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Patriotism Based On Profits

American industry is capable of meeting the demands of the country's defense program, but dickerings over contracts in Washington during recent days would indicate that industry's patriotism is based on profits, to a large extent.

One manufacturer, realizing that he could not place labor in bondage and pile up huge profits at the expense of the working man, wiggled out of his bragging and boasting by declaring he would not make a single plane if he was called upon to fill foreign orders.

Another manufacturer argued over the 7 per cent profit figure he was to be allowed for making planes. He wanted to know more about the profit schedule before taking steps to defend his own country.

Possibly in this democracy of ours everyone is entitled to know what he is supposed to do, how much he will get for his work. But the recent reports coming out of Washington would indicate that we are about in the same position France was in just before she was invaded. Industry and wealth in that country maintained the profit schedule and shifted the tax load to the poorer classes. Labor was demanded to give more, and the common soldier was called upon to give his life for the fancy sum of only a few cents a day.

Labor in this country today is not receiving a living wage. The farmer is being called upon to produce food and feed and sell it at a price below the cost of production. But in those industries where a few industrial magnates hold the reins, the government is told to guarantee them profits or there'll be no contracts.

This country will be solidified when industry starts selling war goods and machines at a price below the cost of production, or when the laborer gets a living wage and the farmer receives 15 cents for cotton and 25 or 30 cents for tobacco. Until all forces enjoy an economic balance, this country will not be prepared and ready to go to war. Everyone will either have to base his patriotism on profits, or everyone will have to sacrifice his personal claims and join all the others in the common task of defending ourselves and all that we enjoy.

No Claim To Protection

Fifth columnists who would destroy this country have no claim to protection under the constitution. In this connection, the Oskaloosa (Iowa) Herald interestingly comments, as follows:

The howl from American Communist and Fascist groups, following the nation-wide drive against "fifth column" activities again brought to the fore the question of whether or not groups and individuals, seeking to overthrow the present form of government have the right to seek protection under the constitution they seek to destroy. With democracy on trial and in danger of extinction, United States citizens are at last protesting against the activities of un-American elements.

Under the Constitution, Communist, Fascist, and Nazi groups have openly organized, held meetings, and distributed propaganda extolling the totalitarian form of government, and discrediting the democratic philosophy. These activities are admittedly carried on at the sufferance of a democratic people, and the subversive elements while taking full advantage of democratic privileges of free speech, assembly, and press point to this sufferance as one of the great weaknesses of our system.

When the founding fathers set up this government under the Constitution, they attempted to provide freedom for all. But they did not specify that this freedom should extend to a point where it could not defend itself from destruction. On this point most Americans agree—any group or individual that conspires to overthrow the Constitution and the freedom it guarantees should not be protected by that Constitution.

There is as much difference between genuine patience and sullen endurance, as between the smile of love and the malicious gnashing of the teeth.—Plumer.

Ignoring Them Both

Back in 1908, Theodore Roosevelt said: "Conservation of natural resources is the fundamental problem. Unless we solve that problem, it will be of little avail to solve all others. It is the chief material problem that confronts us, second only—and second always—to the great fundamental questions of morality."

We continue to go break-neck speed ahead, ignoring both of the fundamental problems in part, if not in their entirety.

There is no harm in taking natural resources and using them for the benefit of mankind, but when we rob the earth of its basic wealth and convert it into wild pleasure, we can well anticipate that the price of our folly will be exacted sooner or later, possibly by denying to us the bare necessities of life.

War, depressions and balanced budgets may be more immediately pressing, but these problems will be history in a year or two. The question is, will we conserve our natural resources that the foundation of wealth might withstand the blows that are to come, and will our moral stamina be sufficient to hold us together in the troublous times that are to come?

Possibly those before us were equally as bad as we are. But aren't the chaotic conditions as they exist today bad enough for us to see that a change is needed? Why wait and suffer more misery when we can correct our faults, some of them at least, now?

Survival Of The Fittest

Marked for its severity and immedite in action, the theory of the survival of the fittest will be put into practice on a staggering and drastic scale when fall and winter come in the conquered nations of Europe.

Tens of thousands are already facing starvation as the beast, Hitler, steals food and supplies from the mouths of defenseless people and stores it away in Germany for use among his own barbarians.

There's something radically wrong when surpluses piled up in one part of the world throw the economic order out of balance while millions face hunger and want in other parts.

Surely there must be some laws yet undiscovered by or advanced by man that will not permit needless starvation among mankind. But those laws will not be recognized or given a chance to function as long as we practice selfishness and hold no feeling for others.

Uproar

Charlotte News.

Adolf Hitler has specifically said that he means to take over Latin America once Europe is his, and reduce the United States to a Nazi satrapy. In Latin American his agents are busy about the job. The Brazilian Government is at this moment making up to Hitlerism. Uruguay has just uncovered a gigantic plot to take her over. Mexico is notoriously in danger, and so is Guatemala.

And in the East Japan spurns American offers of closer relations, loudly turns to the Axis. An iron ring is being drawn around the United States.

If England falls we shall quickly face the choice of quietly surrendering Latin America, and eventually ourselves, to be Nazified—or of trying to fight off attack from two oceans. If we are to have any chance to succeed against that attack, the British Navy will have to be withdrawn to this side.

Yet, in the face of the plain fact, cow statesmen scream and storm on the floor of the Senate that the President of the United States is trying to get us into war and that he ought to be forced to resign.

And why? Because the President faces the facts and does his best to help England to win, so that the peril will be averted from our own door. Because the President appoints to his Cabinet two Republicans of the highest intelligence, integrity and dignity.

The main part of the uproar of course is simply due to the outrage of professional politicians over the fact that the game is not being played according to their rules. The Democratic politicoes are raving mad at seeing two such splendid pieces of pork handed to Republicans when there were so many "deserving Democrats" about. And the Republicans have blood in their eyes because the two nominees have violated the good old rule that you never have any truck with a President of the other party but always plaster him, even though it means the wreck of the country.

But with men like Gerald P. Nye it is not this so much as a cross-grained determination to stick to a position once taken, no matter how idiotic it has been revealed to be. Does Gerald P. Nye believe Adolf Hitler when he says that he has no designs on the Western Hemisphere? He does not, for Nye is no simpleton. Yet he keeps on thundering about "keeping us out of war." It is a combination of wish-thinking and stubborn wilfulness.

Gerald P. Nye is no Fifth Columnist. But, with his fellows in the Senate, he is a Sixth Column, worth two million assorted Fifth Columnists to Adolf Hitler. For their deeds and words perfectly bear out what Hitler has said of democracies, that they are incapable of rising above petty motives and fuddled thinking at times of peril and coming to the rational decision which is always indicated by the facts.

Simplicity, of all things, is the hardest to be copied.—Steele.

Our Prodigal Fathers

By REV. Z. T. PIEPHOFF
Pastor, Presbyterian Church

As has already been noticed, it is possible for a father to drift away from his son, just as easily as it is for a son to drift away from his father. A father becomes a prodigal father when he shifts the responsibilities that are his as the head of the house upon the shoulders of the mother.

Another reason why this responsibility should not be shifted to mother, is because a boy always chooses a man for his hero. While in their teens both boys and girls pass through a period of hero worship. While a girl may choose either a man or a woman as her hero, a boy never does. He always chooses a man, and that man is usually his father. In cases where a boy cannot find in his father characteristics worthy of a hero, he turns to the father of some other boy. In cases where a boy does not choose his father as his hero, the reason isn't that the boy is abnormal, but that the father has not been all that he should have been to his son.

From the smallest to oldest boys love to be with someone older than they are. For example, in Boy Scout camps and in summer camps, the boys are divided into various groups and each group has an older boy or man as a leader or counsellor. It is the duty of these leaders to take the boys on hikes and as he does he tells to them the various stars and constellations. When they arrive back in camp they vow to each other that their counsellor is the best one in camp and they always want that particular counsellor to be with them all the time. From him they will learn the secrets of the great outdoors and of life. A boy needs someone to go to with his problems, and may I suggest that his problems as unimportant as you may think them to be, are just as important, if not more so to him, than are the problems that we as fathers face daily ourselves, and if a boy cannot go to his father with his problems and for needed information and truth, then he is going to the place where it can be obtained, which is usually from some boy or man or group which will relish the opportunity to misguide and misinform your boy. Fathers, your sons want you and they need you.

What more proof do we need than the experience of this Prodigal Son who after he had wasted his substance in riotous living, found himself, wasted not only in body but in soul, and realizing that there was within him a great spiritual famine and a need for companionship, advice and sympathy, said, "I will arise and go." Where? To those who had helped him spend his inheritance? No. To those for whom he was working? No. To others of his acquaintance? No. To his mother? No. To whom then did he go? To his father, of course. This boy knew that even though he had sinned against his father and was no more worthy to be called his son, yet, deep down in his heart he knew that the person he needed and the person that he wanted more than any other person in the world, was his father.

Yes, our sons need us—they want us—they need and want our companionship, our love and affection, our sympathy and our counsel and advice.

And the father who isn't needed and wanted by his son is a prodigal father.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Washington Division.
In Bankruptcy No. 724.
In the Matter of: Samuel Zemon, individually and formerly trading as Sam's Economy Store, Williamston, N. C. Voluntary Bankrupt.
Notice is hereby given that Monday, August 19, 1940, has been fixed by an order of the court entered at the first meeting of creditors, as the last day on which objections to the discharge of this bankrupt may be filed.
Such objections are required to be specified, to be verified, to be in duplicate, and to be filed with the undersigned.
WHEELER MARTIN,
U. S. Referee in Bankruptcy,
Williamston, N. C.
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Octagon Soap, small 16 for 23c
Octagon Powder, large 6 for 25c
Octagon Powder, small 16 for 23c
Octagon Toilet 6 for 25c
Octagon Cleanser 2 for 9c
Octagon Flakes 2 for 18c
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Crystal White Soap 3 for 14c
Hollywood Beauty 3 for 14c
Klek (Pumice) Soap 3 for 14c
Creme Oil Soap 3 for 14c
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Triple Cake Soap 3 for 18c
Vogue 3 for 14c
Fairsex 4 for 16c

CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

Ninth Sunday after Trinity.
Church school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m. by Mr. Sidney Mason.
The following music will be given at the 11 o'clock service:
Prelude, Battman;
Processional, Holy, Holy, Holy;
Venite, Exultemus Domino, Anon.;
Gloria Patri, Danes;
Benedictus de Domine, Stuits;
Jubilate Deo, Aldrich;
Offertory; Duet, My Task, Ashford;
Recessional, The Morning Light Is Breaking;
Postlude, Frost.

CHRISTIAN

Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m. Subject, "The Eternal Quest of the Spirit."
Interdenominational Young People meet at the Baptist Church at 3:30. All the young people of Williamston are urged to be present.
Young People's meeting at the church, 7:15 p. m. Subject, "Zeal Pays Dividends."
Evening service, 8 p. m. Subject, "Read Your Commission." Pastor will speak at both services.
Woman's Council meets Monday, 4 p. m. at the church.
Young People's choir rehearsal on Monday, 7:30 p. m.
Thursday, 8 p. m. Mid-week service. Subject, "Adorning the Doctrine."
Young People's choir will sing at the morning service in the Christian Church. A warm welcome awaits any not having a church home in Williamston or visitors at the Williamston Christian Church.

METHODIST

Regular services will be held at the Methodist Church Sunday morning and evening. The pastor will preach Sunday morning on "The Rise of a New Faith."
Sunday night at 8 o'clock Rev. B. B. Slaughter, district superintendent, will preach and hold the third quarterly conference at the close of the service.
Church school meets at 9:45 a. m. Epworth league, 7:15 p. m.
The young people's choir under the direction of Mrs. James M. Ward, will sing at both services Sunday.
Prayer services Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.
The pastor will preach at Holly Springs at 3:30 p. m. Sunday afternoon.

BAPTIST

Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m. B. T. U., 7 p. m.
Evening worship, 8 p. m.
"The Oldest Missionary Society" and "The Faith Once For All Delivered," are the sermon topics for Sunday.

INCREASE

The number of people working on American farms increased by approximately 140,000 persons from January 1 to February 1, reports the U. S. Agricultural Marketing Service.

NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court.
County of Martin against Bertha Purvis and others.
The defendants, Rosa Purvis and

Essie Purvis, above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to foreclose the taxes on land in Martin County in which said defendants have an interest; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County at his office in Williamston, North Carolina, within thirty (30) days after the completion of this service of publication by notice and to answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff in this action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.
This the 11th day of July, 1940.
L. B. WYNNE,
Clerk Superior Court of Martin County.

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Tuesday-Wednesday July 23-24 "Buck Benny Rides Again" JACK BENNY, ED "Rochester" ANDERSON	Friday-Saturday July 26-27 "The Dark Command" JOHN WAYNE and CLAIRE TREVOR

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