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NUMBER

Death of J. B. McCaled

Jessie B. McCaleb. 84, resident of Robert Lee community since 1925, died Saturday night in a San Angelo hospital, where he had been for the past month.

Funeral services were held at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Paint Creek cemetery near Rob ert Lee. The Rev. J. H. Halford pastor of the PecanEaptist church of which Mr. McCaleb was a member for 17 years, officiated.

Survivers include the wife, three sons and three daughters, 18 grand children and 14 great-grand children.

Local Items

Mrs. Wilbanks and daughter purpose of all cattle purchased or visited Mr and Mrs. H. I. Murti- slaughtered by him, with a disshaw who had recently moved to cription of said animals including San Angelo from their ranch, last marks, brand, age, color, weight, Sunday.

Mrs. E. V. Lowrance was rus .ed to hospital in San Angelo Friday.

Gloria Morton of Wichita Falls, tered, and that he will not pur- ing Mr and Mrs J. N. Buchanurday.

Wilson Carwile of Brownwood was visiting home folks Saturday and Sunday.

(Published at the request of the Grand Jury of Coke County, Texas.)

Penal Code

Article 6909.

Every person, before he shall et up and carry on the trade or Lure, secretary. occupation of a butcher or slaughterer of cattle in this State, shall file a bond to be approved by the county judge of the county in which he desires to carry on the business, in a sum not less than two hundred, nor more than one thousand dollars, payable to the State of Texas, conditioned that

record in a book kept for that o'clock hour Sunday May 2

and from whom purchased and the date thereof; that he will have the hide and ear of such auimal inspected by the inspector or some magistrate of the county

were visiting in Robert Lee Sat- chase any cattle that has been nan slaughtered by another unless he hide and ears of such

slaughtered animal accompany such animal offered for sale, and that he will not purchase any Leslie Wouland and Mr. and animal that has been slaughtered

Mrs. H.C. Murtishaw and daugh. by another when the ear marks Mr. and Mrs. Frank Percifull. ter Mary Grace visited with Mr. or brands on the hide accompany and Mrs. Wll (red Sparks in Sher such animal, when offered for sale

P.T.A. Officers Elected

Mrs. Marvin Simpson was reelected presedent of the association for next year Other officers elected to serve a second year were: Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough, vice pres.; Mrs. T. A. Richardson treasurer; and Miss Eunice Mc ing good singers and hope tohave

Officers were then enstalled by Mrs. Drue Scoggens, a past pres. The P.T.A. voted to buy its third War Bond. The senior class won the representative award.

reaching At Sanco

Harvey Wayne Hulse of Kebert he shall keep a true and faithful Lee will preach at S nco at the 11

All invited to attend

Local Items

visited Study, H. C Murtishaw Jr. home folks last Monday. He is employed at the Bombadier Field

Mr. and Mrs. P E. Mahon of Mrs. J. F. Keading and Miss within 20 days after it is slaugh- Lamesa spent the week end visit-

> Mr. Read Barnett left Saturday for Orange Texas to visit a broth. wich the Drasco Baptist Church er returning home Monday

Mrs. R. A. Stroud and Fatima Ann of Pyote, Texas, are visiting

Mrs. J. N. Brannan of San Angelo spent the week end in the Avon

The Coke County Singing Convention will begin its exercises at Tenth Grade the Robert Lee School building Sundaay May 2, at 10:30 a. m. Don't forget to bring your lunch Eighth Grade and song books We are expecta good crowd to hear them.

Singing Convention

Baptist W. M. S.

Mrs. W. J. Cumbie was hostess to the W.M.S. last Monday after noon with Mrs. S.R. Young in charge of the program. Subject "Individual Witness" Mmes Paul Good, J. H. Hunt, B. M. Methodist Church Gramling and Rev. Hunt gave interesting talks

present. Next Monday will meet You will like to hear him. with Mrs. Paul Good in the Bible

New Dresses arrived at CUMBIE & ROACH

Notice

The Workers Conference o Runnels Association will meet May 4. Every one is urged to attend.

> Rev. Emmett Brooks Abilene, Texas.

Danly line of specials in

Mrs. Hattie Day

Honor Roll

For Wild Cat School Cecil Smith Mary Murtishaw

Ima Pearl Hurley Fifth Grade

Don Joel Schooler Tiney Hurley

Fourth Grade Jiggs Lofton Wayne Roberts

Dr. Fred Hammer At

Dr. Fred H. Hammer, District Superintendent of the San Angelo Refreshments of cocoanut pie District, will preach at the Methand ice tea were served to those odist Church next Sunday night.

W. Vasco Teer, pastor.

Mrs. Bailey Russell and Miss Metta Russell were hostesses to the WS C.S. Monday afternoon. Mis J.K. Griffith was in charge of the program. Subject "In Concern for Children". Mrs. W. V. Teer gave the scripture reading and meditation. Mmes. W.B. Clift, F. C. Clark, W. H. Bell, J. S. Craddock and Marvin Simpson gave interesting talks on Public School Progress and Child Labor. The hostesses served de. licious iced punch and cookies. -Reporter

Notice

wood recently.

Shame On Us, look at our cem etery. Somebody get behind a cl an up campaign and bave our cemetery cleaned up before Moth er's Day.

Thursday.

Pft. Nathaniel C. Brown Jr., son of Mrs. N.C. Brown of Robert Lee, has begun an intensive course of study in aviation mech. anics at the Amarillo Army Air Field.

Bond Drive

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Our \$13 000,000 Bond Drive is ed any animal, without having of all cattle purchased and slaughgoing over Robert Lee is bearing taken a bill of sale or written tered by him, together with a disher share. There are folks buy. transfer from the party selling ing bonds as a savings account the same, he shall be fined not that never had one before, it will less than \$50.00 nor more than bear fruits when the war is over, \$300.00 a blessing in disguise.

Our quota for county is \$77,000 Articl 1449. Penal Code.

county.

we have raised 71,714 up to Wed- If any person engaged in the nesday. We must get the balance slaughter and sale of animals for market in any county, city, town Friday.

Excellent Reviews

The English Department of the high school is presenting a series of book reviews by students. On Thursday of last week Ruth Ann Taylor reviewed See Here by Pvt. Hartgrove, and on Monday Billy McCutchen reviewed. To Have and to Hold by Johnston. Melba Braswell is to re- slaughtered, save such as were view Marcia Schuyler by Hillon raised by himself, which shall be Tuesday of next week. Buth Ann specified, he shall be fined not and Billy each gave excellent reviews, and the students are expecting Melva's review to be just Article 1451. Penal Code. as good as theirs.

have been changed mutilated or N. Buchannan home, destroyed. Any butcher or slaugh terer of cattle who shall violate any condition of said bond may be sued upon his bond at the instance of the county or district

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attorney of the county where iness of a butcher or slaughterer Miss Mary Theo Lord the tele- such bond is given. All sums re of animals without having filed phone operator had an appendec- covered by suits upon said bonds with the clerk of the county clerk tomy last week at a San Angelo shall be paid into the county of the county court of the county hospital, and returned home on treasury, and become a part of in which he conducts such busithe available school fund of such ness the bond provided by law hall be fined not lessthan \$5.00

nor more than \$200.00

Article 1447. Penal Code. If any butcher or other person engaged in the slaughter of animals shall kill or cause to be kill. ed any unmarked or unbranded

of the county in which he trasact

such business, at e a c h regular

term theof, the number, color, age

sex, marks and brands of ever an-

imal slaughtered by him since the

last term of said court, accompan

conveyance to him of any animal

less than \$50.00 nor more t h a n

\$8.0.00.

Article 1452. Penal Code. Every person who shall carry on the business of butcher or slaughterer of animals and shall fail animal for market, or shall purto keep a true and faithful record in a book kept for the purpose. of

> cription of each animal, including brand, age, color, weight and from whom purchased and the date of

purchase, or shall fail to have the bide and ears of such animals inspected by the inspector or some magistrate within 20 days after such animal is slaughtered, shall be fined not less than \$20.00 nor or village in this state shall fail to more than \$200.00. report to the commissioners court

Article 1453. Penal Code.

Any person engaged in butchering or slaughtering a n d who shall purcase any cattle that have been slaughtered by another with out the bide and ears of such anied with a bill of sale or written imal accompanying the same, or shall purchase any animal that has been slanghtered by another when the ear mark or brand on the hide accompanying the same when offered for sale, has been changed, mutilated o r destroyed shall be fined not less than \$50.00 Whoever shall carry on the bus- nor more than \$200.00.

There will be a cemetery working at the Paint Creek Cemetery FOR SALE OR TRADE Saturday morning May 8. On good 5 year old horse See B. H. Jolley Helen Jahnson Sec. - Treas. ALAMO THEATRE "THE BEST IN SCREEN ENTERTAINMENT" ROBERT LEE TEXAS Friday and Saturday April 30-May 1 " THE PIED PIPER " with MOONEY WOOLEY -- RODDY MCDOWALL -ANN BAXTER Also Comedy and News Wednesday only Money Nite May 5 BRIAN DONLEVY-VERONICA LAKE IN "THE GLASS KEY" Also Comedy and "OVERLAND MAIL" TEXAS THEATRE BRONTE, TEXAS Friday and Saturday April 30-May 1 SONJA HENIE-JOHN PAYNE IN

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Gems of Thought

EACH spring sees a million glorious beginnings, a sunlit opening leaf, warm perfection in every stirring egg, hope and fear and beauty beyond computation in every forest tree.-H. G. Wells.

A pause, a hush, a wonder growing; A prophet's vision understood : In that strange spell of his bestowing, They dreamed, with him, of Brotherhood.

-HARRISON D. MASON

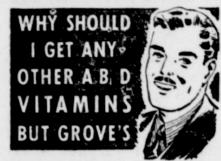
The sufficiency of merit is to know that my merit is not sufficient.-Francis Quarles.

If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small. -Scriptural Proverb.

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the soldier talks about "the he means his captain, the head of his company. And that's just what the title "captain" means. It comes from the Latin word "caput" meaning "head." Another leader high in the Army man's favor is Camel cigarettesthey're first choice with men in the Army. (Based on actual sales records from service men's own stores.) When you're sending gifts from home, keep in mind that a carton of cigarettes is always most welcome. And though there are Post Office restrictions on packages to overseas Army men, you can still send Camels to soldiers in the U.S., and to men in the Navy, Marines, and Coast Guard wherever they are .- Adv.



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Farmer Plots Crop Acreage Under New AAA Program; Agency to Assist Drive To Meet Record Wartime Production

Committeemen Will Carry Grievances to War Boards; Coal Is to Raise Yields Per Acre; All Problems Will Be Dealt With on Local Basis.

honor! Like the boy taking an examination at school, it's up to him

and him alone. He's strictly "on his own."

Under the 1943 agricultural adjustment agency plan, the farmer for the first time has the full responsibility for measuring his acreages on specific crops and reporting the results he gets. Formerly this was done by AAA employees, but the new scheme will conserve travel, cut down wear and tear on tires and cars, and decrease the use of gas and oil.

Now it is up to the farmer to check on his own fields.

He appears to be happy about this change in program administration, department of agriculture reports show. While AAA committeemen - themselves farmers-will continue to give him every assistance, the responsibility for carrying out production plans and doing his share in the national program rests with the individual operator.

Spot checks will be made periodically to determine the status of community and county production, and farmers are being asked to keep records and lay out their crops so that reports can be made easily and quickly.

Goals this year call for about 5 per cent more production than in 1942. Basis for the 1943 AAA program to reach these goals is "local action." It recognizes that the job of production adjustment-of shifting crops to meet war needs and planning acreage to the best advantage-must be worked out and carried out on the individual farms. It can't be done in Washington, say the committeemen. It must be done locally, to conform to the local situation.

The 1943 farmer is on his | ternates. County committees totaled ! 3,029 with 9,087 members. The county committeemen are responsible to the state offices, which in turn report to the regional offices. Uncle Sam's millions of farms depend upon the AAA committeemen to keep them informed of changing phases of the over-all national program, of the state's particular part in the 1943 farm plan, and of the numerous details having to do with production goals and how they can be met.

AAA county chairmen are also chairmen of the County Farm Transportation committees, which issue certificates of war necessity for mileage rationing, and the County Farm Machinery Rationing committees, which ration many types of farm equipment. In the matter of labor shortage, the community committees report localized needs to the county committee and war board chairman, the latter then carrying the problems on to the proper authorities.

Chairmen of AAA state and county committees head up the war boards which correlate the efforts of department of agriculture agencies to assist farmers in their war production.

Getting the right fields into the right kind of production and getting higher yields out of every acre through better farming practices is the basic theme of the committeeman's work in 1943.

Committeeman Will Help Arrange Cooperative Action

Among his activities is helping to arrange co-operative use of scarce machinery and co-operative transportation programs. Many localities already have worked out successful schemes for sharing trucks



more easily adapted to the individual areas and the individual farms within them. In turn, available funds may be used to the best advantage and with the greatest efficiency.

Acreage limitations have been removed on a number of crops which previously had such limits. Except for short staple cotton, tobacco and perhaps one or two other crops, farmers are urged to exceed their goals in 1943. This is particularly



Will aid cooperative plans.

true of dairy products and meat. Goals for most crops are minimums, calculated as the least possible amount which will keep the national efficiency at a reasonable level, and at the same time provide for the armed services and war plant workers and give assistance to America's Allies.

AAA committeemen and the farmers, working hand in hand, are doing their best to develop and carry through the most efficient and productive individual farm programs they can. Problems of every sort stand in their way-labor, machinery, transportation and material shortages being paramount.

By their close personal co-operation, however, they make possible an equally close relationship between the farmer and his government.

America's farmers have a tremendous production job ahead of them. Demands for food such as they are now attempting to fill have never before been made upon any



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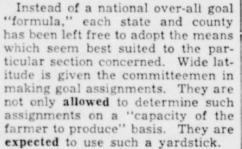
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Get Into Action For Full Victory!



Capacity to produce varies according to the character of the farm land, machinery and labor available, and many other factors. Each region has its individual problems which must be taken into consideration in determining what the specific area may reasonably do in a given period.

AAA Committeeman Will Keep Government Informed

The role of the AAA committeeman will be that of an important go-between who keeps the government informed on the farmer's progress and problems, and the farmer informed on what the government



Committeeman will hear grievance.

expects of him and what it is doing to help him circumvent obstacles that present themselves.

Adjustment, the process of helping the farm operator to scale his crop production upward or downward to fit into the national agricultural picture, has always been one of the major activities of AAA. It helps farmers meet production problems by providing guidance and assistance in producing the kinds of crops that are needed in the required amounts, working in co-operation with other units of the department of agriculture.

Community farmer committeemen in 1942 totaled 89,000 regular elected committeemen and about 58,000 al-

Mr. Farmer's on his own.

and trailers, as well as binders, combines, picking machines and other mechanical aids to planting and harvesting essential war crops. Facilities for storage of crops are sometimes another item for him to sometimes another item for him to handle.

Assistance in the various loan and purchase programs instituted by the Food Distribution administration and Commodity Credit corporation is made available through the AAA committeeman. Increased production of peanuts, soybeans, hemp (under a special program), castor bean seed, Irish potatoes, and many other crops has been greatly aided by such programs. New applications for insurance on the 1943 cotton crop will be handled by the committeeman, and he will in addition keep farmers informed of the availability of loans, insurance and payments under the program.

Program objectives of AAA also vary in certain instances from past planning. Emphasis is falling still more heavily on the need for better yields per acre. To achieve this, more attention is being given to production practices which immediately increase yields.

All-out activity in the use of lime and phosphate, contour cultivation and terracing, for example, is being urged. Over three-fourths of 1943 production practice payment funds for the country as a whole will be used to promote such "quick" helps region, about 80 per cent of such payments are going for promotion of this immediate-yield program.

Production practices, reports show, are feeling the "localizing" influence just as are other branches of the AAA program. Formerly the rates of payment for different practices were worked out on what might | a factory. be termed a national basis. This year the various regions determine the soil building allowances for the farms in their particular areas, with relation to the particular problems involved. In the Southern region each state has its own basis for determining soil building allowances. Reason for this localization is obvious. Production practices may be ness to serve.

nation. Last year they upped production 12 per cent over '41. Another 5 per cent increase is hoped for in '43.

Grandma Learns Aircraft School

In San Diego there's one school in a great building left over from the San Diego exposition-another in a church-another even in a oncevacant storeroom. They're crammed with students the like of which has never been seen before.

Two grandmothers, one white haired, the other pink-cheeked and marcelled, bend together with compass and rulers over adjoining desks. They are both learning to be mechanical draftsmen, to turn out their share of the ten acres of blueprints required to build a single flying battleship.

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In California, where the airframe industry of the nation centers, literally hundreds of thousands of people have gone to school, and are today at work doing precision jobs. Most of them were never before in

In an age that has been called revolutionary, here we have the real revolution.

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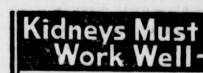
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tion of the kidneys and neap them the flush out poisonous waste from the blood. They contain nothing harmful. Get Doan's today. Use with confidence. At all drug stores.



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It's Interesting to Watch

cork.

Next time the steps need painting, try painting every other step; let these dry, then paint the others. It takes a bit longer, 'tis true, but it's a lot handier and the kiddies will love having to take 'em "two at a time."

To remove old wallpaper, wet with a solution of one tablespoon of saltpeter in a gallon of water. Works best if the water is hot.

Small bits of soap in a thin cloth bag are as effective as a large cake of soap for use in a bath.

Day Is Lost or Gained at **International Date Line**

The International Date Line is a convenient name for the 180th meridian where, by international agreement, Monday (say) changes to Tuesday if one is going west and changes backwards to Sunday, if one is going east.

Obviously these changes cancel themselves out, in the long run, though to live on the 180th meridian can lead to all sorts of amusing complications.

Why is all this unavoidable? Well, we count our days by sunrises in practice. If one travels swiftly west one's day lengthens, because the sun seems slower in setting in the west. The opposite happens when we speed to the east. There must be some spot (any spot would do, but all nations have to agree where it shall be) where travelers must adopt another day or shed one.

They can get back what they have lost, or lose what they have gained, simply by turning and going back home.

Weight of Birds

Hummingbirds, which weigh



Departments Whizz By Desirous of bucking up business, the proprietor of a large department store engaged an "efficiency

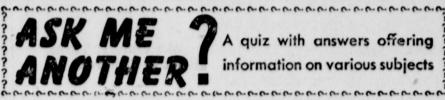
expert," whose chief delight was If a little piece is chipped off changing the departments round. walnut furniture, touch up the spot with iodine applied with a One day a section would be at piece of cotton, then go over the the top of the building; the next surface with furniture polish. it would be in the basement or

where the restaurant used to be. After three weeks of this an old lady approached a worried-looking shopwalker and asked if he could tell her where the hardware department was.

ment was. "No, madam," he replied wearily, "but if you'll stand here for a few minutes, I'm sure you'll see it go by.

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The Questions

1. A radio wave travels so fast that in one second it can circle the earth how many times?

2. If a sailor is punished for being AWOL, where is he put?

3. The rank of colonel in the army corresponds to what rank in the navy?

4. What city pioneered in introducing music into the public schools?

5. What literary work is credited to a member of the court of Croesus, king of Lydia?

Some believe opportunity is a

The man who sings his own

Never shift your tongue into

"The man who wants to marry should

Success comes from cans. Fail-

Clean and Bright

You can believe in honor till

you have achieved it. Better keep

yourself clean and bright, you are

the window through which you

must see the world .- George Ber-

make a little money first," says a social worker. Afterwards his wife has to make

brain is turning over.

ure is packed in can'ts.

a little money last.

nard Shaw.

Uncle Phil

Says:

6. How long is the period for which a patent is granted in the

United States? 7. What is the average number

of hen eggs to a pound?

The Answers

1. Seven times.

2. A sailor is sent to the brig; a soldier, to the guardhouse.

- 3. Captain.
- 4. Boston, in 1837.
- 5. Aesop's Fables.
- 6. Seventeen years.
- 7. Approximately ten.



Three Things Virtue and Hope, and Love, like

light from heaven, surround the world.





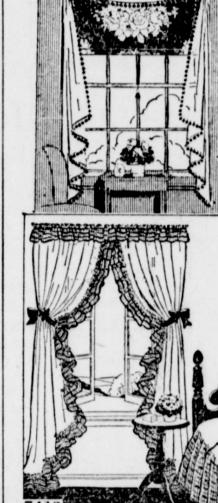
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How the Joneses, Hansons And Smiths Were Named

Some family names grew out of first names. Thus, we have Johnson (son of John), Peterson (son of Peter), Hanson (son of Hans). and so on. The common name of Jones also came from a first name. Long ago in England, it was the custom to speak of a man by a single name—as John or Richard, or whatnot. Sometimes the members of his family were called "the John" of "the Johnses"-or "the Richards" in



The 1943 Victory Home conserves food by producing its own supply of vegetables. Whether you live in town or on a farm, the Home Victory Garden will insure a healthful diet metables full of vitamins and minerals.

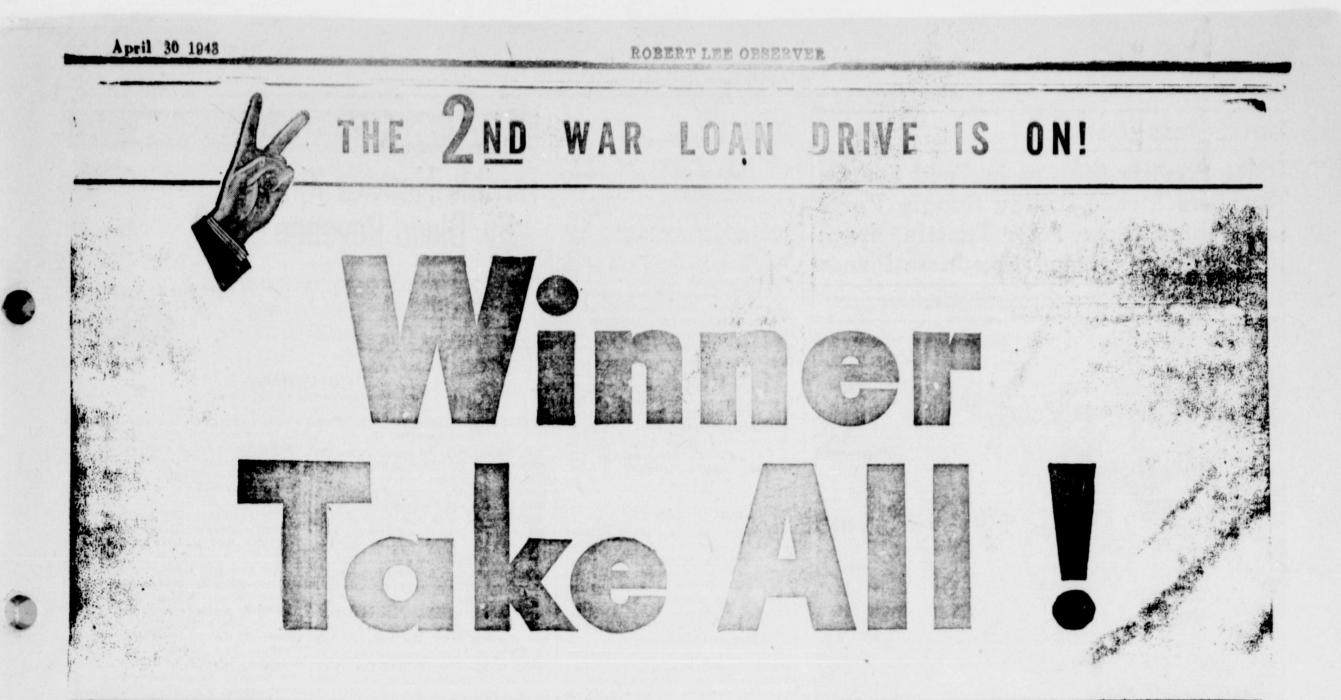
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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

OWI Predicts 6% Cut in Food Supply; Bombers Strafe Italian Supply Ports As Allies Close Axis Tunisia Trap; **U. S. Promises MacArthur More Planes**

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Typical of the harvest of Axis prisoners in the Tunisian campaign is this batch of German soldiers guarded by a lone British Tommy. They were taken in the early stages of the drive northward, after General Montgomery's Eighth army had shattered the Mareth line.

FOOD: SOUTHWEST PACIFIC:

Battle for Air Control

While Gen. Menryo Sato, chief of the Nipponese military affairs bureau in Tokyo threatened Jap air raids on the United States, enemy planes continuing a battle for control of the air over a wide area at the approaches to Australia mounted a 100-ship raid at Milne Bay, New Guinea. Allied fighter planes, alert to the danger, shot 30 of the enemy raiders out of the sky.

Meanwhile, Allied air forces ranging over the vast battle area described by Gen. Douglas MacArthur as "our bomber line-the first line of Australian defense" attacked a Japanese convoy of six merchant ships and three warships approaching the enemy base at Wewak, 450 miles north of Port Moresby, New Guinea. Three of the merchantmen were hit, including two 8,000-ton and one 5,000-ton ships.

In answer to warnings from Gen

BALKANS:

Hitler Builds Fences

Even as Hungary was reported pulling 200,000 men out of Axis ranks on the Russian front, a Rome broadcast announced that Adolf Hitler in a move to strengthen his Mediterranean defenses had called in leaders of his Balkan satellites for conference.

The seemingly frank tone of the Rome broadcast, plus reports from neutral Spain and Sweden that German engineers were dissatisfied with defense works in the Balkans led observers to believe that the Axis was on a fishing expedition for clues to possible Allied invasion plans.

Commenting on a conference between Hitler and Rumania Premier Ion Antonescu, the Rome radio said: "The Fuehrer and the Marshal restated their decision to continue the fight against the enemies of Europe until unconditional victory has been achieved."

ARMY:

Cuts Food Waste

Better planning by mess officers and co-operation by cooks and KPs has reduced the amount of food wasted at army camps by more than half since the beginning of the year, it was disclosed when testimony of a private hearing of the senate war investigating Truman committee was made public.

Before the army's conservation program was inaugurated as much as 20 to 25 per cent of the food served at camps was wasted. This wastage has now been reduced to about 11 per cent-a saving sufficient to feed a million civilians for a year.

Figures on the extent of army food conservation were presented by Maj. Gen. E. B. Gregory, quartermaster general. He told the committee that army food purchases had to be sufficient for an average of 2,100,000 men overseas and 4,500,-000 men in this country during 1943. He indicated that the average size of the army will be 6,600,000 this year.

PLAIN TALK:

Business Gets Lecture

Silver-thatched Commerce Secretary Jesse H. Jones gave business in general some of his native Texas "plain talk" when he appeared as a speaker before the Committee for Economic Development in New York.

Pointing out that the nation cannot "indulge in another depression," but must pay the costs of this war which he said had been estimated at around 250 billion dollars, Jones said "the problem will be to provide jobs at a living wage for every



Rumors From Embattled Nations Hint of Plans For Organized Extermination of Enemy Peoples.

By BAUKHAGE News Analyst and Commentator.

Washington, D. C.

It was a soft, Washington spring afternoon. The late shifts of government workers were hurrying home. The two guardian magnolias that stand on the White House lawn were tipped with the rays of the setting sun. My thoughts were neither on this blissful scene nor on the latest news of the battlefront which I had just finished broadcasting. Frankly, I was concerned chiefly with dinner.

The announcer was just finishing the "commercial" and I was picking my hat up from the sofa in the studio when I saw the engineer beckoning to me from behind the glass wall of his goldfish bowl. He held up a paper on which was printed "Stop in News Room-Important!" I did. The atmosphere was tense

as it is frequently these days. A notice had just appeared on the news ticker to the effect that the White House was about to release an important statement.

It is possible, but not probable, that the thing we were all thinking that statement was going to announce but didn't, will happen before these lines reach print-the invasion of Europe. Until it does, we shall continue to expect it and while the busy home front keeps our nose pretty well to the grindstone, one hint from overseas and an atmosphere of suspense envelops the Capitol.

Secrecy's Curtain

Meanwhile, there is the feeling that tremendous things are happening under a heavy curtain of secrecy in Europe even the hint of which does not reach the press or the pub-

Russia, of course, is a mystery. What is happening there? Is the remarkable Red army, which in the past has seemed to be able to draw endless men and supplies from no-

where after each crushing defeat,

WNU Service, Union Trust Building, | numerically when the war is over. To meet this, the other nations are talking about turning the tables and beginning organized mass murder of Germans everywhere the moment the Nazi armies lay down their arms.

Only the other day, I talked with a widely traveled Russian newspaper man, who said frankly that he believed this was the proper course. How powerful this spirit of blood revenge really is and whether it will be carried out, one can only guess.

Another mystery of which there ar. only tiny hints is the power and scope of the underground movements in the occupied countries and the extent to which Allied agents are now working hand-in-hand with the saboteurs in France and Belgium and particularly Holland. Hints leak out.

Saboteurs

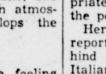
A secret German report which reached Allied hands stated the following:

"Sometime ago, English parachutists landed near Prague. When they were held up by the local police, they obeyed the order, 'hands up.' But they carried a special device on their belts with a pistol from which cords ran to their hands. The latter fired the pistol. Thus they succeeded by a quick and appropriate movement in accounting for the policemen."

Here is a part of another enemy report, revealing the activities behind the lines. It came through Italian military channels:

"During the attack on the Fuka Aerdrome (Africa) the enemy Allied troops put up distress signals. They succeeded in enticing the sentries away from their posts for a time and successfully carried out their sabotage."

Reports have come of British saboteurs gaining entrance to factories in the daytime, planting time bombs and leaving. A device has been perfected which can be carried concealed in the hand-I have held one-attached by a clever means to a tank car or a locomotive, it would blow it to pieces. That is only one of hundreds of ingenious gadgets which have been perfected for this strange work of secret destruction that is going on everywhere. Even more ingenious are the methods which the underground organizations in France and Italy are using to obtain arms and supplies for the insurrection when the moment comes.





eral MacArthur's headquarters of the increasing strength of Jap air, sea and land force concentrations threatening Australia, Secretary of War Stimson promised that enough planes would be sent to the South Pacific to counter the rising Jap power.

TUNISIA:

84 to 3

As the Allied armies closed in on the Axis' last mountain bastions in Tunisia, the gravity of Marshal Rommel's supply problem was shown by the heavy German reliance on aerial transport from Sicily.

That this supply problem would become even more critical was evident from two facts: 1-The Axis had lost all but three airports in Tunisia; 2-Rommel's thin supply line was being menacingly depleted by American Flying Fortress attacks.

Typical of the potency of the American aerial offensive was a raid on Axis rear bases at Castelvetrano and Milo in Sicily in which 84 enemy planes were destroyed with the loss of but three American aircraft.

With the Mediterranean at their back, the forces of Rommel and Col. Gen. Von Arnim were hemmed into an area less than the size of Connecticut in Northeast Tunisia. The Axis did, however, have the advantage of holding mountainous positions difficult for the Allies to storm.

The strongly fortified ports of Tunis and Bizerte were the Allies' final goal. Operating under the supervision of Commander-in-Chief Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, the British First army in the North, American and French forces in the center and General Montgomery's British Eighth army on the South steadily closed the trap on the Axis.

MEAT:

Ceilings Deferred

Following through on President Roosevelt's directive to "roll back" the cost of living items found too high, OPA Chief Prentiss M. Brown suspended until May 17 the price ceiling schedule on beef, veal, lamb and mutton.

Meat trade sources disclosed that the OPA had received complaints that its previously proposed standard prices on these meats would have resulted in higher prices.

per cent and shell fish. Among items on the credit side, OWI calculated: 30 per cent more chickens, 57 per cent more margarine, 13 per cent more frozen fruits, 7 per cent more wheat and 13 per cent more rye. Listed among food supplies that will be about the same as last year were: Fresh and frozen fish, eggs, fluid milk and cream, lard and other cooking fats,

You'll Get Less in '43

they consumed last year.

Controversies might rage over

whether the Office of War Informa-

tion had or had not sugar-coated its

estimates of forthcoming food short-

ages, but the sober fact remained

that civilians will have at least 6

per cent less to eat this year than

Warning that the food situation is

serious, OWI experts said, "There

will be more or less continuous

. . . meat products." Civil-

shortages of some kinds of food--

ians, however, will get enough to

eat. In fact, compared to the pre-

war years they will have about 3 per

Among food supplies on the debit

side for 1943, OWI roughly estimat-

ed: 11 per cent less meat, 21 per

cent less butter, 11 per cent less

cheese, 3 to 25 per cent less canned

such as canned vegetables

(and)

cent more food.

fresh citrus fruits, potatoes and sweet potatoes.

RUSSIA:

Sparring Tactics

Still sparring like prize-fighters seeking advantageous openings, the Red and Nazi armies on the farflung Russian front held each other off in preparation for the cudgelling blows that will fall when dry ground makes movement possible.

Military activity was confined to minor skirmishes. In the Kuban valley of the Caucasus, the Russians mounted attacks which resulted in the capture of a series of pillboxes and trenches from the German defenders.

In the Donets river area the Germans attempted another offensive in the Izyum sector, but were repulsed, a Soviet communique said. North of Chuguev in the Kharkov area, Russian artillery was credited with dispersing a German infantry batal-

AIR RAIDS: Sardinia to Stuttgart

From Sardinia to East Prussia, Allied bombers struck at Axis-held Europe with increasing fierceness as the tempo of "softening up" raids continued to rise. British, American and Russian planes had simultaneously taken the offensive.

Among spectacular raids was the vast British foray against the big German industrial city of Stuttgart. Observers reported that planes on this raid could be heard roaring across the British Channel toward the continent for an hour and a half. Nazi radio broadcasts were the authority for reports that Red air forces had raided Koenigsburg in East Pruss a three times within a five-day span.

American Flying Fortresses continued to destroy Axis shipping facilities with punishing attacks on the port of Cagliari in Sardinia.

person willing to work.

Business must form its own postwar plans and meet the problems ahead with its own practical solutions if it does not want the government to step in and do the planning for it.

RENTS: No Boost Now

Landlords and tenants were informed by the OPA that present rent regulations will be continued. In rejecting rent control change proposals by the National Associa-

PRENTISS M. BROWN OPA frowns on rent changes.

tion of Real Estate Boards, the OPA ruled that any such changes would be in conflict with the President's orders "to hold the line" against inflation.

Commenting on the realtors' suggestions, Price Administrator Prentiss M. Brown said that "while the proposals do not explicitly request any general increase in the rent level, their adoption would clearly achieve such a request."

While the OPA is considering a few minor changes in its rent rules, Brown asserted that so far as the basic program is concerned, "I do not intend to alter either its method or administration."

finally exhausted? Spring came early to the steppes this year and the Germans, if they are able, will launch their annual summer offensive a month earlier. They hope to be able to break the Red army this time and then hold back the remnants with a sparsely manned but intricate line of defense while they turn their attention to the Allies in the West.

No one knows what the strength of Russia is today. One does know that a terrible hate has been enkindled in the whole race against the Germans and it is reported that the Red army has threatened that if Soviet forces ever do reach German soil, they will leave no human being living. One story has been spread through Switzerland that if an Alhes' army is on the continent when Russia breaks Germany's eastern frontiers--- if she does--- that the Ger-mans will open their western front to the Allies and let them in rather than expose themselves to the Russians.

Plan for Prisoners

Another report has seeped out of Russia. It is continuously repeated that simply because of the inconvenience of caring for prisoners, both the Germans and Russians have been shooting men who are captured or who surrender. On the other hand, the Russians are said to be carefully preserving some of the men they take. Russian propaganda, dropped over the German lines, is very alluring. Some of the pamphlets instruct the German soldiers to surrender and bring with them the leaflet which acts as a passport.

Then, according to a report which has come in from a neutral country, the prisoners are carefully examined and a small percentage weeded cut for Soviet indoctrination. They go through a long course of instruction so careful that it is said finally only 10 per cent are accepted as satisfactory. These elite are then trained to be used as the spearhead of a political invasion of Germany.

Hatred, like that in Russia, has poisoned all Europe. There is a belief now on the part of many of the conquered countries that the Germans, having given up hope of victory, intend to go forward with a systematic extermination of other races within their reach, as they have in Poland and with the Jews, so that regardless of what happens, the Teutonic stock will dominate

Some day, "an important statement from the White House" will come, heralding events many of which we have not even dreamed.

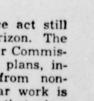
While the airplane factories turn out bombers and fighters, the airminded leaders continue to make their air plans for peace. The latest scheme which has come to my attention is an announcement from the Northeast Airlines company which says this company has made application for a helicopter service to carry air mail and air express in New England.

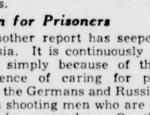
These little planes that can rise straight up and hover, can land on a parlor rug. They would, in this proposed service, land on the roofs of post office buildings-provided, I take it, that the buildings are not of the rococo vintage with peaked and pointed and turreted roofs.

The service would carry first-class as well as air mail, according to the application filed with the Civil Aeronautics board. Four hundred points would be included. The little 'flying automobiles'' would not only fly between towns and cities but would carry mail from urban centers to the large airports where the mail would be transferred to the air liners. . . .

A national labor service act still hovers just beyond the horizon. The chief purpose of Manpower Commissioner McNutt's intricate plans, including shifts of men from nondeferrable industry to war work is to build the machinery so that when the act is passed it can be put into effect at once.

Now that the farm labor problem has been taken off McNutt's doorstep, and with the definite "back-tothe-farm" trend, congress may ease up on McNutt and give him the money he needs to build his prenational service machinery.





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PORERT LEE OBSERVER



his wife, Lee, are already on their way to Tierra Libre when he receives a note from Zora Mitchell warning them not to come. When they arrive in Tierra Libre they find both Zora and her husband dead. It is Mitchell's job as chief engineer for a fruit company that Jeff has been called to fill. Later Jeff's friend Bill Henderson is killed, and Jeff suspects his employer, Senor Montaya, of murdering him and the Mitchells because they had found a clue to the strange things going on at the plantation. Other sinister figures are the company chemist. Dr. Toenjes, and the flyers, Ryden and Lannestock. A man named Collins arrives from the Canal Zone to see Mitchell, and Jeff hires him without arousing Montaya's suspicions. A talk with Jerry McInnis discloses that Montaya is part German and is dealing with the Nazis. Collins reveals his identity as a U.S. naval intelligence officer. When he and Jeff discover hidden German bombers, he realizes that there will be trouble. He has just persuaded Montaya to let Lee and the children leave "for a few days." NOW CONTINUE WITH THE STORY

CHAPTER XVIII

"Bueno, bueno," Montaya finally said, more smoothly. "There is no need of this heat. It will be only for a day or two. But understand, this visit must not be used as an opening wedge for regular contact with the Associated people. That I will not have during our construction period.

His dignity recovered, he turned to Emilio, who had been standing by, staring incuriously into the distance.

"Help to get Senora Curtis and the children across to Riverbend."

"Si, Senor.' Curt mounted the steps. At the dispatcher's office he put in a call for his house at San Alejo.

"Hiya, Lee. Surprise. Pack for yourself and the kids. You're visiting Jerry and Marta for a day or two. They're having an anniversary dinner tonight-'

"But Jeff, what anni-"

"I'm sorry I can't go. As I told you, I'm completely tied up until the new shovels are in operation. Anyway, you have a good time for the both of us. I'm sending the car for you now. Can you be ready in forty minutes?"

"I think so, dear, but-" "No 'buts,' I can't go and that's that. If you wait for me you may never see them. There's no telling when I can get a day from the job."

He hung up. This last should tell Lee the urgency of the situation without giving the operator-undoubtedly listening in-anything to chew on.

But Lee reached Tempujo by

off the table lamp and move catlike to the door, reaching for his gun. Then Curt struck. The butt of his own gun caught the native behind the ear. Emilio went down without a sound.

Curt hauled the unconscious man into the bedroom and shut the door. He closed the hinged bamboo shutters over his window, then turned on the light in the adjoining shower room and left that door open a crack.

There was no rope available, so he ripped a sheet into strips to bind the man's hands behind him, tie his feet, his legs. He soaked these strips in water so they couldn't possibly be worked loose. He fashioned a gag, pried open the teeth, secured it in place. Then he picked up the inert form and tossed it on the bed. Before snapping off the bathroom light a glance at his wrist showed it was ten-forty. He'd better get the crew together. Jerry should be on this side by now, to meet Monahan upriver away from lights.

On Sunday nights Tempujo settled down earlier than on Saturdays. Already most of the residence lights were out, and only one end of the mess-hall showed activity. His eyes now adjusted to the dark, Curt could see through the screen door what looked like two trunks to the palm tree in the yard. "Collins?" he called softly.

"Yo."

Curt picked up a camera and flash bulb he'd set apart earlier, then let himself out and down the short path.

For several minutes neither spoke, then as Curt was grumbling, "Wish they'd hurry, I'd like a

to chance it," he said reluctantly, 'can't take all night. Anyway, these explosives will do the job on the planes in case I can't set the bombs for explosion. Yes, make it onethirty."

"Okay, got it," said Monahan.

"Another thing," Collins went on, once you men get the dynamite planted you'll have to clear out. I'll finish priming the bombs alone. Then if anything goes wrong we won't all grow halos. You'd be no use to me anyway."

Nothing happened to impede them. They reached the foot of the Quebrados in good time, despite running without lights. There Monahan melted into the night to grope his way up a trail.

As Curt and McInnis were loading themselves gingerly with explosives-the dynamite and two cans of powder-Collins spoke up.

"It won't take all three of us to break in. I'll be planting this last can to knock out that bridge behind us. Have that much done." "Good."

Curt cut a length of fuse for the job, took the rest of the coil, and with McInnis got under way for the hidden hangars.

They reached the fence and Curt led the way cautiously to the spot where he'd broken through last night. He played his flash along the ground. Good. The leaves and debris scattered over the soft fill of the hole he'd used before was undisturbed.

"Yeh, but I don't like this, Curt. Looks too easy. I can't believe they don't keep some kind of watch. You would, I woull they're not dumber, are they? You could have got through last nght by sheer luck.'

"I know. It's been in my mind, too. But there's nothing we can do about it except keep alert."

McInnis' words were prophecy. It was as they were hauling at the strip of corrugated sheathing-a noisy job itself!-that they heard the running feet. So there was a patrol maintained! The two men jumped away from the wall and fell flat in the dry grass. The feet pounded around the end of the building, a flash played back and forth and picked out the hole in the fence, the sprung sheet.

The guard lunged for the fence, but there came a shot from beyond it, from the other side. Collins! A quick stab from Collins' flashlight showed the German close to the fence, his arm upstretched, the man ready to spring. Another shot, and IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL CUNDAY JCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for May 2

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CHRIST'S CHARGE TO PETER

LESSON TEXT-John 21:15-24. GOLDEN TEXT-Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.-John 15:13.

Breakfast for a hungry fisherman -that is what our loving and thoughtful Lord had provided on the shore of Galilee. He wanted to talk to Peter, but He knew this was needful first. There are some folk who think that following Christ is a doleful matter, devoid of every pleasure. Jesus never taught any such thing.

Here we find Him with a glowing fire upon which fish is broiling, and with bread ready for these hungry men. It was just like Him thus to meet in most delightful and satisfying fellowship those who serve Him. Draw up to the fire, Christian friends who are standing afar off. You may be so timid that, like the disciples, you will not dare to call Him by name (v. 12), but if you will come, you will find that the precious fellowship will soon warm your heart.

With the meal over, Christ turned to Peter and in their conversation we find the latter required to

I. Face Responsibility (vv. 15-17). With kindly persistence our Lord brought Peter face to face with his responsibility of full-hearted devotion to Him. Before service can be rendered there must be a right relationship to the Lord.

Three times Peter was asked to declare his love for Christ. Such a public confession was quite in place, before the man who had thrice denied his Lord was restored to a place of leadership. The words "more than these" (v. 15) indicate that Jesus was asking of him a high measure of devotion. It is no more than He has a right to expect of us.

The conversation after breakfast that morning was a very profitable one. One is reminded, by contrast, that few of our mealtime discussions are very useful. Many (perhaps most) after-dinner speeches and conversations yield little profit. Here is an occasion when such was not the case. One wonders whether we would not be wise to take the suggestion and turn our thoughts and those of our dinner guests to spiritu-



No Moss on It "What's that stone in Ann's engagement ring, Joyce?" "A rolling stone, my dear. I

had it once.'

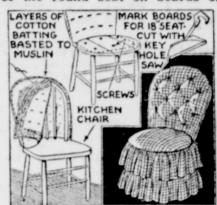
Was He Surprised! "Who was that pretty little thing I saw you with last night?" "Will you promise not to tell my wife?"

"Surely, I promise." "Well, it was my wife."

Selfish Thought "What are you thinking of?" "Oh, nothing much!" "Don't be so self-conscious."

A Cinderella Chair Gaily Steps Out

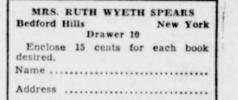
HERE is how you can play Fairy Godmother to a kitchen chair. Pad the back as shown here, using at least three layers of cotton batting for the front of it and one for the back. Next, cut an 18-inch circle of cardboard and use it for a pattern for marking the shape of the round seat on boards or



plywood. Cut out the wooden seat and screw it to the chair. Save the cardboard pattern.

Cover the front of the chair back next, tufting it with covered buttons sewn through the back with a long needle. Sew the back of the cover in place with stitches. hidden under welting. Tack a strip of muslin around the seat, and sew the ruffles to it. Now, pad the round cardboard; stretch covering fabric over it; then sew it in place on the chair.

NOTE: Readers are writing to tell us that the new BOOK 9 should be called the Victory Book as it contains so many ways to make pretty things for the home that could not otherwise be had for the duration. Copies are available by mail post-paid for 15 cents. Address:



noon. The kids bounced about in excitement, clutching at Curt. He turned them over to Emilio, together with the three small bags Lee had brought.

Then he held Lee close, whispering while pretending to kiss her, "Don't look so anxious, sweet. Keep a clear face. Everything's under control, and I'll be with you sooner than you think."

He managed to slip into her palm a note folded tightly. "For Jerry." Curt then handed Lee into the

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boat and watched the crossing. He saw her met on the other bankthat would be Jerry, God bless him! -and they waved across at each other.

Monahan had been all day at the tractor-shovels. Their progress had been slowed today by more difficult terrain. More filling, more matting had been necessary. He returned to Tempujo along with Curt and Emilio, and after the three had showered and changed clothing, they had supper together. Collins was finishing his at a table by himself. He looked a good bit fresher than he had this morning. He'd shaved and it was clear he'd slept all day.

After supper Curt went to his office, followed as usual by his bodyguard.

Eight, nine, ten o'clock came, and still Curt applied himself. There was plenty to be done, he might as well do it. Emilio looked in on him once, annoyed but making no comment. Curt merely looked up, then back at his desk again.

Ten-thirty. Curt tolled up what prints he'd been using, stacked his papers. He came to the door of the drafting room, stretching and yawning. In the middle of the stretch he stiffened. Emilio looked up, instantly alert-almost suspicious. Curt's eyes, without having turned his head, seemed to be piercing the darkness beyond the porch.

He banked on Emilio's drowsiness to keep him from realizing immediately that no one can see into darkness from a lighted space. In a low voice, keeping his lips stiff, Curt said, "There's somebody out there, out behind those palms. Size and shape looks like--Collins, I'd say. Put out your light."

As he spoke he reached behind him maide the door of the drafting room and switched off the lights there. Emilio's reaction was to snap



Emilio went down without a sound.

smoke," Collins touched his arm and pointed in the dimness.

Curt grunted. "Yeh, that's them." Two figures were making their way toward the bungalow, taking advantage of every patch of heavy darkness. The four men joined forces.

"Lee and the kids?" were Curt's first words.

"Okay," McInnis answered. "By luck, the San Timoteo's taking on fruit. They're aboard now. The Old Man's given orders to speed the loading and be ready to pull out at daylight with whatever load they have by then. He'll get heck from Distribution," McInnis chuckled, "but I guess his shoulders are broad enough."

Monahan stopped them at a cache he'd prepared earlier in the evening. and all four shared the load-the big bundle of dynamite, the three cans of black powder, the fat coil of fuse.

Getting to the motorshed and running a car outside the yard limits unseen proved easy. Once under way, Curt sketched a quick picture for McInnis of what they'd found last night, what they were headed for.

McInnis grunted a couple of times, and at the end said, "Okay, what's the program?"

Curt went over it. At one point Collins interrupted.

"We'll get there about midnight. Monahan's job is set for one. Not sure that'll be time enough for me. Got to study those fuse mechanisms. Chances are they'll be simple enough, but I can't be sure."

"Okay, another half hour, think?" Collins considered. "We'll have

man went down.

"Finished my job at the tracks," Collins called anxiously, "and heard this guy as I neared the fence. Then the shot. Are you okay?"

"Yes," cried Curt. "There's a hole in the fence, Collins."

He raced around the end of the building and to the front. He had a clear view to the other end of the field. A few night lights showed, as they had last night. Under one of these, the one outside the clubroom, two figures stood like statues. Men listening. Presently they seemed to relax. They moved out of the light, not fast as though alarmed, and the clubroom lights snapped on. Curt relaxed, too. The shots had been behind the buildings here, the sounds wouldn't have carried sharply to the other end-he hoped. He returned to the others.

Collins and McInnis had forced entrance to the hangar. All three had flashlights tonight, and Curt found McInnis taking a quick looksee for himself. Collins was at the bomb room door, forcing the lock. Curt and McInnis joined him.

Inside the long partition they speni a moment studying the layout. The cylindrical casings were pointed at the bulkhead, which was constructed of thick planks. When assembled. there'd be a space of about two feet between the noses of the bombs and the heavy wall.

"Okay, men, it'll work," Collins said. "Get busy on your jobs, I'll handle mine."

The room was wired with lights. Since no beam could escape outside, Collins snapped the switch and immediately got to work on a study of the first tail fuse at hand.

"Huh," he said dismally, "they're the arming vane type. Well, guess I can revolve them by hand. Nose piece, I understand that well enough. Pull the pin and they're set for impact."

These bombs were designed for loading on planes, assembled, but not set for explosion. On release from the plane, the arming pin of the nose fuse would have to be pulled, to free the mechanical restraint that prevents the fuse from firing the detonator. In the case of the tail fuse, however, that "brake" would be released automatically by the revolution of the arming vane as the bomb fell through the air.

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al things.

-II. Feed Christ's Flock (vv. 15-17). We review the same verses to point out that an expression of love to Christ means nothing except as

it manifests itself in service. Like Peter, we are to be diligent about feeding His flock, whether they be the young and inexperienced lambs, or the mature sheep of the fold.

We tend to specialize. Even in soul-winning some give themselves to child evangelism while others reach only adults, and would hardly think of dealing with a child. True it is that we have varying gifts, and one does one type of work better than another. But let us avoid overspecialization. Every needy soul is a challenge to us as we present the gospel.

The word "feed" should be stressed. Here again the church has frequently failed. Men and women are won to a decision for Christ, and then forgotten. Sheep must be fed if they are to grow. A teaching ministry must accompany the evangelistic effort. They belong together, and to neglect either is to fail, at least, in that measure.

III. Follow Him to the End (vv. 18-24).

Endlessly ingenious are the devices of Satan. He who had sifted Peter like wheat (Luke 22:31) and had rejoiced in the weakness of his denial of Christ, now saw him stepping out into victorious living. He heard the ophecy of the martyr death of Feler. So he put into his heart a question. Why should he suffer? What about John? What was the Lord going to do for him?

When our enemy cannot trip us up with temptation to personal sin, he resorts to the device of jealousy. Many promising Christian workers have become useless because they have taken their eyes off Jesus and put them on the persons and work of other Christians. Doing a work which was difficult and unnoticed but very important to God, they have felt the urge to quit because someone else seemed to have the easier task and receive more recognition.

The answer of Jesus in verse 22 plainly states that it is not the place of one disciple to judge the course of life of another, nor to gauge his own devotion to Christ by another's place or service.



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