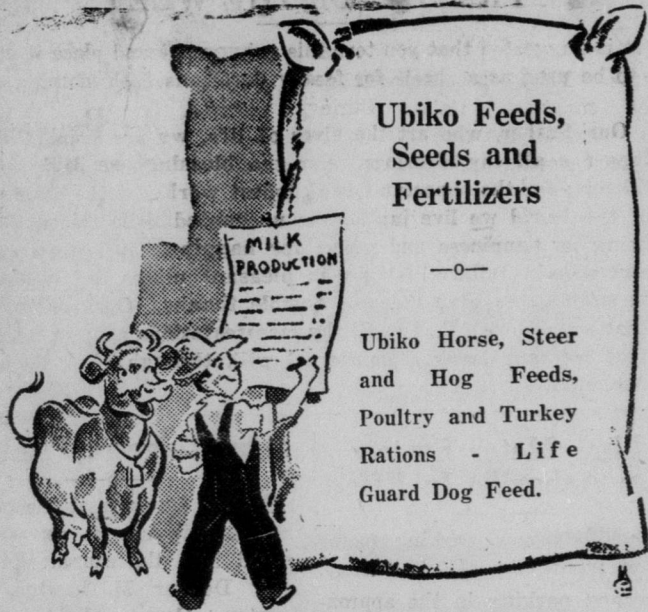
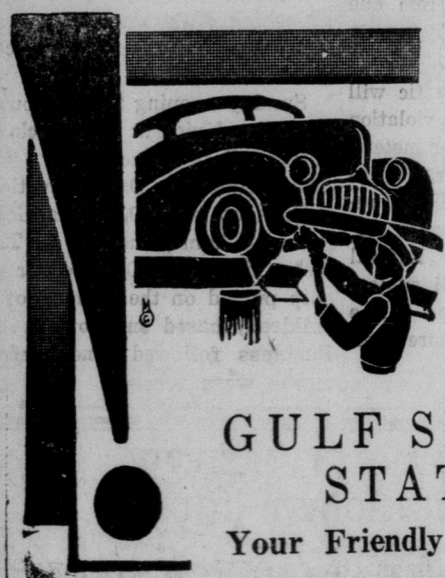


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**Lone Yank Officer Repulses  
Tank Attack Led by  
250 Germans.**

WASHINGTON.—A young officer who manned a machine gun atop a blazing abandoned tank destroyer and beat back a tank led assault by 250 Germans has been awarded the nation's top decoration.

He is First Lt. Audie L. Murphy, 21, of Farmersville, Texas, who won the Congressional Medal of Honor near Holtzwihr, France, last January 26. He was still a second lieutenant and new to the command of his company in the third infantry division, says the Chicago Tribune.

The citation accompanying the medal, which was to be given to Murphy in Europe, credited him with killing or wounding 50 of the Germans with machine gun fire and with directing artillery fire earlier in the fighting which killed "many" more. Some of Murphy's buddies estimated that he accounted for 100 Nazis in the hour-long battle.

**Swept From Woods.**  
Murphy was in front of his company when the two German infantry companies, paced by six heavy tanks, swept from a woods. He ordered his men to fall back to prepared positions while he stayed at his advance post to call for artillery fire to smash the Germans in the open. He was alone except for a tree and the tank destroyer about 10 yards to his right.

First Lt. Walter W. Weispfennig, an artillery officer of Fredonia, N. D., who witnessed the action, said later the artillery fire that Murphy directed "had a deadly effect."

"I saw Germans disappearing in clouds of dirt and snow," he related. Then a German 88 mm. shell crashed into the tank destroyer and its crew bailed out, falling back to join the remainder of the company. Smoke and flames spurted from the destroyer. The German tank crews swung wide around it, fearing that its gasoline and ammunition would blow up.

With the German infantry only 100 yards away, Murphy dashed over to the destroyer, climbed into the turret, and began blasting the Nazis with its .50 caliber machine gun. Weispfennig called it the "bravest thing I've ever seen a man do in combat," adding:

**Exposed to Foe's Fire.**  
"He was completely exposed to the enemy fire and there was a blaze under him that threatened to blow the destroyer to bits. Machine gun, machine pistol, and 88 shellfire was all around him.

"Twice the tank destroyer was hit by direct shellfire and Lieutenant Murphy was engulfed in smoke and flame. His clothing was riddled by flying fragments of shells and bits of rocks. I saw that his trouser leg was soaked with blood."

Twelve Germans tried to sneak up along a ditch and flank him but he swung the machine gun and killed all of them at a 50-yard range. The Nazi infantry was stalled. Without the infantry the enemy tanks couldn't advance and the whole attack collapsed.

Murphy dropped wearily off the destroyer, all his ammunition gone, and limped back to his company. Refusing treatment, he reorganized his company and led it in an attack that routed the Germans.

Murphy, a native of Farmersville, joined the army on his 18th birthday and fought throughout the African, Sicilian, Italian and French campaigns. He has been wounded three times and wears the Purple Heart with two clusters.

**United States U-Boats  
Sank 1,256 Jap Ships**

WASHINGTON.—U. S. submarines operating in far Eastern waters in the last three months of the war sank 69 enemy vessels, the navy announced recently, bringing to 1,256 the number of Japanese ships sunk by American undersea craft in the war.

None of the sinkings in the last three months had been announced previously. The figures were compiled from reports of submarines after their return from Pacific action.

The latest bag included 20 Japanese warships and 49 noncombatant ships.

The warships sunk were two Japanese submarines, one mine-layer, two minesweepers, two large subchasers, eight special subchasers, four coastal defense frigates, and one torpedo boat.

**'Jobs for All' Goal Seen  
In 150 Billion Income**

WASHINGTON.—Treasury Secretary Vinson told congress that a national income of 150 billion dollars will be needed to provide jobs for all who are willing and able to work.

To assure employment for 80 million people, purchasing power must be increased enough to boost consumption 50 per cent and to expand construction and investment by 100 per cent over prewar levels, Vinson said in a statement for the senate banking committee.

Vinson endorsed the so-called "full employment" bill, which the committee is considering, but cautioned that "ultimate reliance for jobs must come from an expansion of private consumption and investments."

**\$1,920 Is Found in  
Home Laundry Chute**

KANSAS CITY.—A laundry chute loosed a shower of \$20, \$50 and \$100 bills along with the soiled clothes when Mrs. Cleota Atwood pulled open the chute outlet in her basement. The money—\$1,920 of it—had disappeared from a strongbox belonging to a guest of the Atwoods. Now everyone is a lot happier.

**Society Wakes Up;  
Wrong Is Righted**

**Debt to Cripple to Be Paid;  
Builds Him Home.**

ST. LOUIS.—Theodore Harris, 43-year-old cripple who has been living in an abandoned double-decker bus, soon will move into a dream house of his own—complete with shrubbery and a vine-covered fence.

Harris' plight came to the public attention recently when he was charged with violating the zoning ordinance. Alderman Vernon G. Riehl, who served as provisional city judge in the cripple's case, dismissed the charge and said:

"Society owes you an apology for singling you out and bringing you into court on a charge when there is so much wrong in the world." Society is going to add action to kind words.

Twenty sympathetic St. Louisans are banding together to help in the house-raising. They have bought a lot on which the home is to be built. It will be held in trust for Harris, and later it will be turned over to a charitable institution.

Doors, windows, roofing material and paint will be donated by firms dealing in such commodities. The cripple, who makes a meager living repairing clocks and old-fashioned music boxes, said he had acquired a gift of 240 feet of wooden handrails from the old excursion steamer Capital, which is now being scrapped.

"I'm going to make a fence out of that," he said, "with vines."

There will be a special ramp into the house to facilitate Harris' entrance on his motor-propelled three-wheeled car.

The move in his behalf, he said, was started by three persons who appeared as character witnesses in his case.

"I've already got a name for my home," Harris said. "I'm going to call it 'The Little Ranch House on the Hill.'"

**Physician's Trust Fund  
Helps 12,519 Students**

MARSHALL, MO.—The quinine pills of Dr. John Sappington, pioneer Missouri physician, have helped 12,519 Saline county boys and girls get an education at a total cost of \$211,803, the annual report of the Sappington school fund discloses.

The fund dates back to 1857 when Dr. Sappington, one of the state's first physicians, set up a \$20,000 trust, the income from which was to be used in giving common school education to deserving, needy children. This was before public schools had been established.

The proud and whimsical "Old Doc" was the first to use quinine extensively for malaria and made a fortune selling the drug to malaria sufferers of the Missouri and Mississippi valleys.

With the advent of public school systems, proceeds of the fund were directed toward aiding boys and girls of high school and college ages, with a big share of the money going to the latter group. Beneficiaries of the fund are required to maintain good scholastic standing.

The original \$20,000 has earned nearly \$300,000. The fund has a current balance of \$82,500.

The colorful Sappington family figured prominently in early Missouri history.

**Selling Restrictions  
On Domestic Wool Relax**

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The government recently lifted restrictions on the sale of domestic wool which made the Commodity Credit Corporation the sole legal buyer.

Growers may sell to any one, but under present market conditions little wool is expected to go to any one except the CCC. The agency is committed to buy all wool offered it at ceiling prices until June 30, 1946. The ceiling is about 2 per cent above the price of foreign wools readily available to manufacturers.

The department of agriculture is considering a proposal to cut the price of government-owned domestic wool to levels competitive with foreign wools.

**Hear Better in Noisy  
Spot With Plugged Ears**

SCHENECTADY, N. Y.—If you have difficulty hearing an ordinary conversation above the din of a machine shop or a busy street corner, try putting your fingers in your ears.

Dr. Edwin G. Boring, Harvard university psychologist, said that when noise is extremely loud, the ear loses its ability to discriminate differences in sound such as the tone of a voice.

When the mass of the sound is blocked out, the ear can distinguish voice tones and other sounds above the loud noise, he said.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**

Theme For Quarter:  
"A Nation In The Making"  
Lesson for February 24, 1946—  
"What Makes a People Great—  
Religion in the Home."  
Basic Scripture—Deut. 5-34.  
Devotional Reading—Proverbs 4:20-27.

Comments to guide further study. By Rev. R. E. McClure, Executive Secretary of Asheville Presbyterian, Presbyterian Church, U. S. based on the Uniform Series of International Lessons, Cycle of 1945-1950.

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Nothing is more basic in building for the future than the home life of people. Nations and peoples who have exalted the home have themselves been exalted. Conversely, when nations allow home and home relationships to be undermined, those nations begin to lose their power and influence. The oldest nations in existence today are those whose family life has been preserved and honored.

The Children of Israel, scattered throughout all the nations of the world in the present generation are a testimony of a foundation stone laid by their forefathers generations ago. God ordered it, and in so far as the Jews followed it, their nation prospered.

The key passage to the study of this week is in Deuteronomy 6:1-12. Here are three fundamentals. First, God's laws are to be taught to family units for generations to come (1-3). Second, the perpetual recognition of God was to be through memorizing and repeating, "Hear, O Israel: the LORD our God is one LORD, and thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul, and with all thy might." These words were repeated daily, at the beginning of each day by every faithful Jew. Third, the recognition of God as the giver of every good and perfect gift must never be forgotten. The moment man attributes his success to his own efforts, he begins to falter.

Deuteronomy is a summary of God's laws revealed to man, explained by the great lawgiver Moses, and recorded for the guidance of future generations. They are too complicated for a survey in one lesson, but a careful reading of chapter 5-34 will well repay the approximately three hours time required.

In teaching this lesson emphasis can be made with the Primary and Junior Children under the title, "In A Happy Home." A home is happiest where God is honored. Intermediates and Seniors should look carefully to "Our Nation and Its Homes." Surely in America, the place of the Christian home in its founding has a supremely high position. A survey of the rise and fall of nations will challenge young people and adults to see "Home Foundations for National Greatness."

The secret of the Christian home should have much emphasis in the presentation of this lesson, with the regard to Bible reading, prayer and personal devotional life. The commands of God for the Jew demanded memorizing the Word, and daily repetitions of parts of God's Word as a renewal of allegiance to Him.

The lesson of next week, "A People Finding A Homeland," has little meaning without the word, "Home." There can be a "Land" but it is merely a geological formation of rocks and trees, lakes and rivers, valleys and mountains without the "Home." People make a real "homeland" and only in real homes are people trained in the highest ideals.

**OVER GRANGE WIRE**

National Secretary Caton Gets All the News From Every State And Passes It on Each Month to Eagerly-Waiting Patrons.

Cold and snow, then sunshine and rain; crows returning to their northern haunts; the tail-end of winter—February.

Outstanding Grange years in growth and service were 1944 and 1945; 1946 promises to be an equally good one, or even better.

State Secretary Nellie L. Hascall of Maine has just been in-

**FAMOUS SOUTHERN RECIPES**

**ANGEL PIE**  
1 can Pet milk (chill and whip)  
1 box lemon jello (whip)  
1 pkg. Nabisco's or Graham crackers (ground)  
1 1/2 cup hot water  
1-3 cup sugar  
1/4 sup lemon juice  
Mix together; pour into square pan on the ground crackers then sprinkle more crackers on top and chill.

**PUMPKIN CHIFFON PIE**  
1 envelope Knox gelatine  
1/4 cup cold water  
1 1/4 cup canned pumpkin  
1/2 cup milk  
1 cup sugar  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg  
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon  
3 eggs  
To slightly beaten egg yolks add 1/4 cup sugar, pumpkin, milk, salt and spices; cook until thick in double boiler. Soak gelatine in cold water 5 minutes; add to hot pumpkin mixture, mix thoroughly and cool. When it begins to thicken add remaining sugar and fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Pour into baked pie shell. Serve with whipped cream.

**LEMON CHIFFON PIE**  
1/2 tablespoon gelatine  
1/2 cup cold water  
3 tablespoon lemon juice  
4 eggs separated  
1 cup sugar  
Pinch salt  
Soak gelatine in 2 tablespoon of the cold water, combine rest of water with 1/2 cup of the sugar, lemon juice, salt and beaten egg yolks in top of double boiler, cook over boiling water, stirring constantly until thickened. Remove from heat and stir in softened gelatine until dissolved. Cook until thick and syrupy. Beat egg whites until fluffy, gradually beat in remaining sugar until stiff and smooth and fold into cooled mixture. Turn into cooled pie shell and chill until firm. Cover with whipped cream before serving. Delicious in graham cracker crust.

stalled for her 27th consecutive term as Secretary of her Pomona Grange.

And speaking of long records National Secretary has served for 42 consecutive years as legislative agent of his home Subordinate Grange.

Here's another: We are told that C. W. Swayze of Denver has been lecturer of the Colorado State Grange for 34 years.

We want to urge all Juvenile Granges to make it a point that their quarterly reports get to their State Secretary just as soon after the close of the quarter as possible. The matrons should help in this.

Someone has said "There are no little things." What he really meant was that things that are sometimes considered little are really important. After all it's too late to do this.

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