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Hayrick Resident **Buried** Tuesday

George Portis Kirkland, 85, a native of Alabama, died at his home at Hayrick Monday morning at 6 o'clock, after being ill a short time. Funeral services were held at the Hayrick Church Tuesday at 2 o'clock with Rev L.H. Haines of Bronte officiating The body war laid to rest in the Old Fort Cemetery.

Mr. Kirkland a native of Alabama, but a resident of Coke County for over 50 years, engaging in farming and stock raising on his place between Hayrick and ding marches were played by Mrs. registration, rather than his age LOCALS Fort Chadbourne.

Survivers include the widow, three sons, and four daughters, and a brother W. M. Kirkland of Winters who is now 90 years of suit with navy accessories and a time of original registration must age.

LOCALS

Lt. and Mrs. Read R. Jones returned to their home after spending the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wyatt.

Sgt. Raymond Bloodworth of here with relatives.

Murry College after spending the holidays here with his mother Mrs. Etnel Green and other relatives.

shows a gain of nearly 50% in deposits since June 30th. Patronize our home bank and putCoke County on the map.

The Continential Oil Company advertising "Conoco" is the only major advertising business concern that has kept up their advertising in our home paper, remember that.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cumbie Baptist W. M. S. who have been on the sick list the past week, are reported im proving.

The North American Aviation Inc. is now turning out combat trainer planes to be known throughout the United Nations as the " Texan".

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ratliff and Billie Faye returned to San An tonio after spending a few days with home forks.

Grandpa Mundell fell and broke his hip Monday and was carried to the hospital for treatment.

Maxine Craddock, Billie Allen and Hazel Ruth Peays returned to Lubbock, Tuesday to resume their work at Texas Tech.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Ratlif. and Barba Jane of Blackwell spent a part of the holidays with

relatives in Robert Lee Snead and other relativee.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Scott of Leveland, Texas, are visiting the H. L. Scotts.

We handle "Taylor Made" quilt batting. CUMBIE & ROACH

DR. R. J. WARREN DENTIST 201 Central National Bank San Angelo, Texas Res. 3984-1

Konze-Oakes

Miss Louise Oakes, daughter of For Coffee Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Oakes, Sr., of Santa Anna, became the bride of Ensign Charlie Konze, U.S.N.R. son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Konze, Sinton, at 10 o'clock Christmas Day in the Presbyterian Church at Alice, Texas.

presence of relatives and close his book to buy coffee. friends The alter was banked dered. "Ah! Sweet Mystery of tration on May 4 through May 7.

matron of bonor, Mrs. W. D. Book One when issued. Stroud, of Alice, wore a frock of brown with matching accessories. The groom was attended by Kenneth Wingfield as best man.

uate of the 1938 class of the Santa asked not to tell the enemy: Anna High School and attended Texas University. She taught upon which sailers serve. Mineral Wells, spent New Years school two years in Coke County, and the past six months has been Garland Green returned to Mc- employed in Fort Worth. Mr. Konze a 1941 graduate of Texas University, is now in the Texas Dentai School Houston, and is The Robert Lee State Bank also employed at Railway Express Co.

> Mrs. Konze is a sister of Mrs. Otto Wojtek of this place and has many friends here and in Wild Cat community, where she laught school, to wish her and her husband happiness. The couple will be at home at 1512 Rosewood. Houston.

The Missionary Society met at complete their study in the three service. Qualified women be-S. R. Young gave the devotional, sent to active duty. Mrs B.M. Gramling had charge of the Bible study. Five were present, and it was decided to meet next Tuesday afternoon to Army Recruiting Station at once. do some Red Cross cutting.

Some Bull

W. R. Thomason shipped a Durham bull to Fort Worth and topped the market. Weighd 1500 brought \$168.75 at 11,75.

Club Luncheon

Mrs. Delbert Walling enter-Miss Iva Sneed returned to tained the Ariel Club with a Fort Davis after a visit here with luncheon in the home of Dr. J.K. her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Griffith last Friday afternoon After the luncheon, Mrs. Walling, NOTICE president, presided at the busithe men in the service. Mrs. G.C. 50, and 17 year old boys. Allen and Mrs. Raymond Mc-Cutchen contributed parts on the program, which Mrs. MeNeil Wylie conducted.

> Pay your water bill by 10th of ach month or have your service; discontinued.

City Commission.

Age Requirement

A person who was 14 years old at the time of his regristration for War Ration Book One and is now 15 years old is not entitled to use War Ration Book One for coffee.

Only a person whose age is The ring ceremony was read shown as 15 years or over on War by Dr. J. Ludwell Davis in the Ration Book One is eligible to use

In late registrations, local with ferns and white flowers, with Boards should enter on the War candles, making a beautiful set | Ration Book of the applicant his ting for the ceremony. The wed- age as of the date of the actual J. Ludwell Davis, who also ren- as of the time of the sugar regis-

In granting a replacement of a The bride wore 'a powder blue lost book, the applicant's age at corsage of pink rosebuds. The appear on the new War Ration McCoy Wisconsin is at home on

What Not To Tell

Do not tell the names of ships

Do not tell the troop units in which soldiers serve overseas.

The Officer of Censorship says: We ask editors not to publish these troop identifications, and we ask parents and relatives not loy who died late last year. to reveal them. Don't give the en the war!"

out the above inscructions.

CUMBIE & ROACH

Opportunity For Women

The WAAC offers the women the church Monday afternoon to of America a real opportunity for year course of the Bible, reading tween the age of 21 and 44, ina chapter a day entitled "Daily clusive, are urgently needed to Bible Guide' by Mrs. Theron replace soldiers in non combatant Fouts of Denton, Texas. Mrs. jobs. Soldiers released will be

> Women interested in joining the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps should contact the nearest U.S.

Good Record

Reliable information come to the Observer that P. P. Fitzhugh stationed in Georgia, is making a reputation as a sharp shooter, shooting 283 out of a possible 340 In a 500 yard shoot he made 4 bull's eyes and 4 fours out of 8 shots. He was one of 59 out of 200 to qualify as a sharp shooter.

A Navy Recruiter will be in ness session in which the Club Robert Lee every Tuesday from voted to make Red Cross blouses 10 a. m. to 3 p.m. at Draft Board and collect magazines to send to office looking for men from 38 to

MANNING'S CAFE BETTER FOODS! COLDER DRINKS!

San A ngelo, Texas



Sul Ross College, after spending small scale. the holidays with home folks.

P.F.C. M. D. Capps of Camp a furlough.

Visitors in the Delmer Sheppard New Year Renewals and A. B. Sheppard homes over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. This is the information which H. H. King and children of Abi- G. S. Arnold. W. B. Yarbrough, Mrs. Konze was an honor grad- newspapers and individuals are lene, and Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Blout of Chicago, Ill., who is stationed at Camp Barkeley.

> H. E. Smith who had served as Agricultural agent of Coke county for the last 7 years, was sent to fill the place of Henry P- Mal- close of the service.

Funeral services for Roy Eaton enemy anything that may length. Who died in a veterians, hospital in Los Angeles, Calif., was held at The Observer has tried to carry Bronte, and buried there Satur-

Bronte last Wednesday.

Celeste Deposits For Flares Are Sought in Texas

Sweetwater, Jan. 1.- Exploration of Nolan, Fisher, Brown and Coke Counties for deposits of celeste, a mineral used in making flares, is under way, with M. M. Young of the Department of the Interior, in charge.

This mineral is found in rocklike deposits something like gypsum. Its grains resemble epsom salts, and the more valuable deposits have a pinkish tinge.

The rock is ground and then made into flares. Railroads have Alta Bell Bilbo has returned to used the mineral for years on a

> Several carloads already have been shipped out of Sweetwater.

-Fort Worth Star Telegram.

Henry Radde, Claud Carter, F. C. Wojtek, H. J. Gartman, V. V. Wojtek, W.C. Kerley, Carl Hurley.

Methodist Church

At the Methodist Church next Sunday at 11 a. m. the Official to Sterling City as county agent Board will be installed at the

W. Vasco Teer, pastor.

Sunday at 6:45 Rev. and Mrs. feer met with the "Youth Fellow ship" Mrs. Teer gave an interesting talk on "We Work for World Friendship".

Mrs. Roy Braswell visited her Next Sunday at the same time Sewing and Machine need. brother Corp. James Mitchell, they will meet again. All are inwho was visiting homefolks in vited to attend from eleven to eighteen. Come.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Air, Naval Blows on Nazi Supply Lines Pace Allied Offensive in North Africa; New Advance Carries Reds to Ukraine Thus Threatening Million Nazi Troops

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.) Released by Western Newspaper Union.

NORTH AFRICA: Supply Route Attack

Increased Allied naval and air activity in North Africa took a heavy toll of Axis supplies and men in a series of vigorous actions which foreshadowed greater things to come.

At least six and probably 10 Axis ships were sunk on the Tunisia-Sicily supply line. British submarines sank three supply ships in the Sicily-Africa lane and Middle Eastern command planes based on Malta blew up two more ships in the Tunis Harbor basin. The remainder were sunk as they attempted to bring reinforcements to Nazi forces.

During the comparative lull in the fighting, announcement was made of the landing of American troops in Dakar, nerve center of French West Africa, and the port which repulsed a British and Fighting French attack in September, 1940

Operating to the southwest of Tunis under newly established Allied aerial superiority, French forces reported that they had captured "numerous prisoners, armored vehicles and artillery" in one sector while beating off repeated Axis counterattacks in another.

A French communique announced that French forces had captured the Axis men and material near PontduFahs, about 35 miles south of

However, Axis forces in Tunisia were found to be strongly intrenched when Allied Commando troops raided northern Tunisia at a point within five miles of the huge Axis naval base of Bizerte. The incursion lasted several days, and the raiders were forced to regain the beach through about 15 miles of enemy-held territory. The Germans held strong machine gun posts in the area.

Libyan Drive

Dispatches from the Libyan front said that General Montgomery's British eighth army was advancing on Buerat El Hshun, only 50 miles west of Sirte along the Mediterranean coast and 180 miles from Tripoli. The British had advanced more than 200 miles west of El Agheila since launching a new attack to drive Marshal Rommel out of

FOOD FATS:

Face 15% Cut

Because of military and lend-lease requirements, the government expects to ration food fats and oils in cent below civilian demands, the bureau of agricultural economics has announced.

Likely to be rationed are cooking compounds, butter, margarine, lard and possibly salad dressing, Secretary of Agriculture Wickard, food ing former Premier Edouard Heradministrator, indicated previously that butter would be rationed as soon as plans could be made.

Food items now under ration or scheduled for in 1943 include sugar. coffee, meats and cheese. Even milk supplies are running low in metropolitan areas.

The bureau estimated that civilians, with increased incomes, would buy about 57.1 pounds of fats and oils per capita in 1943 at present



CLAUDE WICKARD 48 Pounds Per Capita.

ceiling prices if this supply were available. Per capita consumption amounted to 51 pounds during the 1940-42 period.

Under a rationing system about each person, including indirect consumption of fats in bread, cake, confectionery and canned soups.

NEW GUINEA: Progress Slow

"The advance of our troops continues in the face of desperate enemy resistance. Progress was relatively slow, due to intricate and thoroughly prepared positions of the enemy.

That communique from General MacArthur's headquarters summed up the reasons for the seemingly prolonged battle to drive the Japs out of the Buna area of New Guinea. The Japs made all possible use of nature's defense facilities. The high kumai grass and the abundance of trees made Jap snipers an everpresent threat. The fact that they preferred death to capture made them doubly dangerous.

But American and Australian troops pushed the enemy into two narrowing coastal sectors on Cape Endaiadere. The Japs were forced to evacuate more than 100 pillboxes, leaving many dead behind them in each one.

LAVAL'S 'DEAL':

New Aid to Nazis

When France's Chief of Government Pierre Laval reported to his cabinet following a conference with Adolf Hitler he did so amid growing indications that his country may declare war on the United Nations.

Hitler's demands were all-inclusive. Both neutral and Axis sources said that Laval has acceded to them and that France will become a full



PIERRE LAVAL Complete Sellout for France?

Axis partner. According to re-1943 at a level approximately 15 per ports, none of which were officially confirmed, Laval has agreed to put an army in the field under German command, and also to:

Purge France's anti-Nazis. Resume the Riom "war guilt" trials with added defendants, includ-

Maintain the German forces in

France. Turn over all industries in the formerly unoccupied zone to Ger-

man war production. Ship 400,000 industrial workers to Germany.

MILLION NAZIS:

And Russia's Offensive

After getting away to a terrific start the Russian winter offensive stalled, then gained speed again as Moscow communiques told of fierce battling in their campaign for Rostov, key city at the mouth of the Don river. Along the entire front there was plenty of action but it was toward Rostov that the Reds concentrated the full power of their counteroffensive.

While reports said the retreat of the Germans was rapid. Soviet sources reported that in a single day they had found time to kill 7,000 of the enemy and on the next day capture 6,700 more. In the first week of the Rostov campaign, Nazi casualties (not including wounded) were officially set at 55,200.

Fighting still was going on within Stalingrad, where progress on both sides for weeks has been reported in terms of houses and blocks.

In addition, the winter campaign of the Russian army was spreading westward toward the Ukraine. But military experts kept their eye on Rostov for the capture of that city by the Russians meant that all of the Nazi troops in the Caucasus were cut off from retreat (except by sea). Adding this force to the 48 pounds would be available for Nazi numbers in peril before Stalingrad it is estimated that a million German soldiers were threatened on two fronts.

NAZI MORALE:

Artificial Boost

In an effort to bolster a morale lowered by bad news from the war fronts and by lower food rations, Germany's Propaganda Minister Goebbels is reported to have mobilized hundreds of Nazi orators to deliver a nation-wide series of "pep talks" to the German people. At the same time the German press began hammering home the thought that African setbacks are unimportant because the war will be decided in

Information from Germany indicates that a program of mass meetings is under way with Goebbels and Dr. Robert Ley, Nazi labor leader, keynoting the morale offensive.

The Voelkischer Beobachter, Adolf Hitler's newspaper, declared editorially that the objective properly



DR. ROBERT LEY Nazi morale booster.

was Europe, not Africa, and that after Russian resistance is ended. 'we will soon regain on the southern front what we have had to give up."

The Beobachter reminded Germans who grumble about the scarcity of food and clothes that their sacrifices were as nothing compared with the soldier who is called on to 'give his blood for the homeland." But the holiday season was not a happy one, despite the morale-boosting drive.

POSTWAR GOODS:

Plan for Purchase

A detailed plan for consumers to pay now for automobiles, automatic furnaces, refrigerators, pianos and other postwar goods to be delivered after the war has been developed by the Office of Price Admin-

The plan, which OPA officials said would drain off \$6,000,000,000 annually in excess purchasing power, has been described as "installment sell-ing in reverse." It is also intended to help many business firms which otherwise might fail to survive another year of war.

Here is the way the plan would work:

Consumers would purchase any item exactly the way they did normally, but they would receive a certificate instead of merchandise. Payment would be made in cash or installments. The dealer would get a 6 per cent commission and the finance company either 1 per cent or 7 cents a collection. The money would be deposited with the U.S. treasury which would pay manufacturers when the goods were delivered after the war. The certificates would constitute a priority for the desired

Sale price of the certificates would be set at an arbitrary figure and would have no bearing on the actual price. They would be non-interest bearing.

Following the war, consumers would be permitted to select their own brand

ROYAL NAVY:

Back to Sumatra

Two important facts were made evident when British naval planes bombed the Japanese fueling and naval base of Sebang off the northwest tip of Sumatra.

One: The fact that the royal navy went back to the scene of an earlier tragic defeat was evidence of increased strength of the British navy.

Second: Losses inflicted by the United States were thought to have compelled the Japs to withdraw ships to the South Pacific.

In opening offensive operations at the western end of the Netherlands East Indies, 660 miles from Singapore, the British naval force heavily damaged the base at Sebang. Heavy explosions occurred at the dock and gasoline tank area, followed by huge fires. The bomber planes were thought to have been based on a carrier-perhaps the 23,000-ton Illustrious.

Sebang had become a major Japanese base. It lies slightly more than 300 miles west of Penang off the Malaya coast. The harbor has a coaling station and is sheltered from heavy winds and ocean swells by mountains and a high coast line.

Washington Digest

Importance of World Trade Turns Spotlight on Sec. Hull

Post-War Rebuilding of International Structure Will Get Consideration Before Armistice.

> By BAUKHAGE News Analyst and Commentator.

Washington, D. C.

Hints to the effect that the President will make a discussion of postwar conditions a part of his forthcoming message to the 78th congress foreshadows the re-entry on the diplomatic stage in a prominent role of the figure of Secretary of State Cordell Hull. In wartime, diplomacy plays its part chiefly behind the scenes-the brass hats have their day in public. But there are now several indications that Secretary Hull is about to take the spotlight again in an old familiar role, namely, as spokesman for the economic platform which he made a part of our foreign policy before the war.

To understand Secretary Hull's importance today it is well to recall the words spoken to me not long ago by a very keen diplomatist:

"Secretary Hull," he said, "was probably chosen as secretary of state for four reasons: One, because of the President's political debt to him and because they were friends; two, because he had a diplomatic gift; three, because there was vital need for liaison between the state department and congress; and four, because of Hull's deep knowledge of international trade relations."

Reason No. 3 is more important than ever, and although reason No. 4 may have been a pure coincidence at the time, it is turning out to be one of the most important factors.

Today "reason No. 4" is coming to the front. There are those in the administration who believe that America must play a vital part in the building of the post-war world if freedom of enterprise is to be maintained. They realize, too, that unless conditions of peace are outlined before the armistice, isolationist sentiment may break out again and force America back into extreme nationalism when the war is over, as it did in 1918.

Turning Point

Toward Depression? America's withdrawal from world Washington's 'Second City' affairs in 1918 is considered by the people who believe in Hull's international trade policy as the turning point that led straight to the depression of the twenties. Then it was that America began building up her tariff walls, which many economists consider one of the causes of World War II.

Throughout this period the foreign war debts were festering. America continued to demand payment of those debts and at the same time to raise trade barriers that curtailed international commerce and thus made the debt payments impossible.

Then came the New Deal and the introduction of many measures, some of which tended further toward nationalism. Secretary Hull, who had been fighting an uphill fight for free trade relations without much success, especially after the sabotaging of the London Economic conference in 1933, finally launched his reciprocal trade agreements plan.

Hull's progress was retarded for many natural reasons. In the first place, it was too slow and undramatic a procedure to engage the President's active support. The President leans to the dramatic, does not pretend to understand fiscal matters.

In the second place, the traditional state department attitude was one of aristocratic disdain of all matters

involving trade. Lend-Lease Policy Fitted Into Picture

Then came that new and strange device, the lend-lease policy. It was inaugurated, first in the hope that we could fight the war in absentia by furnishing Britain the tools, and secondly, to avoid the recurrence of that painful phenomenon, the war debts. And then, just when, it is not known, or exactly how, Secretary Hull was able to revive his policy of unhampered trade by introducing Article VII into the lendlease agreements.

Briefly, Article VII provides: "In the final determination of the benefits to be provided to the United States of America by the Government of.....in return for aid furnished under the Act of Congress of March 11, 1941, the terms and conditions thereof shall be such as not to burden commerce between the two countries, but to promote mutually advantageous economic re- to beat the Axis.

WNU Service, 1343 H Street, N.W., | lations between them and the betterment of world-wide economic relations. To that end, they shall include provision for agreed action by the United States of America and, open to participation by all other countries of like mind, directed to the expansion, by appropriate international and domestic measures, of production, employment, and the exchange and consumption of goods, which are the material foundations of the liberty and welfare of all peoples; to the elimination of all forms of discriminatory treatment in international commerce; to the reduction of tariffs and other trade barriers; and, in general, to the attainment of economic objectives identical with those set forth in the Joint Declaration made on August 14, 1941, by the President of the United States of America and the Prime Minister of the United King-

> "At an early convenient date, conversations shall be begun between the two governments with a view to determining, in the light of governing economic conditions, the best means of attaining the above-stated objectives by their own agreed action and of seeking the agreed action of other like-minded governments."

> The chronology of America's approach to a peace founded on the principles of free economic intercourse is:

Autumn of 1940: The Atlantic Charter.

March, 1941: Lend-Lease law. February, 1942: Master Lend-Lease agreement with Britain. June, 1942: President's clari-

fication of Article VII. Secretary Hull believes that a sound and equitable international economic policy must be laid down before we can hope for international political stability. He will be, as he always has been, the champion of

that view. That is the internationalist view.

-The Pentagon

"This ain't a building-this is a city with a roof over it, that's what I calls it.'

This was the remark of my duskyskinned guide between bites of a ham sandwich which one of his colleagues had offered him as we made our journey through the maze of corridors in that amazing building, the Pentagon, in Washington, which houses the war department.

It is a city, for it houses no less than 40,000 workers. When they leave, they begin at 4:30 p. m., one group after another every ten minutes. Otherwise, all the busses and cabs and private cars that jam the labyrinth of highways, which cost \$150,000 a mile to build, would never be able to take care of them.

Recently I took a cab with an inexperienced driver.

I'm afraid I took the hard way. There were four policemen at the door and a huge receptionist desk. I found my proper stall, labeled 'Press," and showed my pass to the girl. She had never heard of me or the Western Newspaper Union or the Blue Network, and she spelled my name wrong three times. However, I was eventually moved up to a waiting bench and finally a guide appeared and escorted me to the officer I wished to see.

We passed two beverage rooms on the way and as I was somewhat exhausted, I dropped into one for a soft drink and a cigar.

It took me 30 minutes from the time I got in the building to the time I reached my destination, and some of the people there told me they had already been waiting longer than that.

The officer whom I was visiting had an inside office. He told me that if the lights ever went out, they would be in pitch blackness at noon, for, of course, there were no windows. I asked what would happen if the ventilating system broke down. He said he had not thought of that. I had-and I imagine the air would get pretty bad before very many minutes if the air conditioner ceased

to work. This huge institution is only a fraction of the expansion of Washington which has been caused by the war, but it is a concrete symbol of the tremendous clerical effort required



and his wife, Lee, are already on their way to Tierra Libre when Jeff receives a note from Zora Mitchell warning them not to come. It is too late to turn back, so Jeff decides not to tell Lee, who was opposed to their returning to the tropics. She finally agreed to go only after Jeff had persuaded her that the job of chief engineer for a newly organized fruit company is the chance of a lifetime. He nearly changed his own mind about going after talking long distance to Jerry McInnis, a former associate of his in Tierra Libre, who told him that Zora Mitchell's husband had been killed. It is Mitchell's job that Jeff has been called to fill. They are docking now at Cabeza de Negro, Jeff thinking of Zora's note, "Don't come." NOW CONTINUE WITH THE STORY

CHAPTER II

Don't come! And here he was with Lee in the curve of his arm, Buddy and Chuck tugging at his trousers, with Tierra Libre rising up out of the morning sea, the buildings of Cabeza de Negro taking shape. His arm unconsciously tightened about

Long before they drew close enough to make out details of the sturdy new docks and receiving sheds they saw the motor launch cutting along the coast as though to intercept them. It, too, was headed for the port, and at last Curt recognized the figure standing in the cockpit.

He yanked off his hat to wave it

"Jerry, you old muckle-head," he shouted. "I might've known you'd come down to meet us."

"Yeh, got your wireless you were coming through Cabeza. Hiya, Curt. Hiya, Lee," called the stocky man in the launch. "It's good to see you folks again. Where're the

Curt and Lee each picked up a child and stood him on the broad rail. Buddy, from his new vantage point, piped up: "Mummy, what's a muckle-head?"

"A muckle-head, darling," she answered gravely, "is your Uncle Jer-ry down in the little boat. See?"

There was no opportunity for dallying here. The launch drew away and by the time the Pisces warped up to the dock Jerry McInnis-leathered face, close-cropped hair, weather-stained clothes-was waiting for them.

A dockhand delivered a message from Senor Montaya on a company briefhead. The senor had been delayed in getting down river to meet them but would reach Cabeza in another hour or so.

McInnis, chuckling, nodded from Curt's piled luggage to his own launch boy, and the mestizo immediately took possession to stand guard. Then the Associated man led the way from the dock to the one main street of the town. There were signs of recent construction. The new company was booming the village.

"That's a good dock they've built," Curt said. "I suppose Mitchell did it?"

"Sure." Just the one word, and it sounded strange. Clipped and odd, for Mc-Innis. Curt threw his friend a sidelong glance.

McInnis stopped before a small cantina, the facade a blinding, bilious green in the raw sunshine. Mc-Innis put the boys down, led them inside. Lee and Curt followed.

"It's nearly lunch time," McInnis remarked. "Shouldn't the kids be fed, Lee? You know what the cooking is like here, but we can probably get canned soups."

Lee smiled. "I don't need a brick wall to fall on me. Go ahead, you two. Have a drink. I know you have plenty to talk over. I'll drag out my rusty

Spanish and get along." The men turned to the deserted bar at the end of the room, mounted uncomfortable stools and ordered gin rickeys. While the native bartender mixed them nearby, Curt for a moment. Then: made conversation.

"Jerry, it'll cost so much to prodon't see how these people can hope to compete with Associated. Not does not grant subsidies.'

McInnis grunted.

"Well, that's their business." "Of course," Curt mused on, "it's a pretty slick hombre who could put anything over on Old Man

McInnis grinned, but said nothing. The bartender placed the drinks before them, then left to lend a hand in the kitchen lean-to.

Alone now, and with a furtive glance to be sure Lee was occupied with the children, Curt pulled forth Zora Mitchell's letter. He spread it open before the other, and his face was serious, his voice low.

"Jerry, what've I got into?"

it, slid it back to Curt. He frowned. out." He took a long pull at his drink.

"All right, Jerry, out with it," Curt spoke again. "What's up?" "Well, Curt," his friend said final-

ly, "my reason for coming down to the coast to meet you wasn't altogether social. But now I'm here, I have my doubts. There's nothing I can put a finger on." He paused.

"Come on, pal, we know each other's first name. Spill it."

It came out slowly and in pieces.

"Well, Curt, I can't help feeling there's something fishy about your new outfit. They have more men on their payroll than we have, for instance, Americans as well as natives, trying to get things set before the next rainy season. That's all right. But Soledad's the only live spot-such as it is-within their range. You couldn't call Cabeza a satisfactory place to liven a fellow up over a holiday.

"So-well, damn it all, you'd expect that gang to come to Soledad once in a while. But no one ever does. The two Swedes and the Dutchman I told you about are the only ones who ever get to Soledad, and that's only on business, to supervise receipt of shipments.

"And they don't talk! We tried to get up a ball game with your people once. No go. It's as though this Montaya was afraid his men'd spill something to our advantage. And



"There's nothing I can put a fin-

that's carrying the rivalry theme a bit far for this business and this country. I-well, you see how vague it is, only a feeling . . ." Curt reflected. He pushed his

glass around in circles on the bar. "Ever get over to the new planting yourself?"

"No," grinned McInnis. "That wouldn't be etiquette. The Old Man paid them a courtesy visit once, but we're rival outfits. If I went over they'd think it snooping. All the dope I've had on them is picked up from natives. You know how

stuff gets around. "And that leads right into what I really came down here for. It was especially to-uh, warn you. But, he held up his hand, "don't ask me against what. I don't know. That note from Zora Mitchell-I'd talk to her as soon as I could. Sounds like she knows something."

He held an uncomfortable silence

"I got hold of a rumor after you called me several days ago. There's duce and ship fruit here that I no evidence, mind you, and it was too late to stop you by cable. Well, the natives working for me have without a subsidy, and Tierra Libre | their own ideas about Mitchell's death. They say it was no native did the job, but a couple of white men. But Curt," he expostulated, "you know no white man would hack a guy to pieces the way Mitch was

> found. Curt thought this out.

"Huh, unless it was to hide the fact that it was a white man's killing. And suppose it was a white man, Jerry, or a couple of them? So what? Old Mitch knew his job, but he certainly piled up enemies. You and I know that well enough. He made engineers out of us, first job out of college, but we got plenty bruised in the process. Men with less sense of humor than we have

McInnis read the note, refolded | can't take the treatment he dished

Curt pulled at his drink reflective-

'You didn't give me any details,"

he mentioned after another mo-

"There aren't many. A trackwalker found him early in the morning-fortunately before the buzzards did. Let's see, the 11th, it was. About a kilometer outside of Tempujo, in a ditch by the track. The damn zopilotes were wheeling overhead, so he got the section handcar, loaded the body onto it-"

"The 11th?" interrupted Curt. "That's the date of their letter to me! They didn't waste any time. Wonder how they picked a man so quickly?"

"Well, the date's correct. I remember because we had an early evening dinner-dance on the Tekla at Soledad the night before Mitch was found. And the Tekla pulled out for Cristobal about 9:00 p. m. on the 10th."

"It did!" exclaimed Curt softly. He looked at McInnis. "Their let-ter to me was dated the 11th, but air-mailed from Cristobal on the 12th. Didn't notice that discrepancy at first. When I finally did, I figured the letter either made a plane to the Canal Zone, or was misdated in error."

"We have no air service to Panama from Soledad-direct. Course, it's less than two hours by air to the Zone, but I doubt they'd make the flight just for a letter. Anyway, I know a messenger from Tempujo brought mail to the Tekla just before it sailed. Came as our party was breaking up and going ashore."

"Then the chances are the letter to me, dated the 11th, was put aboard the Tekla which sailed the 10th. Actually mailed before Mitch was found murdered. Right?"

"By God, Curt, that's so!" Mc-Innis brought his palm down on the bar. "Mitch was killed some time after dark on the 10th and discovered early on the 11th.'

"Meanwhile . . ." Curt fell silent, then looked up keenly. Swedes are white men." "The two

McInnis frowned. "And there are plenty more white men where you're going. No, Curt, the Swedes are not what we'd want for bosom pals, but we've no right to jump to conclusions. Besides," he dropped the scowl and grinned, "I did some checking up myself. Had my motor boy ask questions here and there. The Swede made the run from Tempujo to San Alejo late that afternoon, while Mitch was staying in Tempujo overnight."

Another silence fell between them. Then Curt spoke harshly.

"Jerry, there's more here than meets the eye. If Mitch's killing was a grudge payment, then, Tierra Libre being what it is, there's lit-tle we can do about it. Nothing, in fact. And there's nothing for me to worry about. I don't make enemies like Mitch did. But if there's more behind it . .

McInnis heaved a sigh.

"Curt, be careful! Don't mount any white charger over Mitch. He asked for it. He's been asking for it for years. And you've got Lee and the kids here now. But if-well, I don't have to say it, but if you find you're in a spot, call on me."

They downed the last of their drinks and swiveled to face the room. But before rejoining Lee Curt brought up another matter.

"By the way," he said slowly, studying his friend's face, "I saw a destroyer headed for Soledad this morning. American, I supposelooked like ours. Any particular reason for it?"

"No. The country's quiet as a church meeting. Dr. Arecas only one step removed from being a dictator, sure, but a good one. Seems to be what the people need, they're satisfied. He's solidly entrenched, too, there's no opposition to speak of. But . . ." He paused.

"Well, we had a Navy visit only a couple of weeks ago, and they certainly aren't scheduled to stop in again so soon." He added, in a puzzled tone, "Funny I didn't see the ship as I came down the coast."

"You were pretty low in the water and they were some distance off.

"Huh. Well . . ." He shrugged. They started across the room to rejoin Lee and the boys. McInnis dug his fingers into Curt's arm.

"See Zora Mitchell, Curt, first thing you get to San Alejo. But only to find out if you have anything personal to guard against," he said insistently. "Don't borrow trouble. You're a family man now. What's more, the family's right here with

you. "Yeh, I see what you mean," Curt answered dryly, his eyes on Lee and the children

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Lesson for January 10

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JESUS INSTRUCTS A GREAT TEACHER

LESSON TEXT-John 3:1-16. GOLDEN TEXT-For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on him should no perish, but have everlasting life .- John 3:16

Nicodemus came to our Lord when He was in Jerusalem for the Passover. Jesus had chosen six of His disciples, had performed His first miracle at Cana, and had made a brief visit to Capernaum, after which He came to Jerusalem for the feast.

In high and holy indignation He had driven the money changers out of the temple. The Pharisees who looked for the coming of the Messiah as a secular conqueror wondered at this new spiritual leader. It was probably as much on their behalf as his own that Nicodemus came to inquire of Jesus.

In answering his questions Jesus reveals the necessity, the nature, and the method of regeneration. The only entrance into the Christian life is by the door of the new birth.

I. The Necessity of Regeneration (vv. 1-7).

Jesus was not unduly impressed by the dignity and high station of his visitor, nor by the visitor's courteous acknowledgment of His own position as a great teacher. With incisive boldness Jesus declared that this man, a cultured and distinguished ruler of the Jews, must be born again if he is to see the kingdom of God.

God is no respecter of persons. This "doctor of divinity" must be born again, just as was the illiterate fisherman. The requirements are the same for all, and the necessity as great in one level of society as in another.

The surprising thing is that this teacher of theology could be so ignorant of the one essential element of a real spiritual experience. He evidently thought he could bring his soul to eternal life by his own works, when in fact he was not able to give himself physical-let alone spiritual -life.

Two reasons are given by our Lord for the "must" of verse 7: (1) The kingdom of God is a spiritual kingdom, and cannot be entered by way of our human nature; and (2) "that which is born of the flesh is flesh" and is radically and essentially bad. To learn why the flesh is bad read Jeremiah 13:23 and Galatians 5:19-21. Scripture on this point is diametrically opposed to the teaching of unbelieving men. When such a difference arises be sure of this-God's Word is right. Follow it!

II. The Nature of Regeneration (vv. 8-13).

The new birth is a divine mystery, not fathomable by human reason. Those who insist that all spiritual truth be put through the little norm of their intelligence will never understand it or receive its blessing.

The striking illustration of the lifegiving and energizing wind used by our Lord is most illuminating. Wind is unseen, but the results of its movement are evident. Even so the spiritual rebirth of men is an enigma to the worldly man, but even he can see its results in godly living.

Observe the clarity and simplicity of our Lord's teaching on what is undoubtedly the most profound subject in all the world. Let us follow His example and always "make the message clear and plain, Christ receiveth sinful men!"

III. The Method of Regeneration (vv. 14-16).

Many there are who ask Nicodemus' question, "How can there things be?" (v. 9). The answer is clear-"Only by faith in the Son of God, our Saviour."

Just as there was healing and life in a look at the uplifted serpent (Num. 21:8), so there is life for a look at the Crucified One. Faith receives God's perfect provision for

John 3:16 may well be regarded as the greatest sentence in the greatest Book in the world. It presents the whole plan of salvationits source, its ground, its recipients, its condition, and its result. It also reveals God's love-its "object, character, manifestation, purpose, and the result" (John W. Bradbury).

This glorious salvation is for all men-"whosoever"-but some reject it. Notice that God does not condemn them. Their own evil works and desires condemn them (vv. 17-20). God in His grace is ready and willing to save, but men love "darkness rather than light," for their works are evil.

Gems of Thought

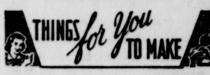
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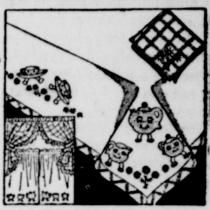
Mistakes remember'd are not faults forgot .- B. H. Newell.

There are two worlds; the world that we can measure with line and rule, and the world that we feel with our hearts and imagination.-Leigh Hunt.

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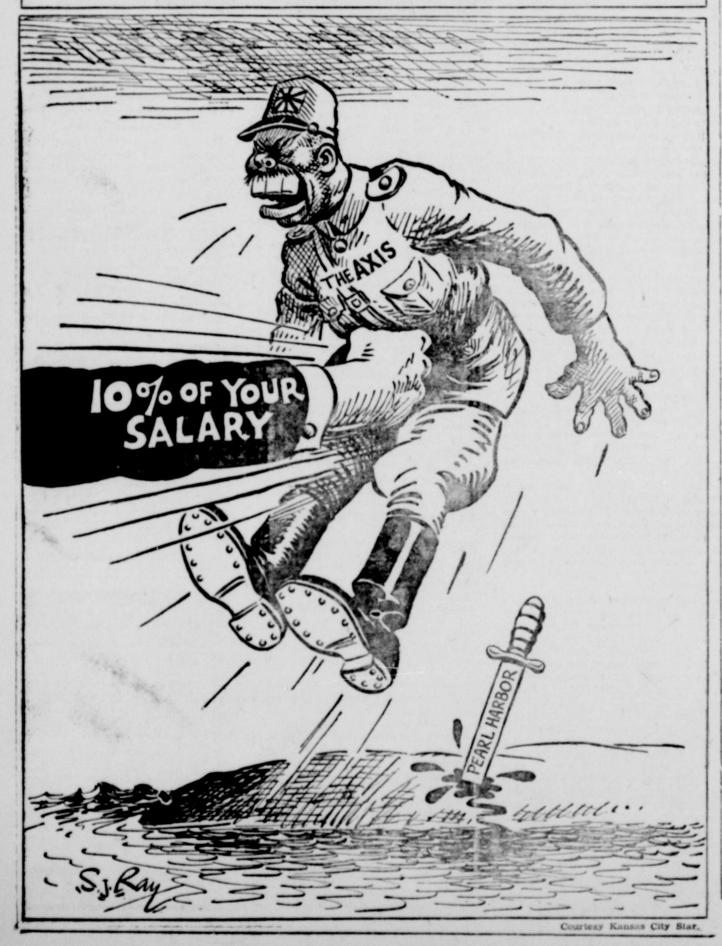
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For there's nothing that can end this war quicker, nothing that can shatter our enemies as completely as the knowledge that we Americans are all of us fighting this war with everything we've got! And doing it our own democratic way—because we know in our own minds we've got to do it to survive.

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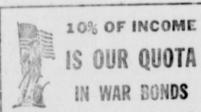
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margaret stared at the walls, the furniture, and deeply, slowly, she realized that no matter what lodgers with their own

trinkets and pictures might occupy it, she would always see it the old way. It was the old way that she saw it now. A pair of hard-worn gray pants lay on the floor where they had been dropped. Three baseball bats were stacked with a fishing rod in the corner. A battered red cap with a letter on it lay on the bed. And through the bed, as though it were transparent, Margaret saw another bed, smaller, and

with high slatted sides.

She put the vacuum cleaner away and went down to her desk in the sitting-room. She took the fifteen dollars rent that the new lodger had paid that morning in advance for the room, and added to it, from her purse, three dollars and seventy-five cents more. Then she drew out a sheet of paper and began to write on it, slowly, gravely.

it, slowly, gravely.

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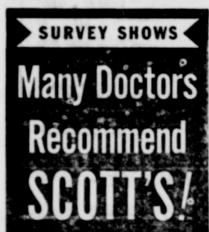
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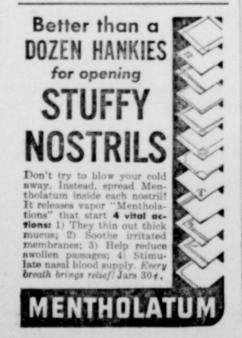


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And the enemy is beginning to realize that what with Paratroopers dropping down on them from the skies in synthetic cloth parachutes, from transport planes made from substitute synthetic material, it would be good for them if they could get a personal substitute on the battle fields all over the world.

As the war progresses, Americans are awakening to the fact that they are in the middle of a chemical revolution, the end of which is not in sight, and the social possibilities of which are far from being completely, thoroughly achieved.

It used to be that the motorists of this nation were completely dependent on the laboring, sweating natives coming out of the jungles of South America and the Southwest | cane. Pacific area with their crude rubber extracted from trees. Within a year, according to William M. Jeffers, there will be plenty of synthetic tires for every one who has a car. And those tires will be synthetically made from all native, easy to obtain, either chemically or from the earth itself, material in the U.S.

An interesting part of this chemico-industrial revolution is that the rural section of the United States is taking an increasingly important part in it. Chemurgy, the science of finding new industrial uses for farm products, has been very busy during the past years. Now that the war is on, the good it is doing can be noted in the extensive use made of casein obtained from skimmed milk. The plastic material obtained offers the best possibilities as a substitute material in various kinds of war material.

Parts of many bombers, dropping block busters over Italy and Gerther research will find still greater

Old License Plate Still Useful

The small tabs which this New York miss is holding fits right over last

year's license. By using them, instead of full size tags, the state will

save many tons of strategic metal, besides thousands of dollars production

costs. Regardless of the size of the license, they will still cost the same

It all depends on where you are living whether you will be

sceing new automobile licenses, or new color combinations on the

license plates on automobiles. This year only five states-Colo-

rado, Illinois, Mississippi, Wyoming and South Carolina-are hav-

brought on by the lack of steel for their old license plus a windshield

Pennsylvania's license, which has

had added a touch of individuality

by having the plates in the shape of

the state's outline, will go a little further this year in originality by

having a date tab in the form of the

Ingenuity has been shown in every

Illinois is using new plates made

from fiber board. Arkansas is using

wooden plates for trucks and motor-

cycles, but passenger cars will use

state's symbol, a keystone.

state with the license problem.

ing new color combinations on the licenses.

Of course, you might be living near one of these adjoining states and get

to see them, but the possibilities are

very small, considering how gas ra-

tioning is cutting down highway

The reason for the use of 1942's

license for the current year,

1943, is due to a WPB order, of

March 18, 1942, curtailing the

use of steel for license purpose

State officials have devised many

schemes to overcome the obstacles

by 90 per cent.

travel

The Army's New Wooden Plane

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This is an official war department sketch of the new type wood and non-strategic material military transport plane. It is twin-engined, and about the size of the present-day all-metal transport planes operated by domestic airlines. It is officially designated the Curtiss C-76. Performance details are a military secret.

partially the cause for discontentment in Axis nations.

Soybeans, from which many plastic articles useful both for the war effort, and helpful in the homes, is another farm product that is being further developed. Bagasse obtained from sugar cane waste has proven its worth for electrical goods, washing machines and automobile parts. Possibly the toothbrush you used today had a handle made from sugar

Often you hear the statement that possibly, because of the nation's allout war and deathdealing on the Axis, most of its natural resources such as oil, coal, iron ore, will be used up. But from the great strides taken by industries making substitute synthetics and plastics, it isn't far-fetched to suggest that maybe there will be no need for the present natural resources in years to come. At least, not as necessary as today.

Miss and Mrs. America have found that many synthetic products are clothing them just as well as when they could buy all the silk they wanted from Japan. Scientists state that it is quite possible that every bit of clothing you will be wearing in the not too far distance will be synthetically made. Maybe four or five of the pieces of clothing you own today are synthetically made, and yet you never realized it.

Household furnishings, from glass fireplaces to dishes, from dressers many, are made from casein. Fur- to stoves are now being made from synthetic materials. The old gag uses for it. As it is now, a con- about the errant husband hiding all after fully realizing the significance tented cow chomping grass along a the dishes before facing his wife

Mississippi levee in Louisiana is | holds no more. For many plastic dishes don't hurt when they land on the target because of their light weight. On top of that they won't break and are also too colorful to throw around. Any angry wife will think twice before she begins to lay down a barrage with such am-Many of the war plants construct-

ed, and in the process of construction today, have no windows. All artificial lighting and air-conditioning takes care of what nature used to consider her job. Glass bricks that let the health rays of the sun through, but prevent vision, now take the place of windows.

Those who aren't "up on" their knowledge of what is going on in the world of substitutes still say something to the effect that "People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones." But there are glass houses today, with more in the offing, that wouldn't be in the least affected by anyone who might want to throw some stones at them. Even some good, solid glass bricks wouldn't cause them any damage.

Statements from scientists busy working in laboratories far into the night in all the free United Nations have hinted that what has been seen so far in plastics, is nothing compared to what is to come. One spokesman stated that by October, 1943, synthetic production will be sufficient to provide the nation's military needs.

As you look about and see the hundreds, thousands, of articles of everyday commonplace variety, you automatically begin to ask yourself, of the substitution era you are in, whether that article, or this articleprobably having some strategic, or scarce material-could not be substituted by a plastic. More than likely in the months to come you won't be surprised when that article appears in its plastic dress.

Scientists have tagged the millions of years in ancient man's past as belonging to certain periods as he slowly developed from the brute stage. Then there were the various ages, of stone, wood and iron. The astounding use of steel, brought about by quicker, more efficient production methods, gave that period of development in the U.S. the title The Steel Age.

You wouldn't be surprised, would you, if after this war is over and won, the present days, and then, would be appropriately titled the Plastic Period, or the Synthetic Era?

Glamorous

U. S. Department of Commerce Puts Title on Plastic Industry in Bulletin.

Acting director of the U. S. department of commerce's bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, in a reference service bulletin, issued this statement:

"The spotlight of industry today is focused on our glamorous plastics which are commanding much interest and attention. This gigantic new industry, now gone to war, is doing a fulltime job in meeting the requirements of the war effort where performance counts most.

"Both at the front and behind the front, plastics are playing an important part in war equipment. Through their ever-increasing use as materials vitally essential in both combat and industry they are now on equal basis with the older fundamental raw materials, glass, wood, stone and metal.

"Although the new and original uses, as well as substitutions, in the non-essential civilian classification have been curtailed for the duration, the plastics industry, we feel as-sured, will not retreat after the war, but continue its rapid advance."

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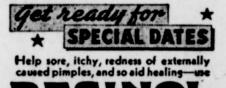
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Little Lunches Flatter Wartime Menus (See Recipes Below)

Victory Lunches

Mid-day meals with that go-andget-it spirit are those that are properly balanced. and have plenty of eye-appeal. The days are

gone when you can make a quick dash to the corner grocery and bring home lamb chops to broil quickly. Gone, too,

overs from yesterday's roast. But, homemakers, you need not be foiled, rather let your ingenuity devise new ways of getting nutrition requirements into your menus. Use protein foods like peas, beans, eggs, and vitamin B1 foods like cereals as extenders to make up for meat. Your New Year victory menu

are days when you had loads of left-

parade starts off with a meat loaf 'stretched" with oatmeal. Savory Meat Loaf.

(Serves 8) 1 pound ground beef 1/2 pound ground pork 4 cup oatmeal 1 egg, beaten onion, grated

34 cup milk 2 tablespoons chopped parsley 3 tablespoons catsup 11/2 teaspoons salt

Combine ingredients in order given. Mix lightly until well blended. Place in a greased loaf pan, patting smooth. Bake in a moderate oven (375 degrees) about 1 hour. Makes approximately 2½-pound meat loaf.

*Little Luncheons. (Serves 6)

2 cups sifted enriched flour teaspoons baking powder

teaspoon salt 2 to 4 tablespoons shortening 34 to 34 cup milk 4 cup ground ham poached eggs

Creamy Cheese Sauce Sift flour, baking powder and salt together. Cut or rub in shortening. Add milk to form

a soft dough. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead 1/2 minute. Roll dough out into a long rectangle 8 inches wide and 1/s inch thick. Cut in half lengthwise and

spread each half with ham and roll jelly-roll fashion, sealing edges well. Cut rolls into 8-inch pieces. Form each piece into rings on baking sheet. Pinch ends together. With

Lynn Says:

Cans and Jars: You will have noticed that your grocery shelves present a different picture than in the past. Instead of all food being put up in cans, some food has been preserved in glass.

In those foods placed in cans, the government has decreed three different sized cans.

A number two sized can, one of the standard sizes yields 21/2 cups and will serve four to five people. The number 21/2 sized can averages 31/2 cups and feeds six people.

Largest food can is number 10, usually used by institutions and restaurants.

This Week's Menu

Hot Tomato Juice *Little Luncheons Cranberry-Orange Salad Radishes. Date-Pecan Pie ·Recipes Given.

scissors, cut through rings almost to center, in slices about 1 inch thick. Turn each slice slightly on its side. Bake in hot oven (450 degrees) 10 to 12 minutes. Place a poached egg in the center of each ring and serve with Creamy Cheese Sauce.

Creamy Cheese Sauce. 2 tablespoons butter or margarine 2 tablespoons flour 1 cup milk

1/2 teaspoon salt 1/s teaspoon pepper 1/2 cup grated cheese

Melt butter and stir in flour. Gradually add milk, stirring constantly. Boil sauce until it thickens. Cook 3 minutes. Add seasonings. Add cheese and stir over low heat until cheese is melted.

Baked Corn and Sausage. (Serves 6 to 8)

% pound link or bulk sausage cup chopped onion 1/3 cup chopped green pepper tablespo

teaspoon salt 4 teaspoon pepper 21/2 cups whole kernel corn and

21/2 cups canned tomatoes and juice

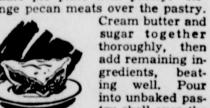
1 cup oven-popped rice

If bulk sausage is used, form into shape of link sausages. Brown sausage in heavy frying pan. Remove sausage and brown onions and pepper in fat remaining in pan. Add flour and seasonings and blend. Add corn and tomatoes and simmer until juice has partially evaporated (about ½ hour). Pour into casserole; arrange browned sausages on top like the spokes of a wheel. Sprinkle oven-popped rice on top. Cook in moderate oven (400 degrees) about 15 minutes until oven-popped rice is golden brown.

> Date-Pecan Pie. (Makes 1 9-inch pie) Pastry for 1 9-inch pie 1 cup unbroken pecan meats tablespoons butter cup sugar 1/2 cup dates, cut cup dark corn syrup 2 eggs, beaten

1/8 teaspoon sali Line pie plate with pastry. Arrange pecan meats over the pastry. Cream butter and

1 teaspoon vanilla



into unbaked pastry shell over the pecans and bake in a hot oven (450 degrees) 10 minutes, then reduce to moderate (350 degrees) and bake 30 to 35 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Cool. May be served with whipped

Lynn Chambers can tell you how to dress up your table for family dinner or festivities, give you menus for your parties or tell you how to balance your meals in accordance with nutritional standards. Just write to her, explaining your problem, at Western Newspaper Union, 210 South Desplaines Street, Chicago, Illinois. Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope

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Hostess Let Herself In For an Awkward Moment

At a Christmas gathering the shy young hostess, in an effort to be genial, led aside the comparative stranger, whose name, somehow, eluded her.

"Look," she said, "I've paired you off with that lady in the corner. Will you take her in to din-

"My husband says she's a bit of an old frump, but she's got lots of money, and one of his clever friends has just married her for it, so you can understand we must be nice to her."

"I'm sorry," said the guest, "but I am the clever friend in question.'

A quiz with answers offering information on various subjects

The Questions

What does "recherche" mean? 2. Why did King Arthur's knights sit at a round table?

3. In architecture, what is an 4. If England is invaded what

signals will spread the alarm? 5. Where does genuine mocha coffee come from?

6. How old was George Washington at the end of the Revolutionary war?

7. Is the slogan "America First" original with us?

8. Who was the "March King" of America?

The Answers

 Rare or exquisite.
 To avoid showing distinction. A flat stone placed above the

capital of a column.

4. Church bells.

Arabia. Forty-nine.

7. No. Previously an Australian Fascist organization used "Australia First," and the British Union of Fascists used "Britain First." 8. John Philip Sousa.

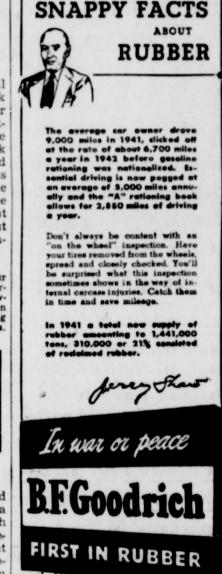
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Half-Bushel Pockets

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HOME FRON

BRIGHT blue is the color key- flat on a table and mark diagonal used for towels and bath mat and pencil, spacing the lines four stripes and for a painted box cor- inches apart to form the plaid patnice. The curtains are of coarse tern. Now, thread a tufting needle white muslin tufted with old-fash- with four strands of candlewick ioned candlewicking in bright blue. yarn, and work along these ruled It is difficult to find appropriate lines using the thread double, as curtains that will stand steam and at the upper right. Also, sew the moisture so you may want to copy hem in this manner; then clip the these in your favorite color.

width desired with ample allow- smooth to dry but do not iron. Finance for shrinkage and baste the ish the tops with a rod casing. hems in. Next place the material

Fortunes From Sharks

The soupfin shark, whose liver is rich in vitamin A, has brought prosperity to the Californian town of La Paz for the first time since the failure of the local pearl industry in 1936.

The Nazi occupation of Norway cut off supplies of cod liver oil, amounting to 72,000,000 pounds annually, from the United States and the demand for shark liver oil, whose valuable vitamin A

Factories are being built to extract the liver oil. They will also extract insulin from the sharks' pancreas, utilize the devitaminthick skins into leather.

note in this bathroom. Blue is lines on the goods with a yardstick stitches, as shown at lower right Cut the curtains the length and and dip in water. Spread out

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Where There's Peace

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Men Take Notice

Ali men who would be interested in a men's Bible class are invited to meet in the basement of the Methodist Church Thursday night, January 17. Rev. Ewart Watts. Assistant partor of First Methodist Church, San Angelo has been invited to deliver the address. Ladies of the church will serve refreshments.

Death Of Floyd Conger

Funeral services were conducted at Uvalde Wednesday for Floyd Conger, who died Tuesday He had been in poor health for several months. Following the services the body was taken to Sterling City for burial in the Foster Cemetery Thursday.

Mr. Conger was a son of Mrs. G.W. Conger, and a brother of Fred Conger and Mrs B. A Austin

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