Swap-Work Plan Routes Labor Shortage Enemy

Farm labor battalions captured all their objectives at Newport, Carteret county. Twent farm families of the Crab Point community, led by General R. P. Ogleeby, pooled their machinery, their work stock, their labor their tobacco plants and other things necessary to the success of local farming enterprises and routed the farm labor shortage which attacked their section without warning some weeks ago.

General Ogleeby produces Irish potatoes cabbage sweet potatoes, tomatoes cotton and hogs. When the enemy attacked he found himself with two tractors five head of mules and practically no labor. He called in Neighbor Bill Williams and made him captain of one tractor [illegible]. He himself led the other [illegible].

[illegible] the road they went from farm to farm bedding up tobacco land and putting out the fertilizer that was brought up from the rear by sergeants corporals and plain buck privates in fatigue uniforms. In three days time they were ready to set tobacco on all 20 farms. The tobacco plants were pooled and down the road they went again with the only transplanter in the community setting the crops of Bob and Jack and Joe as they came to them.

No money was involved in all of this work. Neighbors simply swapped labor and equipment so as to get the jobs done with the least man power possible. One truck haul did all the fertilizer. Cooperation whipped the labor shortage enemy.

J. Y. Lassiter, horticultural specialist at N. C. State College says the Crab Point group is so delighted with what it has accomplished that the neighborhood will apply the same program to its tomatoes, sweet potatoes and other crops.

COURT OF HONOR TONIGHT

Boy Scout Court of Honor will be held tonight at eight o'clock in the City Hall. Boy Scouts and Scouters are invited to attend the court.

More than 2,000 Norwegian seamen have gone down with their ships carrying cargoes against the Axis, but 16,000 of them still man Norwegian vessels in Allied service.

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A. B. Chadwick, of New York City, executive vice-president of the Solvay Sales Co.; A. C. Lee, of Charlotte, president of the Lee Construction Company which built the plant; H. R. Perkins, Syracuse, N. Y., director of operations for the Solvay Process Co.; former Governor Clyde R. Hoey, and Governor J. M. Broughton, who were among those present for the welcome of the Solvay Process Company to Cleveland County sponsored by the Shelby Chamber of Commerce Monday night. Kings Mountain City Officials and a number of invited guests were present for the occasion, in the Charles Hotel at Shelby Monday night.

Army Conserves Food By Knowing Soldiers' Eating Habits

ATLANTA, Ga.—One way to conserve food at an Army mess hall is to cook no more of it than the soldiers will eat, so the Quartermaster Corps has found out how much they eat and when.

A survey of 500 mess halls shows the eating habits of the American fighting man and that he eats less at supper than at breakfast or dinner, ecording to figures at Head quarters, Fourth Service Command.

As the survey proved the soldier eats his heartiest meal at noon... that meal was given a value of 100 percent. In comparison, breakfast rates 92 percent and at supper the soldier eats only 68 percent as much.

Even the weather makes a lot of difference. If it's cold, the soldier eats six percent more than if the weather is moderate. If it's hot, he will eat 12 percent less. On a cloudy day his appetite is better than on a clear day. If he's outdoors he can be counted on to eat five per cent more than if he's indoors and the mess officer must take all these factors into consideration in planning meals.

zThe job of feeding men by the thousands, the survey shows, is affected by many more minor things. They eat more when smoking is permitted in the mess hall and they also eat more if an officer is present. They stow away more food if it's ready for them as they come into the mess hall than if they have to wait for service.

Surprisingly enough, they don't spend a great deal of time at meals 18 minutes at breakfast, 19 minutes at dinner and 17 minutes at supper but in those 54 minutes they average eating five and a half pounds of food per man — a pound and a half more than the average civilian.

RETURNS FROM MEETING

Mrs. John L. McGill returned last night from Asheville, N. C., where she attended the three day session of the Farm Security meeting.

HERE'S A REAL FISH STORY
(Cont'd from front page)

run away with it. Following the bos'n instructions I let the line run free for about 35 or 30 feet and then pushed the brake lever and gave a hard jerk to sink the hook in his mouth. When I put on the brake (which will let the line unwid under tension) it didn't even slow the fish down and he actually towed the rowboat backwards for several hundred yards. When he would let up a little I'd wind as hard as I could and gain a foot then he would take off and unwind four or five feet. This kept up 'til I was getting pretty discouraged, after a while the fish seemed to be getting as tired as I was and I gained on him foot by foot until he was right beside the boat. Just as I thought I could sit back and catch my breath he swished away and unwound 75 or 100 feet of line and I had it all to do over again. I finally managed to out-last the fish and haul him back alongside the boat. The bos'n got the anchor in his mouth and pushed it through like a fish hook. It was a jew fish which is edible. You could have put your head and shoulders in his mouth. I later found out that he weighed 116 pounds.

A jeep load of coast guards had stopped on the bridge to watch us so when the bos'n got the anchor in the fish's mouth we rowed over to the bridge holding the fish against the side of the boat. They hauled him up by the anchor rope. I didn't know it but the cook was in the jeep and he took charge right there. By the time I had got back to Pidgeon Key and got my camera the fish was just a pile of meat in a tub in the refrigerator. At least they weighed him first.

That's my fish story and you can believe it if you want to. Anyway, we are going to have fish for dinner — the whole camp. I think I will write and tell Uncle Harry.

I hope you had a happy Mothers Day and everybody is well. Love, Bob.

U. S. War Losses To Date 85,000

Washington, May 13.—The names of an estimated 5,000 casualties of the last four weeks of the Tunisian campaign are expected to be added officially to the total of more than 80,000 battle casualties of the first 17 months of the war.

Officers, counting the reports of the Army's men killed, wounded and missing in the past month's successful drive against the Germans in Tunisia, said indications pointed to a total of approximately 5,000 casualties for the month.

The Navy, meanwhile, has announced a total of 23,965 casualties since the beginning of the war in the Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard, of whom 7,218 were killed, 4,683 wounded and 12,064 missing.

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I SEE ALL
(The other two have Spring Fever)

Can you believe it? Only one week and two days until everyone will be unhappy. Especially the gals who only see their guys at school, because the guys are unwilling. Take for instance, Morion Arthur and Max Rollins, who is unwilling there? Ruth Hawkins and (censored). We know who is unwilling there. Then there are some couples who are the other way around, but it might be embarrassing to mention them. All of the gang had a wonderful time out at the lake over the week end. Slap them on the back and say—da! Ha!, Sonny Peeler, you and Betty Hayes have a little romance up, eh? — Cute, eh? Sonny? That is a beautiful shiner you have Christine. Congrats! The Jr. and Sr. classes are planning to go on a picnic Monday for one good time for all, before the exams begin. Mind if we tag along?

One never knows, does one —— Clarence Jolly? But one CAN find out Ask Peggy Smith, and Capt Puy Ur. By the way, Margie Harrelt and S. Laughter are back on the beam ever since the school dance when Harvey danced "Good-night Sweetheart" with Margie! Speaking of the dance, everyone had a wonderful time, especially the parents. Marion's mother and father were quite the card. Avis and her father could have taken the cup also. Then there was Mr. and Mrs. Tolleson who simply had a wonderful time square dancing — Ouch! Don't say square dancing in front of Peggy Morris. She says the boys leaving K. M. certainly will make good soldiers if arm strength counts. Mr. Honeycutt, why didn't you bring Junior? Jimmy Burns and Mary Ann Crouse seem to be having a grand time to — incidently I'm getting tired and want to sleep—so remember

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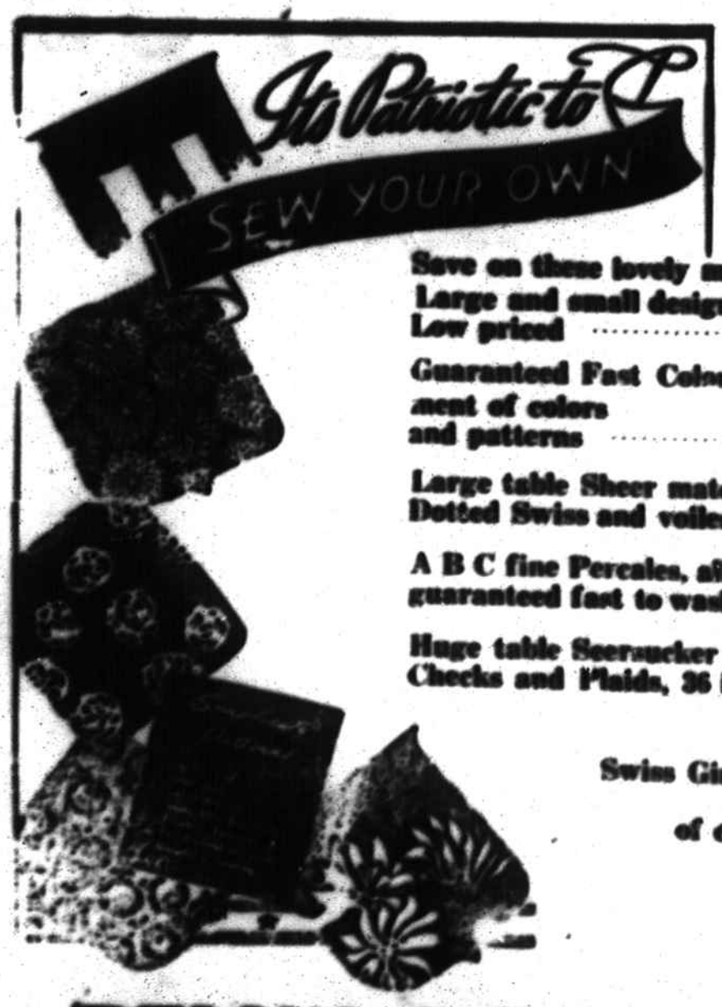

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