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TRIALS REVEAL

BRUTAL PLAN

For the information of some Americans, we call attention to trials now going on at Luenburg and Wiesbaden, Germany, where defendants are being tried for atrocities committed upon prisoners in their charge.

The Luenburg trial involved one Josef Cramer, who admits that victims were executed in gas chambers but denies that he is responsible because he only carried out the orders of his superiors.

At Wiesbaden, an elderly nurse and a young secretary have testified that hundreds of Russian and Polish workers died of poisonous injections administered in the guise of medical treatment when sickness ended their usefulness as laborers.

While it is entirely possible that some individuals have exaggerated and will exaggerate, the horrors of the German forced labor system and the torture and mistreatment of helpless prisoners, it is impossible not to conclude that

these things resulted from a deliberate policy, adopted by the top ranking Nazi officials.

Brutality and murder were part of the scheme to enslave mankind. The only reason that the atrocities were committed against other people and not Americans is that the other people happened to live next to the Germans.

The Nazi masters of Germany set out to dominate the world. The wars which resulted were a part of a program to steal the fruits of civilization and to make subject peoples serve the Germans as slaves. The effort having failed, the Germans must suffer the consequences.

It should not be overlooked that innocent German people will suffer as a result of the defeat of their country. Nor should it be overlooked that these same individuals would have profited by a German victory. Moreover, it is only just that a people willing to accept the benefits of aggressive war-making must expect to receive the consequences that follow complete defeat.

Husband Duplin Woman Liberated Prisoner

Benjamin J. Wholever, husband of the former Miss Rovine Smith, of the B. F. Grady section, is visiting his wife's mother, Mrs.

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Wallace's Job Program Packs Political TNT

Reorganization of Commerce Department
First Step Forward in Formulation
Of Full Employment Policy.

By BAUKHAGE

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The recent operating and organization program for the department of commerce created very little excitement in Washington or elsewhere when it was released. I think it made page 15 of the New York Times. The Times gave much more prominence recently to another document from the pen of Henry Agard Wallace—his new book, "Sixty Million Jobs," of which I shall speak later.

Congress may slumber on the reorganization report for yet a little, but when Washington wakes to the real significance of this 10-page, mimeographed document it will find between the lines much upon which to ponder. (Maybe that is why it was double-spaced.)

To me, this is a three-in-one instrument—just as its author, Henry Wallace, revealed himself as a three-in-one personality when I called on him just before the publication of his program, his first approach to the governmental limelight since the change in administration.

The report on what Mr. Wallace in his capacity as secretary of commerce hopes will mean the revitalizing and expanding of his department, envisions the metamorphosis of that somewhat turgid and impotent institution into a vigorous and human organization which will reach out and touch millions of individuals just as the government's most virile department, agriculture, does. Secretary Wallace said frankly at his press conference and also in more detail privately to me, that he thought that the department of commerce should do for the business man, big and little, what the department of agriculture does for the farmer, big and little. And it will, if he has his way.

Active Department Secretary's Goal

Wipe out of your mind, if you will, that one-time problem child of the New Deal, the agricultural adjustment administration. Now weigh the testimony of observers, including anti-Wallaceites, and I think you will learn that as secretary of agriculture, the author of "Sixty Million Jobs" did a good job in revitalizing his department.

How much it will cost to do as much for commerce, we couldn't get him to estimate, but he finally told us that it would be less than one-sixth of the cost of one day's war at V-E Day. By a series of calculations we arrived at the figure of 40 million dollars. Since the commerce department spent about 121 million dollars last year, Mr. Wallace's changes would make a total cost for his revitalized department of 161 million dollars.

Those who cry economy will shudder at that figure but they will hear this answer: If business, big and little, wants help similar to that which agriculture demands and gets it will cost something. The department of agriculture cost approximately 769 million dollars to run last year, and the farmers wouldn't want it to do less.

There will also be another explanation of the figures which will attempt to show that part of the expansion of the reorganized department is really contraction, and that brings us to the second integer of the three-in-one composition of Mr. Wallace's plan. The plan is more than a blueprint for changes in a single governmental institution. It is definitely a part of President Truman's reorganization plan which it is fair to assume would bring back under the commerce roof the hordes of agencies and commissions which have to do with industry and business.

And now we come to part three of the tri-partite function of the Wallace program. It is by his own implication, a part of his recipe for full employment included in his book, "Sixty Million Jobs," and mention of that brings me to an examination of Mr. Wallace himself.

I said that like the program of reorganization for his department, Mr. Wallace seemed tripartite to me. When I called upon him, he came down the great, cavernous room which Herbert Hoover planned for his successor and we sat in chairs about a little table that made a hos-

pitable oasis in the midst of the desert vastness of high walls and lofty ceiling.

A Presidential Ghost Emerges

I had really come to see Henry Wallace, the author of "Sixty Million Jobs," which had just been reported a best seller in two New York stores. We discussed at some length on that opus and gradually I found myself also talking to Henry Wallace, secretary of commerce, for, as I suggested earlier, many a strand from "Sixty Million Jobs" may be discovered in the warp and woof of the department reorganization plan.

As the conversation moved from book to report and back to book again, never getting far from the theme of full employment, I thought I could make out an ectoplasmic form arising from what had been up until then my two-part, author-secretary host. The third being, although not yet completely materialized, little by little became translucently visible to the naked eye. This party of the third part I thought I recognized as Henry Wallace, presidential candidate (1948 or at least 1952).

Perhaps I would not have believed my eyes if it had not been for a statement which a stout supporter of Mr. Wallace had made to me: "Sixty Million Jobs" comes pretty near to being just about the best political platform the Democratic party can run on in the next election."

In one place, Author Wallace says: "There are a few, of course, who think that any government servant who uses the phrase 'full employment' is engaged in some deep dark plot. But they are the exceptions that prove the people's sanity and soundness as a whole."

Senator McClellan might be considered one of the exceptions from his remarks in the debate on the full employment bill. He said that the measure "says a great deal and actually means nothing except to create an erroneous impression in the minds of the people." He later described it as "soft soap."

'Sixty Million Jobs' Draws Commendations

Whatever the lawmakers think, the reviewers certainly are full of praise for Wallace's book. The New York Times calls it "a thoughtful and thought-provoking discussion of American political economy," and the Saturday Review of Literature, agreeing with the Times, adds that "more than any recent work on economics or politics, it can serve as a moral testament and intellectual guide in the eventful, difficult days ahead."

The work appeared first in a business-letter-sheet size with paper cover; it followed in orthodox book form. Later the author hopes, he told me, that it will be printed in a cheap, pocket-size edition.

When Mr. Wallace said that I thought I caught his ectoplasmic triplet nodding emphatic approval while ghostly lips formed the words, "for every voter's pocket."

Much water will pass beneath the Potomac bridges between now and 1948 or 1952. We have with us at present a conservative congress and the political veterans say that no matter which way the wind may blow abroad, it is blowing to the right on Capitol hill and, they add hopefully, perhaps not too leftward at the other end of Pennsylvania avenue.

Secretary-author-candidate Wallace's full employment program requires much more legislation than the full employment bill. That is only the first step. The expansion and re-orientation of his and other departments will be required. Then there will be at least the blue-printing of public works; there will have to be a settled policy providing for foreign loans—the Bretton Woods program and other stimulants of world trade and tourist traffic.

If a too conservative congress did not grant the minimum legislative implementation, the "Sixty Million Jobs" plan could not be carried out. That, however, Mr. Wallace's supporters insist, will simply make 60 million people who want jobs, plus their families, vote for the man who believes they can be produced.

BARBS... by Baukhage

Two hundred thousand of Berlin's three million population are members of trade unions. But what have they got to trade?

If anybody asks you: "Don't you know there's a war on?" the answer is "yes" and whether you like it or not it will be for six months after a formal declaration of peace which isn't even in sight yet.

Mody Westbrook, Mr. Wholever, a veteran of the Marines for the past 27 years, is a liberated Japanese prisoner. He was captured on Corregidor. A native of Iowa, he expects to retire from Marine life soon.

The White House had its first real paint job since the war began and looks like a new place. The scaffolds were up before J-surrender day. I wonder if the painters had a tip?

We have 20 million less horses and mules to feed than we once had in this country. But the land used to raise food for them is now feeding human beings.

DISCHARGED

WM. HAMPTON GRADY son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Grady of Wesley Chapel was given his discharge from the Navy at Shelton, Va. on Oct. 12. "Bully Hampt."

'King of the Cocos'



John Clunies Ross, 16, comes into his "kingdom" now that the Japs have surrendered. The "kingdom" is a group of small islands called the Cocos, about 600 miles southwest of Sumatra. John's great-great-grandfather settled on the islands in 1827, and the Ross family has ruled under British royal charter ever since.

Isaac C. Orr.

Isaac C. Orr, 83, of near Wallace died Friday afternoon in a Wilmington hospital following an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted from the Penile church Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. by the Rev. Sylvester Carter. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mary Orr; six daughters, Ruth Bland Orr of the home, Mrs. C. J. English and Mrs. E. A. Giddens, both of Wallace, Mrs. L. V. Davis of Dunn, Mrs. E. E. Gaddy of Wilmington, and Mrs. George W. Finch of Bailey; five sons, J. E. Orr of the home, John H. Orr of Rocky Mount, Carl S. Orr, Paul Orr, and C. C. Orr, all of Wallace.

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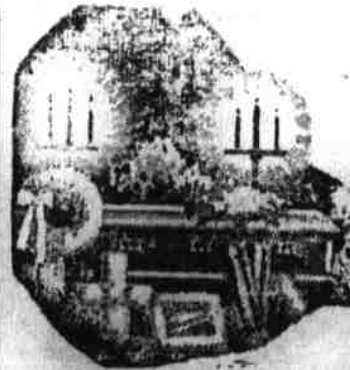
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as he was known in high school days, enlisted in the Navy in 1939 exactly 6 years and four days before his discharge. He was a Chief Radioman.
Grady has his application in for railway mail clerk and hopes to begin work in a short time.

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Lesson for October 28

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TEMPERANCE BEGINS AT HOME

LESSON TEXT—II Timothy 1:14; 3:14-15; 3:16-17; 3:18.
GOLDEN TEXT—As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.—Joshua 24:15.

The influence of the home on the character of a child is the strongest factor in the development of high and holy standards in the life of the man and woman. "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Prov. 22:6).

Emphasis is placed on temperance in our lesson, and it is clear that in the home real temperance principles may be built into the thinking of boys and girls. It is not easy for a young person who has been brought up right on this matter to go astray, no matter how severe the temptation.

I. Our Family Is God's GIFT (II Tim. 1:1-5).

Paul, the apostle of Christ, addressed his son in the faith, Timothy, with affection and appreciation. He knew the good which was in this fine young man and saw the possibilities for service for God.

He knew that as the background of that faith, there was a godly line of ancestors, those with an "unfaded faith." This young man, so precious to Paul and so successful in the ministry, owed a deep and abiding debt of gratitude to these godly women who had directed his steps aright, who had instructed and encouraged him in the right way.

Let those who are young recognize parents and grandparents who admonish and instruct them as God's gift. Let them not regard them as those who would restrict or restrain them unduly, but who for their own good and the glory of the Lord teach them the way to God.

II. Our Faith in God's Guidance (II Tim. 1:6; 3:14, 15).

The gift of God for preaching which Timothy had was recognized by the church, and he was sent forth to proclaim the gospel. But alas! the burdens of life and the pressure of service cause a man to forget or neglect his calling so there comes often the need of stirring up the gift of the Lord.

God gave it. He will bless us as we use it to its fullest possible extent. He wants us too, to stir it up—this blessed, divine gift and calling.

The admonition (v. 14) is to "continue" in that which was learned, to remain true to the Word of God. We show our faith in His guiding hand, as we resist by His grace, the ever-present temptation to get away from the only true foundation of a life of usefulness and joy.

What we have learned as children we should hold fast in spite of all the devices of Satan and every weakness of the flesh. Stand fast in the faith!

III. Our Fellowship in God's Gospel (Titus 2:1-4).

Old and young are to be united in a great communion of believers proclaiming the gospel of God's grace by a living testimony, by a life devoted to the things of God.

Sound doctrine is the only source of sound living. To be "sound" means to be healthy, vigorous, free from defects, suited to a purpose. That means that everyday Christian living must express the vigorous soundness of the gospel.

Men and women are to be "temperate," not given to excess, and particularly in mind here is the use of intoxicants. To be temperate in such a day and land as ours can mean only one thing, and that is to abstain altogether. Christians ought to keep entirely away from intoxicants, and that includes beer and wine.

There is a positive side to the admonition, for soundness of life and faith shows itself in holy living, love, patience, the teaching of God's Word, and in fine fellowship among the people of God. We need to stress that side of the teaching of this passage.

IV. Our Faithfulness by God's Grace (vv. 11, 12).

God's grace has brought salvation to man through Jesus Christ and His atoning death on the cross. That grace calls for and calls forth from the believer a renouncing of that which is ungodly and lustful (and you can put intoxicants right in there!) and a determination to live right in faithful devotion to God.

That brings about right relationships to self, to others, and to God. The Christian is sober and self-controlled as to anything which could "intoxicate" him, whether it be liquor, or lust, or pride, or any other such thing. He also shows that grace of God before men in a life of righteousness. Then he finds his true place in a reverent devotion to God which makes him a worshiper "in spirit and in truth; for the Father seeketh such to worship him" (John 4:23).

Faithfulness to our Lord will count more than our words in the great battle against intemperance. Let us stand true to Him.

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