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BIBLE THOUGHT THIS WEEK

Your father knoweth what things ye have need of.—Matt. vi. 8. Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Matt. vi. 33.

THE BIG QUESTION

Eric Johnston, President of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, says: "When the war ends we shall have to go into reverse. We shall have to shift from a war economy to a peace economy. We must learn to sell again as well as to produce. Private initiative will have to take the place of government direction and planning."

Millions of retail distributors will agree with Mr. Johnston heartily. They will have to do the selling of the products that our factories will be prepared to pour out in a flood. They will play a major role in striking the first handshake between costs and prices that will start the wheels of peacetime industry turning and will keep them turning.

This country has the most efficient distribution system ever devised. There is little question but that it can do an A-1 sales job, providing retailers are allowed to go ahead in their customary manner. They are used to running their own business in a competative market. Traditionally, merchandising is a game in which the merchant serving his customers best enjoys the greatest success.

The big question now is are we going to allow the distribution industry to get back to normal methods of operation as quickly as possible when the war ends, or are we, under one pretense or another going to continue wartime controls to the point where distributors are hampered in carrying out the most important sales job in history?

Years ago an American, an Englishman, and a German, visiting an Oriental country, were granted an audience by the local potentate. Addressing the Englishman, he said, "I understand that you are a subject of the King of England." The Englishman bowed and replied, "Yes, Yes, your Highness, and I am very proud of it." Turning to the German, he said, "And you are a subject of the Kaiser." Clicking his heels and bowing stiffly, the German replied, "Yes, your Highness, and very proud!" Addressing the American, His Highness said, "And you are a subject of the United States of America." Whereupon the American exclaimed, "Subject! hell, I own part of the United States of America."

Holiday Greetings

Christmas

PEACE

May the Angels of Heaven sing Glad Tidings of Great Joy for you this Christmas, 1944. May happiness be multiplied for all men, and may each new day bring the world closer to a time when Peace shall be inviolable.

STONE' SERIVCE STATION
FRANK H. STONE, Proprietor

In Hopes That Saint Nicholas

* * * soon will be here to fill your stockings full of grand good things. We hope he satisfies all your important wishes. And we hope he remembers to include our very best greetings to you for a happy holiday season. Merry Christmas to all!

CAMPBELL'S BARBER SHOP
Matthew Campbell

CHEERIO!

Please Accept Our Christmas Wishes!

It's a real Christmas we're hoping you'll have—happy, bounteous, full of the joy of the sason and the well wishes of all your friends, among whom we hope you will include us.

STEWART'S ANTIQUE SHOPPE

Santa Claus Letters

Dec. 10, 1944.
Dear Santa Claus
Christmas is drawing near, and I am trying real hard to be a good little girl **and go** to school every day and **work** very hard. Am 8 years old, **would** like for you to bring me a **nurse** set, paints, necktie, house **slippers**, books, candy, fruits and nuts, also remember my uncles in the Army and Navy. Will be looking for you.
Phyllis Ellen Ellington
Mayslick, Ky. R-2

Dec. 10, 1944.
Dear Santa Claus
Christmas will soon be here and I'm trying my best to be a good girl. I go to school every day and work very hard. Am in the 4th grade, would like very much for you to bring me nurse set, paints, gloves, candy, nuts and fruits, anything else you like for a 9 year old girl, bring baby Georgie rattle.
Will be looking for you
Don't disappoint me.
A little girl
Marilyn Watkins
Mayslick, Ky. R-2

To the People of this Community

Five billion dollars of the 11 billion dollars raised during the 6th War Loan came from individual investors—everyday people—sounds fair, and it is! For money Actually secure is the future of the North American continent—each individual American. Every war loan has been oversubscribed because Americans by the millions have shared its responsibility. Our fighting men and women have recognized the need of extra War Bond purchases over and above their normal payroll savings.

There is no such thing as a little fellow in a War Bond drive. Your War Bond purchases, multiplied by the War Bond purchases of millions of other Americans, become fighting power which saves lives of Americans on the battlefronts and brings us nearer our common objective.

THE EDITOR.

MILLTOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Ames Jones had as last Sunday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest, Supp, Mr. and Mrs. Artie Hunt and children.

David Alexander, of Battle Run, was visiting in Milltown Saturday afternoon.

Leslie Hansie was the week-end guest of Bonnie and Jack's family.

Those on the sick list are: Edward Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Chrisman and Mrs. Elgin Clark.

Luther Thornsbury, of the U. S. Navy returned back to his post Monday after a short visit home.

Foster Bost,all war Tuesday afternoon guest of Edward Jackson and daughter and was Wednesday morning guest of Sterling Jackson, and family.

Honor Roll Of Ellisville School

1st Grade—Juanita Sibert and Marjorie Ann Hayes.
2nd Grade—Ray Anderson, Delores Neff and Ann Curtis.
3rd Grade—Bruce Ann Hudspall, Peggy Lou Maffet, Anna Mae Fryman, Bonnie Lou Price, George Harp and Shirley Early were.
4th Grade — Harold Doris Hamm, Charlie Rankin Carter, Henry Allen Myers, Ray Eugene Dixon, Vadana Hutchins, Lyndon Jackson and Dorothy Neff.
5th Grade — June Anderson, Clarence Walton, Patsy Fryman and Alma Dean Hudnell.
6th Grade — Jane Anderson, Janice Myers, Wilma Dean Hamm and Jimmy Conrod.
7th Grade—Cleoda Frances Miller and Mary Louise Wauch.
8th Grade—George R. Vaughn, Frank R. Guthrie, Dolores June Conrad, June Myers, Dorothy Lee Jackson and Alice Howard, Elizabeth Greenwood and Wanda Purcell.

Recipe Of The Week

Making Christmas cookies is part of the fun of the holiday season, particularly if one makes enough to one another. The Kentucky College of Agriculture and Home Economics suggests the same foundation dough with cherished with alternations. To a fourth of it,add a square of melted chocolate, to another fourth add 1-3 teaspoon cinnamon, 1-4 teaspoon cloves, and 1-4 teaspoon nutmeg. The remainder may be left with this flavor. Have ingredients chilled with coconut, chopped nuts, candied peel, citrus or colored sugar.

Divide sugar at home, add a drop or two of red or green vegetable coloring to a small amount of sugar and mix thoroughly with the fingers.

Cut cookies in assorted shapes and sizes and bake. Upon removal from the oven, brush lightly with egg white slightly beaten and diluted with a tablespoon of water. Sprinkle quickly with sugar before the egg white dries.

To make pin-wheel cookies, place a ball of chocolate dough on a ball of white and roll to 1-4 inch or less in thickness. Roll up tightly like a jelly roll, chill for a number of hours and then slice thinly and bake.

Chopped dried fruit, drained strawberry preserves or ruberd meat may be used between two cookies with the edges pressed tightly together.

Christmas Cookies

1 cup lard or other shortening
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
2 1-2 cups flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1-2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla

Cream butter, sugar and salt, add well-beaten eggs and vanilla. Mix and sift flour and baking powder and add to first mixture. Wrap dough in waxed paper and chill for a number of hours. Roll out and bake in moderate oven, 325 degrees.

Homemakers in Henry county report knitting 210 garments for the Red Cross during the past year.

A Christmas Wish

*If we had influence with Santa we'd ask him to be especially mindful of all our dear friends — and reward them bounteously at Christmas time. Perhaps the kindly old soul will heed our request * * * but whether or no, we certainly wish you the best in happiness and good cheer * * * Christmas, New Year's and all through the year!*

Blue Grass Produce Co.
M. T. RUDDELL

Christmas Chimes

When the bells ring out at Christmas we hope they will remind you that we're wishing you the best – a Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year.

PITMAN'S
"Jewels Of Quality"

Greetings 1944

National Woman's Christian Temperance Union Call for Prayer, Sunday Afternoon, January 7, 1945

"If my people which are called by name shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways then will I hear from Heaven and will forgive their sins and will heal their land" —Chronicles 7-14.

PRAY for our loved ones, especially those who are absent from us in our country's service.

PRAY for those whose loved ones have made the supreme sacrifice.

PRAY for the wounded, the ill and the suffering all over the world.

PRAY for the homeless, the hungry, the destitute, the fearful.

PRAY for the victims not only of war but of the liquor traffic and its ravages.

PRAY that God will forgive us the sin we have committed in relegalizing the liquor traffic.

PRAY for outlawry of war and the drink evil.

PRAY for peace and sobriety, for good will among all men.

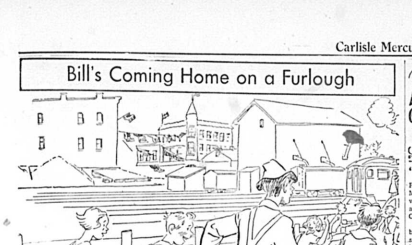
PRAY for the infilling of God's Spirit and a renewed consecration to the Temperance Cause.

A TOAST TO YULETIDE HAPPINESS

We could say it in many ways–but after all, the old true and tried way is just as good as any. And we all know that is, simply and sincerely–A Merry Christmas.

GULF REFINING COMPANY
Ben H. Pumphrey, Distributor

Bill's Coming Home on a Furlough



(WNU Service)

LOOKING AHEAD

By GEORGE S. BENSON
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PRICE FIXING

Lancashire is the name of a county in England, studded with many milling towns, some large, some small. Liverpool, once the world's leading cotton market is in Lancashire. In fact, the very word Lancashire, from long usage in the colorful language of trades people, has come to mean the English cotton textile industry, as Detroit means automobile manufacturing to us.

Lancashire used to be prosperous. Her mills are small in contrast to what Americans think about when they speak of cotton mill, but they long provided work and income for thousands of thrifty subjects of the crown, until something went wrong. Now Lancashire is having her troubles and is just beginning to learn what they are. At the bottom of them is government tinkering and price fixing.

Seeking Solutions

Some time ago the British cotton textile industry sent an investigating committee to the United States to find out a few things. The committee had three facts in hand. (1) American mills were turning out better cotton cloth than the English mills, (2) it was selling everywhere for less than the British could afford to accept, and (3) American mill workers were twice as well paid as the English.

It was bad enough that better goods at lower prices were taking away England's used-to-be world-wide markets. It was worse that Lancashire's labor troubles increased on account of too many half-paid workers. Mill owners couldn't get along without the workers but couldn't pay them what they were worth. The problem was to find out how Uncle Sam kept Lancashire fenced in.

They Found Out

Here are some of the things they learned: English mills are small and have about one process apiece while American mills are large and perform a lot of different processes. The English laborers did considerable work by hand such as American mills do by machine. To gain volume English mills turn out less material per man-hour than American mills from 18 per cent to 65 per cent less.

In America a small number of workers supervise the operation of a large number of machines, spinning, weaving and finishing, all in one big factory. In Britian cotton is spun in one factory, woven in another and finished in a third. Lancashire producers of cotton cloth buy and sell endlessly among themselves. Each owner of looses his part and ships his unfinished work to some other mill.

Government Fixing

"One point in Lancashire's problem," says the London Times, "is the harsh necessity for some of the most inefficient firms to be eliminated." The government fixes prices and ignores incompetence so poor operators can make a profit. In other words, John Bull holds an umbrella over a fourth grade structure that would melt down to an honest level under the warm sunlight of competition.

Competition sharpens the wits of American management. Investors and their business executives know that continuous operation is cheaper than batch work and that there is more to be earned with low prices and small margins than by big profits on a few sales. They know volume production requires good equipment when it runs, helps workers do more and earn more. Fixed cost makes prices in America wistfully give us a dose of Lancashire.

About 85 percent of the farm families in the country produce dairy three-fourths or more of their food supply this year.

Farmers in Bath county are planning investment in saving young horses and mules for replacements, several farmers buying weanlings in place of cattle.

Rural Bond Sales Effective Step In Postwar Planning

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard today called on American farmers to invest all "extra" dollars in War Bonds during the 7th War Loan drive beginning November 20 as an "effective step in postwar planning" for rural America.

Directing his appeal "To the Farm People of America," Secretary Wickard said, "the farm people of America have a big job on hand—a real security.

"It still takes a lot of money to finance the war, even though we are winning. The single task of supplying the Pacific theater is a tremendous undertaking. And in Europe, the American farmer is feeding on the invasion front of France, the supplies that are required now to knock down the walls of Hitler's Germany, and the total is staggering. So our job here at home is to do the right things that will keep our farms from this war. Our foremost responsibility is twofold. One is to stick to our job and do it well until total victory is won; the other is to buy War Bonds.

"The farm people of this country have an outstanding war record. They have achieved a production miracle in the face of wartime difficulties. Their bond-buying record is good, too, as indicated by the fact that farmers have invested more than a billion dollars' worth of bonds in the first two years and more than a billion dollars' worth of bonds in 1943. This figures out at about 10 per cent of their net income.

"The Sixth War Loan campaign is the biggest yet for agricultural bonds. Farmers have more cash and fewer dollars that could be put into War Bonds. The record production of farmers, coupled with favorable conditions prices, has pushed their income up to an all-time high level. The investment of those extra, unspent dollars in War Bonds is the best way to get the effective stop on inflation planned. Rural America must do its part.

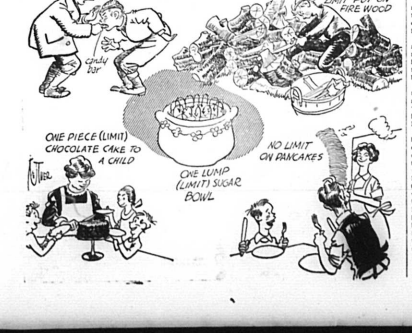
Make your share in the future—buy your share in the war."

Mrs. W. L. Harrell of Grayson county displayed at the annual homemakers' meeting a variety of canned products, all of which she had grown.

A total of 7,550 bushels of sweet potatoes have been stored in the county's potato storage at Grahn.

More than 6,700 pounds of vetch seed were sold by dealers in Daviess county this fall.

Rationing At Home



Protector Of The Faith

WILLIAM J. MURDOCK

"... and so we'll have to do everything possible to keep little Randolph from learning the truth," Mrs. Hobson announced with grim vehemence to her husband. "After all, what's Christmas without Santa Claus?"

"Golly Neds!" Charles exclaimed, borrowing Butch's favorite expression. "I didn't think any kids believed in the old boy nowadays. And Butch, of all kids! He's so manly—"

"Randolph isn't just any kid, he's my nephew." Helen Hobson replied tartly. Her only sister was now indulging in a prolonged hospital rest. "Randolph is our responsibility for the time being and we simply must give him the finest Christmas possible. Manly or not, he's still a little boy and, Charles," she finished grandly, "we must protect his faith in Santa Claus!"

The next afternoon Helen proudly took her place among the fond parents who watched their children ca-

"Did you tell Santa what you wanted?"

tiously approach the bearded, red-robed figure seated on a white throne in Kerbinger's toy department. She be nearly cried when Butch, a wide grin on his round face, marched straight up to Santa Claus and engaged him in earnest conversation. "Did you tell Santa what you wanted?" she asked in a tremulous voice when the jubilant Butch joined her.

The boy smiled up at her, and Mrs. Hobson's heart nearly melted from the warmth in his black eyes. "Sure I did, Aunt Helen," and he recounted the long list.

"These children around here are so sophisticated," the old Charles that evening. "I'm afraid one of them will talk about Christmas and Santa Claus and ruin everything."

Charles rolled his head. "Children will chatter, Helen," he reminded her. "You can't change them into a clam overnight."

"If Randolph doesn't discuss Santa with his friends, he won't learn the truth," Helen explained with jubilant impatience.

"It might work, at that," Charles admitted doubtfully.

It was with misgiving, therefore, that Charles, on a Saturday afternoon when Helen was shopping, heard Butch and a playmate venture to the counter approaching Yuletide. Charles was reclining on the couch near the bay window and could plainly hear the words through the thin curtain that screened the room gin Kerbinger's toyland!"

Butch's companion asked:

"You mean the one over near Santa Claus?" Butch parried. "Sure, I saw it. It's a peach."

Santa Claus! Charles held his breath. Butch had been a model playmate laugh. "That Santa Claus," the boy giggled. "What a dream! How can they expect a guy to believe in Santa Claus? As if there could be any such thing!"

Charles scrambled for the front door. Poor Butch—the poor kid—and just a few days before Christmas, too. Charles jerked the door open and bounded to the porch. "Butch!"

"Yes, Uncle Charles," came the slow reply, and Butch peered around the cor ner of the house. His dark eyes were solemn. Gone was his familiar smile.

"Aw, Butch," Charles mumbled, turning down the porch steps to meet the boy. "Butch, I wish this hadn't happened. I don't know what to say—" his voice threatened to break, and he stopped.

Butch looked up at the ground for a moment, then raised his eyes. "I'm sorry, too, Uncle George," he said "I forgot I was so close to the house. I didn't want Aunt Helen to know."

Charles' brain thumped as if he had received a blow between the eyes from the heel of one of Jolly Old St. Nick's reindeer. "Whoa—up, that, Butch!"

"Why, I didn't want you and Aunt Helen to know about me and Santa Claus," Butch went on in serious vein. "I was sure you could take it, Unk, but Aunt Helen—aw, shucks, I've been having a great time with her, Uncle George. She gets a big kick out of me acting as if I believe in Santa Claus, so don't tell her the truth. Golly Fests, I don't want to spoil her Christmas!"

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BUY U. S. WAR BONDS

WHO'S CRAZY NOW?

A visitor at a state insane asylum had gone all through the buildings and wards and had wound up on a walk around the beautiful grounds. He came to a lovely little shaded nook and on a bench sat three men patients. They said nothing, but watched him until he came to a clean, white stone upon which these words were carved: "Turn me over." The man turned the rock over after a hard pull, and found on the underside of the stone these words:

"Now turn me back again, so that I can catch some other dope." There was loud laughter from the bench where the three patients sat.

SIMPLE REMEDY

Hubby—Did you sew the button on my coat, dear?
Wifey—No, darling, I couldn't find a button, so I just sewed up the buttonhole.

An Orphan

Conductor—You'll have to buy a ticket for that boy, ma'am.
Lady—I do not!
Conductor—He's big enough. How old is he?
Lady—How do I know? I never saw him before!

Tit for Tat

Mrs. Brown—I like everything about our new apartment except that our neighbors can hear everything we say.
Mrs. Blue—Why don't you put some heavy hangings on the walls?
Mrs. Brown—Then we wouldn't be able to hear what our neighbors say!

But He Breathes

First Private—I never thought they'd take that fellow in the army. He he can't even wear suspenders!
Second Private—Why can't he wear suspenders?
First—He's a weak-kneed they lift him right off the ground!

Where's That Siren?

Mrs. Glotz—Do you think I'll ever be able to do anything with my voice?
Music Teacher—It might come in handy in case of fire!

Army Life

Private—I've a week-end and I don't know what to do with it.
Sarge—Just keep it under your hat!

Good Memory

Joe—Have you forgotten you owe me ten dollars?
Bill—No, but give me time and I will!

Pleasant Rest

Jones—Do you have hot and cold water at your boarding house?
Smith—Yeah. Hot in the summer and cold in the winter!

FROM THAT TO THAR

Nit—Who invented the accordion?
Wit — Probably some guy who wanted to know how big the fish was that got away.

Drowned

Wife—Have you ever visited Chicago?
Hub—No, I heard it was at the bottom of Lake Michigan!

Withholding

Wifey—Oh, darling!
Hubby—Yes, dearie.
Wifey—There's a corner torn off your check. What did you spend it for?

Right Answer

Sonny—What's a person called who swipes you in the eye with spirits?
Daddy—A bartender, son!

Old, Old Story

C. O.—Any special reason you should have this week-end leave?
Private—Yes, sir, but stop me if you've heard this one!

Stuck!

Lawyer—Do you drink?
Witness—That's my business.
Lawyer—Do you have any other business?

Nothing Registered!

She—Do you know why I refused you?
He—I can't remember.
She—You guessed it!

No Excuses!

Employer—But these aren't references.
Boy—Why not? They're copies of my four grandparents' death certificates!

Real Comfort

Harry—Was your brother in comfortable circumstances when he died?
Jerry—I'll say. He was asleep on a feather bed!

Buy More War Bonds.

Sniffles Dangerous

Sniffles are dangerous if ignored. For while colds properly treated can be nipped in the bud, neglect can lead to more serious infections. Moreover, the cold victim who persists in neglecting his cold can infect any number of his fellow workers. "At the first sign of a cold," the booklet warns, "get plenty of rest, drink lots of fluids, and stay indoors until the cold is licked." Preventive measures suggested include proper diet, adequate outdoor exercise and warm dress.

Lengthens Building Life

"Paint when properly selected and applied lengthens the serviceable life of buildings as much as 40 per cent," says Circular 279, "Farm Building Repair," by J. C. Wooley, published by the University of Missouri agricultural experiment station in furtherance of the war effort on the farm front. It is further stated that "an investment in paint brings an annual return of about 3% per cent through saving in buildings alone."

Airplane Plant

Brazil's National Motor factory is going into production with precision tools and equipment obtained exclusively in the United States. The huge $9,000,000 plant will be the first in the Latin American republics to build complete airplane engines, using production methods patterned after United States assembly line production. Prior to the war, Brazil purchased most of her precision tools from England and Germany.

Some Fertilizer Results

A study by the department of agriculture of 26 state pasture experiments shows that one pound of plant food produced an increase of 25 pounds of digestible nutrients, the equivalent of 4 bushel of corn, 35 bushel of wheat, 8 bushel of oats, or 22 pounds of oilmeal. The ration of complete fertilizer would produce increased grazing value of 11,500 pounds of milk or 1,400 pounds of beef.

Differences in Wood

Generally, hardwoods are broad-leaved trees; softwoods are needle trees. These terms have nothing to do with the actual hardness of the wood. Most hardwoods are softwoods, meaning that they shed their foliage annually, while most softwoods are evergreens, that is, retain their leaves for more than one year.

Nazis Chemical Industry

Those who wonder how Germany has been able to maintain her large synthetic rubber program, based upon alcohol, and also how she managed to produce sufficient feed, will find the answer to a large degree in her wood-sugar industry, from which both alcohol and protein feeds are made.

Car Door Locks

Freezing of car-door locks can be prevented by forcing a small amount of alcohol into the keyhole with an eye dropper. Alcohol containing a small amount of glycerine, used as application should last the entire winter. Be sure not to spill any on the finish of the car.

Color Marks Bombs

Bombs dropped from war planes are of various types, including gas or armor piercing, fragmentation, and demolition, says Popular Mechanics. Each type has a specific color to enable prompt identification in handling them in the stress of combat.

Private Foresters

There are about 300 foresters on the payroll of the private forest industries, of whom more than 70 are responsible for management of the forest lands. The others deal with the manufacture of forest products.

Small Fruited Pumpkin

A small-fruited, bush-type pumpkin, developed by U. S. D. A. plant breeders, has just been released to seed growers for propagation. But it will not be available for general planting until 1945.

Value of Grass

Because grass is so common, the average person fails to realize its value. Because of its high vitamin content, dehydrated grass is being placed in food, especially cereals.

Tenderizing Meat

The less tender cuts of meat should always be cooked with water, and can be made more tender by pounding or by cooking with an acid such as tomato juice or vinegar.

Develop Goldenrod

Special strains of goldenrod have been developed with heights of six feet and leaves with a rubber content from 6 to 10 per cent.

Flast Early

Under average conditions, early planted corn has a better opportunity of making a good crop than that planted later.

Venezuela Means Little Venice

Venezuela means little Venice, so named by the Spanish explorer, Alonzo de Ojeda in 1499.

Red Cross Funds

The American Red Cross needs $200,000,000 to carry on its work for the year 1944-1945.

Water-In Hat

Did you know that it takes about 25 gallons of water to make one man's hat?

NEWS IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION By W.W. REID

"Before long millions of our sons will be returning from the war to resume their places in peace time society," says Dr. Arnold Nash, General Secretary of the United Stewardship Council. "They, who have lived so close to death, who have seen their comrades fall at their side, and then go further. They will have a wholesome respect for a church and for Christians who know how to go the limit for God and the eternal kingdom of righteousness in this world. That those who find such a church a Christian witness awaiting them, we must learn and do what our Lord summons us to by the very current of our times, that duty which lives above and beyond the call of the ordinary."

War correspondents, moving with a victorious army, are not in a position to see or understand the suffering of the poor—and this accounts for reports from Italy and France to the American press that there are ample supplies in the other American republics to build complete airplane engines, using production methods patterned after United States assembly line production. Prior to the war, Brazil purchased most of her precision tools from England and Germany.

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"I've never been in a foxhole, so I can't verify the common statement that there are no atheists there," says Lt. Col. J. D. Tomhave, who is stationed "somewhere in Europe." "But I've been in an airplane flying over many parts of Nazi Europe, and I know very well that there are no atheists up there in the clouds. Each morning before we start out on a mission our chaplain leads us all in a prayer. It means a lot to us, and really helps us in many ways. The chaplains are doing a wonderful job over here."

American Army chaplains in the South Pacific—who had repeated-ly asked the Most Reverend G. J. Vesters, M. S. C. for details of the languages, characters and ways of life of the natives—are now using a small handbook of general information, including instructions in pidgin-English, compiled by the Vicarate Apostolic of Rabaul, New Britain, for sixteen years until his retirement because of ill health in 1939, is regarded as a standing expert on the South Pacific. Previous to the service of Bishop Vesters, who is now in Melbourne, Australia, spent three years as apostolic prefect in the Netherland East Indies.

Considerable interest has been aroused in church circles by the announcement of the completion of the work of the International Version New Testament. The revision has been undertaken by the International Council of Religious Education. Dean Luther A. Weigle, of Yale Divinity School, is chairman of the revision committee. Changes are slight compared with the Old Testament section, and eight in the New Testament. Because of the paper shortage the book will not be printed for at least another year. The old Testament will probably not be ready for another three or four years. The character of the revision, it is said, will be determined by an effort to combine the smoothness and beauty of the traditional version with more adequate and more up-to-date scholarship.

The tsetse fly, responsible for sleeping sickness and the scourge of man and beast alike in many parts of Africa, has long made it seem practically impossible to promote dairy projects there, but the communities in Meiei, in the Congo-ecoms, report a going dairy project as a part of their agricultural program this year. Many precautions have been taken and modern-day dermic injections have to be given regularly to keep the cows alive and healthy. But the effort is not too much, they say, when they see the two dozen untainted children of leper parents and the nursery orphans thriving on fresh milk, and when the missionary can see his own folk supplied with fresh milk, cottage cheese and untinned butter for the first time in all their years in Africa, while the African learns the use and benefit of these essentials.

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