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Time To Take Heed

Back in his heyday Adolf Hitler defied the laws of God. He said, "This is what we are fighting against, the curse of so-called morals, idolized to protect the weak against the strong in the face of the immortal law of battle, the great law of divine nature. Against the so-called Ten Commandments we are fighting."

Hitler is done with. His country is in ruins and his people homeless and deserted.

While Hitler openly dared to defy the laws of God, many in this country are ignoring those laws and traveling our own courses. Could it be that we are heading for a similar fate after a little different fashion? It isn't a matter of whether we defy or ignore the lasting laws, but one of whether we will recognize and obey those laws.

Much truth can be gained from Hitler's fate, and unless we take proper heed there can be no lasting peace or any semblance of sanity in the world.

A Soviet Fiscal Episode

Washington Post.

Treasury Secretary Morgenthau was asked the other day if we could trust the Russians to fulfill their part of the Bretton Woods monetary agreement. He answered in this way:

In 1942, the Russians needed \$6,000,000 and we extended credit to them for that amount. The Russians promised to send gold as collateral. The gold was put on a British freighter that was sunk in the North Sea by a German sub. The Russians made no claim that the obligation had been met. Instead, they asked us to land a ship at an Alaskan port and eventually the gold arrived, hidden away in garbage cans on the ship.

A Treasury official accepted the gold and chartered an American plane to take it to the States. The plane developed engine trouble and it couldn't gain altitude. The pilot, looking for baggage to throw away to lighten the load, ordered the Treasury officials to "throw away those old garbage cans." The plane made it, after all, and now the gold is buried at Ft. Knox.

Made Up In One Day

Smithfield Herald.

Newspaper headlines in recent weeks have left the impression that strikes have just about crippled American war production and seriously imperiled our chances to whip Japan.

Statistics released by the Bureau of Labor may help to place a better focus on the labor situation. The bureau reports that there have been 13,585 work stoppages, costing 31,562,000 man days, between December 7, 1941, and June 1, 1945. This, it says, is about equal to a single plant, office or store in the country.

While there were around 50,000 strikers idle on July 4, the Associated Press that day reported that "time lost in all the strikes since Pearl Harbor was virtually offset today by the millions of workers who observed Independence Day by laboring at their machines and benches."

If the Bureau of Labor statistics and the Associated Press report are correct, the time lost in strikes since Pearl Harbor represents the equivalent of a one-day holiday for the workers of the nation.

Nobody would suspect that the total time lost constituted such a small proportion from the headlines read and the screams heard about current labor disputes.

Wilson's San Francisco Voice

More than a quarter of a century ago Woodrow Wilson raised his voice at San Francisco in support of world peace. A busy world did not hear his voice and heed its advice. But for twenty-six years his voice has carried and the following is just as applicable today as it was then:

"I look forward with confidence and with exalted hope to the time when we can legitimately and constantly be the companion and friend of those who are struggling for right everywhere in the world, and no nation is likely to forget that behind the moral judgment of the United States resides the overwhelming force of the United States."

The U. S. Senate's Foreign Relations Committee has approved the World Security Charter 20 to 0. Its passage is assured. The progress in the peace march are encouraging. At least we are assured the acceptance of a peace plan. But we must not stop there. To have an instrument and not use it will mean little.

Nothing To Brag About

Martin County is transporting its little folks to and from school at a cost figured to be only one-fourth the national average. It is all right to apply economy, but the record is, in our humble opinion, nothing to boast about. In fact, we sincerely think it is shameful. There are crowded bus conditions; in other words, the great State of North Carolina is hauling little children just as if they were herds of swine. Possibly under existing conditions the service now is about as good as it can be, but North Carolina will do well to stop boasting about its low cost school transportation until safety and decency are given more consideration.

When conditions permit replacements and additions, the public should demand better conditions for those little folks who have to ride the busses. Let the authorities eliminate crowded conditions. Let them give the little folks heaters. Let them provide older and experienced drivers. Let them offer the service they would want their own children to enjoy.

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