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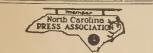
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Getting In The Scrap

As furnaces are roaring to produce more steel for tanks, planes, and aircraft carriers, Uncle Sam's scrap pile is rapidly diminishing. The need for scrap and more scrap is becoming more and more urgent.

And Uncle Sam isn't the only one, who is feeling this shortage. Hitler is also having trouble keeping Axis furnaces fed with scrap. But what a difference between his way and the American way of collecting it! Confiscation of all unused iron and steel in Germany has been ordered by the Fuehrer, with the campaign enforced by uniformed police under Heinrich Himmler, Gestapo Chief.

We don't do things that way in this country. The War Production Board is organizing a vast scrap drive on a voluntary basis, and industry, through the American Industries Salvage Committee and other groups, is cooperating to assist the efforts of WPB. No, our industries don't need to have their scrap confiscated. They are eager to help!

Trial Of The Spies

When the 8 German spies were captured and put on trial in Washington popular demand was to shoot these enemies on the spot. But military authorities and branches of the Government in control of the administration of the laws of the land under civilian practices got together to prevent any sign of terrorism in the handling of these cases. The United States boasts that every man is innocent until proven guilty, and that was the program followed by the Government. The Supreme Court was called in special session to pass upon the question of whether the military tribunal possessed full authority to pass judgement upon the spies. The final decision rested with the President.

The Supreme Court passed upon the legality of legislation by Congress, and approved the position of the President. The Executive in turn had the final word concerning the decision of the Military Court. Thus, every branch of our Constitutional form of Government exercised its authority in the trial of the spies.

Where Are We At?

The war goes badly throughout Europe. It goes badly in the Pacific. Latest reports show that more than 400 ships have been sunk by enemy submarines in the Atlantic and waters bordering the Americas.

Even in Washington no one seems to know how Germany and her Allies are to be whipped by Russia, Great Britain, and the rest of the Nations.

We are not as successful as we hoped to be in the Philippines, Hawaii, Aleutian Islands, Alaska—and lesewhere.

Our local problems are disturbing enough. But transportation, cost of living, taxes, inflation and a thousand other questions are insignificant in contrast to the uncertainties of the world war.

"Learning Things" By Mail

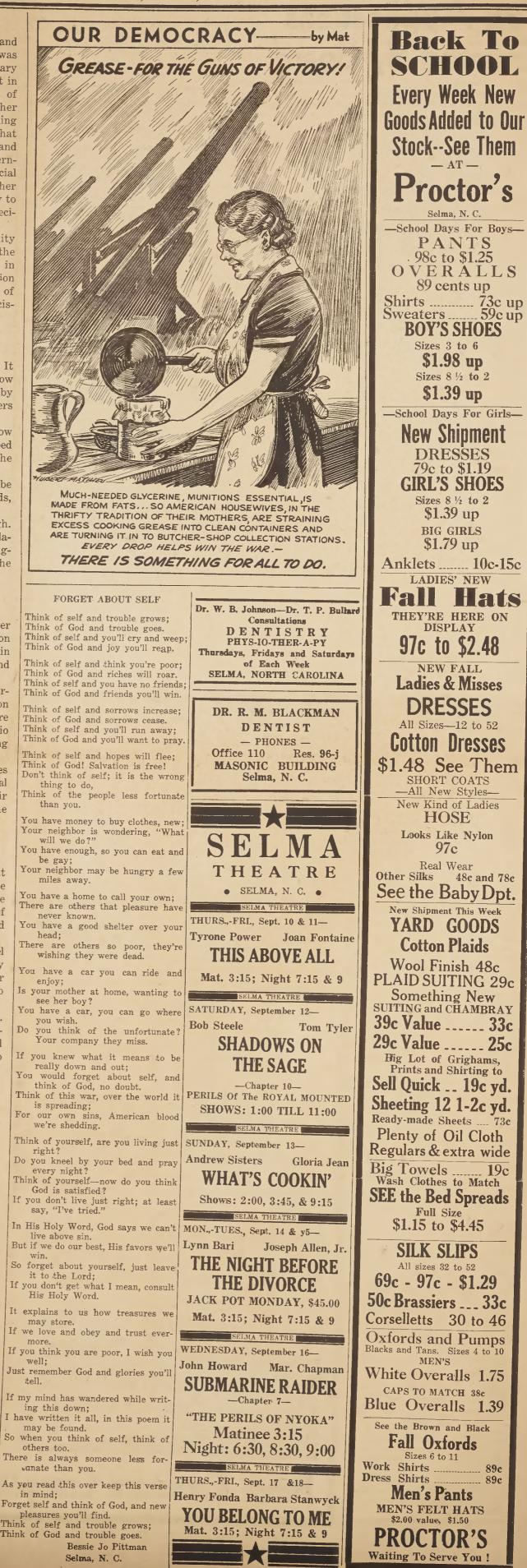
Correspondence courses are coming under fire before the Federal Trade Commission which has issued complaints against courses in finger printing by mail. Diesel engineering and Civil Service "prep" lessons are challenged.

The Commission has also put the Philip Morris and R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Companies on the carpet. In both cases the companies are charged with newspaper advertising and radio broadcasts that are called false and misleading representations.

Manufacturers of numerous patent medicines have been making stipulations with Federal Trade and agreeing to withdraw some of their claims as to what their dope will do for the sick—and the suckers.

Putting In Their Coal

News reports the last few days indicate that 350,000 homes on the East coast would change



A case in point is the "modern, efficient alloy steel plant," as dedicated by the War Production Board recently, which was built of used materials and contains equipment made solely from scrap material from three cities and two states.

Cost of the plant is said by the WPB to represent the "lowest capital investment per net ton of output during the emergency." Thus the scrap is now a "monument to American industrial initiative," said the WPB official at dedication ceremonies.

This is just one of many instances of industries that have gone all-out on their own initiative, digging up obsolete machinery, looking in every corner, and even combing the sweepings from factory floors ,so that they might show Hitler who is really "in the scrap."

Wartime Criticism

"What is fair critism in wartime?" Are we dirfting into an attitude foreign to democracy or are we completely fair in exercising privileges of freedom? Perhaps it is too true that we are cynical and too personally concerned to fairly accept situations present today. "Freedom of opinion implies, of course, freedom to criticize," and this is both the essence of democracy and also the root of unfairness. The line of division is up to the wise vision and understanding of educated peoples of democracies. Whether they accept the challenge and use their critism wisely is yet to be determined.

Thomas Jefferson stated that: "The liberty of speaking and writing guards our other liberties," and this concisely is the strength of any democracy, but on the other hand unless our speaking and writing is justifiable our liberties are in danger of eventually being destroyed. Perhaps we should be a little more careful of our "witty" criticisms for fear we lose our concept of a true democracy. Perhaps we should not "air" too freely our views especially in such critical times. Perhaps we should quote and learn the words of John Milton, "Give me liberty to know, to utter, and to argue freely according to conscience, above all liberties." Democracy demands and needs protection, for today and every day its meaning and very essence is being challenged.

from oil burners to coal burners within the next two months. At the same time hundreds of thousands of large buildings may be equipped with coal-burning furnaces.

Congressmen have been told by Federal Fuel Ration Chiefs that the shortage of fuel oil may make it necessary to shut down several of our war plants this winter. This shortage is laid to lack of transportation.

Somehow the problem is bound to be solved. The folks in the United States aren't accustomed to suffering from lack of fuel and they'll get it—and when they do, it will not be too late.

Just Common Sense

Thinking farmers, and the responsible farm organizations, are not fighting reasonable limitations on farm prices. What they do point out is that equitable farm price controls are impossible without control of labor or other operaing costs.

Farmers must pay two or three times as much for labor as they used to—and even then competent workers are difficult to obtain. Under these conditions, the increases in farm prices have been more than offset, in most instances, by the increase in overhead costs.

If we are to limit farm prices, in brief, the costs of farm operation must also be limited. That is only fair—and it is also only common sense.

Picking Pockets

Under new regulations of the War Production Board men's working clothes will have fewer pockets, fewer buttons and buckles, and no unnecessary yardage. False, or more than double stitching is prohibited; pockets or wastebands may not be made from drills, twills, or jeans heavier than 4 yards to the pound, and the pockets may not have more than single thickness. Do you suppose that will help win the war?

With millions of bales if cotton being held by the Government, and with another bumper crop now about ready to harvest, we see no reason why everybody should not have all the pockets they need or might want.