

HER HOBBY

Once every week since last April Mrs. Nils B. Johannessen has gone to Grand Rapids Thursday evenings to teach weaving to Red Cross workers and Gray Ladies. This is one of several crafts taught to arts and skills workers at Red Cross headquarters. When the pupils become proficient they make weekly trips to Percy Jones hospital to teach weaving to men there. Gray Ladies do the same for men at Michigan Veterans Facility. Using small hand looms the men make belts, purses and shopping bags. Mrs. Johannessen has done weaving as a hobby for twenty years and has two floor looms and two table looms at her home.

Notes from Nippon

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Typical American ingenuity has solved a great many problems at this Air Force base near a duck-filled marsh on the edge of Tokyo Bay. A horde of filthy rats had been making rightly visits into the billet when one of the boys remembered that rats hate monkeys. A jackpot was raised and "Tokyo Rose," a tricky little simian, was purchased from New Guinea. She had a few bouts with the rodents the first night, but since then she has had the

Quartermaster does not issue pa-
barracks to herself.
The lavatories in the Nip latrine were a problem. An unmailed affair that resembled a cross between a foot-bath and a slit trench greeted the boys on their first visit to the oriental "Chic Sale specials." "No stool," moaned a GI. Cane bottoms were knocked from chairs and the Nip latrine is now occidental rather than oriental.

The first sergeant had some trouble getting the boys out of their warm "sacks" on cold mornings. The Jap air raid siren that once drove the Japs into their underground shelters now is waiting for reveille. One mournful wail of the siren and all hands are wide awake and ready and ready to smash the \$%-&(')! synthetic bugler.

James. Frosty nights have produced a fashion parade that would defy the pen of Lucius Beebe. Multi-colored Jap pajamas and kimonos now drape the shivering soldiers when taps are sounded.

A Jap, now working at this base as an electrical engineer, was at Hiroshima when the atomic bomb hit. "It defies description," he told me. "I was in an army camp when a flash of heat hit my face. The noise broke one of my eardrums and flying debris filled the air. Five miles away where the bomb hit a huge pillar of smoke that mushroomed at its apex was seen in the sky. Five hours later I started for the town and saw some of the

wreckage. Bloating and burned bodies filled the streets. At the center of the blast the ground was swept clean. Many of the people who had but superficial burns would drop to their knees and die without a murmur. I knew then that all was finished for the Japs in this war."

According to U. S. Medical Officers, more people will die from starvation and exposure each day this winter than were killed by the atomic bomb.

One out of ten will die. The Jap workers here are a sickly looking lot. Covered with ulcers, barefoot, and often coughing from dreaded TB, they make a sorry lot. Each day our medical men send many of them home. "If we do not work, we do not eat," they wail.

When we first landed they did not ask for food or cigarettes. Now they ask for "chocolate" or "smoke." A near riot is caused when a half-

smoked butt is flicked near a bunch of workers or children.

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Legal Notices:-

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION—Sale or Mortgage of Real Estate
STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Kent.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Rapids, in said County, on the 1st day of November, A. D. 1945, Present, Hon. Joseph R. Gillard, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Fred M. Ransom, Deceased.
M. Harold Saur having filed in said court his petition, praying for license to sell the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described.

It is Ordered, That the 27th day of November, A. D. 1945 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication

of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Sparta Sentinel-
Leader, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

JOSEPH R. GILLARD
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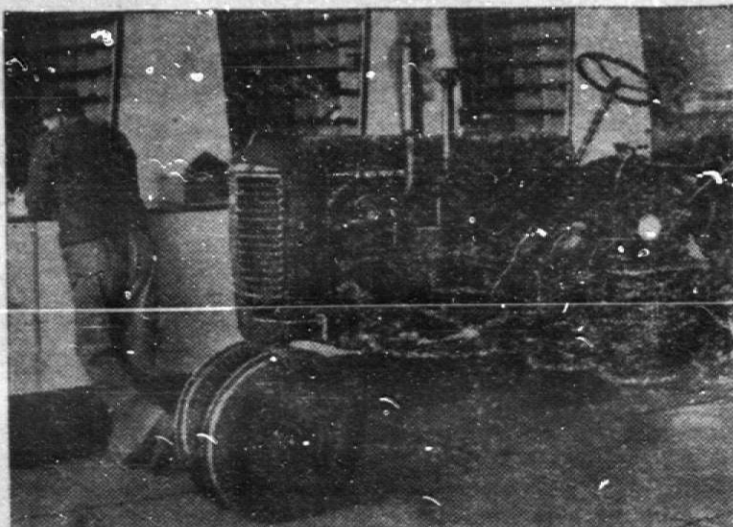
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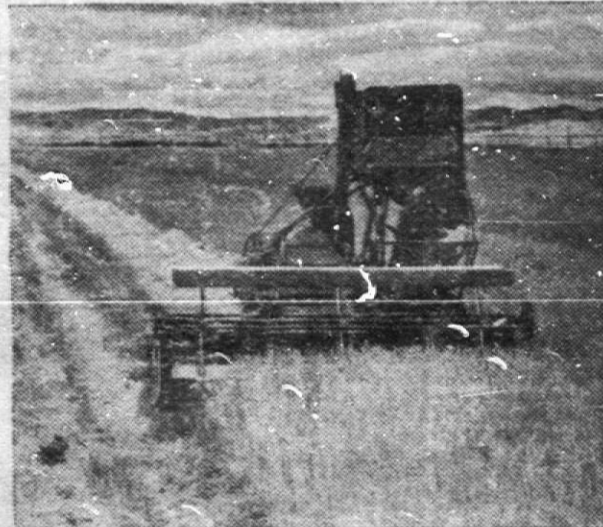
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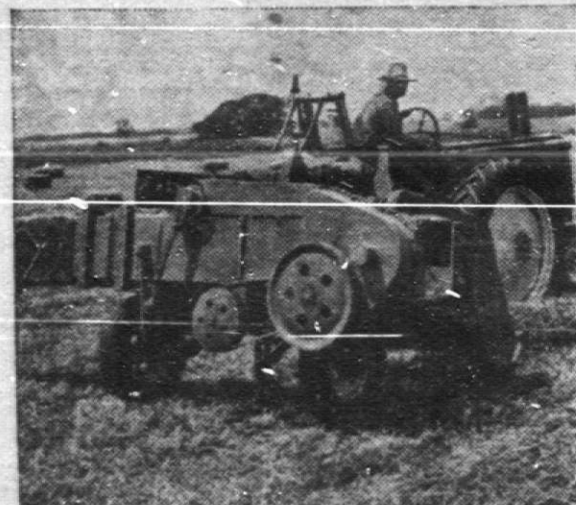
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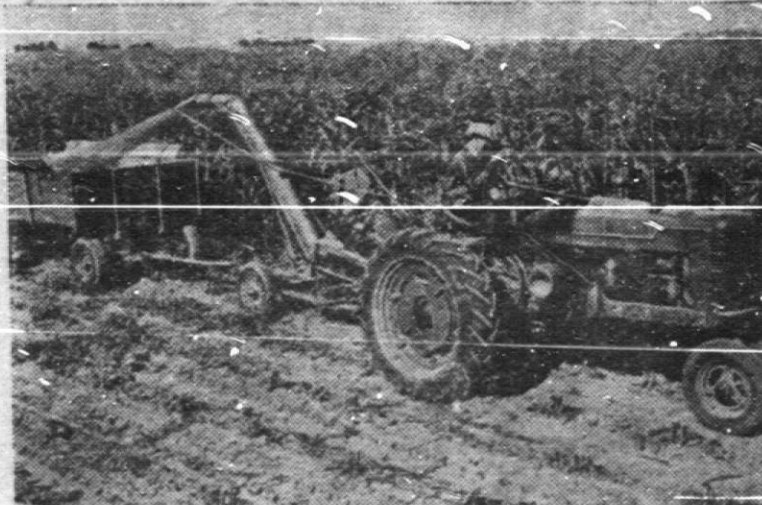
Needed: \$1,000,000 worth of equipment in every farm county! Jobs!



Big demand for one-man combines will make factory jobs.



Many farmers will buy one-man hay balers. More jobs!



One-man ensilage harvesters will add to jobs in factories.

Making Postwar Jobs—With Farm Equipment

How many jobs will there be for men and women released from military service—and from war industry? No one can say, exactly. But this much we know: Business management, in scores of industries, has long since laid plans to meet quickly the tremendous, pent-up demand for goods of all kinds—and to introduce new products and services that will make jobs by the thousands by creating new demands.

Take the farm-equipment industry. Right now, there is a critical demand for standard farm implements of all kinds. Nearly a million dollars' worth of equip-

ment is needed in every farm county! Making this equipment will make jobs for thousands, in mines, mills, and factories. And a great new force for job-making is in the new developments by farm-equipment manufacturers. Among these developments are new ensilage harvesters that cut standing corn and make it ready for ensiling in one simple operation. New combines that harvest and thresh wheat without backbreaking toil. New machines that pick corn, pick up and bale hay, dig and pick up sugar beets. Machines that not only mean easier, better, more diversified, more productive farming—

but also new jobs in industry. The farm-implement industry is but one of many along the Chesapeake and Ohio, the Nickel Plate, and Pere Marquette, that are going full speed ahead putting their plans into operation, now that Victory has been won.

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