More Timber And Pulpwood

Raleigh, Nov. 27. — Asking every possible cooperation on the part of workers, operators and owners of timber in North Carolina in meeting the State's prorata of lumber and pulpwood for critical needs, Governor Broughton signed a proclamation yesterday afternoon pointing out that this state must maintain production of 1,656,000,000 board feet of lumber and 600,000 cords of pulpwood.

These figures can be met without impairing the State's resources of standing timber, which now total 43,610,000,000 board feet of timber, according to estimates by the United States Forest Service. The need is so great that the government has been unable to place orders for 712 million board feet immediately needed.

The proclamation follows:

To all workers, operators and owners of timber in North Carolina

A Proclamation By The Governor

Lumber, pulpwood and other timber products are critical materials required in huge quantities for the construction of facilities and implements of war.

National requirements for the successful prosecution of the war are estimated by the War Production Board to exceed thirty-six billion board feet of lumber and thirteen million cords of pulpwood during the present calendar year. Recently, the Central Procuring Agency was unable to place orders for seven hundred and twelve million board feet of lumber for immediate government use.

If our goals are to be reached, the annual pro-rata production of lumber and timber products by this state must be maintained at a rate of 1,656,000,000 board feet of lumber and 600,000 cords of pulpwood.

The United States Forest Service estimates that there is a stand of 43,610,000,000 board feet of timber at the present time in this state which if conservatively managed is sufficient to produce a cut of 1,656,000,000 board feet of lumber and 600,000 cords of pulpwood annually during the War Emergency without impairing the future productivity of this vital resource within this State.

It is suggested that all citizens who own timber lands select those kinds and sizes of trees useful in the war effort which can be removed without impairing the future productivity of such lands and to make these trees or the products thereof available for purchase by manufacturers of lumber and timber products.

Now, Therefore, I, J. Melville Broughton, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby call upon all lumber, pulpwood and other timber products manufacturers in the State to take cognizance of the need and to strive to produce lumber and timber products in the increased quantities needed to supply our armed forces and related essential civilian uses.

Furthermore, in view of the urgent military needs, I call upon those workers in logging camps, mills and allied industry in this State to labor without stint to the end that our men in uniform may not be handicapped by a lack of equipment or facilities, and also I call upon the press, radio stations, schools and other media of information and publicity in the State of North Carolina to acquaint the public in general, and timber owners and timber workers in particular with the urgent need of increased production of timber and forest products for the successful prosecution of the war.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina to be affixed at Raleigh, North Carolina, the Capital, this the twenty-sixth day of November, A. D., 1943.

Signed
J. MELVILLE BROUGHTON,
Governor.

CAPTURES STILL

Officer W. A. Phelps reports the capture of a steel drum still outfit in the section known as Egypt, near the Herbert Harris farm, and destroyed 3 and one-fourth gallons of whiskey and 10 barrels of mash on Friday. He was assisted by Officers R. E. Neal and D. C. Swanson.

On Monday Officer Phelps reports the capture of a 30 gallon still belonging to Herbert Davis in Louisburg township together with half gallon of whiskey. This still was set up in the fire place at the home of Davis. Davis was taken in custody. He was assisted by Officer Neal and Patralman Bynum.

Rotenone may be used for the control of any insect attacking the home garden and also for cattle grubs and lice, says the W. F. A.

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GRADUATES

Keesler Feld, Biloxi, Miss., Dec. 2.—A new role in Democracy's fight against the Axis today awaited Pfc. Charles H. Parrish, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Parrish, RFD 3, Louisburg, N. C., who was graduated as an airplane mechanic today from the B-24 Liberator bomber mechanic's school at this unit of the Army Air Force Training Command.

Pvt. Parrish, with approximately 17 weeks of intensive training behind him, is now ready either for assignment to line duty wherever the big Libertors are operating, or to a flexible gunnery or factory school.

"On the line" it will be his duty, not to fly them, but to keep them in good flying condition so they will perform effectively. Before the big bombers take off he will make certain that the engines are running smoothly, that the electrical and fuel systems are functioning properly, that the landing gear is working correctly—that the plane is in perfect mechanical condition.

When the planes return he will help mend broken and twisted parts, change a damaged engine, patch up bullet holes and put the bombers back in service as good as new.

Army Air Forces experts long have recognized the importance of the ground crews who outnumber pilots 10 or 20 to 1, with the proven theory that a bomber is no better in action than its memhanics on the ground.

THANKS

We wish to thank all those who so generously assisted us in so many ways, following the loss of our home and contents by fire Sunday night, Nov. 28. They will be gratefully remembered.

W. W. Matthews and Wife.

THE LOW DOWN
from
HICKORY GROVE

You hear about things being "deader than a door nail." Well, the latest is the 4 Freedoms. It was kinda flimsy, right from the start — something like a whispy fog early in the morning, before the sun warmed up. But it sounded kinda pretty, if you listened sorta casual, and without pondering too heavy.

Jo Serra

But I see they are trying to revive it—give it some new glands or something. It is on our new one-cent postage stamp—big as life—the 4 Freedoms. A campaign slogan on a postage stamp, where you gotta pay one cent for a slogan you don't think is much shakes in the first place, is kinda nervy. But you must buy it regardless—unless you just quit writing anybody—and go in your hole and hibernate.

When the 4 Freedoms first came out it caught a good many folks kinda off-balance. But without things like freedom to work where you wish to work and not have to dig up, the other 4 Freedoms don't look so hot.

I guess they started using the slogan too soon—too far from election day. It has had time to back-fire—and loud, like a balky carburetor.

Yours with the low down,
JO SERRA.

Gasoline Situation

Here is the second in the OPA series of articles on the gasoline situation. It deals with the increasing needs of the Army and Navy.

War demands for fuel oil and gasoline will increase with every additional plane, jeep, tank, truck or landing barge sent overseas.

In 1942, only about 12 per cent of all the gasoline produced east of the Rockies went to our armed forces and allies. By the end of 1943 it will be 30.6 per cent. In 1944, it is estimated, it will be 36.6 per cent and in 1945, 39.6 per cent.

In plain words, only about 25 gallons of each 42-gallon barrel of crude oil produced goes into gasoline for civilian use. In 1941 it was about 37 gallons.

Mechanized warfare feeds insatiably on petroleum and its products. Tanks of one armored division will burn 25,000 gallons of gasoline in traveling 100 miles.

On a single sixhour mission, one Flying Fortress will use at least 1500 gallons of high-test fuel.

Gasoline is used in field hospitals to heat sterilizers for surgical instruments, to light the lamps in tent operating rooms and to power the refrigerators where blood plasma is kept.

In the Arctic, the Aleutians, in Greenland, gasoline heats the soldier quarters. In nearly every theater of war gasoline plays a part in cooking soldiers' meals. Even mechanical dough-kneaders in field kitchens are run with gasoline.

As more and more high-test fuel is produced, the quality of automobile gas will become progressively poorer as greater amounts of tetra-ethyl of lead are used to step up the fuel.

Petroleum production has not kept pace with wartime demands. In the midwestern fields, production has actually declined since Pearl Harbor.

Search for new midwest sources continues, but the Petroleum Administrator for War says the only remaining fields capable of expansion are in West Texas, plus a limited area in East Texas and the gulf coast of Texas and Louisiana.

But these fields, PAW says, can produce only about 200,000 additional barrels daily—a temporary stop-gap at best.

NEXT WEEK: Wartime Gasoline Transportation Problems.

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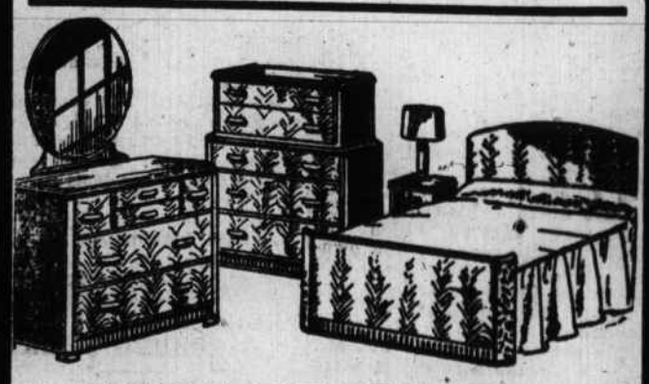

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