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School For Deaf

Open its 57th Session

The New Mexico School for the Deaf, at Santa Fe, will open for its 57th Session on Sept. 4, 1945. Deaf and hard-of-hearing children from all over the state will come to Santa Fe to begin their school year on that date. Children entering the school for the first time will be admitted on September 10th. Parents desiring information concerning admission of children should communicate with the Superintendent, New Mexico School for the Deaf, 1060 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe.

4-H Boy Wins Award

Bobby Peebles, a 4-H club member, of Nogal was recently awarded \$75 by the New Mexico Wool Growers Association to be used to purchase ewes for his 4-H project. By adding the award money to his savings from his former 4-H swine project, Bobby was able to purchase one of the best pens of five registered Rambouillet ewes sold at the Annual New Mexico Ram Sale held recently in Albuquerque. Bobby also purchased a registered Rambouillet ram. All of the sheep are from the Robert Miller strain. Mr. Miller is one of the outstanding registered Rambouillet breeders in the state of California.

For Sale, Bargain

Through this week ONLY
—Leaving Town—

- Frigidairs
- Gas Stove
- Circulating Heater
- 2 Kitchen Ranges
- Beds
- Mattresses
- Spring
- Dining Room Set
- Odd Tables
- Miscellaneous Items
- Lawn Hose, rakes, wheelbarrow, ladders, etc.

Inquire at the Burke residence.

Rayon Crepe Can Add Bond Cash



For Sunday tea or Saturday night at home, make this flattering dress of sea-blue wool-rayon crepe. Ultra-simple sewing and money towards an extra War Bond are the rewards. Patterns at local stores. U. S. Treasury Department.



LOOKING AHEAD

by GEORGE S. BENSON
President—Harding College
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Waiting Contest

Hard as it may be to get a die-in-the-wool bureaucrat thinking about winter problems in the summer time, unless something unusual happens, cold weather will come again. One of these days a school bell will ring, a boy will come down the street bawling a football and after that it won't be long. Moreover winter calls for a lot of things that are scarce now.

Let's take shoes as a down-to-earth illustration. Which is better for keeping a boy's feet off the frosty ground, a 1942 price ceiling or a pair of good heavy brogues with webbed soles in them? That is the problem before the American people, with school bells only a few days away. Getting into production on civilian goods is what the OPA is currently bungling.

Hold That Price

The OPA's war job was to keep prices of needful things from skyrocketing—a noble work requiring some stiff rules. But today, with the war won and war business slack, OPA is still making rules. One of them says: Manufacturers may make things for civilians provided they sell at 1942 prices. There's the rub, for factory owners now ready to start reconverting, making jobs safe for their employees.

The 1942 price rule stops them; nothing else. Workers want their jobs to last. Most civilians have saved some money and want to buy new things. Industry is anxious to serve them but very few factories can operate at 1942 prices. Materials cost more now and labor costs more also. There is only one thing a manufacturer can do, namely, beg OPA for special permission to price-up and go to work.

Mail Bags Full

The OPA, if you remember, is famous for leaving no stone unturned, and all that sort of thing. It is rumored that some men in the bureau have their own private opinions about business people anyhow. Before they grant any firm special leave to change a price, they investigate. That's all right, but applications to reconvert are coming in fast, more than 500 a day.

The bureau will never wind up its red tape in time. The only possible way out of trouble is to make a reasonable rule for all industry to follow, let whistles blow at 6:00 a. m. and ask questions later. Will they do it? Who knows? Employees and customers would probably cheer loudly for any employer who kept his payroll alive and said "Ph-t-v-u-t" to the OPA, but its dangerous.

Formula for Panic

Most business men are conservative. They are likely to wait exactly as long as the OPA says wait. Unable to do business on 1942 prices, they may pull fires from under their boilers and lay off the crew. Then the waiting contest starts. Bureaus will wait on investigations; employers will wait on bureaus; workers will wait on employers and you and I will wait for everything.

Idle workers in the soup-line; farmers without markets let crops rot in the field. An ugly picture. The way to avoid it is to let industry convert, sell its products to people with money and pay the men who work. Inflation can be prevented without starting a panic, if OPA will adopt a workable rule soon enough. But bureaus are usually more interested in rules than in reasons—warts on the nose of progress; bunions on the toe of time.

A Moment of Prayer

Sunday August 12, the Baptist congregation, including all visitors, voted as one individual, that the church bell rings each day at eleven o'clock, reminding the people of our town and community to pause for a moment of prayer. May we pray for a deeper spirituality in our own lives and community. May we pray for our president and his cabinet in the days of reconstruction when you hear the church bell, pause for a moment of prayer. O. L. Oldham, Pastor.

Notice

The Lincoln county rural schools will begin Monday, Sept. 3, 1945.

After 62 Years of Public Service the Outlook Signs "30"

(By A. L. Burke)

With this week's publication of this paper, the Outlook will cease to exist. The paper and equipment has been sold to Mrs. Era B. Smith of the Lincoln County News.

As to the future plans of the new paper which will be the only one in Carrizozo will be, is a matter which only Mrs. Smith has in hand, but be that as it may, she will be able to handle that in her usual professional manner.

Mrs. A. L. Burke, proprietor of the Burke Gift Shop has disposed of her business and the same with the home of the Outlook family will go to the Lane sisters, Alma and Margaret, sisters of Wade Lane of the Carrizozo Cleaners who will conduct the Gift Shop along the same lines as Mrs. Burke has followed for the past years and given such satisfaction to her many patrons.

After our business affairs have been settled up, in which Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Lucas have so successfully assisted us, we will go to Kansas City, where after a reasonable length of time, we have planned to go to Oregon.

Patrons and subscribers who have been so loyal to us, will

after this week, receive what will be the News-Outlook, which we recommend to our old subscribers with the hope that they will extend to her the same good-will and loyalty which they have always given to us.

It is through no dislike for Carrizozo that we are leaving it, but decidedly to the contrary, for it is with a pang of regret that we will separate from our old friends with whom we have resided for the past 28 years and will cherish the fond remembrances of those pleasant relations for the remainder of our natural lives.

It has always been a pleasure to us to have been a factor in the growth of Carrizozo and also in its social and business activity, being mindful at all times to aid and assist in movements for the advancement of our community. We have resided with you for the past 28 years, during which time, we have passed through two wars; world wars, 1 and 2. We have rejoiced with you in periods of gladness and prosperity; we have mourned with you in days of sadness and adversity. Now as we are about to separate, the Burke family bids you a kind "adios" and the Outlook signs "30".

Individual liberty is one of the teachings of Jesus. It goes hand-in-hand with personal responsibility. How can a man be held responsible for his acts unless he is free to determine how he shall act? The understanding that certain rights are everybody's rights, and that no man can rightly deprive another man of them, is an idea for which the world is indebted to Christianity.

Compulsion in religion, is older than history. Every nation's lore is colored with tales of forced worship. In fact, the history of Christianity is marked with a shameful record of coercion. Just the same, obedience to Christ is voluntary or it is not obedience at all, and (being an every-day thing) Christianity lives and grows best in surroundings of personal liberty.

A Moral Duty

Opposing dictatorship, resisting infringement by a few upon the liberties of many, is a reverent act of fidelity to the source of all freedom. No government is perfect; no economic system is perfect. For that matter, no church is perfect. All are subject, more or less, to leadership by imperfect people. Nevertheless some principles are right and worthy of vigorous defense.

Harry Emerson Fosdick said, "One of the great hours in history struck when mankind ran into the idea that all the people should unite in making laws, which then all the people should obey. Behind our pitifully fallible experiments with representative government stands the ideal, worth everything our fathers gave for it and all that we can give—the democratic state."

Godless Laws

One-man governments traditionally become jealous of their subjects' loyalty to God; covetous too, perhaps, of their free-will offerings, large or small. Rarely do totalitarian states begin at the church when they start cutting off people's liberties. They get around to it in the long-run, however. There are about enough exceptions on record to prove the rule.

Dictators usually start their trepanning on freedom by presuming to say who shall engage in trade. It is the natural way to commence. Never do they find a large class in commercial pursuits, so they can begin grabbing power without antagonizing a majority. The next big strategy is to demote the news. By this method a dictator can make his people think what he pleases.

Step at a Time

With buying and selling punished under government's heel, one emergency follows another, accidentally or by design; either way certain the purpose. Consumers, the class most hurt by government in business, never learn the truth if press and radio are under control. Selfish rulers snatch away comforts and take out confusion and suspicion, the chains of freedom.

Traditionally tyrants work this way; it has happened all along through history. After business is confiscated and the news agencies seized, the people are possessed with malice, and malice destroys human souls. Americans who value their religious liberty have no choice but to defend representative government, free enterprise, free speech and free press. They can fight on the front line and win, or wait to fight in the last trench and lose.

Cortez Hall at San Pat.

Saturday, Sept. 1, 1945

Music: By Arkansas.

Slim York Hill Billy Orchestra

Easter Green, duck raiser, couldn't keep his flock from swimming across the lake and getting lost. Sex Lester, "I got to thinkin', people run around in circles. Now if I could get my ducks to swim in circles I would never lose any. Every time they started to swim they would come back where they started. Well, I got a poultry punch an' punched a hole in the web on their right foot. That let enough water through to make them swim in a circle. An' I ain't lost one since, and have money now to buy more and bigger War Bonds."

U. S. Treasury Department

Buy more war bonds



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NOTICE

Owing to the shortage of fountain supplies we find it necessary to close on Sundays from 12M. to the regular opening hour on Mondays. Beginning next Sunday, August 12th, we will be available for emergencies. Rolland's Drug Store.

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The Lincoln County Board of Education will sell to the highest bidder the Rabanton School Property, located in School District 14.

Bids will be received in the office of the County School Superintendent up to September 8th, 1945, at 10 a. m.

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John "Dad" Shelton

Wednesday night, at his room in the east part of town, John Shelton, known here as "Dad" Shelton 92, passed away after cutting his throat with a razor. In the early Alaskan gold rush, Mr. Shelton was among the first to venture into those regions in quest of gold and as many believed, he became wealthy, but buying stocks in mines which afterwards proved worthless, he lost so heavily that he left the Klondyke and returned to the states. Nothing is known concerning relatives. Some have said that he had several daughters but they cannot be located.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Luckey and little daughter left yesterday morning for Cherryvale, Kansas, where they will make their home for the present, at least. As we said in our last issue, they sold their ranch-farm home in Nogal to a Texas family who will operate the farm in the same manner as did the Luckeys.

\$5.00 Reward!

Lost—A brooch on streets of town. Owner values same as a keepsake, as it was sent to his sister by a brother serving in army overseas. If found, will pay \$5 reward if returned to the Outlook office.

For Sale—Cow and 4 months old calf, also 9 milk goats, Groom house and nine lots. Inquire at this office. It

Buy More War Bonds

LYRIC THEATRE
A. Walker, Owner
Sunday matinee, 2 p. m.
Night shows start at 8 o'clock

Friday & Saturday
A DOUBLE FEATURE
"China's Little Devils"
plus Jimmy Wakely in
"Springtime in Texas"

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday
Eddie Bracken, Ella Rains, Bill Edwards and Raymond Walburn
in
"Hail The Conquering Hero"

The funniest homecoming a fellow ever spent. The last time of a lifetime.
Paramount News and "Jasper's Minstrels"

Wednesday—Thursday
Dennis O'Keefe, Helen Walker, "Rochester" and June Havoc in
"Brewsters Millions"

Back from the war with a million dollars burning holes in his pocket—and all to spend in sixty days. What would you do?
"Birds and the Beasts" and "Musical Mexico"

Buy More War Bonds Today

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

RECONVERSION PROBLEMS FACE OFFICIAL WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON.—A lively fuss is being raised against the government failure to provide for reconversion. The Mead committee said only half what it thought about the job being bungled, the senators privately conceding they were just trying to prod Mr. Truman gently into more forceful action. They really exposed nothing which has not been apparent for many months, as Mr. Roosevelt had no announced program, and Mr. Truman has been busy with San Francisco and Potsdam.

Behind the failure to make a plan (and this is apparent, if it has not been fully reported) is the scrapping between the various government departments. The army has never forgotten its scare at prematurely anticipating the end of the European war.

The army is keeping its production going at a terrific pace, and told the Mead committee (although this was not published in the report) that it is discharging 2,000 men a month while discharging 4,000 a month for a net discharge of only 1,000 a month.

To add fury to this plain middle, the CIO, New Dealers and some others have been increasingly agitating for a vaster government spending program, like the old PWA, to take up a slack in employment, which has not yet developed, and is not immediately forecast in view of the national starvation for consumers goods and services, unless perchance chaotic management of the problem disrupts production.

INTERNAL BICKERING

To the problem, Mr. Truman put his best new man, John W. Snyder, who found it to be a nest of economic and political bon constrictors, and his grappling so far has not indicated whether he will throw them or they him.

So we have had such a condition as this following incident discloses:

A business man came to Washington seeking authority to build a plant to supply parts for the automobile industry, admittedly the key in reconversion. He was told he could go ahead as his effort was immediately desirable. He then went to the steel manufacturers who informed him he could have no steel unless he had a priority. Washington thereupon refused to give him a priority.

This, as I say, is a known condition, but behind it is a truly major threat to reconversion, in the relationship of the unions and management, a fact not observed by the Mead committee, or fully reported. The administration has detected the importance of this all-controlling phase, as is evident in Labor Secretary Schwelienbach's promotion of a labor-management conference to plan a workable substitute for the no-strike pledge and perhaps a new labor board setup or at least to provide a sensible agreement, under which men may work and the nation produce in the brave new world.

A show-down between labor and management is coming, I am sure, before much reconversion can take place. I think it is planned. With the threat, publicly brandished by CIO leaders for a wave of strikes, the key automobile and other industries which CIO controls can hardly go far with much reconversion, even if the government required the army to be reasonable and loosen up on men and materials.

Involved legitimately are the problems of prices and wages. These relate problems are in a far worse manner than the Washington reconversion machinery.

UNIONS SHOW GAINS

The union war worker is the man who made the biggest wage increase during the war. The Little Steel formula was shot so full of holes by the unions (upgrading pay devices, vacations, pay for portals to portals and back again to portals, etc.) that it stands only as a sieve against the largest group of the people, the middle class non-factory workers.

There are only 15 millions of people in the unions and 45 millions outside the unions. Their wages were rather effectively frozen by the government formula, while the unions went on up. But prices went on up also, through the sieve of the OPA (black markets, and especially deteriorated goods and services).

In my non-factory town, for instance, the last bond drive could not meet its baby bond quota because anything left after buying his family the necessities of life and paying his taxes. Those prices will not come down until reconversion has proceeded to the point where competition is restored, in both goods and services. Not until quality of goods and work are restored, and both become readily available, can the government do anything effective as price control, which is the essence of economic control.

What My Community Should Do in Postwar Planning

By Genevra Bush Gibson
"GOING my way?" inquired the soft-voiced, smiling marine sergeant as we boarded the same train at our mutual home town station.

During the two-hour ride into the city we talked of many things including the fact that he wanted a small-business of his own after the war perhaps on the Al-Can highway.

How I wish I might have said, "Before you make an Al-Can deal, get in touch with our home town Re-Employment Committeemen." I couldn't, however, for my community has not yet undertaken collective postwar planning.

Newton county, an agricultural county of 10,775 population in northwestern Indiana, has announced its Co-operative Planning, the result of a year's study by a committee of 25 comprising men and women representative of all phases of community life. Full-page advertisements paid for by various service clubs of the different towns were run in all of the weekly papers in the county.

Re-Employment of Veterans.

The ad began, "More servicemen will return home with the progress of the war. The Re-Employment Committee of Newton County, Indiana, in conjunction with its advisory committee and the Agricultural advisory committee, are on the alert. All citizens, both in service and not in service, should realize that the return of the servicemen will mean certain adjustments. This will be so whether he returns to his former civilian job or seeks a new civilian job."

"The servicemen of our country are asked to co-operate with the Re-Employment Committeemen and the citizens by marking the information questionnaires below. Please do, not sign. Return to (name of paper)."

Under the general section were listed the following questions: "Do you plan to live in Newton county when discharged from service? Do you plan to seek employment in this area? Do you plan to go to school or take up a special training course under G.I. Bill of Rights? Do you plan to go into business as an employee, as an employer, as an individual, or as a partner? What business?"

"Do you contemplate establishing a new business or taking over an established business? Do you have previous experience in the business? Will you need any additional capital? What source do you contemplate using, private or G.I. Bill of Rights arrangements? Will you need a house? Household equipment?"

Under the agricultural section were these questions: "Are you interested in taking up farming as a landowner, renter, one-third share operator, or hired man? Have you previous experience? What size farm do you have in mind? What type of farm do you desire: livestock, grain, or general? Is there a house available? Do you have a farm in mind to rent or buy? Will you take over from father or relative? Will the farmer you replace retire, seek another farm, or share his operations with you?"

The advertisement concluded, "With the information thus assembled, we shall endeavor to anticipate your return home."

An Excellent Pattern.

Surely, that is an excellent pattern that my community could afford to follow in starting postwar planning immediately. Instead of a county-wide basis, however, I would suggest that we use our high school district and our consolidated grade school district as the basis for our community boundaries.

Since our men's service organization is the Lion's club, the officers of that organization could ask the officers of the Women's Club, American Legion, and the Legion Auxiliary to meet with them to discuss appointing committees for postwar planning, such persons to be selected from the entire personnel of the community. These committees might well be three: Re-Employment, Memorial, and Education.

Seven members could constitute a Re-Employment committee: a business man, a farmer, the banker, the lumber man, a grain man, the Red Cross home service chairman, and a minister. I should prefer for the business man and farmer to be Legionnaires and to act as co-chairmen. To lend advice on the possible success of new business adventures is the reason for suggesting the banker.

The lumber man, on the other hand, can head a subcommittee of

Editor's Note: This article won the first prize in a contest sponsored by Western Newspaper Union in connection with the recent Midwestern Writers' conference at Northwestern university. Miss Gibson, the author, lives in Sheldon, Ill., a town of 1,000 population in Iroquois county, which is one of the leading agricultural counties of the Prairie state. After graduation from the school of journalism at the University of Illinois, she became a teacher of journalism at the Champaign, Ill., senior high school. At present she is a free lance journalist and chairman of public information for the Iroquois county chapter of the American Red Cross.



Miss Gibson

the building interests whose task it will be to supply the additional homes and business structures. As the grain man deals with farming interests, yet resides in town, he should be able to see both sides of the picture. The Red Cross home service chairman and a minister are recommended because of their contacts with servicemen.

When this committee has worked out an information questionnaire, it can be published in the local paper, for our weekly paper goes to all the boys and girls in the service. With the questionnaires returned, the committee can begin to compile information. Then they can canvass the community to see what jobs will be available so that when Sam, who wants to be a partner in a grocery store, comes home, he can be sent to see old Mr. Fuller who wants to retire from active work and become a silent partner.

On the second committee, the Memorial, I would have five members, all men interested in sports: the high school board athletic chairman, the grade school board athletic chairman, a business man, a farmer, and a veteran, the latter to be chairman.

Trees As Memorials.

Windstorms have played havoc with the beautiful trees for which our town is noted. What better memorial to our war dead than stately trees? I should like to see the village, which is now free from debt, plant American elms and hard maple trees in the parking: the American elm because it is a quick growing tree and the hard maple because it has the most beautiful autumnal foliage of any tree I know.

As a memorial to our gallant fighters who return, I should like to have a well-run sports program. A number of things may be considered, among them an outdoor swimming pool at the high school, with the school showers and dressing rooms available to the swimmers. The initial cost might well be met by popular subscription with the school operating the pool afterwards.

During the summer vacation, the pool could be open suitable nights from 7 to 11 with swimming classes scheduled certain afternoons from 4 to 6. The athletic coach should be the director. In the winter the pool could be flooded and used for ice skating.

Softball might well be revived, for the grounds are still available and it would not take long to hook up the lights. Four organizations such as business firms could each sponsor a team with one or two nights a week set aside for double header games. There should be no admission charge, but a collection should be taken to pay for the lights. Moreover, consideration should be given to reinstalling croquet courts in the park for the youngsters and marking off space for horseshoes for the oldsters.

My town faithfully follows high school basketball, which provides excellent winter recreation. A survey should be made, however, to see how the high school gymnasium may be used winter evenings for adults for calisthenics, volley ball, handball, basketball and folk dancing. In all of this sports program the goal must be to use available community resources to provide a varied program to reach the greatest number of people.

Educational Needs.

Last but not least is the Education committee which should consist of five members: the high school principal, the grade school principal, a town father who has children in school, a farm mother who has children in school, and a high school alumnus, the latter to be chairman. The business of this Education committee should be to make a survey of the postwar educational needs

and make recommendations to the boards of education.

Perry L. Schneider, head of the evening elementary school division of the New York City board of education, says that there is a growing demand by adults for short non-credit courses in cultural subjects such as history, global geography, economics, current events, literature, music, art, crafts, and hobbies. He believes that it will be necessary to educate parents for reduction of juvenile delinquency.

Some of the courses Mr. Schneider suggests may be applicable to small schools. Perhaps the folks in my community will want not only the agricultural night classes which have proved popular but classes in manual training, personal typing, foods, sewing, interior decorating or child psychology.

For those adults who still enjoy taking part in plays, a community players' club might well be organized to meet once a week and to present one or two plays for the entire community. Those who like to sing might form a community chorus which could present concerts while those who like to play a musical instrument might form a community dance band to sponsor six dances.

Since our public library has a small stage, these three groups could easily use that as their meeting place so as not to monopolize the high school gym, which is a combined gym and auditorium. These clubs as well as adult evening classes should be considered a part of the high school teacher's work and enough teachers should be hired to take care of the demands.

Of even greater educational concern is the quality of the grade school and high school instruction, for servicemen will want good schools for their children.

It will be well to consider restoring to the elementary school the subjects that were dropped because no teachers were available: art, cooking, sewing, and manual training. Likewise attention should be given to possible new subjects.

'Every Day Living for Boys.'

Perhaps eighth grade boys should be taught simple cooking, selection and care of their clothes, bedmaking, and room care in a course called, "Every Day Living for Boys." Both boys and girls might be taught simple gardening practices and encouraged to have their own garden plots during the summer.

As a part of the high school survey it would be right to consider if the history courses are providing the citizenship training we want and if the English classes in addition to teaching our young people to speak and write correctly are giving them the proper evaluating standards so that they will know how to judge a newspaper, magazine, book, movie, and radio program, thus discarding the trash and fastening their minds on the things worth remembering.

Since cooking and sewing were required of eighth grade girls, it would seem sensible to require of the freshman girls a home management course which could incorporate some principles of home nursing. Then during the three summer vacations of their high school days they might undertake such projects as canning vegetables, house cleaning and cooking, with credit to be given for such projects after due inspection by the teacher in charge.

A first-aid course comparable to the one taught by the American Red Cross should be required of every boy and girl after he is 16 years of age and before he is graduated.

In a recent forum on divorce conducted by the Town Club of Chicago, Samuel A. Rineella, divorce attorney, declared, "Our schools train students in everything from carpentering to radio announcing but not enough, if anything, is done about instructing men and women in marriage."

Mr. Rineella's statement is so true that I think the Education committee should consider recommending a required semester's course in the senior year for both boys and girls in general sociology, marriage and the family.

In 1865 the folks of Pleasant Valley, a little village in the foothills of the Alleghenies, piled the relics of the Civil war that had just ended, the old brass cannon, the battered muskets, the broken swords, and the rusted bayonets into one heap. They melted them down and from them cast the gentle bells of Pleasant Valley to ring out over green fields and fertile farms as a memorial to their loved ones lost in that war.

Likewise, it is my hope that the Postwar Planning of the Re-Employment, Memorial, and Education committees will result in making my community a Pleasant Place in which to live.

Future Prosperity of U. S. Depends on Sound Postwar Planning

Historically, America's economy had its beginnings in farms and in small towns. As more goods were produced and as farms multiplied, more towns came into being and some of them grew into large cities.

The existence of the large cities does not, however, detract from the importance of rural communities. About one-fourth of our people are farmers and dependent upon the production from their land for nearly all their income. Roughly, an-

other fourth, living in small towns and to some extent in the cities, depend on farm trade in one form or another for a livelihood. These two groups represent at least one-half our population.

The importance of prosperity in rural America to the rest of the economy is indicated by the fact that approximately 70 cents of the farm dollar goes into the purchase of things which have to be manufactured. The farmer's prosperity,

therefore, makes a maximum contribution toward the creation of pay-rolls and jobs.

Sound postwar planning should result not only in more jobs in your community but in permanent advances for the United States. In a democracy, progressive community action is essential to social and economic progress. — From "Postwar Jobs and Growth in Small Communities," Committee for Economic Development handbook.

Veterans SERVICE BUREAU

EDITOR'S NOTE: This newspaper, through special arrangement with the Washington Bureau of Western Newspaper Union at 1616 Eye Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., is able to bring readers this weekly column on problems of the veteran and serviceman and his family. Questions may be addressed to the above Bureau and they will be answered in a subsequent column. No replies can be made direct by mail, but only in the column which will appear in this newspaper regularly.

Surplus Property for Veterans

The Surplus Property board has made arrangements through the Smaller War Plants corporation to sell surplus war property to honorably discharged veterans who have entered business or farming it amounts up to \$2,500 on A-1 priority without buying through regular dealer channels.

Surplus items for any commercial, industrial, manufacturing, financial, service medical, dental or legal, or agricultural enterprise will invest capital not exceeding \$50,000, owned as sole proprietor by a veteran, or when non-veteran have not more than a half-interest are eligible for purchase with the SWPC acting as buying agent of clearing house on all purchases.

All sales to the veterans will be made to SWPC under OPA regulations and the maximum will be greater than original cost to the government, less allowance for depreciation, obsolescence, etc.

The \$2,500 limitation is placed on amount of sales so that a broad and equitable distribution of surpluses available may be afforded to all veterans who apply.

A typical procedure on a veteran's application could be as follows: An honorably discharged veteran living in Troy, N. Y., is opening a plumbing and heating supply business in his community. He needs a light delivery truck, office equipment and other items. The nearest district office is at Albany. He makes formal application in writing to this nearest office, giving all the necessary details. SWPC reviews all factors and decides the applicant has a good chance to build a successful business. His needs are recorded and as the property is available SWPC will purchase the items to fill, as far as possible, all requirements of the veteran. The veteran pays SWPC the amount involved on the purchase of the truck from the surplus property disposal office, either in cash or, in some special cases, under an arrangement of terms.

Questions and Answers

Q.—When a man has suffered wounds in action how is disability rating for pension purposes determined by the Veterans Administration?

A.—The Veterans Administrator says that in the payment of service connected disability pensions the percentage of impairment is determined on available records by a rating board. The percentage of disability is based upon the average degree of impairment in earning capacity, so that there may be no penalty on any individual for ability to overcome the handicap of disability.

Q.—What are the purchase price limitations in the extension of an agricultural loan guaranty under the G.I. Bill of Rights?

A.—The purchase price must not exceed the "reasonable normal value" of the property as determined by proper appraisal. The purchase price must be within the veteran's ability to pay and succeed in his operations. The local certifying committee will have to certify to the Veterans Administration or its opinion as to whether or not the proposed purchase price of the property exceeds the reasonable normal value of the property.

Q.—Do navy chaplains receive medals? Have any been awarded?

A.—Chaplains in the navy may receive medals and decorations. Lt. Gen. Merritt F. Williams was awarded the Bronze Star medal for meritorious service aboard the aircraft carrier Wasp, sunk in the Solomon Islands. Lt. Comdr. Joseph T. O'Callahan, chaplain of the bombed carrier Franklin, has been recommended for the medal of honor.

Q.—Can the mother of an only son request that he be kept in the U. S. and not be sent overseas?

A.—The war department says that a soldier who is an only son is subject to overseas duty if he is qualified. The fact that he is an only son will have no bearing upon his assignment.

Q.—What is a death gratuity for a veteran?

A.—A death gratuity is a lump-sum gift from the government made to next of kin when a member of the armed forces dies. The amount is equal to six months of the deceased person's pay.

Q.—What is the maximum interest rate which may be charged on a guaranteed G.I. Bill of Rights loan?

A.—Four per cent per annum with the government paying the interest on the guaranteed part of the loan for the first year.

Space-Saver Racks For Closet Doors

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By Russ Manning

In war or peace



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STAGE SCREEN RADIO
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By VIRGINIA VALE

WHEN Mary Pickford was picked by the winning contestant on the Mutual network's "Queen for a Day" program as the person the "Queen" would like to have tea with, Mary liked the idea of the program so much that she invited the mother of LeRoy to hear it broadcast. LeRoy enjoyed the broadcast so much that she promptly called her son, and talked so enthusiastically that he decided to make a Technicolor picture on the "Queen for a Day" idea of creating 24-hour Cinderellas. Monogram played host to "Queens" on the successive days. They watched Peter Cookson, Warren William and Anne Gwynne work on the "Suspense" set, then visited the night-club set of "Swing Parade."

Susan Hayward has left Paramount, where she got her start, and signed with Walter Wanger for seven years. Her first picture will be the Technicolor Western, "Cap-



SUSAN HAYWARD

yon Passage," with Dana Andrews and Brian Donlevy. She'll be working at Universal, right along with her husband, Jess Barker, who's playing a featured role in "As It Was Before."

There's a fine new radio show scheduled to start September 11. Cornelia Otis Skinner and Roland Young will be heard in more of the delightful "William and Mary" sketches, written by Miss Skinner, which were heard on the air a while ago. Barry Wood will be the singing master of ceremonies, and Ray Block's orchestra, a new mixed choral group, and a guest star will complete the program.

"A Night in Casablanca" will launch the Marx Brothers as independent film producers, and the Marxes will try it out on a stage tour of Pacific coast theaters and service camps. That is, they'll do five sketches that have been developed from the script, about 400,000 persons will see them, and the material that gets by with this critical audience will go into the picture.

Jack Douglas, writer and actor on the Phil Harris radio show, was given a baby shower by Harris and the cast when John Douglas Jr. arrived. One gift was a cradle which has rocked the babies of the Ronald Colmans, Ruth Hussey and Constance Moore, respectively.

William Goetz, head of International Pictures, is "agin" long feature films, so his "Tomorrow Is Forever," starring Claudette Colbert, Orson Welles and George Brent, will reach the screen in less than 10,000 feet—will run less than two hours.

Twentieth Century-Fox plans to remake that lovely story, "Berkeley Square," in which Leslie Howard and Heather Angel originally appeared. But the story will be rewritten, and this time Maureen O'Hara, Gregory Peck and Jeanne Crain will have the leading roles.

"The Strange Adventure" has an Academy Award line-up: Clark Gable, Greer Garson, Thomas Mitchell, Director Victor Fleming and Cameraman Joseph Rutenberg have all won their Oscars. The chickens which chase the actors have no Oscars, but they're prize stunt hens.

Want to appear on a quiz show? Then take a tip from Quizmaster Fred Uttl, who selects guest contestants for the Wednesday night CBS "Detect and Collect" show. Fred says he looks the audience over and picks those with "the most eager hands."

ODDS AND ENDS—Cpl. Michel Panzief is spending his 30-day furlough working in "Night and Day" at Warner's. After two and a half years in the Coast Guard, Cpl. Young returns to Warner's. He was last seen in "Old Acquaintance," with Bette Davis. In 20th Century-Fox has re-opened Allyn Joslyn for another year—he's currently appearing with Peggy Ann Garner in the film version of "Junior Miss." In Dixie Davis, "Randolph" on the NBC "Date With Judy" program, has signed for the role of Hugh Herbert's son in the Sunday CBS "That's My Pop." RKO will have two Danny Kaye technical comedies in 1945-46.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.
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Lesson for September 2

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JOSEPH'S PLACE IN GOD'S PLAN

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 39:20-23; 41:14-25; 41-43.

GOLDEN TEXT—Seest thou a man dull in his business? he shall stand before kings.—Proverbs 22:29.

Does it pay to trust God? Does He know about the sorrows and the troubles of His people? Does He have anything to do with the affairs of the world? Men are asking such questions in our day, and we have the answer in God's dealings with men in the past.

The story of Joseph is fascinating from almost any angle, but it holds no more important truth than that the man who honors God in his life will be honored by God (I Sam. 2:30), even in the hardest place, yes, and in the highest position.

Joseph appears before us in our lesson as I. A Prisoner Prospered by God (39:20-23).

It is surprising how often one finds God's men in the Scriptures in prison. Their determination to live upright and honorable lives ran so counter to the plans of the world that in the inevitable clash there came persecution.

The story of how Joseph became the object of his brother's jealousy and was sold as a slave into Egypt; how he prospered there only to be disgraced and imprisoned because of the lying accusation of an angry woman—all these are in the background of our lesson.

Now that he was in prison, presumably his influence was gone and his usefulness at an end. Not so, for God can be with a man in the prison as well as in the palace.

He soon became the head man of the jail. Imagine a prisoner taking over the keeper's work! Then, too, he there met the king's chief butler who, though forgetting for a time, did eventually say the word which brought Joseph back into power (see Gen. 40:14-23; 41:9-13).

The obvious lesson and blessed truth here is that when one of God's people finds himself in a difficult place, he can rest assured that God is there working out His own blessed purpose. Why not trust Him and look for His deliverance?

Joseph the God-prospered prisoner now becomes

II. A Prophet Prepared by God (41:14-16, 25).

The hour had come when a man was needed who had a word from God. In preparation for the awful years of famine the Lord wanted to use the land of Egypt as His great granary. He wanted thus to preserve the chosen nation of Israel, as well as to meet the needs of others.

The vision of the king, plain as it seemed when interpreted, was unintelligible without the key from God, and He, had his man prepared. Joseph was ready to be called from prison to speak the right word at the right time.

How important it is that the Lord's messengers be prepared and ready to respond in the hour of His blessing and opportunity! Many eager Christians look forward to the months and years just ahead of us as the greatest opportunity the Church has had to spread the gospel.

Notice that Joseph gave God the glory (vv. 16-25). The one who really knows what is going on in the world is quick to recognize that only the wisdom and the grace of God are sufficient for man's need. Let the voice of boasting mankind be silenced and let the voice of God speak!

Joseph's prophetic word marked him as God's man to carry out God's plan, so we see him now as

III. A Premier Promoted by God (41:41-43).

"I have set thee over all the land," said Pharaoh, and so he had, but in reality it was God who had planned the whole matter. He wanted Joseph there at this time, and there he was.

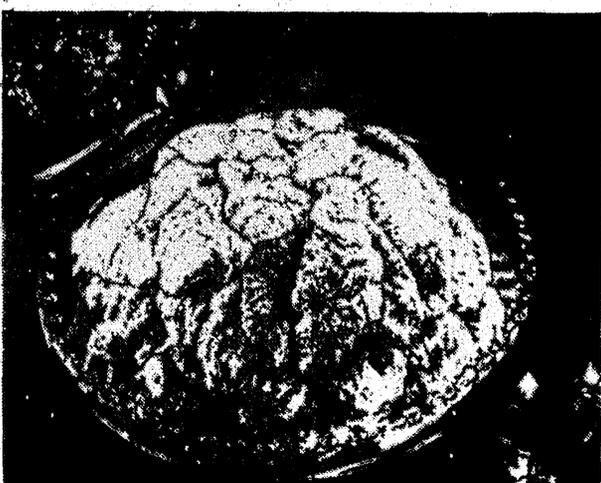
It may be well to stress the fact that God is interested in government and in the men who hold public office. In fact, the only true foundation for government is found in God. We are told to "be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God" (Rom. 13:1).

The Bible clearly teaches that every governmental agency and every public servant, from the policeman on the corner to the President in the White House, is permitted to exercise authority over his fellow-men only because God has ordained that there should be such government.

Clear it is that every right-thinking official of state and nation should be humble, teachable, discreet, and wise in the exercise of his power, and God-fearing in the discharge of his responsibility.

He who reads may apply the truth of God's Word to himself and find personal blessing. It is a rich and powerful and stimulating Word. Let us use it for God's glory!

HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers



Luscious Ice Cream—Favorite Summertime Dessert (See Recipes Below)

Select Desserts Carefully

The choice of dessert should be a careful one—a light dessert if the meal has been rich and hearty; a substantial one if the menu has been on the light side. A dessert should be the perfect close to a meal, not just something thrown in because we think there ought to be an "ending" to eating.



One of the best ways to selecting the appropriate dessert is the guide that the seasons offer. In summer we can depend upon fruits and berries, plentiful supplies of eggs, milk and cream. In winter, of course, there are some fruits, but it's a good idea to make puddings the mainstay.

Ice cream is a perfect choice for warmer weather. If you want a dressed-up dessert, you can round it out with cake and berries; for simplicity, just serve the velvety mixture with fresh berries or crushed fruit sauce.

Here is a Lemon Cream that has a piquant flavor and is a perfect close to a light, cool supper when served with fresh berries:

Lemon Cream. (Serves 6)

- 2 well-beaten eggs
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup light corn syrup
- 1 cup milk
- 1 cup light cream
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1 cup crushed, sweetened berries
- Whole berries for garnish

Beat eggs and sugar. Mix corn syrup, milk, cream and lemon juice. Add to egg mixture. Freeze in automatic refrigerator tray until just set. Beat until light. Add crushed berries. Continue freezing until firm, about 2 1/2 to 3 hours. Garnish with whole berries.

An unusual sherbert with a tang that is bound to please is the following, using ginger ale:

Ginger Ale Sherbert. (Serves 6 to 8)

- 1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin
- 1/4 cup cold water
- 1/4 cup hot water
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 2 cups unsweetened pineapple juice
- 1 cup water
- 1 pint pale, dry ginger ale

Soften gelatin in cold water; dissolve in hot water. Add sugar and stir until it dissolves. Cool; add lemon juice, water, pineapple juice, water and ginger ale. Freeze in ice cream freezer until crank turns hard. Remove dasher and pack.

Let stand 2 to 3 hours before serving.

Have you ever thought of using candy as a sweetener? Here is a suggestion for a deliciously flavored dessert that uses no sugar at all.

Lynn Says

Make New Things From Old: Old worn-out oil tablecloths can be made into attractive place mats by cutting them into squares with pinking shears.

If towels have faded, dye them in colors to match the bathroom. Old shower curtains can be cut down in size and used as curtains in the pantry, bathroom or kitchen.

When shades become discolored and old, they may be covered with attractive prints in cotton, cratone or china, to match the room's decorative scheme.

Worn-out pajamas with the leg parts still good can be used to pad out the ironing board by cutting to size.

Discarded curtains make nice pot holder filler; or, they may be sewed together (six layers) after cutting, into dishcloths.

Lynn Chambers' Point-Saving Menus

- Ham and Egg Souffle
- Green Lima Beans
- French Fried Onions
- Molded-Apricot-Grape Salad
- Vanilla Ice Cream with Jam Beverage
- Nut Bread

It's combined with chocolate for a flavor combination hard to resist: Peppermint Water Dessert. (Serves 8)

- 1/2 pound peppermint stick candy
- 1/2 cup light cream
- 1/2 tablespoon unflavored gelatin
- 2 tablespoons cold water
- 1 1/2 cups evaporated milk, chilled and whipped
- 1/2 pound chocolate wafers

Crush candy; add light cream. Heat in double boiler until candy dissolves. Add gelatin softened in cold water. Chill until partially set.

Fold in beaten, chilled evaporated milk. Break chocolate wafers in half and stand around outside of a 9-inch pan. Place layers of wafers on bottom; spread with 1/2 of the gelatin mixture. Top with second half of wafers and spread with remaining gelatin mixture. Chill for 12 hours. Cut in squares and serve. Cherries are another great favorite for dessert. The family will enjoy these tarts made with either fresh or canned cherries:

Cherry Tarts (Serves 6)

- 2 cups canned or fresh sour, pitted cherries
- 6 tablespoons sugar
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 1/2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons currant jelly
- 6 baked tart shells

Drain cherries. Mix together sugar, cornstarch and salt in saucepan; add cherry juice or a small amount of water (1/2 cup). Cook together 15 to 20 minutes until thickened, stirring constantly. Remove from fire; add butter and jelly. Fold in cherries. Pour into tart shells. Bake in a hot oven (475 degrees) about 5 minutes.

There are some evenings when most of us enjoy a bit of well-chilled fruit with a few crispy cookies. In this case, you will want the cookie jar full with these Orange Honeyes that taste better as they mellow:

Orange Honeyes (Makes 7 1/2 Dozen)

- 3 cups sifted flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup honey
- 1/4 cup chopped nuts
- 1/4 cup chopped candied orange peel
- 1/4 cup chopped candied lemon peel

Sift together flour, baking powder and salt. Cream together shortening and sugar until light and fluffy. Add egg and vanilla extract. Beat well. Add flour mixture, nuts, orange and lemon peels to creamed mixture. Mix well. Drop by teaspoonfuls into well greased baking sheets. Bake in a moderate oven (375 degrees) for 10 minutes.

Marguerites. (Yield: 2 1/2 dozen, 2 inches in diameter)

- 2 eggs
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/4 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup chopped nut meats
- 1/2 cup whole bran

Beat eggs slightly; add remaining ingredients in the order given. Fill small buttered pans 2/3 full of mixture. Bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven about 15 minutes. Cool slightly before removing from pan. Dust with powdered sugar.

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Put a few pieces of charcoal into glass in which a hyacinth bulb is planted to keep the water sweet.

To exterminate white flies on house plants, cover with a newspaper canopy and have someone blow smoke under it.

To clean fireplace bricks, cover them with paste made of powdered pumice and household ammonia. Let dry for an hour, then scrub the bricks with warm, soapy water.

Wash burners on gas stove once a week in a solution made of one gallon water, two tablespoons washing soda and soap flakes. Rinse and dry well.

When threading a sewing machine needle, hold something white under the needle and it will thread more easily.

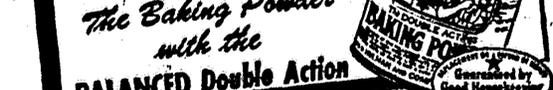
To keep a hem even, in a dress or other garment, after you have sewn an inch or two, insert a piece of cardboard the width of the hem and about six inches long and clip it along as you sew.

Wipe off the fruit you have bought with a clean, slightly damp cloth before putting it away. This will clean it and check any rot that may have gotten on it from other fruits.

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LOOKING AHEAD
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National Income
 How well a man lives is a matter that depends largely upon his income and how he divides it. If he earns \$40 a week (\$2,000 a year) and spends every bit of it on himself, he can live about as well as anybody until some unforeseen calamity hits him. If he has a wife and child and an aged parent to support, each individual must subsist on about \$10 a week.
 How well the people of any nation live is a similar matter. It depends upon the national income and how it is divided. Just like family income, national income changes from year to year and it is not always divided the same way. National income is the grand total of what everybody in the nation earns. It includes all wages, salaries, farm yields, interest, rents, profits and dividends.
 How About Now?
 The United States Department of Commerce keeps track of our national income figures pretty well, year by year. Already we know that the income of all Americans totaled 166 billion dollars in 1944 and that workers got 72% of it, or 116 billion dollars.
 There is a popular notion that people who work don't get very much of the fruits of their toil. Not long ago somebody repeated a 40-year-old piece of political propaganda to me, believing it every word. He said, "Here in America 2% of the people have 90% of the wealth." There is not much to say about this statement: It is not true. It has never been nearly true.
Official Figures
 Last year the national-income dollar went like this: 72c to American workers, 6c to corporations, 8c to all businesses in the form of profit, 7c to farmers on return on what they produced, and another 7c to landowners and stockholders in the form of rents and dividends, and to money lenders in the form of interest. Of course all years aren't alike but they vary less than you might think.
 National income bobs up and down but people who work always get most of it. Back in 1939, which was a typical pre-war year, our national-income was not half as high as last year's, 79 billion dollars to be exact. Then, workers got 63% of it, and 6c was corporation profit, not much change in how the income was divided, but less than half as much total money for everybody.
Ancient History
 Back in 1929, the year Hoover succeeded Coolidge as President, national income was 63 billion dollars, higher than in 1939. Corporation profits were higher—9% as against 6% in recent years. But those farmers and office help were getting 64% of national income, even then. In 1923 (the depression) when corporations generally earned 9% but got nothing, wages climbed to 70% and still came working people's way.
 Any fair analysis of national income figures over a period of years leads to this observation: workers, farmers and clerical people, get the most money with the slightly smaller percentage of a big national income than with the bigger percentage of a small national income. The result is perfectly clear. We must face it: the workers together get a larger national income than by comparison of it who gets most of it, and then having a small one.

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According to Gladys Kimbrough, Home Service Director for Ball Brothers Company, glass jar company with headquarters at Muncie, Indiana, "Tart strawberries with small core and deep red color throughout are less popular with the general public than the sweet, feather-weight ones, but are for the better for canning and preserving."

Miss Kimbrough advises home canners to forget about preserves for the duration or until sugar is more plentiful and make up a con-

siderable amount of jam. Jams are easy on sugar. A good one can be made by using one-half pound sugar and one-third pound of corn sirup to each pound of capped berries. Jams need to be cooked a little longer when corn sirup is used. They should be cooked in small batches and stirred often.

Berries Without Sugar
When one runs out of sugar, berries (any kind) may be cleaned, crushed and stewed in their own juice until thick, then canned by processing 10 minutes in a hot-water bath canner. Strawberries, prepared in this manner have an ugly color but will brighten up to some extent later on when sugar is added and the mixture boiled down to Victory jam thickness—meaning not quite so thick as usual. Two cups of sugar are needed for making one quart of crushed berries into jam. Here is a helpful hint. A spoon or two of juice from those beets you canned won't change the flavor but will help the color of jam made from canned strawberries.

Blueberries, huckleberries, blackberries, dewberries, elderberries and many others are far more useful than strawberries and can be beautifully without one speck of sugar. Most of them can best when heated slowly until the juice runs free before they are turned into jars for processing, but blueberries, especially if they are to be used in muffins and the like, are nicer when canned by a recipe we found in the Ball Blue Book.

Place two or three quarts clean blueberries in a square of cheesecloth. Hold the cloth by the corners and dip into boiling water until spots appear. Then dip quickly in and out of cold water. Pack into hot jars. (Add neither sugar nor liquid.) Process 20 minutes in hot-water bath.

Wild blackberries have always been a favorite with home canners but the equally useful elderberry is likely to be left to the birds. That when elderberry pie is so wonderful! Good cooks usually touch it up with a spoonful of lemon juice or vinegar.

We like elderberries and most others best when canned with some sugar, but sugar shortages certainly won't stop us if we can be the birds to the berries.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Japs Guard Against Uprising; Plan to Demobilize 7,000,000; Nation Shifts to Peace Economy

Released by Western Newspaper Union. (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.)

Following the joyous news of Japan's capitulation, many persons the country over recently made their way to church to offer prayers in gratitude for the cessation of hostilities. The crowd worshipping on the steps of St. Patrick's cathedral in New York City was typical, with a constant stream arriving to express their thanksgiving.



PEACE:

Tighten Imperial Grip

Even as General MacArthur arranged the complicated procedure for Japanese surrender and occupation, the U. S. prepared for the major readjustments looming ahead before the nation once again could tread the paths of peace.

With the Japanese government anxious to bring about a cessation of firing before the preliminary surrender parley in Manila, the conference was postponed to permit members of the Imperial household to fly to the far-flung Asiatic battlefronts to enforce the emperor's orders to lay down arms.

Appointment of tough and able 57-year-old Prince Higashi-Kuni as Jap premier disclosed an effort to bring all of the weight of the Imperial family behind the surrender-acceptance to avert any outbreak of disorders which might upset the internal situation.

While it was expected that some fanatical officers may try to fight on, or commit hara-kiri, the great mass of Japanese were expected to give up peaceably. "There will be no trouble when American soldiers go to Japan if it is the wish of the emperor," said one Jap naval officer.

U. S. Demobilizes

With the end of the war, the services carefully prepared demobilization plans were scheduled to be put into effect, with the draft continuing for men under 25 years of age unless the President or congress ordered otherwise.

Approximately 261,000 enlisted men and 40,000 officers are eligible for release under the navy's newly announced discharge plan requiring 44 points for the enlisted men and 49 for the officers.

Designed to relieve men with the longest service, the navy program will permit release of about 2,000,000 men within the next 12 to 18 months, which, with the army's plan for discharging 5,000,000 G.I.s within a year, will result in a total demobilization of 7,000,000 by 1947.

Except for four categories of specialists, all army personnel with 85 points or more will be immediately released, along with men 38 years of age or over. Until such a time as the size of the occupation forces needed in Japan can be determined, however, there will be no reduction in the present point system, it was indicated.

With G.I.s in the Pacific eligible for discharge due to be released, men with low-point scores in the U. S. or with only brief European

service must prepare to accept overseas assignments, the army declared.

Ease Controls

Though five million people were expected to be discharged from war work following cessation of hostilities, industrial plans for a rapid reconversion to civilian manufacture promised early re-employment.

Fortunately, such basic industries as steel will be able to furnish civilian materials with little delay, and plans have been set up to continue government supervision over scarce items to permit more even-distribution and prevent speculative hoarding and pressure for price increases.

With its financial position greatly bolstered by heavy wartime production, and with banking funds available before settlement of cancelled war contracts, industry generally is strongly healed for reconversion. Meanwhile, civilians have record cash balances and bond holdings,



Economic Stabilizer Davis (left) and Secretary of Labor Schwelienbach leave White House after reconversion confab.

and will be able to draw unemployment compensation to tide them over the early transition period.

While manpower controls were removed with Japan's defeat, wage checks were retained to prevent an inflationary spiral, and efforts made to minimize strike threats.

With another bumper crop on tap, farmers could look to continued heavy government purchases for the large military and naval establishments and foreign relief, and an uncertain domestic market dependent on the speed of the reconversion program.

Among the first effects of reduced military requirements was the removal of gas, fuel oil, canned fruits, vegetables and juices and other processed foods from the rationing lists. At the same time, price control was lifted from such items as jewelry, sports equipment, toys selling at 25 cents or less, cigarette lighters, pipes, luxury furs and garments, some photographic apparatus and notions.

Because of the shortage of supplies, and no possibility for immediate increases, rationing will be retained on meats, fats and oils, butter, sugar, shoes and tires.

In the case of tires, OPA announced, drivers of cars used for occupational purposes will continue to receive cords according to the importance of their work, and "A" card holders will be given consideration in cases of unusual hardship.

Though a check will be kept on shoes, men's and women's wear manufactured before March 1, 1944, and priced at \$3.50 or less a pair, will be ration-free through to September 30.

CROPS:

Another Good Year

Owing to record yields of wheat, oats, peanuts, rice, peaches, pecans and commercial truck crops; near record prospects for hay, tobacco, soybeans, sugar cane, and large production for potatoes, sorghum grains and flaxseed, the department of agriculture predicted the 1945 harvest would be the third best in history.

With the wheat crop estimated at a record 1,146,233,000 bushels on the basis of conditions as of August 1, and with oats at 1,546,032,000 bushels, feed grain production was at a high level despite the estimated drop in the corn harvest to 2,844,478,000 bushels.

One of the bright spots in the crop picture was the estimated increase in sugar cane production to 6,976,000 tons, and rise in sugar beet output to 9,332,000 tons, promising to relieve the tight supply in the commodity.

More than 3,600,000 man years of labor would be required for the huge task, the service said, along with 327,441 years of motor equipment; 1,089,978 years of horse-drawn facilities, and 2,544,108 tons of seed.

Of the 417,581,000 acres of farmland now under actual cultivation, the service said that 43,000,000 should be refitted because of steepness, erosion, wetness and stone.

LABORITE BRITAIN

With Great Britain and all the rest of the world awaiting the pattern of postwar life in the United Kingdom, King George VI presented the victorious Labor party's legislative program, with nationalization of the Bank of England and the coal mines heading the agenda.

At the same time, the king revealed that the war's end would not bring about a release of wartime restrictions, with the Laborites seeking power during the reconversion period to maintain control over materials and services to assure proper distribution at fair prices.

Besides nationalizing the Bank of England to promote employment and development, and socializing the coal mines as part of a program to integrate the fuel and power industry, the Laborites propose to reorganize transport; provide social security and industrial insurance; buy land for housing, and set up machinery for planning investments in new business.

WORLD RELIEF:

Needs Boosted

"With the termination of the war in the Pacific expected to multiply its problems, the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration Director Herbert Lehman declared that more than two billion dollars in additional funds would be needed to help stricken countries before their restoration of stable economies.

Speaking at the third international conference of UNRRA at London, Lehman revealed plans for coping with the Asiatic relief problem, disclosing that plans already have been formulated for the shipment of supplies to China over the Silkwell road and through coastal ports. Of the 100 million Chinese reported destitute, many are expected to succumb even if relief should be offered immediately.

The London meeting was enlivened by Australia's demand to broaden the UNRRA control council to nine members instead of the present Big Four to provide smaller nations with greater representation in the allocation of funds.

FRANCE:

Break Marshal

Leader of France's liberation movement, Gen. Charles de Gaulle spared the life of Marshal Henri Petain by commuting his death sentence for plotting against the internal safety of the country to life imprisonment.

Nevertheless, the jury's additional sentence of national indignity stood, imposed even after Petain's final assertion: "My thought, my only thought, was to remain with the people of France as I promised instead of abandoning them in their agony. . . . My honor belongs to your country. . . ."

Most controversial French case of the century, Petain's trial found the country sharply divided, with charges on the one hand that the old marshal had delivered the state up to the Germans, and countercharges on the other that prewar politicians were using the proceedings to whitewash themselves.

CONSUMER BACKLOG:

Big Order

The American people bought nearly 23 billion dollars less of automobiles and parts, and furniture and housefurnishings in the three years, 1942-44, than they would have if these goods had been available in prewar volume, the department of commerce estimates.

In automobiles and parts actual expenditures totaled 1.8 billions, with expected expenditures under normal conditions, 16.2 billions and the deficiency in purchases, 14.4 billions.

Washington Digest

India's Army Force For Unifying Country

Common Language and Habits Tend to Break Down Former Prejudices; Troops Take Leadership in Communal Affairs.

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One heartening postwar picture arose out of the welter of hope, fear and expectation which held Washington in its grip through the news of the atomic bombs, the entrance of Russia into the war and then the exciting flash from Japan that kept us on tenter-hooks so long. When there seemed little to contemplate about but the lush growth of evil which had sprung from the planting of the dragon's teeth of war, I found, strangely enough, in the office of the representative of India in Washington the belief that the war would turn out to be, in one respect, a blessing to that perturbed country.

India has furnished an army of 2 1/2 million men (the largest volunteer force in the world) in the prosecution of this war and that army has turned out to be "the greatest school of adult education" in the world. That's what the Indians proudly call it. True, soldiers in other armies have been "taught while they fought," but few have ever been able to add so much to the total knowledge of their nation.

I am told that after the last war, when an Indian village was found, especially in the Punjab, which was a little better run, with more progressive ideas and a more active social consciousness, it would also be discovered that its moving spirit was an ex-soldier—an Indian (Hindu or Moslem, Rajput or Sikh, no matter) who had brought home ideas on sanitation and hygiene, co-operation and understanding, absorbed during his period of service at home or abroad. But now the potentialities of this military missionaryship are immensely greater. Not merely because the Indian army is so much bigger, but because already it has served as a great melting pot, breaking down ancient prejudices and taboos which heretofore have made Indian unity impossible.

General's Spirit Hopeful Sign

If tall, lean and eager General Cariappa, with whom I talked at length when he was here on a mission connected with the founding of a new military academy in India, is typical, the army is indeed a force. His enthusiasm, his optimism and his energy are hopeful signs in themselves. I enjoyed that interview, seated in the office of the Agent General for India, where I heard this earnest man speak with an apparent sincerity and conviction which could not help but impress anyone who heard him.

General Cariappa was one of the first Indian cadets to be commissioned in the Indian army in 1920. As a young man he had not yet attained his majority. He has been in the army ever since and was the first Indian officer to command a battalion. He raised a machine-gun outfit himself and as lieutenant-colonel led his men through the bitter days of the Burma campaign. Now he is a general staff officer, one of India's four brigadiers, and also a member of the army reorganization committee. It was in the latter capacity that he has just completed a tour of inspection of the British military schools at Woolwich and Sandhurst, then the Canadian school at Kingston, and finally West Point and some of our specialist schools. He hopes to take acceptable features of all these schools and combine them in the new Indian Military academy, the site of which has not yet been determined but the plans for which are well under way. The committee on reorganization also hopes to revise Indian preliminary education so that it will develop leadership.

When I saw General Cariappa he was politely but none the less deeply pained over some of the reports in the American press which belittled India's participation in the war. He explained (which we in Washington knew) that there were two Indian soldiers to every one British soldier in the Burma fighting.

General Cariappa is working to prepare a completely independent Indian army. It is also, I dare to suggest, for an independent India. As a soldier, the general refused to discuss politics, but he said that naturally every loyal Indian looks forward to the independence of his

country — "Something," I said, "which every one of our soldiers who has been fighting for the ideals of the United Nations expects." Like his fellow-countrymen and the British officers with whom I have talked, General Cariappa is proud of the seeds of unity which have been sown in the army.

In the first place, the army speaks and also reads and writes one language. Most of the soldiers when they enlist are of the peasant class and are illiterate. When their training commences they are immediately taught to read and write in Roman Urdu, which is a simplified Hindustani written with English (Roman) letters. Aside from the value of eradicating illiteracy, the knowledge and use of a common language removes one of the chief obstacles to harmony and understanding among the people. (There are 12 principal languages and 100 dialects spoken in India.) Many prejudices go when the language barrier is broken down. When the war is over at least 2 1/2 million Indians will have the bond of a common tongue.

But more than that, they will have lived together, eaten together, in the field at least, lived in close companionship in barracks and developed teamwork and tolerance. There has been some suggestion that Basic English be made the official language of the army in India, and while, for the present, Hindustani appears more practical, the former has been taught on a large scale.

General Cariappa has a sense of humor and a perfect command of English (basic, colloquial and classic) in which to express it. (He went to school in England as a boy.) He told me the following story to illustrate the ramifications of the language problem in the Indian army:

A young British officer remarked to his native sergeant that it was really remarkable that in his comparatively small unit of only 300 men, six different languages, were spoken.

"Oh, more than that, sir," the sergeant answered. "Nine different languages are spoken here. There are the six provincial languages. Then there is English, which you and I speak. Then there is Hindustani, which we all must speak. Then there is YOUR Hindustani."

Army With a Language Problem

It is true that most of the Indian army has remained within the continental limits of the country, but that is not really strange, General Cariappa explained, since it takes 18 men "in the toilet" as he put it, to keep one fighting man going. Many foreigners, seeing so many uniforms in India, received the impression that the whole army was "sitting down." These men, of course, are not combat troops held back for political or other reasons, the general said, but are largely the work troops, the great service of supply required to keep the armies in the field going.

The general claims that Indian soldiers are second to none as fighting men. The greater proportion of them are Madrashi, not at all the traditional fighting tribes who in the past have constituted what was called the "martial race." That term, long outmoded, has long since been dropped. The excuse for its use disappeared much earlier.

In the past there may have been some basis for this concept. Fighting begets fighters. As the British conquest of India moved slowly northward it left peace behind it, but ignited war ahead of it. So the northerners were the last whose vocation, or at least vocation, was mortal combat. The southerners returned to the gentler arts. But to return to the general. He quoted that truism which all military men know is sound: "There are no bad soldiers. There are only bad officers."

Let me end this column as I began it. If General Cariappa is typical of India's officers, there is hope, not only for a powerful Indian army, which I, with the rest of you, pray India will never need, but hope that here among these 2 1/2 million men who have found a common tongue and a common purpose has been planted the leaven of tolerance that may bring about the unity of a free India.

BARBS . . . by Baukhage

Pravda (Russian newspaper) reminds us Stalin called Japan an aggressor in 1936. Large bodies, like the efficient Red army, move slowly.

Did you hear that one on the air the other day? Wife (in the year 1900)—Why are you so late dear? Husband—I had to go round the world three times to find a parking place.

So many Dutch citizens were arrested by the Germans that it is expected that all questionnaires in that country hereafter will ask: (1) Were you ever in jail? (2) If not, state why.

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Army Teaches G.I.s Virtues of Thrift

How widely the members of the armed forces have been taught the virtues of thrift is indicated by figures supplied by the war department office of dependency benefits. As of the end of June, there were 1,714,916 active monthly Class-E allotments-of-pay, which are voluntary assignments of pay to a soldier's dependents, a bank, an insurance company, etc., and are dis-

unct from the family allowances to which the government contributes. Over 40 million dollars have gone to insurance companies in the last three years to pay premiums on soldiers' civilian life insurance. In June alone, \$693,227 went to building and loan and savings and loan associations under the recently authorized plan permitting G.I. Joe to save for a home.

USELESS COWBOY

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THE STORY TIPS FAR: Melody and George Fury had ridden late in the evening. Melody was mistaken for the outlaw, Monte. Monte's girl, Cherry, in trying to save Monte and her Melody, got them involved in the murder of Luke Packer, the insurance man. Fury had met up with Monte and was shot by Monte. Monte returned to the farm and Auda Melody. Cherry returned with the wounded Fury. Some of the Cottons' posse beat on taking the posse started firing and the posse of the men ran to the house. Melody and Fury stayed in the barn. The posse of hay were placed against the wall for protection.

CHAPTER XVII

Cherry de Longpre stared hard at Melody for several moments more, her face blanked by that bafflement he was able to inflict upon her. "Now you look here, you complete fool—" she began, but he interrupted her.

He reached out and closed her jaw for her by lifting her chin with his fingers. "Gal," he said, in a tone she had never heard him use, "I'm right sure I've heard a plenty from you. So be still, before I turn you across that saddle and spank you pink as an apple."

She went to George now, and helped him drink from the gourd. Once or twice she glanced at Melody furtively; and when she spoke again her words were quiet and rapid. "That other rider is Virgil Browning. He's one of Monte's old bunch, like Lee Gledhill. Monte never rode south at all. After we left, Pa and Avery came in, and he signalled up Virg—Virg was riding low in the brush, somewhere. They went down to scout the town, and mighty near ran square into the posse." But they rode hard and fast.

"So now what is their theory?" Melody asked her. "They insist on meddling with the Cottons? Or don't they aim to be discommoded by jest thirty-fourty men?"

"They wanted Monte to ride. He wouldn't do it. He says he isn't fit to ride a horse race; he's right. He hopes to stand them off until dark. When one hard effort will get him near. He can lose them, and take it easy after that, in the dark."

"Most likely you told him he better run, and he was too stubborn to be bossed."

She shot him a glance of surprise. Melody Jones wasn't expected to see through anything like that. Now Avery and Fever Crick did. Longpre made a dash from the house to the barn. No one fired at them. They brought with them the rest of the saddled horses, so that their rush sounded like a cavalry charge.

Cherry said to Avery, "Quitting aim now, or thrown out?" No answer was in that; it simply represented the kind of expectations Cherry had in regard to her men folks, after knowing them all her life.

Avery took no offense. "I got to hold the barn. We can stand 'em off a decent piece, if they don't git in the barn."

Immediately the first of the posse came into sight. Just before they appeared Avery said, "Watch it—watch it—" a kind of a strangled cry such as might come from a man in a maul-air; and there was a moment of utter silence among the defenders. Cherry whispered, "Here it is."

Two riders—one of them Lester Cotton—appeared at two hundred yards on the so-called road, coming up over the break of the slope. The horses came over the hump at a walk, their stride unburied, but given a look of power and vigor by the strong limbing thrust of their quarters. A long shot which had crippled the gray must have been outside of Lester Cotton's plan; he was going ahead with his first plan anyway, taking a chance of riding boldly in for a close-quarters arrest.

But now a rifle banged from the house, and Lester Cotton's horse came down heavily, dead before it was still. Apparently it had tossed its head in the nick of the wrong instant, intercepting a bullet intended for a center drill on its rider. Lester Cotton pitched himself backwards down the slope out of sight, untouched. The other pony whirled and plunged back the way it had come, with a violent switch of the all testifying to swift spurring.

Then in a swiftly rising increase of fire those quick feathers of gun-smoke began to sprout everywhere north, south, down-mountain and slope—long-range, middle-range, and point-blank, all converging into the flimsy walls of house and barn. The shadows within were lively with smacking splinters, and the smell of powder filled the whole breeze. The attackers had no organization, and little plan; but each of them out there was effective in his own way, and of individual resource. The people in the Busted Nose were suddenly in the center of an echoing, roaring whirl of fire-attack.

"Get down," Melody ordered Cherry. "Get down, I said!" She was trying to get a look at the ear of the hurt pony, and she looked Melody a glance so near contempt that go-to-hell was unnecessary. Melody reached for her, caught her shoulder, and spilled her over a hay bale into a spot between two others. Melody watched hope-

fully to see if a bullet wouldn't buzz through the spot where she had stood. It didn't, though.

"That's the second time you've done that!" Cherry started to scramble up furiously, but she caught his eye upon her, and was stopped. After a moment she set back, and for the time being she here she was her eyes upon his back as he went away.

Avery and Fever Crick were sliding at a running crouch from one wall to another, trying to keep up a semblance of fire on all sides; they desperately feared a rush and didn't know on which side to expect it, except that whichever way they were turned they felt the threat was at their backs. Between shots they hauled frantically at the hay bales which were their protection against lead. The sleazy walls of the barn hid their movements, but nothing else. They kept trying to shore up the gaps and angles where the bullets were splattering through, but there weren't quite enough bales to afford a double tier all around, and it had them crazy.

Avery, trying to haul a bale to plug one gap, had his coat-tails clipped by a shot that came through the place from which he had taken it; and when he frantically mauled it back where it was before, a slug of lead from still-another direction went through the top of his hat from



"Here it is," says Cherry.

the side. The rake of gunfire was lacing in brutally, this side, that side, crossways, lengthways, all sides, with the deadly quattering and spreading of the attack.

"Hard to see why they aren't shooting each other," Fever Crick whimpered.

"Where would be the sense?" Avery snarled at him, firing. "If you think them cagey devils don't know where their shots go, stick your damn head up once, and show 'em a real rickskip!"

"That's a fine way to talk to your father!"

The iron pail which stood by George Fury let out a metallic howl, and began to squirt water both sides. Melody propped it on a slant to save the rest of the water. Every minute now new vulnerabilities were being discovered by those probing, searching, all-covering guns. One cluster of rocks three hundred yards above the barn seemed alive with gunners, pouring in a plunging fire that cracked through the walls and thudded into the hay bales.

"They're about seven fellers in that rock nest alone," Avery panted.

"One feller," Melody thought. "He's restless on account of them ant heaps up there, that's all."

A ricochet from the downhill side smacked through the wall, ripping out a piece of knot-wood beside Melody. He casually put his eye to the new knothole, and peered back the way the bullet had come. It was enough to make a man think, to see what those buzz-fly bullets could do to solid wood. He put his gun muzzle to a crack, belt-high, and, still looking through the bullet rip, made three unevenly spaced spouts of earth jump up from the crest of the slope.

Behind him Cherry asked in a small voice, "Did you get him?" "Get him? What for I want to get him? I was jest studyin' to make his aim nervous. I ain't got nothing against some feller out there, without I even know who he be."

He flattened to the hay bales to look slantwise through the broad door. He saw an underized figure on a mustang horse break from cover far-off, making a dash for a different rift of brush. The rider put the cayuse in a long winging leap across a coulee. In all the hellish rattle that was going on you couldn't tell which gun got him, except it seemed to be from the house. The pony went slack in mid-jump, and struck the opposite lip of the coulee

in a heap. The rider fell clear and rolled bouncing down the precipitous drop, spread eagled, and grabbing at roots to check himself. Then he also went slack before he stopped, and lay loosely where he came to rest.

Cherry gasped, close to Melody's ear. She was leaning on his shoulder, but until then he hadn't known it. She whispered, "That was Homer Cotton."

George's mind was wandering now. He said, "I don't mind rain, I love rain, like any cowboyman. But in California your life ain't safe a minute, without you got a cockeyed rowboat on your back."

Along about then a strange inhuman cry sounded in the house; it trailed off in a quaver, and was not repeated. They learned afterward that the luckless Virgil Browning was struck in the jaw, shattering half his face, by a slug that caromed off a stove lid to find him.

"A feller can't see how they live, there in the house," Melody said, "without no hay bales like we got."

"Maybe they ain't hungry yet," George said faintly.

"The fellers outside want to get in," George said. He spoke huskily and faintly, but with a slow distinctness, as if speaking to a child. "The fellers inside want to keep 'em out. Catch on?"

"That don't account for what I'm doing here," Melody said.

"You're here to git rich. That's the reason you give, anyway, when you drug us into this. Remember?" His voice died away to almost nothing.

"Leave me know when you think we're rich enough, so's we can git the hell out of here."

A little after that the first extended concentration of fire began to die down. The attackers were getting cagey, tired of pouring their fire blind into the thin walls, without any apparent lessening of the weaker but still dangerous fire power within. They settled down to an intermittent sniping at marks which wishful thinking suggested.

One determined rush would have laid the outfit flat. But the defense had achieved so spirited an effect that the Cottons' men never believed, either then or ever, how extremely few were holding the Busted Nose through those hours. No rush was tried.

"Lester Cotton's wearing a deputy's badge," Cherry said. "I saw it on his shirt."

"Naturally it ain't on the seat of his pants," Avery said irritably. Lester Cotton's badge meant something. The ring of gun-smoke had taken to itself the guise of all the law there was. The people here could have held more hope if they had been a thousand times outnumbered in an Apache raid.

Avery and George Crick had time now to tally their remaining ammunition, and went through the inevitable surprise at how much they had used up. Still, they were doing pretty well; if they were prudent they could make it last a few hours yet—perhaps even until dark. Melody began throwing down and hogtying the horses, taking Harry Henshaw first. This involved considerable uproar and thrashing around, but when it was done the ponies were pretty safe for the first time.

By the time he was finished the posse seemed to have shaken down into a steady siege, fit to last a week without taxing anybody except the people inside. Some smoke columns from cooking fires began to rise from various points. They could hear more people arriving out there out of sight, some of them in wagons; there were distant shouts as newcomers hailed each other. It was a wonder where all the people came from, as the news spread. The hills out of gun-range were filling up with no-goods and hangers-on, attending for the sake of the excitement and the barbecue. Probably there would be political speeches out there, before they were through.

Sometimes a quarter of an hour would pass, with no shot fired. But the snipers were still alert; their few shots were accurate as pencil dots. After a while one of them panted Fever Crick.

The bullet caught him slantwise just above the wrist. It was almost spent, and ran erratically up his arm for eight or nine inches just under the skin; no especial damage was accomplished by it. Later he would tell about his remarkable casualty a thousand times, until it became his most used possession. But just now he took it that he was much more than killed. He moaned piteously and continuously, and from then on demanded the kind of attention deserved by a man who was virtually dying; and made of it an excuse to gulp most of their water up.

There wasn't going to be any more water in here when what they had was gone. There wasn't going to be any food either, or anything else, until this thing should get itself over with.

Melody sat on the ground near George with his back against a bale and watched Cherry fuss over her father. "I thought I told you to stay down," he said.

She obeyed him without any question this time. She came and sat on the ground close beside him, looking subdued.

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Oh, see the automobile! It is a new automobile. How do you know it is a new automobile? Because no door is hanging by one hinge, and most of the windshield glass is still intact.

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Will there be an engine under the rear seat some day? Not until they develop asbestos pants.

Is the gas tank in the same location? Yes, the gas tank is in the same location. Couldn't they put that up front as a novelty? Only if you think fireworks constitute a novelty.

Oh, look at Joe. He is getting into his old sliver. Yes. Why? Because Joe knows a wreck in the hand is worth two blueprints in the bush in covering a distance between two given points.

INFLATION NOTE

Yearling race horses are bringing terrific prices at the summer dispersal sales. The average is around \$7,000. In some cases they are bringing \$30,000 and more. A few years ago at Saratoga there was the other extreme and we recall Tom Platt, a noted breeder, withdrawing his yearlings in a huff when the auctioneer found it hard to get bids much over \$500.

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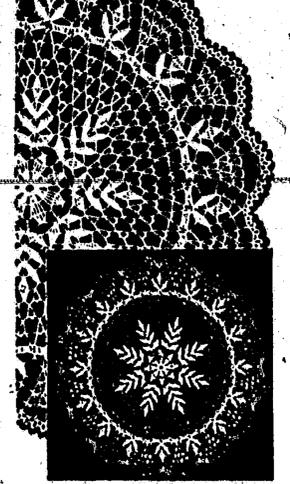
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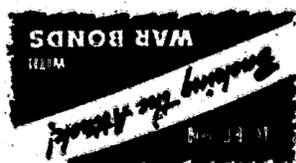


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