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United National Clothing Drive Making Progress

The United National Clothing Drive for War Relief is now under way. In this country, we are attempting to collect 150,000,000 pounds of clothing and to distribute this to 125,000,000 thread-bare persons in scores of foreign countries which have felt the oppression of the Axis aggressors.

Mr. J. Everett Marsh, who is chairman of the drive in High Point, where a quota of 200,000 pounds has been set up, has the following to say in regard to the drive:

"I realize that to attain this goal, we will have to do a lot more than dig deep - we will have to make real sacrifices and part with items of clothing that may still be very useful to us. But I know that when the men, women and children of our city understand the dire need; when they realize that many millions of people throughout the world are literally naked; when they visualize themselves and their loved ones in the tragic plight of these war-ravaged people, they will be happy to sacrifice some part of their apparel for such a great cause." Mr. Marsh added that because of the demands of armed forces and civilian needs, manufacture of clothing in the United States and other countries to relieve these distressed people will not get under way for some time, therefore the needy men, women and children in war-devastated countries must depend on the help of the American people.

The types of clothing most urgently needed are the following:

INFANTS' GARMENTS. All types, particularly knit goods.

MEN'S AND BOYS' GARMENTS. Overcoats, topcoats, suits, jackets, shirts, all types of work clothes, including overalls, coveralls, etc., sweaters, underwear, robes, pajamas, knitted gloves.

WOMEN'S AND GIRLS' GARMENTS. Overcoats, jackets, skirts, sweaters, shawls, dresses, underwear, aprons, jumpers, smocks, robes, nightwear, knitted gloves.

CAPS AND KNITTED HEADWEAR. Serviceable heavy duty caps and knitted headwear (such as stocking caps) are needed.

BEDDING. Blankets, afghans, sheets, pillow cases, quilts. These are needed urgently if in serviceable condition.

SHOES. Either oxfords or high shoes, of durable type with low or medium heels are desired. All shoes collected should be mated and tied securely in pairs.

USABLE REMNANTS, PIECE GOODS. Cut or uncut materials (cottons, rayons, woolsens, etc.) one yard or more in length.

(Evening dresses, tuxedos, dress suits, women's hats, dress hats, derbies, evening shoes, shoes with high heels, open toes or backs, or novelty type shoes, and rags cannot be used.)

We hope that many of our employees will look through their closets and turn in any article of clothing which might be of use to those unfortunate persons who have lost so much.

"What did they teach you at school today, sonny?"

"O, teacher told us about Columbus who went two thousand miles on a galleon."

"She did, did she? Well, don't believe all she tells you about those foreign cars."

The Duggins Dig For Old Clothes



Stacy and Charlie Duggins, first shift Throwing at High Point Weaving, look through their closets for contributions to clothing drive.

LOCAL GIRLS ENROLL IN Y. W. C. A. PROGRAM

Mrs. Nell Mechen, Industrial secretary of the Y. W. C. A., talked with a group of girls from High Point Weaving recently. She explained to the Y. W. C. A. started from "prayer meeting sort of thing," and had grown until now it offers to young women the privilege of meeting with their friends in a homey atmosphere and enjoying plenty of clean fun, such as bowling, swimming, picnics and many other sports. She also pointed out the danger of a person becoming a "lazy Susan" if she did nothing but work, eat, and sleep.

There are four clubs of which Mrs. Mechen is secretary. She extended to the girls a cordial invitation to attend the Florence Nightingale Club which meets each Monday night. At present this club is having a very interesting

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1944 PRODUCTION SHOWS RESULTS OF TEAMWORK

During 1944 less than one per cent production was lost in the weaving plants because of absenteeism or machinery stoppages resulting from any other cause. This record represents the combined figures for the entire Company, and we can all be justly proud of this outstanding production record. As J. C. Cowan, Jr., said in writing his quarterly message to service men, "This is the finest tribute we know to the teamwork spirit that is felt throughout the whole organization. Because much of this production went directly to the front in the form of vital war materials and the rest to essential domestic purposes, it says to you stronger than any words may convey exactly how the folks at home feel about their jobs and you."

We believe this is just the sort of

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COMPANY DISPLAYS WAR MATERIALS



Pictured above is a part of our display shown recently at Center Theatre in conjunction with the showing of "30 Seconds Over Tokyo". Not shown in picture, but a prominent part of our display, is a human escape chute which

Funds Being Raised For New High Point Memorial Hospital

An active campaign to raise the necessary money with which to build a complete new hospital for the benefit of High Point residents was begun on Monday, April 16th. The campaign will be an intensive one lasting for ten days.

Campaign workers for the industrial division who will solicit pledges in the various plants met at a "kick off" rally Monday afternoon at the Salvation Army Hall. At this time the great need for this project was outlined in detail.

It is estimated that the hospital here serves a community of approximately 50,000 persons. Five thousand of these enter one of the two units of the hospital each year. In other words, one person in every ten is a hospital patient each year. The new structure will have 200 beds and the cost breakdown for each bed is \$3,750 each. When you include the value of the land and equipment already on hand which can be used in the new building, the total investment in a hospital bed will be in excess of \$4,000.

In 1943 a "building fund" was created at which time more than \$100,000 was raised. The Duke Endowment which aids the various communities in building and maintaining hospital facilities, is expected to donate \$150,000 to the fund. That leaves a balance of \$500,000 to be raised by the citizens of the High Point Community.

Seldom is a campaign launched in which the individual contributor is so likely to receive direct benefit. Since, as was pointed out above, one person in ten is hospitalized each year in High Point, not to mention the number of patients who find it necessary to seek hospital care in nearby communities, it is therefore a project which demands the interest and support of all.

High Point Memorial Hospital is a non-profit institution which attempts to adjust its charges to actual operating costs. Any excess funds which remain at the end of the business year are turned back to be used for more and more modern hospital equipment.

We look forward to completing the drive in each of our plants in a successful manner.

B. F. HUCKS PASSES

Death claimed our good friend and associate, Benjamin Franklin Hucks on April 16th at 10:30 A.M. Mr. Hucks was apparently in the best of health on Sunday until around 9:00 o'clock in the evening when he suffered a stroke of paralysis and a brain hemorrhage.

He had been employed by High Point Weaving since July 20, 1938 and worked in the Throwing Plant until May 22, 1944, then was transferred to the Preparatory Department where he was working at the time of his death.

He was born on November 18, 1876 and in 1901 he was married to Miss Addie Beulah Stalvey. Of this union there survives 10 children and one

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