available working man where

most needed and especially to ensure that urgently needed fuel wood is brought in, the Director of National Selective Service has

of National Selective Service has announced a campaign to secure the services of those farmers who can be spared during the next few months Agreements between the Dominion and the Provinces for farm labor recruitment provide that Provincial Field organizations will assist the Dominion in locating farmers for other essential industries during their off-season. All the Pro-

ing their off-season. All the Pro-

It has been pointed out by the

training through their occupa-

with their postponement if they accept approved essential em-

THE WAR - WEEK - Commentary on Current Events Portugal Grants Anti-Submarine

Bases In Azores To Great Britain gal has granted Great Britain anti-submarine bases in the Azores is a development not only of imlitical and strategic implications of world-wide significance, says The New York Times. The immediate advantage lies in the fact that this move deals what may

on the sea lanes between New-

England and North Africa on the

other. This should permit the routing of Atlantic convoys in

such manner that they will be at

only of Allied naval forces but

which has proved to be the most

packs. It should provide the

Allied communication lines and

in doing so further facilitate the

opening of another front 1

Germany's Reaction The further effects of this Portu

guese move will depend largely

on Germany's reaction to it. Portu

570-year-old alliance with Great

Britain, which pledged both na

tions to be "friends to friends, en-

each other mutually by land and by

or die." At the same time, in agree

ment with Great Britain, Portuga

will continue to maintain neu

ent." Berlin's first pronounce

ments are dictated by caution, but

Hitler has never yet taken a re-

verse like this lying down, and

Portugal is preparing for all

Allied Diplomacy Triumphs

lities. For, barring some hit and

many has no way of getting at

And Spain and Portugal are oblig

ated by what amounts to a mutual assistance pact to aid each other

in case of attack by a third Power. Spain was informed of the negot ations preceding Portugal's action and raised no objections. Spain herself has switched from a pro

Axis "non-belligerency" to a vigil

ant neutrality," and if German should attempt to attack Portuga

through her she would be obligated to fight against Germany. The

arises, therefore, the possibility

a different place than anticipated

a development, the Portuguese without Spain's new orientation

result it has produced mark a new May End Neutrality

Portuguese move is another in-dication of how far the balance

of power has swung in favor of the Allies. But it would be foolish

to assume that Portugal and Spain

are merely hopping on the Allied

bandwagon. Certainly Portugal and possibly Spain are exposing

themselves to a risk which must be judged in proportion to their

resources. And Portugal for one has declared that she is assuming

this risk because "our dignity and

our interests may require that we

Example To Little Nations

In that respect Portugal is set ting an example for other "little"

nations, notably Turkey and Ire-land. But the Portuguese move

has also set a legal precedent of

considerable bearing on the

British alliances with Russia and Turkey. Turkey is neutral in the

entire war and Russia in the was

in Asia, but both have bases

much desired by the Allies in both

theatres of war. Whether and when

they will follow Portugal's example must be left for them to decide

Contrary to Hitler's practice Great Britain did not press Portu

gal to yield the bases until the time was ripe for it and the step

was clearly in Portugal's own

that a like policy will be pursued in other cases. But as far as the

Allies are concerned any legal doubts about the propriety of a Russian grant of Siberlan bases in

view of her neutrality past with

It takes brave men to carry out what the British Admiralty elects to call "a very gallant enterprise." None braver have come out of this

been dissipated.
Attack On The Tirpits

interest. It may be expects

foundland on the one side and

against the German submarine, These midget submarines ar For the new "anti-submarine cruising more than a thousan ases" in the Azores include both harbor and airfield facilites which will permit the stationing of British naval and air forces—and, possibly through reverse lend-lease, of American forces as well -at an approximate midway point

ored in supposedly safe harbors For the Germans the Tirpitz may represent an irreplaceable loss. She was the one ship which could lead a fleet against our naval

war than the crews that piloted their midget submarines down Alten Fjord to torpedo that giant Tirpits. They had to thread their way through a fifty-mile gauntlet of floating ice and hidden fire before they could even loose their weapons. But because their nerves were steady and their nerves were steady and their sight super the pride of the German sight sure the pride of the German Navy now lies crippled in a slick

> not supposed to have an oper-ational range of more than 300 miles. As the British ships were miles from home bases, presumb ably they were transported par way to their destination in some first victim they will certainly raise the hazard of all ships anch

OTTAWA REPORTS

That 150,000 Farm Workers Are Needed for Essential In-dustries During Off-Season In past years farm workers have worked during the fall and winter months at the cutting of wood fuel, in coal mines, in base metal mines and in fish-packing industries. This year their help is more urgently needed, not only in these industries, but in other essential industries.

The workes caused a shortage

of the manpower usually available for such work—the workers have gone to fight or to work full-time in war factories. Other important industries have also suffered through a shortage of manpower and they, too, are looking to the man on the land to come to their aid.

Farm production still retains its priority place, however. Farmers are expected to remain with their farms as long as they are needed and those who must remain on the land for year-round work are not being called upon In an endeavor to use every

can fight again the German High Seas Fleet will probably remain

to where it is urgently needed has yielded valuable results. In one instance this year, the moving of 4,000 Ontario farmers to the prairies for four or five weeks meant that the full harvest labor requirements of the Prairie Provinces were met and the Western crops were saved.

Minister of Labor Mitchell in

minister of Labor Mitchell in announcing that any of these men who now wished to return to Ontario from Manitoba or Saskatchewan could do so, said, "The response of the Ontario farmers was excellent. Our information is that all of the West-arm eron will be saved, with none ern crop will be saved, with none being lost by reason of any labor shortage."

ing their off-season. All the Provincial organizations have agreed to co-operate with Selective Service in the present campaign. In addition, several hundred local Farm Production committees, organized by the Provinces, have undertaken to give their assistance in securing the farm labor. With the harvest now safely garnered, the next urgent need is preparation for the winter months, and Canada is depending on her farmers to help bring in Altogether more than 150,000 farmers are being sought for essential industries throughout

KILLING THE BUDWORM

The budwerm is a little creature Department of Labor that work-ers in agriculture who have secured postponement of military and can easily be killed if the proper means is found. Unchecked can destroy forests. Mankind, which has already in many in-stances set one of nature's creatures to the job of destroying another, has yet to find and put the enemy of the budworm to work.

—Port Arthur News-Chronicle.

Germans Must No

ery, commander of the Brit Eighth Army, in an interv warned that the Germans m not be underestimated and that it was a great mistak anyone to do so.

In fact it seems as ogh Jack "bloomed" some-st himself. He put on fifteen ring the recent invasion, and fighting factor by the end of Je it just before they were going to battle. Jack Benny has just

when we were still engaged Sicily," he said. ducting a skilful withdrawal the southern extremity of making continual use of de tions and mines, and that foot in pursuit.

"The Germans facing Eighth Army are experient well-trained troops and have b conducting a fighting retreat. Germans can't be under it's a great mistake to do so," declared.

y evening spot on the CBC rural folks have got to get g this winter on less coal. t Monday the CBC inaugurasts in dramatised form, "Keep Warm This Win-The remaining two will be Monday evenings at 8.30. ritten by Dean Hughes, of the farm family n as "The Craigs," and are tempt to show farmers and a graphic way how to paign. They're intended National Farm Radio hich commences in No-

dio Reporter

his twelfth consecu-

to the Canadian air, the featuring the Chicago star with the Great Lakes Training Station's sirging made its debut over on Thanksgiving Sunday . Navy man who has reto sing with his former mates. Danny sings hymns patriotic songs with the blue

ts in a program which is not ath, but which also seems to naval war effort of

recent years Canada has many prominent musicians, rs and actors to United s radio. Another young dian leaves for New York and perhaps operatic fame Pasen, eighteen-year-old mto mezzo-soprano, has just granted a fellowship at the ard Graduate School, New In spite of her extreme Evelyn Pasen has been to Canadian radio audi-

BURRO BOMBER

"Music for Monday" cor



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

OCTOBER 31 TEACHINGS ON AB-STINENCE

Leviticus 10:1, 2, 8-11; Proverbs 31:4, 5; Luke 1:13-16 GOLDEN TEXT - Beware, I pray thee, and drink no wine nor strong drink. Judges 13:4.
Memory Verse: Let us love

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING Time—The Levitical code was given for the most part at Sinai about 1444 B.C.; the Book of Proverbs was written about 1000 B.C.; the words of the angel to Zacharias were spoken in 7 B.C. Place-The Levitical code was given at Sinai; Solomon wrote Proverbs probably in Jerusalem; the angel appeared to Zacharias also in Jerusalem, while he was ministering in the Temple. The Offering

"And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took each of them his censer, and put fire therein, and laid incense thereon, and of-fered strange fire before Jehovah, which he had not commanded them. And there came forth fire from before Jehovah, and devoured them, and they died before Jehovah." This was their sin. They departd in their wor-ship from the plain word of Jehovah, who had fully instructed them as to the mode of their worship. Nadab and Abihu might have deemed one kind of fire as good as another, but it was not for them to decide. They should have acted according to the Word of the Lord; but instead of this they took their own way and reaped the awful fruits thereof.

"And Jehovah spoke unto Aaron, saying, Drink no wine, nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tent of meeting, that ye die not: It shall be a statute for ever throughout your genera-tions; and that ye may make a distinction between the holy and unclean and the clean; and that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which Jehovah hath spoken unto them by

sanctuary must have a clear an unclouded vision. Abstinence on the part of those who minis-ter in the sanctuary is impera-tive, for we know the harmful effects of alcohol on man's judg-ment. If a minister is to help drink, he must lead the way him

teach the people all the statutes they departed from God and be came a weak and sinful people.
What a responsibilit rests on
parents, preachers, teachers! If
they fail to impart instruction some day they will be called t

"It is not for kings, O Lem-uel, it is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes to say, Where is strong drink? Lest they drink and forget the law, and pervert the justice due to any that is afflicte..." The nation selves and their people by their habits of self-indulgence. Bearer of Good News

"But the angel said unto him, Fear not Zacharias, because thy supplication is heard, and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name
John. And thou shalt have joy
and gladness, and many shall
rejoice at his birth. Zacharias
had prayed earnestly for a son. No prospect was more depress-ing to a Jew than to die childless, so that his name should become extinct. At the appearance of the angel, Gabriel, he is much roubled fearing it is the mes-senger of some calamity But so many of our worst fears are groundless, and now the angel was the bearer of good news.

Call to Repentance

"For he shall c great in the sight of the Lord, and he shall drink no wine nor strong drink, and he shall be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his moth-er's wor b. And many of the children of Israel shall he turn unto

the Lord their God."

There is an obvious contrast here between strong drink and the Holy Spirit. In place of the physical excitement of strong drink, he is to have the supernatural inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Why was he not to partake of strong drink? For two reasons: First, the his own spiritual vision might be unimpaired, that all of the faculties of his personality might be conof his personality might be con-stantly under the sovereign con-trol of the Spirit of God, and never under the clouding, stimu-lation of intoxicants. In the second place, John was to preach repentence from sin, a life of temperance, of self-denial, of

CHATS TO WOMEN

a beautiful day into the bargain. There are still enough leaves left on the trees to make one marvel at the grandeur of our

Canadian autumn.
We have really been having wo have really been having wonderful weather for October, haven't we? So warm it has been possible to work outside without so much as an extra sweater. But oh dear, how dry everything is. It seems strange, after all the wet weather. after all the wet weather we have had this year to be complaining already about it being too dry. But still, it's a fact, and we can't get away from it. And it's getting serious. There are wells in this district the tree dry way. this district that are dry even now. And once a well goes dry it takes a lot of rain to bring it back again. You folk who live in town or city, do you think it is nothing for you to worry

a d it was absolutely necessary first to live that which he was to By his call to repentance John influenced many to turn from their sins—confessing them in baptism - to seek the Lord and follow after righteousness.

K. P.'S DREAM



And all for the want of rain from

Heaven. So, if in a day or two, it rains and rains—and I hope it will—don't for goodness sake grumble at the "wet weather." Unless we got a good rain fairly soon we get a good rain larry soon it is going to be pretty tough go-ing for you and me and every-body concerned. We have been alone this week-end. Last year at this time we had company, including my four-teen-year-old nephew, and I still

chuckle when I think of his visit. This boy's whole heart and coul is wrapped up in music, so he is naturally of an artistic, imaginative type. While he was here. for some reason best known to himself, he took great pleasure in haunting the chicken pens. He said it amused him to watch the chickens. His mother said how much he was enjoying the fresh air. I laughed nad told her he might get more than fresh air if he stayed too long around the chicken pens. Of course we do try to keep our pens clean but

> species of livestock. My sister became alarmed and told the boy. After awhile he went upstairs and was gone about fifteen minutes. When he did come down he was as white as a sheet. His mother, in alarm, asked what was the matter.

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"I've got chicken lice all over me!" answered the boy. exclaimed his mother. Of course he had nothing of the kind - a hasty examination soon proved that—but convincing the boy was another matter and I am quite sure he suffered as a result. There are times when

torture to a sensitive soul as actual bodily injury.

For the rest of his visit my nephew was content to watch the chickens that were running around outside instead of the

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After being bombed by airplanes the accord spotted a

planes, the escort spotted a major Italian fleet, including battleships. The wind was right for a smoke screen, and so these

lighter British ships dashed in and out of the smoke screen, trying to get in their lighter shells before they were blasted off the sea by the heavier Ital-ian armament. The Artemis was hit twice was on fire man kill. hit twice, was on fire, men kill-ed and wounded, but one shell dispatched by her probably decided the fate of the convoy, and therefore of Malta. THE SHIP By C. S. Forester.
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from his chief assistant:

"Everything all right except
the chimpanzee — seems to be
pining away for a companion.
What shall we do until you re-

"Do you want to come home, soldier? Not till Victory, said he. If he can fight With all his might -Canada, so can we!

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> REGRET TO INFORM YOU HEAD-QUARTERS OVERSEAS ADVISES ...

"Guess being good with a hockey stick must have come in handy to him, learning how to handle a bayonet properly. He was quick as a flash. What a shot the kid had!

YOUR SON SERIOUSLY WOUNDED WHILE ON ACTIVE DUTY ...

"It's a pity wars can't be fought by us older ones, with most of our living behind us. But it seems only kids can take it . . . kids with fire in their veins and springs for muscles and steel for bones . . . like Johnny.

BE ASSURED HE IS RECEIVING BEST MEDICAL ATTENTION ...

"Oh, Johnny, come home again! Come home running, shouting, tramping in and out of the house with muddy feet and clothes awry. Come home, Johnny, shouting, laughing, heedless, turning the house topsy turvy in your endless quests for lost sweaters and misplaced mittens. But come home to us. Johnny, come home . . .

HOPE TO RELIEVE YOUR ANXIETY SOON AS POSSIBLE ... LETTER FOLLOWS.

"If prayers will do it, you'll be back, Johnny. But we're not stopping with prayers alone, boy. We're working for it, buying with every last cent we can scrape together the Victory Bonds that put weapons in your hands and sound ships under you and good food in you and dressings and drugs to care for your wounds.

"This is our pledge to you, lad: that when you sit again at our table and look into our eyes you'll know we did not fail you, that we gave everything we had, just as we gave you."

THE HOUSE OF SEAGRAM