

The Home Front

Indeed, is the obsession of some Americans that we're going to win this war simply because of our superiority in natural resources and industrial capacity. **FREE GOING TO WIN THE WAR!** But we're going to win it simply because of our superior natural resources and industrial capacity. Victory will come eventually because of our intelligent use of those things.

It is the determination of the War Production Board to use things intelligently that lies

behind its action in slicing away at civilian manufacture. This necessarily precedes the funneling of vastly increasing quantities of materials into war production.

Reflecting this unbending determination of the WPB are two orders, one prohibiting the further use of iron and steel in a long list of products and the other calling that to all construction not essential to the war purpose. Those two orders call for sacrifice. But let us keep always in mind that sacrifice alone will not win the war. It is not just doing without something which will vanquish our enemies; rather, victory will come as a result of positive, aggressive action—both on the home front and on the fighting front.

We are now producing weapons for our armed forces and for our allies at the rate of some 30 billion dollars a year. It's not enough, of course, but it's three times what we were doing last year—and our pace is accelerating. Let Hitler and Hirohito and Mussolini think that over!

Three Problems Face U. S. The most important problem we face on the Home Front today is that of production, but there are three other problems to be solved if we are to get production to the fullest. These problems are (1) shortages of materials vital to the war effort; (2) inflation, which means that prices are getting higher and higher and that unless something is done we won't get our full value in planes and weapons and ships for our money; and (3) transportation.

Transportation, both for passengers and freight, is going to become more difficult every day. Because of the increasing demands on the railroads, the office of Defense Transportation has asked government agencies and private businesses to order only the transportation they know they can use . . . and also that reservations be made and tickets purchased well ahead of time.

The problems of motor transportation increase also. The Office of Price Administration warns that there's no guarantee that recapping material will be available even for the tires of defense workers . . . and that the convenience of war worker is the governing factor in allocating such material. If you drive to work, pool the use of your car with that of a neighbor or fellow worker—tires will last twice as long.

OPA Fights Inflation
The OPA is combating inflation and the rising cost of living, and this fight must be won if we are to defeat the Axis. Within the past few days, the OPA has added many articles—including 44 electrical appliances—to a long list of things over which it has set maximum prices. The OPA has just opened seven new branch offices, and more are to be opened as the need becomes apparent.

In Los Angeles a tire dealer has been indicted for violating rationing regulations, this being the first case of its kind on the Pacific Coast . . . And the City of Toledo, Ohio, lost in a court ruling that municipalities must conform to OPA price maximums. The city was selling street railway track scrap.

Cigarettes Feel Pinch
WPB has ordered cigarette manufacturers to stop wrapping cigarettes in lead foil after May 1, regardless of how much lead foil they may have on hand. Lead, let it not be forgotten, is the raw material for bullets, and tetraethyl lead going into the making of highest gasoline used in a 400-mile an hour fighting plane.

And since lead is one of the things we need in great quantities, it is one of the metals we must watch for especially as we push the "Salvage-for-Victory" Campaign. This time of spring housecleaning is a good time to collect any scrap metal, old rubber, rags or paper you have around your home. Give your waste to a charitable organization, or sell it to a scrap dealer. WPB is counting on it to help build the tanks, planes, ships and guns America needs.

Clothing Affected
The need for conservation of materials has reached into the field of women's styles—but not with the same results as in the case of men's clothing. About the only parallel between the rulings affecting men and those affecting women is that there will be no cuffs of men's trousers . . . Otherwise, the effect was to save material and at the same time avoid any drastic and arbitrary interference with style. WPB's effort was to strike an average and then to move within that average to effect savings. It won't affect clothes for this spring and summer anyway, since most of them are already made.

Named On Committee
Twelve men identified with the Southern hardwood lumber industry have been invited by the Office of Price Administrator to serve on an industry advisory committee to cooperate with OPA in studies of the price situation concerning the industry. Included THE HOME FRONT—Gal two, among the 12 are: M. W. Camp, Camp Manufacturing Company, Marion, S. C.; J. W. Foreman, Foreman-Blades Lumber Company, Elizabeth City, N. C., and H. C. Parrish, Richmond Cedar Works, Norfolk, Va.

'Leanin' On The Ole Top Rail'



Those ace comedians, the Weaver Brothers and Elvry, return Thursday and Friday to the screen of the Liberty Theatre in the new Republic picture, "Shepherd of the Ozarks." The Weavers are seen as the leading citizens of a backwoods village whose peaceful existence is suddenly shattered by the complications which develop when a deposit of aluminum-bearing bauxite ore is discovered in the area. As in all the Weavers' previous pictures, comedy and music predominate in "Shepherd of the Ozarks." The excellent supporting cast includes such favorites as Marilyn Hare, Frank Albertson, Thurston Hall, Johnny Arthur, and William Haade.

Buy Coal Now

OPA warns that you'd better buy your coal for next winter now or soon . . . we may not be able to spare transportation space next fall to get it from the mines . . .

The jewelry industry has until May 15 to use up what silver or gold-plated copper it has in inventory—and no more copper after that . . . The supply of adult bicycles has been "frozen," and bicycles will be made available to war workers first and to other civilians afterwards . . . The Red Cross will collect those cuffs cut from trousers and will realize a profit on their sale to wool processors . . . With the radio industry converting 100 per cent to war work, RCA turned over the last product of its Camden plant to the Warm Springs Foundation . . .

The War Productive Drive proceeds apace with more than 300 major companies now fully participating and several steel makers reporting all-time record broken . . . Several firms have been penalized for violating aluminum priorities . . . After June 30, tin may be used to can only a limited variety of condensed soups . . . OPA has ruled that mud and snow tires, with heavy rubber lugs and treads, can't be replaced by new summer tires but must stay on the rims until worn out.

Red Cross Passes Its \$65,000,000 Goal

Chairman Says Results Give Proof of Nation's Determination To Win

Washington, D. C. — Chairman Norman H. Davis has informed President Roosevelt that the \$65,000,000 War Fund goal of the American Red Cross has been reached, with additional contributions still being reported by chapters throughout the country.

In a letter to the President, Mr. Davis described results of the drive as "magnificent proof not only of the vitality of the Red Cross but of the determination of the people to make whatever sacrifices are called for to win the war."

The drive was officially opened December 12, when President Roosevelt issued a proclamation asking the American people to subscribe to the Red Cross War Fund of "a minimum of \$50,000,000."

With Red Cross volunteers actively engaged in the campaign in the more than 3,700 chapters throughout the 48 states, the minimum goal of \$50,000,000 was reached February 7, Chairman Davis said. At that time the Red Cross asked the public for an over-subscription to the Fund which would bring the total to \$65,000,000. This was deemed advisable to meet the demands upon the Red Cross as a result of the growing war needs of the country, Mr. Davis said. This goal was reached March 26.

Thomas W. Lamont, of New York, served as chairman of the National Advisory Committee, and heading the campaign as national chairman was S. Sloan Colt, New York banker.

Funds raised in the War Fund Campaign are being used to expand Red Cross services to the men of the armed forces, wherever they may be assigned, and on the home front.

In his report to the President, Mr. Davis wrote, "Many suggestions have been made that as a nation we are not aroused to war. The response to the Red Cross War appeal is evidence to the contrary. As you know, the Red Cross has more than 3,700 chapters and 5,000 branches, averaging three to a county in the 48 states. Every one of these units has gone to work cheerfully and produced generous results."

Ex-Navy Men May Re-Enlist

The Salisbury Navy recruiting station has been notified by the Bureau of Navigation that Ex-Navy men with broken service may now re-enlist in the regular

Navy at the rating they held when discharged, provided they were discharged under honorable conditions. Re-enlistment is also authorized at a higher rate than that held at time of discharge where the man is considered qualified; requests for re-enlistment as second class petty officer or higher will be referred to the Bureau of Navigation for consideration. Ex-Chief Petty Officers, permanent appointment, will re-enlist as petty officers first class and immediately be issued an acting Chief Petty Officer appointment.

Age limit is computed on the basis of 36 plus the length of service of the men, provided he is not over 50 years of age. For instance a man who has ten years of service may re-enlist up to his 46th birthday. Consideration will be given to cases where the applicant has passed his 50th birthday.

Men who re-enlist will have their past service count on longevity pay and for transfer to the Fleet Reserve and retirement. Further information may be obtained at the Navy recruiting Station, Post Office Bldg., Salisbury, N. C.

BUY DEFENSE BONDS

REPORT OF CONDITION OF

BANK OF NORTH WILKESBORO

Of North Wilkesboro in the State of North Carolina at the Close of Business on April 4th, 1942

ASSETS	
Loans and discounts (including NONE overdrafts)	\$1,089,070.40
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	257,337.39
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	168,083.31
Other bonds, notes, and debentures	29,969.39
Corporate stocks (including NONE stock of Federal Reserve bank)	NONE
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	1,019,263.44
Bank premises owned \$41,000.00, furniture and fixtures \$1,757.50	42,757.50
(Bank premises owned are subject to NONE liens not assumed by bank)	NONE
Real estate owned other than bank premises	NONE
Investments and other assets indirectly representing bank premises or other real estate	NONE
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	NONE
Other assets	2,464.47
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,608,945.90

LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$1,004,505.83
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	1,121,056.58
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	49,631.30
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	124,440.81
Deposits of banks	NONE
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	8,458.59
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$2,308,093.11
Mortgages or other liens, NONE on bank premises and NONE on other real estate	NONE
Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank and outstanding	NONE
Other liabilities	48,832.82
TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown below)	\$2,356,925.93

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital*	\$ 99,700.00
Surplus	125,000.00
Undivided profits	15,023.96
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred capital)	12,296.01
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	252,019.97
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	2,608,945.90

*This bank's capital consists of \$NONE of capital notes and debentures; first preferred stock with total par value of \$19,700.00, total retirable value \$49,700.00; second preferred stock with total par value of NONE, total retirable value NONE; and common stock with total par value of \$50,000.00.

MEMORANDA	
Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value):	
(a) U. S. Government obligations, direct and guaranteed pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities	\$ 122,151.69
(b) Other assets pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities (including notes and bills rediscounted and securities sold under repurchase agreement)	84,492.01
(c) Assets pledged to qualify for exercise of fiduciary or corporate powers, and for purposes other than to secure liabilities	NONE
(d) Securities loaned	NONE
(e) TOTAL	206,643.70

Secured and preferred liabilities:	
(a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law	171,218.30
(b) Borrowings secured by pledged assets (including discounts and repurchase agreements)	NONE
(c) Other liabilities secured by pledged assets	NONE
(d) Deposits preferred under provisions of law but not secured by pledge of assets	NONE
(e) TOTAL	\$ 171,218.30

Subordinated obligations:	
(a) Unpaid dividends on preferred stock and unpaid interest on capital notes and debentures, accrued to end of last dividend or interest period, not included in liabilities or reserves above	NONE
(b) Other obligations not included in liabilities which are subordinated to claims of depositors and other creditors	NONE
(a) On date of report the required legal reserve against deposits of this bank was	234,108.31
(b) Assets reported above which were eligible as legal reserve amounted to	\$1,019,263.44

I, R. W. Gwyn cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: R. W. GWYN Cashier
E. M. BLACKBURN,
J. R. HIX,
R. G. FINLEY, Directors

State of North Carolina, County of Wilkes, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of April, 1942, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.
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