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Grand Jury Makes Report of Convict Case

Clears Sheriff Long and Burton of Blame

After indicting two state convicts, Howard Veasey and Theodore Infinger for first degree murder last week the grand jury convened again Monday to investigate further into the incidents which occured prior to the death of Jailer Will Raines, which it is alleged was caused by treatment he received when the two state convicts seized his keys and gun and held him captive within the jail.

The grand jury's report, which completely clears Sheriff E. G. Long and State Attorney Grady Burton of any responsibility for the two convict trusties being allowed their freedom while here, reads as follows:

To the Honorable D. O. Rogers, Judge presiding:

We, the Grand Jury, empaneled and sworn in and for the body of the County of Highlands at this the fall term, A. D. 1942 in the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit of Florida in for said county respectfully report to the court that we have examined all matters brought to our attention and in such cases as in our opinion the circumstances warranted we have found and returned two bills.

The Grand Jury has made a complete investigation into the causes of and the events immediately prior to the death of Mr. Will Raines, former jailer at the Highlands County jail. We have found and separately returned an indictment charging Howard Veasey and Theodore Infinger with the first degree murder of Mr. Raines.

Public rumors and gossip are not matters of concern for a grand jury except under circumstances where they grow to such proportions as to question or throw suspicion upon the official conduct and judgement of public officers. In such a case, therefore it would seem proper for this grand jury to inquire into all of the surrounding circumstances connected with the presence in Sebring of four state convicts. Such an inquiry has been made by us for the reason that widespread reports would lead one to believe that some of our local officials had been negligent of their duty in permitting certain privileges and freedom of action to the convicts among whom was Howard Veasey and Theodore Infinger, who had been transferred to Sebring to testify in the case of State of Florida vs. Howard Terry.

After thorough investigation of these rumors regarding the neglect of duty by Sheriff Long and other county enforcement officers, we find that they followed instructions outlined to them by the state authorities and transmitted to them by the state authorities and transmitted to the local officers through the state attorney.

All of these convicts were trusties and when they were delivered in Sebring, Sheriff Long and State Attorney Burton were advised that these convicts being trusties were not to be locked in jail and were entitled to their privileges as trusties but that food and sleeping quarters were to be furnished them at the jail.

The four convicts referred to were transferred to Sebring from either the State prison at Raiford or from State road camps. Two of these convicts, Higginbotham and Webster, were not involved in any trouble while they were here.

On three previous occasions when these same convicts were transferred to Sebring to testify in the Terry matter, these same privileges were allowed them and in no instances did they or either of them violate their privileges in any manner. On each of these occasions these convicts were brought here either by guards or a state prison transfer agent. On the first occasion the local officers were informed by the State Prison Superintendent Chapman that these men were all trusties and being trusties they were entitled to their privileges as such.

On January 5, 1943, the aforesaid prisoners, Veasey and Infinger were seen in Lake Placid by a county enforcement officer. They apparently had complete freedom to come and go as they pleased be-

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Barnett Bank Elects Officers; Deposits Double

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Barnett Bank of Avon Park Thursday resulted in the election of D. M. Barnett, chairman of the board, and W. R. Barnett, J. S. Francis, C. H. Walker and S. F. Longbottom as other members of the board of directors.

W. R. Barnett was re-elected president of the bank, C. H. Walker, vice president, S. F. Longbottom, cashier, and W. D. Dorminey, assistant cashier.

The bank has more than doubled its deposits during the past year, and has now passed the million dollar mark. Deposits January 27, 1943 were listed at $1,222,878.18, as compared with $556,227.87 on January 22, 1942, a gain of $665,650.31.

Willard Roberson Dies in Army Camp in California

Pvt. Willard Roberson, 25, of Avon Park, died at Camp Haan, California on Tuesday, death having resulted from menigocaccus Septicemia, according to report received by the family. Death followed a brief illness, details of which were not known to the family.

Pvt. Roberson entered the army on December 19 when he was sent to Camp Blanding. He returned here for a week and left again on December 27. He went to Camp Haan, in California on January 1.

The deceased was born in Jesup, Ga. He had lived here for a number of years, and was formerly employed by Avon Florida Citrus Corporation. In November 1940 he was married to Miss Melba Hawkins, who survives him. Other survivors are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Roberson, Surrency, Ga., and two sisters, Mrs. J. A. Sharp, Rocky Mountain, N. C., and Mrs. Eula Wainwright, Kingsland, Ga.

The body will be shipped here for burial.

Two Groups of Colored Men Are Inducted

Two groups of Highlands county colored men are leaving within a few days for the U. S. Army induction center at Camp Blanding to undergo examination preliminary to entering the service.

The first group called by the Selective Service Board left Tuesday. Edwin Samuel White, Johnnie Ponder, Jack Charles Howard, Robert C. Olds, Robert Reed, all of Sebring; Nathaniel Hardy, Henry Brown, both of Avon Park; Leroy Lewter, Walterboro, S. C., Robert Dean Perkins, Tallahassee; Wash Hunter, Jr., Thompson, Ala; Robert Davis, New Haven, Conn.

Harry Showard and Willie James Brown, both of Sebring and transferred from Savannah, Ga., and St. Augustine, respectively are also members of the group which left Tuesday.

Included in the second call which will leave for Camp Blanding, February 4 are the following colored men:

James Samuel Davis, Reuben Howard, Willie David Henderson, Herman Broxey, all of Sebring; Humphrey Miles, Lucious McRae, Jeremiah Pompey Boone, Willie Edward Jones, Richard Shine, all of Avon Park; Wilkins Duke, Vester Lee Range, both of Lake Placid; and Harvey Scott Williams, Greenville, S. C.

Coast Guard Open for Enlistments

A small quota for February to be filled from men seventeen years old and men between the ages of 38 and 45 was announced today by the Coast Guard recruiting office in Tampa.

All applicants must be citizens of the United States. They must have at least 20|30 uncorrected vision in each eye; must not be color blind; must not be less than 5 feet, 6 inches in height, and must pass a physical examination. Seventeen year olds must have consent of parents or Guardian.

Applications for enlistment can be made through the Tampa office located in the Maas Office Building, 205 Zack St. Physical examinations will be given in Tampa.

Merchants To Investigate High Prices

To Determine if Any Basis For Complaints

Complaints of high commodity prices in Avon Park were taken up by a meeting of merchants Tuesday night, called together by the chamber of commerce, to get to the bottom of street talk that prices are higher here than in surrounding towns.

A committee was appointed to investigate prices in Sebring, Frostproof and Lake Wales and determine whether or not the complaints are justified. President Charlie Lanier appointed a Fact Finding committee composed of Charles O. Locke, Mrs. Earl W. Hartt and Mrs. C. Parke Anderson. This committee was asked to visit stores in the neighboring towns, and price at least 100 items for comparison. Special attention will be given to food prices. Grocery stores and meat markets will be visited, and cafes, restaurants and hotels will be canvassed to get the low down on prices. This information will be assembled and prices compared with local prices in comparable places of business, and this information will be reported back to the chamber of commerce.

Chief complaints are said to have come from Army personnel, and the investigation is being conducted to determine whether or not there is foundation for rumors.

Another committee, composed of Dr. R. H. Jordan, Mrs. Paul Rumpsa and Mrs. C. W. Roberts was authorized and appointed, which will be known as a grievance committee. It will be their duty to hold sessions to consider complaints. Specific cases of alleged overcharging should be reported to this committee, according to the plan outlined.

Lanier, in outlining the case to merchants, said generalized complaints had been reported, but no specific instances named. "If our prices are out of line, there must be some reason for it. We must take notice of the complaints. If they are justified, they should be corrected. If there is no foundation for the complaints, then the merchants should be vindicated," Lanier stated.

F. E. John, manager of the B & B grocery stated that some 200 items had been advanced in his store in recent weeks, with approval and authorization of OPA. Even with these increases, the store showed less profit in the past six-week period that in the preceding period, he said.

S. G. Patterson, manager of the A & P said he felt some specific instances of overcharging should be made in order to have something to work on. Generalized complaints were unfair, he said, due to general misunderstanding by the public of price ceilings.

Ted Ward, owner of Ward's 5 & 10 stores, here and in Sebring and Haines City, blamed higher prices on the fact that local stocks had been sold out, since the bombing range work started here, and the replacement price of new stock were higher. The same thing happened in Sebring when the base was under construction there, he said. Workers moved in and cleaned out old stocks. Merchdants were than forced to restock at the new prices. Retail prices were advanced, and the cry went up that merchants were profiteering, whereas they were merely raising prices to meet new wholesale advances. Ward said he had figures to prove that gross profit on his stores were 5.6 percent below a chain of two 5 & 10 stores operated in Lake Wales and Winter Haven.

Peeples Opens Vegetable Market

I. M. Peeples has opened a fresh vegetable market on Forrest avenue across from Hall's Dry Cleaners, and will carry a line of fresh farm produce, poultry and eggs. He also announces that he will pack and ship gift boxes of fruit.

RELATIVE DIES IN EAU GALLIE

E. G. Burton spent Thursday in Eau Gallie, where he was called by the death of his step-mother Mrs. Alice Burton, 73, who died on Wednesday. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon.

M|Sgt. Batson Reported Missing In North Africa

Master Sergeant Arthur B. Batson, 24, who has been with the U. S. Air Forces in North Africa, has been reported as missing since January 15. His mother, Mrs. Mandy J. Batson, was so notified by the war department this week. Batson entered the army December 24, 1940, received training at various fields, and went over to Africa with the occupation forces recently.

County Doubles Its Quota For Children's Home

Highlands county nearly doubled its quota the past year in making donations to the Children's Home Society of Florida. The Society reported Highlands county had given $468.61 during the year in cash and $57.00 in other than cash. The county's quota had been set at $275 for the year. Contributions from various towns of the county were reported:

Avon Park, $180.70 cash, $28.00 other than cash; Lake Istokpoga, $4.10 in cash; Lake Placid, $64.00 cash, $15.00 other than cash; Sebring, $218.81 in cash, $14.00 other than cash; Venus $1.00.

The sponsoring committee in Avon Park is: C. E. Crabtree, chairman; Rev. R. I. Brown, vice chairman; Mrs. H. E. Keller, treasurer; and W. C. Beckett, Walter S. Betts, Mrs. Walter S. Betts, Mrs. C. E. Crabtree, J. S. Francis, J. Paul Garber, C. R. Ginn, Mrs. C. R. Ginn, Mrs. H. E. Godwin, Mrs. Sue Gregory, Mrs Demos Mandis, M. V. Pilcher, H. C. Price, Mrs. G. P. Thayer, and Mrs. E. G. Todd

Call Made For Aircraft Mechanic Junior Instructors

A call has come to the local office of the United States Employment Service for Junior Instructors in the Army Air Forces Technical School, according to C. C. Miller, manager.

Junior Instructors will pursue a course of study in aircraft mechanics or aircraft engine work for three to six months, followed by a period of actual teaching experience; after a probationary teaching period, outstanding individuals will be eligible for promotion to assistant instructor at $2600 per year. Trainees will be paid $2000 a year while in training. These places are open to both men and women over 18 years of age with no age limit, and training will be conducted in North Carolina.

The qualifications are as follows: graduation from a standard high school and in addition one of the following types of experience or training—(1) one year of study in physical science, mathematics, industrial education or education at a college or university of recognized standing; (2) one full year of technical experience as an aircraft mechanic, aircraft engine mechanic or automobile mehanic; (3) possession of a Civil Aeronautics Administration airplane mechanic's or airplane engine mechanic's certificate; (4) possession of a Civil Aeronautics Administration ground instructor's airplane or airplane engine certificate; (5) completion of a defense training course in airplane or airplane engine mechanics in a program administered under authority of the U. S. Office of Education; (6) six months of full time or one year of night school experience in teaching aircraft or shop subjects.

Anyone meeting any of the above requirements and interested in this work is asked to contact the United States Employment Service at 215 South Tennessee Avenue immediately.

W. C. T. U.

The WCTU will meet at the First Baptist church Thursday night at 8 o'clock. Dr. Wade Smith will give a talk, and there will be special music. The regular executive board meeting will be held at 7:30 preceding the membership meeting.

POINCIANNA LODGE No. 227
F. & A. M.

Meets every first and third Mondays, 8 o'clock, P. M. Visiting brothers are most welcome.
S. Colquitt Pardee, Secretary.

City Has Plan To Sell Property To the Public

Will List and Advertise To Clear up Taxes

The city adopted a plan submitted by Mayor E. A. DeLaney Tuesday night for listing all city owned property and offering it to the public, in a move to clear the books of delinquent taxes, long tied up in property upon which the city had either foreclosed or bought up trough the I. I. Board.

Councilman S. E. Booth was appointed to prepare a list of properties for sale, and have them advertised in the Sun. This list will probably be ready for publication next week.

The mayor's plan calls for listing all property and putting a "price tag" on each piece, and offering it to the public. Included in the advertisement, will also be the amounts of state and county taxes due on each piece, so that all information can be made readily available at the city hall.

Red Cross Camp And Hospital Service Formed

A meeting to organize a Red Cross Camp and Hospital Service Council for Central Florida was held in Sarasota January 22nd. Representatives of the American Red Cross, officers from central Florida military bases, chairman of Red Cross chapter activities and delegates from local communities were present.

Highlands County chapter was represented by Field Directors John B. Schwertman and Vincent R. Brice, several officers from Avon Park and Henderson Field bases, Miss Cornelia Smith, Mrs. Ben Albritton and Mrs. Edgar Weaver from Sebring, Mrs. E. L. Tapper from Lake Placid and R. E. Maysack from Avon Park.

E. K. Meacham, Assistant Director of Special Projects, explained the purpose and mechanics of a council. Its function is to supply items useful to soldiers at the military bases which can not be supplied immediately by the army.

The immediate need at the bases is to equip the day rooms which have been erected for soldiers off duty but have not been supplied with furniture. One day room was reported to be equipped with a card table and a Coca Cola machine and nothing else.

The need at the Avon Park base has been surveyed by its officers who report that nine new day rooms are to be finished within the next eight weeks and that the minimum requirements for each room are:

4 comfortable chairs, 2 couches or settes, 2 card tables, 1 large radio, 4 cigarette stands, 4 floor lamps, 4 writing desks and chairs.

Other articles desired are: Ping pong tables, small tables, book cases, books, games, subscriptions to home newspapers, curtains and draperies.

Local committees to be formed will be expected to contact clubs, corporations, churches, other organizations and individuals for furnishing day rooms or donating useful articles. The women of the committees will have opportunities to do some sewing on chair covers, curtain and draperies to give the rooms a homy atmosphere.

They will work under the direction of the A. R. C. field directors stationed at the bases who will act as an exchange to direct over supply of one field to places where they are needed.

Hog Production Goal 10% Higher

Florida's hog production goal for 1943 is 10 percent higher than the record 1942 crop. That is a jump from 264,000 head to 31,600. Walter J. Sheely, animal husbandman with State Agricultural Extension Service has plenty of good advice which will help increase Florida's production. Every farmer should utilize this information, not only for his own good, but for the good of the nation.

D. G. Young Is New Commander Action Division

D. G. Young, of Sebring deputy clerk of the circuit court, has been appointed commander of the Action divisions of the Highlands County Defense Council, it was announced by Chairman Ben T. Stewart this week.

"Mr. Young has the ability and is the type of man who will do the job right," said Stewart.

Young takes over the office, formerly held by Allen Altvater, who recently enlisted in the Navy.

Tenants Should Assist in Getting Houses Registered

All persons in Highlands County who are renting, — rooms, apartments, or houses should ask their landlords as to whether the dwelling unit in question has been registered with the Area Rental Office in Sebring. This action on the part of the tenants will facilitate the checking of all dwelling units in the County as to whether they are properly registered. Landlords also should show all new tenants the landlord's copy of the Registration that has been returned to them from the Area Rental Office in Tampa, and have each new tenant sign in the designated place on the back of this blank.

It is evident that there are still some owners of dwellings in the County who have not complied with the Federal Regulations regarding the registration of dwelling units rented. A field inspection will soon be made of the County and those landlords who have wilfully neglected to register will be liable to the penalty as prescribed by the Housing Regulation Act. Also all persons who have newly rented any dwelling unit since the first of the year must register this with the Area Rental Office. A full supply of forms are on hands in both the Sebring Office and the distribution points in Avon Park, namely the offices of William Reck and Walter Betts.

Once more the Area Rental Inspector, Mr. Brown wishes to emphasize that no tenant should have any hesitancy in reporting any violation of the Rental Control provisions. There is a space provided for such complaints on the back of each tenant's copy of the Registration Blank. And no tenant may be evicted for making such complaint.

Social Security Board Office Open 48 Hours

The West Palm Beach Field Office of the Social Security Board is now open until 5:00 p. m. on Saturdays, it is announced by M. D. Eadie, Manager.

"This conforms with the recent Presidential order placing all Federal employees on a minimum work week of 48 hours," Mr. Eadie explained. "Our new office hours will undoubtedly be a great convenience to people who can't visit us on other days. This will be true particularly of those living near West Palm Beach who come into town on Saturday afternoons."

Mr. Eadie said his office will be glad to receive anyone requiring a Social Security account number, or wishing to file a claim for old-age and survivors insurance payments, or seeking general information concerning the Social Security Act.

He urges all workers to take good care of their account number cards. To employers he recommends that the name and number of each employee be accurately recorded on the quarterly returns to the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Employers are advised to make a practice of recording the account number the first day a new employee reports to work.

The West Palm Beach Field Office serves the counties of Palm Beach, Glades, Hendry, Okeechobee, Highlands, Martin, St. Lucie, and Indian River.

Eggs will be purchased at State farmers' markets in Pensacola, Chipley, Marianna, Starke, Ocala, Palatka, Sanford, Dade City, and Branford.

If the infants of your community want to know why their supply of panties has dwindled to almost nothing, tell them that Uncle Sam is using diaper cloth for polishing gun sights and certain parts of airplanes.

City Pays Off $76,000 Bonds For $36,000

Council Makes First Purchase of Bonds at 48

The City of Avon Park paid off $76,102.12 of its new issue of refunding bonds Tuesday night, in the first purchase of bonds under the new agreement. The lot cost the city $36,726.52, or a little more than 48 cents on the dollar.

Bids were accepted on offerings of five lots of bonds at the following prices: $6,982.24 for $3072.18; $15,000.00 for $6,750.00; $5000.00 for $2450.00; $21,119.88 for $10,454.34; $28,000.00 for $14,000.00.

The city also voted to pay $1496.96 from its general refund on a note to R. E. Crummer & Company, representing a payment on $4200 borrowed from Crummer last summer, and used to pay city salaries. The money was borrowed at the time the city had its funds tied up pending refunding operations.

The city entered into an agreement with the Post Exchange of the Bombing Range to pay the PX 10 per cent for handling bus tickets. Capt. C. W. Roberts, public relations officer, met with the council and made the arrangements.

Councilman Earl Ware reported that John Emerson, local builder, who is now finishing 30 houses on state road 8, has approval for 30 more houses to be built under FHA, and suggested that the city furnish the lots on Canfield street for the purpose. Sales of the lots were approved at $75 each, and the city attorney was instructed to get title of the property in shape to close the deal. The los are located east of the Jordan residence to the highway, and on the north side of Canfield street.

War Scene Changes

By Barbara Darsey

It is foolish to attempt a prognostication of 1943 but we must have confidence and faith that Victory is marching with our cause.

It is the history of past wars that their burden was borne mostly by the men in Service while citizens in mufti lived in comparative ease and safety. Today the scene has changed and every citizen, young and old, rich and poor, is serving a common aim—VICTORY.

All are subject to military dangers and all non-combatants are in this war full strength with the purpose to give our Fighting Forces full support in every way.

No service is too small or too insignificant to be of help. However two particular items stand forth with startling clarity and they are money and goods. Again no service is too little to consider, a penny a day will help, if everyone could do that much. A small scrap of metal or rubber turned in daily by every child in the Nation — what goods we would soon have made.

Of course for speed, and speed is necessary, taxes and bonds seem the answer. Taxes often entail a great sacrifice but they should be accepted gladly: think of the sacrifice of lives that our Fighting Forces are offering every day.

The purchase of bonds combined with taxes will enable our Government to buy the services necessary for Victory.

The purchase of bonds should be considered a great privilege, along with taxes and rationing, for with them we are saving money and isn't it a grand way to save?

The bulk of our County's food is now necessary for our Soldiers so let's accept rationing happily and not wait till it is enforced. Voluntary rationing will help a lot toward feeding our Servicemen.

Yes, the war scene in our Country has indeed changed and now by accepting taxes, buying bonds heavily, voluntarily rationing food, clothing and other necessities, we, the non-combative citizens are fighting truly shoulder to shoulder with our armed forces.

MRS. PEDEN'S FATHER DIES

John A. Lear father of Mrs. Freed Peden, died Monday at his home in Gallipolis, Ohio, after an illness of several months, friends here will regret to learn. Funeral services were held on Wednesday. Mrs. Peden left the first of the month for her parents's home, to be at the bedside of her father.

WHO'S NEWS This Week

By Lemuel F. Parton

Consolidated Features.—WNU Release.

NEW YORK.—Big shots galore are headquartering in Washington now, but of all the gathering Eric A. Johnson is probably the only one who was actually born there. He is thumping for United States world-leadership when peace is won. He is from the other side of the continent where he heads the biggest electrical manufacturing company in the Northwest. He speaks, however, as president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, and with Bryanesque eloquence.

Comes Long Way To Beat Drum for U. S. Leadership

President Johnson quit Washington when he was a nipper, because his family quit it. By the time he was six he was selling papers on Spokane's streets. By the time he had got to high school he was reporting the school news. He yielded then, however, to a crass love of money and through his four years in college he cleaned up as a longshoreman. His notion was to study law and cash in on his oratorical gift, but the first World war shunted him off to the marines.

When the war was over he turned salesman. That led onward and upward to electrical manufacturing. Forty-five now, he is, as they used to say when Cluett and Peabody set the standard of manly beauty, handsome enough for a collar-ad. He is friendly, too. He hasn't yet been listed among the country's 12 best-dressed men, but when he gets into a modestly striped suit he doesn't need to keep to the side streets.

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An Air of Romance About Our Chief of Chemical Warfare

THE pretty matron decided that the photograph suggested Charles Boyer quite a lot. Not Valentino? Well, Yes! Around the mouth there was a definite suggestion of Valentino, his tender, sensitive . . . Whoa-a-a-a!

The photograph was an old, old one of Maj. Gen. William N. Porter, chief of chemical warfare service. But even though it wouldn't have been cricket to spread that tender and sensitive salve any thicker the pretty matron was on the beam when she perceived an aura of romance around the general's phiz. The general is a romantic man

Commissioned as ensign at Annapolis 1909, married 1910, transferred to the army as a second lieutenant the same year, the general was no Ulysses to go rowing off while his Penelope sat alone ashore. Of course the general's wife rates an assist, a couple. She was the apple of the general's eye, but she was also a naval officer's daughter. She knew, as well as the general knew from his one year at sea, what sort of lives navy couples lived. She knows now the sort of life an army couple can live. Very pleasant!

The general hustled along the promotion files past enough more stationary officers to staff a corps and by 1941 he had his two stars. Now he has the tired face of a man who works too hard, but the benevolent face of a man who wishes others as much good in this world as he has had. The only ones who lack his good wishes are the Nazis and the Nips. Alert against the thinnest hint of gas attacks, the general says his service is primed to give back a double dose.

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Legion Aux. Head Challenges Women To Stop Hoarding

THE surge of women into all sorts of positions of authority in this wartime economy adds pepper to the challenge which Mrs. Alfred J. Mathebat, national president of the American Legion Auxiliary, throws out to her sex. She says the women are the only ones who can put an end to hoarding; there will be none if they do not tolerate it.

Auxiliary presidents used to be just presidents of the Legion's tag-alongs. But nowadays, when any of the tag-alongs may turn up in congress or better, their president isn't to be quieted with a box of candy or a couple of matinee tickets. Mrs. Mathebat ought to have a wide audience. Legion members have been listening to her these years with profit.

Her husband fought with the AEF and the Fourth division and as soon as they had settled down she got the presidency of the Auxiliary unit in Alameda, Calif. By steady steps, she moved up through committee chairmanships, area and state presidencies to a seat in the national executive committee. She became national president this year.

Her eyes are warm and engaging, her chin soft, forehead high and mighty, upper lip straight, school ma'amish! Housewives who overlook her words on hoarding had best 'ware their knuckles.

Star Dust

STAGE SCREEN RADIO

By VIRGINIA VALE

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

CBS' Stage Door Canteen will be the vehicle through which Bert Lytell, once a movie idol, will return to films. The movie version, produced for United Artists by Sol Lesser, will bring us a host of celebrities, including Katharine Cornell, who's shunned the films so far, and Lunt and Fontanne, Tallulah Bankhead, and scores of others. Lytell has been so busy with stage and radio engagements of recent years that he's had no time for pictures.

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Orson Welles isn't trying to set a new fad with that shock of long hair that he's wearing at "Ceiling Unlimited" rehearsals. He's letting his hair grow at the request of 20th Century-Fox for his role of "Rochester" in their version of "Jane Eyre."

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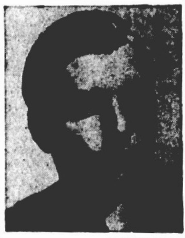
George Montgomery will do one more picture before he goes into the service; it's in "Bomber's Moon," opposite Annabella — the story of an American pilot who's shot down in Germany. Do you wonder that Hollywood's wondering what to use for leading men?



GEORGE MONTGOMERY

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Maybe Bob Hope's a prophet; he hopes so. His "The Road to Morocco" was filmed six months before the Allied invasion of that territory, and released right on the dot. Recently he interrupted his tour of the army camps for 48 hours to do a scene for "They Got Me Covered" which depicts a deflated Mussolini escaping from the nation he led into its present predicament—it's being filmed with the blessing of the Office of War Information. Bob's got his fingers crossed, hoping that this scene, too, will come true.

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Alan Ladd's date with Uncle Sam upset the apple cart so far as Paramount's "Incendiary Blonde" was concerned. He was to have starred in this screen version of Texas Guinan's life with Betty Hutton, but his prospective induction into the army wrecked that plan. At present the film has been shelved; Miss Hutton gets the feminine lead in "Let's Face It," and Betty Rhodes gets a supporting role.

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They could hardly believe it at Metro when they got two new lads at once. Tommy Dix and Gil Stratton were brought from the New York stage for "Best Foot Forward"—and at once Stratton was assigned to "Girl Crazy" and Dix will win Lucille Ball in "Best Foot Forward."

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If the actors on your favorite radio program sound pretty exhilirated, it's practically certain to be due to just one thing—the return of a former member of the group in uniform. "Pepper Young's Family" was almost disrupted when Larry Woodleaf appeared recently. Larry's a handsome lad who joined up before Pearl Harbor, after doing publicity for the program; he'd spent eight months in the Far East.

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Eddie Cantor's explanation for substituting for Phil Baker on "Take It or Leave It"—"Last April, Phil Baker took my place when I was in the hospital. So I took his place when he was in the hospital. Next time we'll both be on the program—the audience will go to the hospital!"

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William L. Shirer, the news commentator, is planning a series of talks at service camps throughout the country in the near future. He has already given numerous talks at camps in the eastern area. Ed Murrow, the London newscaster, reports that he's expecting to solve the no-gas problem soon; he has his eye on an elderly horse, but is still dickering over the price.

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ODDS AND ENDS—Radio's Tim and Irene are among the featured players in Columbia's picture, "Reveille With Beverly" . . . Joe Schilling, Edward G. Robinson's stand-in in "Destroyer," wears a naval lieutenant's uniform—the best his boss can do is a chief boatswain's mate outfit . . . Thomas Mitchell's been added to the cast of Metro's "Bataan Patrol" . . . Nelson Eddy, who hasn't made a picture since "I Married an Angel," will return to the screen in Universal's remake of "The Phantom of the Opera"; Deanna Durbin, originally scheduled for the picture, probably won't appear in it.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Ickes Cites Small Business Peril; Congressional Pay-as-You-Go Tax Program Gets Treasury's Approval; Fifth Russ Offensive Batters Nazis

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

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Somewhere in China this soldier of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's armies stands guard before a line of American P40 planes at an inland air base. His shift is 24 hours at a stretch in guarding these precious craft that hold off Jap advances in China.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO:

Tax Gets Go-Ahead

It had been clear that official Washington from Capitol Hill to the White House had agreed that a pay-as-you-go income tax was the most effective means of raising the multi-billion revenue needed to help defray war costs.

How to apply the levy to the nation's 35,000,000 taxpayers and what yardstick to use had been the subject of numerous recommendations. The treasury department gave its support to a bill by Sen. Bennett Clark for a new 19 per cent withholding tax. Added to the prevailing 5 per cent Victory tax this would mean a total of 24 per cent withheld from payrolls.

Under the Clark program the pay-as-you-go plan would be inaugurated March 15. The taxpayer would file his income tax return on that date and pay his first quarterly 1943 taxes on the basis of his 1942 income. The withholding tax would then be effective on weekly or monthly paychecks, as well as on income from interest and dividends.

Persons not on payrolls such as farmers, independent business men, professional people and others could pay their taxes on a monthly or quarterly basis.

FOOD PRICES:

Index Up 43 Per Cent

Skyrocketing retail prices of fresh fruits and vegetables, whose cost is not controlled by the OPA, were largely responsible for an increase of 43 per cent in the food cost index since August, 1939, the month before World War II began, according to a summary released by Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins.

Even since the price control law began to operate last spring, Mrs. Perkins said, retail food prices have gone up because of the increases in the cost of items still uncontrolled. The index in December was 9 per cent above last May and 17 per cent above December, 1941, the month the United States entered the war.

NORTH AFRICA:

War vs. Politics

As French forces broke the lull in North Africa's stalemated war by capturing a number of passes on the road to the Tunisian seaport of Sousse, so, too, it appeared that the French had moved effectively to end the political strife that had hampered all-out action against the Axis.

The importance of the French drive toward Sousse was that it threatened the Axis land supply routes for operations in central and southern Tunisia.

On the political front, Harold MacMillan, British minister for North Africa, predicted an agreement between Gen. Henri Giraud and Gen. Charles de Gaulle, leader of the Fighting French, would remove most of the objectionable features in the present administration of North Africa.

A three-way conflict of interests had raged since the American invasion. On one side stood the Liberals and Republicans, who had welcomed the Americans. On the other stood the Vichyites and Fascists. In between were the Royalists, attempting to capitalize on the battle.

SMALL BUSINESS:

Total War Casualty?

Economists had long been aware of the war's menacing impact on American small business, but their statistical discourses attracted little public notice. It remained for vocal Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes to dramatize the little business man's plight when he declared that the country now faces "the brutal fact that the war can be the final, crushing blow to small business."

Pointing out that "the major portion of war production contracts are going to a few large corporations," Mr. Ickes told the senate small business committee that "should the small business man go, we all will go."

Mr. Ickes warned that "we must guard against the loss of our traditional freedom of enterprise, a loss that would result in creating a dictatorship by a few corporations and cartels over our jobs."

FIFTH OFFENSIVE:

Launched by Reds

To the four Russian offensives that had jarred the Nazis loose from thousands of square miles of dearly won territory was added a fifth that appeared to be the supreme Red winter effort. Voronezh — strong point on the 1,000-mile Soviet line from Moscow to the Black Sea—was the springboard of this drive and it was the German high command itself which made the first announcement to the world.

Significance of the Voronezh offensive was that it faced the already hardpressed Nazis with a double threat. Red forces from Voronezh could turn due south to join the other offensives aimed at Rostov, or could drive westward toward Kursk and Karkhov in the Upper Ukraine and menace the Nazi hold on this world-famous granary.

Significant, too, was the fact that the Russians held the initiative. It was the Germans who were on the defensive, who must conjecture where the Reds would strike next and had costly alternatives thrust on them.

In all other theaters the Russians were pressing their newly gained advantages, reoccupying areas in the Caucasus, whittling down German resistance near Stalingrad and engaging vast Nazi forces in the lower Don river reaches.

AIR TEMPO:

Allied Power Rises

Prophetic of what was yet to come Allied airplanes continued to ride the skies and shower destruction on Axis-held European and Mediterranean areas.

Hitler's armory in the Ruhr valley was the target of repeated bombings. Lille, locomotive manufacturing center of northern France, experienced gutting raids. On the route, also were Abbeville and St. Omar near the British channel coast of France.

In the Mediterranean, Allied bombers were active both on the island bases serving Axis troops and on the African mainland itself. Mediterranean attacks were made on Crete, Sicily and Lampedus. African raids were made on Homs, near Tripoli and between Sousse and Sfax.

HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

LONDON: King George signed a proclamation lowering from 20 to 19 the age at which women are liable to be drafted for national service. Single women born between July 1 and December 31, 1922, will have the privilege of choosing between work in war industry and the uniform services, or they may volunteer for nursing before being called up for national war work.

NEW HAVEN: Yale's historic campus became a place of marching commands and shouted commands when the army air force technical command school established its biggest cadet training school here for men who will keep Uncle Sam's planes in condition to fly and do photographic and communications work necessary to plot their way. 3,000 officer candidates will be quartered.

SULLIVAN BROTHERS:

A Tale of Heroism

The five Sullivan brothers of World War II promised to become as celebrated in American annals as the five Bixby brothers of the Civil war, immortalized by Abraham Lincoln's letter to their mother.

Not yet was it known whether the Sullivan boys were dead or alive, but a navy communication to their parents in Waterloo, Iowa, ominously reported them "missing in action." The brothers joined the navy to avenge a friend slain at Pearl Harbor. They were shipmates at their own request and were believed casualties of the cruiser Juneau sunk in the November battle for the Solomons.

The Sullivan brothers are George T., 29, gunner's mate second class; Francis H., 26, coxswain; Joseph E., 23, seaman, second class; Madison A., 22, seaman second class; and Albert L., 20, seaman, second class.

ROAD TO TOKYO:

Mired by Rains

The road to Tokyo was bogged down by tropical rains that turned fighting Allied sectors in New Guinea into swampy mires, but in the air American and Australian commanders broadened their air offensive against the Japanese with raids on four main bases.

On the Allied air calling list were Madang and Finschaven on the northern New Guinea coast. Flying Fortresses supported by medium bombers and fighter planes struck likewise at Lae and Salamau. In the Lae area 160 miles up the eastern New Guinea coast from Allied-held Buna, large fires were started among barges, stores and harbor installations.

In the Solomons, the plight of the Jap garrisons had grown more serious as efforts to land extensive supplies had been balked by American air power. The navy department reported that a three-day offensive on Guadalcanal island had progressed satisfactorily, with several Jap positions isolated and awaiting destruction. Air raids were continued against Munda island.

NAZI HOME MORALE:

Signs of Strain

Volumes had been written by Allied commentators about the state of the German home front since the Russ offensives, but two brief statements by high Nazi officials revealed the enormously heartening fact that Reich morale had at least begun to creak.

The Nazi officials were Dr. Paul Joseph Goebbels, propaganda minister, and Gen. Kurt Dietmar, a leading German military critic.

Writing in the magazine Das Reich, Goebbels denounced civilian "sluggards" for impeding Nazi war activities, called for more belt-tightening and announced that "burdens on the home front can and will be increased."

PAUL JOSEPH GOEBBELS

. . . Propaganda in reverse.

General Dietmar said that whether they like it or not, Germans would have to put up with new restrictions to provide more troops. He admitted that the Russians had broken through German lines on the southern front, and that the situation was becoming serious. "The need has come for still greater hardships at home," he said, "to increase the flow of recruits to the front."

NAVY MAIL:

To Be Speeded

Because the problem of mail deliveries to men in the navy, marine corps and coast guard has been complicated by the vast increase in personnel, the navy department announced that two rules would be placed in effect immediately to insure prompt service:

Parcel post packages must weigh not more than five pounds and measure not more than 15 inches in length and 36 inches in length and girth combined. Inappropriate second and third class matter such as advertising circulars would not be forwarded to men overseas.

WAR PRODUCTION:

No 'Self-Congratulation'

War production and manpower management have alternately been subjects for national praise and blame. The latter was the theme of a report laid before congress by the Tolan committee, which charged "general maladministration," "haphazard handling" and failure to use small industry in the war effort. The committee had been at work for a number of months studying war output.

Speaking of Sports

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THE unofficial ruling of Paul V. McNutt, War Manpower commissioner, that baseball (and all sports generally) is "unessential" came as no great surprise to baseball leaders. Few of them ever had the idea that baseball was essential.

McNutt did not speak for direct quotation. He designated sports as unessential in reply to a series of questions put to him several weeks ago by a baseball reporter.

Leaders of the sport expected no favors. They realized that many of their players would be frozen in war industries and the War Manpower commission indicated they were right. However, McNutt uttered no specific statement of policy covering the freezing of ball players or other professional athletes. It is doubtful if any such statement will be made in the near future. Each draft board will be given the authority to act in accordance with the local situation.

The United Press quoted McNutt as saying:

"The usefulness of the sport is a separate question from the essentiality of the individuals who play it. Thus it may well be that it is desirable that Blankville have a ball team but Blankville may lose certain members of the team to higher priority industries—even members who might be 'essential' to winning the pennant. The pennant is not essential."

The Crystal Ball

There is no good reason why McNutt, Draft Director Hershey or any other government official should attempt to chart a fixed, almost inflexible, course for baseball players or any other professional athletes. Of course they want their status clarified. They want to know if they are to be permitted to play baseball, football, etc., or if they are to be drafted into war industry or the armed services. They want to know what the future has in store for them.

But every other man in civilian life wants to know the same thing. He wants to know what his future is during wartime. The average physically fit white collar worker knows that his job doesn't offer the same degree of security that it did five years ago. He understands that the government can't tell him exactly how, when and where he fits into the over-all picture. The changing course of events, which cannot always be foreseen by the government, may alter any man's status.

A great majority of baseball leaders recognize this fact. They hope, certainly, that baseball will continue for the duration, but are more than willing to make their share of sacrifices for the good of their country.

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The Lion-Hearted

When Gus Dorais severed an 18-year athletic association with the University of Detroit, the Detroit Lions acquired the services of a man who is bound to become an important figure in the National Football league.

Dorais, who left with the blessing of the university to become head coach, general manager and part owner of the Lions, said, among other things that "I am enthusiastic about the future of major league football and will bend every effort to see that the Detroit Lions take their rightful place in the football world."

Fred L. Mandel Jr., who bought the Lions for $225,000 in 1940, said that he was certain the move was "the greatest thing in the history of the team." It is estimated that Mandel, wealthy Chicago department store magnate, has spent an additional $175,000 on the team since purchasing it. He wants a strong professional football team and is willing to spend money to get it.

Dorais is a good coach. But he has a heart breaking job ahead of him. The next couple of years likely will make his career as a collegiate coach appear as a bed of roses in contrast. His three-way job with the Lions isn't conducive to placidity.

Background

It was back in 1913 that Dorais gained his first football fame. He was pitching forward passes to Knute Rockne at Notre Dame. Since then he has been backfield coach at Notre Dame and head coach at Columbia college (Iowa), Gonzaga university and the U. of D. He stayed at Detroit from 1924 through the 1942 season.

During his stay at Detroit, Dorais' teams won 113 games, tied seven and lost 50 for a .693 percentage. In 1928 his team went undefeated, winning nine straight games.

One thing is fairly certain. Dorais has accepted an overwhelming share of the responsibility for the club's future. His appointment marks the first time in history that a National league club has appointed an athletic director.

Dorais will choose his own assistants, do his own scouting, make up the team's schedule, have charge of all equipment, arrange for trips and select the players.

Our money—for the long haul—is on Dorais. He won't win the championship in 1943, but he will build surely and speedily for the future.

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The belief that a person must die a violent death to obtain a future life still prevails among several tribes, notably the Batta of Sumatra and the Chukchi of Siberia, says Collier's. Thus, as an act of filial piety, a son kills his father and mother, when they become feeble and are ready to die, so they will achieve immortality.

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Few Chinese Words

In the Chinese spoken language there are comparatively few words, but each has many different meanings.

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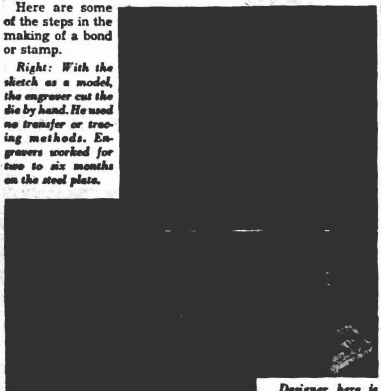
Stamping Out Totalitarianism With Victory Bonds and Stamps

After you lay down your money for your war stamp or bond you feel the tingle of a patriotic fervor as you sense that your investment will help some soldier to wash the blot of totalitarianism from the face of the earth. But have you ever examined your stamp or bond carefully? This is the picture story of the careful planning and painstaking effort that went into them. Did you notice that Minute Man, for instance, on your war savings stamp? Topnotch artists first created him; special government-trained engravers cut the design freehand on steel plates. The paper was subjected to the most rigid tests for tensile strength and ability to withstand folding. Ink was tested for color and liability to fading. After printing, your stamp was counted and inspected by exactly 29 people before it left the bureau of engraving and printing.

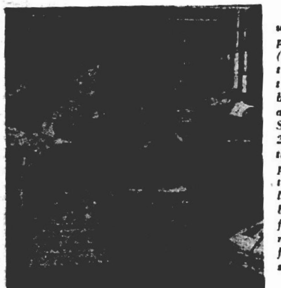
Here are some of the steps in the making of a bond or stamp.



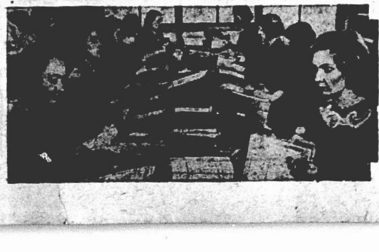
Right: With the sketch as a model, the engraver cut the die by hand. He used no transfer or tracing methods. Engravers worked for two to six months on the steel plate.

Designer here is working on the $5 stamp.

Above: A laboratory technician examines the paper fibers through a microscope. Paper has a rag base, and that for the bond is as distinctive as that used for currency. It has the ability to withstand folding and creasing. Every waste scrap is accounted for. Right: That smile is worth a million. This girl, who has just checked the bonds in the delivery room, holds four packages each containing $250,000 in war bonds.



Experienced workers count the printed sheets (left) and examine them for imperfections. Defective bonds are set aside and destroyed. Sheets are counted 29 times from the time they were first placed on the press to the date of delivery. Below: Flatbed press. Girl in foreground removes the bonds from the plate and stacks them.



Nutritionists Advise Youth Eat More Fresh Vegetables

'Teen-Age Boys, Girls Benefit Most by Correct Diet Plus Fruit, Milk

Carrots won't make a girl's hair curly, but they will help give her a clear complexion and good eyesight. For that matter, spinach won't enable any boy to perform the marvelous feats that "Popeye" seems to accomplish, but this vegetable and many others can help him become strong and husky.

These results have been observed by nutritionists who also tell the younger generation if they will drink liberal amounts of milk and eat generous amounts of fruits and vegetables, eggs, meat, poultry and fish and substantial amounts of enriched or, better still, whole grain bread and cereals, they will grow up straight and tall, with sparkling teeth, shining hair and plenty of pep.

Being "one of the gang" is important to a teen-age boy or girl, and in this day and age that means rating high in class-work, working after school, joining the crowd in ice-skating, tennis and other sports and looking one's best at a party. All of these activities necessitate getting plenty of the vitamins, minerals and calories if one is to keep going, says Miss Gladys Kinsman, professor of nutrition, University of Illinois college of agriculture, Urbana.

If it's a "belle of the ball" or a "beau brummel" appearance that's desired, it's good, adequate home cooking that will do the trick, and not the in-between meal munching and drinking of confections.

Good teeth, which are sound and shining, and strong bones are built in part by the calcium found primarily in milk. But true as this fact is, there are many persons, adults as well as younger folk, who have adopted a sort of negligent attitude about getting their quota of milk, Miss Kinsman said. Many men taking the physical examination for entrance into the armed service were rejected because they did not have 12 sound teeth.

Milk drinking will not make any girl fat, she countered. It's the other high-calorie foods that don't "keep company with" minerals and vitamins in the daily diet which help one to put on pounds.

Eating plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables and the other recommended "protective" foods will satisfy the appetite and make less necessary the indulgence in many appetite appeasing sweets, which create the problem of overweight.

Yanks 'Welcome' Nazi Air-Raiders

Anti-aircraft and tracer bullet fire is shown here as the Axis air-force attempted to put over a big night raid on Algiers, North Africa. The heavy firing kept the enemy airmen jittery so that the damage caused by their bombs was small. Casualties were light.

Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE

Get back to nature! Crush a small bunch of fresh mint with a rolling pin. Beat the crushed mass into a jar (12 ounce) of vanishing cream. If

the cream is a little stiff, add a drop or two of mineral or cosmetic oil. Cover the jar tightly, put it in the ice box. Use as a cooling, refreshing mask. Spread on. Leave on for just one minute. Remove with tissues. You'll feel as fresh as a mint julep!

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Who Said This:

1—"There is not so variable a thing in nature as a lady's head-dress."

2—"That action is best which procures the greatest happiness for the greatest numbers."

3—"We must eat to live and live to eat."

4—"A man should know something of his own country, too, before he goes abroad."

5—"Who can refute a sneer?"

(See Answers Below)

Extremes in Weather

Rainfall in the Djanet, Tunis, region is irregular, torrential at times with a raging violence that uproots palm trees; so meager at others that a watercourse has been known to remain dry for 20 years. Winds blow strongly, frequently stirring the sand into such clouds that visibility is cut to a half mile. Desert temperatures occasionally fall to uncomfortable levels.

AMERICA IN ACTION

PARA-MARINES

To the United States marine corps, a parachute is no longer a mere safety device. It is an instrument of warfare that may well decide the success or failure of a campaign.

The marine corps was one of the first to recognize the potentialities of the parachute for use in offensives against enemies and now "Para-Marines" are one of the corps' greatest striking units.

Both men and munitions are landed by parachutes, facilitating the formation of the troops for assault and the establishment of defensive outposts.

Once on the ground the "Paratroops" are formed into combat units according to pre-arranged plans, swiftly assemble their weapons, and go into action against designated objectives.

The present highly developed system of training parachute troops was instituted by the marine corps in 1940, after several years of intensive experimentation.

The course is about six weeks long. The men are first taught to pack their own 'chutes. They then study landing methods and go through daily conditioning exercises to strengthen their leg, back and abdominal muscles to withstand the shock of landing.

Actual manipulation of the parachute is practiced in 250-foot jumps from huge steel towers. The Para-Marines are then taken aloft in planes and descend from an altitude of 1,000 feet. As this training progresses, the transport carriers fly lower and lower until the troops are bailing out only 300 feet above the ground.

The uniform of a Para-Marine is a practical many-purposed ensemble. The chief article is a heavy cloth jumper with large pockets. The loose-fitting trousers tuck into leather boots. Marines wear three pieces of headgear when jumping. A leather helmet that looks like an aviator's headpiece fits over the head first. Over this goes a plastic helmet. Finally, a steel helmet fits over all and covers the back of the head, the sides of the face and the forehead.

All Out War Psychology Of Nation Being Studied

Psychological warfare and propaganda techniques on the radio, in motion pictures and in the press, is being studied in Columbia university's extension division, in response to the wide interest in wartime psychology. Professor Otto Klineberg, former member of the Federal Communications commission, is directing the work.

Social factors in abnormality are being discussed from the point of view of nervous breakdowns among selectees, shellshock, the weeding out of the unfit, and the effect of the war effort upon the civilian population. Material from England is studied for the light it throws on juvenile delinquency and civilian reaction to constant air-raids. The German acceptance of Naziism and the Japanese worship of Shinto is examined thoroughly.

The methodology of making public opinion polls and interviewing cross-sections of the population will also be studied, and attitudes toward race also is a subject of discussion.

Intelligence testing is being evaluated in relation to army experience in interviewing and placing enlisted men, and in dealing with soldiers who have not been able to adapt themselves. Business and vocational psychology will train personnel workers to handle the enormous turnover in labor under war conditions. Childhood mental hygiene is being studied with a view to caring for children in day nurseries and in after-school recreational activities while mothers are engaged in war work.

Personal efficiency, or applied psychology, will attempt to acquaint students, particularly war brides, with the methods of handling their personal problems caused by the war.

"In all these essential fields of human understanding," Prof. Harry Morgan Ayres, director of university extension, declared, "the war has intensified interest and stimulated research. We expect to find an increasing importance attached to psychology as a result of war experience."

What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT

Should I treat my week-end guests as "one of the family" or are there special privileges accorded to them?

Answer—By all means treat any visitor to your home as a special guest.

Keep all accounts of any domestic trouble from your guests, and don't bore them with detailed explanations of little Susie's last illness.

Make a special effort to entertain your week-end guests—and don't try to thrust any chores upon him or her. Plan your meals well in advance and if you are the one who must do the marketing, have that all taken care of in advance.

Make plans for your children, for the week-end too, so they will be out of the way a good part of the time.

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Completed in 1939

Grant's Tomb, the 150-foot granite landmark on Riverside Drive, was built by popular subscription. All important ceremonies associated with it have been held on Gen. Ulysses S. Grant's birthday, April 27 — the ground-breaking in 1891, the laying of the cornerstone in 1892, dedication in 1897 and rededication in 1939. General Grant, the 18th President of the United States, died in 1885 and was buried in a temporary mausoleum in New York city until 1897, when his remains were removed to the tomb. The tomb stood unfinished for many years, but in 1939 it finally was completed and rededicated.

FUN FOR YOUR FAMILY

By MISS ABBIE CONDIT
National Recreation Association.

Are you using the opportunities winter offers to get acquainted with the birds? Surprising as it may seem, winter is really an ideal time for starting your study as there are comparatively few species abroad at that time and the leafless trees and snow-covered ground make it easier to see them.

To add to the pleasure of your bird study, set up some bird feeding stations. You will enjoy doing it, and the birds suffering from the winter food shortage will appreciate it! For the menu, grain, cracked corn, wheat, millet and sunflower seeds are welcomed by the seed eaters, while the insect eaters will enjoy a diet of suet and peanut butter. Bread crumbs, of course, are a staple.

A part of the fun will lie in making these stations yourself. The Buffalo Museum of Science makes some interesting suggestions for a bird cafeteria, the utensils for which may all be found in the five and ten cent store. Many of them may be lying around your own home unused. Suppose you start a search for them.

A set of measuring cups, each one smaller than the last, has a hole in each handle so that one screw hook will fasten them in place to the veranda or fence railing, tree trunk or wall. These make fine containers for melted suet to which a seed mixture may be added.

Then there is a fruit corer which looks for all the world like a miniature wheel. The spaces between the "spokes" will hold chunks of suet or bread when it is fastened to a tree trunk.

At the knick-knack counter there are many articles for you to choose from. Do you see that flower pot rack with two shelves? Just the thing for a bird cafeteria, for the upper shelf will keep the snow off the lower one and each shelf has a little rim around it which will keep the food from falling off. And the whole thing can easily be tacked in place.

And while you're acquiring food containers, keep an eye open for dishes which will hold food of all kinds. Some are shaped like pumpkins, some like oranges, and all have cavities large enough to satisfy the greediest bird. They have the advantage of being heavy enough to withstand the blasts of winter. Set one of them in the corner of your window sill.

Don't pass by that strange looking gadget! It's a cup hanger with hooks to hold six cups. Tie suet or doughnuts to the hooks. That muffin pan will hold six different mixtures of seeds, and it can be nailed in place since there is a hole at each end.

Spindles will hold doughnuts, and strainers and sifters can all be used. Soap dishes are old stand-bys at feeding stations everywhere, but it's possible to buy one that clamps on the edge of the bathtub and so can be fastened over a fence railing. You can place many pendant feeders in the wooden jaws of a skirt hanger.

When you once begin to get acquainted with birds, you won't want to stop at feeding them—you'll decide to house them as well. If you do this, write for a copy of Farmer's Bulletin No. 1456, Homes for Birds, issued by the United States department of agriculture. It can be purchased at the Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., for five cents.

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It Was Said by:

1—Joseph Addison, 1672-1719.
2—Francis Hutcheson, 1694-1746.
3—Henry Fielding, 1707-1754.
4—Laurence Sterne, 1713-1768.
5—William Paley, 1743-1805.

Small Arms in Unwavering Arms

From left to right stand WAVES Marcene Anne Pabian, San Francisco, Calif.; Dorothy Lane, Louise Heilman, Marysville, Calif.; Mary Joan Dunn, Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.; and Marcia Brooks of Cleveland, Ohio, as they practice pistol and rifle marksmanship, a part of their training program at Treasure Island, Calif., which is designed to polish off their sea education.

Five hits and five misses, all at the same time. It doesn't sound right, does it? Don't be their target, though.

Uncle Phil Says:

As We See It

Other people have prejudices; we have convictions and opinions.

Don't rest on your laurels unless you are prepared to see them wilt.

Youth goes into the world to find what he can bring back from it.

Isn't That Too Bad

We love those whom we help, but not always those who help us.

Those men who believe there should be a tax on bachelors are invariably married.

St. Joseph
ASPIRIN
WORLD'S LARGEST SELLER AT 10¢
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Digging for Knowledge

Knowledge will not be acquired without pains and application. It is troublesome, like deep digging for pure water, but when once you come to the springs, they rise up to meet you.—Felton.

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Often the fear of one evil leads us into a worse.—Boileau.

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SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER

The first known rubber hose was manufactured in England in 1827.

Collapsible rubber boats equipped with paddles, bullet-hole plugs, sea-anchor, water, etc., are being produced for fighting U. S. airmen. Inflated in 10 seconds, this boat forms part of the pilot's seat and stays with him when he hits the water.

An Omaha, Neb., tire salesman hauled into court before rationing for parking his car near a hydrant first talked himself out of the $2 fine, then sold two new tires to the judge, two to the cop who arrested him and two to the court attendant.

Production of War tires is definitely tied to the production of reclaimed rubber. It is estimated that the country has refining capacity to process 360,000 tons of reclaimed a year.

Rubber authorities estimate that 900 million tires have been scrapped since World War 1.

Jerry Shaw

In war or peace
B.F.Goodrich
FIRST IN RUBBER

Folks You Know . .

Mrs. Chas. Locke left Sunday for Alabama, where she is visiting her father in Montgomery, and her sister in Birmingham. She was accompanied by Charles O. Locke Jr., who entered Marion Institute at Marion, Ala., to prepare for his entrance to Annapolis Military Academy, Annapolis, Md.

Mrs. Nell Ross, who is employed at Stewart's Men's Shop, underwent an operation for appendicitis at a Sebring hospital last Friday morning. Her many friends are pleased to know that she is recuperating rapidly, and will return home in a few days.

Mrs. S. A. Abady of Richmond, Va., and her daughter, Mrs. Merle Ades of St. Louis, Mo., are the guests of Mrs. Abady's sister, Mrs. F. M. Wolf. Mrs. Ades was Miss Frances Abady, prior to her marriage, and with her mother, has previously visited in Avon Park.

Frederick Kipp of Columbus, Ohio, who formerly made his home in Avon Park, is spending several days here with his aunt, Mrs. Fred Stevens. While in Florida, he has also visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Kipp in Cocoa.

Mrs. S. B. Wells and Mrs. Bertha Parks were in Tampa on business Tuesday for the day.

Mrs. Virginia Cloud of Bartow was the guest of Mrs. W. S. Rawlings on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Altonbaugh and daughter, Alice of Pittsburgh, Pa., are spending six weeks in Avon Park with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Altonbaugh at the Kempton home.

Charles Lawhon left Thursday for Haines City to visit Henry Smoak Jr. until Monday. He will leave the following Friday for Gainesville to enter the University of Florida.

Mrs. Laura P. Ward and daughter, Mary Susan of Lake Placid spent the week end at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Pardee.

Mrs. Max Brunk and young daughter, Norma Marie of Gainesville were the guests of Mrs. E. G. Todd and family several days this week.

Mrs. Letta Reck and daughter, Miss Josephine Reck of Lakeland, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Todd and family on Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Holcomb returned home Tuesday from Kirkwood, Ill., where she was called by the illness and death of her mother, Mrs. H. W. Barnes.

Mrs. Dick Head and son, Bobby, arrived Thursday from Washington D. C., to visit Mr. and Mrs. Jack Head and family.

Mrs. F. W. Ames of Zephyrhills is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. R. Ginn Jr. and family.

D. H. Perry of Baltimore, Md., is visiting his brother and sister-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. D. G. Perry.

Mrs. Eula Doller of Cairo, Ga., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. H. G. Sadler and family.

Ration Board Frees Drivers

Four Highlands county drivers were summoned before the War Price and Rationing Board for hearings late last week concerning violations of the new pleasure driving order and were permitted to retain their ration books.

A warning was issued to the offenders that in the future, if the facts indicated that the ration book should be taken from the driver, that no leniency would be shown.

The hearings which were the first ones held here in regard to the use of gasoline, involved one negro and three white men.

Alf Belcher, proprietor of the taxi business, was summoned because one of his drivers was found parked in a car near a place of amusement.

Fred Somerstein, negro and Henry Lewis Page, were called before the board for violations of speeding reported by the State Highway patrol.

The other Sebring offender to be heard was Andy J. Ashe, of 134 Matlot avenue.

Police authorities have been given orders to keep check on motorists and anyone found driving in violation to the new orders will be summoned before the board. If the owner cannot give sufficient reason for using his automobile in violation to the rules, is gasoline ration card will be taken from him.

—Sebring News.

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Church Notes

CHURCHES OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

"LOVE" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, throughout the world on Sunday, January 31.

The Golden Text is: "Keep your selves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life" (Jude 1:21).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him" (I John 4:16).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook. "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "A misplaced word changes the sense and misstates the Science of the Scriptures, as, for instance, to name Love as merely an attribute of God; but we can by special and proper capitalization speak of the love of Love, meaning by that what the beloved disciple meant in one of his epistles, when he said, 'God is love' " (P.319:27-1)

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship, 11:00 A. M. Sermon topic: "The Meaning of Prayer."

Pilgrim Fellowship at the Church Manse unless otherwise announced at 7:00 P. M. Richard Stodden will lead the discussion.

Wednesday, "Quiet Hour" 7:30 P. M.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Hoyt Tatum, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.; Sermon topic: "An Adequate God."
Youth Fellowship Meeting 7:00 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.; Sermon topic: "Some Requirements For Today."
Wednesday 8:00 P. M., Mid-week Prayer Service.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Communion, 8:00 A. M.
Church School, 11:00 A. M.
Holy Communion and Sermon, 11:00 A. M.
FRIDAY
Confirmation Class 8:00 P. M.
Richard I. Brown, Vicar.

SCOUT NEWS

TROOP 57 PROGRAM FOR SCOUT WEEK—FEBRUARY 6th to 12th

Saturday, February 6th — Field Day at Donaldson Park.

Events: Fire building, cooking, judging, map making, high jumping, broad jumping, running, games, treasure hunt.

Sunday 10:45 A. M. — Attend church service.

Monday 7:45 P. M. — Court of Honor at Scout Hall.

Recognition of advancements.

During the week — Launching of Scrap Survey and Collecting Campaign in cooperation with local Salvage Committee of the Conservation Division of the War Production Board. The Scouts are to discover scrap in fields, basements, attics, cellars and business establishments and collect or report it for collection.

R. E. Mayaack, Scoutmaster.

Income Tax Data

FORM OF RETURN

Persons subject to the Federal income tax must report their income to the Government on forms, or blanks, prescribed by regulations. These forms are obtainable from any Collector of Internal Revenue, and generally from any bank. Special forms are designated for corporations, for partnerships, for trusts and fiduciaries, and for nonresident aliens. Farmers who keep no books of accounts on the accrual method must attach a special schedule to their return (Form 1040F). For individuals, two forms are used, depending upon the amount and source of income to be reported.

FORM 1040. This form is intended for general use of individuals who are citizens of the United States, or residents of this country, whether citizens or not. It contains spaces to show the amount of income from various sources, deductions allowable, exemptions and credits, and computation of tax liability. As most of the items require some explanation in order to be allowable, the form also contains appropriate schedule to show in more detail how the income or the deductions are determined.

FORM 1040A. This is a simplified report, which may, at the option of the taxpayer who makes his return on the cash basis, be filed instead of form 1040 by citizens and residents whose gross income was $3,000 or less during 1942, provided all this income consists wholly of one or more of the following: salary, wages, dividends, interest, or annuities. In using this form it is necessary only to enter the amount of gross income as shown, deduct the credit allowable for dependents, and insert the appropriate amount of tax in accordance with one's personal exemption status, as shown on the table on the reverse side of the form. This form has no entries for deductions allowable, since the taxes indicated in the table on the back of the form are computed after taking into account what have been considered average deductions for persons of this income class.

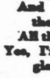
A taxpayer should, therefore, consider carefully which form would be appropriate for his purposes. Whichever form is employed, all the information called for in the spaces should be inserted so far as applicable to the taxpayer, in order to avoid the expense to the Government, and the possible inconvenience to the taxpayer, of subsequent check and inquiry.

With each return form is a set of accompanying instructions, and these instructions should be carefully read by the taxpayer before making his return.

Returns for the calendar year 1942 must be filed not later than March 15, 1943. They may be filed by mailing to the Collector of Internal Revenue of the appropriate district in which is located the legal residence or principal place of business of the taxpayer. If the return is filed by mailing, it should be posted in ample time to reach the Collector's office on or before March 15, 1943. Returns received later than the due date are subject to a penalty variable according to the lateness in filing.

LIBERTY LIMERICKS

Said a tailor named Mr. I. Pressem,
"Our soldiers need backing, God bless 'em—
And I've bought, for their sake,
All the Bonds I can take;
Yes, I'm proud and I'm glad to pressem 'em!"



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Tooth and Dime All Out to Help

"Now it's my turn," says five-year-old Gerry King of New York City as he fills a dime card for early mailing to greet President Roosevelt on his 61st birthday, Saturday, January 30. Last year Gerry had the honor of visiting the President at the White House during the 1942 infantile paralysis campaign. Even though he was on crutches he had a great time—even took a playful "sock" at Dorothy Lamour. This year, he's able to run and play around the house and enjoy an active life with other children thanks to the dollars and dimes contributed during the annual infantile paralysis fund-raising appeals. But he hasn't forgotten, so he's "all-out" to help the 1943 campaign which starts January 15 and climaxes with the President's birthday.

RED CROSS INFORMATION

A class of Instruction in First Aid will be given by Harry Kenning from Red Cross headquarters, at the Red Cross room in Sebring, beginning Feb. 22 through March 5. This will be a 30 hour course, and will be held in the evenings.

A ten hour Advanced First Aid course will begin February first. Registration is now open for both courses.

Transportation from Avon Park, will be arranged for those from Avon Park who attend the classes.

William R. Fielding, St. Petersburg attorney who recently entered the military service, has resigned as a member of the State Board of Law Examiners, for the First Congressional District. Governor Holland has appointed Dewey A. Dye, Bradenton, former state attorney and president pro tem of the 1941 Senate, to serve the unexpired term.

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TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

(By RUSSELL KAY

And now the war is being brought home to the American housewife with brutal emphasis in the form of unsliced bread.—While no one seems to know just what this drastic edict has to do with winning the war, most folks are accepting the added burden with determination and courage.

Millions of American youngsters who don't even trouble to look up at a passing four-motored bomber and who take a magic eye, five band, selective push button, tone controlled radio as just another piece of furniture, now gather around in popeyed awe as they view for the first time a solid loaf of unsliced staff-of-life.

The unsuspecting young housewife who for years has been able to cut a deck of cards with the best of them, now finds herself up against a "new deal."

Like an interne about to descend upon his first tonsil, she nervously begins looking about for a suitable scalpel. Such knives as still repose in the average kitchen drawer are just about as useful from a bread-slicing standpoint as a coal chisel.

There are innumerable gadgets designed to remove cores from apples, unstem strawberries, extract eyes from potatoes, unravel strings from beans, separate corn from the cob, peel an onion or grate a nutmeg—but nothing that might remotely be termed a "bread knife." Those that are long enough are too dull, and those that are sharp enough are too short—and there is no hope in any of them.

Of course you can send Willie next door to ask Mrs. Gilabooly for the loan of a bread knife, but you might as well ask her for a pound of creamery butter or a can of fresh coffee. Who, with a knife worthy of the name, would trust it out of her sight at a time like this? She might scrape the rust off a spatula and send that over with a mumbled apology, but not her "bread knife", even if she had one.

While I admit it is far-fetched and nigh on to impossible, let's assume that the little lady is in possession of a sure enough bread knife. She grasps the fresh bread firmly in her left hand and prepares to vivisect.

Like a spirited horse conscious that he is in inexperienced hands, the loaf of bread puts up stubborn resistance. As the weapon begins pressing on his sturdy crust, he starts to exhale. Squench, he goes down like a punctured balloon, the end being operated on tilts at an angle of 60 degrees.

But the brave little housewife thinks of the boys on Guadalcanal and New Britain, so she bites her trembling lip, closes her eyes and thrusts. Her reward is a neat triangle. Now the partly butchered loaf has a beautiful underslung jaw.

By this time friend husband is storming about, howling for toast and coffee. Frantically the little woman wields the knife. Rushing to the toaster she attempts to inject the results of her labor.

Designed to accept slices, the toaster positively refuses to admit these "Bundles for Britain" or whatever they are. Friend husband looks on in amazement and then in a tone that drips masculine superiority he says, "Here, gimmie that knife.

Approaching the half massacred loaf after the manner of a Roman Gladiator about to dispatch a Christian, he sets to work. After three unsuccessful tries he hurls the knife in one direction and the bread in another and orders his cowering helpmate to open a package of crackers.

It isn't that he's unpatriotic or unwilling to accept any sacrifices, no matter how great, if it will aid in winning the war. Gladly will he forego his second cup of coffee, the butter on his bread, or the sugar on his cereal, but when a regulation reaches clear into his own breakfast nook and makes a first class monkey out of him in the presence of the little woman he has struggled so hard to keep in her place, he feels it is going altogether too far.

No wonder congressmen are smothered under an avalanche of protest!

One serious thought before closing this column. — We are called upon to join the fight against infantile paralysis.—The "March of Dimes" is on again.—While much progress has been made, science still does not know the answer. — Only your dimes and dollars, voluntarily given, can further this great work, bring relief to the afflicted and provide for further research. —Let's make this Celebration of the President's Birthday the most resultant yet staged.

GIVE TO THE FUND — HELP FIGHT INFANTILE PARALYSIS!

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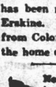
*See Directions on the label

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Erskine, Jr. announce the arrival of a baby son, weighing nine pounds, who arrived Monday morning. The young man has been named Ernest Edward Erskine. Mr. and Mrs. Erskine are from Colorado, and are residing at the home of Mrs. C. O. Bryant.



Not everybody with a dollar to spare can shoot a gun straight—but everybody can shoot straight to the bank and buy War Bonds. Buy your 10% every pay day.

OUR SIDESHOW

Coyote Carson chews raw steaks as if they were peanuts! All citizens of Hereford, Texas, have good teeth because soil conditions provide calcium and phosphates. But listen, pardner: 1 level teaspoon of Rumford Baking Powder, as contained in baked foods, provides one-third the daily minimum requirement of calcium, one-half the daily minimum of phosphorus—vital to bones and teeth. Yippee!

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Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. HETHERINGTON — Phone 54

Lodge Observes Founders Night at Meeting

Eleanor Seaverns Rebekah Lodge, No. 65, observed Thomas Wildey night, at their meeting on Monday at the lodge room. Thomas Wildey is the founder of the Rebekah Degree, the Order being nearly a century and a quarter old, and doing a splendid work all over the country.

Mrs. Cora Wray, noble grand, opened the business meeting, and under Good of the Order, Mrs. Agnes Cox gave a very interesting article concerning the struggles, patience and endurance of the early organizers.

Mrs. Helen Mann read an article on the "Life of Thomas Wildey."

Mrs. Wray was appointed representative to the Rebekah Assembly of Florida, to be held in Sarasota the week of April 11. Mrs. Mann was named alternate.

A delightful feature of the evening was the gallery of pictures that was presented. These pictures were of various people about town, and were taken at different ages, hence creating much merriment in deciding just who it was. Most of those represented were charter members of the lodge.

Mrs. Nancy Boraff was in charge of the delicious refreshment course that was served after the meeting, and which consisted of saltines, doughnuts, candy, fruit and coffee. She was assisted in serving by Mrs. Mollie Waters, and Mrs. Mary Reed.

Rick Spatz Has Party at Home Saturday Evening

Rick Spatz was a genial host at a most delightful weiner roast and party at his home on Lake Letta Saturday evening. Weiners were roasted over an open grill on the beach, and formed a delicious part of the tempting supper. Boating, cards and dancing were included in the enjoyable diversions for the evening. Most of the group concluded the evening's fun by hiking back to town.

Among those sharing Rick's hospitality were Misses Winifred Archer, Polly Thomas, Betty Johnson, Madge Pilcher, Ruby Pate, Sujette Dorminey, Mary Clements, Dot Gribble, Audrey Hershberger, and Lena Mae Perry.

Leon DeLaney, Billie Heim, Bill Turner, Jimmie Hetherington, Charles Locke, John Giddens, Walter Martin, Bobby Keller, James Perdue, Arthur Gregory, Cecil Skipper, Jack Head, George Gribble, George Nader, Jack Foster, T. F. Hunt, Roy Maddox, and Buddie Johnson.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO MEET WEDNESDAY

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church will meet at the parish house next Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

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Recent Bride and Groom

Lt. and Mrs. Jack Mason Lyle, whose wedding in the Episcopal church in Avon Park was an event of January 2. Mrs. Lyle was the former Mary Frances Browne, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Armstrong of this city.

Sans Souci Club Has Party At Stewart Home

Mrs. Ben T. Stewart was hostess to the Sans Souci club at a delightful party at her home on Tuesday evening. Beautiful potted plants were used to decorate the party rooms.

Several interesting progressions of bridge were played during the evening, with Mrs. Raymond Dilley being the winner of high award, when scores were totaled. Miss Iva Phillips won second high, and Mrs. Edwin Struck received guest high score prize. All of the awards were Defense Stamps. After the games, the hostess served dainty refreshments of small chocolate cakes and coffee.

Those enjoying the party included Miss Alma Harrell, Miss Millie Pearson, Miss Mildred Myers, Miss Sara Browning, Miss Iva Phillips, Mrs. Chas. Sherman, Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mrs. G. W. Oliver, Mrs. Edwin Struck, Miss Clio Metcalfe and Mrs. Phillip Boardman.

Senior Class Has Supper Party To Honor Graduates

The senior class of Avon Park high school entertained at a steak supper at the Khaki Kitchen on Friday evening, the affair being given in honor of Charles Locke and Charles Lawhon, members of the class who graduated that morning at the close of the first semester. Following the supper, the group went to the home of Miss Mary Clements, where dancing was enjoyed until a late hour.

Those attending included Misses Winifred Hood, Sujette Dorminey, Betty Johnson, Carolyn Holland, Willa McGiboney, Mable Norton, Ruby McConnell, Helen Jarrett, Ouida Fields, and Mary Clements.

Charles Lawhon, Charlie Locke, Cecil Skipper, Paul Vilkaitis, George Gribble, Billie Heim, Leon DeLaney, Walter Tucker, Jack Head, Arthur Crews, Johnnie Lamb, William Croft, and Roy Maddox.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swartz, of Harrisburg, Pa., are here for a few days looking after property interests.

Mrs. Weaver Will Hold Class on Preparing Meat

Mrs. Ethel Weaver, Home Economist for the Florida Public Service company, will give a demonstration on preparing the cheaper cuts of meat, at the Customer's room at 2:30 on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 3. Every housewife in Avon Park, who is interested is cordially invited to attend the class.

Mrs. Weaver has been conducting similiar classes in Avon Park at intervals, during the past several months. She is fulfilling an urgent need of the housewife today, in showing her how, in a practical and economical manner, she can prepare tasty meals for her family, and yet give them the much needed vitamins, that are so essential to good health. Mrs. Weaver has shown how to conserve sugar in a variety of tempting ways, and has demonstrated a number of delicious meat dises. The class on February 3 will be of especial interest, and should be well attended. This is your invitation to attend.

The Ration Program

THE PROGRAM:

Rationing of canned and bottled fruits, vegetables, soups and juices; frozen fruits and vegetables; dried fruits.

(This rationing program does NOT include fresh fruits and vegetables; canned meats and fish; preserves, jams and jellies; pickles; relishes; olives, candied fruits, spaghetti, macaroni, etc.)

WHAT RATION BOOK:

War Ration Book Two. (This will be issued according to the method chosen by each region.)

WHO GETS WAR RATION BOOK TWO

Everyone who has War Ration Book One.

WHEN

Around the end of February.

HOW

Point Rationing System.

HOW MUCH

48 points per ration period for each individual (The ration period will be a calendar month except that the first ration period must be longer or shorter than a month, depending upon the date when rationing begins.)

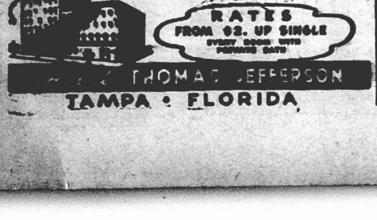
FIRST RATION STAMPS

The BLUE A, B, and C stamps from War Ration Book Two.

WHERE MAY STAMPS BE USED

At any food store.

Are you entitled to wear a "target" lapel button? You are if you are investing at least ten percent of your income in War Bonds every pay day. It's your badge of patriotism.



CLUCKING HENS

(Ralph McGill in Atlanta Constitution)

One of the things which burns me, just one of the things, is all this and concern about protecting the soldier.

The soldier is going off to be shot at, and maybe killed or wounded. He doesn't want to sit in a Buddha-like calm and let his mind dwell on that fact. He would end up in a psycopathic ward if he did.

Most of the soldiers are just the boys from your street. You know them. They have been to their Sunday schools and churches and they are good, decent boys. Yet, you have a lot of clucking hens who go around wanting to force the soldier to do nothing except contemptate his fate. They don't want him to dance or have any fun.

The very worst of these clucking hens are those who will magnify one soldier who has had one beer too many into a drunken group of 50.

You hear and see that done all along. I recall being on a train not so long ago when four soldiers sat across the aisle in the club car having a bottle of beer each. I happened to be sitting next to two ladies wo were exchanging horrified whispers about the shameful orgy they were witnessing. They were four fine looking boys and they were perfectly normal. Yet, I just know tat when those two dear, sweet souls got home they told their neighbors and maybe their pastor. If their pastor was one such as pestered a lot of us around town until they took him away because the war had tilted his mind too far over, they probably got a sermon or so on the brutalizing spectacle of the American soldier.

All this causes me to burn wit a bright, blue flame.

The American soldier is behaving himself much better than his elders. If he drinks a beer or so, why, that's his business. Maybe he feels like one. The soldier of this war is the best-trained and the best-behaved we've had because he is one of the younger generation. They've got more sense. There is bound to be a few who do take too much, but the Army handles that, too. It handles it much better than the civilians do.

There is just one thing worse than a drunk soldier and that is the crowd of professional cluckers who go around worrying about the soldier's morals. Those morals probably are superior to the professional moralists.

None of that crowd ever goes after the politicians around Army Army camps who let gamblers and thieves take in the soldiers and their money.

I've pointed out two or three times that crooked gambling joints along one of the main highways in the county next to Atlanta which robs soldiers and civilians every night with crooked cards and dice. It deals in a little vice, too. Why don't they go after it?

Mr. Kipling Said it

Mr. Rudyard Kipling said it all years ago, in a well-known poem which every high school declaimer knows. I think I recall part of it, as an old exdeclaimer.

"I went into a public house, as sober as could be.
'They give a drunk civilian room, but hadn't none for me.
The publican he ups and says, 'We serve no red-coats here,'
So, I outs into the street and to myself says I—

" 'Oh, it's Tommy this, and Tommy that, and Tommy wait outside,
But it's "Special Train for Atkins" when the troopship's on the tide—

"We aren't no thin red heroes, we aren't no blackguards, too.
But single men in barracks, most remarkable like you.
And sometimes, if our conduct isn't all your fancy paints,
Just remember men in barracks don't grow into plaster saints."

That about the idea. You put a man in uniform and immediately you get a certain, small group which immediately assumes the soldier is a lecherous sort of person who must be kept away from all temptation. They assume he has no character and no ability to know wrong from right.

All this causes me to burn, as I said before.

The soldier does all right. He behaves better than civilians. He needs to be exuberant and gay at times to forget what his job may be.

And if they do run off the track now and then, why, "Sentry, close your eye."

The boys are good enough to die for us and I'm for encouraging them to live for us without assuming their souls must be yanked from hell fire and treating them so.

LEGAL NOTICE
COUNTY TAX ASSESSORS ROUNDS

In accordance with the Laws of Florida I will make my official Tax Rounds for 1943 as scheduled below.

The law provides that every owner or agent having Real, Personal or Intangible property make a Tax Return of same to the County Assessor of Taxes on or before April 1st., the law further provides that all taxpayers claiming exemptions make application for same each year.

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Wed. Feb. 10th. Avon Park Precinct 1-1A-1B Hartt's Office
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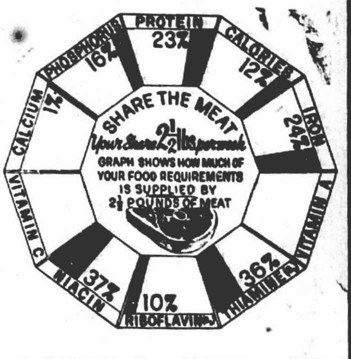

Any change in the meat share would reduce or increase the above percentages proportionately.

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ACE IN THE HOLE

by JACKSON GREGORY

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THE STORY SO FAR: Arriving simultaneously at the King Cole Ranch, Ann Lee and Cole Cody discovered Old Early Bill Cole had made two identical wills, one leaving all his money and the King Cole Ranch to Ann; and the other giving the same money and property to Cole. However, before his death, caused by a gun-shot wound from an unknown assailant, Old Bill had sent them each a key, which, to their amazement, they now found fitted two different locks on an old, black iron box. Opening the box they found two envelopes, each containing a five-hundred-dollar bill and a letter directing payment of the money to Doc Joe and the Judge in settlement of a lost bet.

Now continue with the story.

CHAPTER XI

Cal Roundtree told the story of Early Bill Cole very simply.

Cole Cody asked,

"When he came to making a will, then, he knew what he was doing? He wasn't delirious?"

"Not Early Bill," vowed Cal Roundtree. "When he stood up, aiming to die on his feet the same way he had lived, his old head was as clear as a bell. You could see it in his eyes. He had a pair of eyes like an eagle's."

"Then how in blazes was it that at one and the same time he gave all he had to me—and gave the same everything to Ann Lee? I've seen both wills, man, and that's how they read!"

Cal shook his head. "He was having him his fun, I reckon. Old Early Bill, come rain or shine, was always a great hand for having him his own fun in his own way." He thought a moment. "Say! It might be that this way he was making sure that you and Miss Ann would marry each other! Maybe that's the way he wanted it!"

"Then you're wrong about him not being crazy," snorted Cole Cody.

They sat silent a little while, soaking in the sunshine. Presently they fell to talking of this and that as men, strangers to each other and thrown together, will, and so it chanced that the attempted stage robbery of the day before was mentioned. And so Cal Roundtree learned that the attack had been made against Bucktooth Jenkins, and that Jenkins was now lying in bed at Bald Eagle, pretty well shot up.

"Did they get the money Bucktooth was carrying?" Cal Roundtree asked anxiously.

"They didn't get anything, unless one of them got a bullet in him. I couldn't be sure, it was that dark. We all wondered what Bucktooth was carrying that they wanted."

"He was carrying ten thousand dollars in hard and folding money," said Cal. "It was money he had gone to collect for Early Bill, and he was bringing it home. I know because Early Bill showed me the letter Bucktooth had wrote him; the letter said he had collected all right but was staying over a couple of days to visit some relations of his at the old trading post down over by Tilton; said he'd be along on yesterday's stage, bringing the ten thousand bucks with him. But how the devil did anybody else find out about it? Bucktooth ain't a man to gab. Early Bill showed me the letter because when it come he was near blind with pain, and he just snapped at me like this, 'Oh, hell, it ain't anything if it's from that fool Bucktooth. Just about whether he did as I told him or fell down on it. Here, read it to me, Cal,' and he stuck on to that, same as usual, 'If you can read!' So I read it, and left it lying on his table when he chased me out to bring him a drink."

"You left it on the table, huh? He probably left it on the table.—What do you know about this Rance Waldron hombre anyhow?"

"Nothing. Except I don't like the way he wears his face."

"He could have found the letter and acted on it.

"About it being Waldron, I bet it was! He's been in and out of Bald Eagle a time or two, and from what I hear he ain't got a two-bit piece to his name. And I wouldn't put him above hog-stealing. But where he'd find a side-kick in a game like this, him being a Johnny-come-lately hereabouts, I wouldn't know."

"Just who is Bucktooth Jenkins, anyhow? How come that Early Bill sent him on an errand such as that?"

"Bucktooth has been old Bill's handy-man for years. He lived in that little shack over yonder." Cal pointed to one of the several small adobes half hidden by the low drooping branches of a live oak. "He's a good man and game, and always carried out orders the way he got 'em. Later I'll be riding into town to see how he's making out. If he gets well he ought to be back here, no matter who owns the place."

"I'd sort of like to look the ranch over, to see what it's like," said Cody wistfully. "But I suppose, the shape I'm in, a horse would shake me plumb to pieces."

"I'll hitch up the buckboard, if you say the word, Cody. A buckboard can go most any place, you know."

It was while they were giving the matter thought that a man came riding to them from the country road, ignoring the ranch house and striking straight for the two on the log. First Cole Cody recognized the palomino, then the rider, and waved. Here came little Porfirio Lopez whom he had left last night in town.

Porfirio's white teeth gleamed in a wide grin as he pulled his horse up in front of them.

"Light down, Porfirio," invited Cody, "and make yourself at home."

Porfirio swung down lightly, was introduced to Cal Roundtree who shook hands without getting up to do so, an unnecessary effort anyhow, seated himself beside his amigo Cole Cody, and the three chatted. Porfirio had come, it appeared, for more than one reason: He wanted to visit the grave of the poor old Senor Beel Cole; he meant to pick some wild flowers by the creek and place them there with his own two hands. Also, he had thought that he might find his amigo Cole Cody here. Third, his heavy black brows drawn down like the shadow of a thundercloud, he wanted to poke his nose into things here, to find out things for himself, to be like a hunting dog, maybe to learn what cabrone it was who had shot Early Bill.

"I would kill him like that!" he exclaimed and crushed an acorn with the high heel of his boot.

Cody explained to Cal Roundtree all about Porfirio.

"He sold his little ranch to come here. I'd like him to stay a while. If I take over, he's on my pay roll. Anyhow he might hole-up here a few days?"

Cal shrugged.

"Me, not owning the place, I can't hire a man," he said. "Likewise, not owning it, I've got no rights chasing a man off. As far as I go, Porfirio is welcome to stick around until his feet itch to be traveling."

"Run, if that's what you got in your hearts."

Porfirio smiled. "But I do not travel on my feets, Senor!"

"It's a darn shame," said Cole Cody, half smiling and half inclined to sigh over the thing, "that the old boy can't be with us, watching all the little merry hell he's kicked up."

Cal sat silent a little while, gently stirring the dirt with the toe of his boot.

"It's not a day for sitting still," said Cody, and stood up. "That's a great idea of yours, Cal, about the buckboard."

"Suits me," said Cal. "Here we go."

He roped two lively young bays in the corral, harness-broke, and after a minor tussle with them got them harnessed and hitched to the buckboard while Cody held the reins. Cal took the reins into his own hands as he climbed up over the wheel, said to his team a quiet, "Run, blast you, if that's what you've got in your hearts," and swung them into the sketch of a road leading down into the valley. Porfirio Lopez, not to be left alone with his thoughts and problems, rode alongside.

It was a glorious morning such as early summer, still brushing fingers with springtime, brings to this land of gentle hills and small valleys under the steep and rugged barrier of the blue mountains, and the breeze blowing in their faces was sweet with the resinous incense of pines, the spicy whiff of sage, the "green smell" of rich young grass and wild flowers and the many green things growing.

It was nearly noon when they returned to ranch headquarters. Cole Cody left Porfirio and Cal Roundtree taking care of the horses, and made his way slowly up to the house. He was tired from the trip which no doctor would have consented to, and his present yearning was for a quiet room with a bed in it. Passing a window he got a glimpse of little Ann Lee; their eyes met fleetingly and he marked in passing that her eyes looked bigger than ever and that her face was very serious. He lifted his hat and went on to his corner of the house; he had no way of telling that she had been shocked by the deadly pallor of his face, its haggard, drawn look—and by her stabbing realization that it had been her hand to make him like this. If he should die—

The afternoon passed lingeringly. There was so much to think about, so little to do about any part of it. For the most part, Cole Cody lay in his room, fatigued and weakened by his jaunt in the buckboard; Rance Waldron kept to his rooms, seldom emerging and always, as Aunt Jenifer took pains to note, leaving a locked door behind him. Aunt Jenifer herself did a bit of snooping all over the place but mostly in the neighborhood of Waldron's quarters. As for Ann Lee, she sat in the patio dreaming dreams of the future, thinking of the immediate past, musing about her benefactor, Early Bill.

Not long after the lamps were lit all gathered around the dining table when Aunt Jenifer rang the hand bell for supper. Again the meal was excellent and attacked as at dinner; again conversation died aborning. In fact, had it not been for Aunt Jenifer's few cheery remarks, there would probably not have been so much as a "Please pass the potatoes," remark. At the end of this feast of silence and flow of distrust, Cole Cody again said some sort of polite thanks and went to his room. After Cody's departure, Rance Waldron sat a little while over his coffee, smoking a cigarette, and made some small endeavor to be agreeable. Aunt Jenifer did not like the man, and made him the curtest replies before she got up to clear the dishes away; Ann Lee seemed absent minded; she said, "What did you say?" twice to remarks of his; he was not long in saying his own good night and going to his room.

Ann Lee patted a yawn; they had been up early, it had been quite a day and she was sleepy already.

"Go to bed, Kitten," said Aunt Jenifer. "I'll do the dishes and follow along in two shakes."

Ann carried her lamp through quiet empty rooms where shadows seemed to come out of corners and from under tables and chairs, and scurry away like frightened things. In her room it was very still, and the starshine came in through the iron grilles of her open windows. She drew the shades down, undressed and slipped into her nightgown and into her big bed almost with one gesture and passed gently from daydream to the land of night's dreams.

And Aunt Jenifer, as wide awake as any cat at any mouse hole, sat for a long while on the green bench, and her head was tipped at an angle that indicates the head's owner is listening intently for the slightest sound. Thus an hour passed; and the night was still. At even the slightest sound, she started; when she heard the faint creak of a board within the house, she clutched the edges of her bench with both hands, ready to spring up. But she knew the way of old houses; how in the night for no reason on earth that she knew, the ancient floorboards would creak like that; sometimes she had treated herself to the thrill of thinking, "There goes a ghost!" Now she just sat back and continued to wait.

Long ago little Ann Lee was fast asleep, or she would have been out here seeking her. Aunt Jenifer stole out of her secret place and crept like an agile small shadow out to one of the big live oaks not more than 50 yards from Rance Waldron's outer door. Under the thick branched tree, heavy with young foliage, it was black dark; here she established herself, seated on the ground, leaning back against the gnarled trunk.

At last even Aunt Jenifer began to yawn and her eyelids to grow so heavy that it required pounds of effort and the final exercise of her will power to get them lifted. But when at last she heard the sound she had waited for so long, her eyes flew wide open of their own accord and she was as wide awake as a child early on Christmas Eve.

The creaking this time was no ghostly creaking; it told of a door being slowly opened on rusty hinges. It was the door from one of Rance Waldron's rooms. And the steps she heard were no ghostly tread; two men, with the door softly closed and locked after them, were coming out, and one of the men walked scufflingly as though he dragged an injured leg after him.

She hid as best she could behind the dark old oak tree, peering out to see what she could see. The night was clear and there was light enough for her to be sure of two things: One of the men was a stranger to her, and he was hurt or sick. The other man was helping him along, and was Rance Waldron. She sniffed. "As though he could fool me, with someone hid in his part of the house. Well, I know now it's a man and not some fool girl he's hiding out."

She strove with all her ears to hear what was said between them, but they spoke a few words only, those in lowered voices. She saw them move, one man lurching and the other supporting him, toward the group of ranch buildings at the foot of the slope, and furtively she followed them. She saw that Waldron had a couple of horses hid in a willow thicket just across the creek; she watched him help his companion up into the saddle; she saw them ride away, heading north, and hastening, then she turned and ran back to the house.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Reviewed by CARTER FIELD

Big Issues in Peace With Japan . . . Will Germany Collapse This Spring? . . .

Bell Syndicate—WNU Features.

WASHINGTON.—If this winter follows anything like the pattern in Russia that last winter did, we may expect Russian successes to continue as long as bitter cold weather lasts. By the same token, with the advent of spring, the tide may turn and we may see further Nazi advances.

No one anywhere has anything but praise for the Soviet forces. Their fighting has been magnificent, their strategy admirable. The fact remains that they lost a great deal more last summer than they had gained last winter, measure in territory.

For example take a look at the map, seeing approximately where the battle lines are now. Then note the position, with references to the battle lines, of Sevastopol. It will be seen that the Germans could be driven a long way back without surrendering the gains they made last summer.

This is the best answer to the question so frequently asked: whether the Russians will content themselves with driving the Germans back across their frontier, or will they pursue the Germans to Berlin. From the present outlook the Nazis will be on Russian soil until the German collapse comes.

Just Like in 1918

It also seems probable, just as in 1918, that the collapse will come without the German army being driven back into Germany on any front. It will not be necessary for the Soviet forces to retake Sevastopol to win the war. Sevastopol is mentioned only because it is an obvious landmark illustrating that the Germans are still holding, and will continue to hold unless the Soviet successes are much more spectacular than any so far this winter, much of their gain made last summer. And it must be remembered that this last summer's Nazi gain was made after what had been assumed to be a perfectly disastrous campaign for the Germans in the winter of 1941-42.

Actually, every bit of information, with due allowance for the lack of outside checking possible on this highly screened and censored front, is that Russia is cutting out the heart of the German war power in men, food and supplies. If, on top of this, the Germans can be driven completely out of Africa before they get a chance to start their spring drive against the Russians, it may well be that the effect on the German morale will approach closely the point necessary to bring out a collapse.

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Korean Seizure by Japan Not So Good

Not content with talking about the Four Freedoms as the basis of peace terms, the sweetness and light advocates are already talking about geographical boundaries. One of these recently said what should be done about Japan—the Nipponese to keep all territory they had on December 7, 1941.

Now that is not only cockeyed, it flies directly in the face of one policy which this government has pursued through two administrations—those of Herbert Hoover and Franklin D. Roosevelt. Back in the Hoover days when Japan moved in on Manchuria, thus starting the inevitable progression of conquest which led up to Pearl Harbor, a protest was made by the secretary of state, Henry L. Stimson. This is the same Stimson who is now secretary of war.

In fact it seme very likely that if Stimson had succeeded in getting Britain to join the U. S. in that protest, the present trouble in the Pacific might have been avoided. At least Japan might not now be such a formidable opponent. Of course, a mere protest would not have been enough. Japan would have had to be convinced that Britain and the U. S. would fight rather than see her pursue her aggressions on continental Asia.

And how about Korea? The seizure of Korea by Japan is not an episode of our history of which any American could be proud. Perhaps it is just as well that so few Americans know anything about it. But the truth is that the United States had a treaty with Korea under which we had agreed to protect her from any outside aggressions. We forgot all about that treaty when Japan moved in.

One can well imagine how most Americans would have felt about it then if the government had taken measures which might lead to war. Why should we risk the lives of our boys for a little bit of soil 6,000 miles away, folks would have asked.

But think how much trouble we would have saved ourselves and the world if we had just slapped Japan down then.

To get back to the present, why should Japan be allowed to continue the enslavement of the Koreans after this war is over? Does that fit in with the Four Freedoms?

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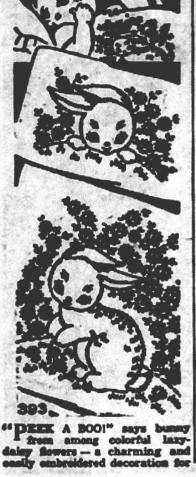

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The Questions

1. Who are the hoi polloi?
2. What kind of an animal is a loggerhead?
3. What city in the United States uses the same name twice?
4. What is the total continental area of the United States?
5. When intact how tall was the Great Pyramid of Gizeh?
6. How great is air pressure at sea level?
7. What is the difference between a fog and a cloud?
8. Who was the first admiral of the United States navy?
9. What would you fill a barrel with in order to make it lighter?
10. What is the first name of the prince of Wales?

The Answers

1. The masses; the populace.
2. A large turtle found in the Atlantic ocean.
3. Walla Walla, Wash.
4. The area is 3,026,789 square miles, 52,630 of which are water surface.
5. The pyramid was 481 feet tall.
6. More than a ton to the square foot.
7. It is a difference of height from the earth. Fog is a cloud on earth. A cloud is a fog in the sky.
8. David Farragut.
9. Hoes.
10. There is no prince of Wales. Only the oldest son of the reigning king has that title and he loses that title when he ecomes kbing.

Gems of Thought

THAT spot of ground pleases me in which small possession makes me happy, and where slight resources are abundant.—Martial.

If you can be well without health you may be happy without virtue.

He that climbs the tall tree has won
right to the fruit;
He that leaps the wide gulf should
prevail in his suit. —SCOTT.

The symbols of the invisible are the loveliest of what is visible.—Byron.

His own estimate must be measure enough, his own praise reward enough for him.—Emerson.

Suffice to Say, It Was Some Sort of Catastrophe

"Fire! Fire!"

As the shrill cry rang out, a woman dashed out of a house waving her hands. One passer-by ran to the fire-alarm, and another entered the house.

"Where is it?" he asked, after a brief investigation. "I can't smell any smoke."

"Oh, I didn't mean fire. I meant murder!"

"Murder?" A policeman who had heard the commotion came running and entered the discussion. "Who's been murdered?"

"Oh, I didn't really mean murder, either!" gasped the woman. "But the biggest rat I ever saw just ran across the kitchen floor."

When the soldier talks about "the skipper" 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 Army men's favor since '18 is Camel Cigarettes. (Based on actual sales records from Post Exchanges and Sales Commissaries.) It's the gift they prefer from the home folks. If you have a relative or friend in the service, send him a carton of Camels. Your dealer is featuring Camel cartons to send to service men.—Adv.

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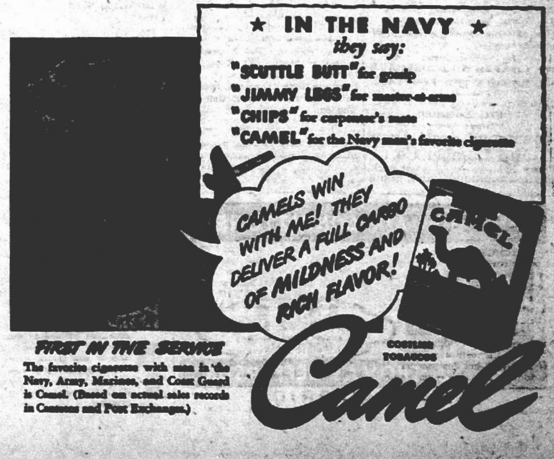

★ IN THE NAVY ★
they say:
"SCUTTLE BUTT" for gossip
"JIMMY LEGS" for master-at-arms
"CHIPS" for carpenter's mate
"CAMEL" for the Navy man's favorite cigarette

FIRST IN THE SERVICE
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Walter Winchell

WALTER WINCHELL is on a tour of duty outside Continental U. S. During his absence, contributions will substitute.

—Some Items Which—

WE SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE JAPS

—By James R. Young—

Who Was 13 Years in Tokyo for INS.

MAYLING SOONG FOUNDATION, honoring the First Lady of China, established by her many friends in this country, has been given further impetus by Wellesley College alumnae on her arrival here 25 years after her graduation.

TWO JAPS, former students in the United States, are reported handling the 12,000 man Jap invasion army units in Northern Japan. These men would specialize in a follow up, after combat troops, in commandeering radio stations, telephone switchboards, gasoline stations, highways, railways, bus lines and power houses. One is Lieut. Henry Shimanouchi, a former San Francisco resident, and as of Dec. 7, 1941, in charge of Japan's so-called cultural society of Rockefeller Center. The other, Capt. Frank Matsumoto, was athletic director of Waseda University in Tokyo who entertained visiting American college and professional athletic teams.

A BICYCLE, the chief means of transportation in Shanghai, now costs $20,000 in Chinese currency. The Japs, pre-Pearl Harbor, were the world's largest bike manufacturers, making them from processed American scrap at $3 apiece and selling them on a one year installment plan to the natives of Indo-China, Siam and Malaya. In the drive on Singapore, Bangkok and Rangoon, the Japs seized the bicycles and literally peddled their way through the peninsula. Tokyo has an estimated 2,200,000 bicycles. Few have coaster brakes, which are the costliest part. The ingenious Jap manufacturers decided to leave off the expensive part—if you want to stop, fall off.

THIS WINTER Shanghai will witness hundreds of deaths from freezing and insufficient food. The European refugee colony, numbering several thousands, will suffer, too. The Japs, last Winter, seized all wheat and rice, and sealed Red Cross supplies—not one ounce or a single bottle of medicine was permitted in use. The Japs prefer to have thousands die in Shanghai's below zero weather than survive and require to be fed.

CHILEANS are being told by the Jap ambassador down there that if their country breaks with the Axis, Japan will bomb the long shore line. Japan for years was one of Chile's great nitrate buyers. In return the Chileans obtained Jap cotton piece goods, pottery, rayon, uniforms and military equipment. Boatloads of Chilean nitrate, sold by a British controlled company, went to Japan in return for munitions and agriculture. Now we must use nitrate on the Japs in the Pacific. Just as our oil and gasoline have taken the Japs to the Solomons and the Aleutians. Or, as Dr. Lin Yutang explains the paradox, we sold the Japs the Ninth Avenue Elevated so they could make bullets. Now we have torn down the Second Avenue Elevated to make bullets to fire back at the Ninth Avenue train.

HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS committee should include besides Clare Boothe Luce, a famous medical missionary from China, Dr. Walter H. Judd, elected from Minneapolis. He was one of many warning us years ahead of Japan's method of attacks. Possibly the Luce-Judd combination might shake down some of the mentally stagnated members of the State Department. And here's a tip: These Chinese are indignant that we have not cleaned house in the Far Eastern division of Mr. Hull's department, a year after war started. We'd better clean those career barnacles from the ship of state, if we expect future cooperation from the Chinese.

RAY KINNEY, the coast to coast Hawaiian bandman who recently played to a $22,000 house in Chicago, knows Hawaiian legislative work. He worked as a page boy in the Territorial halls. His brother is an outstanding authority on Japs in Hawaii and published a book 20 years ago which was suppressed because it revealed Jap plots and intrigue in illegal immigration work.

SIR GEORGE SANSOM, one of the few British officials really familiar with Japan, has been appointed economic expert on Far Eastern affairs to the British Embassy in Washington. His counterpart in the American Embassy in Tokyo was Frank Starr Williams. Both Sir George and Frank Williams were outstanding authorities on Japan's plans for war—but few wanted to listen to them, especially the cotton people who were selling the Japs on credit and wanted Williams to help collect their bills!

WAR ON ALL FRONTS

A SERIES OF SPECIAL ARTICLES BY THE LEADING WAR CORRESPONDENTS

Japan's Secret Weapon

By Robert Bellaire

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

All the Japanese people have been taught that morale, the willingness to sacrifice, will win the war. They believed it before Pearl Harbor, and what has happened since has convinced them. This conviction, a national faith in morale as distinguished from blind confidence, is their "secret weapon," and every Jap, from the youngest school child to the oldest peasant, is armed with it.

He is undergoing, with scarcely any complaint, discomforts and privations which would bring yelps of anguish and indignation from almost any other country in the world. Take a brief look at the Japanese standard of living, which has declined to a mere subsistence level, and compare it with our own pampered existence.

Japanese civilians are eating one-third as much as they did ten years ago. All food is rationed at that level. Sometimes housewives must wait six and eight hours in line to get their meager rations. This is not so much a matter of food shortages in Japan. Essentially, it is a matter of conserving by 60 per cent the manpower and transportation facilities which would be required to bring food to civilians.

How Clothes Are Made.

The manufacture of civilian clothing from wool, cotton, linen and even silk is forbidden by law. All clothing must be made of sufu—artificial material derived chemically from wood pulp. This clothing is rationed to the point where the average Japanese barely manages to keep clothed. It is not attractive. It is not even durable.

The official Domei news agency reported recently that the grasshoppers were eating shirts of this material right off the backs of the farmers in the fields. But this clothing has permitted Japan to divert 80 per cent of her vast textile industry to the production of war materials.

Japanese shoes are now made of cardboard and rationed at the rate of one pair per year. They will wear about a month. When they are gone, nothing is available but wooden shoes and grass sandals.

Japanese Transportation.

The use of private automobiles for any and all purposes has been abolished. Buses and streetcars have been reduced to the point where only half the city workers and students can ride to the factories and schools. The others walk, often eight to ten miles a day. A government permit is required to buy a railroad ticket, and the journey must be necessary.

The Japanese worker never had a 40-hour week. He had a 75-hour week, but now it is a 96-hour week, with one Sunday off each month. All workers are registered. They accept assignments for training and duty exactly as if they were in the regular army.

Jap Heat Rationing.

This winter, the Japanese civilian will be rationed only enough charcoal to heat his home for 28 hours. He is advised to use this fuel two hours daily during the two coldest weeks of the winter.

Office buildings and government structures have had no heat for several years. Trains will not be heated, nor will buses. Japan has the wood to produce enough charcoal for all. But that would take time, manpower and transportation.

The consumption of gas, water and electricity in all Japanese households is set by law, at a fixed rate of about 30 per cent of prewar consumption. If the quotas are exceeded, a heavy fine is imposed. If the offense is repeated, the offender is punished by having all his public-utility facilities shut off.

Japanese students have no leisure time whatever. All are registered by the government and assigned to war work after school hours and during summer vacations. They work in factories, on farms, on road building, on the docks, and as auxiliary police and firemen—wherever they can replace older men who can join the army.

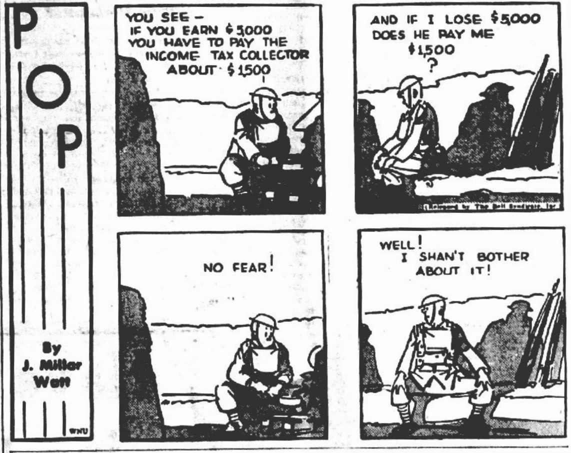
Scrap-iron drives in Japan are not merely a matter of cleaning out garages and basements.

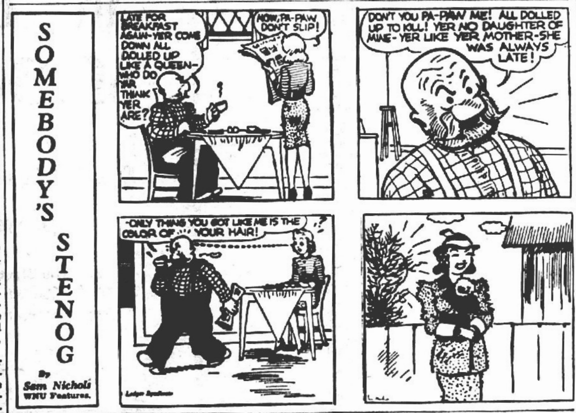
Even doorknobs and window screens are taken. Volunteers walk along the streetcar and railroad tracks with magnets attached to the ends of poles to collect the iron dust from the rails. From 50 to 85 per cent of a Jap's income goes into war bonds, taxes and compulsory postal savings.

The Japanese do not consider night life essential to civilian morale in wartime. All night clubs are closed to civilians. Bars are rationed to the point where they can be open for two or three nights per week, from eight to ten o'clock.

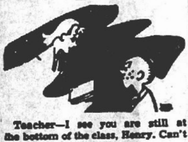
• OUR COMIC SECTION •

PETER B. PEEVE
(WNU Service)
YOU HAVE YOUR RATION COUPON-1 PRESUME


POP
By J. Millar Watt
WNU
YOU SEE - IF YOU EARN $5,000 YOU HAVE TO PAY THE INCOME TAX COLLECTOR ABOUT $1500
AND IF I LOSE $5,000 DOES HE PAY ME $1,500 ?
NO FEAR!
WELL! I SHAN'T BOTHER ABOUT IT!


SOMEBODY'S STENOG
By Sam Nichols
WNU Features.
LATE FOR BREAKFAST AGAIN-YER COME DOWN ALL DOLLED UP LIKE A QUEEN-WHO DO YAR THINK YER ARE?
NOW, PA-PAW, DON'T SLIP!
DON'T YOU PA-PAW ME! ALL DOLLED UP TO KILL! YER NO DAUGHTER OF MINE-YER LIKE YER MOTHER-SHE WAS ALWAYS LATE!
-ONLY THING YOU GOT LIKE ME IS THE COLOR OF YOUR HAIR!

LAST ONE IN



Teacher—I see you are still at the bottom of the class, Henry. Can't you get any other place?

Henry—No, all the others are taken.

Long Tough Trip

Did you hear the one about Pat getting kicked by a mule? He was picked up unconscious and rushed to the hospital. As he was being carried into the building, feeling the swaying motion, Pat started to come to and moaned: "Oh-h-h, and I ain't landed yet."

It's the Same

Sergeant—Private, is that your cigar butt on the floor?

Private—Naw, you can have it. You saw it first.

No Indication

An Irishman, driving a donkey-cart in the middle of a narrow road, heard continuous hooting behind him. He looked round and saw a powerful car following in his wake.

He continued on his way, and the car behind continued to hoot. After a mile or so the road widened sufficiently for the big car to draw level.

"Why didn't you make room for me to pass?" asked the infuriated driver.

"How should I know you wanted to pass? You weren't going any faster than I was," was the reply.

You're Still Out

Mrs.—Didn't I hear the clock strike three when you fell in over the door mat last night?

Mr.—Oh, no. You see, it started to strike eleven but I stopped it so you wouldn't be disturbed, dear.

Poor Mirror

Lady—My greatest sin is vanity. Only this morning I looked into the mirror and thought, "How pretty I am."

St. Peter—Pass in peace. To be mistaken is not a sin!

READ IT TWICE

Prof.—Can you give me an example of a paradox?

Smart—Sure. A man walking a mile and moving only two feet.

Held Down

Officer—The detectives got the woman's fingerprints from her husband.

Second Ditto—How could they do that?

Officer—Easy, she'd kept him under her thumb for years.

Same Difference

Boss—What was your last job?

Applicant—Diamond cutter.

Boss—Jewelry business, eh?

Applicant—No, I cut the grass in a ball park.

TALENT SCOUT

The lawyer for the prosecution had taken great pains to show how the accused man might have accomplished the burglary. He showed how a man could cut away a pane of window glass without making a sound, demonstrated in court how he could muffle his tread to insure that he walked in silence. When he proved that a safe could be blown open with dynamite, and yet not disturb sleeping householders, the prisoner shuffled uncomfortably.

The lawyer noticed this and barked out: "And now you want to alter your plea to 'Guilty,' I suppose?"

"No, it ain't that," returned the man, "but I just wanted to say that if ever you are out of a job I'll always be willing to give you a start."

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MARRIAGE

Fred—Marriage is odd, isn't it? You add one and one and make one!

Ted—How singular!

Heat Conditioning

Mrs. White—You know you could cool our apartment very nicely in the summer by just running cold water in the radiators.

Janitor—I don't think that could be done.

Mrs. White—Well, what have you been doing all winter?

No Lady's Man

Betty—What sort of a fellow is Jack?

Joan—Well, he was over to see me last night. When the lights went out, he spent the rest of the evening trying to fix them.

Sporting Patient

Doctor—Do you want me to look you over?

Patient—For what?

Doctor—For five dollars.

Patient—Doc, if you find five dollars on me, I'll split with you.

Not So Slow

Girl—If you try to kiss me I'll call mother!

Boy—What's the matter with your dad?

Girl—He's not as deaf as mother.

Easy Army Life

Suppose you heard the one about the milkman who wrote back home after joining the army, "This is the life for me. You can lie in bed every morning until five-thirty."

Dawgone It!

Mr. Smith—Don't you know a barking dog never bites?

Sambo—Yassuh, but Ah don't know how soon dat dawg am gwan to stop barkin'.

AT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Teacher—Tell the class about Goliath.

Bright Scholar—He was the guy that David rocked to sleep.

Rubber's Valuable

Ma—Stop, George, you've taken the wrong baby carriage! That isn't our baby!

Pa—Keep quiet, will you! This carriage has good rubber tires!

Expert Navigator

Passenger—How do you remember the way back to the field when you're so high in the clouds?

Pilot—That's easy. I just remember the shape of the clouds!

The Woman of It

Mrs. Jones—Mrs. Blue is a wonderful woman. I never hear her say anything about any of her neighbors.

Mrs. Smith—I think she's deaf and dumb!

Army Style

Sarge—Do you know the difference between a taxi and a bus?

New Girl—No, I don't.

Sarge—That's swell. We'll take a bus.

It's the Same

Sergeant—Private, is that your cigar butt on the floor?

Private—Naw, you can have it. You saw it first.

Come Again!

Simple—I can see good in everything.

Smart—Can you see good in the dark?

Who's Scratching?

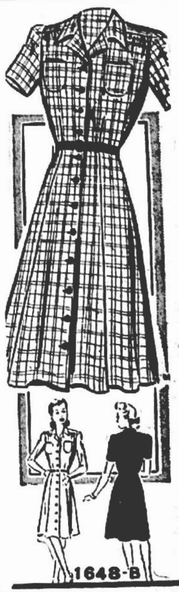
Teacher—What animal makes the nearest approach to man?

Voice in the back—The flea!

Remember This Slogan

Matches have heads but no brains. You have both. Be sure and use them.

Button-Front Dress For All Occasions



NO DESIGN is more successful for an all-occasion dress than the classic shirtwaist! In this button-front version you also have a dress which can be slipped on in a twinkle and a dress which may be effectively decorated with a row of handsome buttons and a stunning belt.

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Kellogg's All-Bran Meat Patties

- 1 egg
- 2 teaspoons salt
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoons minced onion
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley
- 1 cup milk
- ¼ cup catsup
- 1 cup Kellogg's All-Bran
- 1 pound ground beef

Beat egg, add salt, pepper, onion, parsley, milk, catsup and All-Bran. Let soak until most of moisture is taken up. Add beef and mix thoroughly. Bake in hot oven (450° F.) about 20 minutes or broil about 15 minutes. Remove meat patties from pan. Add some milk and seasonings to drippings. Thicken slightly to make gravy. Yield: 6 servings, 2 patties each.

Miss Liberty's Book

The book held by Miss Liberty in her statue in New York harbor represents the law. On it in block letters is the date, July 4, 1776, as meaning "liberty based on law."

Relieve Misery of HEAD COLDS

Put 3-purpose Vicks Va-tro-nol up each nostril. It (1) shrinks swollen membranes, (2) soothes irritation, (3) helps clear cold-clogged nose. Follow directions in folder. VICKS VA-TRO-NOL

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Use only as directed.

Dr. HITCHCOCK'S LAXATIVE POWDER

Grand Jury Makes Report of Convict Case

(Continued From Page One)

cause the local authorities were careful not to violate the State regulations governing trusties. On that night the state prison transfer agents, who brought some of these convicts to Sebring, learning that Veasey and Infinger were absent from the jail and that they were at some place in Sebring. He took the state prison truck, found them and brought them back to the jail were he left them, still acting under the instructions of the state prison authorities he did not lock them up. Although it is apparent they were drinking, he did not see to it that they were locked up nor did he call Sheriff Long's attention to their condition or conduct. Neither did he advise State Attorney Burton of this. Having merely left them at the jail he went on to his hotel. As near as we are able to fix the time when they were brought back to the jail by the transfer agent and left there, it was only a comparatively short time thereafter that Veasey and Infinger took the jailer's pistol and keys, forced the jailer to go up to the second floor of the jail where the prisoners were kept and with the jailer's keys which they had taken they unlocked all of the cells except the one occupied by the negro women and held the jailer, Mr. Raines, prisoner for approximately three hours.

Although they opened all of the cells of the jail, except that of the negro women, none of the prisoner's were hurt or molested by them but he was subjected to very great fear and excitement. He was released by them and permitted to return to the lower part of the jail shortly before one o'clock.

With the jailer's pistol Veasey, aided by Infinger, held all the officers at bay with threats of killing them until about one o'clock when State Attorney Burton went upstairs in the jail and persuaded Veasey and Infinger to give up the pistol and jail keys. Upon the insistance of Veasey, who feared violence to himself and Infinger, the women's cell was left unlocked.

There were seven white women in the jail. Five of them as well as the other prisoners, testified before us that neither Veasey nor Infinger bothered or in any way assaulted or molested them or any other of the prisoners.

We feel that Sheriff Long and Mr. Burton exercised discretion, good judgment in the manner of getting the pistol and keys from these men.

This Grand Jury condemns the practice of permitting convict trusties when away from State prisons and state road camps being allowed the freedom and privileges as was done in this case. To be trusties and have privileges around the prison or camps doubtless is all right but when the prisoner is away from the prison or camp, every precaution should be taken by the prison and camp authorities to insure the protection of the public against the possibility of harm at the hands of men known to be criminals. We recommend that when state prisoners are transferred to a county in circumstances such as this that the county law enforcement officers be given complete jurisdiction over them.

We direct that a copy of this presentment be sent to the proper state officials and urge upon them that steps be taken to safeguard the future against such incidents as occured in this county.

we further recommend that in the future the sheriff of Highlands county select in as far as practical men as jailers who are capable of handling violent and desperate persons.

—Sebring News

Fighting Sons of Dixie

By Barbara Darsey

Among the men in Service from Highlands County is one who is well known through its length and breadth: Austin Clarkson Heacock.

While he is not a Florida Cracker in the strictest sense of the word he has lived among us long enough to be called a real Floridian, a genuine son of Dixie. Austie, as he is affectionately known by innumerable friends, came from Sebring, Ohio, his birthplace, with his family in 1920 when he was a little boy. He grew up here in Sebring, Florida, attended its schools and churches and taking an active part in all the many phases of village life.

During school days Austie was prominent in athletic and dramatic affairs. Soon after graduation he became affiliated with the Standard Oil Company where he was employed for a number of years, resigning to become County Commissioner from District 2, and then Fire Chief of Sebring. This he recently resigned to enter the fighting forces of our Country.

Some time ago he offered his services to the Navy and recently was called to active duty. Where is he stationed? Well now that must be held a military secret but he is a Petty Officer, Second Class of the Naval Reserve Coastal Patrol and stands ready to go wherever the Navy calls.

Prior to his service in the Navy, Austie was not only Fire Chief of Sebring but also Division Chairman of Fire Fighting and Control of Highlands County Defense Council, a member of the City Recreation Board, Song Leader of the Lions Club, Assistant Scout Master, a member of Firemen Inc., and teacher of the Intermediate Boys Class of the Baptist Sunday School. With all his duties he was never too busy to listen sympathetically to the problems of other people and to lend a helping hand.

While he is serving in the Armed Forces of our Country, his wife, the former Thera Killebrew and infant daughter, Beverly Thera, are making their home here in Sebring with relatives.

FOOD AND WAR — 1943

In spite of three consecutive years of record-breaking farm production and even greater planned production for 1943, requirements for food are increasing faster than production.

This Wartime food situation requires:

1. That farmers mobilize every resource to meet their Food for Freedom goals.
2. That Government mobilize essential manpower to make it certain that farmers meet their goals.
3. That every family that can grow a good garden help meet food needs by producing for home use.
4. That foods for which requirements exceed supplies be shared fairly by rationing.
5. That civilians conserve and use available food supplies for best nutrition.

WESTERN UNION OPENS SERVICE

(From Bomb Range High Score)

Opened last week to expedite Government messages, the new Western Union Telegraph Office began sending and receiving operations. The office is located in the south end of the Post Office building.

Base personnel may send wires direct from the Range, according to Lt. T. O. Baily, Signal Officer. However, anyone sending a message collect must deposit the amount of the wire until it has been accepted by the person to whom it is sent.

The office is open from 8 A M to 5 PM and 7 to 9 PM.

YOUR DEFENSE COUNCIL

By Barbara Darsey

Ball bearings are at present so important that they assume the position of ammunition. Millions and millions of them are required, not only in the use of manufacturing machinery but in fighting equipment as well. Are you saving and turning in every bit of scrap metal? Every tiny piece, no matter how insignificant it may seem, may serve to fill a shortage of that particular metal and make more ball bearings, more bayonets, more shells, and other vital implements of war.

Don't be impatient when standing in that long line at bank or Post Office. Wait gracefully and notice how many Soldiers are there too, many far from home, who must present proper identification in order to transact business.

If travel is an absolute necessity, cooperate in every way with officials for many soldiers must travel too and their needs should come first. Make your reservation as early as you can; if plans are changed cancel the reservation immediately. Try to arrange to travel on days when accomodations are not in such demand by Servicemen. Cut your needs to the bone, travel light with little luggage.

Are you worried about the life of your tires? Well then why not check the tire pressure weekly and don't drive with flabby or overinflated tires. By a little observation you can soon arrive at the right pressure for your tires and then make a point of keeping up that pressure.

Change your tires all around about every 2500 to 3000 miles, thus the wear is evened and more mileage will result. Check your tires regularly inside and out and thus catch many small injuries in time to have them repaired.

Keep the wheels in alignment for this preserves tires and affords more mileage. Have brakes tested regularly. Never slam on the brakes recklessly —much good rubber is needlessly ground away daily by the improper use of brakes.

If you are eligible for new tires and tubes—get them. Your car will then give better service and there is less danger of accidents. Don't wait too long to have those worn tires recapped.

Drive under 35 miles — the national speed limit.

Sagebrush, once the bane of western farmers, now takes its place in war work. It contains an oil which makes a splendid base for perfumes, soap, flavoring, candies, astringents, tonics and dyes and thus it releases many valuable oils for war.

In these critical times it is well to consider your life insurance carefully. Be sure you hold policies with reliable companies certified to do business in Florida. To find out about this write the Insurance Commissioner, Tallahassee, Florida and ask him if your company is certified for Florida business. If not, then you will be wise to cancel such insurance and make arrangements with a company that does operate according to Florida laws.

Keep premiums up to date and policies in a safe place. It is often impossible to renew lapsed insurance and when you really need it you cannot get it.

Morale depends, in any event, on many small items together. In the case of our soldiers, perhaps one of the chief items is a letter from home. Write, write, write that letter, cheerful, newsy, to that boy in camp whether he be in Alaska or Africa.

Many household applicances now can be neither repaired or replaced so be careful and treat them all with care. Wash and dry after use, keep free from dust and oil those needing such.

Says a Highlands County housewife: "I'm so careful of my clip clothes pins now for I can't get any more of them. I see that they are counted before the laundress takes them out and when she brings them in and if one is lost we hunt till we find it."

Save such clothes pins that come apart, they are easily put together again. If one piece breaks another, maybe not so smooth, but workable can be cut out of a piece of soft wood.

Soldiers and war production workers need the greater time in use of telephone and telegraph facilities, so be careful and don't use these unnecessarily.

A week of home slicing of bread and how ragged and uneven the slices are, but with a sharp knife and a little practice they will soon look as nice as in Grandmother's day.

Income Tax Data

A taxpayer is entitled to a credit for each person other than husband or wife, whether related to him or not, and whether living with him or not, who during the taxable year was dependent upon and received his chief support from the taxpayer, provided the dependent was either (a) under 18 years of age, or (b) incapable of self-support because mentally or physically defective.

The credit for dependents is based upon ACTUAL FINANCIAL DEPENDENCY and not mere legal dependency. It is not necessary that the dependent be related to the taxpayer, but the taxpayer must have provided more than one-half of the support, or there is no dependency.

The term "mentally or physically defective" includes not only those who are mentally afflicted and physically crippled, but also persons who, by reason of old age or impaired health, are incapable of self-support. The state of mental or physical defect need not be of a permanent nature, but if it existed for only a portion of a year, then the credit for dependent can be claimed only for that portion of the year during which the dependent was supported by the taxpayer.

A person may not acquire a credit for dependent by reason of support of a person qualifying as a dependent if, as a result of such support, he acquires a head of family exemption, but may acquire a credit for dependent by reason of additional persons qualifying as dependents, whom he supports. Thus, if a person claims head of a family exemption on account of support of an aged mother or father, incapable of self-support or a child, he would not be entitled to a credit for such dependent; but if he supported more than one such person he could claim credit for such additional persons provided they were under 18 years of age or incapable of self-support.

Credit for dependents may not be divided between two persons filing separate returns, but must be taken by the one contributing the chief support. A credit for dependents may be claimed by a father who provides the support for his children living with his divorced wife, if the support is provided as a result of a court decree or as the result of an agreement between husband and wife.

The credit for dependent, allowable to a taxpayer filing on Form 1040, is $350, and is proportionate with the number of months of dependency. Thus, for a child born on July 1, the credit allowable would be $175 (for six months), and if a child became 18 years of age on July 1 the credit allowable would be $175. One-half a month or less is not counted as a month; more than one-half a month is counted as a month in calculating the credit.

A credit of $385 for each dependent on July 1 of the year is allowable to a taxpayer using Simplified Form 1040A.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HIGHLANDS COUNTY

CHANCERY NO.

BILL FOR DIVORCE

RICHARD WYRICK, Plaintiff

vs.

HILDA WYRICK, Defendant

NOTICE TO APPEAR

THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO HILDA WYRICK, DEFENDANT:

You are hereby notified that on the 28th day of January, 1943 Richard Wyrick, the Plaintiff herein, filed a Bill of Complaint in the above Court against you, the nature of the same being to procure a Decree of Divorce a vinculo matrimonii.

The Bill recites that you are a non-resident of the State of Florida and that you reside with R. M. Stanlon, Route 2, Ochlochnee, Georgia; that you are above the age of 21 years and that there is no person in the State of Florida service of process upon whom would bind you, the Defendant herein.

You are hereby required to file your appearance to the said Bill of Complaint in the said Court on or before the 1st day of March, 1943 or judgment by default will be entered against you.

WITNESS the seal of the said Court at Sebring, Florida, and the signature of the Clerk thereof, this 28th day of January, 1943.

H. T. PINTY,
Clerk of said Court
(SEAL) By Colon DeShong
Deputy Clerk

S. COLQUITT PARDEE
Attorney for Plaintiff
Brickell Building
Avon Park, Florida
Jan. 29, Feb. 5, 12, 19.

SQUADRON NCO's TO VOTE CHOICE OF ITS LOCATION

(From Bomb Range High Score)

As a home for the proposed non-com club, two large buildings formerly used by Avon Park citrus packing firms were inspected Saturday by seven non-commissioned officers, representating various squadrons, and Lt. Lionel H. Russell, Special Services Officer.

The two buildings, the Palmer and Blue Goose packing houses, are the only available structures large enough to accomodate the anticipated membership of the Club. Of the two, the Blue Goose building owned by the Seaboard Railroad is the more desirable.

While both buildings require extensive interior construction and decorating, a rough estimate of $3000 was given by the Post Engineering Office as to the probable cost of revamping the Palmer building, provided the Non-Coms do their own work. To let the job on a contract basis would cost in the neighborhood of $4500. This figure, of course, does not include furnishing the building, which would cost at least another thousand, or so.

At a meeting, to be held in the Base Chapel tomorrow (Thursday) at 11 AM, the representative Non-Coms will discuss the two buildings and cost to put them in shape. Final decision on what's to be done will be voted on by squadron NCO's.

Officers' Wives Plan Program For Range Personnel

A program of activities for the Officers' Wives Club was set forth last Wednesday at a meeting at the Jacaranda Hotel.

The women will continue to act as hostesses at the Officers' Club, where four members are on hand to play bridge. They have supplied a collection of current magazines and expect soon to devote time to sewing buttons and insignias and to engage in activities of particular interest to enlisted men and bachelor officers. Dances, program entertainments and bridge parties will be announced.

Officers of the club are Mrs. Clint T. Johnson, Honorary President, Mrs. Harold R. Smith, President, Mrs. John M. Talbot, Vice-President, Mrs. Louis Ginsberg, Secretary, and Mrs. Charles H. Leighton, Treasurer.

Ten Officers Win Their Silver Bars Chaplain is Capt.

(From Bomb Range High Score)

Arriving here several days late last November 2nd Lt. William A. Thomas, S-4 Officer, has been working hard to catch up with his duties. Sunday he made the grade, received his promotion to 1st Lt.

A free cigar per day was the average around Headquarters of the 46th Service Group last week as Major W. H. Worley announced promotions of officers in addition to a long list of extra chevrons among the enlisted personnel.

The Group Chaplain, Louis B. Van Winkle, was busy buying new Captain's bars to put on.

Six former 2nd Lts. were turning in their used gold bars for the silver ones of a 1st Lt. The honored ones, not to mention the extra pay, were Wm. M. Brey, McDawson L. Burton, Wm. G. Butler, Walton C. Jackson, Philip R. Muller and L. M. Slomoff.

Base Automotive Officer 2nd Lt. Benjamin L. Pearson scrapped his old gold for shiny silver last Saturday upon notification from the War Department that he had been promoted to 1st Lt.

Borrowing a silver bar, he placed it on his collar and took the Mrs.., who works in the Post Engineering Office, to dinner expecting she'd note silver bar.

P. S.: She didn't notice the change.

1st Lt. Vernon G. Elliott had double reason to be pleased with life in general this month. On top of gaining a future 2nd Lt. for the Air Corps the fourth of January, he was notified of his promotion to that of Captain, January 18. Captain Elliott is 328th Bomb Group Adjutant.

STARS BY MATCH LIGHT

This one comes fresh off a plane from Australia: Gen. MacArthur was taking a midnight stroll in the pitch-black darkness. A soldier hailed him—"Hey buddy, got a cigarette?" . . . The General handed him one. "Hey buddie, got a match?" . . . The General produced one, lit it and held it to the doughboy's smoke. The flame sparkled on something. The private realized it was a star! He dropped the cigarette, saluted and apologized. "Gosh, I didn't know you were a general. I hope you're not angry." "Thats O. K.,' said MacArthur, "but you're mighty lucky I'm not a second lieutenant!"

FORMER B. & G. BOYS RETURN WITH WINGS

(From Bomb Range High Score)

Little over five weeks ago four members of the B. & G. Range Squadron bid adieu to their B. & G. friends and shipped out to the Aerial Gunnery School at Panama City.

Saturday night they returned to the Range full-fledged Aerial Gunners. Assigned to the 330th Bomb Group, the four men, W. E. Ellard, Elio Fannocchi, Edward Fath and Joseph Koenigs, hold the rank of sergeant.

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Effective immediately, all classified ads must be paid for in advance. The amounts paid for the ads are usually so small, that it is impossible to open up an account for that one item. The only exception is where a customer has a regular account with us, and then it can easily be added to the monthly bill.

WANTED — Merchandise Clerks, Porters, Bus Boys, Cooks — In fact if you can make yourself handy around merchandise, restaurant or drink stand contract Mr. Turner, Exchange Manager, Avon Park Bombing Range at once.
Jan. 29.

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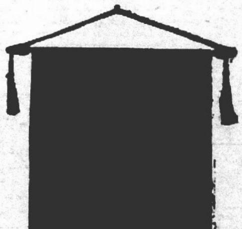

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Board Advised R&B Funds Be Consolidated

Attorney Says Should Be Spent County-wide

The system of distributing county road and bridge funds to the various commissioner's districts on a basis of the amount collected in taxes from the various districts, as is done in this and some other counties in the state, is not according to law, County Attorney M. R. McDonald informed the board of county commissioners at their regular meeting Tuesday in a written opinion prepared at the request of Chairman of the Board Lee C. Crews of Lake Placid.

The opinion as read to the board by the county attorney, in par, was as follows:

"The law directs that an annual budget be fixed and that appropriations be itemized and fixed in the annual budget for all expenditures. This law is found as Section 129.05 of said 1941 statutes.

"There is nothing in the law books anywhere, that makes taxes as assessed, levied and collected, the property of a county commissioner's district. Also there is no law that makes any property the property of a commissioner's district.

"All taxes and property belong to the county as a whole. All business of the county commanding the attention of the board of the county commissioners, must be attended to by the entire board in an open meeting and the result reflected on the minutes thereof. A county commissioner has no right, or power, individually, outside of a meeting of the board to hire an overseer, foreman, laborer or to purchase material, or to contract in any manner for the county. He [illegible] trict. The supreme court settled that question in the following case where a county commissioner was convicted of misappropriation of county property and funds, reported in the case of Kirkland vs. State of Florida, 97 Southern Reorter, page 502, as follows, I quote:

"The board of county commissioners in a legal meeting only and at no other time, is vested with power to make orders concerning the care and management of the business and property of the county, and the members individually, when not in a lawful meeting, have no power as county commissioners.

"The annual budget we are now operating under, correctly fixes therein and designates the taxes for "Roads and Bridges," as county-wide funds. Nothing in the budget pro rates or sets apart, any portion thereof to be expanded in the several commissioner's districts.. Therefore, the precedence heretofore established by a former board of county commissioners, directing that 30 per cent of said funds be set aside for District 1 and 2, and that 14 percent be set aside for District 3 and 4 and 12 per cent to District 5, is unlawful and arbitrary and should be immediately abandoned by this board.

"The Road and Bridge Fund should be carried and expanded Justly as a county wide fund, without regard to what the source thereof be from.

"All road and bridge funds should be expended outside of incorporated towns. Of course more money may be realized from District 1 and 2, but District 3, 4 and 5 have as many roads and as much mileage and need for funds as other district. They should have as much funds and attention as the Districts 1 and 2. In law, they are justly entitled to at least equal treatment, with said district.

"Not only do I claim that Districts 3, 4 and 5 are legally entitled to at least equal treatment with Districts 1 and 2, I claim that it would benefit districts 1 and 2, wherein are located Avon Park and Sebring, to equally share all road and bridge funds with said districts 3, 4, and 5, in order to build up the agricultural developments in the [illegible] districts, thereby building [illegible] so those citizens in said three districts might drive to market in the two cities named.

"The trouble has been that heretofore our board has followed a precedence set by old DeSoto county which had only one real town in it, namely, Arcadia. Here we have [illegible] cities, and also in District 3,

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Junior Class To Present Play February 26

Rehearsal is well under way for "Murder Mansion," the thrilling and exciting comedy which is to be presented by the Junior Class at the High School Auditorium, Friday night, February 26th.

Characters of this novel mystery are played by Ruby Pate, Dorothy Jane Hansen, Madge Pilcher, Dorthy Lawhon, Bobby Keller, Winifred Demorest, Jimmie Hetherington, Charles Cannon, Ruth Pendleton, and Walter Martin. This unusual cast displays much talent, according to Mrs. H. C. Worden who is directing the play. Mrs. Shepherd and Miss Sarah Browning, sponsors of the junior class, are assisting Mrs. Worden.

"Murder Mansion is packed with entertainment, thrills, chills, and surprises in every line and action from the start to the final curtain. It is Orville Snapps latest and most brilliant play. Permission to stage this has been obtained from Samuel French, largest play publishers in the world.

This promises to be one of the most remarkable productions ever to be seen in this community, and tickets will be available in the near future.

Importation of Farm Labor Asked To Save Crops

Tampa, Feb. 4 (FNS)—Directors of the Florida Farm Bureau Federation, meeting in Tampa, asked Food Administrator Claude Wickard to permit the importation of emergency farm labor from the Bahamas immediately to save vegetable crops in this state.

In a telegram to the Secretary of Agriculture , John Ford, Farm Bureau secretary, said: "The directors [illegible] position relative to importing laborers from the British possessions off Florida and that investigation showed that all barriers to importation should be removed immediately if the Food Administration wished to prevent a tragic, unnecessary wastage of essential vegetable crops."

Ford said the situation was "critical" along the East Coast and in the Everglades district.

The directors said that the farmer, with few exceptions, was the only branch of war industry not generally encouraged to increase production through the medium of higher prices and virtually guaranteed profits, and asked in a resolution that the farmer be given more consideration in his efforts to meet war production goals.

The resolution urged:

1—That the farmer be given definite assurance that materials and machinery will be made available in necessary quantities.

2—That continued consideration be given to the problem of the power on the farm.
farmer in retaining capable man-

3—That price ceilings be immediately set and thereafter adjusted to levels so as to give incentive and assurance to the producers of war necessary farm crops.

The resolution pointed out that farmers as a group have a longer work week than any other class of labor and "realize they have a grave responsibility to produce the necessary food" to win the war.

"Machinery, materials and manpower difficulties make the cost of producing this food higher than in the past, and present and proposed price ceilings do not have a safe margin between these costs and prospective prices with the result that producers of dairy products, eggs, vegetables, citrus fruits and general farm crops cannot produce without confidence and in consequence hesitate to plan for the increased production demand when all indications point to profitless effort or actual loss."

Directors representing 10 Florida Farm Bureaus attended the meeting which was presided over by President John D. Clark of Waverly.

R. W. Blackburn of Chicago, executive secretary of the National Farm Bureau, made a special trip to Floridas for this meeting and told the local group of the work being done in Washington on the farmers' behalf.

"If any group needs help, guidance and support now, it is the fruit and vegetable industry," Blackburn said.

Pvt. Roberson Laid To Rest With Honors

Bombing Range Furnishes Squad For Ceremonies

Funeral services for Pvt. Willard Roberson were held Friday afternoon at the Nazarene church, and the remains were laid to rest with military honors in Bougainvillea cemetery.

Services were conducted by Rev. W. D. Croft, pastor of the church, assisted by Chaplain T. P. Warfield of the Bombing Range.

Active pall bearers were: Wiley Sauls, Mel Bass, William Archer, Riley McCuller, Morris Spurlock and Dalton Williams. Spanish War veterans attending in a body were: William Hauptmann, Ernest Armstrong, M. H. Gribble and Fred Simcox.

Impressive military ceremonies were conducted at the cemetery, assisted by a firing squad from the Bombing Range. Rev. Croft read the commitment service, followed by a prayer by Chaplain Warfield. The firing squad gave the military salute to the dead with a volley over the grave, and the bugler sounded taps as the colors were dipped.

Pvt. Roberson died at Camp Haan, California, on January 26, death resulting from meningicocci septicemia, after a brief illness. The body was shipped here for burial. Pvt. Roberson entered the army at Camp Blanding December 19. He was transferred to Camp Haan January 1.

The deceased was born in Jesup, Ga. He came here several years ago, and in November 1940 was married to Miss Melba Hawkins. He was formerly employed by the Avon Park Citrus Corporation. Survivors are: His widow, Mrs. Melba Roberson; his parents, Mr. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Roberson; two sisters, Mrs. J. A. Sharp, Rocky Mountain, N. C.,; and Mrs. Sula Wainwright, Kingsland, Ga., and a brother, Harold Roberson, Fernandina.

Wire Available To Poultry and Live Stock Raisers Only

All available poultry wire is needed by Highlands County poultrymen, farmers, and growers to meet their food production goals in 1943. Consequently, at a meeting of the Farm Implement Rationing Committee it was decided, upon the recommendation of the Highlands County War Board, that no applications for purchase of fencing will be approved except to poultry and livestock raisers. At this time no fencing for gardens and similar projects can be approved because there is not enough fence to supply all needs. Any person having fence which he is no longer needing and is willing to sell should contact the Farm Implement Committee or a member of the Highlands county War Board.

As soon as the livestock needs are met it might be possible to allow some purchases of fence for other purposes and if that change occurs growers will be notified.

Deputy Income Tax Collector Here February 20

John H. Maloy, Jr., deputy collector of Internal Revenue will be in Avon Park, Saturday, February 20 for the purpose of assisting in filing income tax returns. He will be at the Florida Public Service customers' room in the Jacaranda hotel from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Taxpayers are invited to take advantage of this service and contact Mr. Maloy, who will help with filing and explain the changes in the 1942 income tax law.

BRIG. GEN. WHITE INSPECTS RANGE

Brigadier General Thomas D. White, Third Air Force Headquarters Staff, paid a surprise visit to the Bombing Range, Saturday, January 30. Gen. White made a tour of inspection of the base. He was accompanied during his inspection by Lt. Col. Clint T. Johnson, commanding officer of the base.

Six Killed In Airplane Crash

The entire crew of a medium Bomber was killed instantly early Tuesday night when the ship crashed shortly after taking off on a routine flight from the field.

Three officers and three enlisted men lost their lives. They were:

Lt. Charles A. Cox, Carthage, N. C.; Lt. William D. Blevins, Ashland, Ky.; Lt. Allen R. Mellet, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Sgt. Royce A. Cantrell, Dayton, Ky.; Sgt. William S. Roberts, Tallahassee, Fla.; and Sgt. William D. Ensminger, York, Pa.

Lt. Blevins was well known here, having been a flying cadet at Lodwick Aviation Military Academy some months ago. He was eliminated as a flier, but went to California and qualified as a bombardier and received his commission. He was sent here recently for training at the bombing range.

Local Board Announces List Of Delinquents

Selective Service Local Board No. 1, of Highlands County calls attention to the list of registrants who have lost contact with their Local Board, and, therefore, have been placed on their delinquent list.

Any registrant who voluntarily reports to this board during the month of January 1943, shall be allowed to comply with his obligation, but starting February 1, 1943, vigorous actin against these delinquents listed below will be started by the Justice Department.

Any person having knowledge of the address, or whereabouts will confer a favor on them by advising the Local Board with office at Court House, Sebring, Florida, or telephone 72.

LIST OF DELINQUENTS

John McKiney, colored, last known address, General Del., Sebring, Fla.; Willie Derry McSwain, colored, last known address, Avon Park, Florida; Jack Bailey, colored, last known address, Gen. Del., Avon Park, Florida; Thomas Joe Eason, colored, last known address, Avon Park, Florida; Willie Lewis, colored, last known address, Gen. Del., Avon Park Florida; George Leopold Locke, white, last known address, White Plains, New York; Wilson Kirkland, colored, last known address, Andalusia, Alabama; Samuel Fagins, colored, last known address, Pahokee, Florida; Jessie L. Williams, colored, last known address, Boynton, Florida.

Tax Assessor Gearing To Be Here Next Week

Tax Assessor P. G. Gearing, now making his annual rounds, will be in Avon Park next Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 10 and 11. He will be available at Hartt's Insurance office to assist taxpayers in making out their returns and furnish information on homestead and other exemptions. He will have hours from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. during the two days here. This service in a convenience to the public, and is especially desirable this year, in saving gas and tires that would be used in a trip to the court house.

Founders' Day To Be Observed By PT Association

Next Thursday, February 11, the Parent-Teachers Association will celebrate Founders' Day with an appropriate program at the school house at four p. m.

Mrs. Hoyt Tatum will be the speaker of the program with an appropriate address, tracing the progress of the organization and outlining its purposes. Mrs Keith Garrison will render several vocal numbers. H. J. Mumau, president, will preside. A Founders' Day offering will be taken.

Small War Plants in the state are beginning to get contracts. Besides those given to three Jacksonville firms, other contracts were awarded to firms in Mt. Dora, Greenville, and Sarasota. More contracts are expected to be awarded soon.

High Voltage Current Puts On Big Display

Burned Out Insulators Causes Plant Damage

High voltage "juice" went on a rampage at the Florida Public Service plant last Friday night and burned out 13 insulators causing 14,200 volts to cut di-does and throw out a display of fireworks that was seen as far away as Lake Placid.

This accident, cause undetermined, occured shortly after ten o'clock.Switches were immediately pulled and the town was in a total blackout during the display. The arcing of the 13 insulators was on for 14 minutes, and lit up the sky like a continuous play of lightning.

Prompt action by employees and company officials soon had the short under control and service was resumed, with only 35 minutes delay. The plant was put out of operation by the accident, but the area affected was cut out, and current was fed back to the plant from other Florida Public Service company sources. The plant was off only 48 hours, during which time it was necessary to replace burned wiring to the control and metering, normally carrying only 110 volts, but which were exposed to 14,200 volts by the short. Cables had to be replaced before the plant could be put back into operation. This was done in remarkably short time, when plant experts came from Lake Wales, St. Petersburg and Orlando to assist Superintendent E. A. Wilkerson with repairs.

Asked just what caused the arcing, Mr. Wilkerson told the Sun: "The arcing was caused by the breaking down of the main oil circuit breaker bushing which connects the generator unit to the buses for transmission and distribution, also by breaking down of several bushing on buses which supply current to station auxiliaries. The part affected stopped sending power out of the station. We were served through high line connection with other plants and had current turned on again in 35 minutes."

When the flare started all operators rushed to the plant, although some were off duty at the time. This prompt response undoubtedly prevented what might have been more serious damage, according to R. R. Brown, local manager.

Bombing Range Offers Jobs To Civilians

More civilian employees are needed at the Avon Park Bombing Range, it was announced today by Lt. Otis Cutler, Civilian Personnel Officer.

Positions are open for auto mechanics, machinists, assistant storekeepers and welder-blacksmiths.

Lt. Cutler also noted that Jobs for 28 truck drivehs and seven chauffeurs are offered men who can qualify.

For further information and applications write Lt. Otis Cutler, Civilian Personnel Officer, Avon Park Bombing Range, Avon Park, Florida.

Cameras on Range Require Permit of Base Commander

Officers, enlisted men and civilian personnel were warned today that a permit must be secured from the Base Commanding Officer Lt. Col. Clint T. Johnson to keep cameras and photographic equipment at the Bombing Range.

In compliance with a recent War Department circular, applications for permission to retain photographic equiment will be forwarded to the Commanding Officer of the Base through channels.

Unauthorized persons entering the Base with cameras must now surrender them to the gate guards. Upon leaving the Range the photographic equipments will be returned to them.

Violation of these regulations will result in confiscation of cameras. Violators will be turned over to the Commanding Officer for action.

Red Devil Quint Opens Saturday Against Bombers

The Basketball season officially opens in Avon Park Saturday night, when the Red Devil quintet from high school meets a crack Bombing Range team at the Armory at 7 o'clock. There will be no admission charge.

The high school team has been practicing for several weeks under the tutelage of Coach Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, who plans to take his charges to the Ridge Conference to be held in Lake Wales sometime the latter part of this month or early March. That is, if and when arrangements can be made for transportation.

The Bombing Range has any number of good teams which have been seeing action at the Armory for the past several weeks.

Probable starting line-up for the Red Devils will be: Wendell Smith, Cecil Skipper, Jack Head, Bobby Keller and James Perdue.

Auto Mechanics Learn Trade at Sebring School

Here in Highlands County we have one class in which the trainees are paid while learning a tsade. this class was started the 16th of January 1943 thru the cooperation of Major P. A. Crites (Commanding Officer of Division Motor Transport Office, Sebring and the State Department of Education's Department of National Training.) This class is found working in the Division Motor Transport's Building in Sebring. The twelve men who compose the class work from 4 p. m. until 12:30 A. M. six days a week and are listed as mechanics helpers are under the direct instruction of J. O. Bridges of Avon Park, whom the State Department of Education furnishes as an instructor for this class.

These men are learning to be auto-mechanics by working on jeeps, command cars, army trucks of all types, the very machines they will work on when they have successfully completed the required instruction.On completing the course these men are then classed as Jr. Mechanics and changed to the day shift at an increase in pay. Other men may then take their places in this class for their period of instruction. These men draw regular helpers wages, base pay of $1320.00 per year of 40 hours week and time and one half for 8 hours making the rate of $1605.96 per year while learning.

All men wishing to take this course should contact Major P. A. Crites at Division Motor Transport Office, Sebring or C. F. Jolley at High School Building , Sebring or Mr. J. O. Bridges during class time at Division Motor Transport Building, Sebring.

Prison Labor Costs County $1.97 per Man Day

It cost the county $1.97 per man day to work county convicts on the road, according to a report made by Deputy Clerk S. E Booth, to the board at teir meeting Tuesday.

Mr. Booth stated that the above amount includes the total cost of operating the prison farm, including guards, gasoline for truck, groceries and upkeep. He stated that the records show this cost with 10 to 15 prisoners. The cost is much less per man day when the number working is as large as it was at its peak.

Members of the board stated that free labor costs considerably more and accomplishes less.

Deputy Sheriff O. H. Skinner, who was in charge of the farm for several years was rehired by the board as guard captain. He stated he was resigning from the sheriff's force as soon as he could be spared.

Ouida Martin First Avon Park WAAC

Miss Ouida Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Martin, is the first Avon Park girl to join the WAACS, and is now in the service of her country, taking training at Daytona Beach. Miss Martin enlisted before Christmas. She was called last week.

Straubel Field Submitted For Range Airport

Would Honor War Hero, Lt. Col. Austin Straubel

The name of "Straubel Field" was submitted this week to Commanding Officer Lt. Col. Clint T. Johnson as a suitable name for the air field at the Avon Park Bombing Range, in memory of Lt. Col. Austin Straubel, who was killed in action in Java a year ago Wednesday. The name was formally submitted by the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce and Highlands Post, of the Americal Legion. First suggested by the chamber of commerce directors, "Straubel Field" received the endorsement of the American Legion at a meeting Wednesday night.

Col. Straubel was the son of Charles A. Straubel and a grandson of H. A. "Grandpa" Straubel, 102-year-old veteran of the Union Army, who makes his home on Lake Lotela, and has been a resident of Avon Park for over 20 years.

One of the first of the United States army airmen to arrive in Java, he gave his life in the early defense of the East Indies, following the Japanese invasion.

Hitherto unpublished, the report of his death, reaching here through unofficial, although reliably substantiated sources, follows:

"Col. Straubel was returning on official business to his base in Java from Bandoeng, General Wavell's headquarters, when the B-18 bomber he was piloting was intercepted by Japanese fighters 60 miles southwest of Soberabaja. This occured on February 3, 1942. The Japanese fighters came in great numbers, as they were making an attack on a nearby Dutch base. There were no other Allied planes in the area at the time. Col. Straubel brought his plane down in flames on one of the islands, a feat which took unusual nerve and skill. There were five other men in the plane. All are known to have been lost. Straubel was carried in, badly burned, by Javanese natives to the CBZ hospital. He never regained consciousness, but had expert medical attention. He was buried in the CBZ hospital cemetery in Soerabaja."

Due to strict military censorship during the first stages of the war, and inadequate communications as the fight was being carried from island to island, scant details of his death have heretofore been obtainable. The above account has been substantiated by former associates.

Col. Straubel is said to have piloted the first American plane from this country into the Far East after our declaration of war, and is credited through this source as having led the first aerial mission of the war that this country undertook in the Far East outside of the Philippine theatre. In that first mission, he is said to have led a group of five planes from Malang, Java, to Menando in Northern Celebes, destroyed two enemy cruisers in the harbor and seriously damaged a nearby airport. On other missions, Straubel is said to have scored hits with damaging results on troop convoys. After the death of Lt. Col. Stanley E. Robinson, Col. Straubel assumed command of the 7th Bombardment Group and was its leader until his death.

A recent issue of Time magazine, in reviewing a year of air-war with the 19th Bombardment group, says the 7th joined the original 19th in Java. Casualties were heavy—the 7th lost two commanding officers in a week—so the two groups were re-formed into the new 19th, says Time. One of the commanders referred to was presumably Col. Straubel.

Colin Kelly was the 19th's first hero. Captain Hewitt T. "Shorty" Wheless' 75-mile battle with 18 Jap Zeros was the subject of a Presidental broadcast. Wheless' fellow Texan, Captain Alvin John Henry Mueller, also a winner of the D. S. C., brought his B-17 back with 1400 bullet holes in it, says Time.

Major Jack Dougherty's bombs stuck. "Let's dive bomb," said Lieut. Ed Magee. The Fortress' wings held miraculously; the bombs came out; the Jap transport sank. The 19th's Captain Frank Bostrom flew MacArthur into Australia.

Further reviewing the outfit,

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WHO'S NEWS This Week

By Lemuel F. Parton

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NEW YORK.—The swelling army of these embattled United States travels triumphantly on a stomach filled — stuffed — by Gen. Edmund B. Gregory. It is his guarantee, as quartermaster general, that army groceries will put six pounds at least on any soldier who eats them regularly for six months.

Keeps Army on The Go With Its Stomach Stuffed

The general put on his own six pounds long ago. For years, in fact, he would have been happier with a few off. No luck! Sixtyish now he is broad of face and broad of beam. And for all that a few congressional critics growl in his direction, he is generally reputed to be a broad-gauged executive. His degree from West Point is only a lesser qualification for his present job of having plenty piping hot when four odd million American soldiers jam into mess halls all over the globe. He did a tour of post-graduate duty at the Harvard Business school besides a swing through the war college. This last attests to his I.Q. You have to be bright before the army lets you go there.

General Gregory was born in Iowa and it could be that boyhood struggles through Iowa's mud fit him peculiarly now for the job of moving goods regardless. His fleet of trucks would make Genghis Khan's biggest train of pony carts look like something out of Lilliput. He has to figure on 250,000 vehicles for every 1,250,000 soldiers. He is one swivel chair general whose shiny pants-seat is the result of hard work. And if ever his wife of 31 years gives his wide front a look and says, "Edmund, you really ought to diet a little," he can fairly answer that he has to keep on eating to keep up his strength.

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SOME people grow surer every day that the wings of peace will take all America into the air. Polish off this war, they say, and aerial flivvers will become so foolproof, so handy that wives will use them to run down to the grocery. Whole families will go vacationing deep into South America and whatever is left of Europe. It will be push-button travel. A button for elevation. A button for distance. A button for correct for drift. A safety button to fend off other craft.

All America May Take to Air With Wings of Peace

If this miracle ever comes to pass Mac Short will certainly have had something to do with the planes that make it possible. He has been leveling toward some such result ever since he tested home-made gliders and his own skeletal structure off the ridge of his father's barn in Kansas. That was more than 25 years ago. Now he is the new president of the Society of Automotive Engineers, an earthbound name that only hints at the aero-dynamics with which many members, the new president included, busy themselves.

Short was in the army air service at 19, a flying lieutenant when the last World war ended, a graduate mechanical engineer in 1922 and he has been an airplane engineer and designer ever since. He formed the Vega Aircraft corporation in California in 1937 and for three years has spent all his time taking the bugs out of that company's ships. Forty-five now, he is married and has two daughters and a son.

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JAMES L. FLY, chairman of the Federal Communications commission, squares off and gives the radio industry the eye. Radio gives it right back. If Congressman Luce could find a couple of women as opposite she'd have them in each other's hair before you could say frequency modulation. The commissioner and the industry have been that way about one another ever since the commissioner took over in 1939. He was re-appointed last year so there is every likelihood that they will continue.

FCC Chief, Radio Industry Clubby As Kilkenny Cats

Mr. Fly now draws blood with an announcement that recent vulgarity on radio programs has brought more complaints than usual, and that the FCC is investigating.

This might be a belated riposte to the charge of incompetence made not so long ago by the National Association of Broadcasters. Before that Mr. Fly had likened the whole industry to a dead fish in the moonlight. Dead fish, he explained, shine in beauty but they also s—k. But Mr. Fly was careful to omit none of the letters. And he can spell pretty well.

The commissioner is a graduate of the tough Annapolis course, as well as of Harvard. He took on Harvard Law after having resigned from the navy in 1923.

Star Dust

STAGE SCREEN RADIO

By VIRGINIA VALE

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IT IS difficult to know just which bouquet to toss at "In Which We Serve"; people agree that it is a really great picture, but they praise it for different reasons—for its direction, the excellence of the production, the remarkably good acting, by a cast in which Noel Coward's is the only well-known name. I think that it is great because of its sincerity—watching it, you don't think "That's a good performance"; you feel that you are actually watching real people, taking part in their lives.

Signs of the times: An announcement from Metro's New York office that the theater where "Tennessee Johnson" is being shown is heated with coal, so patrons will be assured of comfort while viewing this picture about the 17th President of the United States.

The glamour girls who are sweethearts of the armed forces have nothing on Baby Snooks; she's the land-based mascot of the officers and men of the submarine U.S.S. Snooks, the enlisted men wear insignia presented by her on the backs of their overcoats. And Fanny Brice, Baby Snooks' originator on the "Coffee Time" program, has a standing invitation to dine aboard the Snooks the day the war's over.

BABY SNOOKS

Don't blame the navy for the shortage of zippers; they don't use 'em. Glenn Ford found that out when he arrived on the set of "Destroyer" at Columbia in a brand new sailor's uniform equipped with zippers. Lieut. Com. Donald Smith ruled the uniform out; he's technical adviser. Seems they don't use zippers in the navy because, if a gob has to go over the side in an emergency and must get rid of his pants so that he can swim, buttons are much easier to open in the water than zippers are to un-zip.

Dorothy Lamour's first male protege has red hair and freckles and is 6½ years old. He's the son of Dorothy's secretary, and Dorothy's grooming him for important child roles. You'll see him making his film debut with her in "Dixie."

A screen role became a real one for Fay Bainter the other day, when her only son, Reginald S. H. Venable Jr., announced that he had enlisted in the army and was about to begin officers' training. In "The War Against Mrs. Hadley" she portrayed the mother of a boy who enlisted in the armed forces. She's working now in "Salute to the Marines."

Whoever gets the rights to film Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker's life will know that he's won out over stern competition, even before Captain Rickenbacker's recent and famous adventure in the Pacific the major studios were interested in his life story.

Dick Martin, the young RKO actor, was discussing "Bombardier" with photographer Ernie Bachrach. "I sure hope I can get a part in that picture," said Martin. "It's going to be terrific." "I understand that Walter Reed has a good role," said Bachrach. "Good role!" exploded Martin. "Why, he kills off Randy Scott, bombs Tokyo, and gets Anne Shirley—what more could an actor ask?"

Henry Travers, who played the rose-growing station master in "Mrs. Miniver," has been cast to portray Dr. Eugene Curie, father of Pierre Curie, in Metro's "Madame Curie," starring Greer Garson. It's the third consecutive film in which Travers has appeared with her—he played the country doctor in "Random Harvest."

ODDS AND ENDS—Dinah Shore's been signed to appear with Danny Kaye in Samuel Goldwyn's "With Flying Colors" . . . Lesley Woods of the "Joyce Jordan, M. D." air show, has been dashing about New York during the cold weather in sequin trimmed ear muffs . . . Sheldon Leonard plays a racketeer in "Lucky Jordan" because Hollywood thought him the ideal gangster type—but when he appeared in "Margin for Error" on the New York stage the minions of the law voted him the ideal policeman . . . Alice Weaver's the fastest-moving waitress on the screen in "Henry Aldrich Gets Glamour"—she's had experience as one.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Farm Implement Quota Boosted 30%; Hitler's Disasters Mount as Russians Speed Up Caucasus-Ukraine Offensive; Tripoli's Fall Spurs Tunisia Drive

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

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Closer relations between the United States and Chile and a harder crackdown on Nazi espionage in South America were results expected from the recent action of the Chilean government in breaking diplomatic relations with the Axis. Shown above are Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles (left) and Senor Don Rodolfo Michels, Chilean ambassador, discussing the situation.

FOOD PRODUCTION:
Gets New Incentive

Two significant steps to spur the "Food for Victory" campaign were taken when the War Production board authorized a 30 per cent increase in production of farm machinery and Secretary of Agriculture Wickard announced a program of federal credit designed to extend from $200,000,000 to $250,000,000 to farmers for stepping up essential food production.

The WPB increased the steel allotment for farm machinery from 137,000 tons to 187,000 tons for the first quarter of 1943. This new tonnage was in addition to an increase previously authorized for the production of repair parts for farm implements.

Mr. Wickard said loans needed mostly by small and medium-sized farmers would be extended through the Regional Agricultural Credit corporation. Size of loans will be limited only by the amount needed to do the production job. The loans will be of short-term duration at 5 per cent interest.

NORTH AFRICA:
Death of Empire

Tripoli's fall had various meanings for various interpreters. To historians it wrote finale to Mussolini's grandiose dreams of empire, for it was here the Duce had begun his disastrous expansion policy. To military observers it meant that the Allies could now concentrate closer attention on cleaning up the last Axis strongholds in Tunisia.

It had been apparent to observers that Marshal Rommel's retreat through Tripolitania had had Tunisia and not Tripoli as its goal. Rearguard efforts to protect the main body of his retreat had constituted the only action in and around Tripoli.

Allied airmen had not only strafed doomed Tripoli, but General Montgomery's British eighth army and General LeClerc's Fighting French had constantly harried the retiring Afrika Korps.

In Tunisia the Axis had made strenuous efforts to cover Rommel's withdrawal by launching offensive thrusts against French positions southwest of Pond-du-Fahs.

While junction of Rommel's army with those of Nazi Col. Gen. Von Arnim would strengthen Axis forces in Tunisia, the Allies would similarly be strengthened by the addition of British and Fighting French troops to Gen. Dwight Eisenhower's legions.

PRICE RISE:
Predicted by Brown

As additional rationing and price regulations were promulgated, the American public learned that Price Administrator Prentiss M. Brown's direction of the OPA would be less dramatic but no less firm than that of his predecessor Leon Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Average Citizen were assured by the new administrator, however, that the OPA would be operated solely for the protection of the American people. Frankly acknowledging that price rises were inevitable, Mr. Brown promised that such rises would be "slow and well-ordered."

RUSS STEAMROLLER:
Impact Hurts Nazis

From Leningrad to the Black sea the Russian steamroller offensive rumbled on, gathering momentum on all fronts. Nazi armies were forced to yield ground won in bloody battles last year, to surrender strategic "hedgehog" strong points and to see supply and communication lines shattered.

Russian sources asserted that 500,000 Germans had been killed and 200,000 captured since the winter offensive was launched in November.

Red strategy had specially concentrated on five key Nazi-held cities between the Ukraine and the north Caucasus. These were Kharkov, steel producing center; Rostov, communications city at the mouth of the Don river; Voroshilovgrad, industrial metropolis of the Donets basin; Salsk, important rail junction; and Armavir, gateway to the Baku-Rostov oil railroad.

Possession of these cities would not only open a vast reservoir of materials and machinery to the Russians, but it would loosen the Nazi stranglehold on the central and southern front. It would mean that the Germans would have to fall all the way back to the Dnieper river and hold lines dangerously close to Rumania, Poland and Lithuania.

CHILDBIRTH:
Pain Is Stilled

To a world snuffing out lives in pain on scores of battle fields, the American Medical association brought tidings that the sufferings attendant on life's beginnings might be banished through a new method of childbirth anesthesia that is without danger either to mother or baby.

Designated as "continuous caudal anesthesia" the new technique was developed by Drs. Robert Hingson and Waldo Edwards of the Marine hospital at Staten Island, N. Y. Their report was corroborated by statements from 19 other clinics and hospitals which tested the new method on 589 patients.

SOUTH PACIFIC:
Prelude by Air

"Softening up" attacks by air on Jap-held Lae were carried on by Allied fliers as a prelude to land movements by General MacArthur's forces. For Lae was the next calling spot on the Allies schedule after mopping-up operations had been successfully concluded in the Sananada area, last Jap toehold in the Papuan peninsula.

Aerial activity was not confined to the Lae area, for American and Australian planes bombed shipping at Finschaven and hit the airdrome and wharf sections of Madang in New Guinea. Elsewhere Allied airmen visited Cape Gloucester and Gasmata in Jap-held New Britain and strafed an enemy barge concentration off Willaumex peninsula.

In Australia, Allied bombers continued their pounding of enemy warships and merchantmen far to the north. At Ambon, 600 miles northwest of Darwin, they scored hits on a cruiser and cargo vessel.

HIGHLIGHTS . . . *in the week's news*

WASHINGTON: Dependents of 1,294,852 enlisted men in the army are now receiving allotments, according to a war department announcement. The announcement revealed that up to January 1, a total of 1,519,035 applications for such payments had been received. Of these, 133,750 were disallowed temporarily, pending receipt of additional information.

LONDON: An 80-year-old San Francisco sea captain, George E. Bridgett, commanded a new Liberty ship in a convoy which recently brought relief to Malta, it was disclosed here. Captain Bridgett, believed to be the oldest active sea captain in the world, emerged from 18 years' retirement to make the run on a ship that had been built in 24 hours at the Kaiser shipyards.

HARD COAL:
Miners Bow to FDR

Dangers of a crippling hard coal shortage were averted and a face-saving maneuver for labor executed when 12,000 Pennsylvania miners returned to work after a three-week old unauthorized walkout following a curt ultimatum from President Roosevelt.

The President had served notice that unless the miners ceased their wildcat strike within 48 hours, he would take "necessary steps" to safeguard the war effort.

A tangled skein of labor politics had complicated the eastern hard coal situation. Efforts of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, and the War Labor board to get the strikers back on the job had failed. Strike leaders said the miners had walked out in protest against a UMW dues increase of 50 cents a month. The strikers, however, had also demanded a $2 a day wage increase.

AXIS TRUMP:
Subs Still Potent

Hurled back on all world fronts by the ever-increasing ferocity of United Nations attacks, the Axis still controlled one ace offensive weapon—German submarines.

Hitler was said by British Admiral Sir Percy Noble to be maintaining 200 U-boats of his fleet of 500 at sea all the time in an effort to keep the tremendous output of Allied war factories from the battlefields. Unofficial British estimates placed Nazi submarine construction at 15 to 20 a month—faster than naval experts believe the Allies are sinking them.

Elmer Davis, director of the Office of War Information, reported that German submarines had sunk more Allied shipping in January than in December.

A brighter side of the picture emerged, however, when the Lend-Lease administration announced that the United States and Britain had sent Russia 5,800 tanks and 4,600 airplanes up to January 1 and promised that aid to the Soviet "will grow still more in 1943." Regardless of submarine wolfpacks, convoys were getting through.

RUBBER:
Jeffers vs. RFC

With his synthetic rubber program facing further curtailment so that more convoy escort vessels can be built and more high octane gasoline produced for fighting fliers, Rubber Conservation Director William M. Jeffers assumed control of all rubber import programs formerly exercised by the Board of Economic Warfare through the Rubber Reserve company, a Reconstruction Finance corporation subsidiary.

WILLIAM M. JEFFERS

This action meant that henceforth Jesse Jones, as head of the RFC's Rubber Reserve company, which supplies the money for operations, would take orders from Mr. Jeffers instead of from the BEW on rubber imports. It meant, moreover, that Jeffers hoped to bolster lagging synthetic rubber production by imports as a means of keeping civilians supplied with automobile tires.

NAZI AIR RAIDS:
RAF Welcomes Reprisals

Tragic as was the death of scores of school children in German bombing raids on London, aviation authorities hailed the renewal of Nazi attacks as a further opportunity to weaken the Axis in the air.

Every raid means a further thinning of Hitler's already over-extended air forces, these authorities pointed out. In the biggest daylight air assault on London since the 1940 battle of Britain, the Nazis lost 13 planes while the British lost two. Because of improved anti-aircraft defense, destruction and loss of civilian life were held to minimum levels.

The German raids have been in reprisal for gutting attacks on Berlin by large flights of RAF bombers raining down four-ton "block busters" on the Nazi capital, and spewing incendiary bombs that caused untold damage. British losses on these raids were comparatively light, officials revealed.

MORE BLOOD:
Asked by Red Cross

Mounting war casualties prompted a request from the army and navy for the Red Cross to procure 4,000,000 pints of blood during 1943, or more than three times the amount obtained from donors last year.

Red Cross Chairman Dwight F. Davis disclosed that the request had come from Maj. Gen. James C. Magee and Rear Admiral Ross T. McIntyre, surgeons general of the army and navy respectively.

WAR ON ALL FRONTS
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With Montgomery, On Rommel's Heels

By Chester Morrison

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Last August Wendell Willkie, visiting in Egypt, made an astonishing statement about General Montgomery's recent skirmishes with Rommel's army west of Cairo.

Willkie, in terms that seemed at the time to be extravagant, announced that the Axis armies in North Africa had been thoroughly beaten, that the threat to Egypt had been removed for all time! Mr. Willkie called it a victory "comparable to Nelson's at Abukir bay."

To the correspondents who had covered the war in North Africa since its beginning, it was less like a victory won than like a battle that had never been fought. They were disappointed, and among the people of Egypt there was only the accustomed feeling of tenuous momentary security.

Willkie, however, got his information from a cocky little Irishman, who had taken over the British Eighth army two weeks before.

A month later—at the end of October—Montgomery swung again, this time with power so tremendous that the German and Italian armies reeled and broke, reorganized clumsily and fled in what seemed like panic. They fled out of Egypt into Cyrenaica, fled back through their own mine fields, fled westward on the one main highway along the Mediterranean coast, fled along desert tracks hub-deep in sand.

And Montgomery stayed on their heels. Montgomery, in his tent or in his dugout, riding in his tank or his jeep in the field, talking of "my plan," with other generals putting his plan into effect. Now, without question, the enemy was beaten.

An Interview With Montgomery.

I interviewed him one day at his headquarters in a cave. He was wearing a gray home-knit sweater with a silk scarf knotted about his throat, khaki pants, unscuffed brown calf desert boots and the jaunty black beret of the tank corps. The beret seemed somehow too large for his small gray head. There were no ribbons on his chest. None of these articles of clothing was strictly uniform, but uniform regulations were seldom closely observed in the field.

Always cocky, he was cockier than ever that morning. His small, sharp blue eyes flicked over the correspondents and his close-clipped gray mustache twitched. Suddenly—such was the magnetism of the little man himself—one noticed another figure standing beside and a little behind him. It was Coningham—chief of the RAF in the western desert—ordinarily a commanding figure; tall, heavy and solid, with a hawk nose of the kind which belongs to a man commanding the RAF in the field. Coningham wore the proper uniform with ribbons.

'Complete, Absolute Victory.'

"It was a fine battle," Montgomery began. Here was that past tense again—the same way Willkie had spoken two months earlier — as though the battle was already over. "It was a fine battle," he repeated, and now he no longer could suppress the smile that had been making his mustache twitch. "Complete, absolute victory," he snapped. "Boches finished. Finished! Completely smashed!"

And it turned out that the enemy was smashed. Not completely smashed, not yet, but Montgomery has the knack of reading the future. "He's like the conductor of a great orchestra," one of his most respectful minor subordinates told me once. "He's always at least one bar of the score ahead of the players."

While Montgomery fought on the ground, Coningham fought in the air. The RAF and its adjunct, the USAAF fought by day and by night, with fighters and bombers, and they achieved a triumph such as has never been achieved by any Allied air force in any other theater of war. It wiped out—in Coningham's own words, it annihilated—the Luftwaffe on the ground and in the air.

Banked today along the sides of airfields which were German in October are piles of junk—junked German and Italian planes, wrecked before they could leave the ground.

It was simply done, a simple thing to do, given the weapons with which to do it. For the first time since the battle of North Africa began in 1940, Montgomery had them.

In the battle of August and September—the battle so disappointing for the spectators—Montgomery had won a passive defensive victory. He massed his tanks, his anti-tank guns and his field guns in fixed positions.

The enemy came, his panzer divisions nosing eastward. The oncoming panzers met the massed fire of Montgomery's positions, met it and fell back, and the battle was over.

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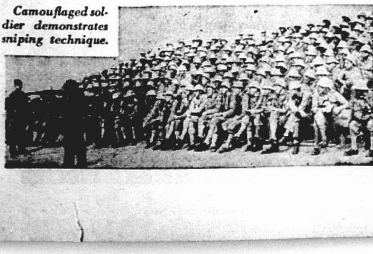
'Teen Age Men Learn Leadership In Officers' Training School

America's young men of war are learning to be leaders while yet in their 'teens. These youths of 17, 18 and 19 are receiving valuable training, experience and physical conditioning as members of the Officers' Candidate school at Fort Benning, Ga. By offering their service to the U. S. army at these ages they are following in the footsteps of many of our outstanding generals. The accompanying pictures, taken at Fort Benning, show typical scenes in the daily routines of the youths at the Officers' Candidate school there.

Above, candidate George R. Johnson of Sherrill, N. Y., takes a bead through the sight on a .37 millimeter gun and aims it for firing. Left: Sergt. Marvin V. Carter, 19, of Live Oak, Fla., (in center) checks on the facility with which two candidates get through a barbed wire entanglement.

Here the officer candidates learn to shoot straight and fast. They are following a moving aerial target in the course of training in anti-aircraft firing.

A group of young officers (above) study map reading and orientation by compass. Right: Sergt. Marvin Carter, an instructor at 19 (right), shows candidate David P. Lehman, 18, of Elkhart, Ind., the proper way to handle his rifle in a bayonet charge.



Camouflaged soldier demonstrates sniping technique.

Engineers Are Speeding Up Construction of Airdromes

New Fields Quickly Made With Airborne Equipment.

One of the most serious problems of the North African campaign—the speedy construction of advance airdromes in country devoid of transportation facilities—is being overcome by the use of airborne aviation engineer units and equipment, Brig. Gen. Stuart C. Godfrey, commanding general of the aviation engineers, reported to the war department on his return recently from the North African and English theaters.

Airborne engineers, with special equipment, designed for transportation in cargo aircraft or gliders, were landed in North Africa at the beginning of the campaign.

When it became necessary to establish advance airdromes speedily to support the action in Tunisia, a call was put in for these companies. Cargo planes were dispatched to pick them up and the companies, with their equipment, were flown approximately 1,000 miles to points as close as possible to the sites selected for the airdromes. They marched to these sites and immediately went to work.

Within three days after the call was sent to the engineers they had made the long trip, completed the preparation of runways at one site and the first B-17 Flying Fortress bombardment planes had begun operations from the new field. A second field, requiring more work, was ready on the following day.

On the second field, to supplement their light equipment, the engineers obtained the temporary use of some French road-building equipment, paying for it chiefly with American cigarettes. The first field was prepared with their own airborne equipment.

"Our Allies couldn't believe their eyes when they saw equipment being unloaded from airplanes and going right to work," General Godfrey said. "Use of this equipment made it possible to prepare airdromes in an emergency at otherwise inaccessible places. The saving of a few hours or days in the construction of such airdromes may have a great bearing on the outcome of a whole campaign."

One of the airdromes, General Godfrey said, was built on the edge of the desert near an oasis some distance outside the nearest town. Originally the town was supplied with water from the oasis. When General Godfrey was there, the situation was reversed and the oasis was getting water from the town to meet its increased demands.

Lightweight portable hangars are being moved to the advance airdromes to shelter planes from dust and weather, particularly for overhaul and maintenance work. Barracks are being built of rammed earth in some places to save transportation of materials.

Airborne aviation engineering units have been organized within the army air forces since the outbreak of the war to perform emergency repairs on bombed airfields during battle and to construct temporary air bases on any available terrain, as they are doing in Africa, or even permanent bases, as they now are doing in England. In England, army air forces aviation engineer companies have completed and put into operation the first American airports built by Americans in that country.

Each unit is self-contained and equipped with trained personnel and special machinery. The units are able to provide their own airdrome protection, employing detachments armed with many types of weapons, moving land mines and booby traps.

The airborne aviation engineers were organized in the summer of 1942. Establishment, training and equipping of the units was completed with amazing speed, as attested by the fact that less than six months later they were at work in England and were ready for the African campaign, in which much of their work has been of a pioneering nature.

The training of the airborne aviation engineers is rigid. The men are chosen from the army air forces for their toughness and special skills. Candidates chosen for those units must have their basic combat training, followed by engineering training. The last stage of training includes the operation of their highly specialized equipment, specialized engineering training, advanced training in the use of such weapons as the Thompson submachine gun, carbine and rifle, and course in Commando exercises.

Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE

If you are forty-ish and need a lift for sagging throat muscles, get yourself a bottle of one of the chin-up lotions. Paint the colorless liquid on the throat. Allow it to dry for about a minute. Now blend on your face powder. Brush the powder on the surface of the throat-skin.

These liquids do not show under powder—and your sagging chin muscles get a youthifying lift!

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It's a Cold Winter, No Fueling!

No longer in their prime, these three ladies are taking the fuel oil shortage in their stride. Instead of shivering separately, however, they get together at one of their homes in Forest Hills, N. Y., and carry on their knitting and sewing for the Red Cross around an electric stove. Left to right are Mrs. W. E. Huntington, Mrs. Reginald Scott and Mrs. J. Grobert. The home is Mrs. Scott's.

Famous Quotes by Famous People

1.—"Men are generally more careful of the breed of their horses and dogs than of their children."

2—"Censure is the tax a man pays to the public for being eminent."

3—"We are always doing something for Posterity, but I would fain see Posterity do something for us."

4—"We must all hang together, or assuredly we shall all hang separately."

5—"I am very fond of the company of ladies. I like their beauty, I like their delicacy, I like their vivacity, and I like their silence."

(See Whose Quotes Are Below).

FUN FOR YOUR FAMILY

By MISS ABBIE CONDIT

National Recreation Association.

Be prepared to have a hearty time at your Valentine party. Hang up the red cardboard hearts and send out your invitations—for even so-called young moderns abandon sophistication in favor of the sentiment and lace of an old-fashioned Valentine party.

Invitations and decorations may be the conventional hearts and flowers, or you may break away and try something new. Here's a good stunt: write the invitation on a strip of paper and wrap it around a candy kiss, then cover the whole thing with silver paper in approved candy-kiss style and attach a small card with the guest's name.

The party begins the minute the first guest appears. Plan games or stunts for early arrivals so that the party will get off to a good start. Be sure to include a guessing contest in the preparty games. A glass jar filled with an unknown quantity of candy hearts makes a good subject.

Jumbled Love. Distribute to guests paper hearts on which are typed or written the following groups of jumbled letters. See who can arrange each group so that it will spell a word in a lover's vocabulary.

1. Oelv — Love
2. Pucid — Cupid
3. Tchma — Match
4. Dgeidnw — Wedding
5. Hioprstuc — Courtship
6. Rovles — Lovers
7. Aeshtr — Hearts
8. Eleovrtu — True love
9. Hteewearts — Sweetheart
10. Tahresaceh — Heartaches

Dear Valentine. Turn out the lights and ask each player to draw a heart on a piece of paper. They will expect you to turn on the lights to examine their work of art, but not yet! After each has drawn a heart and you are sure that pencils no longer touch drawing paper, ask each one to draw an arrow piercing the center of the heart, a Cupid holding the heart, a good luck symbol, and as a final touch, add a short sentimental verse—all of this in the dark! When they have finished, turn on the lights, exhibit the masterpieces and prepare for a good laugh.

Rivals Relay. Cut a strip of paper—preferably wrapping paper because of its strength—about 12 feet long. This may be done by pasting shorter sections together. The strip should be three to four inches wide. Find the middle and paste narrow red ribbon or draw a red mark across it. Paste a few small hearts down each strip, placing the same number in the same relative position on each side of the center. On "go" two girls start cutting their way to the center or the "man." When they come to a heart they must cut it out neatly before they can go on. The first to the center wins the first lap. When the girls have all had a try at being Queen of Hearts, let the boys race for the title of King of Hearts.

Famous Lovers. Divide the group into smaller groups of five or six if the party is a large one, and into couples if it is a small one. Give each group or couple the names of a pair of famous lovers and allow them five minutes to work out a skit portraying that couple. They may use words or not as they choose. Other groups try to guess the identity of the lovers.

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What to Do

By PHYLLIS BELMONT

Will you list some of the qualifications of a gentleman, and some pointers to follow?

Answer—Every move that a gentleman makes is prompted by a sense of courtesy and a desire to protect. He will not take advantage of his fellowmen.

He will not discuss his own private affairs overmuch, and never in public, and won't gossip about his friends. He won't argue with cab drivers, waiters and salespeople, but, if necessary, will settle any differences quietly.

He is always courteous to all women and never discusses any of his women friends with others.

Ledger Syndicate—WNU Features.

The Famous Quotes Were by:

1—William Penn (1644-1718), from Fruits of Solitude.

2—Jonathan Swift (1667-1745), from Thoughts on Various Subjects.

3—Joseph Addison (1672-1719), from The Spectator, 1714.

4—Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790), at the Signing of the Declaration of Independence.

5—Samuel Johnson (1709-1784), from Kearsley's Jonsoniana.

AMERICA IN ACTION

MARINE GLIDERS

Invasion operations by the United States marines in the present war are likely to include troop-carrying glider planes as well as naval landing craft.

Pilots for such gliders are being trained in rapid time at the marine base at Parris Island, S. C. There they are learning all the new tricks involved in putting 12-man and 24-man troop gliders down behind enemy lines.

At first each student pilot sits at the controls while his glider is towed by a winch or an automobile until it takes off and rises to an altitude of 500 feet. The pilot cuts loose the tow line and glides away without power other than air currents.

Then he graduates to the glider towed by motored aircraft. The plane rolls down the runway with the glider attached by cable behind, and after a few hundred feet the glider rises. Soon the plane takes off and circles for altitude with the glider circling right in its path. Later the pilots will learn to take part in two and three-glider formations behind the guider plane.

Glider pilots must be on the alert every second. There can be no slacking of the cable; every time the tow plane dips or turns to change direction or altitude the glider pilots in the rear must follow with the same operation.

At a pre-arranged time or place the glider pilot disengages the cable and is on his own. The ceiling at which a glider can be safely operated is about 20,000 feet. From this height it can glide 75 miles, counting a loss of one foot of altitude for each 20 feet of glide gained.

The student pilot is towed on long cross-country trips during which he gains valuable practical experience.

In learning to land he is given practice in pulling his ship out of a stall or a spin, and he learns how to land on a "target" with precision or to pick his landing spot in a strange field.

When he graduates from glider school he is thoroughly capable of guiding groups of fighting marines from the clouds down into the heart of enemy territory where they may blast out victories that might not otherwise be achieved.

Girls Train for Role in Relief When War Is Over

LONDON.—Within 48 hours of the signing of the armistice at the end of the war, Girl Guides will be ready to play their part to relieve the misery and starvation imposed during the struggle on occupied countries.

They will be among the first to go to Europe and are being given emergency training in Britain, it was learned at guide headquarters in London. Their work will be undertaken as part of an international plan to help the suffering of the oppressed lands.

Their training covers the decontamination of water, the nutrition of starving people and cooking for large numbers. The guides are also taught a little of the history and background of the countries. They will be concerned chiefly with child welfare.

Wings for Mexicans

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Col. E. F. Yost (r), Command Officer of Blackland Army Flying School, Waco, Texas, presents wings to five Mexican officers following completion of their course: (l. to r.) Cap. Mendivi, Sonora; Cap. Ceron, Mexico, D. F.; Cap. Salido, Mexico, D. F.; Cap. Talamante, Sonora; Cap. Munoz, Mexico, D. F.

ON THE HOME FRONT

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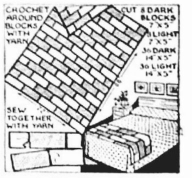

washed with mild soap in lukewarm water; rinsed with a little soap in warm water; and pressed while damp. The pieces are then cut accurately according to the measurements given here. Single crochet stitch is used around all pieces.

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Folks You Know . .

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Furr and three children of Arlington, Va., are visiting Mrs. Furr's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Shepherd at their home on Lake Byrd.Mr. Furr is returning home in a short time, but Mrs. Furr and children will remain for a longer visit.

Pvt. Cleland B. Belin, who has been spending a ten day furlough with his mother and sister Mrs. C. Belin, and sister Mrs. H. W. Riggs, has returned to Laredo, Texas, where he is stationed in the Army Air Forces.

Miss Bertha L. Manock of Washington, D. C., who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Kenney, left Wednesday for St. Petersburg to spend the month of February before returning to her home in Washintgon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Truan of Highland Lakes have as their guests their son-in-law and daughter, Judge and Mrs. John B. Gray, Jr., of Maryland.

Mrs. Fred Stevens is spending several weeks with Mrs. S. H. Wersching of Chicago, at the Wersching home, 1104 Pasadena Ave., Sebring.

Mrs. Milford Dilley, Mrs. D. T. Lockett, Mrs. A. J. Turner, Mrs. John H. Hood, and Mrs. L. H. Russell spent last Friday in Tampa.

Mrs. Katherine Welles of Chicago is enjoying a visit with her mother, Mrs. Katherine Bristol at her home on Lake Letta.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Archer of Sandersville, Ga., arrived Thursday afternoon to visit their son, W. B. Archer and family.

Lieutenant Allen Zender of Maxwell Field, formerly of Avon Park, spent last week end here with friends.

Mrs. Freed Peden has returned home from Gallipolis, Ohio, where she was called by the illness and death of her father, John Lear.

Mrs. Clark Heyward of Jacksonville, arrived Saturday to visit her sister, Mrs. Jack Head and family.

Mrs. Lucy Crumley has gone to Hartsell, Alabama, to visit her brother, T. E. Crittenden.

Mrs. W. W. Daniel of Cartersville, Ga., is visiting her nephew, T. H. Maxwell and family.

Mrs. M. W. Beeler left Wednesday for Jacksonville for an indefinite stay.

Col. A. P. Sights of Fort Myers, formerly of Avon Park, was a visitor here last Sunday.

Mrs. R. C. Jarrett and Mrs. Harold Wohlers spent the day Wednesday in Lakeland.

OUR SIDESHOW

Step right up, ladeez and gents—you're just in time for the wonder of wonders, that marvel of marvels—the Rumford Revolution! Yes, ladeez—one level teaspoon of Rumford Baking Powder (count it, one) as contained in baked foods (yum, yum, folks) provides ⅓ your minimum daily requirement of calcium, ½ your minimum of phosphorus. Ver-eee important for sound bones and teeth. Don't push, ladeez—plenty of Rumford for all.

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Baptist B. T. U. has Weiner Roast Thursday

The Young People's B. T. U. of the First Baptist Church enjoyed a weiner roast Friday evening at the church. Games and contests were enjoyed, after which weiners, rolls, cole slaw, pickles, and iced drinks were serevd.

Those present on this delightful occasion included Miss Ophelia Dean, Miss Margaret Smith, Miss Louise Bishop, Miss Jewel Collins, Miss Willa McGiboney, Miss Julia Trowell, Sgt. Rihner, Sgt. Hanan, Sgt. Irvin, Chandler Wingfield, Malcolm Crews, Jack Collins, Rev. J. P. Dalton, W. W. McFarland, and Mrs. R. H. Lawhon, sponsor.

Major Hygh Tops Promotions List

(From Bomb Range High Score)

Six officers and nearly two hundred enlisted men of the 40th Service Group were promoted to Higher rank and grades during the past week.

The golden leaf of a Major went to Relliford Hygh, Group Engineering Officer. Captaincies were awarded J. J. Hill, Group Dental Surgeon, and George Madison, Assistant Group Surgeon. Newly created First Lieutenants were George R. Keene, John F. Parker, and Lawrence A. Shipman.

Major Hygh, a native of Bainbridge, Ga., has served in the Air Corps since early in World War II, having been commissioned at MacDill Field in June of 1939.

BASE PROMOTIONS

TO BE TECHNICAL SERGEANT

S|Sgts Howard K. Norton, George V. Parmatal, Chester T. Wasilecki.

TO BE STAFF SERGEANT:

Sgt. Rogata C. Vocke, 390th Base HQ. Sq.

TO BE SERGEANT:

Cpls. Dewey P. Daigle, Robert Clopton, Charles H. Boothroyd and Theodore R. Barr, 390th Base Hq. Sq; Milton H. Banks and Otis C. Statham, 41st Avn. Sq.

TO BE CORPORAL:

Pfcs. Richard S. Fischer, Malcolm P. Clever and William M. Voight, 390th Base Hq. Sq.; Bill Dunlap and Pvt. William E. Coles, 41st Avn. Sq.; Pfc. Nathan Patterson, B. & G. Range Sq.

40TH SERVICE GROUP PROMOTIONS

TO BE MASTER SERGEANT:

T|Sgts. James R. Biggar, Jr. and Murray J. Cook, Hq. & Hq. Sq; Robert M. Newmair and Louis J. Stephenson, 75th Serv. Sq.

TO BE TECHNICAL SERGEANT:

S|Sgts. Jack Hall, 333rd Serv. Sq.; Lyle B. Cushing, Thomas Giordano, Don S. Guy, Vernon W. Khail, Ralph P. Mathiesen, William E. Wyson and George Killinan, 75th Serv. Sq; Michael R. Cunic, 166th Q. M. Co.; Donald B. Sharman, 1072nd Ord. Co.

TO BE STAFF SERGEANT:

Sgts. Rexford C. Briggs, Raymond W. Comins, Jr., John F. Creamer, Frank H. Decker, Thomas E. McNickle, Lloyd C. McCauley and Lowell D. Schenck, Hq. & Hq. Sq.; Reedus M. Lucas, 1687 Ord. Co.; Rother B. Johnson, Claude M. Hite and T|4th Gr. Lonnie E. Roberts, 2062nd QM Co.; Sgts. Harold A. Deet, James B. Henderson, Richard B. Keifer, James F. Pace, Edward J. Qualters, and Harry W. Stott, 333rd Serv. Sq.; Leo J. Conway, Stanley J. Folta, William A. Keeter, Alwyn C. Kuhn, Gustav Long, Walter D. Rowlett, Henry E. Snyder, Kenneth W. Underhill, and Douglas G. Worley, 75th Serv. Sq.; John R. Egger and William J. Wruble and T's|4th Gr. Robert G. Anderson, Richard R. Kempel and Edward R. Williams, 166th QM Co.; James E. Coch, 1072 Ord. Co.

TO BE TECHNICIAN THIRD GRADE:

T's|4th Gr. Eric J. Rolley and Sylvester E. Karlen, 1687th Ord. Co.

TO BE SERGEANT

Cpls. Charles L. Morgan, Stanley C. Bellemore, Robert Bilfield, Frank W. Fortune, Kevin G. Murphy, Fraser Tuttle, Robert H. Vought, Charles L. Wilde, and James L. Rizer, Pvt. Harvey W. Roundtree, and T|5th Gr. Willard A. Gelbke, Hq. & Hq. Sq.; Cpls. Harry L. Travis and James C. Wildeman, and T|5th Gr. Ralph W. Brooks, 7th Sig. Co.; T|4th Gr. Franklin D. Bryan and Cpl. Sidney Loeb, 1687th Ord. Co.; T's 4th Gr. Arthur C. Black and Vincent Watts and T|5th Gr. George E. Boggs, 2062nd QM Co.; Cpls. William L. Anderson, Donald A. Becker, James L. Blain, Frank G. Dorsey, Walter E. Markowski, James H. Matthews, Joseph L. A. Morin, Harold E. Polk, Mark J. Ridge, Jr., Ronald E. Sellers, Paul C. Spitser, Milton F. Trossback and Pat J. Gene, 333rd Serv. Sq.; Arvelle D. Abbott, Joseph DiMaggio, Dono Ellis, Edward E. Poole, William F. Sharp, and William H. Woolard, 75th Serv. Sq.; John D. Gorsage and T|5th Gr. Joseph M. Young, 166th QM Co.; Norman Rindahl, 1072nd Ord. Co.

TO BE TECHNICIAN 4TH GRADE:

T's|5th Gr. Robert F. Lundberg, Norbert A. Sirba and George W. Vogel, 7th Sig. Co.; May C. Dickerson, 2062nd QM Co.; William R. Bartel, Arnold G. Knutson, Mariano C. Urbien and Andrew J. Jasinski, 166th QM Co.; Leon D. Glass, Louis A. Woerner, William D. Alford and Hyman H. Wenzelman, 1072nd Ord. Co.

TO BE CORPORAL:

Pfc's George F. Armstrong, Clarence M. Colucci, Alvin F. Downs, Otto Kay, Frederick J. Schweitzer, Louis G. Thie, Paul J. Kane and Wyckliffe K. Rush; Pvt Raymond B. Lynch, Hq. & Hq. Sq.; Pvt. Harry L. Hutchinson, 7th Sig. Co.; Pfc's Arnold S. Bauer, Henry B. Platz, Donald I. Reeves and Charles H. Nelson, 1687th Ord. Co.; Walter H. Loving, Jr. and Walton C. Johnson, 2062nd QM Co.; Arthur J. Butler, Vernon Dahlof, Bruno Kletchlento, Walter B. Kokko, Jennie P. Nappier, Sylvio A. Noel, Stanley R. Novakowski, Hugo A. Pielle, Conrad J. Schee and Carl A. Trumeo, 333rd Serv. Sq.; Weldon P. Barfield, C. L. Davis, Garland Hudson, Wesley Olson, Charles W. Rollins, Robert R. Skinner, Daniel P. Thompson, Ivy H. Thompson, James F. Wolf, Jr., and Lewis R. Woodson; Pvts. William V. Alvarez and Jackob W. Sjo, 75th Serv. Sq.; Pfc's. Marion J. Kiser, Joe L. Graham, Irving Kessler, Rudolph Purvis and Herbert J. Fryback, 1072nd Ord. Co.

TO BE TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE

Pvt. Glen Donnally, Hq & Hq. Sq.; Pfc's William A. Cullen and Martin R. Berman, 1687th Ord. Co.; Herbert C Bauer, James P. Jaquay, Jr., Edward C. Koch, Jr., Edwin A. Kleinsettle, Gordon B. Kuhn, William A. Liuha and Michael K. Wilson, 166th QM Co.; Jalmer T. Halvari and Carter O'Farrell, 1072nd Ord Co.

Furious Week in Squadron Sports

January 28 witnessed a close and furious game between the 480th Bomb Squadron and the 481st Bomb Squadron. It was a nip and tuck affair throughout with the 480th edging out a victory of 31 to 29.

On the same date the 478th Bomb Squadron bested 1687th Ordnance 29 to 24.

The Range team lost to Sebring 29 to 40 on Jan. 29, and the 390th Base. Hq. Sqdn five were victorious over the 1062nd Sqdn. 35 to 16. Fisher playing guard for the390th did some tall and fancy shooting ringing up 17 points.

1072nd Ordnance would like to engage the 1687th Ordnance in some basketeering in the very near future. The 1072nd, on January 29, took 7th Signal and sewed them up to the tune of 27-13. Wenzelman of the 1072nd made a quick friend of the basket tossing in five field goals and one free shot totaling eleven points. The Box Score:

1072nd ORDNANCE	G	F	TP
Hamiel, f	0	0	0
Sharman, c	1	0	2
Wright	2	4	8
Kiser, f	1	0	2
Wexelman, g	5	1	11
Boguell, g	1	0	2
Poole, g	1	0	2
Alfred	0	0	0
Hooer	0	0	0
	11	5	27

7th SIGNAL CO.	G	F	TP
Daly, f	1	0	2
Schwab, f	1	0	2
Carney, c	0	0	0
Travis, g	1	0	2
Holmes, g	0	0	0
Roackman, f	1	1	3
Pragen, g	2	0	4
Mascota	0	0	0
	6	1	13

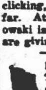
The 41st Aviation Squadron is rolling along in its cage victories with the latest game in which they toppled the Lake Wales five 28 to 6.

The team's defense was good. Their passing and shooting were to a queen's taste. With the team work displayed last night they are proving a thorn-in-the-side to the Lakeland champs.

Final score: 480th—31, 481st—29 . . . and therein my friend, lies the months most remarkable achievement . . . orchids to our valiant basketters who won their first cage game of the season last Thursday night at the Avon Park Armory. . . . . and the Squadron skipper has every right to be proud, because that scalp was taken under very adverse circustances.

At times, due to a slippery floor, it was hard to ascertain wheter or not we were seeing a sliding contest or basketball game, but our boys, thanks to some timely basketmaking by Lt. George Freedman, who racked up 11 points for high point honors, and George Scanlon with 8 points came from behind three times in the closing minutes to take a well-deserved victory. . . . With Star Center Puto whipping 15 points into the basket, the 479th Bomb Squadron outplayed the fast 166 QM Co., winning easily 34-14.

The 478th basketball team came through for a victory over the 1687th Ordnance team last week, by a 29 to 25 score. The team composed of Bukowski, Kruse, Modrich, Clapper and Terceiro are really clicking, winning both games so far. At this writing Center Bukowski is top scorer, but the others are giving him a battle for honors.



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Church Notes

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Emmanuel S. Hodgeboth, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship, 11:00 A. M.

Youth Sunday will be observed by the Boy Scouts and the Pilgrim Fellowship at the Congregational Church tomorrow. The local Scout troop under the leadership of Scout master Robert M. Maysack will attend the service of morning worship. Members of the Pilgrim Fellowship will assist the minister in the service. The sermon topic is "Where Are Youth Headed?" Jack Head will be the speaker.

Pilgrim Fellowship, 7:00 at the Church Manse. Betty Johnson will lead the devotions and Polly Thomas the discussion.

"Quiet Hour" service, Wednesday, 7:30 P. M.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Hoyt Tatum, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.; Guest Speaker.
Youth Fellowship Meeting 7:00 P. M.
Evening Worship 8:00 P. M.; Sermon topic: "Called To Belong."

The Rev. Harold R. Barnes, Superintendent of the Methodist Children's Home at Enterprise, Florida will be the guest speaker at the morning worship hour. The Senior Chorus from the Home will sing.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

V. P. Black, Minister
Bible Study 10:00 A. M.
Preaching 10:45 A. M.
Young Peoples Class 7:00 P. M.
Preaching 8:00 P. M.

Subject Sunday morning "God's Definition of and Attitude toward Sin."

Subject Sunday Night. "God Cannot Lie."

Our crowds are growing at Church but still not as large as they ought to be.If you know of some stranger in town invite him to Church. We cordially invite you to the Church of Christ, the Church that worships as the New Testament teaches.

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"Mummy's Tomb"

SUNDAY-MONDAY
LOU COSTELLO
BUD ABBOTT
"Who Done It"

TUESDAY — WEDNESDAY
FRED MACMURRAY
"The Trail of The Lonesome Pine"

THURSDAY—FRIDAY
JACK BENNY
ANN SHERIDAN
"Geo. Washington Slept Here"

Income Tax Data

PERSONAL EXEMPTION

Every individual is allowed a credit against his net income which varies with his domestic status, that is, whether he is (a) a single person, (b) a married person living with husband or wife, or (c) a head of family. This credit is known as personal exemption, and is shown on line 21 of the return Form 1040. The amount of the personal exemption also varies depending upon the period during which the taxpayer occupies the particular exemption status.

The personal exemption for a single person is $500 for the year; for a married person living with husband or wife, $1200; and for a "head of family," $1200. (Personal exemption as head of a family has no effect on liability to file a return.) For Federal income tax purposes, widows, widowers, divorcees, and married persons separated by mutual consent, as well as persons who have never been married, are classed as single persons.

A head of family is defined as "an individual who actually supports and maintains in one household one or more individuals who are closely connected with him by blood relationship, relationship by marriage or by adoption, and whose right to exercise family control and provide for those dependent individuals is based upon some moral or legal obligation." A single person, or a married person not living with husband or wife may, therefore, enjoy a head of family exemption under certain conditions.

Taxpayers using a Simplified Return (which is permitted if the gross income for the year is $3000 or less and derived solely from earnings from employment and or from dividends, interest and annuities) obtain personal exemption based on their status as of July 1 of the year. Thus, a taxpayer married and living with husband or wife on July 1 is entitled to $1200 personal exemption on Form 1040-A; if he were a widower on July 1, his exemption would be $500, irrespective of the date on which he becomes a widower. The amount of the exemption is not deductible from the income but is reflected in the amount of tax shown in the table on the reverse side of the form.

Taxpayers using return Form 1040 obtain personal exemption proportionate with the number of months during which the particular status is held. Thus, for a person who is married on July 1, (Who was not a head of family prior to his marriage) the personal exemption would be $850 ($250 for the six months as a single man, plus $600 for the six months as a married man). In this example it is assumed that the wife has no income.

Married persons may, however, file joint returns, even though one has no income, and by filing a joint return a couple married during the year may obtain an exemption amounting to the exemption to which they would be entitled for the period of married status, plus the amount of their individual exemptions prior to their marriage. In the example given the total exemption in a joint return would be $1100 ($250 for each spouse for six months plus $600 for six months married status.)

If a husband and wife living together both have income and file separate returns of Form 1040, the personal exemption applicable to a married person may be taken in the return of either or divided between them in any way as they may agree but the total personal exemption taken in the two separate returns may not exceed $1200.

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Clubs and Parties . . .

By HETTIE H. HETHERINGTON — Phone 54

Captain Caton Married Elsie Gill of Tampa

The following account of the marriage of Capt. Earl D. Caton and Miss Elsie Gill of Tampa, which took place at the post chapel at Maxwell Field, Alabama on Monday, will be of cordial interest to friends here. Captain Caton was stationed in Avon Park for about a year, and was connected with Lodwick Aviation Military Academy. The account from the Tampa Tribune is as follows:

Miss Elsie Gill and Capt. Earl D. Caton were married yesterday afternoon at the Maxwell field post chapel. An army air corps chaplain officiated.

The bride chose a winter white sheer wool frock, with the draped bodice quilted to form a deep V yoke.A stitched midriff banded the skirt which was made with the popular front fullness and large pockets. Her hat was a pillbox model of white straw, draped with a navy veil and her accessories were navy and white. She wore a corsage of orchids.

Mrs. J. W. Gill, mother of the bride, and Mrs. N. W. Caton, mother of the bridegroom, were present at the ceremony. Captain and Mrs. Caton left after the ceremony for a wedding trip to Birmingham, and will reside upon their return in Montgomery.

Mrs. Caton, a senior at the University of Tampa, has been president of Delta Kappa sorority, and of the Brush and Pallette Art club, editor in chief of the Moroccan, and a member of the 312 Masquers. She is listed in the 1943 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities."

Captain Caton, who attended the University of Tampa for two years, is a member of Tau Omega fraternity, the student council, Pan-Hellenic council and the university band. He received his commission at Maxwell field in 1941, and recently received his captaincy.

Soldiers' Wives Luncheon Guests

Last Friday, Jan. 29th, Mrs. R. A. Gerrard entertained a number of Soldiers' Wives at her home. They met for lunch at 1:00 o'clock. The house was attractively decorated. The mantle was banked with flame vine, fern, and palm leaves with white roses peeking through. It was a thing of beauty. The table decorations followed through with the same scheme adding orange blossoms and tangerines for more color and fragrance.

The first guests arriving were made to feel right at home by being allowed in the kitchen and assisting with those last but very important details of getting all the food on the tables. Among the many good things included in the menu were Real BUTTER and plenty of good hot COFFEE.

Immediately following the luncheon, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, who is president of the Women's Society of Christian Service of the Avon Park Methodist Church, gave a brief talk telling about the work of the W. S. C. S. She told the guests the women of the Methodist Church were anxious to make their stay here as enjoyable as possible. The purpose of the luncheon was to get a number of them together to form some group through which we could work to reach as many of the Soldiers' wives as possible. The idea was discussed by the group and all expressed a desire to become a member of such a group. Mrs. Jack Hunter invited the group to have their next luncheon at their home. The invitation was heartily accepted with plans made for the group to meet at two or three central points and hike out to Mrs. Hunter's. The next luncheon is to be a covered dish luncheon and will be at 1:00 on Friday, February 12th.

If there are others in town that will be interested in becoming a part of this group, meet us at the Methodist Church and we will be glad to welcome you. Be sure to leave your name on the list in the vestibule if you would like to attend our next luncheon so that a committee will be able to let you know where to go.

Those attending were: Mrs. Jack Hunter, Mrs. Wm. A. Thomas, Mrs. Clyde A. Maples, Mrs. Gordon March, Mrs. Harry D. Butler, Mrs. Harold Wohlers, Mrs. J. W. Evans, Mrs. Robert Preston, Mrs. M. A. Key, Mrs. Edward W. Kara, Mrs. John P. Weston, Mrs. Douglas Adams, Mrs. E. G. Struck, Mrs. Mitchell Land, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. J. O. Bridges, and Mrs. Hoyt Tatum.

Miss Chapman is Honored on Birthday

The many friends here of the J. V. Chapman family, now of Tallahassee, but formerly of Avon Park, will be interested in the account of the recent sixteenth birthday anniversary party of Miss Jeanette Chapman, as clipped from the Tallahassee Democrat:

Miss Jeanette Chapman was honored on her 16th birthday Saturday afternoon at a delightful luncheon given by her mother, Mrs. J. V. Chapman at the Chapman home in Country Club estates.

Eight places were laid at the table which was overlaid with a linen cloth and centered with an arrangement of pink azaleas on a reflector. Other guests were seated at small tables in the living room where single red camellias decorated the tables.

Invited to join Miss Chapman for the occasion were: the Misses Kathleen Brannan, Dottie Hasbrouck, Marquita Lance, Gloria Lance, Mary Groover Holland, Virginia Simmons, Jane Cochran, Frances Dell Hartt, Jo Ann Massie, Frances Proctor, June Moore, Isabel Glass, Patty Wells, Dot Carter, Anne Livingston, Patty Evans, Connie McCall, Jean Walston, Mary Virginia Butler, Patsy Gilliam, Pat Thomas, Norma Lewis, Nancy Koelliker and Faye Hall of Inverness.

Assisting Mrs. Chapman in entertaining were Mrs. Walter Richardson, Mrs. M. N. Yancey and Mrs. Judson Chapman.

Baptist WMS Has Program Meeting Monday

The W. M. S. of the Baptist Church held their regular meeting at the church on Monday afternoon, with Mrs. S. F. Longbottom, president, presiding. The business meeting was followed with the monthly program meeting, opening with the devotional by Mrs. R. H. Lawhon, program chairman. The topic for the month, "The Christian Witness Across Barriers of Race" was observed in the interesting program. Those taking part were Mrs. David Stuckey, Mrs. J. B. Coen, Jr., Mrs. J. L. Collins, and Mrs. R. H. Lawhon.

Winifred Archer Hostess at Birthday Dance

Miss Winifred Archer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Archer, was an attractive hostess at a lovely party and dance at her home on Highlands avenue last Friday evening, given in honor of her birthday anniversary. Coral pink gladioli decorated the party rooms for the occasion.

After a delightful evening of dancing, delicious refreshments of cookies, dainty sandwiches and punch were served.

Winifred received many gifts, as a happy reminder of her birthday from her friends sharing the occasion with her who were Misses Dot Gribble, Madge Pilcher, Ruby Pate, Margaret Dilley, Sujette Dorminey, Winifred Hood, Mary Clements, Betty Johnson, Willa McGiboney, Helen Jarrett, Polly Thomas, and Betty Turner.

Jimmie Hetherington, Bobby Keller, Leon DeLaney, Billie Heim, Ricky Spatz, Jack Head, Walter Martin, Billie Archer, George Nader, James Perdue, Chandler Wingfield, Arthur Crews, Arthur Gregory, David Lanier, and Howard Todd.

Methodist WSCS Will Remodel Sunday School Hut

Complete remodeling of the Sunday School Hut, was the project for the year that was choosen by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist Church at their meeting on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. C. H. Pardee, president of the society presided at the meeting, and appointed the following committee in charge of the project: Mrs. Hoyt Tatum, chairman, Mrs. Walter S. Martin, Mrs. G. B. Hall, Mrs. R. A. Gerrard, and Mrs. I. W. Chandler

Plans were completed for the hamburger supper, which the society is sponsoring down town Saturday night. Committees were named for the various arrangements.

Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood was named chairman of the flower committee. Other members were asked to assist her in ascertaining the names of members to whom flowers should be sent during the year.

Mrs. Pardee, who was recently installed as president of the society was p resented with a beautiful president's pin.

Mrs. Hoyt Tatum led the impressive devotional that opened the meeting.

Those present were Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, Mrs. T. H. Hughs, Mrs. Harry Jackson, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. Paul Ehi, Mrs. R. C. Jarrett, Mrs. Walter S. Martin, Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, Mrs. I. W. Chandler, Mrs. R. A. Gerrard, Mrs. J. D. Raab, Miss Fudlow Anderson, Mrs. Floyd Houghaboom, Mrs. Jas. Aitchison, and Mrs. G. B. Hall.

Sugar and Spice Gives Low Down On Junior Play

SUGAR AND SPICE would like to come out of hiding . . . long enough to say . . . .you can't afford to miss . . . "Murder Mansion" . . . The gals have glamour. . . The guys have guts in this coming event . . . Ruby Pate puts oomph into the leading lady. . . . Dorothy Jane Hansen puts a laugh into every line. . . . Madge Pilcher adds spirit and vivacious sparkle to her part. . . . Dorothy Lawhon is sweet as sugar in every day life as well as on stage. . . . and you know how scarce sugar is in these here times . . . . Bobby Keller is not only handsome. . . . he's good. . . . and I don't mean goodie good. . . . Winifred Demorest is drama personified with attractiveness. . . . Jimmie Hetherington is a detective that fails to detect. . . . . but any female would forgive Jimmie. . . . just cause he's Jimmie. . . . Charles Cannon is a real detective. . . . but then he wouldn't have to detect, either . . . Ruth Pendleton plays the part of a remarkably pretty girl. . . . and she doesn't have to play . . . she IS . . . Walter Martin is a Doctor that can out-doctor any doctor. . . . So come one . . . come all . . . hang on to your seats. . . . laugh your heads off . . . hold your breath . . . and scream. . . . "Murder Mansion" is coming to town . . . .

. . . A. B. W. . . .

Methodist Class Has Supper Meeting Monday Evening

Members of the Woman's Friendship Bible class of the First Methodist Sunday School, enjoyed their monthly supper and business meeting at the Hut on Monday evening.

Following the supper, which consisted of a variety of deliciously prepared dishes, Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, president of the class, presided at a short business meeting. Members voted to purchase a complete set of dishes for the Hut. A free-will offering taken at this time, formed a generous nucelous for the funds with which to purchase the dises.

h Tose present were Mrs. J. H. Kirkwood, Mrs. C. H. Pardee, Mrs. A. McKee Elwell, Mrs. W. S. Rawlings, Mrs. C. F. Catlin, Mrs. John A. Taylor, Mrs. C. H. Harris, Mrs. E. Hammond, Mrs. Kelley, Mrs. Hoyt Tatum, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. B. F. Willson, and Mrs. Jas Aitchi-

First Baby Girl Baptized at Range

To Sandra Lee Younkin goes the distinction of being the first baby girl to receive the Baptismal rites at the Avon Park Bombing Range base chapel. The baptism took place Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. Chaplain Beasley presided at the impressive ceremony. Little Sandra Lee is the daughter of Lieut. and Mrs. R. C. Younkin. Lieut Younkin is stationed with the 336th Bombardment group. Lt. and Mrs. E. G. Geiger are the Godparents. Lt. Geiger is stationed with the 478th Bomb Squadron.

KELLERS MOVE TO NEW HOME

Mr. an...d Mrs. H. E. Keller and son, Bobby have moved from Pine Crest to the McCorkle home on east Canfield, which they recently purchased. The interior of the house has been completely redecorated, and the stucco exterior has received a fresh coat of white paint, which has added greatly to the atthractive appearance of the home.

Mrs. Ralph Rogers and two children left Thursday for Pittsburgh, Pa., to join Lieut. Rogers, who is stationed there.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

(By RUSSELL KAY

While the Scriptures tell us that Joshua commanded the sun to stand still, there is no record of anybody else having dictated to that celestial body with any degree of success.

While Time and Tide "wait for no man," they won't "hurry up" for him either.In consequence, we can set clocks ahead and change the hours, but days continue to break and nights to fall according to the plan of the Supreme Administrator of the Universe.

Big Ben may disturb the farmer's slumber and clang in shrill command "Arise, you lazy lout, another day has dawned," but it don't fool the cow, pigs, or chickens and they go right on ahead and wait for daylight.

Florida in Eastern Time was a jump ahead of Old Sol to start with, then Daylight Saving and War Time came along, and ever since we've been trying to burn our midnight oil on borrowed time. Puzzled youngsters who are not permitted to stay out "after dark" at night, find themselves jerked out of bed before daylight in the morning and marched off to school in the dark.

The famed "first crack of dawn" that only confirmed followers of Issac Walton were supposed to "be up at," now finds Florida a beehive of activity with bleareyed folks galloping hither and yon in what used to be considered the "wee sma" hours.Utility companies find their peak load has shifted from just after sunset to just before sunrise, for it is then that every house is ablaze, stoves and heaters asizzle and power machinery beginning to hum.

Being burdened with an uncommon degree of old fashioned "horse sense," Representative Lacy Thomas of Lake county thinks it is time we quit kidding ourselves and accepted the decrees of an All Wise Providence as to what constitutes Day and Night.

He has announced his intentions to introduce a bill in the next legislature to place Florida in Central Time, contending that even then we will be nearly an hour ahead of Mamma Nature, but at least that much nearer to normal.

Georgia, confronted with the same problem, took the well known masculine cow by the antlers and legislated one hour of morning darkness to the ash can.

It has caused momentary confusion in the form of a conflict between state and federal authority, but like the silly advancing of Thanksgiving, it will iron itself out, for common-sense has always won out over non-sense in the long run.

Time will march on according to plan and man might just as well decide to make the best of it.

Washington, no doubt, will be vexed with Florida, as she now is with Georgia, should 'Thomas' bill pass. But since we seem to be more or less a "stepchild" of the "Great White Father" maybe if we showed signs of giving ourselves back to the Indians we might get a little consideration as a sovereign state.

As the coming legislative session approaches, the subject of "Time" gives promise of being one that will be in the hair of solons from the opening day, for there is a determined effort underway to limit the time devoted to legislative action. Representative West of Santa Rosa and Troxler of Marion advocate a streamlined session to be concluded in 30 days if possible.

Representative Beasley of Walton sees where much "Time" can be saved through the elemination of controversies and the limiting of debate.The public at large is in hearty accord with any move in such direction and reaction to these suggestions has been generally favorable.

It might be TIMELY to engage Rudy Valee to attend the session opening and sing his famed theme, "Your Time is My Time." Then someone can set the calendar ahead thirty days, instead of waiting until the last day of the melee to "turn back the clock."

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SCOUT NEWS

The Boy Scouts of America has reached its 33rd Birthday, and is celebrating the occasion by devoting its annual Boy Scout Week — February 6 to 12— to the beginning of a year's hard work to help win the war. "Toughen Up! Buckle Down! And Carry on to Victory" is the theme adopted for the year. The toughening referred to involves the hardening of muscles and the strengthening of mental and moral fibre to meet today's wartime emergencies. The buckling down is to tasks and projects in which Boy Scouts are serving national and community needs. The program includes emphasis upon a periodic health examination for every Scout and adoption by each of a plan for personal improvement.

Millions of former Boy Scouts already are serving in the armed forces.Twenty-five per cent of the selectees and two-thirds of the professional military leaders have been Scouts, — as have many of the heroes of the present conflict, including Colin Kelly, John James Powers, John Bulkeley, "Butch" O'Hara and many others.

Without departing from its traditional non-military status, and still placing supreme emphasis upon the building of character and citizenship, the Boy Scout organization plans throughout Boy Scout Week and the duration of the war to redouble those activities which acquaint boys with outdoor life and engender self-reliance, mental alertness, cooperation and consideration for others. Meetings and exhibits throughout the country will introduce these activities to adults and non-Scouts, and preparations are being made for a large increase in membership. A special appeal is addressed to potential leaders to replace the thousands of Scoutmasters and other adult leaders who have joined the armed forces.

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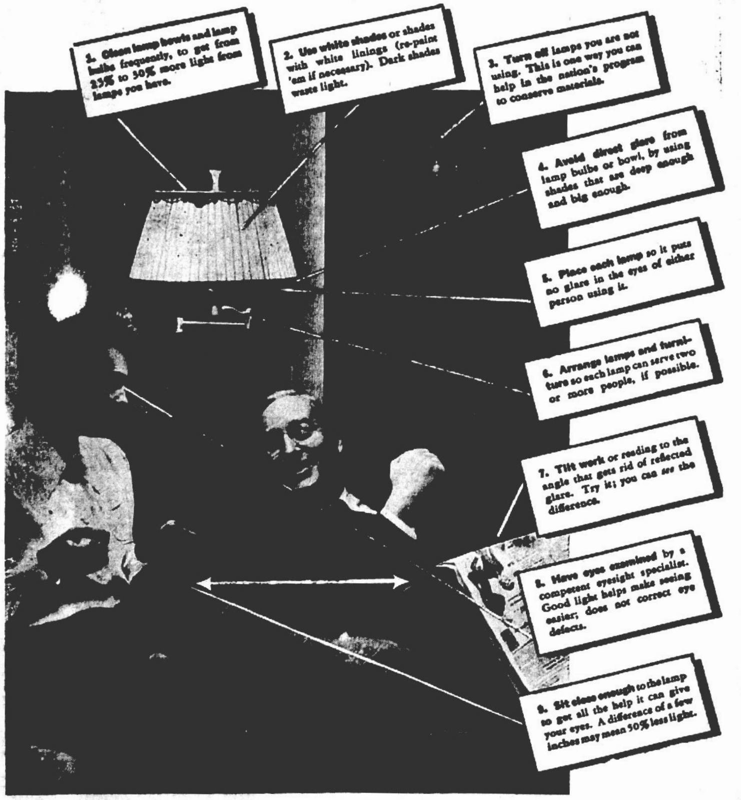
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2. Use white shades or shades with white linings (re-paint 'em if necessary). Dark shades waste light.
3. Turn off lamps you are not using. This is one way you can help in the nation's program to conserve materials.
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5. Place each lamp so it puts no glare in the eyes of either person using it.
6. Arrange lamps and furniture so each lamp can serve two or more people, if possible.
7. Tilt work or reading to the angle that gets rid of reflected glare. Try it; you can *see* the difference.
8. Have eyes examined by a competent eyesight specialist. Good light helps make seeing easier; does not correct eye defects.
9. Sit close enough to the lamp to get all the help it can give your eyes. A difference of a few inches may mean 50% less light.

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