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### Points At Defect

In this week's paper is a letter from Mrs. Lena Robinson, of Supply. She writes concerning a matter which is much more serious than the average parent realizes. As she points out, the average school child of this county often goes to school and remains there throughout the day in a very undernourished condition.

Some means should be devised for seeing to it that the school child gets a proper lunch. Money given to the child for the purpose of buying something to eat will not serve the desired end. Any person who lives near a school cannot fail to have noted the manner in which lunch money is spent at the nearest stores. Ninety per cent or more of it goes to buy candy and drinks, as Mrs. Robinson says.

Like Mrs. Robinson, this paper doesn't know the solution to the problem. It is something that patrons and friends of the school children, as well as of the schools, must work out among themselves. The matter deserves serious consideration and action.

### Source Of Employment

One of the most potential sources of post-war employment in this immediate section will be created when priorities are lifted on building material. Hundreds of new homes are awaiting to be built and with them hundreds of others are awaiting repairs.

When lumber and other materials become available for the prospective builders it follows that many workers will be required in the woods and at the mills, getting out the timber and making the materials. Many more will be required for transporting and for the various stages of building. To build a fair sized home it takes a considerable number of men hours from the time the trees are felled in the woods until the finishing touches are put on the structure. When the bars are finally let down on private construction a fruitful source of employment will be opened.

### Improving Farm Telephone Service

The telephone companies of the nation have been quietly experimenting with the problem of running telephone lines on electric light poles. In the past, the noise caused by power lines has made this combination service on one pole unsatisfactory.

During the war period, while it has been impossible to get equipment to make telephone extensions in rural areas, electric companies and telephone companies have been carrying on experiments to provide telephone service to rural homes after the war by utilizing existing power line poles, and thus save the expense of building a separate pole line.

One of many such tests is being conducted by the Alabama Power Company and the Southern Bell Telephone Company. Indications are that the practicability of the plan will be demonstrated. There will be "bugs" to be worked out in certain special safety and service equipment, which will require time, but it now seems almost certain that as equipment and instruments become more plentiful, dependable telephone service carried on power poles in rural areas, will become as commonplace as electric service.

### Hard Facts And Soft Thinking

Soft thinking may be able to gloss over some unpleasant situations for a time but always, in the end, it's the hard facts of reality that mankind has to face.

President Harry S. Truman realized this when, in those first jubilant moments following his announcement of Japanese surrender, he said.

"We are faced with the greatest task we have ever faced. The emergency today is as great as it was on Dec. 7."

The victory celebration is all over. The cold grey "morning after" the facts are that we face the greatest economic crisis in our history.

Unemployment is mounting. It may reach 5,000,000 by the end of September. A reservoir of 8,000,000 unemployment has been predicted for next Spring.

Of course, it takes time for industry to reconvert from war back to peacetime operations. When new products finally start to roll off great assembly lines it will make a difference. And if industry gets going "full blast," the unemployment problem is bound to shrink to nothingness.

An important danger in the months ahead rests in the fact that industry will not produce any more of its products than can be distributed. And there may be a serious shortage of paper and paperboard for boxes, cartons, containers, wadding, packaging and wrapping, without which there can be no adequate distribution.

In a real sense it may be said that our nation's economic future depends in large part upon this and other pulpwood producing areas. The time for soft thinking is past. The hard facts are that mills must have more top quality pulpwood NOW.

In the words of Mr. Truman. We are going to meet it (the unemployment problem) and it will take the help of all of you to do it."

### Radar—

Virtually coincident with the end of the war, the United States and Britain lifted most of the secrecy from the nature and development of radar.

The nature of radar is the nature of an echo. A person standing not far from a cliff can usually get an audible echo from the cliff by shouting toward it. The nearer the cliff, the shorter the time interval between the shout and the echo. Radar works the same way, except that a radio wave is used instead of a sound wave, and the returning echo wave is picked up by a special radio receiver instead of by the human ear.

Radar—and the RAF—won the Battle of Britain in 1940. Britain didn't have enough planes to keep in the air in standing patrols. Radar spotted the German bombers long before they approached the British coast. It gave three-dimensional location—distance and direction plus altitude—and an estimate of the numbers. Armed with this data, the RAF was able to send out interceptors—and radar operators were able to follow the course of the air battle on their receiving screens.

A later development was artillery radar—enabling a gun to aim itself and follow a moving target automatically and unerringly. Anti-aircraft batteries aimed by radar shot down 80% of the Nazi flying bombs which were destroyed by gunfire from the ground. Artillery radar is now so accurate that its error is less than the ballistic error of the guns. In other words, if the target is not hit "blind" with the first shot, it is the gun itself, or its charge, which it at fault, not the aim.

### Friction Ahead—

President Truman has enjoyed a long "honeymoon" in his relations with Congress. Public opinion polls appear to indicate that his personal popularity with the electorate is higher than the late President Roosevelt ever enjoyed—and the samplings were taken before the public knew the results of the Postdam Conference, before the development of the atomic bomb was announced, and before the Japanese asked for peace. However, Mr. Truman faces inevitable difficulties after Congress resumes its lawmaking next month. The Republicans have little time to lose if they are to launch a drive to win control of the House in 1946. In his own party, the President's apparent middle-of-the-road course won't please everybody. Heated political tensions will rise on the Washington scene before the autumn leaves fall.

The Japanese drove MacArthur from the Philippines in the spring of 1942 but had to come back there to take orders from him in 1945.

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dication of the post-war trend of things. Acting on this belief, we are asking our friends in all sections of the county to send us news items regarding sales or purchases of farm lands in their communities. When some one from another county or state buys a farm with the intention of moving here and engaging in farming, the fact makes equally interesting news along with the purchases of land by service men.

The term, "little shrimp," is often used to express derision. As a matter of fact the term is appropriate as one of contempt. Nothing irritates a seafood dealer or those employed at the packing houses so much as the boats bringing in a big catch of little shrimp. The pickers detest handling them and often deliberately waste them to the point that the dealer sustains a loss in handling them. This results in a mutual dislike of little shrimp by everybody having to handle them.

County Agent Dodson was telling us a day or so ago that it was now time to plant Austrian winter peas. "Just as soon as it gets dry enough," he said. The Agent is wondering how the returning service men will look upon farming. Most of them have been doing things in a big way and to many of them farming may look dull and slow. Things would not be quite so bad for these fellows if plenty of modern farming tools and machinery were available. However, such things are not now so generally available.

### YASKELL WINS BRONZE STAR

incident in which she mentioned at one time to Pete that he seemed to be taking an enormous number of pictures of her. Pete replied:

"It's not often that I find a Luce on the loose and I have to make the best of it."

The citation which accompanied the Bronze Star award reads as follows:

**BRONZE STAR MEDAL**  
Peter Yaskell, Technician Fourth Grade, Signal Corps, USA. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 6 Sept. 1944, to 2 May 1945, in Italy. Technician Fourth Grade Yaskell, as an Army Pictorial Service photographer, secured many outstanding still photographs of the action of 5th Army troops. He voluntarily accompanied leading elements of the infantry in combat with the enemy and constantly exposed himself to heavy fire to exploit the fullest possibilities of his mission. Regardless of personal safety he successfully obtained pictures which were of great value to the War Department and widely used by the Army and news services.

### ARMY BOATS TO LEAVE TODAY

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FOR SALE: One Superflex oil burner refrigerator in good condition. Can be seen at my house any time. Harvey F. Hewett, R 1, Box 47, Supply, N. C.

munity for the friendly spirit and kindness they and their families have received while the boat was here. It can be said that the Southport people have found them splendid and welcomed citizens during their residence here.

### SOY BEAN LEAVES A FINE HOG FEED

Mr. Dodson is of the opinion that the soy bean leaves really make better feed than the beans themselves. At any rate the Jones' pigs have made remarkable progress on the pasturage.

In relation to pigs, the county agent says that a mixture of two parts limestone, two parts acid phosphate and one part salt should always be kept before pigs when it is desired to maintain them in a healthy growing con-

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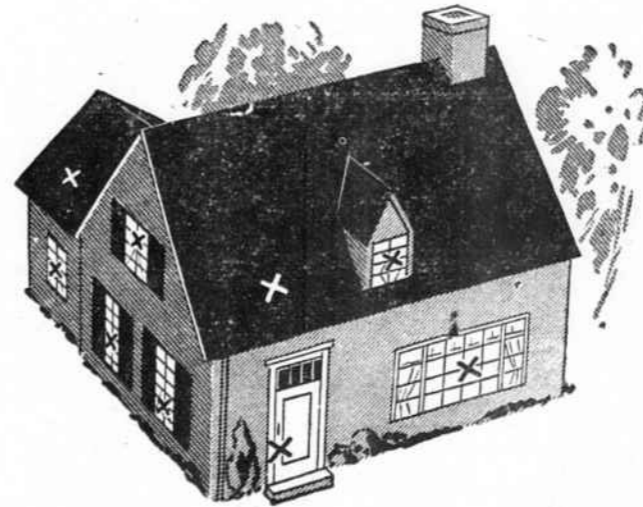
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