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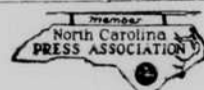
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It is not until we have passed through the furnace that we are made to know how much dross there is in our composition.—Colton.

#### One Down—Two To Go

The Axis hymn of hate, originally written and produced as a trio, lost its basso profundo Sunday, when Benito Mussolini faded from the stage as Italian premier. For some time now, the Sawdust Caesar has not been in good voice, and his former thunderous notes dwindled to a frightened pipsqueak as the overtones of the United Nations chorus swelled ever nearer to the shores of Italy.

The trio has become a duet; with Hitler, the Wagnerian baritone, marked as the next to fall. When that occurs—well, the hymn of hate loses much of its effectiveness when rendered as a solo in Japanese silbants.

Despite the good news—and it is good—let no one make the mistake of assuming that our war is won. The task is not done, but it is well begun. Mussolini was the weakest of the Axis triumvirate, and it is natural that he should be first to fall. Our military men knew that and made their plans accordingly.

Germany is still very powerful, but no all-powerful. The same is true of Japan. The might of the United Nations is making itself felt, and it will prevail in the end, but that might is dependent upon everyone doing the job set out for him, without slackening to celebrate favorable news concerning incidental progress.

Last week there were three major threats to free people everywhere—Hitler, Tojo and Mussolini. This

week there are two. We must not lose sight of the fact that our hardest battles are ahead of us, not behind us.

One down and two to go—that is the watchword.

#### It Is Our Task

By RUTH TAYLOR

We who have boasted like the Pharisee of old—"I thank Thee, Lord, that I am not as other men," have had a rude awakening in the mob attacks and riots that have sprung up like poison weeds in various parts of the country.

We thought it couldn't happen here, that we were too well balanced, too secure in our own freedoms from prejudice and hatred to flare beyond the bounds of talk. We understand the greatness of the tensions of war. We overestimate our own strength of character. We forgot how we had permitted it to be sapped by group thinking, stirred up by subtle propaganda, undermined by careless criticism, poisoned by suspicion.

Our faith in democracy is now being tested. We who have prated of freedom have to decide whether we fear freedom for others. It makes no difference whether the recent troubles were the work of enemy saboteurs, or of groups within our own country. It makes no difference on whose side the mistakes were. If the other side makes mistakes, so do we. And it is more important for us to humbly acknowledge our own errors than to spend our time criticizing those of the other side.

We must apply democracy to all groups within our country if we are to get that democracy for ourselves. We must champion the rights of all people to fair treatment if we expect fair treatment for ourselves. We must stand up for the rights of all, if there are to be rights for any.

The responsibility, as always, lies with the majority. There is no real minority problem—it is always the problem of the majority. This does not mean that the majority must coddle the minority—far from it. But, as the stronger power, the majority is charged with enforcing the laws which it has made, and with such fair and equal treatment to all minorities within its ranks, that there is no room for resentment from those minorities.

To serve our own best interests, we must follow the course of right. There is nothing that can endure that is built on unfair treatment. And the remedy for what has happened begins in and with ourselves. We must set a seal upon our own lips, we must watch our actions—that none of the hatreds of the world we are fighting be permitted to devastate our own fair land of freedom. Not only abroad must we defend the defenseless. Not only abroad must we succor the weak. Here as well as abroad must we shackle injustice, greed and hatred that peace may come again

### OBSERVATION Post Schedule

Following is the Plymouth Observation Post schedule, from 8 a.m. Saturday, July 31, to 8 a.m. Saturday, August 7:

- Saturday, July 31**
  - 8 to 10 a.m. Mrs. Vandilia Darden
  - 10 to 12 noon Mrs. T. W. Earle
  - 12 to 2 p.m. Mrs. Lloyd Owens
  - 2 to 4 p.m. Iris White
  - 4 to 6 p.m. Martha Manning
  - 6 to 8 p.m. Irene Basinger, capt.
  - 8 to 11 p.m. J. H. Swindell
- Sunday, August 1**
  - 8 to 10 a.m. Sam Garrett
  - 10 to 12 noon Ralph Basnight, capt.
  - 12 to 2 p.m. Edgar Bateman, jr.
- Monday, August 2**
  - 8 to 10 a.m. Mrs. Estelle Allen
  - 10 to 12 noon Mrs. Sam Garrett
  - 12 to 2 p.m. Jane Read
  - 2 to 4 p.m. Mrs. Bob Campbell
  - 4 to 6 p.m. Mrs. Leroy Bateman
  - 6 to 8 p.m. Frances Basinger, capt.
  - 8 to 11 p.m. Latham Whitebee
  - 11 to 2 a.m. Lyman Ange
  - 2 to 5 a.m. A. J. Byrd, capt.
  - 5 to 8 a.m. Jack Read
- Tuesday, August 3**
  - 8 to 10 a.m. Mrs. Eddie Blatz
  - 10 to 12 noon Mrs. A. R. Modan
  - 12 to 2 p.m. Mrs. Louise McGowan
  - 2 to 4 p.m. Mrs. W. F. Winslow
  - 4 to 6 p.m. Mrs. Nona Newman
  - 6 to 8 p.m. Mrs. Kate Willoughby, c.
  - 8 to 11 p.m. Garland P. Hardison
  - 11 to 2 a.m. Bob Collins
  - 2 to 5 a.m. C. L. Morrison, capt.
  - 5 to 8 a.m. Phil Ayers
- Wednesday, August 4**
  - 8 to 10 a.m. Elizabeth Willoughby
  - 10 to 12 noon Mrs. S. M. Rasmussen
  - 12 to 2 p.m. Peggy Brown
  - 2 to 4 p.m. Mrs. P. W. Brown
  - 4 to 6 p.m. Mrs. J. B. Jordan
  - 6 to 8 p.m. Mrs. Frank B. Dew, c.
  - 8 to 11 p.m. Roy W. Swain
  - 11 to 2 a.m. James E. Mizelle
  - 2 to 5 a.m. George Waters, capt.
  - 5 to 8 a.m. C. A. Cratch
- Thursday, August 5**
  - 8 to 10 a.m. Mrs. E. G. Arps
  - 10 to 12 noon Mrs. Julian Brinkley
  - 12 to 2 p.m. Mrs. Earl Cutler
  - 2 to 4 p.m. Mrs. J. H. Brown
  - 4 to 6 p.m. Mrs. W. H. Joyner
  - 6 to 8 p.m. Ursula Bateman
  - 8 to 11 p.m. Ethel Arps, capt.
  - 11 to 2 a.m. R. B. Trotman
  - 2 to 5 a.m. L. V. Landing, jr.
  - 5 to 8 a.m. Zeno Lyon, jr.
- Friday, August 6**
  - 8 to 10 a.m. Lulladean Jordan
  - 10 to 12 noon Mrs. L. E. Grisco
  - 12 to 2 p.m. Mrs. M. J. Davenport
  - 2 to 4 p.m. Mrs. Alban Papineau
  - 4 to 6 p.m. Anne Tetterton
  - 6 to 8 p.m. Iris White, capt.
  - 8 to 11 p.m. Charles Brown
  - 11 to 2 a.m. Chas. Robbins, jr.
  - 2 to 5 a.m. Bill Robbins, capt.
  - 5 to 8 a.m. Earl G. Bowen

and the American way of life, which democracy prevail.

#### Dividends of Rationing

Christian Science Monitor.

Threadbare Britons are planning to patch and darn the darns for another year. Clothing rations are being cut again. It is anticipated that the new coupon allotment will be between 36 and 48 per person.

This will not permit a very extensive renewal of the wardrobe. For a man, it might mean a new suit, a pair of shoes, a shirt, two pairs of socks, two collars, and four handkerchiefs. For a woman, one suit, a silk dress, a pair of shoes, and some 13 coupons

### Few Changes Made In Hunting Dates For Coming Season

Begin Hunting Squirrels October 15; Other Seasons Fixed

Wilmington.—Hunting and fishing regulations were revised and retabulated and Statewide dates for the fall hunting seasons were set at a recent session of the board of directors of the State Department of Conservation and Development, which convened for three days at Wrightsville Beach.

Lay day hunting was established for all types of hunting in Pender County, the first county where lay day hunting has been set for all types of hunting. This permits hunting only on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday during open season.

State Dates  
Statewide hunting seasons, with the exception of certain counties, were established as follows: Bears, October 1 to January 1; Opossum and raccoon, hunted with guns and dogs, October 15 to February 15; opossum, raccoon, mink and muskrat, hunted by trapping, November 15 to February 15; rabbit, quail and wild turkey, November 25 to February 10.

The season is the same as last year, except where lay day hunting is in effect. Squirrel dates are October 15 to January 15, except in certain Western North Carolina counties, and ruffed grouse, November 15 to January 1.

The board voted to recommend to Governor Broughton that a committee of scientists be appointed as an advisory committee to the Division of Commerce and Industry to lend assistance in helping bring about greater industrial developments in the state. This would, it is hoped help North Carolina keep abreast of scientific developments in industrial processes.

In order to hear arguments from committees on both sides for fishing petitions presented to the directors, it was decided that the committee on commercial fisheries hold a public hearing in Morehead City on August 19. Among the petitions was a request of a change in the oyster season from September 15 through March 16 to October 1 through April 1 and to continue permission to take certain food fish in purse seines. The directors accepted an invitation to hold the next meeting in the western part of the State. The date and place was not decided.

to spread over the year for stockings and underwear.

But the British have the satisfaction of knowing that their sacrifice in clothing is making a substantial contribution to victory. It is estimated that 500,000 tons of shipping space have been saved because of it and 500,000 workers released for essential war work.

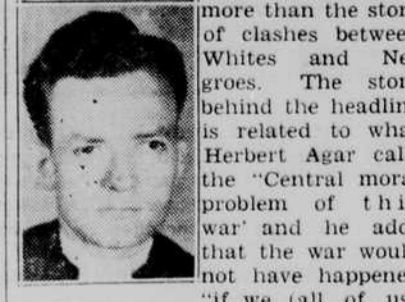
In two years of clothes rationing, it is figured that public expenditure on clothing has been cut down by \$2,400,000,000. This is sufficient to build 15 battleships, 50 cruisers, 130 destroyers and 8 aircraft carriers, according to the British Board of Trade. A nice little Navy in itself, and undoubtedly whisking back and

### Religious News and Views

By REV. W. B. DANIELS, JR.

#### Race Riots and the Church

"Race Riots in Detroit" screams a newspaper headline and back of that headline is much more than the story of clashes between Whites and Negroes. The story behind the headline is related to what Herbert Agar calls the "Central moral problem of this war" and he adds that the war would not have happened "if we (all of us) had served more faithfully the ideas on which our civilization rests."



These are Christian ideals and ideals that the Church is called upon to proclaim anew and relate to the problems of life in a vital and realistic way.

Not since the Civil War has the Negro's cause been of greater significance than today. Partial recognition has come to him in industry, in education, in government, and in other lines of endeavor. The Church, too, has long been interested in the Negro and has made progress, slowly, with him. Of the 13,000,000 Negroes in the United States, only 5,000,000 are reported as having affiliation of any kind.

Therein lies the Church's opportunity; we must develop the Church's Negro congregations especially in rural sections; must build new and better church buildings; must better equip existing churches and must provide trained leadership.

The next few years are strategic in relation to the whole future of the Negro race and the American scene. Race riots such as those which have accurred recently may well be avoided if the Church performs her task, a task which includes not alone evangelistic, education, and social work with the Negro, but an intensified work with our white population as well.

Americans on the Eastern seaboard, throttling their motors down to the minimum, may also find compensation in their sacrifice in the knowledge that they, too, are making a definite contribution to the new invasion thrust. Gasoline saved by American motorists everywhere, and particularly in the strictly rationed East, is even now feeding the motors of planes and tanks which are off on the first step to Berlin.

When rationing pays dividends like this, its hardships become almost a pleasure.

### The PUBLIC Forum THE CHURCH

Who would want to live in a community where there were no churches?

Even property would lose its value, and life itself would seem unsafe.

I don't think there's any one in this whole state who would vote to close up the churches in their community.

The church is like a power-house. It sends its light into all parts of the world, giving guidance to many a stranded soul. Furnishing ideals for nobler and higher living, lifting burdens off the minds and shoulders of multitudes, inspiring people with messages of love and life to be better citizens of the community, and also of the entire world.

Just as the mountain torrent turns

#### CANNERIES

Canneries are to be placed at Hillsboro and White Cross in Orange County, says County Agent Don S. Matheson.

#### GINNERS

Cotton ginner throughout North Carolina have been making repairs and adjustments in gin machinery. Some few ginner are being delayed because of a shortage of repair parts, reports Dan P. Holler, of the N. C. State College Extension Service.

the wheels of industry, as electricity and steam are forces in the economic world, even so, does the church become a spiritual power-house of the community.

Such an institution like this should have the unqualified support of every citizen on earth, as Satan has set up his throne in the world, and millions of loyal subjects kneel before his empire, as all his designs are in opposition and direct contrast with the kingdom of God.

Give me an old fashioned church house.

With members all simple and plain, Contented with following the Bible, Unsullied by fashion or gain.

Give me a pure hearted preacher Who acts every day what he says, Courageous, unyielding, but manly; Who says: "Let us kneel," when he prays.

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JOE'S my kid brother. We've always stuck together and I've sort of watched out for him these last few years.

Well, Joe's in Africa now. His wife gets her allotment from him, and I guess when that's taken out of his check he doesn't have much left. Privates don't get paid much you know.

I figure this way. Here I am, making more money than I ever did before. You bet I work for it! I work hard. But Joe's working hard too... and not just from 7 to 5, either.

We've been taking 10 percent out of my check every week for War Bonds... they're going to come in mighty handy when the War's over, we figure. But I got to thinking about Joe. What's he going to have after the War?

So we talked it over, my wife and I. We think Joe should get a cut of the bigger money, too. So now I'm buying an extra bond every month—in Joe's name.

Maybe you've got somebody in the War, too. If you have, couldn't you squeeze out an extra bond now and then, for your "Joe"?

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