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ON THE FARM FRONT

Only the farmer seems to really understand how critical the food situation is and that is why he feels he is doing the patriotic thing when he takes a fighting stand through his organizations, on the vital question of farm labor, supplies, prices and production. It is part of the big job of winning the war and he knows it. Not only the farmers but the whole nation may thank God for the farm organizations, when this war is over. -000-

SOME DIFFERENCE

It is one thing for government to broaden individual opportunity and provide a maximum of care for the needy. It is quite a different thing to build up government to where it dictates to the individual in the commonest affairs of life. The first type of government is what our boys are fighting to preserve. The second type is what they think they are fighting to prevent coming to America.

SPLENDID CONTRIBUTION RECOGNIZED

The Office of Price Administration has issued a public statement thanking the thousands of newspapers in the United States for the millions of dollars worth of space they donated to the government in repeated publication of the voluminous data regarding War Ration Book No. 2. This was an incalculable saving to the government in money and man hours, and a great convenience to the public.

START SAVING

There is no longer any way of loading the tax bill "onto the other fellow." It is now in the lap of every family in the land. Taxes come ahead of all family bills. The American family will have to learn to economize as never before.

A single person with an income of \$100 a month will pay the Federal government approximately \$175 in 1943, and this does not include any state income tax, property tax or excise taxes. A single person earning \$15 a week, with no dependents, will pay some \$56 Federal taxes, not counting other taxes.

We will have to go without a lot of things hereafter to accumulate tax money. As we scrimp to meet our tax obligations, we will take increasing interest in seeing that city, county, state and Federal governments also economize; that frills and furbelows in government are eliminated for the duration, and for a long period

Congress could ease the situation for the taxpayer by passage of the Ruml, pay-as-you-go tax collection plan.

SENSIBLE MANPOWER PLANNING

The following suggestions could be advantageously

adopted by many businesses:

The Committee on Manpower of the Petroleum Industry War Council, has gone about the problem of meeting the manpower needs of the oil industry in a practical and intelligent manner. It points out that all companies must anticipate the loss of men, and plan in advance to replace such losses; that the industry has a great opportunity for service to the nation, and a great responsibility; that it must impress on employes that they are doing a real war job, and that it must solve the manpower problem intelligently within the industry.

The Committee makes 14 suggestions for maintain-

ing personnel:

. 1. Each company establish an employment pool and never let an employe be released for lack of work in his department until it is known he cannot be used some-

2. Employ women and older men whenever possible.

Women have shown amazing ability. 3. Explore the possibilities of increasing the use of

non-white employes. 4. Cease retiring able people because of retirement

5. Examine list of employes over 38 years of age in the armed services and ask them if they wish to return

to work. They can now be released for an sssential employer. 6. Don't depend for manpower on draft deferment,

except in cases of key men.

7. Encourage present employes to find new employes among relatives and friends.

8. Young married men entering service frequently

leave wives qualified for a good job.

9. Relax rules that may require resignation of wo-

men employes who marry.

10. Relax physical requirements. Physically handi-

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capped persons can fill jobs.

11. Consider the uses of Manning Tables developed by the War Manpower Commission.

12. Exhaust all the self-help that lies in up-grading,

in job break-down, and in inplant training. 13. For professional personnel such as chemists, en-



ITS APEX - OUR FIGHTING MEN. ITS BODY - THE ENERGY AND DETERMINATION OF EVERY AMERICAN: FARMER, WORKER, DOCTOR BUSINESS MAN, MECHANIC , HOUSEWIFE-ALL OF US. ITS BASE - OUR HOMES, FARMS, RAILROADS, FACTORIES; OUR RESERVES IN WAR BONDS, SAVINGS ACCOUNTS, LIFE INSURANCE, INVESTMENTS; AND OUR GREAT NATURAL RESOURCES.

ITS FOUNDATION - OUR BEDROCK AMERICAN IDEALS OF FREEDOM AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL.

IT IS STRONG, AS EACH PART IS STRONG.

gineers, draftsmen, first-class mechanics, when necessary exhaust every effort for deferment. Consider wo-

14. Inquire how soon employes will be called and ar-

range replacements.

"An order" of the War Manpower Commission about non-deferrable occupations "which was intended to apply to such things as ornamental glass, costume jewelry or greeting cards does not carry any implication for such vital industries as oil . . . which wartime America must keep fully manned." Therefore, oil company employes should not mistakenly and thoughtlessly seek to change their employment.

FRANKLIN COUNTY HISTORY

By REV. E. H. DAVIS

The first man from Franklin to wear the Judicial ermine was Samuel W. Watts who was not a native of the county but who came here from Martin and made his home in Franklinton. He was one of the many that came to prominence in the reconstruction days and who but for that upheaval had never been heard of at all. He was a man of mediocre ability, without much knowledge of the law and who during the session of his Court where advocates were making long addresses to Judge and jury that he did not care to hear and wearied of would show his talent of another sort in drawing piccing the sessions. Connor in his history who were not above selling their decisions. Connor in his history relates that John T. Deweese and Milton S. Littleford, a mighty combination then for corruption, waiting on him for them—which may have been an improvement in the custom of another Judge of the same persuasion who sometimes stopped his ears with cotton under similar circumstances. Judge Watts came to the bench with the adoption of the Camby Constitution in 1868 and the election of that year. With the adoption of that Constitution the law regarding Judges was changed. Henceforth they were to be elected by the people instead of as hitherto by the Legislature. Their term restricted from a life tenure to eight years and their services restricted to the District in which they residence in the country. and their services restricted to the District in which they resid-ed. Under the new arrangement there were to be 12 Judicial Dis-tricts in the State—Franklin be-ing in the 7th with Wake, Orange, Lohnton Chatham and Nach Johnston, Chatham and Nash. A high authority has said "that history is past politics and politics are present history" — which though not entirely true has a deal of truth mixed with it. The history of that day 1868 was politics even in the matter of courts the election of Judges-their character and equipment and their administration of Justice. By act of this convention Albion W. Tourgee, a brilliant Tourgee, a brilliant man of wide reputation as an author, was admitted to the Bar without previous examination and subsequently became a Judge. The exigencies—political — were immediate and pressing and things mediate and pressing and things had to be done quickly. It was the day of "twenty dollar law-yers"—that is when the prime requirement for admission to the bar was not how much law one knew but is he ready with the fee. Yet a time when the Supreme Court itself consisted of five as able men as well versed in the law at ever sat there the

the law as ever sat there—the Chief Justice Richmond M. Pear-

son being specially eminent.

Judge Watts came to the bench

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go-getting salesman named Bill, Said-"We've got an order

to fill-So sign up that pledge, Buy Bonds and don't 'hedge.'

We can and we mustand we will!"

Lions Celebrate Birthday Party

Lion E. M. Carter. Clifton Win-ston, president of the club, welston, president of the club, welcomed the guest and recognized the visiting clubs. Mr. Joyner, of Franklinton, rendered several accordian solos. District Governor Tom Payne reviewed and praised the work of the Youngsville Lions during their initial year. Lion Payne paid tribute to the Lions in service and commended the Lions on their growth despite their depleted ranks due despite their depleted ranks due to selective service. He urged all to send as many delegates as possible to the State Convention which will be held at Winston-Salem in June. Lion Payne then

stressed the importance of each Lion growing a Victory garden. Rev. F. H. Scottield, of Roles-ville, addressed the club on the Youngsville, Mar. 23.— The rendered by the double quartet; Mesdames Cox, Cooke, Fulk and the celebration of their anniversary birthday party with a basic.

The program closed with a brief cue supper at the Youngsville The program closed with a brief community House, Tuesday night Mar. 23.

The program closed with a brief inspirational talk by the president, F. C. Winston. About 90 Lions and guests took part in the The program was arranged by celebration.

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