Some of those jumping were cut in two when they hit a wire fence on the way down.

## OLD DEBT REPAID

Chief of Police W. L. Ladish, of Texas City, (Galveston county), received a check for \$25 along with a letter from a man who explained he had been befriended by police officers there many years ago. He said he had just arrived in America and was arrested for peddling without a license. When it was found he did not have money to pay for the license (something like two or three dollars) officers present pooled their small change to buy it for him. Now he is prosperous and asked that the \$25 be used by the police department to best advantage.

## HOBO TORTOISE

Residents of Italy, (Ellis county), dug out their magnifying glasses to read inscriptions on a tortoise found near there. It bears inscriptions which indicate it was in Chireno (Nacogdoches county), in 1880; Huntington, (Angelina county), in 1890; Dialville, (Cherokee county), in 1900; Neches, (Anderson county), in 1910 and Cayuga, (Anderson county), in 1920. Big letters show he checked in at Kemp, (Kaufman county), in 1930 and across the Trinity river to Ennis in 1940. This represents a jaunt of about 150 miles as the crow flies.

## NEW OIL WELLS COMPLETED

New oil wells completed in Texas since the first of the year now total 1,043. There were 612 for the same period in 1943.

## CAT MOTHERS BABY FOXES

The old cat which takes care of the rat problem in Williams Feed Store in Florence, (Williamson county), has adopted two baby foxes which were captured near there recently.

## THIEF AMAZES POLICE

Houston police blinked in amazement at the list of items reported stolen from the home of a Houston woman. The list included, among a lot of other items, 46 bed sheets, 48 pillowcases, 60 bath towels, and personal items in about the same proportion.

## FUNDS FOR INFANTILE PARALYSIS HOSPITAL

Members of the Elks Lodge in Texas have subscribed \$65,000 in their campaign for funds to build an infantile paralysis hospital at Gonzales, (Gonzales county).

## LUMBERMEN GET WAR PRISONER LABOR

Military officials have agreed to the use of 250 war prisoners in logging camps in East Texas. They will work in timberlands of Cass county. A special camp for the prisoners will be set up at Atlanta.

## TRAP 19 WOLVES

Government trappers got results in the Denison Dam area when they caught 19 wolves in the first 30 days of their trapping campaign. County commissioners voted to continue the work for at least six months longer.

## COACHING RULE

Officials of the Interscholastic League have ruled that athletic coaches for Class AA football and basketball teams must be full-time school employes. Class A and B have voted for part-time coaches due to the loss of so many athletic directors to the armed services.

## CADET'S BODY FOUND IN WRECK AFTER A YEAR

The body of air cadet J. P. O'Brien, of Moore Field at McAllen, (Hidalgo county), was found in the wreckage of his training plane on the King Ranch north of Raymondville, (Willacy county). He had been missing more than a year. A plane from Harlingen Army Air Field sighted the wreckage.

## PIONEER MINISTER DIES

William Sewell, aged 99, was buried in Abilene following his death in San Antonio. He was a pioneer minister of the Church of Christ and had served at Corsicana and Abilene. He was the father of Jesse P. Sewell, former president of Abilene Christian College.

## STUDENTS DECIDE DISPUTE

There were lots of arguments about a reptile killed in the Nueces river near Robstown, (Nueces county). Some said it was an alligator. Others thought the nine-foot critter was a crocodile. Science students of the high school dug out their reference books and ruled it was an alligator—and old-timers say it was the biggest one every killed in that region.

## BRONTE SUPPORTS THE WAR

The little Coke county town of Bronte, with a normal population of 800, has about one-fourth of its citizens in the Army. A recent count showed 199 men and women from that school district were in service, 85 of them enlistees. Two deaths from that number have been reported. Banker L. T. Youngblood estimates war bond purchases in Bronte average \$70 per capita.

## KIN OF POLISH PATRIOT DIES

Mrs. Mary Margaret Lorenz Kowalik, Karnes county pioneer, died at the age of 73. She was a direct descendant of Gen. Kosciusko, Polish patriot who helped establish American independence, and for whom a testimonial postage stamp was issued in 1933.

## WOMAN COUNTY JUDGE

Mrs. Beatrice R. McCormick is the new county judge in Navarro county. She succeeds her husband who has entered the armed services.

## 376,306 TEXANS IN ARMY

The War Department has informed Senator Tom Connally that 376,306 Texans were on the Army rolls, as of December 31. Of that number 4,306 were women.

## METHODIST LICENSE WOMAN MINISTER

The Central Texas Methodist Conference has its first woman minister. She is Mrs. Hugh Ellis, of Waco. Mrs. Ellis is the widow of a Methodist minister and has been assistant to a pastor in Waco for six years.

## PROMINENT CATTLEMAN DIES

Hugh Exum, prominent West Texas cattleman and leader in Texas Republican circles, died in Garden City, Kan. He was Republican candidate for Governor of Texas in 1938. His home was in Amarillo, (Potter county).

## TEXAS GETS 54 DELEGATES TO NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

Texas will be allowed seats in the National Democratic Convention in Chicago, July 19, for 54 delegates and an equal number of alternates, Myron G. Blalock, of Marshall, national committeeman for Texas, announced recently.

## TEACHER'S FINE RECORD

Miss Fredia Rheinheim has missed only one day from the class room during the past 30 years she has been a member of the El Paso public schools.

## WANDERING NEEDLE

Several years ago Miss Anne Waller, of Henderson, (Rusk county), stuck a needle in her left hand while sewing. A few days ago one of her toes began to swell. An X-ray examination showed the needle had lodged in the toe. It was removed without difficulty.

## VETERAN PORTER DIES

Emery Ahart died in Austin after having served as office porter for eight Texas Governors including the Fergusons, Moody, Neff, Hobby, Sterling, Allred, O'Daniel and Stevenson.

## TEXAN GETS PH. D. AT AGE OF 18

Martin Ettlinger, of Austin, will get his doctor of philosophy degree from Harvard at the age of 18. He was the youngest student ever to enroll in University of Texas and was a freshman there at 12. His father is a member of the University of Texas faculty.

## EDUCATION COSTS

Thirty-four cents out of each dollar spent by the State of Texas goes for education. Second biggest item on the State's budget is public welfare, including pensions, which takes 29 cents. Highways and roads cost 22 cents. Cost of these three items during the last fiscal year was about \$155,000,000.

## TRAIN WRECKS TRACTOR

R. K. Wood, of Italy, (Ellis county), barely escaped death or serious injury when he drove his tractor onto a railroad in front of an oncoming freight train. He rolled off the tractor just before the locomotive crashed into and wrecked it completely.



BEACHHEAD BAPTISM—Surf off the Anzio beachhead, Italy, is scene of mass baptismal ceremony, conducted by Chaplain Leroy W. Raley. Photo shows a score of soldiers waiting to turn at water's edge. Choir of service men provided hymn music for ceremony.

## OLD STORY REVERSED

The often-heard story of an automobile hitting a girl was turned around in Amarillo when a strong wind (53 miles per hour) whipped 13-year-old Helen Zweig into the side of an automobile at a street intersection. Except for slight bruises, Helen was not hurt.

## STAGE COACH REVIVED

Businessmen of Lake Jackson, west town of Brazoria county, needed transportation system for local shoppers. A horse-drawn stage coach was sponsored which can accommodate 20 passengers, making regular trips over town in two directions. Passengers pay five cents fare each way.

## TEXANS TO HARVEST BEETS

State Labor Commissioner John D. Reed estimates that Texas will furnish at least 26,000 laborers for the beet harvest in other States this year. Permits have been issued for labor recruiters from Colorado, Michigan, Nebraska, Montana, North and South Dakota, Iowa and Minnesota.

## TEXAS WILL GET PART OF DENISON DAM ELECTRIC POWER

Douglas Wright, Southwestern power administrator, has announced that Texans will get part of the electricity produced at the new Denison Dam. Texas Power and Light Co. will buy the dam's power and distribute it over the company's transmission lines.

## TEXAS TROOPS GET HONORED FLAG

A Texas flag which has been flying over the historic Sam Houston home in Huntsville, (Walker county), has been sent to the 143rd Infantry Division on the Italian battlefield. Presentation was made to a delegation of 33 Army wives, three of whom have been notified their husbands were killed in action.

## RATTLER CAUGHT ON FISH HOOK

I. W. Wallace, Concho county rancher, believed a snake was under his house so he caught a field mouse and fastened it to a big fish hook and placed hook and line under the house. He caught the rattler, which had seven rattles.

## HAD 35 PAIRS NYLON HOSE

Houston police raided a tourist cabin while investigating some suspects and took to the city jail two men, who had 35 pairs of nylon hose and \$5,000 in cash. The OPA wanted to find out how they got the hose and enough gasoline to drive from New York City to Texas.

## MUCH MINERAL

The University of Texas Bureau of Economics Geology has completed a survey of the State which shows every county has at least one mineral resource that could be developed into a local industry, if not into large scale production.

## TAXI CALL PROFITABLE

C. R. Ivey, Houston taxicab driver, got a call to pick up a man at the city hall. He could not find the man when he got there. While waiting to see if the man would appear later Ivey saw something green on the sidewalk. It was a roll of greenbacks amounting to \$194. Nobody around knew anything at all about the money.

## BULL DISTURBS NEIGHBORHOOD

W. D. Benedict, who lives near Perrin Air Field, (Grayson county), was attacked by his bull in a pasture. He ran for a dugout and was knocked into it, unconscious, by the bull. Several hours later, after dark, his wife became alarmed and asked neighbors to help hunt her missing husband. He was found alive in the dugout guarded by a dog. Flyers from the airfield killed the bull with Army guns.

## WHEN BEEF WAS CHEAP

A copy of the Terrell, (Kaufman county), Tribune, dated December 4, 1891, contains a news item about the awarding of a contract for 80,000 pounds of fresh beef at \$3.98 per hundred for the State Insane Asylum there.

## 60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Peirce celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in Austin. Active workers in the Methodist Church, they have lived in Austin for the last 31 years.

## TWO BOYS DIE IN ICE BOX

The 7 and 9-year-old sons of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Edwards, of Austin, were found dead inside an old ice box stored in a garage at their home. The boys had been missing two days when the bodies were found. Police surmised the boys were playing in the six-foot capacity box, became locked in and were suffocated.

## 1944 WHEAT PRODUCTION FORECAST

An increase of 46 per cent or 16,533,000 bushels in Texas wheat production this year compared with 1943 was forecast by the United States Bureau of Agricultural Economics, based on May 1 conditions. The anticipated crop is 52,949,000 bushels.

## OPEN SEASON ON ANTELOPE

For the first time since 1903 hunters can legally kill antelope in Texas. The Game, Fish and Oyster Commission has authorized a three-day open season in five counties of the Trans-Pecos region next October. Permits will be issued for the killing of 500 animals this year. The permits will cost \$5 each and landholders will receive a maximum fee of \$25 per hunter for hunting rights.

## GERMAN ASKS INTERNMENT

Justice Department officials at Dallas were surprised when a German asked to be interned. The man said he wanted Germany to win the war, but that he would do nothing to hamper this country's war effort. U. S. District Attorneys could find no legal grounds for interning the man, who said he would prefer internment to the embarrassment of facing Americans during the war.

## LOOK OUT, HAWKS AND SKUNKS!

Mrs. Ivy Dammies, of Sweetwater, (Nolan county), decided she must kill some skunks and hawks that were raiding her chickens. She farms alone while her son is in the Navy. But Mrs. Dennis couldn't get any ammunition for her shotgun so she wrote President Roosevelt about it. He referred it to the WPB, which promptly sent her four boxes of shells.

## CIGARETTE TAX LOSS

H. A. Smith, director of the State's cigarette stamp division, says the sale of tax-free cigarettes in military stores is costing Texas a million dollars a year. Civilian employes and families of men in uniform are permitted to buy such items at these stores. Mr. Smith estimates that 100,000 civilians buy such items tax-free in each month. He declares Army officials try to prevent this tax loss to the State.

## FEWER CHICKS HATCHING

Commercial hatcheries in Texas set only 9,800,000 eggs in April, 1944, compared with 15,852,000 during the same month last year, the U. S. Department of Agriculture reported. The cumulative number set during the four months, January through April, is estimated at 46,064,000 eggs, approximately 22 per cent less than during the same period in 1943.

## VALUE TEXAS CITRUS CROP

The Texas citrus belt along the Lower Rio Grande Valley has produced a fruit crop which has been marketed for \$53,469,400, the biggest and richest in the history of the Valley and worth \$8,000,000 more than the previous high of \$45,009,000 grossed from the 1942-43 yield. R. B. McLeish, general manager of the Rio Grande Valley Citrus Exchange in Weslaco, made the figures public. Grapefruit shipments ended June and orange loadings may go on indefinitely, but little of either crop is left in the Valley.

## THE TILLERS



By Carroll

# A LITTLE FUN Jokes to Make You Laugh

## Just the Right Words

One winter afternoon while President William Howard Taft, who weighed about 300 pounds, was walking along the slippery streets of New Haven, Conn., he fell on the ice.

Two Yale boys jumped to his assistance. They tried to pull him up, but he was too heavy. Four students came to the rescue. The six undergrads, pushing from behind, managed to get the rotund President to his feet. Taft turned to the perspiring students.

"Thank you, gentlemen," he said gravely, "for supporting the administration."—Read Magazine.

## It's Fine But Tedious

A lady received a visit from a former colored maid three months after the girl had left to be married.

"And how do you like being married?" the lady inquired.

The bride replied with happy enthusiasm:

"Oh, it's fine, ma'am—gettin' married is! Yes'm, it's fine; but, land's sake, ma'am," she added suddenly, "ain't it tedious!"

Excited Young Father: "Quick! Tell me! Is it a boy?"

Nurse: "Well, the one in the middle is."

## Fire Water

As a youngster, O. Henry, the noted short story writer, worked as a pharmacist's helper. A large barrel of alcohol, used in compounding prescriptions, was kept in the store basement. Though this container was kept tightly sealed, O. Henry found that the liquid was rapidly disappearing. He discovered two long straws stuck in a wall crack and deduced that somebody had drilled a tiny hole in the barrel to siphon off the liquor.

O. Henry quickly formulated a trap, and went upstairs to wait.

A short while later, pained yells came from the basement, and a figure scrambled up the stairs, gasping and panting. O. Henry had sprinkled the straws with cayenne pepper.

## A Swell Dump

The tenderfoot in a little Western town asked for coffee and rolls at the lunch counter. He was served by the waitress, and there was no saucer for the cup.

"What about the saucer?" he asked. The girl explained:

"We don't hand out saucers no more. We found, if we did, like's not, some low-brow would drift in an' drink out of the saucer, an' that ain't good fer trade. This here is a swell dump."

## A Common Complaint

One morning Mose came to work with a black eye, a swollen lip, and other troubles. "Moses," asked his boss, "what in the world happened to you?"

"Well, boss, I was a-talkin' when I shoulda been a-listenin'."

## Optimistic Pessimist

The optimistic pessimist explained why he always dined in restaurants where music was provided.

"Because it works two ways: sometimes the music helps to make me forget the food, and sometimes the food helps to make me forget the music."

## Baptismal Service

The assistant minister announced to the congregation that a special baptismal service would be held the following Sunday at three o'clock in the afternoon, and that any infants to receive the baptismal rite should be brought to the church at that time.

The old clergyman, who was deaf, thought that his assistant was speaking of the new hymnal books, and he added a bit of information:

"Anyone not already provided can obtain them in the vestry for 25c each, or with red backs and speckled edges for 50c each.

## And So They Married

General Orde C. Wingate, the founder of "Wingate's Raiders" who was recently killed in a Burma plane crash, first saw his wife when she was 15 and he 30. Wingate was standing at the rail of a liner when a beautiful Scottish girl approached him and said: "You are the man I am going to marry."

The soldier looked at her in amused surprise. "Alright," he said, "When?"

Two years later Wingate received a letter, containing just one word, "Now." And so they were married.

## The Real I-A

When the Italians invaded Abyssinia the following mobilization order was promulgated by Emperor Haile Selassie:

"When this order is received, all men and all boys able to carry a spear will go to Addis Ababa. Every married man will bring his wife to cook and wash for him. Every unmarried man will bring any unmarried woman he can find to wash and cook for him. Women with babies are excused. Anyone found at home after receiving this order will be hanged."

## Even Now!

Mrs. Smith was particularly fond of reminding her husband that the silver was hers, the radio was hers, the piano was hers, and the furniture was hers, and Smith was getting tired of it.

One night Mrs. Smith was awakened by noises downstairs. She shook her husband.

"Henry," she said, "hoarsely, 'get up. There are burglars downstairs.' 'Burglars!' echoed Smith wearily. 'Well, let 'em burgle, there's nothing of mine in the house.'"

## Literally True

The Army cook had just whipped up orders of fried eggs for a hungry mob of soldiers. Wearing by his Herculean efforts, he sat down, yawned, lit a cigarette and wrote a letter to his sweetheart.

"Darling," he began, "for the past three hours shells have been bursting all around me, but I miraculously escaped either injury or death."

## Yankee Enterprise

In war or peace, Yankee enterprise follows the American flag. Witness the following letter recently received by a Detroit man from his soldier son stationed somewhere in Australia:

"Dear Dad," runs the epistle. "I'm thinking about settling down here after the war and going into business. I'm planning on crossing kangaroos with raccoons and raising fur coats with pockets."

## THE FOOT SOLDIER DECIDES VICTORY

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their supplies. Headquarters companies that handle wire and radio communication, intelligence, and staff work, and band detachments that act as stretcher bearers for the medical detachments in the field, are also parts of an infantry organization.

Battles are no longer fought by "armies" or by as many regiments of men as are available. All parts of the Army are on a flexible basis and when a commander has the job of preparing for a campaign or making an assault against a particular target he makes up his plans on a task force basis. A certain amount of artillery, so many tanks, so much air support or protection, and so many infantry rifle companies together with their supporting organizations are drawn from whatever organizations are handy. In the field all the units will work in co-ordination. In support of the fighting groups there must be a smoothly working team that moves them to the scene of action, feeds them and supplies them with ammunition, and cares for the casualties. Facilities to take care of prisoners that may be captured and even a staff to administer military government in the areas that will be won are all arranged ahead of time.

## Resourcefulness

One of the things typical of American fighting men in all branches of the service is their resourcefulness. A truck driver may device a new front and hitch for his truck, for pulling a stalled gun out of the mud. A machine gunner may work out a simple method for yanking a hot barrel out of a machine gun so that it can be replaced with a spare in a few seconds. Sometimes the designs of weapons at the factories are changed to take advantage of such battle-learned improvements.

American ingenuity extends to the fighting man. If one kind of weapon won't do a job he hunts around until he finds one that will. One classic example occurred during the fight for Guadalcanal. At one point the Japs seemed to be impregnable. Ground troops that tried to advance against them ran into murderous fire at the crest of a ridge. The jungle was so thick

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## REMEDY FOR ATHLETE'S FOOT AND RINGWORM

Sodium propionate, a chemical now being used by many large baking companies to check the growth of mold in bread and cake, is an effective remedy for athlete's foot, ringworm and many other fungous infections. Dr. Edmund L. Keeney, of Baltimore, and Comdr. Edwin N. Broyles, of the Johns Hopkins Medical School now serving in the Navy, report in the Bulletin of the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

The chemical is used in an ointment, as a powder and in a solution.

Some of the 55 midshipmen at the U. S. Naval Academy

who used the chemical for athlete's foot were cured in four weeks. After 20 weeks of treatment, fungous material was found in scrapings from the feet of only three of the men.

The remedy was equally effective in patients with ringworm of the scalp and of the skin, fungous infections of the ear, thrush and blacktongue due to a fungus.

Besides the 90 patients reported on, an additional 376 have been treated with sodium propionate in ointment, powder or solution, without any sign of irritation from its constant use.

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# Poultry News

## Present Conditions

The editor of American Poultry Journal says:

Some of our readers have written me letters telling of the difficulty they are having under present conditions. Some say they no longer find their flocks profitable, some complain of OPA price ceiling, some speak of the feed situation, some mention other things. I sympathize with the thoughts and feelings of all these good people, these are trying times.

Nevertheless, I cannot help recall that there have been other early-year difficulties in the past when there was a question in the minds of some whether they should go ahead with their chick flocks or not. Those years usually ended with folks who hadn't gone ahead wishing they had a nice flock of laying pullets. This year, in particular, with food of all kinds more or less scarce, poultry products are going to be very much in demand. This should be the case for several years to come.

I should like to remind all our readers that the world needs food and you are food producers. There will always be high spots and there will always be low spots. The poultryman who proceeds on an even keel raising about the same number of chicks as usual, follows practical, modern management methods and keeps records so he knows what he is doing, should come through in good shape.

## Hen Makes Better Canned Chicken

Alice M. Anderson of the Iowa Farm Bureau says that "an old hen makes better canned chicken than a young tender bird. The ideal chicken for canning is a plump 2-year-old hen, not profitable to keep through the winter for laying. Old birds have better flavor and texture," she continued. She gives credit to Miss Mary Rissinger, a fellow Farm Bureau member, for the information.

## Produce Clean Eggs

Dirty eggs cut down the price received for market eggs and result in a loss each year of many thousands of dollars to poultry pro-

ducers all over the country. Just a little extra care will result in the production of clean shelled eggs that will not only present a much better appearance but will bring more money to the producers. The first step in the production of clean eggs is to keep layers confined to the laying house, especially in wet, damp weather, so they can't track the dirt in. The second step is having clean nesting material in the nests so eggs will not become dirty as soon as they are laid. The third step is frequent collection of eggs, collecting them about 2 or 3 times a day. When it comes to packing them, use clean cartons, and clean fillers and flats if packed in the large 30-dozen size cases.

## Why Chicks Start Picking?

Why do chicks sometimes start picking and what can be done about it?

Chicks frequently start this habit naturally enough. They notice something bright and they pick at it, and it turns out to be the bright toe of some other little chick. Constant picking at this eventually draws blood from the skin just above it. When the taste of blood is obtained, they will pick at other sections of the body, notably the vent. It gets to be a most vicious habit.

When this habit first appears, darken the house somewhat so the bright toes of the chicks will not show up so well. The windows may be darkened some. Many poultrymen paint their poultry house windows red in order to darken the house. As a matter of fact, there is a particular kind of red paint especially for this purpose that when put on the windows of the house, makes everything red inside appear colorless. Overcrowded conditions are also the cause of picking habits starting. Where extra space is available, therefore, take out some of the chicks and put them in another brooder house at least until the habit subsides. Keeping chicks lively and active is a way of preventing this habit from getting a start. Throwing a piece of sod into the pen for them to pick at, or piece of greens will help to prevent the habit and keep the chicks' minds off themselves, once the habit starts.

# Texas Farm News Reports

Broom manufacturers have appealed to the Taylor, (Williamson county), Chamber of Commerce to sponsor a broomcorn project in the heavy black land of that region.

H. R. King, of Montgomery county, is cutting railroad ties off land which was producing corn in 1921. He says the wood crop is more profitable than the corn. Mr. King gets the ties from the trunk of pine trees and then sells the remainder as pulp wood.

C. Fox Clark, district superintendent for the Livestock Sanitary Commission in San Antonio, says the cattle tick has been practically eliminated from Texas except for a narrow strip along the Rio Grande. The commission has 50 inspectors patrolling the border counties to see that dipping orders are obeyed, Mr. Clark said.

The War Food Administration has advised cotton farmers to lay in a supply of calcium arsenate while it still is plentiful. By doing this, they can relieve strain on transportation facilities which might not be able to handle large shipments if a heavy infestation might occur in certain areas. The poison is used for eradication of leaf worms and boll worms as well as boll-weevil.

Tons of grains, hays and other feeds are wasted daily because of lack of sufficient protein for efficient livestock rations, says A. L. Ward, educational director of National Cottonseed Products Association. He has called upon all livestock producers who can do so to grow more cotton to help supply the cottonseed meal needed for balanced rations. Mr. Ward said beef cattle tests over a five-year period show that cows fed cottonseed cake during winter months weighed 150 pounds more than cows not fed cake, while their calves averaged 54 pounds heavier at weaning time than from cows which did not receive protein concentrate.

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J. E. Thrift, of Harris county, says a bottle fence around the garden will keep the rabbits out. He got together enough empty bottles last year to make a row completely around his Victory Garden and he says the rabbits "hunt tall timber" when they see the glass. Friends, to whom he has recommended the procedure, report the same results.

Farmers around Athens, (Henderson county), are making an extensive experiment with Kudzu hay, according to Abel Price, one of the supervisors of the Trinity-Neches Soil Conservation district. Mr. Price said his cows increased milk production at least 25 per cent when changed from Bermuda hay to Kudzu hay.



FAT TALE—Felix Adler, circus clown, tells a sad tale to his pig. He tells pig that he is driving him to market and that his last remains will be salvaged and turned into the butcher as fat for glycerine. Anyhow it's all for a worthy cause.

From five acres of Bonita sorghum planted in 1943 Olen Barbee, member of the Goodlett boys' 4-H club of Hardeeman county, harvested 9,956 pounds of seed and sold it for \$394, says Lennie A. Gilliland, county agricultural agent.

Edna Mae Gilleland, Smith county 4-H club member and garden demonstrator, also helps to cultivate the field crops. Remaining out of school for several weeks she has broken land, bedded and assisted in planting eight acres of melons, three of tomatoes, two of sweet potatoes, 12 of corn, 1 1/2 of sweet peppers, two of peas and a half acre of white potatoes. Along with these activities she helped prune three acres of tomatoes to be sold for packing. For good measure, says Ruth Little, assistant county home demonstration agent, Edna helps with her mother's garden and is trying to raise a Sears garden for herself.

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Valley farmers grossed \$36,908,000 in farm cash income during the first three months of 1944, according to a report from the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research. The high month was February which grossed \$14,287,000.

Many Texas farmers took advantage of the offer of grain bins for sale by the Commodity Credit Corporation. Orders for 55 were cleared through the San Angelo AAA office alone. The bins were built by the CCC when warehouses were filled to capacity in 1940 and 1941. They have been offered for sale for \$150 per section f.o.b. Austin.

Forty dams were constructed on Hemphill county farms during the first four months of 1944, according to Erbin Crowell, of the AAA office at Canadian. This exceeds the number built in any previous 12-month period, he says. He says the dams built this year also are larger than those previously built.

Don Burson, Briscoe county 4-H club member, recently sold four steers weighing 4,760 pounds for \$666.40. The animals were grazed for one year and then fed until the latter part of April, and Don cleared \$214.40 on the transaction. According to County Agricultural Agent Lem Weaver, he plans to feed four calves for 1945 and to buy white face heifers to start in the beef cattle business.

Green pasture for growing turkeys during the summer months will cut the cost of finishing a flock for market, according to S. A. Moore, poultryman for the A. & M. College Extension Service. If turkeys have abundant green feed they will require 10 to 12 pounds less mash and grain he says. The consumption of lots of green feed also increases the vitamin A in birds and makes them more resistant to disease. Mr. Moore cautions that birds should have lots of good granite grits when eating coarse green feed to prevent impaction of the crop.

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United States Department of Agriculture says the Texas production of eggs for the first four months this year has been about 7 per cent above that of the 4-month period last year. The average number of hens on farms during April, 1944, estimated at 29,014,000, compare with 25,990,000 hens a year ago, an increase of about 12 per cent.

Old-timers of Kaufman and Henderson counties started telling stories about the "good old days" when they saw a trainload of cattle leave that section for the grass lands of Kansas. The shipment made up a 30-car train. It was the biggest shipment of cattle from that section in many years.

E. C. Wilcox, of Picton, (Hopkins county), reports his year's earnings from his 18-acre farm stands at \$1,833. Most of the profit came from the sale of Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, pepper, squash, peas and six acres of cotton.

Capper's Farmer had a story in the May issue about the successful growing of hybrid corn in the section around Temple, (Bell county). The article pointed out the remarkable record of 52 bushels per acre which was reported by E. E. Griffith, who lives near Belton. County Agent W. D. Seals said only six farmers planted hybrid corn in 1939. Some 200 planted it in 1943.

As the result of a successful demonstration with Bonita, a new variety grain sorghum, by Knox county 4-H boys in 1943, farmers and club boys plan to plant about 10,000 acres this year, reports County Agricultural Agent D. O. Dunkle. Fifty-eight club boys planted two acres each—three pounds an acre—and harvested more than 15,000 pounds of seed. Word of the achievement got abroad and through April the boys had filled 87 orders for seed from 19 States and Canada for a return of \$282.

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The United States Department of Agriculture has estimated that the Valley tomato crop will be 3,927,000 bushels as compared to 2,280,000 in 1943. Onion production in the same area was 2,824,000 bags of 100 pounds each as compared to 1,708,000 last year.

County Agricultural Agent W. C. Vines proudly reports every 4-H club boy in Shackelford county has a Victory Garden. In January the boys pledged 100 per cent in gardens and on April 28 all of them sent in reports. Despite a late frost and a dry spring these reports showed that 72 per cent of the boys' families were eating vegetables from their gardens.

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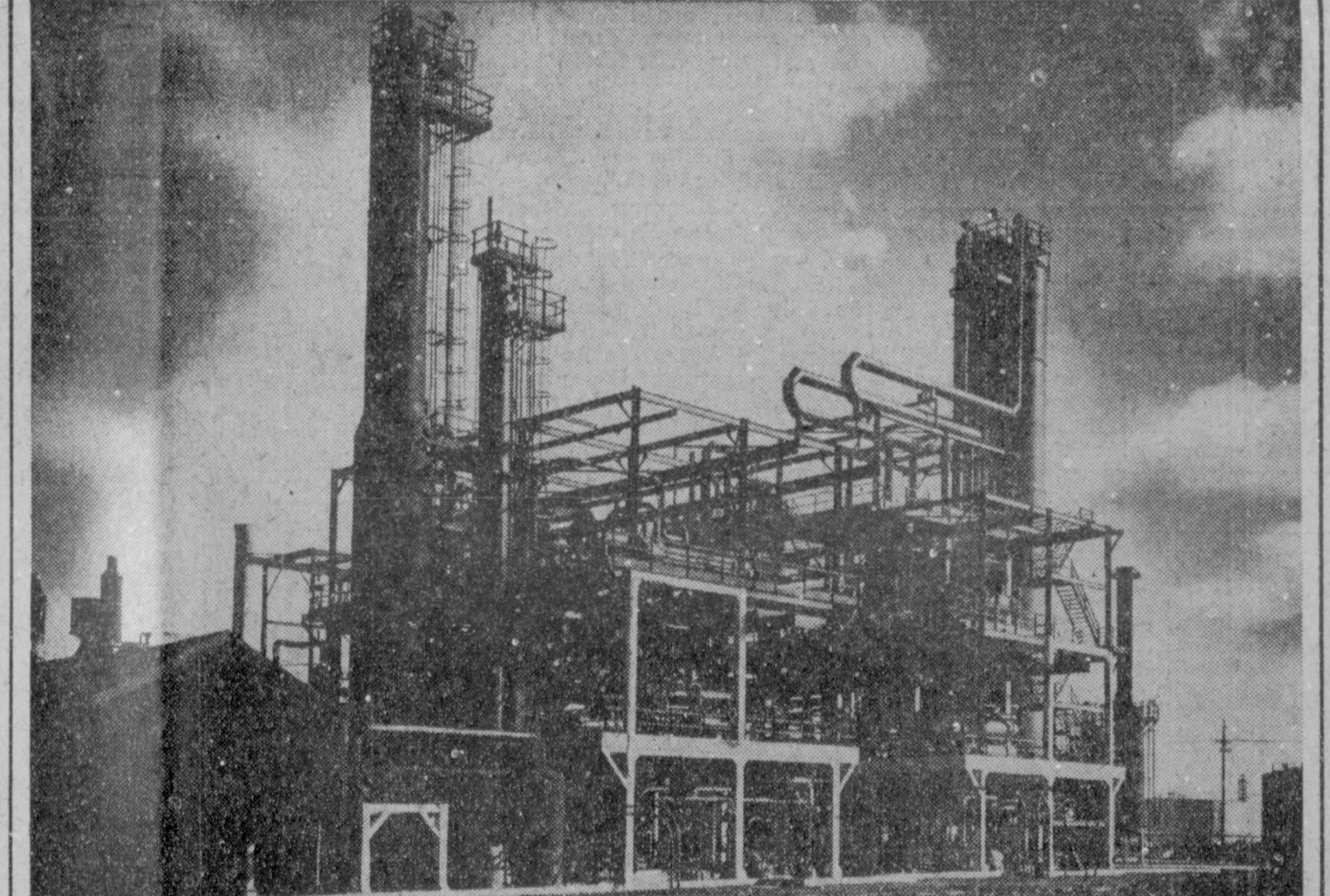
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Aside from the danger from electric appliances, the very shape of the bathtub is conducive to disaster. Smooth with few handholds available; with soap and soap film everywhere, it seems to have been designed for serious accidents.

People with weak hearts or those suffering from vertigo, should take their baths in water of body-heat temperature. Never lock the bathroom door—and watch that bar of soap.

Standing upright in the bathtub while soaping the body is dangerous. Safer to sit down in the tub while soaping the body.

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# Our Boys and Girls

**BIG MINK**  
The Story of a Boy's Adventure  
By ROY L. ABBOTT  
(Read Magazine)

**Kiddies-Can-Do-It** By Uncle Cab Shinn

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When our family moved from town to country, I found that nearly all of the boys of the little rural high school not only ran trap-lines during the winter, but talked endlessly of the "big mink" as they called him.

He was different from most minks, they said. In addition to the white chin common to all minks, he had a white upper lip. Also, to hear the boys tell it, he weighed eight to ten pounds and could scent a trap as well as he could a mouse or a bird.

I was all ears, but I could not say anything for I had never even seen a mink. It seemed to me that since the boys told of this mink being one day in one locality and ten miles or so away the next, he must really be a phantom of the woods.

But whether they were right or wrong, the mink I came to know needed no assistance from the reputation of any other. He was quite able to take care of himself.

I had left plenty of traps, and as nearly as I could tell, his headquarters were near the log jam in the creek where I first met him, with a hunting range of two or three miles extending each way along the river. He seemed particularly fond of hunting the mud flats and here, where his tracks showed clear, I often found where he had pounced upon a frog.

I am pretty sure, too, that he did not confine his hunting to the creek, for on a sandy ridge nearly a quarter of a mile from the water, I found the same large tracks in the damp sand. Here he apparently added variety to his diet by digging up and eating the eggs of snapping turtles. Once, I believe, I couldn't have been more than a few minutes behind him, for the white shells were still moist.



"He was different from most minks."

Then, suddenly, I found him. As I stood fishing from the bole of a fallen tree, I turned my head quickly at a splash behind me. There he was. He was loping through the shallows with a fish in his mouth, scarcely thirty feet from me. I don't believe he saw me. At any rate, after a trip to the bank where he disappeared under some overhanging roots, he came back and resumed his fishing again.

His method was to run onto a small log which lay in fairly deep water, assume a crouching position, his head pointed toward the water as if intently watching, and then dive, usually coming out close to the bank. He caught four fishes out of six trials. As I watched his graceful form, I thought of the story a neighbor boy who had been fishing near the same spot had told me a few days before.

"I caught four or five sunfish and threw 'em behind me on the bank," he had said, "and when I went to string 'em I couldn't find but one. What do you suppose happened to 'em?"

I thought I knew the answer to his question. "Big Mink" had made off with the fishes about as fast as the boy had caught them. It was far easier than fishing.

I believe he seized my presence for he made off down the bank. After he had gone, investigation showed me a hole that led back under the bank. Two fishes lay at the entrance.

The nest I dug out was not more than a foot below the earth, high above the water level, probably the size of a half-bushel basket and crammed full of grass and feathers. Mrs. Mink was not there, but her children were—five blind, nearly naked and helpless squirmers looking little like minks. They were far too small to take to raise as pets, so I closed the hole carefully and decided to wait until they were larger. But Mrs. Mink thought otherwise. The following day, the young had all been carried away.

I had better luck with her husband, however. Just a few days later, I was bringing the cows home from pasture when Snep chased some creature into a plank culvert. It was too dark to do anything, but the next morning I tried off a plank and uncovered a den. This I thought, was perhaps only one of the several dens he used in the leisurely rounds of his domain.

I spiked the plank down without disturbing

the nest and promptly set a trap at each end of the culvert. Two weeks later, I took them up in disgust. Then, scarcely a day later, Snep again chased something hot-foot into the culvert. Stuffing my jacket into one end and leaving the dog to guard the other, I rushed home for a long pole and a wire cage.

Quickly pulling my jacket from the culvert's end and placing the wire cage over the opening, I had scarcely made a poke with the pole before I heard a twang of wires and there was the mink in the cage.

Wouldn't the kids all be jealous now! And "Big Mink's" hide would be worth a lot of money in the winter—ten dollars at least. He gave a shrill cry of anger and vexation that fairly hurt my ears. Then "round and round the bottom and top and sides of the cage he rushed at a frantic speed, stopping only to pant and bare his beautiful teeth in a savage snarl as I came near him. If he had ever been a tame mink, he was showing no signs of it now. Nor did he for two or three weeks. He would eat food that I placed in his cage but never while I was looking. He resisted fiercely any of my attempts to touch him.

One day I happened to read what Robinson Crusoe had said about hunger taming a lion, and how he could have tamed the fierce old goat he caught in the pit if he had only starved him.

I tried that, and it worked. After five days of water only, "Big Mink" couldn't resist the temptation of a mouse which I held out to him at the end of a long stick. Then, having given into me, his disposition melted. It was not long before he was taking frogs and small garter snakes directly from my fingers.

He ate a surprising variety of things—frogs, fish, crayfish, snakes, birds, and mice, in fact almost any sort of animal, although I do not believe he cared for snakes very much, and not at all for bats.

As soon as the news got around that I had captured "Big Mink," our place was besieged with the boys that had tried to trap him. They all agreed that he was probably the hero of their search.

In the pockets of my hunting coat, he seemed contented enough, and by this means I often carried him around to neighboring farms where there were plenty of rats. Once he was loose under a crib, the rats would come out in wild retreat. But sometimes it was a real job to get him back into my pocket. After such a hunt, we allowed him to take a swim in the big watering tank.

As winter approached, his coat appeared to get darker and thicker and to take on a marvelous gloss, almost as if he had been varnished. Mink skins were high that fall, too. He was worth ten dollars or more, and every boy in school kept asking me when I was going to sell his hide.

Well, I had been intending to sell his pelt—ten dollars was a lot of money to me—but the longer I kept him, the more I disliked doing it. So I kept putting it off until, before I knew it, spring had come and his fur was no longer prime.

And with the coming of spring, he appeared to grow restless. Maybe it was only my own thinking, but he seemed actually hungry for freedom. One night I left the door of his cage open. I was up early the next morning half hoping he would still be there, but the cage was empty. I never saw him again.

## FAMOUS DOG DEAD

Bozo, mind-reading dog, died at Tampa, Florida. His feats of mind-reading amazed audiences and psychologists throughout the world. He had eight "honorably" university degrees, performed before more than 40,000,000 persons, earned more than \$1,000,000 for his owner, Capt. E. C. Lower, and was insured for \$10,000.

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## GREAT ALLIED OFFENSIVE

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dangers that impeded called for reinforcements. The Nazis were outnumbered not only in total but on each major front. The Allies held the initiative and they had yet to call the turn.

## Counter Attacks

The Germans were resisting fiercely and even counter-attacking in some sectors with a total of 17 divisions—150,000 to 255,000 troops—after stripping all garrisons to the north, calling out all reserves and weakening their formations ringing the Anzio beachhead for an all-out attempt to halt the Allied offensive.

Gen. Sir Harold R. L. G. Alexander, Allied commander in Italy, reported in his daily communique that the battle for Italy was continuing "relentlessly."

Paced by a terrific aerial onslaught which rained thousands of bombs on Nazi troop concentrations and communications, American and British troops of the Fifth Army lashed out from the Anzio beachhead less than twenty miles from the outskirts of Rome under the personal direction of Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, who had established field headquarters in the battle zone.

Veteran American infantrymen struck toward Cisterna in order to cut the Germans' principal line of communication with the main Italian front, and British Tommies hit directly toward Rome.

The broadcasts, from Berlin and Paris, quoted Reinhardt Albrecht, a German war reporter, as follows: "A general offensive against all German fronts in Italy had been launched with unequalled fierceness. Drumfire or enemy artillery continues without interval. Concentrated fire from Allied naval guns joins in."

## Striking Force Like That of Russians

It was the greatest Allied striking force yet thrown into battle in this war outside the Russian front. The foe, seventeen to twenty-six divisions strong, was known to have been committed to battle by Field Marshal Gen. Albert Kesselring in the hope of staving off the disaster which Gen. Sir Harold Alexander promised him.

The final battle for Rome might not be long delayed, or it might be finished by the time this is read. Newly-prepared German defense lines along which the Allied command predicted the enemy would make his last stand before yielding the Eternal City is roughly only seven miles north of the Anzio beachhead perimeter.

Announcing the start of the two crushing, perfectly co-ordinated offensives, the Allied commands said "the battle in Italy has started upon a new phase." An observer re-

ported of the savage fighting in the Liri Valley southwest of Cassino that "the whole Liri Valley seemed to erupt as the Eighth Army swung into the attack on the Hitler Line."

## Italian Patriots Co-operating

Allied headquarters in Italy said Italian partisans behind the German lines were co-operating with the French patriots of Haute Savoie and now control the Little St. Bernard Pass between Italy and France.

The battleships, air fleets and artillery joined in a three-way assault softening the German lines for land troops going into action 12 days after the Fifth and Eighth armies drove forward on the main line.

U. S. Flying Fortresses and Liberators with swarms of other Allied planes gave the new offensive powerful support with devastating assaults on strong German concentrations points over a wide area.

On the thirteenth day of their great offensive to destroy the enemy in Italy the Allied armies had shattered both the iron ring the Germans forged around the beachhead and the line of steel and concrete they installed across the Liri Valley.

With Allied air forces simultaneously pounding from the skies and Allied warships shelling from the sea, the campaign to crush the Nazis raged toward its crisis. The enemy, though badly mauled by the fury of the Allied onslaught, still was resisting with undiminished fierceness.

Americans of the Anzio beachhead forces joined their comrades of the main Fifth front in a dramatic, long-awaited meeting in the Pontine Marshes below Rome May 25th after 14 days of a whirlwind offensive that had cracked the back of the German defenses in Italy.

The battle of the beachhead, which had raged intermittently for four months, and the battle of the Hitler Line, which required only a few days, were finished, and the final, decisive battle for Rome and the extermination of the Germans in Italy appeared to be already beginning.

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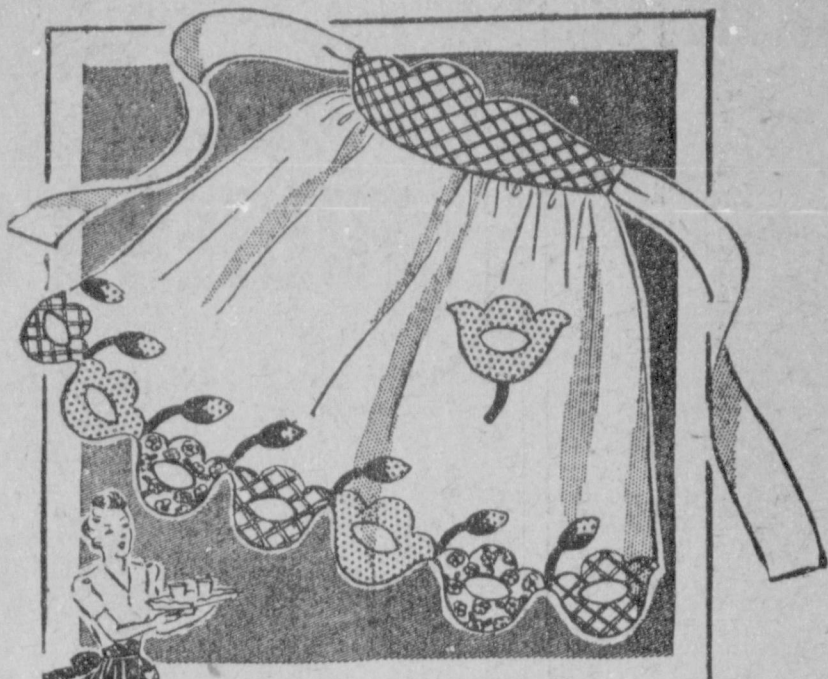
By MRS ANNE CABOT

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## NUGGETS OF KNOWLEDGE

(The Homemaker)

Buy a can of luminous paint and daub the inner rims of picture frames. A wonderful effect when the lights are turned out.

Make bookmarks for your friends of moire ribbon with legends done in cross-stitch in gay colors.

Make a muff for your spring coat, of fake flowers sewn on thick over a roll of interlining.

If you are allergic to light, paint the wall facing your bed a dark, sleep-inducing shade like green or blue.

Leave a big piece of your budget open for fabrics. To drape windows generously. To hang on walls. To cover your bed. They make both for femininity and restfulness.

Use the good parts of your old kitchen linoleum on your cellar stairs; this will enable you to keep the stairs clean with less trouble.

### Get Set for Spring

Standby for spring is a good print dress and jacket. It can go anywhere.

Hats that do not hide your eyes or your hair are indicative of the casual comfort demanded by the young of all ages.

Scarves are still popular fashion accessories. They're colorful and becoming—as well as functional.

Drooping lips look doleful, pale lips look frightened; but bright, upturned lips look

cheerful. So paint your mouth in optimistic curves and gay reds such as Victory, Emblem, Red-Red, All Clear; or choose rosy tones like Rose Cerise, Crimson Glory, Hot-house Rose. But, above all, don't overpaint.

### Tips and Tricks

Radishes which have grown very large may be cooked like turnips and will be found delicate and delicious.

Shredded coconut which has become dry and brittle may be freshened by pouring a little sweet milk over it.

Too-crisp bacon should be pounded into tiny pieces to mix with crumbs for covering eggs, veal cutlets or croquettes.

You can whip thin cream or cream which isn't cold enough if one-half teaspoon of viscogen is added to each cup of cream. Viscogen is made by shaking together five cups of water, one-half cup of sugar and about four and one-half tablespoons of milk of lime. The viscogen should stand for at least 24 hours before being used.

Broken candy may be ground fine and used in custard or ice cream.

Lumpy sauce or gravy may be put through a sieve.

Melted ice cream may be made into a cornstarch or junket dessert with part of the melted ice cream used as a sauce.

cooked pork, cubed; four hot baked potatoes.

Gradually add the milk and gravy to the blended flour and melted pork fat; stir constantly. Meanwhile, simmer the vegetables in the salted water for five minutes. Combine milk gravy, vegetables (including their liquid) and the pork. Simmer for five minutes. Serve over halves of hot baked potatoes which have been lightly squeezed to make them mealy. Four servings.

### Delicious White Cake

1 1/2 cups sugar  
1/2 cup shortening  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
2 cups cake flour  
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder  
3/4 cup milk or water  
4 egg whites.

Put in mixing bowl sugar, shortening, salt, vanilla and 2 tablespoons of water. Beat together until fluffy. Sift flour with baking powder and add alternately with rest of liquid. Beat egg whites batter. Bake in a flat pan (9"x9") until stiff but not dry and fold into at 350 degrees F. 40 to 45 minutes.

### Upside Down Cherry Pudding

1/3 cup shortening  
2/3 cup sugar  
1 egg  
3/4 cup whole bran  
3/4 cup milk  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1 cup sifted flour  
2 1/4 teaspoons baking powder  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
3/4 cup drained, cooked cherries.

Blend shortening and sugar together thoroughly; add egg, beat well. Soak whole bran in milk; add flavoring. Sift flour, baking powder and salt together; add to first mixture alternately with whole bran and milk. Put five or six cherries in bottom of each greased custard cup and fill two-thirds full with batter. Bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.)

about 25 minutes. Turn out of custard cups immediately and serve with whipped cream if desired.

### Cereals in the Wartime Diet

Whole grain or restored cereals can bolster wartime menus. They can extend or double for less plentiful foods. Cereals help us share the meat, cheese and eggs with our Allies. Not only do they provide valuable proteins for body-building, but these unrationed foods are good inexpensive sources of other nutrients formerly supplied in large measures by meat and other rationed foods: the B-vitamins, thiamin and niacin, and the minerals, iron and phosphorus.

Stretch ration points by combining cereals with meat, cheese, and canned fruits or vegetables in appetizing dishes. Cereals will supplement the food value of rationed foods and help you balance your wartime meals.

### Basic Vegetable Salad

1 envelope plain unflavored gelatin  
1/2 cup cold water  
1 cup hot water  
1/3 cup sugar  
1/2 teaspoonful salt  
1/4 cup mild vinegar or lemon juice.

Soften gelatin in cold water. Add sugar, salt and hot water and stir until dissolved. Add lemon juice or vinegar and mix thoroughly. Allow jelly to thicken somewhat, then stir prepared vegetables or fruit through and turn into mold that has been rinsed in cold water. Chill, and when firm, unmold. When canned fruit is to be molded, the fruit syrup may be substituted for part of the hot water and less sugar used.

Mix salt and soda, about half and half, and use 's a dentifrice. The salt cleans the teeth and the soda helps keep the mouth from becoming too acid.

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### MOST POPULAR VEGETABLE

Most popular vegetable in last year's Victory Garden was the tomato, and advance seedsmen's sales indicate that it will repeat. No vegetable grown in this country will produce more abundantly in the same amount of space

than the tomato, and it is doubtful if any other will give the same amount of vitamins and food value.

Sixty-five per cent of the total tonnage of overseas shipping for the prosecution of the war consists of petroleum products.

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## HOME CANNING EQUIPMENT

Home canners in the United States broke all records last season, so a national survey indicates, by putting up 4,100,000,000 jars and cans of food. Approximately 24,800,000 persons had a hand in the canning. This year the figures may be even greater, and equipment plans are moving ahead accordingly. Here is a summing-up of supplies in prospect, assembled by War Food Administration packaging and equipment specialists:

Glass jars and tops manufactured for home canning in 1944 will be the same types as last year. In addition, because zinc supplies are more ample now, the familiar porcelain-lined zinc lid that fits standard mason-size jars will be manufactured again. The National Home Food Preservation Conference recently held in Chicago called attention to a need for standardization directions for adjusting jar tops, particularly the 3-piece type consisting of glass lid, metal screw band, and small rubber ring. Serious accidents to persons and property resulted last summer from failure to adjust this closure properly.

Manufacturers of the commercial "63" jars promise well-distributed supplies of metal sealing disks to fit jars with this smaller-sized mouth. When these jars suitable for reuse in home canning are saved, it is necessary to save the metal screw caps that originally came with the jars. The jar cap must be screwed down over a new, flat metal disk to complete the home canning seal.

Rubber jar rings for 1944 will be made of reclaimed rubber and synthetics. No crude rubber will go into jar rings this year. The wartime rings require somewhat different handling from that recommended in prewar years.

To can food at home in tin calls for a can sealing machine. Families owning such sealers will in all likelihood be able to buy plenty

of tin cans, because no limit is set on the manufacture of tin cans for home canning. Production of new hand-operated can sealers for retail sale in 1944 is expected to total 50,000.

Steam pressure canners, now off the rationed list, will continue to be sold in ordinary trade channels. At request of the War Food Administration, the War Production Board has approved production this year of about 400,000 pressure canners. Of these, 300,000 are the size holding 7-quart jars; and 100,000 holding 14 quarts. Pressure canners of 1944 will probably be of aluminum and the majority equipped with dial type gages. Some may have the weight type of gage, which does not get out of order and lasts for years provided it can be made of the right materials.

Last season, water bath canners were made in limited quantity, using scrap materials. This year, the War Food Administration has requested manufacture of about 500,000 enamel canners, all deep enough so that quart jars can be covered with one or two inches of water. Like the pressure canners, these will be sold in ordinary trade, not rationed.

The National Food Preservation Conference went on record as recommending the steam pressure canner, correctly used, for home canning of all the common vegetables except tomatoes, and for meat, poultry, and fish. The Conference recommended the boiling water bath method for home canning of tomatoes, tomato juice, rhubarb, fruits and fruit juices.

Three free folders for home-makers who will be canning food at home this year are: "Wartime Canning of Fruits and Vegetables," (AWI 41); "Take Care of Pressure Canners," (AWI 65); "Canning Tomatoes," (AWI 61).

Any or all of these folders may be had by addressing a postcard to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, 25, D. C., and asking for them by name and number.

## ECONOMICAL RECIPES

Hash appeal all depends on who makes the hash. Hash that mother makes is, as a rule, considered one of the best of meat dishes. The left-over meat used needs to be diced neatly. The excess fat should be trimmed off and melted down and used for shortening, seasoning or saved for the fat salvage drive. Even the potatoes may be cut attractively, say with a fluted knife to produce corrugated slices. The onion may be sliced or grated, and then plenty of good strong broth or left-over gravy to provide plenty of moisture for slow cooking.

Usually there is little left-over gravy so it is well to provide a delicious broth. I suggest that when the original roast is bought, that a few extra bones be obtained, and these be browned and simmered slowly to extract all the fine flavor for use as a broth. As little stirring should be done as possible so that the ingredients will retain their identity. But it should be cooked down to a point where it holds together well; or leave it intact to form a delicate brown crust on the under side. Use the seasoning that will be liked best—usually just salt and pepper. Serve piping hot with a garnish of parsley. Some overlapping poached eggs on the top makes an extra special way of serving.

### Leftover Pork With Creamed Vegetables

One and one-half cups milk (part left-over gravy may be used), two tablespoons flour, two tablespoons pork fat, and residue (left from roast) one small onion, thinly sliced, three-fourths cup boiling water, one and one-fourth teaspoons salt, one cup leftover

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**MORAN  
Personal Mention**

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brewster and Mrs. Ida Leftwich of Moran, and Mrs. Nora Lee of Fort Worth, attended the funeral of their cousin, Lieutenant Brewster, at Capps last Wednesday.

Mrs. Jay Terry is visiting this week in Hondo, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Triplett and son, Mr. and Mrs. Laird Locke and Lilly Allen of Cisco, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Locke. Reported a good fishing trip and picnic on Sunday.

Our school can not be operated without school tax money. Is the Moran School worth anything to you and your family? If you have not paid your school tax do so at once.

Born at Graham hospital, Cisco, May 14, to Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Midkiff, a son, Billy Jack Midkiff. This is the first grandson to be born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Midkiff of Moran.

Mrs. M. F. Shappard arrived in Moran last week from Olympia, Wash., for a visit here with relatives. The former Charlie June Nunn, she has been with her husband who is now in England.

Mrs. J. D. Meredith, Mrs. Laura Wild, Mrs. C. C. Cady, Mrs. Mary A. Cook and Mrs. Basil Hitt, all of Moran, attended the free home canning demonstration at the American Legion hall at Albany, last Friday, given by the Lone Star Gas Co., and sponsored by the Blue Bonnet Study Club of Albany, featuring Mary Sue Herndon. All guests were presented with a free canning booklet, just off the press. Miss Herndon demonstrated the three methods of canning, open kettle, pressure, and water bath, to a large and appreciative gathering.

Are you paying your share to educate our boys and girls in the Moran School? Check up, see if your taxes are paid.

Mrs. Lulu Biggs of Albany spent last Saturday in Moran as the guest of her son, E. Biggs who was doing relief work at the Katy railroad station for the past two weeks. Part of the day was spent with her old friends, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cady.

Mrs. Chambers, John Curtis and Jerry Bond, motored to Wichita Falls Sunday to meet her daughter, Mrs. Joyce Kirkpatrick and children in an outing for the day. Marilyn Ann Kirkpatrick returned home with them for an extended visit, and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Iva Jon and Mary Lee, returned to their home in Oklahoma City.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Smith have sold their home to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lummus and the Smiths moved to Hamlin last Wednesday. As much as we regret to lose them, we wish them prosperity in their new home. Fred dropped by the office and subscribed for the paper so they could keep in touch with Moran friends.

Charles Blackstock, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Blackstock, who has been employed at Western Union for the last 15 months is on a two weeks furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Williams and small son of Big Spring, were visitors in the home of Mrs. J. C. Chambers Thursday, coming here to be present at the graduation exercises of their nephew and cousin, John Curtis Chambers. The Davises and Williamses were out for a fishing trip, having previously rented a cabin at Lake Cisco, and Mrs. Chambers and John Curtis joined the party there Friday and Saturday. They reported having caught 15 1/4 pound of fish, the largest one a little better than 4 pounds, and the smallest one 2 pounds.

Pay your school tax NOW and save some penalty and interest.

Miss Thelma Rhodes of Fort Worth visited Miss Lola Winne in the home of Mrs. Sallie Wise last week.

Miss Lois Patricia Basham graduated from the City-County hospital at Fort Worth on May 19, and received her diploma in the exercises held at the Hemphill Presbyterian church. Relatives attending were her mother, Mrs. F. A. Basham of Moran; her grandmother, Mrs. J. C. Jones of St. Louis, Mo.; Lt. and Mrs. John A. Basham of Dallas; Mrs. Ray Session of San Diego, Calif.; and Joe C. Cook Jr., M. M. 2/C of Galveston.

S. G. Helm and A. D. Goodloe were business visitors and guests of J. D. Meredith Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hammond left Thursday for Riceville, Pa., where they will be for several months. They ordered the Moran paper to be sent them there.

Tommy Surratt of Rochester is visiting Billy Hamilton this week.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCanlies of El Paso are the parents of a son, Michael George, born May 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Chaiminsky of Dallas visited Mrs. Chaiminsky's mother, Mrs. M. E. Andrews in the home of Mrs. Sallie Wise, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Townsend spent last Saturday in Fort Worth, visiting Mrs. John Head at All Saints hospital, where she is a patient.

Jay Terry made a business trip to Houston and Dallas the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gaskins of Camp Bowie, were Putnam visitors Sunday.

Rev. McBeth of Morton's Valley, preached at the Baptist church Sunday morning. He and Rev. Balderee exchanged pulpits for Sunday, Rev. Balderee preaching at the Morton Valley church.

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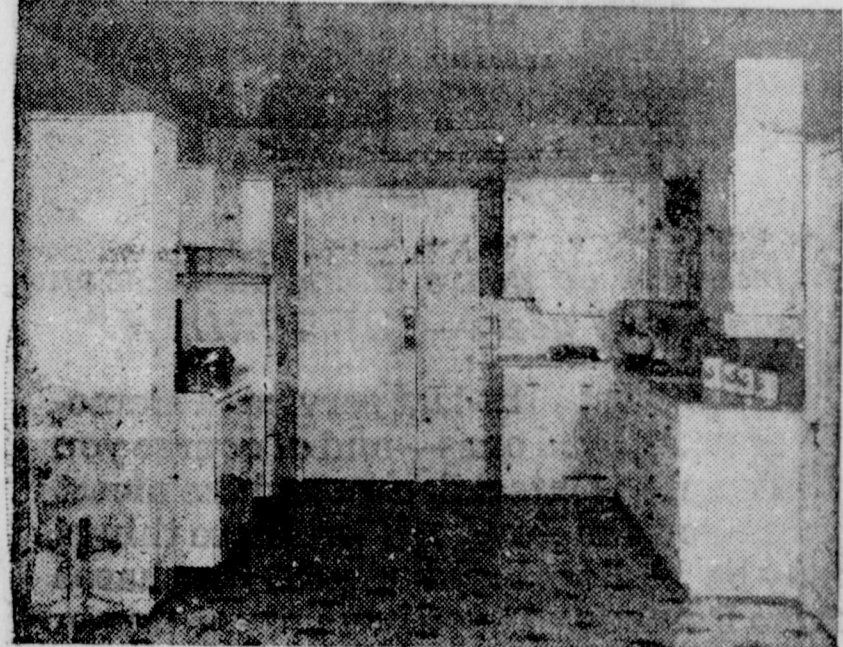
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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Erick of Fort Worth were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Roberson the past weekend. They returned to Fort Worth Friday and expect to move to California in the near future. Mrs. Erick is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roberson.

Miss Mildred Yeager of Washington, D. C. is home visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yeager this week. She will be home about ten days before returning to Washington.

J. B. Shira and wife and Mrs. L. I. Price of Mineral Wells, Mrs. Shira's mother, were visiting Mrs. Guyton at the Mission Hotel while Mr. Shira was making the Putnam oil fields.

Janet Durnin received a message that her grandmother, Mrs. Charles Durnin had met with an accident and was taken to the Mayo hospital at Rochester, Minn. She passed away and will be buried at West Hope, North Dakota.

Melvin Payne is in Louisiana looking after business interests this week.

Mrs. W. B. Emmett and Mrs. Coy Bailey left Friday for their respective homes at Bluffdale and Cisco, after teaching in the Putnam school for the past term. They have both been re-elected for the 1944-45 term.

Mrs. Ida Rogers has returned from Artesia, New Mexico after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rogers. Bill is a son of Mrs. Rogers and a former resident of Putnam during the oil boom in Putnam several years ago.

Lt. and Mrs. Dolpha Hull of California, accompanied by Lt. Hull's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Hull of Olden, stopped for a short time with friends in Putnam Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Hull were enroute home after attending the graduation of Lt. Hull, who received his wings in the United States Air Corps.

Rev. A. H. Williams of the Atwell community, visited with his niece, Mrs. J. A. Williams several days this week.

Sergeant Raymond Jobe and Mrs. Jobe of Missouri are visiting Sgt. Jobe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jobe this week.

Mrs. Ethel Dixon who has been visiting with her daughter here, Mrs. E. H. Gilmore and Miss Bettie Gilmore, spent the week-end visiting friends in Mineral Wells, returning to Putnam Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. A. L. Talley of Garland is here visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Morgan. Mr. Morgan is still improving and was in town Wednesday morning with Mrs. Talley and said he was feeling much better than he was.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Butler honored their son, Lt. Stanley L. Butler and his wife with a dinner Sunday, May the 28. Those present were Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Jones and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kelley and Miss Oleta Heustis, all of Cisco. Mr. Lloyd Butler of Putnam, and Pvt. and Mrs. Bill Gaskins of Camp Bowie. Lt. Butler recently received his pilots wings and commission at the Pecos Army Air Field. After visiting with relatives of Putnam and Cisco he will leave for Randolph Field, Texas to undergo further training.

Miss Mildred Yeager visited in the home of Honorable and Mrs. Clyde L. Garrett and family of Eastland Wednesday.

**NOTICE, BOND RALLY**

At a meeting at Baird Wednesday night, it was decided to have a bond rally for Putnam, but the time has not been set. It will be advertised as soon as time is fixed.

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From Abilene Reporter: J. N. Williams, Putnam Hereford breeder, has sold a bull calf from his Hereford herd to John D. Isenhower of Putnam. The calf, a full brother to a bull purchased by Isenhower a year ago. Williams says he has prospects for a good wheat crop but that his oats will not be so good. He has received fine rains and the grass is really good. Larmer Henry, a Baird ranchman, says grass is really growing and with continued favorable weather conditions, ranchmen should get ahead on their grass supply this summer.

Acc Hickman reports three inches of rain at his ranch south of Baird. Sam Gilliland was on hand for the calf show at Baird Saturday. It really wasn't a show, but just a preview of what to expect in the spring of 1945. Frank Browning, Baird fruit grower, says he has all kinds of fruits at his place, including peaches and plums and that apples are really fine. He is primarily interested in the apple crop.

Roll Cook of Clyde was in Putnam Monday visiting with his brothers and looking after business interests.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Buford were shopping in Baird Monday morning.

Mrs. E. H. Gilmore left Sunday morning for Los Angeles, where she will visit with her son, Donald, who is in training. She will be gone two weeks or more before returning to Putnam. Her mother, Mrs. Dixon of Edcouch, will take care of the home while she is gone.

**FOR SALE**—Several Bantam Roosters.—Mrs. E. P. Whitaker, Putnam, Texas.

**NOTICE! NOTICE**  
All who are delinquent on school taxes are requested to meet Mr. W. T. Macey at the water office Monday, June 5. If have receipts for taxes paid bring them with you.

One of the heaviest rains fell late Sunday afternoon that Putnam has had in many months, being 1.55 inches. The rain filled the water supply lake up about one and one-half feet, giving the town the best water supply it has had in more than a year. This makes the rainfall for the season to the night of May 29, 10.25.

1944 is more than an election year. It is a year of decision for the American people, the year when they will decide whether to return to the American concept of government or go the whole way to Socialism.

Bill West is back from Houston where he has been employed on a defense job, visiting with Mrs. West and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buchanan.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brandon had as guests the first of the week Lt. and Mrs. C. W. Brandon of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Norred of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Fredalyn Cook is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Jack Cabiness at Midland.

**Norman George Killed in Plane Wreck in California**

Mr. and Mrs. Buster George were notified last Tuesday that their son who was home only a short time ago, Captain Norman George, Marine Air Corps man, had been killed in an airplane wreck at Santa Ana, California.

Captain George was seriously wounded in the South Pacific, he had been in active duty since April, following about ten months hospitalization in San Francisco. He had been stationed at Eltora Marine Base in California for training prior to returning overseas.

Captain George was reared on a ranch about seven miles west of Putnam on the Bankhead highway. He attended Texas Technological College and took advanced flight training at Pensacola, Florida, receiving his wings and commission as a second lieutenant in August 1942.

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