

LA VOZ ATLANTICA

SEMANARIO INDEPENDIENTE

AÑO X — PUERTO LIMON, COSTA RICA, SABADO 25 DE NOVIE MBRE DE 1944 — NUMERO 446

La tragedia de Limón

En el momento de escribir su alcance para aliviar la situación desesperada de toda esta línea —jueves en la tarde— se anuncia de manera oficial que de un momento a otro se reanudará el tráfico ferroviario con el interior de la República. Ya era tiempo. La situación durante la última semana ha sido casi insostenible. En este momento carecemos de arroz, azúcar, papas, frijoles, huevos, carbón, verduras y dulce. Los pocos artículos que han llegado por la vía aérea tienen un recargo de cuarenta céntimos la libra. Así, una libra de papas, por ejemplo, cuesta noventa céntimos. Los demás artículos se cotizan en las mismas proporciones si acaso se consiguen.

LA COOPERACION DEL GOBIERNO

El poder ejecutivo y las autoridades de la provincia han hecho cuanto estaba a

la región atlántica. El señor Secretario de Hacienda en compañía de don Antonio Lara, jefe de la oficina de Defensa Económica hicieron una visita a Limón trayendo azúcar, café y frijoles que fueron vendidos al público por la Limón Trading Co. a precio de costo, sin recargar el flete aéreo, para favorecer a la población. Después de la visita del ministro el Gobierno ha enviado casi diariamente pequeñas partidas de azúcar que alivian en algo la necesidad de la población. Desgraciadamente las pequeñas cantidades de azúcar que llegan no alcanzan sino para un pequeño sector de la ciudad, por más esfuerzos que se han hecho para hacer una distribución equitativa.

El señor Gobernador de la Provincia ha hecho gestiones por medio de la Legación

de Costa Rica en Nicaragua a fin de conseguir azúcar y arroz a la mayor brevedad posible.

Se han conseguido ya los permisos de exportación e importación y se han llenado todos los trámites necesarios pero la dificultad de los transportes marítimos, han retrasado la llegada de las citadas mercaderías, que deberán estar aquí dentro de poco tiempo. Entendemos que llegarán cuatrocientos quintales de azúcar y cuatrocientos de frijoles en el primer vapor.

El señor Gobernador consiguió también por medio del Instituto Interamericano que se enviara por avión una pequeña cantidad de verduras. Llegaron el sábado en la tarde diez cajas de tomates, diez de repollos, tres sacos de papas y tres de zanahorias. Estas mercaderías fueron vendidas a los comerciantes del mercado al precio de costo. Igualmente se ha enviado a los otros cantones azúcar, café y frijoles para aliviar un poco las necesidades de esos lugares remotos.

Es justo hacer notar que tanto al Poder Ejecutivo como al señor Gobernador de la Provincia y los comandantes de plaza han tratado de solucionar en parte las dificultades de la falta de vivieres en estos días de emergencia. La Limón Trading merece también nuestra gratitud pues gratuitamente a sumido la venta del azúcar durante los primeros días, con perjuicio de sus propios negocios ya que puso a todos sus empleados a realizar estas ventas. Ahora es la Comandancia de Policía quien se ocupa del racionamiento para lo cual ha reparado por toda la ciudad tarjetas especiales, y es en la propia Comandancia donde se venden los artículos que envía el gobierno.

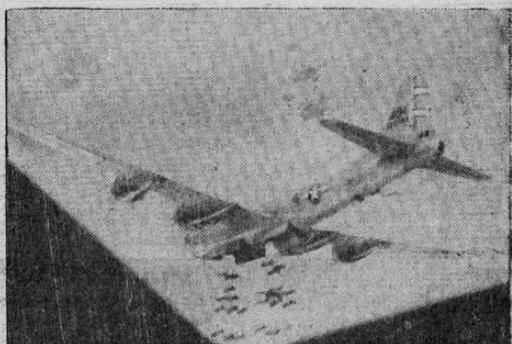
Pero no obstante los esfuerzos que se han realizado hay escases de vivieres y la situación es angustiosa mientras no se reanude el tráfico ferroviario con el interior del país.

LA INTERRUPCION DE LA LINEA

dos por el temporal.

Nos parece que el ataque es injusto y así lo reconocemos. Esto no obstante, es indispensable aceptar que hubo demasiada economía en la administración de la empresa que el trabajo de reparaciones de la vía ha sido bastante lento y que el equipo utilizado en estos trabajos es defectivo.

Bombardeando al Japón



Esta fotografía tomada desde un aeroplano acompañante, muestra una carga de bombas al ser arrojada sobre el Japón por una superfuerza aérea del Ejército de los Estados Unidos. Estos bombarderos modelo B-29 llevan la mayor carga de bombas que puede conducir un avión en una operación militar.

LA ESCUELA DE NIÑAS RAFAEL YGLESIAS ORGANIZO PARA EL DIA MIERCOLES UN ESPLENDIDO ALMUERZO DE CAMPO EN PORTETE

Con motivo de celebrarse donde pasaron un día del miércoles pasado el día del Maestro, la escuela de niñas Rafael Iglesias Castro, organizó un paseo con un magnífico almuerzo. El lugar escogido fué la playa de Portete.

Felicitamos cordialmente a las organizadoras de esta fiesta.

Nevada en Alemania



La primera nevada del invierno cubre las posiciones de la línea de batalla en Alemania, donde los soldados estadounidenses continúan avanzando dentro del territorio del Reich. Un artillero contempla la tormenta. (Radiosfoto transmitida de Londres a Washington.)

EL PERSONAL DE LA ESCUELA GENERAL TOMAS GUARDO MAS GUARDIA DIO EL MIERCOLES UNA CENA EN CELEBRACION DEL DIA DEL MAESTRO

El personal docente de la Escuela General Tomás Guardia, celebró en la noche del 22, el Día del Maestro, con una magnífica cena en el plantel de la Escuela.

La fiesta resultó lucida y reinó la alegría en la concurrencia que fué muy numerosa.

Nuestras felicitaciones para los organizadores de ella.

DON GILBERTO CALVO ES NOMBRADO GERENTE DEL BANCO DE C. RICA EN LIMÓN

Para sustituir a don Alvaro Goicochea del importante cargo de Gerente de la Subsucursal del Banco de Costa Rica en Limón, quien renunció hace algunos días, ha sido encargado de tan delicadas funciones nuestro estimado amigo don Gilberto Calvo, alto empleado de esa firma bancaria.

El señor Calvo por su competencia, su honorabilidad y su cultura, está plenamente capacitado para el cargo. Cuenta además con la simpatía general tanto del comercio como de la sociedad monense La Voz Atlántica le desea al amigo Calvo muchos éxitos en sus demandas laborales.

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Director: E. Arrazola Posada

APARTADO DE COREO: LETRA J.

Mundo Social

NOTA DE DUELO

En la ciudad de San José, falleció hace pocos días la estimable matrona doña María Sandoval de Alvarado. Su muerte que ha sido honda mente sentida por la sociedad de Limón, en donde vivió durante algunos años, es para nosotros un motivo de duelo.

Enviamos a su hijo político don Enrique Alvarado y al resto de la familia doliente el testimonio de nuestra senda condolencia.

JOSE ACHIONG NG.

*Comerciante detallista
Licores, Abarrotes, Cristalería, Materiales de Ferretería y Eléctricos, todo se encuentra en este establecimiento.*

DE SAN JOSE

En asuntos de negocios estuvo hace algunos días en San José, don Hernán Salas, Gerente en esta ciudad de la Limón Trading Co.

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cripción de sus productos y plazos. Envíe por correo aéreo desmos en que puede entregar los pedidos. Sirvase cotizar precios, incluyendo transporte y derechos aduaneros de la mercancía puesta en el puerto de entrada en Estados Unidos. Especifique la comisión o corretaje que está dispuesto a conceder en las ventas a las tiendas detallistas de los Estados Unidos.

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LA HORA DE ACTUAR

La catástrofe ocasionada con la interrupción de la vía férrea es demasiado elocuente para que no sepamos aprovecharla. Al interrumpirse la línea vino una completa escasez de víveres. Las horas de angustia que hemos pasado los que vivimos de este lado de Las Lomas no deben repetirse.

No es posible vivir, en lo que respecta a los artículos de alimentación, atenidos al buen servicio del ferrocarril. Lo ocurrido ahora volverá a suceder mañana cuando vuelva a llover. Las condiciones de la vía férrea, según nos dicen quienes la conocen en detalle, son bastante instables.

Es necesario aprovechar este momento en que el Gobierno inicia una campaña para el desarrollo de la agricultura nacional, para impulsar en toda su fuerza la producción de artículos indispensables para el consumo local, en la región de La Estrella. Esas tierras, donde se produce cualquier cosa que se quiera sembrar, están casi abandonadas por la falta de ayuda pecuniaria de los bancos del Estado. En Guápiles el señor Chamberlain tiene un magnífico ingenio que podría abastecer de azúcar a toda la provincia, y que por falta de ayuda financiera está casi paralizado. ¿Por qué no se le ayuda?

En la zona de La Estrella y Cahuita hay tierras en abundancia que se podrían sembrar de arroz, trijoles, maíz y muchos otros productos de consumo indispensable. Hay gente que está dispuesta a hacerlo. Falta la ayuda financiera que todas las instituciones de crédito le niegan. ¿Por qué no se les ayuda en forma efectiva?

En los alrededores de Limón pueden sembrarse huertas caseras con magníficos resultados. ¿Por qué no se hacen?

La Junta de Producción que ahora se reúne para desarrollar la agricultura nacional no debe limitar el círculo de sus estudios a la meseta central. De este lado de Turrialba hay también miles de costarricenses que laboran por el bienestar nacional y que contribuyen en la misma escala que los otros hijos del país, al sostenimiento de todas las instituciones nacionales y que es justo que gocen de los mismos beneficios que los otros.

Es la hora de actuar. ¿Por qué no se hace algo que no sean meramente proyectos de estudios y conclusiones académicas? Seguramente si los encargados de estas cosas hubieran vivido con nosotros estos últimos quince días, pensarian de muy distinta manera. Si hubieran visto las filas de gentes pobres haciendo cola durante horas enteras con la esperanza de conseguir una libra de azúcar, pensarian q' con un poco de buena voluntad puede evitarse este espectáculo, que es bien triste.

HABLA EL CANCILLER EZEQUIEL PADILLA

E LPASO, TEXAS, 25. UP. El Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores Ezequiel Padilla, refiriendo se a informaciones publicadas en los periódicos en el sentido de que había manifestado partida

dicho erróneamente las declaraciones que había hecho en Monterrey. Sin embargo se rehusó aclarar sus palabras diciendo no estoy en condiciones de dar mis puntos de vista sobre el problema en estos momentos por que faltó de la ciudad de Méjico día de ayer.

EXPRESSIONS OF PROFOUND APPRECIATION AND GRATEFULNESS

During the comparatively recent Competition in the Purchasing Price of Banana on this Atlantic Zone, the Central American Banana Company had inevitably increased its former agreed price of Fifty Cents, United States Currency per bunch, to Sixty Cents. However the march of time has dealt its blow to the Competition

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MANAGER

Central American Banana Company

Labores Municipales

Partida	Cap.	Art.	Especificación EGRESOS	Por año	Total Gral.		
Sanidad	1		1 Saneamiento pobl. Det. 1 2 Personal sanidad 3 Medicinas pobres 4 Desinfect. y otros	€ 28890.00 31716.60 1000.00	€ 61606.60	7 Beca 2a. enseñanza 8 Datos útiles M i s 9 Utiles gobernación 10 Publicaciones Det. 15 11 Prima fianza tesorero	450.00 600.00 1500.00 75.00 € 48476.15
Benefic.	II		1 Subvenciones benef. Det. 3	€ 3600.00	€ 3600.00	1 Gastos dist. 2o. Det. 16 2 Gastos dist 3o. Det. 17	€ 5577.00 1356.00 € 6933.00
Policía	III		1 Person. Asist. Parques 2 Conducción de reos 3 Sueldos policía 4 Relojero público €30 m 5 Materiales parques 6 Alquileres ag. policía 7 Biblioteca Det. 5 8 Utiles ag. policía	€ 9479.95 300.00 10890.00 360.00 500.00 900.00 300.00	€ 23749.95	Total Total ingresos € 231.317.60 Total egresos € 230.982.65 Superavit... € 334.95	€ 230982.65
Servicios	IV		1 Personal cañería Det. 6 2 Alumbrado público Det 7 3 Aeropuerto Det. 9 4 Maestro, obras €300 mn 5 Materiales y jor. cañería Inspector cantonal aguas 6 €82.50 m. 7 Alumbrado dep. Municipales Det. 8	€ 10612.90 12852.00 1750.00 3.600.00 2500.00 990.00 3765.60	€ 36069.50	Sesión vigésima primera ordinaria de la Municipalidad de Limón iniciada a las veinte horas del catorce de Noviembre de mil novecientos cuarenta y cuatro con asistencia de los Regidores señores Echeverría, quien presidió, Hernández, Picado, Carballe y Esquivel. Eseuvó presente el señor Gobernador y los Jefes de las dependencias municipales señores, Alvárcedo, Arrázola, Barrantes, Casco, Matina, Martínez, Montero, Mora Aguilar, Mora Morúa Vindas y Zeledón.	finca Barmouth se derrumbó como consecuencia del temporal, y que sugiere se usen estos materiales para arreglar el edificio de la Agencia a su cargo, que está en muy mal estado; además aconseja poner a resguardo esos materiales pues corren peligro de perderse en manos inescrupulosas. Se acordó: comisionar al maestro de obras para que se constituya en el lugar, haga un inventario de esos materiales y los depositar en persona responsable y lugar seguro.
Productos	V		1 Personal matadero Det 10 2 Id Mercado Det 11 3 Materiales mercado 4 Materiales matadero	€ 7209.00 18450.00 500.00 300.00	€ 26459.00	Artículo primero: Acta. Se leyó, aprobó y firmó acta de la sesión vigésima ordinaria.	d—En nota número 1447 remite proyecto de presupuesto extraordinario para reajustar algunas partidas del presupuesto del corriente año.
Obras	VI		1 Reparación edificios 2 Arreglo calles y caños 3 Cloacas y desagües tres peones €3170 sem.	€ 100.00 1500.00 4945.20	€ 7445.20	Artículo segundo: Oficios del señor Gobernador:	A iniciativa del regidor Echeverría fué modificado con el fin de aumentar en nueve céntimos por hora el sueldo de los barredores de calles, peones que son los que menos ganan en ese departamento y por sugerencia del Jefe de Sanidad, también fué aumentado en nueve céntimos por hora el salario de los peones que hacen la limpieza de las cloacas, aumentos que regirán a partir del primero de Noviembre corriente. Se estimó que aunque el deseo de la Corporación es el de aumentar los salarios a todos los trabajadores que ocupa, no se cuenta con los fondos necesarios para hacerlo, pero que priva el propósito de irlos aumentando conforme las condiciones económicas lo permitan.
Hacienda	VII		1 Intereses prest. banco 2 Amortización empréstito 3 Gastos perm. visit. tes. 4 Fondo pensiones	€ 2000.00 11250.00 80.00 2313.15	€ 15643.15	b—Se acordó dejar para conocerla en próxima sesión la nota en que manifiesta que de acuerdo con lo que establece la ley de Carreteras y Caminos Vecinales, corresponde al Municipio nombrar un propietario y un suplente para integrar la Junta Cantonal de Caminos.	b—Se acordó dejar para conocerla en próxima sesión la nota en que manifiesta que de acuerdo con lo que establece la ley de Carreteras y Caminos Vecinales, corresponde al Municipio nombrar un propietario y un suplente para integrar la Junta Cantonal de Caminos.
Imprevist. VIII			1 Imprevistos (gastos)	€ 1000.00	€ 1000.00	c—En nota número 1440 trámita informe del señor Agente Principal de Policía de Matina en el que se le da aviso de que uno de los campamentos grandes de la zona aconsejan lo permitan.	c—En nota número 1440 trámita informe del señor Agente Principal de Policía de Matina en el que se le da aviso de que uno de los campamentos grandes de la zona aconsejan lo permitan.
Gastos de administración IX							
Distritos Menores			1 Sueldos adminis. Det. 12 2 Libros y útiles contad. 3 Subvenciones gob. Det. 13 4 Revisión lib. tesorería 5 Gastos judiciales Det. 14 6 Comisión rec. Bco. C. R.	€ 31374.00 1200.00 9564.00 400.00 1000.00 2313.15	€ 31374.00		

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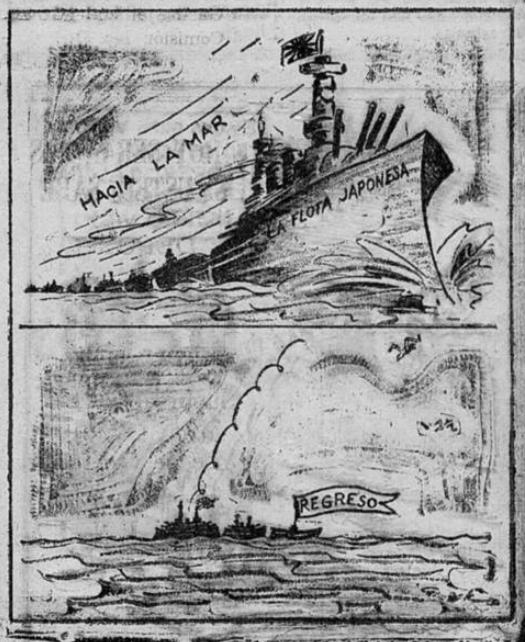
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PROHIBIDA, POR DECRETO, LA IMPORTACION DE MERCADERIAS POR PUERTO LIMÓN

El gobierno se ha visto forzado a tomar esta drástica disposición en vista de que hay enorme cantidad de mercancías amontonadas en las aduanas, en carros de ferrocarril y en los muelles.

Hoy quedará en vigencia esta disposición que se aplicará sin contemplaciones y en vista de la imperiosa necesidad de hacerlo.

Por decreto del Poder Ejecutivo, publicado en "La Gaceta" de esta misma fecha se declara cerrada la Aduana de Limón y se prohíben, en forma terminante, las importaciones de mercaderías por dicho puerto, hasta tanto no resaparezcan las condiciones actuales que impiden el traslado de las mercaderías al interior del país.

Ha sido necesario que el gobierno tomara esta drástica disposición en vista de que siguen llegando mercaderías y ya no hay lugar en donde almacenarlas, a la vez que

NO SE SUSPENDE EL BOMBARDEO AEREO A BERLÍN

LONDRES, 25. UP. — Poco a poco las formaciones de bombarderos aliados alzan vuelo con dirección a Alemania a tempranas horas de hoy. Aviones mosquitos atacaron anoche a Berlín.

INTENSO CAÑONEO COMO PRELUDIO A LA INVASION A ALEMANIA SUROCCIDENTAL.

DEL CUARTEL GENERAL ALIADO EN PARIS, 25. UP. — La artillería aliada dentro de la conquistada ciudad de Estrasburgo está cañoneando las defensas de la línea Sigfrido en la margen oriental del Rhin como preludio de una invasión de Alemania suroccidental. Despachos del frente dicen que los alemanes están replicando con un cañón a Estrasburgo.

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ESTRASBURGO, 25. UP. — Los aliados han hecho prisioneros a más de dos mil soldados alemanes en torno a Estrasburgo. Caíones de artillería están recubriendo más prisioneros al noroeste de la ciudad fortificada y esperarse que el total sea creciendo.

ES UNA GRAN VICTORIA, SU SEÑORÍA, AHORA PODREMOS ALIVIAR LA ESCASEZ DE HIERRO VIEJO



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DEPOSITO EN LIMÓN:

FELIX DEL BARCO

LAS TROPAS AMERICANAS NO HAN CRUZADO EL RHIN

LA MARCHA DE LOS FORMIDABLES EJÉRCITOS RUSO-BELGRADIANOS, 25. UP. — En esta capital mística con un ligero toque oriental que se levanta en la confluencia del Danubio y del Sava, es hoy una ciudad como el punto de confluencia de los caminos por donde marchan los ejércitos del mundo. Día y noche por las calles de Belgrado pasan cantando las columnas

LA CAJA COSTARRICENSE DE A LOS PATRONOS DE LA CIUDAD DE LIMÓN

1º—Que a partir del 1º de Diciembre de 1944 se implantarán los seguros de enfermedad y maternidad en la CIUDAD DE LIMÓN, para obreros y empleados, públicos o particulares, que sean menores de 65 años.

2º—Que igualmente dichos seguros cubrirán a todos los trabajadores de la Northern Railway Company.

3º—Que antes del 8 de Diciembre de 1944 los patronos de la ciudad de Limón deben inscribirse en la Sucursal usando las fórmulas preparadas por la Caja.

AL REALIZAR LA INSCRIPCION, LA SUCURSAL DARA AL DUEÑO EL MANEJO DE ELLA, DANDO TODAS LAS INSTRUCCIONES DE LOS NEGOCIOS O EMPRESAS SERA SANCIÓN CONSTITUTIVA.

LAS CUOTAS ESTABLECIDAS SON LAS SIGUIENTES: EL PATRONO: EL 2 1/2% DEL SALARIO DE CAD.

La Caja entregará a los patronos una TABLA para efectuar las deducciones de sus pagos. Los patronos deberán firmar a sus trabajadores las solicitudes de libreta de Seguro Social.

Los trabajadores que ganan más de ₡ 400.00 al mes pagarán sus cotizaciones únicamente la cuota de los patronos se regulará según las mismas bases.

La Caja no responde de los ACCIDENTES DE TRABAJO protegidos por el Banco Nacional.

LA SUCURSAL DE LIMÓN SERÁ ESTABLECIDA EN EL EDIFICIO DE LA UNIDAD SANITARIA.

ATLANTIC VOICE

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FRENCH IN COMPLETE OCCUPATION OF STRASBURG

is the result of what is described as a meteoric advance thirty - two kilometers by French forces, under command of General Leclerc who has secured occupation of the heavily fortified and strategic city of Strasburg on the River Rhine and one of the principal forts of the famed Maginot Line of defense. It is thought that this victory will seal the fate of some 100,000 German soldiers now trapped between two columns of the 1st French army.

Three of the Allied armies operating on the Western front are reported engaged in fierce fighting with the Germans in the vicinity of Cologne and Dusseldorf.

After crossing the rivers at various points, and completing the isolation of the German forces on the left bank British troops threaten districts of Venlo and Geilenkirchen, notwithstanding the courageous resistance of the Nazis.

The districts of Aspach, Hochweiler and Girmagny to the north of Mulhouse have been occupied by forces of the Allied Armies.

The 3rd. army, commanded

by General Patton have launched a new attack along a frontage of 18 kilometers against the Siegfried Line in the Saar sector between

eight and twelve German divisions have launched fierce counter attacks against the First and Ninth American and second British armies.

POWERFUL AERIAL SUPERFORTS BOMB TOKYO

During the daylight hours of yesterday Tokyo suffered severely from an attack by a force, estimated at about 100 of the most powerful superfort machines of the Northern

The attack is said to have given special attention to the war industries located in the Capital, where there are no less than forty thousand factories. The Japanese admit that the attack, which lasted two hours effected serious damage among their more important installations and caused several conflagrations.

It is stated that the attack was directed from bases located in China and the Mariana Islands, and that they will continue until the North Americans invade the home territory of Japan.

General MacArthur reports the destruction of the 1st. and 16th. Japanese divisions on the Island of Leyte. The sinking of two large enemy transport ships with their crews and at least 15,000 soldiers while on their way to Leyte is also reported.

SOMETHING OF THE TOLL OF WAR

A Washington release states that Secretary of War Stimson has announced that the casualties suffered by the North Americans throughout the war aggregate 528,725, including 117,453 killed. The army casualties, up to the 7th. of the current month inclusive reached the total of 454,180, of which 88,245 were killed, 354,283 injured, 56,442 missing and 55,210 taken prisoners.

American force.

THE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The best way to meet most difficulties is to face them. To push on to the goal through all obstacles is usually the most satisfactory and manly course. Ease begets weakness, inefficiency, and those who drift with the wind never arrive.

THOUGH SURROUNDED WITH HARDSHIP THEY MURMUR NOT

As the aftermath of the recent torrential rains our citizenry are undergoing a new experience. Though our city did not suffer direct damage, yet the destruction of crops and other articles in the regions whence we get our food supplies have wrought much hardships. To these has been added the suspension of rail road transportation between the city and the Capital.

Despite these set-backs we observe, with more than passing interest, the considerate manner in which the majority of our people are adjusting themselves to the serious situation. Substitutes of a large variety have taken the place of the many things which were regarded as of primary necessity in our diet. An almost new line of life has appeared, and it would we think, be of benefit, if when the bright and abnormal days re-appear we all kept in the furrow.

It is of course a fact that many of the now unobtainable articles are essential for our physical well being, but no murmurs are heard because of their absence. Some of our more thoughtful ones charitably regard our present day conditions as insignificant when compared to the sufferings and privations by our brethren beyond the seas; and we wholeheartedly agree with them.

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BOMBAS VOLANTES LANZAN
LOS ALEMANES CONTRA
EL PRIMER EJERCITO AMÉRICANO

NUEVA YORK, 25. UP — La radio Londres oficina en Nueva York por la CBS citando un despatch del frente dice que un creciente número de bombarderos alemanes están cayendo sobre el frente del primer ejército norteamericano en el sector de Aquisgrán.

SOLAMENTE HONDURAS Y PANAMÁ CONTESTAN LA CUESTIÓN ARGENTINA

WASHINGTON, 25. UP — La Unión Panamericana anuncia que hasta el momento ninguna república americana excepto Panamá y Honduras han enviado su respuesta en relación con la propuesta de la Argentina tecané a una conferencia de cancilleres formulada hace exactamente 4 semanas.

52 DIVISIONES RUSAS ATACAN EN LATVIA OCCIDENTAL

LONDRES, 25. UP — La radio Berlín dice que los soviéticos lanzaron un nuevo ataque contra las tropas nazis atrapadas en Latvia occidental. Según los informes enemigos los rusos están atacando con cincuenta y dos divisiones integradas por unos 800 mil hombres.

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ON THE RUSSIAN BATTLE FRONTS

After a truce of several weeks, the Soviet forces yesterday resumed their offensive against the German defenses in Czechoslovakia and captured several important positions and took three thousand prisoners.

Despatches from the Hungarian front indicate that the Russians are continuing their advance toward the important railway center of Matyan, located forty kilometers from Tokay and that they are also threatening Miskole, which lies north of Miskole. As the result of a surprise attack

Moscow yesterday officially announced that the Soviet Republic of Estonia had been completely freed of the Germans.

CENTENNIAL JUBILEE OF THE APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

The Society of the Apostleship of Prayer, which had its start on the 3rd. day of December in the year 1844, the Feast of St. Francis Xavier, Patron of Catholic Missions, will celebrate its centennial Jubilee on the 3rd. of December proximo.

This Jubilee sees the glo-

rious growth of the Society, which springing from an insignificant seed, has developed into so huge a tree with its branches spread throughout the length and breadth of the civilized world, that it now carries a membership of more than twenty-two million people.

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OUT GOING SIXTH GRADE PUPILS FETED

Saturday the 18th. instant registered fourteen years of devoted and maternal attention extended the girls who, from time to time, have been associated with the Yglesias School in this city, by our highly regarded Miss Olympia Trejos, the Directress On this date, coincidentally, Miss Olympia, assisted by several of the teachers and the scholars of the fifth grade, splendidly feted those of the outgoing sixth grade.

The occasion was graced with the presence of don Gonzalo Cordero, Inspector of Schools D^a Angelica Arreaza and others. The setting included a rich repast, and Mr. Alan Hylton, a member of the Scho-

ol Board, was identified with this festive Table.

Many of the lassies, in Indian costumes, commanded admiration. They imitated the aboriginal Indian dances. The musical strain were furnished by the Lebert Brown Steele Orchestra. It was a very pleasing ceremony interwoven with wholesome mirth.

AN INFANT SOUL RETURNS TO ITS GIVER

Mr. and Mrs. Gladston Mason, children and other relatives, are now bereft of their dear little daughter and relative, the seven year old Norma, who departed this life last Monday morning after Nat, is said, to have been a very sudden illness.

The funeral service was conducted by Major Lynch of the Salvation Army. An appreciable number of mourners and sympathizers attended. We tender our sincere condolence to the bereaved ones.

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at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in sugar gradually. Remove egg beater. Add grated rind and orange juice. Fold in flour, sifted with baking powder and salt. Bake in three ungreased 9-inch layer cake pans in moderate oven at 325 F. about 20 minutes. Spread orange cream filling between layers

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FRUIT CONTEST FURNISH THRILLING FINISH

The customary thrilling fin Peter Muir and Jos. A. Tho ish to such competitive exerci ses took command on Monday night the 20th. instant in the staging of the Rally of the fruits under the auspices of the Salvation Army. A most felicitous two and a half hours were spent.

The border of the Contest consisted of reciting and singing items as also of praise worthy selections by the Army Boys' Band. These items having been planned on a co operate scale, Mrs. Jessie Wright of the Methodist Day School, with a few of her well seasoned young artistes, were highly useful participants. Contributions were also effected through the medium of Miss Lucille Johnson. Mr. J. F. Barrett was Master of Ceremonies, and he ably maintained the honour conferred on him.

The checking of the votes was undertaken by messrs.

While the Queen was being robed, little Marjorie Tyrell recited the poem "The burial of Moses". On the entry of the Queen and her Princesses, led by the Band, the audience stood and robustly chanted the British National

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MUSIC AND MIRTH FOR CLOSE OF 1944

The year is fast drawing to close. Soon it shall say good bye and give way to 1945. With this in mind our good friend, Mr. E. Crawford of the New Harlem Restaurant and Bar, assisted by Mr. Lester Cole, is making preparations to ring out the old with music and mirth in the Hall of the Universal Negro Improvement Association. The event is slated to start at four o'clock in the afternoon of the 31st December. The River side Orchestra will, we are told, supply the feet-teasing numbers.

The novel will, it is said, surround the door prizes which will be obtainable to the lucky pair of dancers.

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Anthem. The crown was placed by Miss Johnson. By virtue of her close challenge in the competition, Rubena McSam was inducted as the first Princess of the Royal Court, with Evelyn Drummond as the second.

The Army will stage the sale of "The Thirteen Children" in the Hall of the St. Mark's Parish on the night of December the 5th. proximo

"THE PATH ACROSS THE HILLS"

Tuesday, the 28th. of the month in course, is the date fixed for the presentation of the Drama "The Path across the Hills", under the auspices of our friends of the Baptist Denomination. A very enjoyable time is said to be in store for all.

The announcement has also been released that the 1944 Missionary Services and Public Meeting will be conducted in the city church on Sunday and Monday, the 3rd. and 4th. December proximo

ENEMY SUBMARINE SEEN OFF PACIFIC COAST OF CENTRAL AMERICA

A report, proceeding from one of our sister Central American Republics, releases the important information that submarines of Nazi identity were recently seen in the nearby waters of the Pacific. It is presumed that this might indicate a re-appearance of some of the under-water enemy craft which were so very active in the Pacific waters a couple of years or so ago.

LEMANA, EL 4º EJERCITO UCRANIANO CONTINUA SU AVANCE

LONDRES, 25. U.P. — Un despacho recibido por un periódico londinense informa que el cuarto ejército ucraniano de Rúvia sigue registrando pequeñas ganancias en Eslovaquia oriental pese a intensa resistencia alemana. El empuje ruso está proyectándose contra el flanco de los ejércitos nazis que defienden la capital húngara de Budapest.

GONE ON VACATION

Among those who left by air transportation, ten days ago, was Mrs. Annie Charles, one of our esteemed citizens. She has gone to the neighbouring Republic of Panama for a few weeks vacation and also to effect a reunion with her

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METHODIST HARVEST FESTIVAL SOLEMN OBSERVED

While submitting to the incessant showers of rain, the Methodist Harvest Festival was conducted on Sunday the 19th. instant, and though the gifts were not up to former standard, the spiritual summit was reached.

The forenoon service was conducted by the Rev. J. P. Holmes, the Circuit's Minister. The Young People fittingly acquitted themselves in the afternoon in the presentation of the Cantata "Ruth the

Moabite", with Mr. L. A. Gus, the Sheward of the Circuit, officiating. The evening worship was, we are to exceedingly impressive and the guidance of the Rev. M. Holmes, Mr. David Rodriguez of the Central Mission of San Jose delivered the Harvest Message.

It has been released that the Siquirres Church will celebrate its Harvest Services tomorrow, the 26th., The Harvest Concert being listed for the following night.

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Although almost and overnight visitor, the presence of Adjutant Fisher of the Colón-Cristobal Division of the Salvation Army, was deeply welcomed by Major and Mrs. Lynch and their comrades of the Army's local Division.

The Adjutant, having arrived on the eve of the Sunday's Harvest Festival, he conducted the services three o'clock in the afternoon and at seven at night. His discourses, are said, have been greatly appreciated. He left by aerial transportation the following day.

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CLOSING PROGRAMME OF SECONDARY COMPLIMENTARY SCHOOL

A marvellous demonstration. They carried warm plaudits. Miss Jay Murdock proved budding musical talent with her piano selection entitled "Goodbye to Naples". Her effort was crowned with cheers. The chorus, "Cinco de Mayo", was next rendered by the school. Miss Mirxi Grau effectively recited 'Serenata de Schubert'. The school was again heard with the chorus "Good Night". Miss Alia Sakis eloquently delivered the poem "The Princess is sad". The audience was greatly emotionalized with the presentation of the dance number "Leda", the words of which were written by doña Luz Chaves, the drawing teacher of the Boys School, and the music set by Prof. don Daniel Zúñiga. In his dual capacity as the Delegate of the Minister of Education and President of the Administrative Committee, don Carlos Mora Aguilar stirred his listeners with his very appropriate address.

With Miss Clarita Canichia Zulani presiding at the piano, the National Anthem of Costa Rica was penetratingly chanted, while one's eye could not escape the Republic's illustrious Emblem so significantly placed in the platform's adornment. The following were the entertaining items.

Opening Remarks, wondrously delivered by doña Lia Madrid de Montero, the Directress of the School. A dramatization by several lassies in fairy-like gowns followed each an appropriate address.

A MOVE IN THE INTEREST OF OUR BANANA INDUSTRY

When faith is justified by events, there is reason to believe widespread enthusiasm will result. This has been evidenced by the coming together of an appreciable number of our prominent Banana Producers, in complete cooperation with the laudable industrial programme of the Central American Banana Co. Ltd., under the management of the very amicable and genial Mr. Chandler W. Ehrman.

Several of these interested agriculturists are convinced that the best results will be obtained by group initiative, hence a meeting was convened in the office of the Company in this city on the night of the fourteenth instant when the ATLANTIC BANANA GROWERS ASSOCIATION had its birth. Among the cultivators present were Messrs Stanley Hill, Charles Rose Johnson, Stanisted of Matina, Oliver McIntosh and Norman Plummer of Siquirres, Samuel Wolf of 28 Miles, Frederick Givans, Antonio Alvarez, Eustofo Binns and Kelvin Johnson of Estrada, Uclis Henry of the Bananito region and C. A. Mason of Old Harbour.

The primary aims and objects of the Association will be directed toward the improvement of the production of the Banana, its marketing under conditions which will best serve the interest of the cultivators, the stabilization of the price of the fruit and the securing of some guarantee in order to proceed with new cultivations.

The meeting went on record that the Central American Banana Company is ready to conclude contracts for the purchasing of the fruit and the issuing of weekly notices

for the securing of same, provided grocers will be able to supply. The Company is reported to be willing to grant financial assistance to cultivators who are members of the Atlantic Banana Growers Association in order to enable their effecting improvements to their plantations or to establish new cultivations. Mr. Ehrman is also said to have given further assurance that so soon as conditions warrant a Fund will be created and paid out by the Company in addition to the purchase price of Fifty Cents. This asset would be turned over to the Board of Directors for the purpose mentioned.

The Association has announced that another meeting is also said to have been convened on Tuesday December the 5th.

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THE DESTRUCTION OF THE "VON TIRPITZ"

Among the widely known flight of about 2,400 miles German hit-and-run sea raiders, the "Von Tirpitz" held out the longest, we think, in the hide and seek game. However, the pilots of the Royal Air Force were resolved on its destruction, so they recently effected a

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BULLETINS FROM BRITAIN

Gallantry of a French Negro

One of the most recent stories of the bravery of the Negro soldier in the European theatre was reported recently by Roi Ottley, the noted Negro author, in a radio talk from London. He said that prior to the capture of the French port of Cherbourg by the Allies, only one coloured man lived in that city. He was a young fighter from the Island of Martinique, in the West Indies, a member of the crew of a French destroyer.

When Dunkirk was evacuated, this young Negro was among those captured by the Germans. He was confined in a concentration camp for two years and underwent almost inhuman treatment. In order to increase his chances for escape, he feigned insanity and completely deceived his captors. They released him and permitted him to go about Cherbourg unarrested, believing him a harmless idiot.

Having gained his freedom, the crafty young man joined the French underground movement. When the Allied armies drew near to Cherbourg, he made his way through the German lines to the American lines and led detachments of Americans to the rear of vital enemy positions and helped capture them.

With a rifle which he took from a dead German, this man, whom the Nazis believed to be an idiot, killed eleven enemy soldiers during the fight at Cherbourg and personally captured one hundred. His efforts aided the Allies in locating weak spots in the Cherbourg defenses.

Nigeria will help to repair Blitz damage

The people of Nigeria have come forward to pay their own particular tribute to the steadfastness and courage of the people of London during air raids. They have offered to contribute to the restoration of the Guildhall, by furnishing and paneling a small room in Nigerian timbers.

Timber—mainly mahogany and walnut—has always been one of the main exports from West Africa. The increase in Nigeria's timber trade since the war is one of the outstanding examples of what Lord Swinton, formerly Minister Resident in West Africa, meant by saying "Everywhere Africans feel deeply that this is their war, and

that all of them have to do their share."

DEFENSE WORKS

They have doubled their timber production. With the enthusiasm they have turned their energies to the pressing needs of the moment, and have built no less than thirty airfields, besides constructing a large number of camps for the use of the tin mines and oilfields increased, they had to be prepared. They built store houses, too, and carried out defense works of all descriptions. The increasing needs of transport meant that ships, lorries and railway vans had to be forthcoming in large numbers.

PILOT MILL

The government gave all the help in its power. A saw mill, because it was meant to pilot others into a business that can expect a good market after the war. As the main concern has always been to supply the needs of home consumption and to raise the standard of living generally, there will be many new demands in the future. A great deal of timber will be necessary for new housing projects. More wood will be required for agricultural implements and for making furniture.

Now that Britain has temporarily lost the Far Eastern rubber plantations to the Japanese, West Africa realizes the importance of the development of her own rubber production. Trained African demonstrators are touring Nigeria advising the people on the best and most efficient methods of rubber collecting. Already output has increased from nil to 2,000 tons.

500 Ceylon boys helping the RAF

Young admirers of the RAF in Ceylon are taking over important duties from airmen in the island.

A force of more than 600 Ceylonese youths has been trained in special police duties. They are guarding camps and airfields, carrying out sabotage work and relieving airmen for other duties.

KHAKI UNIFORM

A senior RAF officer had the idea of forming this corps from Ceylonese boys who wished to help the RAF. In just over a year more than

600 youths have been trained for this work and more volunteers are now undergoing instruction.

The corps wears khaki uniform, with the RAF Albatross on the shoulders, and a bush hat. Training included a three weeks' course in foot drill, RAF discipline and general police duties. Selected trainees are now learning to drive in convoy.

IN FRIENDSHIP SECURE

The war has encouraged us to make friends, not only of nations but of our immediate neighbours.

Partial differences have been forgotten in the face of particular danger. We have needed and been thankful for the friendships which have helped us to secure and assist each other in the difficult phases through which we have passed.

The result of this common amity of nations and peoples can be seen in the successes of the Allied armies. Let us learn from our triumphs in war that gift of friendship is equally necessary in peace.

Those who walk on plain ground need not lend each other a hand; but those who would reach the mountain peaks must be roped together to climb more securely. If we of the United Nations would reach the summit from which we shall gain a clear prospect of peace, we must, then too, be roped together by unbreakable bonds of friendship.

Europe's Children back to school

When the Allies' tanks and lorries move forward, and their rumbling dies away in the distance the liberated peoples have innumerable problems to face. Not the least of these is education.

Shortage of Text Books

In many cases they kept their children away from school because they did not like the "new order" curriculum, and many children have been away for months or even years. There is a marked shortage of teachers, and the Nazis suppressed many text books because they were contrary to their doctrines. There is neither labour nor material to reprint them.

But, despite these problems, the Belgian Government and the French Committee of National Liberation are determined to make this job one of

the first priority.

Many schools in France have reopened, each trying to overcome its own particular difficulties, sandwiching classes together, arranging for text books to be shared, and impressing on parents the urgent necessity that their children should come back to school.

M. Capiton, who is in charge of education sent a message to the children at the beginning of the Michaelmas term "Returning to your schools to day", he said, "you can walk with your heads held high because you are children of a free country. Learn from your teachers how France was able to climb from the abyss into which she fell four years ago. Lift your thoughts to those who gave their lives for their country".

In Belgium, M. Jules Hoste, Under Secretary of State for Education, said in a broadcast over Radio Brussels that if Belgian schools could reopen their doors in a free country, it was in great part due to the effort of the British people, and their fight against the common enemy. He told them that British education pays great attention to the formation of character and that Belgian education should not neglect this aspect.

"Our first task", he concluded, "will be to wipe out from our education the lies which the enemy has tried to introduce".

Students Deported

In the Universities the situation is slightly different. Many would-be students have been deported to Germany. Others feel that their services are of more value in the Armed Forces. The shortage of professors and tutors is even more acute than in the schools, and in many cases, libraries have been ransacked and apparatus either destroyed or taken away to Germany.

However the authorities in both France and Belgium intend to re-open the Universities as soon as possible, making necessary repairs, and improvements in preparation.

Wrens help to fight the Japs

Wherever the Navy has shore bases, the Navy needs its Wrens. For more than three and a half years there have been WRNS officers and ratings overseas, working with the Navy in the

war against Japan. Now there are members of the WRNS in seventeen Naval shore establishments including Naval Air Stations India, Ceylon and East Africa.

Their number is growing steadily and it is a sign of the importance of the work there that such a senior officer as Miss E. K. Goodenough, CBE, should have been appointed Superintendent WRNS on the staff of Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser, Commander-in-Chief Eastern Fleet, to supervise the welfare of Wrens in the East.

Many Branches

Over thirty categories WRNS ratings serve with the Eastern Fleet, ranging from the teleprinter operators, coders, wireless telegraphists, and visual signallers keeping open the lines of communication, to clerks, pay writers and assistants dealing with sailors' necessities, the letters from home, pay, food and clothing, to the radio mechanics, repairing and testing in flight and radio equipment of naval aircraft, cinema operators, plotters and a host of others. WRNS officers are engaged in dozen different branches specialised work, among them Fleet Mail, Signal Secretarial and Torpedo Advisor.

As far as possible, life for Wrens overseas is made like that in the WRNS at home. They live in Quarters at there are similar off-duty activities, cricket, hockey, swimming, sailing, picnic parties, lectures, debate but in the two and a half years that these Wrens spend overseas they meet other lands, other people with other customs, and spend happy leaves in the hills with British residents who with outstanding hospitality welcome them in their homes.

Unique Opportunities

It is not surprising that addition to the Wrens over twenty one who are liable for Service overseas, there are many younger girls who volunteer to serve abroad for with the WRNS they have the opportunity which comes to comparatively few British girls of experience for themselves the fascination of the colourful East.