

Pray For Vision

By Ruth Taylor

"Where there is no vision, the people perish."

In this hour of trial and tribulation, when potent forces for evil are unleashed in the world, and the storms of intense conflicting opinions and prejudices are beating around us, let us pray for vision to see.

First, let us pray for vision to see with clarity what lies about us; to face the reality of things, uncolored by any shade of personal bias, whether it be the rose color of undue optimism, the deep green of pessimism, the vivid yellow of pride or the gray of indifference. Pray for vision to see clearly things as they really are here and now.

Second, let us pray for vision to see with discernment; to look beneath the surface; to see what is motivating the actions and the speech of the highly articulate groups recently banded together in this country; to weigh every statement, considering well its source and its possible effect; to judge carefully and with matured wisdom; not to be taken in by any wave of carefully stimulated mob opinion, nor by any of the wild rumors so carefully set afloat by alien elements, and so well calculated to upset the morale and minds of our sincere, peace-loving, God-fearing people. Pray for vision to see through mists that veil the truth.

Third, let us pray for vision to see with understanding, to view with dispassionate but clear eyes not only what is going on, but also the people whom it affects; to see all of our people with eyes of compassion and sympathy, comprehending their problems and judging them as individuals, without regard for race, creed or color, never indulging in generalities or discrimination against any group. Pray for vision to see kindly.

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DEMOCRATIC AMERICA VS. HITLER'S "NEW ORDER" IN PICTURES. (1) Education and culture. Democratic America seeks wider and wider distribution of knowledge. (Assembling some of the half million books for new Brooklyn, N. Y., library.) Nazi Germany burns books, cutting off knowledge and inquiry. Great books of fiction, history and science have been consistently destroyed since the beginning of the Hitler regime. (2) Children. Here, we train our children in arts of peace. There, children are put in uniform and trained for war. (3) Labor. Here, workers decide issues for themselves, using the free ballot to choose representatives to negotiate with employers. There, labor is as regimented as the army, shouldering spades instead of guns. In the lower right corner are two significant symbols: Hitler's medal awarded to women for bearing children (the more children, the more glittering the medal) and the Nazi Auxiliary Police, keeping vigil on a Berlin roof during a police raid—symbol of force and suppression upon which Hitler's world is built.

generalities or discrimination against any group. Pray for vision to see kindly. Fourth, let us pray for vision to see with inspiration. As we look ahead toward a distant goal; to keep before us always as individuals, as a community, as a nation, a high ideal towards which we may strive; to place honor and integrity, courage and forbearance, duty and faith, first in our lives and to seek always what we may give to others rather than what we may get from life. Pray for vision to see ahead.

Kerr Scott Sees Acute Shortage of Farm Implements

Owing to a present shortage of materials and labor for the manufacture of farm machinery, North Carolina farmers are urged by G. T. Scott, Johnston County farmer and chairman of the State AAA committee, to plan carefully before placing

their orders for 1942 requirements. "It is becoming increasingly apparent," he said, "that shortages of labor and supplies will occur in many lines of production as the defense program increases its scope. Plans are underway to increase production of iron, steel, and other raw materials, but for the next year we need to economize on materials used in the manufacture of farm machinery."

A Blitzkrieg!

Alcohol's plan of assault on mankind may easily have been the primer in which Hitler learned blitzkrieg methods! It isn't far-fetched to compare Hitler's attacks on civilization with liquor's all-out fight against the individual or the nation, in the opinion of such social welfare groups as the W.C.T.U.

The Nazis' propaganda divides the ranks of opponents, the Fifth Column weakens them and wins them over, then the shock troops move in to smash resistance — and seize another nation.

Wine is liquor's propaganda army. With millions to spend and cafe society as its mouthpiece it seduces with talk of moderation and enthralls with promises of "sparkling" fun. Disclaiming any connections with liquor's other armies, it uses its high alcoholic content to enslave those it contacts. Wine is high on the list of causes for the high enrollment of alcoholics in mental hospitals.

Beer is the true Fifth Column. It's a hard core of alcohol camouflaged with suds—and fools a lot of people. "Why, I'm just a soft drink," it tells the boys and girls. "Drink beer and you can have fun without paying a price." Those who live near taverns, the records of juvenile, traffic, and criminal courts all show that 3.2 beer will intoxicate but beer is so slick that even tongue-in-cheek lawmakers have ruled it officially non-intoxicating.

Wine and beer do their work. They win the addicts, students of temperance declare, then come the dive bombers, the shock troops, the heavy tanks—such as whisky, gin, and rum. There's nothing secret about this army, it just moves in and takes over.

North Carolina Cotton Worth \$5,000,000 More

Raleigh, Sept. 11. — North Carolina farmers should receive at least \$5,000,000 more for their 1941 cotton than they did for their crop a year ago despite an expected 30 per cent decrease in production, M. G. Mann, general manager of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association, said here today.

Mr. Mann based his prediction on the government's estimated production of 516,000 bales for North Carolina in 1941 as compared with 732,000 bales a year ago. This year's crop, Mr. Mann said, should bring North Carolina farmers at least 15 per cent more than the \$35,834,000 they received for their lint cotton last year.

"The government," Mr. Mann said, "has through its loan put a floor on cotton produced in North Carolina of 15.24c or 15.29c a pound, basis middling 15-16. This flooring is \$26.95 a bale higher than it was last year."

Mr. Mann pointed out that the purpose of the government loan is to guarantee that farmers receive at least 85 percent of parity for their cotton

Ten Killed 92 Injured In August Accidents

Highways of piedmont North Carolina grew more deadly in August as ten persons were killed and 92 injured in 102 accidents, according to monthly report released yesterday from office of Lieut. D. T. Lambert, commanding officer of troop C, state highway patrol, comprising 20 counties.

August toll brought this year's fatalities to 80 and the number of injured to 829, as compared to 63 killed and 593 injured during the same period last year.

The August harvest was not as great as the same month last year, however, when 13 were killed and 124 injured in 114 accidents.

March takes first place in the 1941 fatality parade with 16, May, 15 and February, 12, are in order while April and August each had 10. January 8, June 7, July 2, complete the picture.

Patrolmen made 779 arrests in August, 62 of which were for drunken driving. Sentences totaled 21 years, seven months and one day were meted out.

Welles says U. S. will share defense goods with Americas.

Gurley Disappointed That Rail Men And Bosses Didn't Agree

Commenting on the announced results of the strike vote released today by railway labor leaders, F. G. Gurley, Chairman of the Carriers Conference Committee representing the railroads, expressed disappointment because of the failure of the employees and the railroads to reach an amicable settlement with respect to the pending wage demands and the other features of the controversy.

The labor representatives in pressing their 900 Million Dollar wage demands are apparently seeking, Mr. Gurley said, to reflect the present artificial and temporary situation due to intense defense efforts in a permanently increased wage scale. Gurley stated that after the Mediation Board announced its inability to get the parties to come to an agreement, the railroads had formally expressed their willingness to arbitrate the controversy.

Demands of the five operating brotherhoods are for an increase of 30 per cent in wages, with minimum increase of \$1.80 per day. Moreover, they are demanding additional and unnecessary employes on Diesel engines, and for a revised method of compensation. The demands for these unnecessary men constitute a further attempt to add to the costs of the railroads and would place as many as nine engineers on certain types of locomotives, whereas two constitute the engine crew now. The proposed reclassification for pay purposes is in reality another wage movement and it is still hanging over the railroads.

Demands of the fourteen non-operating brotherhoods are for an increase of 30 cents per hour in pay, with a minimum of 70 cents per hour, and for vacations with pay.

The carriers have proposed certain changes in working rules designed to improve operating efficiency and to bring about fair and equitable treatment.

An agreement was reached with the five operating brotherhoods to resume mediation of the proposed changes in working rules after final mediation of the proposed changes now is has been made of the employees' wage demands. The non-operating brotherhoods have refused

ed at all times to discuss rules changes, nor would they agree, as did the other group, to a consideration of them after the wage question was disposed of. The carriers proposed rule changes affecting the non-operating men will therefore be submitted to a board along with the wage question.

Gurley pointed out that the taking of a strike ballot is a device of the employes to create an emergency which will cause the President to appoint a fact finding board. He said the ballot was in reality merely a ballot for a fact finding board and not a ballot for a strike. Such a board would have thirty days in which to hear and reach a decision as to the relative merits of the controversy.

board is not binding on either party, but relies on the force of public opinion.

Quantities of some of the items of food to be consumed by the Third Army on maneuver are astronomical:

For instance, 8,756,700 pounds of potatoes, 13,680,596 oranges; 2,478,540 14 1/2-oz. cans of evaporated milk; 2,498,991 dozen fresh eggs; 2,060,400 pounds of coffee; 1,624,060 pounds butter; Bread, 11,271,600 pounds of bread, 100,852,550 apples and 2,402,790 pounds of sugar.

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