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WEEKLY BIBLE QUOTATION

"Behold, he travaileth with iniquity, and hath conceived mischief, and brought forth falsehood. He made a pit, and digged it, and is fallen into the ditch which he made. His mischief shall return upon his own head, and his violent dealing shall come down upon his own pate." Psalmist.

WHAT IS PATRIOTISM?

By RUTH TAYLOR

Our fellow workers in Canada answered this question in their official journal when they said "Patriotism is shown, not in what you say about your country, but in how you care for it. It is most apparent in men who care for their country by caring for: The men they work with; The men

they work for; The tools they use; The weapons they produce." Patriotism is caring for the men you work with—in not slackening on your share of the job, in working for the good of all, not of a few, dis-criminating against none because of class, creed orc olor. It is that unity of purpose and action that has made the trade union-but the men you work with are not just the men in your own trade or your own shop-they are all the workers, whether they be of hand or brain, in factories, offices, or on farms. It is the union of all workers that makes a united nation. Patriotism is caring for the men you work with.

Patriotism is caring for the men you work for-and in war this means our fighting men on land, on sea, and in the air. It means standing behind them, hour after hour, day after day, that there may be no let up in the steady flow of the goods that keeps them fighting for us and for all we hold dear. "There are no absentees except the dead on battlefields where bullets call and roll," a worker-poet wrote. Patriotism is caring for the men you work for.

you work for. Patriotism is caring for the tools you use—in being careful and not wasteful, in saving, in eliminating waste. It means taking great care of your finest tool, yourself, and in keeping yourself fit for the job ahead, that you may give your best at all times. It means that you must not waste your energies of mind on the divisive by-paths of the propagandists, that you must be always ready, alert and on the job. Patriotism is caring for the tools you use.

Patriotism is caring for the weapons you produce-for they are the things that are your own safeguard. The more you produce in the war effort, the quicker can you return to making those things which will improve the standard of living for your own family. The more you produce for the war effort, the surer will be your children's future. The more you produce, the more of your own boys—your sons, your brothers, your fellow workers —will return to live as free men in a free world. Patriotism is caring for the weapons you produce. Patriotism is not a phase. It is action. Patriotism is caring for a high principle more than for a person. It is the application of the ideals of unionism among workers, to national life. Patriotism is a challenge to men who care. Are you a patriot?



--V--WASHINGTON, June 16. -- The Central Pennsylvania Coal Producers association and the United Mine Workers today threw out their agreemen on \$1.30 a day as portal-to-por-tal pay. A War Labor Board decision, tal pay. A War Labor Board decision, possibly tomorrow, was awaited as the next development on the issue.

Charles O'Neill, president of the Producers' association, announced the collapse of efforts to reduce to writing the oral agreement on \$1.30 as compensation for the miners' underground travel time. He said the union's position would mean merely the postponement of the issue for one year, whereas the operators wanted a permanent settlement now.

UMW President John L. Lewis vould not comment. The UMW policy committee will meet tomorrow.

O'Neill's group, which withdrew from the Appalachian joint wage con-ference last week, thus was back on the same footin gas the other oper ators. He advised the War Labor board that the Central Pennsylvania Producers awaits its decision.

THE FELLOW WHO COULDN'T GO

By BERNARD BENNETT

There's many a poem that's been written, There's many a sonnet sung, Of the soldiers, sailor and fighting marine And the battles they have won.

But it's very seldom you ever hear Of the fellow who couldn't go Because of the work he was doing

Or a crippled leg that meant no.

He's as much a part of our Army As the boy that fires the gun, He answers the cry of battle With the work that must be done.

He'll never win any medals, For valor or brave deeds done. But when the supplies are needed,

You can count on him as the one.

A wrench is his weapon of freedom His torch but a welder's arc He's in there fighting each minute He knows that he's doing his part.

They called, and like a soldier he answered Not once did he fail or say, "No." But never a sonnet or song will be sung, Of the fellow who couldn't go.

A plow takes the place of a rumbling tank The hoe in his hand is his sword The cry of a conquering hero Is a silent prayer to God.

This is the way he serves you And after the battle is won You'll never hear of the work he did No song about him will be sung.

Bands will be played and flags will fly, And honors will go to the rest. But the fellow who had to stay behind, Knows that he too gave his very best.

He knows that he too won the battle. He too gave the battle cry For without him no bands would be playing Without him no flag could fly.

Keep your medals of gold and silver He asks for neither of these, His reward is the love for his country And a flag that is flying free.

RE-NEGOTIATION CUTS WAR CONTRACTS BILLIONS

As of May 1st, the War and Navy Departments have, through re-negotiation, cut down the cost of war contracts by \$2,475,000,000. But before we begin celebrating this limited reclamation from the excess profit-eers, let us listen to the following significant remarks made by Mr. Ralph Hendershot, financial editor of the Scripps-Howard publications: "At the rate established in the first 10 months of operations it would take more than 220 more to mention the the scripts of the scripts than 330 years to re-negotiate the war contracts already on the books. And with new contracts piling up at an ever-increasing rate it might take a thousand years or more after the war to get the tangle straightened out . . ." Yes, where there is Methusselah there is hope!

OUR BOYS GIVE THEIR LIVES

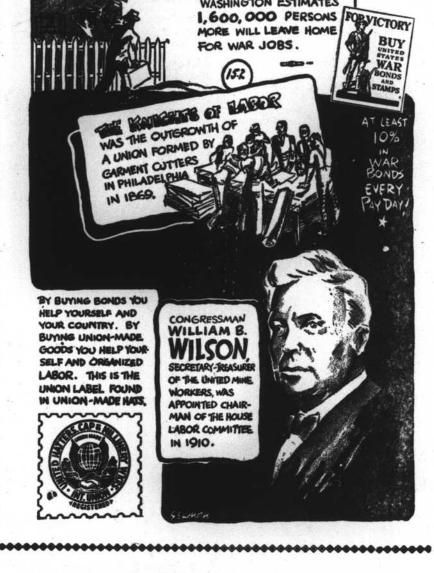
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