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## Have You Found Your Way

Some of our airplanes have lost their way and have fallen into the sea or the jungles of the South Pacific. Many people have lost their way and have fallen into the sea of despair, or into the jungle of indifference. There is certainly a right place and a right way to reach this right place. We will do our best to help you find the right way to this right place if you will come to our services at the Methodist Church next Sunday.

W. Vasco Teer, Pastor

## Ariel Club

The Ariel Study Club met in the home of Mrs. G. C. Allen for a regular meeting and covered dish luncheon last Thursday. After lunch Mrs. Delbert Walling, president, conducted a business session. Twelve Red Cross garments were passed out to be completed and turned in by next meeting. At the close of the meeting the members of the cast of "Mother Buys a Bond" rehearsed the play, which was presented before the P. T. A.

## Sunday School Class Entertained

The Intermedate Boys Sunday School class of the Baptist Church was sponsored by their teacher Mrs. A. W. Littlefield with a Weiner roast Tuesday night at the flat rock picnic ground with 14 present.

## Locals

Rev. B. O. Wood of San Angelo visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Powell last Monday.

Mrs. Neil McDaniel of Floresville is here for a several days visit with her sister Mrs. W. H. Bell.

O. S. Anthony and O. T. Colvin of Miles called at the Observer Office Wednesday. They have leased the Thad Carter ranch six miles west of Blackwell and have moved to same.

Mrs. C. L. Owens, Cain City, subscribes for the Robert Lee Observer.

Lt. Harris Rogner, W. K. Powell and Floyd Carr of San Angelo were guests of Sam Powell Saturday.

Word came from Hynes, Calif. that on Dec. 30th, born to Mr. and Mrs. Turney Hall a baby girl named Janico Carelyn.

## Returns From Market

Mrs. Scott buyer for Cumbie & Roach Dry Goods Store has returned from Dallas Markets.

On arrival of these goods you will find everything available in any up-to-date store.

Under war conditions you may not find merchandise just as you want it neither did we, so lets smile for the duration.



## Honor Roll

Robert Lee Public School  
Third Six-Weeks Term.

Peggy June Bilbo, Martha Sue Richardson, Frances Stark, Cleeta Joyce Wojtek, Beverly Wilbanks, Stanley Adams, Marvin Simpson, Bobby Roberts, William Verfuth, Norman Roberts, Raymond Gunnels, Willie Faye Gaines, Rheta Beavers, Johnnie Beth Sne d, Melba Rives, Bennie Helen Wyatt, Annelle Simpson, Sondra Hester, Carrie Jo Rabb Madaline Rabb, Angelita Roderiquez, Goldie Wojtek, Patricia Jones, Lawana Harmon, Joan Hester, Thelma Jo Bryan, Juanice Childress, Annie Lou Boone, Joann Barnett, Lealon McClatchey, Bobby Besent, Tilden Jones, Tommie Walker, Johnnie Ekins, Royce Wallace, Jimmie Wright, Betty Yarbrough, Ted Cox, Joyce Jolley, Joan Vestal, Wallace Ross, Bobby Gene Hood, Ebba Jean Blaylock, Stanley Austin, Don Fields, Jerry Lancaster, Amelia Roderiquez, Lynn Doris Varnadore, Eva Bell McCutchen, Lonnell Landers Loy Taylor, Janet Bilbo, Eugenia Hurley, Joyce McCutchen, Bertie Gaines, Barbara Harwell, Edna Mae Wallace, Nelda Sheppard.

Carrie Catherine Rabb, Roy Tinkler, Charlotte Lancaster, Lucille Shropshire, Jimmie Don Rabb, Buddy Verfuth, Paul Smith, Betty Jean Clawson, Ruth Austin Maynard Read, Bobby Seltz, Frank Preston Lord, Janie Sue Higgins, June Duncan, Yvonne Jolley, Violet McClatchey, Virginia Sue Stark, Billie Louise Roberts, Maudie Watson, Patty Taylor.

Wanda Jones, Floy Gunnels, Jack Sead, Billie Inez Landers, Mayne Scoggins, Jo Ann Taylor, Nita Allen, Billy Allen, Oletha Boyd, Wallace Clift, Ione Davis, Alma Gene Escue, Ada Bell Fish, Irene Gartman, Eddy Paul Good, Dorothy Hood, Wayne Hulse, Bryan Jolley, Loyal Jordan, Ima Faye Landers, Glendolyn King, Kenneth Lackey, Rex Scoggins, Ruth Ann Taylor, Morgan Cox, D. J. Walker, Agnes Walker, Marie Wallace, J. C. Wallace, Reba Faye Woods.

## Funeral For Harvey LeRoy

Harvey LeRoy Reid, two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Reid died in a hospital at Fort Worth and was brought to Sanco for burial. L. S. Bird officiated.

Lt. and Mrs. R. T. Caperton of El Reno, Oklahoma, are visiting her mother Mrs. J. C. Slaughter.

Mrs. O. L. Freeman is here visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Jones.

Lt. Ira Bird of Sanco, who enlisted Nov. 5, 1940, and is a navigator on a heavy bomber, is making a reputation by helping to sink Jap ships.

## NOTICE

Effective Feb. 1st, due to high priced feed and labor, I will be forced to add 2c per quart for milk.

The government regulations say I shall not deliver any more pints or half pints. You can buy quarts instead.

BRYAN'S DAIRY

## Coke County Citizen Dies In California

Word was received here Sunday from A. J. Bilbo at Long Beach, California, that John Bilbo had been run over by an automobile breaking one leg and injuring his head so that he lived only a short time, dying from a concussion of the brain. Details of accident were meager, but it seems he was waiting at a bus stop.

The body is being shipped here and will arrive Friday. The funeral will be held at Methodist Church at Sanco Friday at 2:30 p. m. Rev. W. Vasco Teer and Rev. James H. Hunt will officiate. The services will be in charge of the Masonic Lodge and the body will be laid to rest in cemetery at Sanco.

Survivors include the father, B. W. Bilbo, Sanco, five brothers and six sisters.

## P. T. A. Meeting

P. T. A. met last Thursday at their regular time. The Ariel Club presented a skit entitled "Mother Buys a Bond". The Second Grade added to the program by giving two numbers. The Sixth Grade won the attendance prize.

The W. S. C. S. of the Methodist Church met Monday afternoon at the church for a business meeting and Bible study.

Mrs. Collinsworth and Mrs. George Taylor were appointed to serve the Men's Bible Class Feb. 11.

Rev. Teer conducted the Bible study. Subject: Faith and Works. Next Monday we will start a review of the New Testament. All members are urged to be present.

—Reporter

## Enlistment

The War Department has authorized the enlistment of any man who has passed his 17th birthday but has not reached his 18th birthday, providing he is found to otherwise qualify, according to word received today by Sgt. Marcus J. Truitt, recruiting officer in the post office building in San Angelo, Texas. Enlistments will be made in the following categories: A. Enlisted Reserve Corps, unassigned; B. Army Air Forces Enlisted Reserve (Aviation Cadets).

All expenses incident to enlistment in the Enlisted Reserve Corps, except for the physical examination, will be borne by the applicant.

Robert Lee Observer  
Dear Sir:

My new address is:  
Pvt. Julius F. Keading,  
A. A. F. T. D. 23-43-A  
North American Aviation, Inc.  
Inglewood, Calif.  
Sincerely yours,  
J. F. Keading

Robert Lee Observer

Card at hand today. Thanks. Inclosed find check for \$1.50 for the paper until Jan. 1, 1944, and do please put some news in my home paper as I'm not interested in advertisements.

Altogether as ever,  
Mrs. T. E. Puett

New goods arriving daily at  
CUMBIE & ROACH

## Interest to Farmers

Emergency Crop Loans, known generally as "the seed loans," offered for many years in this County by Emergency Crop and Feed Loan Section of the Farm Credit Administration, are now available to farmers in need of financial assistance for the production of vitally important food crops and normal crops for 1943, according to announcement of W. E. Farwell, Manager of the Dallas Office.

Applications for the loans are being taken in this County at the Coke County Abstract Co. office, Robert Lee, Texas, under direction of Field Supervisor D. H. Harrison.

FORT SILL, Okla.—Staff Sgt. Johnny D. Williams, son of Mrs. Sarah M. Williams, Robert Lee, Tex., has been awarded the army's "Good Conduct" ribbon. He was one of 357 members of the Field Artillery School Detachment to receive the award.

"You gentlemen are experts in our particular field," said General Balmer.

To be eligible for the army's Good Conduct award the soldier must have honorably completed three years of active military service on or after June 28, 1941, and must be recommended by his commanding officer for "exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity."

Observer renewals:  
Mrs. J. C. Slaughter  
Mrs. L. C. Steffey  
Mrs. Jack Duncan  
S. M. Lewis  
Miss Myrtle Hurley, Edith  
Mrs. Lizzie Davis  
Glenn Thomason, Dallas.  
Olen Thomason, San Angelo  
J. C. Jordan  
Mrs. T. E. Puett

Table of broken lot shoes at \$1.98

CUMBIE & ROACH

## LOCALS

Sgt. J. S. Craddock came home Friday for a 15-day furlough.

Miss Norma Wojtek, of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Walker Cobb and J. C. Wojtek of San Angelo were visitors in the V. V. Wojtek home last week-end.

Mrs. Claud Carter of Harlingen visited her mother and other relatives here while Mr. Carter, the president, attended the State Bar Association in San Angelo, Saturday, Jan. 23.

Saturday and Sunday balmy spring days. Monday rushed in with a norther, ice and sleet.

Glenda Littlefield is back at home after spending several days at Bronte with her aunt.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ripptoe of Bronte visited in the home of the Littlefields Sunday.

Mrs. Wesley Kinsey left Sunday for Pecos to join her husband who is employed as mechanic in aero-repair department.

Mrs. Paul Good left Saturday for Denton, where she will visit her daughter, Katie Sue, who is attending school there.

Mrs. Charley Vowell has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Davis, for several days. She will leave Monday for San Antonio to be with her husband, who is employed as mechanic at Kelly Field.

Austin.—The State Department of Public Welfare announced today that the Intake and Certification program, which has functioned through co-operative agreements between the department and the commissioners' courts of Texas, will be closed effective March 1, 1943.

## ALAMO THEATRE

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## WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

## Ickes Cites Small Business Peril; Congressional Pay-as-You-Go Tax Program Gets Treasury's Approval; Fifth Russ Offensive Batters Nazis

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)  
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Somewhere in China this soldier of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's armies stands guard before a line of American P40 planes at an inland air base. His shift is 24 hours at a stretch in guarding these precious craft that hold off Jap advances in China.

### PAY-AS-YOU-GO:

#### Tax Gets Go-Ahead

It had been clear that official Washington from Capitol Hill to the White House had agreed that a pay-as-you-go income tax was the most effective means of raising the multi-billion revenue needed to help defray war costs.

How to apply the levy to the nation's 35,000,000 taxpayers and what yardstick to use had been the subject of numerous recommendations. The treasury department gave its support to a bill by Sen. Bennett Clark for a new 19 per cent withholding tax. Added to the prevailing 5 per cent Victory tax this would mean a total of 24 per cent withheld from payrolls.

Under the Clark program the pay-as-you-go plan would be inaugurated March 15. The taxpayer would file his income tax return on that date and pay his first quarterly 1943 taxes on the basis of his 1942 income. The withholding tax would then be effective on weekly or monthly paychecks, as well as on income from interest and dividends.

Persons not on payrolls such as farmers, independent business men, professional people and others could pay their taxes on a monthly or quarterly basis.

### FOOD PRICES:

#### Index Up 43 Per Cent

Skyrocketing retail prices of fresh fruits and vegetables, whose cost is not controlled by the OPA, were largely responsible for an increase of 43 per cent in the food cost index since August, 1939, the month before World War II began, according to a summary released by Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins.

Even since the price control law began to operate last spring, Mrs. Perkins said, retail food prices have gone up because of the increases in the cost of items still uncontrolled. The index in December was 9 per cent above last May and 17 per cent above December, 1941, the month the United States entered the war.

### NORTH AFRICA:

#### War vs. Politics

As French forces broke the lull in North Africa's stalemated war by capturing a number of passes on the road to the Tunisian seaport of Sousse, so, too, it appeared that the French had moved effectively to end the political strife that had hampered all-out action against the Axis.

The importance of the French drive toward Sousse was that it threatened the Axis land supply routes for operations in central and southern Tunisia.

On the political front Harold MacMillan, British minister for North Africa, predicted an agreement between Gen. Henri Giraud and Gen. Charles de Gaulle, leader of the Fighting French, would remove most of the objectionable features in the present administration of North Africa.

A three-way conflict of interests had raged since the American invasion. On one side stood the Liberals and Republicans, who had welcomed the Americans. On the other stood the Vichyites and Fascists. In between were the Royalists, attempting to capitalize on the battle.

### SMALL BUSINESS:

#### Total War Casualty?

Economists had long been aware of the war's menacing impact on American small business, but their statistical discourses attracted little public notice. It remained for vocal Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes to dramatize the little business man's plight when he declared that the country now faces "the brutal fact that the war can be the final, crushing blow to small business."

Pointing out that "the major portion of war production contracts are going to a few large corporations," Mr. Ickes told the senate small business committee that "should the small business man go, we all will go."

Mr. Ickes warned that "we must guard against the loss of our traditional freedom of enterprise, a loss that would result in creating a dictatorship by a few corporations and cartels over our jobs."

### FIFTH OFFENSIVE:

#### Launched by Reds

To the four Russian offensives that had jarred the Nazis loose from thousands of square miles of dearly won territory was added a fifth that appeared to be the supreme Red winter effort. Voronezh — strong point on the 1,000-mile Soviet line from Moscow to the Black Sea — was the springboard of this drive and it was the German high command itself which made the first announcement to the world.

Significance of the Voronezh offensive was that it faced the already hardpressed Nazis with a double threat. Red forces from Voronezh could turn due south to join the other offensives aimed at Rostov, or could drive westward toward Kursk and Kharkov in the Upper Ukraine and menace the Nazi hold on this world-famous granary.

Significant, too, was the fact that the Russians held the initiative. It was the Germans who were on the defensive, who must conjecture where the Reds would strike next and had costly alternatives thrust on them.

In all other theaters the Russians were pressing their newly gained advantages, reoccupying areas in the Caucasus, whittling down German resistance near Stalingrad and engaging vast Nazi forces in the lower Don river reaches.

### AIR TEMPO:

#### Allied Power Rises

Prophetic of what was yet to come Allied airplanes continued to ride the skies and shower destruction on Axis-held European and Mediterranean areas.

Hitler's army in the Ruhr valley was the target of repeated bombings. Lille, locomotive manufacturing center of northern France, experienced gutting raids. On the route, also were Abbeville and St. Omar near the British channel coast of France.

In the Mediterranean, Allied bombers were active both on the island bases serving Axis troops and on the African mainland itself. Mediterranean attacks were made on Crete, Sicily and Lampedusa. African raids were made on Homs, near Tripoli and between Sousse and Sfax.

### SULLIVAN BROTHERS:

#### A Tale of Heroism

The five Sullivan brothers of World War II promised to become as celebrated in American annals as the five Bixby brothers of the Civil war, immortalized by Abraham Lincoln's letter to their mother.

Not yet was it known whether the Sullivan boys were dead or alive, but a navy communication to their parents in Waterloo, Iowa, ominously reported them "missing in action." The brothers joined the navy to avenge a friend slain at Pearl Harbor. They were shipmates at their own request and were believed casualties of the cruiser Juneau sunk in the November battle for the Solomons.

The Sullivan brothers are George T., 29, gunner's mate second class; Francis H., 26, coxswain; Joseph E., 23, seaman, second class; Madison A., 22, seaman second class; and Albert L., 30, seaman, second class.

### ROAD TO TOKYO:

#### Mired by Rains

The road to Tokyo was bogged down by tropical rains that turned fighting Allied sectors in New Guinea into swampy mires, but in the air American and Australian commanders broadened their air offensive against the Japanese with raids on four main bases.

On the Allied air calling list were Madang and Finschaven on the northern New Guinea coast. Flying Fortresses supported by medium bombers and fighter planes struck likewise at Lae and Salamau. In the Lae area 160 miles up the eastern New Guinea coast from Allied-held Buna, large fires were started among barges, stores and harbor installations.

In the Solomons, the plight of the Jap garrisons had grown more serious as efforts to land extensive supplies had been balked by American air power. The navy department reported that a three-day offensive on Guadalcanal island had progressed satisfactorily, with several Jap positions isolated and awaiting destruction. Air raids were continued against Munda island.

### NAZI HOME MORALE:

#### Signs of Strain

Volumes had been written by Allied commentators about the state of the German home front since the Russ offensives, but two brief statements by high Nazi officials revealed the enormously heartening fact that Reich morale had at least begun to creak.

The Nazi officials were Dr. Paul Joseph Goebbels, propaganda minister, and Gen. Kurt Dietmar, a leading German military critic.

Writing in the magazine Das Reich, Goebbels denounced civilian "sluggards" for impeding Nazi war



PAUL JOSEPH GOEBBELS

... Propaganda in reverse.

activities, called for more belt-tightening and announced that "burdens on the home front can and will be increased."

General Dietmar said that whether they like it or not, Germans would have to put up with new restrictions to provide more troops. He admitted that the Russians had broken through German lines on the southern front, and that the situation was becoming serious. "The need has come for still greater hardships at home," he said, "to increase the flow of recruits to the front."

### NAVY MAIL:

#### To Be Speeded

Because the problem of mail deliveries to men in the navy, marine corps and coast guard has been complicated by the vast increase in personnel, the navy department announced that two rules would be placed in effect immediately to insure prompt service:

Parcel post packages must weigh not more than five pounds and measure not more than 15 inches in length and 36 inches in length and girth combined. Inappropriate second and third class matter such as advertising circulars would not be forwarded to men overseas.

## Washington Digest

### Opinions Vary on Success Of Mexican Labor Plans



West, Southwest Farmers Reported Objecting to Minimum Wage Clause; Many Prefer Familiar 'Padrone' System.

By BAUKHAGE

News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, 1343 H Street, N-W, Washington, D. C.

What has happened to the scheme for bringing Mexican labor into the United States to help fill the gap left by the drain which industry and the draft have made on the farm?

In trying to get an answer to that question I turned up some rather interesting data which I wish to submit as an answer to that slur on our fair city that you hear frequently these days: "Washington is a mad house." It may at least explain what makes the wild cat wild.

I first went to an official in one of the war agencies with my query about Mexican labor. He is a very energetic, sincere worker, an anti-New Dealer, who is here trying to do his share to win the war. I am not permitted to use his name. He said:

"Somebody in our government with a lot of high ideals went to the Mexican government and made an agreement to send Mexican laborers to the United States. They arranged to have a contract which would deal with each laborer as a free agent and put in all sorts of conditions which the farmer who had to hire him had to agree to, including housing, transportation, and a minimum per diem rate.

"But instead of sending over experienced farm laborers the Mexican government gathered together a lot of ne'er-do-wells and hoboes. It didn't work. In fact, the farmers got less help than usual. The trouble was that before the social-conscious officials took a hand the American farmers had been making contracts with padrones (bosses) who got the money and the workers, established the working conditions and paid the workers as they saw fit. They brought in trained workers and they made them work. But the starry-eyed members of the Mexican and American governments wouldn't hear of making use of the padrone system."

That sounded very bad to me, so I called up the offices of Senator Downey of California and Senator McFarland of Arizona, who are members of a special committee holding hearings in California and New Mexico on this question of imported farm labor.

### Success Reported

Senator Downey was still in California but his office was enthusiastic. I was told about how successful the use of this imported Mexican labor had been under the government's plan, in the beet industry, how it worked in the great guayule rubber fields of which 500,000 acres have been planted as part of our home-grown rubber program. How the senator was arranging with the state department for the admission of more foreign labor.

Then I talked with Senator McFarland. He said he would go along with Senator Downey in some of the things but not all. He said the farmers' complaint in Arizona was that they got neither the quantity nor the quality of workers they wanted. Cotton and dairy workers are their chief needs. He said that some of the farmers wouldn't sign a contract which the American government required. All protested against it. The objection was to the clause which established a minimum daily wage. The farmers said that the worker came out to the field in the morning, picked until he wanted to quit and then weighed in. But in order to be sure he had worked his minimum hours it was necessary to have a timekeeper and a bookkeeper to check on his time and the whole process was too expensive.

### Long-Staple Cotton

He said, on the whole, that the Arizona farmer didn't get as many workers as needed and didn't get as good ones as he had expected.

On the department of agriculture's program for the next year there is a quota of 160,000 acres of long-staple cotton. One hundred thousand acres are allotted to Arizona. Normally, we import most of our long-staple cotton from abroad.

Senator McFarland said that unless some solution of the farm labor problem was reached, unless the present contract was modified and the Arizona farmers were assured more and better hands at a lower cost, they wouldn't be able to invest

their money in planting the long-staple cotton the government wants.

Neither Senator Downey's office nor Senator McFarland's had any comments on the padrone system.

Then I talked with a department of agriculture official. He was of the opinion that the contracts had worked out fairly well, and he pointed out that there was an "ideological" as well as a practical objection on the part of the farmers to the contract—the objection to establishing a minimum wage for farm labor.

Here are three quite different viewpoints. They represent a tiny fraction of the tangle which Washington has to untangle, has to reconcile.

If Washington is a madhouse, who made it mad? . . .

### MacArthur Lauded

#### For Leadership

When the chapter of war history dealing with the Battle of New Guinea is written, it will be one of the most important in the whole book. That is what military men here tell me.

They began telling me that bit by bit just before the second front in Africa opened. Then the African story wiped everything else off the first pages. Recently they have been talking about New Guinea again. They keep saying to me a little reproachfully, "the American people don't realize what MacArthur has achieved down in that jungle country."

These aren't the "MacArthur men"—there are such in the army, a little group of hero worshipers who perhaps worship a bit more fervently than logically. But the men who have watched the New Guinea campaign from Moresby straight up over the Owen Stanley range and down the other side and up to the eastern coast of the island tell me that MacArthur and the leaders he has about him have done a great and a significant job.

It is great because he has accomplished what it was freely predicted the Japs could not do (and didn't). It is significant because it has proved that Australians and Americans, given the training, can beat the Jap at his own game. They can (and have) beaten him with less training, without the fatalistic quality of the Jap, whose religion is to die rather than surrender even when dying isn't a military necessity.

There are two reasons, which military men put forward why the battle of New Guinea has not been painted in its true colors—represented in its true importance. One is the fact that MacArthur leans backward in his communiques. Another is a peculiar copy-desk prejudice of American newspapers, which causes them to play down reports from the distance and play up the reports from the war department in Washington.

There are two reasons why MacArthur's reports are given out from his headquarters in Australia instead of by the war department in Washington. One is that the Australians (and perhaps MacArthur) want it that way, and another is because American newspapers, who pay a lot of money to keep correspondents in that area, don't like to have their men scooped by Washington.

### Why He Is Winning

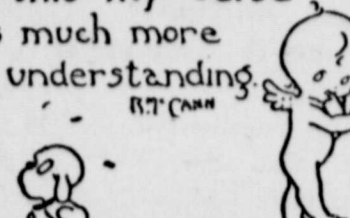
MacArthur may have another reason for not ballyhooing his achievements. He was beaten in Bataan. He may feel that until he has a complete victory to his credit, he doesn't want to sing too loudly.

But MacArthur has won so far in New Guinea because the men under his command were able to do what they never had a chance to do on Bataan because of lack of numbers, supplies and food.

On New Guinea they were able to do better than the Japs could do. And they did it in the kind of jungle country in which that "best" was even better. They were able to adapt themselves to the environment which required a kind of fighting and a kind of endurance for which the Japanese had spent years in preparing. The kind of fighting that resulted in the fall of Singapore and the kind which the conventional British soldiers—even the Far Eastern experts—said was impossible.



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**SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER**



The first known rubber hose was manufactured in England in 1827.

Collapsible rubber boats equipped with paddles, bullet-hole plugs, sea-anchor, water, etc., are being produced for fighting U. S. armies. Inflated in 10 seconds, this boat forms part of the pilot's seat and stays with him when he hits the water.

An Omaha, Neb., tire salesman hauled into court before rationing for parking his car near a hydrant first talked himself out of the \$2 fine, then sold two new tires to the judge, two to the cop who arrested him and two to the court attendant.

Production of War tires is definitely tied to the production of reclaimed rubber. It is estimated that the country has reclaiming capacity to process 360,000 tons of reclaimed a year.

Rubber authorities estimate that 900 million tires have been scrapped since World War I.

*Jerry Shaw*

In war or peace

**B.F. Goodrich**  
FIRST IN RUBBER

**BOMBS BURST ONCE**  
By GRANVILLE CHURCH  
W.N.U. SERVICE

THE STORY SO FAR: Jeff Curtis and his wife, Lee, are on their way to Tierra Libre when Jeff receives a note from Zora Mitchell warning them not to come. Jeff is to be chief engineer for a newly organized fruit company. They arrive in Tierra Libre to find both Zora Mitchell and her husband dead, and Jeff suspects they were murdered. He learns from Jerry McInnis, a former associate who works for a rival fruit company, that there is something strange going on and that Mitchell and Zora were killed because they knew too much. A conversation with his employer, Senor Montaya, confirms Jeff's suspicions. Montaya shows him pictures of Zora's body. Her fingers, holding a German gun, are not tightly clasped, as they would be if she had pulled the trigger herself.

**CHAPTER V**

On his way home to lunch Jeff's step was springy as a boy's. As he let the gate slam behind him, Buddy and Chuck jumped from ambush behind the hedge. This brought about a free-for-all on the lawn until the resultant bedlam made Lee, watching from the screened livingroom-veranda, put fingers to her ears. "Hey, Man-mountain!" she called to Curt. "You're worse than the boys. You know better, they don't. We have neighbors, remember."

Curt snatched up the youngsters to march inside. "Lunch ready? I'm starved." "Yes, but you!" she eyed him sorrowfully. "Look at you. Your only fresh whites! You look like a street cleaner on a rainy day."

Curt chuckled and pulled her to him. "Well, you didn't marry a glamorous boy. Anyway, I won't need these again for a while. I'm making the first round this afternoon, so get out my boots and field clothes. And pack my old musette bag for overnight. Won't be back till sometime tomorrow."

During lunch Curt was full of the job ahead of him, but the meal was nearly over before he realized Lee hadn't been listening with the proper enthusiasm. That pucker had returned to her forehead and it brought back a string of questions to his own mind. He paused to give her a chance. "About Zora Mitchell, Jeff," she began.

"Yes." Curt set down his glass of iced tea, carefully. "I saw photographic evidence this morning. They took pictures when they found her. I reckon it's pretty conclusive." He tried to speak lightly.

She was silent a moment. "But her child, so little and all alone. I kept thinking all morning what if it were Bud—" Lee bit her lip. "Don't you think, Jeff, we could take her until arrangements are made to send her north?"

"A swell idea, Lee! I should've thought of it myself. They're looking after her at the hospital nursery. I'll speak to Montaya this afternoon."

Curt reached the San Alejo station before Montaya, equipped for the field on this first tour of the C. A. T. tract.

He kept his promise to Lee, raising the subject of the Mitchell child before they set out. Montaya studied the ash forming on the end of his cigarette. Why so much deliberation, Curt wondered, over so simple a matter? He frowned. At length Montaya spoke.

"I have been unable yet to locate the relatives. According to our records there are only two—sisters of Mrs. Mitchell, and they—ah, travel in theatrical work. It will take time to make arrangements. If Mrs. Curtis will be so kind, then. The child is not happy at the nursery."

As they rolled down the mountainside Curt had a better view of the airfield than from the unexpected glimpse of it the day before.

Again today Curt noted the length of the field, but at once realized a long runway was necessary for heavily loaded planes. His eyes traveling down the wide strip caught a glimpse, but hardly more than that, of what seemed to be a duplicate set of buildings at the far end. They were shaded by the big copse of trees left standing there, but at that end of the field the grass was grown, there was no runway. Evidently these buildings were not in use—at least as hangars.

However, along the barely visible front of the buildings ran a platform breast high, and serving this platform was a spur track leading from the airfield branch. Curt would have missed the platform if the track hadn't suggested it.

"A bodega?" he asked, and before realizing the impertinence he was offering, "Funny place for it." But Montaya was not offended. He gave a short, deprecative laugh.

"My reason for locating them where I did was to take advantage of those trees for the comfort of the men. It is so very hot on the field. A good idea, no?"

Curt thought he detected a sardonic overtone and waited for the other to go on.

"Then arrived my aviators. They showed me that the wind is bad for that location. And the wind here never varies much. So," Montaya spread his hands, there was no steering, "I built new hangars at the upper end of the field, the site they selected."

"And the old buildings?" "I will tear them down when I need the materials. Meanwhile, they serve as a bodega. I have some choice stocks of rosewood and hard mahogany curing there. And ciruelillo. Also much pipe and pump machinery which I was able to pick up very cheaply in bankrupt sales. One must save where one can. For the overhead irrigation system we install later. I shall send you the inventory for your perusal."

Twice on the run Curt stopped Montaya to inspect the work of ballasting in progress. On the second stop, where a crew was cribbing a section of the roadbed and installing a culvert, he found the engineer in charge was a man he'd known previously in Tierra Libre.

Bill Henderson was a lanky, happy-go-lucky individual, with a mop of sandy hair burnt by tropic sun. His skin was like leather, his eyes so straight and pale that they made him seem to stare. But for all his rough exterior, he had a sheepish air in greeting Curt.

"Hiya, fella." Henderson grinned amiably, it might have been only



"Uh, no, Curt, I cut up a bit one night."

yesterday they last met. "Heard you were coming."

"So, Bill, you finally broke away from Associated. You threatened to often enough."

"Well, uh, guess it was the other way around, Curt. They broke loose from me."

"How come?" "Oh, reckon I went on one too many benders."

"What! Have they gone Sunday School on us over there?" "Uh, no, Curt. I cut up a bit one night."

"Oh."

Curt surveyed the other. Under Henderson's open shirt were spots and blotches of dull red forming a solid blemish of the skin, ending jaggedly at the collarbone. Curt remembered that Henderson had always been too lazy to treat this skin fungus.

But there was something decidedly peculiar in Henderson's manner, in his careful words. The man didn't have to be on good behavior with Curt. He'd never been so restrained in the old days. Perhaps Montaya's silent presence threw a damper on the meeting. Curt commenced to stuff his pipe absently.

"So you crossed the river! Should've gone home. How you doing now?" "Oh, I've been off the stuff for some time."

"Shake on that, Bill." Nothing wrong with his grip, thought Curt, wincing. "Tell you what, when you feel the urge again, look me up before you start in. I'll see you don't go too far. Anyway, we'll have to have a get-together soon for old time's sake. Come up to San Alejo. Lee will be glad to see you again."

"Sure, Curt, thanks."

Inspecting the job in hand, questioning the capacity of that size culvert, passing a few more words, took twenty minutes. Montaya took little or no part in the talk. Once Curt noticed the senior looking attentively from him to Bill Henderson, but gave it no thought.

On their way again Curt said, "Darn good worker, Bill Henderson. Only fault is he never could leave liquor alone. He can usually handle it, but it does him out of a future."

Montaya shrugged noncommittally. They reached Tempujo by mid-afternoon. From here they'd take a power launch up the river to the main levee camp. First, however, Montaya led the way down the ridged asphalt footpath to the Tempujo engineering office.

Half of this building, all one side of it, was a single large room with almost continuous windows in three walls. Here was drafting equipment, engineering instruments.

An intelligent-looking native, at present tracing maps, was in charge of the office. Lauriano Duro bowed stiffly when introduced, then went on with his work.

While Montaya selected a couple of maps to take along on their trip upriver, he explained, "We maintain a duplicate set of our important drawings here, Mr. Curtis. This serves two purposes, convenience and insurance against fire."

Curt nodded approvingly. The other half of the building was further divided. A screened porch in front was combination livingroom and outer office. In back of this was a small bedroom. Through an open door on the other side of the bedroom Curt could see a shower cubicle.

"This you will find most convenient when your work holds you at this end of the planting," Montaya remarked. "You use the mess-hall for meals."

Curt grinned. "Good enough!" They had thought of everything here.

The old Tempujo radio shack at the river dock now housed the dispatcher and his small switchboard that served Tempujo. Here ended the two telephone lines from San Alejo, one used by the dispatcher, one for general utility. They still maintained the radio, too, against emergency. Montaya entered this office to talk with San Alejo before leaving for the levee camp. Curt strode about outside.

The dock hoist was lifting a huge case from the deck of a river steamer. It was one of the crated airplane wings Curt had seen in the wharf shed at Cabeza.

Rising up over the edge of the wharf, it loomed even bigger than Curt had thought, bigger than necessary for the plane he'd seen on the ground at the airfield that afternoon.

The Negro rolled swift, even at this season, obliging the launch to fight its way upstream. When they reached the ever-moving camp of the levee gang it was too late to go out on the job that night. After a wash-up, Montaya and Curt busied themselves with maps and progress reports in the office tent, until the fast-obliterating darkness drove the construction gang into camp.

Again Curt found an old friend among these workers.

"Slats!" he called to the bulky man pushing his feet wearily down the camp road. "I'll be damned!"

"Hello, Curt! Glad you're on the job. It'll seem like old times again."

"Has all the old guard left Associated, Slats?"

"No. We've got a number over here, but I reckon you won't know many of 'em. Myself and Bill Henderson—"

"Yeah, met him."

"—and Steve Harvey, and Lawson . . . well, only us, I guess, from the old days."

Slats, naked to the waist, his dirty shirt slung across his shoulder, a filthy hat pushed back until sweat-soaked hair escaped in a tangle, showed strong teeth as he smiled, teeth yellow with tobacco stains. But for all the friendliness of the grin, he seemed uneasy.

Montaya stood nearby. Again Curt caught a thoughtful look in the Spaniard's eyes. Or was it speculative? At any rate, the look vanished as Montaya said, "Mr. Harvey and Mr. Lawson are on the drainage laterals."

To Monahan Curt said, "Slats, how come so many of you left Associated?"

"Oh," Monahan replied hesitatingly, "they started pinching pennies for one thing, and Senor Montaya pays good wages." Then, as though he hadn't said enough, "Besides, this's a new planting, and you know how most of us feel about a new job. It's more fun building than maintaining."

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Rosebud

Rosebud is eight, and the most beautiful shade of caramel fudge. To her loving Mammy and Pappy she is known, on approximately alternate days, as "Angel" and "You devil child". It was on her devil-child days that Rosebud tied the knots in the shirts that Mammy had taken in for washing, and poured the whole of the vanilla bottle into the lamb stew, just, she said later through bitter tears, to "flavor it up some".

On her angel days Rosebud is equally imaginative even if a more restful occupant of the little shack down on Vinegar Hill. Once when Mammy was out doing day work, Rosebud got a wave of cleaning fever and scoured every pot and pan in the kitchen so that they literally glistened. Another day, left alone, she tidied up Mammy's and Pappy's room to such a point of apple-pie order that it was a week before Pappy could find an undershirt.



Rosebud is a great reader of the newspapers. Mammy and Pappy don't take one, but there are plenty of perfectly good newspapers blowing round Vinegar Hill. It was out of one of them that Rosebud got her idea for spending the ten cents the Bunny had put under her pillow the night her tooth came out. After breakfast Rosebud disappeared down the Hill and reappeared soon after with a beautiful ten-cent War Stamp pasted firmly into a brand-new book with neat little squares for more stamps. She displayed her investment to Mammy. "I declare you're an angel child," Mammy said. Rosebud went on sitting on the kitchen floor staring with large brown eyes at the empty squares in her book. From time to time she took hold of one or another of her teeth and wiggled it, gently.

Mammy was engrossed in a particularly big washing. Rosebud was as quiet as a mouse and Mammy forgot about her until, coming in from the yard with her arms full of dry sheets, she encountered her child with a large hammer in her hand. Scenting the devil in her angel child, Mammy shouted at her, "Rosebud! Come yere with that hammer! What you planning on doing?" But what was done was done. In Rosebud's other hand was another tooth. Her mouth was stretched in a broad if slightly bloody smile. "I ain't doing nothing, Mammy," she said. "I'm just filling up my stamp book."

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Dear Irma,

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I received your letter with the Kaiser's telegram to the Devil. Old Satan will be surprised if he soon received a telegram from Bill in civilian life. As you spoke of new clothes in your letter, here is a verse that suits me exactly:

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Shame on him whose eyes would leer

As you pass along the way  
Wearing blue overalls today  
I would tell him to his face  
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| 5. When intact how tall was the Great Pyramid of Gizeh?     | 5. The pyramid was 481 feet tall.   |
| 6. How great is air pressure at sea level?                  | 6. More than a ton to the square foot.  |
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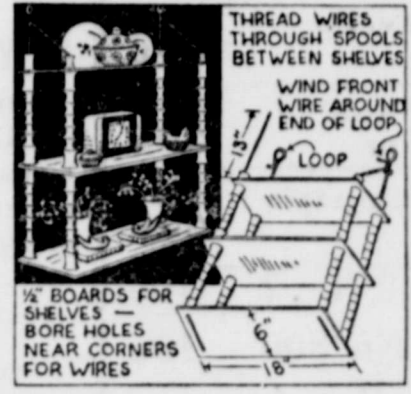
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The oldest existing map in the world is a route map of a mining district in Nubia, made by Egyptians about 1200 B. C. It is on papyrus. We are aware that the Romans surveyed large parts of their Empire, and had excellent maps, but not one of these has survived. The only relic is a 13th-century copy of a map made for the Emperor Severus.

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**His Lot**  
"How many times shall I bow?" said the novice entertainer at the battalion variety show. "Bow?" said the stage manager. "No bowing for you, you'll have to duck."

**Handicapped**  
A company of recruits, having been issued with new boots, went for a route march to "run them in." At the end of the march, one man was missing. When eventually rounded up and asked where he had been he replied: "My boots were tied together, sergeant, so I couldn't get along as just as the other chaps."

**MAKEUP**  
"Daughter and her beau must have had a terrible quarrel." "Why so?" "Five pounds of candy, a bunch of roses and two theater tickets have just arrived."

**Next, Please**  
The oldest barber gag in history was found on the walls of an ancient Egyptian tomb. It concerned a barber and a customer. The barber asked the customer: "How do you want your hair cut?" And the reply was: "In silence."

**Double Up**  
The chorus girl was telling the other girls in the dressing-room all about her birthday party. "You should have seen the cake," she told her companions. "It was marvelous. There were seventeen candles on it—one for each year."

**He Got It**  
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AND POCKET THE CHANGE

\* PAY CASH—PAY LESS \*

DelMonte PEACHES syrup pack large No. 2 1/2 can	21c
Rosedale California Bartlett PEARS large No. 2 1/2 can	25c
Peanut Butter Armour's Star fresh shipment 24 oz.	39c
Peaches Evaporated Golden Sun Cured cello bag lb.	21c
Pears Evaporated California cello pkg. lb.	19c
Mac.&Spa. Gooch's best in cello pkg. 12 oz.	10c
Blackberries fine for PIES full No. 2 can, 2 for	25c
CORN Tendersweet pure cream style full No. 2 can, 2 for	23c
Tomatoes standard quality full No. 2	10c
Asparagus Milford cut green No 300	19c
Rainbow Bleach Makes clothes whiter full Qt.	10c
Chubby Dog Food 4 oz. pkg.	05c
Morrell's Pride pure Lard 4 lb.	74c
Swift's Jewel salad Oil, pint	29c, qt. 55c
HONEY, Marathon pure extract	5 lb. 93
Preserves Evangeline Strawberry, 16 oz. Jar	21c
EGG Noodles 5 oz. pkg. Del Monico	05c
Pop Corn Mor-Zip Yellow Pearl 10 oz. can	10c
Gerber's strained Baby Food	07c
Pillsbury's Best FLOUR 6 lbs. 35c 24 lbs. \$1.09, 48 lbs.	\$1.99
Skinner's Raisin Bran 2 pkgs.	25c
National Prem. Rubyware Oats famil sz	27c
P&G Soap large bars 5 for	25c
Oxydol large box 23c, Ivory Soap med. bar	06c
Kirk's Hardwater Castle bar	05c
CRISCO 3 lb. can	70c
Flour Albatross pure soft wheat for bis. cuits, pastries, 12 lb. sk, 59c, 24 lb	99c
Yacht Club, Tender Sweet Peas No. 2	19c
Clabber Girl baking powder 25c size	17c
Bobette Facial Tissue 500 sheet count	19c
<b>PRODUCE</b>	
Carrots S Tex. beh. 6c-Col. yellow Onion 5 lb	22c
Rutabagas lb. 3 1/2c-Jumbo Red roasted pnuts	23c
Washington Winesap Apples sm size doz	17c
Grape Fruit Texas Marsh Seedless pinks 3 for	17c
Oranges Texas Valencias thin skin lots O juice med doz 20c me	27c
LEMONS California Sun Kist med. size doz.	14c
Grapefruit Texas Marsh Seedless sm. size dz, 28c large 6 for	22c
Oranges California Sunkist large size doz. 36c Extra large 6 for	25c
Onions Colorado white Globe 3 lbs.	20c
<b>MARKET</b>	
Steak -Round Bone-	lb. 30c
Beef Roast Chuck	lb. 29c
PREM—per can—	35c
WEINERS	lb. 25c
ALL Sweet OLEO	lb. 25c
Brisket ROAST	lb. 23c
Kraft DINNER	each 10c
Fleishmann's YEAST 2 For	05c

Card of Thanks

We want to thank our many friends and neighbors for the kindness and sympathy shown us in the death of our son and loved one.

- Mr. and Mrs. Harvey L. Read and family
- Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Read and Lerlene
- Mr. and Mrs. Arbuckle and Truett
- Mr. and Mrs. Eile Read and family
- Mr. and Mrs. Jim L. Read and family
- Mr. and Mrs. Luie Frizzell and family
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker and family.

M. Y. F. A.

Rev. and Mrs. Teer met Sunday the 17th with the MYFA. The following Tuesday night 28 were present at the party given as an award for the goal reached Sunday 20 present. The following Sunday 14 present.

See the new dresses at  
**CUMBIE & ROACH**

Notice to Water Subscribers

Due to the Tire Rationing, we will only call on business houses and offices for the collection of water accounts. All residential subscribers please call at the office at City Hall and pay water accounts not later than the 15th of each month. If accounts are not paid, service will be discontinued. Signed  
City Commission

NOTICE!

I have a big Tractor, ready For Terracing, Tank Building and Cedar Pulling.

AAA Program  
See B M Mundell 219

IF!

It's FEED you want SEE Latham next door to Snead's Barber Shop

**LATHAM'S FEED STORE**

Want Column

For Sale  
Milch Cows, Springers and Fire sh Cows with good calves  
See W. J. Gideon, Bronte

For Sale - One 8 year old Jersey cow that will be fresh soon. A few choice Rhode Island cockerels.

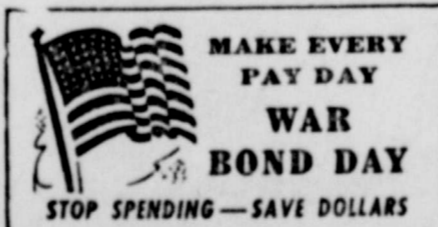
Glenn Waldrop  
Hayrick

For Sale  
A three year old Milk Cow and Calf. See Miss Myrtle Hurley, Edith Texas

LOST

A snap Pocket Book finder Return to O. T. Sawyer and receive Reward

Wanted Will buy a 4 or 5 room house to move write Mrs O. K. Morgan Ballinger Texas



Pay your water bill by 10th of each month or have your service discontinued.  
City Commission.



The Ass That Starves With His Master

Both are hungry. For both there is not much promise of food. Why? Because they live in Greece.

Because in Greece the Axis took every scrap of food and every source of food—and deliberately left the people, the dogs, and a few useless burros to starve and to die.

Remember the farmer of Greece as you eat your Friday evening supper. Remember him the next day, as you market your produce. Remember—and buy Bonds. All the U. S. War Bonds that you can. Buy Bonds with every cent that

you don't actually need to run your farm.

Buying Bonds will not only help win the war, but will provide you with a nest-egg for the future. They are the best investment in the world today. They never sell for less than you paid for them. They increase in value every year.

In ten years, they are worth a third more than you paid. And you can cash them any time after sixty days. Buy Bonds now—from your bank, post office, or rural mail carrier.



MAKE EVERY MARKET DAY BOND DAY

ABILENE-VIEW BUS, INC.

ABILENE, TEXAS

NEW SCHEDULES EFFECTIVE DEC. 18, 1942  
Two Schedules Each Way Daily Between Abilene and San Angelo

READ DOWN		READ UP	
Lv. 6:00 A.M.	Lv. 3:15 P.M.	Ar. 12:55 P.M.	Ar. 10:10 P.M.
Lv. 6:25 A.M.	Lv. 3:40 P.M.	Lv. 12:30 A.M.	Lv. 9:45 P.M.
Lv. 6:30 A.M.	Lv. 3:45 P.M.	Lv. 12:25 A.M.	Lv. 9:40 P.M.
Lv. 7:20 A.M.	Lv. 4:35 P.M.	Lv. 11:35 A.M.	Lv. 8:50 P.M.
Lv. 8:00 A.M.	Lv. 5:15 P.M.	Lv. 10:55 A.M.	Lv. 8:10 P.M.
Lv. 8:25 A.M.	Lv. 5:40 P.M.	Lv. 10:30 A.M.	Lv. 7:45 P.M.
Ar. 9:25 A.M.	Ar. 6:40 P.M.	San Angelo	Lv. 9:30 A.M.
			Lv. 6:45 P.M.

**RED & WHITE**

SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY & SATURDAY

No. 2 R&W Sifted Peas	19c
No. 2 R&W mixed Vegetables	14c
Large Lima Beans 2 lbs.	25c
60-70 Prunes 2 lbs.	25c
No. 303 Kuner's cut Beets	10c
46 oz. Columbus Tomato Juice	25c
No. 10 Brer Rabbit Syrup	70c
No. 5 glass Staley's Golden SYRUP	39c
Large Cream of Wheat Reg. or 5 min pkg	25c
Raisin Bran Skinner's or Post	23c
R&W Flour	12 lbs. sk 55c
	24 lbs. sk \$1.02
	48 lbs. sk \$1.96

PRODUCE

220 SUN KIST ORANGES dozen	35c
112s GRAPE FRUIT dozen	35c
252s Winesap APPLES dz.	15c
and Plenty nice Fresh Vegetable	

MARKET

Loin or T Bone STEAK	lb. 34c
7 STEAK	lb. 29c
Chuck Roast	lb. 28c
Plate Rib Roast	lb. 25c
Pure Pork Sausage	lb. 32c
Fresh Hamburger MEAT	lb. 23c
Red and White Luncheon Meat tin	37c