EGGS. Lt. Colonel Ralph Olmstead, Deputy Director of the War Food Administration appeared before a Senate Committee recently and testified that the WFA had more than 100 million dollars invested in surplus eggs and when asked by Senator Ferguson of Michigan what he was going to do with all those eggs, replied "I wish I knew." It seems that the government now owns about 150 million dozen eggs. What an omelet!

HOW MANY JOBS. The Department of Labor estimates that in the Pacific Coast States and also in Nevada, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio and Connecticut, the demobilization of men in service and in munitions industries will be equal to 40% of the total number of employed workers in 1940. That is to say that if one of these states had 1,000,000 employed workers in 1940, the number who will be demobilized from the service and from industry would be 400,000. There you have a picture of dislocation.

FARM VALUES. The Dept. of Agriculture reports that farm values on July 1st, 1944 were about 42% above the average values in the period from 1935 to 1939. It's another way of saying that a farm selling for $142 per acre in 1944 could have been bought for $100 in the period from 1935 to 1939.

DEBT. War is expensive business. On July 31, 1944, the public debt was about $208½ billion dollars. That's the equivalent of $1510 for every man woman and child in the land and the equivalent of $3321 for every employed worker. It's called the public debt because everybody has a share in it.

VOTERS. The population of the country continues to grow, Naturally the number of potential voters continues to grow each year. The Census Bureau figures that in 1944, there will be 88,457,000 persons in the United States over 21 years of age. About 41% million voted in 1940. What a chance for a little lecture!

MIGRATION. The descendants of Noah built a tower which was to reach to the sky so they could see it from a distance and wouldn't get lost. But the Lord confused their tongues so they could not speak to each other and thus it became known as the tower of Babel. Unlike the people of that day, the disposition today is to migrate under the pressure of war. Washington, Arizona, California, Nevada, the District of Columbia and other areas gained from 14 to 31% since 1940 as a result of war pressures. When it's over, where will they go, what will they do? Interesting questions!

BIGGEST EMERGENCY EMPLOYER. Aside from the War and Navy Departments, OPA is the biggest emergency employer in government. It had 57,419 on the rolls on March 31st this year to calculate and enforce price ceilings.

STATES AND UNEMPLOYMENT. Testimony on the recent action of House and Senate in leaving the payment of unemployment benefits in the hands of the States, discloses that the State systems now covers 30,435,000 workers and that accumulated reserves of 5½ billion are adequate to pay benefits to an estimated 18,502,000 persons if they should be jobless. Maximum benefits ranging from $15 to $22 a week could be paid for periods ranging from 14 to 26 weeks. A pooling arrangement has been devised between States whereby an employee who migrates from one state to another will not lose the rights and benefits which he has accumulated.