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all of us. He was an American—not rich, not poor; not Protestant, Catholic or Jew; not a German-American, a Russian-American, an Italian-American; not a "son of the American Revolution," not an immigrant—but just a citizen of the United States—an American who loved his country and its ideals of freedom and equality enough to offer his life that these ideals of justice and democracy might not perish.

It is for us the living to carry on where he left off—to rededicate ourselves to those ideals which carved this country from the wilderness, formed it into a confederation, welded it into a nation, and made it and its Constitution the hope and the aspiration of the oppressed multitudes of the Old World. Our pledge of the continuance of these ideals is the wreath of immortelles we lay on the grave of the Unknown Soldier this Armistic Day 1942. It is his right—and our duty.

The Turning Point

The invasion of French Africa is recognized as the turning point in this war, and surely our march to final victory has been started. But we should take care for fear our optimism will overtake us. There are many factors to be considered, for gains and time will be determined by those factors to a large extent. If the German people "crack," the end can be expected say within a year. If the French follow old Pétain, the Germans will not "crack" immediately.

Looking at the horrible situation at its face value, the Allies, with the possible exception of the great damaging blows directed by the Russians against Germany, have not reached that point where they started fighting the first World War. The starting line was in France, and the goal was in a direct line. Now, we are fighting a war that resembles a cart wheel, its spoke extending to nearly every corner of the world. When the North African campaign is successfully completed, the push will possibly be centered at the end of another spoke in that large wheel and in time we will reach that point where the other war saw the first fighting. And then there is Japan to be reckoned with.

Briefly stated, there is a lot of fighting to be done yet, and we will do well not to rest on our oars, but work harder than ever to accomplish the big task that still lies ahead.

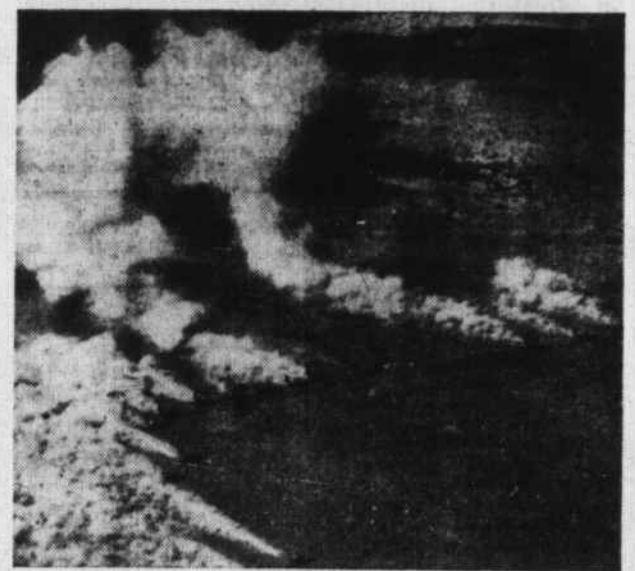
Communism of Pelf

News and Observer.

Grover Cleveland had a flair for sentences that stuck in the mind. Perhaps the one that should be kept in mind now to "haud the wretch in order"—meaning the profiteers—was the term he used to describe the high protectionists of his day who bought the election and recouped themselves by high tariff taxes which taxed all consumers for their enrichment. He called their selfish scheme "the communism of pelf."

That fitly describes the profiteers of today. They abuse communism while practicing the "communism of pelf."

Bombers Raise Dust in Egypt



Long plumes of dust are flung into the air by the thundering propellers of a number of Boston bombers as they take off from an Egyptian desert airfield. While U. S., British and South African planes kept the enemy out of the sky, Allied desert troops and tanks poured deep inside the German lines, after blasting gaps in the barbed wire and mine fields of the El Alamein front. (Central Press)

The 47th Week Of The War

Stabilization of Wages

The War Labor Board began to set up administrative machinery to regulate all wages and salaries under \$5,000 a year. The board will delegate to local Wage-Hour Administration officers the power to decide whether employers are exempt under the provisions permitting individual raises for merit, length of service or increased productivity. The board will establish 10 regional offices whose directors will meet in Washington with WLB officials to work out details for handling applications. The Treasury Department, which will control salaries not under WLB jurisdiction, established a salary stabilization unit and announced that seven regional offices of the unit will be opened soon.

Stabilization of Farm Prices

The Agriculture Department estimated net farm income for 1942, including government payments, at nearly \$9,800 million, about \$1,000 million above the previous record in 1919, and set 1943 income at approximately \$10,500 million. Total agricultural production is nearly 12 per cent greater than the record set in 1941, and 40 per cent greater than in 1918. Military and Lend-Lease buying of food next year is expected to take one-fifth of current production.

WMC Chairman McNutt said all "necessary" workers on the nation's dairy, livestock and poultry farms will be frozen in their present occupations. Local draft boards will be asked to defer such workers, all other employers will be instructed to refrain from hiring them, and the Agriculture Department will act toward stabilizing wages, he said.

Farmers Urged To Seed Legume Crops

North Carolina farmers should take advantage of the additional time allowed for seeding winter legume crops and spreading lime and phosphate under the 1942 AAA program, according to E. Y. Floyd, state AAA executive assistant at State College.

The time limit for carrying out these soil-building practices, he said, has been extended through November 15th because of delays caused by recent heavy rainfall. Other phases of the 1942 program in North Carolina closed on October 31.

"Our recent unseasonable rains came at a time when many farmers had their legume seed and lime and phosphate ready for use, but had been delayed in using them by the necessity of harvesting crops already matured. Appeals from farmers and AAA leaders throughout the state resulted in an extension of 15 days for carrying out these practices being granted by AAA officials at Washington," Floyd said. "This will make it possible for a large number of farmers to complete farming plans they mapped out several months ago and earn their maximum soil-building payments under the 1942 program."

Payments made by the AAA for seeding legume crops and spreading lime and phosphate are counted toward the maximum soil-building practice payments which may be earned by any individual farm cooperating in the Agricultural Conservation program.

Floyd declared that seeding of winter legumes and spreading lime and phosphate are more important than ever before this year due to the shortage of nitrogen fertilizers and the need for more pastures in the Food for Freedom program.

"Nitrogen will be harder to obtain next year than it was last spring, and we will have to provide as much as we can for our own use by storing it in the soil with legume crops," he said.

Reports Scrapped From The Nation

Fowler, Kas. — Meade County's scrap drive netted 822,885 pounds of scrap iron, which B. N. Dinkins, chairman of the County Salvage Committee, boasts is the highest per capita collection of any county in Kansas.

New York, N. Y. — The Medical and Surgical Relief Committee of America donated two tons of forceps, bone saws, scalpels, dental foot drills, fluoroscopes, and sterilizers—all either obsolete or in too dilapidated a condition to be repaired—into the New York scrap drive.

Rationing

Agriculture Secretary Wickard ordered 144 types of new farm machinery and equipment, excluding repair parts, frozen as of November 1st in the hands of dealers, distributors and manufacturers pending formal rationing. The agriculture department said its state war boards will establish state and county quotas. The WPB delegated to the Office of Price Administration the authority to ration milk cans and farm fencing. The OPA will redelegate this authority to the agriculture department. Sugar rations for Army and Navy personnel on furlough will be one-half pound per week, instead of on the basis of the value of the current sugar ration coupon. The first coffee ration will be obtained beginning November 23 by surrendering the last coupon, No. 23, in the sugar ration book, and subsequent rations will be given on coupons taken in sequence toward the center of the book.

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A Pledge to the Unknown Soldier

By Ruth Taylor.

"And thus this man died, leaving his death for an example of a noble courage, and a memorial of virtue, not only unto young men, but unto all his nation." 2 Mac. VI 31.

Again on this Armistic Day, the highest dignitaries of the land will gather at a grave in Arlington Cemetery to pay honor to the unknown soldier who represents all who fell in the last World War—symbol of those who have fallen in the renewed struggle between tyranny and freedom.

No one knows who this unknown soldier is. He may have come from any part of the nation—from some teeming factory town or from behind the plow. No one knows or cares who or what his ancestors were, whether he was among the humble or the favored of fortune, or by what path he sought to climb to the heights to sit humbly with his God. All that is known is that he gave his life for the United States of America.

What he was, is not of import. It is what he did and what he has passed on to us the living that is vital.

Heroes are an inspiration, not a creed — an altar from which to progress, not a grave by which to mourn. We truly honor our dead not by making their earthly resting place a spot of beauty and of peace, but by completing the task they set out to do. We dishonor them when we leave undone the work for which they gave their lives.

Unknown means not recognized. But the task that the Unknown Soldier left is recognized by

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