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Dehydration Coming Thing

This war will change many things for people, will make changes which will affect our lives, our living habits and business methods for generations to follow.

Foods are being dehydrated for shipment to all parts of the world to feed our fighting men and those of allied nations.

One transport plane can carry as much food in dried form as a freighter ship can carry in natural form.

A plane can make the trip in a fraction of the time required for a ship and with less risk.

Speed is essential in this war. To give the matter a more concrete example, let us say that a plane can carry powdered milk processed in Coble's plant in Wilkesboro with food value equal to what a ship could carry if the milk were only condensed.

But dehydrated foods will be used for the domestic market as well as for foods for the armed forces.

With the shortage of tin becoming more acute, food manufacturers are going to offer people at home foods in dehydrated form. Within a year shelves of grocery stores are going to have paper packages of dried foods, and there will be a great variety.

Dehydration is the coming thing in the food business. That is why the proposal to establish a dehydrating plant here has added significance.

The business is going to continue after the war. Foods in more concentrated form will be offered the American public for years and years.

Mass Production Cuts War Cost

The ingenuity that once enabled the automobile industry to make millions of passenger cars at prices that millions could afford to pay will save American taxpayers huge sums in the manufacture of arms. According to an official of the War Production Board, improved methods, introduced by industry, are cutting 20 per cent from the original estimated price of most items and economies in some cases run as high as 40 per cent.

For the first time in history giant bombers started rolling off the assembly line last spring. The assembly line technique had long been used to speed the production of small trainer and fighter planes, but never before had it been applied to giant bombers. Military requirements forbid the slightest hint as to the volume of production, but it has been stated that production figures would provide the most reassuring kind of reading for the American public.

Then there is the encouraging report that one gun which originally cost \$150 is now being made for less than \$50 by mass production methods.

One plant, now entirely converted to war manufacturing, accepted a contract far beyond its estimated capacity and half a year later was producing twice as many guns as the contract stipulated. Now, a little more than a year from the start of the work, the output of this single plant is seven times as great per month as the original optimistic figure. This, as figures show, is one of many tributes to mass production which American industry has mastered so well.

During the last war we built a total of 64 light tanks, weighing 7 1-2 tons each. "Light tanks" today weigh almost twice as much, heavy ones around 56 tons, and they now cost \$1 a pound to build.

New England is the only region in the U. S. using more fuel oil than gasoline.

Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week begins today. This year fire prevention has added significance.

In former years it has been the policy to be careless about fire, thinking that which has been destroyed can be replaced by insurance money.

You can't do that now. If fire burns your home or place of business, along with the contents thereof, you will find that many things you had cannot be replaced.

With the coming of cool weather and the need of fires in stoves and furnaces, the danger of fire is greatly increased.

During fire prevention week make an inspection of your home and remove any fire hazards.

The North Wilkesboro fire department will make its annual inspection of business property here, but the inspection should be carried by owners and occupants into every home.

War Subjects

In keeping with our policy of putting first things first, we are devoting much space to subjects pertaining to the war, and more especially to the various activities which give people at home an opportunity to help in the war program.

In other words war subjects get highest priority, and will continue to be placed first until victory is won.

Other subjects may make more interesting reading, but cannot be compared in importance.

Borrowed Comment

Who Will Be Drafted When?

(Watauga Democrat)
It is pretty hard, based on the almost daily conflicting reports from Washington, to determine just when each classification of men will be subject to selective service.

But all the stories you read on this subject are what might be termed "guesses based on fact." The facts included figures on the speed with which the army is able to handle new men at present, the plans for speeding up induction in the future, and the size of the army we will finally need to win the war.

The best guesser, however, should be General Hershey, in charge of selective service—and he admits predictions he makes are merely good guessing. His guess is this:

The 18 and 19 year group will be taken as soon as it is legally possible. The married men with children will not be taken until the last quarter of 1943. The draft of married men without children will begin by Christmas.

LIFE'S BETTER WAY

WALTER E. ISENHOUR, Hiddenite, N. C.

DOWN THE OLD ROAD HOME

A picture in my mind today Reveals a road so dear, Where as a child I used to play Without a sigh or fear, And makes me long to take a walk Down to the old home place, And with departed loved ones talk, And with my playmates race.

I've traveled down the old road home So many, many times, And often think I'd like to roam Back to those sunny climes, And see the dogwood and the pine, The flowers gay and bright, And walk beside the friends of mine That time has hid from sight.

Along this dear old country road The farmers came and went, And underneath a heavy load Their backs were often bent; But still they whistled some gay tune, Or sang an old-time song, While resting 'neath the shade at noon, Or as they walked along.

And lovers, too, went side by side Along this pleasant road, Where they no longer had to hide The love they then bestowed; And here perhaps, it was they chose Each for a mate in life, Which brought their courtship to a close And they were man and wife.

But many changes have been made As years have come and gone; The places where we children played In road or field or lawn Don't look today as they did then, The old road isn't there; The boys are gone, likewise the men, Whose joys I used to share.

Abnormal Absurdities

By DWIGHT NICHOLS, et al.

BASEBALL INDIVIDUAL'S GAME

Since the world series has been going on the attention of the sports world has been turned to the diamond intensively for one last splurge before forgetting the game until next spring.

Maybe popularity of baseball has waned some, but it is still the world's greatest game. The reason it stands at the pinnacle is because it is an individual's game. To stay in the game a player must be good of his own right. He can't hang to the coat-tail of someone who can play and stay in. He must do his own job.

When a batter gets up at the plate it is up to him to produce a hit or fail. He can't let someone else get on base for him. His job is cut out for him to do.

When the pitcher sends that ball "down the alley" over the plate the batter cannot get on base because he "voted right" in the last election, or because he is akin to somebody who runs things. He cannot get on base because he has influential friends, or because he has money. His father's political influence cannot get him the job of running the bases and making a run. His wife's social standing has no bearing on whether he will tour the bases or retire to the bench.

The same is true for every single phase of the game. The pitcher can't strike the man out because he has a friend who has a pull with the district congressman. The startstop cannot field the grounder and have the batter called out except by doing the job quickly and correctly.

Every tub in the game must stand on its own bottom. And coupled with the individual efforts must be a minimum of team work of all timed for efficiency.

You cannot say as much for any other game played in this age. **NEWSPAPER YARN** Considerable comment has been received relative to the new, bold headlines on the front page of this newspaper.

Which reminds us of the yarn about the old editor in a little, jerkwater town who left on a rare vacation and put his nephew in charge until he returned. During his absence there was a disastrous fire which dang near destroyed the town. When the old editor came back he found the paper has been issued and big, boxcar letters were used on the fire story headline.

The editor took one look and explained: "My gosh, son, I was saying that type for the second coming of Christ."

We got some headline type which we haven't used yet. We are saving that for the end of the war.

However, way it looks now we won't be here to use it, according to what General Hershey says.

BRING IN YOUR SCRAP We like the American way of

doing things, even if it is slower until the people wake up.

You are asked to salvage scrap metal and carry it to scrap dealers. You even get paid for it! Don't let your son, your brother or your neighbor's son die because YOU failed to take in your scrap metal.

How can I be responsible for his death?, you ask. If enormous quantities of scrap are not collected before winter, steel mills which make the guns, ships and tanks for the men to use in fighting will have to slow down production.

Your son might fall to get the weapon he needs to save his own life and win the victory. **SOCKETS SCARCE** The local colored girl sent a birthday present to her boy friend way off in the army. She sent an electric razor. He wrote back that he appreciated the present, but he wanted her to know that when he meets a Jap he doesn't want to waste time going around hunting for an electric socket.

FITS OUR CASE Junior—Mother, I know why a writer calls himself 'we.' Mother—Why, dear? Junior—so if the reader does not like the article he will think there are too many for him to whip.

THE SOLUTION A distressed mother . . . or was it a father . . . phoned us and wanted to know: "How can I

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The colored soldier had been peeling potatoes until his hands ached. Soldier (turning to a fellow k p.)—What does dat sergeant mean when he calls us k p.? Other Soldier—An huano, but from de look in his face, A think he means 'Keep Peeling.'



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TIME OF MAILING—Christmas parcels and greeting cards should be mailed during the period beginning October 1 and ending November 1, 1942, the earlier the better. Each package should be endorsed "Christmas Parcel." Special effort will be made for delivery in time for Christmas.

SIZE AND WEIGHT—Christmas parcels shall not exceed 11 pounds in weight, or 18 inches in length or 42 inches in length and girth combined. However, the public has been urged to cooperate by voluntarily restricting parcels to the size of an ordinary shoe box and the weight to six pounds.

USE CARE IN PREPARATION—Remembering the great distance this mail will be transported and the necessary storage and frequent handling; it is absolutely necessary that articles be packed in substantial boxes or containers and be covered with wrappings of sufficient strength to resist pressure of other mail. Each parcel is subject to censorship and delay may be minimized by securing covering to permit ready inspection of contents.

PROHIBITED MATTER—Intoxicants, inflammable materials, poisons or compositions likely to damage mails are unmailable. No perishable matter should be included in parcels.

HOW TO ADDRESS PARCELS—Addresses must be legible. Parcels addressed to overseas Army personnel should show in addition to the full name and address of the sender, the name rank, Army serial number, branch of service, organization, A.P.O. number of the addressee and the postoffice through which parcels are to be routed. Units located within the continental United States may be addressed direct, using name, rank, organization and location.

POSTAGE MUST BE FULLY PREPAID—The rate on parcels of fourth-class matter (exceeding eight ounces) being the zone rate applicable from the postoffice where mailed to the post-office in the care of which parcels are addressed.

GREETING MESSAGES PERMISSIBLE—Inscriptions such as "Merry Christmas," "Don't open until Christmas" and the like may be placed on the covering of the parcel if it does not interfere with the address. Cards may be enclosed and books may bear a simple dedicatory inscription.

INSURANCE AND REGISTRY—Gifts of value should be insured. Articles of small size and considerable value should be sealed and sent as first-class registered mail.

MONEY ORDERS—The Army Postal Service recommends use of postal money orders to transmit gifts of money to members of Armed Forces outside the United States. These are cashed at A.P.O. in local foreign currency at rate of exchange on date of presentation.

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