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Famous Last Words: "Well, if he won't dim his, I won't dim mine!"

For Higher Production

In a letter to our farmers, which letter is incorporated in a news story elsewhere in this paper, the county agent is urging efforts towards producing an increased yield of corn.

Rather than stress an increased acreage the agent aims at increased production per acre. He points out that this can be done by proper fertilization and better cultivation.

Any Brunswick farmer who has found himself faced with the necessity of buying corn during the past three or four years will readily agree with the county agent that there is a pressing need of more corn production. It has been impossible to buy corn in either large or small quantities. Except for what the farmers have themselves grown they have to depend on substitutes. There is a shortage of corn everywhere and all indications point to this shortage continuing for at least some years to come.

There does not appear to be any possibility that the farmer who tries to produce more corn this year will be making a mistake. Where practical, the increase should come both from increased acreage and in all cases from better fertilization and cultivation than this crop has received in the past.

Surplus Property

A dozen years ago the evolution in shipping by water made it no longer necessary for the United States Department of Health to continue to operate the Quarantine Station in the Cape Fear River at Southport. The work was discontinued.

The station, a costly affair, and most of the fixtures were left there for the elements to destroy. Many tons of iron and steel lie there rusting, the water tank is ready to topple into the river, and the eight or nine buildings serve no purpose except as a roosting place for gulls.

As much as the passing of the Quarantine Station from local activities was regretted the removal and salvaging of what is fast becoming a hopeless ruin would be welcomed. Built of the best of material there is still much that could be salvaged from what the government left for nature to reclaim.

Rivers No Barrier

Neither the Tiber, so long famed in song and story as guarding the walls of Rome, or the German counterpart, their so-called immortal Rhine, have been a barrier to the onrushing Allied Armies that are steadily hastening the defeat of Germany.

Why should these rivers be a hindrance? We have spanned the Atlantic and the Pacific. With the development of the airplane and the creation of paratroopers no stretch of water, however great, can prove a lasting hindrance to modern fighting forces. At their best the Tiber and the Rhine are only legends of past days. Among other things this war has destroyed forever the famed legends that the Italians built up around the Tiber and which were created with equal faithfulness by the Germans for their great River Rhine. Rivers are no longer barriers.

Like Cornered Rats

The Allies are fighting not just to win the war. This time the fighting is to put an end to, for all time, the German and Japanese war lords who have lived by the sword and shall perish the same way.

The Allied powers are determined that those who are responsible for this war, and also those others in authority who have blindly obeyed the higher ups, shall be punished in the final accounting. The Nazi and the Japanese

war lords know this. With this certainty before them they are fighting like cornered rats. As they go down they are determined to drag with them the last hopes of both Germany and Japan of ever becoming great peace loving countries.

Long since punch drunk and groggy, Germany is now fighting without either hope or motive. She cannot win and knows that much despite the haze of bewilderment and that no encompasses the German Nation. It is a pity that she cannot also see and know that she has reached the condition where every blow she strikes will bring a hundred battering blows in return.

Appeasement

On the strength of the voting procedure for the Dumbarton Oaks plan adopted at Yalta, one raises the question, "What strength does the projected organization have to enforce world peace beyond the power of moral persuasion?" If the decision to use force to stop an aggression must be backed by the unanimous vote of the five great powers, it follows that if one of the five is the would-be aggressor that one can veto the use of force and make the world organization impotent to bring the force of combined arms against aggression.

Russia's delegation at Dumbarton Oaks held out for veto powers by any one of the big five, thereby snagging the conference. At Yalta, all that Churchill and Roosevelt succeeded in doing was to buffer the veto power by providing small nations an opportunity to register disapproval.

On the surface, it smacks of ugly appeasement of the Russian Bear.

The Forgotten Front

It is with difficulty that one fits the Italian campaign into the picture of total war strategy. Now that the tide of battle has swept well past the heyday when Rome fell, through the eyes of a layman it looks as if the whole bloody affair on the Italian boot might have been avoided. Aside from being a major blow to German morale and pinning down German divisions in Italy, there is apparent no result which probably could not have been accomplished without having pushed the Italian campaign beyond the surrender of Italy.

It is obvious now that the Allies have no plans for the Italian front other than a holding operation. Few news dispatches are released for publication of activities there. The Fifth and the Eighth armies, once pacing the headlines, are assigned to the oblivion of a pinning down operation.

While decisive battles are being fought along the Rhine and the Oder, the veterans of the Fifth and Eighth belong to a forgotten front.

The First Army

The First Army is more than first in name. It was first to hit the Normandy beaches, first to invade Germany, first to breach the Siegfried line, and now first to cross the Rhine.

Drop In Ph. D's.

The science department of Time Magazine recently published graphs illustrating a precipitous drop in the last few years in the number of Ph. D's granted by United States universities in four basic sciences. They were termed startling signposts on the road to "scientific bankruptcy." They reflect the shortsighted manpower policy of our government, the effects of which are already being felt seriously in the medical profession. The training of doctors has been reduced dangerously.

An unquestioned authority commenting on the inadequacy of present internship, states that: "Many institutions, in their desire to accede to the wishes of the Army and Navy, have arranged their internships so that an experience of no more than two or three months in surgery is obtained. According to the regulations, two-thirds of all the male internes—approximately 4,000—every nine months will enter active military service with, at the most, no more than a few months' experience in surgery. It is these eager but inadequately trained young officers who will serve at battalion aid stations, where they wounded are first brought and where expert surgical judgment is often needed." No nation, if it wishes to lead the way toward a better civilization, can afford to neglect the sciences as we now are doing.

WISE AND OTHERWISE

Libby O'Brien writes from Greensboro College (this is a little bit of free advertising for the Alma Mater) that she's getting along fine. They have lots of fun, she says, even though there is plenty of work to do.

Libby is the only daughter of Cashier and Mrs. Prince O'Brien, and this is her first year off at school. She's on the floor committee for her freshman-Sophomore dance this week, a job which consists mainly, she says, of keeping them from jitterbugging!

The Rovin' Reporter

(Continued from page one) the days work he has applied himself to his nice little farm near Shallotte. Recently the White-Hawes quarter of a century association was dissolved, with mutual regrets. Especially on the part of Mr. White, Mr. Hawes was inspired with the aim of taking things easier and better looking after his farm. He probably still has to learn that farming is not easier than some other things.

Since the Elmore Motor company first began operations at Bolivia the mainspring in the mechanical department has been Floyd Britton. Before Elmore's started up he was the same thing with whatever best automobile shop there was in Bolivia. He owns a farm and lives on it, working on it before and after shop hours, if folks with ailing motors will let him. Once each week he gets a half day off from the shop and sets out for home with his tool box. Taking the tool box is necessary as on his half

WANT ADS

LOST—Ration Book No. 4. Please return to Albert W. Williams, Shallotte, N. C.

LOST—Identification bracelet with "Margie" engraved on it. Lost in front of Ruark's store. Finder please return to Margie Hickman, Southport, N. C.

WANTED—Two competent person to qualify for dealer for the famous J. R. Watkins Products. Territory to be Northwest, Town Creek and Smithville townships. The position is clean, profitable and beneficial. To qualify one must have automobile and put up bond for credit, either personal or cash deposit. For complete information and qualifications see me at once. Your Watkins Dealer, EDWARD S. SMITH, Ash, N. C.

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LOST—Ration book No. 4. Willie Strong, Supply, N. C.

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EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Having qualified as executrix of the will of the late John D. McKethan, deceased, of Brunswick County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Southport, North Carolina, on or before the 16th day of February, 1945, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 16th day of February, 1945.

MARY M. MCKETHAN, Executrix of the Will of JOHN D. MCKETHAN
2-21-6-Weds.

NOTICE NORTH CAROLINA BRUNSWICK COUNTY
The undersigned having qualified as administratrix of the estate of J. V. Simmons, deceased, late of Brunswick County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before 15th day of February, 1945, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.
This 8th day of February, 1945.
DORA C. SIMMONS, Administratrix
R. H. BURNS, Sr., Attorney
Whiteville, N. C.
2-14-6-Weds.

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SOUTHPORT, N. C.

days off he has more calls to attend to this and that job than he sometimes gets during shop hours. Sometimes he has to work all night, making a call on and administering treatment to some farm tractor that has to have its appendix taken out and other ailments repaired.

FISHING SEASON CLOSES APRIL 6TH
(Continued from Page 1) the law allows. Aside from these two days the closed season runs from April 6th to May 19th.

There is, of course, no closed season on salt water fishing. In normal times the closed season on fresh water fishing comes at a time when most of the residents of the coastal areas prefer to go in for salt water fishing. With all restrictions on salt water fishing lifted for the first time since the war began, it is expected that sport fishing in the ocean will get well underway again this year.

MRS. CLEMMONS DIES THURSDAY
(Continued from Page One) Wrench and Miss Gladys Clemmons, all of Wilmington; and four sons, T. T., of Bolivia, and J. A., Isaac and Vander Clemmons, all of Supply.

Active pabeareers were R. B. King, G. W. Murray, W. M. Blanton, Charles Jarrell, W. M. Edwards and W. F. Batson.

Honorary pallbearers were Dr. Johnson, Dr. Barefoot, J. Holmes Davis, Jr., W. C. Scoggins, E. W. Walden, L. F. Herring, W. C. Bradley and C. T. Rivenbark.

SPRING FIESTA STARTED TUESDAY
(Continued from Page One) plane, Skooter and other rides as well as concessions.

James Raftery, owner-manager of the R and S Amusements is well known here and popular with his many friends and patrons.

Thursday will be "Colored Day" and a special matinee will start at 1 P. M. when all colored school children will be admitted free at the matinee entrance gates.

Saturday will be a holiday for white school children when a "Childrens Party" will be staged from 1 P. M. till 6 P. M. and all white school children will be admitted free at the main entrance gates during the above named hours. The shows will close at midnight on Saturday night and a record crowd is expected to attend.

J. FRED SMITH SERVICES TODAY
(Continued from Page One) Dick Brendel, W. L. Aldridge, E. R. Weeks, John Potter, Capt. C. N. Swann, Lanier Furpless, J. E. Pinner, Dwight McEwen, Crawford Rourk and George Whatley.

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WHAT WILL NORTH CAROLINA DO ABOUT THIS PULPWOOD SHORTAGE?

Latest reports show North Carolina has fallen behind in its response to the government's appeal for more pulpwood. The situation is so acute that some North Carolina pulp mills might shut down. There are implications in this that should give serious concern to every North Carolina farmer and business man. Is North Carolina going to lose its standing in this important industry?

Manpower is a Problem
The only problem is to get men to cut it. But this problem has been solved in other sections by getting farmers to cut pulpwood in slack seasons and by recruiting men released by other war industries. It can be solved here. A large area of North Carolina is in forest—much of it suitable for pulpwood.

An Industry with a Future
Pulpwood is playing a vital part in the war. But many of the new war-time developments in pulpwood products have equally brilliant peace-time potentialities. There is every indication that expanding civilian

ROBT. A. BENNETT DIES AT SHALLOTTE
(Continued from page One) in the Bennett family cemetery near the home.
The active pallbearers were Grant Gore, W. J. McLamb, Lloyd McLamb, Harry Bennett, Dick Causey and Bobby Sommersett.

HUSBAND WOUNDED ON IWO ISLAND
(Continued from page one) Marines in December, 1939 and served 11 months in Iceland. Before Iwo he had taken part in the invasion of three other islands and was slightly wounded twice. He had received the Purple Heart with the Gold Star and a Presidential Citation with a Blue Star. He has

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SOUTHPORT TO WILMINGTON
Monday - Saturday

LEAVE				ARRIVE						
Read Down				Read Up						
AM	AM	PM	PM	AM	PM	PM	PM			
5:15	7:00	9:00	4:00	6:00	Southport	8:30	3:00	5:30	7:50	11:30
5:45	7:30	9:30	4:30	6:30	Supply	8:00	2:35	5:00	7:20	11:00
6:00	7:45	9:45	4:45	6:45	Bolivia	7:45	2:20	4:45	7:05	10:40
6:15	8:00	10:00	5:00	7:00	Winnabow	7:30	2:05	4:30	6:50	10:30
6:25	8:15	10:15	5:15	7:15	Lanvale	7:15	1:50	4:15	6:35	10:15
6:40	8:30	10:30	5:30	7:30	Wilmington	7:00	1:35	4:00	6:20	10:00

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

7:30	10:45	4:15	6:00	Southport	10:25	3:00	7:45	11:25
8:00	11:15	4:45	6:30	Supply	9:55	2:30	7:15	10:55
8:15	11:30	5:00	6:45	Bolivia	9:40	2:15	7:00	10:40
8:30	11:45	5:15	7:00	Winnabow	9:25	2:00	6:45	10:25
8:40	11:55	5:25	7:10	Lanvale	9:15	1:50	6:35	10:15
8:55	12:10	5:40	7:25	Wilmington	9:00	1:35	6:20	10:00

SOUTHPORT TO SHIPYARD

5:00	1:30	9:30	Southport	9:00	5:25	1:25
5:25	1:55	9:55	Mill Creek	8:35	5:00	1:00
5:45	2:05	10:15	Winnabow	8:15	4:40	11:50
6:00	2:20	10:30	Lanvale	8:00	4:25	11:20
6:20	2:50	11:00	Shipyards	7:25	3:55	11:55

SHALLOTTE TO SHIPYARD

5:45	1:15	Shalotte	5:25	1:30
5:00	1:30	Supply	5:20	1:15
5:20	1:50	Bolivia	5:00	12:55
5:40	2:10	Winnabow	4:40	12:35
6:00	2:30	Lanvale	4:20	12:20
6:20	2:50	Shipyards	4:05	11:55

NEEDED IN NORTH CAROLINA—450,000 CORDS BY JUNE 30

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