

Arbitration Boards To Prevent Strikes

Increasing recourse to arbitration for settling disputes that might disrupt production and stem the flow of defense materials has been noted by Cornelius V. Whitney, new president of the American Arbitration Association. In a single week of December, Whitney said, more than 200 firms and unions have sought information on procedure in arbitrating disputes—and a majority of these requests have come from parties engaged in important defense projects. This significant trend toward prevention of strikes and stoppages by voluntary means may be interpreted as a heartening sign of labor-management cooperation in the interests of national defense. During recent weeks, the association's president pointed out, more than a score of unions have been added to those already using the facilities of the voluntary industrial arbitration tribunal of the organization to settle their controversies with employers.

See Silver Lining In Plane Manufacture

First important "priorities" ruling put in effect to aid the defense drive was decision that the aircraft industry, through 1941, may make only replacements for existing commercial planes—so that all expanded facilities can be devoted to producing military planes and engines for them. Although this seems to put a halt on one of the most sensationally-expanding young industries, government officials see a silver lining for the industry. That is that it will reap the benefits of the tremendous amount of laboratory work, experimentation and trial being done by Uncle Sam and John Bull on military aircraft. Of course, the technical advances resulting from this effort are primarily directed to increasing the efficiency of planes for fighting purposes, but many of the changes and improvements worked out will be equally valuable for adaptation to commercial flying. And it would cost the commercial plane industry a pretty penny to run that volume of experimentation "on their own".

FIRST TRAINEES ACCEPTED



Entering Fort Bragg last week, Martin County's first trainees were formally accepted into the Army there on Tuesday of this week. The picture above shows Leslie Worth Pierce, second from left, and Ellis Clifton Wynne, right end, telling Board Members J. H. Ayers, left, and R. H. Goodman, third from left end, goodbye just before boarding a bus in Williamston for the Army camp. Dr. Jesse Ward, a third member of the draft board, was unable to attend the meeting.

This Week In Defense

"As President Roosevelt defined 'effective rearmament' and as increased attention was paid to defense financing and the effect of total defense on the civilian population, defense preparations this week accelerated with the ordering of additional production facilities and the speeding of work in established plants. In a message to the American Farm Bureau Federation, the President defined total defense as "more than munitions and men. It means an equitable distribution of the wealth from our unparalleled resources, help for the underprivileged, security for workers and farmers and whatever is necessary to keep democracy a dynamic force." The call for further efforts came from Coordinator of National Defense Purchases Donald Nelson who told the Bankers Club of Chicago that he saw "disturbing signs that the American public is not yet fully aware of the peril" from the wars abroad and that he sensed a "let-down... a form of drowsiness induced by familiarity with the struggle."

"The realities of today cry out for speed, speed and more speed on national defense," Mr. Nelson said. "This means more work, more disturbance to 'normal' processes, more sacrifice on the part of everybody. We must shrug off this drowsiness... this sense of complacency... reject these slogans... that tell us we can build up the mightiest defense machine in history and at the same time continue 'business as usual'... that we can have our cake and eat it too." The NDAC official said. "The democratic way is for groups that sometime feel that their interests conflict—labor and management groups, farm and city groups, consumer and producer groups—to join their collective assets and capacities into the one supreme effort."

Indications of increasing speed. The NDAC disclosed in a statement to the press that new fighting ships for the Navy are being commissioned at the rate of one every 12 days. The commission said that acceleration of the \$7,700,000,000, two-ocean fleet program had cut the 40-months period normally required to complete cruisers to 35 months in some cases; that submarine construction had been cut from 30 to 24 months; and that destroyers were being launched three months ahead of schedule.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Compton told reporters that the Navy's building program now has "a running start" and "our main job is to keep it rolling." Stating to the American Merchant Marine Conference in New Orleans that a strong Merchant Marine is essential to U. S. industry and the U. S. Navy, Rear Admiral Land, NDAC Coordinator of Shipping, declared that "the defense program of the Maritime Commission is far ahead along than any other comparable defense activity but I am not satisfied that we are far enough along."

The Admiral added that although there are "real problems yet to be met and solved," the "ground work is prepared." Under the Maritime Commission program started in 1936, he said, 170 new ships were begun, 84 of which have been launched with one additional being launched each week. Another indication of increased speed came when Col. Brehon Somervell, former New York City WPA administrator, was appointed chief, Construction Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, in charge of Army camp construction shortly after Secretary of War Stimson told a press conference that although "in general... it seems to be a very creditable performance so far," construction delays at Army camps have forced the date of induction into the Federal service of 96,000 National Guardsmen from February 3 to "not later than April 1."

Intention of labor to assist in expediting the defense effort was indicated when the NDAC Labor Policy Advisory Committee made public a statement pledging labor's continued cooperation in a program of uninterrupted work in defense industries. NDAC Commissioner Hillman declared that "the point of view expressed by this committee, which speaks for all sections of organized labor, again confirms and underscores what has been and remains the serious determination of labor's leaders and its rank and file to give unstinted support to insure the success of the national defense program."

Commissioner Lubin of the Bureau of Labor Statistics predicted that jobs for 6,000,000 will have been created directly or indirectly by the defense program by Christmas 1941. Testifying before the House committee investigating migrant labor problems, Mr. Lubin said that defense industries alone will have created 4,000,000 new jobs while 2,000,000 additional jobs will have been created in occupations serving the defense workers.

Visits Here Tuesday. Jimmy Lightburn, of Burlington, visited friends here Tuesday.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE. Having this day qualified as administratrix of the estate of the late W. C. Andrews, deceased, of Oak City, Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them for payment on or before the 17th day of December, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate settlement. This the 17th day of Dec. 1940. MRS. CHARITY ANDREWS, Administratrix of W. C. Andrews, deceased.

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina. Martin County. In the Superior Court. County of Martin vs. Tom Perry and Others. Under and by virtue of an order of sale and judgment made by L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, on the 16th day of December, 1940, the undersigned commissioner will, on the 17th day of January, 1941, at twelve o'clock noon, in front of the courthouse door in Martin County, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following described tract or parcel of land, to wit: A. Beginning at a Sweet Gum, Nathan Mizell's corner in Daucey's line, running thence along said Mizell's line to Samuel Whitley's line, thence along Whitley's line to the run of Smithwick Creek, thence down the various courses of said creek to Eason's corner, thence along and with Eason's line to Roanoke River, thence down said river to Tatting Hut, thence along said run to Hawtree Landing, Daucey's line, thence along said Daucey's line to the beginning, containing 340 acres, more or less. The above property was conveyed to L. H. Perry from Emma V. Stallings by deed recorded in Book 000 page 418 and by deed from J. H. Mizell et ux to L. H. Perry recorded in Book SSS, page 78. Better description may be had by reference to Book NN, page 268 and 9.

more or less.

The above property was conveyed to L. H. Perry by N. T. Harris et ux by deed recorded in Book L-1 at page 18. C. Third Tract: Beginning at a small ash on the edge of Roanoke River, thence up the river to the mouth of Sweeten Water Creek, thence up the run of said creek to Jas. B. Riggsbee's corner, thence a straight line to the beginning, containing 25 acres, more or less. This the 16th day of Dec. 1940. ELBERT S. PEEL, Commissioner.

Two Types Insects That Attack Shrubs

You can look a horse in the mouth and tell how it is. "You can also look at the mouth of an insect which is attacking flowers and shrubs and tell what kind of poison or insecticide to use against it," says J. O. Rowell, entomologist of the N. C. State College Extension Service. There are, generally speaking, two major groups of insects from the standpoint of control, Rowell explained. One group includes those insects with chewing mouth parts and which are controlled, for the most part, through the use of stomach poisons. The second group includes insects with sucking mouth parts and these are controlled mainly through the use of contact insecticides and fumigants. The entomologist says that it is usually very easy to identify the insects with chewing mouth parts, either by examination of the mouth parts or by observing the nature of their attack. Representatives of this group include grasshoppers, leaf chafers and caterpillars. "Perhaps the most satisfactory stomach poison on the market to control 'chewers' is arsenate of lead," Rowell declared. "It can be used as a dust or spray, but caution is advised since it is poisonous to humans and animals." The insects with sucking mouth parts include plant lice, scale, insects and leaf hoppers. They suck the juice from their host plants. The most common and widely used contact insecticide for this type of insect is nicotine which may be applied as a spray or dust. Rowell stated in conclusion that a satisfactory combination stomach poison and contact spray may be made by preparing an arsenate of lead solution and adding 1-2 ounce of soap and 1 teaspoonful of 40 per cent nicotine sulphate for each gallon of arsenate of lead solution.

HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS

By Mary Brown Allgood, Home Service Director, Virginia Electric And Power Company

"Our Christmas festivities are individual. American. They are like those of no one country, but like tapestry that has been patterned with many beautiful threads. Our festivities reflect the customs, beliefs and superstitions of many and widely separated lands." One of the customs is that of making colorful cookie cut-outs to hang on Christmas trees, tuck into odd corners of gifts for shut-ins, to slip into tiny tot's pockets and leave in stacks on a table quite convenient for Santa, his helpers and guests. We are told that Christmas cookies are a survival of the custom by which confections were given to the Roman Senators during the festivities of Christmas time in the early ages.

- Crisp Ginger Cookies**
- 1 cup sugar
 - 1 cup shortening, melted
 - 1 cup molasses
 - 2 eggs, beaten
 - 2 tsp each ginger, soda, vinegar
 - 1 tsp salt
 - 6 to 7 cups flour
- Heat and stir sugar, molasses and shortening until shortening is melted. Add vinegar—cool—add remaining ingredients—chill—roll thin—cut into numerous shapes and bake at 400° 8 to 10 minutes. Store in tin container to keep crisp.
- Variation: Use 1 tsp cinnamon, 1 tsp each of cloves, nutmeg, allspice and ginger.

- One of the many superstitions is that to eat an apple at midnight on Christmas Eve is to enjoy good health for the following twelve months.
- Sugar Cookies For Cut-Outs**
- 2 cups flour
 - 1-4 tsp nutmeg
 - 1-2 tsp baking powder
 - 1-4 tsp salt
 - 1-2 cup shortening
 - 3-4 cup sugar
 - 1 egg well beaten
 - 1 tsp milk
- Cream shortening and sugar until light and fluffy. Add egg and milk and blend thoroughly. Combine with dry ingredients (sifted together) to form a stiff dough. Chill. Roll out to one-fourth inch thickness, cut with cookie cutter. Bake 400° 12 minutes.

Santa Claus: Use Santa Claus cutter. Brush surface with egg white. Decorate with red colored sugar. Fill the top of bag with colored candies or silver dragees. After baking outline with confectioner's icing put through a pastry tube. Boots are painted with melted chocolate.

Christmas Trees: Can be decorated with red and green sugar sprinkles over egg white in diagonal bands—or with vari-colored sugar.

Wreath Cookies: Cut with a doughnut cutter. Brush surface with egg white. Decorate with cinnamon drops and strips of gum drop leaves.

- Ginger Bread Boys**
- 1 cup molasses
 - 1-2 cup water
 - 1 tsp ginger
 - 1-2 tsp soda
 - 1-4 cup shortening
 - 4 to 5 cups flour
- Combine ingredients in order given—mix thoroughly. Roll dough to 1-8 inch thickness—cut with ginger bread boy cutter. Place on greased baking sheet—decorate with raisins, cherries and citron. Bake 10-15 min. at 400°.

Around the cookie trays you prepare on Christmas Eve while Santa's helpers are quite busy beautifying the home with holiday magic, let us not forget the light in the window and the belief that it represents.

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