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LIFE'S PICTURES

Last November George Rodger went in with the British on the invasion of Walcheren Island. A few weeks ago he returned to photograph the aftermath of the battle there—the broken dikes, the sea-flooded farms (see pp. 75-83). His pictures take their place beside other unusual Rodger photographs such as those he took last March when Vesuvius erupted after the Americans had taken Naples, and the flight from Burma in 1942 over the roadless Naga Hills (LIFE, Aug. 10, 1942). This year the route Rodger took has become famous as the Stilwell Road.

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To men and women of 40 who want to RETIRE SOMEDAY ON \$150 A MONTH



THE OTHER NIGHT, when we stopped in on the Johnsons, we found them poring over road maps at the dining room table. We couldn't help being curious. And we were really excited when Jim Johnson explained.

"I'm getting set to retire," he said. "When the war's over, Mary and I are going to load the car and do some traveling. We'll head south—or west—maybe stop for a while at one of the beaches. You see, I'll be 60 then, and we're going on a lifelong vacation with pay!"

I was frankly envious. Jim worked in my office. I knew he'd never made much more money than I am earning now. And I couldn't see how I could ever hope to quit work and take life easy. How could he afford it?

"You must have struck it rich, Jim!" I said.

Jim shook his head. "Not at all," he said, "and Mary and I had too much fun living to do much saving, either. To tell you the truth, when I was your age, I thought a retirement income was something only rich people could enjoy. Certainly I had no idea I could manage it!"

"But our future worried me. I didn't want to go on working all my life. And, besides, what if I couldn't? What if something happened to me—how could Mary get along?"

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