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Weekly Letter by George Proctor Fish and Game Conservation Officer

Believe it or not but at the last Boston Show a summer resident of one of my towns came to me and asked me if I thought the Dept. would be willing for them to purchase a radio set for my car to be connected up with the State Police Broadcast. I told them the only way to find out was to get in touch with both departments. When the summer people of my district want to connect me up with the State Police radio and will foot the bills, that's going some.

One of my neighbors, George W. Perham, reports in that Sunday morning last he saw seven deer in the rear of his farm near Pease Hill. This hill is also noted for its foxes and a few bobcats and quillips. Two red foxes were seen running down the road near the residence of Jake Rinker, one of my neighbors a few nights ago. The car chased them down the road and they turned in at my pond entrance and disappeared.

For the benefit of a man that forgot to sign his name I will say that skunks, mink, muskrats, otter are now protected till next November. A property owner has a right to kill any of the above if they are doing him damage. But you must prove damage. To kill any of the above the fine is \$10 and \$5 for each animal so killed and court costs.

The red fox is protected after March 1 to Sept. 1. Several bills are now in the hopper at Concord to place this fellow in the vermin class, then he could be killed at any time of the year.

Have asked several members of the legislature if there was a bill in to increase the bounty of porkeys or quillips and none of them had ever heard of such a bill.

After the first of March it's closed season on most all game birds and animals. Bear and Bobcats are classed as vermin and there is a bounty on each \$5 on the bear, \$20 on the bobcat. Then there is always an open season on owls, hawks, starlings, English sparrows and crows.

Some of the larger hawks and smaller owls are protected in some states but not in N. H.

Met a yellow the other day and he said that big increase in game can be blamed to the fallen timber. It's hard to find them and it's even harder to hunt them. Bobcats do love to fool a dog by running up a fallen tree to throw the dog off its track. A fox hunter told me last week that he saw a red fox 20 feet in the air on a huge fallen maple tree.

"Bill" Hight of Warren, Supt. of Distribution of Fish for the Dept., tells us that everything is all set for an early planting of trout this spring. All trout to be of legal length and all trout to be planted in the closed season. This year the open season will be May 1 unless the legislature now in session changes the date. Last year it was April 15 and other years it has been April 1. Last year, if you remember as far back as that, you had to have mittens to bait the hook. Worms froze stiff and the fly fishermen should have stayed at home. You can't fool the fish. They know that bugs are not flying when a worm freezes on the hook.

Down in Massachusetts for is in the vermin class and can be killed at any time but the fox hunters have a gentlemen's agreement not to kill a fox after Feb. 20.

Sure you have to have a special permit to practice taxidermy and if you practice on migratory birds you must have a permit from the Dept. of the Interior (Federal License) and a State permit as well.

Have you got your 1941 Guide's License which is required of all persons guiding fishermen or hunters? This license costs you \$2 and if out of state it cost \$20. If you guide without this permit the cost is 50 big iron men and costs of count thrown in for good measure. Breeders' permits and permits to keep live wild animals and birds are also due now.

People visiting the office of the Fish and Game Dept. at Concord will miss Elton Murray, the man from Berlin who was the contact man of the Dept. He was the man that went all over the state showing the wild life pictures and was very popular with sportsmen. He will be greatly missed by the sporting fraternity. He is now connected with some big company in Concord.

Speaking of hound dogs you should see the new puppy owned by Harold Fitch of Milford. This dog came from the far west and his sire and dam are champs. He is only 7 months old, weighs 80 lbs., and has an ear spread of 30 inches. He is acoon dog. Besides this one Mr. Fitch has a kennel full of other cat and raccoon dogs. In his kitchen he has a new litter of blue tick puppies.

Every man who likes to target practice and to hunt should join the N. R. A. meaning National Rifle Association with headquarters at Washington, D. C. This organization has done more for the sportsmen than any other one organization in the country. But for them we would have lost our guns years ago. Now there is in Congress a bill to regulate as they say but it means to take away the use of our guns as a defense measure—Fifth Column and Gangsters.

This law would leave the country at the mercy of the gangsters as everyone knows a gangster will have his gun law or no law while the law abiding citizen will turn his in. The bill is now pending calls for you to turn all your guns into some central place every P. M. at 4 and you can't have the gun till the next morning at 10. And then you must have a very good excuse for its use that day. Talk about your free country. It's up to us all to contact our Representatives in the Senate and House to vote against this bill when it comes up for action. There is a great yell now that it's a defense movement—defenses for the crooks.

Last week was skunk week and we removed quite a few from under porches and cellars in some of my towns. A few warm mornings bring them out in good numbers much to the discomfort of the inmates in the house. If a skunk gets smelly it's a sign that he is being bothered or annoyed by some larger animal. The skunk has only one means of defense and he knows how to use it. In most every case we have found that cats have been the disturbing element. A skunk will never scent only as a last resort.

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TOWN WARRANT

Hillsborough, ss.
To the Inhabitants of the Town of Antrim, in the County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said Town, on the ELEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, 1941, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers, Agents and Trustees for the ensuing year.

2. To hear the report of the Auditors on the Town Officers' accounts, and act thereon.

3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$100.00 to assist the William M. Myers Post, No. 50, American Legion, and Ephraim Weston Post, No. 87, G. A. R., in properly observing Memorial Day.

4. To see how much money the Town will appropriate for the repair of Roads and Bridges for the ensuing year.

5. To see how much money the Town will appropriate for snow removal for the ensuing year.

6. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$2,800.00 for surface treatment and maintenance of town roads.

7. To see how much money the Town will appropriate for Street Lighting for the ensuing year, or take any action thereon.

8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower its Selectmen to borrow such sums as may be necessary in anticipation of Taxes.

9. To see if the town will raise and appropriate not over \$500.00 to re-surface the sidewalk from the south corner of Goodell Co.'s main factory building to the south corner of Goodell Co.'s handle shop, excluding High St. crossing, and to build a sidewalk with a gravel base and tar top from the south corner of Goodell Co.'s handle shop along the state highway to Pleasant St., the total distance to be repaired or built being approximately 800 ft., or take any action thereon.

10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$536.17 in order to obtain from the State Highway Department the sum of \$2,144.67 to be used on repairs to Class V roads.

11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$451.08 to re-imburse Antrim Precinct for the amount paid for alterations to the Engine House necessary to properly house the fire truck purchased last year or take any action thereon.

12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money not in excess of \$100 to purchase a tract of land near the bathing beach at Gregg Lake, commonly known as lots 15, 16 and 17, formerly of the late Charles R. Jameson and now of Guy A. Hiett, and authorize its Selectmen to take a deed in the name of the town for such purchase, or take any action thereon.

13. To see if the town will vote on occasion warrants it, to petition the state tax commission to have an audit made by the municipal accounting division and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of such audit, said appropriation not to exceed the sum of \$50.00.

14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Board of Selectmen to sponsor a W.P.A. project in cooperation with the State Planning and Development Commission, for a Tax Map of the Town, and appropriate a sum sufficient therefor or take any other action.

15. To see if the town will vote to repair and tar Depot street from corner of Aiken and Main streets, to gap leading into Colby or Clark mowing, a distance of approximately 1700 feet, and raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money therefor or take any action thereon.

16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$50 to provide for the suitable care and maintenance of Public Cemeteries within its confines, which are not otherwise provided for, as required by Chapter 55, Section 4 of the Public Statutes.

17. To see if the Town will vote to rebuild the sidewalk on the west side of North Main and Main Streets, beginning at the residence of Henry Hurlin and extending to the Town Hall, and raise and appropriate a sum necessary for same.

18. To see if the Town will vote that a discount be made to those who shall pay their property taxes within a period to be fixed and to fix the amount of such discount and limit the period.

19. To see how much money the Town will vote for the care of Parks and Playgrounds for the ensuing year.

20. To see if the town will vote to reimburse Antrim Precinct for all expenses of the Fire Department, or take any action thereon.

21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for the control of White Pine blister rust; the money to be spent under the supervision of the State Forestry Department and local help to be employed; the State to augment this amount by 25%, or take any action thereon.

22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to the Monadnock Region Association of Scenic New Hampshire for issuance and distribution of printed matter, newspaper and magazine advertising, calling attention to the resources and natural advantages of the Town, in cooperation with the other thirty-seven Towns in the Monadnock Region.

23. To see if the Town will vote to name the street running from Bass Farm to Mescilbrooks Farm, Whiton Street, in honor of the Rev. John M. Whiton, the town's first pastor, who built as his residence the house now known as Bass Farm, and to authorize the Selectmen to place sign posts at each end of said street, or to take other action.

24. To see if the town will make any change in the status of Chief of Police by changing the pay or hours of employment, or take any action thereon.

25. To hear reports of Committees, and act thereon.

26. To see how much money the Town will raise for statutory requirements and to carry the above Articles and Appropriations of the School Meeting into effect.

27. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands in said Antrim, this twenty-fourth day of February, 1941.

ALFRED G. HOLT
DALTON P. BROOKS
Selectmen of Antrim

Bennington Town Warrant Posted

Some of these articles are condensed so as to save space and time in writing and reading.

1) To choose Town Officers for ensuing year.

2) To raise money to defray Town charges for ensuing year.

3) To see what sum the Town will raise for Highways and Bridges.

4) To see if Town will accept State aid for class 3 roads and raise money for same.

5) To see if Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow such sums of money as necessary in anticipation of taxes.

6) To see if Town will vote to accept State aid for State aid roads and raise money for same.

7) To see if Town will vote to raise \$300 for control of White Pine Blister Rust.

8) To see if Town will vote to buy 100 feet 1/2 inch hose and raise money for same.

9) To see if Town will vote to buy 100 feet 1/2 inch hose and raise money for same.

10) To what action Town will take in regard to Real Estate taken over by Town for non-payment of taxes.

11) To see if Town will vote to buy fire proof safe or install fire proof vault and raise money for same.

12) To see if Town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made by the division of municipal accounting and make appropriation to cover expenses of such audit.

13) To see if Town will vote to raise \$100 to the Monadnock Region Assoc., of Southern N. H. for issuance and distribution of printed matter, newspaper and magazine advertising calling attention to resources and natural advantages of Town in cooperation with 37 Towns in this Region.

14) To see if Town will vote to raise money to install new motor in small fire truck.

15) To see if Town will vote to raise money to wire town and tractor barn for electricity.

16) To see how much money Town will raise for statutory requirements and to carry the articles and appropriation of the School District into effect.

17) To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

MRS. FANNIE CLEMENT

Mrs. Fannie Clement, a lifelong resident of New Boston, passed away Friday, February 21st, after a long illness. She was tenderly cared for by her sister, Josephine Stearns.

Mrs. Clement was born in New Boston, the daughter of James and Emily Douglas, September 21st, 1884 and had always lived there. In 1915 she married George Clement of New Boston. Two children were born to them, but died young.

Her survivors are her husband; two brothers, Clarence Douglas of Wilton; and two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Brown of Antrim and Josephine Stearns of Hampton, Conn., and several nephews and nieces.

Mrs. Clement was a woman of cheerful disposition and loved by all who knew her both in the home town and other places, where she was active in nursing work.

Funeral services were held at the home Monday at 2 p. m. Rev. Labosquet of Amherst, former pastor of the New Boston church, officiating. Burial in the family lot at New Boston, under the direction of Arthur Holt, mortician.

HANCOCK

W. G. Fisher, who has purchased the Joslin store building at Clinton, has had installed an electric refrigerator and expected his first consignment of meat for his market Wednesday. He will make deliveries by truck.

Blank Fine Paid
A Fort Worth, Texas, corporation, court received a signed blank check recently from an Arlington, Texas, woman in payment for a traffic fine. "I don't know how much it is," she wrote. "Just fill in the amount." The fine was \$10.

Concord Branch NHU Plan Alumni Meeting

The Concord Branch of the University of New Hampshire Alumni plan to hold a big meeting on the night of March 17 at the Universalist Church in Concord, as their part in the celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the founding of the University.

The group assembled will listen by radio hookup, arranged by Albertson's Radio Shop, to a speech broadcast by Lowell Thomas from the campus of the University.

Supper will be served by ladies of the church, and a style show depicting what the well dressed coed wore thru the various years will be presented by the Women's Alumni group of Concord, under the direction of Miss Catherine Mason.

Paul Blaisdell, former Mayor of Durham will serve as toastmaster and master of ceremonies for the evening. Music will be under the direction of Mr. Edward Crawford, assistant music supervisor of the Public Schools. The main speech of the evening will be given by Mr. Burnham Davis, County Solicitor of Carroll County. Short speeches will be made by some of the old grads, and letters from Alumni now in Military Service will be read.

Letters to all Alumni in Concord and surrounding cities and towns have been mailed out from the University Alumni Office inviting them all to come and take part in this celebration. Anyone interested may contact Mrs. Rachel Carpenter Secretary of Concord Branch State Employment office, Concord.

The officers of Concord Branch are, Pres, James Boyd; V. Pres., Harry Weathers; Secy., Rachel Carpenter; Treas., Katherine McInnis; Miss Marion Holt in charge of arrangements and Dr. Osmond Strong is in charge of publicity.

East Deering

Mrs. Juliette Whitaker had her 88th birthday, February 27. She had callers thru the day and evening. She received cards and letters and a nice cake from Rev and Mrs. Herbert Cooper also gifts from other friends.

Star 4-H Club

The Star 4-H club held an all day meeting at Judson hall, on March 1. We helped our leader, Mrs. Wood get dinner. After dinner the girls started making blankets and the boys on forestry.

We made plans for a St. Patrick's Supper, and all members were present.

Card of Thanks

For the friendly interest as expressed by cards, letters, flowers, and other acts of kindness during my recent illness, I wish to express my appreciation and return sincere thanks.
Elizabeth E. Robinson

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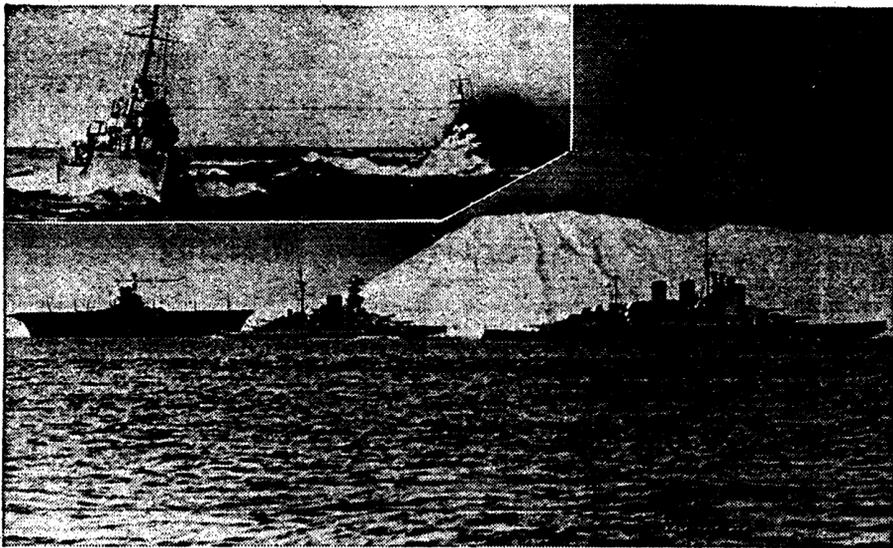
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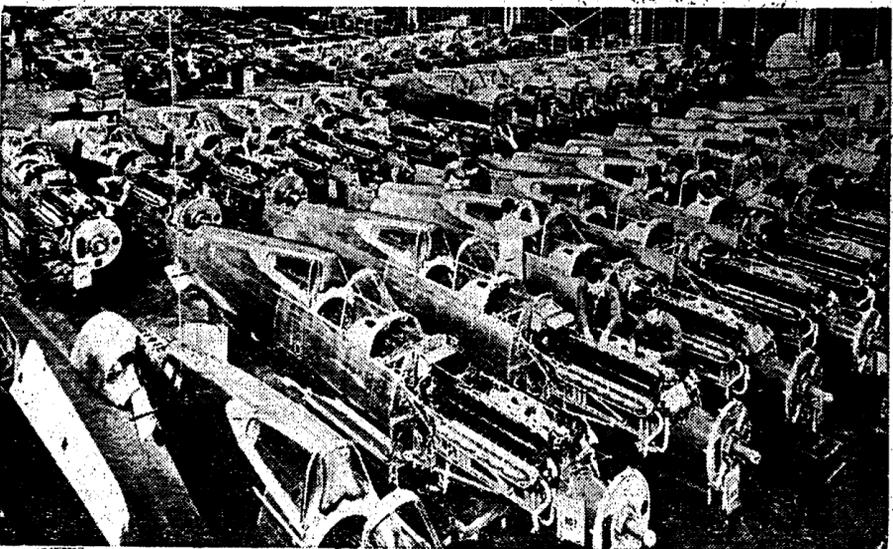
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Guard British Aid to Greece



Three powerful units of the British fleet are seen off the Rock of Gibraltar as they helped cover passage of convoys through the Mediterranean to Greece. The warships are (left to right) aircraft carrier Ark Royal, an unidentified battleship, and dreadnaught, Renown. (Insert) British destroyers making high-speed turns when attacked by enemy aircraft while convoying ships through Mediterranean.

New Fighters for Uncle Sam's Air Force



Interior view of the huge Curtiss-Wright plant in Buffalo, N. Y., showing the mass assembling of the new Curtiss P-40 pursuit ships for the U. S. army air corps. This plant turns out 10 planes daily, and will soon increase this number as additional trained mechanics are put to work in the new plant buildings.

When Enemies Become Allies



For the moment at least, enemies become allies to help a wounded soldier. A British officer and an Italian prisoner are shown in this sound-photo carrying an Italian casualty at Bengasi, Libya, to an ambulance. Another wounded soldier is on the ground awaiting assistance from the friendly enemies.

British Convalescent Home Kept Busy



At a hospital in the northeast section of England wounded Royal Air Force pilots and girls of the Women's Auxiliary Air Force are now "in mending." The hospital is used by the R. A. F. and the W. A. A. F. Picture shows convalescents walking about the grounds.

Found Years Later



Wrecked plane of Charles Stanton, of Dorchester, Mass., which disappeared with its five passengers June 20, 1937. It was recently found by four farmers in a jungle near San Jose, Costa Rica—its passengers a tangled heap of bones.

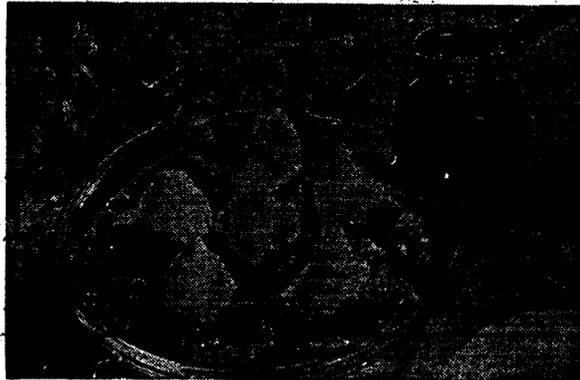
Canada's Navy on Job



Two officers of the Royal Canadian navy watch over a convoy from the bridge of their destroyer. With the increasing flow of war materials to Britain, Canada is kept busy.

Household News

By Eleanor Howe



THIS PUDDING FAIRLY SHOUTS "TRY ME!" (See Recipes Below)

ADD ONE CUP OF IMAGINATION

Once upon a time a friend told me that to her the addition of "one cup" of imagination was the most important ingredient that could be used in any recipe. So whole heartedly do I agree with her that today I want to give you a number of recipes to which that ingredient, imagination, has been added. In fact, so successfully has this been done that each of these recipes is different, yet each is delicious — each fairly shouts "Try me!"

These recipes, moreover, have been chosen as luncheon favorites because, of all of the meals of the day, the family luncheon some way seems to be most neglected.

Take the baked apricot and tapioca pudding for example; have you ever before thought of serving a coffee sauce with such a pudding? Yet the blend of flavors which results from combining this particular pudding with this particular sauce is really delicious—long to be remembered.

Sausage Stand-Up.

(Serves 4 to 6)

- 1 8-ounce package spaghetti (broken small)
 - 1 pound breakfast sausages
 - 3/4 cup minced onion
 - 1 clove garlic (minced)
 - 4 tablespoons parsley (finely chopped)
 - 1 can tomato paste (6-ounce)
 - 1 cup water
 - 1 1/4 teaspoons salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
 - 1/2 teaspoon sugar
 - 3/4 cup grated cheese
- Cook broken spaghetti in boiling water (6 cups) (1 teaspoon salt per quart water) until tender, about 20 minutes, then drain. Place sausages in skillet, add 1/4 cup of water and cook until nicely browned, about 15 minutes. Sauté onion, garlic, and parsley in sausage fat for 5 minutes, until onions are yellow and transparent. Remove from fat and combine with tomato paste and seasonings. Combine spaghetti with tomato sauce and turn into buttered casserole. Tuck sausages into spaghetti in upright position, so that just the end of each sausage shows. Sprinkle grated cheese over top and bake in moderate oven (350 degrees Fahrenheit) for 20 minutes.

Baked Apricot and Tapioca Pudding

(Serves 6 to 8)

- 1/2 cup pearl tapioca
 - 1/2 cup evaporated apricots or 2 cups canned apricots
 - 1/2 cup sugar
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 2 teaspoons lemon juice
 - 3 cups warm water
 - 1 tablespoon butter
- Soak pearl tapioca in cold water, to cover, for one hour. Wash apricots and place in a well-greased 1 1/2-quart heat-resistant glass casserole. Add sugar, salt, lemon juice and warm water. Drain tapioca; stir it into the fruit mixture in casserole and cot with bits of butter. Cover the dish and bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees Fahrenheit) for 1 hour or until the tapioca parts are translucent. Cool, top with whipped cream, if desired, and serve with coffee sauce.

Coffee Sauce.

- 1/2 cup sugar
 - 1 1/4 tablespoons cornstarch
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1 cup hot coffee, regular strength
 - 2 tablespoons butter
 - 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg, if desired
- Blend sugar, cornstarch and salt in the upper part of a 1-quart heat-resistant glass double boiler. Add coffee and cook until it thickens, stirring constantly. Blend in butter and nutmeg. Cool and serve with apricot and tapioca pudding.

Hot Dogs in Blankets.

When baking fresh yeast rolls, wrap strips of the dough around wieners, allowing the ends to stick out of their dough blanket. Give the dough time to double in bulk and bake as usual. These hot dogs in

My Style Spaghetti.

(Serves 5 to 6)

- 1/2 cup olive oil
 - 1 small onion, chopped
 - 1 green pepper, seeded and chopped
 - 1 pound ground beef
 - 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
 - 1 cup tomato puree
 - 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
 - 1/2 cup grated cheese
 - 1 cup canned corn
 - 1/2 package spaghetti, cooked
- Heat olive oil in frying pan and add onion, green pepper and ground beef. Fry until brown and then add the salt, tomato puree, and Worcestershire sauce. Stir in the grated cheese together with the corn and cooked spaghetti. Place in buttered baking casserole and bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees Fahrenheit) for approximately 40 minutes.

Honey All-Bran Spice Cookies.

(Makes 2 1/2 dozen cookies)

- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1/2 cup honey
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 cup All-Bran
- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon soda
- 1/2 teaspoon cloves
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 cup seedless raisins

Blend shortening, sugar and honey thoroughly. Add egg and beat until creamy. Add bran. Sift flour once before measuring. Add salt, baking powder, soda, cloves and cinnamon. Combine with raisins. Add to first mixture and beat well. Drop dough

by teaspoons on lightly greased baking sheet about 2 1/2 inches apart. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees Fahrenheit) about 12 to 15 minutes.

Cheese Soup With Rice

(Serves 5)

- 1 cup cooked carrot (very finely diced)
- 4 cups milk
- 1 tablespoon chopped onion
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup grated cheese
- 2 tablespoons chopped pimiento
- 2 egg yolks
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup white pepper
- 1/2 cup rice (cooked)

Add carrot and onion to milk and scald. Melt butter in saucepan, add flour and blend to a smooth paste. Add milk gradually to flour mixture, stirring all the time. Add cheese, salt and pepper, stirring until cheese is melted. Pour over well-beaten egg yolks, stirring constantly. Serve at once with spoonful of hot cooked rice.

Mexican Spaghetti.

(Serves 8 to 10)

- 1/2 pound spaghetti
- 1 can peas (No. 2)
- 1/2 pound raw ham (ground)
- 1/2 pound American cheese (grated)
- 1 can tomatoes (No. 2)
- 1/2 cup green pepper (cut fine)
- 1 tablespoon pimiento (cut fine)
- 2 tablespoons butter (melted)
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper

Bacon strips
Cook the spaghetti in boiling, salted water. Drain. In a baking dish arrange layers of spaghetti, peas, ground ham and cheese and combine tomatoes, green pepper, pimiento, butter, and seasonings. Pour over the spaghetti. Cover with grated cheese and top with bacon strips. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees Fahrenheit) for one hour.

Refrigerator Hamburgers.

(Serves 5)

- 1 pound hamburger
 - 2 tablespoons finely minced onion
 - 1/4 cup chopped green pepper
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 1 tablespoon prepared mustard
 - 1 tablespoon horseradish
- Mix all ingredients together, and shape into a roll 2 1/2 inches in diameter. Let stand in the refrigerator several hours or over night. When ready to use, cut in slices 3/4 inches thick and fry or broil as for regular hamburgers.

(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

If You Read in Bed You'll Want This Bag

By RUTH WYETH SPEARS
THIS bag was planned as a hospital gift for someone who was finding days in bed difficult enough without having books, magazines, writing materials and spectacle case scattered about and forever getting lost. If you like to take an assortment of reading matter to bed, sick or well, you will enjoy a bag like this. Its hanger hook



may be sewed to box springs and there you are with everything at hand.

The bag shown here was made of a remnant of heavy cotton upholstery material in tones of green with a touch of red in the pattern. The red was repeated in the sateen lining. The sketch gives all the dimensions and shows how the lining and the outside part were made. A coat hanger was cut down to measure 12 inches from end to end and was placed between the lining and the outside; these being stitched together around the top, as illustrated.

NOTE: As a service to our readers Mrs. Spears has prepared a series of six booklets of her original ideas. Each booklet contains 32 home-making projects with illustrated directions. Booklets are numbered from 1 to 6, numbers 3 and 4 contain directions for other types of bags and door pockets that will make house-keeping easier. Booklets are 10c each and may be ordered direct from:

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Spotlight

of GRANTLAND RICE

BARTOW, GA.—How many states have turned out more stars, especially in the way of quality, than the sovereign commonwealth of Georgia? This angle occurred to us in roaming the red clay hills and the stubble in the pursuit of quail. Georgia's record is phenomenal. For her top man in baseball she gives you Ty Cobb, once known as the Royston Roarer.

For men's golf she offers one Robert T. Jones Jr. and for her women golfers she offers one Alexa Stirling. Her two best fighting men were Young Stribling and Tiger Flowers. They were not world beaters, but close to the top when in their prime.

For track and field there is Spec Towns, who set a new world's hurdling record in the last Olympic games. The last for a long time.

Georgia Tech and Georgia university have both played their share of winning football through the years. Bryan ("Betsy") Grant has been her main contribution to tennis—never a champion but the man-handler of tennis giants.

In addition to Bobby Jones, Georgia also produced big Ed Dudley, one of the best of all the swingers, one of the star stylists of the game.

And looking a long way back we still recall Bobby Walthour, who for years had the cycling championship and the six-day races at his mercy.

Her list of star ball players is a long one, including Nap Rucker, Brooklyn's star left hander, and Sherrod Smith, another southpaw.

The Race Track
It was from Atlanta, Ga., that Charles S. Howard, owner of Seabiscuit, Kayak II and Moland came along to racing fame.

And it was also from Georgia hills that Tom Smith, Howard's famous trainer, came to the money-winning top. In the last three years Smith-trained thoroughbreds have won a million dollars.

Georgia can offer a stout challenge, in the way of quality, to any other state. I doubt that any other state can offer two such headlines as Bobby Jones and Ty Cobb.

In baseball Maryland isn't far away.

This busy sporting center can present Babe Ruth, Jimmy Foxx and Home Run Baker, whose busy bludgeons produced more home-run thunder than any other trio, although New York is close up with Lou Gehrig and Hank Greenberg.

And for boxing, what about Maryland's Joe Gans?

What about Pennsylvania with Christy Mathewson, Eddie Plank, Chief Bender, Big Bill Tilden, Ted Meredith?

Texas Presents—
Texas would also like to take the stand with Tris Speaker, Rogers Hornsby, Ted Lyons, Sammy Baugh, Davey O'Brien, Jack Johnson, Byron Nelson, Ralph Guddah, Ben Hogan, Jimmy Demaret, Wilmer Allison, Betty Jameson—these and many more.

New York's list is tremendous—Gene Tunney, Walter Hagen, Lou Gehrig, Hank Greenberg, Eddie Collins, John McGraw, Benny Leonard and many others.

What about Colorado with Jack Dempsey, Whizzer White and Dutch Clark?

Or Massachusetts with John Lawrence Sullivan, "the grand old tub from Boston," Mike Murphy, Keene Fitzpatrick, Eddie Mahan, and Francis Oulmet.

California's Claims
California is dead certain to enter her claim. Joe DiMaggio for baseball—Jim Corbett and Willie Ritchie for boxing—Little Bill Johnston, Don Budge, Ellsworth Vines, Helen Wills, May Sutton Bundy and Alice Marble for tennis—Lawson Little for golf—an amazing football average piled up by Southern California, Stanford, Santa Clara and California—an amazing track record headed by Charley Paddock, Frank Wyckoff and several pole vaulters who keep breaking records.

Here are most of our main headlines for the last 30 years:
Baseball—Cobb, Georgia; Ruth, Maryland.

Boxing—Dempsey, Colorado; Tunney, New York; Johnson, Texas; Joe Louis, Alabama.

Football—Best all-around back, Jim Thorpe, Oklahoma; best all-around lineman, Pudge Heffelfinger, Minnesota.

Golfers—Bobby Jones, Georgia; Walter Hagen, New York.
Track—Jesse Owens, Ohio.
Tennis—Bill Tilden, Pennsylvania.

Speaking of SPORTS

By ROBERT McSHANE
Published by Western Newspaper Union

A MAGAZINE article published after the 1940 world's championship three-cushion billiard tournament labeled Willie Hoppe "the greatest living argument in favor of the pool hall."

That was not an overstatement. No other man has so completely dominated a sport for so long a time as has Hoppe. Few golf fans will agree on an all-time standout performer. A half-dozen ringside veterans will claim the "greatest" tag for an equal number of fighters. Baseball enthusiasts have a hundred heroes. That isn't true of billiards. Billiard greatness and Willie Hoppe are synonymous. They have been for 40 years.

Willie, 53 years old, has devoted his life to the game. From the time he was seven, he practiced from four to eight hours a day. He was a boy wonder at nine, playing exhibition games all over the country. Thirteen years ago he was referred to as "the grand old man of the cue."

Three-Time Champion
In 1940 he won for the second time the world's three-cushion championship by winning 20 straight games, a feat comparable to a Tony Galento victory over Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis.

In 1941 the New Yorker won his second consecutive three-cushion title, the third during his career. He lost only one match in the 17-game tournament.

Hoppe's competitive career really started when he was 12. His father arranged a match for him with Al Taylor, 30 years old and one of the best balk-line players in the coun-



WILLIE HOPPE

try. Taylor started out by being amused at his diminutive colleague. His amusement gave way to a totally different feeling when Willie won the match by a score of 300 to 207.

In the past 35 years there has never been a time when Willie did not hold at least one championship. According to his own estimate he has played or practiced billiards for about four hours a day for the last 40 years—the equivalent of 8½ years of continuous play.

Allowance for Youth
His singleminded devotion to the game is responsible for much of his success. While most of his boyhood friends were playing shiny, baseball or indulging in some other strenuous pastime, Willie was at his father's pool table, figuring out the tough ones. He had to stand on a soap box because he wasn't tall enough to crouch over the edge of the table.

Even today Hoppe uses a side-arm stroke, the result of learning the game before he was tall enough to adopt a standard shot.

Although billiards doesn't pay as well as it did 20 years ago, Willie still makes around \$10,000 a year. In the early twenties he was making \$25,000 a year.

Hoppe differs from his contemporaries in many ways. Chiefly, his technique is different. Most professional players use the diamond system, which derives its name from the inlaid markers around the edge of the table. A player can figure out his shots by counting these markers. Hoppe has never used this system. He prefers to figure things out in his head.

This method has worked quite well for him. When he was only 13, he ran 3,000 straight billiards. Today he holds the world's record run of 25 consecutive three-cushion billiards. He has broken so many records and won so many tournaments that he has lost count.

All of which demonstrates why Willie is known as Mr. Billiards.

Sport Shorts
Luke Hamlin of the Brooklyn Dodgers says bad tonsils caused his poor play last season. He has had them removed.

James Brennan, 52, who died in Hincley, Minn., recently, had been president of the Minnesota Amateur Baseball league for 16 years.

Margaret H. Slogar of Cleveland, Ohio, rolled 25 strikes in 34 frames for a 759 three-game total. It's a season record for women bowlers.



ANOTHER LETTER FROM PRIVATE PURKEY

Dear Mom:

The cake and things you sent arrived okay only I did not get none on account of my buddies opened them. The trouble with the army is that you can't keep a separate mailing address. Well, everything is going along good and life in the army ain't so bad once you make up your mind it can't be any too good.

We have movies here but no screen, so you would not like army life, mom. We have hostesses here, too. I thought a hostess was somebody you found in airplanes, but in the camps a hostess is a lady who has charge of the entertainment side of life and I think we may even get rumba lessons in this war. There are quite a few hostesses here, but do not worry about me, Mom, as they are all pretty old, some even as old as 38 and 40. I don't know who is picking them, but it ain't Billy Rose.

At first I thought the Camp Fire Girls were being drafted, too, but I found out the government wants the soldiers to have as much amusement as they can get in the next war, including double features, swing music and Mickey Mouse. They even have cafeteria lunch-rooms for visitors so if an outsider gets poisoned they can't blame it on the regular army cook.

More rifles are arriving and I guess maybe by the time war comes' almost every soldier will have a gun.

Do not keep sending me heavy underwear as you have my tent full of it already.

Love,
Oscar.

Dear Mom:

I am getting so I do not mind being here at all and my morale would be good except I didn't keep getting newspapers and reading the news from Washington. I have got around to the point where I am used to taking orders and to facing a war if there is no way out, but what is all this stuff about going to the aid of China, Greece and all nations everywhere?

In one breath I am told I will not be sent out of the United States and in the next I hear all countries in trouble anywhere can depend on help from me, and if all this is so, I keep asking myself why I didn't join the navy to see the world, which I may have to see anyhow.

What is all this lease-lend stuff, and do I go with the lease? Also could you send me some newspaper article explaining what is being lended. I hope no tanks are being lended as we are still using ice wagons here. If we must lend something let us lend first sergeants as there are too many of 'em around this camp.

The food here could be better. I haven't had a good juicy steak yet. Are they lending them to somebody, too?

Well, do not worry, as I am getting used to everything and am very happy today because I learned Otto Bixby, who was my boss at the store, has been drafted, too, and will be here, too, any day now.

Love,
Oscar.

Dear Mom:

Bixby, my old boss (who was such a stinker), just arrived and is in my company. I am going to work hard now to be a sergeant, or at least a corporal. I will write more later.

Love,
Oscar.

Dear Mom:

Modish ladies may expect Curvature of spine and neck, And toward moving turn quite passive. If costume jools become more massive.

—J. H. Niles

Add Things for Which There Is No Explanation Outside the Psychopathic Wards: Miami, where more naked women are visible on the beaches than anywhere on earth, is featuring Sally Rand in a night-club disrobing act! And the people are flocking to see her!

Seymour says that Italy is shaped like a boot and that its generals are shaped like heels.

The greatest understatement in history: Sherman's verdict that war is hell.

ALL SET

If the war ends, as almost everybody expects, with every nation on earth broke, busted and flat on its uppers, the world has at least an appropriate post-war song for us all: "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, the Boys Are Marching."

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- The Questions**
1. What is the only state in the Union which is bounded by one state alone?
 2. Which of the following is a natural magnet—Capstone, thunderstone or lodestone?
 3. What are known as cardinal winds?
 4. When was the boundary between the United States and Canada finally determined?
 5. What are the odors of the principal gases that are used in war?
 6. How many shillings are there in a British pound?
 7. How small can diamonds be cut?
 8. Who said: "I know of no method to secure the repeal of bad or obnoxious laws so effective as their stringent execution?"
 9. In what city is the street called the Strand?
 10. Who rode in Conestoga wagons?

- The Answers**
1. Maine.
 2. Lodestone.
 3. Winds blowing from due north, east, south or west.
 4. The boundary between the United States and Canada was not completely determined until 1925, or 142 years after our country signed the treaty with England.
 5. As nearly as can be described, mustard gas smells like garlic; lewisite like geraniums; phosgene like musty hay; and tear gas like apple blossoms.
 6. Twenty.
 7. Some diamond cutters have become so expert in cutting very small diamonds for mass settings that they produce regular 58-facet stones so small that as many as 800 weigh only one carat.
 8. Ulysses S. Grant (inaugural address March 4, 1869).
 9. London (from Fleet street to Trafalgar square, parallel to and near the Thames).
 10. American pioneers. Conestoga wagons were known as prairie schooners.

Beginner Didn't Want Possibility to Be Wasted

The instructor was teaching the awkward fellow to drive a car. "Put out your left hand to signal. Then with your left foot step in the clutch. With your right hand put the gearshift into first. Gradually ease up on the clutch, accelerating with your right foot. "When the car has gathered speed, again step in the clutch, shifting with the right hand to second. Then with the left foot slowly let out the clutch, accelerating with the right foot. Then repeat to shift to high speed. Keep your eyes on the road ahead." "There's nothing useful I could do with my nose, is there?" inquired the beginner.

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To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Antrim, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the TENTH DAY OF MARCH, 1941, at eight o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.
9. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

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Antrim Locals

Rev. Harrison L. Packard preached in Greenville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Poor attended the water commissioners' meeting at Claremont Tuesday.

Miss Edith Linton has been at her North Branch home from her school in Bethlehem.

Miss Peggy Lou Brown of Waltham, Mass., has been visiting at Mr. and Mrs. Ben Butterfield's.

Mrs. Abbie Dunlap has returned from a visit in New Durham with her daughter and husband.

William Munhall was taken to the hospital at Grasmere for treatment following a shock.

Miss Pauline Whitney has returned to her teaching in Hampton after spending a vacation with her mother here.

Mrs. Albert Brown and Mrs. Lillian Grant attended the funeral of Mrs. Fannie Clement in New Boston Monday.

Mrs. Robert Caughey and daughter Margaret of Durham are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Pratt.

Arthur Proctor fell through a trap door in his barn Wednesday morning but luckily broke no bones though badly bruised.

The West Hillsboro County Ministers' Association spent Tuesday in Concord as guests of Rev. William Weston, senator from Hancock.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Burns, who were married Friday, will live upstairs in the Varnum house on Pleasant street. Both are employed at the Goodell company factory.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union met Tuesday evening with Mrs. F. A. Dunlap. Mrs. Poor led the devotional service. The new department chairmen were appointed. Letters from Mrs. Grace Hamilton, state president, and Mrs. Catherine Ballock, editor of the Granite State Monthly, were read and these communications were discussed. The program was participated in by all present.

J. T. Hanchett reports seeing two young foxes in the woods several hundred yards from his home. His cat saw them too from (of all places) her perch on his shoulder to which spot she had only that minute been raised. He says, "Puss and I 'froze' as we watched the beautiful and nimble creatures hunt to within fifty feet of us but completely unaware of our presence. Susie was deeply stirred but performed admirably under trying circumstances."

Hancock

The local Girl Scouts are to present 3 1-act plays in a few weeks.

Dr. S. Vernon Briggs, one of the town's prominent residents died at Tucson, Arizona, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Burton of South Lyndeboro were guests of her sister Mrs. Frank Hadley Sunday.

Rev. William Weston is to preach at an anniversary service at the Sturtevant Chapel in Keene Sunday afternoon and also in the evening.

Mrs. Maude Dufrain and daughter Valetta and Harry Dufrain and daughter Marie attended the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Fannie Clement, of New Boston last Monday.

Three generations in two families were represented at a special birthday supper Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl G. Upton, in honor of the birthday of Mrs. Upton's father, Homer C. Wheeler, and that of Rev. William Weston. Completing the three generations in the Wheeler family was Howard Weston, son of Mrs. Upton. In the second and third generations in the family of Rev. Mr. Weston were his daughter, Mrs. C. Arthur Ledward, and her daughter, Miss Constance Ledward. Others present were George W. Goodhue, his sister, Miss Lettie Goodhue, and Mrs. Wheeler. For several years Mrs. Wheeler had a special supper at the Wheeler home on this date for her husband and Rev. Mr. Weston and Mr. Goodhue, but this year it was decided to hold it at the more central location. Mr. Wheeler, 77, has taken an active part in town affairs ever since he moved here from Somerville, Mass., many years ago and has held several town positions. Rev. Mr. Weston, 72, is the state senator from this district and Mr. Goodhue, who will be 84 on April 20, is the town moderator.

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REPORTERETTES

There are no empty honors for fatheads.

A foolish idea a day keeps the mind working.

Hitler's protective peace is about to descend upon the Bulgarians.

Movie director says all movies are a gamble. Those that win do so on a full house.

Chaos often results from a good intention, in combination with an ignorant mind.

Social tact is making your company feel at home, even when you wish they were.

The man who does not like his neighbors vegetables should plant his own garden.

Few problems are capable of solution in mass-meetings. Harangues seldom do more than stir emotion.

You begin to reveal depth and breadth in personality when you cease to fear the competition of others.

When the average American shouts for unity he means that other people should fall in line with his views.

If a woman does housework for \$6 a week, that's domestic service. If she does it for nothing that's matrimony.

The past nine years have been a triumph for pessimists who always expect the worst. Well, they've had it at last.

It's all right for a man to take himself seriously, but he'd better watch out when his girl friend begins to do so.

A new microscope magnifies up to 100 thousand times. They say a drop of pond water looks like the European situation.

Fatigue, says the ad for sparkling water, is the sign of a low alkaline reserve. Time was when it was a sign of work, but that seems so medieval now.

Frankly, brethren and sisters, if you have the money, we know of no better buy than a year's subscription to The Messenger. After all, even an editor has to eat.

Opportunity really knocks at a great many doors every day. The reason why so many of us don't answer is that we know Opportunity wants us to go to work.

Too many people trying to do the same thing, they say, becomes a vexing problem in Washington, where the quota has always been one pair of feet to one desktop.

Church Notes

Furnished by the Pastors of the Different Churches

Baptist Church

Rev. Ralph H. Tibbals, Pastor

Thursday, March 6

Prayer meeting 7:30 p. m. Topic: "The Hospitality of Prayer", I Thess 1:2-8, Phil. 1:3-11.

Sunday, Mar. 9

Church School 9:45
Morning Worship 11. The pastor will preach on "Lifted by Kneeling." Crusaders 4

The Young People's Fellowship at six in the Presbyterian Vestry. Leader: Miss Marcia Edwards. Subject: What Makes Life Worth While?
Union Service 7 in the Vestry of the Presbyterian Church.

Presbyterian Church

Rev. Wm. McN. Kittredge, Pastor

Thursday, 7 P. M.

Workers' Conference

Sunday, March 9

Morning worship at 10:30 with sermon by the Pastor from the theme: "Having Our Own Way"

The Bible school meets at 11:45

The Young Peoples Fellowship meets in the Presbyterian Vestry at six o'clock. Leader: Miss Marcia Edwards. Topic: "What Makes Life Worthwhile?"
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St. Patrick's Church

Bennington, N. H.

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Antrim Center

Congregational Church

John W. Logan, Minister

Service of Worship Sunday morning at 9:45

BENNINGTON

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Bennington, N. H.

Rev. George H. Driver, Pastor

Sunday, March 9

11.00 a. m. Morning Worship.

12.00 M. Sunday School. Mrs. Maurice Newton, Supt.

3.30 p. m. Junior Christian Endeavor

6.00 p. m. Young People's Group.

Antrim Locals

It is reported, that Leon F. Hugron is a candidate for Road Agent on the Independent Ballot.

The Pioneers of the Presbyterian Church will hold a food sale in Daniels Drug Store Saturday, March 8th beginning at 3 p. m.

The Chamber of Commerce held an open meeting in the town hall Tuesday evening the articles of the town warrant were discussed.

The National Committee on Food for the Small Democracies announced to-day Mr. Leander Patterson, Antrim, New Hampshire, has agreed to form a committee in Antrim, New Hampshire, to present their appeal to the American public on behalf of tens of millions of innocent men, woman and children now facing starvation and pestilence in war torn Europe.

The Republican Caucus was held in the town hall Wednesday evening, February 26. The following were elected as candidates: Town Clerk, Archie Swett; Town Treasurer, Leander Patterson; Selectman for three years, Benjamin F. Tenney; Road Agent, Archie D. Perkins; Overseer of Poor, A. Wallace George; Library Trustee 3 years, H. L. Packard; Trust Fund Trustee 3 years, William H. Hurlin; Chief of Police, George W. Nylander; Park Board, Howard Humphrey, Guy O. Hollis, Norman Hildreth; Auditors, Myrtie K. Brooks, Ross H. Roberts.

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South Africa is making a playground and bird sanctuary of De-neys lake, 55 miles from Johannesburg, the largest artificial body of water in the world with the exception of the lake created by Boulder dam.

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act School District business and to

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Antrim School Board.

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Hillsborough, ss.

To the inhabitants of Antrim Precinct in the town of Antrim, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Town Hall in said Precinct on MARCH TWELFTH, 1941, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the year ensuing.
2. To choose all necessary Officers and Agents for the year ensuing.
3. To hear the report of the Auditors on the Precinct Officers' accounts and act thereon.
4. To hear the reports of the Commissioners, Fire Engineers and Agents, and act thereon.
5. To see what sum the Precinct will vote to pay members of the Fire Department for their services for the year ensuing, and appropriate a sum of money therefor.
6. To see if the Precinct will authorize its Board of Commissioners to purchase and install a chlorinating system as ordered by the State Board of Health, at a cost not in excess of \$2,150.96, and authorize said Board of Commissioners and its Treasurer to execute and deliver the note or notes of said Precinct in the total amount not in excess of \$2,150.96 in payment therefor, upon such terms, interest rate and conditions to said Board as may seem advisable, or take any action in relation thereto.
7. To see what percent of the water rates the Precinct will vote to collect for the ensuing year.
8. To see how much money the Precinct will vote to raise to defray the expenses and pay existing debts for the year ensuing.
9. To see if the Precinct will vote to authorize the Commissioners to borrow such sums as may be necessary in anticipation of taxes.
10. To see if the Precinct will vote to petition the state tax commission to have an audit made by the division of municipal accounting and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of such audit.
11. To do any other proper business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands in said Antrim this twenty-first day of February, 1941.

MAURICE A. POOR
HIRAM W. JOHNSON
ALBERT E. THORNTON
Commissioners of Precinct.

Collects Buttons

One man who can find a button when he needs it is Herman E. Roberts of Alfred, Maine, proud owner of some 6,000 buttons. Highlight of his collection is a book of sample buttons, jet and pearl disks with exquisitely cut cameos of contrasting materials. These came from a Kennebunkport tailor shop. The buttons came originally from Paris more than 100 years ago and are still on the original cards.

Don't See Red

Most nocturnal birds are relatively color-blind to reds, and on the other hand, most birds that are active during daytime do not see blue very well, reports the Better Vision Institute. If a mixture of gray and blue grains are fed to chickens, the blue grains will be ignored until the gray kernels have been picked up. Feeding experiments with night birds have indicated that they cannot see reds very easily.

IF

you have something to sell and are in a big hurry to sell it, let the classified department of this paper prove its ability as a speedy and efficient sales medium

The Granite State Gardener

By W. P. Haubrich

With the coming of February and March most of us have a longing to see some of our favorite early flowering shrubs and trees in bloom once again. In a short while some of us may travel many miles to attend early spring flower shows to see spring flowering plants in as near a naturalistic setting as possible. Those of us who are not fortunate enough to attend these shows may still have the opportunity to enjoy these flowers by forcing twigs of many shrubs and trees in our own homes.

A jar of water, a little sunlight, and ordinary room temperatures will bring the buds of most shrubs into bloom. If entire twigs are soaked in warm water for fifteen minutes when they are first brought into the home they may bloom in a shorter length of time.

In selecting the branches to be forced, use the branches of shrubs or trees that should be pruned; cut out twigs which are too thick or deduct from the natural beauty of the shrub by being present.

Certain plants have separate flower and leaf buds, but it is a simple matter to select branches which have large fat flower buds which will invariably burst into bloom. Other plants do not have very distinguishable flower buds but it is only necessary to collect a large number of these branches, some of which will undoubtedly bear flower buds.

As a great many plants may be forced, at least a few are usually available. Forsythia, Japanese quince, shadblow or amelanchier, apple, pear and cherry are all widely distributed over New England and branches of most of these generally bear flower buds each year. Some of the less common but equally effective forcing materials are the redbud, Cornelian cherry, slender dentzia, kerria, mockorange, peach, and a large number of the spiraea.

The time required to force the blooms ranges from three to twenty days, and the length of time they remain in bloom from a few days to two weeks depending upon the variety and the conditions.

SMITH'S SHINE IN AIR CORPS.

If your name is Smith, and you are an unmarried man between 20 and 26 years old, the chances are that you will be successful as an Army Flying Cadet. At any rate, this is indicated by the records at the "West Point of the Air" in Randolph Field, Texas, the nation's largest basic training school for airplane pilots.

There have been 27 Flying Cadets named Smith at Randolph Field during the past year, and not a single one of them has been "washed out." They have all completed the course and graduated to advanced flying schools where a Flying Cadet completes his 7 months of training which leads to a commission as 2nd lieutenant in the Air Corps Reserve.

Aiming to continue this fine record for the clan of Smith are four New England young men of that name who have been appointed in recent classes. They are Jack A. Smith of Longmeadow, Mass.; Ray W. Smith, Jr., of South Portland, Maine; Robert N. Smith of Portland, Maine, and William S. Smith of South Portland, Maine.

Champ Leaps Car at Sports Carnival



With the greatest of ease, Alfred Orin, former national ski champion, starts the queen's "court" at the great Winter Sports State Park at Grayling, Michigan, by leaping over a Chevrolet Sedan. Miss Yvonne Bradley (third from the right) has been elected Snow Queen and, with her court, welcomes the colorful crowds of winter sports fans who arrive by the thousand in automobiles and snow trains. Six steel toboggan slides and acres of skating rinks are now in operation, and three ski towers and 75 miles of marked ski trails are planned for this huge winter sports development under the supervision of the National Park Service and the Michigan State Park Department.

Deering

Edwin Morgan of North Weare was in town on Sunday.

Dana McNoughton and Mr. Hall of Concord were in town one day last week.

Private Harry Ernest Taylor of the U. S. Army, sailed for Hawaii last Saturday.

Friends of Mrs. David Williams are very happy to learn she is much improved.

Miss Anna Putnam was confined to her home in the Manselville District several days last week by illness.

Mr. and Mrs. William Howe of New York City were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Putnam over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Griffin and daughter, Alice, of Manchester were at their home in the Manselville District one day recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold G. Wells and their granddaughter Miss Ann Marie Liberty of Wilton were in Milford last Thursday.

G. E. Wilgeroth was among those from here who attended the basketball tournament at the University of New Hampshire.

Edward F. Holden, student at the Aroostook Normal school, was the guest of his grandmother, Mrs. A. A. Holden, over the week-end.

Mrs. Edgar J. Liberty and their two daughters Ann Marie and Jane Elizabeth of Wilton were callers at Pinehurst Farm on Monday.

Wolf Hill Grange No. 41 will hold its regular meeting in the Grange hall on Monday evening, March 10 when the articles in the town warrant will be discussed.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Colby, Mrs. Ady Yeaton, Mrs. Arthur Whitney, and Mrs. Mary J. Willard of Hillsboro attended the aluminum demonstration at Pinehurst Farm last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Druin and two daughters, Jacqueline and Vivian of Lebanon, visited Mrs. Druin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cote and family in Manselville District.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Morgan and Miss Hazel Johnson of North Weare were at Pinehurst Farm one evening last week demonstrating aluminum ware.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Andrews were, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor of Concord, Mrs. Eva Eaton of East Weare, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Andrews of Webster, Mrs. Harriett Chase of Hopkinton and Kenneth Littlefield of Portsmouth, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bouchard of New Boston.

Bennington

Bert Holt continues to improve. Henry Wilson continues to be comfortable.

Miss Esther Perry has returned to Milan to teach.

Mrs. Raymond Sheldon continues to improve slowly.

Mrs. Lawrence Parker has been ill with an appendicitis attack but is improving.

Mrs. Harry Brown and son Robert returned from Athol bringing her son Calvin and wife with her for a few days visit.

Miss Vincena Drago, Miss Mae Cashion, Miss Lulu Cilley and Mr. Willis Currie have returned from their vacation and are teaching.

The Red Cross have made the following: 2 sweaters, 8 woman's dresses, 30 children's sweaters, 4 girl's dresses, 7 small girl's dresses, and 7 layettes. This list was given to your correspondent by Frieda Edwards chairman of the Red Cross in this town.

The Ladies Missionary meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Arthur Perry Wednesday March 5, with a study period. Refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Perry.

Miss Evelyn Chamberlain became the bride of Wallace Burns at the home of Rev. John Logan on Friday evening. Miss Chamberlain is well known in town having resided here until recently when her family moved to Antrim. Mr. Burns' home is in Elkland Penn. Both young people are employees of the Goodell Co. Mr. Burns was attended by Mr. Chamberlain of Fort Devens and Miss Chamberlain by Pauline Shea.

West Deering

Charles Fisher of Bennington, Vt., was a recent caller in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Locke and son were Sunday visitors in this section.

Mrs. Arthur Whitney and Mrs. Bert Bassett of Hillsboro were callers at the McAlister Farm on Saturday.

Deering

Margaret Ashby visited her parents at North Wilmot last week.

Fred Fowler of North Wilmot, visited Mr. and Mrs. Sherrod Ashby.

Harley Fowler, Sherrod Ashby and Walter Davis visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fowler Sunday at North Wilmot.

Vice President Wallace is trying to reduce senatorial waistlines with a game called "paddle ball." That accomplished, he might try something to reduce senatorial fatheads.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

By Edward C. Wayne

Nazi Troop Detachments Enter Spain; Hitler Threatens New Sub Warfare; U. S. Invokes Priorities on Aluminum And Tools, as New Defense Measure

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.)
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TONE OF WAR: Stepped Upward

Generally speaking, the advent of March saw the war news on all fronts stepped upward to new peaks of activity, rumor and expectation of a far more bitter and decisive year than 1940.

There were more than minimal signs that Hitler was preparing to launch vital moves on at least two fronts, with possibility that he might add a third theater of war to his effort and might include Japan to take over a fourth.

Most war observers returning to this country and able to speak freely expected the invasion attempt to be dated somewhere between March 15 and May 1.

Resumption of test daylight raids over England were viewed as a certain sign that the day was not far distant.

The move in the Balkans was apparently being made, with Bulgaria scheduled as the avenue through which Nazi hordes would be given an open road to the Greek northern frontier.

Signs were less definite that this might be accompanied by a move to aid Italy in Africa, or that Hitler would make a general Mediterranean offensive part of his spring plan.

A move which sent detachments of Nazi troops into Spain was explained by German sources as the sending of aid to Santander, badly wrecked



IRUN, SPAIN. — German sentries are shown here "goose-stepping" on their posts at the point where Spanish territory meets that of "occupied" France. Detachments of Nazi troops have been reported to have entered Spain.

by hurricane and fire. In many quarters, however, it was pointed out that Santander was 150 miles below the French border, and that this force might be the vanguard of a Spanish-Nazi army which would make an attack or a feint against Gibraltar.

In a speech on the 21st birthday of the Nazi party Hitler told his people that a new phase of the war was coming in a short time and threatened a new and more terrible submarine campaign against British shipping. He said that new submarine crews had been trained and new U-boats would be launched in the coming stepped-up attack.

The general belief was that Hitler's master plan of strategy was unfolding itself gradually in a series of moves, some of them military, some of them diplomatic.

The plan, it was said, is based on the fact that in any invasion of Britain the Nazis would be under a disadvantage in not being able conceivably to put an equal force on the British Isles.

This being so, the main Hitler plan was said to be to strike in several different directions, i. e., Greece, Gibraltar, Africa, Malta, Suez, and in the South Pacific in order to screen the chief and central effort to land troops in Britain.

It is figured, so these authorities say, that this plan might conceivably mislead the British into moving considerable groups of war units from one territory to another, might keep the fleet busy at the wrong place, might cause the sending of many British air squadrons away from the isles themselves.

Should this turn out to be based on fact, then it would push the date of the invasion attempt back from earlier estimates, and make the May date seem more likely than one in March or April.

With the lease-lend bill close to a final vote stage, the curtain was about to rise on an increased tempo in the war, and opposition members of congress in both house and senate were loud in their claims that 30 days would see this country added to those actively in the war.

INDUSTRY: Priorities

First real force of the current U. S. defense economy was felt by the aluminum and machine tool producers as mandatory priorities for these materials were announced. E. R. Stettinius Jr., priorities director of the Office of Production Management of the Defense Commission issued the orders requiring that producers fill all defense orders in preference to nondefense when necessary to meet defense order delivery dates.

In his statement Stettinius said that OPM had tried to keep allocation of aluminum and machine tools on a voluntary basis but it had become "necessary and desirable" to enforce priorities so that defense industries could get the supplies they need.

FAR EAST: Crisis for U. S.

Most vital to this nation was the crisis on the Far Eastern front, perhaps part of the major Hitler plan to weaken England by embroiling the United States and Britain in a war with Japan.

In this great diplomatic poker game the stakes were the maximum. Steps in the struggle, much of which was being carried on behind closed doors and in diplomatic chambers, became gradually news items.

The British announced that the waters off the Malay states were being mined. The Chinese reported 150,000 Japanese troops were ready to move in the general direction of Singapore.

The Dutch East Indies called all ships into neutral ports. These were just outward manifestations that Japan, under Axis pressure, was staging a show in the South Pacific, a show that had repercussions from the White House when the President gently chided newsmen and members of congress for letting General Marshall's statement of the seriousness of the situation become public property.

In this game Germany was seen as a kibitzer, but one who had Japan handling her chips on a fifty-fifty basis.

In the midst of it all came the announcement from Japan that Nippon stood ready to act as mediator to conduct negotiations for peace by all nations anywhere who were involved in war.

This move received a cold reception in Washington, Sumner Welles saying that with conditions, at their present pass, this nation was looking to deeds, not words, and that Japan,



AMBASSADOR NOMURA "Talked peace, discounted war."

instead of being a peacemaker, was stirring up trouble by her actions and troop and naval moves.

That Japan was either divided in her reactions in the game of diplomatic and military bluff was evident from what was made public. Ambassador Nomura talked peace, discounted war. Japanese papers, some of them, said Nomura's task (of preserving peace) was hopeless.

Two things appeared certain in the Far East. Hitler was moving warily and under cover, and Japan was moving under pressure from her Axis partners, apparently unwillingly.

'Pie-Face'



CHICAGO, ILL. — America's most delicious cherry pie of the year was made by Elsie Benson (above), 17-year-old Geneva, New York, miss and her masterpiece won for her first place in the annual National Cherry Pie Baking contest. The pie earned for her a \$100 prize and a trip to Washington, D. C.

LEASE-LEND: Fight Bitter

The closing days of the lease-lend bill fight were bitter, but the outcome was portended when final polls showed 52 senators ready to vote for it, and 20 opposed.

This was somewhat less than the majority which administration forces had predicted would pass the bill and put it into effect, but still a comfortable margin.

But the fighting in the last hours was bitter, and many senators went far out on verbal limbs in predicting what would happen when the bill becomes law.

Senator Nye boldly declared "war by April 1." Senator Reynolds provided the most startling flop away from Rooseveltian ranks and made a three-hour speech against the bill which used up 15 columns of reading space in those anti-administration papers which printed its full text.

The poll during the last days showed 46 Democrats, 5 Republicans and 1 Independent for the bill; with 8 Democrats, 11 Republicans and 1 Progressive against it.

Uncommitted were 11 Democrats and 12 Republicans, 23 votes and it would take all of them to have upset the majority of those who were willing to commit themselves.

The comments of most of those who said they would help pass the bill seemed to be along the line that they were voting for the bill with "some reluctance," but felt that it was the "only thing," to do.

But those opposed were vitriolic in their condemnation, ranging all the way from Nye, who called it "the most outrageous grab of power in American history" to Reynolds, who attempted to make his opposition sound more restrained.

SOCIAL: Revolution

The old British caste system showed signs of crumbling under the pressure of the national emergency.

The social "upper crust" were taking their hats off to the East End type of Londoner who was proving himself a hero in the war.

Smashed beyond recognition in the September air raids, and with its population suffering the heaviest casualties of the war, the East Enders showed their mettle as Britishers, and refused to be driven from that part of the old town.

They were reported still living there, in corrugated iron shelters amongst the rubble of their former tenements, braving the air raids by day and night, and going about their usual tasks calmly.

This sort of thing is not getting them invited into the homes of Mayfair, but it was seen as bringing about a social revolution that may shatter the old caste system and bring a different way of life to the average "man-in-the-street" type of Briton.

Not only in that way, but in matters of economics a big change was seen for England. Instead of being the financial and economic power of the world, the England of the future was envisioned as a sort of "half-farm, half-factory country" shipping manufactured goods and emigrants to the Western hemisphere, and leaving the dominions increasing amount of autonomy.

Even those who feel certain that Britain will emerge the victor in the war, and as such the arbiter of the new rearrangement of world power believe that the British empire will be much decentralized.

Leading in this movement, with the apparent approval of Prime Minister Churchill was Ernest Bevin, labor minister, who recently gave out his immediate objectives as:

Nationalization of all transport, road, rail, and water; state control of the Bank of England; public ownership of all coal, gas, electric and oil resources of the country.

On top of Bevin's promises of better things for the working man and woman, Churchill has promised better educational advantages for the masses.



Washington, D. C. "WAR" PRICES

One of the principal causes of war time shortages and sky-rocketing prices is the fear of them. The manager of any company making finished goods out of raw materials is responsible for continuous supply. If he sees ahead what seems to be a period of scant material and rising prices, he not only "covers" by buying for his usual output for six months or maybe a year, but he goes as far beyond that as his resources will permit.

This is "good business" from every angle. It is a good speculative risk from the angle of probable rising prices. It is good insurance against possible future shut-downs or delays due to inability to get materials later. Finally, there is a temptation even to borrow money to increase stock piles and inventories to abnormal size. A period of price inflation is a good time to owe money and to own things.

The combination of all these reasons is almost irresistible. Apply them to all the thousands of business concerns, big and little, and you have a tremendous national force working everywhere to create the very condition of fear which has caused it.

Part of these reasons work in the same direction for all individuals and for the great war purchasing government departments. All people like to buy while they "can get the stuff and before the price rises." An officer in charge of an arsenal or a navy yard turning out munitions has a really dreadful responsibility for producing on or ahead of time and in quantity. He, too, fears the delays that future shortages may cause and to the extent of his powers, will overstate his requirements and build up his inventories.

Of course, this is a form of "hoarding"—which is a war time word of evil omen. It is truly evil because the certain result of these practices is soaring prices, to the detriment of the whole nation and sometimes with a result of complete economic collapse and disaster.

This column has continuously argued against centralization of federal power, but in a war economy some centralization is necessary in the public interest. In the haste to get the defense program through the legislature, not enough attention has been given to this phase. We need simpler and more direct emergency statutory authority to control price, priority and increasing inventories. This is a subject that should have the immediate attention of congress—even before tax legislation. We could lose more through price inflation in a year than increased taxes could recover in 10 years.

MILITARY EXPERTS

This has certainly been a tough war for the military "experts"—both the columnist kibitzer or radio amateur variety and the real professionals. The amateurs have been bad enough, but the biggest boners of all have been pulled by those who from training, education and profession should really have been experts.

The English and French bet their national existence on the expertise of their soldiers and sailors that they could hold Hitler on the Maginot line and outmaneuver him north of that. They pushed Poland into the storm and then tossed her to the wolves and left all the small nations of Europe (that had been advised by their own military experts to rely on allied strength) to be conquered in a few weeks.

The English experts bet that they could outfox Hitler on the Norwegian coast. They were wrong about that, too. Then Hitler's military high priests told him he could clean up the British Isles in 1940, but he is still at the channel ports.

Mussolini's mighty military men told him that Greece and North Africa were pushovers, and see what happened to him. Japan expected a tea party in China. She got it, but it was spiked with arsenic. Russia was advised by her professionals that she could swallow Finland at a gulp. That didn't happen and since Joe Stalin is more direct in his methods, he liquidated his experts and got some new ones. I don't know if they are any better.

The sciences of both tactics and armament have shifted too fast for the experts. There are too many imponderables in modern war. The basic principles of war never change, but military genius consists in applying them to new conditions and no such genius has yet appeared—no, not even Mr. Hitler's bright young men, notwithstanding their unparalleled conquests.

For example Mr. Winston Churchill now tells us that this is just a war of machines—ships and land mechanical monsters—and that we shall never have to mobilize great masses of men to go to Europe. I don't know whether war is no longer a matter of mass man power or not—and neither does Mr. Churchill. I only know it always has been. He is clicking pretty well on military matters just now, but it's doubtful whether any leader ever made so many military mistakes in the course of one lifetime and survived them as a public character.



GOVERNMENT FEARS RISING PRICES

WASHINGTON. — Only insiders know it, but the government is preparing drastic price controls if the present upward trend continues.

They fear a runaway price situation which would hit the pocketbooks of the great mass of consumers. And the last thing the administration wants right now is a hot cost-of-living potato on its hands.

So far there have been marked price advances only in a few commodities—lumber, scrap iron, and other basic raw materials. But recently there have been tell-tale signs of a general upward movement, and some of those mysterious late-afternoon White House conferences have been over this problem. Three plans of attack are under consideration:

1. Use of the priorities control now vested in the office of production management, under the supervision of ex-U. S. Steel man Edward R. Stettinius Jr., to deprive price gougers of their supplies, thus forcing them either to go out of business or bring their prices into line.

2. Use of the "draft industry" law to compel price gouging concerns to sell to the government at a fixed figure; also to "freeze" prices in industries where quotations persist in getting out of line with what are considered fair levels.

3. Imposition of a price ceiling on all commodities and on every step in the industrial process from raw materials to retailer.

The last was the recommendation of Bernard Baruch, based on his experience as head of the 1917-18 war industries board. In private conferences with Roosevelt and defense chiefs, Baruch emphasized that the one big price lesson learned in World War I was that half-way control measures were worse than none at all.

"You must either stabilize every price or stabilize no price," he declared. "If you impose controls only at one point, you leave the door wide open for a worse break-away somewhere else. The only effective defense is total defense and the only effective price control is total control."

HOPKINS REPORTS

Here are some of the things Harry Hopkins told the President.

First and most important, Hopkins definitely stated his conviction that the British would be able to hold out against the Nazis. He thoroughly agreed with Wendell Willkie in spiking isolationist claims that Britain would crack up, submit to a negotiated peace, and leave the U.S.A. to hold the bag after voting "all-out" aid.

However, Hopkins got no request from Winston Churchill that the U. S. send five to ten destroyers a month. What Churchill did request was the right to repair British destroyers and other naval craft in American dry-docks. This has been one of Britain's most difficult problems, since all of her dry-docks are fairly easy targets for air raids, so that vessels needing repair frequently have been bombed a second time or even a third time and have to be repaired all over again.

Churchill also asked that the United States sell or lease "mosquito boats." These are small, fast motor boats carrying torpedoes and equipped to lay depth charges, which the United States has been building at the rate of about one a week for some time.

Churchill wanted them particularly to ward off Nazi invasion, when it comes. Virtually impossible to hit because of their high speed—they can do 50 miles an hour—the mosquito boats would be especially effective against Nazi troop-ships and barges attempting to cross the channel.

However, the mosquito boats which the United States is building are a little light for the choppy waters of the English channel, and it is significant that the President already has ordered the redesigning of the stern of these boats in order to improve their balance.

CAPITAL CHAFF

Ex-Senator King of Utah visited the senate the other day, sat in his old seat and itched with the impulse to rise and address the chamber.

Blind ex-Senator Gore of Oklahoma came into the chamber on the arm of a page and listened with uplifted face and rapt expression to the debate.

Following isolation demonstration in the senate galleries last week, Capitol police keep all visitors lined up on the lower floor, and admit only a few at a time.

Latest issue of the magazine "National Republican," blithely ignores Wendell Willkie, but heaps four columns on ex-Ambassador Joe Kennedy for his fight against the lease-lend bill. The magazine also has a few kind words for Norman Thomas, the Socialist candidate, who also opposes the bill.

The FBI is advising all plants doing defense work not to sell their waste paper but to destroy it.

Henry Wallace presides over the senate from the opening at 12 until 1:30, then retires to lunch on orange juice and a cheese sandwich.



PRODUCTION IS THE KEY TO OUR WEALTH

EACH ARTICLE of merchandise produced in American factories—every automobile, suit of clothes, agricultural implement, radio and the thousands of other things men build and use—adds to the national wealth. The more we produce, the wealthier we become as a nation, and as individuals.

Each pay day in each factory marks a step in the distribution of the national wealth. Of the value of all production, from 68 to 70 per cent goes to the men employed in the factories. That is labor's dividend. Another 24 to 27 per cent goes to government as taxes—municipal, county, state and federal.

What is left goes to those who provide the tools—the factory buildings and the machines—and to those who manage the business and find the customers.

That has been the method of distribution of America's wealth throughout all of our history. Under that method the distribution to the individual has increased materially, despite an ever-increasing population.

We, as individuals, cannot get more unless we collectively produce more. We cannot produce more by breaking down the industries in which we collectively do the producing and from which we individually receive our share of what we help to produce.

COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

AFTER AMERICA'S ENTRY into the first World war, a Committee of Public Information was organized, with George Creel as chairman, and the secretary of state, secretary of war and secretary of the navy as the other members.

Creel did not attempt to tell newspaper editors what they could or could not print.

Through his hands went such information as the government wished to give to the public and he controlled all war pictures from the allied lines. His big job was to maintain an enthusiasm for the war in which we were then engaged.

According to Walter Davenport, in Collier's, we will soon have another Committee of Public Information, the main job of which will be to create an enthusiasm for America's participation in the second world war. There is a difference.

PRIDE OF THE NAVY

—A FOUR-YEAR PRODUCT

THE FIRST REAL battleship the United States has built since we agreed with the rest of the world to cut down our navy, and actually scuttled some of our ships to keep that promise, will go into commission in April.

The new ship is the North Carolina, the largest and most modern fighting ship this country has ever built. A 35,000-ton monster, fitted with every appliance that will aid in making her a destructive terror to an enemy. She will carry a crew of 1,450 officers and men. It has taken nearly four years to build her and it would take four years to build another. We have not yet learned the secret of mass production in battleship building.

THE AFTERMATH

A MINNEAPOLIS MAN who had traveled through the airplane and ship producing towns of California, asked a native business man:

"What will happen when the demand for defense equipment is over?"

The reply: "Just what happens when you stick a pin in a toy balloon."

The same question and the same answer will apply to every other state.

THREE GENERATIONS

A FEW DAYS AGO a disheartened man committed suicide in Los Angeles. His grandfather had amassed a fortune of several millions, but the last of it was gone, and the grandson killed himself. It was a case of "three generations from shirt sleeves to shirt sleeves." That keeps continuously redistributing America's wealth whether the third generation commits suicide or otherwise.

PHONY DEALS

WASHINGTON TELLS us there must be no profiteering in our defense preparations. Then we are told of funny or phony land deals, of funny or phony prices in the location of training camps. Wonder if a real investigation might reveal some profiteering or something else.

PATRIOTISM AND POLITICS

PATRIOTISM and partisan politics do not mix well. Patriotism says we must build ships and other defense equipment where they can be built best and quickest; that we must locate training camps at places most advantageous and best suited for the purpose. Partisan politics says our defense equipment must be manufactured where it will produce the most votes, or where those votes are most needed, and that training camps must be located with the same purpose in view.

U. S. DEFENSE . . . in the news

OPM Associate Director Hillman said 37,200,000 persons are now employed in non-agricultural industry—an increase of 2,200,000 since last May, and the greatest increase in any similar period. Secretary of Labor Perkins said a survey of 11 key defense industries revealed "at least one-half of the plants covered were operating at least six days per week."

FWA Administrator Carmody announced that the army and navy will select tenants and set rentals for defense homes occupied by their enlisted or civilian personnel and the other defense homes will be only for the use of families whose principal wage earners hold essential defense jobs. The defense worker's rental will be set according to his income and not the size of the home.

ATTACK ON AMERICA

THE STORY SO FAR: Colonel Flug, acting assistant chief of staff G-2, in charge of military intelligence, estimated from secret information that there were 200,000 European troops in Mexico being prepared for an attack on the United States. Both he and the President were powerless to act because of public

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and congressional opinion which failed to realize the significance of the troops. In an effort to obtain more definite proof, Colonel Flug sent Captain Benning, daring American intelligence officer, to the U. S. ambassador in Paris. Here he was told to impetrate Lieutenant Bromlitz, a former American officer who

had planned to work with the foreign agents in Mexico. Expelled from the U. S. army, he had desired to get revenge for the "insult." Fortunately, Bromlitz had been captured, so Benning prepared to visit him in his cell to study his mannerisms. Now continue with the story.

CHAPTER II—Continued

Bromlitz, stretched out face downward on a cot, raised his face as the steel door opened on the little hole to which he was confined. His alert, beady black eyes searched the face of his visitor, and he sat up as recognition came to his face.

"Hello, Benning," he said, his face unaccountably brightening. "So it's you come after me, eh? Well, I'm glad, if I must be hanged, that it's to be an American job."

"Merely a little visit, Bromlitz," Benning answered. "I'm not to take you home, but you'll understand my confession of gratification that you've been run down at last. Corporal Hill, the man you killed, was a member of my company."

They engaged in a strained conversation. Benning prolonged his visit while he studied Bromlitz for his own purposes. He asked many questions of the Bromlitz stay in Luxembourg, which the prisoner answered freely. He was sharply puzzled by the evident good humor that his visit had brought to the fellow. But Bromlitz parting words cleared up that enigma.

"May I ask you a special favor, Benning?" Bromlitz asked as Benning rose to go.

The prisoner was suddenly solemn, there was a pleading note in his voice, a beseeching look in his black eyes.

"I owe you no favors, Bromlitz," Benning said brusquely.

"A very little favor to a man who must die," the other implored. "Let me tell you, Benning, and you mustn't say no. Your coming here has greatly relieved my mind. I was—suspicious that I must have been betrayed to the French, but now I know it was the American secret service that caught up with me. A small distinction you say? But an important one to me. The one fine thing in my life has been, Benning, a girl, whom I hoped soon to marry. Please will you take a message to her at Luxembourg? Tell her I was killed by a train, drowned—tell her anything but the truth. She must think me dead. Out of her loyalty she might wait for me through empty years, and she's too fine for that ordeal. Please let her think I'm honorably dead and can't ever return. You'll do that for me, please, Benning!"

CHAPTER III

A tramcar took Benning from the Colonia Station in Mexico City to Plaza Mayor, whence he crossed the broad Mexican thoroughfare to the great stone hulk of the Palacio Nacional. He accosted a gendarme and asked directions to General Van Hasek's headquarters.

The policeman shook a puzzled head and answered, "I've heard of no such general in Mexico, senor."

"Perhaps," Benning suggested, "you can direct me to General Ruiz."

The Mexican's face lighted up, and he spoke almost in awe, "Si, senor, if your credentials are important enough you may find General Ruiz in the President's suite at the palace."

Benning smiled inwardly as he turned to the Porto Mariano and entered the palace. Many times since arriving at Vera Cruz he had inquired about Van Hasek to find the name unknown. It meant that Van Hasek, a real master of the Mexican forces, was entrenched behind a stout incognito, moving his pawns in the name of young Ruiz, the new dictator who had been placed in power by a swift, furious, and mysterious coup d'etat of European planning.

An elevator shot Benning to the fourth floor. He presented his credentials to a staff officer with easy assurance. So far, his carte d'identite had passed him without question. The staff officer directed him down a tiled corridor that rang with the clatter of military typewriters and all the hum and buzz of a general headquarters.

He was escorted into a large reception room at the far end of the palace. The staff officer got to his feet grudgingly.

"I'll see if Excellency wishes you to report to him personally," he said in German. He left the room, but was back in a few moments to say, "General Van Hasek will see you at once, Major."

Benning found himself in an immense chamber whose rich furnishings ran a riot of vivid colors. His eyes centered in some perplexity upon the solitary figure in the room, a man sprawled in a deep crimson leather chair placed at one side of an immense blackwood desk.

Was this Van Hasek? The recumbent man's figure was lost in shapeless folds of fat. His wide, squarish head was as bald as a billiard ball, his face was a network of wrinkles, thick jowls cascaded from jaw and chin. Moreover, he appeared wholly inanimate, a listless gaze fixed in some strange detachment on the beautifully trescoed ceiling.

"Sir, Major Bromlitz, reporting from Luxembourg for duty with General Van Hasek," Benning said briskly.

"Sit down, Bromlitz," the other said without lowering his eyes. "I'm Van Hasek."

The Van Hasek uniform was the simple brownish-tinted cotton khaki of this new Mexican army. At the collar was a silver crescent, insignia of a lieutenant general. The only other ornaments on his severely plain uniform were a glittering order of merit at his left breast and, under it, the iron cross.

Some moments passed in which the only sound was the heavy ticking of an immense German clock and the vague hum of traffic in the street below.

"Perhaps you can tell me, Bromlitz," Van Hasek mused without change of voice or posture. "Yes, perhaps you can tell me."

A faint smile passed his thick lips as he went on: "I've just come up from the Salon de Espera on a lower floor of the palace where I've installed a hospital. Perhaps I should refer to it as my laboratory. In any event, no one ever leaves it alive,



"Sit down, Bromlitz."

but they are only spies and traitors who must die by one means or another. For some months I've been watching them at the moment they leave the world, yet I'm more mystified now than ever. So you tell me, Bromlitz, if you can, is death the end of us?"

"Your pardon, Excellency," Benning answered. "I'm not a chaplain."

The other chuckled, and with a vitality in his mirth that was not that of an ailing man.

"The profession of arms is so vast and intricate, Bromlitz, I've given up all hopes of mastering it in detail," Van Hasek rejoined. "Besides, I find occasional diversion in other lines of thoughts. So many, many people must die of violence within the next year or two that I've been trying to satisfy myself whether that will be the end of them."

"You mean that many will die in war, I take it, sir," Benning suggested.

"Millions," Van Hasek answered, stifling a yawn.

His pudgy arms thrust into the air over his head, his heels stretched forward, and he squirmed erect in his huge chair.

"You were, I'm advised, an American army officer," Van Hasek said, now speaking briskly in German. "I'm told there are serious charges standing against you in the United States."

Benning said: "I hope you'll not judge me by that, General Van Hasek. Despite my past misfortunes I'm a soldier, sir, and hold the view that there is no other profession worthy of a man. That being so, when circumstances beyond my control placed a price on my head in one country, haven't I the right to find service in another?"

"Ja, a soldier is always a soldier, Bromlitz," Van Hasek answered with an approving nod. "I enjoyed my three years in China as much as my station in Vienna; and Mexico is even more to my liking because there are big events shaping up. Tell me in your own way, Bromlitz, what you think of the American army's fighting capacity?"

Benning pondered briefly and decided upon the full and unequivocal truth which, after all, could only confirm what Van Hasek must already know.

"If you mean the American readiness for a sudden war, that is nothing short of pitiable, sir. The United States land forces are scattered in small garrisons, are not properly

equipped, and have very little training in the team-play of the larger combat elements."

"What do you know of its strength?"

"There are four army infantry divisions and eighteen National Guard infantry divisions together with some four cavalry divisions. All are at peace strength and it would take months to put them on a war footing, fully equipped. In total manpower count on 300,000 men within the territorial limits."

"Ja, very good. What about their fighting equipment?"

"Pitiable, when you consider the whole picture. Their artillery is largely World War vintage stuff. They're short on ammunition, anti-aircraft, instruments of precision, modern rifles. Their anti-tank weapons aren't out of the factories yet. It would take them a year to make the weapons they'd need, if they couldn't purchase them in foreign markets as they did for the World War. But they have a high-class officer personnel, thoroughly trained and—"

"Ja, I know of that," Van Hasek interrupted with a dash of impatience. "But it takes modern equipment and plenty of training to fight a battle these days. Now, tell me another thing, Bromlitz, would the mass of Americans stick together in event of invasion?"

Benning pondered briefly and answered, "I'm sure you can count on it that they will, sir."

"But what if they were overrun suddenly? How long would they stand up under terrific military punishment when they had their chance offered them to—buy their way back to peace?"

"Excellency, is it probable that anyone would be audacious enough to attack the United States on her own soil?" Benning asked. "I mean when her potential resources in wealth and manpower are taken into consideration?"

Van Hasek snapped out, "That's precisely why she must be attacked on her own soil, because of her latent strength."

Benning pretended perplexity and countered, "I'm not sure I understand just what Excellency means."

"I mean it was America's stupid intervention that wrecked the world in the Great War."

"But didn't her strength turn the balance in the last war, Excellency?"

"Strength, bah!" Van Hasek scoffed. "Not for more than a year after the United States jumped into the war did her soldiers fire a shot in battle. Then only after the French supplied her with cannon, the British with rifles, helmets, and gas masks, and both sides conducted a military kindergarten to instruct her divisions in the art of war. Ja, that was her latent strength!"

Van Hasek got up abruptly and with an amazing agility. He went to his desk and touched a call button. The captain from the anteroom responded promptly.

"Captain Schrott," Van Hasek instructed, "I'm very well satisfied with Bromlitz. You may have him report for the time being to Colonel Bravot. Later I may have more important use for him."

CHAPTER IV

Benning found himself assigned to a stuffy little room that was piled high with American newspapers and magazines. Half a dozen other officers were engaged in reading these publications.

Each day this group was required to make a summary of American press opinion as affecting Mexican relations. Outwardly a peaceful enough job, but one that Benning knew to be a vital part of Van Hasek's war machinery.

During the next few days Benning kept pretty much to himself, though cautiously making friends with the Austrian, Captain Fincke, who sat at his elbow. A bit at a time he meant to gather the information he had come for. If long risks had to be taken in order to secure important secret informations, that would have to wait until he had the lay of things at headquarters.

Mexico City, Benning observed in his off-duty strolls, was serene and untroubled.

Mexican troops themselves had undergone a transition. They had shoes on their feet and discipline in their ranks and were used largely as labor troops. Except for patrols and a daily guard-mounting there was no daily martial display in the city.

Ruiz, holding the military rank of colonel-general, was an imposing figure, erect, lean, dashing. His uniform was always vivid and he was forever attended by flashily uniformed aides and orderlies. Benning thought Ruiz must have been picked for appearance as well as his susceptibility to control, in order to put on a show that would catch and hold the Mexican imagination. (TO BE CONTINUED)

Star Dust

By VIRGINIA DALE (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

IF RALPH MURPHY, Paramount director, needed to make a little extra money he could write a book entitled "Ten Lessons on How to Catch a Man" and the shekels would roll in.

Here's what he has to say about it. (He's a graduate of Syracuse university, has been a stage and motion picture actor, producer and director for years, so he's qualified to talk.)

"I have three girls in 'Las Vegas Nights.' Each would use a different technique. Each technique would require eight reels to fold. So—I let Constance Moore get her man with the direct-approach technique. I give Virginia Dale a man before the picture starts, and I leave Lillian Cornell out on a limb with nary a male in sight."

"The allure technique is used by a woman conscious of the fact that she has an enormous amount of feminine appeal for men—a screen example would be Hedy Lamarr. Flattery is used by women ranging from the baby-talk girls to the mothering type. There's the girl who gives the impression that she's helpless; men want to stand between her and the world—Bonnie Baker's an example.

"There's the girl who uses the direct approach; spots the man she wants and makes no bones about it; she's a good sport, a playmate, and picks a man with the same characteristics. Barbara Stanwyck's a screen example. And the coquette, whose eyes say 'if you chase me I'll run—but not too far.' Like Virginia Dale on the screen.

"Then there's the one who is not brilliant and not dull, not beautiful and not homely; every girl asks 'What's she got?' The answer is 'She's got the man that a lot of other girls wanted.'"

Some other girl may have Errol Flynn for a husband now; Olivia de Havilland's married him five times—on the screen—and when she finished "Santa Fe Trail" she fled to the equally ardent arms of James Cagney, in "Strawberry Blonde." She was a little dubious about it; after all, Cagney's had a bad movie reputation where women were concerned since he squashed that grapefruit in a lady's face. But Olivia is safe in this one—he's cast as a belligerent dentist who gets into plenty of fights, but all with men.

Twenty-four of the show girls in "Ziegfeld Girl" voted for their favorite movie actress the other day. Vivian Leigh got eight votes, and Bette Davis and Greta Garbo each got five. But—Judy Garland, Lana Turner and Hedy Lamarr couldn't be voted for. They're in the picture.

Billy the Kid has finally joined the side of law and order. It happened recently near Tucson, Ariz., where Robert Taylor was made a deputy sheriff of Pima county. Taylor plays the fast-shooting desperado of the 1870s in Metro's picture, "Billy the Kid," which was on location in the Southwest at the time Taylor took over his duties.

They were shooting scenes on the Double U ranch in Pima county when Sheriff Ed Echols paid the troupe a visit and pinned a shiny new badge on the star's shirt.

Burgess Meredith rarely wears a hat, but he's exceptionally well provided with places to hang one. At present he has four homes. (1) His 200-year-old farmhouse in Rockland county, N. Y. (2) Jimmy Stewart's bachelor establishment in Brentwood, where he has stayed on his previous Hollywood sojourns. (3) The house in West Los Angeles which belongs to Wayne Morris, which he and Franchoe Toner rent; it's known as Annex No. 1 to Stewart's abode. (4) A small beach house which he rented at Santa Monica, called Annex No. 2—he took it with the idea of week-ending there, but so far has been so busy that he's hardly seen it. But he has hopes, now that he's completing his work in United Artists' "That Uncertain Feeling."

ODDS AND ENDS—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hart in Honolulu listened to radio's "Hilltop House" last year, and liked the story and its star, Bess Johnson, so much that they named their home for the serial. Recently Miss Johnson learned that all her Hawaiian Islands' mail is being delivered to the Harts. . . . For the better of Latin-American relations, Bess Johnson and Wally Butterworth are making a ten-thousand-mile junket to Mexico City, Puerto Rico and Havana, for three "Vox Pop" broadcasts. "The Uniform" ends Clark Gable's two-months' vacation and brings Rosalind Russell back to the Metro lots after an absence of more than a year.



FIRST-AID to the AILING HOUSE

by Roger B. Whitman (© Roger B. Whitman—WNU Service.)

A CORRESPONDENT is planning to build a brick house, and asks a number of questions both about the house and about the filled-in land on which it will stand. The questions about the land can be answered only after an examination, and the possible making of borings. I should not think of putting up a house without the assistance and advice of an architect. I strongly advise my correspondent to engage an architect for the job; not only for the design, but for all the other services that an architect performs for his client.

Testing a Chimney. Question: Water sometimes leaks into my house through a fireplace chimney, apparently because the flue tiles are poorly set with cement that crumbles easily. Capping the chimney is suggested, but I am afraid to accept for fear that sparks can get through the crumbled cement to the house timbers. If water can, why not fire?

Answer: You can settle that question by making a smoke test. Start a small but smoky fire of tar paper or something similar, and when the smoke is pouring out of the chimney, cover the top of the flue with a board or a piece of wet carpet. The smoke will then seek another outlet, and will find its way through defects in the masonry. If these show up, and the house fills with smoke, you should rebuild the chimney for safety.

Damp Spots in Plaster. Question: My house is four years old. The ceilings in the bedrooms and living rooms show damp spots whenever it rains or on a damp day. Can this be patched? Please advise if anything can be done to help these damp streaks.

Answer: Look for the causes of these damp spots. If they are located near the chimney it is possible the roof flashings around the chimney are leaking. Damp spots in the ceiling near windows may indicate the need of caulking between the window frames and outside walls. Leaks in a roof might be a possible cause. After correcting the trouble, the plaster can then be repainted.

Laying Linoleum. Question: My future husband is planning to lay linoleum in the kitchen and bathroom of our new home, over an under layer of paper. What kind of cement should be used?

Answer: The laying of linoleum is a job that requires considerable experience and skill; for otherwise there are likely to be openings between the sheets and along the margins that will make trouble. I strongly recommend that you have the job done professionally. Linoleum makers provide the special cement that is needed; but one variety comes with the cement already applied to the linoleum, and needing only to be moistened.

Frosted Glass. Question: I have an oil lamp of clear glass, to which I wish to give a frosted appearance. Is there any paint which will produce this effect? Is there any color which can be used on glass, and if so, how is it applied?

Answer: If the lamp is to be used for lighting, no coating that can be applied to glass would be heat resistant. However, a dealer in glass could frost it with an acid. If the lamp is to be used for decorative purposes only, the glass can be coated with a liquid that gives the effect of frosting. This liquid can be had at most paint stores. As paints are opaque, they would not be suitable for coloring glass.

Asbestos Siding. Question: You have mentioned white clapboard and siding of the same material as asbestos shingles, with the advantage of weather-proofness and freedom from painting. Where can this be obtained?

Answer: Material of this sort is handled by dealers in building materials and also by the same people who handle roofings. The material is actually compressed Portland cement reinforced with asbestos fibers. It will not need painting, but in the course of time it will pick up dirt and soot, which can be removed by washing.

Brown to Light Gray. Question: My bungalow is now finished with brown stained shingles. I want to change to light gray. My plan is to put on a coat of aluminum paint and then a coat of gray stain. Can I use oil stain over aluminum paint, or must I use ordinary paint? Answer: You cannot use stain over paint, for it is so thin that the color would not show. You are right in using aluminum paint to hide the dark color. You can follow with any kind of good quality house paint.

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According to the newspapers the past census will add about 50 more to our House of Representatives making the grand total in the House nearly 500 men. What a body of law makers. Largest in the world and when it comes down to a show down only about 25 men do all the work. This was told to me by a man you are in a position to know. Don't ask me who?

It's hard to believe that scientifically fed mink will produce better coats than these living in the wild. This has been proven at the mink ranches of a Mrs. Fox of Salem, N. Y.

I have had some trouble the past few weeks with boys (old enough to know better) in disturbing box traps that I have set to remove skunks from places where they were not appreciated. There is quite a fine for disturbing state operated box traps. Parents please take note. There is also a law that you can't set a box trap for any kind of an animal unless you have a special permit from the Director of Fish and Game.

Record Photography Speed
 University of Minnesota scientists have taken the fastest photograph on record—one that required but one one-hundred-millionth of a second. It was taken on a cathode ray oscillographic which recorded on a photographic plate the oscillations of an electrical current in a hundred-millionth of a second. It is called a vast improvement over any previously constructed oscillograph.

MATCHED

By ADELAID D. HUFF
 (McClure Syndicate—WNU Service.)

"GEE, Golly, this is the deadiest place that ever was!" Margaret Adair exclaimed to herself as she sat on the porch of the old farmhouse and listened to the tiny songs of myriad insects in the dewy grass.

Back home they called her Margaret the Heartless, Margaret the Flapper. All men were grist to her mill, this she openly admitted; but if she had ever once become the least bit interested herself no one ever found out. She knew exactly the route her affairs would take—frank admiration, ardent love-making and subsequent proposal followed by a flat refusal.

It was natural that Elmwood Farm should prove a trifle monotonous to Margaret, but the doctor had said that a complete rest was essential after her breakdown and had insisted that she be sent where late hours would be impossible.

At the sound of footsteps on the graveled walk, Margaret looked through the honeysuckle vines and saw Claire Elmwood and Bill Dickson come slowly up the path. Such a plain little thing, Margaret reflected. How did she manage to get even a country man interested? At the steps they stopped and Bill kissed the girl good night.

"You're the sweetest little thing," he whispered, holding her close. "You love me?"

"Oh, Bill," the girl answered, "how can you love me after seeing that pretty Miss Adair? I was so afraid—I believe I'd die if—"

"Shucks," Bill laughed. "She couldn't make any feller love her. She's too stuck on herself. I wouldn't give a snap for a dozen like her."

"So-o-o," thought Margaret, her eyes narrowing in the dark. "I'll have to start a little campaign. Here's something to do at last."

In a moment Claire ran into the house, Bill turned and went home and Margaret, still undiscovered, sat on in the deep shadows and thought. Bill owned half interest in the adjoining farm, she knew, and she had often watched him as he followed the plow.

The next morning Margaret appeared in her smart knicker suit. She knew how absurdly diminutive she looked in this outfit, and that it was always a sure-fire hit. As soon as breakfast was over, she climbed the fence that divided the two farms and picked her way over the rough, soddy ground.

"Good morning," she called as she approached Bill and the team, standing at the end of a row. "I wanted to pat your horses."

She put out a daintily manicured hand and stroked the sleek neck of the nearest horse. The animal shied lightly and Margaret jumped back. "Oh, he frightened me," she said in a scared little voice.

"He won't hurt you," said Bill protectively. "I'll hold his bridle. Now, you can pat him all you want."

"I'm awfully lonesome up here," the girl said pensively after a moment. "I'm just dying to take some hikes around here, but I haven't anyone to go with me and I'd be afraid to go alone. I'm crazy to go up on Sunset Hill, but—"

"Would you—go with me?" Bill asked after a moment.

"Oh, would you take me?" exclaimed Margaret clapping her hands. "When could we go? After supper tonight?"

"Yes, I reckon that'd be all right. You could meet me over at that oak at the far side of the field. I—Claire—"

"Yes, I know," Margaret answered quickly.

"You're engaged to Claire and she mightn't like it. We won't tell her."

That evening Margaret ran along the edge of the field toward the big oak tree. There she found Bill waiting for her.

"You have the most adorable way of smoking a pipe," she greeted him. "It's so—he-manish or something."

Bill laughed and took her arm as they started off toward Sunset Hill. They climbed for an hour or more before reaching the top, then finally dropped on a huge rock to rest.

"It's gorgeous here," she said after a moment, slipping her hand into his. And she was amazed by the thrill his touch gave her.

"You reckon it's wrong when you're engaged to one girl to kiss another?" he asked after a moment.

"Of course not, silly," she laughed.

She felt his arm tighten around her and a second later kisses were raining on her face.

"Bill, you're darling," she whispered at last. "Why—why—what's the matter?" she stammered.

"Nothing," he answered. "It's just like I thought. All these city girls are alike. I've been to town once or twice myself. I'd like to see Claire kissin' a fellow she'd never seen more than once or twice in her life and him engaged to another girl at that!"

For a second Margaret stared at him in the dim light of the moon, then suddenly she burst out laughing. "That's the biggest joke on me yet," she said at last.

"I don't see the joke," the man answered irritably.

"No, you wouldn't," Margaret retorted good naturedly.

FARM TOPICS

ELECTRIC FENCE IS INEXPENSIVE

Low Amperage and High Voltage Advised.

By E. E. PARKS
 (Extension Agricultural Engineer, University of Illinois College of Agriculture)

Electric fencing is becoming a definite part of good farm planning, but to be effective and safe, electric fences need high voltage and low amperage current.

The voltage, or "electric pressure," of the fence must be relatively high, 400 volts or more, to cause the current to discharge through the animal that makes contact with it; however, the fence charger unit must have some current limiting device or characteristic to keep the amperage low, less than 25 milli-amperes and not more than one charge per second. That charge should not be more than one-tenth second duration. A milli-ampere is a fraction of the current that goes through the ordinary small light bulb. Even 25 milli-amperes are dangerous for smaller animals or persons with heart ailments.

The reason the current should be intermittent rather than continuous is that animals coming in contact with an intermittent current will receive the shock and be able to step back before the next shock occurs. If they came in contact with continuous current they might fall on the wire and not be able to recover their footing.

Fence units are ordinarily inexpensive to operate. Most of the current which is actually used goes either through the animals or is lost through leakage owing to inadequate insulation of the live wire from the ground. Much of this loss can be eliminated and the fence made more effective by the use of properly designed porcelain or glass insulators. Many of the ordinary small spool insulators are inadequate for insulating the high-voltage fences.

There are two reasons why the electric fence may become ineffective. It may either be improperly insulated or a dry ground condition may prevent the animal from receiving enough current to be felt. In some instances a second wire has been run beneath the live wire, and "grounded" to the fence controller unit to give the animal a shock when touching the two wires. This works particularly well on hogs.

War Provides No Cure For Farmers' Problems

While the European war and the American defense program will stimulate business temporarily, decrease unemployment, and improve domestic demand for farm products, in the long run the war will only aggravate the farmer's problems, declares O. B. Jesness, chief of the division of agricultural economics at University Farm, St. Paul.

The loss of foreign markets for wheat, lard, tobacco, and some fruits cannot be offset by increased domestic demand, Dr. Jesness points out. Unless foreign markets recover, a serious agricultural surplus will remain until production can be shrunk to fit the smaller demand.

While a price boom is not in prospect at present, a long war and extensive war preparations may in time produce conditions favorable to inflation, Dr. Jesness declares. If a rise in prices occurs, it will be a good time for farmers to pay off some of the existing debts rather than to take on more obligations. An expansion of production would only make worse the depression which is sure to follow after war demands are cut off.

Electric Engine Can Handle Big Overload

Believe it or not, but a five-horsepower electric motor can develop three to four times the power of a five horsepower gas engine. However, when running at full load over a long period of time, they will both deliver the same amount of work.

The difference in the two engines arises from the fact that a gas engine has little overload capacity, while an electric engine will develop several times the rated power for short periods of time.

Machines often producing a temporary overload are ensilage cutters, wood saws, pump jacks, hay hoists and grain blowers.

America's Dairyland

Wisconsin again led the nation in cheese production last year. Preliminary reports indicate that dairy product production will be even larger than 1939 when 370,000,000 pounds of cheese were made, more than half of the nation's total production. Factories in the state produced about 89 per cent of the brick and Munster cheese made in the nation, and 69 per cent of the limburger, 68 per cent of the Swiss, and 53 per cent of the American cheese.

WEEKLY LETTER BY PROCTOR FISH AND GAME WARDEN

Who wants to own a real three year old Irish Setter male for a very low price according to the quality of the dog. Never trained, only a good pet and watch dog.

Spring is right around the corner. Sure sign, geese flying north and all the boys playing marbles or as they tell about new glasses. And some of the women starting to clean house.

With many of the ponds and lakes now closed to pickerel fishing the boys have found that the Souhegan and Contocook rivers are still wonderful places to fish and last week we found a lot of fishermen on these rivers and most of them had good luck.

Be sure to dim those lights and to walk on the left side of the road to face traffic.

Are you ready for the weekly ordeal? Well here goes.

Some of my readers have asked time and again for a beagle hound dog. Well here is your chance. A friend of mine has two beagles to give to good homes, one a male, the other a female and the age is eight months. Both are pure bred and from good hunting stock. No fault of dogs. Get in touch with me at once if interested. No strings on these dogs only the one you lead him away with. Don't all speak at once.

Here is a lady in Hollis that has got most of us stopped with a wild bird and animal story. The lady is Mrs. George A. Hutchins and she has been feeding for years all kinds of birds and also six grey squirrels, four of which will take peanuts from her hand. When the feeding shelf is empty they come and rap on the window pane for more food. One of these squirrels is very tame and will come into the house for his feed. This one stays with her summer and winter. She also has eight crows that have been with her all winter. This woman also has a female short tailed cat that has 24 toes. Can any of our readers equal that story?

We have at hand a post card from Ed. Wilder of Peterboro, now in Florida. The card shows many kinds of crane and heron. He says it's a wonderful sight to see these birds fly up from the Everglades.

E. C. Richardson of Harrisville found a young buck deer dead in the woods where he was cutting cord wood. Nothing on the deer showed how he died. No dogs, no hunters. One leg was broken and it might be that he died from the effects of that break.

Some one has sent us a marked copy of the Farmington News. The paper referred to the big Sportsman's show of the Farmington club to be featured Feb. 28, March 1 and 2. This is the biggest thing in New England outside of the late Boston Show. This show is featuring many of the acts at the late Boston show and among them the trained seal act which is one of the best acts I ever saw on a stage. This act alone is worth the price of admission. The N. H. guides from the north country will be down for chopping and log rolling. Their program looks good to me.

Owing to the war the price of beaver pelts has jumped from \$30 to \$60 for a good big pelt.

One of my neighbors confined to the home by illness last week got a thrill one afternoon when he saw a big red fox cross the road and play around in his garden for an hour. He was looking for mice that would have taken a cat if one was available.

Another neighbor of mine reports that he lost all but one of a litter of half grown kittens from one pair of old foxes. He knows they went that way as he saw one of them caught not 150 feet from his barn.

Henry Colony, the only man in the home town who has a real to goodness fox hound, shot two foxes last week within 20 minutes of each other.

Sorry I missed the Dog Show at Boston last week. They said it was the biggest and best yet and that Mrs. Wilmant of Concord, wife of the new ambassador to England stole the show with her dogs. Here is another time that the Granite State stole the show.

Thousands of blue blooded stock of dogdom has been drifting into this country from over across the big pond owing to the war. Many of these have been brought in without much publicity.

Have got another convert. Here is a farmer who has a very large farm and plenty of cattle and big barns. He has been run over with mice and rats and as he says he has about 20 cats but the rats seem to increase instead of decrease. The other day one of his big cats caught a bird on his wife's feeding station and that seemed to call for action. He got rid of quite a few cats and then he read an article about skunks keeping away the vermin.

He sent out west and got two (descended) skunks and put them into his grain house. That was several months ago and now he says no rats or mice in the grain house. I have heard that skunks and rats would not live in the same neighborhood and this man says it's so, so get rid of your cats and get a skunk or two. Any "Vet" can take out the scent glands but first you must get a permit to keep the animal.

Speaking of large litters of puppies, Mrs. Aimee I. Boynton of Meredith reports that Albamont Wilona AKC A237473 is the mother of 18 St. Bernard puppies. Mrs. Boynton trains her dogs to do all sort of work.