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While there is no suspicion, not to mention proof, to doubt the good intentions of our big dollar-a-year men in Washington, one, after recalling the unconscionable deals pulled in the last year, can't help but plead for fair and square shooting in the impending struggle.

There is little justification in picking up a man drawing a fancy salary in private employment and place him in government service at a lone dollar a year. The practice when it comes to government isn't like that in the colleges where learned men volunteer their services for alma mater, and while it may be all right to pick up the "cheap" men, it just doesn't make sense. Charlie M. Schwab, the late steel magnate, was one of those dollar-a-year men in the last war. According to the record, Mr. Schwab was no thief, but he was a robber. It is alleged that Charlie's personal expenses ran up to \$250,000 in a single month which is even worse than the record established by some of our own people who spend \$200 a month on a \$100 salary. Just recently it was revealed that Mr. Schwab, the mighty steel man who practiced fraud at the expense of his own government, died almost a pauper, the executors of his estate declaring that it could not pay out.

And then there is today a government suit pending in the United States Supreme Court against Bethlehem to recover millions in excessive profits collected by that company on shipbuilding contracts negotiated by Schwab when he did business with his own company while representing Uncle Sam.

If there is to be anything left of the American order, no such facts can be duplicated in the present crisis.

Cause For Strikes and Labor Troubles

Buried in the public press, if carried at all, are a few pertinent facts that would seem to indicate that labor is not to be blamed so terribly much after all in striking even in defense industries. We hold no brief for the saboteur, the radical who would actually confiscate and destroy, but in this fair land of ours it is only reasonable to expect a fair deal for everyone. It is apparent that the public, misled or misinformed or just indifferent to the problems is not getting all the facts.

Dug from the pages of the Congressional Record and recognized to have an official standing are a few facts relative to the recent strike at the North American Aviation plant in California. It is not to be denied that the workers went too far in that instance, but the causes underlying the strike will help to show the regrettable result reaped there.

Last year the total valuation of the whole plant was listed at \$12,366,590. During last year the company made a net profit of \$7,090,335.78, meaning the profits after depreciation, taxes and the various deductions created by high-ton-

ed auditing systems had been sliced off, left the owners with an earning more than two-thirds as great as the entire plant was worth. It is also pointed out in the Congressional Record that J. H. Kindelberger, president of North American Aviation, was paid a salary of \$166,350 last year, and that J. L. Attwood, the vice president, received the little salary of \$78,533.33.

As for the salaries of the workers at the North American Aviation, they ranged twelve cents below the average for the entire industry, and it is understood that the worker in the aviation plant is receiving less than the auto factory worker on an average. The minimum hourly wage in the North American plant is 50 cents.

North American stock not so long ago was selling for \$1 a share. The shares are currently quoted at \$14. Last year a dividend of \$1.25 per share was paid to the stockholders including General Motors who owns 29 per cent of the stock.

There is a certain group in this country today who would eat the farmers' produce at a price below the cost of production. And there is a certain group, many being in both groups, who would enslave the working man that their profits can be doubled, tripled and so on. Little is said about the price of manufactured articles when the profits are rolling in, but the people of this nation are led to believe that every time the price of a plow or farm machine advances it is because the working man is getting high wages.

We in this country are not playing fair with the common laborer, and possibly we won't play fair with capital when the shoe is shifted to the other foot. We must, if progress is to be made in executing war preparations and keeping this nation on an even keel, try to look at both sides fairly. It is disheartening to see a farmer shout when a fellow laborer in the factory is enslaved, and it is equally disheartening to see a factory worker shout when food prices fall below the cost of production to the farmer.

Patriotism in Safety

Christian Science Monitor.

Independence Day in the United States will be celebrated this year in a martial atmosphere. Yet there is no reason for this observance to involve the use of more than a judicious minimum of firecrackers, rockets, and pinwheels. Already too much detonation of explosives is going on in the world without supplementing it with expenditure of gunpowder for entertainment.

The quality of that entertainment has always been marred by the appearance on succeeding days of doleful lists of persons injured in the procedure. Hearteningly the number of such casualties has materially diminished in recent years. The improvement of this situation is due largely if not almost entirely to the adoption of State laws regulating the sale of fireworks and, in fact, practically prohibiting them except for supervised community displays.

Nine states had such laws at the outset of this year: Delaware, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Utah, and West Virginia. Five states have adopted fireworks control laws this year, of which the Arizona and Maryland statutes are in effect and the new Minnesota, Ohio, and Florida acts will take effect next year.

After the adoption of the Pennsylvania law the number of reported injuries from fireworks decreased from 1,700 in 1938 to 85 in 1939 and 58 in 1940. This sort of a saving of human resources and faculties for useful work either in peacetime or in defense represents practical patriotism.

People Are That Way

Riding along the highway the other day, Elder P. E. Getsinger saw two small children and a dog playing beside the road. Slowing down out of respect for human life, the minister heard the mother of the children call the dog. No warning was issued to the children.

To be sure the lady did not think more of the dog than she did the children. But people are that way and they do those things.

OLD HAND, NEW GLOVE



Beer Committee Enters Third Year

Raleigh—The Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors Committee has entered upon the third year of its "clean up or close up" campaign under the supervision of an enlarged executive committee.

J. P. Price, of Greensboro, heads the 12-member executive committee which will serve for the 1941-42 fiscal year. Other members are: J. O. Angel, of Asheville; Ed S. Yarbrough, of Fayetteville; Fred Mills, of Wadesboro; R. J. Jenkins, of Kinston, and J. W. Jackson, of Wilmington, representing the distributors; C. M. Wright, of Newark, N. J.; C. L. May, of Newark; W. H. Huster, of Cincinnati; Walter Bartlett, of Norfolk; David T. Gallo, of Norfolk, and Fred Hitchcock, of Greensboro, representing the brewers. W. S. Burrows, of Raleigh, is treasurer and ex-officio member of the committee, and Edgar H. Bain, of Goldsboro, is state director in charge of the industry's self-regulation program in this State.

The executive committee will meet three times a year, it was decided, and the general committee will meet annually in either May or June of each year.

Since the committee was organized in May, 1939, it has cooperated with local authorities in the elimination of 170 undesirable outlets in 51 counties, Bain announced.

Retail Business Is Ahead of Last Year

Retail business still zooming, with nation's department store sales 14 per cent ahead of last year for the first five months of 1941. Total employment in the United States hit an all-time high of 50,150,000 in April, reports the National Industrial Conference Board—and at the same time unemployment dropped to 5,412,000, which is the lowest for any April since 1930. Defense industry had several pieces of good news: Production of aircraft engines in May is figured at 3,500 units, about 1,100 more than the January total. Lockheed claims all-time American record for first five months of this year, building and delivering \$45,871,500 worth of planes, more than it produced in the whole year of 1940. General Electric has completed the turbine for the battleship South Dakota, and it's being launched more than a month ahead of schedule. Equipment for another battle-wagon, the Massachusetts, is 10 weeks ahead of schedule. And the public bought \$441,782,000 worth of defense savings bonds and stamps in May, the first month they were on sale.

Farm-Home Week Registration Begins

Miss Ruth Current, State home demonstration agent, announces that registration for the annual Farm and Home Week at N. C. State College has begun. She invites Home Demonstration Club women to make their room reservations at once to insure desirable quarters.

Farm and Home Week will be held this year from August 4 to 8. Three thousand or more farm men and women are expected to attend and enjoy an "educational vacation."

Miss Current said that room reservations may be made by sending a \$1 fee to Mrs. Nelle Meacham, State College Station, Raleigh. The rooms will be assigned in the order that requests are received. Miss Current said that money will be refunded if reservations are cancelled before July 26.

Issue 21st Edition of Bawl Street Journal

The 21st annual edition of the Bawl Street Journal is out. Published by the New York Bond Club, it burlesques Wall Street, kidding profound fiscal phrases. Theme song of this year's edition is "There'll Always Be a Wall Street." Other headlines: Stock exchange floor offered New York City for use as aquarium. Sears-Roebuck floor offered sale of U. S. Bonds exclusively. One brokerage firm advertises: "If any of our employees want to drive army tanks, we won't stand in their way." Another advertises "baby blondes."

U.S. Government Urges Nation To Buy Winter Coal Now

VERY GRAVE DANGER OF SHORTAGE SEEN FOR COMING YEAR

WASHINGTON, June 10. — (AP) — Anticipating "very grave danger of a shortage" of coal next winter, the government urged the householders throughout the country last night to "buy winter coal now."



That Is The News Out of Washington

We Suggest That You Act Accordingly and Place Your Orders with Us Today
BUY YOUR COAL NOW!
YOU'LL SAVE MONEY!
YOU'LL NOT BE INCONVENIENCED!

ROY L. WARD
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Trend Toward Beef Cattle Production In Wake County

A definite trend toward beef cattle production is becoming increasingly apparent in Wake County, reports J. D. Thompson, assistant farm agent of the N. C. State College Extension Service.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Washington Division. In Bankruptcy No. 758. In the matter of: Paul Samuel Rasmussen, Route No. 11, Farmville, N. C. Voluntary Bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that Mon-

day, July 14, 1941, has been fixed by an order of the Court entered at the first meeting of creditors as the last day on which to file objections to the discharge of this bankrupt.

Such objections are required to be specified, to be verified, to be in duplicate, and to be filed with the undersigned.

WHEELER MARTIN,
U. S. Referee in Bankruptcy.
Williamston, N. C.
June 9, 1941. j10-4t

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- 1940 Pontiac 2-door Town Sedan**
Brand new tires. Both motor and body in perfect condition. A good value and good bargain.
- 1938 Pontiac 4-door Town Sedan**
An excellent value for the money. Will sell very reasonable. Looking a bargain? Here it is!
- 1927 Cadillac 7-passenger Sedan**
An old model but in good condition. Priced right and will accommodate the whole family.
- 1938 Ford 60 — 2-door Model**
This car has new tires. Motor and body in excellent condition. Will sell cheap.
- 1938 Buick 4-door Sedan**
Motor runs good. Body in perfect condition. Will sell very reasonable. Look it over.

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WILLIAMSTON, N. C.

June 17, 1941.

MR. TOBACCO FARMER:

If you are going to need tobacco flues or flue repairs for the coming season, it will be to your advantage to place your order now. Steel sheets, from which flues are made, have been placed on the Government priority list, and the future purchases, if allowed at all, will be at an extremely high price. The price has already advanced \$1.91 per hundred since we purchased our sheets.

This is not an effort to pressure, or scare anyone into purchasing flues; it is merely a statement of facts, and an attempt to save our customers money, if possible.

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