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LOJALNOST V VSEH OZIRIH

V teh časih največje preizkušnje, ki je zadela našo domovino Ameriko in tudi skoro vse ostale dežele sveta, je važno, da lojalno sodelujemo z vladom Zedinjenih držav in vsemi njenimi agencijami. Vsi naporji naše vlade so sedaj vsmerjeni za doseg zmag nad našimi sovražniki in za vzpostavitev poštenega in trajnega miru. V to svrhu je naša dežela, vzhodno s svojimi zaveznicami, razvila ogromno fronto. Ta fronta se raztega od aktualnih bojišč vse do naših tovarn, rudnikov in farm, v vsako podjetje in v vsako hišo. Mi vsi, ki nismo v vojaških uniformah, smo vojniki na domačem delu fronte. Naša aktivnost na domačem delu fronte pomeni sodelovanje z našimi vojaki na bojiščih. To sodelovanje izvajamo na različne načine, ki pa so vsi vsmerjeni k skupnemu vojnemu naporu.

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Naša vlada smatra, da je v tej sezoni potrebno opozoriti civilno prebivalstvo dežele na veliko važnost živil. Naše vojaštvo mora dobivati dovoljne količine primernih živil, pa naj bo nastanjeno v domači deželi ali kje v inozemstvu. Isto tako je važno, da dajemo našim zaveznicam, ki se z nami vred borijo proti našemu skupnemu sovražniku, toliko naših odvečnih živil, kolikor je v razmerah mogoče. Hrana je za vojake prav tako potrebna kot sta orozje in municija. In, seveda, zadostna hrana je nujno potrebna za naše civilno prebivalstvo. Potrebe za proizvodnjo hrane so večje kot so bile kdaj prej, število tozadovnih delovnih moči pa je znižano.

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Nikakoga dvoma ni, da bodo ameriški farmerji tudi v letošnji sezoni skušali pridelati toliko živil kot bo sploh v razmerah mogoče. Kljub temu pa je priporočljivo, da tudi domači vrtnarji na svojih vrtovih pridelajo kar največ živil, posebno zelenjave. Za delo na domačih vrtovih je zdaj že prezgodaj, ako izvzamemo nekatera južne kraje naše republike. Ni pa prezgodaj se pripraviti z zelenjadnim semenom za poznejšo posevet, z gnojilom, z ogrevnjami, z oredjem itd. Mnogi domači vrtnarji so v lanskem sezoni dobili dobre izkušnje, ki jih bodo lahko s pridom porabili pri ureditvi in oskrbovanju domačih vrtov letos. Misleči in lojalni državljanji tudi ne bodo trtili in zamejvali živil, si bodo nabavljali take jestvine, ki so primerne za zdravje, bodo upoštevali razdelitvene regulacije in ne bodo kupovali racioniranih živil pod roko in po višjih cenah. Vse to je važno, da se zasigura dovolj živil za vse in da se po možnosti prepreči inflacijo, ki pomeni dragino.

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Pomniti bi morali, da priporočila in regulacije, ki nam jih z ozirom na živila in druge potrebuščine daje vladu, niso tu v namenu šikaniranja, ampak vsled potrebe. V teh izrednih razmerah so potrebne, da ohranijo močno domačo fronto, ki je hrbitenica vojne fronte. Ako upoštevamo omenjena priporočila in regulacije, koristimo nam vsem in prispevamo k čim prejšnji zmagi nad sovražnikom. Mi vsi hočemo, da Amerika s svojimi zaveznicami čim prej porazi kletega sovražnika vsega svobodoljubečega človeštva, in zato je naše lojalno sodelovanje potrebno.

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Končno bodimo lojalni naši organizaciji Ameriški bratski zvezi. Taka organizacija nam je in nam je bila potrebna v vseh časih, v podvojeni meri pa nam je potrebna zdaj. Potrebna je nam in potrebna je našim so-rodnikom in prijateljem. Vpišimo jih v Ameriško bratsko zvezo, ako še niso in ako so sprejemljivi. S tem bomo storili dobro delo zanje in za organizacijo. Poleg tega ne odklanjajmo drugega potrebnega dela pri krajevnih društvinah in ne nakladajmo našim društvenim uradnikom več dela kot je potrebno. Ako smo mi od našega dela za eksistenco utrujeni, ne pozabimo, da so prav tako ali pa še bolj utrujeni naši društveni uradniki. Tako zvanega prostega časa, v katerem vršijo naši društveni uradniki društvene posle, je v sedanjih razmerah manj in manj. Pojdimo jih na roke kjer in kolikor moremo. S tem bomo vrisili bratsko delo za naše sobrate in sestre pri društvinah in v prenešenem pomenu za našo dobro organizacijo Ameriško bratsko zvezo.

Oton Župančič:

ZIMSKA NOČ

Golobica zimska noč
svetla krila je razpregla,
skozi okno perotnica
člena mi na ramo segla.

Sije, sije, blizu, daleč,
kot je svet širok in dolg,
v nje blestenju bi izginil,
temen nič—kot gladen volk.

jo prazne sedeže v ozadju in se mi je zazdelo, da ima prezačeno peti, izprva polglasno, potem pa glasneje. Ne prešereno, v izviru, ampak lepo ubrano. Izpele so vsaj ducat popularnih popevk, predno smo prišli na Public Square. Tam se razkropile na razne strani, načrte na nočno delo. Končno ameriška mestna dekleta niso tako zelo drugačna od slovenskih kmečkih deklet, ki so prepevala, gredoča na delo na polja in travnike.

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V slikarski galeriji Raymond & Raymond v New Yorku so bile nedavno razstavljene kariature Churchilla, Čiangkajšeka in njegove soproge in Stalina. Vsi štirje so bili predstavljeni kot ptiči, toda s pravimi glavami oziroma obrazi; Churchill celo s cigaro in Stalin s pipo. Stalin je bil v ostalem narisan kot sokol ali orel. Risar, ki si je dotične kariature zamislil, je 31-letni Justin Murray iz San Francisca. K vsaki risbi je risar dodal tudi primeren opis prizadetega "ptiča" po načinu kot je v navadi v knjigah naravoslova. Pod sliko orla s Stalinovo glavo je bilo napisano: "Protectus Defendus (Joseph Stalin)." Kako daleč sega njegovo okrožje: "Nemogače prerokati." Navadna bivališča: "Počuti se dobro v mrzlih krajih in v debelih blatu. Je pa čudovito gibljiv in ga je dostikrat najti daleč za gnezdi njegovih sovražnikov." Po čim ga je spoznati: "Je velik, trdoživ ptič, mnogo bolj trdoživ kot si je kdo misil." Njegov glas: "Se malokaj sliši." Hrana: "Preživlja se na način, ki je skoropopoloma koristen človeku, kajti njegovo dijeto tvorijo v glavnem školjivi gledavci in "fuhrer-bearing animals."

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"O" je izraz začudenja, občudovanja, iznenadenja, hipneganja razumevanja ali posebnega podudarka, navadno v dobrem smislu. Na primer: O, tako! O, kako je to lepo! O, zdaj razumen! O, kako si porezen! O, kako smo ga pil! O, ali bo še luštno! O, za to se gre! O, le počakaj! O, boš že videl! Včasih se rabi medmet "o" tudi v sami srajci, to se pravi, brez vseh pritiskov. V takem primeru lahko pomeni "o" začudenje, otčudovanje ali razumevanje in se pogosto rabi pri diplomatih, ki ne želijo svojih počutkov jasno izraziti. Na primer, nedavno je neka skupina govorjev, zbrana v Washingtonu, sprejela rezolucijo, s katero poziva predsednika Roosevelta, da naj kandidira za četrti termin. Lepo natipkano in podpisano rezolucijo so potem odlični možki nesli v Belo hišo in so jo izročili Rooseveltu. Ko je predsednik dokument prečital, je rekel samo: o! Ta predsednik "o" si zdaj lahko vsak po svoje razloga. In, ako boste ugibali, zakaj tevašča počevalec napisal to razpravo o medmetu "o," in ako vam kdo reče, da pač zato, ker ni vedel s čim drugim napolnil kolone, in boste z razumevanjem priklimali: o,—boste v pravem.

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Na oknu moje spalne sobe se košati mlada begonija. Ce bi jo klical po imenu, bi jo moral imenovati Begonia Semperflora, ker to je njeno botaničko ime. Preteklo jesen sem jo našel v neki "pet-in-deset-centn" trgovini tako majhno in srčano, da sem jo brez pogajanja kupil za 19 centov. Od takrat gleda z mojega okna dol na prometno cesto Superior in se smeje z drobnimi rožobarvnimi cveti. Sonca dobi malo, prahu pa dobi, pa to je ne spravi v slabo razpoloženje; samo da je na gorkem in da dobi svojo merico vode.

Spol je moja begonija najbolj skromno in zadovoljno bitje na svetu. Pred nekaj tedni

ske. Vojne ladje so se približale obrežju na razdaljo 5 milij in so dvaset minut sipale težke izstrelke na suho. To je bilo privič, da so ameriške vojne ladje napadle domače japonsko ozemlje. Japonske baterije so besno odgovarjale, toda niso Američanom povzročile nikake škode. Napad svedoči silen razvoj zavezniške mornariške moči na Pacifiku, ki je tako velika, da se more uspešno uveljavljati na raznih, tisoč milij oddaljenih krajih Pacifika.

PRITISK NA ŠPANIJO

Zavezniški pritisk na Španijo je že pokazal prvi uspeh v tem, da je španska vlada dovolila odpusti iz španskih pristanišč šestim italijanskim trgovskim ladjam, ki so bile tam internirane. Te ladje bodo zdaj služile zavezničkom, ker je po brezognji podaji Italije italijanska mornarica pripadla zavezničkom.

ARETACIJE V CERKVI

Italijanska fašistična policija v Rimu, ki sodeluje z Nemci, je v noči 4. februarja vdrla v baziliko sv. Pavla in aretirala 64 oseb. Policiji so pomagali nemški vojaki. Papež je vložil formalen protest proti kršenju nedotakljivosti omenjene slovečke bazilike.

A. J. T.

SPOŠNI TEDENSKI PREGLED

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

tekli teden na vprašanje časninskih poročevalcev v San Franciscu, tikajoče se predsedniških volitev, dejal, da on sodi, da bo predsednik Roosevelt kandidat za četrti termin. Kar se pa nje sama, to je Wallace, tiga, da je vse v rokah bogov.

POZIV FINSKI

Ameriški državni tajnik Cordell Hull je nedavno očetovsko toda odločno pozval Finsko, da se lepo pobota z Rusijo in izstopi iz vojne, ker bojevanje Finev ob strani Nemčije koristi samo Nemčiji in škoduje Finski in seveda tudi zavezničkom. Pogoji za sklenitev miru z Rusijo bodo za Finsko toliko slabši, kolikor dalje bo vztrajala v vojni. Rusi so Fini že pred tedni poslali sličen poziv, pa nič izdal. Pretekli teden pa so poslali nad Helsinki, glavno mesto Finske, par sto bombnikov, ki so trosili svarila v obliki bombe.

PRIPOROCILA NAKUPA

Kongresnik Carl Hinshaw iz Kalifornije je v Kongresu predložil rezolucijo, ki naj bi pooblastila državnega tajnika Hulla, da prične z Mehiko pogajanja za odkup mehiške Sodne Californije in dela mehiške države Sonore. Tisto ozemlje, ce bi ga Mehika hoteli prodati Zedinjenim državam, bi bilo velikega pomena za obrambo in tudi za gospodarski razvoj prizadetega ozemlja. Pričomil je, da je njegovo priporočilo predloženo v duhu iskrenega prijateljstva in reškega do sosedne republike Mehike.

ZLOBA ALI NERODNOST

Zavezniško severno fronto je pretekli teden neki nemški letalec bombardiral ameriško poljsko bolnišnico, ki je bila zelo vidno označena z rdečim križem. Bomba so ubile 27 oseb, 65 pa ranile. Med ubitimi so bile tri bolničarke, dva častnika, en delavec Rdečega križa, 15 ambulančnih vojakov in 6 ranjencev. Ugotovljeno ni, da li je nemški letalec namenoma metel bombe na bolnišnico, ali se jih je hotel samo v naglici iznebiti, ko je bežal pred nekim angleškim letalom.

NAPAD NA JAPONSKO

Pred dobrim tednom so ameriške vojne ladje ponoči napadle važno japonsko mornariško bazo Paramuširu na Kurilskem otočju, ki je del prave Japon-

IZGUBA NIKOPOLA

Velika ruska ofenziva ob dolnjem toku Dnjepra je pretekli teden prepodila Nemce iz Nikopola, ki so ga okupatorji z vsemi silami branili in žrtvovali zanj okrog 20 tisoč vojakov. Z Nikopolem so Nemci izgubili najboljše rudnike manganeza, katera kovina je izredno važna kot primes k jeklu, da postane trše in trpežnejše. Ko so Rusi v avgustu leta 1941 izgubili Nikopol, niso izgubili vseh skladov manganeza, ker ga imajo velike množine tudi v rudnikih Georgije. Za Nemce pa je bila posest Nikopola izredno važna, ker nimajo drugih rudnikov manganeza, z izjemo nekaj manjših na Balkanu, kjer pa je ruda mnogo slabše kakovosti. Po svojih lastnih izjavah so Nemci samo v preteklem letu dobilni iz nikopolskih rudnikov nad 300,000 ton manganeza. To zakadnico so jim zdaj Rusi iztrgali.

SOVJETSKIE REPUBLIKE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

seljeno. Dežela je bogata na rudo. Dvanašt republik je malih in nekatere so sploh zelo majhne. Tudi prebivalstva imajo nekatere komaj do pol milijona. Prebivalstvo Rusije, Ukrajine in Bele Rusije je po ogromni večini slovensko, prebivalstvo ostalih 13 republik pa je po večini večini neslovensko in se deli na mnoge narodnosti. Po nekaterih virih je teh neslovenskih narodnosti v Sovjetski Rusiji nad 60, po drugih virih nad 60, sto drugih virih nad 60. Pod carsko vlado večina teh neruskih narodnosti ni imela nikakih jezikovnih pravic in nikakih šol v njihovih jezikih. Sovjetska vlada je priznala jezikovne pravice vsem neruskim narodom in jim oskrbelo šole v približno 60 različnih jezikih.

Iz pomanjkljivih podatkov, ki so nam tozadenvno na razpolago, je vso dobro vlagalo v Sovjetski Unusu Rusov vseh treh vej (Rusov, Belorusov in Ukrajincev) od 150 do 160 milijonov, raznih neslovenskih narodov pa skupaj 30 do 40 milijonov glav. Poudariti je treba, da so navedene številke niso povsem točne, ampak samo približne. O prostrani Rusiji smo sploh vse do zadnjih časov tako malo vedeli, da je vsak pogled v njeno notranjost zanimal. Bivša carska vlada takih podatkov ni dajala v svet, če jih je sploh imela, sovjetska vlada pa je bila od zapadnega sveta bojkotirana in omalovaževana

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FOOD — AMERICA'S FOREMOST WAR WEAPON

The days of Feb. 15 to Feb. 28 this year have been dedicated to "Food Fights for Freedom." American housewives are asked to keep the Home Front Pledge of complying with food price ceilings and rationing. America's agriculture is leading the world in providing food for its armed forces, its home front and its Allies. We must continue to lead until victory is ours. Food is the fruit of American freedom.

Every American knows that food is vitally important to victory. All Americans can cooperate by keeping in mind the following program:

1. Play fair and share your food by following ration rules.
2. Comply with food ceiling prices and stamp out the black markets.
3. Plan your victory gardens now. Every bit of food you grow at home releases more food for our fighting fronts.
4. Don't waste food. Use left-overs and get the most out of your food.
5. Stretch your food dollar by planning economic and nutritious meals.

The food situation is up to everyone of us. What the farmer and the home gardener produce fights for freedom. If we all work together eventual victory will be ours so that freedom can be preserved. Our food can win the war and write the peace. That is why we must all share, play fair and conserve.

Every day America's fighting men consume almost five million dollars worth of food — that's in addition to what goes to our fighting Allies. To top it off — America's 35 million families work harder, eating more, and they too must be fed. It's team work that counts — fighting on the front, production in war plants and food fighting for freedom!

We know that all our AFU housewives are cooperating on the food front. Our farmers are seeing to it that they get the crops out. In fact, our Slovenes have always had home gardens regardless of small a plot of land they owned. They tenderly care for their gardens and the housewives can the fruits of their labor from their victory gardens.

We must all resolve to keep "Food Fighting for freedom." Remember that we owe it to Uncle Sam, to our fighting men and women, to ourselves to see that enough food is produced, that ceiling prices are complied with and that everyone shares and follows rationing rules. Never can too much be said about food fighting for freedom for it is one of our most powerful war weapons. Produce and conserve food and help America to victory and peace!

Thought For The Day



NEWS ITEM: In 1943 American farmers produced the most food in U.S. history.



IN THERE PITCHIN'

Newspapers For Soldiers Same As Letters

San Francisco, Calif. — William H. McCarthy, local postmaster, whose staff processes mail for the Army postoffice, looks on newspapers "as equivalent to first class mail" when they are addressed to soldiers in the Pacific. The postmaster feels that the boys want their hometown newspapers as much as letters.

Newspapers go out to Pacific war zones, an Army officer said, "at the same pace and rate as parcel post."

(Ed. Note:) Yes, our boys do want their newspapers judging from the many letters received by the Nova Doba from the servicemen who receive it. However, there are still many servicemen-members who are not on our mailing list. Families of these servicemen forget to forward their military addresses when the servicemen leave. Of course there are certain war zones which cannot be reached, but they are very few. Every member of the AFU serving in the U. S. Armed Forces is eligible to receive the Nova Doba. When sending his military address to our paper, the writer should state the number of the lodge the member belongs to and include his home address.

News of Lodge No. 6, AFU

Lorain, O. — At the Ohio Federation meeting held in Cleveland on Feb. 6th, it has been urgently requested that all members of the local lodges attend the next three monthly meetings regularly, that is February, March and April. At these meetings the By-Laws will be discussed and the members will be free to bring up various subjects which may be of interest and benefit to themselves and the lodge. These in return will then be discussed at the next Ohio Federation meeting to be held the last Sunday of April. Therefore I request all the members of St. Aloysius Lodge No. 6 of Lorain, Ohio to attend these meetings. Our next meeting is Feb. 20th at the regular time and place.

Fraternally yours,

Ludwig Vidrick, Sec'y
Lodge No. 6, AFU
Lorain, Ohio

DID YOU KNOW THAT—

The first veterans' hospital library on record in the United States was in the Soldiers' Home at Togus, near Augusta, Maine, just after the Civil War.

Fighters require a third more food. A soldier or sailor eats about one and a half times as much as a civilian. For men quartered in this country the Army and Navy require at least a 3-month reserve food supply; for men abroad, a 9-month supply.

A secret substance has been discovered which will drive sharks away. The Navy reports: "Hungry sharks were found to refuse a bait, which otherwise they would have taken voraciously, if a small quantity of the shark repellent was suspended in the water nearby."



A BIT O' THIS 'N THAT—

By Tommy Turk

Hello, everybody!

Here I am again! Rather late 'tis true, but, I had an attack of the flu and didn't feel like writing or doing anything. By the way, I want to thank all of you who have told my mother and dad how much you've enjoyed reading my column; I'm glad that you all find it worthwhile. I will keep it up for as long as I can; in less than three months I will be graduating from high school and I don't know yet where I'll be or what I'll be doing, things seems to change so fast!

Now for a few bits of poetry:

THE MINER

"Slowly,
The toil-weary miner trods
With unmeasured tread."

Heavy,
His sweat-soggy clothes,
And bowed, his graying head.

Strong
And calloused,
Are his sinewy hands.

Ever true
And staunch, his heart,
Tho' he comes from many lands!"

EVER THUS—

"Queer the things one sees and hears.

Amazing the things one does!
When the glorious old world of ours,

Breathes and gasps with pangs of fear.

Always and ever altruistic;
Changing never the song nor tune!"

ADOLESCENCE—

"My voice, 'tis high; then low.
Oh, why do people torment me so?

I try so hard to do my best,
Yet never do as the rest.

I walk along quite straight and tall,

When suddenly, oops! I fall!"

Here's some news about Lodge No. 36, AFU members:

Mr. John Kukovitz, formerly of Conemaugh, Pa., has retired from business and is now raising chickens at Elim, R. D. Johnstown, Pa.

Mr. Vid Rovansek, the tailor, had as his guests recently, Capt. and Mrs. Joseph Rovansek and their small son. Capt. Rovansek is the son of Mr. V. Rovansek. Pvt. Johnny Krable, youngest son of Mrs. Mathew Krable, is somewhere in the Southwest Pacific. Pvt. Krable

HAVE YOU BOUGHT YOUR EXTRA BONDS? 4TH WAR LOAN

New Meeting Date of Lodge 141, AFU

San Francisco, Calif. — The members of the Golden Gate Lodge No. 141, AFU are hereby notified that in the future our regular monthly lodge meetings will be held every third Tuesday of the month at 8 p.m. at the Slovenian Home on Mariposa St. Members are asked to attend meetings more regularly in the future than they have in the past. I wish to inform members living out of town that my address is: Jos. J. Grahek, 2318 —18th St., San Francisco, 10, Calif. Every member should make it his duty to see to it that his or her lodge dues are paid on time. Fraternal regards to all.

Joseph J. Grahek, Sec'y
Lodge No. 141, AFU
San Francisco, Calif.

Briefs

Everyone who is interested in what is going on in Yugoslavia today should not fail to read the article on "Tito," leader of the Partisans of Yugoslavia, which will appear in the Feb. 19th issue of the Collier's magazine, now on sale at all news-stands.

This article written by Frank Gervasi is the most complete write-up that has appeared so far about the man called Tito. The article tells of the life of Tito and what his Partisans are fighting for. It is recommended reading to all who are interested in the problem of the Balkans, especially Yugoslavia, to-day.

The Life magazine this week also carries a very complete story on Tito and his Partisans. These articles should be read by every American Yugoslav.

Meeting Notice to Members of Lodge No. 150, AFU

Chisholm, Minn. — At the last meeting of Lodge No. 150, AFU it was decided to contribute from the lodge treasury, one dollar to one of our lucky members who will be present at our next regular meeting. The next monthly lodge meeting will be held Sunday, Mar. 5th at 2 p.m. at the home of the lodge secretary. Members are invited to attend in as large a number as possible. There isn't any garden work or outside work to be done now so this can't keep any member from attending. The more members that attend our meetings the more we can benefit our lodge and the American Fraternal Union. Therefore Sisters, let's all attend the meeting on Sunday, March 5th.

Frances Lukanich
Lodge No. 150, AFU
Chisholm, Minn.

was the last one of our lodge, so far, who was drafted.

As I write this, I'm thinking of Roly, our fox-terrier who is in the Small Animal Hospital with a broken leg. He is my brother Rob's dog.

Since he, (Rob), is in the Army and cannot take care of him; I promised to take good care of Roly for him until he got back. I guess I'm not such a good guardian after all. Rob will think so, too, when he comes home for a ten-day furlough next week. I'm keeping my fingers crossed, hoping nothing else happens. So long now.

OUT ENUMCLAW WAY

By Mary G. Balint

As my partner and I passed through the main entrance of our plant on our way to work last Monday evening, we noticed a handsome new poster on the bulletin board. The men and women of the night shift were milling around in front of the board and as we approached we could see some sort of congratulations were in order. The men were grasping the women's hands in firm handclasps while other stood by and saluted.

"Someone must have received special recognition or maybe the company voted us a bonus," were our thoughts as we hastened our footsteps to share in the excitement. Just then a huge hand, which I thought surely must be "Twoton Tony's," bore down on me (a pat on the back) and I noticed Sophie, too, was being greeted with exuberance.

"Stand at attention, boys." Someone shouted out the orders. "Here are two more of our girls, Sophie and Mary, we salute you!"

The blank expressions on our faces must have been their cue for one of the boys called our attention to the poster which we had momentarily forgotten. The poster was a special letter of recognition to the feminine crew of White River Lumber Company. "We salute our ladies," was the caption and then went on: "This letter is a salute to the ladies! Our labor situation would have been a lot more difficult without your coming to fill places left vacant by the boys going to war.

You have put to shame a great many of the 'drifting population' sent us from Seattle and Tacoma. Not estimating the women of the U. S. A. is another big mistake made by the two caricatures (Hirohito and Hitler) pictured to the left. Your help has already done its bit toward blanking out the mug (Mussolini) at the bottom of the cartoon. It is well known that women never do a job by halves."

"Our thanks to you on behalf of White River Lumber Company."

The letter bore the endorse-

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Slavs In London Set Up Own Committee



Russians, Serbs, Ukrainians, Croats, Rumanians, Slovanes, Bulgarians and Macedonians met together in London for the first time a few days ago. It was then decided to set up an All-Slav Committee to strengthen the struggle of the Slav nations against Nazi Fascism. This picture, taken at the first meeting, shows Mr. P. Maxa, Chairman of the Czechoslovak State Council, addressing the gathering. Seated at the left are Colonel Chodsky, Czechoslovak Ministry of National Defense; Mr. J. David (Czech); Mr. Jaroschko (Ukrainian); Mr. Petrovic (Serb); Dr. Bicanic (Croat); Dr. Furlan (Slovene); Lieut. Pleva (Czech); and Mr. Padev (Bulgarian). From left to right on the opposite side of the table are: Mr. V. Navy, Secretary of All-Slav Committee; Mr. Roth (Tass Agency); Mr. Lisin (Russian); Mr. Valo, M. P. (Slovak); Mr. Ernest, Vice-Chairman of the Czech State Council.

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American Slav
Congress Third
Call March 12thCombat Soldier Is
Thinking of Home

Washington — What the American soldiers in the combat lines are thinking about was told by Lt. Col. Lewis A. Riggins, who has been two and a half months with the ground forces in the front lines and has just returned home.

Troops are eager to hear whether civilians at home are getting enough to eat. They are interested in rationing and specifically in what foods are rationed. The possible return of prohibition is another live topic.

The most welcome gift to the fighting soldiers is a pair of heavy wool socks.

Canned rations issued in the front lines are always topics of discussion.

Mail, of course, is another major topic. Mail from home is being delivered promptly and is always eagerly read.

A new clothing ration plan has been adopted which sends dry, clean clothing to the front lines for exchange.

The physical condition of the troops generally is fine, Colonel Riggins reports. The men are able to advance over terrain which appears impassable only because of their splendid physical condition.

First Cow: "What do you think of the new farmhand?"

Second Cow: "I think he's an awful jerk."

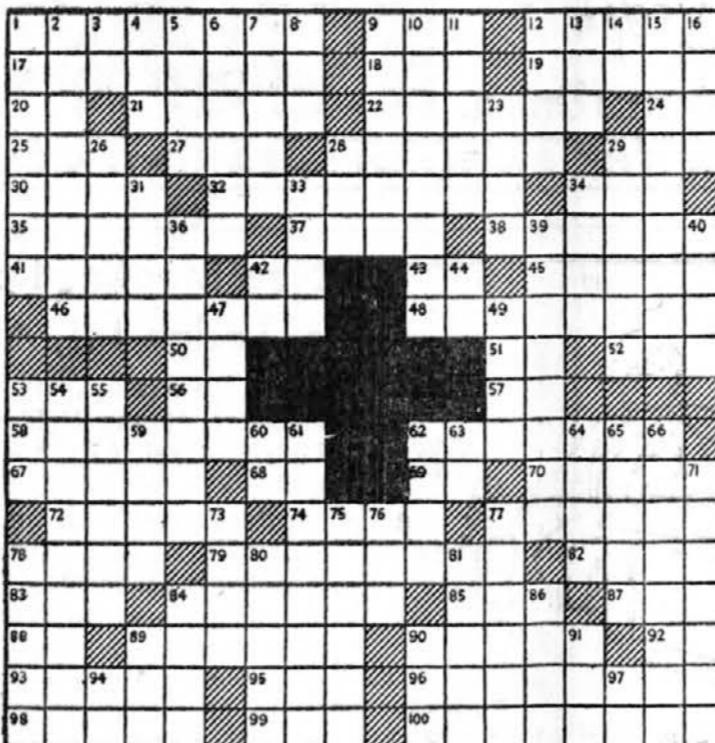
Michigan will fight mercilessly against any attempt on the part of Slav reactionaries to undermine Teheran."

BUYING
A BOND
IS NO
SACRIFICE

Missing in Action



Red Cross Word Puzzle.



Across

- 1, 9, 12—National organization for aid in disaster and emergency
 17—Adjust systematically
 18—The binding two words in a marriage ceremony
 19—Great Lake between Michigan and Erie
 20—Rough Rider president: initials
 21—Nautical for "downstairs"
 22—Erudite fellow
 24—Bayou state: abbr.
 25—"dien," I serve, motto of Prince of Wales
 27—Battle of — Juan Hill
 28—Recover losses
 29—Porker
 30—Thailand
 32—College groups of special students
 34—Gunman's rod
 35—Newly
 37—Guest entertainer
 38—Homeric
 41—Most vital war job for a woman
 42—Alas!
 43—Olive drab: abbr.
 45—Orchestra leader Shaw (nick name)
 46—Products of lysis, or cell destruction
 48—Coffee and peanut heaters
 50—Thus
 51—Rank just below Army captain: abbr.
 52—Destroyer Escort ships of the Navy
 53—Vessel or duct
 56—Suffix meaning oil
 57—Sound of hesitancy
 58—Threatened
 62—Repair seat with plant fibers
 67—Remain with
 68—Man with whom Red Cross nurse works (abbr.)
 69—Cry of delight
 70—Business tycoon
 72—The rust that destroys wheat
 74—Jacob's brother
 77—French Quisling's first name
 78—Narrow secluded valley
 79—Base of operations for volunteer Red Cross Nurse's Aides
 82—Limbs of the body
 83—Owns
 84—Failed to score a hit
 85—A humorist
 87—"the last rose of summer . . ."
 88—Forward!
 89—Chinese laborer
 90—City Terminal of Bagdad railway near Persian Gulf
 92—Soldiers under a captain: abbr.
 93—A news beat
 95—Conclusion
 96—Native aided by the Red Cross after World War I
 98—Subjects of sermons
 99—Royal Geographical Society: abbr.
 100—Ocean dykes
 Down
 1—Skilled worker
 2—Compassionate to all needing aid
 3—for example: abbr.
 4—Apply friction
 5—Isles: French
 6—Light, horse-drawn carriage
 7—Expiate

(Correct Answers
on Page 5)

LAUGHS

Two American soldiers in Egypt lived for months on dehydrated beef, dehydrated milk, dehydrated butter and vegetables. Visiting a Cairo museum they saw their first mummy.

"This is going too far," exclaimed one of the men. "Now they're dehydrating women!"

A Gestapo leader was told that he had been promoted to be protector of a city in Czechoslovakia.

"Thank you," he said with a smile. "Now what should be my first duty?"

"I suggest," growled his superior, "that you notify your nearest of kin."

Chicago AFU Liberty

Bell Bowling League

News of Collinwood

Boosters

The bowling last Friday again returned to normal and nothing very special happened. The Hujan Tavern team won two games and Spolar's Hotel team won one. The Gottlieb Florists won two and Golenko's Cafe won one game. Best bowlers of the evening were Max Bruckman with 198 and 197 in individual games and 532 in the three-game series. Joseph Fajfar bowled 190 and 186 in individual games and 506 in the three-game series. Louis Dolmovich scored 190 in the single games and 487 in three games.

Next Friday we will bowl according to the following schedule: Gottlieb's Florists against the Hujan Tavern team and Golenko's Maryton Cafe team against Spolar's Fox River Hotel team. What will be the result?

Standings, February 11, 1944:

	W.	L.
Gottlieb Florists	35	22
Maryton Cafe	31	26
Hujan Tavern	26	31
Fox River Hotel	23	34

Team High Three Games:

Gottlieb Florists	1885
Maryton Cafe	1745
Fox River Hotel	1709

Team High Single Game:

Gottlieb Florists	749
Maryton Cafe	638
Fox River Hotel	619

Individual High Three Games:

Dolmovich, Louis	558
Andreasic, Louis	555
Bruckman, Max	538

Individual High Single Game:

Dolmovich, William	225
Andreasic, Louis	224
Gomilar, Joseph	222

John Gottlieb, Sec'y
Chicago AFU Liberty Bell
Bowling League.

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Then we have Pearl, a former beauty queen and elevator operator from Seattle. Pearl loves country life and with her family just recently settled on a small farm on the outskirts of Enumclaw. So many of the city girls come and go but Pearl has been with us for a long time now and intends to stick it out so she has been dubbed "one of the old-timers."

Pretty black-haired Marg was doing office work prior to her employment here at the lumber plant but she too has taken to the lumber industry as a duck does to water.

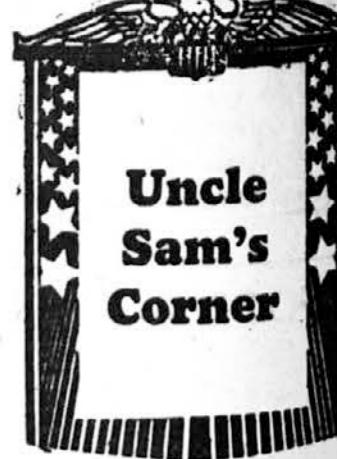
Working with your scribe is Ingaborg, the Norwegian "old maid" and a "prince of a fellow" if there ever was one. I believe she has taken the worst beating of any of us but she is jolly and takes all our kidding in a sporting manner.

For the most part lumberjack slang has not touched the women. They have retained their dignity and to me that is very admirable. Moral standards among our women are high. And although coveralls and slacks predominate the women never neglect their little tricks of femininity. A fragrant perfume, a white collar, pin curls or a ribbon in their hair. When the whistle sounds the summons for the night shift and the women leave their waiting rooms, it all looks more like a sports fashion parade than women reporting for eight hours of strenuous mill work.

All over America our women have stepped in to alleviate the labor shortages caused by our men going off to war. I think they are doing a pretty fair job for themselves. Yes, ladies, WE SALUTE YOU!

Draft Board: You have three days to clean up your affairs.

Draftee: I'll take Christmas, Easter and the Fourth of July.



Save Your Papers:

If there's been any doubt in your mind about the necessity of conserving on paper bags and wrapping paper, remember: For the first three months of this year, WPB has allocated less than one-half of the pulp used during the same period of 1942. Just to safeguard yourself from finding your grocer entirely out of paper bags, you'd better plan to carry some kind of shopping bag when you go to the store.

Need Another Bathroom?

WPB has just freed from restriction the following bathroom equipment: bathtubs, lavatories, toilets, showers, shower stalls, chemical toilets and in addition, laundry trays and sinks. WPB says it is able to make this move because the requirements of the armed services, of housing programs and of war production plants for such items have fallen off considerably.

A Few More Coffee Pots:

Enamelware manufacturers are now allowed again to make drip coffee pots of six to nine cup capacity and tea kettles of four to seven-quart size. This doesn't mean, however, that there will be more enamelware in the stores. These larger sizes must be eked out of the manufacturer's regular allotment of metal, so that the over-all production will remain just about the same. But at least there will be some of these larger sizes available now.

Metal Products Coming Back:

Metal, of which we have heard much but seen little for civilian use, is coming back. The War Production Board has loosened the tightly held strings of 1943 and will soon turn to the market 1200 of the most common civilian products. Coat hangers, bathtubs, cream freezers, lipstick holders, parking meters, mop wringers, pie plates, shower stalls and metal baby carriages will adorn the depleted shelves of American stores.

Can Openers Come in Mighty Handy:

It's a mighty little thing, the American Red Cross reports, that can openers are a highly prized part of next-of-kin packages to American prisoners of war. They ask for them in letters to the home folks. In order to save the boys anguish when receiving canned items without a can opener, the Red Cross is putting a small opener in every fourth package going to European camps.

Cash Awards

The American Fraternal Union pays awards for newly-enrolled members in both departments. They are as follows:

The awards are as follows for the Adult Department:
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 1.50 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 2.50 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 1,000 death benefit, \$ 5.00 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 1,500 death benefit, \$ 7.00 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 2,000 death benefit, \$ 9.00 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 3,000 death benefit, \$ 12.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 2.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 3.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 1,000 death benefit, \$ 6.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 1,500 death benefit, \$ 10.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 2,000 death benefit, \$ 12.00 award;
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 3,000 death benefit, \$ 18.00 award;

Awards for enrolling new juvenile members:

For Plan "JA" \$1.00 award; for Plan "JB" \$3.00 award; for Plan "JC" for \$1,000 insurance, \$5.00 award;

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The Battle for the Balkans

A ROUND TABLE

Louis Adamic — Louis Dolivet — Josef Hanc — Sava N. Kosanovich
Bogdan Raditsa — Gaetano Salvemini — Victor Sharenkoff
Rustum Vambery — Basil Vlavianos — J. Alvarez Del Vayo

(Continuation)

There were other stories like this one. They came out of Vienna and created the myth that in the Balkan countries dishonesty was an innate national inclination. But the Balkans have no monopoly on corruption.

Dolivet—Mr. Hanc, we want to come back for one second to the problem of the unification of Europe. Will you comment on that?

Josef Hanc—Czechoslovakia doesn't belong geographically to the area we're talking about. But Czechoslovaks are vitally interested in whatever goes on in the Balkans. Our friends, the Yugoslavs, are there and we have always relied on very close cooperation with them. This reliance is traditional—and there are economic and other reasons behind it. The same goes for the other United Nations in the Balkans. But Czechoslovakia would regard itself as a neighbor rather than as a nation immediately concerned with Balkan problems.

One question I'd like to ask here: Do you really think we should put all the great powers into one bag and say they were all interested in supporting the gangsters?

Vlavianos—All except the United States.

Hanc—Wasn't it thanks to the great powers that some of these nations got their freedom eventually?

Adamic—I'm disinclined to give them too much credit.

Salvemini—To be sure one cannot speak of "all" the great powers in "all" things. According to the game of the balance of power required if the governments of the different great powers helped now the gangsters of one Balkan country and now those of another. Sometimes they also helped the peoples. But all in all, especially during these last forty years, the influence of the great powers has been harmful. The United States alone has an unblemished record of humanity and generosity. Let us hope that such a record is not tarnished. It would be a great pity.

Hanc—I'm not defending the great powers but I just want to be historically correct. The small Balkan nations achieved freedom and unification in consequence of wars in which the great powers played a considerable part and out of which these nations won their independence. We shouldn't use the term "great powers" indiscriminately because there are certain differences. Our discussion should



"ARE WE RUSHING YOU TOO MUCH, JOE?"

Inside the Axis

This material is prepared by the Office of War Information from information contained in foreign broadcasts and foreign newspapers, and from other data received by the OWI through various overseas channels.

The Zagreb Raid

With one strong partisan force of Marshal Josip Broz (Tito) reported to be just about 47 miles from Zagreb, Dr. Ante Pavelich's Ustashi Storm Troopers—aided by German soldiers—carried out a city-wide house-to-house search recently in the Croatian capital, arresting several thousand persons.

Swiss and Swedish press dispatches, all originating in Budapest, said that Pavelich, the Nazi puppet in Croatia, had ordered the raid to ferret out partisan supporters in Zagreb.

The partisans, according to the Stockholm Svenska Dagbladet, have good communications with Zagreb now and many opponents of the Pavelich government have been succeeding in escaping from the capital and joining Tito's forces.

Many of those arrested in the Zagreb raid were followers of Dr. Vladimir Machek, the Great Peasant Leader, the Swiss Gazette de Lausanne said. Some of the left-wing members of the Peasant Party, the largest party in Croatia before the war, are now understood to be fighting with Tito. Machek himself is reported to be under "house arrest" by Pavelich and the Nazis.

Nazis Use Soldiers in Diplomatic Dealings With Vichy

In their diplomatic dealings with Vichy authorities, the Nazis have adopted the practice of bringing German soldiers in

to Vichy and quartering them in surrounding villages as a means of exerting pressure on the French puppet officials while the diplomatic negotiations are in progress, according to the Swiss newspaper Journal de Geneve.

The Geneva newspaper said the Nazis used this pressure technique in November, when Marshal Henri Philippe Petain was prevented from delivering a message over the radio, and again in the latter part of December, while German plenipotentiary Otto Abetz was conferring with Petain.

"In the past," the paper said, "diplomacy was always surrounded with discretion. Today it seems necessary to support it with soldiers and policemen."

PICTURE OF BELGRADE

After visiting German-occupied Belgrade, now the capital of Gen. Milan Nedich's puppet Serbian government, the Budapest correspondent of the Stockholm Dagens Nyheter filed a dispatch describing conditions there as follows:

"The situation is hopeless for a stranger in Belgrade if he hasn't made arrangements beforehand. Otherwise it is impossible to obtain lodging and food. Everything is controlled by the German occupation army. The town's appearance is greatly changed. Badly kept lawns replace houses bombed by the Germans . . . People point out some ruins, saying that over 300 bodies were buried by debris and not yet cleared out . . . Whole streets are filled with barbed wire and soldiers. The Gestapo's gigantic buildings with high towers seem to watch the entire city.

The German civilian officials and economic experts are privileged to eat at the Hotel Majestic, which is blocked to ordinary mortals. But they dare not be unarmed even at the dinner table. Partisans don't leave the town in peace. German patrols armed to the teeth patrol the streets throughout

Juvenile Voices

Ely, Minn.—Hello folks: My how time passes. Here it is February, 1944 already and one half of our school term is over. We had a very nice winter with hardly any snow but it spoiled some of our winter sports.

I wish to congratulate my cousin, T/Sgt. John Golobich and Marie Sikula on their recent marriage. Miss Sikula taught at the high school here in Ely. She was the English teacher of my sister Florence and also advisor on the high school paper "Ely Hi-Lites" when my sister was a reporter. Florence often spoke of Miss Sikula as a very fine teacher and a good sport all around. My cousin John is stationed at Camp Butler, N. C.

Lt. Nicholas P. Kondich of Ely, a pilot, was killed in a plane crash in the Mediterranean war zone. Nick was very popular and very well known. He organized a young people's string orchestra and was its conductor for a number of years.

A member of the AFU, Dr. Jack Grahek, of Ely is now part owner of the Shipman Hospital here in Ely. I wish to congratulate Dr. Grahek in behalf of all the AFU members and I know you, as well as myself, wish him all the luck in the world in his new undertaking. I think that being a partner in a large hospital and carrying the burden of caring for all the local patients is quite a job. We, here in Ely, are very proud of Dr. Grahek.

The Fourth War Loan drive is on and our quota is \$148,285. Quite a large sum for a small town. Will we reach it? Well it depends upon each and every one of us. If we all do our share and do without some things it can be done. What do you say? Will you do your share? Of course you will.

The "March of Dimes" campaign is on. This is to secure funds for the fight against Infantile Paralysis. Please give all you can. Many who are stricken with this dread disease are unable to pay for their medical care but with every person donating his share they can all be taken care of. If you could just talk to my own cousin, who is 37 years old and has been crippled for life, you would know how lucky you are. He has never walked in his life. He can't use his hands and has spent 33 years in bed. There is no recreation for him except listening to the radio. Although he never went to school, he is very intelligent and if you could only see and talk to him you would do your share to keep this awful disease from spreading. You would realize how lucky you are, how fortunate that you have strong bodies. Let's all do our best now and help those that cannot help themselves.

I still mark my age as 14 years old but soon it will change. I shall be 15 on March 1st and I feel pretty grown-up now. Good luck to all until next time.

Margaret M. Startz (Age: 14)
Lodge No. 1, AFU
Ely, Minn.

Corp. Rich: My girl friend is a great listener.

Pvt. Poor: That's unusual.
Corp. Rich: Not very. She believes that money talks.

Drafty: Say Daffy, what time is it?

Daffy: Dunno.

Drafty: Isn't your watch going?

Daffy: Worse than that, it's gone.

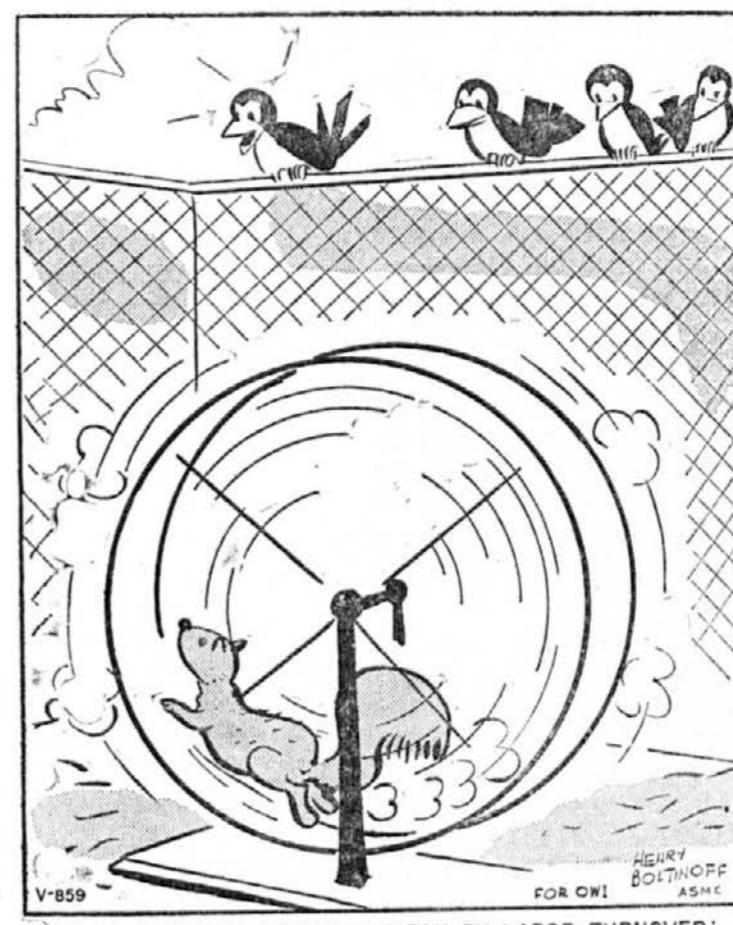
the night, two or four soldiers together.

"Shots are often fired in the darkness without missing their target. Regular battles are often fought in Belgrade's vicinity with even artillery involved. To ride in a car ten minutes away from town without military escort means certain death for any German. Attackers are often young women or boys, even old shepherds, who armed with tommy-guns, watch their herds. Hostages are shot daily . . ."

PAVELICH HOLDS OUT THE OLIVE BRANCH

Dr. Ante Pavelich, whose Ustashi Storm Troopers recently conducted a city-wide raid in Zagreb to round up persons suspected of giving aid and shelter to the partisans of Marshall Josip Broz (Tito), has now offered an amnesty to partisans giving themselves up to the puppet civilian or military authorities.

In a decree broadcast by the controlled Zagreb radio, Pavelich, who calls himself the "Poglavnik" ("Leader") of puppet Croatia, promised that "any measures taken against the relatives of persons who give themselves up must immediately be cancelled." This was the first admission by Pavelich that his government had been taking punitive measures against the relatives of partisans.



"THAT, CHILDREN, IS WHAT I MEAN BY LABOR-TURNOVER: GETTING NO PLACE FAST!"

Red Cross Word Puzzle

ANSWERS

(See Puzzle on Page 4)

ACROSS

1-American 100-Seawalls

9-Red 1-Artisan

12-Cross 2-Merciful

17-Regulate 3-E. G.

18-I do 4-Rub

19-Huron 5-Iles

20-T.R. 6-Calash

21-Below 7-Atone

22-Pundit 8-New

24-La. 9-Ripens

25-Ich 10-Educator

27-San 11-Donor

28-Recoup 12-Chip

29-Pig 13-Rut

30-Siam 14-Or

32-Seminars 15-Solitaire

34-Gat 16-Snag

35-Afresh 23-Duse

37-Host 26-Harry

38-Erical 28-Rio

41-Nurse 29-Pacted

42-Wo 31-Mess

43-OD 33-MHOS

45-Artie 34-Girt

46-Lysates 36-Seasoned

48-Roasters 39-Pastrami

50-So 40-Less

51-Lt. 42-We

52-De's 44-Do

53-Vas 47-Told

56-OI 49-Alec

57-Er 53-Via

58-Impended 54-Ambulance

62-Recanes 55-Spires

67-Abide 59-Eden

68-Dr. 60-Ed

69-Oh 61-Dressing

70-Mogul 62-Rout

72-Uredo 63-Eh

74-Esa 64-Noel

77-Pierre 65-Egret

78-Glen 66-Surgical

79-Hospital 71-Lessons

82-Legs 73-Ohio

83-Has 75-Speeds

84-Missed 76-Aid

85-Wag 77-Plasma

87-Tis 78-Ghost

88-On 80-Osler

89-Coolie 81-Aware

90-Basra 84-Mops

92-Co. 86-Crew

93-Scoop 89-Cot

95-End 90-Bas

96-Armenian 91-Ana

98-Texts 94-Ox

99-R. G. S. 97-II

She: Oh, you're the most wonderful fellow I've ever met.

He: Tell it to the marines!

She: I have—to four of them.

Dear Fellas in the Armed Forces, all our lambys are buying War Bonds—

LET'S BACK THE ATTACK BUY WAR BONDS!

Special Hospital Ration Developed

Washington — A special hospital ration with strong eye and appetite appeal has been developed by the Quartermaster Corps for use in field hospitals overseas, the War Department announced recently.

Sufficient for 25 men for one day, the ration includes a variety of canned fruits, fruit juices, dehydrated soup, coffee, sugar and evaporated milk. Each of the components is packed in a metal container. The complete ration, boxed and marked with the Red Cross insignia, weighs about 60 pounds and is readily transported even to hospitals in the battle zones.

The hospital ration was designed to supplement standard field rations ordinarily served wounded men in theaters of operation and to meet the dietary needs of hospitalized soldiers.

—Army Times

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ZAPISNIK SEJE IZVRSENE GA ODBORA SANS, 4. DECEMBRA 1943

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Zatem sledi splošna razprava v razvoju politične in vojaške akcije v Jugoslaviji. Brat Kristjan meni, da bo moral tudi SANS kmalu priti v javnost s svojimi pojasnilni, da bo javnost poučena o resničnem položaju v starji domovini. Sestra Zupančič je prepričana, da SANSovi nasprotniki in sovražniki Narodne osvobodilne vojske namenoma ustvarjajo mnenje o "nekih komunističnih" smernicah takih svetov, kar je seveda neresnično, obenem pa zelo skodeljivo. Brat Cainkar je mnenja, da je vatikanska politika veliko kriva teh zmed, ker naprej vse svoje moči

