

Michigan Mirror

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I opened the door and stuck my right arm out to get the jug. It's hard to believe how cold it was that night. But my right arm was

frozen to the elbow before I could bring it inside. The arm got black, swelled up like a stick pup, and so I took an axe and whacked it off. Yes, sir, never missed that arm much while picking blueberries. It was a shame that fish hook had to snag in my ear."

Back in camp, we told the misadventures of Charley Bell. We also related the yarns of the 12-foot tomato vine, the red and brown bucktail ball, and the wintry night casualty of a half century ago.

The Upper Peninsula is a big region, and bigness is one of its

natural virtues. Maybe the climate is responsible. Or perhaps the native hospitality of providing entertainment for innocent travelers is to blame.

Still skeptical, we surveyed Charley's box of blueberries. My wife started to count the quarts,

—curious to see whether Charley had been absent-minded also in the matter of his sale.

When a resident of the lower peninsula, even one from such a virtuous place as Lansing, comes to the north country with its al-

most unlimited forests and lakes and streams, he is impressed anew at the greatness of Michigan—its rich natural resources of iron, copper, oil, salt, forests and fish; its teeming industrial centers, unparalleled in the world for mass production skill, now making Norton bombweights and monster tanks and airplane engines and jeeps and many other weapons of war.

He recalls our rich fruit belt and our bustling lake ports where steamships dock with cargoes of ore, coal and merchandise, and all the other characteristics of this peninsula state amid a great chain of inland seas.

And then you think of Charley Bell with his proclivity of exaggeration, and wonder if Charley is to blame amid this wonderland of God's riches.

Yes, let me say this for the record. When my wife had finished measuring the blueberries which Charley had picked, we found not 20 quarts as he had promised, but 21 quarts—a full, honest measure.

Sure, every Michigan town has a Charley Bell.

He is just a part of American home-town pride. He is a living reincarnation of Paul Bunyan whose yarns of the north still remind us of the greatness of Michigan.

1. The farm labor force on August 1, was approximately 11 million. Throughout the country, business men, girl scouts, boy scouts, townspeople, women, and high school students have been helping farmers. To insure that there will be no important crop losses because of labor shortage, farmers will need the help of many thousands of U.S. Crop Corps volunteers. The Crop Corps is established now in most agricultural counties and cities have the machinery for enlisting volunteers. Recruitment of workers is handled locally by the agricultural extension workers and the U.S. Employment Service. Volunteers are paid established wages.

Special Ration Coupons

Individuals who require special ration point allotments, such as persons in isolated areas who must buy large quantities of rationed foods at one time, are to be provided with a new type of red and blue food ration coupons, according to OPA. They will be used the same way as stamps, but will be good at any time. Ration coupons may be issued by local boards and OPA offices.

More Nurses Needed

Many American hospitals cannot maintain normal standards of service today because of the lack of nurses, according to reports made to the U.S. Public Health Service of the Federal Security Agency. A year from now America will need 359,000 nurses—or 100,000 more than are now available. Of this number 66,000 will be needed for military service and 293,000 for civilians. Because of limited facilities, the maximum that can be trained within this period is 65,000.

Vermont Agriculture covers million acres on 20,000 farms.

Victory

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The War Department also asked that families and friends of soldiers send clippings instead of periodicals whenever possible to save cargo space.

Farmers Will Need Help
Harvesting America's war-time food and fiber crops will require the employment of at least 750,000 more persons on farms by October.



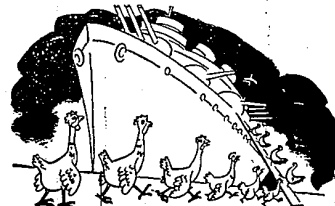
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