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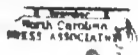
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**Too Much Complacency**

The attitude of complacency in America is the most dangerous development of the entire war.

Complacency in America can do more to prolong the war than all the efforts of the nazis and the Japs.

Complacency is evident in the lack of a substantial amount of war bond sales to date in the Sixth War Loan.

Complacency is evident in the way people are leaving their jobs in munitions manufacturing plants and in shipyards.

Complacency is evident in the lack of interest in salvage campaigns.

Complacency, and the belief that the war is about over, is a terribly dangerous thing.

If the wave of complacency and over-optimism is not halted, the war will have a much greater cost in lives of men.

It is all right to be optimistic if you back that optimism with all your efforts.

It is dangerous to be optimistic and not back your belief with all you can do to bring it about.

The nation is seeking 14 billions in the Sixth War Loan.

War industries are calling for 200,000 more workers at once.

The way in which the people of America meet these calls will determine, to a great extent, the duration of the war and the number of men who will never come back.

**Home Front Deserters**

In the armed forces a person who deserts his post of duty is severely punished.

But on the home front people are deserting every day.

In great numbers they are leaving their jobs in war plants which are turning out vital war materials.

General Eisenhower is calling on the American nation for greater production of munitions, and still the people leave their war jobs.

General Eisenhower has told the American people that guns have had to remain silent because of the lack of ammunition.

This is serious. It means that more lives must be sacrificed on the field of battle to gain the victory because the people at home left their jobs and failed to produce in sufficient quantities.

The nation is calling for 200,000 more war workers immediately. If the order is not filled, the armed forces will not receive what they order, what they need, to gain the speediest victory with the least possible cost in lives.

And lives of our fighting men are what we want to save, what we must save in the greatest numbers possible.

There are more ways than one of being a slacker. You can be a slacker by failing to do your job, by deserting your post of duty on the home front. You can be a slacker by failing to salvage waste paper, waste fats, or other materials needed in the war effort.

No, you don't have to dodge the draft to be a slacker, and you don't have to "go over the hill" from the army to be a deserter. Men and women are becoming slackers and deserters on the home front just as surely as the man who leaves the battle on the fighting front.

**Christmas Seals**

Christmas Seal time is here again. This heartwarming practice of buying cheery little seals to help combat tuberculosis, began just forty years ago and has since become a world-wide tradition. The Christmas Seals are sold in 46 countries. This year, as usual, they make their appearance. In a war-torn world they are reassuring reminders that we live in a civilized world after all and humanity has a streak of goodness in it that will not be put down. This year, as never before, the Christ-

mas Seals are needed. Tuberculosis is on the increase. The steady progress of medical science in the treatment of the disease has not been sufficient to stem the debilitating inroads of war. Our crowded war production centers, overwork and nervous exhaustion have been an open invitation to tuberculosis. The great tragedy is that too many persons don't realize it when the unwelcome guest has found its way into their homes.

Yes, the Christmas Seal has new significance this year. It is one means by which all of us can take part in the fight against the renewed threat of man's ancient enemy—the white plague.

As has been the custom for the past few years the North Wilkesboro Woman's Club will sponsor the sale of seals in Wilkes county.

**Borrowed Comment**

**WATCH ON THE RHINE**  
(Statesville Daily)

"Dear Fatherland . . . strong stands and true the Watch on the Rhine". So ran the words of Germany's national anthem, but if the Nazi still pin their hopes on the swift-flowing, high-banked Rhine as an unsurmountable barrier to invasion of their "holy soil", they are in for early disappointment.

The German high command knows that, for in the early stages of the war, German armies crossed far mightier rivers in their conquest of Europe, and when the tide finally turned their adversaries recrossed them with the same ease and speed. The Dniester, the Vistula, the Dnieper and the Danube are all wider than the Rhine, but proved no obstacle to the movement of armies and supplies.

Most of the Rhine bridges are said to be down, and we may be sure that the Germans will demolish the few still in usable condition, but to the mighty armies which first crossed the Atlantic ocean, then the difficult English Channel, a river measuring a few hundred feet across will prove no serious barrier. Some day the Watch on the Rhine will discover that thousands of airborne troops have landed far to their rear, and once they have established a bridgehead on the right bank, it will be a matter of a few hours to throw a bridge across.

**● LIFE'S BETTER WAY ●**  
WALTER E. ISENHOUR  
Hiddenite, N. C.

**REGRETS**

There are more or less regrets in the hearts, minds, and souls of practically all mankind. Even after multitudes of people seek the Lord, obtain pardon, and realize that they are in sweet fellowship with Him, and that they are traveling heavenward, they regret some things they have done in the past, or something they said, or something they left undone as a solemn duty. Maybe they failed to win a soul to God that has slipped away unprepared to meet God. Maybe they did some rash deed—even committed murder—and they will regret it the longest day they live. Maybe they wounded a loved one, or somebody else, by a rash, harsh, thoughtless word, and the soul of that person slipped away without the offender even apologizing, asking forgiveness, and making it right. Maybe they felt deeply impressed to speak to someone about his soul, but let the opportunity pass forever unaccepted. As they think back over the past they deeply regret it.

The greater number of all our regrets could be avoided, and would be, if we would only surrender our lives completely unto God, take heed to His commandments, obey His Word and do His blessed and holy will. This is the only safe way to pursue in life, and the only safe thing to do. No one ever regrets obeying God as he journeys through life; but everybody, sooner or later, regrets disobeying Him and living in sin and wickedness. Absolutely. Then, why not take the sure way? Why not take the way that not only means the salvation of the soul for time and eternity, and Heaven at last, but that also marvelously saves many sad and sorrowful regrets? This is life's better way. Why not follow it? It is wisdom on the part of any and every person to do this; but folly on the part of all people to fail to do it. The safe way is the best way, the most honorable, peaceful, blessed, beautiful, holy and sublime way.

One of the great wonders of life is that people will serve the devil instead of God, and then suffer many a regret along life's pathway as a consequence. As their precious time is wasted, never to be recalled, they regret it. As their golden and priceless opportunities slip by, never to return, they regret it. As they face death, God and eternity, having lived sinful and wicked, they regret it. Yes, regret it forever.

**ABNORMAL ABSURDITIES**

By DWIGHT NICHOLS et al



**NOISE DANGEROUS—**

We are herewith launching an anti-noise campaign for North Wilkesboro. Want to join in?

We have just learned from a magazine article that noise can do a lot of things. Some of the things which noise can do are: soft boll an egg, cause men to commit murder, cause deafness, high blood pressure, low blood pressure, insanity, nervous conditions, put out flame, burst eardrums, cause indigestion, cause insomnia, start stomach ulcers and bad tempers.

Now if those reasons are not sufficient to cause this column to start an anti-noise stampede, what is?

This is a noisy place, maybe because it is so busy, but all the same it is often too noisy.

Big trucks with noisy motors wake everybody up, and in case there is someone too doggone tired to wake up from the noise of trucks, there is always some shouting and loud talking on the streets at late hours of the night.

Since we have found out that noise can do so many terrible things, we think there should be a law agin' it. Don't you? Let us hear from you on this subject.

**WHY IS A PIG A PIG—**

Have you ever heard of the conversation which took place between a pig and a cow? If you haven't, here it is:

Pig—Humans are very unkind. If they weren't they wouldn't call me a pig. I don't like it. I give them everything I've got to give, and they love my bacon, my hams, my fat and my sausage. They keep their money in purses they make from my skin, and even use my bristles. Then they call me pig, and I'd like to know why. They don't call you a pig.

Cow—I know, and I think I know the reason why. I also give them everything I've got: my flesh for their food, my hide for their leather, my milk for their babies and their puddings, but they don't call me a pig because a great deal of what they want from me I give them while I'm alive.

**RAMBLING RAVINGS—**

The girl asked her boy friend to say something soft and sweet. He did. He said "custard pie."

A news item from Columbia, Tenn., the largest mule market in the world, says a mule parade was held there, headed by the governor. . . . One traveler said he stopped at a farm house way back in the hills and was awakened the next morning by the little boy who told him to hurry and get up because "ma wants the sheet for a tablecloth". . . . A good looking lass seldom passes a good looking glass. . . . It is said that some girls proclaim their beauty from

**NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND**

Under and by virtue of a judgment of the Superior Court of Wilkes County, signed by His Honor Wilson Warlick, at the October term, 1944, in the case, Mrs. Lillie McNeill, vs. Eugene Whittington et als, in which judgment T. E. Story, Esq., was appointed by the Court as Commissioner to go upon the lands in controversy with a competent surveyor and determine the number of acres that belong to Rosa Walsh, Everett Lee Walsh and C. B. Walsh, and also the number of acres to be offered for sale in the settlement of the estate, and said survey having been made and the Walsh allotment laid off, the Commissioner above mentioned will, on the 20th day of December, 1944, at 11:30 a. m., at the Courthouse door in Wilkesboro, N. C., offer for sale certain tract or parcel of land in the highest bidder for cash that certain tract or parcel of land in Lewis Fork Township, Wilkes county, N. C., adjoining lands of Jud McNeill, John Cardwell and others, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning on an old corner at a beach near the bank of Dorsan's branch, running south 7 deg. east and crossing the branch 19 1/2 poles to a maple at the mouth of School House Branch; thence southwestwardly up and with the meanders of the branch 85 poles and 8 links to a stake in said branch; thence south 21 deg. and 30 min. west 1 1/2 poles to a beech stump at a spring, an old corner; thence south 73 1/2 deg. west 16 poles to a stake on side of the hill; thence with a marked new line north 4 deg. and 45 min. west 64 poles and 16 links to a twin poplar on the ridge; thence continuing with said line north 12 deg. west 32 poles to a twin sourwood corner; in a wire fence and near Huffman's old chestnut corner; thence south 87 1/2 deg. east 41 poles to a bunch of dogwoods, an old corner in the Huffman line; thence south 84 1/2 deg. east 61 poles to a stake; thence south 2 1/2 deg. west 43 poles to the beginning, containing 48.8 acres, more or less.

This 20th day of November, 1944.  
T. E. STORY,  
Commissioner  
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the hose tops. . . . One time we worked for a man and when we left we asked for a reference. It said: "We had him with us for three days and can say we are satisfied".

**CARD OF THANKS**  
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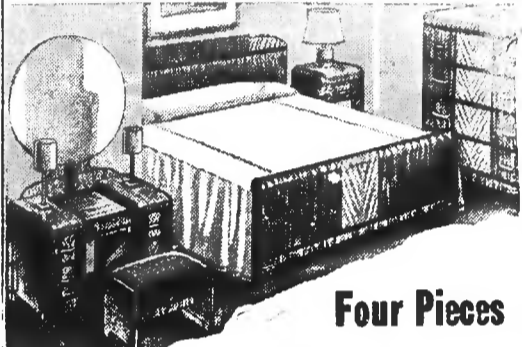
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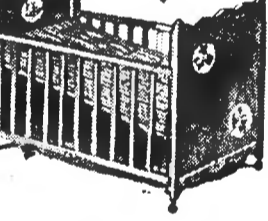


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