## TOWN AND FARM-

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MEATS, FATS-Red stamps X Y, and Z good through October 2. Brown stamp A remains good through October 2. Brown stamp B becomes good Sep-tember 19 and remains good through October 2.

SHOES-Stamp No. 18 good for 1 pair through October 31.

#### VICTORY GARDENERS SET RECORD

Twenty million Victory Gardens-two million more than the goal set last spring—were grown this year, Claude R. Wickard, Secretary of Agriculture, said in a recent radio address. The Secretary said the Victory Gardens total about four million acres and will produce eight million tons of food.

#### POINTS FOR HOME-CANNED FOODS

The point value of home-canned foods shall be the same as that of the corresponding commercial product, except that no home-canned food shall have a point value of more than eight points per quart or four points per pound. This was announced in a recent OPA amendment.

### SYNTHETIC TIRE PRICES

Maximum prices for synthetic rubber tires and tubes have been established by OPA. In the main, they are the same as ceiling prices for corresponding tires and tubes made from rub-

MORE GOODS FOR CIVILIANS Civilians will soon get more cooking utensils, lamps, lanterns, bed springs, innerspring mattresses, non-electric razors, razor blades, plated silverware, brushes, nails, tackes, boilers, radiators, furnaces, screen cloth, and other kitchen and household articles as a result of a recent WPB directive, which reserved a portion of the production of approximately 30 types of products for civilian use. The directive prohibits government agencies from buying goods set aside for civilians.

SEARCH FOR WAR MINERALS The most extensive explora-

tory program ever undertaken in the United States and Alaska for war minerals has been launched by the Bureau of Mines. The Bureau is sending its crews out in quest of nearly a score of materials needed to supply the armed forces, according to Harold L. Ickes, Secretary of the Interior. Exploration will be conducted in 30 States, including North Carolina.

#### GUN COVERS PROTECT BIBLES

Bibles which are placed on every life raft and life boat on on Army transport vessels are being protected from the effects

## Ellijay By HAZEL AMMONS

Rev. Wade Nicholson will fill his regular preaching services Saturday night and Sunday.

Garland Jones left Tuesday for the Army.

Miss Hazel Ammons left Wednesday for Bessmer City, where she is employed.

Mr. and Mrs. Buelon Houston spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Don Henderson of Brevard.

Mrs. Addie Clouse and son, Ralph, left Wednesday for Gastonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Edison Ammons and children of Mountain Grove and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Ray and daughter of Franklin, visited Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ammons, Sunday.

Mrs. Carrie Henry, who has been very ill; is not improving

Mrs. Lewis Dillinger of Gastonia has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Min-

Miss Nannie Ammons has returned home after spending 2 weeks with her sister, Mrs. Kermit Rogers.

Robert Henry is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Henry and children visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ammons, Sunday.

Mrs. Hunter Young and children are visiting Mr. Young's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake

Mrs. Kate M. Rogers visited her sister, Mrs. Grady Mashburn, Bunday.

of salt water by the same type of cover that protects pistols, rifles, and machine guns in landing operations. Curiously landing operations. enough, the covers used for pistols are of exactly the right size for copies of the Bible, and have been adopted by the Chaplains Corps as a standard protective covering for them. The covers were developed by the Quartermaster Corps from a pliable, transparent, waterproof film known as vinyl. They are buoyant enough to float the Bibles if they are accidentally dropped overboard or washed out of the rafts in heavy seas.

#### SOLDIERS OVERSEAS MAY BUY GIFTS

Soldiers overseas may order Christmas presents for their families and friends at home. A catalog of Christmas suggestions, prepared by the Army Exchange Service, has been sent to overseas units with instructions on how gifts may be ordered. The catalog lists several hundred gifts for men, women, and children-all of them items for which soldiers have shown a marked interest in previous selections of gifts.

#### CONSUMER COAL PILES SMALLER

The amount of coal held in storage by consumers diminished 312,000 tons during July, Harold U. Ickes, solid fuels administrator, reported recently. "We have less coal in storage now than we had a month ago," the administrator said. "The limitations on production make it uncertain to what extent output can be increased. Consequently it would be wise to conserve coal by all possible means so that there will be enough of it to carry on all essential activities and to keep the public

#### ARMY REBUILDS SHOES

Approximately six and a half million pairs of Army shoes will be rebuilt during the present fiscal year at plants under supervision of the Quartermaster Corps, Army Service Forces, in Buford, Ga., and Hannibal, Mo. The rebuilding operation in one year will save the government approximately seven million dollars, and will conserve nearly 20 million square feet of leather. Army shoes usually are resoled twice, then sent to Buford or Hannibal for rebuilding. The rebuilt shoes look and wear like the original article and usually are more comfortable because they have been broken in.

#### National Forest Timber For Sale

The National Forest timber described below will be sold at public auction to be held at the office of the Forest Supervisor, Post Office Building, Franklin North Carolina, beginning at 2 p. m. on September 27, 1943. Award will be made to the one qualified bidder quoting the highest aggregate price for all species of timber required to be removed as sawlogs. All live timber marked or designated for cutting and all merchantable dead timber located on an area embracing about 450 acres within the Clear Creek Unit, Chattooga River Watershed, Macon County, Nantahala National Forest, North Carolina, estimated to be 557 M feet, more or less, of yellow poplar, northern red oak, white ash, basswood, white oak. white pine, red maple, chestnut oak, black oak, scarlet oak, pitch pine, chestnut and hemlock sawtimber; 80 units, more or less, of hemlock, pulp-wood; and 70 tons, more or less, of chestnut oak and hemlock tanbark. No bid of less than \$25.00 per M feet for yellow poplar; \$14.00 for northern red oak; \$10.00 for white ash basswood; \$8.00 for white oak, white pine, and red maple; \$5.00 for chest nut oak, black oak, scarlet oak pitch pine, and chestnut; and \$2.00 for hemlock sawtimber; \$1.25 per unit (160 cubic feet) for hemlock pulpwood; and \$1.50 per ton (2000 lbs.) for chestnut oak and hemlock tanbark will be considered. Each participant in the bidding will be required to have in his possession certified or cashier's check in amount of \$1,000.00 made payable to the Treasurer of the United States. The successful bidder will be re quired to deposit with his bid \$1,000.00 to be applied on the purchase price, refunded, or retained in part as liquidated damages, according to conditions of sale. The right to reject any and all bids reserved. Prior to date of auction full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale, and submission

#### Franklin's Handsome Postoffice



The Franklin postoffice has made the highest rating for second class postoffices in the entire Southern Division, according to a let-ter of congratulation from M. H. Ackerman, Inspector; with a rating of 92.2 percent, as compared with the Division's rating of 91.46. The staff consists of Thomas W. Porter, postmaster, L. H. Calloway, W. G. Malonee and Phil McCullom.

# UNIFORMS

Many honorably discharged enlisted men of the Army are voluntarily returning their issued clothing to the Army, thereby saving clothing stocks, according to the War Depart-ment. Former soldiers desiring to return their uniforms should address a package to the com-manding officer of the Army installation nearest their homes. The box should be marked "Attention: Quartermaster, Cloth-ing and Equipage Classification Officer." Those who do not desire to pay the cost of transportation may return the clothing by turning over any properly addressed package, not over 30 pounds, to the nearest Railway Express Agency office for collect shipment at government expense.

## DISCHARGED MEN RETURN My Son Has Gone Away

By C. B. Hamlet

I watched him grow, this son of mine,

From baby boy to man, His milk-white skin burn raw and red,

Then turn to deep, dark tan. taught him how to play, to work, To make of life a game. We were so happy, he and I, Until the great war name.

The call to arms was clear and

He did not hesitate. His simple words rang in my ears, "I'll fight for home and State." And I am left alone, but proud; My son has gone away, And he, dear God, is in Wour

Please bring him back some day.





From where I sit ...

by Joe Marsh

Sam Abernethy always said: "Curiosity may kill a cat - but I'm no cat." Which is Sam's way of saying that when he's curious about something he goes out and gets the facts.

Seems our government feels the same way. After hearing rumors about our soldiers drinking too much-government peo-ple went after the facts. They got the evidence on what our boys drink . . . and don't drink.

The government found out our Army's the best behaved in history. More'n half of 'em drink beer-nothing stronger. And the government found that selling 3.2 beer in Army camps is one reason why our Army is so tem-

From where I sit, there isn't much cause to worry about our men in the Army. Looks like they can take care o' themselves -and take care o' the Nazis and the Japs, too.

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A tiny lad on tip-toe flattens his nose against the window-pane, watching a passenger train speed by.

"That's our railroad, Tommy!" grandmother explains. Yes, to grandmothers and kids...to farmers and business men... to all the people who live in the Southern Railway's territory . . . the Southern is "our railroad."

And how right they are...for the Southern is their railroad. Their railroad . . . and yours!

It brings you the clothes you wear and the food you eat. It hauls the fuel and lumber and brick that warm and

It serves your mines and mills and industries . . . your forests and farms...your villages and your bustling, growing cities and towns.

It shares your pride in the Southland's progress; your

dreams of a better, a greater South. And it works with you, in countless ways, to help make those dreams come true.

Today, your railroad has gone to war. Day and night the men and women of the Southern are moving fighting freight and fighting men . . . keeping the wheels rolling under the heaviest transportation load in history.

Tomorrow, when final Victory has been won, the busy trains of your railroad will serve the growing transportation needs of the South . . . just as efficiently, dependably, economically as they are now serving the transportation needs of a nation at war.

Then, more than ever, you'll be proud to say of the Southern-"That's our railroad!"



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