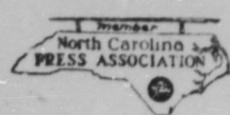


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WHAT ARE WE FIGHTING FOR?

The United States is engaged in a new war, and our special efforts are directed against Japan, a nation and a people with whom we have been little concerned heretofore. The President and Congress have interpreted the will of the people, and in a few hours everyone has understood that there is "unity" and agreement supporting the declaration of war.

Alfred P. Sloane, an outstanding leader of American industry, has furnished an unusually clear analysis of the situation: "I believe that we of industry and as citizens of a great democracy have two great responsibilities—we cannot afford to ignore either."

"First and foremost, there must be an all-out effort in the discharge of our vital obligations to the nations at this time.

"But second, we should keep in mind, in our determination to win the war, that this is NOT an 'end' objective."

Pearce News

W. M. S. met Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 at the church.

Sunbeams will meet next Friday at the church at 3:30.

Y. W. A. will meet next Friday night with Misses Ollie West-er and Darnell Philips at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Pearce.

Sunday School next Sunday with a special invitation to all of our people to attend.

Mid-week Prayer Meeting every Wednesday night at the church at 6:30. You are invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Lumas Privette and family spent several days recently in Florida with relatives.

Mr. Edward S. Pearce visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ferney Pearce this week end.

C. E. Pearce, Jr., spent a few days recently with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Pearce.

Misses Maggie and Flossie Pearce of Youngsville spent the week end with Miss Etha Pearce.

Misses Zalene Carter and Mary Sue Perry spent Monday in Raleigh.

Below is a list of names and addresses of boys from our community now in the Army or Navy. We hope our community folks and their many friends elsewhere will write our boys and let them know we are still praying that they may return safely.

Jarvis Gay, U. S. S. New York, c-o Postmaster New York, N. Y.
Jack Richards, U. S. S. Dobbin, c-o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

Edward S. Pearce, U. S. S. Nashville, E. Div., c-o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

PNC N. T. Perry, Post Garage, Marine Barricks, Quantico, Va.

Corporal Horace Gay, Battery D, 72th F. A., Fort Bragg, N. C.
Sgt. G. A. Johnson, Ser. Battery, 70th F. A. Bn., Fort Sill, Okla.

Sgt. W. S. Johnson, Co. A., 104th Med. Reg., Fort Geo. G. Meade, Mich.

O. E. Pearce, Jr., U. S. S. New York, C-o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Milton Thurman Ray, 1st Div., U. S. S. Prairie, c-o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

James Thurston Ray, U. S. S. Hornet, c-o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

James S. Gay, Jr., Company C, 6th Pn., ERTC, Fort Belvoir, Va.
O'Donald Pearce, H.Q. Det., 2 Bn., 37th Inf., Ft. Greely, Alaska.

We are thankful to announce that all our sick are improving. Friends of Willie Mose Pearce will be happy to know that he is

no longer confined to his bed. The great host of friends in this community of Mrs. Gerald Turnage Perry, a former teacher in our community, extend our sympathy to her and her husband in the loss of their baby.

Rain Stymies Swashbuckler

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past nine so that I could see the parade I found there was no parade.

After paying \$4.40 for a ticket I found scalpers were giving away tickets because they couldn't sell them.

After investing \$2.00 for camera film I found the mist (some people called it rain) was so thick I couldn't see twenty feet.

But I had a good time along with 58,000 others.

Seen and heard: Two inebriated gentlemen were making futile attempts to make a blanket stay put around the shoulders of a woman in front of them.

"What I need," said one, "is a safety pin."

"OK," said the other, and shouted: "Is there a baby in the crowd?"

Stony looks aided the rain in freezing the group who continued talking and laughing while the crowd of 56,000 stood in silence for 30 seconds commemorating the death of the first Durham boy killed in the present world catastrophe.

Firecrackers banged away beneath the bleachers where I was sitting.

"I'm shot!" yelled a drunk nearby.

After a moments deliberation he said: "Shot, hell, I need a shot."

Yep, there were lots of noses red for one reason or another.

And more than one person was heard to remark that they'd gladly trade their seats (wet as they were) for a radio and a fire-side.

But there were no seats empty and the Rose Bowl people made money (\$4.40 per seat); and the teams made money (\$90,000 plus for the athletic depts.); and the concessioners made money (50c for cardboard seat cushions, \$1.00 for two-bit pins, 35c for a ham-

OUR DEMOCRACY ————— by Mat

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burger (without onions or lettuce); and the taxi drivers made money (\$1.00 per fare); and the hotels made money (double rates).

In fact, the only guys who didn't make money were the bookies (giving Oregon State and 20 points) and the scalpers (tickets sold for \$1.00 an hour before the game time, 50c a half-hour before, and were offered free at the kick-off). They lost plenty.

So a good time was had by all. Or nearly all, anyway.

—The Swashbuckler

Babson Says Future Good

(Continued From Last Week)

Cost of Living
The official government cost-of-living figures, which will be published during 1942, will show a small increase each month. The reason is that these figures must cover the same items, brands, and grades in order to have them useful for comparative statistical purposes. As a practical matter, however, a family can switch its purchases from sirloin steak to top-of-the-round without any increase in the cost-of-living. The same family can cut down on desserts and save money on both food and dental bills! Hence, there need be no increase in the cost-of-living for well-managed families during 1942. This is especially true as 15 percent now goes into the garbage pail or is wasted in other ways.

Will Wages Be Frozen?
Some engaged in the defense industries may get wage increases during 1942; but not more than enough to offset the rise in the government's cost-of-living indices. Certain concerns engaged in the non-defense industries will be obliged to pay key people a little more to hold them. The great majority of workers in the non-defense industries will get no increases in 1942, while some will get their wages reduced. The year 1941 saw the peak of strikes and wage increases. The Canadian labor policy may be adopted by our Congress. The law of supply and demand is still working. Cost-of-living in the defense areas may have already seen its peak. The

new workers who are flowing into these areas may so flood the market as to prevent further wage raises. Besides, I'm in hope the government will issue a supplementary table of living-costs after providing for switches in purchasing and waste eliminations.

What Will Congress Do?

My forecast a year ago as to what Congress would do in 1941 was 100 percent correct. Now, I am even surer of my ground. When Congress declared war it performed its most important single act until peace comes. From here out it will become of necessity somewhat of a rubber stamp. War emergency powers of the President will require but little action on the part of Congress. Remember that there are important Congressional Elections on November 3, 1942. Incidentally, the results of these elections will be very interesting to watch. They will give us a good clue as to Republican chances in 1944; but this is something for me to discuss a year from now. There is another possibility, namely, the enacting of labor control legislation such as Canada has adopted.

Price Control and Rationing

If price control legislation is enacted in 1942, it will not be very successful. Price control, without rationing, is usually a failure. Of course, the entire setup appears cock-eyed to me. For instance, the purpose of price control is to prevent inflation and to discourage the purchase of non-essentials. But, does keeping prices down, discourage purchasing? No! The way to discourage purchasing is to let prices rise. But, you ask: How about the prices of essentials such as food? Well, strange to say, the prices on farm products are not being controlled! Even wages are omitted "because we cannot force people to work" and yet wages are the most important factor in setting prices. Bernard Baruch is correct when demanding the freezing of everything on a given day—commodities, farm products, wages, rents, interest, and profits. Fine! But how can such a law be enforced? Remember the boot-legging during prohibition days and apply this to 100,000 articles! The answer is in having price control apply to a few essentials and then ration these essentials.

Social Security Legislation

There will be a new tax bill in 1942. It will somewhat increase corporation and personal income taxes, but not seriously. Let me again remind readers that all the Congressmen and one-third of the Senators will be up for re-election on November 3, 1942! There will be a serious attempt by the anti-inflation group to further tax luxuries and unnecessary non-defense products as the easiest way to raise money.

Social Security taxes on wages will be another easy way to get funds. They are really a sales tax of the most vicious kind; but the name and promises which go with them make them very difficult for Congressmen to oppose. "Social Security" is a poisonous pill, sugar-coated. The United States can easily commit suicide by taking too much "Social Security" poison. Of course, one fair way to collect more money would be for Congress to put an excess profits tax on wages identical with the present excess tax on profits. This would both raise all the needed funds and put an end to the labor racket for the duration of the war.

Rents and Strikes

Rents will not decline during 1942; but whether to make long or short leases is debatable. Those owning large, old style houses should sell them during 1942 for any price they can get. I say this because of the action of carpenters, brick layers, plumbers, and painters who are fast killing the geese which lay their golden eggs. You can no longer afford to make over a large, old house into apartments as you once could. Again I say—try to get out of debt during 1942.

There will be fewer strikes in 1942. The strike business has its "ups and downs" like the stock market.

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