

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

House Votes \$300 Discharge Bonus; U. S. Bombers Rip Nazi Supply Lines; Red Army Continues Push on Baltic; Peace Rumors Spiked by British Press

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DISCHARGE PAY: House Votes \$300

Arguing that higher payments would represent a soldier's bonus which should be left for later discussion, the house passed a bill providing for mustering-out pay of \$300 to discharged vets with 60 days' service and \$100 to those released before 60 days.

With 15,000,000 vets including those already discharged standing to benefit from the measure, total cost of payments was estimated at 3 1/2 billion dollars.

After passage by the house, the bill was sent for approval to the senate, which previously enacted legislation providing for maximum payments ranging from \$500 to vets overseas for 18 months or more, to \$200 to those with less than 12 months' service in the U. S. Unless the senate okayed the house bill, parliamentary procedure required the two chambers to get together to work out new legislation.

EUROPE:

Pound Supply Lines

U. S. bombers ripped rail lines supplying German troops in southern Italy as American and British forces pressed against the Nazis' winter-line centered on Cassino, key to the road to Rome.

With two of three main rail lines temporarily put out of use, the enemy was forced to route supplies over bomb-pocked highways, some of which were snarled by the wreckage of bridges.

As U. S. artillery laid down a curtain of thunderous fire over German defense emplacements before Cassino preparatory to the infantry's charge forward, British units to the west engaged Nazi troops along the Garigliano river.

Along the Adriatic coast to the east, Canadian forces were held to short gains in hard, close-in fighting.

U. S. HEMP:

Cut Production

Because of the improvement in imports from the Caribbean and Mediterranean areas, the government's hemp-growing program in the Middle West will be cut to one-third of 1943 production, and only 14 of 42 processing plants will be kept in operation.

Raised on contract to the government, farmers found hemp profitable last year, their net yield per acre being larger than from any other crop in the nation, in some cases reaching \$200, it was said.

In seeking to relieve a threatened hemp shortage after the outbreak of war, the government undertook construction of processing plants in 42 communities, and arranged for farmers to grow 4,000 acres of the fiber in each of the districts. The plants were erected at an estimated cost of \$100,000 each.

LABOR DRAFT:

Pro and Con

While Secretary of War Henry Stimson told a senate committee that a labor draft would equalize soldier and civilian sacrifices, the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, headed by William Green, said that the organization would never surrender the basic freedom of the country's workers.

Likening a labor draft as a shot in the arm for the nation's patriotism, Stimson said the first flush of enterprise excited by the Pearl Harbor attack has worn off, and now "the stern voice of law" is needed to "keep up the patriotic emotion."

Declaring that in freedom there is strength, the AFL council asserted that the "amazing speed with which free American workers have won the battle of war production against the enemy within two years upholds the truth of that principle."

Chance for passage of the labor draft dwindled with the house's pigeon-holing of the measure.



New Britain—Marines wade through swampland on New Britain front. (See Pacific Front.)

PACIFIC FRONT:

MacArthur Poses With

U. S. medium and heavy bombers ranged widely over the Pacific, blasting Jap bases supplying hard pressed enemy troops, and hitting installations and airfields in the strategic Marshall islands.

As U. S. armies were pinning the foe back in the South Pacific area, Secretary of War Henry Stimson announced in Washington, D. C., that General MacArthur would not be retired when he reached the age of 64 on January 29. Retired at his own request in 1937, MacArthur was recalled to active duty following the outbreak of World War II.

In New Guinea, U. S. bombers smashed at the Jap base of Wewak, above American positions at Sadori; and in New Britain, explosives were dropped on the big feeder center of Rabaul, and on barges carrying supplies along the island coasts.

RUSSIA:

Baltic Push

Preceded by a thunderous barrage of heavy artillery, Russian infantry pushed into German lines below Leningrad, and cut the enemy's rail communications farther to the south, 70 miles from the Latvian border.

The Reds were reported to have thrown 250,000 men into the battle on a 250 mile front, and units of Russia's Baltic fleet stationed near Leningrad were said to have participated in the bombardment of German positions prior to the big push.

Stiffening German resistance slowed the Reds' progress on other fronts, with the Nazis reporting continuance of Russian efforts to break through in the prewar Polish area of White Russia.

Peace Rumors

With the Allied world still wondering over Russia's semi-official publication of a rumor that two former British statesmen had discussed a separate peace with German Foreign Minister Von Ribbentrop, Stalin permitted reproduction of a London newspaper's story that Britain had received specific peace terms from Hitler under which the Nazis would withdraw to their 1939 prewar boundaries.

Although Britain remained indignant over the Reds' implication that she was double-dealing, and the U. S. continued puzzled over why Stalin should have allowed publication of the rumor, Russia's man in the street was led to suspect British intentions.

AIRPLANE PROGRAM:

Bigger Types

No. 1 industry of the U. S. today, aircraft plants will set their sights on production of more than 100,000 planes of heavier weight in 1944.

More than 50 per cent of production will be of combat-type planes, with a decrease in output of trainer and obsolete craft. Facilities now being used to turn out the latter two types will be converted to manufacturing parts for other models.

The swing toward heavier planes marks a trend toward production of craft carrying bigger guns and bomb loads. Total weight of planes is expected to approximate 1 billion pounds, compared with 750 million pounds in 1943.

30 Years of U. S. Aviation Progress



Top: Naval air station at Pensacola, Fla., in 1914. Tents were fair weather hangars. In bad weather planes were rolled into a brick structure not shown. Bottom: Typical view of the naval air training center today where 15,000 naval aviators are trained yearly. The planes are trainers.

MacArthur Poses With His Indian Warriors



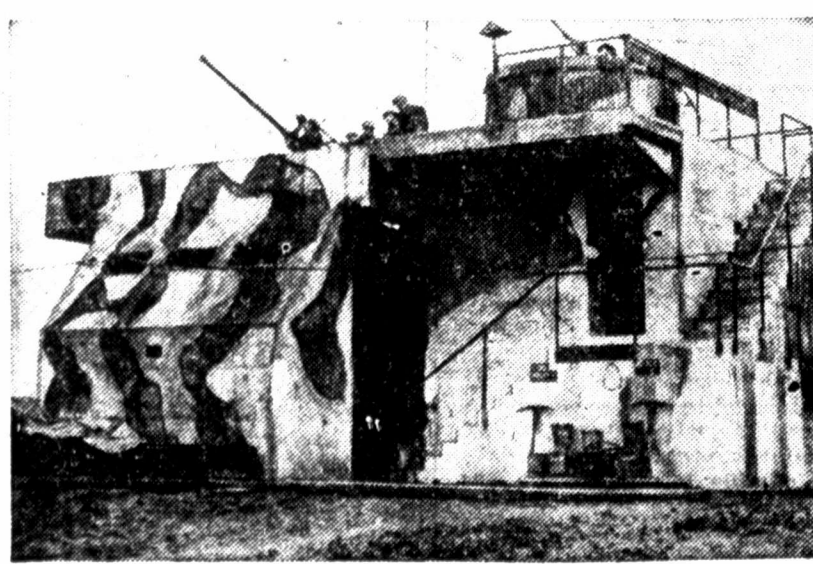
Gen. Douglas MacArthur, commander in chief of the Allied forces in the Southwest Pacific area, poses with representatives of American Indian tribes in our army. Left to right: Sgt. Virgil F. Howell, Pawnee tribe, Pawnee, Okla.; Sgt. Alvin J. Vilcan, Chitimacha tribe, Charenton, La.; General MacArthur; Sgt. Byron L. Tsignine, Navajo tribe, Desance, Ariz.; and Sgt. Larry L. Dekin, Navajo tribe, Copper Mine, Ariz.

Where Some of Those Huge Raids Start



U. S. Flying Fortresses are now using over 11 recently equipped air bases near Foggia, Italy, to drop tons of bombs on Nazi-controlled territory. These bases will make possible a campaign extending over the 600 mile range indicated by the light area on the map. Bombers can take off and return to these bases usually without facing serious enemy opposition.

Flak Towers Take High Raider Toll



This is one of the most successful defense devices developed during Britain's long struggle for survival against Nazi bombers. It is a flak tower of the anti-aircraft command. Such towers proved very effective last summer during the sneak attacks against seaside towns. Last year flak towers accounted for 93 downed enemy planes and 59 "probables."

Banker on Newsstand



Guy Emerson, vice president of a New York bank, sells papers at a newsstand while the owner took time off to purchase a war bond. His act typifies the unity with which the big and small business men are buying bonds and getting war tools to men at the fronts.

Dry Crusaders



Mrs. Ida Wise Smith, national president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, chats with Congressman Joseph R. Bryson who is sponsoring a bill to outlaw beverages containing more than one-half of 1 per cent alcohol by volume.

Out of the Rough



Months of study preceded the one debt stroke of Adrian Grasselly, who split the famous \$200,000 Liberator diamond, the largest ever found in Venezuela. The 155 carat stone is shown in closeup at bottom.

Wins Highest Award



Lieut. David C. Waybur of Piedmont, Calif., who was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for heroism in Sicily. This is the highest American military award.



They tell you that long before he was elevated to the position he now occupies, Jim Byrnes was always successful in getting FDR to read his memos to the White House. Because his notes were never longer than four lines, Byrnes learned his lesson the first time—when he submitted a windy report to the President.

"Did you read it?" he inquired. "Head it?" said FDR, "I couldn't even lift it!"

Lieut. Comdr Jack Dempsey was reminiscing. He told about Mike Trent, a long-time admirer who was in his group when he was training for his fight with Comdr Gene Tunney. Mike was sent over to scout the Tunney training camp to bring Dempsey information of value—on Tunney's style and hitting power.

Mike returned breathless. "It's a set-up," he reported. "I seen him readin' a book!"

The Stork Club's host, S. Billingsley, is also renowned for sending gifts to customers and others. The gifts usually are rainbow-hued cravats. One recipient replied: "Many, many thanks for your thoughtful. It's the first time, and what a relief, that the Stork ever brought me ties!"—Eddie Cantor.

In Scribner's rare book dept., says the Sat. Review of Literature, a well-groomed customer asked Nick Wredin: "How is this volume bound?"

"Genuine calf," he said. "How was that again?" "Calf—genuine calf?" "What did you say?"

Nick threw back his head, closed his eyes and roared: "Moo!"

The Sunday N. Y. Times radio section reports the reaction of listeners to WJZ's new transmitter of 50,000 watts. One New Hampshire listener is quoted: "It's been our pet gripe (in our neck of the woods) that WJZ had such excellent programs, yet was the only major station that simply could not be heard with any degree of ease. Why, Sunday evening we could even hear Winchell's tonsils quiver."

New York Novelette: This is one of those stories that sweep the town now and then, and everybody always knows the woman it is supposed to have happened to. But when you ask them to name names they say they mustn't. Because they cannot. . . . Anyhow, a woman was talking to a friend on the phone, explaining she couldn't meet her because of a cold, etc. . . . A strange third voice broke in and said: "Madam, I am a doctor. I suggest you try this prescription for your throat. Whereupon he offered it. . . . She asked his name. . . . He replied: 'You will never know that!' And got off the line. . . . So a few nights later at a party she was amazed to hear a man at the table relate the incident. . . . He was the doctor! . . . The woman said nothing. . . . She got his phone number from the hostess. . . . Next day she called him saying she was the lady with the cold. She thanked him for the prescription. . . . 'Who are you?' he asked. . . . 'You'll never know,' she cooed, hanging up.

Will Mahoney, star American vaudeville headliner (in Australia and England many years), has become a British subject. . . . J. Durante's pals call him "Sweet-noise". . . . A leading male hairdresser threw a Christmas party for his swishy friends. They had a Pink tree! . . . Alan Gale's thumbnail description of Vice-Pres. Wallace: "He takes his job seriously instead of himself". . . . Reader's Digest credits the "One of our cities is missing" gag (made famous by the wire services) to a contributor. It credits "Thumbnose Sketch"—"Watch your hat, coat and girl friend" and "Feud administrator" to everybody except this column, where they were born.

Quotation Marksmanship: A. A. Milne: There was a full length novel in her sigh. . . . M. Buchanan: The ash-can of her past. . . . H. Smith: No one should be conceited. Talented people do not need it, the untalented do not deserve it. . . . H. P. Estabrook: Some people's votes are hard to extinguish over the phone. . . . Joan Eden: If success doesn't give you a big head, it gives you big headaches. . . . H. Balson: Nice people always have trouble finding people to be nice to them. . . . H. Horner: She didn't catch a husband, she trapped one. . . . Rose Macaulay: A book to kill time for those who like it better dead. . . . Ambrose Bierce: Positive is being mistaken at the top of one's voice.

Sammy Renick, the jockey, was gagging about George Raft's shadow. "Killer" Gray, who has never even killed a fly. The "Killer" attended a swanky Jockey Club affair in Hollywood once, where Mrs. C. V. Whitney was at the same table. He conversed in typical Brooklynese.

Someone at the table asked the "Killer" why he didn't cash in on his publicity and go into the movies like his pal Raft.

"I don't wanna be like Raft," he said, "I only wanna live like him!"

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SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER

A Wisconsin truck driver recently received a tribute from the Office of the Rubber Director because he risked his life to save the tires on the trailer of a tractor-trailer unit he was driving. The trailer caught fire, but the driver jacked it up and removed the tires while it was ablaze.

The far-reaching influence of the rubber situation will be appreciated when it is known that close to 40% of the motor vehicles ever made in this country were still in service in December, 1941. More than half of them were owned by families with incomes of less than \$30 a week.

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FIRST IN RUBBER

HIGHLIGHTS . . . in the week's news

SPRINGS: Now that the government has released a quantity of steel wire for springs, it is expected that furniture with coils can be coming out of the factories within two or three months.

DEBT: National debt of Great Britain amounted to 77 billion dollars on December 31, the chancellor of the exchequer has reported to the house of commons.

PLASMA: Use of blood plasma has reduced deaths among wounded men to three-tenths of 1 per cent in the Pacific area, a naval surgeon recently returned from the front said.

HOUSING: War ravaged Europe will require construction of at least 100 million homes, it is said. In the United States from 15 to 20 million new housing units will be needed in the next 10 years.

Indian BEEF

by HAROLD CHANNING WIRE

LEW BURNET has been engaged by TOM ARNOLD, owner of the Cross T, to act as trail boss on the drive from southern Texas to Ogallala in the spring of 1943. Tom, with his son and daughter, STEVE and JOY, are moving to Wyoming. Tom must deliver 3,000 longhorns to the Indian agent by September 1, or lose a profitable contract. Lew has reason to believe that the Indian Supply Co. is trying to delay the Cross T herd, and he suspects that Clay, Steve and ED SPANNY are working in league with the company. Lew heads west and runs into a furious dust storm that chokes and blinds men and cattle alike. The herd is near death from thirst when the storm ends and a misty rain falls.

CHAPTER VII

Far off, in what he knew now was south, Lew picked out the first column of his scattered herd. Two others were separated from it by perhaps three miles. On behind them he found the white tops of the wagons. But as he moved his gaze on slowly around the sharp horizon there was no sign of water nor the double butte to set him on his course. His moment's gratification sank to a heavy dread. They had come too far from the last watered camp. The cattle couldn't go on. Another day would bring its killing heat, for clouds that followed a dust storm never held long.

He was staring east; he gave his head a sudden jerk to clear it. He wiped one hand across his swollen eyes. They weren't tricking him. As if from the grass roots smoke twisted upward over there. It rose and shaped a pillar, broke and rose and broke again. Willy Nickle . . . sending up his talk!

He spurred his tired horse south. Halfway toward the scattered columns he drew his gun again and fired it. He pulled his horse around into short fast circles.

They heard his shots that time and saw his signal. Little figures of men started out toward him. He rode on and met John Quarternight first. The old man's beard was muddy white, his eyes puffed almost closed.

"Boy," he said, "we got here. Wherever that be. There's some one's camp, though, yonder."

"Willy Nickle, I think," Lew said. "I'm going to look. I'll leave you to gather up."

The creek was still two miles off, and before he reached it the smoke ended. Riding into a little grove of trees, he found only the embers, no sign of Willy Nickle at first, until he saw the forked stick. It had been thrust into the ground with one prong like a thumb pointing downstream. He followed in the stick's direction.

Sheltered from wind and rain, a snug retreat, Willy Nickle sat, contentedly smoking his black clay pipe. He threw up his left hand in a silent salute and dropped it. His gentle face was brown and smooth from a recent shave.

Lew grinned and shifted over into one stirrup, halting. "Well," he said, "we had a wind."

Willy nodded. "So you did."

"I guess," Lew said, "we clean missed the double butte. Came too far north maybe. But here's a river."

"South branch of the Pease," said Willy. He took the cherry pipe-stem from his mouth and pointed with it. "If a man heads out of here quartering east of north he'll hit a creek of the Red. He'll follow that to the Red herself, ten miles above Doan's store. Two days, maybe, if his men have made it."

In three days they were still crawling through low hills south of the Red. Blindness healed slowly in both animals and men. Three had ridden in the cook's wagon. Clay and Steve rode with Joy. They both had bandages smeared with axle grease over their eyes and sat up with her on the seat.

He had a queer feeling sometimes, seeing them in a row like that. When he dropped back along the herd he could see their fun and hear them laughing together. They sang a lot. Old songs that he used to sing with her. It took him back to Three Little Apaches; only it was Clay's big shape there now instead of his.

But today all of his crew were in their saddles, eager to reach the Red. That meant something. It was halfway to Dodge. It was the last of Texas soil. Beyond the Red River lay the Indian Nations and the north. Every trail drive marked it with a celebration of some kind.

He rode the point with Quarternight and could see old Rebel John was feeling what he felt. A man would never feel this lonesomeness about leaving any place up north. He was sure of that; not a Texas man. There was Tom Arnold riding back behind the horse herd—what must this crossing the Red River mean to one like him? It must go hard. He was leaving the biggest part of his life down here, the best part. What was Tom looking ahead to in Wyoming? Not much, so far, if he was counting on Steve. That had been his hope at the start. Well, what was he looking ahead to himself? Nothing that he could see. Not the ranch he'd planned there on the Powder when he had thought he was going to build it up alone. You didn't pen two bulls in the same pasture. Get

this herd to Ogallala. Beyond that he didn't know.

His head bobbed to the slow walk of his horse. He let it nod, peacefully drowsy, until Quarternight's quick voice came across to him.

"There she is!"

He looked up. The fold between the hills had widened. Beyond its mouth lay a five-mile level shelf of grass. Far-off red bluffs marked the river, high and shining in the sun.

He grinned and said, "A man's glad to see that old girl somehow."

"Glad when he's across her."

"Well, sure," he said, "that's right." Men had reason to want this river behind them. No other, except perhaps the Canadian with its quicksands, farther north, had taken so many lives.

In a little while he was pointing out upon the open shelf, as flat as a floor, and he could look far east along its great bend. No other herds swarmed across its grass. Doan's store and the main trail's crossing were ten miles downstream.

"We're alone here, John," he said. "That's good."

Behind them the crack of rope ends against leather sounded like pistol shots. Swing men were crowding the longhorns on. But even the cattle had sensed the river and walked at a faster pace of their own accord.

His plan had been to cross at once and go into camp on the north side. There would still be time for an afternoon's rest and the night's fun.

But riding ahead, he reached the lower bluffs of the south shore and looked down upon an angry, churning stream. The Red was full from bank to bank. There had been heavy rains somewhere west.

He swung back and met the point and told Quarternight, "She's up, John. Too high to swim. We'll have to hold over." He shook his head. "I don't like it much. We may get some neighbors we don't want." He waved his swing men up. "No use worrying about that now. I'll ride down to Doan's after we water and see what herds are on the trail."

Under the added pressure of swing riders he bent the point west toward a creek. He let the herd spread out there to drink and afterward left them standing drowsily under a two-man guard.

"Lew, is this a holiday?" asked Clay.

"Part."

"Then I'm riding down to Doan's."

It was an ordinary-enough request; a man could get a few things at the store. But that was not the reason, he felt, with Clay. He shook his head. "None of the crew's going there. I don't figure it's safe."

Clay's stare sharpened on him. "Kind of high-handed, aren't you? Maybe you'll find it hard to make that order stick!"

He didn't answer. But afterward, standing ankle deep in the water, shaving in front of a mirror propped against a willow fork, he went back to find Clay's meaning. It wasn't clear. If a man deserted against the trail boss' order he might as well quit. Clay wouldn't do that. He continued his shave. The scar made his cheek stiff.

He had forgotten about Clay's threat and he felt good, cleaned and dressed once more, walking back into the shady grove of the camp. Then he saw Ed Spanny.

Spanny had not been at the river and he had wondered. Only Jim Hope and Tom Arnold were on guard with the herd. But he was here in camp now with his horse saddled. His clothes that he had worked and slept in for a week hadn't been changed.

"Thought I'd tell you," he stated bluntly, "I'm ridin' down to Doan's. You won't need me till night."

Lew walked past him and tossed his war bag into the cook's wagon. He turned back and said, "Not this trip," and started on.

Spanny's surly growl jerked him around. "What the hell kind of a boss are you?"

He walked up close, his high shape coming above Ed Spanny's broader and more powerful build. He could feel the scar burn hot and red. But there were times like this when he let his voice come out of him in a slow drawl. "My friend," he said, "I'll tell you what kind of a boss I am. No man in my outfit fools me any. You don't. He let it hang there, watching Spanny weigh it behind his pale eyes.

They narrowed coolly. "You think you know something. What?"

"You've got no warning coming," he said, his voice still held to that quiet way, "but I'll warn you this much. I'd as leave have a rattlesnake in my bed as a spy and traitor in this camp. You don't need to ride to Doan's; I'll see your friends for you. Is that clear?"

A wicked brightness leaped into Spanny's eyes. "You talk tough. You got anything to back it up? Show or lay down, Burnet. I've called your hand!"

He didn't underestimate this man. There was the experienced gun fighter's arrogance about him. He let his muscles go slack and ready and felt only that cool alertness as he said, "Any time."

He could almost see the huge right shoulder begin its lift that would bring the gun up out of its holster. His own fingers curved when Spanny's eyes went past his and swung back. A subtle change came over him. He leaned forward a little, confiding, "Burnet, you stay clear. You've got a lot to learn, some things you don't want to know. And you've got a lot to lose." His eyes moved again.

Footsteps crackled in the dry leaves, and then Joy called gayly, "Lew! Come and look!"

She passed beyond them looking pleased, with something bundled in her arms. She was barelegged and her long hair, washed and dried, was soft around her head.

Spanny's eyes followed her through the trees. Then they came back with a knowing shrewdness. "You take my advice and you'll get your pay. One thing about you ain't hard to read." He wheeled and led his horse toward the picketed mounts.

Joy was up on her bed in the wagon, sitting crosslegged with both hands covering her lap. "Lew . . . eggs!" She lifted her hands. "Turkey eggs. I found a nest!"

He leaned in to her and turned them with mock gravity. "Real eggs. Think of that." But it was her scrubbed fragrance he was aware of, her soft hair and skin that was warm and glowing. It put a tight quietness in him that was not mockery. Then she laid both of her hands on his.

The laughter was gone from her eyes. She looked up soberly. "Lew, I've been sorry about something. Dreadfully sorry. I mean back there when Steve went blind. I wasn't hating you. It was only that everything seemed so wrong. I understand what you're going through these days. I shouldn't make it any harder."

He pulled his hand from under hers. "I've never asked for pity, Joy, not from anyone. Let me pity myself if I want to. We all do that sometimes. But I don't want it from outside."

"This isn't pity! Don't you understand?"

Something turned her lips soft and gentle, parting them with a slow and even breath. Her dark eyes searched his face. "We've meant so much to each other. Nothing must end it. I want you to know that."

She stirred him with an irritable violence. "That's past, Joy. You're aren't children any more. You've grown up and what I have is not a brother's feeling."

"I know it." Her voice was hushed.

"Look here!" He put his hands roughly on her arms and pressed them against her sides. He hurt her and wanted to hurt. "You've got one man. What do you think? You can still offer some little part of you to another?"

"No. It's only—" She faltered.

His grip tightened. "Joy, this is nothing you can play with. You'd better not try!"

Her breath was quick. He could feel the tremble of her body beneath his hard hands. He let her go and stepped back. "Anything you want from Doan's store?"

She didn't answer but only shook her head, staring at him. He wheeled from her, shaken by the violence of the feeling she had aroused.

In five miles he reached the bend of the river shelf and saw an unexpected sight beyond. Far on east of the bend a dozen trail herds flooded south of the Red made dark blots against the grass. That was the crowd he had missed by taking an unknown route. He could not judge the number from this distance, anywhere up to forty thousand, a bare fraction of the longhorns pouring north.

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After Peace Comes, What? Committee for Economic Development Seeks Ways to Maintain Employment

Survey of Community's Postwar Business Prospects Is Urged

By ELLIOTT PINE
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Within a year, and perhaps much sooner, the war in Europe will end, according to most experts, both political and military. Immediately the problems of reconverting wartime America to peacetime production will begin. Factories that have been running day and night will slow down and perhaps close. Many thousands of men will be released from the armed forces. Labor shortages will disappear, and before long, the specter of unemployment will be back.

It was to try to devise ways for the orderly return to peacetime production, and to try to avoid the mass unemployment that usually follows war, that the Committee for Economic Development was organized, a little more than a year ago. This committee is a group of the nation's foremost business executives, bankers, economists, and other technical experts. Chairman is Paul G. Hoffman, president of the Studebaker corporation. The vice chairman is the vice president of the University of Chicago. Presidents of several nationally known corporations serve on the committee.

The committee is not connected with the federal government in any way, although its office is in Washington, D. C. Its activities are split into two major branches: Research division, and Field Development division. The research division has the task of investigating all policies of business, labor and government that retard expanding employment and production. After finding out what and where the trouble is, the research division presents recommendations for suitable changes.

The field development division "has the responsibility of stimulating and helping individual enterprises to plan now for high levels of productive employment and profitable distribution in the postwar period."

There are 12 regional chairmen, 1 for each Federal Reserve district, who supervise the field development division's work in their sections. Under the regional chairmen are state chairmen, who in turn appoint chairmen of county committees. Finally, the county committees supervise the survey work of the community committees.

How Albert Lea, Minn., Does It.

A typical survey by a community committee is one conducted in Albert Lea, a city of 12,200 in Freeborn county, Minnesota. Freeborn county is on the southern edge of the state, adjoining Iowa, so the trading radius of Albert Lea includes part of three northern Iowa counties. Nearly 50,000 people in the agricultural region about the municipality trade at Albert Lea's stores. There are 11 major industries in Albert Lea and 442 businesses classed as secondary employers. There is a stove factory, a gas machine factory, a creamery, a meat packing plant, a food products maker, and several specialty products manufacturers in the city. The electric power company is located there. Being a county seat, there is considerable legal and clerical activity.

Keeping all these matters in mind, the local economic development committee began its survey of postwar business and employment possibilities. Its first step was to set up two questions, the answers to which were to be the solution of its problem. Beginning with the premise that "Somehow there would be a job paying a living wage for every worker who wanted one after the war."

First thing, said the committee, is to find out how many workers would want jobs, and how many jobs business thought it could provide after the war. It took the number employed in 1940 as a base, this being the last full year before the country entered the war. Then it added the number unemployed and seeking work in that year. These figures were:

Employed in 1940	4,266
Unemployed in 1940	721
Total prewar labor force	4,987

Then the committee obtained the employment figures for 1943, recognizing that they were abnormally high, with many women and high school students working who ordinarily would not be in industry. Some people had moved into town too, who were not expected to stay

turned, and other changes had come about. A survey among employers gave these figures:

Returning from armed forces	1,012
Returning from farms	125
Returning from other regions	250
Growth and maturity of population (1943-46)	428
Total	1,815

This total was then added to the wartime labor force:

Wartime labor force (1943)	5,655
Number returning after war	1,815
Total	7,470

Subtracted from this, however, was a sizable group who would not be in the labor market after the war. These were:

Returning to farms	125
Returning to other regions	50
Not seeking postwar jobs	734
Total	909

Taking this number from the 7,470 previous total left 6,561, which the committee called the net postwar labor force. In other words, between six and seven thousand people would be expected to find steady work in Albert Lea after the war. Obviously, the next move was to find out how many jobs the city's employers could provide. When returns came in from every employer, from smallest shop to largest factory, the results were:

Postwar labor force (as before)	5,61
Number that can be employed after war, as estimated	5,968
Albert Lea's unemployed in 1943, on this basis	593

So, about 600 people would be out of work, or nearly 10 per cent.



HAPPY STEEL WORKERS, lined up before the pay windows of a huge Pittsburgh plant now operating at capacity, are representative of the millions of factory people now earning good wages. But how many will be working when the war orders end?

after the war boom. The figures settled upon were:

Employed in 1943	5,455
Unemployed in 1943	200
Wartime labor force	5,655

The next step was more difficult. It was to try to estimate how many persons would want work after the war, when the servicemen had re-

New automobiles	1,156 cars at \$1,053 average cost—\$1,217,268
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Local Business Prospects.

The committee then turned to finding out whether business activity could not be stimulated a bit. Every business man answered a confidential questionnaire. Tabulated responses gave this salient information:

The 11 big industries gave this reply, as summarized:

Volume of business done in 1933 (gross sales)	\$ 9,040,000
Volume of business done in 1940	22,795,000
Volume of business done in 1943	51,443,000
Volume of business you expect to do in the first postwar year	49,660,000

Then the 442 secondary businesses were told that these 11 major industries expected to employ about 60 per cent more workers in the postwar period than in 1940, and 1 per cent more than in 1943, the peak year to date. With this in mind, the secondary business men guessed that their volume of sales would run about 15 per cent higher, in the years immediately following the war, than in 1943.

While the survey among business men was being made, a second one

was being conducted among a selected cross-section of the city's population to find out their buying intentions, after normal conditions returned. A similar survey was made by mail among the farmers of Freeborn county, asking them what goods they expected to buy for their farms as well as for their homes and families. Some of the things that people hoped to buy were:

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Another question put was, "How do you intend to pay for these purchases?" City people with incomes between \$1,770 and \$3,000 replied that they would pay in this manner:

From current income	38.2%
Borrowings	41.2%
War bonds	5.9%
No report	11.7%

Farm families with incomes ranging from \$1,500 to \$2,000 a year expected to pay for things thus:

Current income	64%
Borrowings	4%
War bonds	32%

In general, people with large incomes proposed to buy with cash rather than to borrow, as people of smaller means planned to do.

How Much Farm Income?

The Albert Lea committee realized fully how dependent the city was on the prosperity of the surrounding farmers. A sub-committee was working on farm income prospects while the other investigations were going on. Total income for Freeborn county was set down as follows:

Farm income, 1939	\$ 7,316,000
Farm income, 1943	20,164,000
Farm income, first postwar year	19,416,000

The postwar figure was established after analyzing the possibilities of changes in crops and livestock. Aside from maintaining hemp raising, and an increase in soybeans and some vegetable crops, the committee did not anticipate any important changes. The members did recommend establishing a soybean processing plant and a cannery.

To find out how much the city and county construction projects could be depended upon to provide employment, a survey of public works programs was made. When this sub-committee reported, it was shown that some \$15,000 worth of work had to be deferred because of war, representing about 14,000 man-hours. New projects might amount to \$390,000 of expenditures. The committee did not consider the possibility of state and federal projects. It was the committee's conclusion that little reliance could be placed on public works as a means of relieving unemployment.

After weighing all the information gleaned by the sub-committees, the general committee of Albert Lea had a sound starting point for its postwar employment plans.

Albert Lea is only one city, but it is representative of thousands of communities in the United States. Its problems are the nation's problems. It is the Committee for Economic Development's intention to help solve these problems by accurate information.

Local Investigation May Reveal Opportunities for Sales and Jobs

Findings of the community economic development survey may very possibly stimulate postwar business and employment.

Bill Bopp, a contractor, may have underestimated the buying power of the people and not realized that 592 families in the city and rural areas expect to have new homes in the first two years after the war. He may decide he can use four more men after the war to handle this construction.

Thus each employer will be "chipping away" at the total of potential unemployed. A new job may be found for one man here, another

there, three more there, and 15 more there.

Whether the total is whittled down to zero will depend entirely upon the cooperation of each individual employer and of all other groups in society, both local and national. In short, the survey figures, based in part on fact and part on estimate, only indicate possible postwar conditions. Subsequent developments and further investigations may alter the results.

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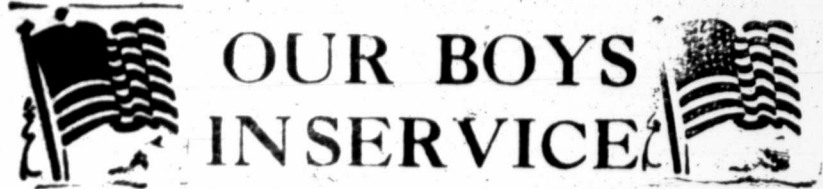
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Captain Homer Johnson, M. D. and wife and son Jerry visited his mother Mrs. Frank Johnson Tuesday and Wednesday. He has been transferred from Hamilton Field, California, to Brownwood air base.

Bob Horton left Tuesday for San Diego, California, after spending a week here with his family.

Raymond Lee St. C. is here this week from San Francisco, Calif., visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lee.

Butsie Hall left Saturday for Salt Lake City, Utah, where he is now stationed.

Winifred Mayes left Wednesday for San Diego, California, after spending the week here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olen Mayes.

Passing their physical examinations at Lubbock last Thursday were Daylon Bruce, Edgar Baumann and Clyde Banks who were selected for the army. Bruce Hart and Rex McDaniel were put in the navy and are leaving today for duty. Woodrow Pratt and Plez Beatty were selected for limited service.

Lt. Raymond Price is now in Transition school at Maxwell Field, Alabama.

Billie Joe Hale St. C. is now in training at Silver Spring, Maryland.

Leroy Lucas has been transferred from Greenville, S. C., to Laurel, Mississippi.

A cablegram was received by Mr. and Mrs. Lucas from Carl over in England.

Mrs. Spikes received a letter Tuesday from S. Sgt. Mart Spikes that he had arrived safely overseas. Mart is with the 4th Marine division.

Al Simmons in New Guinea had a short visit with Winifred who is stationed in Australia.

Pvt. and Mrs. B. D. Smith of Midland were week end visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Smith.

Mrs. Naomi Forbus received word last Thursday that her son J. C. Jr. was killed in action in Italy on January 5, 1944. J. C. entered service on May 12, 1942.

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weeks since the last one came. Tell the Lions Club I enjoyed the Christmas card very much and I hope it won't be too long before I can see you. The natives here are very funny talking and we have a lot of fun trying to understand them.

Well I better close and hit the sack. Keep up the good work and maybe it won't be too long. Maybe I will be home next Christmas. Tell everyone hello for me. Russell Coffee S'ic

Big Spring, Texas.—According to an announcement by Colonel Robert W. Warren, commandant of the Big Spring Bombardier School, Cpl. Robert H. Looney of Loraine, has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal, symbolical of "outstanding meritorious conduct" throughout the past year.

Cpl. Looney is attached to the 812th Bombardier Training Squadron.

The Big Spring school, one of the world's largest bombing colleges, graduates a new class of "hell from heaven" men every three weeks. Behind these young men who are sent forth to make the victory are those highly-trained men who must remain here to make the victors. Aircraft mechanics, clerks, armament men, instructors and many other types of specially-trained officers and enlisted men all work together for one purpose—to train bombardiers in the deadly art of precision bombing.

Each month the busy bombing planes of this school spend more than eleven thousand hours in the air, dropping approximately four and a half million pounds of bombs in practice bombing missions over the vast Texas range country. Before graduation each class of cadets must make bivouac out on a remote part of the surrounding prairie lands and engage in maneuvers which simulate actual combat conditions which they encounter when they are sent forth to pound the Axis into submission.

Colonel Robert W. Warren, commanding officer of the Big Spring Bombardier School, announces the promotion of 2nd Lt. Orval L. Shultz to the rank of 1st Lieutenant. Lt. Shultz is an Aerial Bombardier Instructor at this field.

Lt. Shultz is the son of Mrs. Ola Shultz of Loraine. He attended Loraine High School and San Angelo College, San Angelo, Texas.

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Dear Mr. King:

I have been planning on writing you for some time but I am not much hand at writing. So I just never got around to it. They are keeping us pretty busy now, this island we are on is really beautiful but I had lots rather be back. I really enjoy the old paper but it has been about six

will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

THERE was a guy come to a life-saving station on Long Island New York, during a big storm. He

was wet through and terrible cold. He looked at the door of the place kinda timid-like, and when they let him in he says, "It's very inclement without, is it not?"

"Sure, it's rough," says one of the men. "Won't you set down and rest?"

"Thanks, I will if you don't mind. And I want to ask a favor of you boys, if it's not too bold of me."

"Shoot."

"Well, when the storm has quite abated and the rain has stopped, I wonder if you'd go out and try to save my mother-in-law. She fell out of a boat a half mile off shore an hour ago, and I'm getting awfully worried about her."

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Mrs. Alfred Willford of Roscoe and son, Lt. Jasper Willford of Fort Knox, Kentucky, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mayes Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bell of Odessa, visited her mother Mrs. W. S. Thomas Wednesday night and Thursday.

W. R. Bowlin of San Diego, California, and Pfc. William Bowlin of Biloxi, Miss., are here this week visiting Mrs. Bowlin and children.

Mrs. Bill Dubois and son returned to their home in Hobbs, New Mexico, Wednesday after spending ten days here with her mother Mrs. Henry Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sisson and daughter Wanda, of Abilene spent Saturday and Sunday here visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. F. H. Baumann returned Tuesday from Thomasville, Ga., where she has visited Lt. Armondo Baumann the past two weeks.

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Refreshments were served. The club then adjourned to meet the second Tuesday in February for an all day meeting in the home of Mrs. J. L. Jones. A demonstration will be given that day on Home Nursing. Please be present.

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Seniors Finish Part of Annual

Well the Seniors are able to smile again this week since all, or at least most, of us have taken and passed the mid-term exams. All last week we, except the ones who were exempt, went around with frowns on our faces, dreading them; but the exams weren't so bad after all.

We are starting a new semester this week, and all have new books in English and Civics. We have just completed our prose and poetry and are starting on grammar. In place of Civics, we are having Texas History.

If any of you notice that the Seniors are strutting around this week, it is because they have been measured for their caps and gowns and really feel like Seniors now. We had to put in orders for our gowns early because of the shortage of help in the companies.

The first half of the annual is ready to be sent to headquarters to be printed. We are putting in extra time this week in order to have it in tip-top shape for Feb. 1 mailing to Austin.

We, the Seniors, would like to thank the Junior class for the splendid work they have been doing with the paper. They have edited the paper this week and for the past two weeks, while the Seniors were busy working on the annual. We appreciate it a lot.

Freshmen Live Thru Exams

Whew! Those most dreaded mid-term exams have already come and gone, and almost every one slipped over the line somehow. Could you tell that someone else had been writing the news the last two weeks? Your old reporter was so busy that Marie Preston substituted for her and did a swell job, too. Thanks a lot, Marie.

Yes, the Freshmen girls have another game this week with none other than the Colorado

City Freshmen who defeated us last time, but just wait and see who is the winner this time.

The Home Ec girls have finished foods and have started sewing this semester. We'll see if their sewing is any better than their cooking was. Also in English we changed our grammar books for Prose and Poetry.

Now for the what ifs: What if Marie went to Seven Wells Sunday? What if Janell had to stay home over the week-end? What if Bessie Ann had a new boy friend? What if Eula Mae didn't like to wear spike heels? What if a certain little red pickup had run into that blue Chevrolet Saturday night?

Sophomore Class Has New Pupil

Whew! That's a load off our minds. Those awful mid-term exams are over. Some people were smart enough to be exempt; but after all, look what they have missed.

This week we have two new pupils; they are twins, Ina Fae and Minnie Mae Wood. We're awfully glad to have them and we're sure they will like Loraine.

Along with the good news we have had as well. Geraldine McCarty has moved to Phoenix, Arizona, and we're sorry to lose her.

This week we have a special notice: A little Sophomore girl wants all you people to buy more War Bonds, so a certain "little Tommy" can get out of the war. Thanks.

Seriously, folks you should buy more War Bonds.

A few of the Sophs went down to the office Monday, and they all came back with new resolutions. Quote: "We'll never miss another Band practice, if we can help it." Unquote.

We know you people wouldn't be satisfied without some what ifs, so here they are: What if Dorothy ever had to take an exam? What if Mary Louise and LaRue weren't playing Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson? What if some of the girls banquet dresses got moth eaten? (tch! tch!) What if all those basketball players hadn't stopped at a "cider mill" going to Baird? We wonder?

Junior Boys Win Contest

Thank goodness those mid-term exams are over, and we have started the last semester off just right. We take American Literature this half in English, and the Home Ec girls change from chief cooks to seamstresses.

We wound up the magazine sales last Friday, making sixty-seven dollars for our part. The girls came out last and will soon be honoring the boys with a party. We haven't set the date yet but it will be soon. Magazine sales totaled \$165, part of which will be used in financing the Junior-Senior banquet.

Bro. Polnac is coming to visit this week and will be back to teach next week. We are glad he is feeling better and is anxious to have him back again.

Since the Seniors are so busy with the annual, Emma Jean has been editing the paper the last three weeks. Everyone agrees that she is doing a swell job, but that just goes to show you what we Juniors can do.

Mr. and Mrs. Tody Crowover and children brought Mrs. Tom Ray home Saturday and spent the week end here in the Ray home and in the G. L. Crowover home. Mrs. Ray had visited with her sister in Wichita Falls and in the Crowover home in Ft. Worth the past week.

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Cotton Maid Opens Bond Drive



Lovely Linwood Giscard of Donaldsonville, La., made her first official appearance as the 1944 Maid of Cotton in Washington, where she was featured in the inauguration of the Fourth War Bond Drive. A senior at L.S.U., Miss Giscard is 19 years old, five feet eight inches tall, and weighs 124 pounds. She was selected Maid of Cotton from a field of 75 candidates, and within a few weeks will begin a tour of principal American cities to assist in local War Bond campaigns and tell Americans the story of cotton's importance to the war effort. The contest, now in its sixth year, is sponsored by the National Cotton Council in behalf of the entire cotton industry.

Introducing Phannette Jean

Phannette Jean, was born near the great city of Inadale, Feb. 2, 1927. She started her school career at Cranfill Gap. She then moved and spent part of her school days at Lone Star and Pyron. Liking variety, she came to Loraine and has been here since she was in the seventh grade.

Phannette has blonde hair,

green eyes, is 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighs 126 pounds.

Her favorite day is Saturday, and for pastime she collects movie snap shots. She likes all songs especially if Bing Crosby or Dinah Shore sings them. The food that meets her approval is Pyron. Liking variety, she came to Loraine and has been here since she was in the seventh grade. She likes "Gone With the Wind" better than any movie and says that Clark Gable and Betty

Laughing Around the World

With IRVIN S. COBB

The Deadly Blow

By IRVIN S. COBB

BARNUM & BAILEY'S CIRCUS once was touring the South. A day or two earlier, an acrobat who just had closed with a traveling burlesque troupe applied for a job with the circus and was given one



His act did not give full satisfaction, and P. T. sent for the new performer and told him that his work fell short.
"You recommended yourself pretty highly when you came around the other day," said Mr. Barnum. "In fact, as I recall, you told me you were the best man in your line anywhere. Now I hear that you haven't made good."

Being an artiste, the young man naturally had his share of temperament.
"Is that so?" he answered with heavy sarcasm. "Well, lemme tell you somethin'. There ain't nobody can reflect on my abilities without answerin' to me. Why, I'm the guy that's makin' the show what it is. If I hear any more of this sort of talk, I'll quit!"

"All right, then, quit," said the famous showman.
"You said it," answered the indignant trouper. "I'm out. I've resigned. Do you know what that means, Mr. Barnum?"

"I think so," said the older man. "It means you've quit."
"Think again. Do you happen to know what town this is?"
"Certainly I do—Pine Bluff."

"Now you've got it. Here, right in the middle of the season, I'm leavin' Barnum and Bailey's circus flat, on its back in Pine Bluff, Arkansas."

(American News Features, Inc.)

Scouts Mark 34th Anniversary



More than 1,000,000 Boy Scouts, Cubs and their adult volunteers leaders will observe Boy Scout Week, Feb. 8 to 14, marking the 34th anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scouts of America. Since 1910, millions of boys and their leaders have agreed that—"It's Great to be a Scout!"

Grable are her ideal stars. Phannette hasn't picked her "dream man" yet, but he must be tall, dark, and handsome and lots of fun.

Phannette has been in the Home Ec club for four years and a faithful member in the band for three years.

She wants to be a nurse when she graduates.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Jean.

Basketball Draws Crowds

Basketball! That is what makes the headlines every week in the world of sports.

Thursday night we played Merkel here in the Gym. Our first team lost by a score of 15-32, but the second team changed the story. The score came out 23 in our favor. Nice work boys! And thanks to the good number of spectators.

For an added attraction, the school girls and the outsiders had a game. The school girls beat with a score of 8-23.

Friday, after dinner the boys and girls went to Baird. Both had hard luck and lost their game. Baird ran the score up to 29-10. The girls played the game hard and did not give up, but Baird won the game by one goal. The score was 9-11.

February 4, closes the conference basketball season. We play the Roby boys and girls here Tuesday night; Thursday we challenge the Colorado Wolves again. This time we hope to run the score up high in our favor. There will be three games, the Colorado and Loraine first and second teams and their freshman girls against our first year high school girls.

Friday night we have our last game of the season with Roscoe at Roscoe. The last game we

Political Announcements

For Congress:
George Mahon (Re-election)

For Sheriff:
J. N. (Nick) Narrell
(Re-election)

For County Treasurer:
Esther Grubbs (Re-election)

For Tax Assessor-Collector:
Bruce Hart (Re-election)

For District Clerk:
H. A. Pond (Re-election)

For District Attorney:
Truett Barber (Re-election)
Chas. L. Nunn

For County Clerk:
Basil Hudson (Re-election)

For Commissioner Precinct 4:
Moody Richardson
(Re-election)

For Public Weigher Precinct 5:
Tom Ray (Re-election)

played with Roscoe was said to have been one of the best of the season, so everyone come out next week and see all of the games. We will be looking for you.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Walker over the week-end were their sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Walker and daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Walker and sons of Hobbs, New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Walker and Joyce Walker of Sweetwater, and their daughter Allene Walker of Sweetwater.

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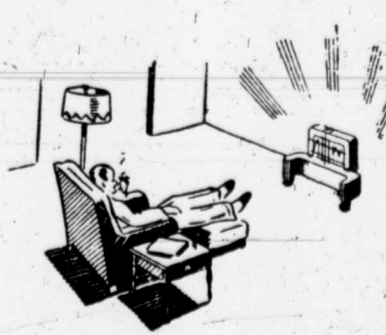
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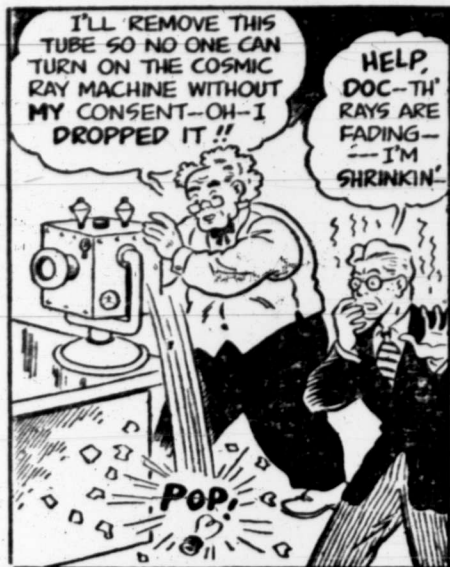
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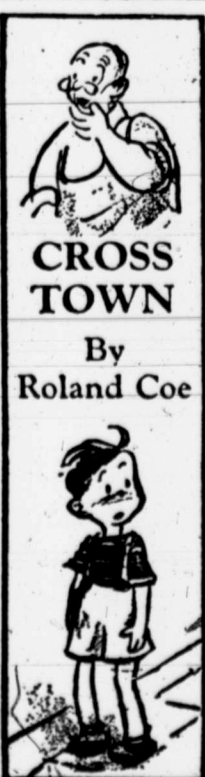


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Bombers Have Numbers

The maps of Berlin used by the Royal Canadian air force when bombing that city show the strategic buildings by their street addresses, which the R. C. A. F. obtained from a Berlin classified telephone directory, borrowed from the New York Public library.

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A General Quiz

The Questions

1. When was the American Red Cross originated?
2. What new cargo is being delivered abroad by our oil tankers?
3. Who was the first man to hold the post of secretary of agriculture in a President's cabinet?
4. Who is usually recognized as the builder of the first American automobile that ran?
5. How long has the castle been the insignia of the United States engineers?
6. Which was the first planet discovered in historical times?

The Answers

1. In 1866.
2. Special devices now permit tankers to carry as deck cargo almost all types of fighter planes and torpedo boats requiring shipment by sea.
3. Norman J. Colman under Cleveland.
4. Charles E. Duryea.
5. Since 1840.
6. Uranus (in 1781).

U. S. Soldier on Trial May Have Civilian Attorney

An American soldier is allowed, before his trial by a general court-martial, to examine the evidence and the witnesses of the prosecution. During the trial, at which he may be represented by his own civilian lawyer, the defendant is not required to testify under oath if he chooses to make an unsworn statement.

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ARMY DOCTORS

It was lost in the news shuffle, but Dr. John H. Musser of the Tulane university medical school, a member of a special committee named by Secretary of War Henry Stimson to study medical conditions in the army, made some startling admissions recently at a senate committee hearing on the utilization of doctors by the war department.

Testifying before the Pepper subcommittee on wartime health and education at a hearing in Pascagoula, Miss., Musser was asked if the army had too many doctors.

"Yes," he replied. "There has been too much indiscriminate recruiting of medical men without due regard for civilian needs."

"Do you think that the army has utilized its doctors properly?" he was asked.

"Definitely no," replied the Tulane professor. "The present system of medical service in the army is based on a procedure that dates back to the Spanish-American war and calls for the recruiting of a disproportionate number of physicians from civilian life."

To illustrate his point, Doctor Musser pointed out that Tulane university's unit of doctors in the army medical corps had spent more than a year "twiddling their thumbs" at Camp Benning, Georgia, while awaiting a call for overseas duty. At this time, Doctor Musser said, there was a crying need for doctors by civilians.

Dr. Musser said he realized that the need for doctors was far greater than in the last war, but that the army medical corps wasn't making the fullest use of its personnel.

WILD ANIMALS' HOLIDAY

Since the army has a priority on guns and shells, there hasn't been much hunting for two years, with the result that wild animals are creeping up on civilization. Both farmers and state officials are demanding cartridges to drive off this invasion.

War production board has received urgent messages from state officials in every part of the country. Pennsylvania is alarmed at the boldness of bears and deer. New York says rabbits eat Victory gardens. Louisiana needs shotguns to drive off the flocks of rice birds.

This explosive situation was the last task handled by Maury Maverick before he left WPB's government division, to become WPB vice chairman in charge of the small plants division.

He tried to raise the civilian cartridge quota from 12 per cent of normal to 50 per cent. At first, the army was willing. But that was before Cairo-Teheran. After the Big Three powwow the army hinted that it would need everything for the invasion, and declined to pass the ammunition.

When the news reached the backwoods, says Maverick, the deer did a dance, and bears celebrated with big bear hugs.

COSMOPOLITAN CONGRESS

The farm bloc is all-powerful in the house of representatives, but you'd never guess it to judge by the number of members who are real, active farmers. There are only 30.

Lawyers, because of their natural bent for politics, continue to dominate the house membership by an overwhelming majority. Out of a total 435 members, 234 are lawyers. Business men rank next, with a delegation of 60.

There are 27 teachers and professors, 23 writers and newspaper men, 9 former government officials, 9 insurance agents, 4 doctors, 2 engineers, 2 dentists, and 2 certified public accountants.

Only one minister holds a congressional seat, Rep. Charles A. Eaton of New Jersey, former rector of the Madison Avenue Baptist church in New York city, although Rep. Walter H. Judd of Minnesota was a medical missionary in China for several years.

The sports world is represented chiefly by Congressmen Joseph O'Brien of New York, former professional wrestler and football player; Samuel Weiss of Pennsylvania, a football referee who still officiates in National Pro league games; and La Vern R. Dilweg of Wisconsin, former All-America footballer at Marquette university.

The rest of the membership hails from a miscellany of trades and professions, including a number of laboring men, miners and mill workers, two druggists—Representatives Carl Durham of North Carolina and Harvey Tibbott of Pennsylvania—and a veterinarian, Congressman George W. Gillie of Indiana.

CAPITAL CHAFF

D. B. Robertson, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, privately denounces Bill Green's statement that the railroad strike would never have been pulled. Robertson says he and his men meant every word of it.

Because of his interest in Communism, singer Paul Robeson has been prevented from making USO concert tours of U. S. army camps. The state department even denies him a passport to go to England, where he is immensely popular.

Kathleen Norris Says: Should Her Husband Be Told?

Bell Syndicate—WNU Features.



"Here is a wife of 28 with two small sons and a devoted husband, who is carrying on like a girl in her teens. Should her husband be told?"

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

PROBLEM OF A CHEATING WIFE

When a soldier's wife is unfaithful to him, and he is far away in the South Pacific, should he be told or shouldn't he? writes Aubrey Davis, from an eastern capital. "My sister-in-law and I have been living together since both our men went away to war," her letter goes on, "and I am intensely distressed at Anne's conduct. I'm not moralizing, I have my own faults, I know, but here is a wife of 28, with two small sons and a devoted husband, who is carrying on like a girl in her teens."

"Anne is extremely pretty and she goes out with men all the time—I accepted that situation. She sleeps late, laughs over the flowers and candy that arrive regularly, claims that Billy, my brother, would be the first to want her to have a good time. She is out all night, practically every night. She stays home for the children's supper—I have two little girls—dresses afterward and is gone at about seven."

Soldier Has Confidence in Wife.
The real tragedy is that Billy adores Anne, and she evidently writes him most affectionately, for his letters are filled with gratitude. She sends him snapshots of the boys, books, presents. He has the utmost confidence in her: his wife, the mother of his two loved little boys, his Anne. The truth would shatter him, he could never trust her again, and yet, it is right to let him go on writing her of his love and longing, while she is wasting all her emotions on another man?

"There is a fine group of service wives in this particular town; we meet, read, sew, get into canteen and Red Cross work, enjoy our children, our Victory gardens, movies and radio programs. My own life is filled to the brim with interests, many of which I will carry on when my own John gets home, because they broaden my outlook so much. But none of these interests Anne, she lives a mysterious life of her own. She says she loves Billy as much as ever and simply can't help attracting men to her, and that when Billy gets home she'll tell him herself that she's been foolish, and that he'll forgive her. But if I know my brother, he won't, and it makes me miserable to have this situation go on and on, and have her apparently feel herself quite beyond the reach of the law. What should I do?"

My dear Aubrey, you should do nothing. Except to go on with your own reasonable and well-ordered life, and stand ready to extend friendship and help to Anne when the crash comes. Say nothing of her affairs to anyone, ignore them, for the time is approaching when they can't be ignored, and having sowed the wind she will reap the whirlwind.

Should your brother ever reproach you for having kept him in the dark, you have the perfect excuse! It is nobody's business to interfere between man and wife; your tattling would only lower you in his esteem and in your own. He needs everything that affection can do for him now; even if it is only Anne's rather shallow affection.

Let the situation rest as it is for the time being. You are the one to be made uneasy now; presently it will be Billy's turn.

Anne Will Pay for Foolishness.
But in the end it will be Anne who pays the piper. Life has a way of catching up with such women. They

PROBLEM OF A CHEATING WIFE

Anne is married to a soldier in the Pacific. They have two children. She is pretty and through her natural ability to attract men is disloyal to her husband. She is out almost every night and lately her time is being taken up by one particular man. While this is going on she writes affectionate letters to her husband and he suspects nothing. He continues to think of her as his loyal wife and loving mother of his two children. Her sister-in-law asks if the husband should be informed of this deplorable condition. Kathleen Norris tells her not to tell the husband at this time.

think that they are just having a good time, yielding to the insidious temptation to an illicit love affair, doing, as they love to say, what every woman would do if she had the chance.

What they really are doing is pulling down the very structure of civilization and social responsibility. And never in the world did we need a strong moral force in our domestic affairs as we do now.

We need true women, faithful to the vows they made, faithful to the claims of their children, faithful to the highest ideals of wifehood and motherhood. We need service from all these lonely wives; service on the battlefield and the home front. We need honesty: honesty in the letters we write, in the markets and shops, in every social contact we make.

Europe's civilization is going to be in ruins for a while after the war. Over central Europe demoralized bands of women and children will wander, not knowing where their country is, or if they have a country. Libraries, museums, schools, hospitals already lie in ashes; nations are split in half, nationalities hopelessly intermixed. Invasion, slave labor, evacuations, exile have all had their fearful hour; now will come famine and pestilence and homelessness beyond anything our imaginations can reach.

America must stand firm in the early years of readjustment. She must hold tight to her own civilized, self-controlled, humanitarian ways, if the world is to be saved at all. She will have no place for slackers, for vain weak women who are unable to appreciate the incalculable benefits of a man's love, little sons to raise, the safety and plenty of our own wonderful country. Anne will find herself alone, superfluous, unwanted in the new day that strong men and women will build.

FIVE TIPS FOR BOND SPEAKERS

War bond promoters facing their first speaking assignments were offered five suggestions by Joseph F. O'Brien, professor of speech at Pennsylvania State college.

1. Think of your audience as your friends and neighbors. Make your speech sound as if you were talking things over with them.

2. Begin humorously.

3. Give down-to-earth facts—such as how many bonds it takes to buy a single jeep.

4. Don't forget the purely selfish appeal. While it's patriotic to buy bonds, there's also a positive personal gain.

5. Close with a serious note. War is serious business.

Improved Uniform International SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for February 6

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JESUS FEEDS THE MULTITUDES

LESSON TEXT—Mark 6:35-44; 8:1-9. GOLDEN TEXT—I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.—John 6:35.

Hungry! That word describes the crying need of the greater part of the world's population. Men who have vaulted themselves because of their ability and ingenuity have brought the nations of the earth into such awful confusion that even God's abundant provision cannot reach the needy ones.

God is concerned about man's physical need just as truly as He is about spiritual needs. This story brings Christianity into action on a level that all will appreciate—the need of food for the body. It works there as it does everywhere.

The supply of every need of man is God. "My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:19). Countless Christians have found it to be true that we must trust God—completely—and for everything.

The stories of the feeding of the two groups of people show the wrong and the right attitude toward man's need. In two approaches to the problem the disciples were wrong. Then Christ showed them the right way.

I. They Can Take Care of Their Own Need (6:35, 36).

"Send them away"—that was the plea of the disciples when the multitude of those who had followed Him became hungry. The people were there because they were interested in Christ. They had come in a hurry (v. 33) and had not brought food. The problem was on the disciples' hands, and they sought the easiest way out. Let them shift for themselves—"Send them away."

The church has followed their example in dealing with the social problems of the people down through the years. The result is that being denied fellowship, comfort, and help by a church which was too busy building up a vast organization of a beautiful order of worship, the common people have responded to the appeal of political leaders who have provided a substitute for what the church should have given them.

When Jesus put upon them the direct responsibility to feed the people, the disciples changed their "slogan" and said:

II. We Should Like to Help, but We Cannot (6:37).

Reckoning hastily on what a small boy had brought for his lunch (trust an alert boy to be ready!), the disciples soon demonstrated that it was impossible to feed this great throng. (See similar reasoning in Mark 8:4).

Logic is such a devastating thing when it operates apart from faith in God. They were absolutely right in their reasoning and in their calculations, but they had forgotten the one factor that really counted. Jesus was there, and Jesus is God, and God is omnipotent.

As we face the need of the world now and after the war, we wonder how the peoples of other lands can be fed without depriving our own land of what it needs. It is a great problem, and we ought to pray for those who must work with it.

But let us not forget that all that we have comes from God, and that He is able to do "exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think" (Eph. 3:20). The Christ who multiplied the loaves and fishes is our Living Lord today, and ready and able to do it again.

III. Jesus Said, "I Have Compassion on the Multitude" (6:38-44; 8:1-9).

He started right. Instead of shutting His heart against the tender desire to help, He let His love for the people control. Then instead of magnifying the difficulties, He multiplied the provisions. And lo, there was enough for all, and to spare.

"He commanded . . . and they did all eat" (vv. 39, 42). When God speaks, all the limitations of the finite disappear, and the needs of men are fully met—with "twelve baskets full of fragments" left over!

Note the orderly manner in which our Lord met this situation. Five thousand men, with women and children to swell the throng, were seated on the grass. Jesus took the loaves and fishes and blessed them. You who forget to return thanks at the table, notice that quiet and meaningful act. Then He broke the loaves and divided the fishes. No doubt they were multiplied as the disciples passed them out to the people.

God is able to do that very thing even in our day. Perhaps not in just the same manner, but surely those who serve Him have marvels as they have seen that "little is much when God is in it." Let those who labor in difficult places with limited resources take heart—and trust God.

Note the care with which the fragments were collected for future use. It took this war to teach America how shamefully wasteful it has been.

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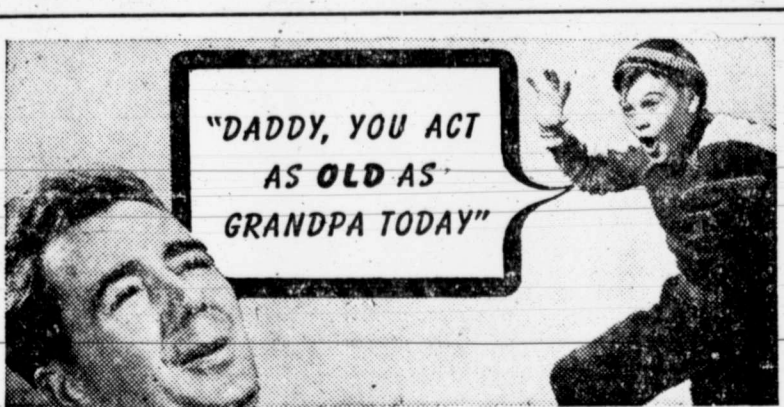
It Takes the Right Man To Do the Job Right

Walking up the street one day a federal officer was attracted by frightful screams coming from a house. He ran up the steps to investigate, and found that a little boy who lived there had swallowed a quarter, and his mother, not knowing what to do, was frantic. The man, quickly sizing up the situation, caught the little fellow by the heels, and, holding him up, gave him a few shakes, whereupon the coin dropped to the floor. "Well, mister," exclaimed the grateful mother, "you sure know how to get it out. Are you a doctor?" "No, madam," replied the official, "I'm a collector of internal revenue."

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FEBRUARY 5

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NEWS on

SUNDAY and MONDAY

and

THURSDAY and FRIDAY

SUNDAY-MONDAY
FEBRUARY 6-7

Flight For Freedom

Drama
Rosalind Russell
Fred MacMurray
Before Pearl Harbor, they said
that story's dynamite—don't
dare tell it!

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 8-9

Holy Matrimony

Comedy
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It's a blessed event for the
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THURSDAY-FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 10-11

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COMEDY
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She was a good mixer behind
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When she crashed Society!

Always Comfortable
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LOCALS

Hospitalization for the entire
family. See Dale Warren, Colo-
rado Mutual Aid Ass'n. 225tf

Mrs. F. N. Kelley and daugh-
ter of Kingman, Arizona, are
here this week visiting her par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Brians.

Doyle Mayes spent the week
end with his cousins John and
James Norcross in Lubbock. Mr.
and Mrs. Olen Mayes and Win-
dell Mayes S2c, spent Sunday
there in the Norcross home.

Luther Mearse was brought
from the Young Hospital to the
home of his daughter, Mrs. Les-
ter Richburg, Sunday after being
ill there last week.

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Pecans paper shell .39

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Pvt. Olin W. Dennis, 25, Delmar, Md., was shot through the leg by a sniper at Alcatraz, Africa. He has been in the Halloran Hospital for over six months because of a bone infection. He is buying Bonds regularly.



Sgt. Edwin Johnson, 27, Long Island City, N. Y., suffered shrapnel wounds in throat and neck when a Stuka bombed an ammunition truck he was driving in Sicily. He couldn't speak for two months but has since appeared at Bond rallies.



Pvt. James C. McNally, 36, New York City, suffered a fractured leg when his supply truck hit a road mine in Algeria. That's all he remembers. He has a brother in the Signal Corps. His wife works, buys Bonds regularly.



Pvt. Arthur Bevis, 22, Bascom, Fla., went through African campaign without a scratch but in Sicily one of his buddies stepped on a mine. Bevis' leg was amputated, shrapnel partially paralyzed his fingers. He wears the Purple Heart, buys Bonds, too.



Pvt. Benjamin Ayscue, 26, Henderson, N. C., received compound fracture of leg and other injuries in Sicilian campaign when his truck ran over a mine. Ayscue has brother in the army, is married and has one child. Family buys Bonds regularly.

Classified Ads

NOTICE: Our February Special: 200 straight run Tex. U. S. approved White Leghorn Chicks for \$20.00. Jamison Hatchery, 1105 E. Broadway, Sweetwater, Texas. 2tc

For Sale—1937 Dodge motor, 1927 Chevrolet transmission and differential. Also pigs. James Bennett. 1tp

For Sale—Good piano, \$35.00. Willie Coley. 1tp

For Sale—Pecan trees one and two years old. Also windmill. Mrs. Lee Walker. 1tc

Several rooms for rent—See Mrs. J. D. Norman.

Re-upholstering — Chairs and couches. Prices reasonable. See Calvin Forbus. 4tp

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Baptist Church Notes

Mrs. D. W. Haralson

"Moreover, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful."

A letter from one of our American soldiers was read to the entire church Sunday morning by Mrs. Hubert Thomas. It expressed the young man's disappointment on his last furlough home, because his mother and father were not interested in his becoming a Christian. They did not even attend church any more because of the gas shortage. Is this what your son finds when he comes home?

Mothers and fathers were invited to take the place of sons and daughters, in service who used to attend B. T. U. A number responded and a very interesting discussion was given by Mrs. J. C. Hall about our missionary opportunities now and after the war.

The men's Bible class reported a Bond Sunday morning. Our services were held Sunday morning by Bro. Darling from Abilene. His wife came with him. Both messages were good.

Our pastor, Bro. Polnac, who has been very ill attended the morning service. Our hearts are very grateful because of his recovery and that he will soon be back with us. May God strengthen him physically and spiritually for the great tasks ahead.

Welcome to the boys in service who were with us Sunday. We were also happy to have the many other visitors present.

Our entire Sunday School lesson is a splendid illustration of the fact that men and women all about us are in great storms. There may come the rain of discouragement, the floods of anxiety and the winds of sorrow all at one time to make up this storm in our lives.

Our lesson shows that our Christ is the master of each and all of these storms. The only security is to ground our life on the foundation which is Christ. All other foundations are sinking sands.

"Why are ye fearful? How is it that ye have no faith?" Mark 4:40. Christ asked the disciples this question. He asks us the same question today. We are his children. He is our master. He has control over all storms. The storm of the heart, the storm of the soul and the storm of the

Methodist Church

John W. Price, Pastor

Church school at 10:30. Morning worship at 11:30. The pastor brings the message on "Jesus, the same yesterday, today, and forever." At 7:45 the Youth Fellowship and adult study groups will meet.

At 8:15 Rev. C. A. Long, the District Superintendent, will bring the message and immediately following the preaching hour hold our 1st quarterly conference. Every Methodist is urged to be present.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:15.

Hospitalization for the entire family. See Dale Warren, Colorado Mutual Aid Ass'n. 225tf

Mrs. Earl Brown of Valley View is in the Young Hospital at Roscoe this week suffering from flu.

Charlie Farris of Brady visited friends and relatives here Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Cranfill of Clairette visited in the homes of their daughters, Mrs. Dub Harris and Mrs. Ab Beights, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Beights and Mrs. Maud Farris visited Mrs. G. C. Farris in Coahoma Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pickens of Colorado City visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Jarrett Sunday.

Mrs. Cliff McKay of Coleman visited over the week end here in the homes of her brothers Floyd, Alfred and Jack Richey.

Byron Bennett of Lubbock visited here with his mother Mrs. Lily Bennett over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Richey, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Richey and daughter Jackie, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Richey, Mr. and Mrs. John Horton, and Mrs. Garland Cary and children all attended a family dinner Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Armstrong in Colorado City.

Mrs. Charles Spikes and son of Monahans visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Spikes Saturday. Jimmie remained and will visit here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Groom and T'Sgt. and Mrs. Lewis Baskind of Abilene visited Mrs. Dora Hamilton here Sunday.

Frances Rhodes and Wanda Richey left this week for Fort Worth where they will work.

Mrs. Earl McCoy and baby are here from Childress visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Coley.

body. Why are ye fearful? Why is it that ye have no faith?

Is God's power real to us today? Did God have anything to do with the part the weather played in the deliverance of the British at Dunkirk? Dr. Rushbrook says it was direct answer to prayer. Did God have anything to do with the return of nearly a hundred of our missionaries on the Gripsholm? Dr. M. T. Rankin says they were protected from torpedoes by a web of chain of prayer.

What is the testimony of Rick- enbacker and his men? Did God have anything to do with their rescue? Is God's power real today? "Why are ye fearful? How is it that ye have no faith?" Did you notice the spirit in song Sunday morning as the whole church sang "Have Thine Own Way, Lord?"

The children of our missionaries meet in Ridgecrest every summer. Their motto is: "Got any river they say isn't crossable? Got any mountains that can't be cut through? We specialize in the wholly impossible things that only God can do." This should be the motto of every Christian.

Mrs. Chas. Rutledge, is a patient in the Young Hospital in Roscoe this week.

Mrs. H. A. Cook, Mrs. Bonnie Burk and Mrs. Darley of Colorado visited Mrs. John Marshall Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bomer of Big Spring visited in the Horace Miles home over the week end.

Mrs. John Long of Billings, Oklahoma, is here this week visiting her sister, Mrs. Chas. Rutledge and family.

Mrs. J. E. Spikes and daughters Gladys and Fae visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Spikes Sunday in Snyder.

Mrs. Naomi Forbus and family

J. W. King was a business visitor in Dallas Friday.

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