

### PENITENTS JOIN IN RITES SHOWING EASTER STORY

Ritual Centuries Old Again Performed By Brotherhood.

SANTA FE, N. M., April 24. — The plaintive tones of a flute-like instrument sounded along the foothills of northern New Mexico yesterday summoning the penitent brotherhood — Los Hermanos Penitentes — to their tiny chapels.

In those chapels, nightfall brings a re-enactment of the last hours of the agony of Christ, ending the penitentes Lenten activities.

Early on Good Friday a portrayal of the tortuous journey to

Calvary gets under way. To the accompaniment of the pitero, an instrument similar to a flute, and chanting, the heavy wooden cross will be carried from a chapel to some secret spot.

The "Cristo," rejected by his brother penitentes, trudges the stony path lugging his burden to Calvary.

Behind him trails the rank and file of Los Hermanos Penitentes. Yucca whips lash their bare backs, and crowns of cactus thorns adorn their heads.

The penitentes are believed to have originated in the Third Order of St. Francis. The secret society was established in New Mexico probably with the arrival of Spanish colonists in the late 16th century.

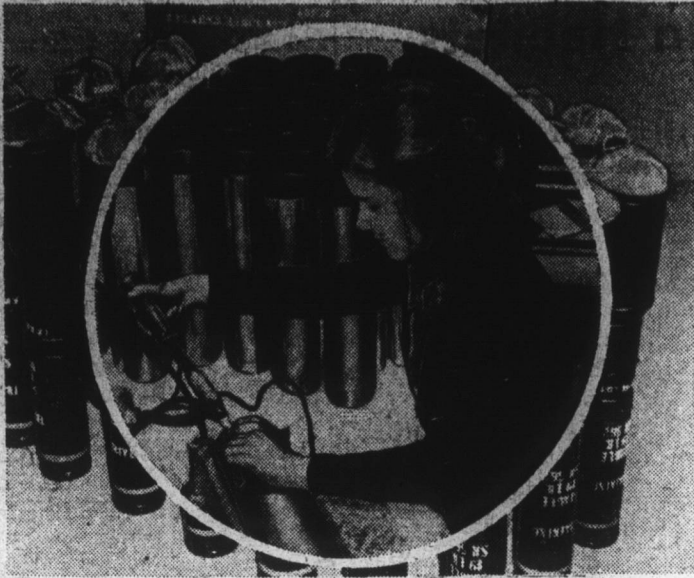
Although little is known of their rites, which once centered principally around penance by flagellation, the penitentes today are credited with representing a sincere religious folk survival.

Most of the membership is Spanish-American, and its charities among the remote native villages in northern New Mexico and Southern Colorado are legion.

Hurley to go to the Near and Middle East for the President.

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### Magnesium Flares from Canadian Plants Pierce Darkness Over German Targets



A BOMBER squadron dived through the night sky over Germany. Somewhere in the utter blackness below lies the target for tonight.

A young navigator checks his instruments. They tell him what he cannot see—that the target is not far away.

Now to find it! Voices over the communication system; crisp orders. A flap opens and a thirty-pound object hurtles into the darkness below. Another follows. And another.

Moments pass. The bomber swings around. Suddenly, the blackness beneath is broken by a burst of dazzling light. A brilliant magnesium flare sheds an eerie white radiance over the checkerboard terrain below.

Unchecked, the flare would plunge swiftly to earth, its bright light quickly extinguished. But it falls slowly, drifting, its descent eased by a small parachute. In its million-candlepower glare the observer sees a railway yard, a factory chimney, buildings like toy blocks.

Target has been located.

The bombers make their runs. From then on the night is a lurid hell of bursting bombs, crashing ack-ack fire, billowing smoke and flame. The target is blasted into destruction.

Without the flares, the carefully planned raid might have been a failure. You can't bomb what you can't see.

The flares were made of Canadian magnesium. The parachutes too were Canadian-made—of rayon produced from the humble Canadian spruce.

Silk was once regarded as the only material possessing the special qualities required for parachute use. A flare chute must have strength to withstand the shock of a thousand-foot fall with the weight of a thirty-pound flare. It must be permeable to cushion its descent. It must be water repellent.

With Japan's entry into the war, closing the source of silk supplies, Canadian experts tackled the job of developing synthetic silk, or rayon, as parachute material. Rayon from Canadian spruce, subjected to a special resin treatment developed by Canadian scientists, now fills the bill. Rayon has even been perfected to replace hemp in making the shroud lines that hold the flare cartridge to the canopy.

The resin treatment was the outcome of many experiments to find a method of overcoming the wet and dry strength of artificial silk to make it moisture-proof. Canada produced neither flares nor parachutes before the war. Lacking silk, the new wartime industry might have foundered had it not been for quick action in developing rayon as an efficient substitute. Incidentally the cost of the flare parachute has been reduced.

### Abbott And Costello Making Bond Tours

Comedians Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, recently acclaimed the nation's No. 1 box office champions, also hold an enviable record for aiding the sale of war bonds and war stamps.

Before beginning work on their new Universal picture, Damon Runyon's "It Ain't Hay," coming Monday and Tuesday at the Palace Theatre, the comics visited 78 cities and 101 war production plants in the course of 34 days.

ford, Walter Hampden, Martha O'Driscoll.

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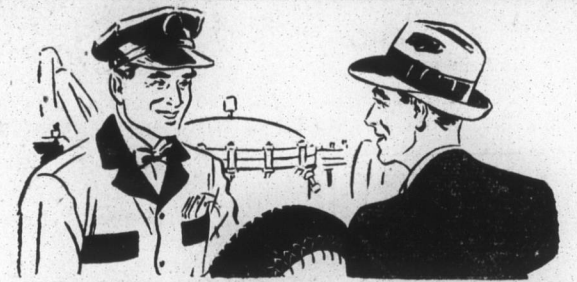
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### "Reap Wild Wind" DeMille's 66th Film

"Reap the Wild Wind," new Paramount sea spectacle in Technicolor, at the Dolly Madison Theatre Monday and Tuesday, is the sixty-sixth full-length film made by Cecil B. DeMille, who is now celebrating thirty years of screen showmanship.

Ray Milland, Paukte Goddard and John Wayne are co-starred in "Reap the Wild Wind." Featured are Raymond Massey, Lynne Overman, Robert Preston, Susan Hayward, Charles Bick-



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### MADRY WILL RUN FOR ROTARY HEAD AT ROCKY MOUNT

Committees Appointed For District Conference At Rocky Mount April 28-29.

ROCKY MOUNT, April 24. — Robert W. Madry of Chapel Hill, director of the University News Bureau, official news distributing agency of the University of North Carolina, and mayor of Chapel Hill, is to be nominated for governor of the 189th District of Rotary at the annual conference to be held in Rocky Mount April 28-29.

Roxboro Rotarians who are committeemen are R. L. Harris and W. Reade Jones. Music will be in charge of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wallace Woods.

Hal S. Orr, of Rocky Mount, present District Governor, who is in general charge of arrangements for the conference program, which will draw representatives from 51 clubs from High Point to Manteo said that Madry is the only nominee to be made at the business session of the conference.

Mayor Madry has been active in Rotary for 15 years. He served as president of the Chapel Hill club several years ago, and during his administration Chapel Hill won the District Governor's Achievement Award, presented to the club making the best all-round record that year.

Publicity Chairman. He served last year as Publicity chairman for the District

and as chairman for the On-to-Toronto committee which put on a campaign that resulted in an attendance of around 60 delegates at the International Convention.

He has been director of the University News Bureau for 20 years. Signal recognition of his ability as newspaperman and publicist came several years ago when he was elected president of the American College Publicity Association, the national organization of college publicity directors.

A native of Scotland Neck, Mayor Madry is a graduate of the Scotland Neck Graded Schools, the University of North Carolina, and the Pulitzer School of Journalism of Columbia University.

Book demand in England is up 150 per cent since the war started.

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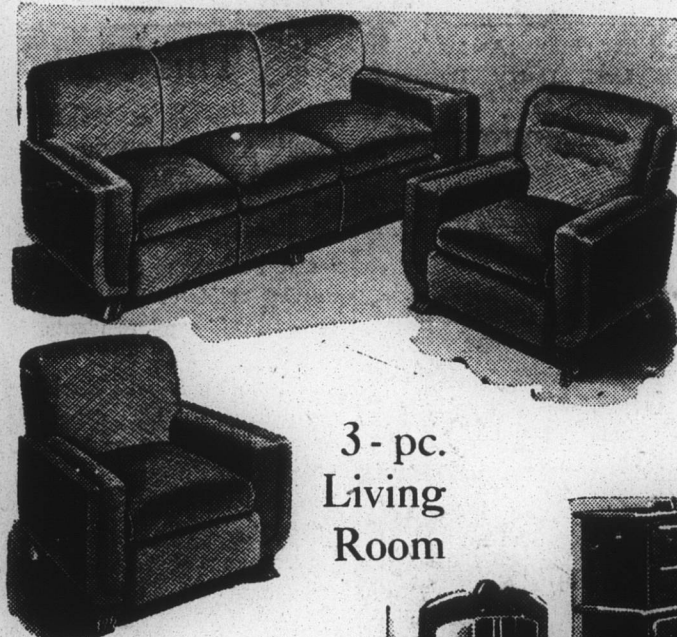
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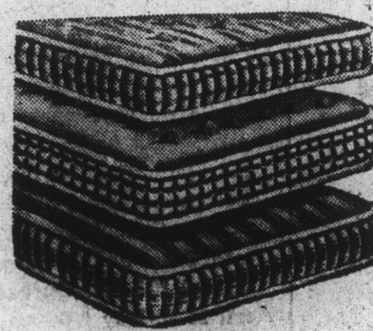
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