

ate Dress Diverts More Money to Bonds When Made by Woman in Home



The harem-draped skirt gives unusual eye appeal to this winter date dress. The smooth fitting bodice with high, heart-shaped neckline is a perfect setting for costume jewelry. Shown here in fuchsia, it would be equally attractive in other colors. Combine lines and colors best for the winter and save money for extra War Bonds. Similar patterns available in all stores. U. S. Treasury Department

THE COMMON DEFENSE

Penalty for Defying God's Law

A statement by the German Confessional Church, issued in May 1944 and reprinted in October by the Religious Division of the British Ministry of Information, affirms that in Germany "there is a growing uncertainty as to whether the Ten Commandments are still to be considered valid."

Alarmed by this state of affairs the Church warns Christians that "we, as Christians, must not pervert the word of God, nor call that which is good bad; we dare not allow the truth to be called foolish and wrong. We must not magnify human laws and regulations as though they were ordered by God."

This is quite evidently a slap at the Nazis whose laws, as the Confessional statement shows, have denied ever yone of the Ten Commandments. Speaking of the Nazis' violation of the Sixth Commandment the statement says, "Woe to us and our nation when we make little of the life that God has given, and man, whom God created in His image, is only assessed as to his utility; when it is considered right to take life because human beings are considered as of no value, or because they belong to another race, when hatred and cruelty are the order of the day. For God says: 'Thou shalt not kill.'"

This is strong language. Others may want to overlook the events that prompted it. But Americans cannot. We cannot but agree with the words of the Archbishop of York on October 12th when he said

that "the wholesale asphyxiation or machine-gunning of tens of thousands including children and women, the death trains, the wiping out of whole villages like Lidice and Oradour . . . are crimes which we have no right to pass over."

The German Christians know the price a nation pays when it de-

parts from the law of God. They know the responsibility that Christians bear for the fall of a nation when they, seeing how God's law is flouted, do nothing to stand up to their convictions that "God's commandments apply to us and our time." They know what some of us have yet to learn - that when we permit or participate in the hatred and persecution of Jews, or members of any other

group of people, we are inviting not only disaster for them and ourselves, but also the breakdown of the whole moral structure of society.

Tobacco plant beds that received chemical treatment to control weeds should not be reworked before seeding. Rake the seed into the bed gently and do not otherwise disturb it.

J. O. U. A. M. MEETING MONDAY NIGHT

The regular meeting of the Edison Council No. 270 Junior Order United American Mechanics will meet each Monday night



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN

We are going to have with us soon a very promising young man who comes from the Land of Nowhere, but who is going to take you Somewhere. Yes, this young feller is GOING PLACES with you, in 1945.

At any rate, that is our wish for you, good friends, to whom we owe so much, and to whom we now pledge a continuation of the best possible service we know how to give.

L. C. DRAPER AGENCY, Inc. INSURANCE WELDON, N. C.



More Power to You!

YOU KNOW how a snowball gets bigger, and bigger as you roll it along. That's the way we want it to be with you. As 1945 rolls along we hope that with each day your opportunities will become bigger and better —and that each day will add measurably to your store of blessings.

McPHERSON BROS.

Bottlers

BOTTLERS OF PEPSI-COLA, 7-UP, ORANGE-CRUSH AND PILOT GINGER ALE

Littleton, North Carolina



ANOTHER YEAR IS IN THE MAKING

As the Now merges into Tomorrow the bells begin to ring, whistles blow, and there is general rejoicing. Reason enough, for we all look hopefully to the future.

Our hope and wish for you is that 1945 will be a year of unsurpassed accomplishment, and that Good Health will attend you each day of the year.



BEHIND THE ROAR AND CLAMOR OF THE NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION IS THE AGE-OLD HUNGER FOR "LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS."

SOME FIND HAPPINESS IN ONE WAY; SOME IN ANOTHER.

WHATEVER YOUR IDEA OF HAPPINESS MAY BE, OUR HOPE FOR YOU IS THAT DURING THIS YEAR OF OUR LORD, 1945, YOU WILL COME CLOSER TO ITS REALIZATION THAN EVER BEFORE.

Weldon Production Credit Association

WELDON, NORTH CAROLINA



AT THIS TIME of resolution-making it might be apropos to recall the words of a wise old philosopher of a long forgotten era. He said:

"Every first of January that we arrive at is an imaginary mile-stone on the track of human life; at once a resting place for thought and meditation and a starting point for fresh exertion in the performance of our journey. The man who does not propose to himself to be better this year than he was last must be either very good or very bad indeed."

We wish you a very Happy New Year

Acme Grocery Company

"Weldon's Modern Food Store"

Dr. Pepper Bottling Co.

ROANOKE RAPIDS, NORTH CAROLINA



A Thought for New Year's

The year that is behind us is dead; we can do no more with it.

But the year ahead is a virgin page; we can inscribe it as we will.

So, all together now. Let's all do all we can to help make 1945 a much happier year for everybody.

GLOVER'S

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THANK YOU

Welcome to the year of grace, 1945, and may it bring you much more in the way of health and happiness than your most hopeful expectations.

Thank you a thousand times for past favors. We promise to do everything in our power to merit your continued friendship.

HAM'S PLACE

SOUTH WELDON