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JESUS PRESENTS HIMSELF AS THE MESSIAH

GOLDEN TEXT: Mark 11:1-10, 15-18.
GOLDEN TEXT: Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? And Jesus said, I am.—Mark 14:61, 62.

As our Lord entered upon the last week of His earthly ministry, the time had come for Him to present Himself officially to His people as their Messiah. As He did so, we observe that He then had and now has a right to claim all that we have and are, as well as to exercise judgment over us.

I. His Right to Property (vv. 1-7).
We are so prone to call our possessions our own, and to hold them for our selfish purposes. Just a moment's reflection makes us aware that we are but stewards holding our things, as we hold ourselves, for the use of God.

That means that the Lord need only send for what we have, and we should gladly yield it to Him. "The Lord hath need" is the only requisition we need. He has absolute priority. And yet the very fact that He has need of us and what we have, dignifies our service or sacrifice on His behalf.

How surprising it was that the One who made and upholds all things (Col. 1:16, 17) should have to say, "The Lord hath need of him," in sending for a humble beast of burden. Yet therein lies a marvelous truth. He has graciously so ordered the universe that He has need of us and of our possessions.

Let us also learn the important lesson of unquestioning obedience taught in verse 4. "They went their way" to do what the Lord told them to do. How greatly simplified and glorified would be the lives of Christian people if they would thus obey Christ.

As He came riding into the city, we observe

II. His Right to Praise (vv. 7-10).
God says, "Him that offereth praise glorifieth me" (Ps. 50:23), and the believer recognizes that "praise is comely for the upright" (Ps. 33:1). Jesus is entirely worthy of the praise of every heart and voice.

Presenting Himself as their Messiah, Jesus received the enthusiastic acclaim of His disciples and friends, who were probably joined by others who were drawn by the excitement.

The Pharisees did not join in (see Luke 19:39, 40) nor did the city, not even knowing who He was (Matt. 21:10, 11). So it is today; some love and praise Him, some hate Him, others just ignore Him. Of which class are you?

He gave Jerusalem and the nation a final opportunity to receive Him. It was not yet too late, but it was their last chance. Such a time comes in the life of everyone of us. They rejected Him. Do we?

But even though some did reject, let us not forget that there were those who shouted, "Hosanna," who cast their garments down before Him and waved palms of victory and joy. Thank God for their holy enthusiasm. Pray God that we may have a little more of it.

III. His Right to Punish (vv. 15-18).

People like to hear about a God of love, one who knows their weakness, and is kind toward their infirmities. But we must not forget that God shows His love by a great and holy hatred of sin, and a desire to deliver us from that sin. This means that He must and will deal in drastic fashion with those who persist in their sin.

A second time He drove out from His Father's house those who had made it a place of merchandise, of commercialized thievery.

This is a majestic picture. The Son of God and Son of Man steps into the center of this unholy traffic and with mighty, holy indignation (not anger) drives it out. The people who had suffered long because of this religious racket, which paid a nice "cut" to the priests themselves (probably as a "gift" even as such things are managed now), were jubilant.

We read in the same story in Matthew 21:12-22 that the boys who were in the temple (for such is doubtless the meaning of "children" in verse 15) were so delighted at this magnificent exercise of His divine authority that they broke out into "Hosannas," which really amounted to a holy "Hurrah."

Well, why not? Hurrah for our Lord! He will not tolerate iniquity even though it hides under the cloak of religion. He is not afraid to speak out and to act against sin and corruption.

Possibly the church would reach a good many more men and boys in our day if it would step out in faith to fight the wrong and support the right. Then maybe the young men would shout, "Hurrah for the church."

The chief priests and scribes were afraid and displeased and began to plot against Him. The passage in Matthew indicates that their anger was aroused both by the acts of Jesus and the praise of the boys.

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On Being Well-Bred

Conventions are the hall marks of civilized living. They are the traffic rules which man has adopted for the better conduct of his life. Their observance is the card proving his right to membership in civilized society.

There is no law against pushing your neighbor aside in the street, but if you do so, you prove yourself a boor. There is no law against eating peas with a knife—but if you do, you mark yourself ill-bred and unused to the amenities of civilized society. There is no law against discourtesy—but it just isn't practised by the kind of people you want to know.

Conventions are designed for the protection of all. The common usages of society are ingrained in children from their earliest contacts with those around them. We do not condemn a child himself for his bad manners, but we do comment caustically upon his home environment.

To those conventions with which we are all conversant, should now be added a new one. A person who condemns another not as an individual but because of the group from which he comes, should be considered as guilty of bad breeding as he who transgresses any of the other more material conventions. It just isn't American, and it just isn't done by ladies and gentlemen in America. We should hold it as important to be kind as to be courteous, to speak fairly as well as truthfully, to respect our neighbor's beliefs as we respect his possessions.

We are now entering on one of the most trying years of our material life—a year in which the crescendo of war will mean greater stress upon our own tempers, greater strain upon our mental balance as the casualty lists roll in, in addition to the bitter fight of a national election.

Let us resolve to conduct ourselves as well-bred people during this trying time. Let us be good American ladies and gentlemen first and set a seal upon our lips. Arguing as hotly as we will, let us observe the canons of fair play and decent speech and not indulge in generalized charges against anyone, nor in mass condemnation of any group within our nation, nor in vitriolic attacks on any race, religion, class or color.

Observing at all times the conventions of society let us prove to the world that the democratic form of government with its freedom of speech for all people can still be not only the most civilized but the best bred form of government.

Food Shrinkage

Because food shrinks so much in the dehydration process, here's what to expect:

Green snap beans—15 pounds dry to approximately 1 or 1½ pounds; carrots—12½ pounds dry to 1 or 1½ pounds; spinach and other greens—12½ pounds dry to ½ or ¾ pound; apples—12½ pounds dry to 1½ or 2 pounds; corn (cut off the cob)—10 to 12 ears make about 1 quart of dried kernels, or 6 pounds dry to 2½ pounds.

Dried apples, corn, and snap beans usually rate higher than carrots or greens, both for retention of flavor and for storage qualities. One cup of a dried fruit or vegetable will make enough cooked food to serve five persons. Dried foods should be packed in amounts of single meal servings to avoid unnecessary exposure of the product.

Sidelights

Pvt. Leonard Fierst, of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., is a most considerable fellow. When, after being wounded on Guadalcanal, he was lined up with other men to receive the Purple Heart Award, he refused to accept his medal explaining: "If my mother would hear of me receiving the Purple Heart she would worry about me."

Five German prisoners escaped Saturday night from the prisoner of war camp near Indianola, Neb. The alarm was sounded and word spread over the countryside, which was covered with a blanket of snow six inches deep. Eight miles away several country boys took up the search—armed with shot guns. On Sunday, Lt. Col. Frederick E. Whitten, commanding officer of the camp was called to a certain farmhouse where the boys had the Nazis penned up in a henhouse.

When his wife's body fell thru the bottom of the casket at her funeral, striking him on the leg, Charles Bauman, of Pittstown, N. J., suffered such a severe shock that his hair turned prematurely gray. To compensate him for the many "sleepless nights filled with nightmares and horrible dreams," he has asked damages of \$25,000, according to suit filed in U. S. District Court, Philadelphia, against two burial casket companies, one the manufacturer and the other the jobber who sold the casket.

A storage warehouse in Pomona, Cal., had accumulated a large number of uncalled for packages and, as has been the practice of the concern and to comply with the law that requires packages to be held a certain length of time before being sold for storage, advertised a pig-in-a-poke clearance auction. Charles E. Prince happened in and during the sale bought a package. Upon opening the box he found he had bought 241 ounces of pure gold. He is now wondering whether the Treasury Department is going to confiscate the \$5,000 worth of gold dust under the 1934 Gold Act.

Household Hints

Keep crackers and wafers stored in metal containers near the cook stove so they will be fresh and crisp at all times.

If the bread happens to burn, scrape the top off with a vegetable grater then slip bread back into the oven a few minutes to brown.

Shirts that are too shabby for wear can be made into nice covers for dresses hanging in the closet. Simply cut out sleeves and sew up the seams.

If sandwich bread is too fresh to slice, place the loaf in the refrigerator and allow it to chill thoroughly. The bread will harden enough to slice easily.

Hang clothes outdoors if possible, but if they must be dried indoors in winter choose a room with good ventilation to help with the drying.

Keep metal spoons out of liquids you want to come to the boiling point quickly. Metal is a good conductor of heat, and consequently deflects heat from the liquid.

To save ham, wrap it in a stout paper that is absorbent and grease-proof, then enclose it in a muslin bag. The paper keeps the grease from softening the meat. Leave the wrapping on until ready to use.

Our boys must keep on fighting—we must keep on buying WAR BONDS until victory is won. Keep on BACKING THE ATTACK.

Do You Know Illinois?

By Edward J. Hughes
Secretary of State.

Q. What notable literary magazine began publication in 1871?

A. The Lakeside Monthly.

Q. Who was its founder?

A. Francis Fisher Browne.

Q. How long was it published?

A. Until 1874.

Q. With what publication did Browne succeed the Lakeside Monthly?

A. In 1880 he founded The Dial and was its editor for more than 30 years.

Q. What Illinois Governor did Browne defend in The Dial?

A. He courageously and far-sightedly defended Governor Altgeld in the latter's pardoning of the men convicted in Chicago's famous Haymarket Riot.

Q. Who was the originator of the column "Sharps and Flats" and where did it appear?

A. Eugene Field in The Chicago Daily News.

Q. Who was the author of the famous "Mr. Dooley" and where did it appear?

A. Peter Finley Dunne, in the Chicago Times-Herald.

Q. What famous series did George Ade write in Chicago?

A. "Fables in Slang."

Q. When, where, and by whom was the magazine Poetry: A Magazine of Verse founded?

A. In 1912, in Chicago, by Harriet Monroe.

Q. What name was given Chicago in 1920?

A. H. L. Mencken, in an article in the English publication, The Nation, referred to it as the "literary capital of the United States."

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.

Remember Pearl Harbor!

Pilots Warn Family of Fire

Chanute Field, Ill.—A fire was raging in a barn on a farm ten miles east of this post.

Pilots from the four-engine transitional training school here were flying their giant Fortress in that area. They spotted the blazing barn and headed for it.

The farmer, Henry W. Flesner, and his family were asleep, unaware of the fire.

Sweeping low over the farm several times, pilots awakened the sleeping family, thus warning them. The fire in the barn was beyond control, but aid was summoned and the blaze was prevented from spreading to other buildings on the farm.

Tire Inspection Dates

The last days on which motorists must have their tires inspected are as follows:

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A-Bookholders—March 31.

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Are We Worth It?

The woman laid down the newspaper as she asked herself the question, and sat staring out of the window. She had been looking at the long list of names under the heading "Killed in Action," and at the pictures of the boys in uniform who were injured or missing in action. As she looked at those pictured faces, some so boyish, some older, some smiling, some stern, she wondered "Will I some day see the face of one of my boys looking at me from a group like that?" Outside it was early spring, with warm sunshine and tender green leaves unfolding on the great maple tree where the boys used to play. A piece of rope dangled from a branch where their swing had been. It was all so quiet here, so peaceful. But what was it like over there where they were, in the fox holes, on the ocean, in the sky.

Yesterday a neighbor had returned home from a steel mill where he had been working. Their leader had demanded higher wages for the men. They were already making more money in a short hour week than a soldier constantly facing a horrible death was getting in a month. A girl she knew was being paid a huge sum weekly in a war plant and laughed about the days she played hookey, and went shopping or to a show. And in Europe and in the Pacific, American boys desperate for lack of fighting materials turned hopeless bewildered eyes toward home and wondered why we were failing them. Across the way she could see the beautiful Daney home. In two respects she and Mrs. Daney were alike. They were widows and each had three sons of fighting age. But none of the Daney boys were in the war. They had been deferred so many times it was plain they would never go.

Sometimes as she saw them about the countryside in their big cars she wondered if they really knew a war was going on. She wondered how they would react if for just one hour they should find themselves standing in a fox hole in Guadalcanal as her oldest son John had stood and where he might be this very moment. Though John had told her nothing she knew what that meant; boys standing in the mud and filth and awful stench of them for days at a time, with bugs and mosquitos and rats and vermin crawling over them; and the Japs in the trees and the dense jungle ready to shoot at a movement or a sound. Or with Bill in the great ship carrying supplies to the Allies and in constant danger from submarines and enemy planes. Or with Jimmy her youngest, so lately thru with high school and the making of model planes, now guiding a great monster of a bombing plane through the air, sweating out a mission, tense for hours getting to the given location, tense that the bombs may find their target. Then if all goes well back to the field, exhausted but safe. But some day when all didn't go well, when they encountered too many fighters, or when the flak over the target was too heavy....She got up and moved about the room. Did the boys who stayed at home and the people who grumbled about rationing, taxes and bond buying, and who tried to hoard and to profit from the bloodshed of battlefields, did they know or care what the boys out there were going through?

How would the stay-at-home boys have answered the ones who had volunteered, had they asked; Why should we fight, and maybe die, for you? Why should we risk prison camps, starvation and torture while you stay at home in safety, make good money, have a wife, chil-

dren and all the privileges and good things of life? Isn't it your country as much as ours?

And as the woman thought of all the selfishness and littleness, of the black marketing and profiteering and lack of patriotism of people she knew—when she thought of patriotic things she too had failed to do—she bowed her head in humility and again murmured, "Are We Worth It?"

Discovered Smut Cure

How science discovered some important facts about wheat smut is an interesting bit of history. About 1670, a sailing vessel loaded with wheat ran into a storm and was grounded near Bristol, England. English grain growers were suffering heavy losses from smut, a mysterious disease for which no control had been discovered. Farmers living along the coast salvaged some of the grain from the wreck. They found it too saturated with sea water to use for flour, so planted it as seed.

The soaked seed produced wheat that was fairly free from smut while nearby fields were heavily diseased. During the next century, sprinkling wheat with brine was a common practice. Today, research has determined that the disease is caused by fungi which reproduce themselves and live over from year to year by means of microscopic bodies known as spores that are often present on the surface of the seed.

Honey Flavor Varies

All honey is good and wholesome, at least in the temperate zone, even that made from the flowers of poison ivy and poison sumac, but there are great differences in flavor and color, dependent on the source of the nectar. In the southeastern part of the country bees often gather honey too bitter to be edible. Experiments indicate that honeybees can pass to the honey many kinds of coloring substances and flavors when these are fed in sugar syrup as a supplementary ration, thus indicating possibilities of more types of honey (which, for commercial use, must be labeled to indicate source) than are possible from flowers alone.

Teach Pedestrians Walking

Since the OPA has literally put Atlanta on its feet, the city police department has concluded it must teach pedestrians how to use those feet—as far as traffic regulations are concerned, at least. First step in the campaign was to issue safety pamphlets for pedestrians in which safe walking is stressed. After a reasonable time pedestrians who break traffic laws will be treated just like law breaking motorists. In other words, the chief of police says, jaywalking across the street against a signal light, stepping from parked cars into the traffic stream, and other actions which result in accidents will be "out" for the duration.

Biology in Business

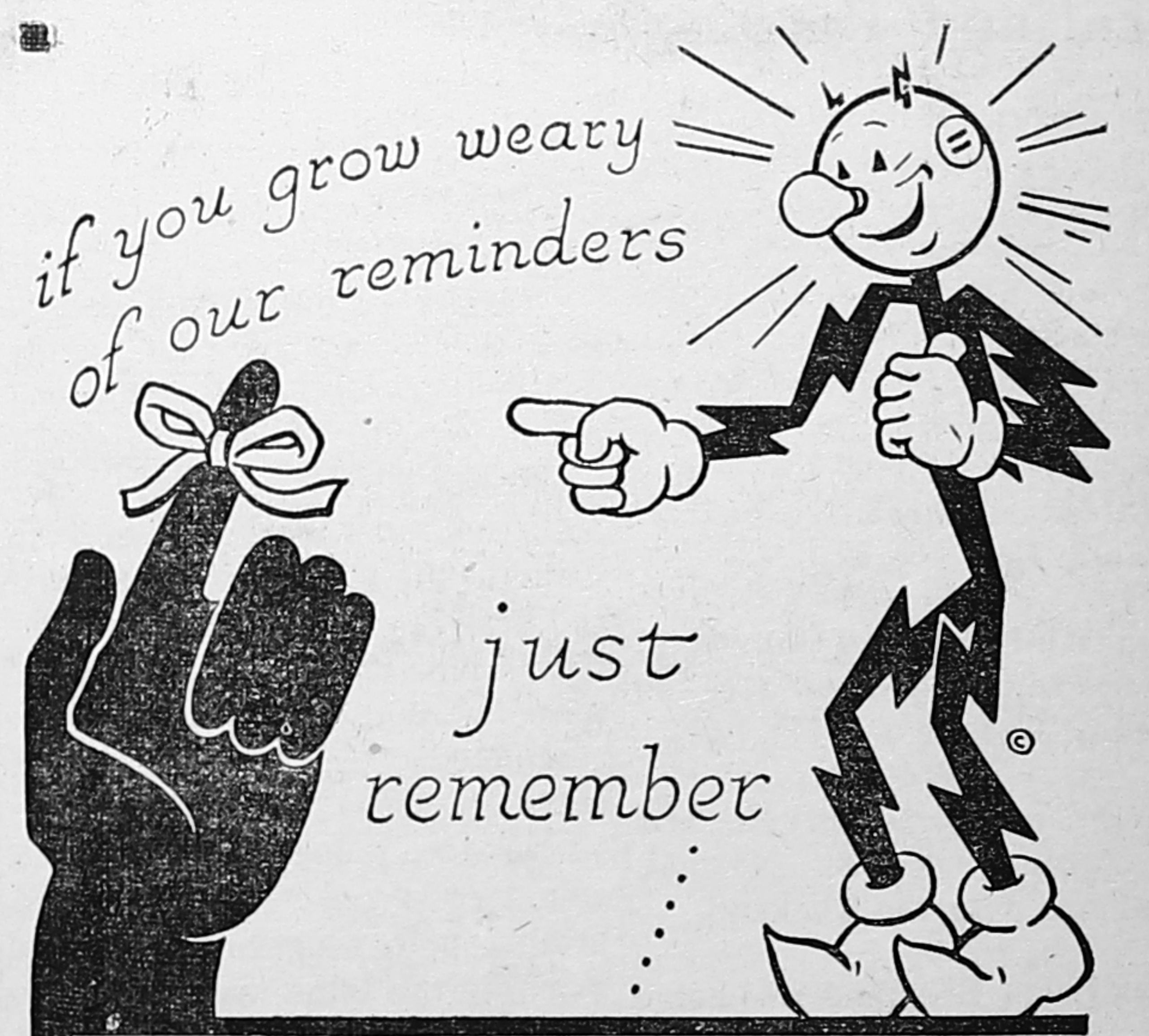
Whether sugar is scarce or plentiful, honey is always attractive and valuable, and its production by the honeybee a most interesting example of biology in business. The flower-pollinating activities of the honeybee, estimated as worth at least ten times the value of the honey and wax produced, contribute in no small degree to the size of our agricultural crops, and through these to the number of people that can live on a given amount of land. Thus in an indirect way, the honeybee is a factor in civilization. The value of the honeybee is so important that high priorities are given for materials needed to carry on their work. Without honeybees in the groves, orchards and fields, there would be no useful production of many foods, including fruits, vegetables, berries and nuts.

Bee Active Six Weeks

When flowers are plentiful, a worker bee will wear itself out in about six weeks in producing its quota of a teaspoonful of honey. While the average annual yield for the whole country is less than 50 pounds, a good hive may produce several hundred pounds of honey in a year, depending on the flora, location and strength of the colony, and to a great degree on the weather, particularly during the flowering of a single high-yield crop. Some of the honey is needed to maintain the colony over the winter, but most of it may be sold, at prices ranging from 10 to 35 cents a pound at retail, according to type and quality.

Sweeten Sudan Grass

Sweetness and juiciness are common characteristics of sweet sorghums and their incorporation into Sudan grass has made it more palatable to cattle as shown by planting the old and new strains on adjoining areas and allowing cattle to graze them at will. As the breeding work progressed selection was made in rows well grazed by the cattle. During the years, there were several good demonstrations of the preference that cattle had for the new sweet and juicy strain which was grazed literally into the ground while the common Sudan grass was grazed down only to the height of about one foot.



Somewhere, there may be someone who, unlike yourself, is not yet bending every effort toward Victory.

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Local and Personal

Mrs. George Dohme and Mrs. Lettie Eckerty were Champaign shoppers, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Smith were business callers at Monticello, Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Cable and daughter visited relatives in Terre Haute, Ind., Sunday.

Kenneth Dicks and family of Arthur visited relatives here on Saturday evening.

The Misses Dortha Stuebe and Lois Zantow, ISNU, Normal, were home over the weekend.

Miss Leone Bergfield was home from Litchfield over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Keilbach have returned home after a three months visit at Bloomington, Ind.

Mrs. O. E. Gore and Mrs. Orval McCormick were Champaign visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. D. F. Freeman is spending a few days with her brother, John Lloyd, and family, in Arcola.

Mrs. Wm. Patton was taken to Burnham City hospital, Champaign, Monday, for medical treatment.

Sgt. Oliver W. McCormick of Camp Wolters, Texas, arrived Sunday for a week's visit with relatives.

Elmer Limp and family moved from the Mrs. Leanna Miller farm to the Mike Plaut farm east of Danville, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Henson entertained at dinner, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Griffith, Dorris and Darrel, Mrs. Ella Maxwell, and Veras Turner.

The Elmey Sys of near Hume entertained a number of friends at a chili supper, Feb. 17, in honor of their sons, Coxswain Oliver Sy and Corporal Lawrence Sy.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Cable returned Sunday from a five weeks visit with the Glenn Porters at Marion, Ohio, and the Kenneth Cables at Terre Haute, Ind.

Ed Maxwell, son Montelle, and John M. Smith attended the community sale at Penfield, Saturday, when 252 head of horses and mules were sold.

Lieut. Wayne Thode is expected home from Oklahoma this Friday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Thode, jr., in Sidney.

P. O. Rayl was called to Champaign, Thursday of last week to bring his sister, Mrs. Alice Struck here to recuperate from an attack of flu.

Will Smith is ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Johnson in Danville. He is suffering from an attack of influenza. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Smith visited him Wednesday night.

Rose Marie Bosch, who has been staying with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bosch, has gone to Villa Grove to make her home with her parents, at 202 E. Adams.

The Wilbert Sys entertained a goodly number of friends at an ice cream supper at their home Feb. 18, in honor of Corporal Lawrence Sy and Coxswain Oliver Sy.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Parsons of Villa Grove, have received word from their grandson, George W. Walker, of Paris, that he has been promoted from Seaman Second Class to Yeoman Third Class. He has been stationed in Hawaii for the past six months.

Letters To The Editor

Somewhere in New Guinea, Feb. 4, 1944.

Dear Joe—I'll drop you a few lines to let you know that I made it over here in good shape. I made the trip okay and never got seasick at all. We have a nice place here and so far we have made it fine. It was a little hard the first few days living on rations, but now we have our mess hall and everything is about completed. I can't say much about the trip only that it seemed we were going in circles. We would go to bed with water all around and wake up the next morning the same way. So far, I haven't received any mail, but maybe it will start coming soon. It has been 13 months today since I became a soldier, and I have went a long way. When I left home I never thought that in a year I would be here or I never thought I would be married. I guess love can do funny things sometimes because it only took me two months to woo and win my wife.

I must sign off for now as I have a few more letters to write. Tell everybody "Hello" and to write.

As ever,
"Skeets" Thode.

Camp Kohler, Sacramento, California, Feb. 18—Pvt. Edward J. Bosch Jr., who is stationed at the Western Signal Corps Unit Training Center at Camp Kohler, Cal., has qualified as sharpshooter with the .30 calibre rifle, according to an announcement by Colonel Harry E. Storms, Commanding Officer. His score was 162 out of 200.

Illinois State Capitol News

With a highly successful 1943 season as a background, county fair officials throughout Illinois are getting ready to conduct fairs this summer and fall. Fifty-three agricultural fairs were held in Illinois last year. A state department of agriculture report to Governor Dwight H. Green indicates that all the managements expect to stage repeat performances this season, as some of them enjoyed the best year in their history in 1943.

Almost one thousand Illinois men and women who had been receiving old age pension allowances from the state found steady work and became self-supporting during the latter half of 1943. The exact number who obtained regular employment was 962. Officials of the Illinois public aid commission point out that an increasingly liberal attitude toward age limits by employers is making it possible for many elderly persons to realize their desire to provide for themselves.

Tuscola Man Hurt As Trucks Sideswipe

(News-Gazette)

William Trostle of Tuscola was critically injured about 10 a. m. Tuesday when the bread truck which he was driving sideswiped a dump truck on the Homer-Catlin road, two miles east of Homer.

Lieutenant Joe Clancy of the state police said the drivers of the two trucks were unable to see in the heavy fog which blanketed the area.

Trostle was taken to Burnham city hospital, Champaign, and attendants described his condition as serious, after a preliminary examination. It was reported he had a possible skull fracture.

The dump truck was driven by Harold Smith of Homer and owned by Charles Hilliard, Homer. Smith was shaken up but not injured, Lieutenant Clancy said.

Longview News

(Thelma D. Kraft, Reporter)

Mrs. Grace Elvidge of Urbana spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Lyman Mohr.

World Day of Prayer will be observed at the U. B. Church at 7:30 p. m. Friday. Everybody invited.

Clarence Bergfield of Tuscola has rented the Lula Chapman property which will soon be vacated by the Roy Wendlings.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hood have moved to the house on the Bailey farm recently vacated by the Perry Todds.

Paul Richardson of Villa Grove has rented the Lula Chapman property recently vacated by Mrs. Grace Bosch who moved to Villa Grove.

Mrs. Merle Buddemeier attended an all day meeting of the W. S. C. S. of the Pleasant Hill Church on Thursday in the home of Mrs. S. A. Buddemeier.

Mr. and Mrs. George Apgar have received word that their son, Sgt. George Apgar, who has been overseas for a year, is on his way home for a visit.

All women and girls of the community interested in Red Cross work are invited each Monday afternoon to the work room. Workers are needed.

Mrs. J. C. Deere returned home Wednesday from Chicago after an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. James Ashbrook and family.

Mrs. Merton Parks was hostess to Loyal Workers Wednesday afternoon with twelve members present. Miss Ada Paine led the devotions; Mrs. Lyman Mohr gave the missionary lesson; and Mrs. Reed Hales sang.

Mr. and Mrs. James Guthrie attended a dinner Sunday in the Ed Harby home at Ridgefarm. The dinner was in honor of their son, Edward, who leaves soon for the army. The Paul Leirids of Allerton accompanied them.

Miss Lena Churchill has received a number of souvenirs from her cousin, Donald Duncan, collected from the battles in the Aleutians. A certificate of authenticity accompanied the articles. Among them is a Jap bugle.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wright entertained Sunday in honor of her grandfather's 77th birthday. Mr. and Mrs. James Coslet, Mr. and Mrs. John Coslet of Sidney. The grandfather, Mr. James Coslet, was the fourth son of the late Wm. Coslet and wife, and was born Feb. 20, 1867, near Fairland. On Oct. 9, 1892 he married Miss Ella McKee at Broken Bow, Neb., and they came in a covered wagon to the home of his mother at St. Joe, Mo. Later they came to Illinois and lived for a number of years on the Chas. Wendling farm. Then they moved to a farm near Sidell. Eleven years ago they moved to their present home. They have the following children: Marvin, Charleston; Guy, Mrs. Inez Clem, and John and wife at home; seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Buys Horses and Mules For A Mississippi Firm

John M. Smith purchased and delivered 14 head of horses and mules to a firm at Holly Springs, Miss., Sunday. Frank Haines delivered the animals in Ernie Mohr's truck and Mr. Smith accompanied the shipment.

Mrs. Clint Ray was called to Hindsboro, Monday, by the death of her step-mother.



This year, with service flags in windows of nearly every home, Red Cross will mean so much more to Americans. As depicted in this reproduction of a 1944 Red Cross War Fund poster, many windows also will display the symbol of participation in the cause of Mercy and Humanity—the Red Cross.

Red Cross Asks \$200,000,000 To Cover Wartime Needs

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Confronted with responsibilities of unprecedented proportions, as the war enters its most crucial stage, and with a staggering task ahead in the post-war period, the American Red Cross opens its 1944 War Fund appeal March 1, confident that the American people will respond to the limit of their ability.

President Roosevelt, president of the American Red Cross, Norman H. Davis, chairman and active head of the vast organization, and Leon Fraser, national War Fund chairman, join in urging the people of this country to help Red Cross reach its national objective of \$200,000,000 because of the vital part it must play within the next twelve months.

Chairman Davis, in opening the campaign will stress the fact that with the decisive stage of the war at hand, the Red Cross must assume a greater burden than ever before, and at the same time must provide aid to servicemen being returned in ever-increasing numbers.

Red Cross operations over the entire world during 1943 have dwarfed its activities during the first two years of war.

An even greater burden will be placed on Red Cross services in 1944. Thousands of American men and women are now in Red Cross service with U. S. troops at home bases and overseas. Field directors, hospital, club and recreation workers are with American armed forces in virtually every command, Mr. Davis asserted.

Both in Europe and in the Far East, Red Cross workers have either gone with invasion forces into new combat areas, or have followed within a very limited time.

On the home front, the Red Cross has broadened its service tremendously to include military welfare services.

every sizable military establishment and camp throughout the country, and recreation and social service workers are located in Army and Naval hospitals.

One of the most important and necessary war-time Red Cross functions has been the collection of human blood for plasma. Thirty-five blood donor stations are now operating.

The dramatic story of the Red Cross Blood Donor Service, through which thousands of soldiers and sailors have been saved from death, began in February, 1941, when the Surgeons General of the Army and Navy asked the Red Cross to procure 15,000 pints of blood. Last year more than 3,700,000 pints of blood were collected for the Army and Navy. This year the goal is more than 5,000,000 pints.

With major battles of the war yet to come, the Army has asked the Red Cross to supply many millions of surgical dressings. American men wounded in battle will depend acutely on the vast Red Cross surgical dressing production program.

Numerous other Red Cross home operations, such as Prisoners of War packaging centers, where more than a million parcels for war prisoners are prepared each month for shipment overseas, are supported by citizen-participation in the Red Cross War Fund.

So extensive is Red Cross service during this war that every American civilian can contribute something to at least one of its functions. To continue this gigantic work, all Americans must assume their share of the responsibility of carrying on this far-reaching service.

The \$200,000,000 quota will enable Red Cross to alleviate suffering and pain at home and abroad, and to carry out its humanitarian military welfare service.

LOCKER SERVICE

We are going to finish renting Lockers for the proposed Sidney Co-op Locker Service.

If you rent a locker, you will be assured of getting one and be helping the committee to get the papers ready to go to Washington. Drawer Type, \$14.00; Door Type, \$12.00.

Use the following form and mail it to E. J. Anders or E. C. Herriott, Sidney.

Make check payable to Co-op Locker Service.

Co-Op Locker Service of Champaign County Champaign, Illinois

THE UNDERSIGNED, hereby subscribes for _____ locker at the rate \$ _____ per year, payable in cash herewith.

Locker rental date to be effective at the opening date of the proposed Sidney, Illinois Locker Plant.

THE UNDERSIGNED, agrees that this money shall be held by said Co-Op Locker Service of Champaign, Illinois and returned to the undersigned if locker plant is not completed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this subscription agreement this _____ day of _____ 1944.

Name _____
Address _____

My son says he just doesn't want to marry.

Oh yeah. Just wait 'til the wrong girl comes along.

Why is marriage like a cafeteria?

Because you grab what looks nice to you and pay for it later.

Executive—Miss Jones, do you retire alone?

Miss Jones—No, sir, I sleep with Mom.

Have you a hidden talent?

IF YOU'D LIKE to find out what your special aptitude is and put it to work to help win this war—take the opportunity the WAC offers you!

Join the WAC and let Army experts help you discover the type of work you can do best. Let the Army train you to do one of 239 vital jobs. Learn a skill that will be useful to you long after the war is over! (If you already have a skill the Army can use it too.)

TODAY—get full details at the nearest U. S. Army Recruiting Station (your local post office will give you the address.) Or write: The Adjutant General, Room 4415 Munitions Building, Washington, D. C.

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