

# A & P Stores on Fourth War Basis in History

As America moves into the third month of World War II, its largest food distributor, the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, adapts itself to wartime operations for the fourth time in its history.

In announcing Founder's Week, Feb. 16 to 21, G. S. Higl, general superintendent for this area, explained that the organization was established two years before the war, to serve the states, serving also through the Spanish-American and the first World War.

"Founder's Week honors George Huntington Hartford who, in 1859, not only organized the company but established a new, straight line distribution system that today is more important than ever before," Higl said.

America has been called upon to complete the greatest industrial production program the world has ever seen, he explained, pointing out that as a consequence the nation as a whole must be stronger and healthier than ever.

"To achieve this strength and health we must all be better fed and nourished than ever, which means that every man, woman and child in the country must get the most possible food for the money," he declared.

The economies inherent to the streamlined distribution system established by Hartford 82 years ago thus assume a vital role in the nation's war effort, Higl said. In this connection he noted that recently John A. Hartford, a son of the founder and now president of the company, had publicly pledged the organization to "cooperate unhesitatingly in every effort of authorized government agencies to prevent unwarranted rises in prices of foods."

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Mrs. America and her Defense Role

You can keep on sipping your tea, and it will be cheaper than at any time since last October. During December and January tea prices rose so sharply that the government placed a limit on wholesale tea prices. These prices are the same as those charged by wholesalers the first of last October and are as much as 12 cents per pound lower than current prices. For instance, the maximum price on common broken orange pekoe from Ceylon is fixed at 48 cents per pound; the price had risen to over 60 cents per pound. Similar reductions are being made on all types of pekoe from India, Ceylon and Java. At present there are large stocks of tea in this country, and imports are expected to be maintained.

The war is changing dress and stocking styles, and it's now getting down to shoes. This country's entire supply of goat-skin, kidskin and cabretta is imported. Half of our goat and kidskin comes from India alone, and most cabretta (skin from "hair" sheep) comes from South Africa and South America. These skins are used especially in women's shoes, gloves and small leather goods. Although there is no present shortage, future supply is so uncertain that manufacturers have been asked to save skins by new methods and substitution.

Do you have an idle room or a guest room seldom used? If you are in a defense area, the government Homes Registration Office is definitely interested in that room. Branch offices are now operating in defense communities in 38 states and the District of Columbia and in California alone, offices have been set up in San Diego, Long Beach, Burbank, Inglewood, Pasadena, Santa Ana and Oakland. Each one compiles and keeps up to date an index of all types of vacant living accommodations and aids defense workers in renting rooms, apartments and houses.

Every week priorities take additional toll of long-familiar products. Eyelets for shoes, which annually require enough brass to make a million shell casings, must now be made from something else. Mattresses and studio couches are to be limited because of the growing

military demands for domestic sisal and henequen fibers used for padding. Typewriters have just taken a cut, and ultimately standard machines will be reduced 40 percent and portables 80 percent. From now on, no brush (paint, tooth, shaving, hair, or scrub) can be made with more than 55 percent of Chinese hog bristles—the rest will have to come from such substitutes as horsehair, nylon, kittle (fiber from the leaf of wild pineapple and various Mexican plants), and bader hair. Wool carders who formerly used hog bristles may have to use wire.

When your rubbers or raincoats are wet, don't do the easiest thing and put them by the kitchen stove to dry. Now that galoshes are as valuable as oranges were in grandmother's day, you should follow the conservation advice of the experts: (1) Keep rubbers and raincoats away from direct heat (2) keep them in a closet away from strong light.

Sheets and pillow cases will be wearing new labels this spring. In line with the government's policy of making price control mean quality control, bed linens sold after March 2 must carry a label stating quality and construction. There will be four grades paralleling the maximum prices which have been set on the different types of cotton bed sheets, pillow cases and sheeting. If she knows her labels, Mrs. America can easily select linens of the weight and strength she wants, and know she is paying a fair price for the quality received. Sub-standard and seconds will be so marked and priced accordingly.

Sugar hoarders were not being smart after all. A hundred pounds of sugar will never be worth a fine of \$10,000 or ten years in jail.

Don't toss away your old toothpaste, teltrey and shaving cream tubes. These small collapsible tubes, if made of tin, are about 98 percent pure (ordinary tin cans sometimes are less than 2 percent tin). If systematically salvaged, these little tubes will yield a considerable amount of valuable metal and a plan is now being worked out to have boxes in your corner drugstore where the tubes may be deposited. So keep them in a household collection, until your druggist's box is ready.

Victory model bicycles were first. Next you can expect victory refrigerators. Plans are being made to design a thoroughly simplified and standardized refrigerator to be produced by a very few plants which will work on a 24-hour schedule. Each model will carry a "victory" label, an emblem which will probably become increasingly familiar on household appliances and machines.

Squelch that rumor department: There will be no immediate pepper shortage (we have more than a two years' supply of East Indian pepper in the warehouses). Nor will there be any major change in coffee prices. Despite the chlorine shortage, necessary amounts of chlorine for water purification are absolutely assured. And there is no foundation whatever to rumors that the government plans confiscation of savings deposits for any purposes.

# New Army Meal Ticket Good News for Restaurant Owners

What may prove a boon to restaurant owners is the Army's new practice of issuing meal tickets instead of cash to soldiers for the purchase of meals while traveling. These tickets allow a soldier to spend a maximum of 76 cents a meal in restaurants and \$1 a meal in railroad dining cars—in many instances more than he would spend if he were paying cash.

The tickets (one of which is reproduced below) are slightly larger than a currency note, are white and must be filled out by the issuing officer. When a restaurant operator receives one in tender

for a meal, he fills in a few blanks and mails the ticket to the finance officer at the post from which the soldier traveled. When the meal tickets are received by the finance officer, they are given immediate attention and checks for the full amount are sent at once.

Now that the United States is at war, more and more of these meal tickets will be used. Restaurant operators who wish to share in the task of feeding the soldiers will acquaint themselves with the new meal tickets and be prepared to honor them.

This ticket should be accepted in lieu of cash by operators on premises selling meals to the public, and it must be presented before, within, or after the normal operating hours of the premises in charge of sale. When properly signed by Issuing Officer, receipt appearing on back, and counters (or personal) forwarding receipt, it should be mailed to the FINANCE OFFICER, (Check) **FORT CHURCHILL, ALABAMA** (Address) **FORT CHURCHILL, ALABAMA** No. 20546

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**Fort Churchill, Alabama** February **4**, 19**42**

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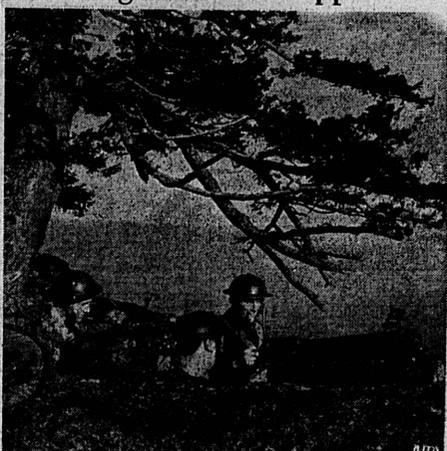
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January 14, 1941

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# Soldier's Meal Ticket . . . Take a Good Look At It, Mr. Restaurant Man

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## Park Knoll Tract Developers to Erect 22 Additional Homes Here

Immediate construction of 22 additional homes in their attractive Park Knoll tract, overlooking Torrance Municipal Park, was announced today by S. J. Katz and J. H. Pine, owners and builders. The first unit comprising 11 homes, which was completed recently, has been all sold excepting one house, it was announced, and already a number of prospective home owners are awaiting the erection of the new homes, which will be started at once.

The new group of homes will include five three-bedroom houses and 17 two-bedroom houses. Seven different floor plans will be utilized and 14 different exterior plans will be used. All homes will be built under rigid F. H. A. specifications. All utilities are in and paid for.

Many features usually found only in higher priced homes will be incorporated in the new houses. Perhaps the most significant proof of the superior construction of homes in the Park Knoll tract is shown by the fact that the homes in the first unit went through the recent earthquake without even a scratch, commented J. H. Pine, under whose personal supervision the home were built.

"Our Park Knoll homes are so attractive and well-built that we have had a number of buyers from San Pedro and other harbor district communities who are now happily living here," said S. J. Katz, who is handling the sale of the properties from the tract office at 2417 Andrea ave. Park Knoll is easily reached by driving out Arlington ave. adjacent to Torrance Municipal Park. Homes are open for inspection daily including Sundays. Pine, who heads the J. H. Pine Construction Company, also has contracts for reconditioning a number of earthquake damaged buildings in the Torrance business district. His office is located at 1409 Sartori ave.

## Income Tax Aides Due Here Next Week

Both State and Federal Income Tax examiners will give assistance to local taxpayers Feb. 26 and 27 at the Torrance Municipal Water Department office (formerly the Torrance Chamber of Commerce building on El Prado). Those who need assistance in compiling their 1941 state and Federal income tax returns may consult the deputies there from 1 to 10 p. m., Thursday, Feb. 26, and from 8:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m., Friday, Feb. 27. The federal deputy collector will continue to advise residents until 10 p. m. on Feb. 27.

## "SERVE IN SILENCE"

Motorists as a group see more military activity than most travelers. It is therefore very necessary for them to observe the "Serve in Silence" admonition of our defenders. Troop movements, posts, establishments or any other matter concerning our military or naval forces should be seen and then promptly forgotten. These subjects should not be discussed even among families. A slip of the tongue might inadvertently supply our enemy with information of value to them, which may lead to great harm to ourselves.

Read our Want-Ads.

# BANK OFFERS MOTOR REPAIR LOAN PLAN

News of great importance to all owners of automobiles came this week in the form of an announcement by Bank of America of an arrangement to provide funds for general repairs to motor vehicles. As is well known, all motorists will have to get along for "the duration" with existing vehicles, most of which, however, have a long potential life if properly reconditioned.

In many cases the work of overhauling the nation's war effort of accessories entails an expense heavier than within the ready-cash means of the owners. To meet this situation Bank of America has devised a new Timeplan budget arrangement, now available at low cost not only at all branches of the bank but also at motor automobile dealers whose facilities include repair services and at repair shops displaying Timeplan signs.

Thus the plan enables car owners to have all the work done thoroughly at once, before motor vehicles deteriorate further, and then pay for the work on convenient terms.

The plan also is calculated to support the nation's war effort by encouraging rehabilitation of present transportation, extending its useful life and making it more efficient and economical of operation. Further, according to bank officials, it is designed to enable service garages and dealers to keep in operation and maintain at least a part of their businesses and payrolls in the face of complete stoppage of new car sales.

## Trio Rebekahs Greet Newcomers

Members of Trio Rebekah lodge enjoyed a George Washington Birthday party at their regular meeting Tuesday evening in V. F. W. hall. The tables were decorated in the patriotic motif and refreshments also carried out the color scheme of red, white and blue. Newcomers to California, a member from the Wyoming lodge and a member from Ohio, were welcome visitors.

Mrs. Forsyth had as her committee for the evening, Mesdames Ada A. Andersen, Tirzah Taber, Fay Slate, Ethel Waite, Hilma Milan and Grace Owens. The lodge meets first and third Tuesdays now at 2208 Lomita blvd. and visiting members from other states are always welcome. Visiting Rebekahs now living in Torrance are asked to contact Mrs. Clara Conner, Plaza Hotel, as it has been learned that wives of many defense workers here from other states are members of the order.

The area of the Dutch East Indies is about one quarter of the area of continental United States.

## TORRANCE HI NEWS

By MARCIA ROUS

**ECONOMICAL** . . . The new term has started off with a bang and things are really going grand. The council met for its first official session Wednesday and decided that their theme for the coming semester would be economy.

**ROBINA HOODS** . . . In case you see any arrows whizzing around, don't be alarmed because it is just the G. A. A. girls practicing archery. It is also speedball season now, and there is much competition between the teams.

**SHORTS** . . . Congratulations to Betty Pollis, who is now the editor of the Torrance News Torch. . . The senior class met this week to select pins and elect officers. . . An election was held today to elect a commissioner of athletics and a reporter for Girls' League.

**STAR-MAN** . . . Tuesday the student body heard the "Man of the Stars," Arthur De Vere Carpenter. His topic was old mother earth's slides were also shown. It was agreed that he was one of the most interesting speakers ever to come to the school.

**NO APATHY HERE** . . . Just to prove that Torrance high is not being lax in its defense efforts, here is a rough sketch of what's going on: Almost every student is taking part in some

## Week's Building Totals \$6,590

Building permits issued from the city engineer's office during the past week totaled \$6,590. They were granted to: Mrs. Mary Hager, repairs to a Nov. 14 earthquake damaged chimney at 1724 Andrea ave., \$8; Mrs. L. Peterson, repairs to a chimney at 1738 Manuel ave., \$82; G. A. Bauman, stone and rustic masonry, office, flower and landscape room at 4026 Pacific Coast (103) highway, \$3,500; Foursquare Gospel church, reconstruction of quake damage to building at 1207 El Prado, \$2,000; and Cecil W. Smith, reconstruction of damaged public garage at 2172 Torrance blvd., \$1,000.

organization such as air raid wardens and classroom wardens. The Tartar Knights, Girls' League and hall patrol also play an important part. Besides this, two days a week all senior girls are required to take a home nursing course from the school nurse.

The first letter or the first two letters of radio call signals indicate the nationality of the nation.

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