



## News Items of 12 Years Ago

Oct. 16, 1931

Philip Limp began corn husking, the first acre making 59 bushels.

Perry Potter underwent an appendectomy at Lakeview hospital, Danville.

The Y. W. O. class of the U. B. Sunday School held a hard time party at the John Nohren home.

Alfred and Walter Seider entertained a number of friends at a euchre party. Fred Block and Miss Marie Struck held high score.

20 Years Ago  
Oct. 19, 1923

Mrs. Claude Combs and baby of Charleston arrived for a visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hobbs and daughter, Rosemary, of Indianapolis visited relatives here.

The Plus Ultra class met at the home of their teacher, Mrs. H. L. Griest. Those present were Misses Frances Walsh, Leahie Anderson, Mamie Harris, Beulah Gore, Leona Griest, Pearl Clester.

About fifty guests were entertained at the Irvin Flick home at a shower for Mrs. Gladys Flick Martinie, a recent bride. Mrs. Sue Harden and Mrs. Hazel Kesterson had charge of the entertainment which consisted of music and contests.

### Immanuel Lutheran Church P. E. Kerkhoff, Pastor

9:30 A. M.—Sunday School.  
10:15—Divine Worship.  
Sermon: "How shall I keep the Lord's Day."

The straw shows which way the wind blows. What are your symptoms? Unnecessary absence from church does not argue a great and sincere love for the Word of God.

### St. John's Evangelical and Reformed Church Rev. G. E. Gerhold, Pastor.

9:40—Sunday School, Ed Nohren, Superintendent.  
Morning Worship—10:40.  
Everyone Welcome!

### U. B. Church Notes Dale Mumaw, Pastor.

Sunday School—10:00.  
Morning Worship—11:00.  
This service will be in observance of World Communion Sunday. An offering will be taken for relief of human suffering around the world.

### Methodist Church Notes Pike Reynolds, Pastor.

Morning Worship—10:00.  
Church School—11:00.

### Time Tables C. & E. I.

Northbound ..... 12:48 a. m.  
Southbound ..... 1:19 p. m.  
Star Mail Route  
Southbound ..... 6:40 a. m.  
Northbound ..... 4:30 a. m.

Place your news items in our mail box.

## October Danger Month For Illinois Farmers

October is the danger month for Illinois farmers, warns the safety department of the Illinois Agricultural Association, as figures for the state show that it is one of the worst months for farm accidents. In view of the general farm labor situation, this October will be no exception.

In October, 1942, there were 48 deaths from farm accidents; 78 individuals lost fingers, an arm, leg, or some other portion of their body; 376 farmers received temporary injuries such as broken bones, severe cuts or burns.

Many of October's accidents could be prevented, according to the IAA safety department, by exercising more care in the use of farm machinery.

## Corn and Soybeans Are Now Safe From Frost

The almost ideal weather of early October has brought corn and soybeans in central and northern Illinois far enough along to be practically safe from frost.

Combining of soybeans has been going on so rapidly that some country elevators are unable to handle any more of the crop until cars are obtained for shipping it to the mills.

The beans are of fine quality, with an average moisture content of only 11 per cent, contrasting with the 14 to 16 per cent of moisture found in last year's crop.

## Rites For Miss Anderson Held Sunday at Homer

Homer—Funeral services were held here at 2 p. m. Sunday for Miss Belle Anderson, 79, who had made her home in Homer since she was two years old. Miss Anderson died on Thursday in the State hospital, Kankakee, after a two-year illness.

The services were held at the Morehouse funeral home, with burial in the GAR cemetery.

Miss Anderson was born January 18, 1864, in Bloomington, Ind., the daughter of William and Margaret Anderson, who brought her to Homer in 1866. She is survived by several nieces and nephews, one of whom is O. E. Anderson, Broadlands.

## Ted Crain Promoted to Technical Sergeant

Headquarters 361st Fighter Group, Camp Springs Field, Washington, D. C. September 28, 1943.

Broadlands News, Broadlands, Illinois. Gentlemen; Theodore R. Crain, whose former address was Broadlands, Illinois, has been promoted to the temporary rank of Technical Sergeant. He is now stationed at Camp Springs Field, Washington, D. C.

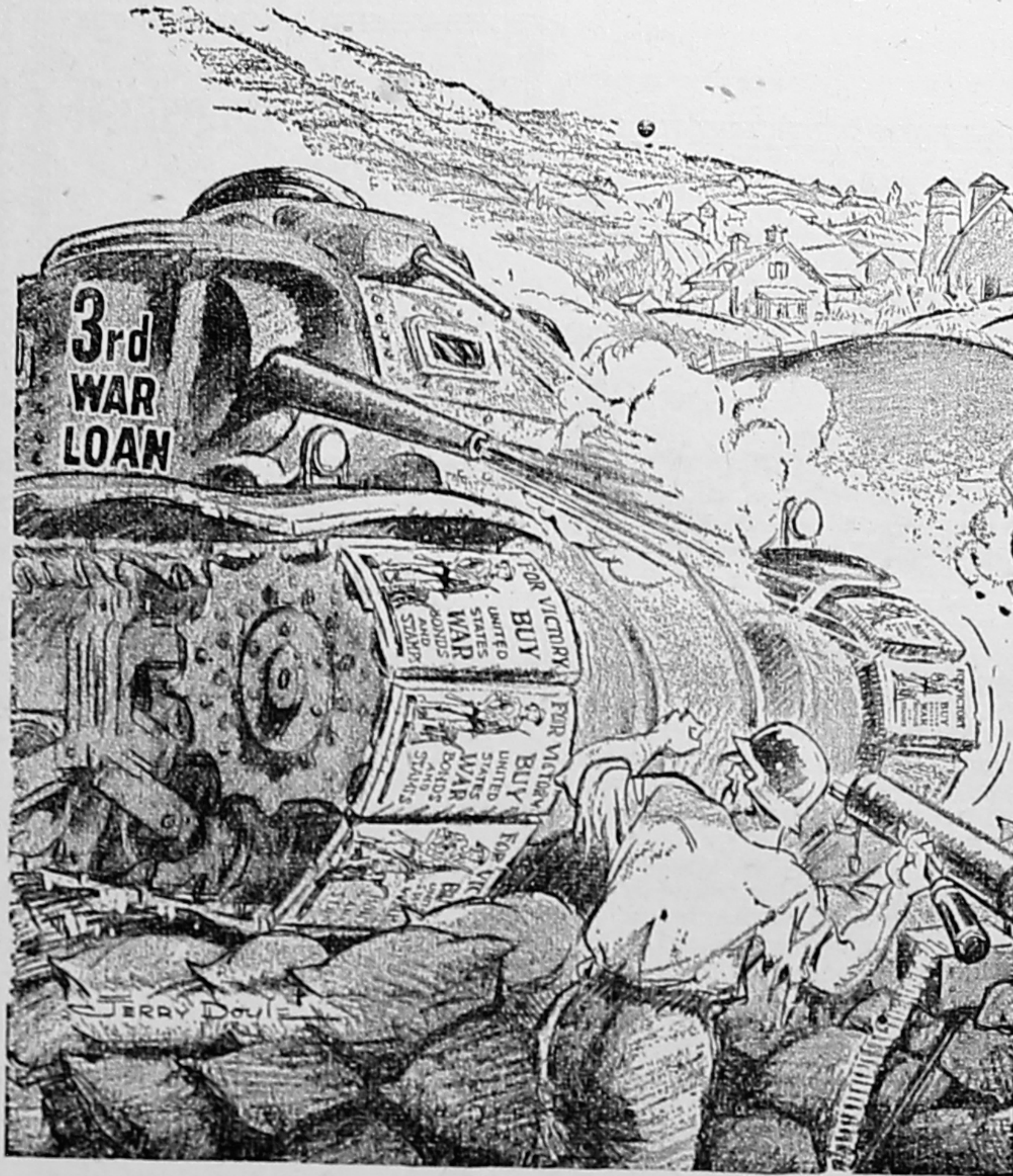
This promotion, as announced by the Group Commander, reflects the confidence and trust placed in him.

Sergeant Crain is the son of Mrs. Neva Crain, Broadlands, Illinois.

Sincerely,  
Jerry L. Griffith,  
1st Lt. Air Corps,  
Public Relations  
Officer.

Many a man's failure is due to his having aimed too high with a short-range gun.

## This Is Our Battle



Courtesy of Country Gentlemen.

## Now Is Time to Start Planning For Next Year's Victory Garden

Good gardens aren't luck—they're planned. And this is the time, says Lester J. Norris, food director of the Illinois War Council, to start planning next year's Victory Garden.

Fall plowing should be done now and land that is to be used early next spring should be left rough. Activated sludge should be applied.

The Council's Victory Gardens committee advises that compost heaps be made for spring use by stacking together old cabbage leaves, potato tops, corn stalks, vines, leaves and refuse from the kitchen. The heap should be turned over every three or four months so that it will decay easily. The compost will be ready for use next spring if chemicals are used. If left to rot without chemicals it will not be ready before the spring of 1945.

Areas where crops are not to be planted before May 15 should be seeded with cereal rye. The rye will make a fall growth and take up plant foods present in the soil, preserving them so that they will be available to plants in the spring.

## Mrs. Ada Miller Returns to Champaign

(News-Gazette)

Mrs. Ada Flewelling Miller recently returned to Champaign and has taken an apartment at 605 South Third street. She is the mother of Major Max Flewelling, who is at present stationed at Camp Hulen, Texas.

Mrs. Miller, who was Ada Walsh, was born and raised at Philo. She taught school at Broadlands and for 15 years was a teacher in the Webber school, Urbana. She went to Oregon 25 years ago following her marriage to the late Edward Miller, in 1917.

## Lodge Meets Next Monday

Broadlands Lodge, No. 791, A. F. & A. M. will meet next Monday night at 7:30.

Elmer W. Mohr, W. M.  
Carl B. Dicks, Sec.

Two of the most comfortable things in the world are old shoes and old friends.

## Broadlands Oil Co. Sells Business to Lincoln Co.

Messrs. Roy and Thos. Bergfield and Kenneth Dicks, owners of the Broadlands Oil Co., which was organized 17 years ago, sold their business and supplies to the Illico Independent Oil Co., of Lincoln, on Oct. 7, the new owners taking possession immediately. Marvin Cooper of Meredosia is manager for the company.

Lee Boise of Homer, who has been with the company for a number of years will continue to work for the new owners. Howard Comer, who has been on the job for several years as truck driver, has resigned.

## Kenneth Dicks Accepts Position as Salesman

Kenneth Dicks, of the firm of Dicks Bros., local undertakers, who recently accepted a position as traveling salesman with the Progress Manufacturing Co., of Arthur, who make undertakers' supplies, was home over the weekend.

## Will Honor Rev. James Ferris Saturday Night

A get-together meeting will be held in the Methodist Church basement this Saturday night at 8 o'clock, in honor of Rev. Jas. Ferris, former pastor, who will be here. Any friends of Rev. Ferris who wish to visit with him are invited to attend.

## Chicken Supper Oct. 28

The Ladies Guild of the Evangelical and Reformed Church will serve a chicken supper on Thursday evening, October 28. Serving will begin at 5:30 and will be served cafeteria.

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## Ration Book 4 To Be Issued From Schools

Persons applying for War Ration Book Four, which will be distributed in Central and Southern Illinois the third week in October, must bring a copy of War Ration Book Three for each member of the family for whom application is being made, Carter Jenkins, the Springfield District OPA Director announced today.

Mr. Jenkins also announced that one person may obtain Book Four for all members of his family residing at the same address.

In preparation for the registration and to speed up the process, each householder is asked to enter the address, age and sex of the holder in the proper spaces on the face of War Book Three. This information is essential for the registration for War Book Four.

The District OPA also advised householders to return to their War Price and Rationing Boards any books they may now hold for persons who are deceased, in the armed forces, or duplicate books.

The registration will be conducted by the schools. In most counties in Central and Southern Illinois the registration will take place from October 20 to 23.

War Ration Book Four will be used after October 31 to buy processed foods and sugar.

Local residents will register at the Broadlands Public school building, on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 21 and 22. Hours: 8:30 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.

## Will Inaugurate Birthday Greeting Column In Nov.

Starting with the issue of Thursday, Nov. 4, this paper will inaugurate a Birthday Greeting column, in which we will publish the dates and names of all persons who furnish us the necessary information in the proper manner.

Here's all you need to do to join our Happy Birthday greeting column: Write the date of your birthday and your name on a penny post card and mail it to The Broadlands News, Broadlands, Ill., or place it in our mail box.

Example, write it like this:  
Nov. 3—Joe Dokes.

Please do not wait until November to give us this information. Do it now. We will make a permanent record of all names and dates given us. This means we will not have to bother you again for this information.

## Mrs. Eva Walker Is Hostess To W. C. T. U.

The local unit of the W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Eva Walker last Tuesday afternoon with ten members present.

The president, Mrs. Ruth Henson, had charge of the business meeting. She also led the devotions, reading the 20th chapter of Exodus, and an article entitled "Service, Plus the Man." The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

Mrs. Anna Laverick read an article entitled "Alcohol in War Emergency."

Refreshments of cookies, coffee and tea were served.

It isn't easy for a man to keep cool when it is up to him to choose between the frying pan and the fire.

## Mrs. Henry Seider Dies Thursday A. M.

Just as we go to press this Thursday, we learn that Mr. Henry Seider, local farmer, received a telegram from the State hospital at Kankakee, informing him of the death of his wife, which occurred this Thursday morning. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

## Lessons Learned Will Revolutionize Automotive Industry

Lessons learned under the stimulus of war production are producing innovations that will revolutionize the automotive industry, according to reports received by the Chicago Motor club. Heads of the automobile industry agree that, although the new improvements will have to be introduced over a period of years, the result will be a radically different passenger automobile.

Already it is safe to conjecture that refinements affecting radiators, fenders, and hood shapings will be introduced, and later, the predicted innovations, such as the incorporation of airplane engine features, completely automatic transmission, greater use of plastics and lighter metals in the search for weight reduction, new types of brakes and springs, Mr. Hayes said.

Tourists of the future needn't worry about the radiator boiling over in summer and freezing in winter, for permanent cooling liquids, flowing through synthetic rubber connections, will operate in a sealed system installed by the manufacturer. Lubrication will also be taken care of by an apparatus which would last the lifetime of the car.

Tires, they tell us, will be practically indestructible after knowledge gained in rubber research during the war is put into practice in the construction of durable post-war tires.

No windshield wipers will be needed because of new types of glass now being made for war needs. The new glass contains no silica, and neither rain nor snow will wet or cover it.

While these experiments in revolutionizing post-war motoring are progressing, plans for quick reconversion of the automotive industry to production of practical passenger cars and trucks after the war, are under consideration by manufacturers whose facilities now are turning out \$1,000,000,000 worth of war materials every hour, said Mr. Hayes.

## Lawrence Sy Promoted To Corporal on Sept. 9

Oliver Gen. Hospital, Augusta, Ga.—Private Lawrence A. Sy was promoted to Corporal it was announced recently by the Public Relations Office of this army hospital. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer F. Sy, R. F. D. 1, Hume. Corporal Sy was inducted into the army September 11, 1942, at Chicago.

## Market Report

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

No. 1 soy beans, new ..... \$1.86  
No. 2 hard wheat ..... 1.45  
No. 2 white corn, new ..... 1.13  
No. 2 yellow corn, new ..... .98  
No. 2 oats ..... .76

Remember Pearl Harbor!

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**12 Planes an Hour**

American factories will soon be producing "a completed plane every five minutes around the clock, every day of the month," Donald M. Nelson, WPB chairman, told the British at a dinner given in his honor in London recently.

Taken literally, this would mean 12 planes an hour, 288 every day, 105,120 a year. Even allowing for some degree of undue optimism on Mr. Nelson's part, it appears that the United States will have the capacity for producing close to 100,000 planes next year if they should be needed. He said we had turned out 110,000 military planes since Jan. 1, 1942.

In actual numbers this is considerably short of President Roosevelt's estimate made early in 1942, but when it is considered that the proportion of heavy bombers built has been much greater than at first contemplated, the discrepancy in real air power is not as large as the figures indicate.

What percentage of our production consists of combat planes is a military secret. Many thousands of aircraft of smaller types had to be built for training purposes and other thousands are being held in the United States and at outlying bases for defense. Losses in combat, in accidents and through ship sinkings take a heavy toll. Considering these facts, it is evident that the proportion of all planes produced that will be available for service in war zones overseas may be much less than might be assumed.

There is no doubt, however, that our tremendous production, combined with that of Britain and Russia, will give the Allies overwhelming air superiority everywhere from now on.

Mr. Nelson gave the British some further figures concerning American production since Jan. 1, 1942, which included 60,000 tanks and tank chassis, 53,000 scout cars and carriers, 1,100,000 trucks and trailers, more than 21 million deadweight tons of merchant ships and nearly three million tons of naval vessels. Enough ammunition has been manufactured "to let us fire nearly 2,000 shots at every axis soldier in the Axis armies." Emphasizing that he was speaking of American production only, Nelson said:

"Let the German people exercise their imagination on the total of our combined war production. Let them understand how hopeless is the struggle they are waging in a war where mechanical production is the foundation of every military campaign."

Mr. Nelson is justified in his statement that the Germans cannot win, but they still have enough strength to give the Allies plenty of trouble before the war is over, and the same is true of the Japanese.

**Offensive Planning**

From recent statements by President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and other high military authorities, it appears that plans for offensives on a grand scale against Germany and Japan are now practically completed, but just where and when we are to strike next with the

great forces being made ready for action remains to be seen.

Indications point strongly to the invasion of western Europe and the Balkans, but whether these movements can be gotten under way before next spring is uncertain. With the winter approaching it does not seem probable that a large-scale attack by land forces now based in England will be attempted this year, because of unfavorable weather conditions.

The Balkans appear to present a more promising field for winter operations, although the mountainous terrain and heavy snows would present difficulties. The British Ninth and Tenth Armies, now supposed to be well trained and equipped in the Middle East, would be available for a Balkan campaign, but there may be serious political obstacles to overcome before decisive action can be taken.

In this connection the attitude of both Turkey and Russia might have to be considered. Although Turkey has a military alliance of a sort with Britain, and the Turks have received material aid from the Allies, that country persists in maintaining a neutrality which must be somewhat exasperating to Britain and the United States. The use of a portion of the Turkish territory would be of the greatest value in an invasion directed at the Balkans, even if the Turkish Army were not actively employed in the undertaking.

There seems to be some uncertainty as to whether Russia would approve an expedition into the Balkans by British and American forces—first, because the Soviet Union seems desirous of holding a predominant sphere of influence in that region; second, because Russia is insistent upon an invasion of Western Europe as the only second front acceptable to her.

In the meantime millions of trained Allied troops remain idle in the United States, England and the Middle East. Manifestly, the longer they remain idle the longer the war will last. And even with the best of planning it will take considerable time to get these large forces into actual combat on European soil.

The war against Japan does not involve any important political difficulties, as the United States, Britain, Australia and China are well united in a common purpose. But in this theater the lack of suitable bases and the tremendous transportation problems constitute a terrific handicap.

The campaign in Italy is well begun, but progress from now on promises to be slow and arduous, and it may take several months to drive the Germans back through the Brenner Pass.

Considering all the foregoing facts, it is evident that while the major strategic plans of the Allies may have already been determined, there are innumerable details to be worked out as the war progresses, and many plans already made may have to be modified as new situations develop.

As Lieutenant General Joseph T. McNarney, deputy chief of staff of the Army, said recently: "The fighting ahead will be hard and bloody. If we become overconfident, or sit back and coast, either in the Army or on the production front, we will be inviting disaster."

Robert E. Lee, a negro landowner of Denver, appeared at the local Office of Price Administration recently with a complaint. Lee stated to the man in charge that he wanted to evict a certain objectionable tenant of his. "Not only is he objectionable, Boss, but his name is Ulysses S. Grant," complained the colored man with the name of the South's great hero.

We want your news items.

Finally a valuable use for old razor blades has been found. From a report reaching this country from the Belgium underground by way of London it is learned that patriots in Belgium have repeatedly stopped German trains by cutting with old razor blades the rubber brake connections. What finer use could these otherwise useless blades be put to?

Remember Pearl Harbor!



A new series of "We Work for Victory Too!" posters is being distributed during October to more than 38,000 classrooms in the Illinois and Indiana territory of the Chicago Motor Club.

More than a million school children in this territory are urged to observe all traffic rules in an endeavor to reduce accidents, which not only are unnecessary and tragic but which divert time of doctors and nurses and hospital space needed for the war-time emergency. Instruction sheets accompanying the poster help teachers use the safety lessons to best advantage for various groups, such as pupils of different ages and grades and in rural or municipal areas.

Mrs. Helen E. Salmason, of Brocton, Mass., is just about the most patriotic person we have heard of. Mrs. Salmason has her own Victory Garden and all summer she has been buying fresh vegetables from herself at prevailing prices. She then donates the money to patriotic organizations.

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Indeed, there is no shortage of electric power. It is a matter of record that the performance of the electrical industry in America's war effort thus far is unsurpassed. And unlike so many services and products which have donned khaki, and gone to war entirely, the electric power industry has continued to maintain undiminished service on the home front. The United States has more electric power than Germany, France, Japan, and their former ally Italy combined. There has been no shortage, and there will be none, for war or essential civilian use. There has been no shortage because utility companies, with foresight characteristic of the free enterprise system, prepared for any eventuality. Because electricity is an intangible which cannot be saved up and stored away, this preparation for the future entailed installation of ample generating capacity to meet all foreseeable needs.

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*It is to aid them . . . to alleviate the strain on transportation facilities . . . to lighten our burden on the fuel industry . . . to lessen our demands on manpower urgently needed by war production industries . . . to decrease our requirements of critical materials, that we have voluntarily joined in an intensive nation-wide conservation program.*

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**Smile Awhile**

What the dickens are you doing in the cellar? demanded the rooster.

If it's any of your business, replied the hen, frigidly, I'm laying in a supply of coal.

The Jap secret agent had been instructed to investigate internal conditions in the United States, and report particularly on national morale. After a few days he filed his report for transmittal to Tokyo:

"Conditions all very bad. People all very hungry. When two meet on street, one always says to other: 'What's cookin'?"

Way down in Georgia a traveling man found himself stranded for the night and in his rambles around town noticed there were two churches. He asked a colored man why there should be two churches of the same denomination.

"Well, boss, Ah'll tell you," said the informant. "Dey jus' can't agree. One of de churches believes dat Pharaoh's daughter found Moses in de bullrushes. De odah church claims dat's what she sez!"

**Notice of Claim Day**

Notice is hereby given to all persons that the 1st day of November, 1943, is the claim date in the estate of Ray L. Bowman, deceased, pending in the County Court of Champaign County, Illinois, and that claims may be filed against the said estate on or before said date without issuance of summons.

Faye L. Porterfield, Executor.

Charles E. Keller, Attorney, Champaign, Illinois.

**FDR says:**

Payroll savings is our greatest single factor in protecting ourselves against inflation.



**Do You Know Illinois?**

By Edward J. Hughes Secretary of State

Q. When was the vote on the State Constitution framed by the 1847 Convention taken?

A. August 31, 1847.

Q. What was the vote?

A. 131 yeas and seven nays. The yeas were Democratic.

Q. How many delegates were listed as absent?

A. 24.

Q. How did the Constitutional Convention affect the Whig Party?

A. It was greatly strengthened by the solidarity of its members on the Constitution.

Q. When was the Constitution ratified?

A. March 6, 1848.

Q. What was the popular vote?

A. 60,585 for; 15,903 against.

Q. Who were the State officers elected under the Constitution of 1848?

A. Governor Augustus C. French, Lieutenant Governor William McMurty, Secretary of State Horace S. Cooley, State Treasurer John Moore.

Q. What peculiar defect in the Constitution kept the Attorney General's office vacant?

A. The duties of the office and the mode of election were not defined. The only mention was the fact that the incumbent must not be a member of the General Assembly.

Q. When was the mistake finally rectified?

A. In 1867, by statute.

Q. Who was appointed Attorney General in 1867?

A. Robert Ingersoll.

For Sale — My residence in Broadlands. Mrs. Lydia Brown.

**Safe and Sound**

By VIC YARDMAN Associated Newspapers—WNU Features.

THE day that Shorty Steers, a stranger, arrived at the Leaning B cattle ranch he not only beat Luke Maynard to the draw, but gave him a thorough beating as well. The Leaning B punchers who had been an audience to the scene, were secretly delighted. They hated Luke Maynard because he was a bully. Previous attempts on the part of one or another of them to retaliate because of his practical jokes which off-times resulted in personal injury, had met with dismal failure. His ignominy was complete when he suffered defeat at the hands of Shorty, who was about half his size, and Shorty instantly became a hero in the eyes of the punchers.

Later, inside the bunkhouse, Shorty handed a sealed letter to Dave Lambert, the Leaning B foreman. Lambert scanned the contents.

"So, the old man sent you up here to run down the jigger what's been robbin' our payroll for the last six months, eh?" He looked Shorty over carefully. "Well, effin I just hadn't seen what you done to Luke, I'd say the old man was nuts. I guess, however, he knows what he's doin'. How do you figure on goin' about catchin' this here highway robber?"

Two weeks after his arrival, Dave Lambert sent Shorty down to Cactus Bend for the payroll. Despite Shorty's cocksure air and the fact that he had beaten Luke Maynard in fair fight, Dave could not reconcile himself to the fact of Shorty's fitness for the job. Still, the old man was the boss, and the letter had stated definitely that Shorty was to have free rein.

Bije Thompson, president of the Cactus Bend Savings bank, was surprised and doubtful when Shorty



Shorty Steers became a line rider for the Leaning B ranch.

called for the payroll money. In order to make sure the cowboy was the man he claimed, he called Dave on the phone.

Shorty grinned when Bije shoved over the money. "Son," the bank president cautioned, "you be careful. You ought to have a body-guard."

"Maybe I ought," said Shorty, and took the money and went out. Half-way back to the ranch three masked men stepped in the path of his pinto horse and leveled guns at him.

In no time at all Shorty was trussed securely and the pinto, responding to a sharp slap on the rump, was galloping up the trail. Five hundred yards from the scene of the holdup, the horse slowed down to a walk and finally stopped. Working feverishly, Shorty had loosened himself from his bonds five minutes later and was pounding back to the scene of operations. He picked up the trail and followed it cautiously. A half hour later he heard a sharp command up ahead.

Working his way to a high point of land he witnessed a surprising scene. The three bandits who had relieved him of the payroll were being held up by a single masked rider.

Shorty waited until the trio had been bound and sent off in a manner similar to what he had experienced, then he worked his way down the hill, circled and came out onto the trail. Here he prepared an ambush and, being gunless, had to leap from a tree onto the back of the lone rider. The resulting fight was something that Shorty hadn't bargained for. It took all of his skill and strength to overpower the hold-up gentleman.

Two hours later he rode into the Leaning B ranch yard, driving his prisoner ahead of him, just as Luke Maynard appeared in the door. Luke's eyes bulged at sight of the man Shorty had captured.

"Why, you danged lunkhead, the jigger you got there is Bije Thompson, president of our bank."

"And highway robber de luxe. Keep your shirt on, Lambert, while I explain." He told about being held up by the trio, glancing toward Luke Maynard with a broad grin. "I recognized 'em as some of the boys from the ranch an' figured it as a joke. Then when I seen 'em bein' held up by this jigger, I ambushed him an' took him prisoner. I guess that ends my job here, fer which I ain't unthankful."

The familiar grin spread across Shorty's face. "Why, shucks," he said. "I almost forgot." He lifted up his shirt. "Me wantin' to keep that money safe an' sound I had it in a belt around my waist all the time."

**IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

**Lesson for October 17**

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**JESUS AND THE SABBATH**

LESSON TEXT—Exodus 20:8-11; Isaiah 58:13, 14; Mark 2:23-3:6.

GOLDEN TEXT—And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath.—Mark 2:27.

The sabbath was essentially a day of rest and worship; hence the principles which surrounded it and directed its life may be applied to our day of rest, which is the first day of the week—the Lord's day.

That word "rest" sounds a little strange in this busy world of ours, and yet it is an important one. It means quiet for the struggling one, calm for the troubled, repose for the weary, tranquility for the disturbed, cessation of labor for the worn-out one.

God in His infinite wisdom saw that without rest man would soon destroy himself, and He made provision for one day in seven when labor should cease and man should be free for that recreation of soul and body which should fit him for the labor of the week.

Our lesson answers two important questions about our rest day, namely, Why? and How?

**I. Why We Keep a Day of Rest** (Exod. 20:8-11; Isa. 58:13, 14).

The chief reason is that God commands it. One day out of seven is for our re-creation by rest and worship. That should be sufficient to cause His people to "remember" the day "to keep it holy."

Doubtless it is true that essential war work and related activities must be carried on, even on Sunday. God did not forbid works of necessity. But even though there is this need, who will deny that many use Sunday for work that is not essential—and countless others devote it to godless pleasure.

Notice that the day of rest was to be not only for the family, but also for servants and for visitors. The employer who unnecessarily operates his factory or office on Sunday violates this commandment. Note also that the man who is to rest on the seventh day is supposed to work on the six days.

The precept of Exodus 20 is enforced by the promise of Isaiah 58. The man who delights in keeping God's commandment regarding the day of rest, will find that God delights in and honors him. Both men and nations have found this to be true.

**II. How We Keep a Day of Rest** (Mark 2:23-3:6).

The formalists of Christ's day, the Pharisees, had overlooked the heart of God's law and the holy living which it was intended to produce, and had bound up even the observance of the sabbath (which was intended to be a day of rest and gladness) in such a mass of technical "thou shalt not's" that it was a day of fear. They had a false outward profession of worship and had entirely missed the true spirituality of God's law, a fact which drew upon their heads the anger and rebuke of our Lord.

The two incidents in this portion of our lesson reveal that under the cloak of earnestly observing the law of the sabbath, the Pharisees were actually covering their own hypocrisy and their hatred for Christ.

The accusations against the disciples because they had taken and eaten grain was not on the ground that they had stolen, for the law (Deut. 23:25) guaranteed that right to the one who passed through his neighbor's field. The Pharisees contended, however, that the disciples had worked on the sabbath in picking and hulling the grain.

The healing of the man with the withered arm revealed that back of their professed concern for the sabbath was a real hatred for Christ. It is an appalling thing that in the house of worship on the very sabbath day, these men, outwardly so religious, were plotting against our Lord.

"They watched him," and even so the enemies of the Cross watch us who are His followers. They are not concerned that the man with the withered arm, or with the withered soul may be helped, but only that they may find something to condemn.

Jesus cuts across human hypocrisy and hatred to declare that the true keeping of the sabbath is to do the work of God. No work of necessity (like plucking the grain) or of mercy (like healing the withered arm) is ever out of place on the day of rest.

A word of caution is needed, for some have sought to interpret this Scripture as providing biblical ground for doing all sorts of things on their day of rest. That day is for man's good, not for his destruction. His greatest good is served by rest, worship, spiritual development, Christian fellowship, and the doing of deeds of necessity and mercy.

The desecration of the Lord's Day in our time is a serious matter. Let us not contribute to its deterioration. America needs Sunday as a day of rest and worship.

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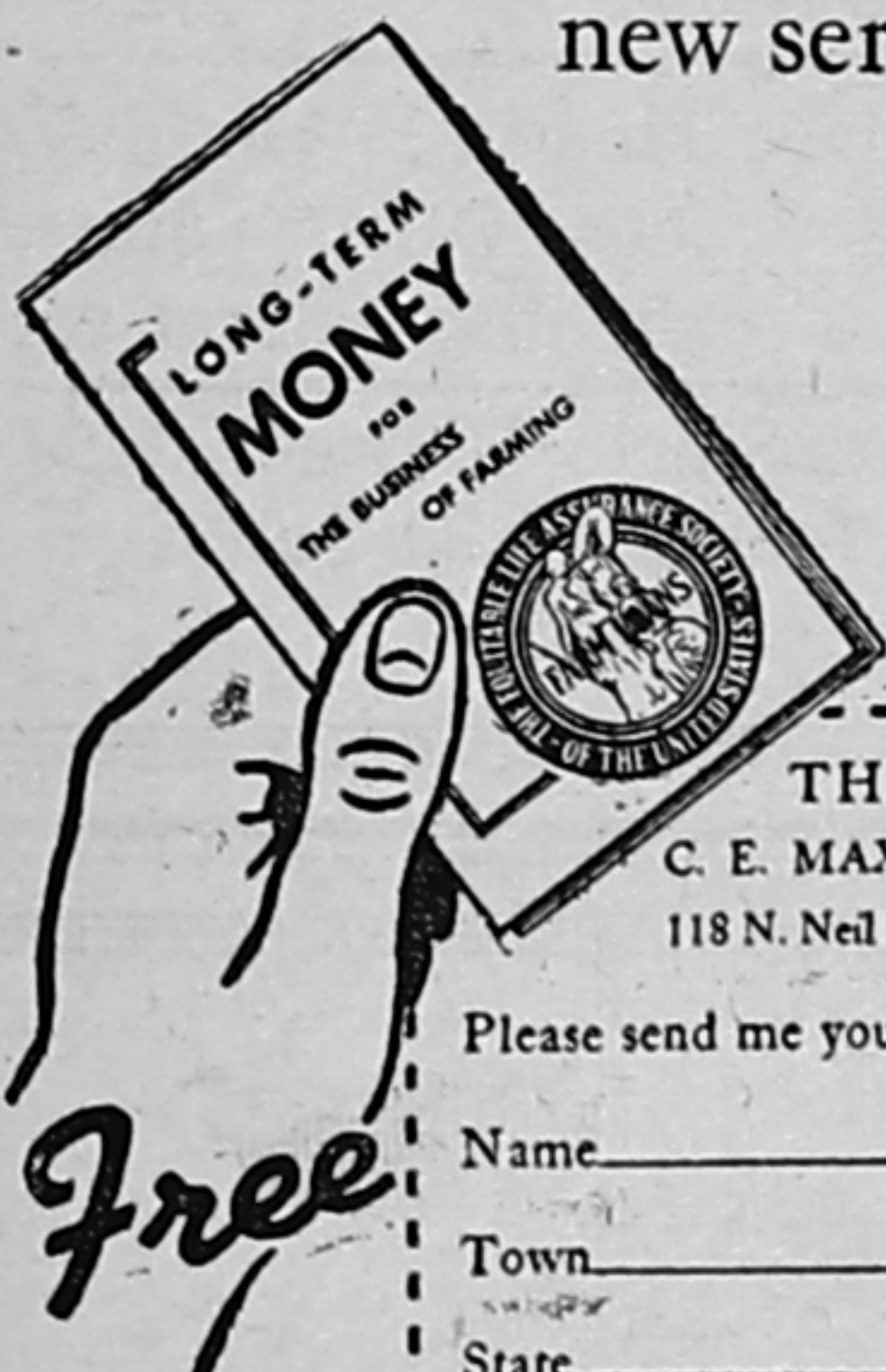
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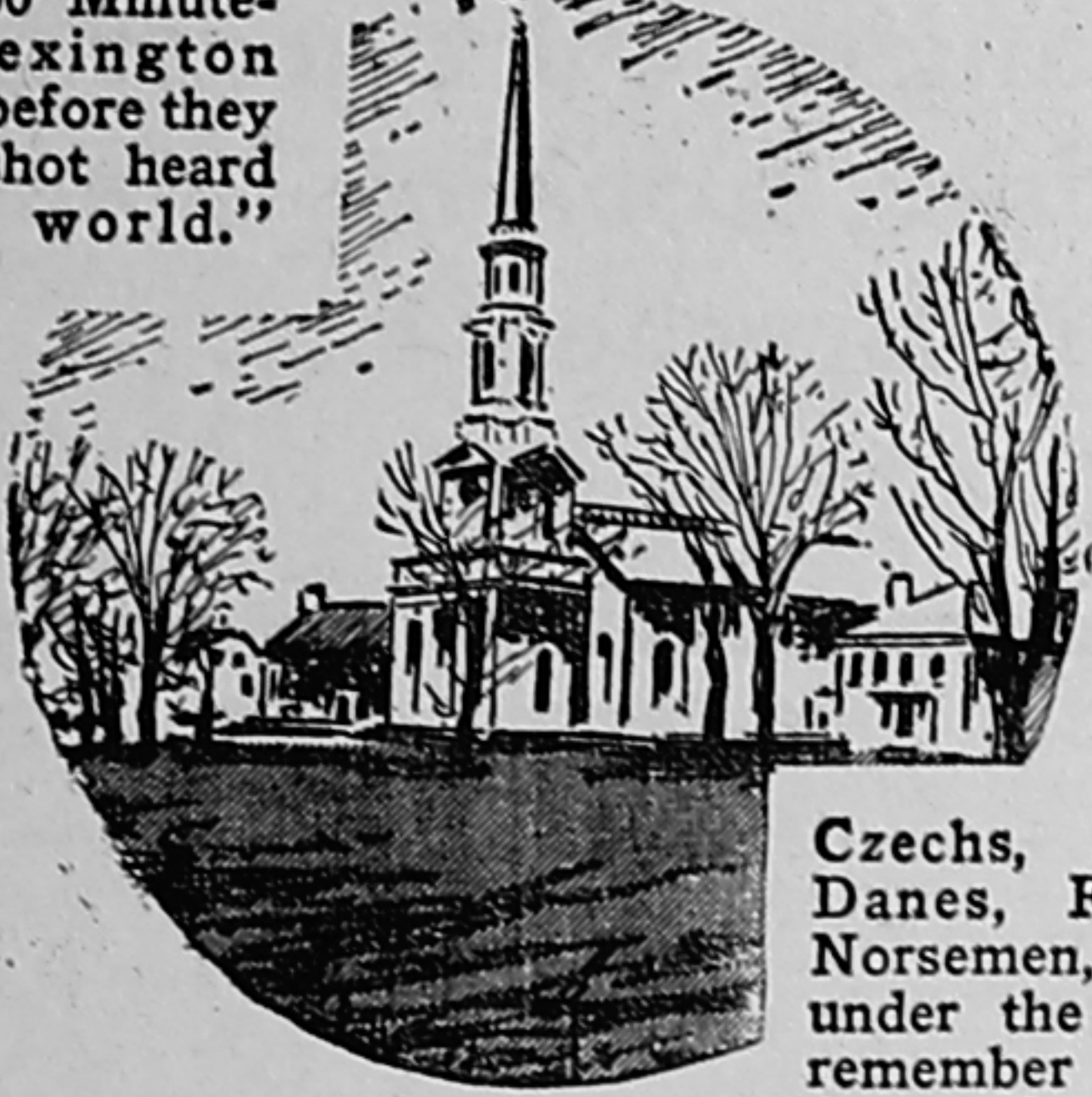
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**Local and Personal**

Mrs. Harold Smith is confined to her home by illness.

A. A. Cable entered Lakeview hospital, Danville, Sunday for observation and treatment.

Miss Joan Baker of Homer was the guest of Miss Wanda Rayl the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Glenn Porter of Marion, O., arrived Sunday for a week's visit in the A. A. Cable home.

Mrs. Kenneth Brewer and Mrs. Nora Griffin were Champaign visitors Friday.

Ronald Cable of Chicago visited in the A. A. Cable home on Tuesday.

Mrs. Donald Stutz and daughter of Hillsboro spent the week end here with her father, Fay Comer.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Anderson attended the funeral of the late Miss Belle Anderson, the former's aunt, at Homer, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sullivan of Urbana, and daughter, Mrs. Lottie Hartman of Los Angeles, Cal., were dinner guests of Mrs. Lucy Sullivan, Sunday.

The harvesting of the soybean crop is 85% finished in the Broadlands community. Yields of 18 to 30 bu. per acre have been reported. The average yield is 23 to 24 bu. per acre.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Coryell and daughter, Ethel Mae, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martinie of Longview, to Lafayette, Ind., Sunday, where they spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martinie.

The local Home Bureau will meet at the home of Mrs. Katherine Dohme next Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Irene Wiese as assistant hostess. The meeting will begin promptly at 2:00 o'clock.

Mrs. Fred Buescher arrived Friday of last week for a few weeks visit with her father, Mr. Henry Schumacher. Mrs. Buescher came here from the East Coast where she visited her husband who is serving with the U. S. armed forces.

Floyd Magill and family, who have been residing in Washington, D. C., for the past two years, returned to Broadlands on Wednesday of last week to make their future home. They are visiting in the home of Mrs. Magill's father, Mr. Wm. Messman for the present.

**Pruning Needed to Assure Good Berries and Grapes**

Red raspberries and grapes should be pruned in the early spring before growth starts, but after danger of severe freezes and extremely low temperatures is past. This system of pruning makes sure that dead wood is removed yet offsets danger of overpruning.

The old canes that bore raspberries in the last growing season are usually taken out when fruiting ends. If they were left in the row over winter they should be removed now. The tops of the raspberry canes should be cut back to strong buds, so the weak terminal buds, which would bear poor fruit, are not allowed to grow. Pruning back the tips also keeps the fruit-bearing lateral branches supported on short, sturdy canes that will not bend over and fill the space between rows.

Grape vines need severe pruning. Canes that grew last year produce lateral shoots that bear the clusters of grapes. As the hundreds of buds on an unpruned vine will all grow, the many clusters of grapes started will be small and poor, and may have only a few grapes apiece. To produce large clusters of good fruit, part of the canes are pruned off.

Canes about the diameter of a lead pencil are usually the best to keep for fruiting buds. Weaker canes and old wood should be cut out. If good fruitful canes originate near the trunk, save them, and cut out the good canes that arise from old wood some distance from the trunk. This keeps the fruiting wood from spreading farther out from the trunk each year. To provide fruiting canes for the next year leave a few canes near the trunk, cut back to two buds.

**A Promise**  
By STANLEY CORDELL  
Associated Newspapers.  
WNU Features.

FREEMAN had expected that Palmerton would be changed. He didn't know why; unless it was because a college town is apt to change in ten years' time.

He was, therefore, at once surprised and disappointed. A little puzzled, too. The road which led from the depot to the main street was dusty, covered with a layer of cinders. It had been like that ten years before.

Freeman came abreast of "T" Hall and stopped. His smile deepened. There was a change for you. He couldn't for the life of him think of Thompson Hall as anything but Thompson Hall now, which had a touch of dignity to it.

Freeman wasn't sure that he was going to enjoy his visit as much as he had anticipated. This idea to attend his fraternity reunion had been the result of sudden impulse, provoked by a long existing and suppressed longing. There was a girl behind it.

Freeman paused abruptly. To the right of him a shaded lane ran off toward a distant growth of hardwoods and pine. Midway between the street and the growth, he remembered, the lane widened and there was a stone bench that overlooked a gentle slope with a river below. Ten years ago Freeman had sat on this bench with Eleanor and made ardent love. He had promised all sorts of things, and Eleanor—Eleanor King, her name was, a co-ed—had returned his love-making and promised she would meet him there ten years hence and—

Erven Campbell and Jack Hyde and Howard Pace were all at the fraternity house when Freeman arrived. They had been his bosom companions. Roommates. Good scouts, all of them. They greeted him profusely.

There was a dance to be held that night in the gymnasium; a ball in honor of the old grads. Erv and Jack and Howard were looking forward to a gay time.

They rode up to the gym in Howard Pace's roadster. The cool night air cleared Freeman's head. He followed the others inside and stood for a while near the door. Erven Campbell had already cut in on one of the fraternity members and was



"... of course, I love you, darling."

clumsily trying to keep time to the music. Unconsciously, Freeman found himself comparing Erven with the others. Ten years ago Erven had been considered a good dancer, popular with the coeds, a social success. Tonight he seemed strangely out of place, awkward. The girl with whom he danced looked miserable.

It was October. The night was clear and cold, with a full bright moon. Main street was deserted, save for a few late arrivals hurrying to the dance. It would be easy, Freeman thought as he walked back toward the fraternity, to imagine himself young again.

He hesitated at the beginning of the shaded lane that led to the stone bench, laughed a little, and then on impulse turned into the lane. Still chuckling, he strolled along unhurriedly and came presently to the stone bench.

Abruptly he stopped. The bench was occupied! Freeman's heart stopped and then pounded ahead. Eleanor then had remembered! Her promise had been more than a youthful utterance of words.

Freeman took a step forward, caught himself in the very nick of time. The figure on the bench had moved, became two. Freeman, steadying himself against a tree, heard the murmur of their voices. Their words came to him distinctly, and unashamed he listened.

"... of course, I love you, darling. And I always will. You'll see. Ten years from now I'll come back here and sit on this very bench and wait for you. I promise. It will prove how much I care—waiting ten years—"

Freeman turned away. A smile played about his lips and he seemed strangely contented. Something like a weight had been lifted from inside of him. Perhaps it was because of the fear he had a moment ago known—the possibility of Eleanor's disappointment.

Yet, without knowing why, he was glad he'd come.

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**Fight It Out**  
By VIC YARDMAN  
Associated Newspapers.  
WNU Features.

NO ONE envied Abe Tucker the job of sheriff of Prayton county. For the county, still primitive and isolated from any real "civilized" centers, was at the time of Abe's election, owned and run by Ray Moore and Martin Ladd, who, were the setting of this story laid east of the Mississippi, would be known as "political bosses."

However, locale makes little difference in human nature. Moore and Ladd had all the characteristics usually associated with political bosses. They were entirely lacking in scruples. And to climax it all they hated each other with a vehemence that had already resulted in a half dozen cold-blooded murders.

Ben Midgeley, Abe's closest friend and newly appointed deputy, made no bones about voicing his doubts.

"You can never clean 'em out, Abe," Ben said. "Both Moore and Ladd have too strong a hold. They own half the land in the county and have mortgages on the rest of it. There aren't a half dozen honest men in the whole blasted county got guts enough to help you make a single arrest."

Abe got up and closed the door of the little adobe office. "Listen," he said, speaking confidentially, "Fred Halliday, who is Martin Ladd's right arm and first lieutenant, is in town today."

"That's right," Ben admitted. "He's over at the Paradise now."

"Fine!" Abe leaned closer. "You go over there, Ben, and tell Fred that Ray Moore is making a big drive tomorrow night through Hellgate canyon. About five hundred head. And there'll be only four riders doggin' 'em. Drop the news kinda casual like, as if you didn't suspect Fred would be interested."

George Ratnor arrived an hour later. He was a little man, brown and wizened, with a fiery look in his eyes. He owned a small ranch bordering on the extensive acres of Ray Moore. For months he had suspected Moore of annexing part of his small herd whenever convenient, but realized the folly of trying to prove a charge.

"George," said Abe, characteristically coming to the point at once, "I need three men besides Ben Midgeley to assist men in cleaning up Prayton county. Can I depend upon you?"

"You're danged right you can!" the little man exploded. "I don't know what your plan is, but I'm for it nevertheless."

Abe smiled contentedly. "Fine. This afternoon I want you to bump into one of Ray Moore's men, casual like, and drop remarks to the effect that Martin Ladd is making a big drive tomorrow night through Hellgate canyon and there'll be only four riders along. Give the impression you overheard some of Ladd's men talking in town."

At eight o'clock the following night George Ratnor, Tod Leland, Ben Midgeley and a youth named Curly Sellers gathered in Abe Tucker's office and listened to the sheriff unfold his plan.

An hour later, headed by Abe, the party of five made an unobtrusive exit from the town, riding north. At ten o'clock they had reached the entrance to Hellgate canyon, a deep cavern-like defile separating the Moore ranch from that of Martin Ladd. But now the group had diminished to three, George Ratnor and Curly Sellers having ridden off to the south a mile or two back.

Abe led his three companions to a narrow shelf which ran along the canyon floor for a hundred yards or more. Here, concealed by scrub growth, they dismounted, tethered their horses and walked back to the lip of the canyon to wait.

Suddenly Abe stood erect. A revolver shot had sounded far down the canyon. It was followed by another and then more. Motioning his companions to follow, Abe led the way along the shelf, descending almost to the canyon's floor.

The distant firing had increased in volume and now, mingled with it, they heard the hoarse shouts of men. Shod hooves sounded on the canyon floor; a rapidly moving shadow materialized from the darkness. Abe raised the rifle in his hands and fired. The figure crumpled. Others, close behind, drew rein, cursing horribly. And in the mad confusion that followed while they turned about, the three concealed men fired rapidly. Two more were added to the casualty list. Then the space at the mouth of the canyon was empty, and the clatter of pounding hooves grew fainter.

"Those were Moore's men," Abe said. "They suspect we belong to the Ladd outfit and that we have them trapped."

The drum of hooves had sounded again on the rocks. But it wasn't made by horsemen. The cattle, which George Ratnor and Curly Sellers had borrowed from the former's range and driven into the canyon to make the trap seem real, were trying to escape. Abe clucked contentedly as they went by. There were 80 head in the bunch, and he feared they might be killed in the battle.

This night's affair resulted in the killing of no less than a dozen men from both the Moore and Ladd factions. And Abe Tucker and his four loyal followers were happily content.

**Longview News**  
(Thelma D. Kraft, Reporter)

Mrs. Jane Sperlin is ill with a severe cold.

Charles Dyar has given up his work at the elevator.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Smith and daughters were business callers in Champaign, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Dyar and family of Urbana spent Sunday with Mr. Robert Warnes.

Mr. and Mrs. George Apgar were business callers in Champaign, Monday.

Odell Gillenwater and Glen Carleton have received their call and will leave for camp October 22.

Grade and High School were dismissed last Friday, while the teachers attended institute at Champaign.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kraft and daughter, and Bernadean Blaney spent Sunday in the Ervin Blaney home at Villa Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Smith and daughters spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mulford Sibley of Champaign.

Mr. and Mrs. T. McQueen and daughter, Rosemary, of Potomac spent the weekend with their son, Don McQueen and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bengston spent Sunday with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bengston, of Potomac.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Maxwell and family spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Maxwell at Homer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martinie visited their son, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martinie, of Lafayette, Ind., Sunday.

Sgt. Ross Duncan of Camp Polk, Shreveport, La., arrived Sunday for a ten day furlough with his aunts, Mrs. C. H. Daniels and Mrs. C. F. Churchill.

Pvt. Donald Fields of Camp Adair, Ore., is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Ruth Fields, Villa Grove, and other relatives.

Mrs. Fred Messman, of Broadlands, Chas. DeWitt, Newman, and Mr. and Mrs. Reed Hales were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. P. E. Mavity.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Parks received word that their son, Bobbie Gene, is now stationed at Las Vegas, Nev., and hopes to get a furlough soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Norton, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Woodworth and son, of Urbana, Mr. and Mrs. Merton Parks and daughter spent Sunday with Mrs. Grace Parks and Mrs. Effie Walker.

Friends received word Thurs-

day of last week of the death of Edgar Blantz of Huntington, Indiana. Mrs. Blantz will be remembered as Miss Hazel Fleenner.

Mrs. Edna Martin, Mrs. Levi Driver and Miss Clara Warnes attended the Missionary talk given by Mrs. Wiant in the Methodist church in Broadlands Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Churchill and daughters spent Sunday with Mrs. Churchill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tharp, of Newman. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Katherin of Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleoh Dollahan and daughter of Pekin; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Warnes and son of Tuscola; Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Warnes and sons were Sunday guests in the John H. Warnes home.

Mr. Chas. Warnes, Rev. and Mrs. Pike Reynolds helped Mr. W. H. Warnes celebrate his birthday with a dinner at his home on Sunday, Oct. 3. An angel food cake with 68 candles decorated the table.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Fansler, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Morrow and Mr. and Mrs. Logan Akers of Newman, attended the funeral of a relative, Mrs. D. P. Akers of Indianapolis, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Smith accompanied Mrs. J. C. Deere to Chicago, Sunday. The Smiths returned Sunday evening, but Mrs. Deere remained for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. James Ashbrook and family.

Mrs. J. T. Arwine was hostess to the Friends Society on Wednesday afternoon, with thirteen members present. Mrs. Wallace Warnes gave the lesson on "Abundant Living" by E. Stanley Jones. Miss Clara Warnes had charge of recreation. It was voted to send this book to each boy in service.

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