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 (One Day Nearer Victory)

The American Spirit

We liked the line display of the true American spirit in the cooperation of the sponsorship of the Memorial Day services at Green Hill Sunday by the United Daughters of the Confederacy joining in with the American Legion and Auxiliary. The impressive ceremonies gave food for thought to those who attended.

Hercotore the heroes of the War Between the States have been honored on another day with a memorial and grave decoration service. This year they were all honored together in true American fashion. We feel that it should always be done in this manner.

The American soldier has ever fought for liberty and rights as he saw it. The fact that the pages of our history bear the stain of a war in which brother lifted sword against brother, does not mean that either side lacked bravery or courage. As we view history from the point nearly eighty years after, we know that both the Blue and the Gray had their sides and we respect both for the effort each put forth to defend the principles in which they believed.

We always get something from the Memorial Day services. They are an annual rededication of the American spirit. We have always considered Green Hill cemetery one of the beauty spots of our community. It is also a historic place, for the graves of Revolutionary soldiers, and on through the last World War are found there. Only on Memorial Day do we have our attention called to the number of soldiers buried within the area.

We like the roll call feature of the program. This year with all that it means to live in this great country brought so close home to us by the present conflict, it had a deeper significance. As the names of the men who had fought to keep what our forefathers established for us were called, we felt a personal gratitude to each, that fired our patriotism. We like the custom of placing a flag each year on the grave. It shows that the heroes of the past are not forgotten.

The WAACS Have Birthday

We recall that when the women were first called to arms it was somewhat of a joke. Yet we find today, one year after Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby was appointed director of the first Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, sentiment has changed.

You may remember that the President was very careful in calling a small number, only 25,000 from the entire country, in the initial call. The President's order has been increased to 150,000 and the number of WAAC training centers increased to five.

The women have overcome this prejudice not by feminine charm, but by delivering the efficient kind of service that the U. S. Army demands. Today they are serving in 83 army posts in the United States. Official recognition was given them the first of the year when 16 WAAC officers were invited to attend the Command and General Staff School of the U. S. Army at Fort Leavenworth, the first time women had been admitted there.

We are proud that Haywood County is well represented in the WAACS. There are a number of girls from Waynesville and Canton who are making good in this Auxiliary, as their brothers are making a name for themselves in the combat forces.

Nine Months Term

We look forward with satisfaction to the opening of our schools this year. We are gratified that at last our children will have a nine months term. Every student who leaves our high school and enters college has a struggle the first year.

They are handicapped, with no blame put on the teachers or necessarily themselves. For regardless of how much the student may have applied himself or herself, they could not be qualified to compete with the student who has had the privilege of a nine months term and a twelfth grade. The latter was added only last year to our local high school.

The freshman year of our colleges requires the background of twelve grades and a nine months term. As a result our students from Haywood have been put at a disadvantage from the start and have had to work their way out, as many have done, to scholastic recognition under too heavy a load.

Our children must not be denied the privilege of an education, for the rising generation will have a tremendous job in the future years. They will need all the education they can get to meet the demands, yet even their schooling will have to be modified in order that they may take their part in the fight for liberty and peace.

On the other hand there are many things that we must not sacrifice war or no war, they must march forward, and education is one of the major plans of American way of life. We have had some startling facts brought to our attention, or rather we should say, exposed by the draft system. Too many men have been turned down for illiteracy.

The fact that at Camp Lee 300,000 men have been rejected, and in this number some were from North Carolina, is proof of certain conditions in the South that must be remedied.

Newspapers' Service

For the third time within the past few months the newspapers have earned a citation from a high Government official for exceptional service to the Nation.

In a letter to Editor Arthur T. Robb, of Editor & Publisher (New York), Prentiss M. Brown, Food Administrator, credits the newspapers with having simplified and greatly speeded up the distribution of War Ration Book No. 2 to some 130 million persons. By printing the OPA Consumer Declaration, along with the official table of points, explanatory matter and pictures, the newspapers effectively informed the public concerning the new rationing system. At the same time, through their news and editorial columns and by numerous feature articles, the newspapers fully explained to their readers why the Government was compelled thus to regulate food-sales.

As a result, issuing the new ration books went off more smoothly and rapidly than the most optimistic officials had expected. Time was saved and petty annoyance spared both registrar and applicant. Similarly, by studying the point table in her newspaper, the housewife is fast learning how to use ration books to the best advantage. The complicated process of buying groceries with two kinds of "currency" has been simplified for her.

Without the newspapers' effective co-operation and the resultant public understanding, Mr. Brown concludes, "this huge rationing program" could not have been put across so readily. That was such support (he comments significantly) as a Government might expect from "a free press in a free country." Though short of both operating personnel and materials—including newsprint paper—he predicts, the newspapers still will see to it that "the Americans continue to be the best informed people in the world."

Due consideration from the War Production Board, that controls newsprint, and other vital supplies; and from the Office of Censorship, that controls news sources—to cite examples—would help the newspapers to perform their vital functions.

In December, crediting the newspapers with "breaking the back of the country's No. 1 problem, salvage," Paul C. Cabot of the WPB Conservation Division said that 94 per cent of the people had participated in the intensive scrap drive last fall, that yielded six million tons of metal. He added: "I don't believe that would have been possible without the newspapers."

In that month, also, Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau gave the Nation's press credit for having carried the first Victory Loan Drive 3 billion dollars past its goal, to yield 13 billion dollars for war-financing.



HERE and THERE

By HILDA WAY GWYN

The following contribution will be of interest to Haywood County folks. As they will recall the Rev. Carper and the work as pastor of Long's Chapel... two members his church has and how he brought the members into Sunday school and church... The story comes from the Allied headquarters in North Africa... and is reprinted as it was passed on to us.

"German and American artillery shells were whirling back and forth over Mateur and Captain John H. Carper, who is paid by the Army, was patiently standing with a group of soldiers behind a stone wall waiting for the traffic to slow up. Some of the shells were landing considerably closer than a country mile and the men began to joke about all the places where they would rather be than the little French village.

"You've got a wife and three little children back home, John, what the hell business have you got over here," one officer asked Captain Carper, who for six months in Africa has been cheering the living and burying the dead of the light tank battalion he serves as Chaplain... Even artillery bursts can't hurry this big-hearted slow-drawing minister from Culloowhee, N. C... Between pauses caused by shell explosions, Captain Carper told why he was crouching behind a stone wall in Africa instead of sitting comfortably in his study back home writing a Sunday sermon.

"In every church I've ever had," he said, "we sang the hymn 'Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus'. The last line of the third stanza says 'where duty calls or danger, be never wanting there.' 'I got to thinking of that line and I said, 'Well, John, you've sung that often enough. If you really believe it, it's time to practice it. I don't want to let down my church, my fellowmen or God. After six months here, I have found the fundamentals of religion don't change but the frills get so they don't mean much. I guess you get a little rusty on your theology... One battle does more than a dozen revivals back home in giving a man a true insight into life and the things that really matter."

The remainder of our column this week is a score sheet for the homemaker... borrowed from Mary Margaret Smith, county home agent... who says... "In this battle against food wastes, each homemaker is her own commanding officer and army... Pride in a job well done is her citation... If you have been doing your part in this way, you can swell that pride by checking the following quiz... For every yes, give yourself 5 points... One hundred per cent means a perfect score for victory... Less than that... Well, we'll leave the matter to your judgement... Is it enough?"

While the points deal with preservation of foods... the habits pointed out should be formed not only for wartime but peace time home making... see what your score is...

THE DELICATE TOUCH
 Do you peel potatoes and apples thin? () ()
 Do you handle fruits gently so as not to bruise them? () ()
 Do you store cooking greens piled loosely to avoid bruising them? () ()

TO SUN OR NOT TO SUN
 Do you scald and sun bread and

other containers placed in work? () ()
 Do you store glassed foods, onions, potatoes, butter and lard away from the light? () ()

TO WASH OR NOT TO WASH
 Do you defrost your refrigerator once a week and wash the entire interior, including freezing unit, with warm soda water? () ()
 Do you wash and drain salad greens such as lettuce, radishes and celery before storing in a cold place? () ()
 Do you wash poultry thoroughly inside and out and pat dry before storing in a cold place? () ()
 Do you leave eggs unwashed to retain the protective film that keeps out air and orders? () ()
 Do you store cherries, berries and grapes unwashed in a cold place? () ()

THE WATCHER AND THE SCHEMER
 Do you plan your food purchases carefully in advance of shopping? () ()
 Have you observed the amounts of food consumed by your family at each meal in order that you may prepare enough but not too much? () ()
 Do you save vegetable juices for soups, sauces, gravies, cold drinks or appetizers? () ()
 Do you keep cooking fats in a clean covered jar and store in a cool, dark, dry place until used? () ()
 Do you save bread and cracker crumbs for poultry dressing, meat extenders, and scalloped dishes? () ()

BLOW HOT, BLOW COLD
 Do you cool custards quickly, cover and keep them very cold? () ()
 Do you cool homemade cake and breads before storing to avoid molding? () ()
 Do you keep bananas at room temperature? () ()
 In the hot weather, do you store bread, well wrapped, in the refrigerator? () ()
 Add 'em up... what's your score?

Woman—I married my first husband for money.
 Friend—Indeed?
 Woman—And I married my second husband for love.
 Friend—And you must be happy.
 Woman (thoughtfully)—I don't know about that. You see my first husband married me for love and I'm sure my second one married me for money.

TRANSACTIONS IN Real Estate
 (As Recorded to Monday Noon Of This Week)

Beaverdam Township
 Annie Boyd to W. H. Pless, et ux.
 R. H. Putman, et ux to J. P. Benfield, et ux.
 D. B. Singleton, et ux to Joe L. Burnett, et ux.
 J. F. Whitford, et ux to Clifford Worley, et ux.
 Haywood C. Saunders, et ux to R. L. Saunders, et ux.
 J. T. Ford to James T. Harris, et ux.
 J. T. Bailey, et ux to R. M. Kester, et ux.
 O. M. Smathers, et ux to Hulie L. Case, et ux.
 J. E. Henderson, et ux to C. N. Sales, et ux.
 Marvin L. Lewis, et ux to H. A. Osborne.
 Ernest Messer, et ux to Virgie McClure.
 R. H. Putman, et ux to J. P. Benfield, et ux.
 Clifford Worley, et ux to Alice Cody.
 E. W. Bently, et ux to B. L. Wright.
 Sallie Crawford to W. J. Penland, et ux.
 Furman J. Davis, et ux to Joyce Plenumos, et ux.
 Geneva Harkins to L. W. Mills.
 W. G. Bryant, et ux to C. G. Bryson, et ux.

Cecil Township
 J. E. Burnett, et ux to Howard

THE OLD HOME TOWN



Rambling Around

Bits of this, that and the other picked up here, there and yonder.
 By W. CURTIS RUSS

Before the war, it was fun to go on a... cause of the... entertainment... Today it is... showering is...
 After spending... Atlanta, I... tional Southern... there, but the... at a distance... are a buyer... they open their... a typical Southerner.

Atlanta has... military air... geared to that... large hospital... logical week-end... from scores of... five of military...

The crops in... any further... in Haywood... the first cotton... the Fourth of... set schedule... is the Fourth... farmers can tell... crops. Corn... sections it is...

The general... to be that I... young men... farmers were... by the public...

Travel still... Scotts are... most circum... main strength... Even at that... experience of... crowded bus... while Carolina... fully down on... inches above... war time, and... comes.

And any time... life at its best... a bus trip for... miles. You'll... pleasant, and... ground of pro... biggest lores... Such trips bring... worst of every one.

And bus driver... troubles and... get fool questi... and have to... Some can throw... hard as handed... others let it pass... without notice.

A tire on a rear... when the rubber... off. The driver... seagers that it... minute, but would... damage as he was... slow for the re... The bus was... and everyone sit... sion as if one... might go off... versation was... those who had... up straight and... for the sad news... minute.

The tire stayed... mere threads, and... were about as... you've ever seen... lanta. Mechanics... tire at the station... not have made... it wasn't that... pair shops, so... that make them?

Voice OF THE People
 Where do you think the Allies will open their next front on the Axis?
 J. T. Bridges—"In France."
 W. C. Allen—"I think it will be on the Mediterranean Sea, either in Greece, Italy or France, and most likely in Italy."
 J. Yates Bailey—"They might try either across the English Channel, through Norway or probably the biggest front would be through Italy, or they might go through the Balkans."
 Judge T. E. Alley—"I haven't the slightest idea. I think it depends on whether Italy will surrender without much fighting. There is some probability it will see through the Balkans. Others will informed feel that it may be through Holland or France. My best opinion is that it will be where it is least expected."

R. E. B. Fooks—"It looks like they might move toward the Japs, but I don't think they will keep two big armies in each direction."
 Mes. C. F. Kickett—"I think it will be in Europe, but where it is hard to say."
 C. B. Russell—"I think it will open in Italy."
 Bill Peacock—"I do not think it will be any one area in Europe but a general concentration of effort on all the enemy countries in Europe."
 Col. J. Hayden Howell—"That is something no one can answer. I haven't the slightest idea."
 Geneva C. Davis—"I think it will be on two fronts, Italy and France, simultaneously."

MARRIAGES

Frank E. Roberson, of Waynesville, Va., to Mary... of Waynesville.
 Joseph Davis, of Waynesville, to Mabel Luella...
 Dave Z. Allison, of... of Waynesville.
 Teacher—Junior, what are two genders?
 Junior—Masculine and feminine.
 The feminines are divided into frigid and torrid, and masculine into temperate and intemperate.

MARRIAGES

Fines Creek Township
 Arthur Smith, et ux to A. Brown, Jr.

Pigeon Township
 C. L. Southerland, et ux to L. Morgan, et ux and... Morgan.
 W. H. Pless, et ux to... Church, et ux.
 Raymond H. Duckett, et ux to Edgar Burnett, et ux.
 J. C. Burnett, et ux to... mon H. Duckett.
 Thomas Burnett, et ux to... Burnett, et ux.

Waynesville Township
 Fred Gibson, et ux to... Garwood, et ux.
 Davis Moore, et ux to... Sisk, et ux.