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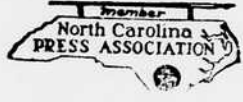
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SECURITY VIA WAR BONDS

The purchase of a War Bond does not establish the patriotism of any citizen of McDowell County but failure to participate in the Fifth War Bond Drive, when financially able to buy a bond, certainly suggests a lack of loyalty.

It would not be essentially wrong for the nation to insist that the owners of capital make a direct contribution to the cost of the war, especially when we know that capital reserves of all kinds would become worthless in the event that our enemies triumph. A man worth \$1,000,000 stands to lose ten times as much as a man worth \$100,000 in the unlikely event of our defeat.

The government, however, does not ask its people, whether capitalists or wage-earners, to give any part of their protected property. Instead, it seeks a loan, promising to pay reasonable interest for all money that it borrows. To permit us to guarantee the safety of our stake in American capitalism, without exacting a toll, represents a distinct bargain to those who possess anything.

Nations have financed wars by the process of confiscation, either of the goods of an enemy people or of their own nationals. Germany has ruthlessly exploited conquered peoples in order to secure necessary materials and the Nazi regime has been high-handed in regard to its own citizens.

The Russians have managed to wage a remarkable war without stupendous borrowings. It would be possible for the United States to seize any property necessary to war-making and to confiscate plants and capital in order to successfully defend this country.

The fact that the nation seeks to borrow from its people and assumes the tremendous burden of interest that inevitably follows is substantial insurance for the continued existence of our capitalistic system. The insurance, however, will be void if those who enjoy the fruits of capitalism are unwilling to lend some of their financial strength to the support of the nation.

The purchase of a War Bond offers every citizen the opportunity to effect some savings, which is advisable during an era of lush profits and high wages. Every dollar invested in a War Bond represents a capital reserve, set aside as financial protection in the advent of adversity. That is a wise precaution of every individual and every business and should be undertaken regardless of the war-necessity.

The quota for McDowell County in the Fifth War Bond campaign is \$446,000. This amount is not excessive in comparison with the wealth and resources of this county. Prompt investment of excess capital will not only "back the attack" but go a long way to fortify us against possible depression after the war.

PEACE AT ANY PRICE

"Everybody may have peace if they are willing to pay any price for it," declares Admiral William D. Leahy, Chief of Staff of the President.

The Admiral points out that "part of this price is slavery, dishonor of young women, destruction of your homes and denial of your God" and adds that he has seen "all of these abominations in other parts of the world paid as the price of not resisting invasion."

The naval officer wants the nations of the world, at the end of this war, to enter a solemn agreement to join forces at once in war against any nation that violates the sovereignty or the territory of any other nation. He thinks this would make impossible any successful aggression.

It is time for every citizen to buy a war bond if possible; there is no excuse for home front slackers in this matter.

BEACH DEFENSES POWERFUL

The successful establishment of an adequate beachhead on the Cherbourg peninsula has led many Americans to conclude that the German defenses were not as strong as expected.

This conclusion seems to be erroneous and, in a measure, detracts from the magnificent accomplishment of our ships, planes, and men.

Henry T. Gorrell, United Press correspondent, who inspected the Cherbourg area a week after the landing operations, says that the German fortifications "theoretically would have been capable of repelling any invasion force with tremendous casualties."

He tells of hidden sites for rocket batteries, concrete and steel emplacements six feet thick for guns and mortars, machine-gun pill boxes and anti-tank positions.

Mr. Gorrell says that the Germans were so confident that their defenses, based upon waves of massed fire power, would kill or maim our infantry by thousands as they lay pinned on the beaches that they installed.

The newspaper correspondent says that the German plan collapsed under the pulverizing barrage of our warships, the bombing of our aircraft and the splendid work of our airborne soldiers.

CHURCHILL OPTIMISTIC?

Prime Minister Winston Churchill, whose war reviews have always been couched in the most conservative terms, allows himself to become somewhat optimistic for once and predict the possibility of the defeat of the German armies during the Summer of 1944.

This is an important sign of the changed fortunes of the United Nations. Just the same, let us remember that the time of the end of the war is not as important as the manner of its ending.

So far, our leaders have shown every possible consideration for the welfare of the fighting men under them. To protect their lives, as much as we can, requires that they have an abundant supply of materials, tools and supplies and every American can do something to make this an actual fact.

Men and women, working at war jobs, and other Americans on the home front, who buy bonds, do something to ease the task and reduce the risks that threaten the lives of our fighting men.

HIGH TWELVE

This is high noon of the year. Days are longest, nights are shortest, sun is highest in the Northern Hemisphere. Corn is knee high down South. New England potatoes are ready to blossom. The penetrating aroma of clover and timothy hovers over meadows.

In the early daylight hours, jeweled dew lies on grass and garden. Soil which will be dry and tan-colored by midmorning looks brown and moist as smoke-gray banks of mist vanish before the sun's advancing rays. After the dawn's burst of bird's songs, one hears little music. Of course, the gray catbirds call and mimic from the shrubbery around the garden, and the chevron, gay troubadour in rufous red and black uniform, ejaculates at regular intervals. Barn swallows swoop and bank; kingbirds dart from their watch stations in furious pursuit of high-flying insects. Occasionally a bob-white calls from the field or a cock pheasant challenges from the edge of the woods.

Over field and meadow and woodland is the feeling of growth and fulfillment. Cows lie under the pasture elms at noonday; the whirr-r-r of the mowing machine's cutter bar is heard in the land.

To the People of this Community

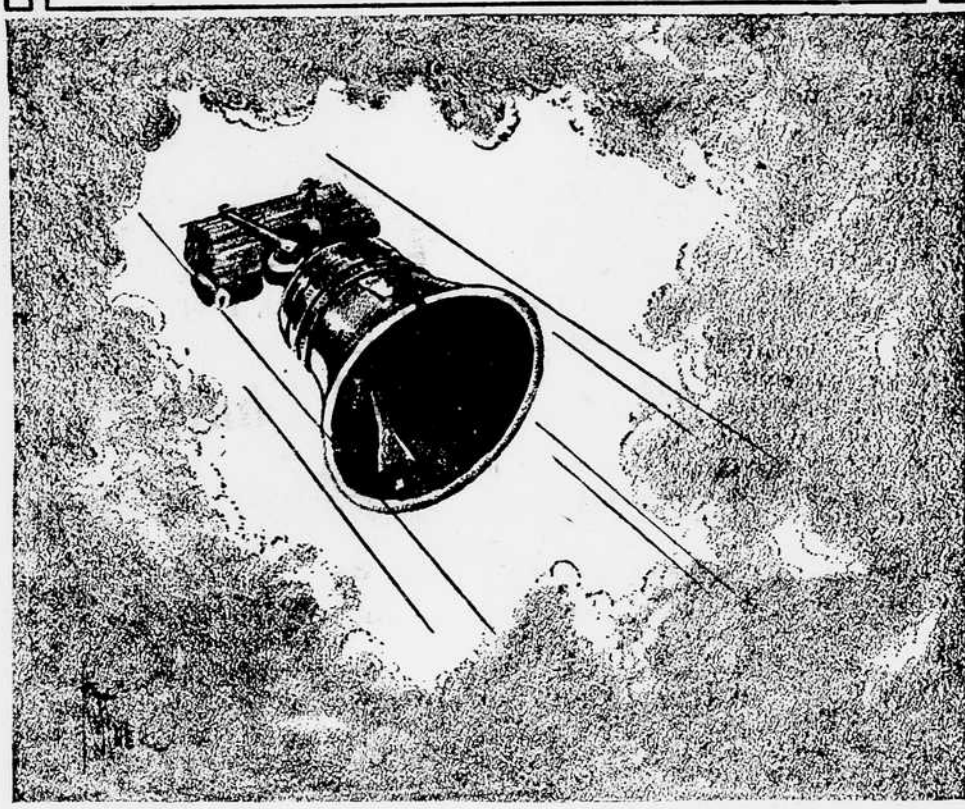
The next time you write to your fighting man or fighting woman tell him or her what you have done about the Fifth War Loan. You can take the word of General Eisenhower that your man or woman in uniform will be deeply interested. Your War Bond buying is a good tip-off to them about the state of affairs in your home. The headlines in this newspaper on the progress of the drive, the items about participating individuals, the character of the Fifth War Loan special events—all these things reflect the morale back home.

Do you like to read a sorry headline about the invasion fronts? Our fighting forces, made up of individuals with the same reactions to good and bad as you, will not be heartened to read: "Fifth War Loan Lags."

Your silence in your letter about your part in the Fifth War Loan will mean non-interest, perhaps non-participation to the recipients. It's up to you to make your letters cheerful. Write today. Write often. Write about your war work, your war support. Double your best previous War Bond buying record and then shout it to the house-tops—just to that special service man.

THE EDITOR.

Heard Around the World



Crops are in and on their way to fruition. Haying has begun. It's high twelve of the year.—Christian Science Monitor.

EVERY BRIDGE TAPED IN INVASION PLANS

Some idea of the immense preparations which were made for the invasion of Normandy comes from Lieutenant-General Brehon S. Somervell, commanding U. S. Army Service Forces, who reveals that every bridge and stream in France that the Allies "intend to cross" has been "taped" and "there is a portable bridge in place, either in England or on the French bridgehead, ready to be moved forward with the engineers accompanying our invasion spearhead."

The supply chief promises that vital supplies will flow into France in a completely satisfactory manner. He declares that the capture of a French port will facilitate the handling of supplies, despite destruction by the enemy. He points out that engineers built new docks at Naples over the wreckage of old ones and sunken hulks and that that port is handling more tonnage than it ever did in peacetime.

WOMEN VOTERS WILL OUTNUMBER THE MEN

Apparently "the ladies are it," or will be when it comes presidential election time next November. The United States Census Bureau has recently released figures that may well make the male population sit up and take notice.

According to these government figures potential women voters will outnumber the men—including those in the armed services—at the coming election, by more than half a million.

The estimated number of men and women of voting age on January 1, 1944, was 88,666,555. The women numbered 44,622,886, and the men, 44,043,669. The estimated number of men over 21 in the armed forces is placed at 7,860,000. While every effort will be made to give servicemen an opportunity to vote, it is taken for granted that many of them will fail to exercise the franchise.

Under these circumstances political candidate and campaign managers are likely to inquire, as they grasp the horny hands of toil—"and is the lady of the house at home today?"

MINING OPERATIONS SEEN ENCOURAGING

Raleigh, June 24.—The preliminary drilling operations in North Carolina for coal and iron ore were described today by Gov. J. M. Broughton as very "encouraging."

A more detailed report will be available, he said, "in 60 or 90 days."

Most of the activity in the drilling for iron is taking place, Broughton said, in Western North Carolina and particularly in the Cranberry mine areas of Avery county.

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STATE IS THIRD IN CASH CROP INCOME

Raleigh, June 26.—According to figures released by the State Department of Agriculture, North Carolina now ranks third in the Nation in cash income from crops; third in the number of farms; thirty-second in total land area; twenty-first in farm land; twenty-second in crop land; third in farm population; eleventh in total population; twentieth in work stock; second in farm census survey; second in statistical publications services; and fifth in amount of State funds appropriated for services rendered by the Statistics division.

TIMBER HEADS WAR LIST

Timber products have advanced to the forefront of the list of critical war materials. The South is expected to produce nearly half of the nation's lumber requirements in 1944.

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