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## Sugar And Gas Rationing

Sugar is an important item in the American diet, but early reports from the gas rationing registrars declare that many joy riders would rather surrender a claim to food than to seal the gas tank for the duration.

Harold Ickes, months and months ago, warned against a possible gasoline shortage. He was laughed at, because to have taken the gasoline away from American joy riders at that time would possibly have meant revolution. And even now with the seriousness of the war borne out in continuous reports there are those who fuss and fume about rationing, gas rationing.

Thinking more of their joy riding than of the possibility that gasoline saved here might be of great value on other fronts, quite a few persons are literally packing their gas tanks and storing all the excess their money will buy in cans and other containers. America's war effort can be and will be measured by the reaction to the gasoline rationing program.

## Go To Work, Go To War Or Go To Jail

It is agreed that the induction of men into the armed services and the call of the industrial centers have aggravated the labor situation, but it must be admitted that there are idle hands scattered over the nation in great numbers. This county has its loafers and vagrants, and it is contradictory to a certain extent, at least, for one to say that there is a great labor shortage when so many are standing by idle, wasting valuable time outright or squandering it in questionable acts and ways.

Aren't the loafers worthy of their hire? Isn't the situation on the world front serious enough for every one to act in some capacity toward supporting the war effort either in the trench, factory or on the far-removed home front? If present conditions do not warrant voluntary acts, then it is not amiss to employ stern action. Let the loafers go to work, go to war or go to jail. It is time to clean out the beer joints and free society of the human leeches for the duration, at least.

In this connection, the partially-disabled pensioners can play a part. A thoughtful government picked them up during their dark days. Is it asking too much now for them to offer their services, limited of course, to the government. There are the airplane spotter posts, the air raid warning station to be manned and other tasks requiring little effort to be handled. Will those who can aid stand by idle and continue to suck the lifeblood from our economy and offer nothing in return?

It is high time for all of us to do something more for our government and ourselves than stand up for our country and sing an old time song.

## A Lot To Learn

Judging from a personal letter received by Elder E. C. Stone from a sister in England, we have much to learn about rationing in this country. Over there they have one egg a week while over here we want two for each breakfast. Strawberries before the war were a luxury and are seldom heard of there now. Nearly every item passing over the counter in England must be greeted by a rationing card. Over here we complain if we have to give up a little sugar of which we have been using too much. We cheat, misrepresent and lie over gasoline. In England the cars are parked for the duration. Fruits there are in dried form, mostly. Over here we let many rot.

We have much to learn and it is important that we try to learn to accept the inescapable rather than ignore the facts and do nothing but growl and howl.

## Queer Beings

We are queer beings. Warned of a potential danger, we discredit and ignore the warning. Then when something does happen we complain because we were not forced to heed the warning. Noah foretold the coming of the flood, but many of the people drowned.

## Turning Against Their Friends

Freed of the tenacles so tightly clapped around their throats in the early thirties, there are quite a few persons who are now complaining about instructions coming down from Washington. They refer to Washington as a meddling, short-sighted sophomoric brain-truster theorist capital. We want none of it, they say. What do they want? The things that are being done in Washington today as they relate to government and not to crooked politics, are being done at the expressed will of the people. The complainers, it is feared, would rather turn the country back over to the Wall Streeters and hasten the return of the trying days associated with Hooverism than to have the will of the people expressed through representative government.

Those who bark against the government today in most cases have turned against the friends who saved them back yonder.

## "Resting"

"You are 'too tired to go to church?' That's sheer nonsense. There isn't a place on the continent so restful as the church. You are going to lie around the house all day; loll in a big rocking chair; go to sleep over a book. That isn't resting, that's loafing. Tell yourself honestly—did you ever see a loafer who didn't look tired all the time?"

"About a year ago I stopped in a Boston street to watch a group of laborers. It was the noon hour. They had been at work all the morning digging a sewer excavation. They had eaten their lunch from the little tin pails, and now they were 'resting'. Some of them were pitching horseshoes. They were working men 'resting'. And sitting on the curbstone watching them—too lazy to even stand up and look up and out at them—were the loafers who had been watching them work all the morning. These fellows were too tired to join the game by which the workers rested themselves.

"You have no need to loaf all day Sunday. An hour in church, an hour in the quiet; the sermon, the reading; the uplift that comes from the new channels into which your thoughts are led—these will rest you more physically, morally, intellectually, than all the day spent in trying to 'rest'."—Robert J. Burdette.

## No Life As Usual; All Must Serve

Smithfield Herald.

The idea that the people of the United States can continue "life as usual" is fast disappearing under the severe impact of war needs. Just as the industrial plants of the nation have been converted to war production, the life of the people of our country must be changed to meet the war program.

The United States is serving as an arsenal for all nations fighting aggression and making available its enormous economic strength to support the war against aggressors. While slowly mobilizing potential resources into striking power, we must surrender everything which hampers a speedy and successful transformation.

Slowly, as a people, we are beginning to understand that potential resources are useless in a war for survival and that only those resources which are available for battle will protect our civilization. With enemy nations beginning war after years of preparation, this country must start from scratch, abandon peace and accept war.

New standards of value arise when a nation fights for its life. Selfish individuals must yield to the nation's needs. Everything must be weighed by the exigencies of battle. Nothing else counts.

There are many Americans inclined to look with superficial amusement upon the effort to mobilize our communities for wartime emergencies. This preparation for the worst is not foolish and certainly should not be derided by those who chant "too little and too late" as our enemies gain victories upon the battlefields of the earth.

The longer the war lasts, the greater will be the upheaval in our normal manner of life. Because there exists the chance that the war may end quicker than most experts believe does not justify a failure to plan for an unexpected prolongation of the world conflict. The cold, sober truth is that no man knows when or how the present war may end. Germany may collapse in 1942 or fight a defensive struggle in Europe for decades. Japan may fall as a result of over-extended battle lines, or, on the other hand, she may consolidate the human and natural resources of the Far East to wage a stern and far-reaching struggle.

With these thoughts in mind, every American should accept the inconveniences of a war-time economy. Every American should, to the extent of his or her ability, support the financial structure of the Government. Every relative of every fighting soldier or sailor or marine should be an alert committee of one to see that every possible support is given our fighting men.

In the next few months, there is little reason to expect glad tidings from the fields of battle. There is every prospect of depressing defeats. Until our weapons are forged and our soldiers trained, the people of American must grit their teeth and bear what fortune brings. Everyone must support the war and when called upon, serve the country. Only by so doing can we reasonably expect to be triumphant when peace comes and deserve the greatness and glory that descends upon a people who die, if necessary, for their civilization, their culture and their faith.

## What Happens In Worship...

By REV. JOHN HARDY  
Church Of The Advent

On Sunday mornings in most American towns crowds may be seen entering the various churches. They are going to the House of God to worship. After the service is over they return home, most of them feeling better for having been to church. The real test of whether that feeling is only temporary, or whether it is really a deep reflection of their inner strength gained by their waving worship, comes from the conviction that in worship something important is done. There is an offering to God and He acts with effects on the life of the world.

The church does not exist only for its own sake. It exists not primarily to keep its members comfortable; it exists for a cause. Here is the point at which one who looks at the church begins to be dismayed. Does the church, as represented in its several units know that it exists for a cause, and is it being mobilized to serve it?

There is a widespread notion that what occurs in worship transpires only in the soul of the worshippers. Hence they judge worship by its effects upon themselves: If it interests and uplifts them, they go; if it fails to do this, they remain away.

The spirit of devastating subjectivism is in the church today and the cause of its existence is being forgotten. We fail to believe that in public worship something momentous for both God and man takes place, something is done in which both God and man acts. Since most contemporary worshippers do not believe this, they do not look for it. Until this expectancy is restored, worship cannot recover its Christian meaning.

Corporate worship would mean more to us, and would bring to us a surprisingly rich spiritual gain, if we came to it regularly with the expectation and the certainty that something was going to happen. So long as we think only of the impression made upon ourselves, and our enjoyment of the service, we cannot have such an expectation and such an assurance. It is only self-conscious natures that are habitually interested in the impression made upon themselves. That kind of thing may not last, for in religion, or in the great experiences of life, we must feel that some action is taking place, some great thing happening, or some great thing being done, that God is in that thing. And in worship we must hold high in our hearts the conviction that something is going to happen. We are to meet with God, and God is to meet with us, and we are going to do something in the presence of God. We are going to bring an offering, the offering of our praise and of our prayer in the communion of all His saints in heaven and on earth; and God is going to speak to us and have dealings with us, and receive our offering and give it a place in the service of His kingdom.

We bring and present ourselves—through every act including the sermon, if it be the word of the living God—our thoughts, our obligations, our affections—and these become means by which God is more able to fulfill His will. The selves we offer are not isolated selves, but selves bound up in family, community, national, and racial ties. The thoughtfulness with which we present them penitently, gratefully, wistfully, is important. Worship must mean something to us if it is to have meaning for God. And such worship, whatever the form it takes, enriches Him, and thus enables Him to enrich not only the worshippers, but His larger household who have part in that corporate remembrance of human need and divine will. All public worship is an action in which both God and His worshippers take part. And the far-reaching consequences of such action in God's Kingdom are beyond all we can conceive.



## To The Voters Of Martin County

As a candidate for the office of Judge of Recorder's Court of Martin County, I wish to solicit the support of the Democratic voters in the coming primary. My friends, including lawyers, have called to my attention the fact that many of the best recorders in the state are not lawyers and that the principal duty in the trial of cases coming before this court is a matter which, in the higher courts, is the duty of the jury. I shall appreciate any support I may receive and if elected promise to diligently try to justify all confidence reposed in me by being fair, just and impartial to all.

HARCUM GRIMES

## CHURCH NEWS

### CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

Whit Sunday.

#### The Collect

O God, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

Church School, 9:45 a. m.

Celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon, 11 a. m. This is a corporate celebration for both the laymen and young people. The Laymen's Thank Offering will be presented.

Celebration of the Holy Communion at 11 a. m. Thursday.

ST. MARTIN'S, Hamilton  
Evening prayer and sermon, 6 p. m.

### METHODIST

Church School, 9:45 a. m.  
Morning worship and sermon, 11 a. m. Sermon subject: The Promise of Power and Its Fulfillment.  
Epworth League, 7:30 p. m.  
Evening worship and sermon, 8:30 p. m. Sermon subject: The Third Person in the Holy Trinity.  
Prayer service, Thursday, 8:30 p. m.

### CHRISTIAN

Bible School, 9:45 a. m.  
Morning worship, 11 a. m. Subject, "The Living Church—Its Vision of Ultimate Victory."  
Organ concert, 5 p. m. by Mr. Ben Manning.  
Young People's meeting, 7:30 p. m. Subject, "New Phases of World-wide."

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## Missions.

Evening service, 8:30 p. m. Subject, "The New Testament Church for Today—The Lordship of Christ." Choir rehearsal Tuesday, 8:30 p. m.

Prayer service Thursday, 8:30 p. m. Subject, "Sharing One's Material Possessions with the Church." Mr. Ben Manning, formerly of Williamston, but now a soldier of our country, is visiting his parents on furlough. While here Mr. Manning will give an organ concert in the Williamston Christian Church on their new Moller organ. Mr. Manning while in Louisiana headed the music set-up in his camp and also gave several organ recitals. The public is cordially invited to attend this concert at 5:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

## Answer

Dried fruits, as well as vegetables, probably will bring a partial answer to the problem of tin shortage for cans, says U. S. Department of Agriculture experts.

## Urge Conservation Of Present Rubber

It becomes increasingly clear that the country's critical rubber problem today can be met only with all-out conservation of the rubber now in use. Yet even more than that is needed for the "long pull" to insure against this sort of thing ever happening again.

Enormous amounts of paper are being released for other uses by the change-over of automobile and electrical-appliance plants to war production.

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## A Friendly Warning

In order to assure yourself an ample supply of coal for next winter, the Government is urging you to fill your bin now. In all fairness to your coal dealer, it is imperative that any balance you might owe on last winter's coal be paid now, in order for him to secure coal for the mines to supply you.

The terms of sale at the mines are fixed by Federal Government Law. If a coal dealer fails to pay his bills by the 20th of the month following shipment, a penalty of 5% is assessed and collected, and if a coal dealer expects to keep coal on hand for his customers he must pay his bills promptly. The mines ship those dealers who pay promptly and with the brisk demand for coal at this time they will not ship coal to those in arrears. Freight on coal amounts to an average of \$3.45 per ton which must be paid according to law within 48 hours after the arrival of the car. Labor and supplies are cash. Faced with the necessity of paying spot cash for over half the cost of the coal and the balance in 30 days, your coal dealer cannot put your coal in now and collect next Fall.

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