

# APPEAL FOR UNITY MADE BY KNIGHT

## Forthcoming Invasion Of Europe Must Be Supported by People

An appeal for unity at home to support our men better in the forthcoming invasion of Europe was made before the Kiwanis club yesterday by Col. J. T. Knight, Jr., District Army Engineer.

"I say to you we are not doing our job when we do things that are not directly contributing to the winning of the war," Col. Knight said. He urged the development of the "inner strength" that "springs primarily from an impelling belief in a cause," and declared that "we must maintain individual and self-sustained morale. Without a psychological army it is the same as if it failed to train and equip our men properly."

Col. Knight forecast a great girdling of blood when the invasion of the European continent begins and said "we must begin now to develop the intestinal fortitude for this." He warned against talk of a negotiated peace declaring it was a demonstrable fact that other nations cannot safely negotiate with the present rulers of Germany and Japan and declared that those who talk of a negotiated peace are "guilty of treason."

Introduced by George Gooch, a member of his staff in the District Engineers' Office who referred to Col. Knight's distinguished military record and that of two of his forebears, the speaker said that the burden of supply in this war "rests

on your shoulders and on the shoulders of every other American. We are fighting men here at home. Never before in the history of this country has there been a war of all the people. You are just as much a soldier as I am even though you are not in uniform."

He pointed out that along with every fighting man who goes overseas there must go five to twelve tons of material and that thereafter it takes one and one-half to two tons a month to keep him in action. About seventy C-2 ships, such as are being built in Wilmington, were needed to move one division into the Anzio beachhead, he said.

Col. Knight turned to a brief review of the current military situation and expressed the personal opinion that when American forces have captured Guam and other bases in the Mariana Islands lying 2,300 miles from Free China they would be able to put into the air a sufficient number of large bombers shutting back and forth that "I believe we can cut the Japanese supply line to the South." He further expressed the personal view that it might not be necessary to continue to maintain a large scale offensive in Italy after the capture of Rome, which he said probably would be taken for political and psychological reasons.

Col. Knight sharply criticized the tone of some of "the emotionalized broadcasts we are having to listen to," and declared that if some of these were not stopped, "we are going to have a nation of crazy women when this war is over." He urged that Americans exercise to a greater extent the privileges granted to them under the Bill of Rights and particularly emphasized the negligent manner in which, he declared, we select our public officers. "Everything we are fighting for is embodied in the Constitution, the Four Freedoms, and the Atlantic Charter," he said.

Donald C. King, president of the club, presided.

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# LOADING OF FARM WORKERS IS HIGH

Approximately \$5,000,000 man-days of agricultural labor were used in non-agricultural activities in 1943, in industry, construction and other essential work, through arrangements for loan of this labor on a temporary basis worked out between Dr. I. O. Schaub, state director of the Agricultural Extension Service, and Dr. J. S. Dorton, state director of the War Manpower Commission, it was announced Wednesday.

This great contribution to the war effort was made by about one third of the agricultural force in the state, 115,000 workers, who contributed the equivalent of about 50,000 full-time workers in an average of about five off-season months during the year in non-farm work.

Much of this farm labor is loaned from the farms in the fall of the year to work in tobacco stemmeries and re-drying plants after the tobacco markets open. In certain sections segments of farm labor find jobs on construction projects, not many of which are under construction now. Textile plants draw numbers of the workers.

Many farmers and farm workers devote several months in off-season to logging, lumbering, sawmilling and pulpwood cutting. Others get into fertilizer plants, transportation, shipbuilding, mica mining and other seasonal and non-seasonal essential activities.

So, in addition to raising what was almost a record crop in the "food for victory" campaign, and with a very short-handed force, agricultural workers have utilized their spare time, not only to increase their incomes during the period of increased cost of living, but have also helped extensively in producing the other items needed by the fighting forces at home and abroad.

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# Volunteer Red Cross Workers Gave 4,144 Hours During 1943

A total of 4,144 1-2 hours were given by members of the Red Cross Motor corps last year, and volunteers made 1,633 calls, driving more than 6,975 miles. Last year a total of 109 1-4 bolts of gauze were utilized in the unit's spare time in rolling bandages.

In September, 1941, 16 women finished the necessary training for membership in the organization. Since that time, the group has had as many as 62 members. At present there are 27 active members who take care of the daily routine and nine members in another group who handle Sunday and night emergency calls.

Since receiving the ambulance in December, 1942, activities of the motor corps have been extended. It is ready at all times and can be used for any emergency.

These trips in a field emergency ambulance, though not luxurious are most in demand at the present time. There are calls for pneumonia patients, heart attacks, and even old people, suffering from strokes. No casualties have been suffered in any of the trips made by the ambulance.

When not on call, members of the group are busy colling bandages for James Walker Memorial Hospital and doing other work to help bring about a quick victory.

# RED CROSS FIELD DIRECTOR SPEAKS

NEW BERN, March 8.—George K. Beach, Red Cross field director at Cherry Point, and Capt. Andrew J. Dutch, USMC, who is now on duty at the Marine Air Station at Cherry Point following distinguished service on Guadalcanal, have returned from a trip to Rochester, N. Y., home town of Mr. Beach, where they made a number of addresses in behalf of the current Red Cross war fund campaign and were given about \$10,000 worth of recreational equipment for use of Marine units in combat zones.

The Rochester Red Cross chapter collected the gifts for the Marines. They included 40 pianos, 60 radios, 100 victrolas, 5,000 victrola records, 500 books, several thousand decks of cards, and 500 pounds of costume jewelry.

Among the 15 talks for the Red Cross made by the Cherry Point representatives in a week at Rochester was a huge rally attended by 8,700 persons at a war plant.

**TOBACCO BURNS**  
OXFORD, March 8—(P)—Fire destroyed the plant and storage of Oxford Leaf Tobacco Company here today. An estimate of the damage was not available. The factory was re-drying scrap tobacco and employed about 25 persons.

# Music Instrument Drive Under Way

Wanted — musical instruments for our fighting men. In response to a request from the Army, a city-wide campaign to round up all those banjos, saxophones, and other musical instruments that are lying forgotten in closets and attics will begin here on March 13. It will run for two weeks.

The variety of instruments wanted is unlimited, except that pianos, and bull fiddles are excluded because of their size, and phonographs because of a lack of facilities for keeping them in repair at the front.

Instruments collected in this nation-wide drive will enable the soldiers in all parts of the world to form orchestras to entertain themselves and their camp buddies. It will also enable them to engage in less formal musical recreation like gathering around in the evening and singing to the accompaniment of a banjo, harmonica, or other instrument.

Because of their distribution facilities, the Army has asked the "Coca-Cola" Bottlers all over the country to act as collecting agents for this drive. Any person who has any idle musical instruments is asked to take them to any grocery store, filling station, drug store, or other place that sells bottled "Coca-Cola." The Bottling company's trucks will pick them up there and ship them immediately to the Army for distribution at Army camps all over the world. "There are hundreds, if not thousands, of these instruments hidden

**Prisoner With Honor Status Escapes, Caught**  
HICKORY, March 8.—(P)—Woodrow Johnson, twenty-seven, convicted Hickory slayer who was given an honor prisoner status by Governor Broughton last Christmas, escaped from the Catawba county prison camp near Newton yesterday afternoon but was re-

**Camp Davis Radio Show Will Feature Sophie Over WMFD At 7 P. M.**  
When Pvt. George Sophie, of Bry K. \*AAS, steps before the microphone at Service Club No. 1, Camp Davis, tonight, he will be making his second appearance on the popular all-G. I. soldier show, "Pass in Review."

Pvt. Sophie, former vocalist for Tommy Tucker's orchestra, was guest star on the first broadcast presented by enlisted men of the camp several weeks ago. For his appearance tonight, he will sing, as the "song for home town sweethearts," the popular "My First Love."

Also appearing on the broadcast are Sgt. Marshall Ashby and Pvt. Donald Andritz, who will sing favorite songs of camp G. I.'s. Music for the show will be supplied by the 141st Army band, directed by CWO Loy B. Ebersole.

Comedy, one of the reasons for the show's weekly success, will feature members of the "Pup Tent" players, who will dramatize the courtmartial of the famous Army 8-ball, Pvt. Sad Sack. Announcer for the broadcast is Pvt. Bill Miller, of the 444th Ordnance Bn. The "Pass in Review" is broadcast each Thursday at 7 p. m. over station WMFD.

When a person is afraid, the pupils of his eyes dilate, but they grow smaller when he is angry.

away and forgotten in the closets and attics of homes in this city," said W. L. Sheffield, Manager of the Wilmington Coca-Cola Bottling Company. The American soldier loves his music, but he particularly likes to make his own. Through this campaign, we shall be able to help make his life in camp and at the front a happier one."

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