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WE ASK YOUR HELP

"Now we have put the trash containers on Main Street and it is up to the paper to make the public realize that if they will only use them we can keep our Main Street neat and clean," said one of the city officials to us last week.

"Now we are willing to give all the space necessary to this subject. We are as much interested in the public using the containers as the city fathers. We have given space in the past to publicizing the need for keeping our streets clean of rubbish. We have often reminded our readers of the fact that Carl Goerch once wrote in The State Magazine that Waynesville was one of the cleanest towns in North Carolina, but that he might take it back if we did not live up to the reputation he gave us.

We do honestly believe that the public in general does not deliberately throw waste paper and trash on the streets. We much rather think that it is done carelessly, without thinking. But even so, the results are the same, as far as looks are concerned.

Seriously speaking there is absolutely no excuse for anybody now to throw even a small scrap of paper on the street, for the containers are spaced on Main Street so that they can be easily reached for use.

It is such a small thing to ask a citizen of this community to do, yet if ignored it means that our streets are strewn with rubbish, which blows at random. We appeal to your civic pride. We no longer have an excuse of no place to put it. Let's keep the town employees busy—dumping trash out of the containers and not picking up after us.

1944 SCIENTIFIC ADVANCES

Most of us are so busy living these days that only in a nebulous way are we conscious of the great strides that science is making. We take it on faith that when peace comes there will be more gadgets and improvements than we ever dreamed. We found the following list of the ten greatest scientific advances during 1944 of great interest. While some of them deal with war we feel sure the discoveries utilized may be turned to peace time profit.

The list:

Applications of jet-propulsion to aircraft.

Use of robot bombs and self-propelled large rockets in warfare.

Successful widespread use of chemical DDT as an insecticide against the carriers of malaria and typhus.

Use of mold chemical penicillin in the successful treatment of a wide variety of disease.

Chemical impregnation of wood that converts soft woods into hard.

The use of silicone family of synthetic resins in waterproofing and insulating various materials.

The splitting of human blood seven ways to give albumin for shock, gamma globulin for measles prevention, fibrin foam and plastic for use in surgery, fibrinogen for use with thrombin for cementing skin grafts, globulin for blood typing and red cells for wound healing.

Rebuilding of a mathematical robot, an automatic sequence control circulator, to speed intricate calculations needed for the war and scientific research.

Use of ultraviolet light and triethylene glycol in air to reduce the spread of air-borne diseases.

The entry into the war of the world's largest bomber, the B-29 Superfortress.

Sign in a store window: "Income Tax Service. Drugs." An appropriate combination. Medicines are likely to be needed for recuperation from the income tax.

"IF YOU HAVE TEARS, PREPARE TO SHED THE NOW"

We are indebted to R. N. Barber for the following editorial which appeared in a Texas newspaper:

"That Associated Press dispatch from a part of Germany which is being invaded now by British troops, is something to be clipped out and pasted in American scrapbooks. It relates a story that always will act on informed, thinking Americans like an emetic. It is the 'touching'—with nausea—story of the Germans' squalid appeals . . . to escape the destruction of their own property such as they visited upon the rest of Europe. Those whines take the form of signs in English. The prize example:

"We have done you no harm — do not harm our little home."

"Britons will be deeply affected by that—Britons who know what the 1940 blitz did to British homes at London, Liverpool, Coventry, Plymouth and all the rest. Britons who know how many thousands are dead, maimed or homeless in their own land today from that blitz and from the robot bombs which have been falling in England for virtually a year past. Britons who know that the only reason why the pining, whining Germans did not wipe out Britain, was because they could not—because the R.A.F. and the English Channel and British puts were too much for the 'supernets'.

"Yes, Britons will be deterred, they will, by those disgusting German signs. One can see their faces 'soften' with corded muscles; see their eyes grow mild as steel, at the sickening hypocrisy, the craven crying, of the people whose national anthem is 'Deutschland über Alles' ('Germany over All'); the people who for the past two centuries have been nurtured in brutality and arrogance; who have learned militarism as the 'glorious' way of life in their schools and the writings of their philosophers and the adulations of their national political leaders; who have ravaged Europe at every opportunity.

"We have done you no harm — do not harm our little home.' It is touching beyond words. Yes, indeed! The Germans love their homes. They are such a domestic, sweet people. They hold the home in such deep respect.

"That is why, one is sure, since the days of Fichte and Bismarck and before—continually since those days — they have accepted the 'Superman' doctrine as enunciated in Nietzsche's 'Thus Spoke Zarathustra' and in all the rest of their guiding writings and talk. That is why they have sent their armies time and again to destroy other Europeans' little homes, and to rape, enslave, starve, maim, torture and murder their neighbors. That is why today, on the verge of another terrific military defeat, the Germans boast of their plans for 'the next war' to devastate the entire world.

"The Germans are such innocent, kindly people. That is why they so consistently have allowed themselves to be 'mised' by 'bad leaders'—who somehow each time never are discovered to be 'bad' and 'misleading' until Germans face military defeat. That is why—under Wilhelm II, and now under Hitler—this Germany which so loves its 'little homes' and does no one else any 'harm', has somehow gone wholly to war against neighbors who sought only to live at peace; has so ruthlessly slain others and destroyed their homes. That is why they have given those 'bad' leaders only 99 per cent popular support in free elections.

"By all means, let Allied hearts be stirred with compassion for them! By all means, let the rest of the world accept their ancient lie that the 'poor, innocent, good, misled German people' do not want to 'harm' anyone. By all means, let them draw a stupid distinction between 'the German people' and their 'evil leaders'—this time the 'Nazis' as before it was the 'Junkers' and the 'Hohenzollerns' and the 'militarists'.

"That distinction will enable the 'good Germans' to continue loving their own homes while launching wars which devastate all other people's homes that they can reach.

FIVE MILLION REASONS

Those who think the war in Japan will be over soon should remember that there are five million reasons against an early decision. Those are five million Japanese soldiers in China, Japan, Formosa, Indo-China and other Jap-held places. Secretary of the Navy Forrestal, back from the Pacific, estimates the number.

Even when the Jap Navy is defeated, even if all the islands in the Pacific are taken by Americans, even if Singapore is recaptured, there remain the five million. Experience with them has shown most of them must be killed. They don't surrender, preferring suicide stands and going down fighting to what they figure is disgrace.

Perhaps Baruch was right when he said the war with Japan could last 50 years. It could last until there isn't a Nip left. And that will not be this year. — Charlotte Observer.



HERE and THERE

By
HILDA WAY GWYN

Two or three weeks ago we read the following story and it has stuck in our mind with a sense of satisfaction. It was the kind of a story that makes one proud to be an American. Somehow we feel that it is typical of our people and of the average American man in our armed forces. Perhaps it is one reason why we fear that in the end we may not be able to be tough enough to endure possible forgiving spirit as we deal with Germany. Yet even these assurances do not dampen one pleasure in the story.

"In the continuing mop-up of enemy remnants in the Marianas, a Japanese was captured, so badly wounded that he could not survive without a blood transfusion. A company commander, who knew that his men had been so mangled by Jap tactics that they believed the only goal Jap was a dead Jap, made the gesture of asking for volunteers. Every man in the company offered to give blood."

From time to time we see the question of whether or not women should remain in industry after the war. Most of the comments have been made by civilians in this country, so the following from a copy of "Yank," overseas paper of the armed forces, written by one Sgt. Kenneth W. Anders, shows how the GI's feel about it.

"The only answer to this question is the two letter word 'No'. The women have done and are doing a fine job in war industries and that is off to them. They have taken over jobs that were considered strictly men's jobs and have proved to us GIs, and to the world that they can do them. But when peace industries the women should retire and resume their place in the home. When we go marching down Broadway, we'll remember the job women have done, but we will not want them coming home with a wrench in one hand and a hammer in the other, and then raising hell because supper is not ready. The shortage of manpower will have disappeared when the war is over and the need of women in industry will have been erased.

"If I am not mistaken, the GI Bill of Rights states that a job will be found if possible for every ex-service man coming home. Your job, if you had one when you entered the service, is guaranteed by the Selective Service System law, not by the GI Bill of Rights, which has nothing to do with the post war employment. If you can tell me how the heck they will find jobs for veterans of this war and at the same time keep women in industry, then and only then will I step aside and listen to arguments in favor of keeping women on the job." . . . Well, Sgt. Anders, you certainly have something and we agree if there are not enough jobs to go around, you have earned priority on all the available jobs.

It is often so easy to get a wrong impression of conditions. We have occasion to visit the draft board office every week on routine coverage. It is not uncommon to find some woman trying to get the status of her husband or son changed. We met a mother in the office recently. She had a very determined look. She could tell she meant business. We wondered what the boy did that made her feel so justified in getting him out of the navy and then into the army, but the story was soon told. Twice he had been accepted in the service, and twice his mother had seen to it that the final papers were not filed. No wonder, he is not yet sixteen. The first time he watched the mails until the family were suspicious. He told his mother he was looking for a letter from a girl. Mothers are hard to fool, you know, and this one felt sure the anticipated letter was from Uncle Sam and not a girl. The letter came accepting him in the navy provided his

mother signed his application, and she refused. Later he tried the army, but with the same result. His are trapped him up. . . . We had sympathy for the mother, who had other sons in the service. We also had feeling for that sixteen-year-old, who was tall enough to pass for eighteen. Sam, we like your spirit. It is the same spirit that led our men across the Rhine. It is akin to the same spirit that will bring peace once again to this hattered world. . . . I am patient, we remind about you your mother, the fact that you will get your turn to wear your country before this war is over. So make the most of the next two years.

The Stringfield brother, have been coming home on a ship, and a prayer. In fact the four sons of Dr. and Mrs. Sam Stringfield have practically "fought their part of the war", but, of course, the army and the navy look at it differently. They are all second fighters now so they are very valuable to their country than ever before. Last November S. F. G. Stringfield, AAF, returned to the States from 50 missions over Germany and is now at Sargent Field, Texas. Not so long ago Lt. Thomas Stringfield, USN, returned from 17 months on the South Pacific theatre and is now stationed at Edenton, North Carolina. James King Stringfield, USMC, is now at home from the European theatre, having had part in the invasion of France. Lt. Sam Stringfield, AAF, Pacific theatre, is reported to have completed 50 missions and will soon be returning. Ensign Stringfield has not seen his brother, Thomas, in two years; his brother, Bill, in three years; and his brother, Sam, in four years.

During the few years they have resided here Parker and Joe Gay have made a place for themselves, perhaps bigger than either of them realized. They have deep roots in the social and professional life of the community. Each has made their own contribution. We are sorry to see them leave, but our loss will be Greenlee's gain. Dr. Gay has made an outstanding record in his profession and we feel sure it will be duplicated as he enters the field of specialization. He has ambition, vision, experience, and love of his chosen field, and these things when combined always spell success. Joe has always done her bit in club and civic affairs, and as a gracious hostess she will be sincerely missed. Parker, Jr., Boy Scout leader, also has his place here. We understand that more than one young dandy is quite distressed because he's not going to live in Waynesville any longer. We wish them all the best of luck and hope that some day when Dr. Gay retires the lure of the hills will bring them back.

Voice OF THE People

What phase of agricultural enterprise would you like to see stressed in Haywood county during the next five years? (Question suggested by Howard Clapp).

James M. Palmer—"I would like to see the cattle industry developed."

Robert Ferguson—"Dairyming of cows."

R. N. Davis—"I think cattle are our most profitable over all crop."

Bryan McHard—"I would like to see trucking crops developed. I think there is a great future in this field."

Fred Tucker—"I would like to see tobacco crops increased."

Earl Ferguson—"I would naturally raise chickens."

R. V. Welch—"I had rather see a diversified crop program developed of which a good stress be placed on cotton, and tobacco and apple crops."

R. C. Sheffield—"I would like to see the apple crop developed more in the county."

John Sathers—"Cattle."

J. E. Boyd—"I would say stock, for we have grass in this county and a cattle country."

John M. Queen—"I would say I would like to see all the crops raised, for in this county we have a diversity of products."

TRANSACTIONS IN Real Estate

- Beaverdam Township
- Virge McClure, et ux to Eugene Hollibaugh, et ux.
- Virge McClure, et ux to Mary Elizabeth Allen Holtzclaw, et ux.
- Virge McClure, et ux to Rhonda Leola McClure.
- Clyde Township
- C. W. Limbo, et ux to R. V. Lowe, et ux.
- East Fork Township
- W. M. Gaddin, et ux to George Sheep.
- Ivy Hill Township
- General Pae, et ux to Carrie Pae.
- Jordan Creek Township
- J. Paul Davis, et ux to Jesse Gable.
- Waynesville Township
- E. C. Stovall, et ux to Harry L. Baughman, et ux.
- F. W. Kilian, et ux to Arthur G. Douthett, et ux.
- L. B. Hooper, et ux to Queen Helice Jones.
- D. H. Turpin to Mrs. Nettie Hannah.
- David Underwood, Jr., et ux to James L. Jordan, et ux.
- Laura H. Tyler, et ux to Julia Knight, et ux.
- Floyd Cody, et ux to John D. Leonard, et ux.
- Patsy Prevost, et vir to H. G. Haney, et ux.
- V. L. Noland, et ux, et al to Jonathan Mitchell.
- Thomas J. Moody, et ux to Thomas Mull, et ux.
- Floyd Cody, et ux to Grady Robinson, et ux.
- A. F. Arrington, et ux to Vaughn Rhinehart, et ux.
- Dorothy Kingsmore to J. L. Rothmore.
- Ray Meador, et ux to Fred Sanford, et ux.
- J. M. Long, et ux to John Watson, et ux.
- Morris L. Welch, et ux to James L. Welch, et ux.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Private and Mrs. Roy Ruff, of Waynesville, announce the birth of twins, a son and a daughter, at their home in Waynesville on March 9th.

Inside WASHINGTON

Pan-American Confab on Communications in June

Nation-Wide Television System Plans Are Made

[Special to Central Press]

WASHINGTON—Preparations are under way for an American conference on communications at Rio de Janeiro to be followed after the war by a world conference.

The Federal Communications Commission revealed before the House Appropriations committee that it is engaged in studies and preparing proposals for the Department which may serve as a basis for negotiations with other Western Hemisphere nations, including Canada.

"After the war," said FCC Commissioner E. K. Jeff, "there will be a world conference to fix the Cairo general radio regulations, which apply to all countries of the world."

It would be at that conference that we consider a revision of the international wide telecommunication convention that was adopted in Madrid in 1932 and also a revision of the Cairo regulations, which are annexed to the convention itself."

E. K. Jeff

FCC ALSO IS PLANNING to allocate 12 commercial channels for establishment of a nation-wide television system as soon as manpower and materials are available.

Congress has been informed that the big commercial areas will be first to benefit.

Commissioner Jeff has disclosed that television stations will be limited in northeastern United States to such areas as Boston, Providence, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington. Seven stations would be permitted in New York.

In the south, middle west and far west, he explained, where population is not so congested, many small communities also will be able to receive television service.

IT MAY CHANGE AGAIN, but right now the administration is planning to give in to demands in Congress that the War Relocation Authority be given control over industrial job referrals which would be made under the May labor draft bill.

In this way, administration forces hope to head off a substantial bill which would scrap the labor draft measure and supply legal backing to the WMC voluntary manpower controls. The plan is as follows:

The draft bill would be amended by placing responsibility for labor draft and "freezing" features in the hands of War Relocation Authority Commissioner James F. Byrnes.

Byrnes would delegate to WMC the job of referring labor to war plants. He would delegate to the War Food Administration the task of assigning drafted labor to farm production, that is, to the extent the labor draft device would be used to essential food production or harvesting.

Local draft boards would have responsibility of selecting men to be assigned to war jobs under the bill. The administrative plan is calculated to appeal to the farm bloc.

A DEFINITE BELIEF as to when the war in Europe will end is seen in the announcements on the "Big Three" conference at Yalta. This possibility was raised when the Allied leaders announced that a United Nations conference will be held at San Francisco, April 25.

President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin said the meeting would be held to prepare a charter of a world security organization. This could bring about a world security organization. This could bring about a world security organization. This could bring about a world security organization.

POSTMASTER: GENERAL FRANK WALKER, recently visited in North Carolina regarding United States postal system for another year or two, and a new round. He's the first postmaster general to serve two consecutive terms.

The Law of Life

HIGHLIGHTS ON THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By NEWMAN CAMPBELL

The International Uniform Lesson on the above topic for March 18 is Matthew 23:35-46; Matt. 25, the Memory Verse being Matt. 23:39, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

A PHARISEE asked Jesus, "Which is the great commandment in the law?" Jesus answered, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

Isn't this truly the law of the good life—to love God with all your heart and soul, and your neighbors even as you do yourself?

Jesus asked them a question next, but they were not able to answer Him, and Jesus then addressed the multitude and His disciples, calling the Pharisees hypocrites. He was righteously angry. They sit in Moses' seat, He said, and tell people what to do; they 'bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers.'

"They love the uppermost seats at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues. And greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi; but be ye not called Rabbi; for one is your Master, even Christ."

Again He told His followers that they should not exalt themselves; that they were all brethren; that the one that would be greatest in the servant, "Whoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted."

The Pharisees boasted, said Jesus, that if they had been alive when the prophets were stoned, they would not have been partakers in the killing, but said Jesus, "I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes; and some of them ye shall kill and crucify and some shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them in their power; and thus shall come upon you all that is written in the Law and the Prophets."

Well He knew that they shortly—that same week, in fact—they would have Him in their power and would crucify Him. And He mourned over Jerusalem which was so soon to fall.

Jesus warned His followers of things ahead—"wars and rumors of wars"; see that ye be not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end



BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS