

### Big Pipe Line To Carry Oil to East Now Complete

The following article on the "Big Inch" taken from the Monroe Co. Ohio paper was handed us by E. C. Faber and it contained so much interesting information we are printing it for our readers.

Big Inch is all but finished. Test runs of crude oil are being pumped through the eastern section of the \$95,000,000 transcontinental pipeline from Norris City, Ill., and this Monday at Phoenixville, Pa., government dignitaries including Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes will witness welding of the last section of the 1,341 miles of 24-inch pipe.

Monday is 15 days short of a year from the time the first section was laid.

Officials of the Petroleum Administration for War and War Emergency Pipelines, Inc., said pumping started at Norris City last Wednesday and oil is moving eastward 33 1-3 miles a day. Engineers are checking the run for leaks or other "bugs."

Work is progressing on the laying of the Big Inch under the Muskingum river south of Gaysport and officials are confident the link will be finished by the time oil reaches the Muskingum county section.

Big Inch, conceived to help meet the wartime oil crisis, now stretches from Longview, in the east Texas oil fields, to New York and Philadelphia refineries. At Phoenixville junction, the line splits, one branch going to Linden, N. J., the other to Philadelphia.

The 15,000 men who ditched plains and mountains, woods and cornfields, and laid and welded the pipe aren't quitting. They're staying on the job to finish the 20-inch gasoline line from Beaumont, Texas, paralleling Big Inch most of the way. Officials of WEP headquarters here predict the smaller line will be ready by December.

Work was started July 12, on the 29-inch pipeline from Beaumont, Texas, to the east coast. It will be feeder lines from Baytown, near 1480 miles long, not including the Houston, to Beaumont. This 20-inch line is expected to deliver at least 235,000 barrels a day of gasoline or light fuel oil. It will take 2,840,990 barrels of gasoline or fuel oil to fill it from Beaumont to the New York-Philadelphia area. It is expected to be completed this year at a cost of \$70,000,000.

Contract for the work in Monroe County is let to The Bechtel-Dempsey-Price Co., working for War Emergency Pipelines, Inc. Two spreads are in operation, one gang beginning at Sarahsville and working east and the other near Miltonsburg, also working east to the Ohio river. Each gang including supervisors, machine operators, time-keepers and laborers has about 300 men.

The 20-inch line will be laid on same right-of-way as the larger line, and in a ditch from five to twenty feet from the larger line. The variation is due to difference in terrain over which the lines pass. The steep hills in Monroe County make it one of the most difficult areas to operate over in the entire length of the pipeline.

Construction of the Big-Inch last winter and spring proceeded under most adverse weather conditions of rain, snow, ice and sleet. Much better working conditions are anticipated for the next four months.—Printed July 19, 1943 in Monroe County Beacon, Woodsfield, Ohio.

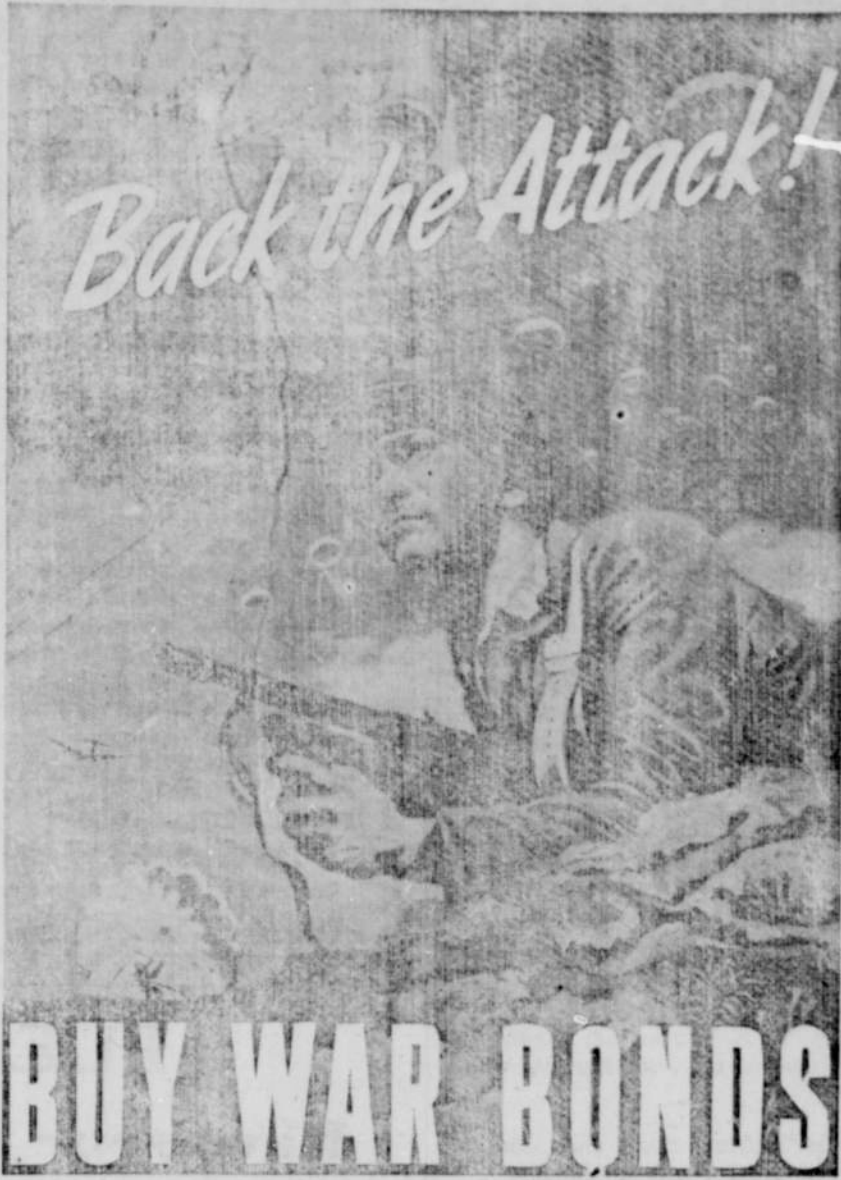
### Letters to Nephews By Ella H. Leonard

Dear nephew:  
"Looky here! Looky here! Looky here!"

No, it wasn't Robin or Sisty falling, but a quail with a curl "in the middle of his forehead." Now just what do you suppose he was in to? He wasn't seen until he whirred over the fence. Like a kid caught in mischief. But in a few seconds he came over it again swiftly and scuttled into the bean patch. Do quails eat green beans? Or eat from an ear of succulent corn; or hunt for seeds that may have dropped from the tall sunflowers. Search me. That sort of thing is one of the many angles of interest about a garden. There are so many things to cause a smile or a "belly laugh."

The birds are coming back. It seems as if they make their appearance in the spring and fall. Dad has been mourning because he thinks he drowned out a nest of baby quail. The mother took on achingly one day when he was watering under the willow tree. She tried to tell him away. He looked carefully along the fence among the shrubs but found no sign of them. Flickers flash

### This Soldier May Be Your Boy



I've got a home, too, Mister! Every extra bond you buy through the Payroll Savings Plan will help me get back to it. "Figure it out yourself."

their bright wings as they strive for the light pole, on the top of which they beat their bills. A bluejay investigated the condition of the nuts. Just a committee of inquiry sent out, no doubt.

Corn, tomatoes, string beans, cucumbers from the garden for supper. Have canned beans. Think I'll try a suggestion seen in the farm section of the Oregonian: using a darning needle and flour twine, string Oregon Giants and hang them in the sun to dry. Lou Arthurs of Lakeview always dried her beans. And were they good!

About next week will be corn drying time. It is so much less work than canning, and, I think, much better tasting corn. Not many of us have cream, and so can not use the same paper's recipe for drying. Anyway, if the corn is right, the simple way of drying makes a product so good it would make any man's mouth water. Simply cut it from the ear, put in a biscuit pan in the oven until the "milk" is set, and set on a clean cloth (on an old screen door) in the sun to dry. Cover it with a thin cloth to keep flies away while drying. I used an old scrim curtain. A cup will make six big servings. And just tell me if any other Christmas gift brings back to you such a hearty thanks. "There's something about a farm..."

How many tomatoes shall I put your name "in the pot" for, huh? You'll like to have some the way I fix them. . . Lots of folks say that. And nothing could be more simple. Take your no. 2 1/2 can, add 1 teaspoon salt, 2 or 4 tablespoons sugar (according to taste), butter the size of a walnut, cayenne to make it hot. There you are. A soldier here for dinner one day said he never ate tomatoes; did not like them; and after downing one dish said, as he passed it for a second, "That's GOOD." And had a third helping.

Jimmy (our roomer) couldn't pass the kitchen door when he came home in the evening. "Something smells mighty good in here. What is it, lightbread?" It keeps me busy keeping some on hand. The children like it buttered, with creamed honey added.

### UNLUCKY?



... not half so much as a carelessly thrown match

... or a burning cigarette



Beats all how some folks pay no attention. When dad went to see if a room was vacated, he found the soldier (a man; grayed hair) swigging on a quart bottle. We had 6 this week. Two were fine young boys who had been here before. They phoned to make reservations for themselves and two others. When they left, they asked if they might come again. . . . We had company besides. So dad had the cot in the front room and I used the davenport. The home elastic? Don't you remember how your grandmother's stretched to meet the need? What's a little thing like a 16-sheet wash compared with your daily task?

As Sisty says, "It's gettig dahk", to write. Eph. 6, 10-17. Your loving Aunty.

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Even at the start of world war No. 2, we did not recognize the devastating power of the aeroplane. We began to recognize it in 1940 at the battle of Dunkirk. What saved those gallant British soldiers? What made it possible for so many of them to get back to the British Isles? The aeroplane. Beaten and pressed back to the beaches, their condition hopeless, they looked toward England for help. Then it came. The British air fleet was up and in the air hurtling to their rescue. Hundreds of Hurricanes and spitfires. They formed a protective cover clear across those Dover Straits. Under this cover three hundred thousand British soldiers were evacuated in less than five days and brought safely home. The answer? Air Power!!! The combined use of all the boats England had and her entire population could not have done this had she not had "air control." Germany was stopped. Except for this she might easily have continued across and finished the battle with England for "All time."

And yet, we in America could not see. We lay with belly open and exposed, still believing that this could not happen to us. Too much water lay between us and our enemies. Then the Awakening—Pearl Harbor!!! The stupidity of it and those who were supposed to save

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guard our possessions. Our land based planes sleeping in their hangars and on the fields. They were superior in every way to the Japanese planes. But they were without crews, grounded and unready. In less than one hour and a half we lost more Naval lives and Naval tonnage than was during entire War I.

The Island of Crete had demonstrated that land areas could be and were completely invaded and conquered from the air. What has made possible the successful conveying of material across the oceans? The Aeroplane! !!! Even though they smashed the submarine one by one it saved the convoys. Now they are hurling their mighty bombs thru cement walls many feet thick and are destroying the "rattlesnakes" at their source.

Yes, we can do it. Win the war and crush our enemies from the air. "Don't let them tell you differently."

—D. Darwin Davis.  
The facts for this article were "lifted" from the July Ladies' Home Journal. Congratulations Ladies' Home Journal. Let's have some more like it.

### Motorists Warned Of Night Driving

Oregon motorists were urged to avoid driving in the central Oregon

army maneuver area at night whenever possible in a statement issued today by Secretary of state Bob Farrell.

He reminded motorists that army field maneuvers are conducted under simulated war conditions and this means a great many vehicles moving along the highway without lights. Foot personnel, also travelling along highways without lights, may be encountered in these areas.

"The army is not asking Oregon motorists to stay off highways in the maneuver area, but it is advisable for drivers to avoid these roads after dark if they can," Farrell said. "From the standpoint of convenience alone, it would be wise to avoid night travel in this area. Military movements along or across highways may hold up traffic for some time."

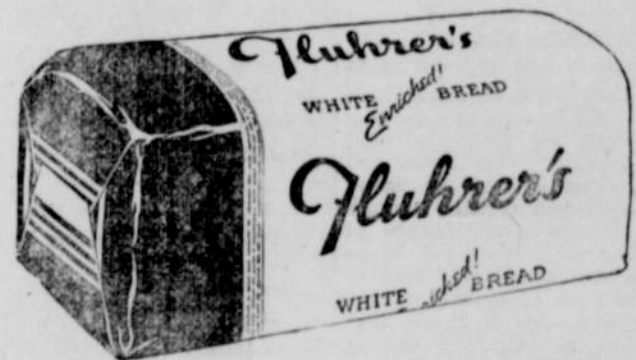
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