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Canning Important

It is gratifying to learn that the Wilkes county board of commissioners recognize the need of promoting conservation of food and has employed a lady to assist the home agent in canning demonstrations and in carrying out other helps for housewives.

The board employed Mrs. Mabel Smithey for a period of six weeks, and she will assist the home agent, Mrs. Annie, H. Greene, in showing and teaching people the best methods of food canning and dry-

It is very important that a maximum of food be canned and dried in homes this year. There will be no food to waste, and now is the time to preserve it for further

Lives—The Price Of Strikes

Many people have not realized the full threat to the war effort that attaches to labor trouble in the coal mines. In 1943 it is estimated that upward of 100,000,000 tons of coal will be chemically utilized. Coal derivatives are used in explosives, plastics, the priceless sulfa drugs, solvents, food preservatives, insecticides, fertilizers, lacquers, rubber, nylon and hundreds of other vital war materials.

Total demands for coal have grown to astronomical proportions. Prior to work stoppages in the mines, the industry was endeaving to meet all demands placed upon it. It was succeeding. Now it remains to be seen whether there will be a coal shortage. No power on earth will be able to bring back the lives of the service men who may be lost because of any shortage. Men's lives are the price of strikes in wartime.

Second Front

Perhaps you have heard of this subject before, or maybe have seen it in print.

With the pressure again hard on Russia, the Allied peoples are clamoring for a second front in Europe.

Like others, we would like to hear the news of a second front being successfully opened, but we are willing to trust to the judgment of our military leaders as to when and where.

And little does the average man realize how much must be done in preparations for invasion. Many think that it is a matter of loading some men on ships and landing them on enemy territory to defeat the

Let it be remembered that any force landed if successful will have to be superior in ability and equipment over the forces which are to be conquered.

The State Magazine last week ca the following editorial on the Second Front

subject: "Since the triumphant conclusion of the campaign in Tunisia there has been little ground action of any consequences in the various theatres of war. Principal action has been in the air, with the Axis powers getting decidedly the worse of the fight-

"There has been much impatient demand for the opening of a second front in Europe. Occasional statements have been issued by Stalin, urging that this front be established, in order that the pressure on the Russian front might be relieved. Here, in this country, people are wondering why an effort hasn't been made toward open-

ing a second front. "We were talking to an Army officer recently and the subject of a second front came up. "People fail to realize," he said, "that when action terminates on one front and it is planned to open up a campaign in new territory an immense amount of preperators work must take place. It would be folly to open up a second front in Europe until the leaders of our forces

knew exactly what they were going to do and how they were going to do it. I don't know when the second front will be open, but I do know that it will not be opened until a complete preliminary groundwork has been laid and until our leaders are confident that it is going to be successful.

That, we believe, is a mighty good way to look at the proposition. There is no excuse for impatience on the part of those who are not engaged in the actual fighting. Neither is there any excuse for criticising whetever delay may take place before the second front is opened up."

Because Nazi authorities in Holland are stripping the country of sugar to supply their troops on the Russian front Hollanders will be without sugar for one month

Borrowed Comment

HEADLINE FOR HITLER (Skyland Post)

Whether or not Mr. Hitler had anything to do with the recent race riots in our country, he was certainly heartily applauding while they were going on.

In fact, as Hitler has looked over the headlines in our newspapers for several months he must have got a lot of enjoyment from them. The strikes in the coal mines were undoubtedly his favorite story and the other strikes and threats of strikes also made juicy tidbits for his reading.

Imagine how thrilled we would be if we read that all German coal miners had stopped work or if we read that some of Hitler's prize munition factories had closed down because of strikes or that German munition manufacturing was slowed up hecause of absenteeism.

It is true that Hitler has had plenty of bad news to read lately too - headlines about our plans to build 100,000 planes in a year, headlines about paralyzing raids on his factories and headlines about Allied victories att over the world.

But to win this war quickly we must give Hitler nothing but bad news. In his present mood of grabbing at every straw, a strike, a riot or a slow-down in America means new hope and new morale in Ger-

LIFE'S BETTER WAY

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A PLACE FOR EVERY MAN

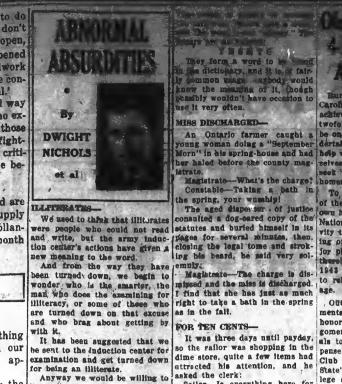
God has a place for every man. It is true that the great majority of men never yield themselves to God, nor fill the place they should in His vineyard, but that is not God's fault. It is theirs.

On the other hand, the devil has a place for all men who will yield their lives unto him and serve him. He will enable them to make drunkards, and fill the place of a drunkard. He will make of them liars, rogues, rascals, idlers, adulterers. He will place them in positions to do much harm to themselves and to their fellows. The devil will use a man's education in a destructive way, likewise his talents, his time and his means. He will take the golden opportunities that God gives men and cause them to let them slip by, and in their place bring that which is cursed. The devil has multitudes of places he wants filled by as many men. His places are always evil, wicked, mean and damnable. Will you fill a place for him, or for God? It is up to you.

The devil would have you waste your life, and in the end fill a place in hell; but God would have you save your life, and fill a place for men's good and His glory, and at the end of life here give you a place in His heavenly kingdom. It is up to you. He knows the way you take. He knows the road you travel. The way upward is open to you, which is made possible by God. The way downward is likewise open, made possible by the devil. Which

way do you take? O that every man would fill a place for God! What a wonderful world this would then be! However, we know that all men are not going to fill a place for God, but He gives them the opportunity, or would have you and me present to them the opportunity. You may not be capable of filling a great place for the Lord, but you can fill a little place. You can be a good man, a good woman, pray and do good. You can walk uprightly before God and man, and thus wield an influence that is commendable, and that blesses others. You can give of your earnings, though they be small, to the cause of God and He will use them to the good of mankind and to His glory. You can live a useful life for God. There is a place for you to fill that will make life worth while and assure you of

heaven at last. Will you fill it?



for being an illiterate.

Anyway we would be willing to bet a five spot if someone would loan us that much that we could play dumb enough to get turned down on that score. (Now, who did we hear say that we wouldn't have to play that way, just be nat-

Any young man who deliberately gets turned down as an illihe has ample education to be a soldier will never be able to live it down even though he reach the age of Methusalah, which was 965 years.

The same applies to those who deliberately and intentionally get nto the courts and have court themselves rejected for military

IT TICKLES US-

Upstarts are always getting their baptism of fire, and naturalwe are laughing up our sleeves at the predicament Us and Company's writer got into with the gossip squib. Impostors and imitators cannot expect anything better than to put his foot in when he opens his mouth.

FIGURE IT OUT-

There has been a little puzzle loating around this office during the last few days, with which quite a few of the staff had difficulty.

asked the clerk: Sailor—Is everything here for sale for ten cents?

Clerk-Why certainly. Ten cents for each item.

Sailor-Oh, Boy! Just wrap up the little blonde behind the cosmetics counter and I'll take her along.

Woul Like Teach Officers to Salute

Algiers. - General Eisenhower would like to send a few of his officers back to training school-

to learn how to salute.

It all started when an unidentified non-commissioned offices protested to the army newspaper Stars and Stripes. His complaint was that "most major officers above the rank of first lieutenant" do not salute properly. The non-com contended that most of of them brushed off enlisted men with a flabby gesture in which the saluting hand looks "like a bent fork." Eisenhower commend-ed these "soldierly observations" in another letter to Stars and Stripes. And he said he hoped this incident would serve to im-And he said he hoped prove the situation.

Production of poppies for narcotics is being expanded in Hun-

Carolin are on the alert to achieve "all-round" record in a twofold project that doubtless will

vational 4-h. Givis' record activity to gain a broad understanding of, and take part in the major phases of homemaking, and thereby contribute to the uniton's 1943 wartims program by helping to relieve the farm labor short-

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MISS DISCHARGED—
An Ontario farmer caught a young woman doing a "September" and the work important undertakings of their careers—to help win the war, and to fit themselves for peace. Tersely, they istrate.

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