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### Our First Challenge

Martin County people have received their first challenge. Suffice it to say here and now, that the challenge will not and cannot be successfully met by a lot of idle talk and a long-ing look to the other fellow to do more than his part. We have heard about the unity following the Hawaiian attack. Will we maintain that unity with action right here in Martin County?

Regretfully, the Martin County Chapter of the American Red Cross has not raised its initial quota of \$1,100. To aggravate that situation comes a call for \$2,000 more, and ere this struggle is won there'll be more calls. We will do well to recognize the facts and act.

In behalf of the young men who are offering their lives and in behalf of our country and our way of life, we must act now and keep on acting, not by talking idly but by digging down deep into our pockets and offering sizable contributions to the Red Cross and any and all other agencies created in the name of humanity and as a means of meeting the emergency now upon us.

It has been pointed out that the Red Cross call does not fix a lone dollar as the maximum expected. Those who contributed \$1 in the initial drive are now expected to give another dollar, yes, \$5, \$10, \$100 or even more. Those who have offered the nickels and dimes are expected to forego the lines forming at the doors of amusement places and even cut down on their food purchases that they might help meet the first challenge. If we fail to meet this challenge, we have little hope of and little right to expect final victory.

Be your own judge in this crisis. If you have given until it hurts, then rest in peace. If you have tarried behind in your support, then expect your science to recall vividly to your mind the sacrifices that our young men and others are making on the field of battle and in the many lines of endeavor for the successful prosecution of the war. The support of every individual is vitally necessary, and if we falter in giving that support we have broken the faith with such men as Captain Kelly and others who have laid down their lives and others who are offering their lives in our defense and for our production.

Reaping our greatest reward in years from the 1941 harvest, there should be no trouble in raising \$2,000, yes ten times \$2,000. But it can't be and won't be raised until everyone contributes his part. See your Red Cross canvasser today and in a definite and concrete way show that you are willing to share what you have that our way of life may not be blotted out.

### The Tide Has Turned

About six months ago a blood-thirsty German barbarian horde started a ruthless attack on Russia. Always apt in grasping the upper crust of a deep meaning we blated out in the headlines and over the air that it was a wonderful opportunity for each to devour the other. We poor gullible souls could not or would not see even a few months ahead when we would be looking longingly at Russia for some protection of our own hides. We did not recognize that a poor people had surrendered their lives by the millions and their property in untold amounts in fighting for us indirectly if not directly. We, after a high-hat fashion, agreed that we would not kill the snake as long as the snake was attacking an enemy closer to us.

Long weeks passed after Germany started its crushing drive into Russia, and finally and against a strong opposition we sent a commission to Russia to find out what those hard-pressed people wanted. The reports filed by that commission were encouraging, and upon the action taken following the return of the commission this country today bases its hope for some help from Russia in handling the serious problem in the Pacific and possibly in other sections of the world. Its life blood almost drained from its frail body, Russia can hardly be expected to take up a large part of this country's burden today or tomorrow, but it is reasonable to believe that despite all the harsh and unkind remarks directed at the heart of the Russian people that those war-weary people will do what

they can to us who have heaped condemnation down upon their heads and who while claiming to be Christians have acted the part of heathens and bigots.

Those who vigorously and bitterly opposed American aid to Russia, strange as it may seem are now expressing stinging impatience because Russia does not step into the fore and tackle Japan.

The tide of events has turned, but we still hold to our high perch from which we heap condemnation down upon others first because they did not devour each other and secondly because one who was not devoured does not rush immediately to our aid.

In war, even in communism and even in religion there is some vulnerable spot where Christian action can enter to the advantage of all mankind. Sad to relate, Christianity has not guided our relations with Russia in the past. All we did was done after a sneering and condemning fashion. Possibly if we had practiced our professed Christian principles in dealing with Russia, Russia may have cast off its ways and accepted our own. And maybe if we had looked upon a struggling people with compassion, we would not be hovering doubt in our minds today as to what to expect from Russia. The people of this nation know why they are doubting Russia's future action—they know we have little claim on Russia for any kind of aid.

May Russia forgive us of our foolish ways and our hasty remarks and help in the protection of our young men and our everything.

### Are We One People?

By Ruth Taylor.

In the past month I have traveled from one end of the continent to the other—through big towns, little towns and villages. And wherever I have spoken, I have been asked one question—is there a difference between the people in the various sections of this land of ours?

If there is, I have not found it—for the one thing which impressed me most was the unity of purpose on basic questions. The difference lies in the method by which that purpose is to be achieved.

Fundamentally the desires are the same—a home, a family, honest work at fair recompense, friends and leisure time enough to enjoy life. But these desires imply other things as well—a home safe from fear; a family growing together with common ideals and aspirations; honest work at some constructive task, at a recompense that will enable a family to live decently, honestly and with enough margin to save for the future; friends who are free to be loyal and kind; leisure in which to learn and in which to take part in community life, to serve as a citizen for the betterment of all.

These are the basic aspirations. But they require peace and prosperity to work them out. Not a peace of appeasement nor a prosperity of wild speculation, but a peace based on justice toward all and a prosperity with a sound economic footing.

We can achieve this goal in our time—for our children's time—if we act as a nation. We are the greatest single force in the world today, if we act as ONE—not in slavish obedience, but in willing cooperation. We have the natural resources and the productive ability to make us the strongest power in the world. We have the potential brain power to achieve economic stability. We have the moral force to determine peace and to achieve justice for all mankind.

But we can't do it sitting back on the side lines criticizing. The people of this country want the same things, no matter for which party they vote, or to which church they go. Let us, the people of the United States, act together now. Let us not be misled by alien agitators or publicity seeking dissenters into thinking there is disunity. Let us weld the bonds of unity stronger than ever to defend a common ideal in the face of common danger. Let us prove to the world that we are ONE people.

### A Prayer For The President Of The United States

From the Writings of Dr. Chas. Stelzle.

Thou Great Sovereign of all nations, Thou King of Kings, and Lord of hosts, in these perilous times of war and rumors of war, when all the powers of hate have been loosed to kill and to destroy, we pray that Thy Spirit may steady the minds and quicken the hearts of those who call themselves by Thy name, acknowledging Thee as Father.

We pray especially for the President of these United States, upon whom has been laid heavy burdens and grave responsibilities, as he speaks for our country and for its people.

Renew his strength as daily as his burdens increase. Give him the wisdom and understanding that cometh only from above. Protect him from those whose motives and methods are prompted by the spirit of selfishness or personal ambition.

Show him Thy will. Out of the conflict of counsel may Thy voice come unto him saying: This is the way—walk ye in it. And as Thy will is revealed, increase his faith, so that he may go forth in the consciousness of having fulfilled the task committed to him.

And we pray that he, with us, shall seek above all things else to honor and glorify Thee, hastening the coming of Thy Kingdom upon earth, and the rule of the spirit of brotherhood in the lives and the hearts of all peoples of the earth so that all nations may dwell together in peace and unity. Amen.

Life has no blessing like a prudent friend. Euripides.



### Held in Assault



This Washington, D. C., police department photo shows Orman William Ewing, 52, former Utah Democratic national committeeman and now a Washington lawyer, who was held without bail on assault charges made by a 19-year-old government employe.

### Horses And Mules Become Important

Metal is scarce. This means a possible shortage of new farm machinery.

F. M. Haig, professor of animal husbandry at N. C. State College, says workstock will take on added importance as sources of farm power during the war emergency. He urges that horses and mules be well fed and cared for, and that every mare be bred in 1942.

"We hear that the agriculture in the United States has become mechanized," Prof. Haig declared, "but the 1940 census showed that less than 25 per cent of the farms in the Nation own a tractor. The census found 1,567,405 tractors on 1,409,685 farms."

"On the other hand, there were more than 10 million horses on three million farms in 1940. Nearly two million farmers reported ownership of 3,844,560 mules. This indicates that workstock are still the principal source of power on more than 75 per cent of our farms."

Prof. Haig said the alarming part of the census report is that workstock breeding has been neglected because of the general impression that "the horse and mule are on their way out." He asserted that "the horse is not doomed, and there is still a market for workstock. The war will stimulate this market, and farmers with good breed mares will serve National Defense by having their mares bred to registered stallions or jacks in 1942."

The animal husbandman said the census indicated that there was a shortage of 541,939 colts in the United States to barely maintain the present horse population. An additional 327,493 mule colts are needed to maintain the population of this type of workstock.

"See your county farm agent and enlist his advance and assistance in giving your horses and mules better care, including the right kind of feed," Prof. Haig suggested.

### Band To Appear In Patriotic Program

In connection with the American war effort a National Defense Band Concert and patriotic program will be held in the Williamston High School auditorium on Thursday, December 18th, at 8:00 o'clock.

A three-part program has been planned by the sponsors. Mayor John Hassell will make a brief patriotic address; Mr. L. T. Fowden, local postmaster, will speak on "Sale of National Defense Stamps and Bonds"; the American Legion will be in charge of the presentation of the colors, and the high school band will present its program.

The primary aim of the program is to aid in the sale of National Defense Stamps. Tickets to the concert will be placed on sale immediately at 25 cents a ticket. The purchaser will exchange the ticket at the door of the high school on Thursday night for a 25-cent National Defense Stamp, which stamp in turn will be taken up at the door of the

### Six Billion Hidden In Private Places

"Hidden around this country in private purses now is the astounding total of more than \$6,000,000,000," writes Paul Mallon. "Much of it is in mattresses, socks and private safes. The evidence is clear that a hoarding era has reached suspicious proportions since the first of this year."

Many of these hoarders believe that they are protecting themselves against either inflation or a government fiscal policy which might force them to invest their money. But, as Paul F. Cadman, economist of the American Bankers association, points out, they have small chance of success. "Hoarded currency is a practically useless method of protecting the holders of property against the arbitrary acts of government," says Dr. Cadman. "Early attempts to hoard money in continental Europe to avoid governmental levies during and after the first world war were met by blocking bank accounts and suspending transactions on the exchanges. Outstanding currency ceased to be legal tender or to have any validity unless it was presented to a government agency and stamped to

March, Blue and White, arr. Fearing; Choral Melody, Komm Sussertod, Bach; March, Officer of the Day, Hall.

II. Christmas Festival, arr. De Lamater; Christmas Carols, played by the Brass Choir; March, Hall of Fame; Olivadori; Overture, Christmastide, arr. De Lamater.

III. America the Beautiful; Ward; March, Banner of Democracy; Hayes; God Bless America; Berlin; National Anthem.

### Cottons Help To Ward Off Winter Colds

New York City—Mercerized cotton undergarments are recommended as a definite aid in preventing chills, colds and muscular stiffness during these winter months, the National Cotton Council and Cotton-Textile Institute report.

It was pointed out that many winter colds result from blasts of winter air piercing through to damp undergarments. Mercerized cotton is so treated as to evaporate perspiration rapidly.

### Purebred Breeders Building Beef Industry in Watauga

The 26 breeders of purebred Hereford cattle in Watauga County are doing an excellent job of building the beef cattle industry in their communities, says Farm Agent H. M. Hamilton.

### Sale Of Milk Brings Over \$10,000.00 To Farmers

The sale of whole milk has brought an income of \$40,120.10 to Mitchell County farmers during the past year, reports F. L. Woodard, farm agent of the N. C. State College Extension Service.

Indicate that a tax had been paid or imposed conditions had been met. The holders of currency found themselves in exactly the same position as the owners of bank deposits.

Till hoarding of currency is about 100 per cent futile—and, on top of that, hidden currency is always in danger of being burned, stolen, or otherwise lost to the owner. Put your money in the bank or invest it. You will sink or swim with the rest.



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