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REDDY SAYS:

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HE LEFT SALLY SHIMMS IN A TOUGH SPOT LAST WEEK, WHILE JOE MORTON, UNION LEADER AND SALLY'S EX-HUSBAND, WERE SEARCHING PROPERLY FOR HER MORTON GAVE, EX-CONGRESSMAN AND BOSS OF THE AMERICAN SUGAR PARTY, WAS GETTING READY TO KILL SALLY. NATIONAL LABOR SERVICE

THEIR VOICES! I'VE HEARD THEM SOMEWHERE! OH, I'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE!

YOU'RE NO GUY! YOU'RE A FINE, A TRAITOR TO THE REAL AMERICAN BIRD. DOWN WITH YOU, YOU VULTURE! YOU SHANTHARD CREATURE... CHW!!

I'VE TORN YOUR UNION TO SHREDDING IN MY FISTS!

DON'T BE A FOOL! PEOPLE HAVE ALREADY COME FOR THE MEETING. THEY'LL HEAR THE SHOT! SHE CAN WAIT UNTIL AFTER!

I CAN FORGET! THESE BIRDS IN THERE ARE FINE FOR OUR GAME. IT WOULDN'T DO TO SCARE THEM OFF!

SHE'S SAFE ENOUGH LOCKED IN HERE UNTIL IT'S OVER, HARRY!

WHERE DOES THAT LIGHT COME FROM? I WONDER...

GOOD HEAVENS!

HAS SALLY SEEN THAT CAN MAKE HER FORGET HER OWN TERRIBLE MISCAMMENT?

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U. S. Treasury Department

SEASONAL JOBS FALL OFF BY 1,138,000 IN JANUARY

Washington, D. C.—The Bureau of Labor Statistics has reported a seasonal drop of 1,138,000 workers in January. The number of employees in non-farming occupations declined to 39,657,000, reflecting seasonal decreases in trade, postoffices and construction, and according to the report, these declines were of the same extent as in previous years.

Food processing industries showed the largest reduction, while the canning industry lost about 16,000 workers and the beet sugar industry dropped about 8,000 employees.

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CONSTRUCTION JOBS SHORT

Washington, D. C.—A report on the seasonal drop in construction jobs has come from the U. S. Labor Department, showing some 145,000 fewer workers employed in the industry in January than in the preceding month. Total construction employment was estimated at 1,728,000 for January—about 25 per cent below the 1946 peak of last August, but more than 40 per cent above the level of a year ago.

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DOLLAR VALUE OF BUILDING IN CITIES REACHES RECORD

Washington, D. C.—The dollar value of city building construction reached a 17-year high in 1946, according to preliminary estimates of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor. Permits issued (and Federal contracts awarded) for building construction in all urban places were valued at \$4,700,000,000 last year—more than double the 1945 total and the greatest dollar volume reported since the 1920's. In part this high level is due to current high construction costs.

The largest part of the gain over 1945 was accounted for by residential construction, which rose from \$769 million to \$2,442 million. Nonresidential building, although restricted by control orders, advanced 70 per cent to \$1.5 billion; additions, alterations, and repairs rose only slightly to \$765 million.

The fact that home construction accounted for more than half the total dollar volume in 1946 while nonresidential building represented less than a third is attributable primarily to the issuance of Veterans' Housing Program Order No 1 (the construction limitation order) on March 26. Prior to that date, nonresidential projects, particularly commercial and industrial building, were surging ahead of housing.

Urban valuations hit an all-time monthly high of \$742 million in March, 1946, as many builders hastened to get work started on higher priced homes and non-housing construction before controls went into effect. In April, after the limitation order was in operation, the total valuation figure plummeted to \$433 million.

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