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Unity On The Home Front

Despite the imperative need for unity on the home front there is a definite trend toward trouble among the races. For the most part, if not all the trouble is the result of idle talk, indifferent and thoughtless acts.

There are good reasons to believe that racial relations in this county were never better, that while the tension may be greater in times of stress just as everything else is more or less jittery in times of war and in periods of great uncertainty, the friendship and understanding between the races and among the races are shaping up not for the advancement of either but for the promotion of the war effort and for final victory.

There are the haughty ones, but they are found in both races. Their number is limited. Then there are the rabble-raisers among both groups. Their number is limited, too. There are those who get about half drunk and help create trouble, but their attacks are not limited to racial relationships. They attack everything that is decent and right in the sight of a righteous-thinking people, including the white and the colored.

In a land of freedom, and we have pledged ourselves to the cause of freedom, it will be well to recognize the rights of all people. We can't make sense out of our acts when we express the desire to resort to rash acts to block the rights of others, and rights are referred to here advisably. If we can't through our own initiative and by standards that will stand the test of fairness and decency maintain our own rights, then we have not right to resort to force and drastic action to maintain those rights.

There are those acts that possibly could be postponed for a better day when they could be evaluated calmly and not under the stress of a world gone mad. Those acts now may serve as a boomerang for the doers and endanger the lot of everyone. But even then those acts are not unlawful, and in a land of freedom the right to commit those acts must be recognized. But however lawful those acts may be, it may be better to steer a steady and saner course if by so doing more can be accomplished than by "hogging" our freedom and committing acts that will tend to destroy unity rather than advance the common cause of all concerned.

The two races in this community can accomplish much by condemning troublesome practices, by censuring those who would join in idle talk, and condemning those who would violate the laws of our land and disrupt unity and the progressive march to victory and an improved understanding in the end. Much can be accomplished by overlooking isolated happenings as long as those happening are not in strict violation of the law. And, too, much can be accomplished by throttling the irresponsible trouble-makers be they white or colored or what-not.

This nation has a fight on its hands, and it is no time to promote ill feelings and strife within our ranks to the pleasure of a foreign foe who would engulf the everyone of us regardless of race, color or creed, rich or poor. We can, and we should, improve conditions by improving ourselves.

Tearing Down Morale

Designed to build morale and bolster the war effort at home, fighting men have returned from the scene of desperate action to appear before club meetings and other gatherings in this country. Apparently little has been accomplished on the home front in that connection; in fact, the practice apparently is having an adverse effect and is actually lowering morale among those who are making the return trip.

Following his escape from the Philippines, Francis B. Sayre, High Commissioner of the possession, said he was shocked to learn the frame of the American mind back home.

Appearing before the Cleveland Kiwanis club this summer, Lieutenant William M. Bower, one of the airmen who bombed Tokyo, listened patiently to the club members discuss where and when they would hold their picnic. Unable to stand the talk any longer, Bower rose to his feet, and according to reports, bluntly said, "It's no picnic out there for your sons. They are having no good times. It is no time for good times.

I am disappointed by what I have found since I got back to my country. I'm disappointed at the failure of the people to realize that we are in a war—a war we can lose... I'm ashamed of myself to be here. I'm ashamed to be here instead of overseas with my gang where I want to be."

After rising and cheering the young hero, the club members resumed their discussion of where and when they were going to hold their picnic.

The action of the Cleveland club is signaled out only to show what is actually happening elsewhere, including the indifference right here in Martin County.

We are doing little or nothing when it comes directly to the war effort. We can establish record liquor sales while war bonds—bonds for financing the dangerous work of the young men who go into battle—go pleading and begging for buyers. The "C" gasoline sticker appears in the Sunday parade in numbers despite the warning that a nation may shiver this winter because of a fuel oil shortage. We hesitate to go to war, but we argue, fight and shoot among ourselves. And greed, profits, prices, pleasures and joys come before the war effort in too many cases.

While we bury our noses in the funny papers, western and detective stories and cheap literature, in general, the world is crumbling under our feet. We ought to be ashamed of ourselves.

We Must Fight!

By Ruth Taylor.

"That mankind may come out of tribulation and live together in fairness and peace, no man exploiting the weak, no man hating the strong. "Hear us and help us, we beseech Thee, O Lord."

So must we pray today. So must we fight today. We must actively stand together—united, free men fighting for the great and limitless dream of freedom for all. This is the creed of democracy. This is the spirit of our republic. It must be put into practical application not in some starry future, but today and now.

As one of our poets has so beautifully said: "We cannot escape this any longer.

We cannot continue to choose between good and evil, The good for ourselves, the evil for our neighbor.

We must all bear the equal burden." We must fight with a common will and a common purpose, each of us giving our all, not merely as much as we see our neighbor give. That is the reason why the democracies will win. That is the secret weapon unknown to the dictator-ridden countries.

We must fight. Every American has a part to play, and it is up to us as Americans to find out where we can fight best and serve most. In the armed forces, in the plants, on the farm—there is a job for everyone. We are fighting for us—and we must utilize all the power we have.

We must fight—and our main battlefield is within ourselves. Our enemy has sought and is still seeking to destroy our unity by sowing dissension and doubts as to the efficiency of our government, the validity of our equal rights, the feasibility of our religious and racial tolerance. They are contemptuous of our faiths, our beliefs, our ideals. We must fight to prove conclusively that this is a government of the people, by the people and for the people, and that it is we who fight.

We must fight. If we lose this war, we will lose all for which our fathers fought, not on the battlefields alone, but in the classrooms, in the laboratories, in all the arenas in which the age-old battle of progress against superstition has been fought.

We must fight. Only in this way shall we keep our freedom. This way of life is ours only so long as we fight for it. Our enemies are fighting for it too.

Fish's Nomination.

Greensboro News.

Hamilton Fish in the Republican Dutchess-Orange-Putnam district of New York, secured the nomination in the Republican primary for representative in Congress by beating his nearest rival by more than three to one. Fish is the man whose secretary is now serving a term in prison because of certain illegal acts which assisted Nazi Agent Viereck; Fish himself was far from clear of suspicion in the matter. Fish voted against allowing Britain to buy war supplies here, against the transfer of the destroyers to England, against the lend-lease act, and against the selective service act.

The course of his statesmanship was clear; it was to give no help to those fighting Germany, to keep this country militarily weak. "Anybody can make mistakes," he reiterated in his race for the nomination. The more intelligent element of his party took the position that he was not a traitor, merely a fool. His thoroughly consistent record of blindness and bad judgment was there for all to see. That he as incumbent representative controlled patronage and political machinery may serve as some explanation of his nomination but is no excuse for it.

His nomination is his party's affair in his district, but it will not help the ailing elephant in national affairs. People who insist upon having as their representative a man who has a reputation for consistently bad judgment doubtless deserve what they get, but Ham Fish's nomination was no service to the cause in which we are so desperately engaged.



VICTORY ON THE FARM FRONT

NEWS from the Agricultural Extension Service

SEPTEMBER SUGGESTIONS FOR BEAUTIFYING HOME

John H. Harris, extension landscape specialist of N. C. State College, offers the following home beautification suggestions for the month of September:

Transplant iris. Remove part of the top to keep the plant in a well-balanced condition. Remove and burn iris foliage that is infected with leaf spot.

September and October offer a good time for planting peonies and remarking lily-of-the-valley beds.

The ground should be prepared for bulb planting. Manure should not be used in the ground with the bulbs. Use three to four pounds of a complete fertilizer, such as 6-8-6, per 100 square feet.

As soon as gladioli foliage turns yellow, dig the bulbs. Allow them to dry in the sun, and then remove the tops, clean the bulbs, and store them in a cool dry place.

Pick gourds before frost if they are to be used for winter decoration. Store in a dry place.

Sow the seed of the following perennials now and give them protection during the winter: candytuft, coreopsis, baby's breath and tritonia.

Spray cape jasmynes, crepe myrtles and other shrubs that are infested with white flies. Use oil emulsion or nicotine sulphate sprays.

Harris also pointed out that the last of September and the month of October are ideal for sowing lawns. Italian rye grass should be seeded at the same time. For best results, the rye grass should be raked or harrowed into the soil and liberal applications of manure or commercial fertilizer made.

Aid To Service

Men's Dependents

Now that there is much talk about married men being called into the armed services, some few are asking what will become of the dependents. According to a report in the Congressional Record of current issue, the class A dependents will receive the following amounts monthly: wife, \$50; wife and one child, \$62; wife and two children, \$72. Class B dependents will receive the following amounts monthly: one parent, \$37; two parents, \$47; one parent and two brothers or sisters, \$47. In case there is a Class A dependent and class B dependents, the class B will receive the following amounts: one parent, \$20; two parents, \$30; one parent and one sister or brother, \$25; one parent and two brothers or sisters, \$30.

In the first two categories, the service man pays \$22 and the government the remainder. In the last group, the service man pays only \$5.

The benefit schedule is for dependents of non-commissioned men in the service.

NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court. Joseph H. Lilley vs. Ethel Mae Lilley

The defendant above will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Super-

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ior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to secure an absolute divorce based upon two years separation, and the defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear before the clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina within thirty days (30) and answer or demur to the complaint in the said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the said complaint. This the 31st day of August, 1942. L. B. WYNNE, Clerk Superior Court, Martin County.

NOTICE OF SALE
Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an order of the clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County entered in that certain special proceedings pending in the Superior Court of Martin County entitled: "W. H. Everett and wife, Serena Everett, et als, vs. Joseph H. Everett and wife, Katherine Everett," same being a partition proceedings, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 1st day of October, 1942, at twelve (12) o'clock Noon, at the Courthouse Door of Martin County, Williamston, N. C., offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate, to-wit:
First Tract: Commencing at the Joseph H. Hollis corner on the Hamilton and Everetts Public Road; thence up, with and along said Everetts and Hamilton Road to W. A. Edmondson's corner; thence down

and along said Edmondson's line to said Edmondson's corner; thence a straight line with Edmondson's line as heretofore mentioned to a corner in Millie Rawls' line in a branch, said line being marked by a straight ditch leading from the Public Road as far as said ditch reached; thence up run of branch to what is known as Glisson's corner of J. B. Coffield's line; thence up and along said Coffield's line to the beginning. Containing 20 acres, more or less.
Second Tract: Beginning at a post, Ben Glisson and J. B. Coffield's corner on the Wild Cat Road; thence along said road 50 yards to a post; thence a West straight course 150 yards to a post on J. B. Coffield's line; thence along said Coffield's line to the beginning. Containing 1-2 acre, more or less, and being that certain tract of land deeded to Joseph H. Hollis by Samuel Glisson and others, recorded in Book C-1, page 161.

Third Tract: Situated on the West-erly side of public road leading pass of said Holliday beginning at the line in said Joe Hollis and H. R. Mizelle corner and running thence a West course with said Hollis line to a stake, a corner, Will Killebrew, H. R. Mizelle and Jos. Hollis; thence Southwist a straight line to a short leaf pine, a corner established by this Deed, and said pine being recently chopped; thence Easterly a straight line about 120 yards to Glisson's line, a corner of H. R. Mizelle; thence North with Glisson's line to said public road; thence North with center of said road to the beginning. Containing 7 1-2 acres.
The last and highest bidder or bidders will be required to deposit the amount of ten (10) per cent of said bid or bids at the time of sale and before the closing thereof.
This the 31st day of August, 1942. HUGH G. HORTON, Commissioner.



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