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## News Items of 12 Years Ago

Mar. 9, 1929

Misses Anna Edens and Myrtle Brewer were Danville shoppers.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Bosch.

Richard Flick accepted a position with the Illinois Traction System at Champaign.

Miss Laverne Smoot of Danville spent the weekend with Miss Virginia Richard.

Alonzo Zantow and family of Danville removed to Broadlands occupying the Block property.

Mrs. D. P. Brewer entertained a number of guests in honor of her husband, the occasion being his birthday.

Mrs. Neva Crain, daughter, Neva, and son, Charles, were victims of an auto accident while returning home from Chicago. Mrs. Crain received a sprained wrist, Neva a scalp wound, and Charles had cuts on one arm, when thrown into a ditch with the car hanging over the embankment by one wheel, above them.

20 Years Ago  
Mar. 11, 1921

Alvin Zenke returned after a month's sojourn at Hot Springs, Ark.

W. W. Witt purchased the Mortimer pool hall business and equipment.

Mrs. Lydia Brown purchased the Emma Clem property in the northeast part of town.

Miss Ethel Burtner of Champaign spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Clark Henson.

James Barnes purchased the Mortimer barber business and equipment.

## Methodist Church Notes

W. Earl Ballew, Pastor

The Sunday School meets at 10:00 o'clock.

Will you clear the way on Sunday of all that can and does hinder your attendance at Church or Sunday School.

The Church Service next Sunday is in the evening, at 7:30.

## Immanuel Lutheran Church

P. E. Kerkhoff, Pastor

9:30 A. M.—Sunday School.  
10:00 A. M.—Divine Worship.  
Sermon: "Perfected Through Suffering."

Our lessons for these Lenten Sundays are taken from the Epistle to the Hebrews. You will find it quite profitable to read the book over several times between now and Easter.

Not only is it a literary gem, superb in its language, the Isaiah of the New Testament, "rising to wonderful heights of eloquence," but it reveals the heart of the Lenten message.

In it the Man of Sorrows perfected through suffering becomes the Captain of Our Salvation.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new home of the C. T. Hensons which is being built in the west part of town, the concrete work on the same having been finished last Tuesday.

## Miss Jean Biddle Is Given Farewell Party

The girls of the local high school entertained at a surprise farewell party at the home of Miss Jane Anderson last Friday night for Miss Jean Biddle, who has moved with her parents to a place northwest of Newman.

Monopoly and Chinese checkers furnished entertainment for the evening, following which refreshments of brick ice cream, devil's food cake, candy and popcorn were served. Jean was presented several nice gifts.

Those present were Jean Biddle, Maxine Henson, Lila Mae Witt, Lois DeWitt, Jane Anderson, Melvin DeWitt, Alvin Luth, Bob McClelland, Bob Gallion, Jim Crain, Prof. and Mrs. Geo. H. Cook.

## Mrs. Ruth Henson Hostess to Ladies Aid

Mrs. Ruth Henson was hostess to the United Brethren Ladies' Aid society last Wednesday afternoon.

President Mrs. Leona Bergfield had charge of the business session and Mrs. Belle Smith led the devotions. Due to unavoidable obstacles the chili supper scheduled for March 8, was called off.

Refreshments served by the Misses Jane Anderson, Lila Mae Witt and Maxine Henson, consisted of ritz crackers, St. Patrick salad, date cake with whipped cream and coffee.

Guests present were Mesdames Hattie Dicks, Belle Smith, Lydia Brown, Ella Maxwell, Lillie Bowman, Agnes Turner, Thelma Clem, Jessie Bergfield, Freda Maxwell, Olive Rayl, Jennie Nohren, Olive Benefiel, Gale Reasor, Ora Golden, Zermah Witt, Nola Donley, Leona Bergfield, Ruth Henson.

Mrs. Jennie Nohren will be hostess to the April meeting.

## Euchre Club Entertained at Raymond Comer Home

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Comer entertained the Saturday Night Euchre Club.

Prize winners were Mrs. Wilbur Thomas, Mrs. Bill Crain, Harry Archer and Alfred Thode.

Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Thomas.

Members present were Messrs. and Mesdames Alfred Thode, William Crain, Oliver Coryell, Harry Archer, Raymond Comer.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Crain.

## Roll of Honor

The following is a list of those who have renewed their subscriptions and new subscribers for this paper for February:

Reuben Lloyd, Davidson, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Leonard Block, Alton.  
Mrs. Eileen Williams, Corpus Christi, Texas.

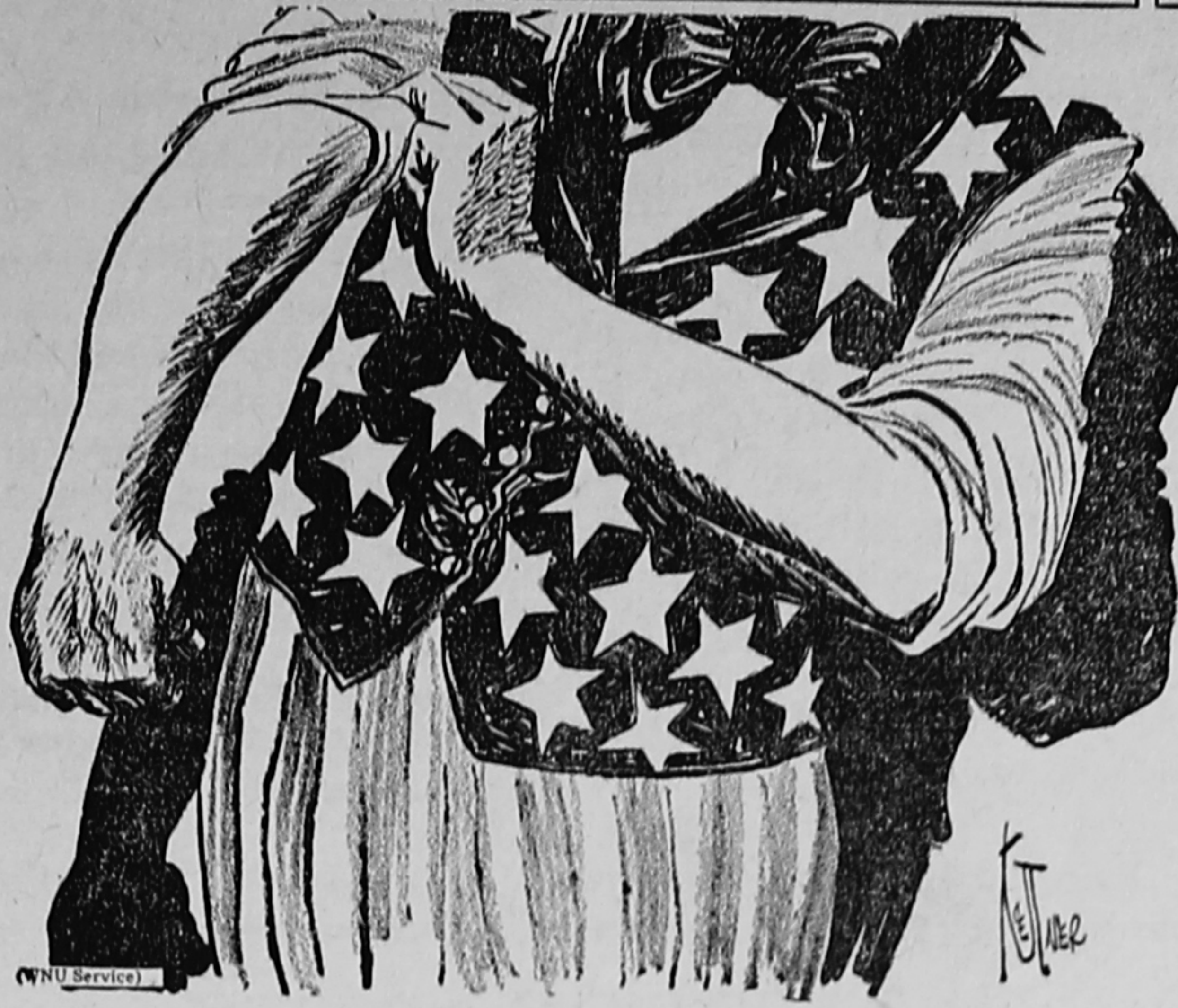
Geo. W. Smith, Allerton.  
John Nohren, Longview.  
Frank Mohr, Longview.

Harold O. Anderson.  
Emil Schumacher.  
Ira Laverick.  
Mrs. Sarah VanBuskirk.

Another snowfall visited this locality Thursday.

Hilma's Beauty Shoppe of Sidedell advertises in this issue.

There's work to be done fellows!



## Local and Personal

Mrs. A. A. Cable visited relatives at Homer, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Messman were Champaign visitors Wednesday.

Miss Ferne Walker of Danville spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bruhn spent Sunday afternoon with Elmer Sy and family near Hume.

Mrs. Nora Griffin spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Alice Johnson, of near Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Schecter of Danville were Sunday guests in the home of Mrs. Lottie Astell.

Walter Logan and family were Sunday guests in the Chas. Logan home near Philo.

Hugo Dewitt and family were Sunday guests in the Ernest Leerkamp home at Sidney.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Clem and Miss Anna Clem were Champaign visitors, Monday.

Bert Seeds has been confined to his home the past two weeks with a throat ailment.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Struck attended the ice carnival at Urbana, Thursday night.

Bruce Richard returned to his home in Champaign Sunday, after a two weeks' visit in the Dale David home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Henson and Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Holt attended the annual Red Cross meeting in Champaign, Sunday.

Kenneth Cable and family of Terre Haute, Ind., were weekend guests in the A. A. Cable home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Block of Alton visited the former's mother, Mrs. Emma Block, Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnson and daughter, Miss Marjorie, of Danville, were Sunday dinner guests in the Harold Smith home.

Mrs. Edith Snow of Champaign spent the past few days with her aunt, Mrs. Lucy Sullivan, before leaving to make her home in Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Margaretha Kracht returned Wednesday after a few months visit with relatives at Grand Island, Neb., and Gledale, Cal.

Misses Nellie Thomas and Etta Mae Haile of Indiana Central College, Indianapolis, spent the weekend at the Howard Clem home.

Mrs. Lydia Brown has returned home after several weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Chas. King and family, Champaign.

Henry Schumacher has returned home after a visit with his sons, Dr. Arthur and Dr. Edward Schumacher and families at Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. Anna Struck and Mrs. Merle Block attended a St. Patrick's bridge-luncheon last Saturday, given by Kappa Delta Alumni at the Colonial Tea Room in Champaign.

Elmer Sy and family who recently removed to a farm near Hume, were given a housewarming last Sunday evening when 65 of their friends from Allerton, Broadlands, Longview and Hume gathered at their home. A bountiful basket dinner was served at 11 o'clock.

Among the local people hearing Dr. John Holland, who appeared on the "World Day of Prayer" program at the University Place Christian Church, last Friday night were Miss Anna Clem, Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Turner, Mrs. Hattie Dicks, Mrs. Thos. Bergfield, Mrs. Roy Bergfield, Mrs. Arch Walker, Mrs. Lola Wulff, Miss Effie Thayer.

A pot luck dinner was enjoyed at the D. P. Brewer home last Sunday, the occasion being in honor of Mr. Brewer on his birthday anniversary.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brewer, Charleston; D. W. Culton and family, Mrs. Max Culton and daughter, Newman; Mr. and Mrs. Keith Culton of Longview; Leslie Cooper and family, Tuscola; Floyd Block and family, Mrs. Sarah VanBuskirk, Charles Brewer, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Brewer and sons.

## Harold Gallion of Newman Injured

Harold Gallion, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gallion of Newman, has been nursing a bad injury on the top of his head, which he received at the high school on Tuesday evening. Harold hit his head on the top of the door as he was leaving the old gym, and cut a long, deep gash, which required several stitches to close. Dr. C. K. Ross, the attending physician, reports his condition satisfactory.—Newman Independent.

## Grand Lecturers Club to Hold Masonic School Here

The Champaign County Grand Lecturers' Club of the Masonic order will hold a school of instruction in the Broadlands Masonic Temple, beginning at 7:30 o'clock, Wednesday night, March 19.

There are twelve lodges in the county being served by this lecturers' club. The club will hold a school for any of these lodges who desire one. The twelve lodges are Champaign, Urbana, Mahomet, Rantoul, Tolono, Sadorus, St. Joseph, Ogden, Homer, Philo, Sidney and Broadlands and each of these will be represented at school here.

Members of the Lecturers' Club are: Herman Thompson of Ogden, club president; W. Hayden Smith of Urbana, secretary; Wilson P. Jones (Past Grand Examiner), L. Bly McElroy, George A. Zirhut, John N. McElwee, Thomas W. Campbell, Merwin W. Genung, David W. Price, all of Champaign; Carl Dicks and Kenneth Dicks, of Broadlands; Charles Stewart, Philo; Glenn Meneely, Fisher; J. Olin Starr and Ralph Lanham, of Urbana.

John N. McElwee is at present District Deputy Grand Master for the 61st District. Merwin W. Genung and George Zirhut are Past District Deputy Grand Masters of this district.

## Mrs. Helen Eckerty Entertains G. T. Club

Mrs. Helen Eckerty was hostess to the G. T. Club, Thursday afternoon of last week. Mrs. Louise Zenke conducted the business meeting, and Mrs. Mary Dicks was in charge of the entertainment. Six tables of "500" were in play, Mrs. Maude Luedke winning high score prize.

Refreshments consisted of hot rolls, scalloped chicken, salad, nut bread sandwiches and coffee.

Mrs. Mary Bretz and Mrs. Ella Eckerty were guests.

Members present were Mesdames Ruby Holt, Freda Maxwell, Minnie Anderson, Mary Dicks, Delia Nohren, Ida Messman, Pearl DeWitt, Olive Rayl, Thelma Smith, Anna Struck, Hilda Seider, Maude Luedke, Bertha Cook, Irene Wiese, Edna Struck, Leona Bergfield, Rosa Smith, Louise Zenke, Lorraine Mohr, Gladys McClelland, Jessie Bergfield, Lillie Bowman, Jennie Nohren, Helen Eckerty.

The March meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Edna Struck and at this time new members will be initiated.

## Will Hold Bingo Party On Friday, March 28

The Alumni Association of the Longview Township High school is sponsoring a bingo party to be given on Friday night, March 28, at 8 o'clock, in the Longview high gym.

Those in charge of the affair are Wayne Brewer, President of the association; Marcelle Nohren, Frances Howard, Frances Martinie, Margaret Anderson, Alfred Seider.

Committees have been appointed and will be notified soon.

W. E. Lewis and family of Villa Grove moved to Broadlands Thursday of last week, occupying the Nohren property in the west part of town. Mr. Lewis is salesman for the Brewer Chevrolet Co.

## Exams For 7th and 8th Grades to Be Held at Local School March 14

The general test examination for seventh and eighth grade pupils will be held in Mr. Holt's room in the Broadlands school on Friday, March 14.

Twenty four pupils from five schools are expected to take the examinations. These schools and the teachers are as follows: Liberty, Miss Gaile E. Potter; Alexander, Miss Bertha Seider; Larned, Miss Helen Swigart; Mound Snip, Miss Helen Warner; Broadlands, I. R. Holt.

Broadlands pupils who are to take the examination are Lloyd Cummings, Lorine Hardyman, Harold Elliott, Lyle Lewis, Lois DeWitt, Wanda Rayl, Joanne Baker, Paul Thode, Bobby Crain, Byron Struck and Wallace Dicks.

The Annual Eighth Grade Promotional Exercises have been set for Tuesday evening, May 27.

## Lutheran Aid Meets With Mrs. Linda Rothermel

The Ladies Aid society of the Immanuel Lutheran Church met at the home of Mrs. Linda Rothermel on Thursday afternoon of last week.

Rev. P. E. Kerkhoff led the devotions, following which the afternoon was spent in quilting.

Visitors present were Misses Esther Wienke and Emma Seider.

Members present were Mesdames Lena Nonman, Bertha Kracht, Tena Seider, Lena Seider, Josephine Kerkhoff, Josephine Schweineke, Lucy Schweineke, Mary Struck, Louise Struck, Carrie Wienke, Lena Wienke, Hannah Luth, Johanna Luth, Marie Bundy, Lena Biesterfeld, Elsie Cress, Flora Mohr, Lydia Messman, Rickie Rothermel, Esther Rothermel, Lena Rothermel, Linda Rothermel.

The March meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Josephine Schweineke.

## Fairland Home Burns; No Water Supply

Fairland—The home of Mason Robertson in the northwest part of Fairland was burned to the ground here Saturday night as firemen of the Homer fire department stood by helpless because of lack of a water supply.

The house, an eight or nine room bungalow and one of the most modern residences of Fairland, caught fire about 9:40 p. m. on a screened-in back porch. A neighbor, George Swink, saw the blaze soon after it started, but wind fanned the flames into a large conflagration rapidly and by the time Homer firemen arrived it was completely ablaze.

The Robertson family was shopping in Villa Grove at the time of the fire. A rough estimate of the damage was \$7,000. Only two chairs were saved.

## Market Report

Following are the prices offered for grain on Thursday in the local market:

No. 2 hard wheat	76c
No. 3 white corn	58c
No. 3 yellow corn	55c
No. 3 oats	34c
No. 2 beans	83c

Hays Insurance Agency, Allerton, has placed a card in this paper for a 6 months run.

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**Arlington Cemetery**

More than two million persons, many of whom are from foreign lands, visit Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia, just across the Potomac river from Washington, each year. This is the largest in area and number of burials of all the national cemeteries in the United States, embracing 408 acres and containing approximately 50,000 graves.

The first soldier to be buried at Arlington was William Christman of the Union Army, who was laid to rest there on May 13, 1864. Some of the nation's most famous generals are now buried there, but the cemetery is open to the burial of officers and enlisted men alike of the armed services—Army, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard, and to nurses of the Army and Navy. All who die in active service or who have honorable discharges are eligible, and there is no charge for burial plots within the cemetery.

The number of graves in Arlington has been more than doubled in the last 20 years, and burials now average about four a day. No funerals are held there on Sundays or holidays.

Many fine monuments mark the cemetery, the most notable of which is the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, a beautiful structure of Colorado marble in rectangular form, 8 feet wide, 13 feet 11 inches long, and 8 feet 3 inches high. The body buried there is that of an unidentified soldier selected in France under circumstances which make it impossible that his name will ever be known.

On one side of the tomb are two female figures, representing Victory and Peace, and a male figure representing Valour. The other side bears the simple inscription, "Here rests in honored glory an American soldier known but to God."

**The Other Side**

Perhaps the greatest bar to the acquirement of real knowledge is the refusal of the average person to look upon "the other side" of a question, particularly one which involves a new idea.

We form certain notions regarding people and things, and having done so we seek for arguments to back up these notions. We have more concern that we shall vindicate our own ideas than that we shall arrive at the truth about them.

Thus we build a Chinese wall about our own intellects and thereby oftener than not shut out the real truth, or at least an important part of it.

For this reason every new idea however beneficent, that arises in the world literally has to fight for its life. It was hard to convince people that the earth is a sphere, that the blood circulates, that vaccination prevents smallpox, that yellow fever is only communicated by mosquitoes. These and innumerable other facts now accepted by all civilized people were bitterly combatted by the ignorant, superstitious and narrow minded majority.

It would seem that in the light of the world's advancement in knowledge, men would be willing to study both sides, or all sides, of every important question, yet few people do.

**The Betsy Ross Legend**

Like many another legend, the story that Betsy Ross of Philadelphia made the original Stars and Stripes flag from a pencil sketch by George Washington in 1776 is now generally rejected by historians.

Neither the designer nor the maker of the original flag of 13 stripes and 13 stars is known, although its adoption by the Continental Congress on June 14, 1777, is a recorded historical fact.

The Betsy Ross story was unknown to the public until nearly 100 years later, when William J. Canby read a paper before the Pennsylvania Historical Society on March 14, 1870. He said Betsy Ross was his grandmother and that she had told him in 1836, when she was 84 years old and he was a child of 11, that she had made the flag.

No attention was paid to the Canby paper by the historical society, which did not even keep a copy of it. The legend spread, however, and finally gained popular acceptance, although Dr. A. C. Fink, when director of archives of the state of New York, quoted a statement containing the following:

"The Department of State, the War and Navy Departments, the Historical Sites Commission of Philadelphia and other official bodies repudiate the legend. The book and pamphlet material available is overwhelmingly against the legend."

Still, Philadelphia guides will show you the Betsy Ross house on Arch street and assure you that it is the birthplace of the Stars and Stripes. You may believe it or not.

**A Blind Sculptor**

Among the arts which a blind person might take up, it seems that sculpture would be one of the most difficult, yet there are quite a number of blind sculptors in the country who are doing highly creditable work.

One of the most promising of these is Mark Shoemsmith, a 28-year-old Oregon-born young man who lost the sight of both eyes at the age of 10 through the explosion of a dynamite cap with which he was playing. He now lives in New York, where he teaches sculpture at a school for the blind.

Shoemsmith has just completed a life-size head of Lauritz Melchior, the operatic tenor, which is said to be an amazing likeness, and which he will present to the singer at a forthcoming concert. Mr. Melchior's sister Agnes is blind, and a teacher of the blind in Copenhagen, Denmark, his native city.

In modeling the head of Mr. Melchior, Shoemsmith worked with the aid of a life mask which he made, but had his model in person a few times when putting the finishing touches to his work. At such times he felt Melchior's features with his fingers to compare with the head he was producing. The entire time spent on the work was about 100 hours.

The fact that Mr. Shoemsmith had his sight during childhood gives him a great advantage over persons born blind, but the skill he has developed is nevertheless most remarkable. One of his pieces is in the home of the Roosevelts at Hyde Park and another is in the presidential palace in Buenos Aires.

**Like Most of 'em**

Two Negroes were attending a political meeting where a candidate was making a speech.

In a few minutes one said, "Mose, who is dat man?" "I don't know," Mose answered, "but he sho' do recommen' hisself."

A California resident who was blind regained his sight after an accident, and two days later was blind again. "I don't care", he told friends. "In two days I saw everything and everybody worth looking at."

**Sidelights**

A selectee who reported recently at Fort Jackson, S. Cr, to begin his year of military service brought a bed-room suite, a rowing machine and a bicycle.

John Maley, retired farmer of Plainwell, Mich., was rejected by recruiting officers in the Civil War because he was too frail. He recently celebrated his 95th birthday.

In addition to their other hardships, British air shelter dwellers have been annoyed by sightseeing visitors. A few days ago the authorities put a stop to shelter slumming by curious persons.

Dr. David T. Smith, bacteriologist of Duke University, predicts that the mild influenza epidemic now prevalent in the United States will spread over the world in a more violent form by next fall.

Fairchild engineers have per-

fecting a new "electric eye" aerial camera which automatically snaps pictures when a magnesium flare bomb explodes, thus facilitating the taking of night photographs by aviators.

The United States is now turning out steel at the rate of about 80 million tons a year, or more than all the rest of the world is producing. All the steel required for ships of our new two-ocean Navy will be less than one million tons.

**Gems Lure Crowds After Lucky Lads Find Pearls**

In 1890 two Illinois boys at Kappa found about 40 pearls in the Mackinaw river and the news of their good fortune started a "pearl hunting craze" in McLean, Tazewell and Woodford counties adjoining the river. Two of the pearls, says the Illinois Writers' Project, W. P. A., brought an offer from buyers in Peoria, who were prepared to purchase more of the gems.

Is your subscription paid?

**ELECTION NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of the Village of Broadlands, in the County of Champaign and State of Illinois, that an election will be held in said Village of Broadlands, on Tuesday, the 15th day of April, A. D. 1941. Such election will begin at the hour of 6 o'clock A. M. and close at the hour of 5 o'clock P. M., in the place designated as follows:

Town Hall, Broadlands, Illinois. Such election will be conducted and returns thereof be made in the same manner as regular Village Elections.

At such election the legal voters of said Village of Broadlands will vote on the following proposition, viz.:

"Shall the sale at retail of alco-

holic liquor be prohibited in this Village of Broadlands, Champaign County, Illinois?"

A petition for a vote on the aforesaid question was filed with the Village Clerk of said Village of Broadlands on the 27th day of January, A. D. 1941, in accordance with the provisions of the statute in such case made and provided, in which petition said Village Clerk is requested to cause to be submitted in the manner provided by law to the voters of said Village of Broadlands, at the next election the aforesaid question.

The vote at such election will be by separate ballot which shall be in substantially the following form:

"Shall the sale at retail of alcoholic liquor be prohibited in this Village of Broadlands, Champaign County, Illinois?"	YES	
	NO	

Given under my hand this 25th day of February, A.D. 1941

H. L. KRENZIEN

Village Clerk of the Village of Broadlands, Champaign County, Illinois.

**ELECTION NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of the Town of Ayers, residing without the corporate limits of the Village of Broadlands and the Village of Allerton, in the County of Champaign and State of Illinois, that an election will be held in said Town of Ayers, on Tuesday, the 1st day of April, A. D. 1941. Such election will begin at the hour of 6 o'clock A. M. and close at the hour of 5 o'clock P. M., in the place designated as follows:

Town Hall, Broadlands, Illinois. Such election will be conducted and returns thereof be made in the same manner as regular Town Elections.

At such election the legal voters of said Town of Ayers, residing without the corporate limits of the Village of Broadlands and the Village of Allerton, will vote on the following proposition, viz.:

"Shall the sale at retail of alco-

holic liquor be prohibited in that part of this Town of Ayers lying without the corporate limits of the Village of Broadlands and the Village of Allerton, County of Champaign, State of Illinois?"

A petition for a vote on the aforesaid question was filed with the Town Clerk of said Town of Ayers on the 28th day of January A. D. 1941, in accordance with the provisions of the statute in such case made and provided, in which petition said Town Clerk is requested to cause to be submitted in the manner provided by law to the voters of said Town of Ayers, residing without the corporate limits of the Village of Broadlands and the Village of Allerton, at the next election the aforesaid question.

The vote at such election will be by separate ballot which shall be in substantially the following form:

"Shall the sale at retail of alcoholic liquor be prohibited in that part of this Town of Ayers lying without the corporate limits of the Village of Broadlands and the Village of Allerton, County of Champaign, State of Illinois?"	YES	
	NO	

Given under my hand this 26th day of February, A.D. 1941

Harold O. Anderson

Town Clerk, Town of Ayers, Champaign County, Illinois.

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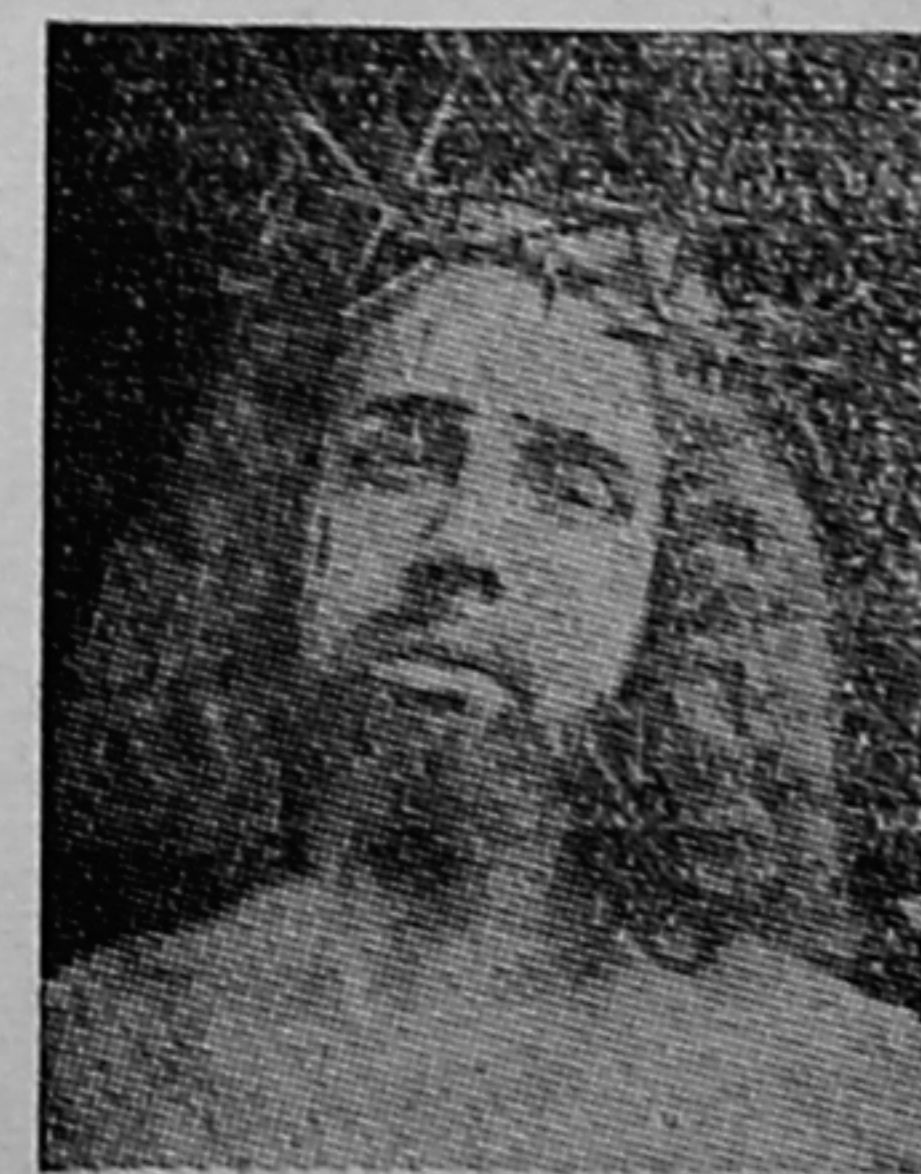
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Secretary of State

**Q.** What criminal offenses are exempt by the Illinois Constitution of indictment of a grand jury?

**A.** When the punishment is by fine, or imprisonment otherwise than in the penitentiary, in cases of impeachment, and in cases arising in the army and navy or in the militia when in actual service in time of war or public danger.

**Q.** What are the restrictions on bail in the Illinois Constitution?

**A.** All are bailable by sufficient sureties, except for capital offenses where proof is evident or the presumption great.

**Q.** What does the Illinois Constitution provide as to the abolition of the grand jury?

**A.** That the grand jury may be abolished by law in all cases.

**Q.** What provision does the Illinois Constitution make with regard to a person testifying against himself?

**A.** No person shall be compelled in any criminal case to give evidence against himself or be twice placed in jeopardy for the same offense.

**Q.** What is the provision of the Illinois Constitution concerning imprisonment for debt?

**A.** No persons shall be imprisoned for debt unless on refusal to deliver up his estate for the benefit of his creditors, in such manner as shall be prescribed by law; or in cases where there is strong presumption of fraud.

**Q.** What provision is made by the Illinois Constitution regarding private property taken by or damaged for public use?

**A.** Just compensation must be given. Either the state or a jury may determine the compensation.

**Q.** What is the content of Article III of the Illinois Constitution?

**A.** Distribution of powers of the government of the State.

**Q.** How are governmental powers distributed in Illinois?

**A.** Three departments—the Legislative, Executive and Judicial.

**Q.** With what does Article IV of the Illinois Constitution concern itself?

**A.** The Legislative Department.

**Q.** When is the General Assembly elected?

**A.** The Tuesday after the first Monday in November every two years beginning with 1870.

**Interesting Notes**

Since 1883, Harry B. Smythe of St. Louis has undergone 137 operations.

It is said that the Army will sponsor 16,500 soldier baseball teams at training camps during the coming summer.

Mrs. Milley Richburg, 119 years old, died recently at Luverne, Ala., and is survived by her youngest son, who is 82.

Business for the portable jail in Rodessa, La., is so slack that it was loaned to a neighboring community.

Mrs. Eleanor McCaul of Miami petitioned the court to restrain her husband, Thomas, from visiting their dog, stating that he never helped support it.

The University of Michigan has a letter written in 1542 which contains a Spanish navigator's request for funds to build a steamboat.

A valuable dog owned by a Salisbury, N. C., doctor was near death until its owner bought a pint of human blood for a transfusion, and the dog is recovering.

**Illinois River Boat Finds Place In History**

Accounts of Illinois steamboating include a notice of a stern wheel freight boat, called the "Far West," that played its role in the daring exploits of General Sheridan and General Custer near the close of the Indian wars.

In the campaign against the Sioux, Custer was in charge of advance forces attached to Sheridan's command, according to an historical record. Difficulties were encountered in establishing supply lines for munitions and provisions because of river hazards. Boats were needed that had been built to cope with sand bars and other navigation hazards peculiar to inland stream.

Experts found that the "Far West," operating on the run between the Illinois and St. Louis, met these requirements, and it was soon dispatched as a unit in the system of communication.

During this campaign Custer led a direct attack, not aware of the great numbers of Indians gathered in the area, and as a result his command was annihilated.

The world's record rainfall occurred in the Philippines in July, 1911, with 46 inches in 24 hours.

An Iowa professor says there are five kinds of dumbness. He must have been associating with five economists.

**School Bus Drivers**

With the increasing number of consolidated schools throughout the country, the school bus has become an important transportation necessity, carrying many thousands of children daily.

It is impossible to emphasize too strongly the need for highly competent and careful drivers for these vehicles. It is a great responsibility to be entrusted with the lives of these children and no one should be employed as a driver who does not fully realize that responsibility and possess the qualifications to insure their safety.

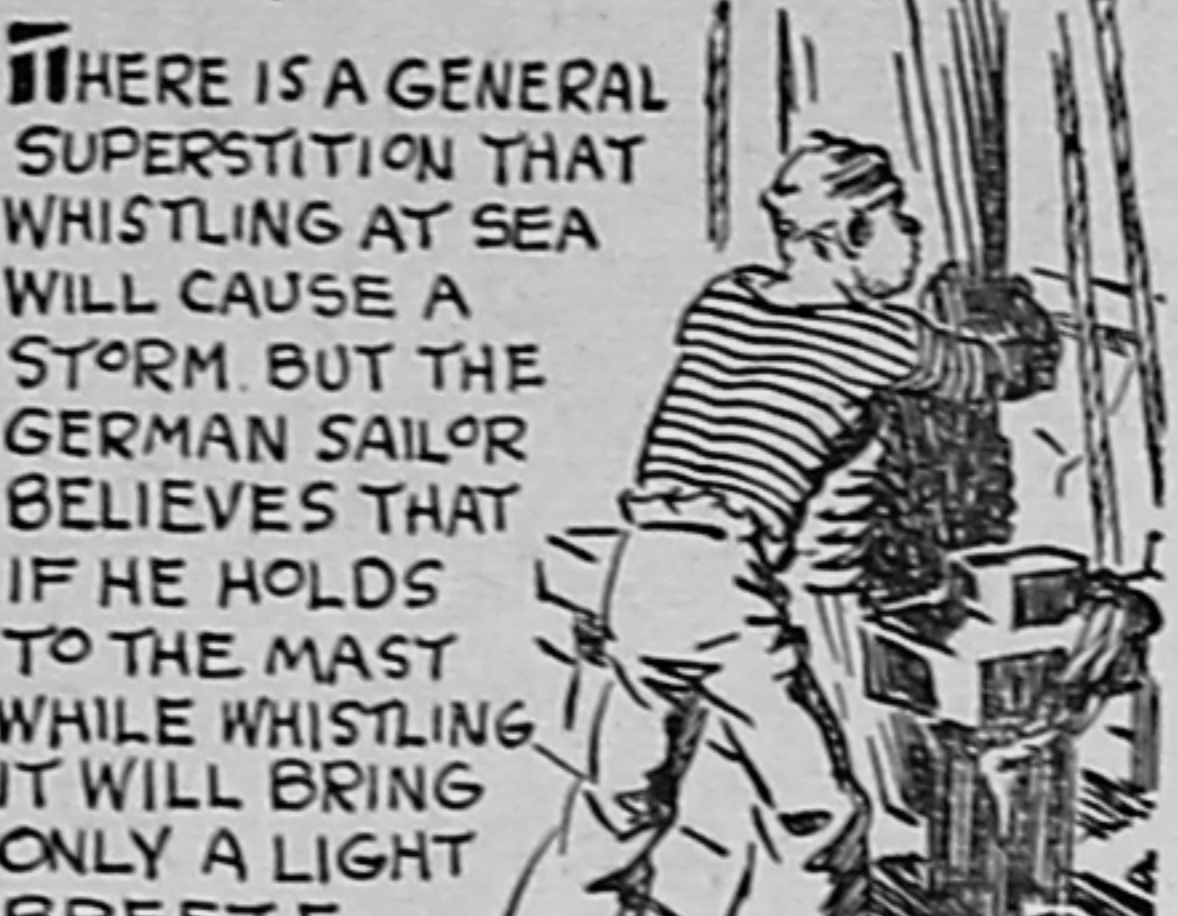
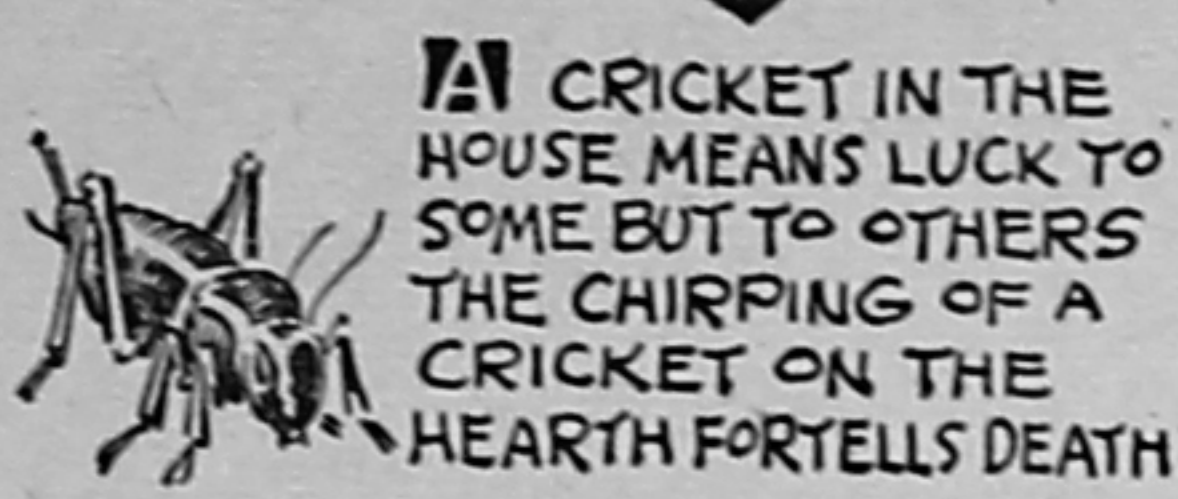
Immature or irresponsible persons have no business driving a school bus, as many deplorable tragedies have demonstrated in the past. It should be a rigid requirement that drivers must come to a full stop before crossing a railroad track. A failure to observe this rule has cost many lives and may cost many more. Excessive speed should not be tolerated and any disregard of safety precautions should be followed by a prompt dismissal of the offending driver.

School authorities are primarily responsible for the competency of the drivers they employ and unless they investigate carefully each applicant and keep a watch on his performances they are guilty of gross negligence toward the children whose safety is in their keeping.

The News is \$1.50 a year.

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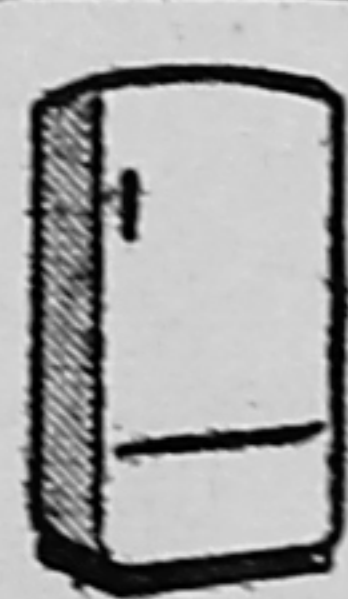
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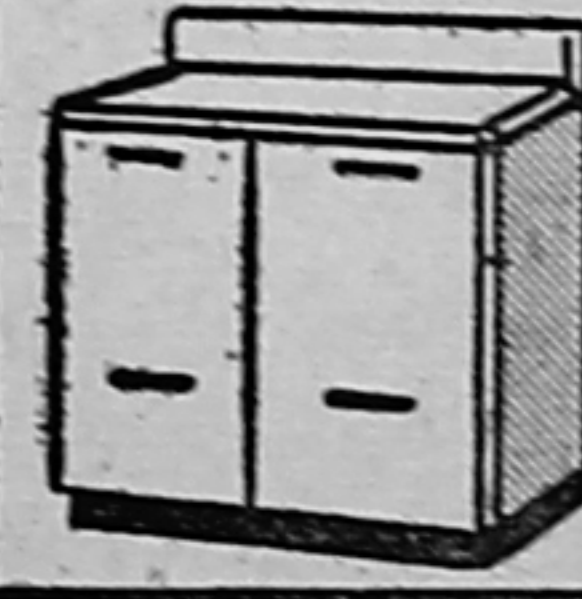
Plan Now For 1941

Prices on household appliances are still no higher than before, but manufacturers inform us that there can be no guarantee of this beyond May, 1941—in fact, there is no definite assurance that appliances (beyond existing stocks) will be available after that time. If your plans or needs for 1941 call for the purchase of a range, refrigerator, or water heater, please be guided by these possibilities, in order that you too may be ready for 1941.



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**FACT AND FICTION**

By H. IRVING KING  
(McClure Syndicate—WNU Service.)

STORIES of adventure appealed with an overwhelming force to the soul of Margaret Leamington. The more bloody and more hair-raising they were the greater their appeal. Even as a little girl she found herself bored by the Dotty Dimple and Little Purdy series and would surreptitiously procure volumes of high-spiced literature, which were taken away from her whenever she was caught reading them, the removal being accompanied by a lecture on total depravity and, like as not, some sharp raps over the knuckles.

By the time she reached marriageable age she had discarded the pirate and train-robber as being—while in many respects wholly delightful—decidedly bad form and, on the whole, hardly calculated to fit in well with any practical scheme of domestic felicity. But all men of adventure are not criminals: There are some very respectable persons in the adventure business. Margaret decided to marry one of these.

She wanted a soldier of fortune who had fought all over the world under many flags; an explorer who had been tortured by Tartars on Mongolian plains or shipwrecked in the vicinity of the North pole; a big game hunter who had had an arm and three ribs broken by the charge of a mad elephant—something like that.

Claxton Simms saw Margaret, admired, fell in love and laid siege. He soon found out her hobby—in fact, had been warned of it before and, though a modest, retiring sort of young man, allowed her to draw out from him some of the particulars of most romantic and exciting adventures in which he diffidently admitted he had taken part. When he talked of his adventures, Margaret listened to him with rapt attention, giving utterance now and then to little exclamations of interest and delight.

"The trouble with all you men who have really done things," said Margaret when Caxton balked at relating one of his marvelous tales, "the trouble with all of you daring adventurers is that you are so reticent about your exploits. Now you know how much I love to hear stirring tales, and I want you to be sure and tell one of your adventures to me every time you call."

That was rather a large order; but Caxton did his best to fill it. What wouldn't he do to please Margie? Sometimes he would hesitate and stop short just at the most interesting and exciting part of the tale; and Margaret would say, encouragingly, "Now don't get flustered. You were not flustered then, you know." And Caxton would plunge into his blood-curdling story again. But he was so excessively modest that he extracted a promise from Margaret that she would not publish to the world the fact that he was really such a daredevil. The courtship was a most delightful one for Margie—she told an intimate friend and confidant of hers that it was all that she had dreamed of.

But before the courtship had reached the "popping point," a rival entered the field; another man of adventure—this time a tall, strapping, bluff sort of person who had interviewed the Grand Lama and written a monograph on his discoveries in the recesses of the forests of Brazil. Margaret met him at a dinner. His name was Paul Ravelstock and truly Paul was nothing loath to talk of his experiences. And everybody said, "Now Margaret Leamington has met her fate."

Caxton Simms heard about it, of course, and had an acute attack of jealousy.

"Well," said he, "I hear you have met the great man, Ravelstock. You will not care about hearing of my adventures any more after listening to his."

"Oh," replied Margaret, "he was very entertaining—very entertaining indeed. But after all his stories are not half as interesting as yours. Tell me again of the time you were wrecked on the coast of New Guinea."

Caxton was walking up and down the room, his hands clasped behind him, thinking hard. Suddenly he came to a pause before the young lady and, looking intently into her eyes, said, "Margaret, I want you to be my wife. But before you answer me I have a confession to make. Those weird stories of adventure which I have just been telling you are all imaginary as far as my ever having experienced them. The only adventure I ever had was on a Sound steamer. She broke something about her engine and we were four hours late getting into New York. I spun my first adventure-yarn in an attempt to excite your interest in me. After that you kept me going. Now, can you marry a man who is no adventurer and who has deceived you so cruelly? I have been an awful liar. I know, Margie—but I am telling the truth when I say I love you."

"Why, Caxton!" replied Margaret, "do you suppose that after just feeding on stories of adventure from childhood up I didn't recognize every one of your stories? Why, I read them all in books, years ago. But they never seemed so absolutely enthralling as when you told them. You'll tell me some more, dear, won't you—after we are married?"

**Long View News**

Wednesday, March 12, Mrs. Raychell Hood will be hostess to the U. B. Ladies Aid.

A. Reed Hales and family spent Sunday in the Ralph Hales home at Elliott.

Methodist Friends Society was entertained Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Warren Krughoff.

Everett Green attended a convention of Farm Bureau insurance companies in Peoria, Thursday and Friday of last week.

The Raymond Farm Bureau unit has invited Ayers unit to meet with them Thursday night, March 13, for their regular meeting and the meat and livestock promotion program. All members are urged to attend. Oyster supper, music, pictures.

The WCTU will meet next Tuesday with Mrs. Ernest Fansler. Review of "The Amazing Story of Repeal," will be given by Mrs. E. C. Hagerman; Citizenship lesson by Mrs. Fansler. Devotional leader is Mrs. Jessie Hiler.

March 9 is Family Pew Day at the Christian Church. In cooperation with Champaign County Churches, special recognition will be given to families with 100% attendance; largest family; oldest family; and youngest family present.

**Illinois State Capitol News**

Special consideration is to be given by the State Civil Service Commission to applicants who are obliged to decline positions because of impending military or naval service. Under a new Commission ruling, the period of civil service eligibility of such persons will be extended until the expiration of their military service. This ruling applies during a time of war or of national emergency.

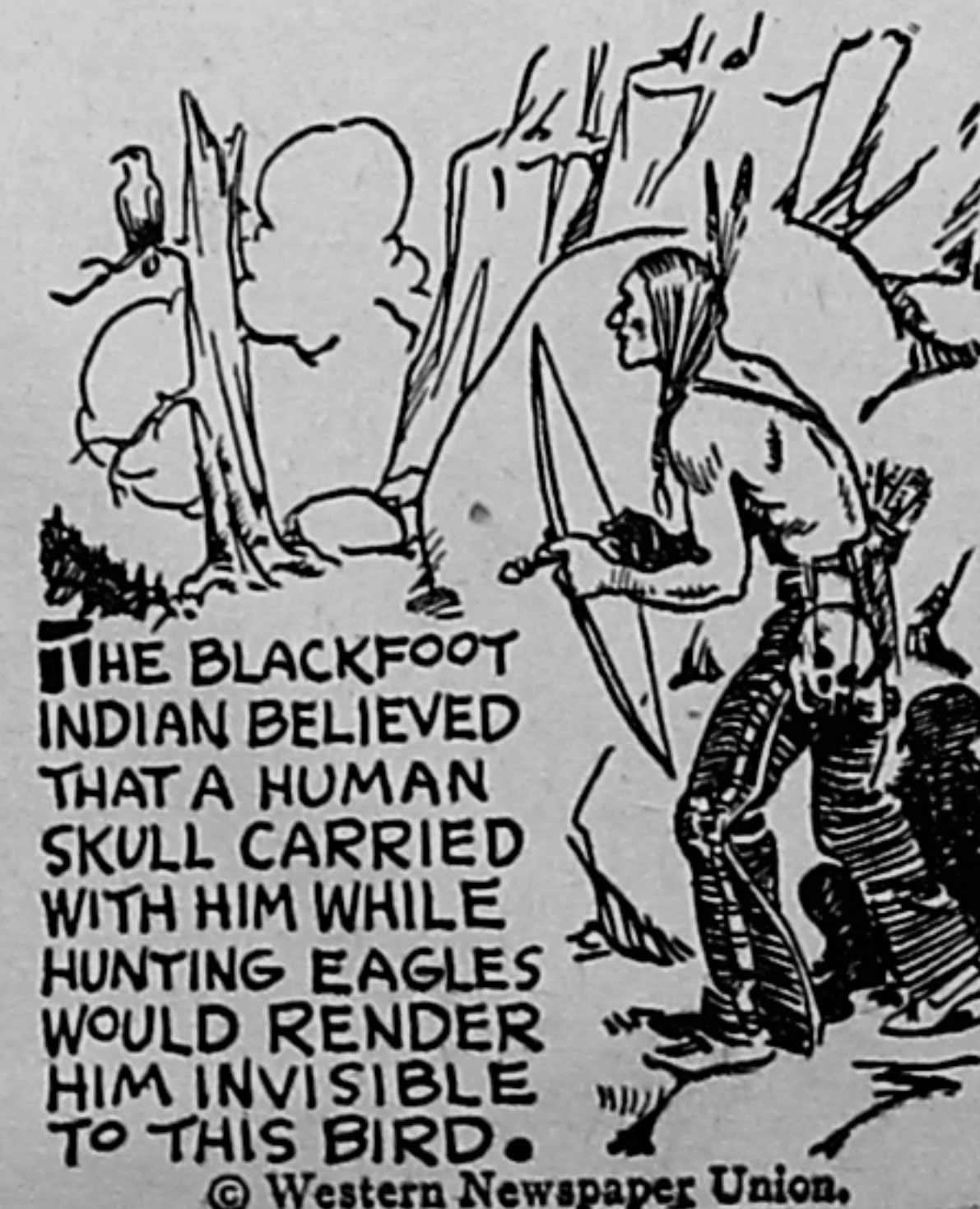
A bill to set up a State Council of Defense has been introduced in the State Senate. The measure is designed to coordinate state and local activities in national defense. It provides for a council of nine members to be appointed by the Governor, who would serve as ex-officio chairman, with authority to designate a vice-chairman. The bill was drawn at the request of Governor Dwight H. Green, and carries an emergency clause which will make it effective immediately upon passage.

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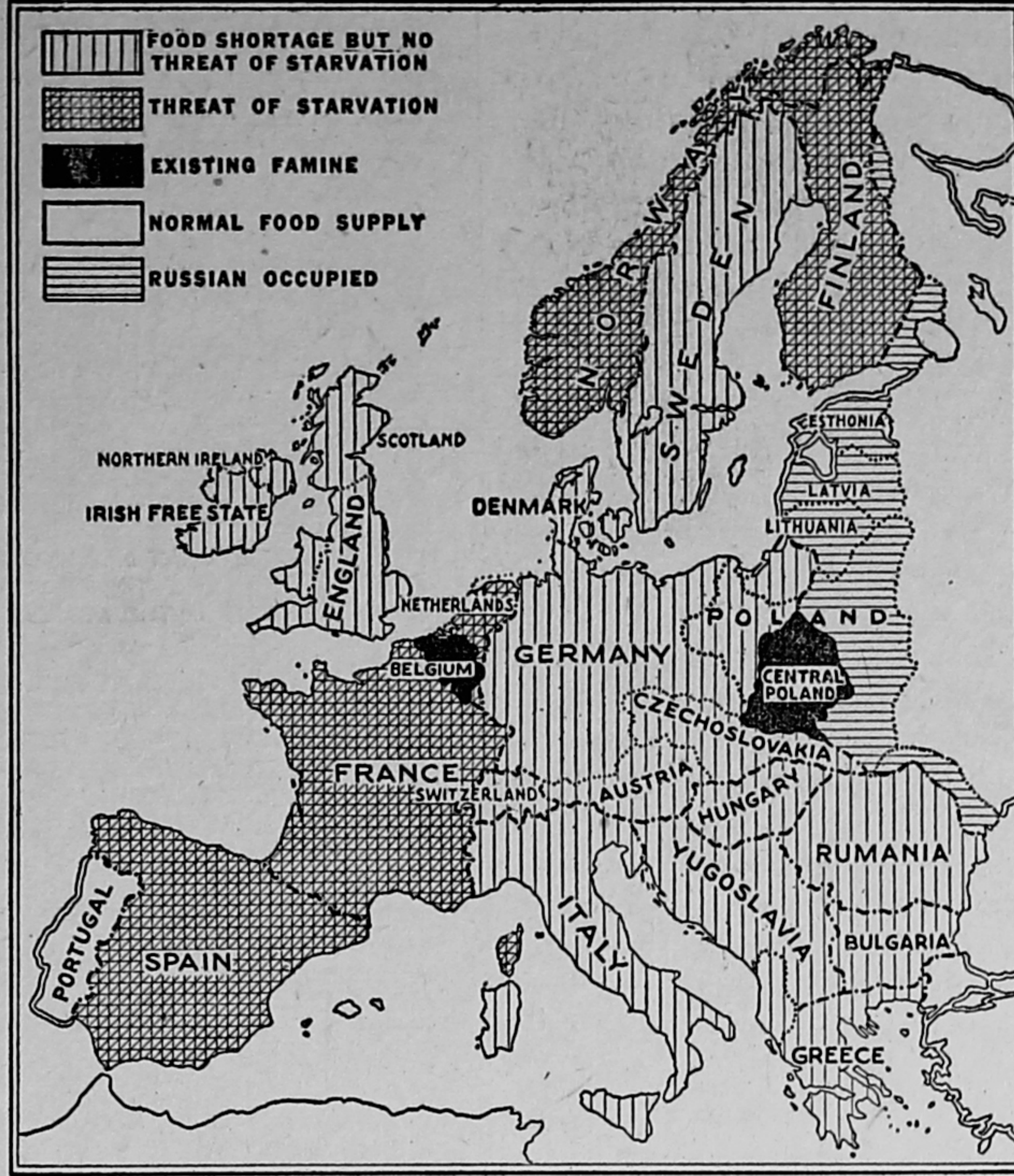


IT WAS BELIEVED BY THE HINDOOS THAT A PERSON COULD BE CURED OF YELLOW JAUNDICE BY SIPPING WATER THAT CONTAINED THE HAIR OF A RED BULL AND BY DRINKING QUANTITIES OF WATER WHICH HAD BEEN POURED OVER THE ANIMAL.



THE BLACKFOOT INDIAN BELIEVED THAT A HUMAN SKULL CARRIED WITH HIM WHILE HUNTING EAGLES WOULD RENDER HIM INVISIBLE TO THIS BIRD.

**Food Map of Europe as of Today**



The starvation areas of Europe can be seen at a glance, above. This map will now darken from month to month as, in many countries, the last remaining food stocks reach exhaustion.

New York (Special) — All Europe is on short rations. Only tiny Portugal still commands a normal food supply. Before the first of the next harvests can be reaped, five months must elapse. In some countries, remaining food stocks will have been exhausted long before, when conditions of slow starvation which already exist will become actual famine. Moreover, in several European countries the harvest covers only a few months consumption.

The above map has been drawn to bring the threatened areas into relief. As may be seen at a glance, the British Isles, Germany, Italy and the Balkans, although all on rations, are not in danger. But the little, western democracies, always dependent on overseas supplies and now cut off by the blockade, are already on a semi-starvation basis.

Darkest, immediate spots in the picture are Belgium and Poland (the latter because of war devastation and partitioning). Here, actual famine already prevails. People are dying of sheer hunger. But Spain, France,

Holland, Norway and Finland are not far behind. The above map will now darken quickly from month to month. The terrible food emergency in Europe, so long forecast by food experts, is now but a step away.

Spain may be able to get some help from the Argentine. In the case of the other countries, however, their main hope seems to be the United States. Like the Argentine, the United States not only holds large, surplus carryovers of foodstuffs of which it would be glad to get rid, but each one of these starving countries holds in this country frozen dollar balances ample to pay for the food they need. Belgium, alone, has several hundred million dollars in assets here. It is then primarily a question whether it can be arranged to pass this food through the blockade if, at the European end, it can be taken in control by a tight, neutral agency which will supervise its distribution to non-belligerent, civilian populations only—and a guarantee that it will not fall into other hands.

**Newman Boy Injured During Target Practice**

Donald Luth, eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Luth of Newman, was taken to a Champaign hospital for treatment of a superficial gunshot wound received at his home. When his brother-in-law was shooting at a target, the boy ran in front of the gun and was accidentally struck on the breast bone. Glancing downward over the ribs and cutting through the skin, the bullet lodged in his hip. He is reported getting along satisfactorily.

One of the great trials of modern life is waiting for the car to be fixed.

It seems that the most unpatriotic organizations have monopolized the most patriotic-sounding names.

A certain amount of opposition is a great help to a man; kites rise against the wind. — Thomas Carlyle.

Certain Eskimo tribes are said to believe that a person with a bad temper is possessed by a devil. Anyway, the idea seems logical.

The offering of the Zion Methodist Church in Cambridge, Md., was stolen while worship was being held in the sanctuary.

A gorgeous Bird is the Pelican, Who's Bill can hold more than his Bellican; He can put in his Beak, food enough for a week, But I'll be blest if I can see how in Helljean.

The entire 131,669,275 population of the United States could be moved at one time by means of the 26,000,000 passenger cars now in use throughout the nation, with the 4,500,000 trucks available to move food and supplies, according to the Chicago Motor Club.

**Election Notice**

Notice is hereby given, that on Tuesday, the 15th day of April, A. D. 1941, next, at the Town Hall, in the Village of Broadlands, in the County of Champaign, and State of Illinois, an Election will be held for:

One President of the Village Board of Trustees for a four year term;

Three members of the Village Board of Trustees for a four year term;

One Alternate member of the Village Board of Trustees for a four year term;

One Clerk of the Village Board of Trustees for a four year term;

One Police Magistrate of the Village Board of Trustees for a four year term.

Which Election will be opened at Six o'clock in the morning, and shall be closed at Five o'clock in the afternoon of that day.

Dated at Broadlands, Illinois, this Sixth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-one.

H. L. Krenzien, Village Clerk of the Village of Broadlands, Illinois.

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**Plenty of Weather Left Early Settlers Guessing**

In 1816, two years before Illinois became a state, sharp frosts occurred every month, according to accounts of the time, and "the year without a summer" became a popular descriptive term.

January and February, it seems were rather mild, but March lived up to its reputation as a boisterous weather month, and April showers gave way to ice and bitter cold, according to an account noted by the Illinois Writers' Project, WPA. Ice and cold were common in June, July and August. As a result, crops were severely damaged and the farmers had to pay four to five dollars a bushel for seed corn the following year.

The other day Jones heard a good conundrum and decided to try it on his wife.

Do you know why I am like a mule? he asked her when he arrived home.

She did not stop to think even a moment.

No, she replied promptly. I know you are, but I don't know why you are.

Some people are making such thorough preparations for rainy days that they aren't enjoying today's sunshine.—Wm. Feather.

**Orange and Blue Echoes**

L. V. H. S.—Long View, Illinois.

The advanced Agriculture class under the direction of Mr. Fulton is assembling the old wood working tables in the recreation room. On an average of at least two days a week the boys will be taught five or six units of mechanics, including plumbing, wood working, tool care, electricity, glazing and soldering.

The Hornets won over Metcalf in the Sidell Tournament on Thursday evening of last week 39 to 23. On Friday they were defeated by Indianola 37 to 21. After the game Friday evening Mr. Jarman took the squad and manager to the Village Inn at Broadlands for supper.

**Time Tables**

C. & E. I.  
 Northbound ..... 11:49 a. m.  
 Southbound ..... 1:27 p. m.  
 Star Mail Route  
 Southbound ..... 7:15 a. m.  
 Northbound ..... 8:30 a. m.

J. T. Welton, 60, of Raleigh, N. C., made a 120-mile walk to a court house when he was called for jury duty. He walked 24 miles a day for five consecutive days.

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Sun., Mon., & Tues.,  
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**Ginger Rogers in KITTY FOYLE**

with Dennis Morgan, James Craig. March of Time; Pop-eye Cartoon; News.

Wed., Thur., Mar. 12-13  
 Anna Neagle, Richard Carlson

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Friday, Mar. 7

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**ELLERY QUEEN**  
**MASTER DETECTIVE**  
 Ralph Bellamy and Margaret Lindsay.

His last picture!  
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**IN OLD KENTUCKY**

Saturday, March 8

Double Feature  
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 War as you have never seen it!

**WORLD IN FLAMES**  
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**Romance of Rio Grande**  
 Matinee 5c-15c; Nite 10c-20c

Sun., Mon., Mar. 9-10

**KITTY FOYLE**  
 starring Ginger Rogers, Dennis Morgan.

Tuesday, March 11

**'Q' NITE**

**Blonde Inspiration**  
 John Shelton, Virginia Grey

Wed., Thur., Mar. 12-13  
**BUCK PRIVATES**

Andrews Sisters, Abbott & Costello, Jane Frazee.

**Annual Town Meeting and Election**

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters, residents of the Township of Ayers, County of Champaign, Illinois, that the Annual Town Meeting and Election of Officers of said Township will take place

**Tuesday, the 1st Day of April, A. D. 1941**

being the First Tuesday in said month.

The election will begin at the hour of 6:00 a. m. and close at 5:00 p. m. in the place designated as follows:

Town Hall, Broadlands, Illinois.

The officers to be elected are:

One Assessor.

*Harold O. Anderson*

Town Clerk, Town of Ayers, Champaign County, Illinois.