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Help Crippled Children

The Easter seal campaign to be launched here this week should have the support of all the people.

The funds will be used to help crippled children who cannot help themselves.

This means that the little sums spent for Easter seals will be the means of correcting physical defects in children and help them to become able to lead normal lives and to take their places in society along with those who are not now handicapped.

Those of us who have been privileged to see what wonders can be wrought with crippled and deformed children have no hesitancy in endorsing anything to carry on the work.

The lame have been enabled to walk and physical deformities which drastically mar the physical appearance of children are being corrected.

All this takes money and families of many of the children do not have the means and cannot raise the money to have their children treated. In such cases the sale of Easter seals serves its noble purpose.

Clean-Up Time

Soon thousands of American communities will inaugurate their annual clean-up campaign. Those campaigns give all towns a chance to achieve two highly important goals—a handsomer town, and a safer town.

A properly managed clean-up drive to lessen the ever-present danger of fire. Vacant lots are mowed and divested of litter. Old shacks are torn down. Buildings are repaired and painted. Dead trees and bushes are cut down. And when that happens, fire hazards disappear. Order and cleanliness are among fire's most effective enemies.

This year, the headquarters of the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce is distributing fire prevention material prepared by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, to its local members. The material consists of a radio script, an article suitable for newspaper use, window displays, and an interesting leaflet which is to be distributed to the public. Local insurance agents will likewise be given the material, and will take an active part in making the clean-up campaigns successful.

Here is a real opportunity in which every town, no matter how small, can participate. Every citizen should cooperate. It's a rare town indeed which doesn't contain eye-sores—rattletrap buildings, long unoccupied, lots on which grass has grown waist-high, accumulations of junk and refuse which belong in an incinerator, fences of broken fences, etc. Clean-up week needn't be expensive. The combination of a little paint, plus plenty of elbow grease, will work wonders in many cases. A wrecking bar and a bonfire will do the work in most others.

Natural Resources and The War

We speak of this war as a war of machines. We say that the real battlefields of a modern war are the mills and factories of a country.

All this is true—but it is not the whole story. Behind each machine are minerals. Iron, copper, bauxite, magnesium, lead, zinc—these enter into the fabrication of every modern device of peace and war.

More than that, it is oil and coal that run our machinery. Not a plane can fly, not a submarine can go to sea, not a tank can move, not a piece of machinery in a factory can turn, without coal or oil or both.

Natural resources represent the real strength of a country. And the United States is one of the few countries which has within its own borders most of the natural resources which are required for

peace-time or wartime production. It is the lack of these resources which makes the position of some other nations so difficult.

So, when we think of our great manufacturing industries, we should think, too, of the industries which convert into usable form our tremendous natural resources. These industries have been brought to a high peak of productive efficiency under the private enterprise system. And it is these industries which will provide the life blood in arming both our own country and the embattled democracies across the seas. It is the abundance of our natural resources which make it possible for us, in the President's vivid phrase, to become the arsenal of democracy.

Industry Comes Through

With the throttle wide open on a big defense program, it is imperative that this country possess full information on the fuel that stokes the industrial engine—the so-called "strategic materials" of defense. And it is certainly amazing to note that industry, though wrapped up in day-to-day problems of production, not so long ago took out for itself the added task of finding out all about this matter.

Through the National Association of Manufacturers, industry has now completed a comprehensive survey of the world disposition of raw materials, setting forth how the war has cut off or curtailed vital shipments, and, further, blueprinting what can be done by government and industry to avoid resultant obstructions to defense progress.

This scholarly report has been turned over by the N.A.M. to the Office for Production Management and to the Secretaries of War and of the Navy. It is a complete job, dealing with many related subjects—the building-up of "stockpile" reserves, the development of new domestic sources, conservation of existing supplies, research for substitutes, and so on. Technically, it should prove of incalculable aid to the government and the country.

Its immediate lesson, however, is immediately applicable: That industry, without hesitation, has pitched in to make itself "all out" service to the country, and is doing a complete and breathtaking job in all the fields where it is qualified to serve. The country can well be heartened by evidences like this.

UNSELFISH

WALTER E. ISENHOUR, Hiddenite, N. C.

It's great to be unselfish, friend,
 Until we reach our journey's end;
 For such will make us great and good
 Like others who have nobly stood;
 Who left their mark when they were gone
 To bless the world right on and on,
 Thus helping men to Heaven's shore
 Where there is glory evermore.

To be unselfish means we give
 That other people, too, may live;
 That they may have some help to rise
 And run their race and gain the prize;
 That we desire success for all,—
 The wise and foolish, great and small,—
 And that we do our part and pray
 That men may climb life's upward way.

Unselfish men, and men of worth,
 Don't hoard the money of the earth;
 They do not build for self alone,
 Or seek to reach some earthly throne,
 That they may reign and rule in ease.
 And have the things of life that please;
 They give themselves to do the right
 And seek to make the world more bright.

This builds a monument more grand
 Than marble shaft upon the sand,
 To mark the place where we may sleep
 And friends resort sometimes to weep;
 For he who builds the lives of men
 Without a selfish purpose, then
 Erects a character and name
 More sacred than the laurels of fame.

More persons, it is said, speak English than any other language. Or a reasonable facsimile thereof.—Indianapolis News.

This winter California has been having a lot of unusual weather, as usual.—Wichita Eagle.

The song publishers' argument has brought a lot of old-time tunes back on the air—and, strangely enough, under their own names.—Amarillo News.

There is nothing wrong with American production, reports a commentator, just back from inspecting the senate amendment producing machinery.—Norfolk Virginia-Pilot.

A New Jersey woman without a stomach is reported to be feeling fine. And she'll probably feel better and better as the price of provisions goes up.—Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch.

Abnormal Absurdities

By DWIGHT NICHOLS, et al.

REPETITION FOR EMPHASIS
We said it when this column began but we repeat for emphasis: that opinions expressed in this column are those of its author and are not to be construed as forming any part of the policy of this newspaper. If there is any credit, we want it; if any blame we'll take it, whether we want it or not.

QUOTATIONS
You will only injure yourself if you take notice of despicable enemies.

It is useless attacking the in-sensible.

Gratitude is the sign of noble souls.

He that is neither one thing nor the other has no friends.

We often despise that which is most useful to us.

Better strave free than be a fat slave.

It is easy to despise that which you cannot get.

If you allow men to use you for your own purpose they will soon use you for theirs.

Be content with your lot; one cannot be first in everything.

We can easily represent things as we wish them to be.

Better one safe way than a hundred on which you cannot reckon.

Precious things are for those that can prize them.

Any excuse will serve a tyrant.

Beware lest you lose the substance by grasping at the shadow.

Better beans and bacon in peace than cakes and ale in fear.

Only cowards insult dying majesty.

Clumsy jesting is no joke.

Little friends may prove great friends.

Destroy the seed of evil or it will grow up to your ruin.

Much outcry, little outcome.

There is always someone worse off than yourself.

It is easy to be brave from a safe distance.

Outside show is a poor substitute for inner worth.

Probably you have heard some of the above quotations many times. It is interesting to note that they are taken from Aesop's Fables, a collection of ancient yarns attributed in part to a slave in Greece about 600 years B. C.

But literary men and historians agree that the fables with their proverbs as a climax to each cannot be attributed to any one man but are the essence of truth learned by many over a period of centuries. The fables were used to illustrate the proverbs.

It is more interesting to remark how well these proverbs over 2,000 years old fit situations today.

Take, for instance, the one about "Any excuse will serve a tyrant." Doesn't that fit Hitler like a glove?

HOW HE WOULD SAVE
Heard on the street: "Think I'll go to the show tonight."

"Which picture are you going to see?"

"Bad Man."

"Naw, just take a look at _____ and save thirty cents!"

(name censored in interest of safety—our safety).

DESCRIPTION OF COW
A cow has got two legs in front and two more in addition To hold up her chassis Her rear end and transmission.

ON READING
Often we hear educated people telling us we ought to spend our leisure time reading good literature.

But they don't tell us how to make it easy to read good literature instead of a Wild West Weekly, Breezy Stories, Pulp Comics, Torrid Love, or a thousand and one other things more entertaining but not uplifting.

They would be really helpful if they would tell how to make it easy to pick up and read Shakespeare's tragedies, Chaucer's poetry, Goldsmith's comedies, Darwin's scientific writings, Pastuer on medicine, Herodotus' histories, philosophical essays by Bacon, Pascal, Emerson, Lowell or many other great minds.

About the only way to do it is to set aside a period each day to read the better type. After a few days or weeks the reader will have found that he or she has cultivated a taste for better reading and it will be easy. It takes some self-discipline at first. It will not be every day, if the reader is of the average temperamental type, that he or she will be able to get anything out of the better reading because on some days the mind simply refuses to concentrate. Yet there must be regularity if the reading is to be effective.

SHORTAGE
Because of adverse weather conditions, Martin county farmers fear there will be a shortage of tobacco plants this year, says John E. Eagles, assistant farm agent of the N. C. Extension Service.

THE TALK OF WILKES



Here is a picture of that chair you have been hearing so much about—the one ordered purchased by Judge F. Donald Phillips at the March term of Wilkes county and for which he ordered the commissioners to pay the sum of \$84.97. (Photo by Dwight Nichols).

Happy Raleigh Man Learns He Has Sister

Raleigh, March 28.—The note written in pencil on a piece of rough paper, said:

"Dear brother, I've got so much to tell you, so please come as soon as possible."

And so Albert Walter Williams, 25-year-old Raleigh taxi driver will go to Lawndale, in western North Carolina, on Saturday for a reunion with a sister he didn't know existed.

In fact, Williams didn't know he had any family at all, until he received the letter. He was adopted at the age of four from a Greensboro institution by Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Williams, who then lived in Goldsboro but now are residents of Raleigh.

"I've been happy over a lot of things in my life," the young taxi driver said today, "but I guess this is a out and finer thing that's ever happened."

The letter was signed by Mr. Ruth Braddy, who traced Williams through the Greensboro institution.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed on the 25th day of June, 1926, to H. F. Gray, Trustee and H. F. Gray the original Trustee being now deceased and by order of Court the Undersigned Parks G. Hampton being duly appointed by the Court as substitute Trustee and default having been made in the payment of the same I the undersigned Substitute Trustee will on the 5th day of May, 1941, at 12 o'clock noon at the Courthouse in Wilkesboro, North Carolina, Wilkes County, offer for sale to the last and highest bidder for cash the following described property to-wit:

"New-Castle Township, Wilkes County, North Carolina. Beginning on two dogwood in Starling Rose line running West 19 chains to a hickory in J. C. Armstrong line; thence three chains fifty links to a persimmon South 45 degrees West; three chains 50 links up the angles of said creek to a rock thence South with J. C. Armstrong line as it meanders 24 chains and fifty links to a Post oak Thomas Armstrong corner. East on his line two chains and fifty links to a white oak sapling Henry Sims corner. Thence North on his line and the Elizabeth Blackmon tract 31 Chains and 75 links to the beginning including thirty nine acres, more or less."

This the 27th day of March, 1941
PARKS G. HAMPTON, Substitute Trustee.

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Ford-Gets Contract

Washington, March 28.—The war department disclosed today the award of a \$1,417,000 contract for motor trucks to Ford Motor company. The order was on behalf of the civilian conservation corps, the department said. It omitted a provision stipulating compliance with labor laws "where applicable" which stirred a controversy recently over previous orders to Ford.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Rufus Love, late of Wilkes county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned, whose address is North Wilkesboro, N. C., duly verified, on or before the 24th day of March, 1942, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their right to recover. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 24th day of March, 1941.
RALPH DAVIS,
Administrator of the estate of Rufus Love, dec'd.

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