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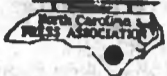
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First Aid Valuable

The failure on the part of a large number to register for first aid courses as a civilian defense measure is disappointing.

Every person who is supposed to have reasonable intelligence should have knowledge of first aid methods in case of accidents and other emergencies when human life hangs in the balance.

A few days ago there was an instance here which showed the value of first aid. Charlie Carlton received a slash on his throat right here in North Wilkesboro. He walked two blocks while blood streamed from his jugular vein, which was partly cut.

During that time a crowd of curiosity-loving onlookers gathered to gaze while his life's blood went out in spouts and none of them did anything because they did not know what to do or did not have the nerve to go ahead and do it.

Bruce Pennington, a soldier whose home is in Mountain City, Tennessee, who had been given first aid training, walked through the crowd and soon had the situation well in hand. He placed his fingers on the man's wounded throat in such manner that the flow of blood would be held until he reached the hospital in an ambulance. Physicians said his action saved Carlton's life.

Wouldn't you like to be able to do this? If so, why not register at the civilian defense office for the first aid classes to be conducted here.

Congress Responds

It was indeed a healthy development in Government Thursday evening when congress repealed that measure which was passed several days ago and which would have granted congressmen and senators pensions for life. After passing the act while many were out of the halls of congress, the two lawmaking bodies became objects of public criticism which bordered on scorn.

Some west coast people began collecting "Bundles For Congress" as a sarcastic gesture. Many newspapers, practically all of them, pointed the finger of ridicule at congress. Some went so far as to say that the congressional pension grab, maneuvered while school children were urged to save pennies for the government's defense stamps, smelled—which it did.

The overwhelming vote by which the senate repealed its own pension provisions speaks well for that august body and will somewhat diminish our contention that congress is the citadel of politics, petty or otherwise.

Of course, politics can be seen in the whole thing, passage and repeal. Members of congress thought that the people, engrossed with thoughts of war, would overlook the pension act. Naturally the Republicans, definitely in the minority, were against the measure because its passing by the majority party would give the minority some unparalleled campaign thunder. After the public uprising the Democrats sensed that very thing, which helped toward repeal by an overwhelming majority of members in both parties, which, we repeat for emphasis, was a very good thing for the nation.

If congress wants a pension plan, let them take one like ours. Pay one or two per cent of their salary and at the age of 65 take modest old age insurance monthly payments of \$10 to \$50 per month like the rest of us will get. That would be democracy at work.

We cannot fail to win in the long run, though the run may be longer than we see at this moment. Anything less than a complete, crushing and final victory over Japan means the end of the United States as a great nation. Reidsville Review.

WHY ARE WE WINNING?

In our opinion the reason we are winning is the help of the women. One of the official puts it this way: "They smile a little easier" than they used to. The reason for their good cheer? Women have joined the company as mechanics' helpers. Girls who used to be stenographers, dressmakers and salesgirls are now helping to repair airplane engines.

And they are by no means unique, these girls. In factories all over the country women are taking their places at the work benches of freedom, turning out vital material that America needs to crush aggression. In the months to come many of them will help to man the factory front as the vast new plants that are now being built go into swift production, and others are converted to war work. Industry is on the job today, quickly expanding its output of weapons for the fighting forces of free people all over the world.

Not only are more women on the job now, but in many cases they are doing better work than the men. Because their hands are smaller, they are often more expert at delicate industrial operations than men are. Many companies maintain schools to train them in these jobs and help them get off to a flying start.

Even though this war is being fought thousands of miles away in places with foreign, unfamiliar names, here at home we are all in it. Stories like these make that fact clear and certain. We all have work that we can do to win our victory. And, whatever our job is, it's up to us to do it better than ever before.

Borrowed Comment

HOW WARS ARE WON (Reidsville Review)

Something that every American ought to get straight at the start of this war is that defeating Germany, Japan and Italy is going to be a man-sized job in more ways than one.

There is but slender hope we can win the complete and lasting victory which we have solemnly resolved to achieve without defeating the powerful Axis armies on their own soil.

Somehow we seem to have formed the opepyhal notion that all we have to do is get our factories going at top speed, pile up the armaments, and wait for the Axis powers to collapse of fright.

Production is of course a mighty important phase of modern warfare. But it isn't everything. Battles are still won by soldiers, not machines. There must be a crew of two to eight men to operate every tank that comes off the assembly line. No plane has military value until there are provided skilled fliers to take it aloft. A battleship is a floating mountain of useless metal without a crew of hundreds of men to handle it. Behind every rifle and machine-gun there must be a fighting man.

Even when all the machines of destruction are ready and the men trained to use them, men must still fight and die. They must kill their enemies, other men, and put them to rout. That is war.

So while we are placing the emphasis on the production, in which we have an overwhelming advantages, let's not overlook the inexorable fact that something more is required to bring the peace so ardently hoped for. Let's remember we still have to beat the enemy armies on battlefields of their own choosing. Let's remember that we will need millions of fighting men—courageous, fearless, spirited fighting men—to do this.

If we remember this we will not be disillusioned when our production reaches top speed and we discover peace is still far away. Potential victory lies in our stupendous capacity for production, but its realization can only come before the flaming muzzles of American guns.

And when it comes to that, we could enter some welsch rabbits that we've met in the races for synthetic rubber supremacy.—Christian Science Monitor.

A newspaper recently published a reproduction of a wedding photograph with an underline explaining that "the bridegroom is in the background." Well, whoever heard of a wedding where the bridegroom was anywhere else. That's where he ought to be.—Exchange.

Washington asserts that we are going to fling billions at the Japs. Well-aimed silver dollars might be very effective.—Norfolk Ledger Dispatch.

Secret agents report that there's a plot on foot to get rid of Hitler—and don't let it get around, but one of the ring-leaders is Franklin D. Roosevelt.—Boston Globe.

CAPTURE OF SINGAPORE LAD TO INDIFFERENCE OF ASIATICS

London, Feb. 23.—The capture of Singapore, the largest of the Malay Peninsula, to the outcome of the war in the Western Pacific was described by the London Times special correspondent in Batavia, Netherlands East Indies, as among the reasons Singapore fell.

Other factors were lack of sea and air support for ground forces and strategic weakness.

No Roots in People
The government, he said, had no roots in the life of the people "with the exception of certain sections of the Chinese community—some inspired by Free China's struggle for survival, others by Soviet precept and example—the bulk of the Asiatic population remained spectators from the start to the finish," he charges.

He mentions the serious desertion of civilian labor from key jobs, saying that early in the war only 800 of the civilian labor force of 12,000 were employed at the naval base. Troops were reported forced to leave important military duties to unload ships.

Crews Deserted Ships
Native crews deserted many of the small ships and launches anchored out in the bay, and for this reason many thousands of people who could have been evacuated were unable to escape.

This confirms an earlier dispatch by E. R. Noderer, Chicago tribune correspondent now stationed in Java regarding conditions at the Hotel Raffles in Singapore during the first bombing raids over the city.

There is no indication of the attitude of the native population in other theatres of war in the Western Pacific, except that the Japanese have been attempting to undermine the resistance on their part by promising a share in the new co-prosperity sphere.

Sugar Quotas

May Be Cut

Washington.—The proposed weekly allotment of 12 ounces of sugar per person under the rationing program may be reduced to half a pound because of unfavorable war developments.

Officials are said to be considering reducing the weekly quota to eight ounces to meet new conditions caused by a shortage of shipping resulting from increased sinkings and diversions of bottoms to other war duties.

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