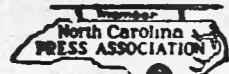


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TO YOU AT HOME

You may not have a brother,
Or a Sweetheart in this war,
You may not be a Mother,
With a Son on foreign shore,
But somewhere in this distant land,
Is a boy in uniform,
With a heart that's sad and lonely,
And eyes so blue and worn.

He is looking for a letter,
But it never seems to come,
There's always mail for some lads,
But for others—there is none.
So why not take your pen in hand,
And drop a line today,
To that Soldier boy or sailor,
So very far away?

And tell him what you're doing,
And seal it with a kiss,
That kiss might heal a broken heart,
(It's one you'll never miss).
For somewhere in the world today,
A soldier boy is blue,
A Sailor boy is looking,
For "Just a line" from you.
So won't you spare a minute
And drop that little note?
For somewhere a boy is waiting,
For that letter you never wrote.
—Contributed.

MR. HULL WAS RIGHT

American seizure of footholds in French North Africa is the most heartening development for the Allies since the beginning of the Russian stand at Stalingrad. The gaining of strong posts in Algeria and Morocco is a stroke of the highest military importance. It throws an Allied force like a dagger against the side of the Axis armies now routed and streaming west from Egypt into Libya. It throws a protective line along the southern shore of the Mediterranean which may well be a part of a chain locking up that sea in the near future for the benefit of the United Nations and the confusion of the enemy. Certainly it makes harder the task of transporting men and supplies from Italy to Rommel's beaten forces in the desert.

On the morale front the seizure is a blow no less telling. Italy is exposed to sea and air invasion of her own homeland, and the Italian people, heartily sick of the war in which they have won nothing but shame, misery and despair, will hardly be able to keep up the will to fight, especially if they can be made to realize that an Allied victory offers Italians, in the long run, their greatest hope of peace and liberty. Already a responsible radio commentator at the Rome broadcasting station is reported as admitting that the situation is black for Italy, and that American bombers, American factories and American armies have blasted Axis hopes for a speedy decision.

The fact that Adolf Hitler was able to shout only denunciations of Roosevelt and vague threats of reprisal indicates that the Allied blow in North Africa came so suddenly that the trained seals of the Axis propaganda bureau were taken by surprise. They had no time to discount the achievement in advance.

On the diplomatic front the stroke was a brilliant vindication for the waiting policy of Secretary Cordell Hull. While thousands of armchair strategists called for American repudiation of the Vichy government, Mr. Hull played his game in silence, unruffled and unswayed. Now that the lightning stroke has come, things may be told.

As long ago as October, 1940, it is revealed, Mr. Hull foresaw the danger that Hitler would seek a worldwide attack against the anti-Axis powers and that part of his grand strategy would be the use of the French fleet and the colonial empire

remaining to France. In foreseeing this, Mr. Hull, it is now disclosed, took the initiative of calling in American military and naval commanders to discuss counter-strategy. The attack on North Africa was a secret long in the making, but carefully kept.

Meantime, the nominal relations with Vichy France, strengthened the hand of the United States. The ties, though as they were, helped Admiral Leahy to obtain military and political information. They helped the United States to keep alive the hope among French patriots that the Allies were moving toward a blow for free mankind. Now, that the occupation of French North Africa is proceeding on schedule, Cordell Hull is once more revealed as a shrewd diplomatist, a farseeing statesman and also as a fighter second to none.—Fayetteville Observer.

It was not because of sentiment or principle but from considerations of expediency that Secretary Hull has persisted in his course and his official attitude toward the Petain-Laval government.

He feared that any overt act of unfriendliness toward the Vichy government might be distorted by the Axis influence into an offense against the French people, in the homeland and, more especially, in the French domains in North Africa.

Another and perhaps greater consideration was the State department's keen desire to keep representatives of the American government in the advantageous listening post of the capital of unoccupied France that the United States and its allies might benefit from the information gained.

Some highly competent observers now believe that the policy of the State department has been vindicated completely by the success of the great Mediterranean-North African venture. Perhaps Hull has been wiser than his critics.

Vichy France is the first and only government in modern times to break off diplomatic relations with a nation whose only offense was an effort to bring liberation from the conqueror's yoke. Was there ever anything like it in world history?—Charlotte Observer.

HOKE COUNTY TONSILAR CLINIC

The Annual Hoke County Clinic for removal of tonsils was held two days this week. Mr. Morgan retiring principal, Mildouson School deserves much credit for working up this clinic. Dr. Hodgins of Red Springs assisted by Dr. R. L. Murray operated. There were about 75 patients taking advantage of this. The Gymnasium was nicely and comfortably fixed to take care of this clinic.

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EXPERTS TELL HOW TO PREPARE PELTS RIGHT

Skinner, scraping and stretching are the "3 S's" of good pelt handling! The first step (top sketch) in handling any pelt correctly is to see that the fur is clean and dry. Use lukewarm water and a clean cloth repeatedly rinsed out to remove all blood and dirt. Dry with a cloth to finish the cleaning. Some trappers also comb and brush the fur after drying.

Then, (lower sketch) with a sharp knife, cut around hind paw pads and slit up backs of the hind legs to base of the tail. This is the beginning for both



"cased" and "open" handling. Skins that are "cased" are shaped on stretchers with straight sides and one end tapered to a point. "Open" pelts are stretched either square or round by tacking them on a wall or board, with fur side toward the board, exposing the flesh side to the air. Only Beaver, Badger and Raccoon pelts are handled "open."

Dry skins in a cool, airy place—never by the fire or in the sun. Never use salt alum or any other preparation for curing skins. Simply shape and dry.

Never cut off heads (except Rabbits). Never cut up back of pelts.

Tails and legs of Muskrat, Opossum, Rabbit and Beaver should be cut off.

Feet and claws should be left on Lynx, Fisher, Marten, Fox and Wolverine. Leave feet on Wolves (except the claws) as almost all of the leg is used by the fur trade.

Take your time and use skill in skinning heads and getting pelts loose around eyes, nose and ears.

Never over-stretch. This thins the fur and makes quality look poor. Don't under-stretch. This causes wrinkles. Get the "feel" of this job and you'll get results.

Don't let your knife slip. Don't tear the pelt. Do a clean, careful job.

Get square effect on Badgers and Raccoons, and round effect on Beavers, by stretching—NOT by trimming!

Allendale News

Miss Annie Neal Currie of Fort Bragg spent last week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Currie.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Bounds and family of Laurinburg spent Sunday P. M. with Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Currie.

Miss Jeannette McLauchlin of the Anderson Creek faculty had as her guest Miss Elizabeth McCormick. They spent the week end at home.

Master Charles Currie spent Sunday with Dixon Currie of Red Springs. J. D. Currie cut his lip last Friday and had to have six stitches, but he is getting on fine.

Timberland News.

Reuben Webb, Otis Webb, Horace Walters, and Jimmy Melton, who volunteered for the Army Air Corp as Mechanics two weeks ago are now stationed at Smyrna Air Base, Smyrna, Tenn.

LEGAL NOTICES

ADMINSTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having this day qualified as administrator of the estate of Miles H. McEachern, deceased, late of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having any claims against the said estate to present them to me, verified, on or before the 5th day of November, 1943, or this notice will be pleaded in bar for their recovery.

All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 5th day of November, 1942.

H. W. B. Whitley,
23-28 c Administrator C. T. A. D. B. N

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Having this day qualified as administrator of the estate of J. W. Black, deceased, late of Hoke County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having any claims against the said estate to present them to me, verified on or before the 2nd of November, 1943, or this notice will be pleaded in bar for their recovery.

All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 2nd day of November, 1942.

Mrs. Carrie Lee Black,
23-28 p Administratrix.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Having this day qualified as administrator of the estate of Henry Baker, deceased, late of Hoke Coun-

ty, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having any claims against the said estate to present them to me, verified, on or before the 27th day of October, 1943, or this notice will be pleaded in bar for their recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 27th day of October, 1942 Mrs. Mattie C. McGibson Baker, 22-27p Administratrix.

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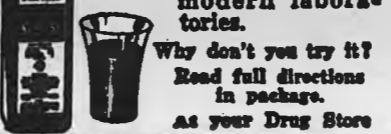
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