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BULLETIN BOARD



RONDS AND SAPLINGS

Buying War Bonds is like planting sapling trees. Into the earth you put a stick with roots and as the years pass-often without your being aware of itits girth and height increase. Eventually comes the day when you can rest beneath its shade. But all this depends upon how good the ground is. There's no better ground than the United States Government. Those who buy and preserve its War Bonds can look forward to the day when, beneath their shade, they can take their ease.

Plant more saplings! Buy more Bonds!

TREE FARMS

 We'll never get anywhere with reforestation until we treat trees as a crop, to be grown and harvested. The Western Pine Association has led the way by planting such a forest in the Klamath Basin of Oregon. Perhaps others now will follow the example-in the Douglas Fir region and in the land of the Southern Pine. Though the first sawmill was set up in that Oregon basin in 1877, it was not until last year that such a forward-looking project was undertaken as to grow trees the way we would any other crop and protect them from decay, fire and insects until by the grace of God they have reached marketable maturity.

SNOW WHITE

 February, and snow still falls. The countryside adds fresh blankets of white. Country folk who delighted in its first appearance now grow weary of it. And some people it fills with terror. Whiteness in nature has its effect on the mind. There is a mysterious illusive something affecting us in the thought of whiteness. Often transient in its effect, only when we are told of it do we recognize the existence of this strange panic in us.

Two authors have written about this-in "Moby Dick," Herman Melville gives a long dissertation on "the incantation of whiteness" and in "Idle Days in Patagonia," W. H. Hudson gives his own opinions.



FLOWERS BY BIKES

■ When the British Government ruled that precious train space should not be given to bringing fresh cut flowers up to London, the Britishers, who aren't to be pushed around by their government, decided to do something about it. Great quantities of fresh flowers are grown for the winter market in the Scilly Islands. They come by boat to a south England port. There men lashed the flower boxes to bicycles and pedaled 20 miles where other men on wheels took over the load and so on up to London. Something like Greek lads relayracing with torches in hand.

COVER. These two sublime sentences, attributed to Abraham Lincoln, are House & Garden's ideal slogan. They were photographed at the Museum of the City of New York by Penn. The carnations are by the courtesy of Ariston Dated Flowers.



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