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Absenteeism Here

We have read much about absenteeism in war plants, but have shrugged our shoulders with the thought that the problem is not with us and that there is nothing we can do about it.

But our local industries have that problem, too, and several of them are engaged in making war materials. The others are making essential goods for civilian use.

Local industrialists tell us that employes are irregular in reporting for work, and they never know what to expect as to the number who will show up for a day's work.

It is practically impossible to have every worker on the job every day. There will be sickness, and often the employes have important matters of their own to look after.

But the rate of absences now is far too high for legitimate causes, which leads one to believe that many are deliberately laying out of work.

To these workers we offer a suggestion: You have been getting along on your wages even if you have been out of work several days. Why not work every day in September and put those extra earnings into war bonds?

The nation needs that money to finance the war, and whether you believe it or not, it is very likely that you will need that money with interest, ten years from now.

Not only that, but the war effort and the civilian population needs the products which you can make by being on the job every day.

It is patriotic now to work every day, and to produce all you can. It is not necessary to dodge the draft to be a slacker. Carrying a gun is not the only way to help win this war. Work and more work is essential. The nation needs production, and the nation needs your earnings invested in war bonds.

Challenge to Us

Those who believe that by investing a few dollars of big pay in war bonds is doing their part should consider a challenge which the purchase of bonds by members of the armed forces puts before us all.

Over 2,500,000 soldiers and sailors are putting 20 per cent of their meager pay into war bonds. Millions more are buying with less than 20 per cent of their pay.

We at home should be thankful that our armed forces are made up of that kind of men.

They are the ones who will face the enemy and risk their lives. Many of them will not come back.

Knowing these things, they are still willing and ready to do their part financially as well as physically.

The enemy will not invade our country, and will not tear our country apart with bombs, and for this assurance of safety we can thank the men who make up the army, navy, marine corps and coast guard.

The least we should do is to put forth our maximum effort at home to back them up.

The third war loan is coming up. It will open September 9. The American people in security at home should sacrifice if necessary in order to raise the 15 billion dollars wanted during the drive.

Remember, you are not asked to give your money, you only lend it, and at reasonable rates of interest. It would not be as much to give your money as the fighting men are giving. But you are only asked to lend it.

Those who have money and who fail or refuse to invest it in war bonds toward winning the war are not deserving of the privileges made possible by a free America.

Double Park For Dollar

Police are issuing tickets right and left to double parkers.

Those who turn in their tickets promptly get off with a dollar fine. Those who fail to turn them in and have to be brought in with warrants will have to pay several dollars in court costs.

This action on the part of the police department has done much to relieve streets of congestion, and make it possible to drive two or three blocks in a reasonable time.

Impartial enforcement of the traffic ordinances, with justice for all and special privileges to none, will help our city. Orderly traffic leaves a good impression with visitors. Congested traffic creates a bad taste.

Borrowed Comment

HOW TIMES HAVE CHANGED
(Reidsville Review)

One of the merchants of Raleigh showed the State Magazine the accompanying letter, which he received through the mail last Wednesday. He doesn't know yet whether it is bona fide or whether it was sent to him as a joke. However, regardless of that, it is typical of the change that has taken place in modern advertising.

Dear Sir:
At the very outset, please let me insist that you keep the contents of this letter strictly confidential.

This is to inform you that I will arrive in Raleigh next Wednesday to spend a few days in your city. I will occupy the Governor's suite at the Sir Walter Hotel.

Inasmuch as I have called upon you for a number of years, I feel that I am justified in extending you a special favor. I will have with me on this trip some samples of our new fall merchandise. If you will telephone my secretary at the hotel, asking for an appointment, will see if I cannot spare you a few minutes, although my time is going to be rather fully occupied. I have golf engagements for every afternoon and, inasmuch as these strenuous days are a strain upon all of us, I try to relax and rest as much as possible: so do not usually get up until around 10 o'clock. However, I will do my utmost to give you a few minutes around noon, if I can conveniently do so.

Kindly do not construe this as a definite promise to sell you any merchandise, because I am making you no such promise. And, as I said at the start, under no circumstances must you mention my visit to Raleigh to anyone else. I do not wish to be bothered or annoyed by individuals whom I do not care to see.

I believe my train arrives in Raleigh somewhere around nine o'clock. You might check on this and find out the exact hour. I do not especially care for taxicabs, so if you wish to do so, you may have your car meet me at the station. I might also like to make use of it while I am in your city.

Yours very truly,
MIKE HACKLETHORPE, Salesman
P. S. Our present merchandising policy is, of course, for the duration only. After the war is over, I'll be around licking your boots as in the past.

LIFE'S BETTER WAY

By Walter E. Isenhour
CONQUERING SELF

The fellow that you tackle most,
With whom you have the hardest time,
Who wants to have his way, or boast,
Or doesn't want to be sublime,
Is you, my fellow pilgrim dear,
Indeed it's you I speak about;
So rise and say, "I'll conquer here;
O self, I'll conquer, do not doubt!"

You'll have to tussel hard indeed,
But tell yourself you've got to win;
Then with your better judgment plead,
Commanding ev'ry force within
That loves the right and hates the wrong.
Yes, hates the things that would defeat
Then with a prayer and merry song
Go forth your better self to meet.

Who conquers self is master great,
A hero that will bless the land;
The love of God takes place of hate,
And for the truth one takes his stand.—
The truth that makes the spirit free
To worship God and do the right,
That makes him always want to be
Aspiring for life's noblest height.

To conquer self brings wonderous grace.
And ought by all to be attained;
It puts the soul within its place.
Where all that's holy may be gained;
And where the world will be enriched
By pilgrims such who upward trod,
Whose lives and purposes are pitched
Toward Heaven, home and God.

ABNORMAL ABSURDITIES

By
DWIGHT NICHOLS
et al



SUGGESTED REMEDY—

Two men were talking on Main street when a homely woman stepped up, called one of the men aside, carried on a brief conversation and left.

The other man exclaimed: "My, what an ugly woman!"

"That is my wife," said the other, "and you must remember that, after all, beauty is only skin deep."

"Then why don't you skin her?"

SHE WAS HOME—

"What is home without a mother?" asks the good looking sailor boy.

"Well," replied the sweet young thing, "I am, tonight."

HEARD IN SODA SHOP—

Gob: "Is your ice cream pure?"

Soda Jerker: "Just as pure as the girl of your dreams."

Gob: "Give me an ice cream sandwich."

MILITARY INCIDENT—

We have it from Stars and Stripes, the Army paper, that two soldiers—bent upon enjoying a rather festive furlough—just managed to maneuver themselves onto a crowded street car.

As the first soldier turned around he came face to face with a stately uniformed gentleman frowning disapproval. He hastily proffered his fare.

The gentleman drew himself up and stated coolly: "Sorry, I can't take it. I'm a Naval Officer!"

"Wow," shouted the soldier, "Let's get offa here, Joe. We've boarded a bloomin' battleship!"

An Appreciated Letter

"Mr. D. J. Carter and Mr. Julius C. Hubbard, The Journal-Patriot, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

"Dear Fellows:
"Let me thank you for the nice write-up in your recent issue concerning my visit to your office as well as the article on the meeting at Shatley.

"I enjoyed being in your town very much. It looks like a busy place to me. And you have a modern newspaper and printing plant.

"As soon as some Association plans have been perfected, I will get in touch with you. I am going to need a lot of help this year. If the Association gets anything done.

"Your Methodist minister, Jenks Waggoner, is conducting a meeting in our county, and paid us a pleasant visit Monday.

"With every good wish for your continued success, I am
"Cordially yours,
"JOHN B. HARRIS"

Albemarle, N. C., AUG. 31, 1943.

In the campaigns all over the nation for the National War Fund to be held this fall, the United Yugoslav Relief Fund has been included for \$2,238,000 in the total national goal of \$125,000,000.

Dress for Morale

Look your best in this "Man-Tailored" SUIT by M. BORN \$35

There's nothing that can touch the trim smartness of these "man-tailored" suits by M. Born. The style shown here is one of the most popular—but there are many others—all distinguished, all new, all absolutely authentic. A wide selection of colorful new weaves and patterns. Come in.

THE GOODWILL
Department Store
North Wilkesboro, N. C.

'SO PROUDLY WE HAIL' THIS WEEK

Three of Hollywood's most glamorous film stars—Claudette Colbert, Paulette Goddard and Veronica Lake—are teamed for one of the biggest pictures of this, or any other, year, Paramount's "So Proudly We Hail," which comes Thursday and Friday to the Liberty Theatre.

This is the picture that is based on the heroic adventures of a group of U. S. Army nurses who emerged from the holocaust of Bataan and Corregidor where they fought and loved and lived to the thunder of Jap guns. This is the picture that has two great, never-to-be-forgotten romances—one between Claudette Colbert and George Reeves; another between Paulette Goddard and newcomer Sonny Tufts.

"So Proudly We Hail" is primarily the warm, human story of three young nurses, their lives and loves under fire. The nurses are portrayed by the three lovely stars, each of whom is said to be superb in her role, rising to new and thrilling dramatic heights.

In spite of the fact that the film concerns itself with nurses, there are plenty of men in it. George Reeves, who has been playing in Westerns, gets his first break as Claudette Colbert's vis-a-vis. Everyone who has seen him in the film is sure that he is headed for stardom. Just as is Sonny Tufts who sang in musical comedy and with lands before coming to the screen. It is practically unprecedented for a novice to be cast opposite a star like Paulette Goddard for his first picture endeavor, but Sonny more than lives up to the confidence displayed in him by Producer-Director Mark Sandrich.

There are many others in the picture who, according to reports, distinguish themselves with outstanding performances, among them lovely Barbara Britton, Walter Abel, Mary Servoss, Ted Hecht and John Litel, who together with Claudette Colbert, Veronica Lake, George Reeves and Sonny Tufts make "So Proudly We Hail" another Paramount achievement.

Fertilize Grain Crop at Planting

Tests by the N. C. Agricultural Experiment Station show that small grains should be fertilized at the time of planting to obtain larger yields and extra profits, reports Dr. E. R. Collins, in charge of Extension agronomy at State College.

Growers should use 300 pounds of a 4-8-8 or 4-10-6 per acre in the Coastal Plain and the same amount of 3-13-6 or 4-12-4 in the Piedmont and Mountains. On fertile soils, where less nitrogen is required, he suggests 200 pounds of an 0-14-7.

Where small grains are to furnish fall grazing, the agronomist recommends the use of a complete fertilizer carrying about 5 to 4 percent nitrogen for quick growth.

Small grain should receive a topdressing during late February or early March. Applications of 100 to 200 pounds of nitrate of soda per acre or its equivalent in sulphate of ammonium or ammonium nitrate give good results.

On potash deficient soils, he recommends the use of 150 pounds of 10-0-10 per acre or in addition of 50 pounds of muriate of potash per acre to the nitrogen

Mrs. Gibbs' Pupils In Music Recitals

Pupils of Mrs. Robert S. Gibbs' music classes were presented in recitals at the home of Mrs. Gibbs on Thursday night.

Those taking part on the program, which was well presented, were Mary Simons Fluke, John Gibbs, and Sara Dixon. Following the program light refreshments were served to 20 guests, including members of the pupils' families and friends.

The students in the junior division gave their recital program on Thursday night, August 26, at the home of Mrs. Gibbs.

Fall classes under direction of Mrs. Gibbs began on Monday.

Other important factors beside fertilization in successfully growing small grains, are thorough preparation of the soil before planting, the use of treated seed of the proper varieties, and sowing the crop early enough to make growth before the winter freezes strike.

"It costs no more to combine a large crop than a small crop," was the comment of Collins on increased yields.

BUY MORE WAR BONDS

NOTICE TO
Timber Owners
If You Have
Pine or Hardwood Stumpage TO SELL, WRITE TO
Wood and Land Department
North Carolina Pulp Company
Plymouth, N. C.

Can You Picture
NORTH CAROLINA
without Schools?

The school bells are ringing again—calling North Carolina's youngest generation back to the job of learning to be good and useful citizens. We've all come to think of a good education for our children as the natural birthright of young Americans—but building up and administering a school system as fine as North Carolina's is a gigantic task.

Nearly 900,000 students are enrolled each year in North Carolina's schools and colleges. There are 4,111 primary schools, 990 secondary schools and 52 colleges and universities. The range of studies runs from kindergarten games through the three "R's" to the most advanced scientific and sociological research. Thousands of teachers are devoting their lives to this work—and to them goes much of the credit for its success, as well as to the administrators

of each institution, to local and county school boards and to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

We of the Greyhound Lines take the same pride as all other North Carolinians in our State's educational achievements. We know that our own organization is aiding the school system both with tax support and transportation service. Those of us whose children are benefiting directly from the splendid schooling afforded them feel doubly proud.

In wartime even more than in peacetime, the things that draw us all together, that unify our efforts, that make us good neighbors in every sense, are the things that count most heavily. Both good education and good transportation have decisive parts to play in shaping the present as well as the future of North Carolina in the post-war world.

GREYHOUND TERMINAL
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