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GET READY FOR WINTER

Here comes winter. In a very short space of time a large part of the country will be experiencing rainy days and cold nights. And not far away are the months of snow and sleet and storm.

Winter is something to get ready for. That means buying new warm clothes, or repairing and cleaning old ones. It means buying wood and coal and fuel oil. It means fixing that leaky spot in the roof that has been neglected during the dry summer. And finally, to the wise householder, it means taking special precautions against a destroyer that waits for winter—fire.

Have your furnace inspected—and have that inspection done by somebody who knows what to look for. It's no work for an amateur. Have needed repairs effected at once. See that chimneys and flues are properly cleaned. Hard-pressed heating plants in bad order are one of the most prolific sources of home fires. It's no fun to wake up in the middle of the night and suddenly realize that your house is burning away beneath you.

Winter means that you'll use lights oftener. Exposed electric wiring should be checked. Pay special attention to lamp cords under rugs and around baseboards—they fray in time, and when that happens a short circuit may occur. Electricity, mishandled, is one of fire's potent allies.

Go through your whole house and get rid of any and all accumulations—old clothes, old papers and magazines, collections of rags, etc. They make a fine starting place for fire—and spontaneous ignition isn't so rare a phenomenon as you may think.

"CASEY AT THE BAT"

The death of Ernest Lawrence Thayer, author of "Casey at the Bat," recently called forth a great amount of newspaper comment on that famous baseball classic. The ballad was first published in the San Francisco Examiner in 1888 and became a national favorite almost immediately. Mellowed by time, it has taken its place as a classic of American folk literature.

Every village, town and city in the country once had its aspiring young eloquentists who sought local acclaim by reciting "Casey at the Bat." It was a favorite on programs held in the coal regions. DeWolfe Hopper, the noted actor, has been regarded as the nation's supreme reciter of the ballad. He once said that he recited it over 15,000 times.

A Lancaster, S. C., man wants to "go over the top" at 67. Most of us have gone over the top (or under) at that age.

Baseball fans in Charlotte are due WSOC and "Gillette Blades" a curtain call for the World Series broadcast. It meant much to those "shut in."

When, and if they do, turn St. Peter's hospital into an apartment hotel, it will not have many who are superstitiously inclined, to our way of thinking.

Hooray! Hooray! and Hooray! The city is going to build a new 30-foot road to the Dog Pound. This will make it easier riding for the captured canines.

Patriotic pages commercializing Patriotism and the Flag may be a money maker, but it appears to us a bad form of Patriotism. But if a concern puts in a new water cooler these days, or a "hot dog" stand is started, you will find an ad from everybody except the hog that furnished the basic foundation for the "hot dog."

PLAYING THE GAME

Life is a game with a glorious prize,
If we can only play it right.
It is give and take, build and break,
And often it ends in a fight;
But he surely wins who honestly tries
(Regardless of wealth or fame),
He can never despair who plays it fair—
How are you playing the game?

Do you wilt and whine, if you fail to win
In the manner you think you're due?
Do you sneer at the man in case that he can,
And does, do better than you?
Do you take your rebuffs with a knowing grin?
Do you laugh though you pull up lame?
Does your faith hold true
When the whole world's blue?
How are you playing the game?

Get into the thick of it—wade in, boys!
Whatever your cherished goal;
Brace up your will till your pulses thrill,
And you dare—to your very soul!
Do something more than make a noise;
Let your purpose leap into flame
As you plunge with a cry, "I shall do or die,"
Then you will be playing the game.

—Anonymous.

NO PROSPERITY IN LOW WAGES AND LONG HOURS

"Bigger pay rolls, steady prices open way for Boom." Headline in Monday's Observer, on a financial page. While the "Boom" part does not sound so hot, the bigger pay rolls and better prices sets well. Where and when decent wages are paid, and reasonable hours are worked so as more employment may be made the order of the day, no "boom" is necessary. The eternal triangle works itself out: The more men at work at decent wages the more goods will be bought; the more goods bought the more will have to be manufactured, causing producers to expand, employ more help, etc., and there you have the "problem solved!" It can't be done on a low-wage, long-hours, unemployment basis, as some statesmen and "big business" executives would have you believe.

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Changes In Wage-Hour Set Up Due On October 24th

The Federal Wage and Hour Law again will come definitely to the attention of Carolina industrial executives and their many thousands of employes on Oct. 24, when two hours will be chopped off the regular work week.

This act requires the reduction, beginning on that date of the regular work week from 42 hours to 40 hours and that time and a half be paid for overtime work.

Jobs For 5,000,000 Is Predicted By Labor Department

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—The Labor department estimated yesterday that 5,000,000 to 6,000,000 persons would find jobs as a result of the national rearmament effort.

In a statement, Secretary Perkins said defense orders would provide "at least three and possibly four million" jobs in the next year. The increased purchasing power of these workers, she added, should bring an increase in employment in other industries of approximately 2,000,000.

State Federation Of Labor Exec. Council Meets

SALISBURY, Oct. 8.—The executive committee of the North Carolina State Federation of Labor met here Sunday and instructed its legislative committee to prepare the Federation's legislative program and send copies to all nominees to the general assembly. Copies will also be sent to all bodies throughout the state.

President C. A. Fink, of this city, H. L. Kiser, of Charlotte, and M. F. Johnson, of Durham, here named members of the committee to prepare the program.

Emphasis will be placed on enactment of a wage-hour state law, the committee announced. In the last legislative effort along this line were non-productive.

Other committeemen attending the meeting were: H. G. Fisher, Salisbury, secretary-treasurer; W. L. Causey, of Greensboro, K. J. Smith, of Raleigh, C. H. Bringle, of Salisbury, G. D. Sexton, of Winston-Salem, C. B. Kornegay, of Wilmington, Stough Campbell, of Charlotte, and R. W. Ingle, of Asheville.

ONE TOO MANY

First Drunk: "Shay, who's following me?"
Second Drunk: "No one. That's your shadow."
First Drunk: "Well—what do they want?"

CUTS OFF "LIMBS"

Harry: Believe me, girlie, I know my oaks.
Judith: Ah, but you mean your "oaks," don't you?
Harry: No, I'm a tree surgeon.

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF MARCH 3, 1932

Of The Charlotte Labor Journal and Dixie Farm News, published weekly at Charlotte, N. C., 302 S. College St., for Oct. 1, 1940. State of North Carolina.

County of Mecklenburg—ss. Before me, a notary public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared W. M. Witter, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the publisher of the Charlotte Labor Journal and Dixie Farm News and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 411, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to-wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business managers are: Publisher, W. M. Witter, 302 S. College St. Editor, W. M. Witter, 302 S. College St. Managing Editor, W. M. Witter, 302 S. College St. Business Manager, W. M. Witter, 302 S. College St.

2. That the owner is: (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and also immediately thereunder the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding one per cent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a firm, company, or other unincorporated concern, its name and address, as well as those of each individual member, must be given.) W. M. Witter, 302 S. College St.

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W. M. WITTER, Pub. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 29th day of September, 1940. (Seal) W. B. Warwick, N. P. (My commission expires January 11, 1942.)

PRES. C. M. FOX U. T. W. OF A. A VISITOR HERE

The Journal was visited Monday by President C. M. Fox, of the United Textile Workers of America, an A. F. of L. affiliate. Mr. Fox has offices in Washington, but is spending much of his time in contact work through-

out the country. Mr. Fox is a North Carolinian, having first come into the labor movement during the early days of organization work of the U. T. W. in this state. His years of organization work fits him in every way for the high office he holds. His contacts in this territory will no doubt prove of great benefit to his organization.

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