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Our people, through the Congress, will soon serve notice of what the world may expect from this country in carrying out our announced objective of securing a just and durable peace. The question of renewing the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act will come before Congress in June. As Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, observes: "The action of the Congress with regard to this matter will finish . . . an acid test of our intentions."

We should have learned by now that as a nation we are not self-sufficient. One need only point to a single instance to show the ordinary citizen how heavily dependent we are on foreign trade, and that instance is rubber. The Japs came nearer to wrecking our war effort by shutting off import of this one item than we like to admit. We are developing a synthetic substitute for rubber, but there are plenty of other necessities and luxuries which we will always need that we cannot produce ourselves.

"Modern history," Mr. Welles emphasized, "has made it clear that no producing and trading nation—not even the United States—can be prosperous in a starving world, anymore than a great merchant can be prosperous when his customers and sources of supply are bankrupt." If we wish to regain peaceful prosperity in our own country, we will have to help the rest of the world regain it at the same time. Scores of nations are waiting upon us. In a sense they are like a crew of carpenters standing with tools in hand. They must rebuild home economics from the ground up. But before they can start building, the foundations must be laid for the new structures. Those foundations must be laid by us. If our blueprints call for the old unsound foundations of even-higher trade barriers, they will be left with no choice but to erect warped nationalistic structures that will one day be again swept away by hate and war. And make no mistake, we will be in the next war, too.

If we extend the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act, the world will know that we definitely intend to lay a sound foundation for future peace. And then, in the words of Mr. Welles, "The European countries and the great Chinese nation can move in that direction also and construct their new economics on that basis . . . The decision is fundamental."

We are eagerly awaiting Hitler's promise to protect the United States from invasion by Great Britain.

Most married men think they would have been rich if they had remained single.

The term Greenhorn has all kinds of applications; to a cowboy it is someone who has never been on a ranch.

Temper is one thing that can't be worked to death.

The fellow who used to walk a barbed wire bare-foot with a wildcat under each arm is now married to a little red-haired woman who make him do the dishes three times a day.

Dignity and dullness are double first cousins.

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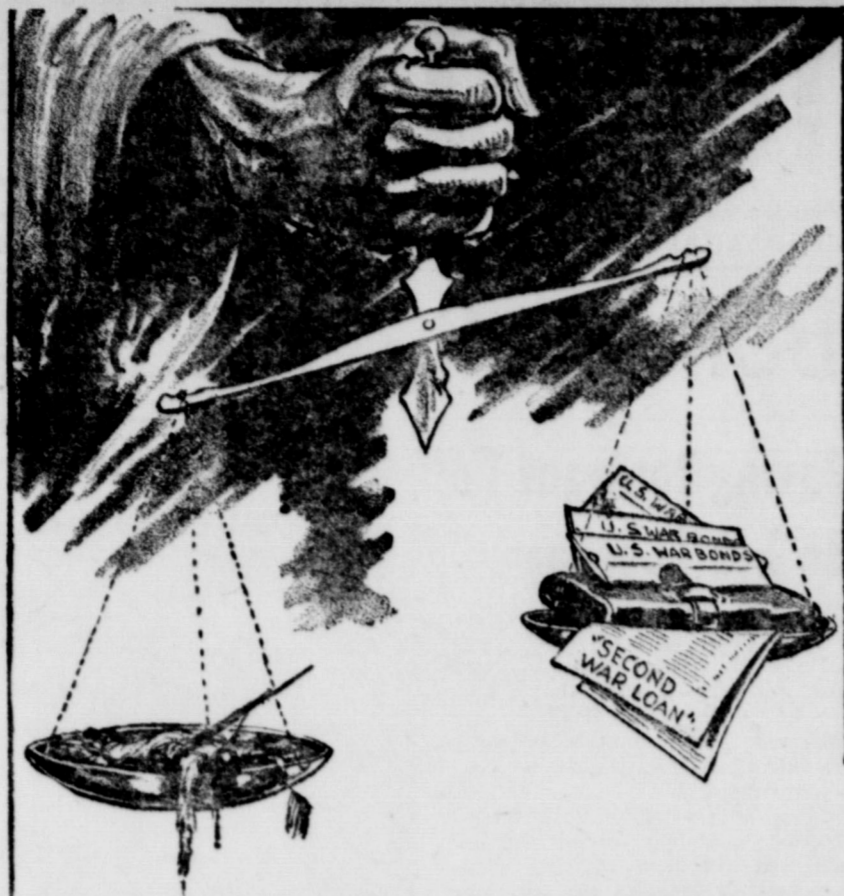
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Men who can stand before a demagogue  
And damn his treacherous flatteries without winking!  
Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog  
In public duty and in private thinking."

A terrific blow to loan sharks, who extort \$40,000,000 a year from war workers, men in the armed forces and the general public, will be dealt by the injunction bill which the legislature has passed.

As a small boy, I used to shudder when the lightning crackled. Then one day I read in a paper that lightning kills only 26 people out of a million in a year, or maybe it was only six. And since then, I haven't worried a great deal about thunderstorms.

Favorite season, fall.  
Favorite writers, Mark Twain, Dickens, O. Henry.  
Favorite historical figures, Lincoln and Lee.

And favorite people, those who have traveled and adventured, and those who have thought and studied though they may never have been more than 40 miles from the village in which they were born.

Nomination in the oldest joke contest:  
"Will it stop raining?"  
"It always has."

The thousands of women engaged in the beauty shop profession pay taxes on their property just as any other citizen does; and, in addition, these ladies pay a special State fund to be used in the interest of the public for regulation and efficiency in connection with that profession. A surplus of \$300,000 has accumulated and a bill (which opponents say would confiscate this amount) is pending in the House of Representatives. This money should be used for the purpose of which it was paid or else it should be refunded to those who paid it. Just because the State General Fund is overdrawn by some \$25,000,000 why should these ladies—who, through skill and hard work, earn a living—be singled out for any such discrimination as this?

There is also an effort being made to take the current special assessments paid by the barbers and put this money into the General Fund, the warrants of which are discounted whereas their warrants are bringing par, and in the General Fund, it would no doubt be mixed and mingled with other revenues and much of it could be used for other purposes than that for which it is paid.

V-Mail Volume Increases  
Eighty-three per cent more V-mail was sent overseas during February than in January. For the short month of February there were 5,990,570 microfilmed V-mailed letters as against 3,281,504 in January.

### Pertinent Paragraphs from Panhandle Press

Items of interest culled from newspapers on the Times' exchange list.

George A. Long, foundation engineer with the Texas State Highway department, Austin, is making Canadian headquarters while working with a crew of men on the Bell Ranch in an effort to obtain the formations of the bed of the Canadian River there.

Core drilling is being done to obtain some of the information needed. Results obtained will be used, in case a state highway is built from Perryton to Pampa.

It is a project that has been discussed for some time. Nothing definite is expected to result until after the war, other than the complete survey for a proposed bridge across the river.—Canadian Record.

Your paper will seem smaller from now on, as we have adopted the government's suggestion and are using 12-em columns. This will enable us to save paper and will make little difference to our readers. All papers have been asked to change to the narrower columns as a means to conserve newsprint for the duration.—McLean News.

Buying Bonds is a personal affair so far as the individual is concerned. But those who do not buy bonds are assuming that someone else will do their part, and therefore, the war will be won without any particular effort put forth by them. If any American citizen thought that the war would be lost because of the lack of bond buying on his part, there is not a sane citizen who would not rush down today and invest everything they had in bonds. But too many people are taking it for granted that the war will be won in a short time. Too many assume that their neighbors will buy the bonds, and allow them to go ahead making 10% or 50% on their money. Let's all be patriotic citizens and buy bonds to the limit. The boys who are on the fighting line have no opportunity to hold back 90%, so why should any of us be satisfied with investing only 10% of what we make in the surest bonds in the world.—Canyon News.

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cash money for this space. It is not given to them and neither does the Government help pay for it. That space is all that a newspaper has to sell and it can't be continuously given away. The treasury department has asked the newspapers to sell this space and advertisers to purchase it. In fact, we have several letters from the Treasury Department commending us for this work.—The Dalhart Texan.

In your Victory garden let us suggest that you plant some of the old-fashioned hearty sort of vegetables like potatoes and dry beans as well as carrots, tomatoes, lettuce, greens and such vegetables. Navy beans, lima beans, the red kidney beans and blackeyed peas are examples of what we mean. These are rich in protein, and usually grow well here. In this connection you have to know how to grow potatoes. You have to get the signs right and all that kind of thing and have your ground prepared like it ought to be. In ground that packs like in most of the plains part of Floyd County you naturally will go to the feed lot and get straw or pummies or something of that kind to put in the bottom of the rows to make room as it rots for the potatoes to grow right. Get your calendar, get the sign in your favor and work at it and you can raise enough potatoes on a mighty little patch to run your family a long, long time. A few rows of garden tended to right will do a lot better for the family larder than an acre that you would have tended to if you had had time.—Floyd County Hesperian.

I spend hours of valuable time, a local farm lady said, running from store to store trying to find what I want. I wish all merchants would advertise their wares so that busy people could sit down in leisure moments and read their advertisements and tell what they have for sale and where the buyer could get it.—The Tulia Herald.

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

### CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of expressing our deepest and heart felt appreciation for the many kind deeds and expressions in the illness and death of our husband, father, brother and grandfather, and especially to Dr. Nicholson, who has been so faithful and kind.

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Wheeler Times Wantads are result getters and cost only 5c a line.

### MANY JOBS ARE WAR JOBS

Such essential civilian activities as agriculture, food processing, mining, textiles, transportation, communications, heating, power, and educational service are "war jobs," says the War Manpower Commission. People must be housed and fed and clothed in wartime as well as in peace, and essential civilian workers are on an equal plane with workers in basic war industries.

A news report says that students of music never commit suicide—but some of their neighbors do.

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Your sons and brothers and husbands are *dying* out there . . . fighting your fight. Surely it is no sacrifice to *lend your dollars* while they are giving their lives.

They need your help. They need the weapons your money can buy. If one of the War Loan volunteers calls on you . . . greet him with open pocketbook. Remember, Uncle Sam's goal is 13 billion dollars in April.

Don't wait to be asked. Go to your nearest bank, investment dealer, broker, Post Office or issuing agency and lay your money on the line. Remember it's an *investment* you're making—an investment that pays a good return and insures a happier future for you and your loved ones.

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(A Weekly News Digest Prepared By The Rural Digest Press Section, OWI News Bureau)

**Ration Reminder**

**GASOLINE**—"A" book coupons No. 5 good for four gallons each until May 21.  
**SUGAR**—Coupon No. 12 good for 5 lbs. Must last through May 31.  
**COFFEE**—Stamp No. 26 (1 lb.) expires April 25.  
**SHOES**—No. 17 stamp in War Ration Book One good for one pair through June 15.  
**FOOD**—Red D stamps, valid April 18, good for 16 points worth of meat, cheese and butter. Blue stamps D, E, and F good from March 25 through April 30, for 48 points.

**"They Give Their Lives— You Lend Your Money"**

The Second War Loan Drive—which began April 12—must raise the astounding sum of thirteen billion dollars to support American armies that are now attacking the enemy. An offensive Army requires ammunition and materials that cost staggering sums of money. For example—one night raid of 1,000 bombers over the Rhineland takes \$375,000 worth of gasoline. A million dollars worth of bombs may be dropped in that raid, and 10 or 11 million dollars worth of planes may be destroyed.

In the future, America's armies will undertake still greater attacks, and these in turn will require still more money. The 13 billion dollars must be raised in addition to the regular purchases of war bonds and stamps that our people are making now. Slogan for the Second War Loan Drive is: "They Give Their Lives—You Lend Your Money."

**Ration Books for Service Men**

Service men who eat 10 or more meals per week away from the Army Post are entitled to Ration Book 2.

**Tin Collections Gain**

Collections of collapsible tin tubes in the Southwest totalled 223,082 pounds during the first year of operation of the WPB's tube-for-tube swap order. Toothpaste and shaving cream purchasers turned in many more tubes in March than in February. National collections hit a new high of 522,359 pounds in March compared with 395,447 pounds the previous month.

**Army Has Victory Gardens**

Many Army camps have their victory gardens, where suitable soil is handy to living quarters. They produce whatever the men prefer, or whatever crop seems best suited to the location. Army gardens are nothing new, but now they are on a larger scale. However, they will not interfere with training. The men who conduct them may do so only as a voluntary off-time recreational activity. Food produced will be for the consumption of military personnel only and not for sale.

**Farmers Get Points For Meat**

When a farmer sells a slaughtered calf direct to a retail meat market, the market operator must surrender the right number of points to the farmer. The farmer must then turn the stamps over to the ration board.

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and books which are no longer valid are the property of the government and must be turned in within five days after the close of the period of validity. Holders of unused first quarter "T" gasoline coupons, which have not expired, are asked to turn them in immediately to their local rationing boards.

**Men Back To Dairy Farms**

Local Selective Service boards have been told to return men with experience to dairy farms. The program includes—  
 1. Persuading 4F men between 18 and 45 with experience to return to dairy farms if they are not in an essential activity.  
 2. Getting men over 45, not engaged in essential activity, to go back to dairy farming.  
 3. Giving men 18 to 45 thirty days to get into agriculture or another essential activity, otherwise they will be classified as available for military service.

**Frozen Vegetables For All**

There will be plenty of frozen vegetables in 1943 for the armed forces without cutting the supply available for civilian use, the War Department has announced. The pack of quick-frozen vegetables this year will be between 240,000,000 and 260,000,000 pounds, according to present U. S. Department of Agriculture estimates, as compared with a pack of 162,000,000 last year. The supply for civilian consumption will be equal to or more than that available last year.

**Egg Storage Data Sought**

Seeking information to be used as a basis for issuing permits to handle cold storage eggs after June 1, the Food Distribution Administration office at Dallas has asked persons or firms in Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana, having facilities for

cold storage of eggs, to submit a working inventory of transactions in eggs during the past marketing season. The FDA order, effective after June 1, specifically prohibits eggs from moving into cold storage after the effective date without a permit from FDA.

The order also requires all eggs in storage on May 31 to be set aside for purchase by the Government or for distribution otherwise only on written authority from FDA. Those affected by the order include all warehousemen, dealers and others having as much as 1,500 cubic feet of egg storage space which can be refrigerated to 40 degrees Fahrenheit or less.

**Fewer Points, Less Money**

Butchers may no longer reduce point values of rationed meats and fats without at the same time lowering money prices. If the retailer lowers the point value, he must lower the price at least 25 per cent below ceiling. If he lowers the point value more than 25 per cent, the selling price must be reduced below ceiling in proportion, but in no case more than 50 per cent.

**Rubber Tires For Tractors**

A plan to assist farmers in their vital wartime food production will provide rubber tires and tubes for converting approximately 20,000 tractors and implements, originally equipped with steel wheels, which have been bought since May 1, 1943. Local OPA War Price and Rationing Boards will authorize conversions after certification of farmers applications by county war boards. Reasons for certification are: 1. Necessity of moving implement over the road from farm to farm; 2. Soil or topography such that tractor is seriously handicapped by not having rubber tires.

**Meat Requirement Suspended**

Suspension of the requirement that federally inspected slaughterers set aside certain percentages of their production for government purchase has been extended indefinitely. The requirement originally

was suspended for a two-week period to facilitate a more even flow of meat under the rationing program. The suspension does not affect the meat restriction order setting up civilian quotas. The Food Distribution Administration has issued an order limiting the quantity of meat federally inspected slaughterers may hold in storage. Thus meat over and above civilian quotas produced by this class of slaughterers will be immediately available to the government.

**Seed Potatoes**

Retailers are now permitted to sell seed potatoes in any quantity for planting purposes only. The former requirement that they be sold in lots of fifty pounds, or more, has been removed by OPA.

**Food For Demonstrations**

Schools using food for educational purposes, and other food demonstration groups may get allotments of rationed foods by applying to their local rationing board. Many of these groups are conducting projects directly related to the government's food conservation program.

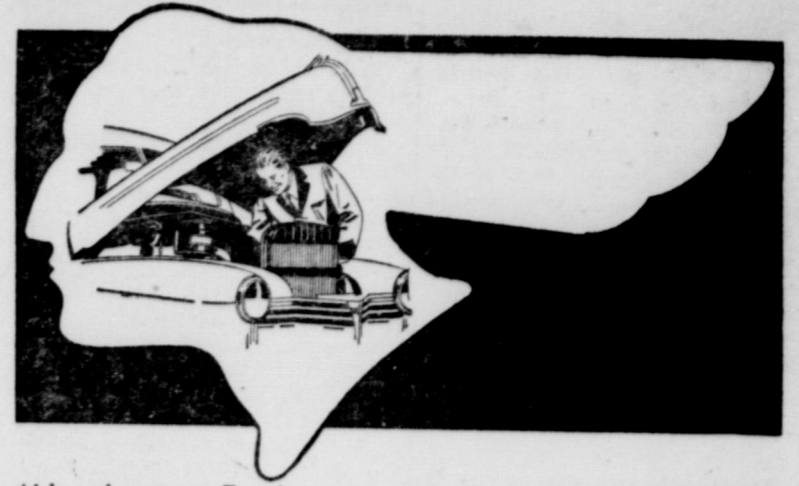
**To Support Wool Price**

Under a price support program for wool, the Commodity Credit Corporation will buy wool from growers at prices equal to the current ceiling prices less certain allowances. The 1942 wool production, estimated at 640 million pounds, was the largest on record. Prices to producers averaged approximately 40 cents per pound, about 4½ cents higher than in 1941, and the highest since 1920.

**Binder Twine Price Up**

Binder twine prices will be somewhat higher this year, because of the increased cost of materials. Cordage and twine fibers, from which binder twine has been made in the past, are scarce. WPB and the U. S. Department of Agriculture have, therefore, encouraged use of part cotton yarn combined with henequin and sisal. These fibers are more expensive than materials formerly used.

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