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Revealing Investigations

After "cussing" labor for years and charging the common workers with delaying defense, industrialists and the dollar-a-year boys are now squirming on a hot seat as a result of investigations. Senator Truman and his investigating committee revealed one of the most extensive strikes in all history when they proved that a business-as-usual schedule was being maintained by the great industrialists even after Pearl Harbor. Then the Roberts report came along and charged high officials with dereliction of duty, the neglect causing the needless sacrifice of thousands of lives.

And now it is proposed to investigate those circumstances accountable for the rapidly approaching rubber famine in this country. The facts seem to indicate that there'll be little synthetic rubber made in this country at any time in the near future. Senator Worth Clark, of Idaho, in the Congressional Record recently blamed "certain predatory business interests" for aggravating the rubber shortage in this country.

According to Senator Clark's theory, this country will be a long time producing synthetic rubber in any appreciable quantity because of a complicated patent licensing duel between a German chemical trust and the Standard Oil Company. It appears that the American firm cooperated in a program whereby Hitler's vehicles were rubber-tired and that the German partner refused or otherwise failed to make its data or knowledge of the business known to its American partner. Apparently depending upon the developments of the joint firm, research in other laboratories lagged, and today this country is making synthetic rubber in a big way but on paper.

It is apparent that our industrial leaders have made mistakes, that labor has not been free of fault or selfishness, that we as a people have looked upon this war first as to what is in it for us. It is about time that we throw overboard all this argument, forget the past and push off in unison that something may be accomplished and accomplished quickly.

Call For Taxes Will Result In Call For Economy

The government call for increased taxes is about to be answered, and in answering that call the taxpayers are likely to call for a greater economy in non-war spending. When citizens start digging deep down into the pockets and pulling out hard-earned cash, a loud yell against loose spending can be expected. The government agency heads can head off a serious threat to those social gains of the last few years by adjusting their programs. If they don't take some action to cut loose the dead beats and that swarm of big shots occupying the swivel chairs and who are doing little more than drawing breath and pay then there's going to be hell to pay. It is not beyond the realm of reason to believe that because there are some who are not earning their keep there are those who will demand that the entire social program be wrecked.

In our weak and most humble voice we cry out to the leaders of every governmental agency whether it be welfare, NYA, WPA, CCC, FSA, AAA, State, Federal, County, or Town, to adjust their programs in accordance with the true conditions and times and not after a political-padding scheme. Eliminate the surplus load if there is a surplus. Play fair with the common taxpayer now and if and when the next peace-time emergency presents itself he will play fair with the needs and requirements of his fellowman.

Mr. Jesse Jones

Jesse Jones, the man of many jobs, is still Jesse Jones despite praise and condemnation.

Some who call him Jesse James say he would not finance a synthetic rubber program because the plants could not be located on his extensive properties in Texas. Others say Jesse would have rocked the capitol building in Washington had he a year ago advanced half billion dollars for such a program. And that's the way it goes.

It would appear that Mr. Jones is a good fi-

nancier when it comes to hind-sight, that he does not measure up to any great extent when it comes to foresight and leadership. He did not pioneer the field; he wore out his foresight waiting for his hindsight. He is spending half billion dollars now when the same money would have been worth a billion just a short year ago. He is in the same class with those who have cluttered the war effort in this country by waiting too late and making too little for handling the first task first.

"Food For Freedom"

By Guy A. Cardwell.

For many years past prevailing conditions in the South caused those individuals and interests controlling the agricultural system to emphasize the importance of cotton, tobacco, peanuts, and other cash or money crops, for these were the crops in which landlords, farmers, bankers, and merchants were interested—they were the sinews of trade.

Now, under war conditions, farmers are being urged by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, in its many ramifications, to grow food, poultry, meats, vegetables, fruits, grains, etc., on every farm, in order that the farm family may have a proper diet, at minimum cost, with surplus supplies for the urban population and our allies.

It has been found that entirely too many of our young people; particularly those of tenant families, have lacked the variety of food needed to develop strong bodies and keen minds, and keep them in top condition, for where cash crops were produced to the exclusion of poultry, meats, vegetables, etc., there was little or no money with which to buy food other than a few staples. The family therefore had to do without those foods essential to the maintenance of good health.

Within the next few weeks you will read and hear a lot about "Food for Freedom" and "Victory Gardens." These slogans mean just what they say, and every farmer is expected to do his part to respond to this national appeal to produce food and more food, where this can be done economically.

You may not be able to enlist and go to the front as a member of our armed forces, but you can perform your patriotic duty at home by responding to the call for production of food, not only for your family but for others as well. It was recently said by Dean I. O. Schaub, of the North Carolina College of Agriculture, Raleigh, also agricultural representative on the Executive Committee of the State Defense Council, that "Agriculture's part in the war time economy of the United States is to produce the number one war material . . . food." If you agree with this statement, then do your part, if possible, to make this contribution to your own and the national welfare.

The Home And The Church

Roxboro Courier.

From newspaper front pages and over the radio we are very glad to learn that Continental Europe is filled with dissatisfaction of Hitler's "new order."

Revolt is in the air. Frenchmen continue to kill German soldiers in occupied France; Yugoslavia and Greece attempt to break Nazi domination with guerrilla warfare; and small Axis satellites grow restless as the war on the western front grows critical.

Experts and other observers in England and the United States comment on the possibility of the mighty German nation collapsing as a result of an internal explosion. We all hope that the people of the enemy nations will get tired of war and want to quit.

But do you suppose that the people of Germany and Japan also hope and expect the people of the United States to become so tired of war that we will beg for peace? Of course, this thought never occurs to Americans. We are sure that we are going to win.

But suppose the internal friction does not envelop our enemies; suppose we continue to lose battles; suppose our task of winning the war becomes hopeless. Will we beg for peace?

The strength of the American people and their will to endure hardships depends upon the strength of the fundamental American institutions. Most important among these are the home and the church.

The task of the American church, and the task of each preacher in the United States who wishes to serve the cause of national defense, is to help bring about a spiritual reawakening among the American people. The people of Person County and all other Americans must have a strong faith in God in order to be able to pull the heavy load of war without disheartenment.

And our load is going to be heavy. Taxes for 1942 will probably be higher for us Americans than for the English; there will be a sharp curtailment of non-defense goods, and this means that many will have to do without, and we may see many American boys slain.

The American home is the backbone of the American society, and the unity and determination to fight this war to a successful finish depends upon the home. Family ties must be strengthened, and the best way for the citizens of Person County to build a firm foundation for their home is to tie their home to the churches in this community and give that church wholehearted support.

The aim of education should be to rather teach us how to think, than what to think—rather to improve our minds, so as to enable us to think for ourselves, than to load the memory with thoughts of other men.—Beattie.

CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

Sexagesima Sunday.

The Collect
O Lord God, who seest that we put not our trust in any thing that we do; Mercifully grant that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Church school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning prayer and sermon at 11 a. m.

Evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 p. m.
The Parish Council will meet at the Rectory on Monday at 8 p. m.

Piney Grove Baptist

Regular services will be held at Piney Grove Baptist Church Saturday and Sunday at 11 o'clock. Sunday will be our regular communion service. Jesus says, If ye love Me keep My commandment, so let's all try to be present for the service, and the public is invited to worship with us.

CHRISTIAN

Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Young People's meeting, 6:30 p. m.
Evening service, 7:30 p. m.
Mid-week prayer service, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
Choir rehearsal, Wednesday, 8:30 p. m.

METHODIST

Church school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m. Subject of sermon: Enlistment for the Duration.
Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Subject of sermon: Holding to Christian Ideals.
Mission Study Class, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Our study of the book, The Methodist Meeting House, is a very important and most interesting history of the development of the Methodist Church in the United States. Our attendance last Wednesday night was good. Let's make it better next Wednesday night.

Urged To Speed Up Machinery Repairs

When President Roosevelt says "Speed Up," he is talking to farmers as well as ship-builders and munitions-makers, says David S. Weaver, extension agricultural engineer of N. C. State College. The immediate job on the Farm Defense schedule, according to Weaver, is to inventory farm equipment and make necessary repairs to machinery.

"Most farmers let their repairs go until spring," the engineer said, "but 1942 is different. Equipment manufacturers have been allotted a definite amount of steel. Whether this goes into new equipment, or into repair parts for good used equipment now in farmers' hands, will be determined by the orders placed now by wise farmers who have gone over their equipment carefully and planned their repairs."

Prof. Weaver says that local farm equipment dealers generally are ready for the farm machinery repair campaign. They have built up their stocks of replacement parts. Priorities have been issued for the making of repairs with the intention of making usable most of the older equipment now on farms.

"Remember," the extension specialist declared, "a hundred pounds of repair may mean the saving of a ton of steel. Why? One hundred pounds of steel used for making repair parts may mean that a one-ton machine won't be needed. The other 1,900 pounds of steel can go into tanks, guns and ships. War in 1942 is a lot different, and these little points are big things to consider these days."

Weaver paraphrased Kipling's immortal words by saying: "For the want of a bolt, a machine was lost. For the want of a machine, a crop was lost. For the want of a crop, a soldier was lost. For the want of a soldier, a battle was lost, and, for the want of a battle, a victory was lost."

Survey Is Slated On Farm Labor

A cooperative farm labor survey "to be used in vital national defense planning" will be conducted beginning March 1st by the Federal-State Crop Reporting Service as the supervising agency, Frank Parker, federal statistician of the State Department of Agriculture, announced today.

An allocation of \$20,000 by the United States Department of Agriculture will be used to make the survey in North Carolina, one of two states in the Nation selected to conduct a farm labor enumeration program. Indiana has been designated as the other state to make the survey.

"The present emergency and drain on farm labor by defense forces makes it imperative that agricultural agencies and leaders be informed as to the availability of farm workers," Parker said. "Information gathered will be used also in acquainting defense agencies with the labor needs for farmers whose efforts, it has been said, will win the war and write the peace."

J. J. Morgan, statistician of the department, viewed the selection of North Carolina as one of the two states to conduct the survey as "a distinct recognition of the State's achievements in agricultural statis-

Things To Watch For In The Future

Individual sugar servings in restaurants (no bowlsful on the tables or counters) . . . Semi-circular black-out awnings that hold off the sun when "halfway" down, hold in all light when fully closed . . . Heavy polished transparent plastic to serve as a desk-top cover, less expensive and warmer to the touch than plate glass . . . A new tooth polish applied in the same way as finger-nail polish enamel . . . A return to wooden cases for table-top radio sets . . . Patriotic names for colors of women's hosiery—one line has four numbers titled "Life," "Liberty," "Pursuit," and "Happiness."

tic work." North Carolina, through its State Department of Agriculture, is the only southern state making an annual farm census survey and the Federal-State Crop Reporting Service of the department ranks No. 3 in the Nation.

More than 30,000 farmers will be contacted through the mails and by workers in connection with the survey.

Other agencies cooperating in the survey will include the Agricultural Adjustment Administration and the Statistics Laboratory at State College.

When a Navy doctor is commissioned he is given intensive training in tropical diseases, and problems of submarine and aviation activities.

ADMINISTRATRIX' NOTICE

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of A. E. Downs, deceased, late of Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all estate of said deceased to exhibit

persons having claims against the them to the undersigned at Oak City, N. C., R.F.D., on or before the 29th day of December, 1942, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 29th day of Dec. 1941.
MRS. SARA DOWNS,
Administratrix of A. E. Downs.
B. A. Critcher, Atty.

Reita Theatre—Washington

Sunday-Monday	February 8-9
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Tuesday	DOUBLE FEATURE February 10
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