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## Wilkes And Patriotism

Wilkes county has never failed in time of national crisis to do its part and more.

The canvass of farms to find out what Wilkes farmers will do for national defense in production of food is a striking example of the patriotism which never dies among our people.

They were asked to raise production of certain foods and feeds, including milk, poultry, eggs, meat, beef cattle, soybeans for market and barley, certain moderate percentages.

Incomplete tabulations of the canvass indicate that farmers of Wilkes next year will do more than three times the amount asked. That is typical of Wilkes people. They will go all the way.

Early Wilkes settlers were among the most courageous who fought for American independence and Wilkes people have given their best for their country in every period of emergency since that time.

We are all sincerely grateful for the part Wilkes has done in making American history, and are glad of the knowledge that the people of this grand old county are appreciative of liberty and freedom earned by the sacrifices of those who have gone on before.

## We And Inflation

Inflation is a subject that few people know. In a vague way, we understand it to mean that prices would get so high that money would be of little value.

Various schemes have been considered to check inflation. Parts of some of them are practical.

The government leans to the side of excessive taxation to check inflation. It perhaps would accomplish that purpose but it would bring hardships on many poor people.

It has been proposed that a wage tax of three to five per cent be imposed in order to check inflation. That would be good for those who are making high wages but what about the person with his salary more or less fixed in the lower, modest brackets?

If a wage tax to check inflation is imposed, let it be on those who have received substantial wage increases.

Defense work has boosted wages double and triple in some parts of the country. In other parts there have been only moderate increases. Any tax to check inflation would of necessity be based on increased earnings rather than total earnings if the little man was not to be taxed out of a decent existence.

Wage earners in this neck of the woods who have enough money to bring about any degree of inflation are as scarce as hen's teeth. Should they be taxed to a point of suffering in order to take care of localities where defense works have caused wages to skyrocket?

## He Will Fight For His Home

A young man in Yadkin county was called for service in the United States Army the other day and sought exemption from combat service on the ground that he was a conscientious objector. But after a talk with Troy Martin, clerk of the Yadkin County Selective Service Board, he changed his mind. Bill Rutledge, in The Yadkin Ripple, tells us why:

During the conversation the boy said, "I would fight if the Germans came to my home, because I would defend my family."

"Where is your home?" asked Mr. Martin.

"In the Deep Creek section," the boy answered.

"Where is the Deep Creek section?" the Clerk replied.

"It's in Forbush township."

"And where is that?" he was asked

back. "It's in Yadkin county," the boy answered, with a puzzled expression. "And where is that?" "In North Carolina," he said. "And where is that?" "In the United States," the boy answered.

"Now do you see?" Mr. Martin told him. "It doesn't take long for a bomber to come in from the coast, does it?"

The boy sat for a moment without speaking. "May I have my questionnaire for a minute?" he asked. When it was handed to him he took the exemption form from his questionnaire. He then walked over to the stove, took off the cover, and placed it in the fire. "Just forget about my objection," he said.—Winston-Salem Journal.

## RULES OF THE ROAD

### Bicycles As Vehicles

Article 1, Motor Vehicle Laws of North Carolina:—"(ff) . . . for the purposes of this Act, bicycles shall be deemed vehicles, and every rider of a bicycle upon a highway shall be subject to the provisions of this Act applicable to the driver of a vehicle except those which by their nature can have no application."

This means that bicycle riders must obey stop signs and stop lights, give hand signals when preparing to stop or turn, ride on the right, et cetera. In other words, bicycle riders are required to obey all the general traffic rules and regulations that drivers of motor vehicles have to obey except those which could not apply to bicycles, such as the 60-mile maximum speed law.

## Borrowed Comment

### HAROLD'S HARD WEEK

(The Indianapolis (Ind.) News)

It was a hard week for Secretary Ickes. First, a United States district judge held that the Aluminum Company of America is not a monopoly, trust, or trade restrainer. Secretary Ickes decided long ago, though, that the company was a monopoly. In that ground he refused to sell federal power to it. That decision is one reason for the country's aluminum shortage.

The next day the British said that they would be glad to return 10 or 15 of the oil tankers that they borrowed from the United States. Secretary Ickes had declared weeks ago that the British had to have the tankers or perish. On this conclusion he based his gasoline rationing order to eastern states. First the railroads show that if their 22,000 tank cars were used there would be plenty of gasoline in the east, then the British said that they did not need all the tankers.

In the parade of the genial secretary's misfortunes things never seem to come alone. When he has a bad week he really has a bad week. It was bad enough for an American judge to decide against him, but when the British government put him back on his heels it must have been nearly too much. However that will not stop his quest for evils to correct. He'll find some more, even if he has to look in Washington for them.

## AN EXAMPLE OF THRIFT

(Waynesville Mountaineer)

According to authorities, the scrap aluminum collected in the recent drive amounted to 11,835,139 pounds. This is reported to be short of what was expected, but even so it is an impressive total when we are told that 350 big four-motored bombers could be built from it.

The drive was well worth the trouble. We are an extravagant people, and it was a fine lesson in thrift and saving. It no doubt will be the means of showing the American people other hidden sources of materials that are going to waste.

There are other phases beside collecting aluminum to the drive which includes, making us more conscious of the needs of defense, and offering a means by which the most humble person could do their part, as we feel they did all over the country.

## NEW SERVITUDE

(Charlotte Observer)

Although gasoline curtailment was supposed to have been in effect during the late summer and early fall, the State finds its revenue from the tax on motor fuel nearly 18 per cent above that for the corresponding five months of the preceding fiscal year. People are determined to ride. They have an ache to get somewhere quick, leaving early and go somewhere else faster.

# Abnormal Absurdities

By DWIGHT NICHOLS, et al.

### ALMANAC TIME AGAIN

One of the most sought for publications at this time of the year is Blum's almanac. It has been published for more than 100 years and its popularity does not appear to diminish.

Many people swear by Blum's almanac and some who do not believe in the signs of the zodiac and whose farming operations are governed by those who do, swear at it.

Blum's is the time honored authority for signs about when to plant, when not to plant, when to harvest and kill, etc.

Blum's is also the book which contains some very interesting stories. Many after dinner speakers have old copies of Blum's almanac which they study at frequent times to get some jokes so old that they are new again.

Some may think this comment for the publication is a commercial plug, or advertisement, but such is not the case. We figure that about everybody will buy one anyway, so this will not help the publishers.

After we go out and get one of the almanacs, we may give you a preview of some of its articles.

### WOULD GO HOME

Ben Harrison, a member of Company A at Fort Jackson, S. C., wrote his father, W. G. Harrison, something like this on a postal card:

"If I had a farm in South Carolina and a home in Hades I would sell my farm and go home"

### THE WIFE'S TROUBLES

The farmers wife has no excuse for not being cultured and up-to-date. All she has to do is cook the meals and wash the dishes and mop the floor and scrub the steps and wash the clothes and mend the linen and darn the socks and milk the cows and churn the butter and feed the chickens and bathe the children and can the fruit and cut the children's hair and set the dog on ramps and chase the cat out of the milk house and polish the silver and black the stove and straighten the shades and settle the children's scraps and shoo the hens off the porch and wipe

up the mud father and the boys track in and bake the bread and make the cake and chase the pigs out of the garden and answer the telephone and sift the ants out of the sugar and air the feather beds and heat the water for father to wash his feet and watch out for bed bugs and get the men up in the morning and gather the eggs and set the hens and keep the neighbor's baby while she goes to town and get the children off to school and get rid of insurance agents and spray the fruit trees and gather the berries and trim the lamps and swat the flies and empty the ashes and stop the pigs and peel the peaches and rake the lawn and feed the pet lambs and string the beans, and fill the lantern and sort the apples and the men's collar buttons and carry in the wood and pick the geese and answer the door bell and tell the men what they did with the axe the last time they used it and write a letter to mother. Then in the afternoon she can go to the missionary meeting and work her head off for the heathen. — Author Unknown.

## Paris Fined For Bombing

Paris, German-Occupied France.—The German commander of Paris fined the city 1,000,000 francs (officially \$20,000) yesterday for the bombing of a Nazi-requisitioned restaurant.

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a method of reprisal which is replacing the shooting of hostages. The announcement by Colonel General Ernst Von Schaumburg was the first disclosure of the bombing itself.

Those responsible for the bombing have not been caught.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE**  
Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Odie T. Gilbert, 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 Boomer, N. C., duly verified, on or before the 1st day of December, 1942, or this notice will be plead in bar of their right to recover. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 1st day of December, 1941.  
MRS. ODIE T. GILBERT,  
Administrator of the estate of Odie T. Gilbert, dec'd.  
1-5-6t (m)

The Germans also ordered all restaurants and cafes in the left bank quarter of left-bank Paris along the Boulevard St. Michel and Boulevard Montparnasse, to be closed at 5 p. m. from November 27 to November 30 inclusive.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE**  
Having qualified as administrator of the estate of W. J. Horton, 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 Route three, Box 230, Lenoir, N. C., duly verified, on or before the 1st day of December, 1942, or this notice will be plead in bar of their right to recover. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

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