

### Washington Notes

**RUSSIA**  
The United States has offered to transfer substantial quantities of strategic materials from Russia, including manganese and chrome ores. Russia would use the cash to buy war materials in this country. The main difficulty in the trade is the long haul from Russian mines to Vladivostok, where shipments would begin the long route across the Pacific.

#### RAIL WORKERS

A method is being discussed to transfer approximately one hundred thousand railroad workers to shipbuilding and aircraft industries where their skills are critically needed. Sidney A. Hillmann says that the railroads have more than 400,000 maintenance workers, including machinists, boiler-makers and similar skilled workers and that approximately one-fourth are now unemployed.

#### EXPANDING

The aircraft industry is expected to employ one million workers by July, 1942, as compared with 200,000 employed at the present time. The shipbuilding industry is expected to increase employment from 375,000 to 555,600 workers.

#### ARMY IN NEW BASE

The soldiers of the United States Army have been landed at the British New Guinea base, recently acquired by this country from Great Britain.

#### PIPE LINE

A \$70,000,000 pipe line, with daily capacity of 250,000 barrels of oil, has been recommended by Secretary Ickes. It would run from Texas to the Atlantic Coast via Wood River, Illinois.

#### ARMY LINING

The Army has developed a new 12-ounce wool lining—a blend of sixty per cent virgin wool, twenty per cent, re-processed wool and twenty per cent cotton—designed to give warmth and durability without too much weight.

#### NAVAL BASES

The naval bases at Argentina, Newfoundland, has been commissioned. Bases at Trinidad and on Midway Island will be commissioned August 1. Air stations at Palmyra Island and Johnson Island will be commissioned August 15.

#### TO ATTACK

According to Acting Secretary of State Sumner Welles, the United States has information that leads to the belief that Germany plans to take other military steps as soon as she completes her attack upon Russia.

#### BREAD

Leon Henderson, Price Administrator, has requested the baking industry to offset increasing ingredient cost by reducing operating expenses rather than by raising the price of bread. He says that ingredient costs have risen approximately one-half a cent a loaf, largely because of increased flour cost.

#### MOTOR FUEL

The governors of sixteen states on the East Coast have been asked by the Defense Petroleum Co-ordinator Ickes to cooperate voluntarily in reducing the consumption of motor fuel by one-third in order to avoid rationing of petroleum products on the Atlantic seaboard.

Drive carefully; you never can tell who will be the next victim of careless driving in Pitt County; it might be somebody that you can't afford to be without.

### WALSTONBURG NEWS

Mrs. D. T. Hicks returned to her home in Rockingham, Sunday, after spending the past two weeks with her son, Mr. Carl T. Hicks. She was accompanied by Mr. Hicks and daughter, Ann. Ann remained for a visit of several days.

Mr. Sam Jenkins and son, Sam Lewis, left Sunday for a business trip to Baltimore, Md.

Miss Hazel McKeel returned to her home Sunday after a few days stay in Wilson and Atlantic Beach.

Ed Taylor, Jr., left Friday to assume his duties on the faculty of Monroe High School.

Misses Ruby and Jamie Mariowe and Cecil Lang were Chapel Hill visitors Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Morton of Rocky Mount and Mr. Jesse Morton of Goldsboro visited Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Mann, Sunday.

Misses Ernestine and Christine Gardner of Saratoga spent Tuesday with Miss Fannie Mae Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Henson and family left Tuesday for Snow Hill, where they will make their home.

Mrs. Neta Shackelford is visiting relatives in Norfolk, Va., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Craft visited Mrs. Roland Herring in Tarboro, Sunday. They were accompanied home by Little Miss Selma Herring, who is spending some time with them.

M. and Mrs. Lucious Wheeler and son, L. P., of Washington, visited relatives and friends here last week.

Mrs. Jason Shirley and children, visited Mrs. Ada Bass near Wilson, Friday.

#### Missionary Society Meets

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Christian Church met with Mrs. W. L. Shackelford, Wednesday, with Mrs. W. E. Lang as program leader. After the program and business session, a social hour was enjoyed. At this time the hostess served a sweet course.

### STATE COLLEGE ANSWERS TIMELY FARM QUESTIONS

**QUESTION:** Where are the "wrappers" found on a tobacco stalk?

**ANSWER:** The wrappers are selected from the leaf and cutter groups, and may be described as the fancy leaves of these groups. L. T. Weeks, Extension specialist, says wrappers must be practically free from injury, must be smooth, elastic, oily, firm, and strong, and must have bright finish and small to medium size and blending fibers. The average crop does not contain any wrappers, but Weeks says that if the crop is exceptional in quality and contains a fair percentage of wrappers, it will pay farmers to sort them out.

**QUESTION:** What is the poison mixture for dusting cotton to control boll weevils?

**ANSWER:** The mixture recommended by J. O. Rowell, Extension entomologist, is from 4 to 6 pounds of calcium arsenate dust, or from 6 to 8 pounds of thoroughly mixed "half and half" dust (equal parts of calcium arsenate and hydrated lime) per acre per application. The calcium arsenate-lime mixture has several advantages and is especially recommended for use in areas of light sandy soil where arsenical injury to the soil may occur.

#### ELECTRIFIED

The growing shortage of farm labor can be checked if electrified farms are equipped with a washing machine, refrigerator, and electric pump, says the Rural Electrification Administration.

House-keeping is a lot of work for the women who keeps house.

### Ginnings BY COTTON JOE



Junior Bill says he's mighty well pleased with that new sweep-in compound made out' cotton-wood hulls. That's fine. Every little bit helps to clean up the cotton problem.

### Looking at Washington

(Continued from page one) and there are no magicians and infallible soothsayers operating governments anywhere in the world, including Germany.

What the nation will require, in the way of defense a year from today, depends upon what happens in the next twelve months. What we think we need now is based upon what happened in the world in the past fifteen months.

Until we secure a set of officials who can know what will happen, at least a year ahead, it will be very difficult to tell anybody "exactly what" will be necessary.

The defense program is developing, unfolding need. Industry, like government, can use its intelligence in attempting to understand what is likely to happen. There is no law to prevent an industrial leader from being smarter than a government official, even in the matter of probable defense needs.

#### PACIFIC WAR THERAT JAPAN MARCHES ON N. S. PACES CRISIS

In considering events in the Far East it is important for Americans to realize that Japan is asserting the hegemony over vast areas of the Pacific and that, step by step, the Tokyo statesmen are attempting to make the Nipponese dream of power come true.

Japanese aggression has been delayed not because of any peace sentiment in Japan, but solely because Tokyo waited for a favorable occasion. The clash between the United States and Japan does not arise over idealistic terminology but because Japan uses war as an instrument of national policy to take what she wants, regardless of the owner.

For several years it has been apparent that only a complete back-down by Tokyo or Washington could avert serious complications, with the imminent threat of warfare. This country has shown great patience with the Japanese, even delivering oil to Japanese tankers and permitting the purchase of vast quantities of scrap metal, in the hope that difficulties might be avoided.

The Japanese advance into French Indo-China is important evidence of further designs, affecting Singapore, the Netherlands East Indies and, possibly, the Philippines. Without bases closer than those in China and

Japan the Japanese navy could not hope to carry out a successful attack upon the rich islands that are coveted for their raw material wealth.

With British planes and ships at Singapore, American planes and ships in the Philippines and the Dutch ready to fight, the Japanese fleet could not afford to risk an engagement. Existing bases were too far away to afford aircraft protection for warships, operating in dangerous waters. The acquisition of bases in French Indo-China by-passes the Philippines, moves much closer to Singapore and the Burma highway, and puts Japan in position for a foray against the East Indies.

With the world situation what it is, we must remember that the American battle fleet has been stationed at its Honolulu station in order to exert pressure upon the Japanese. White Japan, under naval treaties, had a capital ship ratio of three to five, nobody knows exactly what construction has been undertaken by the Japanese since the treaty limitations were thrown overboard.

Whether the full strength of our fleet has been maintained in the Pacific is questionable. Certainly, some scouting units have been withdrawn for service in the Atlantic, being replaced by aircraft of the latest type, well adapted for scouting work. Experts believe that the U.S. fleet is more than a match for the Japanese navy but it will be operating far from secure bases if it ventures into Far Eastern waters.

The importance of the British base at Singapore, in connection with possible involvement of the American battle fleet, is appreciated in Washington and Tokyo. In part, this explains the desire of the Japs for Indo-China bases. It also elucidates the cooperative spirit that exists between the British and ourselves in the Far East.

Some experts go so far as to say that the possession of Singapore is the essential factor to prevent Japan from running hog-wild, not only in the Pacific but even in the Indian Ocean. They remind us of the report that Hitler eventually expects the assistance of the Japanese fleet, if necessary, to win his war in the Mediterranean.

The developing sequence of Japanese aggressive enterprises indicates that Tokyo is going to test American backbone and determine whether the United States is ready to put up a fight at any given point in regards to the Pacific. Economic moves are not apt to persuade the Japanese that the United States means business and will probably increase Japanese determination to grab coveted territory at the risk of war.

### THE ANSWERS

1. June 22, 1941.
2. Volcanic cone, near Tokyo, Japan.
3. Yes; clocks moved up one hour on Easter Sunday, 1918.
4. It celebrates the fall of the Bastille, a fortress-prison, captured by Parisians on July 14, 1789 at the beginning of the French revolution.
5. September, 1940.
6. High cost of living.
7. About 5,000 a month.
8. Alaska.
9. No; the Sued Canal is nearly twice as long.
10. No; the first is in South America, the second on the west coast of Africa.

### NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP

To All Persons Concerned:  
Notice is herewith given of the dissolution of the partnership composed of R. J. Wainright and J. C. Brock, Trading as J. C. Brock & Co., (located at Marlboro, near Farmville, N. C.) and the said J. C. Brock & Co., henceforth in operation is owned and operated by J. C. Brock individually.

This the 19th day of July, 1941.  
R. J. WAINRIGHT,  
J. C. BROCK. J25-41

#### ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of R. L. Jefferson, deceased, late of Pitt County, North

Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Fountain, N. C., on or before the 25th day of July, 1942, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.  
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H. D. JEFFERSON, Administrator  
Estate R. L. Jefferson.  
John Hill Paylor, Atty. J25-61

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