

"We must all hang together or assuredly we shall all hang separately."—Benj. Franklin.

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"The people never give up their liberties except under some delusion."—Edmund Burke

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RISE IN BOND SALE ANTICIPATED

AND THE BAND PLAYED ON



ECUSTA BAND ELECTS OFFICERS

On Wednesday evening, March 11, Mr. John Eversman, band director, appointed a band committee consisting of Roland Wilber, Frank Kerber and Robert Levy. This committee met with Miss Justine Williams the following day to draw up organization plans for the new Ecusta Band. A set of by-laws were set up for the approval of band members, Mr. T. T. Stockstill was appointed Custodian of Properties, and Mr. Fred Williams

was appointed Librarian. On Friday evening, March 13, by unanimous vote of band members present, Mr. Wilber was elected President, Mr. Levy, Vice-president and Mr. Fred Yelton, secretary. The by-laws were also accepted unanimously.

Rehearsals will be called on Tuesday and Friday evenings, this new schedule to go into effect on Tuesday, March 17th. Wednesday evenings will be devoted to rehearsals for begin-

ners. It is believed that in this way new members will be able to take their places at regular band rehearsals at a much earlier date.

We expect eventually to have a band of at least 60 members so if you play an instrument or if you wish to learn to play call Miss Justine Williams for particulars concerning instruments, private lessons and rehearsals. — Recreation Dept.

Income Tax Problem Is Now Out Of The Way

Last week we paid our income tax and find that we are paying much more this year than ever before.

In making out our returns we realized that we must make some secure investment that would, at the same time do the most good. An investment which pays 33 1-3 percent return and which is as safe as any investment can be, is the one for us. This is exactly the kind of an investment you can make by purchasing a U. S. Defense Bond. You will receive back the money invested plus 33 1-3 percent more.

Every employee at Ecusta, Champagne, and Endless Belt should do his share toward making the payroll allotment plan a success. Each one should participate in the plan so that he can feel that he is doing his bit for our country in these critical times and at the same time realize that he is saving his money and earning 33 1-3 percent return on the investment.

Ecusta, since its beginning has had the reputation as a leader in cooperative effort and now is trailing other companies in the percentage of bonds purchased.

The plan was put into effect in order that it might be possible for every employee to save his money for the purchase of U. S. Defense Bonds, to make it easy and convenient for the employee to have an opportunity to feel that he is helping our country to remain free, to provide a means of saving one's money. The money you have the company set aside each pay day for the purchase of a bond is invested—it is invested in a share of our freedom—in our American way of life, for which each of us is grateful.

When we stop to think what our purchase of bonds is helping to do—we will realize that we should be determined to make the payroll allotment plan for the purchase of defense bonds a success here at Ecusta. Sign up today for your bond and have that glorious feeling that you are doing your part.

SUPERINTENDENT IS MARRIED

Mrs. Gladys English Sands, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. S. English of Brevard, was married to Clyde G. Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Jones of Cedar Mountain. The ceremony took place at 10:00 o'clock in the morning on St. Valentine's Day at the home of the bride's parents on Jordan St. Reverend E. Billups, pastor of the Brevard Methodist Church, officiated with only members of the immediate families present. A reception was held at the bride's home following the ceremony after which the couple left for a honeymoon trip to Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones are now at home at the Patton Cottage on West Main street, in Brevard.

the Japs. The farmers can raise larger crops, and produce a larger quantity of dairy products. The Laborer can stick to his job and work harder than ever before. Those of us who have means can buy bonds.

We can all guard our health. We can keep our faith that right will win over wrong. There is something for everyone, old and young, rich and poor, to do to help bring victory and rid the world of the evil forces that would rob us of our peace, liberty, and security. Are you doing your part?

Snowbound

From childhood's earliest days I have liked snow, thrilled to see its feathery flakes envelop the earth in a soft, white blanket, but my recent experience has made me consider the elements with something other than its beauty in mind.

It happened like this. At about noon on Monday, March 2nd, I donned two pairs of socks, shoes, overshoes, sweaters, coats, a cap and a hat and started out in a blinding snowstorm to go to Ecusta. However, my plans were upset when I walked about a mile and a half to the highway and learned that the school bus which transported my two children from school, had not arrived. After reaching Rosman I found that the bus had not returned with a previous load so I decided then and there not to go to Ecusta but to wait and see my children safely home, if possible.

After waiting for what seemed an eternity the bus came in, was loaded and proceeded homeward. We expected each minute to be stranded in the blizzard but we were more fortunate and reached the bus stop where my children get off just before the school bus was marooned in a drift.

Walking home was no picnic but we ploughed our way through the drifts and held our breath in the stiff gales until at least we reached our own fireside, cold, tired, and wet, but happy.

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Our Part In Defense

The subject of national defense is one we hear everyday. We are reminded through our newspapers, radios, and various other ways that each of us has a part to play in this great national conflict. It seems that some of us are confident that America can't be licked, so we sit back and forget that our little support will help. We see nothing but certain victory ahead, and our main concern seems to be how soon we can win and how few sacrifices we need to make to accomplish the ask.

It isn't easy to adjust ourselves to this war torn world, but it is a fine thing to be able to change one's environment for the better, to conquer obstacles, to rise above trouble, to be master of every situation, and to be master of ourselves. If, however, we cannot change our environment for the better, we can adapt ourselves to the present. If this world in which we live is not what it should be, it is our duty and privilege to do all in our power to improve conditions. There is nothing more glorious than learning to do the hard things of life when they have to be done.

There are a lot of things which we can do without. We can undergo inconveniences if necessity demands. The near future may bring a shortage of labor, and many of the luxuries now enjoyed will only be memories.

People from all walks of life can help in this drive against Hitler and

ECUSTA CORP. WELL REPRESENTED WNC SAFETY MEET MAR. 10

Approximately two hundred Ecusta employees and some of their wives attended the meeting of the Western North Carolina Safety Council at the Wanka gymnasium, Tuesday evening, March 10th, 1942. The largest representations were from the Machine Room, Refiner Room, Pulp Mill, and Maintenance Department, while a lesser number were from the Inspection Department, Cleaner Crew, Power Department, Engineering Department, Guard Crew, and the Police Department. Luke Harrison and Tony Santosti represented Champagne. There still some discussion between Messrs. Denton, Jones, and Wilber as to who had the largest representation. Approximately 20 cars and 2 Smoky Mountain Trailways buses were used to travel to the meeting.

The program was presided over by Council Chairman, R. F. Berinett, and consisted of a talk on "The Foreman's Responsibility in Accident Prevention" by Dr. W. T. McFall of Asheville, and motion pictures of the "War in Europe" were shown by Mr. Riley Palmer, Assistant County Agent of Buncombe county. After the program refreshments consisting of doughnuts and coffee were served to everyone in plentiful amounts. Everyone present was very pleased with the program and vowed to attend the next meeting which will be held in May, 1942.