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### Sign Your Pledge

Uncle Sam, in this War effort, must know from every production plant just how many guns, tanks, planes and ships he can expect to receive within the next few months so that he can lay his battle plans accordingly.

By the same token he must know from the people of the nation just how many dollars he can expect to receive voluntarily in the purchase of U. S. Savings Bonds, so that he can lay his tax plans accordingly, to pay for the War cost. The more dollars voluntarily pledged for the purchase of Bonds, the less will be the tax load.

With this in mind, the Treasury Department is conducting a nation-wide inventory by states wherein every income earner is being asked to sign a Pledge indicating how much he will lend from that income to buy Savings Bonds.

The pledge campaign in North Carolina is to be conducted next week—May 4-9.

This community is a local sector of the state and nation-wide battle front. The voluntary workers in the campaign are civilian soldiers serving without pay, without glory or thanks, and are as surely fighting a battle for freedom as the soldiers on the battle fronts. They are conducting a campaign which we as a nation cannot afford to lose. Their only weapon is a Pledge Card and a cheery word.

They will offer every income earner the privilege and opportunity to pledge an investment in the safest risk in the world, the United States Government.

Every person who is financially able should support this Pledge Campaign to his or her utmost financial ability. The Pledge is entirely voluntary on your part, but upon the success of this campaign will depend the freedom of America, for without the tanks and guns and supplies to be purchased by your investment, your pledge, we cannot win this war.

So join willingly, cheerfully, in this mobilization of American dollars, so that America will continue to be free. Sign the pledge and do your share.

### Playing With Fire

People who store supplies of gasoline on their premises, fearing that rationing may make it impossible for them to obtain as much gas as they want in the future, are taking a dangerous chance. That highly important warning has just been issued by the Engineering Department of the National Board of Fire Underwriters.

In the early days of motoring, gasoline could be bought in special five-gallon containers. Today, cans of that type of not available. Obtainable containers, for the most part, are not tight. Some are easily broken. Even when a tightly-capped metal container is employed, a hazard still exists. A hole may be eaten in the bottom which will allow slow leakage of the gas. That leak might not be noticed until enough explosive vapor had accumulated to cause a disastrous fire.

When gas is stored in a basement, the vapor released can be ignited by the fire in the furnace. And even if the container is both leak proof and structurally sound, a very great danger arises when the gas is poured into the car. Many cases are on record where static electricity exploded the vapor—at the cost of lives.

The National Board of Fire Underwriters urges fire chiefs and other officials to do all they can to prevent improper storage of gas. Garages should be rigorously inspected, and all mediums of communications should be used to show the public the danger involved.

So—don't store gas in or about your home. It may void your insurance policy. And it could very easily bring death and disaster to your family.

### Two Roads Ahead

Uncle Sam has given American industry a job—to provide enough guns, tanks, planes and ships fast enough to win this War of Survival.

Industry can't do its job for national security—as well as it should—unless it is free to hire, promote, keep—the best American workers it can find.

What has become of the desires of the workers themselves as expressed by the full 25 per cent of the employees of the company in New Jersey who dared to refuse to pay their dues in a union while exercising their right to work?

The National War Labor Board on April 8 imposed "maintenance of union membership" on that New Jersey company, manufacturers of vital machine tools. This ruling compels the employer to discharge any employee who withdraws from the local union.

This sort of action does not help to win the war.

This method of arriving piecemeal at a fundamental policy, as followed by the War Labor Board, does not get us any nearer to a set policy for labor relations for the duration of the war. It does not give industry the freedom from anxiety about "What will the Board do next?" so essential to the progress of the production of war material. It separates us farther from our goal of victory.

Only the elected representatives in Congress can decide which of two roads our nation shall follow—whether we shall establish a basic national policy which will prevent any conflict with our one objective, to win the war as speedily as possible, or rather shall encourage time-consuming, costly excursions into such questions as maintaining the strength of unions when the national strength is at stake.

The time has come for Congress to provide concrete evidence of its own realization of the nation's goal; subordinating all else toward winning the war.

### THEIR OWN EDITORIAL

(Winston-Salem Journal)

The mammoth forest fires which have been raging in the Western North Carolina woods during the past several days are writing their own editorial in letters of flame.

They plead more eloquently for greater local, state and federal forest protection than any words set down in a row across a piece of paper could ever plead. They preach forcefully against carelessness and incendiarism in the woods.

No one can view the blackened, charred skeletons of valuable trees ranging over wide areas, sees the flame-swept black earth which is now devoid of plant, insect and animal life in those devastated areas without realizing how enormous are the economic losses emerging from forest fires.

Yet it seems difficult for us to learn this lesson. Despite the annual burning of thousands of acres of valuable timberlands in this state, our forests are still without adequate protection.

One of the best investments local and state governments could make would lie in increased appropriations for forest fire prevention and control.

### LIFE'S BETTER WAY

WALTER E. ISENHOUR,  
Hiddenite, N. C.

#### SHE HAD A PEARL

She had a pearl—not from the sea,  
But from God's grandest, highest throne  
A pearl that's priceless, yet it's free,  
If you desire the pearl to own.  
It is a good and noble name,  
A character without a spot,  
Worth more than wealth and earthly fame,  
And things that people prize a lot.

You cannot buy this charming pearl  
With silver, riches, gems and gold,  
Although the humblest, poorest girl  
Can make it her's fore'er to hold,  
If she but lives a noble life,  
Both clean and pure through God's rich  
grace,  
Apart from sin and worldly strife,  
And whatsoever would disgrace.

This pearl of beauty and true worth  
Should be the treasure of each soul,  
For nothing so enriches earth  
While ages come and ages roll;  
For womanhood, in all its charm,  
Helps stay the awful pow'rs of sin,  
And is to man a mighty arm  
That helps him in life's race to win.

The more Bonds you buy through lending your money to your government, the less you taxes will be.

## Abnormal Absurdities

By DWIGHT McFARLANE

### WAS SOME RIDE

We're always glad to hear from the boys in the service. This week we received the following from Howard A. McNeill at Camp Claiborne, Arkansas:

"Dear Dwight:  
"Enclosed you will find check for which please send me The Journal-Patriot.

"I am in the tank division of the armored regiment. I took my first tank ride a few days ago it certainly was some ride.  
"I hear the first sarg calling me so I'd better close."

### ARTIST IN TOWN

A young man and his best girl friend were out cruising around one night last week and stopped to enjoy gazing at the moon. As far as they knew, no one was in miles.

But imagine next day when the young man went to work to find at his place of work an artist drawing of that "secluded" spot. The drawing included his car and the countryside in detail.

### SOME THINGS I DIDN'T KNOW UNTIL NOW

A single domestic hot water boiler would yield enough steel for a 37-mm gun.

One broken five-pound flat iron contains enough iron to make four hand grenades.

The cotton that goes into a medium-priced auto would make four uniforms for soldiers.

WPB's order halting the production of golf clubs will save 3,000,000 pounds of steel for the war effort.

A Weirton, W. Va., steel plant participating in the War Production Drive broke records in 200 departments during a single month.

A man in Asheville has invented a machine which he says will pull up trolley tracks as easily as a dentist pulls a tooth. He wants to use it in the Salvage for Victory campaign.

The Michigan State Highway Commission made a survey to discover just how fast America's auto tires are wearing out and found that the average tire was using up its rubber at the rate of three and a half per cent a month.

Why we are collecting scrap for war: All the metal needed to make a .30 cal. machine gun could be obtained from the following collection—a pair of roller skates, two door hinges, one door lock, one old spade, one trash burner, one trash basket.

The rubber in four pairs of men's overshoes would make a single pair of army galoshes, 60 containers for 75-mm shells can be made from a pile of 100 old newspapers, and one pound of brass pipe contains enough metal to make eighteen .30 cal. cartridges.

There's enough steel in one set of 60-pound bed springs to make two 4-inch shells for a 105-mm gun, a 250-pound kitchen stove contains enough iron to make a single 500-pound aerial bomb, and a man's woolen suit uses enough material for two army blankets.

### MARINE NEWS

We are grateful to a Marine at the New River base for a copy of Marine News, a service publication there.

Believing that you would be interested in some of their humor, we glean a few paragraphs:

#### TALKED BUSINESS

Mazie—That guy I went with last night did nothing but talk business.

Ruth—It must have been pretty dull.

Mazie—Not so very. I got a mink coat out of him.

#### PROMPT ACTION

Is that insurance company very prompt in paying?

Prompt! You know they have officers on the tenth floor of the

### NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

Under and by virtue of the Power of Sale vested in me as Trustee in a certain Deed of Trust executed on the 1st day of April, 1941, by Claude Minton and wife, Vada Minton, to secure the payment of a note therein mentioned; and, default having been made in the payment thereof, and demand having been made on me;

I will, therefore, on Monday, May 18, 1942, at the hour of ten (10:00) o'clock A. M., at the courthouse door in Wilkesboro, N. C., offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder, the following real estate, viz:

Adjoining the lands of John Parsons, Broyhill Heirs, G. C. Walker and State Highway No. 18;

BEGINNING on a stone and pine stump, Broyhill Heirs' corner, J. C. Parsons' and John Parsons' corner; running North 5 degrees East to Highway No. 18, 26 poles; then running with Highway No. 18, 40 poles and 17 links Southwest; thence South 97 1/2 degrees East 32 poles, less 10 links to the beginning.

See deed from Earl T. Minton and wife, Vivian Minton, dated October 16, 1939, to Claude Minton and wife, Vada Minton, which deed is recorded in the office of Registrar of Deeds for Wilkes County in Book 192, page 287.

This the 15th day of April, A. D. 1942.

A. H. Casey, Trustee

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Woodsboro building. Well, we other say, one of their hands jumped out at the wedding ceremony and they handed him his check as he passed.

### A LITTLE LATE

Can you imagine a guy giving me a black eye just for kissing the bride?

When did it happen?  
Oh, only a couple of years after the wedding.

### THAT RUMBLESEAT

Husband—Confound it! I've locked the keys inside the car.  
Wife—Never mind, dear. It's such a nice night we might as ride home in the rumble seat.

### Captured Nazi Order Warns Of Red Drive

Kuibyshev, Russia. — Russian troops of the central front have captured a German order of the day warning that a Russian offensive is expected by the German command and might be preceded by artillery preparations which would inflict heavy losses, the official newspaper Izvestia said today.

The order, issued by a regimental commander, warned the troops that the maximum of caution must be observed.

Observers here interpreted the order as additional evidence that the Germans were losing confidence in Adolf Hitler's ability to open a spring offensive on the scale of which he had boasted.

Front dispatches said melting snows all along the front had uncovered the bodies of tens of thousands of German soldiers killed in the winter campaign.

A huge snow mound inside the city of Yuhnov revealed thousands of bodies heaped together it was said, and more thousands were found in ditches outside the city.

Militiamen and thousands of civilians have been detailed to salvage German weapons and equipment on former battlefields now far behind the German lines, it was reported.

Special dispatches said that on the southern front the Germans had given up, for the present at least, their counterattacks after suffering a heavy defeat. Now the dispatches said, the Germans were fortifying populated places for defense.

### C. F. Brown, 79, Claimed By Death

Columbus Franklin Brown, 79, died Monday night at 10 o'clock at his home here after an illness of two days.  
Mr. Brown spent his entire

life in Wilkes county and was connected with the Brown Lumber company.

The funeral was held at Central Baptist church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial was in the church graveyard.

Survivors are the widow, Mrs. Anne Brown; one daughter, Mrs. D. C. Jordan, of Winston-Salem; three sons, J. S. Brown, of Winston-Salem; Kelly Brown, of Wilkesboro; and Sherman Brown of Richmond, Va.; and three step sons.

### NOTICE SERVICE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

North Carolina, Wilkes County, IN THE SUPERIOR COURT TROY BYRD

vs. L. A. BYRD

The defendant, L. A. Byrd, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the superior court of Wilkes county, North Carolina, for an absolute divorce and the said defendant will further take notice that he is

required to appear at the office of the clerk of the superior court of Wilkes County, N. C., within thirty days after the 27th day of April, 1942, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

C. C. HAYES, Clerk of The Superior Court of Wilkes County, N. C.  
This 27th day of April, 1942.  
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- TIME to make ships.
- TIME to train soldiers.
- TIME to manufacture tanks.

REDDY KILOWATT



Says—

TIME is also an all-important factor on your home fronts. Efficient aids in cooking and saving of food are imperative if we co-operate with the War Program. We have to make what we have last longer and serve better. Keep your electrical servants in good condition.

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