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The guests then adjourned to the main auditorium where Mr. Roehlfsofz presided and introduced H. G. Gould, assistant director of extension service in Nebraska, who spoke not only of the greater need of victory gardens this coming year and of every one doing their special war time job, especially of our post war job and of the farm survey being made to assist in providing jobs for the men in service after their return from the war.

Robert (Bobby) Lee Graham, 14 years of age, then entertained the audience with his versatile knowledge of all kinds of instruments.

Short talks were given by William A. Robertson, past grand commander of Nebraska, and Rev. T. Porter, Bennett, prominent figure in Nebraska Masonry.

TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

Ivan Marsh, state service officer of the American Legion, with E. A. Webb, assistant state service officer, are leaving early Sunday morning from Omaha for Washington, D. C. They are to attend the National Rehabilitation conference sponsored by the American Legion.

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Celebrate Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. William Sheehan, Sr., prominent residents of the Manly community, celebrated their forty-fifth anniversary on Tuesday, January 25th, and in honor of the occasion the members of the family joined in a very pleasant party for them on last Sunday evening.

Suffers from Illness

Mrs. William Shea, local restaurant owner, who has been suffering from an attack of the flu was so ill today that she was confined to her home.

TO GIVE RADIO ADDRESS

Washington, Jan. 29. (UP)—President Roosevelt will make a brief address tonight on a radio program honoring his birthday.

ACKNOWLEDGE LOSSES

London, Jan. 29. (UP)—Berlin acknowledged today that the German army had lost Smele, Ukrainian rail junction anchor at the northern rim of the Nazi salient in the Dnieper bend.

REDS WIDEN BREACHES

London, Jan. 29. (UP)—The Berlin radio said tonight that several Russian infantry and tank divisions had blasted "wide breaches" in the German lines in lower White Russia, between the Pripet and Berezina rivers.

Returns From Hospital

Mrs. J. E. Meisinger, who has been at St. Catherine's hospital at Omaha, for the past several weeks, was so far recovered that she was able to be brought home this morning to recuperate here at the family home.

Commissioned Lieutenant

John Farris, of Murray, who has been attending marine officers training school at Quantico, Virginia, has received his commission as second lieutenant. The graduating exercises were held on January 12th and he is now in reserve officers school at Quantico.

Goes to Denver

Pfc. Edgar Kief, who was here over Thursday and Friday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Kief, departed today for Denver where he expects to spend a few days visiting his brother, Arthur Kief. This will be the first time in two years that the brothers have had the opportunity of a visit or since the enlistment of Edgar in the army.

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Point Value Reductions In Canned Vegetables

Public Is Warned However That There Will Be Less Processed Food Available This Year

Washington, Jan. 28. (UP)—Price Administrator Chester Bowles today announced general point value reductions for major canned vegetables in February but coupled his announcement with a warning that "less processed food will be available for civilians this year than last."

The reductions, effective Sunday, will range generally from two to four points a pound although for four categories of canned fruits the point value will be increased.

Bowles explained that the reductions are designed primarily to stimulate the flow of slow-moving commodities and are not, except in a few instances, based on any improvement in supplies.

The reductions also extended to fruit spreads, applying chiefly to those purchased in two-pound containers, and to a number of fruits. Applesauce, fruit cocktail, salad fruits, mixed fruits, and pears, however, were increased four points each, and peaches were hiked two points. Grapefruit, on the other hand, was reduced to zero, although additional supplies are not expected.

Pointing out that civilians will be allotted only 228,800,000 cases of canned goods from 1943-44 production, as compared with 247,200,000 the year before, Bowles said there was nothing to rumors he had heard of a "point holiday" for canned food. He said military food demands will be greater this year than last, and added:

"The supply of processed food available for rationing is inadequate to meet uncontrolled demand. The indications are that less processed food will be available for distribution to civilians this year than last. All who can use unrationed foods or products from their own gardens, either fresh or home canned, certainly should do so."

Point value changes for February, applicable to cans over 14 ounces and including one pound, two ounces capacity, and explanations for them include:

Applesauce—up four points to 16; short apple crop last year.

Cranberries and sauce—Down four points to six; season of peak demand is past.

Fruit cocktail, fruits for salad, mixed fruits—up four points to 24; supply tight and movement fast.

Grapefruit—down 14 points to zero; reduction designed to permit limited, poorly distributed stocks in stores to move out unrestricted.

Peaches—up two points to 20; crop short, pack small, movement fast.

Pears—up four points to 20; supply short, movement fast.

Apricots—down four points to 20; short crop and pack, but slow movement.

Plums and prunes—down two points to eight; movement slow.

Asparagus—down two points to 12; movement slow, supply fairly good.

Beans, all dry varieties—down four points to six; movement slow, supply improved over year ago.

Beans, soy, all types—down two points to zero; movement slow.

Beans, fresh shelled—down two points to six, in line with other types.

Beets, including pickled—down two points to two; movement slow, supply somewhat better than year ago.

Corn, except vacuum packed—down two points to eight; movement slow, supply somewhat better than year ago.

Wm. Allen White, Noted Editor Is Dead In Kansas

Noted Newspaper Figure Dies as Nearing His Seventy-Sixth Birthday Anniversary

Emporia, Kansas, Jan. 29. (UP)—William Allen White, dean of the American country editors whose writings in his Emporia Gazette brought him national fame, died at his home early today, two weeks before his 76th birthday.

White died of a heart attack, but his condition had been serious since he underwent an abdominal operation at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn., last October. He failed to recover fully, and was confined to his home during most of the months after the operation. He spent his last two weeks in bed.

White, who purchased the Gazette in 1896, first achieved national recognition with an editorial entitled, "What's the Matter With Kansas." The editorial attacked the radical populists who, at that time, were rising to power in Kansas.

The editorial attracted the attention of republican party leaders, including Mark Hanna, who had it distributed nationally as a campaign pamphlet.

White maintained his affiliation with the republican party throughout his life, except for two brief breaks. He supported Theodore Roosevelt for the presidency on the "Bull Moose" ticket in 1912, and ran as an independent on an anti-Ku Klux Klan ticket for the governorship of Kansas in 1924.

Politically, White considered himself a progressive, once characterizing his life in an article entitled "The Decay of a Conservative."

A confidant of presidents, White was a party leader and had an active part in formulating policy during the Coolidge, Harding and Hoover administrations.

Locates in Omaha

Norman Baker, who has been here employed at the BRESX shops, is moving to Omaha where he will be engaged with the Industrial Chemical Co., in the future. He will be located at 211 So. 33rd street as his residence.

Visits in Old Home

Edgar Walters, who has been making his home in Los Angeles for the past two years, arrived Friday for a visit here in the old home community and also looking after his residential property here. He was very much surprised at the mild and springlike weather that is prevailing and also to learn of the record breaking winter that we have had so far this season.

Senate Committees Promise Full Facts Of Jap Outrages

Congress Stirred to Depths by Story of the Japanese Abuse of Helpless Prisoners

Washington, Jan. 29. (UP)—A senate committee chairman promised today to dig still unpublished facts about Japanese prison camp atrocities which already have roused the nation to concentrated fury and given it a blazing new battle cry—"Vengeance!"

This promise, underscoring a White House hint that the full story has yet to be told, came as the conviction grew among congressional and military leaders that only the destruction of Tokyo and the unleashing of war's horrors upon the Japanese people at home can quench this country's thirst for revenge.

There was no doubt that the American people had been aroused to a pitch of anger unparalleled since Pearl Harbor by the armistice disclosure that the Japanese—employing starvation, torture and butchery—had exterminated at least 7,700 American and many more Filipino heroes of Bataan and Corregidor.

White House Secretary Stephen T. Early indicated yesterday that the account of Japanese barbarity was a continued story when he said "The time has come to release factual, carefully authenticated reports of Japanese atrocities."

Today Chairman Elbert D. Thomas, D. Utah, of the Senate Military Affairs subcommittee on war prisoners announced that he would summon army and navy intelligence officers to closed hearings some time

in the near future. Expressing surprise that his group had not been told in advance of the facts in the army-navy report, he added:

"My committee is going to get all the information it can through the proper channels."

In Los Angeles, Capt. Samuel R. Grashio, companion of the late Lt. Col. William Dyess in the infamous "March of Death," told how 1,100 Americans and 1,400 Filipino prisoners died horribly in Camp O'Donnell.

Despite the rising demand for vengeance against the Japanese—a demand which found its most clamorous expression among congressmen—there was nothing to indicate that allied staff chiefs would permit popular anger, however, just to alter strategic decisions reached after long and careful consideration of all military necessities involved.

These decisions, calling for the smashing of Germany and Japan in that order, will be unwaveringly adhered to despite such demands as that of Chairman Andrew J. May, D., Ky., of the House Military Affairs committee that the entire fleet move at once upon Tokyo and "Blow it into Hades!"

This does not mean, however, that Tokyo will not one day be destroyed. It is no secret that even now heavy new blows are being mounted in the Pacific, and observers here would not be surprised if Japanese garrisons in the Marshall Islands were soon introduced violently to overwhelming force and sudden death.

New Grocery Racket

Minneapolis, Jan. 28. (UP)—The Minneapolis Retail Grocers' association has uncovered a new confidence game. It works this way: A man enters a grocery store, buys a can of tomatoes and puts it in his shopping bag. A few minutes later, he pulls a similar can out of the bag, rattles it a few times and tells the grocer it contains peas. The grocer argues that tomatoes are tomatoes and he is willing to bet on it. The confidence man offers to bet some cash and the point value of a large can of tomatoes. The grocer accepts, opens the can and, of course, it contains peas.

BACK THE ATTACK WITH BONDS

PLAY SQUARE... DO YOUR SHARE HE DID! WE BOUGHT EXTRA WAR BONDS 4TH WAR LOAN Display your colors now! Do you remember that soldier you saw on the bus with his arm in a cast? Do you recall that sailor you saw hobbling down the street on a cane? Have you noticed the list of casualties printed from time to time in this newspaper? What you are asked to do, compared to the boys who are really in it, is easy. But your job is mighty important, too. Once again you are asked to BUY AT LEAST ONE EXTRA HUNDRED DOLLAR WAR BOND. A Series E War Savings Bond will cost you only \$75 and you get back at maturity in ten years, \$4 for every \$3 invested; this is the least you can do. Invest more if you possibly can—\$200, \$300, \$400. Remember, it all comes back with interest. So play square—do your share. HE DID! Let's All BACK THE ATTACK! All War Loan & Bond Advertising Space Contributed By PLATTSMOUTH JOURNAL This is an official U. S. Treasury advertisement—prepared under auspices of Treasury Department and War Advertising Council.