

## The MacArthur Quiz Show

The extended joint Senate investigation of the MacArthur dismissal has dragged on and on until not one person in a hundred can tell you the number of witnesses which have appeared before the group. For those not in the know, the correct figure is eight including the famed General Mac himself; but those eight witnesses have provided 1,494,750 words of testimony!

A million and a half words are quite a few. Before the show opened, the Republicans reportedly had their guns loaded and cocked for action, and were whooping it up about how they were planning to discredit the Democratic administration and show to all good Americans how that devil, Harry Truman, was leading us to chaos.

Now eight witnesses and a million and a half words later, the Republicans have succeeded in disclosing vital military secrets and plans which old Joe Stalin and his Kremlin cohorts have taken in without a words of thanks. The Republicans have succeeded in doing this while actually strengthening the stand of the administration and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Eight witnesses have appeared, and of these eight, only General MacArthur seemed to disagree with the President's removing him from command. There was some discussion as to whether President Truman should have been as blunt as he was, but no argument as to whether he has done the best thing.

All in all, it looks as though the Republicans have a lion by the tail and can't find an appropriate time to turn loose without getting chewed to bits. Next time the G. O. P. should have its guns loaded with real ammunition instead of hot air.

## An Ounce of Prevention

The discovery by Wake County Agent Grady Miller that boll weevils are already in the cotton fields should be adequate warning to cotton farmers that preventive measures must be taken now if the 1951 cotton crop is to be saved from the ravages of the weevil. The complete destruction of entire fields suffered last year need not happen again if the advice of the County Agent is followed and cotton fields adequately dusted with insecticides now available.

The need for cotton is seen everywhere, but nowhere is it needed more than by our fighting men. Our soldiers, sailors, and marines are literally covered with cotton equipment — trousers, shirts, canteen covers, field packs, cartridge belts, leggings, ammunition. Ammunition? Yes,



cotton linters are the basic indispensable ingredient for the smokeless powder which sends the projectile on its way.

Ginners, bankers, merchants, and everyone else whose business is directly affected by the cotton farmer's welfare should urge the grower to follow the recommendations of the County Agent.

Tombstone—The only thing that has a good word for a fellow when he's down.

Vacations are easy to plan: The boss tells you when and the wife tells you where.

Two children were talking. "Know how to tell a lady worm from a gentleman worm?" one asked.

"Oh, sure," said the other. "You've heard that a worm turns. Well, if it turns without putting out its hand, it's a lady worm."

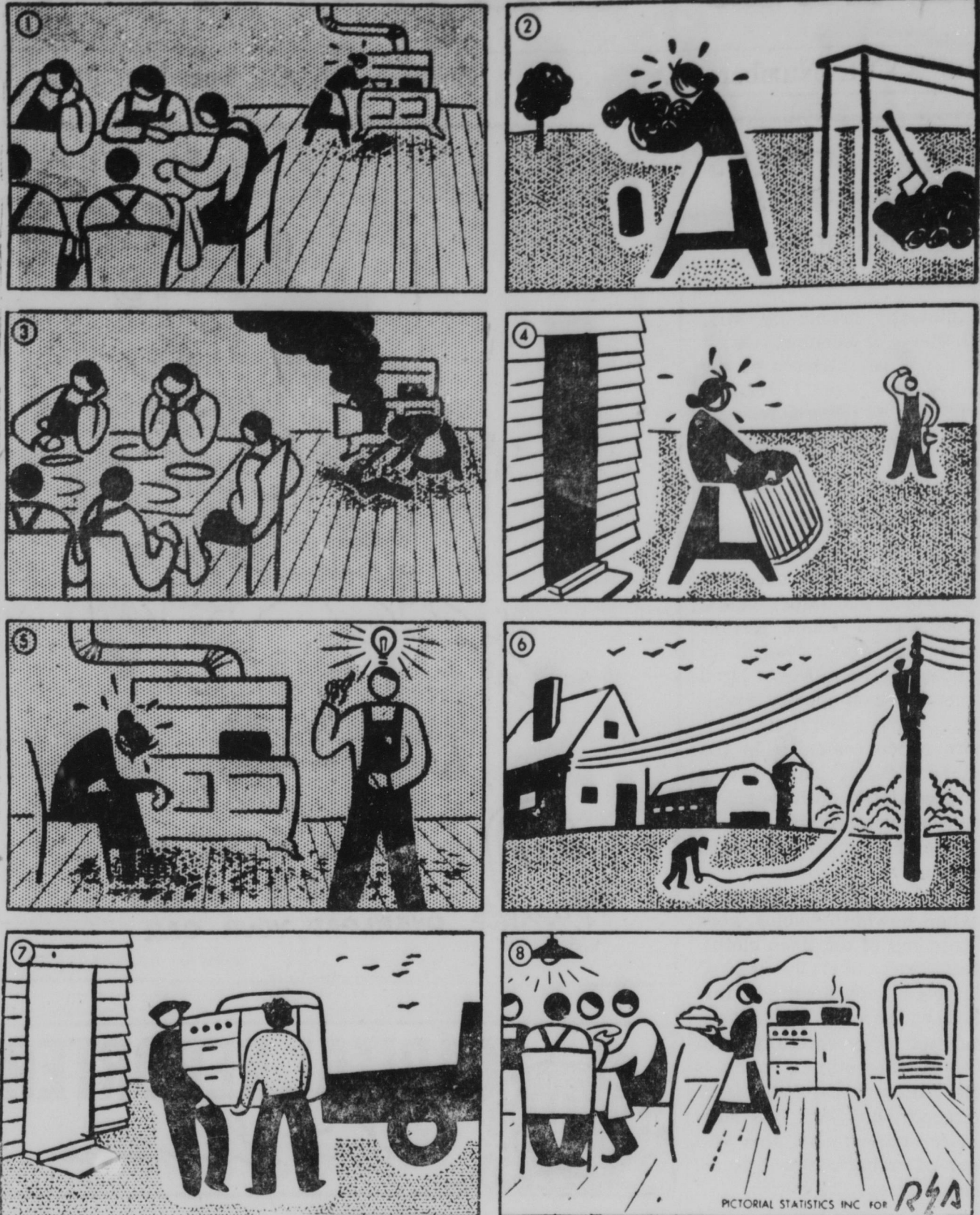
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## THE CASE OF THE HUNGRY HIRED MEN



## Hayseed: Testing Ground

By Uncle Sam

The United States is the testing ground of free institutions. The world is sitting in the grand stand and keeping a score of the results of the tests.

Without doubt it has been proven that the United States is the richest nation now in existence. England has slipped from its place as a world empire. The United States now has the opportunity of carrying the ball. The United States has vast resources at its command. It is rich in oil, coal, iron and many other resources. It is yet to be seen whether these resources so vital to the continued existence of any great nation are exploited or developed and conserved.

The United States not only has untold wealth but its citizens have the highest standard of living of any nation in the world. In the past profits have been enormous to investors. Today wages are the highest of any time in history. But between capital and organized labor there is a tremendous conflict. The end of this conflict is by no means in sight. It is possible in this conflict to trample the life out of unorganized producers such as farmers and farm laborers. It is possible to cause such chaos that the state may have to step in and take control. Capitalism would probably be destroyed and laborers finally sink to the level of slaves.

There is a possibility that the

power of money and blocs will exert such influence over politicians that the power of government will come from the populous centers of wealth where democratic traditions are giving away to force. Red tape and complications have so honeycombed government that not much is being done as it should be. Political termites may destroy education as well as the communication of knowledge.

Free enterprise, free speech, a right to worship God according to the dictates of the conscience or a right not to worship God are all being tested. The stability of democratic government is now being tested in the United States of America. It may be its last testing ground.

## Don't Get Struck!

Following a few simple safety rules will help reduce the chances of injury by lightning, says H. M. Ellis, extension agricultural engineer at State College.

Don't go out doors or remain out during thunderstorms, advises Ellis, unless it is absolutely necessary. Stay inside a building where it is dry, preferably away from fireplaces, stoves, and other metal objects.

In choosing shelter, select a building which has a lightning protection system or a large metal or metal-frame building. If an unprotected building must be used, choose a large rather than small one. In all cases, stay away from open doors and windows.

If you must remain outdoors,

keep away from small sheds and shelters in exposed locations, isolated trees, wire fences, hilltops, and large open spaces. Seek shelter in a cave, depression in the ground, valley, the foot of a steep or overhanging cliff, dense woods, or in a grove of trees.

Occupants of an automobile having metal body are practically immune from injury by lightning.

Ellis points out that lightning is one of the chief causes of farm fires, damage from this source exceeding \$20,000,000 annually. Buildings should be protected with equipment covered by the Master Label Service, which is a guarantee that the system is in accord with the best modern knowledge.

A wire fence will conduct electricity for considerable distances. Livestock should be protected by grounding all wire fences. Connect ground rods with each lateral wire of the fence and extend into the ground for at least three feet. Fences joined to a building should be grounded at the post nearest the building. Also, the ground rod of the structure should be connected to the fence.

U. S. hens laid 6.3 billion eggs in April.

Marmers' cash receipts from marketings for the first four months of 1951 are estimated at 8.3 billion dollars. Receipts during the same period last year were 7 billion dollars.