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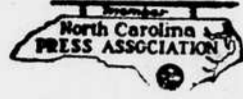
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CHEAPER HOME BUILDING

Estimating that the average home builder spends about sixty-five per cent of his money in putting the pieces of his house together, the War Production Board is assisting a research project which aims to reduce sharply the cost of home-building.

Grosvenor Atterbury, Director of Research for the Yale Department of Architecture, is perfecting a large standardized building unit and hopes that it will cut home costs fifty per cent without destroying beauty and individuality.

It should be easily possible to effect some progress along this line. The lost motion involved in constructing a single housing unit could be largely eliminated by chain production methods. It is also probable that ready-cut material will be superseded by factory production of large units.

ALCOHOLIC EDUCATION

The State of South Carolina has created the Office of Supervisor of Alcoholic Education. The duties of the official will be to teach the harmful effects of drinking alcoholic beverages to the pupils of the school of the State, both white and Negro. The material used will include charts and data, text books, pamphlets, reports, etc., furnished by the anti-alcohol organizations, government reports and state information services, as well as by liquor manufacturers who realize the importance of protecting the youth of the land from the menace of their product.

It is entirely proper that the school children of a state be advised in their youth as to the dangers of strong drink. If the program is effective it will accomplish much more, in our opinion, than the hysterical effort to promote prohibition by law.

FALSE ALARMS AND FEINTS

The people of the United States, along with those of other Allied countries, are intensely interested in the cross-Channel invasion which is expected to deliver the final blow to the German Army.

While the day of invasion approaches, no person, except those in the highest positions of leadership, knows when the advance will be sounded.

Meanwhile, there is little profit to be had through speculation as to when General Eisenhower will move his men. Winston Churchill, in his recent radio address, warned his listeners that, "to deceive and baffle the enemy, there will be many false alarms, feints and dress-rehearsals."

EASTER

Obeying some mysterious impulse the grass presses upward through the surface and again carpets the once barren earth. Bud and leaf and blade are moved by the same unseen animation. Guided by an unerring instinct, the birds return to their annual migration northward. The bees seek and find again in the renewing verdure of the fields the stores for the cells of the hive. All through nature, from the lowest to the highest forms, life answers to a faith that is not betrayed.

It is so with mankind. We are sharers in a universal order that has implanted in each living thing a faith to which it may respond with implicit trust. "Thou hast placed Eternity in the heart of man." And to man has been given assurance that this faith, too, shall have fulfillment. For there was One who was crucified and His tomb sealed with a stone. The faith of man has for its surety His resurrection and His promise:

He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.
—Country Gentleman

The Japanese are beginning to wonder who rules the Pacific.

BRITAIN'S WAR AGAINST JAPAN

Prime Minister Churchill, in his recent radio address, pledged the British Empire and Commonwealth of Nations to "fight side by side with the United States against Japan, no matter what it cost or how long it lasts."

No responsible British statesman omits the opportunity to reiterate this pledge which has been made upon numerous occasions in the past. Every time the statement is made, the news comes from Washington that the "assurance" is "encouraging."

Americans seem to overlook the additional fact stated by Mr. Churchill, when he said, "Actually we have suffered from Japan injuries even greater than those which have roused the armed wrath of the American Union."

This is a truth apparent to anybody who has a kindergarten knowledge of what has occurred in the Far East. If the British Government, for any reason, should take such injuries from Japan without making war, the British Empire would come to an end in short order.

STEEL REPLACING WOOD

Lumber and paper used in packing have become such critical items in connection with war use that the Army Ordnance Department will ship loaded artillery shells abroad in steel tubes.

The quantity of steel that will be used to provide these tubes is enormous. It is estimated, in some quarters, that about seven million tons of steel will be required. This is more than the automobile industry used in 1941.

The farmers of this section who have been urged to provide pulpwood, will readily see from this announcement that there is a great need for their continued exertion along this line. The pulpwood campaign is not based upon imaginary needs or to provide newsprint. It is a vital raw material of warfare and every farmer who makes it his business to provide pulpwood contributes to relieving a serious shortage.

THE REALY POOR MAN

A man is poor:
If he is without friends.
If he has low ideals.
If he has a guilty conscience.
If he has lost his self-respect.
If his morals are questionable.
If he has lost his grip upon himself.
If he is selfish, uncharitable, or cruel.
If he has forfeited his health for wealth.
If his mind and soul have been neglected.
If he has traded away his character for money.
If his wife and family do not love and respect him.
If he has a disagreeable disposition that makes enemies or repels his friends.
If making money has crowded out the cultivation of his spiritual life.
If worldliness has caused him to lose fellowship with Christ.
If love of money has hardened him until the love of Christ and His gospel doesn't stir him to do his best for missions.
If all his investments and possessions are laid up on earth and he has no treasures in heaven.—Ex.

ARMY DAY

April 6th has been proclaimed Army Day by the President, who calls upon the people of the country to honor "the valiant soldiers" of the "mighty army of liberation."

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

Para-Ski Troopers

When will this war end? Nobody knows, so the Army is continuing its training of Para-Ski Troopers. They're parachute troops who know their way about on skis or any other place in snow covered mountainous country.



A great measure of the success of Russia's victories last winter is attributed to these troops who move with the silence of a snowflake. Our work on the home front is not so hazardous as that of the Para-Ski Troopers but it is important that we perform our daily tasks and make every effort to increase our regular purchase of War Bonds.

U. S. Treasury Department

Easter 1944

Out of the darkness of sacrifice and sorrow, the blessed certainty of Easter . . . out of the storm of war, the promise of victory.

The year, of all years within living memory, the real spirit of Eastertide is working in the hearts of men—its hope, its assurance of the triumph of good over evil.

All over the civilized world . . . in great cities, in the bombed, ruined towns of England, France, Italy, in jungle chapels, free people are coming together to celebrate the greatest miracle of mankind's history. All over the world men and women will assemble to pray for victory and peace.

Go to church this Easter! Join with your neighbors, your friends, your boys and girls overseas to express the prayer in your own heart.

Go to church to pray for peace . . . to worship the Prince of Peace . . . to ask for a victory.

Health and Beauty . . .

Dr. Sophia Brunson

How To Avoid a Crippled Heart

"Growing pains," is a term that is used by the ignorant, who "poo poo" the complaints of the child complaining of painful and stiff joints. Even though the child may be listless and tell his mother that his throat hurts also, she has been so imbued with the false doctrine of the growing pains of childhood, that she instructs the little one to "run along and play," saying, "you'll forget it, and soon feel all right." Such children are usually suffering from rheumatism.

St. Vitus is a manifestation of the same disease. There are other forms of rheumatism beside the acute, in which there is fever accompanied by severe swelling and pain in the joints.

If all cases of rheumatism were like this, there should be no doubt about the infection. The child would be instantly put to bed and every effort made to discover and remove the cause. We would not have so many damaged hearts, as we have at present if every child who has the manifestations of some form of rheumatism was properly treated.

In fact, one of the chief causes of diseased hearts is due to some infection which existed in childhood. It may be many years later, before the discovery is made, and then no treatment whatever will cure the trouble, the crippled heart must remain so until the end and it may be an untimely end.

The valves of the heart are very frequently damaged from rheumatism and other infections. They become curled and retracted which causes the heart to leak.

Diseased tonsils, infected teeth, adenoids, sudden and severe exposures predispose the rheumatism which may cripple the heart. The chronic alcoholic, the gormandizers likewise, are sure to go to their end prematurely, through diseased kidneys and hearts.

Parents should safeguard their children by seeing that they play every day in the sunshine and fresh air. They should be protected against sudden changes of the weather.

Give the children plenty of plain, nutritious food. Do not allow them to munch crackers and sweets between meals. If you do, they will come to the table and refuse to eat what is good for them. They will not obtain sufficient vitamins or building materials, to protect them against maladies, that may ultimately lead to disease of the heart.

Prevention is our business. Once established you may ameliorate but you cannot cure heart disease.

SLAUGHTERING HOGS

The War Food Administration has extended indefinitely the period in which farmers can slaughter hogs and deliver pork to others without a permit.

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666
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CPL. FINLEY PRISONER OF WAR IN GERMANY

Cpl. Jaster Finley, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Finley of Marion, has been a prisoner of war in Germany for 13 months, it is announced. After enlisting in the army in 1942, he served in Ireland and in North Africa, where he was captured in February, 1942.

Travelers in Northern Peru have discovered a mountain covered with cinchona trees whose bark, from which quinine is obtained, is estimated at 10,000 tons.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER
I hereby announce myself a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the action of the Democratic primary, May 27.
I. L. CAPLAN.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER
I hereby announce myself a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the action of the Democratic primary, May 27.
C. A. WORKMAN.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER
I hereby announce myself a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the action of the Democratic primary to be held on May 27.
CHARLES L. HOLLAND.

FOR LEGISLATURE
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the House of Representatives from McDowell county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary to be held on May 27.
J. C. RABB.

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS
I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Register of Deeds of McDowell county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary May 27. Your support will be appreciated.
ZEB L. LACKEY.

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