WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Nazis Fall Back in Belgium As Yanks Stem Offensive Threat; Living Costs Show Small Gain

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Lt.-Gen. Mark Clark, commander of all Allied forces in Italy, points out former German positions on Gothic line to delegation of visiting congressmen.

EUROPE:
Bulge Shrinks

With 26 of the U. S.' 44 divisions reported in action against the German bulge in Belgium, Nazi Field Marshal Von Rundstedt's great winter blow appeared blunted, with field dispatches indicating that he was pulling his lines back.

But four miles from the Meuse river and 23 miles from Sedan at the peak of their offensive, the German lines shrank sharply as Lieut. Gen. George Patton's 3rd army swung up from the Saar to attack from the south and Lieut. Gen. Courtney Hodges' 1st army recovered its balance to slash in from the north.

Von Rundstedt's withdrawal movement was favored by the rugged terrain, for, in surprising the 1st army on December 16, he chose the rough and hilly Ardennes countryside.

As Von Rundstedt tried to pull in his forces under the heavy pressure of the 3rd and 1st armies, he sent out swarms of Nazi planes to blast at airdromes behind the lines in an attempt to prevent the superior Allied air arm from raking his moving columns. Even so, zooming U. S. fighter-bombers and bombers ripped up enemy armor and trucks.

With U. S. pressure on the Saar relieved by the switch of Lieut. Gen. Patton's forces, the Germans went on the offensive against Lieut. Gen. Alexander Patch's 7th army on the southwestern end of the front, scoring small gains against stiff Yank resistance.

Ruin of a City

As both sides disregarded a plea from Pope Pius XII to withdraw from the city and spare residents the horror of bombardment, house-to-house fighting reduced the once beautiful Hungarian capital of Budapest to a shambles, with fanatical Axis troops resisting Russ advances.

Budapest's streets reverberated with gunfire, as self-propelled artillery and tanks rumbled down thoroughfares, swung sharply around corners, and opened point-blank fire on opposing units. Sharpshooting from cellars, Axis troops linked themselves up by breaking holes through adjoining walls.

Hitler Talks

Declaring ". . . in this war the German people cannot be brought to their knees by strength of arms nor will there again be a 9th of November, 1918 . . ." a subdued but defiant Adolf Hitler told a suffering Reich on New Year's day that the end of the war will not come before 1946, unless by a Nazi victory.

Said the fuehrer: ". . . Except for the Jews, nobody in the Allied camp knows for what he is fighting. But the aims for which we are fighting are clear to all of us. It is the survival of the German people, it is our fatherland, it is our 2,000 year culture, it is the children and grandchildren of our people . . ."

Referring to the attempt on his life last summer, Hitler said: ". . . The 20th of July brought about at the fronts sad military consequences . . . Nevertheless the day has become a turning point in Germany's destiny because the attempt to annihilate the German people's social state by a plot hatched at the most bitter struggle has failed . . . and I am in a position to assure you that this was the last attempt of its kind . . ."

'Forgotten Front'

With all attention focused on the great battles being fought in western Europe, Italy, it seems, is the "forgotten front" of the present world war.

Despite the overshadowing of the Italian sector, it is still one of the most bitterest of the war, with Allied gains measured in yards and at a heavy cost of men against a fanatical foe cleverly dug into the mountainous terrain, and giving ground only after painful approaches to his position.

FOOD STOCKS:
At Pre-War Levels

Although not as high as in similar periods since 1942, food stocks through the first three months of 1945 should be sufficient to provide civilians with supplies equal to the prewar levels, the U. S. department of agriculture reported.

Potatoes and butter supplies will be below prewar figures, the USDA said, with meat, lard and fresh vegetables about average, while stocks of fluid whole milk, non-fat dairy products, eggs, fish, margarine, cereals, dry peas and citrus fruits should assure high consumption.

Although at prewar levels, supplies of meat during the first three months of 1945 will be substantially below corresponding wartime periods, USDA said, with low inventories, declining production and military requirements cutting into stocks.

LIVING COSTS:
Small Gain

Effectiveness of the nation's price control in combatting inflation is reflected in the fact that although national income rose to 155 billion dollars in 1944 and there was a sharp reduction in the stocks of consumers goods prices only increased 2 per cent, Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins declared.

Frances Perkins

Because of substantial boosts in 1941 and 1942, however, when a rising business activity brought up the general level of depression prices, retail costs have increased 28½ per cent since the outbreak of war, Miss Perkins said.

"Even though the price rise is less than half as great as during the First World war," Miss Perkins stated, "an advance of nearly 30 per cent is dangerous. The rise in cost to families with very low incomes has been greater . . . because of the disappearance of low-priced merchandise and because of the rise in food prices. . . . "

PACIFIC:
U. S. Goals

Even as U. S. aerial forces stepped up their attacks on enemy shipping and installations in the Philippine islands preparatory to the pursuit of the American offensive in that last great bastion guarding the Asiatic mainland, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz told a Pearl Harbor press conference that it would be necessary to occupy Japan to win the war.

"I think that the only sure plan is to assume we must invade their homeland and line up our forces accordingly," the admiral said.

With American advances in the Pacific, Admiral Nimitz indicated, Jap war industry was faced with strangulation through increased attack on its supply lines bearing raw materials from southern Asiatic conquests and through bombardment of factory areas.

To step up such bombardments, Admiral Nimitz repeated that one of the major U. S. objectives was a landing on the Chinese coast to establish air bases for hitting the enemy's homeland.

MISCELLANY

Again, shipbuilding leads all heavy industry in the earnings of its workers. The prevailing average hourly wage rate in the industry being about $1.33, while weekly earnings in a recent month were $63.68 on an average work week of 47.6 hours. Payrolls for the year in private shipyards will approximate $4,000,000,000 shared by workers in almost every state.

U. S. SPENDING:
At Peak

With the government spending 89 billion dollars on the war alone, total U. S. expenditures reached 97 billion dollars in 1944 to establish an all-time record, preliminary figures showed. This compared with the outlay of less than 10 billion dollars in 1939.

In addition to spending more than at any other time in the nation's history, the government also collected more at 45 billion dollars and borrowed more at 62 billion dollars. For the first time, three war loan drives were held in one year.

Deducting the amount collected from that spent, the government wound up the year with a deficit of 52 billion dollars, to bring the total national debt up to 232 billion dollars. The 1944 figure of 52 billion dollars, however, was about 1½ billion dollars less than the deficit in 1943.

TRAIN WRECK:
48 Killed

Slowed up by a freight train stalled by mechanical trouble, the Southern Pacific railroad's Pacific Limited with 300 persons aboard was creeping through the early morning over the Salt Lake marshes near Ogden, Utah, when a 20-car mail and express train roaring behind crashed into its rear, throwing coaches along the 40-foot causeway like jumbled links in a chain.

Late counts showed 48 persons killed and 81 injured as rescue workers cut through the twisted wreckage to remove the victims, many of

Injured soldier lifted from train wreck.

whom were service personnel en route to duty after spending holiday furloughs.

Because of the shallow marshlands below the causeway, automobiles could not be driven to the scene, complicating rescue operations, and injured were removed by train for treatment.

NAZI AGENTS:
Seized by FBI

Trained in the use of high explosives, photography and radio operation in Germany and Holland, two Nazi saboteurs were nailed by FBI agents in the New York district before being able to do any damage.

Landed by submarine off the coast of Maine with $60,000 in U. S. currency, forged birth and draft certificates and secret inks, the two saboteurs were making the rounds of New York night spots in an effort to pick up information to radio to Germany at the time they were nabbed.

According to the FBI, one of the saboteurs was a former U. S. navy seaman named William Curtis Colepaugh, alias William C. Caldwell, who was discharged from service early in 1943 because of suspicions he held pro-German sympathies.

Arrest of the two saboteurs brought to ten the number captured by FBI agents after landings from submarines, six having been caught previously after alighting in Florida, with six of them subsequently executed.

MANPOWER BARREL:
To Scrape Bottom

Uncle Sam will have to scrape the bottom of the barrel for manpower to meet production and military requirements in 1945, War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes told a New Year's press conference, declaring that Selective Service "work-or-fight" orders, employment ceilings and restrictions on civilian output may not be sufficient to meet all labor needs.

With the army increasing its call for replacements and thus further draining the manpower pool, Byrnes said the drafting of the nation's 4,000,000 4-F's for industry or noncombat military duty would help maintain war production and release more active servicemen for fighting. Because the largest remaining source of young men is in agriculture, he said, the basis for farm deferments may have to be reviewed.

Terming government seizure inadequate, Byrnes asked for a strengthening of the War Labor board's authority to enforce its decisions on both capital and labor, so as to prevent the loss of production through work disturbances.

MEDICAL MARVEL

Weighing but 1½ pounds at birth, tiny Elizabeth Ann Reyman, born in San Diego, Calif., has grown to 3 pounds, 6 ounces within 65 days in one of the strangest cases in medical annals.

Confined to an incubator where physicians intend to keep her until she weighs 5 pounds, little Elizabeth has been relatively strong and able to kick about freely from birth, though only one out of a 100 babies a little over her weight have a chance of living at delivery.

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JESUS BEGINS HIS MINISTRY

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 3:13-4:11.
GOLDEN TEXT—Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve.—Matthew 4:10.

Ready for service—this is the next scene from our Lord's life which comes before us in Matthew. Thirty years had passed since His birth, but these are hidden in silence, save for the one glimpse of Him in the temple which is given only by Luke.

These were not years of idleness or luxury. He was obedient to Joseph and Mary. He worked in the carpenter shop. He fellowshiped with God's people, and best of all, with His heavenly Father. He showed obedience and faithfulness in life's ordinary things. And then, all at once, the day of His public ministry was at hand.

His baptism and temptation were a part, the opening event, of that ministry. We find Him:

I. Identified With Sinners (3:13-15).

John, the fiery forerunner of Jesus, had come with a burning message of repentance, and sinners were coming to him to be baptized as a sign of their contrition.

Suddenly Jesus appeared. John pointed to Him as the "Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world" (John 1:29). When He offered Himself for baptism, John demurred. There was no sin in Jesus that He should need baptism. There was no occasion for Him to express in a special act His obedience, for He always did the will of God. (Heb. 10:7).

Why then was Jesus baptized? We find the answer in the central purpose for which He came into the world, namely, to save sinners. Here at His official entrance upon that work He, who though He knew no sin was to become sin for us, took the sinner's place in baptism. It was not because He had Himself sinned, but because He was to become the substitute for the sinner. What marvelous condescension and grace!

II. Approved of God (3:16, 17).

The Holy Spirit, like a dove, rested upon Him. The dove is one of the **symbols of the Spirit, and speaks of gentleness, meekness,** purity, peace and **love.**

Out of the eternal dwelling places in heaven **came** the voice of the eternal Father expressing His approval and pleasure in His son. The person and work of Christ bear their own commendation of Him to us as divine. Here we have the Father's word, and the Holy Spirit's coming. Thus we have here the entire Trinity.

III. Tempted by Satan (4:1-11).

A time of testing was ahead. Jesus did not fear it, but notice that He did not seek it either. He was led by the Spirit into this great conflict. We may learn that we must not seek nor put ourselves in the way of temptation, but when it comes we may meet it without fear. God is with us.

He was tempted as the Messiah, and the Son of God, and it was a real testing, one from which we need to learn what to do when tempted. It was threefold: physical, spiritual and vocational.

1. The Physical Temptation. Forty days of conflict with Satan made His body hungry. Under such circumstances it was a terrific temptation to use His divine power to make bread. He could have done it, but He did not. One doesn't have to live, but one does have to obey and honor God.

Note how effectively Christ used Scripture (from Deuteronomy—have you read it lately?). It is the only sure answer to Satan's temptations, but you must learn it if you are going to use it.

2. The Spiritual Temptation. Here Satan asked Him to presume on the grace of God. If he cannot get you to abandon your faith, he will urge you to go to some fanatical and unscriptural extreme in using it.

God always cares for His own when they are in the place where He wants them to be, but He does not deliver us from foolhardy and unnecessary risks which we want to call "faith."

3. The Vocational Temptation. Christ had come into this world to wrest from Satan, the usurper (who is now the prince of this world—John 12:31), the kingdoms of this world. Satan suggested to Him that He could accomplish this by simply bowing down to him—thus escaping Calvary's cross.

Satan is busy urging men to take spiritual bypaths. He has his own leaders who skillfully evade and avoid the cross. They have a religion without the offense of the cross, but, mark it well, it is not Christianity, even though it bears that name.

Jesus met and defeated Satan by the use of Scripture, and by honoring God the Father. Jesus' resistance of the devil caused him to go away. It still works. Read James 4:7. Then came the angels to minister to Him. Victory over the enemy of our souls brings peace and spiritual refreshment.

Buy More War Bonds.

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

Six church leaders, from six different nations, presented a series of missionary dramatizations from Toronto, Canada, on Sunday, Jan. 7, initiating a trend in religious broadcasts that it is hoped will lead way from sermons and addresses as the only means of presenting church activities on the air. The dramatidations were presented over the CBS "Church of the Air" program at 1 p. m., EWT, in connection with the annual meeting of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, then in session in Toronto. They were based upon presentations made by Moderator Jesse H. Arnup of the United Church of Canada; Miss Mabel E. Emerson, of the American Board, Boston; Bishop Edwin F. Lee of the Methodist Church in Singapore and Manila; Robert H. Goheen, M.D., of Miraj Medical Center, India; Tung-Yueng Fong, Chinese educator; and Solomon Caulker, a native of Sierra Leone, West Africa.

"The alternative to the Dumbarton Oaks proposals, as revised by the coming conference of the United Nations, is not some other international organization: the alternative is no world security at all," says the World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches. The Alliance, composed of many leaders of churches throughout America, urges the United States government to give assent to the proposals, and to permit its representative on the Security Council to pledge its quota of armed forces necessary for the prevention of aggression.

"The threat of conscription as a permanent peacetime policy strikes at the heart of religious liberty," says the American Friends (Quakers) Service Committee, Philadelphia. "Wherever conscription has flourished, freedom of conscience has narrowed down to a mere theory, and religious groups like the Quakers and Mennonites have been forced to migrate or have remained to wither away into an ineffectual remnant. . . . During the coming weeks conscription will be extolled as a panacea for all our ills. It will be argued that complsory military training will improve our health, inculcate discipline and patriotism, stimulate industry and trade, relieve unemployment, uphold the peace, and, above all, save us from attack. The fact is that the army serves no constructive purpose that a civilian agency cannot serve to better advantage. But the issue is deeper than these arguments of expediency. Military conscription is a blow to religious liberty, the cornerstone of our democracy."

Citing the case of the Church of the Brethren which purchases desirable farmland to sell to young member couples, on a basis of 10 percent down and the balance in twenty yearly installments, Rev. A. Ritchie Low, pastor of the United Church of Johnson, Vt., urges protestant churches to invest endowment funds in farmland and to give financial assistance to Protestant couples desiring to farm and raise families. He believes that the Protestant churches of Vermont have endowment funds totaling more than a million dollars which could be made available for the purpose. He points out that unless the Protestant population of rural Vermont is increased, many of the country churches will be forced to close within the next few years because of population shifts.

The post-war outlook for home missions was the theme of the annual meeting of the Home Missions Council of North America, held at the Hotel Jefferson, Atlantic City, N. J., from Jan. 8 to 10. Immediately following the meeting a conference on "The Ministry of the Church to Defense Industry Workers will be held from Jan. 10 to 12, under the auspices of the Christian Commissions on Camp and Defense Communities, of which the Rev. Marion Creeger is executive secretary. Mrs. Margaret Taylor Carter, of the Twentieth Century Fund spoke at the opening dinner on Jan. 8 on "America Plans for the Future." Mrs. Norman Vincent Peale delivered the president's message and reports of the executive secretaries, Dr. Mark A. Dawber and Miss Edith E. Lowry were also given.

Convictions by Negro Christians on what can be done to improve race relations in the churches, and on responsibilities that can be taken by local church leaders for community action, are outlined in a statement recently addressed to white churchmen by 106 Negro church leaders. Among the findings of the 106 is that segregated churches "fall far short of the requirements of the Christian ideal. Freedom of worship, if it means anything, means freedom to worship God across racial lines, and freedom for a man or woman to join the church of his or her choice irrespective of race." The statement was prepared at the request of the commission on the church and minority peoples, a commission of the Federal Council of Churches. The chairman of the Negro churchmen was Dr. Benjamin F. Mays, president of Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga., and now vice-president of the Federal Council.

The American Way
GOD MUST PREVAIL
By George Peck

By DR. ALFRED P. HAAKE

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Alfred P. Haake, Ph.D., is a noted Economist, Business Consultant, Lecturer and Author.)

The spreading curse of the world is Statism — a pagan doctrine that denies God as the ultimate Ruler and Refuge. It is the doctrine that underlies Communism, Nazism, Fascism and the various forms of socialism found in the world today. It leads to totalitarianism and the substitution of Government for God.

Under this doctrine the citizen, or subject, has only such rights as the State, or central government grants to the individual; and these rights may be modified and even revoked at the will or pleasure of the State — which means the individual dictators who run the government.

Since the Government, under Statism, recognizes only such rights as it creates for or concedes to the individual, it is in direct conflict with our own American doctrine that man gets his basic rights direct from God, and that the State, or even a majority of its citizens, cannot destroy those rights. Instead of a dictator in government who tells us what rights we may exercise, we have a Constitution in which our rights are recognized as coming from God and not subject to removal or destruction by government.

Included in the "blessings of liberty" assured to us by our Constitution are free speech, free assembly, free enterprise, free press and free pulpit. Those freedoms disappear under Statism, and even today in our own country, they are under attack by government. This column has already brought such attacks to your notice.

You cannot accept Statism and also believe in God. We must choose between the two. Whether one is Catholic, Protestant or Jew, he has the same basic commandment in his religion: "Thou shalt have no other Gods before me." If we accept and obey that commandment, we cannot accept Communism, Nazism, Fascism or even the New Deal Collectivism that seeks to bring and keep American life under government control.

Statism is an insidious enemy. As bait for individual acceptance it holds out the pleasant promise of richer living and even well-being without work. It calls itself "liberal" and "modern," and then takes away freedom as the price for its doubtful benefits.

But it is the same old enemy that has plagued mankind all through the centuries. The conflict between the State and God raged in pagan Rome. It saw Rousseau, Marx, Lenin, Mussolini, Hitler and others rise as disciples of Statism and fling their horrors over the world. It saw the United States of America founded on the opposing philosophy that God is the author of man's rights and that the State is the servant, not the master, of man in the protection and exercise of those rights. And America prospered beyond the wildest dreams of its founders.

For the collectivists who worship the State, there is "nothing beyond the State." But the doctrine on which America was founded tells us that "beyond and above the State there is God."

The progress of our enemy is marked by growing reliance on the State for the welfare of mankind, for it is when men lose faith in God that they turn to government.

We must meet the challenge of Statism with SPIRITUAL MOBILIZATION. We must restore God as the accepted Ruler and Refuge of mankind before there can be peace on earth and good will among men. Statism must go! GOD MUST PREVAIL!

Saturday Night Bible Readers

A Man's Size Job
By B. D. Stevenson

God never loses a war. He may allow his Church to lose battles, when the Church forsakes him, and worships idols, just as he did Isreal when that nation forsook the Lord. A large part of the Church is worshiping idols right now. At a time when every leader worth listening to of every denomination declares that the Church faces a crisis, the like of which was never seen before, the Church, instead of fasting is feasting. Kitchens are the big thing in modern churches now.

Is there a Church anywhere that has suspended all routine activity to engage in intercessory prayer in these calamitous times? We know of none and yet that was all that ever saved Isreal in times of trouble.

The Devil never wins a war but keeps on fighting and comes out ahead at times when the Church, encumbered with much routine, becomes self centered, with only one-third of its members active and most of those none too active.

A new book is just off the press entitled "The Church Must Win." Of course the Church must and will win for Christ said of his church "the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." But the Church is badly handicapped when all the work must be done by one-third of its members.

The Church, meaning organized Christianity, and its leaders are confused and the leaders are offering no suggestions as to what to do. The Bible tells what to do in 2 Chronicles 7:14 and gives warning in Psalms 9:17 help in Revelation 3:20. The Church doesn't know what to do and the Bible which it is the special business of the Church to get everyone to read and study tells plainly what to do. Maybe the Church is too proud to do it.

What more important in these times of confusion than that everyone should turn to the Bible that "tells the end from the beginning and from ancient times the things that are not yet done." Why for instance should Christians be confused about the talk of permanent peace. Did not Christ himself say there would be wars till he came again. The only enduring peace will be the one he establishes.

There is the most appalling ignorance among Christians concerning not only the matter of whether or not there will be a permanent peace but on scores of other matters. They try to "figure how they think it is going to be" instead of going to the Bible and find out how it is.

The Bible has prophecied the end of the nation after nation, centuries before the end came and secular history later records the end and that it did come as prophecied. The Bible definitely names Russia. Ezekiel especially gives valuable information concerning the future of Russia, yet to be fulfilled.

In these crucial times that many are convinced portend an early end and fulfillment of remaining prophecies, don't be ignorant of what the Bible teaches. Dedicate Saturday Night to the study of the Book of Books. Not to satisfy idle curiosity but in reverence to know the message of God to man.

BIBLE QUESTIONS ANSWERED BY THE VOICE of PROPHECY
INTERNATIONAL BIBLE BROADCASTER

Question—What about the Bible statement in the first chapter of Genesis that all living things always bring forth after their kind?

Answer—It is scientifically true. Dr. Molleurus Couperus, of the Society for the Study of Creation, the Deluge, and Related Science, after a study of the views of top-flight biologists during the last twenty-five years, says that the trend is more and more toward recognition of the immovable fact that each created form of life brings forth after its kind.

Q.—In Genesis 6:4, we read that "there were giants in the earth in those days." Have authentic fossil bones of giant men ever been discovered?

A.—In the Science column of Time magazine for July 3, 1944, it was reported that a geologist in Java had discovered such bones—supposed to be of men "much larger than" gorillas.

Q.—What is meant by the lake of fire and brimstone?

A.—In Revelation 21:8 it is called the "second death" in which the wicked "have their part." In 2 Peter 3:7 it is called the "perdition of ungodly men." Read also Malachi 4:1.

Q.—What is meant by "the bride, the Lamb's wife," in Revelation 21:9?

A.—The answer is in the next verse: "And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God." Revelation 21:10.

Q.—What does the last word in the Bible mean?

A.—The last word in the Bible is "amen," which means "be it so" or "let it be so."

Q. — Who were the Edomites, and where is Edom?

A. — The Edomites were the descendants of Esau, the elder brother of Jacob. Edom is a rocky district southeast of Judea. See Genesis 36:18, 43.

Q.—Can God see us in the dark as well as in the daytime?

A.—Here is the answer in Psalm 139:11, 12: "If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me. Yea, the darkness hideth not from Thee;but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to Thee.'

Ed. Note: Address your questions to the BIBLE QUESTION COLUMN, The Voice of Prophecy, Box 55, Los Angeles 53, Calif. Bible questions of general interest will be answered in this column as space permits.

NEWS OF KENTUCKY

Gov. Simeon Willis is scheduled as a featured speaker at the annual convention of the Kentucky Farm Bureau Federatio nat Louisville, Jan. 10-12.

Dr. Roscoe C. Adams, 67, retired Army colonel and general medical examiner for the United States Veterans Administration, died at his home on Eastin road in Lexington.

Pearl H. Hyden, of Hazard, was elected secretary of the State Public Service Commission following designation by Gov. Simeon Willis of Commissioner T. B. McGregor, of Frankfort, as chairman and the swearing in of Charles E. Whittle, of Brownsville, as a new commissioner.

Monthly payments of old-age and survivors' insurance in the 20 counties served by the Lexington Social Security office increased extensively during 1944.

Kentucky appears to be headed for one of the most prosperous years in history as Commissioner of Revenue W. J. Moore announced State general fund collections for the first six months of the fiscal year are 20 per cent above the same period last fiscal year.

Joe Marshall, 28, Danville, was fined $200 and costs and was given a suspended sentence of six months in Federal District Court when he pleaded guilty to a charge of driving his automobile from Danville to Florida and back while holding only an "A" gasoline-ration permit.

A total of 1,499 students registered for the winter quarter of the University of Kentucky, an increase of 346 over the number enrolled the first day for the same quarter last year. Last winter's total registration reached 1,331.

The first carload of fertilizer shipped to Kentucky by Southern States Co-operatives arrived in Scott County early last week.

War conscious Anderson countians, alert to prevent possible sabotage, had police officials, state highway patrolmen and Shelby county officials, searching for an alleged German prisoner who was reported in their midst.

Little war plants in Kentucky are "doing a magnificent job" in the war effort by processing "in high quality and on time" about $29,000,-worth of government contracts.

More tobacco, wheat, rye, peaches and pears were produced in Kentucky during 1944 than during 1943.

William A. Price, 74, former member of the Kentucky legislature and a prominent Kenton county attorney, died at Covington.

Bethel Woman's College, closed in 1942 because of the war, will reopen in September with a full faculty.

War is hammering down school attendance and robbing many children of education, the Kentucky state education department survey shows.

The Paris airport reopened Monday, January 1.

Four juveniles pleaded guilty to breaking into the residence of Gov. Simeon S. Willis in Ashland.

Five persons are in the Bourbon county jail charged with "robbery by assault" of Pvt. Walter Glenn Parks, Stanton, Ky.

A ban was placed on dancing in places selling any kind of beverages or food by an ordinance passed by the Lexington Board of City Commissioners.

Harry Judson Montague, 63, a watchman at Spindltop farm on Iron Works Pike and formerly the operator of a women's-ready wear store in Lexintgon, was found dead in an office at the farm.

Ten new factories in nine towns were cited as evidence that Kentucky communities are acting to "provide an industrial bulwark against the threat of a postwar slump" in employment.

John R. Cooper, who would have been 105 years old had he lived until Jan. 16, a Union veteran of the War Between the States and believed to have been the oldest man in Kentucky, died at his home in Middleburg.

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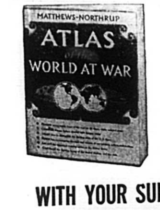

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Wood is important in the construction of 41 different types of British aircraft and makes up approximately one-third the weight of all British planes. Most of the wood comes from the United States and Canada. All of the well-known British fighting planes (Stirlings, Wellingtons, Lancasters, Whitleys, Beaufighters, Blenheims, Halifaxes, and others) contain wood from North America. Even the tires contain rayon thread produced from wood cellulose.

Avoid Food Losses

Losses that the housewife may not be aware of can be avoided by the way food is handled in the home. For example, cabbage cut finely for slaw and left in a warm room for a few hours will lose a large percentage of vitamin C. Milk left on the door step in the sun may lose considerable of the essential riboflavin. Vegetables placed in cold water, brought to a boil, and cooked longer than necessary lose valuable soluble nutrients.

Why They're Doughboys

During the Mexican campaign the American soldiers called the Mexicans "adobe boys," because their uniforms, covered with mud, were the same color as the adobe huts. Then, during World War I, the word, now spelled "doughboys," was used by American soldiers to describe themselves after they were covered with mud during the battles in France.

Expose Animals

Forty-three different kinds of wounds, ranging from man-made shear cuts to sores caused by prickly pears and cockleburs, predispose animals to screwworm infestation. According to Henry E. Parish, U. S. bureau of entomology and plant quarantine, other man-made wounds come from branding, castrating, dehorning, docking, earmarking, and tagging.

Add Deeper

When lime is added to the surface few inches of the soil a long time is needed for the neutralizing effect to penetrate through the entire plowed layer. Field experiments have shown that when part of the lime is put deeper in the soil, better crop growth and root distribution are obtained than if all the lime is added to the surface four inches of the soil.

Supply Feed

Pasture, hay, and other forage crops supply 60 per cent of all the feed required by all livestock but milk cows get 76 per cent of their feed from these crops, other cattle 80 per cent, horses and mules 67 per cent, sheep 95 per cent. Hogs and poultry get 95 per cent of their feed from grain.

Temperature of Water Cause

The correlation of fish population density and lake temperature was verified when fishermen found millions of smelt dead in March, 1943, in Little Bay de Noc. The temperature of the lake was 33 degrees from top to bottom, four degrees colder than the previous year.

Vehicle Mileage

Vehicle mileage in 1943 is estimated at 18 per cent below 1942, and 33 per cent below 1941. In comparison with the drop in fatalities, there is an indicated reduction in the mileage death rate of 14 per cent from 1941, and no change in the mileage death rate over 1942.

Low Cost Feed

Grass is invaluable as a low cost feed crop which at the same time is important for building up organic matter in soil and preventing erosion. Grass represents the most nutritious and least expensive food for any type of livestock.

Vegetable Seed

Vegetable seed produced east of the Rocky Mountains is more likely to be diseased than is seed produced in the arid regions of the Pacific slope. This is particularly true of bean and cabbage seed.

Kok-Sagyz in Bessarabia

The government of Rumania has set aside $50,000 to extend the cultivation of kok-sagyz, the rubber-bearing plant, in Bessarabia and Bucovina, according to information from Istanbul.

Holds Crates Together

Hardwood is far better than softwood for the corner posts of crates because it holds nails better; elm is extensively used and is satisfactory.

Fish Dish

Next time you are preparing fish, serve it with a sauce of well-browned fortified margarine and chopped or sliced almonds.

Teachers' Salaries

Two hundred fifty-four thousand teachers, 30 out of every 100, are getting less than $1,200 a year or $23 per week.

Sawdust Plastic

Sawdust has been discovered as a source for plastic raw material and a new plastic made from California redwood.

Strikes Oftener

In our military forces it has been found that gonorrhea strikes from two to five times as often as syphilis.

Unfertilized Pasture

Only about one-twelfth of the combined plowable pasture and hayland acreage is being fertilized.

Use Mercury Classified Ads.

HOOKTOWN

Eddie Rogers and wife of Newport, spent the Christmas holi days here with relatives.

Mrs. Otis Hill has returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Smith after spending a few weeks with her husband in Virginia, her husband has been sent somewhere overseas.

Martin Heflin and family spent a few hours Christmas eve with Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Heflin and daughter.

Robert Shaw and family and Roy Fuller and family spent Christmas day with Sam Jenkins and family at Robinson Station.

Mr. Spigles died at his home in Gleentown on Christmas day, his remains were laid to rest in Beaver Baptist cemetery.

Bermuda grass pasture is rated high by L. H. Adams of Livingston county, who has been grazing beef cattle on it for many years.

Mend Gloves Promptly To Assure Long Wear

To give the gloves now on hand the best care possible, mend them promptly and carefully, and whenever possible, prevent them from becoming wet. However, when they are wet, stuff them with crushed paper and dry them slowly and away from the heat.

Usually the glove fingers call for attention first. One very satisfactory method to use in mending either leather or fabric that is worn—not just ripped—is to blanket stitch around the worn edge. Then remake the seam by lacing the edges together through the purl of the blanket stitch. If the fabric is not worn, remake the ripped seam just as you would mend such a seam in any garment. Gloves with inseams—seams made to the inside—should be mended with seams to the inside. Those with outseams should be mended with the seams to the outside.

Use a hard twisted thread, about the weight of buttonhole twist, and a fine and fairly long needle for mending. A long-eyed needle is not suitable because the thickness of the eye makes the needle holes too large.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS
Powder Monkey

On board ship and in the artillery their buddies call them "powder monkeys." Not disrespectful, just a personal, intimate term between friends. Civilians call them gun crews. During a battle the crews of "powder monkeys" must work like trojans bringing the ammunition to the guns.

The gun may fire an anti aircraft .50 calibre shell or a broadside from the 16 inch guns of a great battleship, but in either event the "powder monkey" must pass millions of dollars' worth of ammunition to make the gun effective, and your savings in War Bonds are necessary to supply the financial ammunition that provides the shells.

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BARTERVILLE

Miss Jewell Green, of Barterville, spent a few days the past week with her uncle, Ervine Green and family at Lexington.

Mrs. Louise Snapp of near Paris, spent one day the past week with her mother-in-law, Mrs. Bira Snapp of Lexington.

Mrs. Willis Smith and son, of Dayton, Ohio, spent the past week with her sister, Mrs. Johanie Gray and family of Lexington.

Marvin Mitchell returned to Navada, Calif., after spending an 18-day furlough with his wife, Louise Mitchell and other relatives.

Mrs. Bira Snapp received a letter from her son, Pvt. Ollie Glenn Snapp stating that he has arrived overseas and is somewhere in France says he is ok.

Pvt. Leslie C. Snapp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Snapp is stationed at Atterbury, Indiana, his address is: Pvt. Leslie C. Snapp, 35786190, Co. A, 1584th Su, Camp Atterbury, Indiana.

Pvt. Leslie C. Snapp, of Atterbury, Indiana, spent the weekend with his mother, Bira Snapp who is with her son, Ervine Green and family of Lexington.

Walter Snapp spent the weekend in Lexington to be with his son, Leslie C. Snapp.

WASTE PAPER GOES TO WAR

Several hundred thousand items used by the armed forces of the United States require paper in packaging or construction. Huge amounts of paper board are used by the Red Cross for blood plasma containers. All Army clothing and eqiupment is shipped in waterproof paper wrappers.

Multiwall paper bags are used extensively in shipping flour and dehydrated foods. Each weapon part must be wrapped in grease-proof paper and in waterproof paper.

All kinds of paper are used by the Army and the Navy, from vegetable parchment .0015 inch thick to heavy paper board and wallboard.

Be certain that our fighting men fet the materials they need, properly packed and wrapped.

Logan county farmers sowed 30,000 acres of wheat, their largest wheat acreage in several years.

BUY UNITED STATES WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

REPORT OF CONDITION OF
DEPOSIT BANK of CARLISLE, KY.

of Carlisle in the State of Kentucky at the close of business on December 30th, 1944.

ASSETS	
Loans and discounts (including $76.23 overdrafts)	$193,794.23
United States Government obligations direct and guaranteed	623,600.00
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	10,000.00
Other bonds, notes, and debentures	19,900.00
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	408,188.77
Bank premises owned $4,000.00	4,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS	$1,259,483.00
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	$1,099,582.47
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	8,500.00
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	17,411.26
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	13,611.92
TOTAL DEPOSITS ... $1,139,105.60	
Other liabilities	2,500.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated shown below)	$1,141,605.60
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital*	$ 50,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits	17,877.40
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	$ 117,877.40
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	$ 1,259,483.00

*This bank's capital conisists of 500 shares common stock with total par value of $50,000.00.

MEMORANDA

Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value):	
(a) U. S. Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities	$ 8,000.00
(e) TOTAL	$ 8,000.00
Secured and preferred liabilites:	
(a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law	$13,611.92
(d) Deposits preferred under provisions of law but not secured by pledge of assets	17,411.26
(e) TOTAL	$31,023.18
Subordinated obligations:	
(a) On date of report the required legal reserve against deposits of this bank was	$ 79,397.39
(b) Assets reported above which were eligible as legal reserve amounted to	$408,188.77

I, J. W. Parker, Cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. W. PARKER, Cashier

Correct—Attest. Henry N. Potts, Sterling B. Blake, Allen Hopkins, Directors.

State of Kentucky, County of Nicholas, as:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of January, 1945, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.

John P. Ross, Notary Public, Nicholas County, Ky. My commission expires July 3, 1948.

Mrs. N. B. Alexander of the Round Pond Club in Simpson county grew 31 vegetables in her garden.

In Christian and Todd counties, 125 Negro 4-H Club girls canned 2,446 quarts of food, made or mended 3,095 garments and raised 6,120 chickens.

Marion Robinson of Greenup county has 103 White Rock pullets started in April which produced 1,584 eggs in one month, or 15 eggs per pullet.

These are the combinations that have saved our readers so much money.

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Magazine	Price
Ace Comics	$3.00
American Girl	3.00
American Home	3.10
American Fruit Grower	2.25
Better Cook. & Homemak.	3.60
Calling All Girls	2.85
Capper's Farmer	2.15
Child Life	3.60
Christian Herald	3.00
Country Gentleman (5 yrs.)	2.50
Etude Music Magazine	3.60
Farm Journal & Farm. Wife	2.15
Field & Stream	3.50
Flower Grower	3.25
Flying Aces	3.55
Fur-Fish-Game	3.10
Good Health	2.80
Household Magazine	2.15
Hunting & Fishing	2.75
Hygeia (Health Mag.)	3.25
Inside Detective	2.90
Jack & Jill	3.90
King Comics	3.00
Magazine Digest	3.75
Magic Comics	3.00
Natl. Livestock Producer	2.25
Nature Magazine	3.60
Open Road for Boys	3.00
Outdoor Life	3.50
Outdoors	3.00
Outdoorsman (2 yrs.)	3.25
Parents' Magazine	3.25
Pathfinder (weekly)	2.75
Popular Homecraft	3.25
Popular Mechanics	4.00
Poultryman (weekly)	2.40
Reader's Digest	4.75
Redbook	3.75
Screenland	3.00
Silver Screen	3.00
Successful Farming	2.25
The Woman	3.00
True Comics	2.85
True Story	3.00
U. S. Camera	2.75
Walt Disney Comics	2.85
Wee Wisdom	2.85
Your Life	3.60

LIST "A"

- Country Gentleman 5 yrs.
- Market Growers Journal 1 yr.
- Calling All Girls 1 yr.
- Fur-Fish-Game 1 yr.
- Walt Disney Comics 1 yr.
- Screenland 6 mos.
- U. S. Camera 1 yr.
- Silver Screen 1 yr.
- Hunting & Fishing 1 yr.
- Household Magazine 5 yrs.
- Pathfinder (wkly.) 1 yr.
- Beekeeper's Item 1 yr.
- Poultryman (wkly.) 1 yr.
- The Woman 1 yr.

THIS NEWSPAPER 1 Year and Any 3 Magazines from List A ... $3.75

LIST "B"

- American Fruit Grower 1 yr.
- Capper's Farmer 1 yr.
- Market Growers Journal 6 mo.
- Hoard's Dairyman 1 yr.
- Philatelic Press 1 yr.
- Household Magazine 1 yr.
- Successful Farming 1 yr.
- Hunting & Fishing 6 mos.
- Opportunity 1 yr.
- Natl. Livestock Producer 1 yr.

THIS NEWSPAPER 1 Year and Any 5 Magazines from List B ... $2.75

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