

UP THAT 10 BY NEW YEARS BUY WAR BONDS

WILD RABBIT MAKES FINE FOOD - BUT -

During the winter months hunting rabbits is a popular sport and a wild rabbit makes a very fine food, but according to the State Department, extreme care must be taken in the handling of the animal to prevent a possible infection. Rabbits are harmless as they are, but if they are infected with tularemia, a serious disease which is known as rabbit fever, usually is acquired by human beings through contact with infected rabbits or through contact with the infected insect that spreads it from animal to animal.

Dr. Cox cautioned that hunters should shoot only the frisky rabbits that run away. A rabbit with the energy to scamper away from the hunter is likely to be a sick one that can transmit tularemia to those who handle him. It is necessary to handle uncooked rabbit meat cautiously. The use of rubber gloves will protect your hands since the germs may enter the body through any cut or scratch. However, small bits of rabbit meat without gloves. As a further safeguard, rabbit meat should be cooked very thoroughly so as to destroy any disease-producing germs that may be present. This means that it should be cooked in a boiling temperature for at least 20 minutes before cooking it to your individual taste.

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Of course you want that new bathroom. But not now, for raw materials are going into War equipment and tools for our boys on the battle front. But your investment in War Bonds today will buy that new bathroom when the War is won.

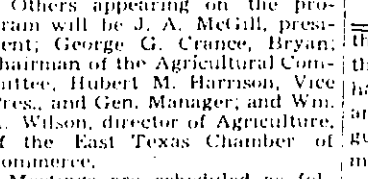


If you have not done so, join the Payroll Savings Plan at your office or factory today. Put ten percent or more of your earnings in War Bonds and get back \$1 for \$3 from Uncle Sam. Let's "Up that Ten Percent!" U.S. Treasury Department

Mrs. A. Y. Collier of Hockley spent part of last week in Jasper with her daughter, Mrs. A. I. Aden.

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Actual experience on the world's war fronts has proved the collapsible boat an essential safety feature for both Naval and land hand planes. They are made of rubberized material, easily inflated.



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Most of the Texas Gulf Coast section is "phosphorus-poor," and farmers and ranchers have been getting some astonishing results with applications of phosphate.

The University of Minnesota recently completed some experiments which bear out what Texas agricultural research workers have been saying for years. In the Minnesota tests, two lots of Jersey heifers were fed all they could eat of a phosphorus-poor ration, and, in addition, one lot was given a phosphorus supplement. The bones of the animals given the phosphorus supplement were thicker, less porous and twice as heavy as those of the other lot.

For the past five years the Texas Extension Service has been co-operating with the Tennessee Valley Authority in demonstrating the value of phosphate applications.

In 1941, 312 tons of TVA calcium metaphosphate were distributed to 377 farmer-demonstrators in 25 Texas counties. Since the TVA product is more highly concentrated than commercial metaphosphate, this is the equivalent of 1,800 tons of 20% phosphate. Farmers who have undertaken

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The five-year demonstration at the end of which all of the farm has been treated with phosphate and lime where needed, and legumes have been grown for green manure report a noticeable increase in soil fertility.

The idea is a simple one. It is growing nitrogen. The clovers and other legumes "fix" nitrogen if planted on hard rich soil in phosphorus, when legumes thrive, they add nitrogen to the soil. But phosphate does more than that.

In the first place, it has long been known that soil rich in phosphorus yields rich in phosphorus. And crops rich in phosphorus mean thrifty livestock and healthy people, for that matter.

"It is generally known that animals prefer food grown on soil rich in phosphorus," R. R. Lancaster, pasture specialist of the Texas A&M Extension Service, has pointed out.

And M. K. Thornton, Extension Agricultural Chemist, says that the demonstration farmers report that their live stock neglect untreated plots to graze forage on the treated portions closely.

"Maybe the phosphate-flavored grass and legumes taste better," Thornton suggests. "If phosphorus helps live stock to eat also help people who eat vegetables of high phosphorus analysis."

One test that seems to bear this out is the following:

TONIGHT—THURSDAY "TRIS-GUN FOR HIRE" —WITH— Veronica Lake

FRIDAY MATINEE & NIGHT (Special Christmas Matinee) "TRUE TO THE ARMY" —WITH— Judy Canova

SATURDAY MATINEE AND NIGHT "DEVILS TRAIL" —WITH— Bill Elliott Tex Ritter

SATURDAY PREVUE SUNDAY AND MONDAY "SYNCOPIATION" —WITH— Adolf Menjou Jackie Cooper Bonita Granville

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY —BARGAIN NIGHTS— "WHISPERING GHOSTS" —WITH— Brenda Joyce

THURSDAY NIGHT "MAGNIFICENT DOPE" Saturday Matinees at 2 p.m., Sun- day Matinees at 3 p.m. Prices, all evenings and Sunday Matinees, 11c- 30c and Sat. Matinees 11c-22c. Bargain Nights, 11c-17.

It was made at the University of Tennessee, where the value of hay has been measured in terms of weight put on cattle. A mineral-rich hay that analyzed 14-1-3 pounds of phosphate (P2O5) per ton of dry matter was compared with a mineral-poor hay that analyzed only 5 1/2 pounds.

The phosphate-rich hay produced a gain of 153 pounds per animal while the phosphorus-poor hay gave a gain of only 104 pounds. The tests ran for six and a half months.

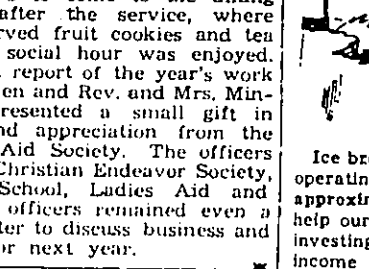
Apparently application of phosphate do more than add to soil fertility—they also change the entire farm picture. Generally, the tendency is to put more crop land into pastures and to add to the number of livestock.

Demonstrators in Rusk county had 69% of their farms under the plow when they started their demonstrations. Today the figure is 48%. In Washington county the percentage changed from 41.7 to 39.8; in Jefferson from 26 to 23; and in Brazos from 37 to 24%.

Income per acre—taking into account higher farm prices—increased from \$2.78 to \$11.40 in Jefferson county and from \$9.95 to \$13.32 in Washington county. As pastures grew more valuable and able to support more livestock, the livestock inventory also increased.

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It is imperative that the ship lanes be kept free of ice. With American troops occupying Iceland and the Navy using the northern route for transportation of supplies to Russia, ice breakers are essential to Naval operations. The ice breaker is a specially constructed ship with heavily armored bows and powerful engines that crush the ice floes rather than ram through them.



Ice breakers of the Kitchikan class operating in the North Atlantic cost approximately \$10,000,000. You can help our Navy build these ships by investing at least ten percent of your income in War Bonds every payday. Enroll in the payroll savings plan or apply at the nearest bank or postoffice. U.S. Treasury Department

WOODVILLE NEWS

The Reading Club, made up mostly of the younger married ladies of the town have wrapped some 50 gifts to send out over the county to children who might not fare as well as others. The club also asking for all silk hosiery that can be spared to turn over to Uncle Sam.

Mrs. C. E. Smith and daughter, Miss Audrey Ruth were shopping at the business session of the Choral club under the leadership of Miss Katherine Lennard with Mrs. G. G. Lennard at the piano, beautifully rendered Christmas carols and the tiny folk under the direction of Miss Mary Louise McCauley pantomimed the old, old story of the wise men and the baby Jesus. Solo parts were presented by Miss Fredna Matthews and Raymond Harrison and thees, Bud and Raymond Harrison and Robert Allen Mann.

Mrs. J. J. Bell of Warren suffered a bad shakeup Monday night when their car was hit by another car, while in Beaumont. Mrs. Bell suffered minor injuries, but Mr. Bell was not injured.

The Hardin-Tyler county health unit has postponed all meetings until in February, because of gas rationing. At this meeting plans for the year's work will be made.

FORESTRY PRIZES AWARDED CONTENTANTS
Lee R. Hensley, son of Supt. and Mrs. Lee Hensley, won first place in the high school group in the forestry essay contest recently staged in a number of south-east Texas counties. His prize is \$10 in war stamps. Second place winner in the high school division was Gerald Wilbanks of Warren, who will receive \$5 in war stamps. Other winners were David Sheffield, Woodville; third, G. B. Besler, Woodville; fourth, Virginia Willis, Woodville. Prizes for the latter three places are \$2, \$2 and \$1 in war stamps. Erma Jean Flowers of Colmesneil won first in the elementary grade. Other winners were David Ann Ware, Fredna Matthews, both of Woodville, Elizabeth Barnes, Chester, Fatsy Walker, Woodville. Their prizes were war stamps in similar amounts to those given in the high school division.

CALLING JOE DOAKES
Somewhere in the midst of this Peoples War there's a little man who has ideas. They may not be very good ideas, but then again, perhaps they are. Possibly Joe Doakes, the little man with the idea, has got something this time. But good or bad, you can bet that Joe is devoting his thinking these days to ways of winning the war.

That's what his idea is about—a way to win the war. There's no telling just how Joe figures we can win the war faster or more efficiently than we're winning it now, because Joe, of course, is all of us. He may be a farmer, in which case his idea probably will be to raise more food faster for our fighting men and allies. He may be a soldier or a sailor or a marine—in which case his idea will be one that will increase the efficiency of our fighting forces. Or he may be a worker in a war industry with an idea for some new production method that will speed those tanks and planes and ships off the assembly lines and the ways and into action. Or Joe may be a business or professional man with an idea that will sell more bonds, or straighten out the

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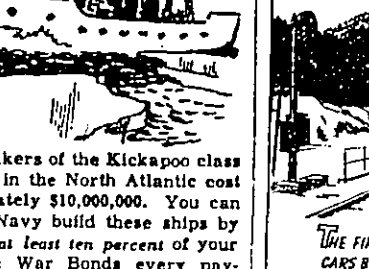
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Christmas Greetings TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

IN times like these, friendliness and neighborliness take on a new and deeper meaning. We are all drawn closer together and we realize anew that cordial and mutually helpful relations with our fellow men have a value far above material things.

It is with this thought in mind that we extend our thanks to you, not only for your patronage, but for the friendship and courtesy you have shown us. We have enjoyed the privilege of serving you and we hope we have done it well.

Our warmest best wishes go out to you and yours this Christmas season and in our hearts is the hope we know finds an echo in yours—that 1943 will be the year of final victory and that "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" will again be restored to the world.

COMMUNITY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY

Merry Christmas —TO ALL

We would like to give gifts at this season of the year to all of you—to show our love and appreciation, but, the government needs the billions of dollars it would require, so we have to use the few words we know, and say—

Merry Christmas on this Joyous Day ... THE KELLEYS

KEEPING JAPANESE IN CONCENTRATION
It has been determined by no less authority than a federal judge that, barring assumption of martial law, military authorities can not regulate the lives of citizens outside the service. This decision was given as the result of the appeal of an American-born Jap from the order for concentration camps for all persons of Jap ancestry. The winner of the decision got little comfort from it, for the reason that the same judge ruled that, by acting as a Japanese agent, this person had elected to adopt Japanese citizenship. Nor is it likely any Jap now in concentration camp will get any comfort from the decision. While none of us take kindly to seeing the rights of citizens infringed, the military order taking the Japs from restricted areas is a popular one, for two reasons: (1) The Japanese are not to be trusted, as witness Pearl Harbor that was bombed by those who once had been residents of the United States, had enjoyed life under our free institutions while at the same time planning for Pearl Harbor and the conquest of America. The Japs are by nature a treacherous race and it is impossible to separate them from the goats. (2) Presence of the Japs in the restricted areas might lead to untoward actions on the part of citizens aroused against them through the treachery of their race that has brought death, privation and injury to thousands of our citizens. Assumed invasion of the west coast was once thought a probability. We could not have been so wrong. Many of the treacherous Japs in a position to aid the enemy. The results of the invasion would have been the same. The Japs are a treacherous race and it is impossible to separate them from the goats.

concentration camps Japs who have the interest of America at heart don't want to be in a position that might result in suspicion being cast upon them. They do not wish to be in a position that would permit invading force to make use of their lives as hostages who would like to be where they could be of aid to the forces of Hirohito. The courts of a republic move exceedingly slow under any circumstances, and certainly would not be speeded up in a case of this kind. The war will move more rapidly than our courts. After the war is over, it will be interesting to note how many of those who wished to aid the homeland are willing to return to it.—Masonic Analyst.

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1942 Christmas Greetings



A MERRY YULETIDE TO ALL

To each and all of you we say "Merry Christmas." We say it yes - in the very same spirit that we have said it in the past, knowing that the full enjoyment of Christmas is an affair of the heart and of the spirit. Pausing for a moment in the twilight of 1942 we look forward with our friends hopefully to the future.

TYLER COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



To all our old friends and acquaintances, and also to the many fine new ones we have made during 1942, we send sincere Christmas greetings and the wish that the holidays will be as happy as possible.

MR. AND MRS. J. W. FAIN AND JOHN HAYES



Rising above the turmoil and cares of the world is the majestic story of Bethlehem. May the star that shone then still cast its light for you and all of us, revealing new pathways to happiness and achievement. Our entire organization joins with us in thanking you for your good will and patronage during 1942, and in wishing you a very Merry Christmas.

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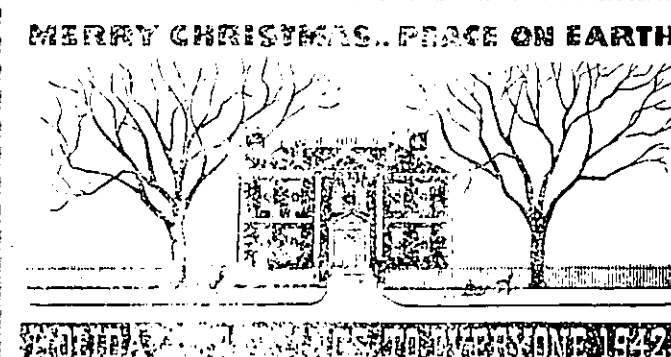
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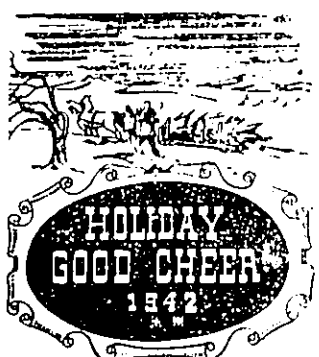
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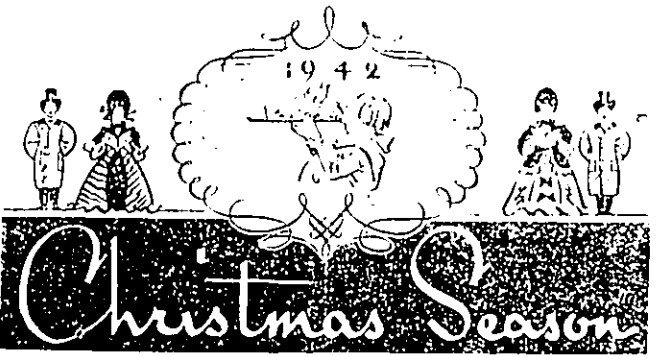
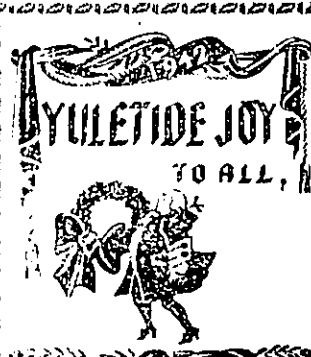
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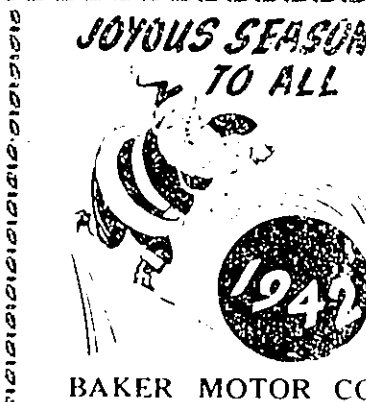
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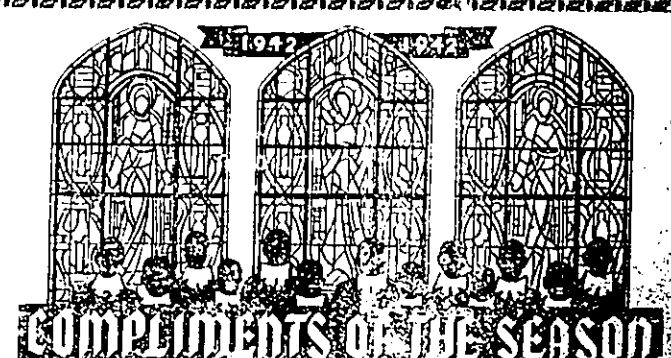
MR. AND MRS. LEROY DAVIS

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THESE GIFTS WE BRING

By WILLIS THORNTON



THEY were wise men, St. Matthew tells us in his Gospel, who came to Jerusalem on that first Christmas. They had seen His star in the east, they said, and were come to worship Him.

And the star, which they had seen in the east, went before them until it stood above the place where lay the Child Jesus. Then, recounts St. Matthew, they "fell down, and worshiped Him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts: gold and frankincense, and myrrh."

It is a long way from that simple story, told and retold in every tongue and every land in the world for two thousand years, to the hectic rush of the Christmas-time of 1942. The custom of exchanging presents at this season is an amiable one, and is productive of a certain amount of goodwill.

Surely there must be a greater lesson, however, in this story of St. Matthew, which has gripped and held humanity for so many centuries. Surely there are other gifts than the coveted gold, the precious and fragrant resins that the wise men of old laid at the feet of the Master.

It lies in the fact that at this very outset of the Christian era there was an unselfish act of giving; the very advent of Christianity on earth was marked by a desire on the part of

three wise men to give and to serve. Was it not this very spirit that Christianity was to try to bring to a selfish earth? How better usher in a religion one of whose leading ethical tenets is that it is better to give than to receive?

The physical presentation of the gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh we fairly reproduce today in giving to one another similar material gifts, even though they be but greeting cards and handkerchiefs and toys. But the gifts to the Savior were a symbolism, meant to print indelibly on the soul of man a spirit of giving.

Are there no gifts to be given today that are more than material gifts of man to man and woman to woman? Are there no gifts to be given to God on the birthday of His Son?

Is not a gift of love amid a world of hatred more precious than gold? Is not a gift of kindness sweeter than frankincense, and a cheerful word more healing than myrrh?

There are gifts we can give today, though the purse be lean and the heart be heavy.

As the wise men who came to that first Christmas came not empty-handed, but came prepared to give rather than to get, so we ought to approach this Christmas of today ready to give not only material gifts, which are symbols, but more precious gifts of faith and courage and love.

CURRENT COMMENT

By A STAFF EDITOR

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Of days there has been great expectations and great preparations. Thoughts of another Christmas prevail over any somber thoughts of the war. Gayety is in the air, joy around the corner.

Christmas shopping has jammed the stores with eager buyers. Christmas trees will be loaded and children will travel at Santa's generosity. Greetings of "Merry Christmas" will resound throughout land and sea, candles will beam a welcome, bells will ring and carols proclaim the birth of the Saviour—whose creed was:

"Therefore, all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do even so to them." Faith through the ages has assured the Christian world that the Star of Bethlehem never will be dimmed. It will shine on after war despots lie mouldering in the grave.

This Christmas time will draw us closer to our dear ones, will make us feel more kindly one another as we face the future and its perils, whatever they may be. God bless our gallant sons, brothers, husbands and sweethearts in the country's service. God bless America.

will have religious services, parties, dances, shows, concerts, gifts, personal appearances of Santa Claus and two million and a half pounds of turkey. Huge trees, burdened with multi-colored lights, have been set up on military reservations. Holly, red and green bunting and pine boughs have been arranged in mess halls, barracks and recreation centers.

The glow of the family fireside will be experienced by thousands of others who obtained Yuletide furloughs.

But those who received no leaves will be entertained at service and U. S. O. clubs, clubs on the grounds and in gymnasiums and country nearby communities.



Guns the Best

"One branch in which American military aviation bows to no one is in fire-power," says Frederick Oechsler, United Press foreign correspondent. "American engineers have concentrated on the .50-caliber machine gun and on the .27 mm. and 20 mm. cannon, both of high velocity. Our leading fighters are liberally equipped with both."

"The American A-20A, Douglas light bomber, known as the Havoc, has six or more .50-caliber machine guns. The P-51, North American fighter, has six or more .50-caliber machine guns. The P-51, North American fighter, has several cannons."

Foreign planes, however, generally use the .30-caliber machine gun. The German Messerschmitt ME-109 fighter has two .30-caliber machine guns and two 20 mm. cannon, but the cannon are of low velocity. The Japanese Zero fighter has two 20 mm. low velocity cannon and two 7.7 mm. guns.

"American fighters, therefore, can start shooting sooner with more guns of bigger caliber than their opponents."

"At the same time our bombers are heavily armed against fighter attack. When Flying Fortresses and Liberators are sent out in clusters, they present a target as impregnable as a force of modern airpower affords," said Oechsler.

Average \$105.82 Each

The average American had exactly \$105.82 in money in his possession as of October 31, the Treasury announced. That represented \$181 more than he had at the end of September and \$28 less

more than he is supposed to have on October 31, 1941.

All this money does not have to be in your pocket. It can be in the bank, the old sock or buried in the ground. It is all figured out on a basis of the amount of currency—nickels, dimes, quarters dollars, etc.—in circulation. Total currency in circulation at the end of October was \$14,224,298,194.

3,052 Planes Sent to Russia

Vast quantities of supplies, including 3,052 planes, were sent to Russia by the United States and Britain in the twelve-month period ended in early October, and despite enemy attacks on convoys bound for the great destiny of the northern route for Russia over the northern route reached their destination, Richard K. Law, Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, told England's House of Commons.

Giving out exact figures covering the twelve-month period, Mr. Law listed them as follows: 3,052 planes, 4,018 tanks, 30,031 vehicles and 331,000 tons of miscellaneous shipments, including shells, small arms ammunition, machines, machine tools, foodstuffs, medical supplies and nonferrous metals, consisting of nickel and aluminum.

Dehydrated Foods

Approximately 850,000,000 pounds of dried food products will be turned out by the industry during the fiscal year ending July 1, 1943, and nearly all of it will be taken by the government. Of the total, about 300,000,000 pounds consists of eggs, 400,000,000 of milk and 150,000,000 of dried fruits and vegetables. Meat production is still small but another 60,000,000 pounds of dried meat is scheduled for next year.

Wartime needs have already given the industry a phenomenal growth, the number of companies in the fruit and vegetable field alone expanding from a dozen or so in 1940 to approximately 125 at present. Some of these are so recent that actual production has not yet been started, about 85 new companies were established in the last six months, but the need for further expansion now seems evident.

800,000 Forces Overseas

Forces of the American Army overseas now total over 800,000 men.

This became known as the Navy made public a Navy Day letter from General George C. Marshall, Army Chief of Staff, to Admiral Ernest J. King, Commander in Chief of the United States Fleet, expressing the thanks of soldiers for "the skillful seamanship that has escorted 800,000 of them safely across the sanguine-infested waters of the Atlantic and Pacific."

Ersatz Coffee Coming

The ersatz brews of roasted cereal grains that have long been substituted for coffee in Europe soon will make their appearance on American menus, informed government officials said.

They disclosed that the big wholesale coffee dealers, in anticipation of coffee rationing, have been experimenting for months on the preparation of coffee substitutes. These will be offered "immediately."

One of the new breakfast brews designed to switch the coffee drinker onto a different beverage, will be made of a small amount of coffee mixed with large proportions of roasted grain. Barley and rye will be the principal ingredients of the ersatz drinks, they said.

Consumers who have stocked up on coffee will have to count all above one pound which they have on hand on November 28 as part of their ration, the Office of Price Administration announced.

Deduction of stamps to cover excessive coffee supplies held by individuals will be made when they apply for War Ration Book No. 2, about the first of next year.

The rationing regulations will provide that each consumer must retain in his ration book for later surrender, a coffee stamp for each pound of coffee he possesses in excess of one pound. When he applies for his ration book No. 2 he will be required to declare the amount of coffee he had on hand at the start of consumer rationing.

Admiral Nimitz Predicts Submarine Warfare Increases

Heavy losses inflicted on the Japanese by Pacific Fleet submarines, preying upon warships and merchant vessels, will increase as America's undersea fleet grows and its personnel gains in experience, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Commander in Chief of the Pacific Fleet, declared in presenting awards to twenty-five officers and men for heroism.

Admiral Nimitz paid particular tribute to his submarine personnel, remarking that "as an old submariner I well understand the hazards, the hardships and the unceasing vigilance necessary to success in submarine warfare."

Scrap Metal Drive a Great Success

All evidence to date indicates that the scrap metal drive has been a great success, says the American Institute of Public Opinion.

A survey completed by the institute discloses that about four out of every five American families have either given or thought to give to the war effort or had no scrap to give.

Only about one in five still has scrap to be collected or taken to scrap depots. Of the 21 per cent who say they still have scrap which they could give to the government, more than half have already been in contact with their local committees. Only one in ten of those having scrap to contribute has not yet been called upon by local scrap committees.

Using the WPA estimate of 220 pounds of scrap available per family in the country, the institute estimates that the scrap metal drive succeeded in rounding up upward of 3,600,000 tons from American homes. The WPA estimated there were about 3,800,000 tons available in the homes.

The government says there is still a great deal of scrap uncollected on farms and in the heavy kind, that is badly needed.

Fatal Accidents in the Home

Of the 31,500 fatal accidents in the home last year, 15,750 were caused by falls. Slipping on a small rug on a polished floor, tripping over a rug curled at the edge, stumbling over misplaced furniture, tumbling off a ladder or chair, falling over an object on the stairs, and tripping on a torn stair carpet—all these and other similar accidents may result in injury or death.

Burns and scalds caused 5,800 deaths in the home in 1941. Pots containing scalding water should not be left on the edge of the stove to court disaster, nor should tablecloths upon which pots or cups of hot coffee are resting be so arranged as to be within reach of small children. The 1941 total of fatal accidents of this type represented a reduction of 300 from the previous year.

Accidental poisoning killed 1,550 in the home last year, as compared with 1,650 in 1940. All poisons or other dangerous drugs left in the bathroom, medicine cabinet or elsewhere should be labeled as such and should be provided with distinctive stoppers so that they can be identified even in the dark. And, above all, poisons should be placed well out of reach of little children.

Liquid that boils over is likely to extinguish the gas flame, but gas keeps pouring out of the burner. Poison gas was fatal to 1,150 in 1941, to 1,200 in 1940.

Another source of danger is the improperly installed or connected electrical fixture or appliance in the bathroom, where a wet floor may act as a conductor. Slippery bath tubs or slippery tiling on bathroom floors are a prolific cause of serious accidents.

WPB Ask That Holiday Outdoor Lighting Be Omitted

War Production Board asked that officials, civic clubs, Chambers of Commerce, merchants and citizens generally forego outdoor decorative lighting at the Christmas season.

The agency said that such lighting required use of critical materials, electricity and manpower, and that it is in line with general conservation programs now in effect. It made the request in an announcement said, partly because of inquiries from local groups for an opinion.

"WPB is not asking that outdoor Christmas lighting, whether in the home or in stores, be eliminated," the statement added, "but it believes that outdoor lighting, such as festooning store fronts and decorated streets, may be dispensed with in war time."

Soldiers to Get Merry Yuletide

Soldiers in army camps from coast to coast will take time off from their training to enjoy a merry Christmas.

A survey showed that the holiday would be observed with all the American traditions and trimmings.

Men who remain at the camps will

Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY
Wintersboro, Texas

COON CREEK, where I live, we have an old-fashioned Christmas. Due to tire and gasoline rationing, travel in our neck of the woods will be partly via horseback, muleback, teamback, in wagons, buggies, buckboards, any old contraption with wheels.

It's gonna be a lot of fun to see families in their own swell automobiles drive up to our house on Christmas day in buggies and wagons. However, it will make Christmas no less merrier. In fact, it will slow us down to where we will have more time for social amenities, more time for getting better acquainted.

All these years we have been whizzing by each other at 60 m. p. h. and waving hands; now we will go slow enough to shake hands.

We fuss and fume over gas rationing, but it's the best thing that could have happened to a community gone hog wild on speeding. This is one Christmas in a decade when constabulary highways will be down to cover over head end and rear end collisions.

It will make a sunnier and happier Christmas. I have already built a hitching rack near my front gate. All friends and in-laws need to do is to ride up, or drive up, tie their horses or mules to the hitching rack and holler, "Hello, Joe, here we are!" I'll be right out to greet them with a smile, and a wish for a "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!"

Coon Creek is a small community of neighbors, kindly folks who are neither very rich nor very poor. But they are united in the war effort and in buying war bonds and stamps. Furthermore, they are united in having a jolly Christmas. There will be a big community Christmas tree at the school house with gifts on it for every boy and girl. Santa

Claus will remove the gifts from the tree and call out the names of the recipients. The children will look on in wonder and amazement, clap their hands and shout merrily at the most magical gift.

Groups of singers will sing familiar carols and some groups will sing carols Christmas Eve at homes of neighbors. There will be firecracker popping, Roman candles, smacking and a few articles next back on the fire, showing horses. There will be plenty of eat, for everything, string of oysters, such as roasted turkeys and cranberry sauce, roasted pig and sweet potatoes, pumpkin pie, mince pies, fruit cakes, pound cake, etc. Nobody will go hungry or go around looking lonesome.

That's the spirit of Coon Creek and that's the reason we shall have a "Merry-go-round, merry-go-round, merry-go-round" Christmas.

Yes, indeed, there could be worse things than gas rationing and coffee rationing. So let's quit

snickering and make it a Merry Christmas. We have a thousand reasons to be thankful. We still have food, clothing, shelter, health and the best country in all the world. We have millions of brave men and women. Our recent victories in the Solomon and in French Africa shows we have not forgotten how to fight and, believe me, we will be in there fighting to a victorious finish. Let's have faith in ourselves and do a little more praying and a little less belly-aching, a little more working and a little less shirking. So far we have used 50 per cent of our power. Let's use the other 50 per cent and astound the world. We can do it.

If the army continues to take more of our doctors, we may have to fall back on sarsaparilla, mullen's tea and slippery elm bark. These old remedies, administered by our grandmothers, got the

job done and are still efficacious, but most of our dear grandmothers, who knew how to administer them, have passed on to their reward. Many modern grandmothers wouldn't know how to stop an ordinary stomachache in a 10-year-old boy.

Uncle Sam wanted peanuts this year and he got peanuts—500,000,000 bushels in Texas, not counting what was raised in other States. The peanut, once called the goober, was supposed to be fit only for hogs to eat. A few people ate them occasionally when parched, but they were never regarded as a money crop until one day a chemist discovered that the goober contained high grade oil, similar to the kind of oil America had been importing from Europe and Asiatic countries. From then on the goober was called the peanut and its oil extensively used in the manufacture of cooking fats, soaps, varnishes, paints, lubricants, pharmaceuticals, explosives, etc. Uncle Sam uses peanuts mostly in making explosives. I hope the 300,000,000 bushels of peanuts Texas raised this year will kill 500,000 Japs. Japs are not worth killing, but since we must kill them—maybe all of them—I am willing that one bushel of perfectly good peanuts be used to kill each Jap soldier.

Coffee rationing, now on a par with sugar rationing, has housewives guessing and worrying. The papers say there is coffee for everybody if housewives will not lose their heads and start hoarding it. That's true of other food products. Hoarding brings on rationing and rationing brings on headaches. We can get along with less coffee and be no worse off. Our granddaddies and grandmummies in the South had no coffee the last two years of the War Between the States. They used substitutes—made a brew of parched acorns, parched grains and baked potato peelings. We, too, will come to that before this war is over. Yet I hope the substitutes will not be put up in a fancy cellophane-covered container and labeled "coffee."

TEXAS BRIEF NEWS --- from Over the State

TEXAS-RAISED CHICORY

Chicory, used as a blend in coffee, is being produced and shipped by the carload out of Meslaco, (Hidalgo county).

RARE COIN

Mrs. Fritz Schmidt, of Mason (Mason county), has a United States one cent piece of 1854. It is larger than a silver quarter.

CAMP HOOD AREA INCREASED

Camp Hood, near Gatesville, will increase in area by 50,000 acres to a total of 185,000, making it one of the largest army installations in the country.

THIRTEENTH SUBCHASER LAUNCHED

The thirteenth subchaser, built at the Rockport shipyards, was launched November 20. It is 110 feet long in length.

4-H GOLD MEDAL WINNERS

Eight Grimes county boys have been awarded gold medals for outstanding accomplishments in 4-H club work, said A. C. Pratt, county agent.

6 SONS IN ARMY

The war is very real to Mrs. Ida Miller, of Corsicana, who has six of her sons, a grandson and a son-in-law now in the armed forces of the United States.

AFTER-WAR BOOMED PREDICTED

Texas will become one of the largest industrial states of the nation in its postwar development, Dean W. H. Woolrich, of the School of Engineering of the University of Texas, said.

ALLOW SALE OF GRADE C MILK

New regulations announced by the State Health Department permit Grade C milk to be sold for home consumption in Texas after it has been pasteurized.

20,000,000 ROSE BUSHES ANNUALLY

Jerry Nasita, prominent local nurseryman of Smith county, says 20,000,000 rose bushes are produced annually around Tyler, about half of the world's yearly supply.

OLD TRAIL DRIVER DIES

Hirman G. Craig, one of the last surviving cowboys who drove cattle from South Texas up the famous Chisholm trail, died in Houston in a local hospital. He was a charter member of the Old Trail Drivers' Association.

OBSERVES 64TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

One of the oldest married couples in Texas, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Russell, observed their 64th wedding anniversary at San Saba. Both are native Texans.

KILLED BY LIVE WIRE

Frank O. Richcreek, age 71, dairy farmer near Austin, was electrocuted after falling into a stock tank while running to the scene of a blaze. He was wet from the waist down, firemen said, and stepped on a live wire that had fallen during the blaze.

102-YEAR-OLD CONFEDERATE

David Newton Yeary, of 5122 Roger street, Dallas, Confederate cavalry captain, was 102 years old in October of this year. He is the only surviving member of the Sterling Price Camp. He was born in Lee county, Va.

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES GAIN

The Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas reported total net sales of department stores in its district for the first 10 months showed an 11 per cent increase over the first 10 months of 1941, the city gains being San Antonio 20 per cent, Fort Worth 12, Shreveport 13, Houston 11 and Dallas 4.

CO-EDS HELP FARMERS

Three hundred and sixty-nine students of Texas State College for Women, at Denton, have volunteered their services, and have organized groups to help the farmers gather their crops or perform other necessary farm chores. Farmers furnish the working equipment and transportation.

"MISS AMERICA" SELLS WAR BONDS

Jo-arrall Dennison, the 18-year-old Tyler girl who won the title of Miss America at Atlantic City this year, returned to her home town recently for the first time since she was proclaimed the nation's most beautiful girl. Miss Dennison greeted her townspeople with a plea to buy war bonds. She sold \$72,000 worth.

"EMPTY YOUR PURSE DRIVE"

The "Empty Your Purse Drive," launched at Corpus Christi by the Alpha Phi Chapter of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority, got off to a good start as containers, which had been placed in seven downtown stores, were rapidly filled. The drive sought empty lipstick tubes, metal tops of cosmetic jars, compacts and costume jewelry. Sponsored nationally by the War Production Board, the drive needed material usually found in women's hand bags.

OLD SLAVE DIES

Alf Sattiwite, who was brought to Texas from Alabama as a slave by Mrs. Mildred T. Littlefield, of Gonzales, died at the reputed age of 100 years. He was the father of 38 children.

STICKS WITH JOB, LOSES LIFE

Mitchell Church, age 66, could have retired on pension, but he insisted on staying with his oil refinery job at Port Arthur because of labor shortage. Recently he was knocked by a car from a bicycle near the plant and killed.

LEADS IN MAGNESIUM PRODUCTION

Texas leads the nation in magnesium production, a vital metal in aircraft construction. Most of the magnesium produced in Texas is extracted from sea water. Almost as strong as steel, it is lighter than some wood.

PROTEST GASOLINE RATIONING

A protest against gasoline rationing of four gallons a week as unfair to West Texas, an area of light population density and long hauls, was made by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in a telegram to Price Administrator Leon Henderson.

SEVEN BROTHERS WORK IN WAR PLANT

Seven brothers work in the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation plant near Fort Worth. They are the Mueir brothers, all born on a farm in Collin county, where their parents still live. "Mother had 14 children and when we all get together for a family reunion it's really something," said Dave Mueir.

NEGRO BUYS 5 WAR BONDS

"Chas. Lee, a negro Victory leader in East Caney community, (Hopkins county), purchased five \$18.75 bonds and plans to purchase three more bonds. Other negroes have been purchasing bonds, too," said H. W. Grays, negro county agent.

POEM BRINGS LETTER AND MARRIAGE

Miss Martell Smalley, of Dallas, wrote a poem entitled, "It's Nice to Get a Letter." The poem, published in a leading Texas daily newspaper, was read by Pat H. M. McGee, of Fort Bliss, El Paso. He wrote Miss Smalley, complimenting the poem, and after a few weeks of correspondence they met and were married in El Paso.

HUSBAND AND WIFE JOIN ARMY

Owen Hollis Eagan and Mattie Mabel Eagan stood before Maj. Bert H. Davis at the army recruiting station in Dallas and took oaths of service. Eagan became a radio technician in the Army Air Force and his wife is a member of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps.

UNCLE SAM HIS BENEFICIARY

Douglas Pond, age 21, joined the Marine Corps at Houston and, having no known living relatives, named his Uncle Sam as beneficiary. He said his assets amounted to \$49 which he had saved and was going to use immediately to buy war bonds.

RAPACIOUS COYOTE

C. R. Landon, district agent for the U. S. Fish and Wild Life Service, at San Antonio, reported that a coyote captured in Bastrop county recently was estimated to have killed 500 turkeys and 150 mutton sheep valued at \$3,800.

PURPLE HEART MEDAL 21 YEARS LATE

Twenty-four years after he was wounded in the Argonne forest of France, John R. Steele, Houston accountant, has received a purple heart decoration from the War Department. Steele was wounded during the Rainbow Division's offensive on November 2, 1918. Described on the medal was the citation: "For wounds received in action and for extraordinary heroism on the firing line, November 2, 1918."

SENDS RABBIT FEET TO SOLDIERS

Shamrock Texan: "A. R. Hugg is not only helping in the letter writing campaign to soldiers that is under way in Shamrock, (Wheeler county), but is going other correspondents one better. He is sending each of his friends in the service a rabbit's foot for good luck."

VALLEY CITRUS SHIPMENTS

Valley citrus shipments for the 1942-43 season through November 16 totaled 5,839 cars, compared with 4,984 at the same date last season, according to figures compiled by the Federal-State Market News Service.

ARMCHAIR GARDENER

C. L. Veriegge, 72-year-old retired blacksmith of Hillsboro, (Hill county), is an armchair Victory gardener who actually works at the job. Crippled, and forced to garden from his chair, he has cleared a large plot of bermuda grass and raised three crops of vegetables as a contribution to the war effort.

MISTAKEN FOR TURKEY, FATHER SLAIN BY SON

Mistaken for a turkey as he sat in a tree, hunting deer 13 miles east of Bandera, (Bandera county), O. E. Niemeier, age 41, was shot and instantly killed by his son, Lawrence, age 16. A verdict of accidental death was returned by a justice of the peace, Sheriff W. H. Burns, of Bandera, who investigated, said the father had climbed the tree shortly after dawn and was waiting for deer when the fatal shot was fired.

PRICE-FIXING NOT NEW

W. B. Harrell, counselor for the OPA at Austin, says that price-fixing was used as far back as the year 1200 in England, when the price of bread was fixed.

NIMITZ PICTURE IN MUSEUM

An autographed picture of Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, of Fredericksburg, Texas, has been placed in a collection of patriotic items in Texas memorial museum on the University of Texas campus.

SOPHOMORES DO THEIR BIT

Sophomore students in the University of Texas will do their bit in the war effort by writing letters and preparing scrap books of jokes, puzzles and cartoons to be sent to soldiers in the hospitals at Camp Swift.

REDUCES TO GET IN ARMY

S. D. Flowers, Dallas fireman, was rejected by the recruiting officer because he weighed 236 pounds. But Flowers, determined to join the armed forces, reduced his weight to 194 pounds and is now an aviation cadet. "I got rid of 40 pounds," Flowers said, "by eating less and exercising more."

19 GRANDCHILDREN IN ARMED FORCES

Mrs. Emma Costlow, of LaRue, (Henderson county), is justly proud of her contribution to the war effort. She has 19 grandchildren serving in the armed forces. Nearly every branch of the service is represented in the group.

TYPICAL TEXAS HOME

A typical Texas home in 1940 was a frame detached house with 2 to 5 rooms built sometime since 1910, according to statistics reported by the Census Bureau.

Of the State's 1,904,884 dwelling units, the bureau found that 1,437,513 were one-family detached homes, while only 6,119 were large-size apartments for 20 or more families. The detached homes accounted for practically 80 per cent of all dwellings in the State. Wood was the principal building material, 1,422,282 homes being wood. Of the other types of construction only 38,435 were of stucco, 82,962 of brick and 43,638 of other materials.

WOMEN TRAINED AS FIREMEN

Jacksonville Journal: "Setting the pace in East Texas for civilian defense training and to meet possible war-time emergencies, the Jacksonville (Cherokee county), fire department will begin training an auxiliary department to be composed entirely of women of the city in a short time."

610,575,000 POUNDS OF SCRAP SHIPPED

Official War Production Board figures reveal that Texas has actually shipped by rail 610,575,000 pounds of scrap iron in five months with much more scrap in stockpiles ready to be shipped. This is a per capita State average of 101.76 pounds.

OLD SABER GOES TO WAR AGAIN

Denison's scrap metal heap received one of its historic contributions when W. Y. Parrott donated the cavalry saber used by his father, Josiah Parrott, in America's war with Mexico. "It served Texas once," Mr. Parrott said, "and I thought it only right that the metal be used again in the present war."

SHIP NAMED BIG FOOT WALLACE

The Maritime Commission has announced approval of the name Big Foot Wallace for a Liberty ship whose launching will be sponsored by school children of Texas. The Texas pupils suggested the name. W. A. A. Wallace, better known as Big Foot because of the immense size of his feet, was a renowned Texas frontiersman and Indian and Mexican fighter.

MESQUITE BEANS COFFEE SUBSTITUTE

Eastern coffee roasting firms have been telegraphing and writing War Texas chambers of commerce where they might purchase mesquite beans which, they said, were being considered as a substitute for coffee.

BREAKS RIFLE SCORE RECORD

Houston Post: "Pvt. Houston Parish, of Tyler, broke the record for rifle shooting in the officers training school at Aberdeen, Md. His score was 190 out of a possible 200. An odd thing about the top-notch record is that Parish never owned a gun or handled one to any extent before entering the army."

A. & M. MASCOT GETS INTO MOVIES

Reveille, black and white canine mascot of A. & M. College, has been assigned a role in the movies. The movie makers who chose Texas A. & M. campus for their new military epic, had never heard of Reveille until they gave her a screen test. She will go to Hollywood as a star performer.

REGAINS SIGHT AFTER YEARS OF BLINDNESS

Mitchell P. Harrison, 86-year-old Bowie county pioneer, regained his eyesight by an operation after 10 years of blindness. He was pleased with everything he had so far seen, he said, except women wearing slacks and smoking.

PREACHER RESIGNS TO JOIN ARMY

Rev. Marce Perdue, resigning as pastor of the Palestine Baptist Church, announced his intention of joining the armed forces. "This is a preacher's war just as much as anybody else's war," he said. "If we lose the war, the preachers will be in a pretty pickle."

SCRAP SALVAGED FROM OLD BRAZOS RIVER DAM

Thousands of pounds of scrap metal in the lock and dam in the Brazos river near Old Washington will be salvaged for the war effort. The lock and dam was built by the Federal government about 30 years ago, and was later abandoned.

DEBT PAID AFTER 31 YEARS

A. L. Lackey, who was in the grocery business in Muenster, (Cooke county), years ago recently received a registered letter in the mail for \$65 with a letter from a woman who said she moved from Muenster 31 years ago, owed Mr. Lackey a grocery bill at the time she moved and she hoped the \$65 would pay the bill with interest. "Her bill was \$25," said Lackey.

SOLDIER APPRECIATES KIT BAG GIFT

Staff Sergeant James Henderson, a West Texan with a bomb squadron somewhere in the Pacific, wrote the following letter to Jones county Red Cross women:

"It seems that the gift bag brought me closer to home than I have been since the beginning of the war. How could America lose this war with such evidence of your work and that of other war relief organizations."

DOCTOR SHORTAGE

Pittsburg Gazette: "Old timers in East Texas are beginning to see the need for the return of the country doctor, because of a war-time shortage of doctors. Thirty years ago there was a country doctor in every community in East Texas. They traveled by buggy or horseback, and their devotion to duty through all kinds of weather is an epic in the pioneer life of this region. Many of them died from exposure suffered in making cross-country calls in the dead of night through sub-freezing weather."

GIRLS RIDING RANGE

Ralph Cooper, editor of the Coastal Cattleman, who has been visiting some of the Texas ranches says: "The girls are already beginning to ride the cattle ranges and it isn't too much to say they may save the cattle industry of Texas. The cowboys are going to war and to defense industries for better pay. One ranch is selling out, lock, stock and barrel, because it cannot get help, and the labor situation is becoming serious. Women riders may be able to save the day."



Deck the Hall

(An old Welsh carol)

Deck the hall with boughs of holly,
Tis the season to be jolly,
Don we now our gay apparel,
Troll the ancient yuletide carol.

See the blazing log before us,
Strike the harp and join the chorus,
Follow me in merry measure,
While I tell of Christmas treasure.

Swiftly the old year passes,
Hail the new, ye lads and lasses,
Sing we joyous all together,
Heedless of the wind and weather.

SUSPENDS WEEKLY TO ENTER ARMED SERVICE

The Whitney, (Hill county), Messenger, published by L. B. Mayes, has announced that the 60-year-old Texas weekly would suspend publication until Hitler is annihilated. Mayes is entering the armed service to help with the annihilation. Mrs. Mayes is entering some other phase of war work.

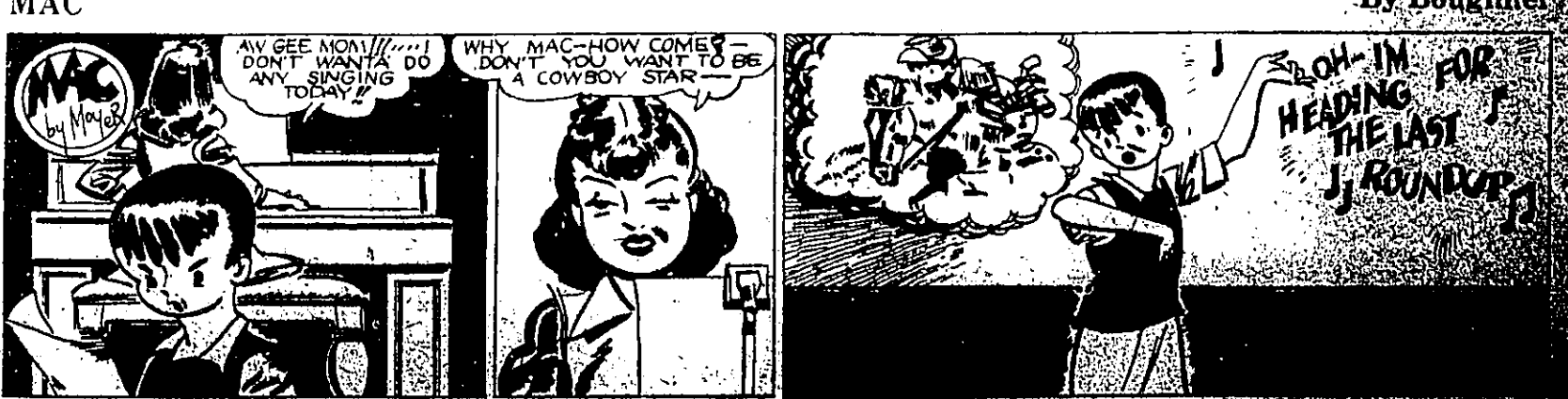
22-YEAR-OLD WOMAN CONSTABLE

Miss Addie Louise Dickerson, a comely brunette, has ended her first year as constable of Kilgore, a tough East Texas oil field town. The 22-year-old constable was chosen to fill the unexpired term of her father, and then won an election to a full term. Most of her arrests have been made on such charges as drunkenness, disturbing the peace and fighting.

MEXICAN-AMERICANS EXCHANGE COURTESIES

As a return courtesy to Mexican military and civilian defense organizations which participated in the Armistice Day parade at Brownsville, several hundred Americans, including the military, crossed the border to Matamoros and took part in a parade there in commemoration of the 32nd anniversary of the Mexican revolution. This is the first time such an exchange of military and semi-military events has ever taken place below the border.

MAC



A LITTLE FUN Jokes to Make You Laugh

Bright Idea

Little Boy: "Mother! Mother! give me a nickel for a poor man who is out in front crying."
 Mother: "Surely. Poor man, what is he crying about?"
 Little Boy: "He's crying: 'Fresh peanuts, 5 cents a bag!'"

Proud Father

"Your wife just gave birth to an 8-pound girl baby this morning," read the telegram to the new father.
 Attached to the message was a sticker reading: "When you want a boy, call Western Union."

New Use for Directory

Man (waiting impatiently outside a public telephone booth): "I wonder if you'd mind letting me put in a call?"
 Woman (casually): "Not at all. I was just looking through the telephone book trying to find a good name for my new baby."

Couldn't Fool Him

He had spent the evening imbibing too freely and was trying to fit his key into the lock. After a time a head looked out of the window above.
 "Go away, you fool," cried the man upstairs; "you're trying to get into the wrong house."
 "Fool yourself!" shouted the man below, indignantly. "I'm looking out of the wrong window."



His First Jump

A newly inducted paratrooper received terse orders from his commanding officer before his first jump.
 "Remember," he was told, "pull the first rip-cord after you count to ten. If the parachute doesn't open, pull the second cord. When you land a jeep will be waiting to bring you back to camp. That's all."
 The soldier jumped. He counted to ten very slowly, and pulled the cord. Nothing happened. He pulled the second cord. Nothing happened.
 "Geewhiz!" he exclaimed. "I bet the jeep won't be there, either."

Modern Problem

Visitor (in a defense plant): "Look at that youngster, the one with the cropped hair, the cap and overalls. It's hard to tell whether it's a boy or girl."
 War Worker (in defense plant): "She's a girl and she's my daughter."
 Visitor: "My dear sir, do forgive me. I would never have been so outspoken if I had known you were her father."
 War Worker: "I'm not her father, I'm her mother."

Right From Wrong

Teacher: "And I suppose you learned right from wrong at your mother's knee?"
 Johnny: "No, across my mother's knee."

INDOOR Holiday Decorations

By HENRY B. AUL

Fresh greens, fashioned into ropes, garlands and wreaths, woven into shapes symbolic of the holiday season furnish a basic material for indoor decorations. Shiny tree ornaments, candles and miniature toys, colored berries and gay ribbons will contribute brilliant highlights to the work. If the evergreen materials are sprayed or dipped with a latex preparation now available, dropping of needles or drying out of foliage and the loss of fresh green color will be reduced considerably.

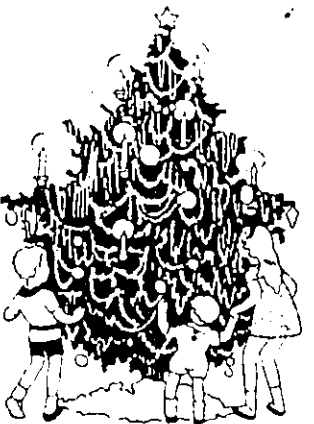
Candles exclude the Christmas spirit as nothing else does and their soft, persistent light somehow dispels any lurking gloom.

The indoor appearance of the electric candle in the window is enhanced with a base arrangement of mixed greens, berries and cones held together with a small ribbon bow. Holly, mistletoe, oak leaves or pine sprigs are good materials to use here. The outdoor appearance of the lighted candle will be given an out-

ordinary effect if a green, blue or golden cellophane star is placed against the inside of the pane directly in front of the candle flame. It is not difficult to imagine the striking effect created with all windows in the front of the house treated thus. The larger pyramidal-shaped groups of candles might have three or more stars in graduated sizes ranged across the windows above them. A large central star could be flanked with smaller ones.

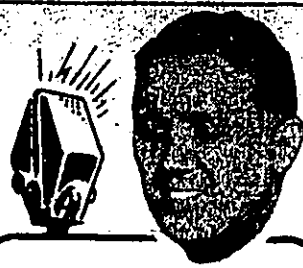
Other candles used singly or in groups play a large part in the Christmas scene. Against a dark background try all white candles with dark pine branches arranged around their base. The green branches might be made to sparkle with pure white popcorn or tiny silver tree ornaments.

Besides these materials, tiny toy horns, silver bells and other ornaments are used with red ribbons in boxes and rosettes to give the green a festive look. Archways, doorways, mantels and windows lend themselves to festoons of colorful green roping.



BUNKER HILL

Bunker Hill monument is closed for the duration. Tens of thousands of Americans have struggled up the 295 stone steps in the ninety-nine years since the shaft was dedicated. There Colonel Prescott gave the command: "Don't fire till you see the whites of their eyes," and there Dr. Joseph Warren fell in the last fusillade of the first real battle for American freedom. Lafayette laid the cornerstone of the smoky-gray, stolid, Quincy-granite obelisk fifty years to the day after the battle. Daniel Webster delivered one oration then, and another at the dedication eighteen years later. He admitted that the monument was no beauty. He said: "It is a plain shaft but it looks, it speaks, it acts to the full comprehension of every American mind and the awakening of glowing enthusiasm in every American heart." So it does today. But its four spire-topped windows at the top afford views of the Charles-town Navy Yard and many war-production plants. So it is closed to visitors.



"NORTON McGIFFIN in the News"

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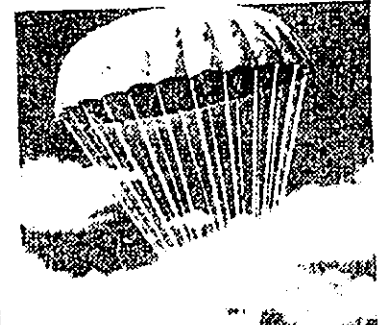
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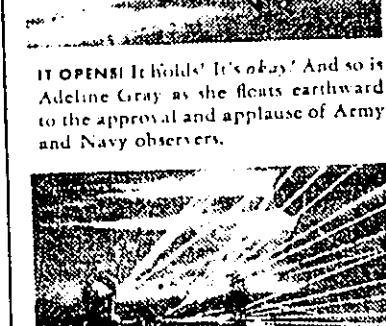
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Texas Farm News Reports

Texas farmers pocketed \$545,000,000 cash income for the first nine months of 1942 compared with \$341,000,000 during the corresponding period of 1941, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported.

"Texas turkey growers should select breeders for 1943 before all of their better birds have been sold. It is only by selecting breeders now that we can maintain the improvement which has been so pronounced during the past five or six years," said George P. McArthur, poultryman for the A. & M. College Extension Service.

Jack Booth, age 15, Harris county 4-H club boy this year grew 15 acres of truck crops as his part in winning the war. Jack's record has been submitted for competition in the National 4-H club boys' garden contest. His father is employed in Houston and Jack worked the truck crop himself at the same time tending out 25 head of hogs for his father, says U. W. Jackson, county agricultural agent.

Texas farm families who have preserved and plucked their birds still add a few extra dollars to the farm income, says M. M. Murray, specialist in home industries for the A. & M. College Extension Service. She adds that there are numerous war uses of leather which have increased the price to growers. Down is used in making flying suits for aviators and in sleeping bags, which protect soldiers in 10 degree below zero temperatures.

James and Bonnie White are old time of the Temple Spring 4-H club of 14 members. They made peanut butter for their school fund. Recently they were invited to sell fellow club members their method of making it.

When informed that his 4-H club girl was Walker county's champion and that "it may be made from fall to June" as a prize, Orlin Robertson, first year member of the San Jacinto 4-H club, made the reply to County Agricultural Agent G. E. Richard. "This is the first time I have ever had a prize of any kind," he said. "I am proud of both my club and my home. I plan to raise more prize turkeys next year and to make good with my projects."

Many Grayson county farm women are working in the fields 14 hours a day to meet the farm labor shortage. They are also buying war bonds and stamps to the limit of their incomes.

Turkey buyers have warned turkey growers that only prime, mature and well-developed birds must be brought to market. The government will be a big buyer of the nation's turkey crop this year, but is in the market for only prime birds, it was explained. Hence growers are urged to fatten their birds as rapidly as possible.



Soon to grace the Christmas tables of America, this turkey and his kin is already on the way to points where our troops are stationed. Men in service will have plenty of turkey for Christmas meals. This year's crop of domestic turkeys is estimated at 14,750,000, according to U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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Twice as much flax is being planted by Refugio county farmers this year as never before, County Agent L. A. Weiss, Jr., said. He estimated that around 3,000 acres of flax was being cultivated in the county, most of it of the Golden Viking and Rio varieties.

A small fortune has been harvested on the D. D. Bowman farm a mile north of Plainview, (Hale county). Bowman recently marketed 1,200 pounds of white Spanish onion seed for around \$1,000 from two and a half acres.

Twenty five to 50 per cent increase in corn yield is consistent, according to H. C. Lueck, of the Oscar community, (Bell county), when corn follows peas planted on oats stubble land.

Clifton Record: J. D. Alexander, retired college football coach now farming four miles west of Clifton, (Bosque county), thinks a production record may have been established by one of his registered Hampshire sows. In October of last year the sow farrowed 17 pigs, raised them all, repeated the feat in April and the other day brought 18 more, of which 16 lived a total of 55 pigs in a year.

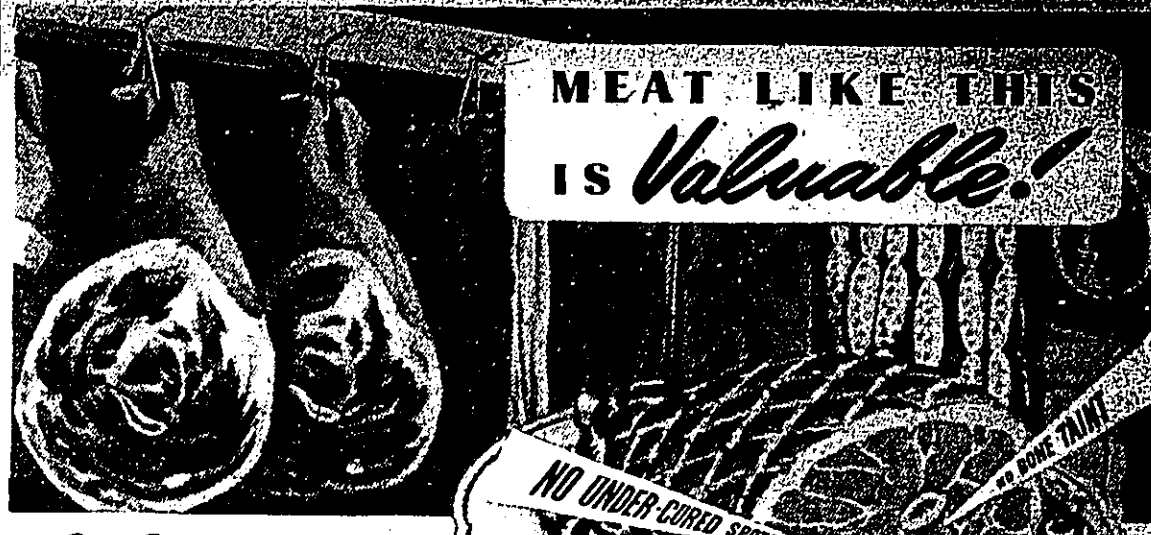
Growers in the Rio Grande Valley have been asked by Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard to shift production from the so-called luxury vegetable salad constituents to production of more essential food vegetables, such as carrots, onions, spinach, lima and snap beans, and similar crops.

An extra two dollars per ton is in store for growers of oil peanuts who deliver their peapnuts in sacks instead of in bulk. No extra payments will be made for bagged peanuts, according to B. F. Vance, chairman, Texas USDA war board.

Evelyn Taylor didn't pause in her war effort when her brother, Roger, was reported missing after the fall of Corregidor last May. A member of the Bald Prairie 4-H club of Robertson county, she helped her mother can 100 quarts of food for the family, collected more than 500 pounds of scrap iron and turned in 95 pounds of rubber. She bought war stamps from their sale.

North Texas pecan growers blamed the heavy rains of last spring for the most complete failure of the pecan crop this year. The April rains did not permit the blooms to pollinize, W. R. Yeary, Federal supervisor, said.

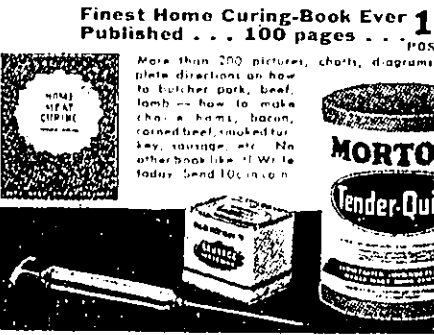
Maintaining an average of 200 pounds per day over a month of cotton picking, Jack Harvey, 17-year-old boy in the J. H. Harvey family, of Grayson county, hit a high point in one day's work recently when he put 233 pounds into his cotton sack.



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2. "DONNE BOY! TAKE THIS SPARE GARDEN HOSE TO PETERSON'S GARAGE! WE'VE HAD IT ALL SUMMER - IT'S TIME IT WAS PUT AWAY FOR THE WINTER!"

3. "AND RONNIE - WATCH OUT FOR THE CARS WHEN YOU CROSS THE STREET!"

4. "I'D BETTER HURRY - HERE COMES THE OLD STREET CAR!"

5. "OH WELL! THE PETERSONS DON'T KNOW IT, BUT THEY'RE CHANGING THEIR HOSE TO A GOOD CAUSE - AND I'M TAKING IT TO A ROBBER COLLECTION DEPOT MYSELF!"

After forty years of experimenting and field tests in various parts of the South, the International Harvester Company announces it is ready to manufacture a successful cotton-picking machine, if the government so desires, said F. W. McCormick, president of the firm.

Washington county 4-H club girls have invested \$3,816.40 in war bonds and stamps. According to Myrna Holman, county home demonstration agent, this is an average of \$39.75 for those owning the securities, or an average of \$24.77 for each club girl in the county.

A flock of 1,300 turkeys have been raised by Mr. and Mrs. Finney Beville, of Yantis, (Hopkins county). These successful turkey raisers followed a careful and scientific program of feeding and care for the blooded Baby Beef strain which they started with 80 hens and three toms as breeding stock last November. When the turkeys are three and one-half months old, the average weight is 13 1/2 to 14 1/2 pounds.

The Palestine Kivans Club recently bought five registered Duroc gilts and placed them with selected Anderson county 4-H club boys on an exchange basis. The club also established a fund of \$25 for premiums to be offered the boys in a plan to be determined later. According to Assistant County Agricultural Agent Tom Stokes, the boys receiving the pigs will return to the sponsor the best gilts from the first litter, with piglets at nine weeks of age. If the pig dies, the boy is to place it or pay the club the purchase price of \$10.

Whitesboro News: "Grown by R. D. Shook, three miles west of Whitesboro, (Grayson county), a tomato vine which had more than 300 tomatoes on it when it was brought to town, has been on display. The vine is about eight feet tall and with many branches. It is of the improved Porter variety and produces a delicious small pink tomato. Most of its production is in the fall and it is reported capable of producing up until the most bitter part of the winter."

The draft board interrupted his year's projects, but before joining the fighting forces in October Leslie Haas, Lavaca county 4-H club boy, reported some big achievements to County Agricultural Agent G. C. King. His demonstrations, counting from the first of the year, comprised 13 calves, 33 hogs and 303 laying hens. The pigs were increased by nine litters, and the poultry by a brood of 352 in February and 340 in May. He netted \$291.57 from sale of the calves, and \$600.65 from sale of the pigs. He had 49 hogs, valued at \$675.75, remaining. After paying expenses Haas had a profit of \$460.64 from the sale of eggs, fryers and culled hens. The family ate about \$50 worth of eggs and chickens. "From this report," says County Agent King, "it can be seen that Leslie did a good year's work and produced much to aid his government in this trying time."

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MISLETOE
The mistletoe was an ancient vegetation among our ancestors in the British Isles, and probably as it was called in the olden times referred to the white branches of the holly which were used in the religious ceremonies of the Greeks and Romans. It was held sacred by the Druids and other nations, who attributed to it valuable medicinal qualities. The Gothic nations also attached extraordinary qualities to it. The Druids celebrated a grand festival on the annual cutting of the mistletoe. As late as the seventeenth century, peculiar efficiency was attached to it, and a piece hung round the neck was considered a safeguard against witches. In modern times it has a tendency to lead us toward the nature of a more attractive witch; for, as is well known, if you can lay your finger on the neck of a fair one to come under the mistletoe, you are entitled to kiss her.

SANTA'S REINDEER
Santa's reindeer, according to an old legend, take part in the annual cutting of the mistletoe. Many years ago the Lord decided to give his ward good children by taking gifts taken to the north each year and asked Santa to take over the task. The gifts were to be carried in a sleigh drawn by an animal Santa chose. After pondering the question for three days an angel appeared to Santa and told him to choose a child and a child went to the Lord's animal kingdom. The lion roared, the elephant swung his trunk, the tiger growled. At last the animals seemed to agree except the reindeer, who looked lovingly at the child. And that's how reindeer came to draw Santa's sleigh of Christmas Eve.

BUTTER KEEPS IN HIGH TEMPERATURES
A new kind of butter, guaranteed to remain solid in temperatures up to 111 degrees Fahrenheit, is the latest contribution to American butter-making. This new butter, which is shipped without refrigeration, has been perfected by Major J. H. White and a team of researchers of the Army Research Laboratory's meat and dairy division. "This butter is made of a definitely uniform composition, undergoes no tests to date," said Major White. "It is good, stable, dairy butter, though it is through the addition of a small amount of hydrogenated fat. We have kept some of it for three months at 110 degrees of heat and it is still as right and as good as when first made." The advantage of the new butter were shown when an experimental batch of it was shipped at ordinary temperatures through the Panama Canal thence to New York, from New York to Chicago, and arrived as good as when it first

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LITTLE RONNIE

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OH! OH!

GOOD BYE FOOTBALL!

A SHRINKING WORLD
Everyone knows the world has shrunk in terms of travel, transportation and communications. But the last stages had come so swiftly that laymen—and many so-called authorities who should have known better—were caught unawares. We did not realize how far we had advanced and what the modern world was like.

World spaces began to diminish at an increasingly rapid pace. Then, in the latter years of the nineteenth century, a new cycle began, and the size of the world was reduced in spectacular fashion. Radio, the automobile, the streamlined train, and the airplane were the great space reducers of this new age.

The modern era of technical progress may be divided into three periods. The first period, that of the fast stagecoach and the sailing vessel, lasted from about the time of William the Conqueror to the latter part of the eighteenth century. In the middle period, which covered the next hundred years or so, the major developments were the steamship and the locomotive.

Voltaire's hero set an imaginary world record in 1872 when he travelled "Around the World in Eighty Days." His adventures, except for the supposedly accomplished in about one month, were the time required by Magellan's expedition to sail around the world in 1522. Magellan's party almost three years in 1482 days, on his globe-encircling voyage.

In 1929 a German airship set a record for the world in 20 days and 14 hours, one-fourth of the time taken by Verne's hero. In 1931 Howard Hughes set a 11,824-mile course around the world in less than 90 hours, one-fifth the time of the old record.

The new air liner, flying at 200 miles per hour, can make the trip in about 15 days. The world's largest airplane, Magellan's, was 418 times larger than the world of today. James Verne's world was 38 times larger and even the time of Howard Hughes in 1931 was twice as large.

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A CHRISTMAS PRAYER
Dear Heavenly Father, come into my heart and mind. I pray Thee, and fill me with Thy infinite wisdom, love and power. For as Thou knowest, I have great need of Thee, and my strength is in the promise of Him who spoke, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." And therefore I pray, walk by my side, O Lord, from this moment I give up the "burden" and I sleep again at night. Guide me and help me always. Help me to help others and to live righteously. In Jesus' name I ask it, humbly, amen.

Our Boys and Girls
AUNT MARY, Editor, 1809 Ashland, Fort Worth, Texas.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS
DEAR FRIENDS:
With it were possible for me to write and mail a personal letter to each one of the 1400 members of the Friendly Hobby Club. However, this is my Christmas greeting card:
May all your happy dreams come true,
May all your skies be ever blue,
With finest friends in all the land,
And joys as countless as the sand,
This and more I wish to say,
I shall be here on Christmas Day.

We are going to have a real old-fashioned jolly Christmas. No doubt about it. We have worked hard, studied hard and for one day, of one week, we shall take off and celebrate the birth of our blessed Saviour, who so loved little children that He said, "Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Yes, we shall think of Jesus on Christmas.

Day how kind He was to everybody, the poor and the rich, and how He befriended the poor and lonely. We were most proud to pick out some lovely presents and to send them, speak kindly to them. That's the Christmas spirit and I want to keep it. I want to be happy through Christmas and to make others happy, too, by the charitable and thoughtful of the poor and the lonely.

Wherefore, Aunt Mary, with you the greatest of the MERRYEST CHRISTMAS and the HAPPIEST YEAR.

AUNT LUCY COMES TO VISIT
It was Christmas evening, and the living room of the Peter Brown family was brightly lit. Mother Brown was in the kitchen, washing the pans of preparation for the turkey, as the plum pudding, the cranberry sauce and the fruit basting.

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MERRY XMAS

Now, looking heavenward, she prayed: "Not this time, God, not this time; please spare John's life. He is so young, much too young to die. So was my soldier lover, but he was taken from me. I make no complaint. I find no fault. This will be done, oh Lord, not mine." For a long time she stood gazing at the (Continued next column)

the kids sure have had a big kick out of the crudely-made contraption." After hugs and kisses all around, Aunt Lucy was escorted into the big family room, warmly heated by a log-burning fireplace. Her annual Christmas visit was always an event to be long remembered and talked about. This visit was no exception.

Lucy Brown (always called "Aunt Lucy") had never married and her lovely gray ensemble with fox collar pulled close to her throat, together with a slender figure, belied her 50 years.

She was private secretary to a big business man in a distant city and except for her infrequent letters Christmas was the only time of year she visited her brother's family. The twin visited her and sometimes at night a thrill came over them when they lay awake in bed and whispered some of the romantic things they had heard about their aunt. A favorite story was of Aunt Lucy as a young woman during World War I when she went overseas, to nurse the wounded on many battle fronts. They loved to picture in their young minds the scene they had heard described so often by their father of how his

brother had come upon the man she had promised to marry among the many wounded on a battlefield in France, how the wounded man lay by the four unconscious, and finally opened his eyes as Lucy bent over him, administering to his wounds and later how he died in her arms in an heroic battle. To Jerry and Joan this was a great drama, somewhat like the one they had seen on the set at the Liberty Theater.

But Lucy it was something else. It was a sound that never faded. She chided herself for being a sentimental old fool. Yet in her heart she knew that her love for the dead brother of World War I remained through the years.

After the horses were finished and they all sat around the log fire in the living room they opened down. Each one was thinking of the happy remembrance of this grand Christmas Day.

"It was John who held me when I was a baby," Aunt Lucy said. "Well, I know we are thinking of the same thing. We are glad we have had this grand day together. We are wondering, too, what next year will be like. That is all I am wondering what it will be like. Shall we all be here together, just like this? I hope so."

Quietly Mr. Brown wiped a tear from his eyes. "I feel," he spoke softly, "we have had a good year before, but now that the time of our being together is not so long, I am glad to be here with you."

"John is leaving for the service tomorrow," Aunt Lucy said. "John is leaving for the service tomorrow," Aunt Lucy said. "John is leaving for the service tomorrow," Aunt Lucy said.

CHRISTMAS IN BETH LEHEM, PA.
Bethlehem, Penn., which will celebrate its 2014 anniversary this Christmas, was founded by Abraham settlers in 1711 who built in a rude cabin on a Copacabana creek and sang Christmas carols, which inspired them and their leader, Count Nicholas von Zinzendorf, to name the community after the little town of the Holy Land.

Bethlehem holds much of tourist interest in any season. It boasts the oldest griststone, first fire engine and oldest parlor boarding school in the United States. General Washington, Pulaski and Lafayette were entertained at Bethlehem's Warrenton Hotel. Revolutionary War soldiers were nursed back to health there in a building which is part of the Moravian College for Women.

DRIED FOOD BOOM
With one or two cargo carriers sunk every day, with tin so scarce, the business of dehydrating vegetables, fruits and eggs is booming.

The reason for all this activity is plain. Most food contains much water. Eggs and meat are three-fourths water. Some vegetables are 90 per cent water. Get rid of this water and we obviously reduce bulk and thus save shipping space and reduce the number of warships required for conveying.

Eleven pounds of vegetables become one pound by drying. Three dozen shell eggs make one pound of dried eggs. About four pounds of raw lean meat can be reduced to one pound. A cargo of dehydrated fruits, vegetables, eggs, milk and meat contains as much nutrition as several cargoes of raw ones.

Foods deprived of water are classified as "dried," "sun-dried," "evaporated" and "dehydrated." The first term implies the removal of water by any means; the second implies removal without artificial heat. In both evaporation and dehydration artificial heat is necessary. Evaporation depends on natural draft; dehydration on forced circulation of artificial heat.—Science Digest.

BUT ONE FAITH
Americans have built their way of life on a foundation of democracy. In the town meeting, in the caucus, in the council, in the Congress, each has his say. Discussion is in our blood, the free exchange of views. The forum is an American institution, the free forum. The free press is a firm tradition, exemplified by almost 13,000 newspapers in this land. The pulpit is a free pulpit, and though we have many creeds we have but one faith. Differences we may have but no dictator. A nation strong in time of peace is sure to be even stronger in time of war.

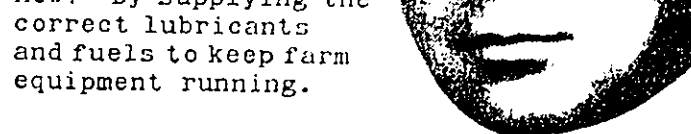
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