

LOOKING AT WASHINGTON

By Hugo S. Sims, Washington Correspondent

Money For The War. \$162 Billions. About One-Fifth Spent.

Money may not win a war, but the \$162,416,000,000 that the United States has made available for war in the past two years will go a long way to produce the airplanes, tanks, guns and ships that will win it.

Up to the end of April, including the sixth supplemental war appropriations act, \$156,416,000,000 had been made available and, in addition, \$6,000,000,000 in our war expenditures authorizations for the fiscal year 1943 already figure in the naval program.

It is interesting to note that, exclusive of the \$6,000,000,000 in authorizations for the next fiscal year:

Twentythree per cent. of total war funds have been allotted to airplanes, engines and parts;

Twentyone per cent. to ordnance;

Twelve per cent. to miscellaneous munitions and supplies, including motor vehicles for transportation, signal corps and chemical warfare equipment, equipment and engineering supplies;

Ten per cent. for naval ships;

Nine per cent. for industrial facilities;

Eight per cent. for posts, depots and stations;

Five per cent. for merchant ships;

Four per cent. for stock pile and food exports;

Three per cent. for pay subsistence and travel for armed forces;

One per cent. for housing;

Four per cent. for miscellaneous items.

As noted above, these percentages do not include the \$6,000,000,000 authorized for the Navy in the fiscal year 1943, but in the following dollar totals, the six billion is included:

Airplanes, engines and parts, \$35,557,000,000;

Ordnance, \$32,122,000,000;

Naval ships, \$21,457,000,000.

Miscellaneous munitions and supplies, as explained above, \$19,592,000,000;

Industrial facilities, \$14,365,000,000;

Posts, depots and stations, \$13,184,000,000;

Merchant ships, \$7,484,000,000;

Stock pile and food exports, \$5,791,000,000;

Pay, subsistence and travel for armed forces, \$4,930,000,000;

Housing, \$1,392,000,000.

Miscellaneous, \$6,542,000,000.

In connection with these figures, one is surprised to observe that pay, subsistence and travel of the armed forces accounts for only three per cent. of total funds now available for war.

Bearing these figures in mind, one must balance amounts available with actual expenditures for war. According to a revised estimate, submitted to the House Ways and Means Committee by Harold Smith, Budget Director, war expenditures for the present fiscal year, which ends June 30th, will total \$28,000,000,000 and for the fiscal year beginning July 1st, \$70,000,000,000.

At the end of the 1943 fiscal year, on June 30th, 1943, actual expenditures for war will amount to \$105,000,000,000 of the \$162,000,000,000 now available.

No. Life As Usual. All Must Serve. All Must Fight.

The idea that the people of the

United States can continue "life as usual" is fast disappearing under the severe impact of war needs. Just as the industrial plants of the nation have been converted to war production, the life of the people of our country must be changed to meet the war program.

The United States is serving as an arsenal for all nations fighting aggression and making available its enormous economic strength to support the war against aggressors. While slowly mobilizing potential resources into striking power, we must surrender everything which hampers a speedy and successful transformation.

Slowly, as a people, we are beginning to understand that potential resources are useless in a war for survival, and that only those resources which are available for battle will protect our civilization. With enemy nations beginning war after years of preparation, this country must start from scratch, abandon peace and accept war.

New standards of value arise when a nation fights for its life. Selfish individuals must yield to the nation's needs. Everything must be weighed by the exigencies of battle. Nothing else counts.

There are many Americans inclined to look upon the effort to mobilize our communities for wartime emergencies. This preparation for the worst is not foolish and certainly should not be derided by those who chant "too little and too late" as our enemies gain victories upon the battlefields of the earth.

The longer the war lasts, the greater will be the upheaval in our normal manner of life. Because there exists the chance that the war may end quicker than experts believe does not justify a failure to plan for an unexpected prolongation of the world conflict. The cold, sober truth is that no man knows when or how the present war may end. Germany may collapse in 1942 or fight a defensive struggle in Europe for decades. Japan may fall as a result of over-extended battle lines, or, on the other hand, she may consolidate the human and natural resources of the Far East to wage a stern and far-reaching struggle.

With these thoughts in mind, every American should accept the inconveniences of a wartime economy. Every American should, to the extent of his or her ability, support the financial structure of the Government. Every relative of every fighting soldier or sailor or marine should be an alert committee of one to see that every possible support is given our fighting men.

In the next few months, there is little reason to expect glad tidings from the fields of battle. There is every prospect of depressive defeats. Until our weapons are forged and our soldiers trained, the people of America must grit their teeth and bear what fortune brings. Everyone must support the war and when called upon, serve the country. Only by so doing can we reasonably expect to be triumphant when peace comes and deserve the greatness and glory that descends upon a people who die, if necessary, for their civilization, their culture and their faith.

Special Services At St. Anne's Sunday

As an observance of the Silver Jubilee of the Pope's consecration as a Bishop, special religious services will be held at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Edenton, announced Rev. F. J. McCourt, who will speak on "Pope Pius XII's Achievements, Peace Efforts, Charities," at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass that will start Sunday, May 17, at 8 a. m.

The public is invited to these services and on every 1st and 2nd Sunday of the month at 10:30 a. m., and on every 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday of the month at 8 a. m. Confessions for half hour before every Service.



Curvesome Rita Hayworth runs riot with Victor Mature's heart in "My Gal Sal" at Taylor Theatre, Edenton, Monday and Tuesday. Mature, as the great song writer Paul Dresser, draws his inspiration from beautiful Rita, and quite an inspiration she is, as you can plainly see.

Chowan Colored Boys Making Good Soldiers

Information from Private Charlie B. Harris, one of the colored boys in the group sent from Chowan County to Fort Bragg several weeks ago, is to the effect that some of the boys are now stationed at Fort McClellan in Alabama, and that they are at the head of many soldiers at the camp.

Two Edenton boys, Privates Golden Frinks and Seth Downing, were selected to represent Company D, Third Battalion, at a coronation service at the A. M. E. Zion Church at Anniston, Ala., which was attended by thousands of soldiers.

Edenton boys at Fort McClellan are: Charlie B. Harris, Earl Bennett, Woodrow Sharp, John Gilliam, James Johnson, Charlie Jernigan, Alex Welch, Johnnie Tredwell and Nathaniel Boyce.

Commissioners' Proceedings

The County Commissioners met on Monday, May 4th, 1942, with the following members present: D. M. Warren, chairman; J. A. Webb, J. R. Peele and A. C. Boyce.

The following bills were ordered paid:

John W. Graham, judge Recorder's Court, \$62.50; John F. White, prosecuting attorney, \$62.50; C. W. Overman, County Agent, salary and expenses, \$116.66; Miss Rebecca Colwell, salary and expenses, \$106.00; George C. Hoskins, salary, treasurer, \$60.00; Charlton's Funeral Home, bill, \$44.50; S. W. Taylor, bill, rent for store room, \$8.00; Tayloe Hospital, bill: Beulah Dillard \$8.45, Annie Owens \$30.00, Rena Burnette \$34.95, total, \$73.40; Mitchener's Pharmacy, bill, \$4.90; Carolyn C. McMullan, acting superintendent public welfare, salary \$140.00, travel \$35.00, total \$175.00; Catherine Ward, typist clerk, \$30.00; Beatrice Ellis, clerk, \$1.00; Chowan Realty Co., rent \$25.00; Postage, Welfare Department, \$8.00; T. C. Cross, bill, wood, \$1.50; Norfolk & Carolina Tel. & Tel. Co., bill, \$6.25; Goodwin's Quality Store, bill, \$2.22; Hughes-Holton Hardware, bill, \$5; Mrs. J. J. Bufatoo, boarding home care Alice Belch, \$5.00; Mrs.

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Mariah Perry, \$5.00; M. L. Bunch, bill and services, \$31.13; Burkhead-DeVane Printing Co., bill, \$108.55; Elliott Co., bill, \$6.43; E. W. Spire, salary and bill, \$146.20; Dr. J. S. Chamblee, Director Health Department, salary, \$142.91; Byrum Hardware Co., bill, \$2.95; T. J. Wilder, bill, \$2.60; Parker Bros., bill, \$2.75; Edwards & Broughton Co., bill, \$12.78; Town of Edenton, E. & W. Department, bill, \$9.70; Edenton Ice Co., bill, \$24.00; The Chowan Herald, bill, \$81.00; Cherry's Grocery, bill, \$3.25; Chowan Realty Co., rent for Mrs. Pearsall's office, \$7.50; Dr. J. W. Warren, Health Officer, salary and bill holding coroner's inquest, \$40.00; The Chowan Herald, \$11.75; J. A. Bunch, Sheriff, salary and bill, \$314.12; S. W. Moore, care of prisoners, \$42.80; State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, bill, \$3.13; B. D. Dodge, salary as Court stenographer, \$25.16; E. W. Spire, Superior Court jury fund, \$250.00; W. M. Perkins, balance due as Superintendent Public Welfare, \$20.00; W. H. Gardner, treasurer, appropriation for Defense Council, \$150.00; W. T. Beasley, Deputy Sheriff, Oxford, N. C., bill, \$2.00; U. S. Post Office, stamped envelopes for Register of Deeds' office, \$34.24.

On motion of J. A. Webb, seconded by J. R. Peele, that the Treasurer be authorized to pay over to the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library the State aid funds now in his hands and also that he pay over to the Library such other State aid funds as may come into his hands during the fiscal year 1941-1942.

On motion duly seconded that the chairman be authorized to pay bonds and coupons due June 1, 1942, amount \$4,849.43.

On motion of A. C. Boyce, seconded by J. R. Peele, that Register of Deeds be relieved of 95 cents advertising cost charged to Minnie L. Speight 1940 taxes by error.

The following reports were ordered filed: C. W. Overman, County Agent; Sheriff, Miss Rebecca Colwell, Home Demonstration Agent; J. B. Small, colored County Agent; Treasurer, Dr. J. W. Warren, County Health Officer; and Superintendent Public Welfare.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

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Pitt County Boards Indorse Marvin K. Blount For Congress

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Aldermen and Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, take pleasure in indorsing and recommending to the voters of the First Congressional District the candidacy of Honorable MARVIN K. BLOUNT for the United States House of Representatives.

We have known him for many years, and, from our close association with him as Mayor of Greenville for two terms and our knowledge of his record of achievement, we know he is qualified and highly competent to fill the office he seeks. He is a recognized leader, not only in his own County of Pitt, but throughout North Carolina.

Under his administration as Mayor, a progressive program was put into effect, which received favorable recognition over the entire State. Many improvements were made and with no increase in the already reasonable tax rate.

We, therefore, indorse his candidacy, knowing that, if he is elected, he will represent the people of the First District in a manner which will reflect credit upon the State of North Carolina.

Signed:

J. A. Watson

M. B. Massey

D. A. Evans

L. B. Fleming

Berry Bostic

A. E. Hobgood

L. N. Buchanan

J. A. Collins

B. B. Sugg, Mayor

N. O. Van Nortwick, Jr.

We, the undersigned, Mayor, Town Manager and Commissioners of the Town of Bethel, North Carolina, have known Honorable MARVIN K. BLOUNT for many years. He was born and reared in Bethel, and for a number of years has served as Attorney for the Town of Bethel.

We have observed with interest his record of service and achievement in the State Senate, as Mayor of Greenville, as a business man, farmer and citizen. He is qualified in every respect to represent the people of the First Congressional District in a manner that will command the confidence of the entire District.

Signed:

Lewis Ayres, Mayor

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