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Proof Of the Pudding

After Pearl Harbor a plan had to be worked out for war risk insurance. Here was a chance to put government into the insurance business on a grand scale. To the credit of those in charge, and to the lasting benefit of this country, this was not done.

Congress provided that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation could invest up to a billion dollars in the capital stock of the War Damage Corporation then created. Instead of building a gigantic new bureau to handle these war risks, the voluminous details of insuring the property of the American people is handled by directors of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation through 546 insurance companies acting as fiduciary agents. These companies had in existence more than 150,000 insurance agents, reporting to more than 1,400 policy issuing offices. Arrangements were made to pay small commissions and reimburse insurance companies for actual out-of-pocket expense in connection with war damage business. The RFC accounting department takes care of the figures and the Federal Reserve banks receive the funds. Thus was an indispensable service provided without great cost to the taxpayers.

This is the way government and industry should cooperate in a free country where the government exists for the people rather than the people existing for the government.

This emergency job was carried out with the use of machinery created by private enterprise, thus proving the flexibility of our American system. We don't need to junk our American way of doing things, as some have suggested, to fight the dictators.

Nurse! Nurse!

Usually a plan for attention, in wartime this call becomes a vital cry for help—a cry resounding from the battlefields across the oceans from the hospitals at home, from the defense workers who live in crowded areas with no hospitals.

An attempt is being made by the Red Cross to answer all these cries; first by providing the army and navy with nurses through its War Reserve, secondly by supplementing the depleted nursing personnel in civilian hospitals with Red Cross Nurse's Aides and thirdly by teaching civilians to care for themselves in Red Cross Home Nursing classes.

It shouldn't take much urging. This is a life and death struggle. There is no argument that our fighting men should have the best nursing care possible. The man who falls wounded on the battlefield not only deserves every aid for a speedy recovery, but he should be able to get back in the struggle for victory without avoidable delay. Every eligible nurse under forty and a graduate of an approved school should go forth unreservedly to care for our fighting men. The Red Cross has announced a quota of thirty thousand nurses needed for its War Reserve this year.

While the thousands of nurses answer the call of the armed forces, nurses remaining behind must help if they are to give adequate care to civilians. To fill this need the Red Cross is appealing for 25,000 healthy women between the ages of eighteen and fifty with a high school education to take the training for Red Cross Volunteer Nurse's Aides in the next three months.

But even with nurse's aides, the hospital staffs are overworked. There are not enough doctors to care for the civilian population. It is up to Americans to keep healthy and to know how to care for ill-

ness in their own homes. Americans can get this knowledge and can do much to ease the nurse-doctor shortage.

Of the imported foreign laborers in Germany, 25 per cent are women, and they are forced to work from 13 to 15 hours a day, many in unhealthy occupations.

Baton Route, La., firemen, summoned to douse a burning auto, were urged to "save the tires and gasoline" by the owner, who was trying to get his tires off.

Observers from the Office of War Information traveled more than 12,000 miles, visiting and inspecting troops concentration areas, to find out about American soldiers' drinking habits, and found they were good.

The first Distinguished Flying Cross awarded to an officer of the Indian Air Force was won by Acting Wing Commander K. K. Majumdar for courage and example in the Burma campaign.

The dies used by the Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing Company of Chicago in building the nation's first streamlined trains are being scrapped for metal.

A large portion of the warm-water panfish produced in Federal fish hatcheries goes to stock farm ponds to provide local fish food.

Inflation prices in Italy have brought the price of good farm land to around \$2,000 an acre, and poorer land is proportionately expensive.

Borrowed Comment

ASSURANCE OF FORWARD MARCHING

(Winston-Salem Journal)

Prime Minister Churchill naturally does not say where and when, but he promises the British and American people that plans are being speeded to open a powerful invasion attack upon the continent of Europe within the "next nine months."

Mr. Churchill told the English Parliament this week that complete agreement on plans for the campaign have been reached by the Allied leaders and unity of action is assured.

At the same time he reminded his hearers of the tasks, problems and difficulties which must be met and coped with in preparation for the attack. The United States must get men and war material over wide oceans, he pointed out, and a large proportion of its war resources have been sent into the Pacific area.

This division of American effort has undoubtedly contributed heavily to the delay in initiating a second front campaign in Europe. To a considerable extent we must continue to build up our forces in the Pacific areas too, for any neglect of this sector on our part would be quickly seized upon by Japan to start new offensive drives.

However, since Field Marshal Sir John Dill and General Harry Arnold, head of American Air Forces, have reached an agreement with General Chiang Kai-Shek this week on planning new offensives against Japan, there is occasion for belief that a more fully coordinated British-American-Chinese effort against the Japanese on the mainland of Asia is in prospect and may serve to keep Tokyo busy while plans go forward for launching the second front attack in Europe. China, it is announced, is to obtain appreciably greater help from the United States and Great Britain, and since General Chiang has ample manpower at his command, the mainland offensive against Japan, once the promised supplies and equipment are on hand should become a major operation.

Encouraging was Mr. Churchill's report on the war against the U-boats and his statement that the vast proportion of Allied manpower and supplies are going through the sea channels safely. Equally reassuring was the announcement of General Eisenhower's appointment as supreme Allied Commander in Africa, a concrete example of the complete Anglo-American unity essential to the successful prosecution of the campaigns ahead.

Thus indications multiply that the Allies are clearing their decks for large scale offensive action in every war theatre. There are many obstacles in the way, not the least of which are the distance factors and the submarine menace, but these obstacles can be and will be overcome. Victory may not perch on the banners of the United Nations this year, but Mr. Churchill, as well as President Roosevelt, offers the assurance that the victory march will begin this year.

Abnormal Absurdities

By DWIGHT NICHOLS, et al.

ONCE ENOUGH
He (at the phone): "I want to insert notice of the birth of my twins."
Girl (at newspaper office): "Will you repeat that, sir?"
He: "Not if I can help it."

BIG INCREASE
"So you met Mable today?"
"Yes, I hadn't seen her for ten years."
"Has she kept her girlish figure?"
"Kept it? She's doubled it."

ALL IN VAIN
Wife: "Did you notice the wonderful coat the woman had on who was sitting in front of us in church this morning?"
Husband: "No, I'm afraid I was dozing."

FIGURE THIS OUT
"I don't suppose you don't know of nobody who don't want to hire nobody to do nothing, don't you?"
"Yes, I don't."

NOW IN SOCIETY
The newly rich oil farmer, unable to write, deposited his first royalty check in the bank and arranged that his signature should be two crosses. Soon a check showed up signed with three crosses and the banker summoned the farmer for an explanation. "Well my wife's gettin' into society," he explained, "and she thinks I should have a middle name."

DISTANT RELATIVE
Called unexpectedly to perform the last, sad rites, the clergyman suddenly realized he had not learned the sex of the departed. Turning to one of the mourners, he whispered: "Brother or sister?"
The relative whispered back: "Cousin."

LEAVES EVIDENCE
A cow barn is a lot like a tavern. Go in either one for half an hour and everybody knows about it all the rest of the day.

WE WONDER WHY
If nature never blunders, why did she make prunes more healthful than strawberries, and why didn't she make the mosquito a vegetarian with a yen for spinach?

DIDN'T AGREE
A new maid had just arrived from the country, and her mistress was giving her a list of kitchen utensils to be purchased: Mistress—And, don't forget, Emma, we want a new griller for the kitchen.
Emma (staring vacantly)—I don't know.
Mistress—You know what a griller is, I suppose.
Emma—Of course, I do. It is a big hairy monkey, and if you want one of those in the kitchen—I'm leaving.

PROFIT
According to C. C. Pratt, assistant farm agent in Northampton county, M. S. Bridgers, Jr., of Conway, had an outstanding flock of hens in 1942, with a profit of \$2.82 per hen over all feed costs.

Mount Columbia, Canada, is sometimes called "the geographical center of North America."

AAA to Operate Grain Storage

Operation of grain storage bins by County AAA Committees throughout the State should prove particularly beneficial to "small livestock and poultry feeders at a time when feed grains of other are difficult to obtain; according to G. T. Scott, chairman of the State AAA Committee. These bins, each with a capacity of 600 bushels, are being furnished County AAA Committees by the Commodity Credit Corporation for storage of CCC grain at no cost to the committees. A total of 81 bins already has been ordered by 15 counties and additional orders are being received each day at the State AAA Office, he said. "Operation of these bins will enable the county committees to keep a reserve supply of feed grain on hand at all times," Scott said. "The Commodity Credit Corporation now is offering wheat for use as feed at \$1.02 per bushel, but it is delivered only in carload lots. Many feeders do not have facilities for keeping this much grain on hand, and they can obtain small quantities from their county committees at cost, plus a small handling charge. This charge is averaging five to seven cents per bushel. This enables farmers to obtain feed wheat at any time they are in town for other purposes and thus conserve farm transportation facilities."

In addition to storing feed grain, the bins will be used later in the year for storing wheat or soybeans.

Jehovah Witnesses Are Fined \$27.75

Spartanburg, S. C.—Two young men named as Donald G. Knight, 18, and Edwin F. Knight, 18, of Cambridge, Ohio, and identified as members of Jehovah's Witnesses religious sect were fined \$27.75 each in city recorder's court following their conviction of a charge of selling religious literature without a permit. The men were arrested by city police and charged with violating a city ordinance which requires license for the sale or distribution of religious literature. Wallace Craven of New York City, counsel for the two men, said the conviction would be appealed.

POULTRY

Lower prices for eggs and increased costs for some feeds have caused some dissatisfaction among poultry growers. The purchase of day old chicks for laying next year in slowing down in Burke county.

FIGURING
"Some Grubber" now is known by the name of "The Grubber" and is the only one of its kind in the State. E. Mitchell, owner of the place, reports that the sow farrowed 11 pigs, and two of her daughters farrowed 10 and 8 pigs each.

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THE GOAT THAT HIDES IN A CAVE

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There are farmers in Malta, as there are farmers in America. They lead a dangerous life when they must, even the goats have learned to scamper for the caves when the planes are overhead.

We who are free and independent farmers—how would we like to live and work with such terrible odds

against us? That is why, as we sell our crops and milk and eggs, we must buy Bonds. We must buy Bonds to the full limit of our ability.

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RS. M. A. WARD, N. C.
Administrator of the Estate of Eula Alexander.