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Defense Stamp Sale

Misses Mabel Jay and Martha Francis Smith will sell Defense Stamps on the street Saturday afternoon in behalf of the government effort to raise the thirteen billion dollars in bonds. If you buy as many as fifty cents worth of stamps you will be given a patriotic tag to wear on your lapel or blouse. If you don't have a stamp book, don't hesitate to buy for someone else, perhaps a grand child, neighbors child, or start a book for yourself.

The girls are sponsored by the Ariel Club. Don't be the one in town without a tag. Show you are an American and have helped to buy the ammunition.

Local Items

Mrs. R. T. Caperton of El Reno Okla., is here visiting home folks.

Mrs. Coke Austin received word that her nephew Boyd Roberts, in Africa had received a purple cross for bravery.

Girl babies learn to speak before boy babies, scientist finds. They get the first word and the last.

James Tomason of the Great Lake's Naval Training Station is here visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Ned Thomason and other relatives.

We are proud of our bus line. It sure has come in handy, a double header passed through here Saturday evening headed for San Angelo loaded to the ceiling.

What has become of the idea that everybody should be temperate in everything.

Corine Cabe, who has been in the Boykin home attending Robert Lee High school, visited over the week end at Miles.

S-Sgt. A. V. Hughes of Camp Roberts Calif. has been home on a furlough.

Lt. H. E. Millican stationed at Del Rio spent a seven day furlough with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Will Millican.

Mrs. E. V. Lowrance who has been confined to a San Angelo hospital for two weeks returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Elzie Wright is improving nicely from an operation in hospital at San Angelo.

S 2-C David Haywood of San Diego, Calif., who spent his furlough with home folks at Blackwell and friends here returned to duty Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Collinsworth were in Miles on business first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Kuykendall of Big Lake spent the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Summers and other relatives.

Mrs. Lizzie Hester who has been spending the winter at Rotan with her daughter Mrs. Miller Montgomery and family has been confined to her bed with mumps.

Men's Mexican palm hats, also dress straws
CUMBIE & ROACH

Ordination Service At Baptist Church

Two promising young men were ordained to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ last Sunday afternoon at the Baptist Church.

Roy Hughes of Howard Payne and Wayne Hulse who is a senior in Robert Lee High School, was licensed to preach Aug 11, 1940, at their home town, Byars, Tex. when Rev. Hunt was pastor. The District Missionary Dr. J. R. Hickerson preached the ordination sermon and Rev. James H. Hunt the local pastor, asked the questions. Rev. Shanahan pastor at Sanco, delivered the charge to the church and Rev. Hunt gave the ordination prayer.

A fine congregation witnessed the ceremony which was very impressive and fine and we hope shall be a blessing and honor to the church and that the young preachers shall crown the service with their sincere efforts.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deep appreciation for the help and comfort of our many friends and neighbors during the illness and death of our dear mother. May God bless each of you.

The Radde Family.

University of Texas News

Austin, Texas, Drastic revisions in the University of Texas calendar have been proposed by the administrative council of the school which at its last meeting voted to place the institution on a trimester basis, with three semesters annually, beginning July 1, November 1, and March 1, each to last 16 weeks.

Purpose of the change, which has yet to be ratified by the general faculty and the Board of Regents, is to enable the University to cooperate more fully in the Navy Department's personnel training program.

Plenty of non ration sandals for all
CUMBIE & ROACH

Observer Readers

Robert Walker, Pfc. Eddie Patterson Camp Bowie, Eugene Wojtek, I. H. Devoll, Josephene Taylor, Des Moines, Iowa, Jane Taylor, Fort Custer, Mich.

Allen Bessent from Virginia is here on his furlough visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Eckert formerly of Miles, Texas, are the proud parents of a baby girl born April 6, and her name is Vickey Joy. Mrs. Eckert was formerly Joyce Marie Hester of this place.

Eat Ratliff's Hamburgers and never get hungry.

NOTICE

I have the agency for Avon Products and will appreciate your business.

Mrs. Hattie Day

War Loan Drive

All bonds and stamps purchased at the Bond Booth Saturday will specifically honor all men inducted into the armed services from the Robert Lee community. The local aim of the Second War Loan Drive is an extra bond to match the number of men serving from this locality.

These boys are giving their lives. All you are asked to do in this drive is to LEND your money.

The EXTRA bond you buy between April 12th and May 1st will help to bring these boys home again and sooner, and nutil that happy day, it may buy them a parachute, a dinner or medical care.

If you've done your bit, it is now time to do your BEST. Remember always "They Give Their Lives We Lend Our Money." Help Uncle Sam raise the special \$13,000,000,000.

Mrs. Marvin Simpson, chairman of the drive at Robert Lee, assisted by Mrs. George Taylor and Mrs. Fred McDonald Jr will be in charge of the bond booth this Saturday.

Local Items

Mrs. J. S. Craddock went to Spur, Texas, last Saturday and carried her father Mr. Morrow who will visit there for a while. Mrs. Craddock returned Monday.

Word comes that Misses Jane and Josephene Taylor are well pleased with the WAAC. We wish them well in their work.

Mrs. T. A. McDonald of Olden Texas is here visiting her son's family Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McDonald.

Read the Fish ad on the inside page and note the specials for this week.

Bruce Clift is taking Wayne Clift to Dallas to see anoted bone specialist with some hopes that something might be done to help him on his way to recovery.

Keith Hood is here to visit his relatives and friends on his furlough.

Miss Gail McCutchen is here from Washington to visit home folks.

E. H. Powel came in Tuesday from the west coast to visit his wife Mrs. Powel and other relatives.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Blair at the Shannon hospital a baby girl.

Sgt. and Mrs. Newman Mathers and Dona Gene of Fort Leonard, Mo. are here visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Mathers at Silver and relatives in Robert Lee.

Drink Ratliff's Coffee and jump in the lake.

Ambulance Service

24 Hours Every Day

Phone Night 24
Day 71

W. K. Simpson & Co

Easter Sing Song

The next quarterly session of the Coke County singing convention will be held at Robert Lee on the Fourth Sunday April 25, beginning 10:30 A. M.

We cordially invite everybody come prepared to spend the day. For many years this county institution with its several communities have always advertised an all day singing with dinner on the ground, that we can not do until after the war, but we can fix a lunch basket and bring it along, we can feed our out of county singer friends. This convention comes on an Easter Sunday why not make dedications to our boys in service through special songs and when father and mother write the boys call their attention to the fact that the Coke County Singing Convention dedicated a special song to him on Easter Sunday at Robert Lee.

WAAC Recruiting

Mrs. Ira Scoggins County Chairman for WAAC Recruiting, and The Robert Lee Observer were praised by Lieut. Col. Marvin B. Durette, commanding officer of the West Texas Recruiting and Induction District for work done during the past three months in recruiting for the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. Without their help this drive would of been a failure.

We have a new shipment of sandals which do not require No 17 stamp.
CUMBIE & ROACH

Washington News

From Congressman O.C. Fisher Anti-Racketeering Act

Last week the House passed the Hobbs Bill, which makes labor unions and union members subject to the Anti-Racketeering Act of 1934 just as any other organization or person is subject to it.

Need For This Act

It is interesting to note some things which made this legislation necessary. For several years truck drivers of Local Unions No 807 of New York City, had thru its members held up trucks coming into the city from New Jersey and elsewhere, and if the drivers were not union members, forced them to pay \$8.41 or \$9.42 to enter the city and dispose of their produce. They rendered little if any service, for this. In many cases violence and assaults were committed on the drivers. This same racket spread to many other cities.

Prosecution followed found Act of 1934 faulty Hence the Hobbs Bill, and the bill went through by a vote of 27 to 107.

I feel this was a triumph for the independence of Congress against such pressure groups. By this Act, the anti-racketeering law will apply to labor unions and union members just as it does to any individual or any other organization, so stated Mr. Fisher.

FOR SALE

Laying Hens
See Ott's Grocery

ALAMO THEATRE

"THE BEST IN SCREEN ENTERTAINMENT"

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Friday and Saturday April 16-17

GINGER ROGERS—RAY MILLAND IN

"THE MAJOR AND THE MINOR"

Also Popeye and News

Wednesday only Money Nite April 21

STAN LAUREL—OLIVER HARDY IN

"A HUNTING WE WILL GO"

With Dante, the Magician

Also Cartoon and "OVERLAND MAIL"

TEXAS THEATRE

BRONTE, TEXAS

Friday and Saturday April 16-17

JOHN PAYNE—BETTY GRABLE—VICTOR MATURE IN

"FOOTLIGHT" SERENADD"

Also Comedy and News

Tuesday only Money Nite April 20

STAN LAUREL—OLIVER HARDY IN

"A HUNTING WE WILL GO"

With Dante, the Magician

Also "OVERLAND MAIL"

Household Hints

To restore jam or jelly after it has become hard and sugary, place in a warm oven and leave there until the sugar softens. This will make the jam or jelly as good as before.

To prevent the lower crust of fruit pies becoming soggy, brush over with the white of egg before putting in fruit filling.

When tablecloths wear thin in the center, cut up the outside into 12 or 16-inch squares and hem-stitch and use as napkins.

LOOK OUT!
FOR RATS
-the Saboteurs-
KILL 'EM BY USING
STEARNS' ELECTRIC
RAT & ROACH PASTE
AT YOUR DEALER 35¢ & \$1.00

Do you know the new regulations on packages sent to men in the service? Here they are: You can send packages to soldiers anywhere in the U. S., although there are now Post Office restrictions on packages to overseas Army men; and you can send packages to men in the Navy, Coast Guard, and Marines, wherever they are. And when you send that package from home, remember—the gift men in the service always appreciate is cigarettes. And the favorite with men in the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, and Marines is Camel (based on actual sales records in Post Exchanges and Canteens). So stop in at your local dealer today—and mail him a carton of Camels.—Adv.

Older folks say it's more sensible
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Now CANDY COATED or REGULAR!

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Raw, smarting surface relieved amazingly by the soothing medication of
RESINOL

Earth's Goodness
This earth must pass into eternity before the good of which it is susceptible is all developed.—Charles Dickens.

To relieve distress of MONTHLY
Female Weakness
WHICH MAKES YOU CRANKY, NERVOUS!
Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has helped thousands to relieve periodic pain, backache, headache with weak, nervous, cranky, blue feelings—due to functional monthly disturbances. This is due to its soothing effect on one of WOMAN'S MOST IMPORTANT ORGANS. Taken regularly—Pinkham's Compound helps build up resistance against such annoying symptoms. Follow label directions. Worth trying!

Preserve Our Liberty
Buy U. S. War Bonds

Next Decade to See Changes in Air Travel That Seem Fantastic to All but Aviators

But Most of Us Will Live To Learn Every Prophecy Has Come True!

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON
Released by Western Newspaper Union.

CALIFORNIA high school youngsters will spend two weeks' study-vacations in a China reached after a fast hop in a plane or a huge dirigible. The graduating classes of Hudson's Bay Eskimo elementary schools will fly to New York or Chicago for supervised study-visits.

Half-naked natives from the forests of Malay will fly to universities in California or Australia and fly back to the native villages as agronomists and physicists.

"Impossible!" you say—or perhaps only: "Not likely!"

As a matter of fact, it's not only possible but it's entirely probable. You can take the word of a man who knows!

He is Harry Bruno, who grew up with American aviation and with its early heroes. If any man is qualified to forecast what's ahead in an America that has always pioneered in flight and that will probably be even more dependent on air travel in the future than it has in the past, he is that man.

So when he makes such prophecies as those given at the beginning of this article, don't just laugh them off. Instead, read these words of his: "All this—and more—can be accomplished with the planes and airships of tomorrow will fly greater, faster, more economical flying machines and airships than now exist."

You'll find those words in a new book, "Wings Over America—The Inside Story of American Aviation," written by Harry Bruno and published by Robert M. McBride and Company of New York. It's not only an interesting book because it's the "inside story" told by a man who, as one of the six original "Quiet Birdmen" and as today's foremost aviation publicist, has first-hand knowledge of every memorable and spectacular event in the development of America's aerial power. It's also an important book—important right now when America is engaged in a life-and-death struggle. For, as Maj. Alexander P. de Seversky, who wrote the introduction to Mr. Bruno's book, says:

"The United Nations will win this war through superior science, or they will not win it at all. We must cut loose from the past and embark upon audacious new strategies, with air power as their core. We must utilize our superior technological set-up to spring intellectual surprises, in machines and strategic innovations, on the enemy. And thus it will be that the dreamers, the pioneers of yesterday's aviation will become the realists and leaders of today and tomorrow. The dynamics of air power are so intensive that we must plan for tomorrow if we want to be on time today. Fortunately America has the leadership to achieve this. Harry Bruno tells us where and why."

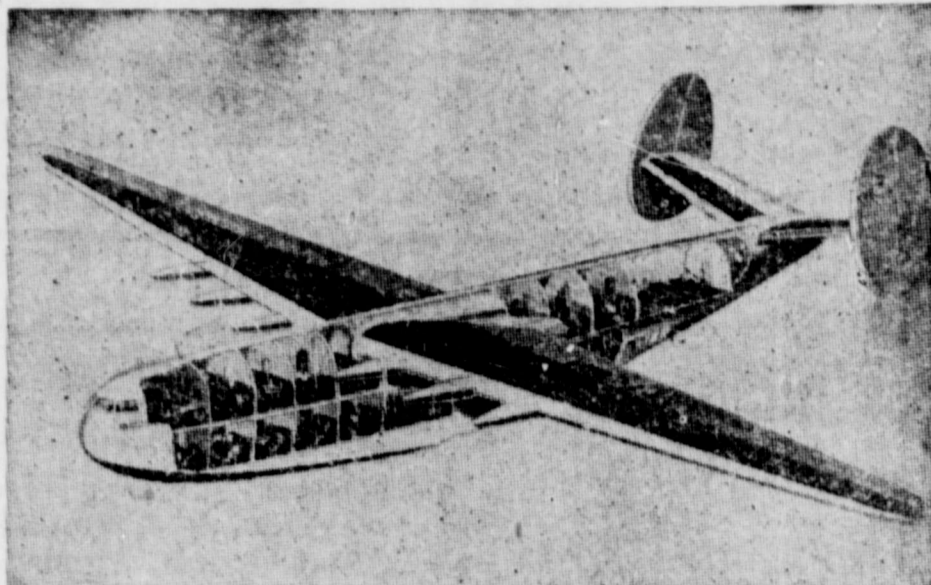
Such being the case, let's "cut loose from the past" (so far as our ideas of the limitations of air travel are concerned) and "embark upon audacious new" voyages into the future with Mr. Bruno. You can do that by reading the last chapter in his book—"The Next Ten Years."

Always Look Forward.
At the outset of that chapter he says: "The gods of aviation have one rule which all must obey: always look forward." Then he admonishes us to "Look ten years ahead to a post-war world in which the defeated Axis gangs are a thing of the past, and you see one of the most powerful reasons for each and every one of us to buckle down and do our utmost to guarantee this victory. Thanks to aviation, this is one of the most glorious ages in world history."

Besides his predictions about the California high school youngsters, the Eskimo school children and the half-naked natives from the forests of Malay, Mr. Bruno foresees also the day when:

"Shepherds will fly from the crags of Tibet to universities in Vladivostok and fly back to their native villages as doctors.

"Plane loads of professors will take off from Madrid to train South American Indians in new universities established near new airfields in Colombia, in Venezuela, in Peru. "The whole world will become the oyster of any American with a two



This Glenn Martin super-passenger liner is not a plane of the "far future"—rather it belongs in the "near future" for plans for its production already exist.

weeks' vacation—and the low cost of airplane and airship travel will make a most enlightening vacation in Norway or India a reality for the Detroit mechanic or the Boston librarian."

Planes of the Future.

How will they be able to do all this? Here is the answer in Mr. Bruno's words:

"The big planes of the next decade will glide through the stratosphere at speeds of 600 miles an hour and more. They will enable a man to breakfast in New York and have dinner in Paris on the same day. Citizens of Detroit and Denver will be able to do exactly the same, even though their planes will fly non-stop from their home towns to Europe and South America.

"Their planes will not be patterned after the huge flying boats that now cross the oceans. The new planes of 1952 will be huge stratosphere land planes, whose sealed, oxygen-equipped cabins will carry more than 200 passengers in all the luxury and comfort travelers enjoyed on luxury steamships like the Queen Mary and the Normandie. They will be powered by banks of gasoline-



PROPHET—Harry Bruno, who "grew up" with American aviation, makes some startling—but "too conservative," so say his friends—predictions about air travel during the next ten years.

burning engines of 5,000 horsepower each. But the use of gasoline, in aviation, will some day be obsolete as the era of steam in automobiles. Electric engines of 10,000 horsepower, receiving their impulses through rays transmitted from ground stations will supplant gasoline engines within two decades of the end of the war.

"Passengers with more time, out for a more economical ocean crossing, will ride in the comfortable helium-filled dirigibles of the new world. These giant cargo and passenger airships will cross the Atlantic in about 36 hours, carrying fast freight and about twice as many passengers as the fast planes."

If you decided to sell your automobile because of the inconvenience of gas rationing and wait until after the war to get a new one, don't count too much on becoming a "motorist" again. For, according to Mr. Bruno, automobiles "will start to decline almost as soon as the last shot is fired in World War II. The name of Igor Sikorsky will be as well known as Henry Ford's, for his helicopter will all but replace the horseless carriage as the new means of transportation. Instead of a car in every garage, there will be a helicopter."

Why? Well, these marvelous machines can do everything an automobile can do do it better and besides take you up in the air, far from the gasoline fumes of the crowded highways. Look at this picture of a Sunday afternoon pleasure "drive," as Mr. Bruno paints it:

"The family will take off in its helicopter from the backyard or the roof hangar, climb straight to the

level authorized by government regulation, fly on to their destination, and land on earth, on a roof top, or on water—as fancy dictates. Instead of wheels, the craft is mounted on rubber floats—inasmuch as it rises and descends like an elevator anywhere, wheels are not needed. These 'copters will be so safe and will cost so little to produce that small models will be made for 'teenage youngsters. These tiny 'copters, when school lets out, will fill the skies as the bicycles of our youth filled the pre-war roads."

But 'copters aren't the only machines that your children and their children will be driving. For, says Mr. Bruno, "the great sport of our youth will be motorless flight. Glider meets will be held all over the country, much like the sailing meets of other years."

However, the glider won't be a machine for "pleasure driving" only. It will become an important economic factor in the transportation of the future. "Powerful cargo-carrying sky trucks will tow trains of cargo carrying gliders—since all but the bulkiest slow freight will be carried by airplane or glider-towing, cargo-carrying dirigibles. The glider will also become the great transportation medium of commuting."

Trains of Gliders.

Which means that when you decide to visit Aunt Emma back in Syracuse or Cousin Will out in Oregon, here's how you'll go:

"Glider trains, towed by a lead passenger-carrying plane that will fly hundreds of miles, will drop gliders carrying local passengers at airports all along the route. Thus, a trip from New York to Albany, for instance, would be made in a glider attached to the New York-Buffalo sky train. Passengers would board the train at the overhead station of Rockefeller Center. The sky-train, which started from LaGuardia Field, would pick up the Albany glider at Rockefeller Center (and pick it up in flight, too) and continue on toward Buffalo. Over Albany, the conductor-pilot of the Albany glider will cut his craft loose from the train and glide to earth. By the time the lead plane reaches Buffalo, he will have dropped all of his gliders along the route."

"But all of these machines can still fall down and kill people—no, sir, I'll stick to good old Mother Earth!" you say. The aviation of the future will become increasingly safer, Mr. Bruno believes. He writes: "All aircraft will have television weather survey sets, enabling them to see and hear weather conditions along the routes that lie ahead. In this manner, they will be able to fly above or around storm areas and add to the comfort of each flight."

"All airplane factories will be entirely underground, air-conditioned and deep enough so that no aerial bomb can ever hurt them. Airports will also go underground and what will appear to be an empty field will suddenly become active when a plane lands on it. A quick taxi to a designed spot, and down will go the underground hangar as the surface sinks under the operation of a large elevator. An international police force, armed with the newest type of air weapon, will have no trouble maintaining order and understanding."

Such is Mr. Bruno's preview of "things to come." Do you find them hard to believe? Then reflect upon these final words:

"These predictions are a lot more conservative than the flat prediction, in 1900, that before the century was over man would build a machine that would really fly. If anything, most of my friends—men like Igor Sikorsky and C. M. Keys, who read this chapter, for instance—mark the predictions down as being too earth-bound, too conservative. And this should tell you that most of you will live to see them all come true!"

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB
I used to be so sensitive
That careless people made me cry
But now I've grown so old and hard
That folks can't hurt me if they try.

WNU Features.

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COMPTOMETER, calculator and typing course, all for only \$40; finish 4 to 8 weeks; twice as many positions as we can fill. MORRIS SECRETARIAL SCHOOL, DALLAS TEXAS

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ROSEBUSHES, 1 doz. fine 2-year-old ever-blooming rosebushes, assorted colors. Dept. of Agriculture inspected, only \$1. 1 climber, 3 large fine gladioli bulbs free if ordered in 15 days. Trial order requested. CRAFT'S ROSE ACRES, Route 3, Tyler, Texas.

WANTED
Will Buy All Kinds of Feed Bags, Wire for prices. BRUCE BAG AND BURLAP CO., 4521 So. Fitzhugh Ave., Dallas, Texas.

HELP WANTED
20 MEN AND BOYS, skilled or unskilled for Dallas wood box factory working on war orders. Apply TEMPLE MFG. COMPANY, 3103 S. Haskell, Dallas, Texas.

FOR SALE
FOR SALE: F-30 FARMALL
6-ft. J. I. Case Combine
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2-Row Middlebuster
12-Hose Grain Drill
7-ft. Power Mower
All for \$1800.00. Sell any one.
715 White Bldg., Dallas, Texas.

Pull the Trigger on Constipation, with Ease for Stomach, too

When constipation brings on discomfort after meals, stomach upset, bloating, dizzy spells, gas, coated tongue, and bad breath, your stomach is probably "crying the blues" because your bowels don't move. It calls for Laxative-Senna to pull the trigger on those lazy bowels, combined with Syrup Pepsin for perfect ease to your stomach in taking. For years, many Doctors have given pepsin preparations in their prescriptions to make medicine more agreeable to a touchy stomach. So be sure your laxative contains Syrup Pepsin. Insist on Dr. Caldwell's Laxative Senna combined with Syrup Pepsin. See how wonderfully the Laxative Senna wakes up lazy nerves and muscles in your intestines to bring welcome relief from constipation. And the good old Syrup Pepsin makes this laxative so comfortable and easy on your stomach. Even finicky children love the taste of this pleasant family laxative. Take Dr. Caldwell's Laxative Senna combined with Syrup Pepsin, as directed on label or as your doctor advises, and feel world's better. Get genuine Dr. Caldwell's.

—Buy War Savings Bonds—
Use at first sign of a **COLD**
666 TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS, COUGH DROPS.
Try "Rob-My-Tism"—a Wonderful Liniment

Sentinels of Health
Don't Neglect Them!
Nature designed the kidneys to do a marvelous job. Their task is to keep the flowing blood stream free of an excess of toxic impurities. The act of living—if it is—is constantly producing waste matter the kidneys must remove from the blood if good health is to endure. When the kidneys fail to function as Nature intended, there is retention of waste that may cause body-wide distress. One may suffer nagging backache, persistent headache, attacks of dizziness, getting up nights, swelling, puffiness under the eyes—feel tired, nervous, all worn out. Frequent, scanty or burning passages are sometimes further evidence of kidney or bladder disturbance. The recognized and proper treatment is a diuretic medicine to help the kidneys get rid of excess poisonous body waste. Use Doan's Pills. They have had more than forty years of public approval. Are endorsed the country over. Insist on Doan's. Sold at all drug stores.

DOAN'S PILLS

Smile Awhile

Seizing Opportunity.
Man at Door—Do you believe in free speech?
Housewife—Why, certainly I do.
Man—Fine. Let me use your telephone.

"A monologue," wrote the school boy, "is a conversation between two people, such as husband and wife."

Too Binding
 Insurance Agent—I take it you favor a straight life policy?
 Client—Well, no. I like to step out once in a while.

Some Reputation
 Magistrate—Is the prisoner a known thief?
 Constable—A known thief? Why, he'd steal the harness of a night-mare.

Should Know Them
There was a scream of brakes as the bus pulled to a sudden stop, to avoid a flustered-looking pedestrian who was dithering in the roadway.
Crimson with strain and rage, the driver leaned out of his cab. It was plain he was controlling himself with a great effort as he asked politely:
"May I ask what are your plans, sir?"

AROUND THE HOUSE

When hanging pictures remember that the center of the picture should be on the level with eyes. If you are unusually tall, this rule does not hold good.

Sprinkle a cake with cornstarch before icing to prevent icing running off.

When two glasses become wedged together, place cold water in the upper one and set lower one in warm water. They will then separate with little effort.

FOR MINOR BURNS CUTS
MOROLINE
 PETROLEUM JELLY 5¢

TYLER COMMERCIAL COLLEGE

The Southwest's recognized business training school, providing courses to fit every student's need from thorough business training to intensive shorthand, typing, or bookkeeping; also radio for both men and women. Positions immediately upon graduation. Adequate training for post-war as well as immediate careers. College life in Tyler is ideal. Wives of enlisted men, here's your opportunity. Approved by Texas State Department of Education. Catalog free.

SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER

War workers cars are being checked in company parking lots by at least one manufacturer to make certain that tires are kept in serviceable condition. If the worker fails to have his tires re-capped in time he is denied further application either for tires or recaps.

It takes three to eleven times normal distance to stop on snow or ice without tire chains, and you can't negotiate slippery hills with bare tires that spin on packed snow, waste gas and wear tires.

Each taper on a rubber plantation is responsible for about 300 trees, which in one day's tapping will not an average of 50 pounds of latex, equal to about 17 pounds of dry rubber.

Automotive conservation authorities in New Hampshire boast of the reduction of that state's tire needs by 57 per cent as an example of what can be done in saving rubber now on motor vehicles.

Jeremy Shaw

In war or peace

B.F. Goodrich

FIRST IN RUBBER

Just a Natural Curiosity To Know One's Position

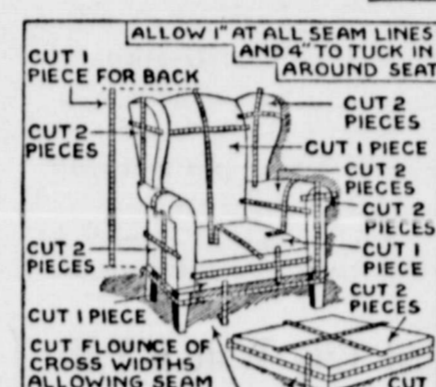
The manager of Super-Colossal Pictures entered the office.
 "Get out!" he howled at a young man sitting there. "While I'm boss I'll not tolerate any loafing around here."
 "I beg your pardon," said the young man, "but I don't work here. I just came in looking for a position."
 "Then you're engaged," growled the manager, "and now you're fired! Get out!"
 The young man, surprised, picked up his hat and turned to the manager. "Do you mind telling me," he asked, "just what sort of a job I had before you fired me?"

ASK ME ANOTHER? A quiz with answers offering information on various subjects

- The Questions**
1. Exclusive of the armed forces, how many people are now on the federal payroll?
 2. What was the real name of Billy the Kid?
 3. What is the approximate area of Alaska?
 4. What is the position of the Tropic of Cancer in relation to the equator?
 5. An Andalusian is a native of what country?
 6. Who is the patron saint of the huntsman?

- The Answers**
1. Two million, five hundred thousand. The payroll totals \$400,000,000 a month, \$5,000,000,000 a year.
 2. William H. Bonney.
 3. About 586,000 square miles.
 4. North of the equator.
 5. Spain.
 6. St. Hubert.
 7. Richard Henry Lee.

You'll Save Material by Measuring For Slip Covers This Easy Method



Slip cover material usually comes in 36 and 50-inch widths. Frequently a narrow chair back may be covered by splitting a 50-inch width of goods. For other chairs 36-inch material might be cut to better advantage. If the material has a large figure an extra yard will be needed for matching and centering the design. Decide in advance which seams are to be accented with welting or trimming and measure them to determine the amount needed.

NOTE—Do the springs in your chairs need fixing? Mrs. Spears' new BOOK 9 gives illustrated directions for doing this. This book also contains more than 30 other thrift ideas for keeping your home attractive in wartime. Copies of BOOK 9 are available at 15 cents each. Address:

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can do more for you, so why pay more? World's largest seller at 10¢. 36 tablets 20¢. 100 for only 35¢. Get St. Joseph Aspirin.

True Economy
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MRS. RUTH WYETH SPEARS
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 Drawer 10
 Enclose 15 cents for Book No. 9.
 Name
 Address

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G. C. Casey, administrator of the estate of J. J. Casey, deceased, having filed in the County Court of said county, his final account of the condition of the estate of J. J. Casey, deceased, together with an application to be discharged from said administration, you are hereby commanded that by publication of this writ for ten days in a newspaper regularly published in the county of Coke, you give notice to all persons interested in the account for final settlement of said estate, to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the term of said court commencing and to be holden at the Court house of said county, in the town of Robert Lee, on Monday the 26th day of April, 1944, when said account and application will be considered by said court.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Robert Lee, Texas, this the 8th day of April, 1943.

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American People Face Acid Test in Treasury's 2nd War Loan To Raise 13 Billion Dollars in Three Weeks

The Nation Dare Not Fail in This Greatest Financing Task in History—"They Give Their Lives—You Lend Your Money."

Washington, D. C.—Coming as it does upon the heels of income tax payments, the people of America will face an acid test this month when the Treasury's Second War Loan drive opens April 12 with an objective of thirteen billion dollars to be raised through sale of Government securities.

A substantial part of this huge financing, the most stupendous ever undertaken by any government in the world's history, must be loaned by people in ordinary walks of life.

High Government officials have pointed out that the nation must not fail in this duty to our men on the battle fronts who are now carrying the offensive to the enemy at every stage. It is obvious to every thinking man and woman that as the United Nations take this offensive against the dictators, the cost of war operations increases in proportion.

The American people must no longer think of war costs in terms of equipping a soldier, building a tank or plane or a ship. We must now think in terms of the cost of battles, invasions and new offensives. Attacking armies cost more money than equipping that army and we must meet that increased cost by buying more War Bonds and Second War Loan Securities.

They Give Their Lives.

It is not only necessary that the American people left here at home assume this additional participation in the war effort—it is an honor to do so . . . for we here at home can do no less than attempt to approach the sacrifices of our brave men out on the fighting fronts to whom the last great measure of sacrifice is but a daily offering. They give their lives . . . we are asked only to lend our money.

And that is the theme of the Second War Loan, "They Give Their Lives—You Lend Your Money."

Financial experts who know monetary conditions in the nation point out that at the present time there is in liquid funds, cash and commercial bank deposits over and above taxes and present investment in Government Bonds, and over and

above what can be bought this year because of restrictions and rationing . . . approximately 40 billions of dollars which should go into Government Bonds.

It should be the objective of every American to invest these loose dollars, idle dollars, in Government securities, not only from a patriotic standpoint, but from the standpoint of their own financial security. There is available during the Second War Loan a type of Security to fit every pocketbook.

Are Wild Dollars

Every dollar of these forty billions of dollars available, which is not invested in Government securities during this War Loan Drive is a "wild" dollar which, together with its mates, will tend to increase inflation. Uncontrolled inflation might raise the cost of living to a point where the dollar is worthless. It can happen. It happened in Germany after the last war when the price of a loaf of bread cost more than an annual wage.

Invested in Government securities, your dollar will work for you. It will hold down inflation because it is harnessed in war work; it will help buy food, transportation, munitions for our boys on the front lines and it will be earning interest that, together with your original loan, will come back to you later to help you buy the things you cannot buy today . . . to insure your peace of the future.

Remember those boys out there . . . in Tunisia . . . in the South Pacific . . . They give their lives—You lend your money.



Lop-Sided Growth

Everybody old enough to vote has witnessed Earth's years of highest scientific achievement. Even now, unnatural needs of war are speeding up this already dominant trend in human progress. Engineering feats keep the nation agog. Those who stand on the sidelines of scientific activity marvel at today's wonders and speculate on those of tomorrow. A now familiar quotation is: "It takes some time to do hard things; the impossible takes a little longer."

Government is the only field in which the human race currently is making a failure. If we are to believe most of what we read, humanity's drive toward good government is in reverse. The world is more despot-ruled now than it was at the dawn of history, and the day seems far away when peoples shall manage their mutual affairs with intelligence and kindness. Our progress has been lop-sided.

No Ordinary Year

But the year 1943 is no ordinary time, no more than was 1776. The United States is the only sizable stronghold of human freedom left, not shell-shocked with war or pock-marked by dictatorship. Even here, with the nation's enormous strength massed in self defense, people of small capacity sometimes show symptoms of power intoxication, but not all the signs are discouraging. A new and wholesome interest in national affairs has spread across the country in the last three months, and it is most heartening.

There have been isolated years of great governmental achievement in the past; high peaks of history. These have not been occasions when tyrants followed in the wake of famine, compelling hungry people to swap freedom for bread. They have not been campaigns when brute force was subduing one and then another inoffensive nation. They have not been times when power was being centralized. This year could be another big year.

Years of Progress

Great days of governmental achievement have been times when power was twisted from the fists of a few and put in the hands of many, where it belonged. The occasions have been cited so often in high school orations that there is no reason to catalog them here, but this is worth remembering: The United States became a world power in record time because it was free. Mundane authority has always been in the right place; in the people.

It has been charged by some that the recent great concentration of power in the New Deal's bureaucratic organization has led to the abuse of authority. If true, it is a blessing in disguise, for nothing could ever demonstrate the evils of over-centralized power so plainly and so quickly as the abuse of authority. It is the nature of men, when they acquire great power, to abuse it. Trying to remedy the evils of bureaucracy is useless, like perfuming a skunk. The only remedy for a nuisance is disposal. The more indignation the better at puppet rule anywhere.

It is clearly time for government to start decentralizing again. Nations are like men: Relieved of the necessity of thinking and working, they unmistakably drift back toward the primitive. Even the ability of people to govern themselves can be destroyed, simply by doing it for them. Nothing better could happen to America than to watch the stagnant bureaucratic power in Washington quietly drawn off and permitted to flow back to the state, county and township whence it came.

Why has the age in which we live developed unevenly? Why have the achievements of engineering been superb, the failures of government so abject? These are fair questions which can be answered nationally.

Rule of Procedure

There is wisdom greater than any man possesses. There are fixed laws that limit human discretion and determine sound judgment. Men can succeed only as they discover these laws and harmonize their own deeds with them. Men of science have succeeded because with test tube and micrometer, they have studied God's laws and followed along. Men of government have not. Representative Hatton Sumners of Texas, head of the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives, in an informal talk recently, declared, "It can be proved as before a jury that it's God's will for government to emanate from those who are governed." I believe it, and suggest no evidence here except that a jurist of Mr. Sumners's stature says it can be proved. An alarm-clock is a horrid thing

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sometimes, but it serves a useful purpose. Such are the stupid mandates from an assembly of miscellaneous misfits. Americans hate being bossed for no useful purpose, and now their sweet dreams of peace beneath the sheltering wings of an alphabetical brain-trust have been disturbed. They are waking up to do something about it. Congress has sensed a change in public temper, and has named a committee to investigate the use by bureaus of unauthorized authority, and their wasted man-power. Congress is to be commended. The people have representatives.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

U. S. Food Payments Urged for Poor; Tunisia Trap Closes on Axis Armies As Allied Air Blitz Destroys Ships; Truman Group Eyes Hoarding Charges

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)
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The toll of German prisoners has increased steadily as British and American forces have driven in on Rommel's cornered Axis forces in Tunisia. Typical of the multitude of captives is the above group of German prisoners taken in the British drive north of Gabes.

NORTH AFRICA:
Axis Hold Shrinks

Of key importance in heralding the possibility of an earlier-than-expected finish of the Tunisian campaign were reports that the harbor and shipping facilities of Gabes had been left undamaged by the Axis forces in their hasty retreat from Gen. Montgomery's onslaughts.

With Gabes functioning as an Allied supply port, the long overland haul of war materials from Tripoli or Benghazi far down the African coast in Libya could be avoided. Moreover, Allied sea and air power concentrated in Gabes could further harass the Axis forces.

The all-over battle for North Africa was not yet won, but steadily British armies from the north and south and American armies from the center were tightening the squeeze on the remaining Axis troops in Tunisia.

As Marshal Rommel's forces had made their last desperate effort to beat their way northward for a junction with Col. Gen. Von Arnim's troops in the Bizerte area, reports indicated that the Axis had flown fresh troops into Tunisia. To relieve the pressure on Rommel, Von Arnim's forces had staged a brief counter-offensive against British forces near Bizerte. Control of the air over North Africa had appeared to be turning overwhelmingly in the Allies' favor, as raids shook the Axis lines and turned Rommel's retreat into a nightmare.

Meanwhile in answer to reports that Germany had commandeered the Italian fleet and all available French merchantmen preparatory to an attempt to evacuate Italo-German armies from Tunisia in an Axis "Dunkirk," the Allies staged an unprecedented raid by 100 Flying Fortresses that smashed the important Axis supply base at Cagliari, Sardinia, damaging 26 merchant ships and putting 71 enemy planes out of commission. Simultaneously, waves of American Billy Mitchell bombers struck at an Axis convoy in the Sicilian narrows, sinking at least three large ships and leaving others burning and settling.

INVESTIGATION:
Of U. S.-Held Foods

Into a maze of charges and countercharges that the government itself had become No. 1 food hoarder, the senate's Truman investigating committee plunged in an effort to obtain the facts.

Chairman Harry S. Truman announced that a two-way investigation was in progress. One phase is to inquire into the amount of food held by government agencies. The other was to investigate the needs of the armed forces. Information from both government and private sources had been obtained, he said.

Previously, members of the food trade and others had charged that the armed services are hoarding processed foods and thus forcing less than necessary civilian allowances under rationing.

"Supplies of food for the armed forces must be sufficiently great to assure that there will be plenty of food for our soldiers and sailors," Truman said. "However, care must be taken to assure that the government does not itself become a hoarder."

FOOD SUBSIDY:
Urged to Aid Poor

Suggesting that the government pay persons in low income groups special allowances to enable them to buy sufficient food, Roy F. Hendrickson, head of the Food Distribution administration, declared he believed that otherwise these people would "find it tough to get food."

Emphasizing that his statements were his own personal views, Hendrickson declared that the plan he advocates would aid the farmer. Declaring the problem had to be "treated from both ends," he said that the farmer had become discouraged because food costs have gone so high while prices paid him have not risen in proportion.

"We have got to see that the farmer is able to market his stuff," Hendrickson declared. Any volume of income to the purchasing class is bound to help the farmer."

In addition to the low income groups, he suggested payments for the aged, the blind and otherwise handicapped.

POSTWAR PLANS:
Poland Speaks Up

With postwar peace plans gaining increased attention in Allied chancelleries, the Polish government-in-exile served notice that Poles would resist "to the last man" any claims from any quarter aimed at the "sovereignty and integrity of Poland."

Spokesman for the Poles was Prime Minister Wladyslaw Sikorski, now a resident of London. Target of the statesman's remarks was Russia, since the Soviet government recently announced its intention of retaining the Polish Ukraine and the area bordering on White Russia which was taken from Poland under the German-Russian partition of Poland in 1939.

But even as he stoutly proclaimed his doctrines of independence, Sikorski recommended that an Allied air force should go to the Russian front after the fighting in Tunisia is concluded as an expression of United Nations' solidarity. He predicted a third German offensive by the German armies against Russia.

CIVILIAN GOODS:
No Further Cuts?

Taking stock of America's industrial power, Donald M. Nelson, chairman of the War Production board, declared that "Today we are turning out more goods for war than we ever produced for our peacetime needs, yet we have enough power left over to keep civilian standards of living at a high level."

Mr. Nelson predicted in an address in Chicago that the United States this year will turn out more than 80 billion dollars worth of goods for war purposes. The WPB chief's 1943 estimate compares with 48 billion in 1942, the first year after Pearl Harbor, 17 billion in 1941 and four billion in 1940, the year Germany smashed her way across Europe.

The figures will get even bigger, Mr. Nelson said, adding "as they grow the armies and cities of the Axis will feel an ever-fiercer flame, a more terrifying blast from the guns and bombs of America." Eventual victory, he declared, already is being foreshadowed in the "cold hard figures of production."

RUSSIA:
Mud Unlimited

Yards rather than miles were the measure of Russian gains on the Smolensk sector as the thaw-sodden central front was further mired by heavy spring rains.

Further to the south, however, the Red forces menaced the steadily shrinking German bridgehead in the Northwest Caucasus by the capture of Anastasevskaya, 38 miles northwest of Novorossisk on the last highway link between Nazi forces north and south of the Kuban river.

Elsewhere, fresh German tank assaults against the Soviet line on the Donets river east of Kharkov were rolled back by the stout Red defenders. In the north the Germans tacitly reported a retreat near Staraya Russa, between Moscow and Leningrad, by admitting a "withdrawal to prepared positions."

TIRES:
Synthetics O. K.

Two events pointed to the conclusion that the nation's synthetic rubber producing program was proceeding successfully.

One was the appearance of Rubber Director William M. Jeffers before a senate committee with a heavy duty synthetic truck tire and his statement that the artificial elastic had been perfected "to the point where it will very nearly meet all requirements without mixing with natural rubber."

The other was the action of the rubber division and the department of agriculture in reducing the immediate planting of guayule, a rubber producing shrub from 53,000 acres to between 13,000 and 20,000 acres.

Jeffers warned, however, that the rubber situation was still critical.

SOUTH PACIFIC:
Bombs Break Lull

American bombs exploding on Kiska in the Aleutian Islands, Vila in the central Solomons, Kahili in the Shortlands and in Japanese holdings north of Australia broke the lull in the Pacific war theater.

While the foregoing raids had nuisance and punitive value, General MacArthur's fliers in New Guinea centered their attacks on enemy supply and communication lines between Wewak and Madang and strafed the entire Salamaua area.

A communique from Allied headquarters said that low-altitude raids in the Salamaua area with bombs, cannon and machine gun fire had subjected this front to the most intensive damage this Jap base had yet received.

Allied airmen continued their raids on the airdromes at Lae and at Timika in Dutch New Guinea.

'AIR POLICE':
To Insure Peace

Air power as a police force preserving world peace after the war was envisioned by former President Herbert Hoover, who proposed that the United Nations strip the



HERBERT HOOVER

Axis powers of their airplane factories as a means of stopping ambitious militarists.

The former President declared that "planes alone" could do the job of maintaining international order, thus allowing extensive land and sea armament while the world moves peacefully into an era of "freedom-of-the-air."

DRAFT:
Reaches War Plants

As the need for military manpower increased a nation-wide search of war factories for men of draft age who could be replaced by women or older men was undertaken. So great is the need, Selective Service officials revealed, that the canvass of the war plants might result in calling for military service thousands of men now classified 2A and 2B—men actually producing tools of war or working in direct support of the war effort.

Washington Digest

Army Clarifies Policies Regarding Farm Labor



Military Units May Be Employed on Crops During 'Emergency Situations'; Individual Furloughs Not Contemplated.

By BAUKHAGE
News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

"Home on a furlough." I wonder how many of my readers remember that very popular print of two (or maybe more) generations ago. Well, never mind if you don't (though I would appreciate a letter from any who do); "home on a furlough" is going to mean something quite different now.

I remember the original picture only vaguely. I didn't know what the word "furlough" meant. But I know there was a tousle-headed blond boy in the middle of an admiring farm family, telling his adventures.

Today, the farm boy with a conscience, and the farm family with a farm, are looking forward to the "furlough" that will bring the boy home for work, not the telling of his tales of adventure.

It isn't going to be quite that way. The President, when the farm bloc was riding the administration its hardest last month, went into considerable detail as to what was to be done to solve the farm labor question. Since then some concrete steps have been taken but not the ones the farmers, or some of them, would have liked. They would have liked their own sons, or their own hands, who enlisted because they simply couldn't stay "out of the show," back doing the old chores they used to do. But this is what the army said:

"The army does not contemplate furloughing individual soldiers to work on farms," the war department announced in a statement clarifying policies and procedures by which soldiers may be used to alleviate the farm labor shortage.

"World War I experience demonstrated that such temporary releases of individual soldiers were of little assistance to the agriculture industry and disrupted the organization and training of the army. If furloughs were granted for this purpose, neither agriculture nor the army could be assured that the soldiers thus furloughed actually would be engaged in agricultural activities.

"Certain emergency situations may develop in which vital crops may be endangered because of critical shortages in local agricultural labor. In such cases, military units may be employed under command of their own officers to supplement the local farm labor until the crisis is over.

"Troops so employed will be housed and fed by the army and will be subject to military control at all times.

"Requests for use of military units for emergency farm duty must be transmitted to the war department by the chairman of the War Manpower commission."

Another Loophole

However, there is another loophole which all of the farmers or the farm men in service may not know about. A soldier over 38 years of age who is on active duty in the continental United States can get his discharge right now if he can get a statement from his local farm agent to the effect that he is needed.

But the application has to get in by May 1. The same thing applies to men overseas and they have until June. (Better tell them by V-Mail.) The President explained to us twice, why a batch of young men couldn't be pulled out of a division and sent home.

You can take 10 or 20 soldiers out of an outfit that has just started training and it doesn't make much difference. But you can't take that many men out of an outfit already trained and booked for overseas. Not without crippling the outfit so badly that it really interferes with battle plans.

That's his explanation and he made it to us the other day, leaning back in his chair and obviously trying hard to get over an idea that he believes is right.

There is going to be a "land army." He said he didn't like the term because it made the farmers think they were going to have a lot of green city folks descend on them. He knows what the farmers think about folks who will scare the horses, sprain their ankles, try to milk a cow and when she doesn't give, say: "The valves are stuck."

One farmer wrote me he'd rather have grasshoppers than city folks on his place.

England's Method

The President said to us that in England they have increased food production 60 per cent. And they did it with the help of a land army, mostly women with no previous training. They got the training. A lot depends on the training.

I talked with a farmer near here who took on a city boy, green as grass. The boy probably thought shorts were something you wore and probably would have looked in the toolbox for a boar.

Maybe you heard him talk on the Farm and Home Hour. Well, I met him and the farmer, too. The kid is crazy to get back this summer and the farmer told me he was sick when he had to let him go back to school. City folks are dumb in a lot of ways. But so are farmers. It's true you can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink. Also, a lot of horses have got the sense to drink if you've got sense to lead them to the water.

In spite of dumb help or none at all, in spite of lack of machines and a lot of red tape, the farmers of the country have signed up to raise a bigger crop than they've ever raised. I believe with a little horse sense and patience, they are going to pull through.

No team pulled together until they were in harness. If they don't, God help us and the army at meal time.

The Weather—A Dead Topic

As you know, mention of the weather on the radio these days is forbidden. The newspapers can describe a snow storm or a hot spell but the radio commentators cannot.

There is a good reason for this. A lurking submarine could pick up a newscast, and if enough facts concerning the weather were revealed by stations in enough widely separated localities, even an amateur meteorologist—and the Germans are no amateurs—could make a pretty good weather forecast by putting two and two together.

But being unable to describe the manifestations of nature that I see on my way to work in the morning is a terrible handicap to me. Recently I've gotten around the difficulty by talking about last week's weather, and before going on the air, reading what I was going to say to the censorship officials and getting their O. K. In no case did they restrict me. The other day, however, I forgot to call up the Censorship office but the Blue Network didn't forget. I got this message:

"Censorship says you have to cut out all references to weather from now on. They say that there was nothing actually censorable in what you have said or what you have written today but so many complaints have come in from other stations that you were violating the regulations, and so many other stations have been using your comments on the weather as an excuse for violating the rule, that we will have to ask you to stop discussing the subject entirely."

The following is what censorship didn't let me say but what it has no objection to my printing:

"It was pretty hard the past week not to mention the swiftly changing scene which nature provided Washingtonians—one day, not so long ago a top coat was far too heavy for comfort and in the park, the dark patches were beginning to be studded with jeweled buds and the sunlight seemed to turn into solid gold on the bursting forsythia. On that balmy day I remarked—'Well, we must be due for a blizzard.'"

"Twenty-four hours later the fine snow began to fall and late that afternoon and the following morning, the tree limbs and trunks were wrapped in great soft blankets of down—even the high branches were wide bands of white—but when we went home from work in the evening, the streets were dry and clean again and only here and there in the shadow of a hedge or in the sheltering cups of the brown ivy leaves was a dust of snow—like a meager sprinkling of precious sugar on the rim of a doughnut."

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"M" SYSTEM SPECIALS

Red Stamp Point Items:

Morrell's Pure Lard ^(20 points) 4 lb. carton 72c

Swift's Jewel's Shortening (15 points) 3 lb. carton 62c

Blue Stamp Point Items:

Peaches ^{No. 1 tall can Nugget pack-} 15c
^{ed in heavy syrup (13 pts.)}
2 1/2 large cans (24 points) for 23c

Nugget Fruit Cocktail packed in heavy 17c
^{Syrup No. 2 1/2 large (13 pts.)}

APPLE SAUCE Laure. Ridge -11 pts.- 10c

Tangy Tom Tomato Juice -4 points- 05c

PEAS Pea Packer brand sweet 15c
^{tender full No. 2 (16 points)}

Tomatoes Peerless brand full No. 2 10c
^{can (16 points)}

Tomato SOUP Campbell's new 09c
^{recipe (6 points)}

Chicken Noodle Soup Lipton's 25c
^{2 pts. 3}

Brook's Tabasco catsup 15c
^{large bottle -10 points-}

Curtiss Cut Green Beans 11c
^{full No. 2 can -14 points-}

S&S Tomato Puree -10 pt.- 07c

Duff's Waffle Mix not a cornbread 22c
^{pancake mix pk}

Kraut, pint Mason Jar 15c

National 3 Minute OATS large pkg. 21c

National Rubyware Premium OATS lg. 25c

Gooch's Noodle 12 oz. pkg. 12c

K B Peanut Butter pt 29c, qt 53c

Evaporated Pears lb. cello 20c

Black FIGS lb. cello bags 14c

Crystal White SOAP reg 4, 17c

Super Suds Med pkg. 10c, large 65c
^{pkg. 23c, giant pkg.}

Palmolive soap 3 19c

FLOUR ROYAL OWL 6 lb. sk. 33c, 12 lb. 63c, 24 lb. \$1.19, 48 2.23

FLOUR Pillsbury's Best 6 lb. 36c, 12 lb. 68c, 24 lb. \$1.29, 48 2.49

Oriole Meal 5 lb. 22c, 10 lb. 42c

PRODUCE

Fancy Wash. Delicious Apples med. size doz. 37c

" " Winesap Apples med. size doz. 37c

Potatoes WhiteRose nothing hot but price 10 lb 39c

California Sunkist Oranges, large size doz. 59c

Chili Pods, lb 39c

Plenty of fancy Yams and Idaho Russet Potatoes

Nice fancy Tomatoes lb 25c

MARKET

Cheese Texas full cream lb 35c 8

Baked Loaves large Asst, lb 29c 7

Pork Steak lean and tender lb 35c 7

Fleischmanns Yeast 2 tor 5c

Beef Roast nice, tender lb 29c 7

Sirloin Steak lb 39c 8



RED @ WHITE

MR. & MRS. A. W. LITTLEFIELD PROPS.

Our Anniversary SALE continues with much success and we want you to know how we appreciate your patronage, so this week we are going to give away \$15.00 worth of mdse in two lots Be on hand

R & W Cake Flour 25c

Kix New Improved 2 pkgs. 23c

Large R & W Oats 23c

Large bottle Vanilla Flavoring 19c

Flour Flakey Bake 24 lb. \$1.98
^{\$1.08, 48 lb. sack}

10 lbs Red and White MEAL sack 42c

O-K Macaroni 3 boxes 14c

O-K Spaghetti 3 boxes 14c

1 lb. R & W Coffee 30c

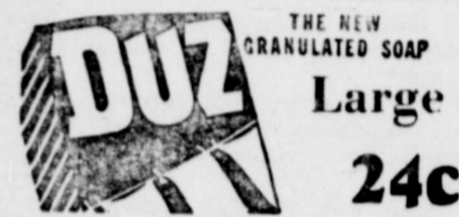
Small R & W Quick OATS 10c

B & W SALT 1 1/2 lb. 2 pkg. 05c

Mrs. Winston's Queen Olives Jar 3 1/2 12c

Crystal White Soap 100s reg. 5 bars 21c

Lg. Super Suds 23c



White Karo 1 1/2 lb. 16c



3 lbs. RED & WHITE Shortening 15 Red Point 65c



Large 24c



48 lb. sk. \$2.10

Tomato Juice 13 1/2 oz. -7 pts. can 08c

R & W Tomato Juice 46 oz. -22 pt 24c

Kuner's Garden Peas -16 pts. can 15c

TOMATOES No. 2 -16 pts. can 10c

MARKET

Loin or T bone Steak lb 38c

T Bone Roast lb 31c

Fresh Pork Sausage lb 32c

Pork Chops lb 35c

All Sweet Oleo lb 25c

Fresh Country Butter lb 43c

Texas new Potatoes 2 lb. 15c

GREEN BEANS lb. 20c

Squash white or yellow 09c

South Texas Cabbage lb. 07c

Sun Spun Salad Dressing pt 27c

Mufti white Shoe Polish 09c

