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Germany Mourns The Fall Of The Stalingrad Area

Orders 3-Day Grief Period For Sacrificed Thousands; American Forces Continue Fight In Africa

SEA BATTLE LOOMS IN PACIFIC

"The fight for Stalingrad is ended" and a three-day mourning period declared by the high command of the German army for the untold thousands of dead that the fight has cost them. So admits the German announcers who heretofore busied themselves in exultation to send out blasts of German victories. With the fall of Stalingrad the power of the German army crumbles and the road to further defeat beckons onward. And while the German populace were pondering Adolph Hitler's worst military disaster, more bad news reached them from the Caucasus and the lower Don with mounting Nazi admissions of severe reverses. From Moscow a report says the Red Army has fought its way back onto Russian soil held by the Germans since 1941, cutting the Moscow-Kharkov railway north of Kursk in a triumphant lightning dash of more than 60 miles. The bulletin that announced the rupture of this vital traffic artery also reported the capture of Kupyansk, key railway junction 63 miles north of Kharkov, and Kuschochevka, 43 miles below Rostov in smashing victories on 400 miles of southern front.

Farther south, the Soviet army of the Donets broke across the main Kharkov - Voroshilovgrad Railway, capturing the junction of Krasny Liman, 98 miles southeast of Kharkvo and 70 miles north west of Voroshilovgrad.

Thus in a single day the Russians ruptured two of the most vital communications lines running out from Kharkvo, one of the main objectives of the broadside offensive undermining the whole German position in South Russia.

The special communique announcing the significant Soviet victories on a 400-mile front made no mention of German resistance at any captured town. Another token of crumbling Nazi defense everywhere was the speed of the Red advances, almost as fast as an army could move unopposed.

By capturing Kushchevka, the Red army hurdled another barrier in the converging drive on Rostov and at the same time sealed the last rail course from the North Caucasus.

In North Africa, American forces ignoring plans to take a quick raid on the mid-Tunisian outpost of Send and then withdraw, have instead seized the town by storm and thrust on a mile to the east where they are now digging in on the road to strategic Maknassy, according to a recent announcement. Forty miles to the northeast, however, the American forces were revealed to have hammered unsuccessfully for two days against tough German defenses in Faid Pass.

With the seizure of Sened, the Americans were 20 miles from Maknassy and 53 miles from the Tunisian coastal road linking Marshal Erwin Rommel's Africa Corps with General Juergen von Arnim's Axis armies of Northeastern Tunisia. Front reports said that Rommel had established temporary headquarters at Gabes, 60 miles southeast of Maknassy, where he was directing deployment of his forces behind the Mareth Line farther south.

(A Cairo communique said the British Eighth Army was in contact with Rommel's rear guard between Zelten and Pisda on the Tripolitanian coast, the latter town only 12 miles from the Tunisian frontier. Forward British units which skirted the coastal road were already operating over the border.)

An Allied communique announced that the American attacks designed to win back Faid Pass had been "unsuccessful" and the Allied spokesman said the action was broken off after the Americans had suffered a "number" of losses, leaving the Germans with at least a temporary victory.

The American losses in men and materials were not believed to have been serious, however, since the force involved was described as a light combat unit.

American and Japanese naval forces are engaged in minor skirmishes in the Guadalcanal area in what may culminate in a major sea battle, according to a naval communique of yesterday.

A navy spokesman said he would not call the action a "pitched battle"—the same phrase used by Navy Secretary Frank Knox a few hours earlier in minimizing the magnitude of the fighting which a previous communique reported as a "major effort" on the part of the Japs to regain control of the entire Solomons area.

The spokesman said task forces of both sides are "skirmishing for positions."

Yesterday's carefully worded communique refrained from hinting at the extent of the fighting, but if noted cryptically and perhaps significantly that "the military situation does not permit publication of more details at this time."

There seemed to be some confusion here as to how big a fight actually is going on.

While Knox described the continuing exchange of blows as a "reconnaissance in force"—feeler skirmishes which may touch off another mighty battle for much-contested Guadalcanal—a spokesman said:

"It is perfectly safe to say the Japs are trying their best to take Guadalcanal."

"Skirmishes are going on all over the area between ships and planes, but there is no concentration anywhere. It is not a pitched battle but there are widespread attacks on both sides."

One thing is certain. Both sides have suffered some losses—Tuesday night's communique said.

While yesterday's communique made no mention of losses, a navy spokesman elaborated:

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RATIONING AT A GLANCE

Coffee

Stamp 28 in War Ration Book One is good for one pound of coffee, through February 7.

Institutions are asked to register for their coffee allotments for the month of February at any time before February 5 in order not to be penalized for late registration.

Sugar

War Ration Stamp 11 is now valid and is good for 3 pounds of sugar until March 15.

Fuel Oil

Coupons marked Period 3 are good for nine gallons through February 15. Period 4 coupons are valid to April 6 and are good for nine gallons.

Gasoline and Tires

All A B and C unit coupons are valued at three gallons. Coupon 4 in A book is now valid through March 21. Basic A ration may be used only for essential driving. Motorists must write license number and state on back of each coupon.

Under nation-wide mileage rationing, intended primarily for rubber conservation, your local board will not renew gasoline rations, issue emergency rations or authorize tire purchase or recapping for any passenger car or commercial vehicle unless the operator has had his first tire inspection.

The deadline for the first inspection of passenger cars is March 31 for A bookholders and February 28 for B and C bookholders and commercial vehicles. Additional inspections to be made for A bookholders every six months, B bookholders every four months, C bookholders every three months, and commercial vehicles every sixty days or 5,000 miles, whichever comes first. Official OPA tire inspectors, who display placards at gasoline stations or auto agencies, will check all tires on your car and make a report of the inspection on your record.

Local Rationing Board

The designation number of your local War Price and Rationing Board has been changed from No. 10 to No. 48-104-1. Office hours are: Monday through Friday, 9:30 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. and Saturday, 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon. Telephone number 7591. Go to the board with any rationing problems. Also if you need to buy a new automobile, bicycle, heating stove, rubber boots, typewriter or other commodities on which sales have been restricted. Also for information about price control.

War Price and Rationing Board 48-104-1
By Eleanor Payne, Chief Clerk.

High School Team Will Play Third Game Friday

The Bedford high school boys and girls basketball team will play their third in a series of games this Friday night at 7:30 in the high school gymnasium against the two town teams. Most of the girls of the town team were formerly on the Bedford high school squad and other high school teams.

They will be supplemented by several of the teachers of Liberty Academy with the hope of winning their first game from the high school girls.

The list of players include Mrs. O. T. Bonner, Nora Boan, Mary W. Watson, Dorothy McClintock, Mrs. Nichols Harris, Mrs. Lloyd Goode, Edith Bornstein, Mrs. Allen Huddleston, Louise Hicks, Mrs. S. M. Painter, Nellie McKenny, Betty Gray, and others.

The high school boys haven't yet won a game from the strong town team supplemented by such strong players as Andy Christensen, former William and Mary star. Lowell Textile, Dave Freeman, Sherrill Coleman, John Turner, Cyril Couaart, Maurice O'Donohoe, Hunter Smith, Hugh Mackey, Jack Shubert, Morris Johnson, Paul Coleman, Jack Scott, and others will play on the town team. It is also expected that the town team will be supplemented by Jack Hicks, former Bedford high school center, now attending V. P. I. A large crowd is anticipated.

Admission: School children 11c and adults 20c.

Women Build Up War Bond Sales

The program for the sale of War Stamps and Bonds has taken on new life since the participation of the women in the program, said A. G. Cummings, Bedford County Chairman of the War Bond Staff, Thursday morning.

He commended the women for their efforts, not only in the organization work but for the direct sales also. Their part in the campaign has been of great help in the total program of the country, he said.

County Women Needed For Surgical Dressings

Due to the expense entailed in setting up a room for the making of surgical dressings for the Red Cross, it is not found practical to open other rooms in the county, said Mrs. William F. Kropff, chairman, who urges the county women to allow some time for making surgical dressings when coming into town for shopping. The room in the library building is open on Tuesday and Wednesday.

It is open all day on Wednesday, when workers may bring their lunch. The chairman urges that cars coming in for shopping or other business be filled with women who will assist with the making of surgical dressings.

Marvin A. Marsh Is Appointed Carrier

Marvin A. Marsh has received from the Post Office Department in Washington the appointment as rural mail carrier on route two from Bedford. The appointment is effective, February 15.

The new appointment is to fill the vacancy caused by the death of H. B. Cauthorn.

Breaks Leg In Fall At Court House

Mrs. John Fogle, of Thaxton, fell on the front of the court house, in Bedford, Monday and sustained a broken leg close to the hip.

Mrs. Fogle is being treated at John Russell Hospital.

Infantile Paralysis Campaign Is To Be Continued

J. S. Tate, Bedford's County chairman of this campaign has announced that the campaign is to be continued through the week of February 18-24, inclusive, in the hope that under the urge of war time dangers to our youth, the Bedford quota may exceed or at least equal the amount raised last year.

The National Foundation reports $1,450,000 as the total for 1942. It is to reach this goal or more that the campaign has been extended through the period of the motion picture theatre drive of February 18-24. This effort needs the cooperation and contributions of 100 per cent of the people of this and other communities.

Basil O'Connor, president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has announced that a pledge has been sent to every theatre owner in the country. Hundreds of pledges have been signed and returned to the motion picture committee. They hope to have 16000 theatres take up collections February 18-24.

President Roosevelt has approved the extension of the campaign and has said . . . As I have said in the past and repeat now . . . nothing is closer to my heart than the health of our boys and girls and young men and young women. To me it is one of the front lines of our national defense.

I feel strongly, therefore, that the work of the National Foundation must be continued. . . .

Franklin D. Roosevelt

Let every citizen of Bedford county realize that the local chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis must have enough funds in its treasury to meet any emergency of this disease that the summer months may bring. Let each individual make a determined effort to give at least another dollar himself and to interest his associates and friends to make gifts to this fund to insure prompt, efficient, scientific and effective treatment for any of our people of any age who may be stricken. Bedford does not want any group of CRIPPLES from this scourge in her midst.

The boxes for the donations to this cause, will remain as first placed for your convenience in making your money contributions or they may be sent to the chairman, J. S. Tate, at his residence, 1019 Longwood Avenue.

Men Between 18 and 45 Must Carry Their Classification Cards

Attorney General Francis Biddle has reminded all Virginia men between the ages of 18 and 45 who are subject to classification under the Selective Service Act that after February 1 they will be required to carry classification as well as registration cards at all times. Failure to do so may result in prosecution in the Federal courts, and the responsibility of securing a classification card—which states that the registrant has been placed in 3-A, 1-A, 4-F or whatever it may be—rests with the individual. If for any reason he has not received a classification card, or has lost the one sent him, he should immediately tell his local board.

Collection Of Tin To Begin February 10

Town Will Be Cut Into Four Sections To Speed The Work

The collection of tin cans in Bedford will begin February 10, this date having been set at a meeting of the central salvage committee, Friday afternoon. If there are no volunteer teams for the collection, the cans will be picked up by the town truck, it was reported. All those who are able to do so, are asked to deposit their cans in the large window in the Bush grocery store. After the collection is completed in Bedford the cans will be taken to Lynchburg, by a truck operated by that city, from which point they will be sent to a detinning plant in Sewaren, New Jersey.

Mrs. J. K. Walker, chairman, said that the town would be divided into four sections as in former salvage drives with a captain for each section. Cans containing oil, milk, sardines or other oily substance are not wanted, she said.

To prepare the cans, wash thoroughly, remove label, remove the top and bottom enough to tuck nside can and flatten the body of the can by simply stepping on it firmly. Housewives are asked to place the container of cans on the side of the street where garbage is usually placed. It is necessary to put the containers out early in the morning of February 10. The tin will be stored in the Auto Service and Electric building until the Lynchburg truck is available.

Tin is a metalic element mined from the earth. It is a vital part of various alloys (i. e., babbit, and bronze). One of its major uses is that it prevents rust; it is highly resistant to moisture and corrosion of all kinds.

Tin also produces certain salts. These are used as a corrosive to eat nto surfaces——this applies to precision instruments and to etching of any kind. The salts are also used in dyeing to assure fast color which will resist washing and sunlight. Obviously, fast color is important to the uniforms of our armed forces, since uniformity of color is an important part of camouflage and surprise attack.

lection and all other forms of salvage, according to C. H. Luebbert.

The state is behind its tin collectives secretary of the committee. Mrs. J. K. Walker, local chairman, said the collection of tin cans, stockings and fats would continue, a drive to be made about every three months. House wives are asked to remember this and to save their salvage.

Stockngs will be deposited in the building next to the News Bar on Bridge Street and a shipment will be made as soon as enough is collected.

The town has been divided into sections as in other salvage drives, and each division has a captain. Members of the committee present at the meeting, Friday, in addition to the chairman, were: Mrs. S. M. Painter, Miss Mary Lee Richardson, Mrs. R. A. Scott, Mrs. Dooley Leininger, Mrs. W. L. Lyle and Mrs. E. L. Smther.

Liquor Rations Are Restricted To Two Quarts Month

Richmond, Va., Feb. -.—One pint of liquor per coupon, or two quarts a month, will be the unit of purchase under the new liquor rationing system, the ABC Board announced today.

The wine unit was fixed at half a gallon for the heavier wines containing more than 14 per cent alcohol. Lighter wines may be purchased from licensees or from stores in larger quantities without the surrender of a coupon.

The unit of distilled spirits is described as not more than 16 fluid ounces, or one pint, which makes three-fourths pints and four-fifths pints call for one ration coupon.

A quart of spirits will call for two coupons, which may be turned in at the same time. Two coupons will get a gallon of wine in any half-month coupon period.

Cordials Are Spirits

Cordials and other beverages above the alcoholic content of wine will be counted as spirits and require the same coupons.

Sales will be resumed on Thursday after civilian registration is suspended for a week after the stores close for registration Wednesday night. Civilian registration will be resumed on Thursday, February 11, and transient registration will begin February 8.

With liquor stores closed for registration, beer revenues continued to pour into the state treasury at a heavy rate, it was stated.

During February collections were $259,718 as compared with collections of $196,337 for the same month last year.

Washington Street Store Adds New Department

Answering the demand of growing business, Johnson Cash Store, Washington street's popular trading center, has installed a ladies ready-to-wear department, and will handle nationally advertised popular priced garments. Many attractive new spring styles are now on display and a conveniently located fitting-room has been installed.

Bedford News Store Is Sold To Boggess

The Bedford News Store, owned and operated for a number of years by Robert and Garland Johnson, was sold on Tuesday the 2nd to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Boggess, and immediate possession given the new owners. The business will have the personal attention of Mrs. Boggess whose husband is serving with the armed forces of the nation. The concern will continue to handle lines of popular selling magazines, newspapers and other periodicals; candies, cigars, cigarettes, soft drinks, etc. The news store has been a popular and profitable enterprise and in an announcement of the sale by the Johnson Brothers; they solicit a continuance of patronage for the new owners.

Bedford Trial Justice Has Very Short Docket

Of the 14 criminal cases tried by Trial Justice S. S. Lambeth, during the month of January, 11 were for traffic violation. Fourteen civil cases were tried during that time, making a total of 28 cases for the month.

Red Cross Chapter Makes Report Of Its Activities

Eleven instructors have conducted 32 first aid classes under the auspices of the Bedford Red Cross chapter during the past year, according to a report made by Mrs. S. K. Wallace, executive secretary. Several classes are going on now in the town and county. Approximately 345 have completed the courses and the number is divided as follows; junior course, 46; standard course, 214; advanced course, 85.

Other items in the report are as follows; 127 members of seven home nursing classes; 16 members of nutrition class held; 1,061 garments made by 285 women sewing; 521 knit garments completed; 100,200 surgical dressings made by 300 workers.

Officers of the Bedford chapter are as follows; S. P. Stewart, chairman; W. H. Walton, vice-chairman; Mrs. John E. Mitchell, recording secretady; J. D. S. Morgan, recording secretary; Mrs. S. K. Wallace, executive secretary.

Executive committee members are as follows; Central district, Harry M. Carder, Mrs. N. W. Jarvis; Charlemont, W. H. Brydges; Forest, Lewis White, Mrs. J. H. Webb, Mrs. H. B. Thomson, Mrs. Duval Radford; Bellevue, Mrs. J. S. McCauley, Rev. C. W. Boleyn; Otter, Harry Hillsman; Staunton, J. Moorman Johnson; Chamblissburg, E. G. Saunders, Mrs. V. O. Johnson; Lisbon, Hugh D. McKee. The following are chairmen of standing committees; Miss Mary F. Wright, junior Red Cross; J. W. Gillaspie, disaster relief; C. O. Updike, home service; Mrs. C. F. Carpenter, production; Mrs. William F. Kropff, surgical dressings; Mrs. H. M. Carder, knitting; Mrs. J. Mitchell, registered nurse, home nursing; S. S. Hylton, farm and home accidents; O. A. Thomas, first aid; Mrs. Charles E. Green, Jr., publicity.

Will Register All Available Nurses

Mrs. J. Mitchell Bower, registered nurse, has been appointed local deputy nurse, the appointment coming through Miss Sarah Radcliff, state deputy nurse of the office of Civilian Defense, in Richmond. Mrs. Bower will make an inventory of the nurses in Bedforid county, so the nursing power of the county may be known in case of an epidemic or a disaster.

Mrs. Bower urges all nurses in the county, whether active or inactive, to register their names at the Red Cross office in Bedford. This, she said, is just to ascertain the nursing strength of the county in case of a catastrophe, and not for a demand for regular duty.

The registration is being done under the auspices of the Civilian Defense and Red Cross.

Merchants To Hold Meeting For Price Regulations

The local War Price and Rationing Board has completed arrangements for a meeting in the court house on Thursday night, February 11, at 7:30 p. m.

There will be present at the meeting OPA officials who will explain the plan on price control and interpret the regulations as they relate to the different lines and commodities.

This meeting will be a splendid opportunity for merchants of the town and county to further acquaint themselves with price regulations which today are affecting every business.

Your local board earnestly requests the presence of all merchants at this meeting. The public is also invited.

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Traffic Violations Are Less In Mayor's Court

Only 13 cases were tried by Mayor J. W. Gillaspie, during the month of January and included in that number were charges of drunkenness, assault and battery, disorderly conduct and shop-lifting. Not a case of traffic violation came up during the month. Fines amounted to $122

Five Men Are Killed In Plane Crash On Peaks Of Otter Tuesday Nite

Bedford Garden Clubs Meet Wednesday

The local garden clubs will meet February 10, and after short business sessions will attend a lecture on Victory gardens by Mrs. N. W. Jarvis, at the high school, at 3:30 p. m.

The Blue Ridge and the Liberty garden clubs will meet at the school building at 3 o'clock. Members of the Liberty club will exhibit their flowers as usual. The Garden Club of Bedford will meet at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. M. P. Rucker.

Mrs. Jarvis spent Monday and Tuesday in Roanoke, attending the classes in gardening methods and general plans for Victory gardening taught by Professor A. G. Smith, Jr., assistant professor of horticulture at V. P. I. who is devoting much time to Victory gardening in Virginia.

Call Warden Only When Necessary

County Game Warden Harry A. Parks urges the people of the county to refrain from calling him unless it is absolutely necessary. His mileage has been cut 40 per cent, he says, and with restricted travel, he is not able to answer calls which are of minor importance.

Before writing or calling concerning stray dogs, one must have the dogs securely tied, he said.

State Treasurer Reports On State Debt Status

State Treasurer W. Tayloe Murphy has reported to Governor Darden that investment of the $15,000,000 appropriated by the regular and special sessions of the 1942 General Assembly from the Commonwealth's surplus for the retirement of the State debt has now been completed, and the saving to the State will be almost $1,000,000 greater than that expected four months ago when the General Assembly was called to consider the liquidation plan.

The funds were invested in direct obligations of the United States Government and obligations of the political sub-divisions of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and, as far as possible, all securities were bought in amounts and maturities comparable to those of the State's obligations. The income, along with the principals paid at maturities will go into the Sinking Fund to offset non-callable Virginia obligations as they mature.

Soil Conservation Supervisors Hold First Meeting

C. E. Bass

The Board of Supervisors of the Blue Ridge Soil Conservation District comprised of Bedford, Franklin, Henry and Pittsylvania counties, held its first meeting of the new year at Rocky Mount, January 26. This was the first meeting since the general election last November, when E. H. Frye of Henry county and C. J. Ashworth of Pittsylvania, were elected to the board. S. S. Hylton, county agent of Bedford county was appointed by the State Conservation committee to serve for the next twelve months. Old members retained on the board are P. G. Cocke, Pittsylvania and Troy C. Brown, of Franklin.

Troy C. Brown was elected chairman of the board for the next twelve months. P. G. Cocke, vice-chairman and S. S. Hylton, secretary.

The annual report for 1942 was adopted. This report showed that the district had a very satisfactory year, having developed 140 complete farm plans covering 24,898 acres, besides consolidating and assisting the 265 farms under plan developed preceding 1942.

Work in 1943 will be based largely on assistance to plans already developed, writing new agreements, and assisting farms in conservation practices not requesting full farm plans. Terracing, strip cropping, conture cropping, erosion control, cover crops will be stressed.

J. C. and R. V. Mitchell and Floyd Turner of the Patmos community, were constructing terraces on their farms recently.

E. T. Garraghty of Forest, is planning to construct two terraces above his garden this year to protect it from washing. Mr. Garraghty has established contour strip cropping in bining fields on their farms this

J. T. Skinnell and E. C. Cheek of the Ephesus community are combining fiends on their farms this year and are establishing contour strips on their crop fields. B. G. Segal of the Boonsboro community is establishing contour strips on his crop fields this year. He broke the strips recently for this year's row crops. Lines for strip cropping and for terraces were laid out by technicians of the district.

Soil conservation slides have been shown at each of the high schools in the county and to the Lions Club. These slides showed causes of soil erosion, its effects and conservation measures that can be used to combat erosion.

Big Army B-25 Bomber Strikes Mountain Head-On

Bodies Of Victims Badly Mangled; Plane Mere Mass of Fragments

ARMY IS IN CHARGE OF REMOVAL

Five men lost their lives when an army plane crashed into the side of Sharp Top, one of the twin Peaks of Otter, about 9:40 Tuesday night. Explosions and flames followed the crash and the bodies of the men were so burned and mangled that only one could have been identified.

The plane was identified as a twin-motored Model B-25, No. 129,828, from the air base at Columbia, S. C. The only other article found to identify the men was a cap with the name "George R. Beninga, Columbia Air Base," near one of the bodies.

Dead Identified

The Columbia army air base, according to an Associated Press dispatch from Columbia, S. C., home field of the plane, announced the names of the casualties, withheld until relatives were notified, together with their next of kin:

Second Lieut. Paul M. Pitts, 21, the pilot; father, L. D. Pitts, Poteau, Okla.

Second Lieut. William McClure, 22, father, William C. McClure, indianapolis, Ind.

Second Lieut. George R. Beninga; wife, Mrs. Ruth Beninga, Columbia; father, Ralph Beninga, Marietta, Minn.

Second Lieut. Hilary S. Blackwell, 22; mother, Mrs. H. A. Blackwell, Santa Monica, Calif.

Cpl. Peter J. Biscan, 29; brother, John Biscan, Chicago, Ill.

Major George P. Kaine and Captain Murray B. Hall, of Winston-Salem, who arrived yesterday afternoon, for an inspection, gave orders to the M. P. Carder Company, undertakers, to take charge of the bodies. This company is awaiting shipping orders.

A searching party headed by C. O. Updike, city electrician, and H. F. Turner, chief of the Bedford fire company, came upon the wreck about 12:15, Tuesday night, after a two and a half mile climb up the rugged mountain side. The party left the main highway leading from Kelso to Mons over a narrow unimproved road to the home of Leonard Stanley. Stanley, who is familiar with the mountain, served as guide in the search. He said he heard the plane pass over his residence, flying at a very low height. The burst of flame followed the crash which sounded like thunder, he said, and explosions continued for 10 or 15 minutes.

The plane crashed about three fourths of a mile south east of a point known as the Needles Eye. The flames had died down before the men reached the scene, only clothes of the men and the plane cushions were smoldering. T he wreckage was strewn over a space about 200 yards square and the men were found in a radius of about 50 feet around the remains of the plane. One parachute was found partly open and parachute flares were found near the wreckage. The motors were not found, and it is thought that they had rolled down the mountain side after the explosion. The plane struck an enormous rock and shook it from the foundation upon which it had rested, probably, for ages.

The rescue party of about 30 men brought the bodies out, last night, returning to Bedford about 4 o'clock, this morning. Henry F. Turner headed the group, and the 24 men going from Bedford were joined by several men living near the foot of the mountain. They followed the road leading by the residence of Charles Morgan, near Penicks, and went to the home of Frank Dooley. Here the road ends and the men cut a trail from that point to the scene of the acident, three hours being required to reach the accident victims. The men left Bedford about 4:30, yesterday afternoon and worked nearly all night. Few can visualize the enormity of the undertakings. The ground was covered with snow and ice frozen so hard that the men could hardly break a track, they had to climb over and around enormous rocks, and large trees and thick undergrowth halted their progress. Two of the men would have probably weighed 250 pounds each, Mr. Turner said. In coming down the mountain the men would some times lose their foothold and slide a distance of 50 feet,

Only one man of the party could be indentified, it was said. One man, who must have been in the midst of the explosion, was horribly mangled and decapitated.

Officers here were notified of the accident by Herbert T. Patterson, of Penicks, and the blaze was seen plainly by people here. The attention of many people here had been attracted by this plane which seemed to come from the south and then turn west, flying at a low height into the mountain side.

Selective Service Board Announces Call For February

A quota of 103 men for military service will be sent by the Bedford county selective service board to the induction station in Roanoke, during the month of February. The first group, 22 Negroes who will leave February 15, has been called as follows; Rudolph Thompson, Kish Steptoe, John Aster Brawley, Walter Lewis Haynes, Josephus Swain, Rawlince Henry Wright, Adolphus H. Patterson, Harry Steptoe, Charlie Henry Payne, Dorise Jordan, Monroe Spinner, Jr., John Alexander, Warren Fletcher Cunningham, William Houston Taylor, Robert James Thompson, Houston Rasher Austin, Luther Edward Jones, Henry Owen Groom, Pete Davis, Allen Glasgow Younger, Charlie Otho Preston, Jack Hayden Starks.

The schedule for the white men is as follows; February 16, Charlie Arthur Orange, John Vest Harris Jr., Thomas Henry Franklin, Charlie Robert Woodford, George Wilmer Bowling, Hudson Miller Lacy, Raymond Read Whorley, Robert Kenneth Nichols, Carlton Odell Ayres, Russell Martin Mayo, Carey Hubert Foster, Currie Alton Huddleston, Lee Benton Dooley, Wilmer Falls Millner, James Malcolm Fielder, William Henry Miles, Harris Ford Dillon, Walter Arnold Goff.

February 20, Frank Stoner Oglesby, Billy Foutz, Earl Martin, Otha Lynch, Samuel Thomas Hancock, William Page Powers, Chester Reynolds, Russell Alton Bolling, Clarence C. Farris, Jr., William Napper Carter, George W. Overstreet, Robert Wilmer Stinnett, Thomas Graden Clark, James Richard Eubank, Sandy McGlothlin.

February 22, Clarence Glenn Stinnette, Willie Jackson Draper, Onyx Davis Ferguson, Wilber Richard Makey, Harry Thomas Powell, Charlie Wesley Amos, Alvin Winston Abbott, William Thompson Lawhorne, Sammie Columbus Thomasson, Andrew Clark Orange, Jr., Lucian Arthur Dowdy, James Nelson Wood, Alvin Demarcious Eubank, Frank Milton Foy; Charles Malcolm McCullough, Loyd Eugene Coffey, Warren Lyle Stevens, Ralph Samuel Newcomb, Jr., Lloyd Alvin Grogan, Harry Gordon Overstreet, Dewery Richard Maker, Frank Edward Noell, William Marshall Gross, Otha Bramlett Eubank, Howard Lester Martin, Robert Lee Trinkle Bowling, Marion Cecil McCabe, Erby Howard Flowers, Russell Patterson Dalton, William G. Overstreet, Jr., Oscar Lee Holland, John Taylor Hartberger, William Dawson Reynolds, Clarence Jacob Miller, James Aaron Dooley, Dolph William Wade, Milburn Waverly Saunders, Thomas Riley Hawkins, Albert Hampton Lantz, Jack Terrell Cosby, Claude Swanson Orange, Earl Lee Spradlin, John James Biggs, William Sidney Trent, Richard Garrett Johnson, Sidney Duval Manley.

Bedford County Rationing Board Holds Hearings

The Bedford county rationing board held its first hearing, Thursday afternoon, for those charged with violating the OPA rules against pleasure driving. Members of the Bedford bar serve as legal advisors for the board, hear the evidence and recommend penalties. The local attorneys will rotate in this service.

Of the six cases heard Thursday, two were dismissed because of wrong identity, the explanation of three were accepted with the accused being warned to observe a stricter observance of the regulations and judgement was withheld for additional information in one case.

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To all the brave men everywhere
Our hearts send out a fervent prayer
For courage and stout hearts to bear
The loneliness they all must share.

In far, far distant lands they fight
For all the world must be set right.
The fiendish foes must conquered be,
All peoples then will be set free.

Each to his homeland will return
And to the love for which they yearn.
In the dawn of the new day.
Peace on earth will come to stay.
—Viola Duncan Sombart.

A BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE

Rilie R. Morgan, editor of the Walsh County (N. D.) Record, published an article concerning his son who was killed in action in the Far Pacific. After telling of the events in his life he ended with the following:

"Thus ends the story of this typical American boy. It might be written about millions of other boys who are now fighting for righteousness throughout the world.

"The sacrifice he and others have made, and others will make, place upon us a heavy responsibility which we dare not shirk. Every American must realize now that we cannot live unto ourselves alone. There rests upon us the sacred obligation to see to it that the world is not again plunged into the hell of war at the instigation of one man or one nation. We owe it to them to see to it that America becomes so strong and is kept so strong that she, and other peaceful nations, can put down the threat of war in its incipiency wherever it may rise. Then we must have the courage and the vision to use that strength to see to it that never again shall a fanatical Hitler, a swashbuckling Mussolini, or a treacherous Jap raise his hideous head in this world. If we do less we shall not have kept faith with them.

"And so, my son, hail and farewell. You lived abundantly, you fought valiantly, you kept the faith, you died bravely, you gave your life that we who live may enjoy the blessings of freedom, democracy individual liberty, and the American way of life. No man can give more.

"God bless you for the precious memories you have left us."

RUSSIANS NOT FIGHTING JAPAN

The Supreme War Council, when and if it emerges, will not satisfy those who demand close collaboration between the United States, Great Britain, Russia and China.

It ought to be clear that no such common council can consider the war in the Pacific where Russia is not a belligerent against the common enemy of the other three powers.

The demand that we should relieve the Russians strikes a strange note when one considers that there is no concomitant demand that Russia become a partner in our war against Japan.

Certainly, there are reasons, well known to those in authority, why the Russians contain themselves to a one-front war. These reasons are not proclaimed from the housetops but that does not refute their existence.

In the nature of the present world wide war there are many facts and factors that cannot be advertised. To satisfy critics at the expense of war strategy, which means the loss of American lives, is too high a price to pay.

TIME TO HELP

The right of any business to advance by the initiative of its owner or management, operating on a competitive basis, has given this country a merchandising system that is now of incalculable value to consumers in money saved, and in the greater variety and better quality of products and merchandise offered.

Retail stores never before faced such problems as today. Securing goods for distribution requires expert knowledge, foresight and an understanding of laws and regulations heretofore unheard of in this nation.

There is one request that merchants now make of all consumers: Between now and the time full war rationing takes effect late in February, don't hoard. The merchants ask this because they are cooperating with government to the utmost to avoid disruption of consumer supplies. Merchandisers, no matter how efficient, cannot distribute products that don't exist. Lend-lease and military demands have made deep inroads on supplies of all kinds. It is up to the consumer to cooperate in dividing what is left.

FOOD PRIORITY

Food has assumed "equal priority" with military material, in the opinion of Claude R. Wickard, Secretary of Agriculture and now Food Administrator, who appeals to the farmers of the nation to step up the production of food as much as possible.

Mr. Wickard points out that military and Lend-Lease needs have increased from thirteen to twenty-five per cent of our total food production during the past year. He urges farmers to redouble their efforts as "a patriotic duty" and while not promising "any complete solution" to the farm labor problem, pledges himself to do everything possible to alleviate the situation and give the farmers as much help as possible.

The Secretary pointed out that during 1943, the conversation of the nation's farms to war production must be completed, with production concentrated on essential crops and products at the expense of the non-essential ones. He especially urges Southern farmers to produce on their own farms sufficient foodstuffs to feed themselves, instead of depending on other sections of the country.

NOTABLE EVENTS

Washington and Lincoln: It is highly appropriate that we review the work of these two patriots whose anniversaries occur this month. One, founder of a new Nation of Self Government. The other the Preserver of that Nation. Their patriotism being resolved in unselfish devotion to the advancement of civilization. The betterment of conditions of mankind—freedom for growth and development, political, economic, and spiritiual—release from tyranny restricting human rights—emancipation from unjust rule that imprisons and dwarfs the soul. Government under a constitution that insures equal rights under the law. The right of life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness. This is our inheritance, because of these great men. That there has been miscarriage of justice, that scheming men have violated these principles, that self-seeking demagogues denounce, that skeptics and doubting Thomases proclaim against this Democracy of ours, only confirms our faith in the wisdom of these Inspired Leaders, whose genius was not only of their contemporary period, but for all periods, more than the product of their time, but they are for All Time. Their guidance must lead us on to the greatness for which they laid the foundation. In the words of Washington, "A people guided by an exalted justice and benevolence recommended by every sentiment which ennobles human nature." And of Lincoln, "Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith let us to the end dare to do our duty as we understand it."

And may we, their debtors, play our part and in "Dedicating ourselves to carry on the work which they so nobly advanced." HODES

Presidential Campaign Underway

Behind the scenes, and seldom fully reported in the press or on the air, there is in motion the preliminary moves in one of the greatest presidential contests that the nation has witnessed.

The idea that politics have been adjourned is nonsense. The two-party system, revived by the recent election, is functioning at top speed with the chief end in view, the winning of the election of 1944.

This does not mean that the members of either party, collectively, will oppose methods or measures designed to win the war. This would be putting a low on the patriotism of our office-holders and would-be office-holders.

Frankly, we believe that there is a considerable unanimity as to winning the war but, behind the scenes, the politicians are devoting some thought to how the winning of the war will revert to the benefit of their particular party.

FANTASTIC!

The better brains of the country have been drawn into the war administration. Politics has to be forgotten when a burglar has a gun at your head.

Domestic problems have been largely sidetracked in the public mind, as they have seemed superficial compared with the war.

Bureaucracy has run wild in Washington. The simplest acts in family life have been made complicated issues. One has but to read the requirements for cutting up a beef in order to comply with price ceilings, to see how confused a local butcher must be. Running a grocery or merchandise store has become a problem so complicated that stores are going out of business by the thousands. Instead of receiving cooperation from government bureaus, everyone is threatened with a $10,000 fine or ten years in jail, or both, as the penalty for every failure to comply.

The people are heart and soul for winning the war on the battlefront. Boys from every family are there. We are proud of the results they are accomplishing. The people are also heart and soul for winning the production and distribution problems on the home front to back up our whole war effort. But they are beginning to open their eyes to waste and confusion and politics-as-usual on the home front.

The situation has become fantastic and it is high time that thousands of bureaucrats who never raised a chicken, a hog, or a cow, and who never produced an article by manual labor, and who never maintained a payroll or sold a yard of goods, be replaced by men who know something of the actual problems of production and distribution.

Let brains come to the top in domestic affairs as they have in military affairs.

BIGGEST EVENT UNKNOWN

What was the biggest news event of the year 1942.

You will not find it chronicled in any of the reviews of the year; it took place in some unknown place, unrecognized as a great event and its importance will not be known for many years.

What was it? The birth of some little baby whose life will profoundly affect the future course of human thinking. It may have happened in the United States, the British Empire, Russia, China, Germany, Italy, Japan, South America of in other faraway places, or even in Bedford.

There was no undue commotion—just another mother was presenting the world with a little child, and nobody involved suspected the greatness of the occasion.

THIS KILLING BUSINESS

What should be the mental attitude of men at war, who have to kill other men to keep themselves and other people from being killed? On the battlefield, when enemies are trying to kill you, it seems instinctive to save yourself by killing them. Yet until men became dulled to slaughter, it must be hard to kill in cold blood, as is sometimes necessary. It goes against the civilized instinct of respect for human life. With most men, perhaps, only in great fear or anger does killing become easy.

Lieut.-Gen. Leslie J. McNair, commander-in-chief of the army ground forces, recognizes the difficulty and frankly urges hatred. He tells the troops that, as soldiers defending their country, they must harden themselves until they have one object in life—to hate, fight and kill. "There need be no pangs of conscience," he says, "for our enemies have lighted the way to faster, surer and crueler killing. The sooner we get into the killing mood, the better. The struggle for survival is, kill or be killed."

But must men really "lust for battle" as he says? Must they all be imbued with the love of slaughter that they will "scheme and plan night and day to kill?" Should they not rather do it as a necessary duty, killing fearlessly, but with a spirit superior to the deed?

Or to make the matter simpler, should they not kill human enemies in the spirit with which they kill wild animals that owther-wise would kill them? You don't have to "hate" a tiger or lion, in order to kill it. —Alexandria Gazette.

Event and Comment

War or no war, the annual crop of Spring poetry is just around the corner.

Not every man means what he says when he is excited, mad or embittered.

The man who makes a business go is the guy who persuades the customers to buy.

The Japs, afraid of losing face in the Solomans, are about to lose the whole carcasus.

There are persons who are opposed to "book learning," they seldom have any of it.

There will be an eclispe of the sun this month and an eclispe of the tax-payer next month.

Some people thank strangers for doing what they overlook when performed by strangers.

People who postpone their work always worry other people who likewise postpone their work.

You can learn a lot about the history of the world if you will take time to read some history books.

So long as a majority vote puts men into office there will be politicians seeking the majority vote.

Almost any problem can be solved on paper, if you have a good pencil and write about 1,000 words.

Somebody insists that the people be informed. Well there is enough stuff printed to inform the world.

Vegetable gardens in 1943 will be Victory gardens if you can raise the food that the catalogs lead you to expect.

There are a few school children, in this land of free education, who like to go to school and study. It's a bit puzzling.

Bedford County must keep up its recard by promptly buying its full quota of War Bonds—this is war business.

While there is no time-and- a-half for overtime in the foxholes there is no extra dividend to be split at the end of the hitch.

No secret weapon will win the war; it's the everlasting cooperation of the free peoples of the world that will turn the tide.

When the war is over it is our thought that the terms of peace should be fixed by some of the men who have done the fighting.

Before 1943 is over many dwellers in the cities of the land will have a deeper appreciation of what the farmers do for the nation.

Gen. Drum points out that it is not the business of a soldier to die for his country; his mission is to make some enemy die for his country.

When some reader complains that he dosen't like so much war news about all we can think of is to suggest that he try the planet of Venus.

The honor system is fine for about eighty per cent of the population and a cinch for the other twenty per cent, whether it's gasoline, food or somebody's money.

Berlin seems to be outdoing Moscow in picturing the distress and suffering of German soldiers in Russia—there's a reason, mabye a peace drive in the offing.

Women will make up 30 per cent of the laabor force in war industries this year it is estimated.

The national parks yielded 6,473,855 pounds of scrap metal in 1942, or enough to fill more than 75 freight cars.

Hunters are expected to add 135 million pounds of meat to the nation's food supply in the next 12 months.

About 300 war plants in the United States help to produce the 45,000 different parts in a heavy bomber and the 40,000 parts in every tank.

Eliminating use of asbestos textiles in uncessary products will save approximately 750,000 pounds of these textiles for war purposes.

American Indians have sent more than 11,000 men to war, out of a population of about 400,000, creating a manpower shortage on reservations.

In England, all women from 18 to 45 must register for war service, and single women and widows without children, between 20 and 30, are subject to draft.

The Germans, operating on inner lines, will find out how week inner lines can become when the United Nations have superiority in men and the tools of warfare.

The democracies have a great war team in Roosevelt and Churchill and, we might add, the dicitator countries ran into something when they bumped into Joseph Stalin and Chiang Kai-shek.

The average person, unless he has kept up with all the volunteer war work being done in Bedford County, will be surprised to learn how effectively our people perform when they get started.

Let us not forget the ludicrous prophecies of those who asserted that a few billion dollars a year, spent on the relief of starving Americans, would bankrupt the nation which is now spending $100,000,000,000 a year on war without batting an eye.

Gen Franco has his army in Spanish Morocco, which causes thousands of American soldiers to hang around to watch him, "just in case." The dictator may not realize it but he is playing with dynamite.

Eliminating use of asbestos textiles in unnecessary products will save approximately 750,000 pounds of these textiles for war purposes.

Items From The Files Of The Bedford Star

The items below are taken from the Bedford Star published October, 1879.

The Ministers' and Deacons' institute and Sunday school convention of the Strawberry and Valley Association met Wednesday morning at the Baptist church here. Taking into consideration the fact that this is the first ministers' and deacons' meeting ever held here, the attendance was very good. The meeting proceeded to organize temporarily by calling the Rev. Gabriel Wheeler to the chair and W. J. Cocke, as secretary.

Conservative ticket—J. R. Thurman, esq., for state senate; G. L. Moorman, Esq., and Dr. D. M. Claytor, for the house of delegates.

Chamblissburg—The 4th quarterly meeting for Bedford circuit will commence on Sunday next; and the fairer part of creation are straining every nerve to impart to the occasion additional lustre by decorating fairy forms, which, without artificial embellishments, are almost too lovely for masculine eyes to gaze on with impunity. Flowers, feathers, laces, hair-switches, puffs, veils, collars and cuffs, corsets, jet ornaments, cosmetics and a thousand et ceteras to charm the eye and captivate the heart will be displayed in all the pomp and splendor of regal magnificence, to grace symetrical forms, cast in nature's most exquisite mould, whose every movement is the poetry of motion. The matrimonial market is decidedly dull, the feminine stock on hand is beautiful, and commends itself to the attention of purchasers, but there are few bidders in attendance, an occasional pet lamb, however, gets entangled in the meshes of matrimony. On Thursday evening, Miss Anne Preas, daughter of H. Preas, Esq., was led to the altar by Mr. Jno. W. Bowles, and the "twain were made one flesh." We tender our felicitations to the happy pair, and hope that Heaven's choisest blessings may be strewn along their pathway through the rugged journey of life.

Victory Gardsns Will Be Big Help In War Effort

From harsh and dreadful places of the earth there come reports to us of suffering and privation endured by our soldiers and their allies. We cannot fully understand. It is far removed from our daily lives, and those who suffer most seldom come back. Yet we readily agree that we are willing to go hungry rather than see these heroic men lack for supplies. We agree with our leaders that this should be a year of major effort on the production front, the home front. We approve the idea of Victory gardens now being publicized by newspapers and magazines all over the country and in the advertising of favorite seed dealers. We are planning, many of us, to plant our first gardens in years, to grow and save more food than ever before.

It seems probable that canned goods and other foods will be scarcer next winter than now. In such case, the vitamins galore put away on our pantry shelves from our victory gardens will not only be our mainstay for kitchen comfort and table variety, but will mean more and better food for our neighbors in cities, where asphalt and concreate leave small space for growing beans and tomatoes.

The garden clubs of Bedford and the Council of Garden Clubs are anxious to promote the Victory Garden movement. With this in view, representatives from the clubs are attending the gardening classes that are being held in Lynchburg and Roanoke by A. G. Smith, Jr., of Blacksburg. On February 10, at a joint meeting of the Bedford clubs in the high school auditorium, these ladies will report on what they have learned. The members of all the garden clubs of the county are urged to be present and the meeting will be open to everyone who is interested. It is felt that the information out of Blacksburg may be of especial help and inspiration to the younger gardeners, as well as to those whom the shadow of age has rendered less able to "get out and dig."

Though in times like these we must all rate potatoes above zinnias, the Department of Agriculture does not want to see flowers and shrubs give place unnecessarily to vegetables. Though England must plow up her stately parks to grow essential foods, here in Virginia we have plenty of land, plenty of vacant fields and lots that will lose nothing by cultivation. Many unsightly spots may thus be cleared up, made ready for beautification or for continuous utility. The garden clubs ask us to keep our flowers blooming, our grounds attractive. Blossoms, along with food, will help keep morale high on the home front. This, in turn, will make for cheerful letters to those on the firing line.

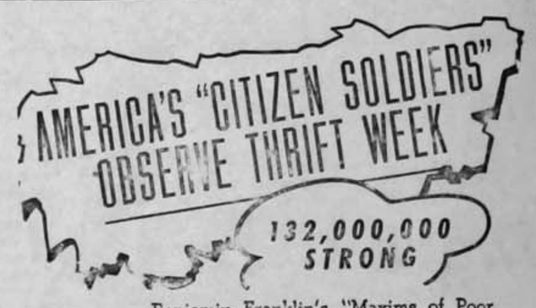
Tennessee Senate Repeals Poll Tax

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 1—Poll taxes, subject of a recent congressional fight won by Southern Senators who claimed it was outside the realm of the national legislature, were virtually eliminated in Tennessee today when the senate passed Governor Prentice Cooper's house-approved bill repealing the tax as a prerequisite to voting in this State. The vote was 22 to 10.

Despite the fact that War and Defense bonds can be converted into cash, only 2.22 per cent of the aggregate of bonds sold since May 1st, 1941, have been redeemed, up to January 1st, according to A. Wilfred May, New York official of the Treasury War Savings staff.

Excluding the United State, steel production of the United Nations is 25 to 30 million tons less than that of the Axis, but with the U. S. included, it exceeds estimated Axis output by more than 50 million tons.

"THE OLD STRONG BANK"



Benjamin Franklin's "Maxims of Poor Richard" helped to inspire courage and self-denial in those who were fighting America's first "Survival War." They point the way to victory for us 167 years later.

As descendants of the men and women of 1776 to 1783, we are as willing as they were to give up everything we have to give up to win—but not our freedom.

Americans of 1943, 132,000,000 strong, will observe Thrift Week by saving gasoline, saving rubber, saving food and materials, saving money, and buying U. S. War bonds for Victory.

MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

THE PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK

Bedford, Virginia

Children And The Blasting Cap Cause Of Many Accidents

"Each year at this season the Institute of Makers of Explosives sends letters to every Commissioner of Health in the United States requesting them to emphasize again through all available publicity channels the danger involved when children play with negligently discarded blasting caps. That a definite blasting cap hazard exists is proved by the number of children reported each year who become victims of their curiosity when such devices are found in or near blasting operations of various kinds," states Dr. I. C. Riggin, State Health Commissioner.

"These accidents begin to increase in the early months of the year and reach a high point in July and August. Casualties of this type are especially distressing since in so many cases they cripple boys and girls to such an extent that they are unfit for useful work in later life, and death results frequently.

"Most of the blasting caps are found by children where they have been left by careless adults. In a spirit of discovery, they hammer, pick, throw them into fire or otherwise explode them, usually to their sorrow.

Bicycles Available For School Children

Here's a break for Virginia boys and girls who've been wanting bicycles and who have not been able to get them because their parents could transport them to school in the family car. A further liberalization in the bicycle rationing regulations makes school children eligible to buy bicycles by showing need for them in going between home and school. Application for authority to acquire a bicycle must be filed with the local war price and rationing board.

One of the biggest salvage jobs in the world is being done by the desert salvage squads of the British 8th Army, cleaning up Rommel's scrapped fighting equipment, abandoned in the Axis retreat.

Metal For Bed Springs Limited

When Mrs. Virginia goes shopping for new bedsprings or upholstered furniture she'll find a very different picture from what she has been used to in the past—after present stocks are exhausted. WPB orders have limited drastically the amount of iron or steel that can be used in the manufacture of bedsprings, and have eliminated the use of these metals in furniture springs . . . Manufacturers are experimenting with new types of springs, using no critical materials, and naturally there's widespread interest in what the new models will be like . . . Most manufacturers of upholstered furniture have reverted to the use of traditional solid filling base construction—such as woven webbing, other fabric and suspended straps, slats and solid wood . . . Most of the new bedsprings will be made of wood, too.

Women workers form 16 percent of all workers employed on British railroads.

ADVICE TO FIRST AIDERS

MAKING your electrical appliances last for the duration is one more way of helping on the Home Front . . . Electrical helps were never more important. Time and labor saving, they march to work at the twist of a wrist—invaluable aids to homemakers pressed for time by the demands of serving their country in all sorts of war effort while keeping the Home Fires burning, too.

Among the lessons Wartimes teach us is that of how important just a little extra care may be—with an electric appliance it may mean only a drop of oil in the right spot at the right time—a frayed cord replaced before it causes a short circuit, or a blown-out fuse—a tightened screw—to keep an appliance working—these thoughtful preventives are more precious than pearls, in Wartimes. Treat your Electric Appliances with respect.

DO'S AND DON'TS FOR APPLIANCE CORDS

1. Take a firm grip on the plug and pull gently when disconnecting.
2. Keep cords free from grease and moisture.
3. Don't let them get "kinked."
4. Have frayed or worn cords repaired at once.

APPALACHIAN ELECTRIC POWER CO.

GOOD CARE GIVES LONG WEAR

Defense And Recreation In Southern Virginia

By C. S. BENNETT

Over Bryan's rough trail traveled the Moravians with their longbodied wagons, experiencing many difficulties in crossing the streams and getting up and down the steep mountains which they encounteded. They kept a diary of their journey, written in Latin, in which they mentioned the unvarying kindness of the people along the way, in whom we recognize some of the earliest settlers.

This grant to the Moravian Brethren lay ten miles on the Yadkin "on the upper Pennsylvania Road." There was a well known roadway already astablished from Pennsylvania to North Corolina called "the Great Road from Pennsylvania to the Yadkin." This road was traced on the map of Virginia made by Jefferson and Fry in 1751, and followed the direction of the great war trail of the Iroquois, crossing the Blue Ridge at Staunton River Water Gap and passing through Bedford, Franklin and Henry Counties. Along these two roads, Morgan Bryan's and the Great Road, passed thousands of families from Pennsylvania, Maryland and New Jersey, seeking homes in the south. For forty years from 1735 to 1775, this migration of Germans and Scotch-Irish continued in wave after wave. In one year it was established that more than a thousand families entered North Carolina from Pennsylvania, by way of Virginia.

A story is told of Major George Waller who married Ann Winston Carr of Albemarle County and settled a plantation on Smith's River between Beaver Creek and Fieldale. He was a great lover of sport and tradtion states that on one occasion he and a neighbor named Purdle ran a horse race for a mile up the river when it was frozen solid and covered with snow, the wager being a barrel of whiskey. History neglects to mention who won the race, but we are assured that the neighbors consumed the wager.

County elections were a galla occasion being conducted by candidates and voters gathering at the county seat where a barrel of whiskey was opened, drink passed around, name of candidate announced, the voter "cried his vote," which was recorded, hence no deception. Lists of voters occasionally disclosed the same man voting for more than one candidate for the House of Burgesses.

In 1774 Thomas Black, James Dillard and Peyton Smith were ordered to "view a road from Standefer's Track, joining the road that leads from Blackwater River to the road from Ross' Quarter to the Court House."

This order shows that Standefer maintained a track for racing horses in Western Pittsylvania (now Franklin) in 1774. These first citizens of Pittsylvania whether Eastern Virginians or dissenters brought with them to their new homes the gentleman's sport of breeding and raising fine horses. Among thirty-nine most noted horses imported into Virginia, prior to the Revolution, was "Koulihan," imported in 1766 by William Tunstall, first clerk of the county which would indicate he maintained a fine stable.

A tradition prevails on the banks of Staunton River, that in the year 1791 General George Washington was the honor guest at a fox hunt given by citizens of that section. On this occasion one of the hosts, Reuben Thornton, became entagled in some debris in the river and he and his horse were drowned. This tradition seems to have a substantial background, as we know from General Washington's diary that in that year he made a trip through this section of Virginia. He may have visited at Deerwood Ford Farm which lies on both sides of Staunton River below the gap of Smith Mountain. This land was owned by him and Peter Jefferson, was sold to Charles Carter who married the eldest daughter of Betty Washington Lewis, his only sister. Betty Lewis spent many of her last days after the death of her husband with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Carter.

Of life in Southside Virginia, according to Dr. Phillip Alexander Bruce, a native of this section, it was the most charateristically Virginian of all. The spirit of Colonial times lingered there longest after Yorktown; the spirit of ante-bellum lingered there longest after Appomattox, because Southside Virginia remained, during both eras, the greatest scene of tobacco culture in the State. This meant that it was the principal site of the plantation system upon which the fabric of rural Virginia social life rested from the beginning.

Each plantation was an industrial unit within itself, supplying its own needs through the work of the slaves, who not only tilled the broad acres of the fields and performed the household tasks, but were trained to be carpenters, shoe-makers, wheelwrights, weavers, etc. Domestic manufacture was practiced throughout Virginia and was left largely to the women slaves who worked under the close supervision of the mistress, the labor of the men being required in the fields and shops. Cloth was woven, dyed, cut and sewed to provide clothing; the hides of cattle were tanned and made into shoes. The making of dyes was understood and indigo was a common garden plant; cornstarch was manufactured in the home. In fact, everything needful to the life of the plantation, with the exception of coffee and sugar, could be produced there and life was active and absorbing, requiring great executive ability from both master and mistress. Each plantation formed a miniature village within itself, where the industry of the farm was carried on; there were the carpenter shops and blacksmith shop; the meat house, the weaving house, the dairy, and granery, the great stables, the numerous tobacco barns and the many slave cabins. The census of 1790 reported from Virginia that home manufacturing was largely practiced. "The culture of tobacco requiring so much labor, in the middle counties manufacture was left largely to the female slaves. The clothing for the slaves was manufactured on each plantation from cotton and wool raised on the same, under the eye of the mistress. No country under the sun could produce more raw material than Virginia."

The early Pittsylvania matron was well versed in the art of garden making although she lacked the aids which we have today in garden magazines and books, landscape architects and the ever-convenient nurseryman. She created from an innate sense of beauty and achieved places of great loveliness, peace, and content. Here and there we find some of these old gardens that have survived the wreck of time, as those of "Oak Hill," which were planned and built by Mrs. Agnes Hariston in three months, using labor of seventeen slaves and an overseer. In the Moorman Garden at Callands stands a unique and lovely summer house, with walls of tree box grown in a circle, and sheared smoothly inside and out. A cedar tree planted in the center, whose branches rest high upon the box wood wall, from a perfect cover and shade. Its very simplicity hears the mark of a master gardener.

There are some few of the antebellum homes yet standing where the traditions of a gracious past are maintained, but the greater number have long since disappeared, given over to fire and decay, and there is a little to mark their site today save the silent, rock walled, family burial plot, where amid a tangle of vines and weeds, we may read the names of these who lived in this charmed and vanished era.

Among these early Pittsylvania homes whose memories are fragrant of a hospitality and cultured living may be mentioned Dan Hill, Oak Ridge, Windsor

Milady Must Save Her Hair Pins

If Mrs. Virginia is in the habit of throwing her curlers in the bureau drawer when she's through with them, then, she should take heed, and carefully gather them up and lock them away in her jewel box. Curlers have an uncanny way of disappearing one by one, like the ten little Indians. This same set of curlers will probably have to last through the duration, for the War Production Board says curlers for beauty parlors and home use are on the blacklist of articles for which iron and steel are prohibited . . . With curles and bobby pins getting scarcer and scarcer it looks like tough sledding for those who plan to keep their curly coiffure, war or no war.

Information on Labels

Informative labeling is one of Mrs. Virginia's best guides to intelligent buying in wartime. How important the Government considers this is shown by the fact that the Office of Price Administration now has under way a program to include information on quality in as many price orders as possible.

The recent silk hosiery order is one of several which require that facts on quality be passed along to the consumer, but these are only a small beginning in a field which needs greater development. Labeling or grading provisions are expected to become more frequent in future orders, OPA said today, and to cover many more of the points which shoppers must know in order to buy wisely in wartime.

About 70 percent more employees in the converted automobile industry were engaged in producing war goods in October, 1942, than were making automobiles and auto equipment in 1939.

A Detroit undertaker contributed an aluminum coffin to the local salvage drive, and in Deadwood, S. D., the wrought-iron gate of a cemetery went to the same purpose.

THAXTON

Mr. and Mrs. Rawlings Holdren spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Foster.

Mr. Holiday from the U. S. Navy, was visiting his uncle, J. H. Richardson, last week, and also attended Epworth Methodist Sunday school, Sunday.

Mrs. A. J. Weeks is much improved from her recent illness.

Jessie Littleton, of Philadelphia, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. J. T. Littleton.

The second quarterly conference met at Montvale Methodist church, Sunday and had grand reports from all the churches on the charge. Those attending from Epworth church were the following: Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hawley and daughter, Loraine, Mrs. W. O. McCabe and two sons, William Otey and James Weeks, Mrs. T. O. Magann, Bobby Stallard, T. D. Carter, W. B. Tinsley, Charlie Wheat, Mrs. James McGavock, Jr., and Mrs. James McGavock III, Mrs. Hanie McMillan and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Aldridge.

Take Good Care Of Tubs And Buckets

It's good advice for the Virginia homemaker to take extra good care of her collection of pails, buckets and wash tubs. Unless her dealer happens to have a supply on hand, she won't be able to buy any more. The War Production Board has frozen the manufacturers' inventories of these items. Since no release for civilian consumption is provided, these articles will not be available to the general public when dealers' stocks are exhausted.

Lottery

Representative Sabath has introduced a bill to raise several billion dollars through a national lottery. He says that the Postoffice Department has estimated that $1,500,000,000 annually went into foreign lotteries with no benefit to our government. His measure would authorize the sale of $1-tickets and provide $125,000,000 in cash awards and $250,000,000 in certificate awards.

MONTVALE

It takes more than snow, ice, rain mud and slush to stop these Methodist folks on Montvale circuit. So when preaching hour, 11:15 a. m. arrived representatives from all the churches on the charge, along with our local church groups, Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Baptists and others, joining in our first quarterly conference ever to be held here on Sunday, which was thoroughly enjoyed, not only from a gastronomical standpoint, but also from a spiritual standpoint. All too seldom, do our church folks have gatherings of this kind.

Our next quarterly meeting—but watch the paper for the announcement.

District Superintendent Dr. C. C. Bell, delivered a splendid sermon, which was enjoyed by all.

Needless to mention the excellent lunch prepared by, not only ladies of the church, but our friends also, meats, pickles, pies and cakes, were all enjoyed along with piping hot coffee—indeed a luxury in these war time, made a most delightful repast. After lunch a short business session was held, short, when everything and everybody work harmoniously, it doesn't take long to complete records, fill in reports etc. So at 2:15 or thereabout, we were dismissed by the District Superintendent to meet again at his call.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bowyer and Buddy, back to our community.

We were indeed, glad to see little Sandra Jean McKee out again after several weeks illness.

A number of our folks are suffering from colds and sore throat.

Miss Elizabeth Whitten was a recent guest of homefolks.

Mrs. J. J. Boley whose illness has been noted, continues about the same.

George Biggs was a business visitor here, Monday.

Miss Virginia Sink is ill at her home, near here.

Mrs. H. M. Obenchain and son Harold, were business visitors to Bedford, last Friday.

Gas and tire rationing is keeping our people close to home base. So until things ease up a bit Cherrio! Keep Smiling, as our boys will soon be returning home and want to see us smile.

STEWARTSVILLE

Our community was visited by one of the heaviest storms of sleet, ice and snow in the memory of some of its oldest citizens. Quite a number of fruit trees and lots of saw timber were broken under its weight.

On Tuesday night Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Blount, of Chamblissburg, entertained in their new home the following stewards, and their wives or husbands, of Parrish Chapel church: Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Curry, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Maxey, Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Clements, Mr. and Mrs. Sam W. Johnson and daughter, Kathryn and Alice and Mrs. A. K. Callahan. A bounteous supper was served and the stewards meeting followed.

Wayne Simmons, who attends Lynchburg college, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Simmons. Friends here regret very much that Mr. and Mrs. Jewell Barton are moving near Richmond.

We also hate to see Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Evans leave our community. They are moving to Thaxton but were delayed by last week's storm.

The remains of W. B. Ferguson, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Glenn White, of Salem, were brought to Chamblissburg, last Thursday and laid to rest by the side of his wife, who preceded him to the grave a number of years ago.

REBA

Mrs. Henry Johnson has been right sick for several days.

Mrs. Ray Cottrell and daughters, Dot and Shirley, spent the week-end recently, with Mrs. Cottrell's mother, Mrs. H. A. Johnson.

Hugh Falls, of Bluefield; Lewis Falls, of Roanoke and Pack Falls, of Baltimore, spent the week-end with their mother and sister, Mrs. J. B. Falls and Miss Lucy Falls.

Mrs. J. R. Boatwright, Mrs. H. R. Bishop and little son spent Monday in Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Roberson were visitors in the community, Monday.

Mrs. E. C. Hatcher visited Mrs. J. B. Falls, Friday.

Mrs. Elliott and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Powell attended the funeral of their cousin, Mrs. J. S. Lackland, in Buchanan, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bowyer were guests, Sunday, of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bowyer.

BEDFORD, Route 4

Well the spring-like days were broken with hail, snow and rain. We had to get in some wood, make a good old country fire and begin sniffing ashes again.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Judd spent the fourth Sunday with Mrs. Alvah Reynolds.

J. H. Roach continues ill at his home near Walton's Store.

Mrs. Alvah Reynolds received a letter, last week, from her son Alex, from somewhere in England, and says he is well and getting along just fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Skinnell, Mr. and Mrs. Watson Whorley and son Pete, were recent visitors at Reed Overstreet's.

Guess Mr. Ground Hog made his appearance. Well who believes in that anyway?

We hear Westley Daniel and Mrs. J. D. Witt are real ill at this time.

Orlando Witt, G. B. Whorley and Warren Whorley were business visitors in Lynchburg, Monday.

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Rev. Mr. Potts Delivers Address To U. D. C's.

Given below is a copy of the address delivered by Rev. Alpheus W. Potts, pastor of the Bedford Methodist church, at the January meeting of the William R. Terry Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy:

It is quite a task to approach the lives of three such great men and try to reduce them all to a few words that they may be spoken in twenty minutes. Books have been written on the life of each and about one, General Lee, Douglas Freeman has written volumes and is still writing.

In reading after Matthew F. Maury a happy suggestion was hit upon and I shall follow it here. He was speaking to students at the University of Virginia in 1855 and talking on rules. He challenged the students to always have some thought in mind, some one thing to find out as they studied. He followed this with the suggestion that the students assume it as their duty to continue to learn—not to stop upon leaving school. There came to my mind, why not take the word duty as it was related to the lives of the three men and to speak on that.

"Duty" is a commanding word that expresses a determination of heart and principle of action. It has made man more stable, enabled him to stand firm and even alone and to face death and die. It has caused changes in the course of nations and created crises in the steady march of history.

In this day of war as in another "duty" has become the watch word. It will do us good to refresh our minds in this day of the great men and their relation to "duty."

On April 14, 1861 Lincoln felt it his duty to call on Virginia to send 75,000 men into South Carolina to compel obedience from men who felt the duty to contend for "States Rights." April 17th was the day Virginia's men of principle felt the duty to make up her mind. This decision weighed heavily in the hearts and minds of the three men, Maury, at Washington, Lee in nearby Arlington, and Jackson at Lexington. The words of Maury state the thinking of all three. He left his work at the Observatory at Washington, "to renew to the Fatherland three vows of fealty, service and devotion, which the State of Virginia had permitted me to pledge to the Federal Union so long only as by serving it, I might serve her—I am contending, as the fathers of the Republic did—The path of duty and of honor is therefore plain."

Maury rendered the service he could to the Southern cause. He did not desert her for proffers of honor in Russia by the Great Duke Constantine to continue his studies. He served the Confederacy in harbor defense and as an agent in England. Under Maxmillian he had the first opportunity to attempt colonization along the line of the Confederacy in Mexico. His duty remained clear. He wrote to his wife, "You know what brought me here (Mexico). I did hope and still hope to help repair the ruin that was made of the most righteous cause and noble people that ever suffered the shipwreck of almost all that is dear . . . It becomes me to try this."

Maury also felt that the voice of duty was a controlling principle for his home. He must provide the best for his wife and children. Such a venture as he began in Mexico (it soon ended with Maxmillian's death and aid) did not provide opportunity of education for his children. He felt the voice of duty for his whole family. He sent his wife to England and sensing the lonesomeness she would feel he encouraged her with these words . . . "You see you are in the path of duty and the reflection that it is so will comfort and console you, I am sure."

When the causes had failed he came back to Virginia and at Lexington shared with Lee in fulfilling his duty to the sons of Virginia.

General Lee's battle with the stern voice of duty at Arlington are too well known to need amplification here. General John B. Gordon made a remark that reflects his whole administration as General of the Confederacy . . ." . . . the goal of his ambition was not glory, but duty and only duty."

He stands today as a great general and as a stategist stands at the highest among military leaders. Colonel Henderson said of him " . . . he was no hare-brained leader, but a profound thinker, following the highest principles of military art."

In the struggle of war it is inevitable that trouble and even death comes to some. Then the voice of duty would seem to mock us and glory fades in sorrow. To Robert E. Lee trouble came in the path of duty and the strength God gave enabled him to still be true.

"His son, Fitzhugh Lee, had been captured while wounded and carried off a prisoner. Writing to his wife, he said, 'But we must bear this additional affliction with fortitude and resignation and not repine at the will of God. It will eventuate in some good that we know not now. We must all bear our labors and hardships manfully."

In war, it seems the natural thing to hate. Some say we cannot fight without it. Lee had a cause to fight for, not men to kill and personal enemies to hate. There was no patriotic necessity to hate, rather in Lee's heart there was religion and the desire to pray, yea, the duty to pray. He said " I have never seen the day when I did not pray for "the enemy." This spirit was so evident that Benjamin H. Hill said of Lee, "He was a foe without hate, a friend without treachery, a soldier without oppression, and a victim without murmuring . . .a Christian without hyprocrisy, a man without a guide."

We see now how he could be so big and great and magnificent in defeat at Appomattox as he followed there the stern voice of duty.

After the noise of battle and rattling of sabers, Lee listened for the voice of duty to make a way for him through the destruction around him. He wanted nothing more than to follow the path of duty and to reconstruct, and to bind up the sores of a hurt and divided people. The way open at Washington College, as he turned down proffers of wealth and ease. "I have a self imposed task which I must accomplish. I have led the young men of the south in battle! I have seen many of them die on the field, I shall devote my remaining energies to training young men to do their duty in life."

Thomas Nelson Page "he taught peace and amity and union to his scholars at Lexington" and another adds, "To his patriotic efforts and shining example, more than to those of any other leader North or South we owe the obliteration in a single generation of sectional bitterness and the present harmoy of our reunited nations.

We come lastly to the other great leader whom Robert E. Lee called "his right arm."

"Stonewall" as he was known, on the fateful day of April 21, 1861 left the college halls at V. M. I. He was professor there and it could not hold him when duty laid hold on him. What he lacked in attractiveness as a professor and man was amply made up in resolve and devotion to his studies and faithfulness to his work. Perhaps two of his maxims he set for himself at West Point will let us know the heart of the man:

"Resolve to perform what you ought; perform without fail what you resolve."

"Through life let your principal object be the discharge of duty."

Jackson was a man tried in the fire of sorrow. He was very early an orphan and his first wife with the baby died in 18 months. His wildness of life was broken and he became a Christian gentleman of kindness, thoughtfulness and devotion. Nothing was dearer to him than peace and no duty clearer than he should pray for and expect it. He said, "I greatly desire peace and am persuaded that if God's people will earnestly and preseveringly unite in imploring His interposition for peace that we may expect it."

Obeying the voice of duty we see him denying himself spiritous drinks which he said he "always" liked but feared more than Federal bullets. By abstainence which was duty's command he remained true to himself.

"One break in my rule would not hurt me, but it would become a precedent for another and the whole conduct of my life would be weakened," was Jackson's way of stating his feeling.

Duty was related to his personal life in the expression of his daily devotions. Each day had its time for Scripture reading and prayer through which he was strengthened and "nothing but obsolute illness ever caused him to relax his rigid system of rule." It was a duty he enjoyed.

While General Lee and Matthew Fontaine Maury died in the course and pursuit of a duty that wes clear to them in the days of the reconstruction it was given to Stonewall Jackson to give his life in the course of duty upon the battlefield. Many have shared his lot. We see his prayer for peace answered not surely as he hoped but answered nevertheless. He believed that. His belief as stated was "that whatever happened would be the best that could happen."

We might pray today that God will give us such a sense of duty and the accompanying faith that shall enable us to labor and not fear. I say it another way as Lee wrote it on a note found in his army satchel, "There is a true glory and a true honor; the glory of duty done, the honor of integrity of principle."

Phosphate Farms Watched As War Production Guide

Bedford county's argicultural war production has been strengthened by the arrival Monday of 46 tons of concentrated phosphate fertilizer from the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Test-demonstration farmers will use this fertilizer to help develop locally practical ways of meeting immediate war goals more efficiently and of taking care of the land for needed future production, explained Wm. R. Walker, chairman of the Bedford county U. S. D. A. war board.

Now, when the nation is critically short of manpower and materials on farms, it is necessary that we know how to get the most production most efficiently from every acre and every animal, Mr. Walker continued.

S. S. Hylton, county agent, pointed out that 28 families operating their farms for several years as test-demonstrations for their neighbors, have created a body of local agricultural knowledge of great value to the county's war efforts. The Virginia Agricultural Extension Service assists demonstrators in whole-farm adjustments they make around use of TVA phosphates.

The present shipment will not of itself raise much more food, Mr. Hylton made clear. But scores of farmers are watching each farm on which this phosphate is used and are applying at home developments they observe.

The current shipment consists of 25 tons of calcium metaphosphate, the TVA-developed phosphate of new, high concentration and 21 tons of triple superphosphate.

The county agent called phosphate a key to the abundant supply of nitrogen of the air, critically needed now since fertilizer nitrates are being diverted for explosives. Phosphate applied to legumes on soils deficient in phosphorus—and most soils are phosphorus-deficiency he said—enables the legumes to transfer from air to soil about four pounds of nitrogen for every pound of phosphorus used. Lime is usually needed with the phosphate.

Test-demonstrators keep records and make their farms available to the public. Since they are rendering a public service, they pay for the phosphate only freight charges from Wilson Dam, Alabama. They also bear all other costs of their farm reorganization.

The test-demonstrating in this county is a part of a national program of farmers participating with their Agricultural Extension Services in 28 states and with the Tennessee Valley Authority.

15,000 Tons a Day

With the average soldier eating about five and a half pounds of food every day, the Army buys about 15,000 tons of food daily at a cost of $2,750,000, according to Lt.-Col. Ward D. Cleaves, Commandant of the Bakers and Cooks School, Camp Lee, Va.

How To Improve The Situation In Regard To Liquor

By the Old Patriot

It is not surprising that alcoholism is the major problem in the nation today, for it is the oldest and most vexing enigma of the human race.

Prohibition was a desperate remedy for a desperate disease, and it speaks well for the Congressmen who were willing to take such a strong stand for morality.

As however, the majority in the nation are not total abstainers, and as disobeying a sumptuary law is not considered a normal offense, and as there are such large profits in bootlegging, experience has proved that it is not possible for a vast country like ours to enforce prohibition.

Miseries of Drunkenness

People shudder at the thought, however, of a return of all the miseries of drunkenness; the debasement of the men, the cruelties and griefs endured by wives and children, the growth of vice, the increase in the number of accidents on the highways, and the increasing inefficiency of drinkers.

As fortunately there is a remedy for every ill, if we cannot prevent the use of liquor, we can and should prohibit the abuse of it; for character, homes and destinies are worth saving.

Surplus Saloons

As it is far better to close up a lot of surplus saloons than to open up more workhouses, jails and asylums; the first thing to be done is to limit the number of licenses to about one-half of the excessive number now operating; so that sellers can make a living without having to resort to having vicious sidelines to allure their customers to stay and spend more than they should.

Innocent-Looking Purchases

Then just as death-dealing guns and poisons are not sold at the dime stores, neither should liquor and beer be sold at the groceries, cafes and drug stores, so as not to encourage innocent-appearing purchases, or start young people in drinking habits.

Women and Minors

Minors should not be allowed at all in saloons, and women should not be served in the bars with the men, for when in their cups mens' talk is not at its best, and womanhood should not be coarsened.

Restricting Hours of Sale

Some countries in Europe, because of the War, are closing their saloons at 10:00 o'clock at night, and they assert that by so restricting the hours of sale that they eliminated fifty per cent of the drunkenness, for it is the late night drinking that is the most unrestrained and disastrous.

Ration Out Drunkenness

The most far-reaching step that could be taken would be to ration liquor and beer as has been done with coffee and gasoline, only in this case it should be permanent.

Ration cards' with the owner's picture on each, would have to be presented for every purchase, and the severest penalties would be inflicted upon sellers and buyers alike where more than the proper allowance was sold. It is likely that the wisest sort of liquor rationing would do more to solve this hoary problem than any other one thing that has ever been tried, so now is the time to organize such a beneficient measure while rationing is natural and workable.

What a wonderful world it would be without the weaknesses of Prohibition, and without the curse of liquor excesses. Let's ration out drunkenness—for everybody's happiness!"

Man was born to improve things—it is the most magnificent thing he does, and the best we have done in the past can be much better tomorrow!

IRVING

The sleet and ice storm of last week damaged timber and shrubbery in this section.

Miss Mavis Dooley is working in the rubber plant in Bedford.

Wallace Franklin and family have moved to Roanoke where he is employed by the N. & W. railway.

J. P. Jones and famfly have moved to the Jenkins property at Bocock crossing.

Junior Jones is employed at the Label plant in Bedford.

Russell McMillan, of Roanoke, spent the week-end with relatives here.

Novel Phillips has accepted a position at the silk mill in Vinton, and will move his family there in the near future.

Fred Murray is working at the label plant in Bedford.

"Cats"

The following essay on "cats" was turned in by a 10 year-old pupil:

"Cats and people are funny animals. Cats have four paws but only one ma. People have forefathers and only one mother.

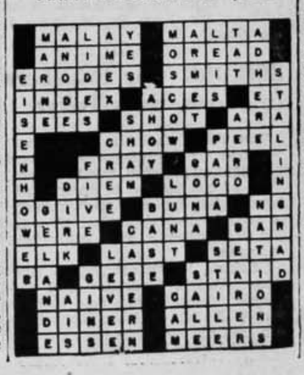
"When a cat smells a rat he gets excited, so do people.

"Cats carry tails and a lot of people carry tales, also.

"All cats have fur coats. Some people have fur coats and the ones who don't have fur coats say catty things about the ones who do have them."

More than 2,200,000 extra pairs of pajamas can be made from material saved by the simplification program for men's and boys' pajamas.

ANSWERS TO ARMY CROSSWORD QUIZ



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Wick Watering Makes Seed Starting Easier

How Wick Is Inserted in an Ordinary Seed Flat.

Amateur gardeners who start Victory Garden seeds indoors will find success easier if they make use of the latest device for watering—wick feeding. You bore a hole in the bottom of a shallow box (seedsmen sell them knocked down); insert a wick, preferably of fibre glass, about 4 inches long. A lamp wick, or even a piece of cotton clothesline will serve quite well. The box is elevated on two pieces of wood, so that the lower end of the wick can be immersed in water in a saucer, pan, or what have you.

This simple device solves the most difficult problem of managing a seed box, which is watering. Keep the reservoir filled, and the soil in the box will remain at just the right state of dampness, without dripping or drying.

To start the action, soil is then saturated by lowering the box in a tub of water; and after it has stopped dripping, it is placed in a dark place until the seeds germinate.

Sphagnum moss can be used, if desired, to prevent damping-off, which is a fungus disease that frequently attacks seedlings. Rub the moss through a coarse sieve or collander and place a layer of this shredded moss over the soil in the flat, to the depth of ¼ to ½ inch. Firm and saturate soil and moss. Drop the seeds on the moss, and cover very lightly with a thin layer of sphagnum. Proceed from this point on as with soil culture.

Seedlings may be sown in this seed starter in rows, broadcast or in plant bands. When sown in rows or broadcast, more seedlings can be grown; but either they should be transplanted once indoors to another starter in which the plant bands are used; or they should be sown late enough to permit of transplanting to the open garden before they get too large.

For sowing in rows, mark rows two inches apart by pressing lightly in the soil the edge of a ruler, then drop the seeds evenly along the row thus marked and cover lightly with fine soil or sand. Firm the soil by pressing lightly with a block of wood.

To broadcast, shake seed from packet so that it falls as evenly as possible over the entire flat; then cover lightly with a fine soil or sand and firm by pressing lightly with a block of wood.

Immediately sprouts appear place the box in the sunniest window you own. A kitchen window is good, because humidity is always greater there.

Clothes Prices Are About The Same

What price next Easter's suit or dress?

Just about what was paid for last Easter's, is the assuring answer of the Office of Price Administration as a result of its just-issued order instructing clothing manufacturers on the prices they may charge for their spring styles.

Since this order will be backed up in the near future by similar instructions to the stores which sell the clothes, it is quite possible for far-seeing shoppers to start now to figure their clothes budget for next spring—always providing they remember what they paid last spring.

Farmers

Up to December 1st, the Farm Security Administration had made, in rehabilitation loans to farmers, loans totaling $690,133,091. Of this total, $351,029,321 were due and $322,973,494 had been repaid.

5,000 Pounds Of Dough Hits Sidewalk As Power Fails

San Diego, Calif., Jan. 24—Five thousand pounds of dough, in a giant mixer ready for pummeling, began to rise—and the power failed.

Bakers couldn't do anything, for without electricity the mixer was useless.

Now 5,000 pounds of dough ain't hay. Soon it rose of the mixer, pushed against a window, and eventually landed on the sidewalk, glass and all.

If prices of civilian goods are held to present control levels until January 1, 1944, consumers will have saved an average of $170 for every man, woman and child in the country.

In England, all women from 18 to 45 must register for war service, and single women and widows without children between 20 and 30 are subject to draft.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC!

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Boggess have purchased the Bedford News Store through a local sales agent, February 1, 1943.

Mr. George W. Boggess volunteered for service in the navy several months ago. Mrs. Boggess will have full charge of the Bedford News Store.

The Bedford News Store will continue to sell the same popular merchandise such as newspapers, magazines, tobacco, cigarettes, pipes, cakes, candy, gum, musical instruments and supplies, novelties, medicines, school supplies, solf drinks, ice cream, pop corn, etc.

We appreciate the fine business that our many customers have given us and with the popularity of Mr. and Mrs. Boggess and the same fine lines of merchandise that they will continue to sell we feel sure that our customers and many more will continue to patronize this modern News Store.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC!

Beginning February 1, 1943, when the Food Distribution Order No, 11 goes into effect all handlers and distributors of milk throughout the country will be required to comply with these regulations.

1. Food Distribution Order No. 11, prohibits us from delivery to you any bottle of milk less than one quart in size, except to where milk is to be resold for consumption on the premises. Coffee cream can still be delivered in all size bottles.

2. Secretary Wickard's order requires a deposit on all milk bottles. Effective February 1, 1943, and until further notice a deposit of 3c per bottle or other glass containers will be required. The Order further provides that only clean and serviceable bottles be accepted.

All of our customers, whether cash or credit, will be charged the regular price of milk plus 3c per bottle for all milk deivered, and wil be credited 3c for every bottle returned. We wish to call to the attention of our regular weekly and monthly customers, that due to our four days per week delivery schedule, you no doubt, will be short some botles some weeks or some months, as the case may be, but will be over others.

Again, we want to say we appreciate your loyalty and patience, and desire to serve you to th best of our ability under the present circumstances.

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Tires Issued By Bedford County Rationing Board

The following tires and tubes were issued by the local War Price and Rationing Board No. 48-104-1 for the period January 1 through January 22, 1943.

New Passenger Car Tires Grade 1—Gilbert E. Woodford, route 2, Huddleston; Frank E. Donahou, box 103, Bedford; J. T. May, E. Main St., Bedford; W. Joseph Key, route 1, Bedford; Eris D. Lugar, route 1, Thaxton; Earl Duncan, Forest.

Grade II Passenger Car Tires—S. O. Fizer, route 1, Blue Ridge; W. R. Griggs, route 1, Moneta; Henry M. Nichols, route 2, Moneta; Mrs. S. C. Burnette, route 1, Bedford.

Grade III Passenger Car Tires—Ruby D. Goff, Big Island; Johnnie Orange, Jackson St., Bedford; S. E. Callahan, route 1, Lowry; Harry Arrington, route 5, Bedford; Hagerman Brown, Peak St., Bedford; Virginia Foster, route 5, Bedford; O. E. Witt route 4, Bedford; James E. Everette, route 2, Forest; Annie E. Holdren route 1, Thaxton; J. M. King, route 2, Bedford; Roy Moseley, Big Island; Joseph Hale, route 1, Moneta; Warren Johnson, route 1, Big Island; Jerman Philips, route 1, Moneta; W. R. Latimer, route 3, Bedford; C. B. Hodges, route 1, Bedford; Curtiss Turner, route 3, Bedford; Robert R. Johnson, route 1, Forest; Leonard W. Mitchell, Moneta; Bradie Meadows, route 1, Forest; J. H. Bowyer, Box 53, Moneta; E. G. Wade, route 1, Vinton; C. L. Baker, route 1, Montvale; J. R. Mitchell, route 1, Goodview; Odell S. Pullen, route 2, Moneta; Robert H. Holland, route 2, Moneta; L. F. Robertson, route 4, Bedford; Basil Preas, route 1, Goode; A. L. Turner, route 2, Huddleston; W. C. Kirby, route 4, Bedford; Andrew Robertson, route 3, Bedford; Mrs. J. H. Callahan, route 2, Lynchburg; H. M. Agee, Bedford; E. C. Hurt, Coleman Falls.

New Passenger Automobile and Motorcycle Tubes—Robert E. Reynolds, route 1, Big Island; C. F. Callahan, route 1, Forest; Henry E. Brown, route 1, Moneta; Virginia Foster, route 5, Bedford; O. E. Witt, route 4, Bedford; Roy Moseley, Big Island; Joseph Hale, route 1, Moneta; H. H. Wheat, route 5, Bedford; S. O. Fizer, route 1, Blue Ridge; W. R. Griggs, route 1, Moneta; Henry M. Nichols, route 2, Moneta; R. L. Lazenby, route 4, Bedford; Mrs. S. C. Burnette, route 1, Bedford; Earl Duncan, Forest; Mrs. W. E. Blankenship, route 3, Bedford; C. B. Hodges, route 1, Bedford; R. E. Taylor, Oakwood St., Bedford; Curtiss Turner, route 3, Bedford; Robert R. Johnson, route 1, Forest; Leonard W. Mitchell, Moneta; Braddie Meadows, route 1, Forest; J. H. Bowyer, box 55, Thaxton; P. A. Fellers, route 1, Goode; C. T. Turner, route 4, Bedford; William N. Watson, route 2, Bedford; Basil Preas, route 1, Goode.

Retreaded and Recapped Automobile Tires—Annie E. Holdren, route 1, Thaxton; Roy Moseley, Big Island; Joseph Hale, route 1, Moneta; Roy R. Arrington, route 1, Forest; Henry C. Byrd, Moneta; Clyde A. Gibbs, route 4, Bedford; Ellis H. Barton, route 1, Vinton; A. T. Holland, route 4, Bedford; T. I. DeBusk, Goode; Helen S. Harper, route 5, Bedford; Basil Preas, route 1, Goode; R. L. Lazenby, route 4, Bedford; Henry M. Nichols, route 2, Moneta; Mrs. S. C. Burnette, route 1, Bedford; John M. Bower, Oakwood St., Bedford; A. A. Jacobs, route 1, Goodview; P. A. Fellers, route 1, Goode; C. T. Turner, route 4, Bedford; William N. Watson, route 2, Bedford; James E. Kasey, route 1, Moneta; E. C. Hunt, Coleman Falls; Joseph Andrews, box 53, Forest; Maggie T. Ballard, Ashland Ave., Bedford; Joe E. Saunders, route 1, Goodview; John B. Oliver, Ashland Ave., Bedford; J. E. Quarles, Thaxton; Arnold Markham, route 1, Coleman Falls; Luther D. Overstreet, route 1, Thaxton; E. L. Johnson, route 1, Lynch Station; Mrs. Jimmie W. Arrington, route 5, Bedford; Clinton M. Birck, route 1, Forest; C. B. Hodges, route 1, Bedford; E. G. Wade, route 1, Vinton; R. E. Taylor, Oakwood St., Bedford; Piedmont Label Co., Inc., Bedford; Nelson O. Webber, route 1, Blue Ridge.

Retreaded and Recapped Truck Tires—Lewis O. Dillon, route 1, Bedford; E. L. Lazenby, route 1, Bedford; Burrus Land & Lumber Co., Forest; Willie D. Thomas, route 4, Bedford; J. T. Tice, route 1, Montvale.

Supplement to December Quota

New Passenger Car Tires Grade I—Claude Wright, Moneta.

Grade II Passenger Car Tires—Mrs. W. E. Blankenship, route 3, Bedford; Dalton W. Moorman, Goodview; Margaret M. Parks, Big Island; Earl Williams, route 2, Forest; H. A. Dooley, Villamont; Edith Stiff, route 1, Thaxton; Nelson O. Webber, route 1, Blue Ridge.

New Truck, Etc., Tires and Tubes—J. R. Ferrell, Jr., Montvale; W. P. Maxey, route 2, Huddleston; William Johnson, route 1, Moneta; Walter M. Gross, route 5, Bedford; Continental Can Company, Bedford; W. A. Parker, route 1, Thaxton; S. W. Gray, route 2, Bedford; George W. Arrington, route 5, Bedford; J. H. Aker, route 1, Evington; Lewis O. Dillon, route 1, Bedford; Ivy Hill Farm, route 2, Forest; Jessie Bramlett, route 1, Thaxton; S. T. Manley, Big Island; Ola Bush Hatcher, route 2, Bedford; J. H. Oliver, Waugh; R. L. Nichols, route 2, Huddleston; E. J. Lazenby, route 1, Bedford; Burrus Land & Lumber Co., Forest; Duncan Brothers, route 3, Bedford.

Retreaded and Recapped Truck, Bus, Etc., Tires—George L. Arrington, route 5, Bedford; J. H. Aker, route 1, Evington; Town of Bedford, Bedford; H. H. Sublett, route 1, Thaxton; John Goode, route 1, Big Island.

300,000 War Prisoners In Japan, Says Tokyo

The Tokyo radio in a broadcast recorded by The Associated Press last night quoted Gen. Fumio Oyama, chief of the bureau of judicial affairs of the Japanese war ministry, as saying that approximately 300-000 war prisoners were being held by Japan.

Of these, 118,000 are British, American, Dutch, Australian and Canadian troops, he was said to have told a House of Peers committee deliberating on a government bill for revision of the conscription law.

DEATHS

R. W. THOMAS

Reeves Whitfield Thomas, 77, died unexpectedly at his home near Penicks, Monday morning. Mr. Thomas had been in failing health for several years. Born and reared in the community in which he died, Mr. Thomas was a son of Rufus and Sarah Hopkins Thomas. He was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Ruth Haskins Thomas, two sons, James H. Thomas and Reeves W. Thomas, Jr., both of the U. S. Army, one sister Miss Belle Thomas, of Bedford, and two brothers, F. O. Thomas, of Bedford, and Turner Thomas, of Cumberland.

Funeral services were conducted from Peaks Presbyterian church, yesterday morning, by Rev. John Bolick and Dr. J. H. Grey. Interment was in the church cemetery.

C. L. FEAGANS

Charles Lewis Feagans, 79, died Saturday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. R. Harding, of Waynesboro, after a short illness. He was in the general merchandise business at Perch for many years.

Surviving besides Mrs. Harding are two sons, Clarence G. Feagans, of Holcomb Rock and Dr. R. E. Feagans, of Fairfax, six grandchildren and a brother, J. D. Feagans, of Naola.

LEE A. BECKHAM

Died at the Elks National Home, January 28, 1943, Lee A. Beckham, age 87. Mr. Beckham arrived at the home December 28, 1934, and was a member of Louisville, Ky., lodge B. P. O. Elks No. 8. Interment was made in Elks Rest, Oakwood Cemetery, Bedford.

OLLIE F. WILLIAMS

Died at the Elks National Home, February 1, 1943, Ollie F. Williams, age 62 years. Mr. Williams arrived at the home July 4, 1942, and was a member of Atlanta, Ga., lodge B. P. O. Elks No. 78. The remains were shipped to Temple, Ga., for burial.

MRS. ANNIE DICKERSON

Mrs. Annie Maria Dickerson, 97, widow of John G. Dickerson, Confederate veteran, died at her home here, yesterday morning. Funeral services will be held at the graveside in the family cemetery near Goodview, Friday, at 2 p. m.

Go To Draft Board For Duplicate Card

The Bedford county selective service board has numerous requests by mail for duplicate classification cards, which can not be sent by mail. The clerk of the board says, "In order to secure dpulicate registration certificates or classification cards, a man must go to the nearest draft board office and fill out an application form stating what has become of the form which has been lost or destroyed."

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Germany Admits Peril In Russia

RED ARMY HAS ALREADY SURPASSED ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF LAST WINTER'S OFFENSIVE

By Hugo Sims
Special Correspondent of the Democrat

The mighty offensive of the Red Army continues to amaze the rest of the world, including the Germans who now admit serious losses in the East and warn the Nazis on the home front of greater sacrifices that lie ahead.

The Russians have scored a tremendous victory. Already the gains of Hitler's second campaign to "crush" Russia are threatened with extinction. The situation of the German army in the East is grave; unless the Russian advance can be halted there is danger that a general retreat to positions beyond the Dnieper will be necessary.

German Attack Weaker In 1942

When Hitler attacked the Russians in the Summer of 1941 the German army moved forward on a 1,000-mile front, recording enormous territorial gains and claiming the "destruction" of the Red army. This was a mistake, however, as the Russian offensive of last Winter amply demonstrated.

When Hitler began his second offensive against Russia in 1942 the Germans still held four-fifths of the area conquered during the previous campaign. The 1942 attack was limited to the southern end of the line, driving to Stalingrad and the Caucasus mountains.

Two months ago the Russians took the offensive. They relieved beleaguered Stalingrad, cut off the German sixth army and have practically destroyed it. Further north, the Red army recaptured Velikie Luki, one of the thirteen great bastions that the Germans erected from Leningrad to the Black Sea.

Nazi Strongpoints Are Threatened

The reader should understand that the German line in the East consisted of key "strong-points," usually important rail centers, which were developed into fortresses like Stalingrad itself. Every one of these fortresses were securely held against the Russian offensive of 1941-42 but, already, one has fallen and five or six others are seriously menaced.

The present Russian offensive is less than ten weeks old. There are many other weeks before Summer returns to give the Nazis another opportunity to assume the offensive, although steady and severe losses, threatening catasrophe, may force the Nazis to make a supreme effort to check the Red army before complete defeat overwhelms Hitler's dream of a new order in Europe.

While it is impossible to describe the full scope of Nazi defensive plans for the Winter campaign it is generally agreed that the Hitlerites have based their hope upon retention of the strongly fortified bastions, including Novgorod and Starya Russa, south of Stalingrad; Rzhev, Vyazma, Smolensk, Bryank and Orel, on the Moscow front; Kursk and Kharkvo, west of Voronezh, Rostov, on the Black Sea, and backing up Rostov, to the west, Melitopol and Dneiperopetrovsk.

The reader can judge the extent of future Russian successes by keeping up with the fate of these twelve cities, which with Velikie Luki made up the thirteen German strongpoints. At least six of them are now under pressure and in danger of encirclement unless the Red army is checked. The taking of any one of them will be a hard task but some will probably be cut off and gradually reduced by superior Russian artillery.

It is impossible to over-emphasize the strategic importance of the Russian front, where German soldiers are being killed by the thousands every day, where others are wounded or captured and enormous quantities of supplies captured or destroyed. Compared to the battle in the East other campaigns, despite their significance to us, are but playwars.

There is every reason to believe that the United States and Great Britain realize the urgent need of rushing vast supplies to the Russians. This is seen in the recent announcement that this country is shipping more lend-lease supplies, including military items and food, than to the British, who, in proportion to their productive capacity are making a greater contribution to the Red army than we are.

Egypt, North Africa and Then—

It might be well to consider the timing of recent events in the war against Hitler. On October 24, at El Alamein, the British Eighth army launched its terrific offensive against Gen. Rommel's army, which has now retreated more than thirteen hundred miles, giving up entirely the last shred of Mussolini's African empire.

On November 7, when Rommel's army was still in Egypt, a powerful American force landed in French North Africa, quickly followed by a number of British divisions. Altogether 500 vessels and 350 warships were used in this striking venture that finally removed all Axis hope of using Africa as a base against the Western Hemisphere.

On November 21, Berlin reported a Soviet offensive "with strong forces" south of Stalingrad and on the following day Moscow revealed that the Russians launched their Winter Offensive, northwest and southwest of Stalingrad, on the 19.

Receive Thanks For Red Cross Gifts

A letter of appreciation has been received by Mrs. S. K. Wallace, Red Cross secretary, from Camp Pickett, which reads as follows:

"We were delghted to receive the hundred (100 housewives and twenty-five (25) pairs of knitted socks. These were the first of either of these items we have received and w had already had heavy demands for them. We cannot tell you how much they mean to the boys when they are in the hospital and find that they need something of this sort, and how much it helps us in our work here to be able to meet their needs.

"We greatly appreciate your interest in the boys here and wish to thank you and the members of your production committee for this contribution."

Increased Farm Loans Are To Be Made Available

Secretary Wickard Moves To Increase Production

Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard announced a broadening of the Department of Agriculture's program to help farmers increase production in 1943. He made available through the Food Production Administration a new source of credit at the county level for the production of essential war-time food and fiber. Between $200,000,000 and $225,000,000 of additional funds become immediately available.

Under the new program loans will be made to producers upon approval of a Department of Agriculture county loan representative, and the chairman of the county USDA War Boards. Financing will be through the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation of Washington, D. C., a corporation under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration. Individual loans will be limited only by the amount needed to do the production job. The loans will be for one agricultural season, not to exceed one year, but renewals may be granted under proper circumstances. Interest will be at five percent. Collateral will be first liens on the commodities, livestock or other items being financed.

Secretary Wickard emphasized that farmers will continue to have available all other sources of agricultural credit, including local banks, Production Credit Associations, Emergency Crop and Feed Loans, and Farm Security Administration loans.

"The purpose of this program," Secretary Wickard said, "is to provide adequate financing to assure maximum wartime production of needed commodities. These loans will be made only if it will enable the borrower to engage in or increase his production of essential agriculture commodities." For an applicant to qualify for a loan his farming operation should afford every reasonable assurance that the indebtedness will be liquidated.

"Our farmers are faced with a tremendous production job in the 1943 Food For Freedom Program. We are doing everything in our power to help them meet the exceedingly high goals. By making available this new source of credit, we hope to enable every producer, large, medium or small, to produce to the limit without being hampered by inadequate financing."

N. A. Boone, local Farm Security Supervision, has been appointed by the local USDA War Board as the loan representative for Bedford county.

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Dog Licenses Are Now Due And Payable

Dog license tags were due January 1, but many have neglected to attend to this matter, said H. A. Parks, county game warden, this morning. Prosecutions will begin in February, he said, and dog owners are warned not to neglect to secure their tags for their pets.

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H. B. Peaches, Large 1 Lb. 12-oz. Can	13c
Apple Butter, Gallon Jars. Each	69c
CANDY, Hard Mixed. Per Lb.	10c
P. & G. SOAP Cake. Each	4c
N. B. C. RITZ Lb. Boxes	21c
CANNED TOMATOES No. 2. Size. Each	10c
PORK AND BEANS Lb. Cans (No Limit) Ea	10c

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Social Events

Bridge Players Guests Of Joint Hostesses

Mrs. O. T. Bonner and Mrs. J. L. Borden were joint hostesses at a dessert bridge at the Bonner home at Liberty Academy, Saturday afternoon. There was a patriotic note in both decorations and refreshments. Score trophies were won by Mrs. W. B. Denton, Mrs. S. M. Painter, Mrs. Glen A. Ramsey, Mrs. Harold Goode and Mrs. J. S. Tate. Others playing were Miss Jessie Dunkum and Mesdames R. C. Hogan, E. Y. Lovelace, C. O. Updike, Frank Perrow, R. A. Pollard, Lloyd Goode, J. Warren Dooley, T. D. Wright, Doole Leininger, Cecil A. Wright, S. S. Hylton, Guy E. Murray, S. A. Cravotta and W. J. Harris.

New Member In Eastern Stars

At a regular meeting of the Order of Eastern Star, at the Masonic Temple, Thursday night, Mrs. Daniel Weinberg, presiding, Mrs. A. Ward Gillaspie was installed into the order. The chapter room was decorated with appropriate colored candles, forced japonica and greens. Refreshments were served by Mesdames J. S. Tate, E. H. Baker, S. M. Painter, Joe A. Smith. War savings stamps and corsages were sold after the meeting.

Mrs. Norman Hostess To Four Bridge Tables

Mrs. L. Glen Norman entertained members of her bridge club and two additional tables of players, Tuesday afternoon, of last week. Score prizes were awarded to Mrs. J. S. Tate, Mrs. Glen A. Ramsey, Mrs. W. B. Denton and Mrs. A. Ward Gillaspie. A dessert course was served by the hostess.

Mrs. Rucker Entertains Thursday Club

The Thursday bridge club was entertained by Mrs. M. P. Rucker, last week, when Mrs. J. T. Davidson read a sketch of the life of the late George Washington Carver. Light refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mrs. W. R. Phelps was hostess to the club, the week before, when a paper was read by Mrs. H. P. Clause.

Mrs. Wright Hostess To Club and Other Guests

Mrs. Cecil A. Wright was hostess to her bridge club at her home on Park street, Friday night, when there were a number of extra guests including Mrs. E. H. Baker, Mrs. J. S. Tate, Mrs. S. M. Painter, Mrs. J. L. Borden and Mrs. J. B. Kelly. Mrs. Wright awarded several score prizes and served a dessert course after the game.

Saunders-Marshall

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Marshall announce the marriage of their daughter, Nell Eileen, to Donald Saunders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Saunders, of Alexandria. The ceremony was performed in Alexandria, January 30, by Rev. Mr. Campbell, D. D., of the Baptist church.

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Entertains For Mrs. W. F. Kropff

Daffodils, scacia, yellow roses and fresh green foliage formed spring-like decorations on the U-shaped table, lighted by tall yellow candles, at which Miss Claudine Hutter entertained Saturday in the Blue room of the Virginian Hotel at luncheon in compliment to Mrs. William F. Kropff, who recently came to Lynchburg to make her home. The Kropffs have been living in Bedford County at Holiday Farm.

Among the guests invited were several from nearby counties who were deterred at the last minute by the sleet storm, but there were three dozen seated at luncheon, the spring-like note of the table decorations being reflected in the green and yellow cards which marked the places.

This was one of several attractive luncheon-parties of the day, a second having been that which Mrs. R. Thomas Watts, Jr., gave in compliment to Mrs. James Owen Watts, who will leave with Mr. Watts at an early date to spend the rest of the winter season in Florida. Here, too, the spring theme was utilized in flowers and menu.—The Lynchburg News.

Presbyterian Women Have Season of Prayer

Mrs. Edna Colman, who has made her home in Washington for many years, spoke at the Presbyterian church, Monday, telling of her observation and experience with the immigrant population in that city, and Mrs. F. X. deSouza, who has lived in Brazil for some time, told of conditions in that country.

The meeting was for the annual observance of prayer for foreign missions and an offering was made for that purpose. Mrs. John Marion Smith had charge of the program, assisted by Mrs. A. G. Cummings and Mrs. O. A. Thomas.

Galyon-Pollard

Mr. and Mrs. John Augustus Pollard, of Sweetwater, Tenn., have announced the marriage of their daughter, Eleanor Yvonne, to Aviation Cadet Hershel Galyon which took place in Rossville, Georgia, September 6.

The bridegroom is a son of Mrs. Elsie Galyon, and the late Mr. Galyon, of Sweetwater, Tenn. The bride is a granddaughter of Mayor and Mrs. J. W. Gillaspie, of Bedford.

Dora Armstrong Society Has Meeting

The Dora Armstrong Missionary Society met Monday night at the home of Mrs. C. O. Updike. The program was in charge of Mrs. Updike, the subject of which was "A Just and Enduring Peace," and Mrs. Charles E. Green, Jr., spoke on "A Christians Responsibility for a Just and Enduring Peace." Committees were appointed for the year, after which delicious refreshments were served.

High School Girls Have Circle Meeting

Mrs. J. M. Bower spoke on "God's financial plan of the church," at the meeting of the High School Girls' circle of the Presbyterian church, on Monday night. There were 18 members present at the meeting held at the home of Miss Jacqueline Overstreet. The Bible study was conducted by Miss Cathryn Slusher. There was a Valentine note in the decorations and refreshments.

Mrs. Painter Is Hostess To Club

A Valentine motif in decorations was used by Mrs. S. M. Painter, on Tuesday afternoon, when she was hostess to her bridge club at her home on Hampton Ridge. Guests, in addition to club members were: Mrs. E. H. Baker, Mrs. R. C. Hogan, Mrs. R. A. Pollard, Mrs. Cecil A. Wright, and Mrs. T. D. Wright.

Eastern Stars Invited To "Pot Luck" Supper

All members of the order of Eastern Star are invited to a "Pot-Luck" supper, Friday night at 7 o'clock, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Owen. The ladies will bring their needles and thimbles to sew on hospital articles for the Red Cross. War Stamps will be on sale.

Mrs. L. P. Mann entertained for her sister, Mrs. Hamilton West, at the Virginian Hotel, Lynchburg, yesterday.

The Friendship Bible class of the Bedford Methodist Sunday school will hold its monthly meeting in the Sunday school room, Tuesday, February 9, at 7:45 p. m. Members of Miss Elizabeth Preston's group will be hostesses.

Miss Kathleen Allen, of the nursing corps of Lewis-Gale hospital, Roanoke, has gone to Philadelphia, where she will spend three months to specialize in the study of children's diseases.

Miss Mary Fred Claytor has accepted the position as case worker in the department of public welfare in the county, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Francis Parks.

Jack Catlin, who attended the dances at V. P. I., during the week-end was presented with a gold watch by the Corps of Cadets in appreciation of his efforts in behalf of the corps during his senior year.

Frank Johnson, son of Mrs. R. Frank Johnson, is one of the list of students at Washington and Lee making all A's for the first semester of the university school year.

Miss Elizabeth Mitchell and Mrs. Sarah White expect to leave Sunday, to accept government positions in Arlington.

W. A. Fitzpatrick, president of the Peoples National Bank of Bedford, is seriously ill at his home on Avenel avenue.

Mrs. Hiliary Saunders is leaving this week, to spend several days in Kansas City, Mo., where Mr. Saunders is in training.

Mrs. Anna Hart, of Omaha, Nebraska, is the guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. North.

The Bedford Book Forum will meet at the home of Miss Virginia Rucker, on North Bridge street, Monday night at 8 o'clock.

M. C. Johnson is recovering from a recent severe illness at his home near Moneta.

Miss Ruby Poindexter, spent the week-end in Roanoke, as guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Herndon.

Mrs. Charles Overstreet will leave Friday, to visit her husband, who is in training in Atlantic City, N. J.

S. R. Watson celebrated his 89th birthday at his home on Otey street, Tuesday.

Mrs. John S. Burdette, member of the Montvale school faculty, spent the week-end in Charleston, W. Va.

Mrs. Emma Parker has returned to Leaksville, N. C., after a visit with her sister, Mrs. J. J. Cooper.

Miss Lydia Griffin, of Richmond, spent the week-end at her home here.

Miss Maude Wright left Wednesday night, to accept a government position in Arlington.

30 U. S. Shps Reported Entering Mediterranean

Spanish frontier reports said yesterday that 30 United States ships, some carrying troops, entered the Mediterranean from the Atlantic at dawn Tuesday.

Seventy-five Allied ships, including transports and tankers, were reported to be preparing to leave Gibraltar Bay in convoys, probably for Algeria.

The aircraft carrier Argus was also in the bay and it was reported that an American general was aboard.

More planes than ever before are at Gibraltar airdrome.

Roanoke Stock Market

Lambs, 16.60; veal calves, 18.30; fat hogs, 16; fat steers, 14.50; fat heifers, 14; fat cows, 12.70; fat bulls, 9-14; stockers and feeders, 13-14.50; fresh cows, 70-110; old poor cows, 9-19.50.

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THAXTON BROTHERS SERVE—Three sons of Mrs. W. L. McManaway, of Thaxton, are serving in the Army of the United States. They are left to right, Second Lieut. Charlie McManaway, Pfc. Edwin McManaway and Staff Sgt. Stewart W. McManaway. Stewart enlisted in the army when he was 18 and spent three years in Panama, and two years in China. (Cut Courtesy of Roanoke Times)

Our Boys In The Armed Services Of Their Country

Walk beside them and guide them
In the light of thy love from above;
Hold them safely in thy keeping
Boys whom we love;
Till this world-wide war is o'er.
God bless our Service Boys
For evermore."

GOD BLESS OUR BOYS

Donal Snellings Parker, son of William A. Parker, has been graduated from Randolph-Macon College, Ashland, with the degree of B. C. The commencement exercises were held January 31 and February 1. He has volunteered for service in the U. S. army and has been placed in the medical corps. He has entered the Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, for study.

Cary J. DeWitt, son of C. O. DeWitt, Bedford, route 1, has been promoted recently, from Second Class Seaman to First Class Seaman. He has just returned from a trip to South Africa, and is visiting at his home here on an eleven day furlough. He has been in the Navy since June, 1942 and is stationed at Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mrs. Gibbs' three sons are now enlisted for service. Paul L. Gibbs, who has been in North Africa for some time, wrote his mother, letter received this week, of visiting Jerusalem and Bethlehem during the Christmas period. Marshall Bain Gibbs, U. S. Army, is in training in Maryland.

A letter from Miss Elizabeth Meador of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, who is now stationed in Wilmington, N. C., expresses enthusiasm for her work in the army. Miss Meador took her basis training in Des Moines, Iowa, but says she likes it better in the south.

Tommy Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Martin, who has enlisted in the Coast Guard, left Sunday, for Richmond, where he will be assigned to a training camp. Robert W. Martin Jr., is with the forces in North Africa.

Carlin V. Jacobs, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jacobs, of Moneta, who was inducted into the army is located at Miami, Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Foster, of Thaxton, have received word that their son, Sergeant Edward E. Foster, has landed safely overseas.

Lieutenant J. Karlton Owen, U. S. Army, of Camp Gordon, Augusta, Ga., spent Sunday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Owen.

Billy Merriken, who was inducted into the U. S. Army, January 20, is located at Camp Gruber, Oklahoma.

Bill Catlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Catlin, who is training at a flying field in Dallas, Texas, has written his parents of the thrill of his first solo flight. His work day, he said, extends from 6 a. m. to 9 p. m.

June Lawrence Gibbs, youngest son of Mrs. Anna Gibbs, who enlisted with the U. S. Merchant Marines, has received his call for duty and will leave Friday morning for Brooklyn, N. Y.

Cyril Cousart, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cousart, who has enlisted in the Army Air Corps, left Sunday for Richmond.

Private Jake Yoder, of Durham, N. C., has been visiting relatives near Big Island.

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Our Buyer has just returned from New York City, where a splendid selection of new Spring Merchandise was acquired for our Dress Shoppe.

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Real Pea-Soup Fog Blots Out London

Impenetrable Mist Is First Since War Started.

LONDON.—The first old-fashioned pea-soup fog since the war started settled down on London recently, it can now be said. So impenetrable was it that King George's car took an hour to creep from Buckingham palace to the King's Cross station, normally no more than a 20-minute drive—and it was only done at all with the aid of policemen walking beside the royal car flashing torches.

The density of the fog varied in different parts of the city, and the arrival of the blackout time did not make conditions much worse than they were already. The districts blanketed with the thickest fog, whether by day or night, had to clear all traffic from the streets, and even pedestrians had the greatest difficulty in finding the way. There was at least one case wherein ten buses adopted a solution that many individuals found to be the only one, namely, moving forward slowly in a follow-the-leader fashion.

Arc lights and kerosene flares were set up at important intersections during the blackout, pointing boldly skyward. They cast a pale glow that seemed like an oasis in a desert. This correspondent was assigned to explore the trail the full length of Fleet street in search of morning papers to find out what was going on in the world outside. When the journey began all that could be seen with the aid of a bright flashlight was the sidewalk curb close to one's feet. People passing near could be heard but not seen. Church bells striking at midnight served as buoys do at sea, telling a fogbound skipper his whereabouts.

Mechanized Army Admits Need for Apache Scouts

FORT HUACHUCA, ARIZ.—Today's mechanized army still has a job for the Apache scouts, a holdover from the Indian wars.

These rugged sons and grandsons of the tribesmen who made life miserable for pioneer settlers now number only seven in active service.

With the fort's strength increased from two regiments to a full division of Negro troops, Col. Edwin N. Hardy, commanding officer, has proposed that the scouts be increased to 30. "Many jobs can be done only on horseback—riding the fences, keeping cattle out of the reservation, guarding water sources, acting as fire guards and similar duties," he said.

Sergt. Sinew N. Riley, son of a former Apache chief, is leader of the little band. The Apaches live with their families in adobe homes apart from the main part of the post.

Fort Huachuca is the only military post in the United States where Indian scouts are in service.

Name Doesn't Prove Thing In Case of Little Family

WASCO, CALIF.—There is nothing "small" about the Little family or their all-out aid in the war effort.

Five of Mr. and Mrs. James Little's six sons are already in the services and the other, a horticulturalist at the University of California at Los Angeles, is awaiting his call.

In addition, Mr. Little is engaged in war industry, while Mrs. Little raises "food for victory" with the help of a hired man on the family farm in Kern county. Daughter is secretary to a Minter Field army officer.

The Little sons include Keith, a second lieutenant in the army engineer corps; Douglas, an aviation cadet; Kenneth, an ensign in the naval air corps, and Malcomb, of the coast guard.

Seeing Eye Dog Doesn't Trust Master in Store

EDWARDSVILLE, ILL. — John Merkel, blind operator of the Madison County Courthouse concession stand here has a newly acquired "seeing eye" German Shepherd dog named "Phil" that does not trust his master in a dime store.

"Phil pulled a fast one on him the other day," Merkel relates. "I wanted to go into the dime store. He led me in one door, but before I knew it he had taken me right back to the street, through the second front entrance."

Aged Doctor's Teaching Probably Saved Own Life

SANTA ROSA, CALIF.—Dr. W. C. Shipley, 70, may have saved his own life by a first-aid lecture to a Red Cross class.

As he completed his instructions he collapsed. With the subject fresh in mind, members of the class quickly applied first aid and had him removed to a hospital. He recovered.

Time Out for Lunch; Causes Traffic Jam

ONTARIO, CALIF. — Traffic was snarled for an hour recently while motorists gaped at a couple of elephants munching grapes in a vineyard.

George L. Mrofchok, circus truck driver, told highway patrolmen he dozed at the wheel. When he awoke, the truck had ripped through 40 wine grapevines and the elephants were eating away.

Hubby—I'm glad you want only $5 to go shopping with today. What are you going to get with it?

Wife—Nothing but luncheon, dear. I'm going to have everything else charged.

Tact

"What is the tactful way for a girl's father to let her boy friend know it's time to leave?"

"He may casually pass through the room with a box of breakfast food."

Sarah Anne's Cooking Class

No matter how much we like to cook, it becomes tiresome at times when we have to prepare three square meals a day. It is then that we turn to something new, if it isn't new foods, we can at least try serving the old ones in a new way. Make use of your extra cooking appliances, the toaster and waffle iron. There are numbers of savory sandwiches, which when toasted seem much more of a meal than just a plain sandwich. Try serving them with a hot gravy or sauce. Try to make your food interesting, give every dish you prepare a little personal touch.

Spaghetti and Ham Souffle

1 can spaghetti with tomato sauce.
1 cup diced ham
4 tablespoons butter
4 tablespoons flour
1-4 cup tomato soup
2 eggs

Cook the flour and butter till cheesy, add the tomato soup. When thick, remove from the fire, add the spaghetti, ham and beaten egg yolks. Fold in the stiffly beaten whites and bake in a moderate oven for 30 to 40 minutes. Serve with a sauce made from additional soup.

Hot Chicken Sandwich

6 tablespoon mayonnaise
1-2 cup pickles, finely chopped
1 cup cold chicken, diced
12 baking powder biscuits.

Blend together the mayonnaise and chopped pickle and the chicken. Spread the mixture between the baking powder biscuits split and buttered while hot. Serve while the biscuits are hot. Garnish with stuffed olives in crisp lettuce leaves.

Hot Baked Cheese Sandwich

12 slices bread
3-4 lb. American cheese
3 eggs
3 cups milk
2 tablespoons shortening
2 tablespoon flour
1 teaspoon salt
1-8 teaspoon pepper

Trim the bread and toast it. Make a cream sauce of the last five ingredients, cool slightly and add the beaten eggs. Lay half the toast in a shallow baking pan with half the cheese sliced thin on top. Pour over this the milk and egg mixture and cover with the remaining toast and cheese. Press the toast down into the egg mixture until the edges are submerged but not the cheese. Set the pan in hot water and bake in an oven 325 degrees until the cheese is melted and the egg mixture set.

Spinach Timbales

1 cup cooked spinach
1 teaspoon fat
1 egg slightly beaten
1-2 cup milk
1-3 teaspoon salt
Few grains pepper
Fed drops onion juice
1 teaspoon vinegar
4 round slices bread fried
4 slices tomatoes

Combine first 8 ingredients. Fill greased timbale molds. Bake in a pan of hot water in slow oven 300 degrees for 30 to 45 minutes until firm. Cover bread with slice of tomatoes and turn a spinach mold on each. Serve with hollandaise sauce.

Corned Beef Hash

1 can corned beef hash
4 tomatoes
4 tablespoons bread crumbs
1 minced onion
Seasoning to taste

Pile hash lightly in 4 baking plates. Remove a slice from the tomatoes, sprinkle them with onions, crumbs and seasoning. Dot with shortening and place one on each plate. Bake 15 minutes at 400 degrees. When ready to serve add crisp watercress or cold slaw and pass the Worcestershire sauce.

Bacon and Toasted Eggs

Dip as many rounds of bread in beaten egg, to which a little milk has been added, as you wish servings. Fry the bread lightly on both sides in a little fat. Place the rounds of bread on greased shallow baking plate. Carefully drop an egg on each round. Place over each egg a cut slice of bacon. Broil under flame until both bacon and eggs are done. Serve at once.

Spice Cup Cakes

1 (9-ounce) package dry mincemeat
1-2 cup water
1-2 cup shortening
1 cup brown sugar
2 eggs
2 cups sifted flour
2 1-2 teaspoons baking powder
1-2 teaspoon mace
1-2 teaspoon allspice
1-2 teaspoon ginger
1-2 cup milk

Break the mincemeat into pieces in a saucepan and add the water. Place the saucepan over a hot fire and bring to a brisk boil and continue boiling for 3 minutes, until the mixture is practically dry. Allow to cool. Cream the shortening and brown sugar. Add the eggs one at a time. Beat vigorously until creamy. Sift together the flour, baking powder and spices. Add alternately with the milk. Fold the mincemeat into the mixture, beat until well blended. Pour into greased cup cake tins. Bake 25 minutes in oven 350 degrees. Cool and ice with white frosting.

In England evaporated milk is rationed under the "points" system, as it comes in standard size cans, but liquid milk is rationed by volume.

Hunters are expected to aid 135 million pounds of meat to the nation's food supply in the next 12 months.

Conversion of jallopies to scrap throughout the country is at a rate exceeding auto production in 1929, a banner year for new cars.

A 60-year-old blind woman of Owasso, Okla., collected 180 pounds of metal scrap in her backyard, without assistance.

Good Picker

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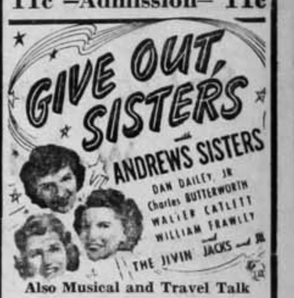

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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers

Wake Up and Shine . . . for a Hearty Breakfast!
(See Recipes Below)

Winter Breakfasts

Though the wind may howl moanfully and the icicles crackle coldly at your window these mornings when you arise to meet the day and all its tasks, a hot, well-balanced breakfast is bound to bring you to the alert in double quick time. Fruit or fruit juice will wake you first, then eggs, hot cereal, rolls or flapjacks will do the rest toward getting you on your way.

Citrus fruit crops are especially good this winter and will be at your breakfast service with all their rich vitamins, minerals and health-giving qualities. Their sparkle and freshness will give you a new start these busy mornings.

Vitamin Cereals.

It's a wonderful idea to follow up the fruit course with one of those quickly prepared hot cereals which are so rich in vitamin B1—that important vitamin you need daily for preventing nervousness, fatigue and restlessness.

There are several ways of doing up the hot cereals. The quick-cooking wheat and oat cereals may be readily prepared along with the rest of breakfast—in just a few minutes' time. If you have a deep-well cooker on an electric range you can place the cereal in glass jars along with dried fruits you are able to obtain, turn on the unit overnight, and have fruit and cereal ready-to-eat.

Don't hesitate at cooking the quick-cooking cereals longer—they are improved in flavor and more palatable if you give them a few extra minutes.

Coddled Eggs.

Coddled or soft cooked eggs are made by bringing a sauce pan of water to a good boil. Then turn out the heat, transfer into it the eggs with a spoon. Cover and let stand 5 to 10 minutes depending upon the consistency of egg you desire. This is a good way to fix eggs—you can place them in the water while you're getting the rest of the breakfast.

Change Your Breakfasts.

Fried mush is a wonderful breakfast food; serve it with syrup, butter and honey, and even fried apple rings—for a late Sunday morning feast.

Toasted English muffins teamed with poached eggs—and a piece of broiled ham in-between will work wonders toward getting the family on its way out of bed.

Packaged pancake mixtures will speed up the tempo at breakfast time. Serve them with butter or vitaminized margarine—honey and butter syrup, melted together, or dark corn syrup flavored with a maple extract are all that could be desired, luscious indeed.

No, I haven't forgotten omelets! For a fluffy omelet allow 3 eggs for 2 people. Separate eggs, and beat each separately. Add ½ tablespoon cream to yolks, salt and pepper, then fold in stiffly beaten whites. Heat butter in skillet, pour in eggs, cover and cook over low heat until mixture puffs, about 8 minutes. Uncover and finish cooking in slow oven (325 degrees) about 20 minutes. Fold over and serve on warm platter.

This Week's Breakfast

Sliced Oranges
Hot Oatmeal Honey Top Milk
Coddled Eggs
*Butterscotch Pecan Rolls
Beverage
*Recipe Given

Omelet Variations.

If you have leftover ham, sprinkle a few tablespoons of minced ham over omelet while it is cooking. For a jelly omelet, spread a tablespoon of jelly over surface of omelet before folding it over—after it has finished cooking completely. For special occasions, spread sauteed chicken livers before folding omelet.

Freshly baked rolls with swirls of brown syrup and whole pecans on top are bound to make your breakfast a real pleasure. Make the rolls in the afternoon—reheat for breakfast, for these won't dry out:

***Butterscotch Pecan Rolls.**
(Makes 3 dozen)

1 package yeast, compressed or granular
¼ cup warm water
¾ cup milk, scalded, cooled to lukewarm
1 teaspoon salt
½ cup sugar
¼ cup melted shortening
2 eggs, well beaten
About 4 cups sifted all-purpose flour
1 cup butter, softened
1 cup brown sugar, packed firmly
1 cup pecan meats

Pour ¼ cup lukewarm water over yeast, add 1 tablespoon sugar, stir, let stand about 5 minutes.

Dissolve salt and remaining sugar in milk. When lukewarm add yeast and blend with 2 cups flour. Beat very thoroughly. Next, add eggs and shortening. Mix well and beat three minutes. Add remaining flour enough to make a smooth dough. Knead lightly on board about 5 minutes. Use only enough flour to keep dough from sticking. Dough should be kept as soft as possible. Grease top and let rise until doubled. Fold dough down again and let rise again until doubled.

To shape: roll dough into oblong pieces until ¼ inch thick. Spread with butter, brown sugar and nuts. Roll as for jelly roll. Cut into 1 to 1½-inch slices. Use muffin tins, add ½ spoonful of butter, and a few nutmeats to each pan. Place rolls of dough, cut side down on each pan. Let rise again until double. Bake about 12 to 15 minutes in a hot (400 to 425-degree) oven. Remove from pans immediately.

Quick Coffee Cake.

½ cup butter
1 cup sugar
1 egg
1¾ cups flour
2½ teaspoons baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt
1 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla

Cream butter and sugar. Add egg and beat until light. Add sifted dry ingredients alternately with milk and beat for several minutes. Add vanilla and pour into a greased, shallow pan. Spread with topping and bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven 25 to 30 minutes.

Topping.

2 egg whites
1 cup brown sugar
Nutmeats

Beat egg whites stiff. Fold in sugar. Spread on batter and sprinkle with chopped nutmeats.

Have you a particular household or cooking problem on which you would like expert advice? Write to Miss Lynn Chambers at Western Newspaper Union, 210 South Desplaines Street, Chicago, Illinois, explaining your problem fully to her. Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your reply.

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Lynn Says:

Saying it Briefly: Saute minced onion and green pepper with leftover meat and enclose in pastry squares. Bake until crispy brown and serve with gravy.

Alternate slices of sauteed eggplant and slices of leftover meat in casserole. Pour over it some tomato soup, sprinkle with grated cheese, heat, and presto! Your main dish is ready!

Boil large onions, scoop out center, fill with hash, and heat, serve with gravy or tomato sauce.

Scoop out centers from potatoes, mash potatoes, mix with ground, leftover meat, refill, heat and bring to the table.

Nurses

The American Red Cross plans an intensive three-months' campaign to recruit 36,000 graduate nurses for the armed services, 100,000 nurses aides to assist professional nurses in civilian and government hospitals and 1,000,000 students in home-nursing classes, teaching methods of protecting health and preventing illness in homes.

Iraq at War

Few Americans have ever heard of Ali Jawdat, but he sent a note to Secretary Hull the other day informing the United States that his government, Iraq, had declared that a state of war existed with Germany, Italy and Japan. Chief importance is the probable psychological influence on the Moslem world.
Red Cross Chapter
Ships Garments

How To Improve Our War Thinking

By the Old Patriot

Because many good people hate war they are distressed at the call to arms, and feel that as conscientious objectors they should be exempt; but if a country is worth living in, it is worth fighting for, and if when we were viciously attacked, all our citizens had laid down on the job, then by how we would be wearing Jap clothes, speaking the German language, and eating Italian spaghetti. The fact is that in a world like ours pacifism is not workable.

Sanction for Draft

As most objectors give religious reasons, it is interesting to note that God commanded His nation to draft all males of military age in an emergency, ordered them to go to war, strengthened them to gain victories, and promised that a time should come when wars shall cease. The commandment, "Thou shalt not kill," definitely applies to killing as a personal affair, and not to government acts; so neither a soldier nor a public official breaks this law.

This War's Cause

At the close of the first World War Woodrow Wilson specifically organized the League of Nations to prevent future wars, but neither Britain nor the United States would surrender enough of their sovereign rights to make the League powerbul enough to intimidate aggressors.

War's Losses

Not only are millions killed and wounded causing a vast amount of grief, but 80 per cent of the wealth of the world is squandered by it, producing great poverty; people also lose their priceless freedoms; and in the present case their treasured religion is threatened in favor of a new-paganism, that makes the State to be God, Adolf Hitler the Savior, and Mein Kamf to be the Bible. Therefore the very need for all that is fine, and all that makes for happiness on earth, demands that we destroy such aggression.

Why Are Wars Permitted?

Some devout people ask, "Why does God permit wars?", but both scripture and experience affirm that for inscrutable reasons, God has limited His own power in the control of the physical affairs of men in this age. Only in four periods of world history did the Almighty intervene with physical miracles and then because He was authenticating new revelations he was making to men. Since then the Divine help given to men has been mostly inward and spiritual. God however, has set forth adequate national and civil laws, the observance of which would produce peace and prosperity.

Remedies

As wars are started by small cliques of ruling men, who are perverted by vile ambition, as was Napoleon and the present dictators, we should elect only high-grade christian rulers, and demand that they lead the people in the way of God's commandments. Then nations must recognize the sancitity of treaty obligations; reduce and limit armaments and suppress the profits from the manufacture and sale of arms. They must have the proper international machinery for dealing effectively with the conditions that lead to war, and plan the best sort of mutual assitance and collective security.

Barbarism and slavery were as bad as war, but have been abolished, so who will say that war cannot be? Our age should have the supreme glory of giving mankind that first of all human blessings, "World Peace."

WHO KNOWS?

1. How long does it take an average ship, in port, to unload and load?
2. How many German U-boats were destroyed in the first World War?
3. Is the U. S. delivering to China by air as much supplies as China received over the Burma Road?
4. What was the net income of the U. S. government, from taxes and other sources, in the last fiscal year which ended June 30, 1942?
5. What distinguishes a "light" cruiser from a "heavy" one?
6. How does Axis steel production compare with that of the United Nations?
7. If each person had to pay an equal share of the federal budget, as proposed for 1943, how much would each pay?
8. Who is James C. Petriollo?
9. What state produces most of our anthracite (hard) coal?
10. What is the present work force of the United States?

THE ANSWERS

1. About 14 days.
2. 2,199.
3. No; it is delivering as much "lend-lease" supplies but these were only a part of the deliveries over the Burma Road.
4. $12,799,061,621.
5. The size of the guns carried; heavy cruisers carry 8-inch guns; light cruisers, 6-inch guns.
6. About one-half.
7. About $825.
8. President, American Federation of Musicians.
9. Pennsylvania.
10. 53,000,000 workers.

Rationing

The OPA announces that restaurants, hotels and other "institutional users" of rationed foods will be placed under regulation when rationing goes into effect. While no limit will be placed on the number of persons that a restaurant may serve and patrons will not be required to surrender ration stamps, the OPA is interested in the amount of rationed foodstuffs served per customer.

Half the job of gardening needs to be done prior to the "garden fever" season. That's the selection of a suitable spot, the planning of the garden, the preparation of the soil and the ordering of seed and supplies.

Government expenditures for war purposes during November amounted to twice the total value of all the passenger cars and motor trucks produced in the United States in 1940.

The daily oil-carrying capacity of the Texas-Illinois pipeline, now under construction, will equal the capacity of 1,430 average tank cars.

DEEDS RECORDED

The following real estate transfers have been recorded in the office of the clerk of the court in Bedford county; The County School Board of Bedford to T. M. Kirkwood and Josephine Kirkwood, his wife, one acre in Lisbon district, known as the Penicks school lot, $500.

Mary J. Leftwich, Josephine Meadows, George B. Rucker, Maggie M. Rucker and Flossie Smith to W. C. Wilkerson 48.18 acres on Shallow Ford road, $700.

Hilary H. and Geneve Lewis Blankenship, etc., to Virginia Blankenship 123 acres about three miles north of Leesville, $1.00 etc.

I. Douglas Harrison to Sarah H. Webster four lots near Peakland and lot in Forest district, $10, etc.

Pernie C. Vaughan, Walter E. Vaughan, etc, to the United States of America 116.4 acres on Little Stony creek, $2,500.

Hunter Miller, trustee, to John F. Nance and Morgan Nance 172.98 acres two miles east of Moneta, on the Virginian Railroad.

The Federal Land Bank of Baltimore to J. E. Roberts 87 acres in Central district about three miles south of Thaxton, $4,500.

Wyatt H. Walton and Cora A. Walton, his wife, to A. G. Rhodes and Bettie R. Gregory 128 acres on Black Water road in Otter district, $5.00 etc.

William Henry Palmer to Roger Wilson James and Alice Vernell James 67.5 acres near Orrix creek, $75.

Emma V. Dowdy, etc., to R. L. and Mallie Stevens 135.13 acres in Staunton district, $2,500.

A California scientist has discovered that head lettuce is high in latex, that vital something from which rubber is made. It is possible that before long we may be transferring our favorite salad from the table to tires for our automobiles.

In a Census Bureau survey of 137 metropolitan counties, between April 1, 1940, and May 1, 1942, 88 counties having war industries gained a total of 2,639,000 persons, while 43 without war industries showed a decline in population.

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—FOR SALE—Sawed oak block wood, delivered in Bedford. See Elmo Wright Dairy, near Centerville. 1-21-4t-pd

—FOR SALE—One horse cold, coming 2 years old; also one mare, 8 years old. Will sell reasonably. G. W. Burford, Route 1, Goode, Va. 2-4-1t-pd

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CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank my many friends for the lovely cards, and the many expressions of kindness which have been shown me during my long illness. I also want to thank the doctors and nurses for the wonderful care they gave me.
2-4-1t-pd CLARA UPDIKE

Be Careful, Boys

Flop—Where's Sam?
Flip—He's got painter's colic.
Flop—But he's no painter.
Flip—His girl is, though.

Get the family together tonight and plan your Home Victory Garden.

At this time of year, use well rotted manure rather than fresh manure for your garden.

In India an "aircraft carrier" refers to the 60-foot salvage trucks, dispatched to recover bombers and fighter planes that have crashed.

A bi-weekly British Army newspaper with a circulation of more than a million is printed in eight languages.

MEMORIES OF MOTHER

Days are gone and weeks are past,
Since I saw my dear mother last.
She who was so kind and sweet
In Heaven I know she has taken her seat.
But my heart aches for her so dear,
And I often wish that she were here.

In Heaven the skies are so blue,
Which reminds me of mother so kind and true,
The pictures on the wall, furnishings and all,
Make me weak and I almost fall,
Even the clock silently ticking on the shelf,
Causes my heart to ponder and ache within myself.

Memories, sweet memories, but so sad
Sometimes make me wish that I, too, had,
In Heaven with mother gone to rest.
But then I know that it wouldn't be best,
For there are ones who need my help and others,
They are my daddy, sister and three brothers.

We must look to God for help and protection,
And to His alone make our confession,
For He who loves and cares for every man,
Will lend us His helping hand.
Then if we work and strive to do our best,
I know with her in Heaven we'll go to rest.

By MYRTLE RICHARDS

About 300 war plants in the United States help to produce the 45,000 different parts in a heavy bomber and the 40,000 parts in every tank.

American Indians have sent more than 11,000 men to war, out of a production of about 400,000, creating a manpower shortage on reservations.

Home food producing enterprises must provide a large part of the total volume of food needed for the war effort. Plan your Victory Garden now!

Every American can do something to help the war effort; there are many opportunities for us to do something for the boys at the front, to be a committee of one, in positive activity.

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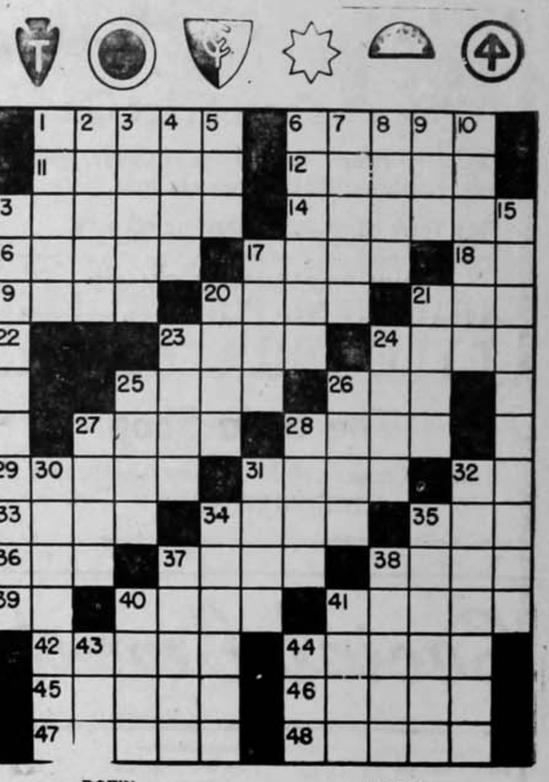

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2 Positive terminal of electric source
3 Machines formerly used to hurl large stones
4 American Expedition (Abbr.)
5 Affirmative reply
6 Soviet capital
7 Helmet with globular cap
8 Hawaiian wreaths
9 Coarse cloth made from jute
10 To stick together
13 U. S. Commander in Europe
15 Embattled Russian City
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20 A feigned battle
21 Air carrier
23 Member of an Indian tribe
24 Small South American rodent
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27 A dagger
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34 Barrack in garrison towns
35 Messenger
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CHILD'S PLAY CAUSES WRECK

Oregon City—Railroad officials stated that a child playing with railroad spikes, left them on the track, causing a locomotive to overturn, two freight cars to be derailed and tied up a Pacific mainline for six hours.

Carrier

The aircraft carrier "Cowpens," recently launched, is the fourth "flat-top" converted from cruisers under construction at the time of the Pearl Harbor attack. The three others are the Independence, Princeton and Belleau Wood.

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Aid To Soviet

The President has established a Russian protocol committee to assure adequate treatment of the Soviet's requests for war material. Harry Hopkins is chairman. He is known to believe that the Russian front is the most important now existing.

Nein

"Give me your telephone number, Gretchen, dear."

"999."

"All right, then, don't!"

Substitution of glass containers for metal cans in the paint industry will reduce its steel consumption from 73,000, tons to ,700 tons.

Furniture Blaze At Marion Costs Millions In Loss

Marion, Va., Jan. 28—The Virginia Lincoln Corporation's furniture plant burned here last night and Leon DeVille, company secretary, estimated the loss to be approximately $1,000,000.

Eight homes near the plant also were burned but firemen kept the flames from spreading to a Lincoln Corporation building across the street in southeast Marion which was engaged in war work.

The two-story brick furniture plant, covering more than a block and employing 650 workmen, was burned to the ground. All available fire equipment in this southwest Virginia area was sent to Marion, including machines from Bristol and Wytheville. Firemen had the double problem of keeping the flames away from the war plant on one side and from spreading to Main street and Smyth county courthouse a block away on another side.

The fire broke out in the finishing department at about 11 p. m and spread quickly. It was under control at 2 a. m., but the firemen continued to throw water on the embers throughout the morning.

A large quanitity of furniture was stored in the plant. Also lost was machinery which is believed to be irreplacable at this time.

No plans were announced immediately as to the rebuilding of the plant pending the arrival of C. C. Lincoln and John D. Lincoln, president and vice-president from Texas.

No one was injured in the fire. Some of the occupants of the burned houses lost all of their household effects.

New Ground Fires Must Be Over Before March 1

State Forest F. C. Pederson of Charlottesville, today urged all persons planning on doing clearing or new ground debris burning, to complete the bnrning by March 1.

The Virginia forest fire laws state that grass, brush, leaves, and other burning shall not be done during March, April and May 1 to May 15, except between the hours of 4:00 p. m. and midnight.

The State Forester said this law was necessary to prevent so many fires from escaping to the forests from careless brush burners during the dry windy weather of early spring. In pears past, approximately one out of four forest fires have been caused by fire secaping from negligent brush burners.

The State official commeted that land clearing and burning during the wet winter months, when other work was light, was good management, as well as effective fire prevention.

Since the Army regulations in the dimout areas prohibit fires after sundown, it is particularly important for all burning to be completed by March first.

The Virginia Forest Service is cooperating closely with Army and Navy authorities to eliminate wild forest fires. Smoke from forest fires, military officials state, seriously hinders aerial flying and, near the coast, hinders anti-submarine observation. It is not only patriotic, but good business to—"Prevent Forest Fires."

Forest fires, caused by careless smokers, brushburners, and other sources annually cause thousands of dollars of damage to Virginia's young forests. Spring fires destroy countless game birds, nests, and young game.

The particular section of the Virginia code referred to is Section 545, Subsection b, Chapter 28, which reads as follows:

"(b) During the period beginning March first and ending May fifteenth of each year, even though the percautions required by the foregoing paragraph shall have been taken, it shall be unlawful, in any county or portion thereof organized for forest fire control under the direction of the State Forester, for any person to set fire to, or to procure another to set fire to, any brush, leaves, grass, debris, or field containing dry grass or other inflammable material capable of spreading fire, located in or within three hundred feet of any woodland or brushland, except between the hours of four o'clock post meridian and twelve o'clock midnight."

Violators are liable to a fine, and payment of fire fighting costs, and payment of property damages.

The national parks yielded 473,855 pounds of scrap metal in 1942, or enough to fill more than 75 freight cars.

A campaign for reconditioning and re-using old cotton bale tires is expected to save 10,000 tons of steel.

The 150 million copies of War Ration Book Two, now being printed, would fill four freight trains of 30 cars each.

An instrument has been developed that enables blind persons to make precision inspection of certain machine products in war industries.

The annual bag of 15 wild ducks and geese, when used as food, has a value of more than $5 millions.

AMERICA WILL SOON BE SINGING NEW TUNE HIT

Get complete words and music of "No One Ever Comes Around to My House," new novelty song selected as a potential hit by Shep Fields, celebrated bandleader. One of many features in the February 7th issue of

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Lesson for February 7

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JESUS AFFIRMS HIS DEITY

LESSON TEXT—John 8:12, 25-36, 56-59.
GOLDEN TEXT—He that hath seen me hath seen the Father.—John 14:9.

"The Light of the World Is Jesus!" Who does not remember with what delight we as children sang, "Come to the light, 'tis shining for thee . . . The light of the world is Jesus."

How precious was the truth that thus flooded our souls. Jesus is the light. Just as the sunlight sheds its glory on an awakening world at dawn, so He sheds abroad the light of God in the hearts of men. As this portion of God's Holy Word is studied and taught, may the light break forth on many a soul caught in the bewilderment of this dark world.

But that is only one of the great thoughts around which our lesson centers. As Jesus here reveals Himself as divine, we consider four simple words, each fraught with rich meaning.

I. Light (v. 12).

The text says: "Then spake Jesus." When? Just after He had silenced the hypocritical accusers of a woman taken in sin, and had spoken the word of peace to her troubled soul. She was to "go and sin no more" because she had met Him who is the light of the world. They that follow Him "shall not walk in darkness"; they are the children of light, they have the very light of life shining in their hearts and lives.

Not only does Jesus light the believer's heart, but this light shines into all the dark corners of this wicked world, exposing sin and hypocrisy, and showing the way back to God.

II. Salvation (vv. 25-30).

"Who art thou?" That is the question every man must ask and answer as he considers Jesus. Even neglect is an answer—a rejection.

The answer of Christ in these verses goes to the very heart of the matter, for He takes the people right to the cross of Calvary. When they had crucified Him, they would know. Did not the centurion say: "Truly this was the Son of God" (Matt. 27:54)?

It is true today that no man knows Christ until he knows Him as the crucified Saviour. Teacher, Example, Guide—all these He is—but they are not enough, for we sinners need a Saviour. May many today follow the example of verse 30.

III. Freedom (vv. 31-36).

Free! Four letters, but what a depth of meaning! Chains have fallen off, prison doors are open. The one who was bound is free.

But here we are concerned with an even more important liberty, the freedom of the soul. Many there are who boast of their independence but who are naught but slaves. Jesus said: "Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin" (v. 34), not its master.

How shall they be freed? Note three things in these verses:

(1) A condition, "If ye continue in my word." This means not only a profession of faith, but a daily appropriation and realization of His truth in life.

(2) A promise, "Ye shall know the truth." The philosophies of men profess to be a seeking after truth, but how few there are who look to the one place where it can be found—in Jesus Christ.

(3) A result, "The truth shall make you free." Truth always sets free. Men are enslaved because, as in some foreign lands, they have not had the opportunity to learn the truth or because they have rejected it.

Men profess to seek truth in their research and in the process of education, but without Christ they cannot have real truth. Educational systems which rule Him out are deficient and lead to bondage rather than freedom.

IV. Eternity (vv. 56-59).

Taking up their statement that they were Abraham's children (see vv. 33, 37), Jesus enters into the sharpest controversy with the unbelieving Jews of His entire earthly ministry. They were claiming kinship with a great man of faith who in his day had looked forward to the coming of Christ (v. 56). Now He was here, and instead of receiving Him as their Messiah they were ready to kill Him.

Not only did they claim Abraham as father, but also God. Jesus told them that in their sin and unbelief they were of their "father the devil." It is possible, then, to be very religious, to follow the traditions of one's fathers, and yet to be children of the devil.

All this led up to their sharp rebuke in verse 57, which denied to Christ anything but an earthly existence and which led Him to the statement of His eternity. He identified Himself definitely and clearly with the Eternal One—the great I AM of Exodus 3:14.

Christ is God, and is therefore "infinite, eternal, and unchangeable in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth" (Westminster Catechism).

Tax Returns

The Internal Revenue Bureau reports that 44,751,746 Americans filed income tax returns in the fiscal year 1942. This was an increase of 16,674,509 over the previous year.

The number of women employed in the nondurable goods industries increased during our first year of war by 110,000—largely in ammunition and explosive plants—while the number of men decreased by 34,000.

Farm And Home Agent's Column Bedford County

4-H Club Meetings This Week

Huddleston Sr., Monday, February 1, at 10:40.

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Brookhill Jr., Tuesday, February 2, at 9:30.

New London, Wednesday, February 3, at 10:40.

Liberty Academy, Thursday, February 4, at 10:00.

Big Island Sr., Friday, February 5, at 9:50.

Big Island Jr., Friday, February 5, at 10:55.

Brookhill Sr., Friday, February 5, at 7:30.

Calvary, Friday, February 5, at 7:30.

Home Demonstration Clubs

Edgewood-Goode, Monday, February 1, at 2:00.

Lisbon Garden Club Tuesday, February 2, at 2:00.

Good Housekeeping, Wednesday, February 3, at 2:00.

Calvary, Thursday, February 4, at 2:00.

Hunting Creek, Friday, February 5, at 2:00.

Longview H. D. Club

The Longview Home Demonstration Club held its meeting on January 21 at the club house, with 12 members present and one honorary member, Mrs. V. O. Johnson. Mrs. Atkinson was present and the meeting was opened with a song, followed by the scripture and a prayer offered by Mrs. J. M. Neighbors. A quilt top was given by a member, and plans were made to quilt it. The meeting was then turned over to our leaders, Miss Virginia Dearing and Mrs. Fred R. Spradlin, who made their demonstration on household linens and foot wear especially interesting by presenting it in dialogue form. Refreshments were served by our hostess, Miss Virginia Dearing, who then received the hostess gift.

MRS. LIZZIE SPRADLIN, Reporter.

Bedford H. D. Club

The Bedford home demonstration club held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. C. M. Buck on January 26. There were 10 members present and one visitor. After the regular business session, Mrs. Ray Harris gave a very helpful demonstration on care and replacement of household linens. Mrs. C. O. Hatcher was appointed demonstration gardener for this year, and Mrs. M. L. Overstreet citizenship chairman. Our February meeting will be with Mrs. Ray Harris.

MRS. T. H. REYNOLDS, Rep.

Huddleston H. D. Club

The Huddleston H. D. Club met at the home of Mrs. W. A. Lacy on January 26, with 11 members present. After the regular business session, Mrs. A. L. Nichols was selected for Garden Demonstrator and the hostesses for the coming year were named.

A very interesting demonstration on care and replacement of household linens and rubber goods was given by Mrs. W. H. Walton, Mrs. W. G. Woodford, and Mrs. Atkinson.

The February meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. H. P. Hillsman.

MRS. V. O. WILSON, Rep.

Boonsboro Jr. 4-H Club

The Boonsboro Jr. 4-H Club met on January 12, at Boonsboro school, with 23 members present. Sugarless sweets were discussed by Mrs. Atkinson and cookies were passed around to the members. A game, "Vitamingo," was played and the meeting was adjourned.

JOYCE CRAWFORD, Rep.

4-H Club Mobilization To Be Held Durink Week Of Feb. 6 to 13

During this week there will be radio talks from Washington stressing the importance of 4-H club work in the war program. The 4-H clubs in Bedford county are putting on a drive for members during the first two weeks in February to enroll new members in food conservation, poultry, and garden projects, stressing the food for freedom program. The demonstrations for February in all clubs are in "gardens for health and food for freedom."

4-H Club Announces Ambulance Fund

All 4-H Clubs in Bedford county are putting on a drive to raise funds to contribute to a Red Cross Ambulance Fund to help purchase a station wagon type ambulance for use overseas. This is to be donated by the 4-H clubs of Virginia in honor of club members and leaders now in the service of their country. Anyone wishing to contribute to this fund please see 4-H club members, leaders, the assistant county agent, or the county home demonstration agent. This contribution must be sent to the State Department by March 1st.

SOME ACCIDENT

San Clements, Cal.—Swerving his truck and trailer to avoid hitting a parked car caused the truck to crash through a guardrail and jam onto the railroad tracks below. A train plowed into the wreckage, causing fifteen empty coaches to be derailed. The last coach fell over on the truck and trailer, which were loaded with oxygen and ethylene cylinders. The gas exploded spreading fire to the near-by brush. With it all, not a person was even slightly injured.

Shipments during January, of garments by the Bedford Red Cross Chapter include 125 bed shirts sent to Fort Story, donated by the chapter; 100 sewing kits and 25 pairs of socks sent to Camp Pickett, donated by the chapter; 40 army wristlets, 50 army mufflers, 64 army hemlets and 30 army sleeveless sweaters to Seagirt, N. J. The sweaters were donated.

Names for 24 Liberty ships, submitted by school children, winners in the national salvage campaign, and approved by the Maritime Commission, include 3 Presidents, 5 U. S. Senators, 3 frontiersmen, 3 famous Indians, and 2 flyers—Colin P. Kelly and Amelia Earhart.

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Freshman Fred—Oh, the hall was dark enough, dad. Besides, she thought it was you.

Air output is held the main war issue a Gallup poll finds.

Refuse collectors in Elmhurst, Ill., report everyone who throws away tin cans, and town officials then remind these people of the need to save cans.

General McNair sees Army expanding by "mass production."

Admiral Land calls for "balanced" war program "now."

More than 11 million books were donated by the public in the 1942 Victory Book CVampaign, and about half of these, after sorting for condition and for subject matter were considered suitable for distribution to our fighting men.

Women will make up 30 percent of the labor force in war industries this year, it is estimated.

CHURCH NEWS

TERRACE VIEW CHURCH

Church services were held Sunday, January 31 by Rev. John Thurman. There was a good attendance and sermon. Rev. Thurman's visit was appreciated and enjoyed by the Terrace View congregation.

Rev. A. L. Warner will conduct his regular services at Terrace View, Sunday, February 7. The morning service will be held at 12, noon, immediately following Sunday school. The evening service will be held at 7:30 p. m.

Sunday school is held every Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. For the new year the average attendance has been very good and we hope to keep it up.

For the month of January the attendance is as follows:

Beginners' class, 8 on roll, 7 average attendance which is an 88 per cent attendance average.

Boys' and girls' Junior Class—9 on roll, 8 average attendance, which is an 89 per cent attendance average.

Young Peoples' Class—24 on roll, 21 average attendance, which is an 88 per cent attendance average.

Men and Women's Bible Class—22 on roll, 19 average attendance, which is an 86 per cent attendance average.

Officers and Teachers—11 on roll, 16 per cent average attendance, which is a 94 per cent attendance average.

The total attendance average is 88 per cent.

Because of so many of our boys being in the service and some of the families moving away to do war work, the number on our roll has decreased, but we hope the ones we do have will keep up a good attendance. Terrace View Rep.

BEDFORD BAPTIST CHURCH

Harry P. Clause, Minister.
February 7.
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m., V. W. Nichols, superintendent.
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Special music.
Sermon, "The Sixth Commandment" by the pastor.
Baptist Training Union, 6:30 p. m., Mrs. O. C. Montgomery, director.
Evening service, 7:30 p. m. The junior choir will sing.
Sermon, "The Problem of Sorrow," by the pastor.
The auxiliary will meet at the church Monday, at 3 p. m. The executive committee will meet at 2:30.
Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7:30.
Everyone is cordially invited.

MAIN STREET METHODIST CHURCH

Alpheus W. Potts, Pastor.
9:45 a. m.—Church school, J. L. Borden, superintendent.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship; holy communion; meditation, "What Shall I Do With Jesus," by the pastor.
6:45 p. m.—Young people's meeting. Dr. and Mrs. D. D. Lester, counselors.
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship, sermon topic, "A Colony of Heaven," by the pastor.

MIDDLE BEDFORD CHARGE

Robert P. Parker, Pastor.
Services for Sunday, February 7:
12:00—Wilson Church.
3:30—Hickork Grove Church.
7:30—Bethesda Church.
The Second Quarterly Conference will be held at Wilson church, Saturday, February 13, at 11 a. m. Dr. C. C. Bell will preside.

MONETA MTHODIST CHARGE

Rev. Joseph Curry, Pastor.
Services for Sunday, February 7.
Parrish Chapel—Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m.
Emmaus—Sunday school at 2 p. m.; preaching at 3 p. m.
Stewartsville—Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 7:30 p. m.

The Philathea class of the Bedford Methodist Sunday school will meet in the Sunday school room, Monday night, February 8, at 7:45. Circles of which Mrs. G. B. Spradlin and Mrs. J. J. Cooper are chairmen, will be hostesses.

WASHINGTON STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

H. R. Clarke, Pastor.
Morning worship, 11 o'clock. Sermon by the pastor. Special music by the senior choir.
Sunday school, 12:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
Evening worship, 7:30 p. m.
Junior Church service, dedicated to young men in the armed forces.
Subject, "Youth and the Present Crisis." Special music will be rendered by the Junior Choir of the Sunday school.
A cordial welcome awaits all.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

J. H. Grey, Pastor.
Sunday school, 9:45.
Westminster League, 6:30.
Services at Otterville, 3:30.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

J. T. Meadows, Pastor.
Sunday school at 9:45.
Preaching and Communion at 11.
Night services at 7:30.
Rev. Allen Stanger, of Richmond, will preach Sunday night. The Junior Church Choir will be in charge of the worship program.

The Teachers Training Course will start Sunday afternoon at 2:30 and will continue through Monday and Tuesday nights.

Mr. Stanger will teach the class for adult teachers, Mrs. Sidney Bedford, of Lynchburg, will teach the class for young people; Mrs. Harness, of Richmond, will teach the class of adult teachers for children.

BEDFORD CIRCUIT METHODIST CHURCH

W. M. Compton, Minister
Services Sunday, February 7th.
Ebenezer, 11 a. m.
Big Island, 8 p. m.
Church schools, 10 a. m.

WESLEYAN GUILD HAS EIGHT NEW MEMBERS

The Wesleyan Guild of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, of the Bedford Methodist church met Monday night in the Sunday school room, when a social program was combined with the regular business and devotional sessions.

Miss Virginia Hatcher, vice-president, presided and the devotional service was led by Mrs. G. G. Ballard. Music for the program was provided by Mrs. Jack Truxell and Mrs. Laura McDaniel. Miss Lois Updike conducted the recreational program.

There was about 30 present including eight new members.

No Difference

She—You men are all alike.
He—Then you aren't sorry you didn't marry Billy?

Both of Them

"Do you think that 'puppy love' is absurb?"
"Yes. Just two silly."

A Sinister Motive

She—When we're married I'll cook for you.
He—Is that a threat? Don't talk like that again.

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NEWS IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION By W. W. REID

New Air Raid Of Religion

By W. W. Reid

A Christian Chinese student is reported to have become homesick while he listened in London to a Bohemian symphony based on American Negro themes (Dvorak's "New World"), because he had sung the air that Americans know as "Going Home" in his college glee club in Fukien Providence, China.

The first Friday in Lent—March 12—is being generally observed throughout the Christian world as the "World Day of Prayer." The theme of special prayers and addresses this year is "Father, I pray that they may all be one." The first observance of this day dates back to 1887 in the United States. Since that time it has spread to more than fifty of the major countries and nations of every continent. In the United States its observance is principally promoted by the United Council of Church Women, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Madame Chiang Kai-shek, China's first lady, now in the United States, teaches that every woman should be an excellent housekeeper, and in addition should have a "cause" that is outside herself and beyond the confines of her home, says Dr. Geo. W. Shepherd, missionary friend of this leader and of her soldier husband. He says: "Madam Chiang runs sewing machines, rolls bandages, knits in her spare moments, seeks subscriptions for charitable causes from her friends, and then dips deep into her own funds that others may be fed and clothed, educated in good health, and given a chance to be useful and happy."

In calling the twelve million Baptists of the world to observe Baptist World Alliance Sunday on February 7, American leaders of the church have asked especial prayers for "all followers of Christ in the Soviet Republic." Under the old empire in Russia, the Baptists had a strong missionary and church organization in that country. "For many years we have known little of our brethren in the U. S. S. R.," says the stament from the Northern Baptist Convention. "Now the curtain is drawn aside, and we are informed that there are millions of Baptists involved in the heavy trials of their countrymen, and still witnessing and working for Christ. We shall offer fervent petition with them and for them, and for all followers of Christ in the Soviet Republic, that the strength and joy of the Holy Spirit may be theirs, and that the blessings of just peace may ere long be granted to them and to the whole world."

Dr. J. Henry Carpenter, Brooklyn, N. Y., church leader, and chairman of Indusco—the American Committee in Aid of Chinese Industrial Cooperatives—has recently returned from a tour of northwest China where he visited more than 300 cofacture a large variety of goods—operative industries that manufacture a large variety of goods—much of them for the Chinese army. He believes that the cooperative, using China's vast natural resources, "offer great potential possibilities for the fastest possible completion of China's industrial ascendency." On this trip Dr. Carpenter saw the sufferings of refugees from Burma, Hongkong and other Japan-invaded regions last summer. There were 1,200,000 refugees at one time awaiting transportation at railheads, he said; and many were camping in fields, huddled in huts made of cornstalks, with no protection from the cold and with little food.

More than one hundred leading churchmen of the South—under the leadership of the Fellowship of Southern Churchmen, of which Howard Kester, of Black Mountain, N. C., is secretary, have issued a statement calling for the application of Christian principles to break down the barriers between whites and Negroes in the United States. They say: "No single factor so sears the conscience of the true believer in Christianity and democracy, or so imperils the whole fabric of our national life, as our attitude toward the Negro who in our day has become a symbol of the worth of these great faiths. As Christian men and women who have long known the bitter fruit of racial antagonisms, we confess our guilt before God in leaving undone those things we ought to have done to give the Negro his full share in our democratic way of life. We therefore call upon all men and women, to bring forth these works of justice as will break down the barriers between these groups in our land and make in the desert of freedom's betrayal a highway for our God. No one is truly free in a democracy while another is oppressed."

GEMANY MOURNS THE FALL OF STALINGRAD

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"We have some information regarding losses we think is accurate, but our policy is that until we can make simultaneous release of losses by both sides, we'll have to hold off."

He added that there was no indication Jap carriers are involved and that the enemy planes probably were from land bases in the Solomons area—presumably the Central and Northern Solomons.

The communique was considerably more explicit about the land action on Guadalcanal.

It said that on Monday advancing American forces—mostly army troops—pushed westward across the Bonegi River to within a half mile of Tassafaronga, 10 miles west of Henderson Field and formerly a landing point for Jap reinforcements.

Stiff enemy resistance was encountered in this drive and 60 Japs were killed—bringing to at least 8,994 the number of enemy troops definitely slain in the six months of the Solomons campaign.

College President Says Newspapers Key Of War Effort

Business Firms Ought To Continue Their Advertising Plan

Grinnell, Iowa.—Unless the weekly and daily newspapers of the nation receive adequate advertising support during the war emergency, freedom of the press will be greatly endangered, according to Dr. Samuel N. Stevens, president of Grinnell college and merchandising counselor for many national manufacturers.

"Many newspapers have suffered a serious loss of advertising just when their functions become more vital to every community," Dr. Stevens said before an informal faculty meeting at Grinnell college. "This will get worse when the full impact of rationing hits. It is only natural for a merchant who has little to sell to stop advertising. If all merchants and manufacturers follow that theory, the press of the nation may become weak and insolvent—easy prey for unscrupulous propagandists.

Keystone of War Effort

"The newspaper is the keystone of the war effort in each community," the Grinnell man continued. "When we have drives for scrap, war bonds and other worthy causes, the newspaper must carry the publicity burden. Their magnificent job on the recent scrap drive without a cent of financial support is only one example. No one would think of asking a grocer for free food or an oil station to give away gasoline, but the newspapers give columns of space to every war effort—and do it gladly.

"The business which discontinues advertising is damaging itself and the community. The business world is littered with the ruins of firms which thought they could quit advertising. My advice to any business man is to continue advertising, with an adequate budget, if he expects to ride out this hurricane.

"A community which loses its newspaper suffers an irreparable loss. People would be deprived of authentic local war information and wild, morale-damaging rumors would start. The boys in the service—who really appreciate the news of their hometown paper—would be sadly disappointed when it stops."

What a Balance!

Landlord: "Well, if your husband has spent some of the rent, perhaps you could give me the balance?"

Tenant: "I don't like offering you nine-pence—it looks so paltry."

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