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When Will The War End?

The wishful thinkers have been talking much about the war coming to an early end. One can tell when the war will end, but not in terms of weeks, months or years.

The war will end when we change our ways and hardly before. If it ends before we change our ways, then we will have to change our ways after the war. One thing is certain and that is we can't maintain our present pace and reach a goal of peace and happiness. We are lost in ourselves, our selfish interests and unfounded claims to questionable habits and things. We are so engrossed in our daily pleasures and games that we can't see our own faults, and if we see those faults we haven't enough will power and determination to even try to correct them. We are drifting leisurely along with the current, not to victory but certain defeat in the post-war period if not in the war itself.

As long as men would ride for pleasure with gasoline that is tinted with the blood of some mother's son, and much of it has already been colored, the war will continue. Of course, the relationship of pleasure riding and the war is not direct, but that and the other untold little things we do and claim are not only delaying the war but are also aggravating the chance of peace. We are blind to the real facts, and in our blindness we are stumbling over the little things that must be considered before victory and peace can be ours.

As long as we lie and cheat, steal and play the role of the hypocrite, the war will not end.

As long as we think in terms of our own little selves, our business and our whims, the war will not end.

The war will not end until we change our ways. And although one shudders when he thinks of it, every indication would point to the loss of more human life — our own loved ones — before we will stop and consider the error, the folly of our ways.

In a little eastern North Carolina city recently more than 100 trains thundered down the main street in a single day, pulling some over 4,000 cars. Most of that movement was for the war effort, and yet there are those who would demand placed in operation engines and tank cars despite crowded conditions for the shipment of gasoline that pleasure cars might continue to operate. We have little claim to base an earnest hope on for an early end of the war. It is apparent that we have got to be driven into submission by war before the war will end.

Gross violations of the rationing laws are being reported. Any one who violates those laws or even takes advantages of undue privileges by riding when he could walk, by spending money foolishly when there are so many war stamps and bonds to be bought, is, in our sincere opinion, prolonging the war and is, indirectly, aiding and abetting in the murder of some one's brother, son, husband or father.

We have talked about strikes in industry, but the most regrettable strike in all the world is being pulled by the joy riders, the pleasure seekers, the liars, the cheaters, the thieves, the scoundrels, the greedy, the selfish and thoughtless tens of thousands of us who would dare call themselves patriots.

No, the war will hardly end before we change our ways.

Attacking Labor Indirectly

Representative Hobbs, the anti-labor man from Alabama, is offering a bill to stamp out racketeering in unions. Senator Reynolds is also proposing certain labor legislation. There is no doubt but what racketeering among unions, labor ranks in general or among any other ranks should be outlawed. Responsible leaders in and outside unions will welcome such legislation.

But are Hobbs and Reynolds really trying to stamp out racketeering and robbery chargeable to labor? It is more reasonable to believe that they are trying to throttle labor in its claim to living wages and favorable working conditions. In fact, there is little doubt but what some of our legislators, the United States Chamber of Commerce and the National Manufacturers Association and others of that type would re-

duce the working man to slave levels.

As for racketeering in the ranks of labor, the nefarious practice is only patterned after questionable acts and practices in the higher places. Representative Hobbs refers to the practice requiring a union driver to take a truck into the city. The practice cannot be successfully defended, to be sure. But, surely, Representative Hobbs has heard of the stories told about some commission houses. Not so many years ago, a Martin County Irish potato buyer shipped two cars of potatoes to a certain commission house in a big city. The commission broker wired back that the potatoes had arrived in bad condition. The potato buyer realized enough to pay the freight. A few days later, the buyer shipped two more cars of potatoes to the commission house, and went to the city and established himself in a hotel to await developments. The commission man again wired and told about the bad condition of the potatoes. The wire was forwarded to the buyer who was then in the commission man's city. Under an assumed name, the buyer, armed with his freight car numbers, went down to the commission house and placed an order for two cars of potatoes. Strange as it may seem, the commission man explained that his house had just received the day before two cars of good potatoes from North Carolina. A tour of inspection identified the potatoes as those of the local buyer. Flashing his credentials, the buyer collected for the first two cars of potatoes and the second two, too.

Federal grading systems have possibly removed the element of loss for the shipper, but the spread between the price the farmer receives and the price the ultimate consumer pays would indicate that something is still rotten somewhere, and it is reasonable to believe that the spread is not chargeable all to high wages or even racketeering within the ranks of labor alone.

Announcing the proposed legislation, the anti-labor press in glaring headlines said, "Strong Demand Seen for New Labor Legislation." It would have been only fair to say that there was a strong demand to stamp out racketeering. But no, nothing like that for some are so eager and anxious to choke the fellow who works with his hands that they can't even be fair and decent.

The Archbishop Speaks

Dr. Temple, the new Archbishop of Canterbury, in a recent address, outlined a charter of social reform, calling for decent houses for everyone, sufficient nutrition for the sustenance of every human body, equality of education, adequate leisure for personal and family life, universal recognition of holidays with pay, a greater appreciation of the fact that the common worker is a partner in industry along with management and capital, and recognition by workers and employers alike, that service comes first and opportunity to make profit afterward.

In this country, the Archbishop would be hounded as a socialist, and some would even dare call him a communist. The common masses in this country have been denied an equal show in life mainly because when one dared come to their rescue, the daring one was immediately branded as a socialist or a communist.

It was the Master who drove the moneychangers out of the Temple. There are those who worship at the religious shrine and then condemn what Christ did and preached as socialistic or communistic. We should remember that when one raises his voice and pleads for the common masses, he is not necessarily a socialist. It is quite evident that the Archbishop is a firm believer in Democracy, but at the same time he recognizes the all-important fact that Democracy must function for all and not exist in name only for the masses. The words of the primate of all England may be lost in the din of war, but they will ring out with a clear sound and a real meaning before peace, prosperity and happiness are restored to this troubled world.

Draft Everyone And Everything

The Fort Smith (Ark.) Times-Record, recalling the old war period, is offering a plan of its own for this one. While the plan may be a bit drastic, it has something that may be worth consideration. The Times-Record says:

"After World War No. 1 practically everyone went around muttering that next time it would be different, we wouldn't have any confusion, no one would make a million dollars out of the war, everyone would be drafted, et cetera, et cetera.

"Now it is revealed that a Cleveland contractor charged \$600 for airplane starters he estimated would cost \$272. The Government, meaning you taxpayers, paid enough that a woman secretary of that firm got \$40,000 last year. A new employee got a bonus of \$11,000 after six weeks. Every employee got a bonus. And the taxpayers footed the bill.

"The Government right now should say to all of us:

"You are not going to make a million dollars. You are not going to get exorbitant wages. You are not going to profiteer on foodstuffs. You are not going to play code-ball with civilian defense. You are not going to hoard anything. You are not going to rent-gouge. You are not going to exhaust your energies undermining labor. You are not going to carp and whine, unless you first do your share. You are not going to dodge your full measure of this fight. Because: You are going to win this war. If that be dictatorship, make the most of it—for the duration."

Keeping the Home Fires Burning

By BERNARD T. HURLEY
Pastor, Methodist Church

Keep the home fires burning while our hearts are yearning. Though the lads are far away they dream of home. There's a silver lining through the dark clouds shining. Turn the dark clouds inside out till the boys come home.

None of us dreamed a quarter of a century ago when this song was being sung throughout the country that it would ever be sung again with the same spirit and meaning as it was sung then. Then our boys were fighting the Kaiser's forces in France and Belgium, now they are fighting the combined forces of Germany, Italy and Japan practically on every continent and on every sea in the world. From every community in America there are representatives in the various army camps in this country, and most communities can proudly speak of their boys serving their country in the far reaches of the Pacific and lands remote beyond the seas. Soon every home and family throughout the nation will feel the keen anxiety over loved ones who are hazarding their lives for their country far from home. These boys constitute a gigantic wall of courage and determination, of flesh and blood, skillfully using the mightiest weapons of war the world has ever seen in order that the God-given rights of human personality might not perish from off the earth.

This leads those of us who remain at home to consider our duties and to ask the question, What can we do here at home to help our boys who are making such great sacrifices for us? The greatest sacrifices we can make will be nothing compared to what they are called upon to make. Sharing our material resources is important and absolutely necessary. Giving of our time in working for the Red Cross and other war agencies are necessary. But there is another duty that we must not forget to do, and without which all else will come to naught. We must keep the home fires burning brightly for our boys while they are away. The very fact that they know we are doing this for them will hearten them and make them feel that what they are fighting for is worth while.

First, we must keep the fires burning on the altars of our hearts. We must pray for them. They are our own boys. Some of them are our own flesh and blood. Wherever they are and whatever they are doing, and what dangers they are exposed to, interests us greatly. Not only should we pray for them, but we should write them and let them know that we are remembering them before the Throne of Grace. We should not only pray for their safety, physically and spiritually, but we should pray that they might have courage to carry on as good soldiers of our country.

"More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." Secondly, we must keep the fires burning on the altars of our churches. Here they were taught the meaning of life and the place of religion in life. Now they are facing life in a way they never faced it before. Now they see the need of the religion they were taught back in their home churches more than ever before. They are facing reality, and now they need reality. Many of the shams and shibboleths of religion they now see very clearly to be of no value. They are stark realists, and they need the realities of religion. Shall we fail them by allowing the fires of our religious faith to grow dim in such times as these? Shall we ourselves absent ourselves from the altars of the church when our boys are facing death? God forbid. The writer has received letters from some of the boys who are members of one of the churches of which he is pastor, and in each case they were inquiring about the church, the interest and the attendance at church services and the Sunday school. One of these boys was at Pearl Harbor when the Japanese attacked it last December. They both expressed the desire to attend the church services again as soon as the war is over. What kind of churches will we have for them when our boys come back. Will it be a cold and indifferent church, or will it be a warm church with the fires burning brightly upon its altar?

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

1st Sunday after Trinity. Church school, 9:45 a. m. Celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon, 11 a. m. The tablet of appreciation will be consecrated. The Woman's Auxiliary will meet with Mrs. Victor Champion on Monday, at 4:00 o'clock.

St. Elizabeth's Auxiliary will postpone its meeting until next Monday week.

The Adult Conference will begin at Camp Leach on Sunday afternoon and run through Friday noon.

ST. MARTIN'S, Hamilton

Evening prayer and sermon at 6 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

METHODIST

Church school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship and communion, 11 a. m.

Epworth League, 7:30 p. m. Evening worship and sermon, 8:30 p. m.

W. S. C. S. Bible Study, Monday, 3 p. m.

Prayer and Bible study, Thursday, 8:30 p. m.

Choir rehearsal, Wednesday, 8:30 p. m.

CHURCH NEWS

CHRISTIAN

Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Subject, "Democracy in the Church." Young People's Meeting, 7:30 p. m. Subject, "Our Bible: Its Beginnings."

Evening service, 8:30 p. m. Special service featuring the reports of Mrs. G. G. Woolard and Mrs. John L. Goff on Adult Conference.

Woman's Council meets Monday, 4:00 p. m. at the Church.

Tuesday, 8:00 p. m. Choir rehearsal.

Thursday, prayer service. Subject, "Playing for High Stakes."

HOLINESS

Services Saturday night, 8:30 E. W. T.

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and Sunday evening. Go to church somewhere.

BAPTIST

All regular services at the usual hours.

Sunday school lesson: "The Day of Suffering." Text: Mark 15:33-34; Luke 23:33-46.

Subject of morning sermon: "The Fulfillment of All Law."

Subject of evening sermon: "The Wide Open Door."

Topic for Thursday night: "The Master Builder."

HOLLY SPRINGS METHODIST
The pastor will fill his regular appointment at Holly Springs. Sunday at 3:30 p. m. The community is cordially invited to attend.

CEDAR BRANCH

Regular services will be held Sunday at Cedar Branch Baptist Church.

The Daily Vacation Bible School that is in session each evening, will close Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, by giving a commencement program at that time. We urge all parents to be present with their children so we can begin on time. Following we will have a short preaching service. The public is invited.

Popular

The opening of the second quarter of 1942 finds U. S. canned foods enjoying wide popularity among British consumers, with meat products holding first place.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County. Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of David T. Griffin, deceased, late of Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Williamston, N. C., on or before the 26th day of May, 1942, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 22nd day of May, 1942.

LUCY F. GRIFFIN,
Administratrix of David T. Griffin, Deceased.

Clarence Griffin, Atty. m22-6t

NOTICE OF SALE!

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an order of the Clerk of the Superior Court entered on May 25, 1942, in that certain special proceedings pending in the Superior Court of Martin County entitled: "Sam Moore and wife, and Jasper Moore and wife, and others vs. Reginald Chesson, Bennie Harrell Wynn and others," same being a partition proceedings, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 13th day of June, 1942, at twelve (12) o'clock Noon, at the Courthouse Door of Martin County, Williamston, North Carolina, offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate, to-wit:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land containing — acres, more or less, situate, lying and being on the Williamston and Hamilton Road, on Western line of the Town of Williamston, in Williamston Township, Martin County, State of North Carolina, having such shapes, metes

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Tomato Juice, 2 24-oz. cans . . 17c

Dolly Madison Kosher

DILL PICKLES, quart jar . . . 21c

American

Land O' Lakes CHEESE, lb. . . . 27c

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Pts. 67c Qts. 77c Half-Gals. \$1.05
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Jar Caps, 12 to pkg. 25c Jar Rubbers 12 to pkg 5c

Sure-Jel, 2 pkgs. 25c Certo, 8-oz. bottle . . 23c

Colonial BACON, pound 35c

RIB ROLL ROAST, lb. 35c

LEAN STEW, pound 27c

HAMBURGER, pound 23c

ORANGES, 8 pounds 35c

Fresh SNAP BEANS, 3 lbs. . . 25c

NEW POTATOES, 4 lbs. 15c