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HONOR ROLL

Men of The Monroe Enquirer Now Serving in The Armed Forces:

- John B. Ashcraft
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W. E. Ballentine
Seaman, U. S. Navy
Arnold Lingle
Lieut. U. S. Army
P. O. Whitaker
Tech. U. S. Army Air Corps

GEMS FOR YOUR SCRAPBOOK
SELF-BUILDING

You cannot dream yourself into a character, you must hammer and forge one for yourself.—Froide.

Great results cannot be achieved at once, and we must be satisfied to advance in life as we walk—step by step.—Smiles.

Every man must educate himself; his books and teachers are but helps; the work is his.—Daniel Webster.

In the mental collisions of mortals and the strain of intellectual wrappings, moral tension is tested, and if it yields not, grows stronger.—Mary Baker Eddy.

The important thing in life is to have a great aim, and to possess aptitude and the perseverance to attain it.—Goethe.

The heights by great men reached and kept
Were not attained by sudden flight.
But they, while their companions slept,
Were toiling upward in the night.
—Longfellow.

NO STEPPING-STONE CAMPAIGN
Secretary of the Navy Knox is authority for the statement that the Navy does not contemplate an island by island campaign toward Tokyo.

He speaks because many so-called commentators and experts have consistently referred to such strategy. There never has been any basis for a belief that the Navy envisioned such a campaign.

The fact that Japan has been held in the south Pacific, despite great naval and aerial superiority when the war started, speaks volumes for the courage and fighting skill of our Navy. It is not to be presumed that when ships and planes give us superior forces that we will be satisfied with waging a long-distance war against Japan.

Naturally, there is no inside information, but when Admiral Halsey gets the ships and the planes needed for aggressive, offensive tactics, they will commence. The fighting will not center around islands thousands of miles from Tokyo.

TRAGIC COMEDY

If the people of this country really wanted to control inflation, they could do so.

The country is faced with rising prices. Why? Read the headlines in the newspapers of a single day. A million and a quarter railway workers demand further wage increases. Hundreds of thousands of coal miners demand additional wage increases. One faction of shipyard workers announce they will withdraw their "no strike for the duration" agreement if a National Labor Relations Board decision favors another labor faction. And then, labor leaders call on the President to reduce the cost of living.

They all blame the farmer who is short of machinery, short of farm labor, unable to pay war wages, but charged for everything he buys on a war-wage scale.

Can the result be other than higher prices instead of lower? The situation would be comical if it were not tragic. Unless we, as individuals and collective groups within the nation, show less greed and more love for our country, it is a total waste of time to talk about controlling inflation—no power on earth can stop it, until the explosion comes.

FARMERS MAKE GREAT PROGRESS

There are individuals in Union county who do not realize that agriculture has made tremendous progress but they will be better informed if they ponder figures recently released by the National Bureau of Economic Research, which has concluded a three year study of farm production.

One hundred years ago two out of every three Americans were employed in farming. In 1880 the percentage dropped to one out of two and in 1940 it was only one out of six of the working population.

The production of farms, however, shows no corresponding decline. Farm output increased steadily from 1899 to 1930, and after falling sharply during the drought years 1933-34 rose rapidly again and now stands higher than ever before.

In recent years, says Dr. Harold Berger and Hans Lansberg, authors of the study, farm output per worker has risen steadily, particularly in the raising of staple crops, due to the use of gasoline on the farm more than to any other single factor. They point out that there are nearly 3,000,000 tractors on our farms.

The farm labor force in 1930 was 16 per cent smaller than in 1940 and 20 per cent smaller than in 1929. Yet in recent years, before war-detouring production, farm output was 80 per

cent more than in 1940 and 30 per cent more than in 1920.

OUR NEIGHBORS' HEALTH

Few people realize how medical progress, such as has been made in the United States during the past generation, is being extended to the other American countries. Not only in commerce, but in health must North and South America be closely allied.

The publications of the Pan-American Sanitary Bureau indicate that certain problems of the South American nations, which may be as much scientific as economic, demand the aid of their North American neighbors for ultimate solution.

Good health is fundamental to human progress. The downfall of many a nation may be definitely related to malaria, plague, cholera or smallpox. Fortunately, the United States has been able to stamp out most of the great plagues which beset the rest of the world. Through philanthropic and other agencies it is giving its help wherever possible to aid other nations in meeting these hazards.

If we can help bring to other countries some of the blessings that have fallen to this nation as the result of a tireless, independent, self-sacrificing medical profession, we will be greatly benefiting ourselves. To illustrate, plague that is prevalent in Java, India and China, has been detected among rodents in the far west of the United States. It was carried here years ago on ships from the Far East. The mosquito that carries yellow fever has been found in airplanes flying into the United States from other countries.

A progressive and watchful medical profession, and the constant interchange of information from the health officials of all the Americas, is necessary for the salvation of all the American people.

THE LOVE OF MONEY

Editor Enquirer:
"The love of money is the root of all evil," said the Saviour of Men.

Those who are smart (?) and can make the Bible say whatever they wish it to say, regardless of what it does say, explain that the Lord did not mean money leads folks astray. He meant the love of it did. But what evil could a man inflict upon his fellow by loving money if he had no money?

Our own William Jennings Bryan of the "Gay Nineties," and later, insisted that our money, the gold standard, would prove to be the cross on which man would be crucified. Looks like Bryan was right. He reasoned that if we have the gold standard, but the gold standard is buried in Kentucky. Wonder if it's dead?

Our Lord preached for nearly three and a half years in the land of the Jews, and while the statesmen and the religious leaders didn't like him much, in fact looked upon him as a fanatic or insignificant carpenter's son, he got by with his miracle working and all his noble doctrines that were moving the common people toward him until one day he went down to the temple and kicked over the money tables, scattered the money, and with his whip of small cords, drove the money gangsters out. That was the end of his career on earth, as a man. They crucified him, lynched him really—in just a few days. Could not allow their money monkeywaded. See! The root of all evil.
Waxhaw, N. C.
S. S. DUNLAP.

PLANT EVERY SEED TO GROW

Victory Gardeners are requested to be careful in making full productive use of vegetable seeds this year, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture. American growers last season made an excellent record in home production of nearly all varieties of garden seed. Formerly, countries now under control of the Axis supplied many of these seeds. Of onion, beet, and carrot seed, there is no surplus, and total food needs of the United Nations call for special efforts to get full food value from the supply available.

Victory Gardeners can save seed by attention to these points, says the Department:

- 1. Plan the garden carefully in advance and estimate seed needs closely.
2. Use varieties that experienced gardeners recommend for the locality.
3. Buy early and buy no more seeds than will be required.
4. Pass on any unplanted seeds to neighbor gardeners who are short.
5. Prepare the seedbed carefully so that seed will have a chance to grow.
6. Fertilize wisely so that chemical fertilizers will not injure the seed.
7. Plant each kind of seed at the right depth.
8. Use more than customary care in spacing seeds correctly in the row.
Cover seed carefully, and firm the soil to insure good germination.

BITS O' BUSINESS—A spun rayon and cotton cloth developed for diapers is being used by U. S. Navy plants for lens polishing. . . Several companies are about to market creamed dentifrices, to be sold as "toothpaste in a bottle." Armstrong Cork Company has developed a new coating that forms a ready bond with steel or wood, for weather-proof, non-skid surfacing of warship decks. There are enough United States Steel employees in the armed forces to make nearly four Army divisions—55,000 men.

Hardware
In an effort to simplify the production of necessities, the WPB has cut the number of items in builders hardware lines from 27,000 to approximately 3,500.

Keep them in Your MEDICINE CABINET
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Joins The WAVES



MISS KATHLEEN HILL
Miss Kathleen Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hill, of Marshville, who left Monday, February 22nd, for her basic training at Cedar Falls, Iowa, as a member of the WAVES, president of Annumway is among our police department in Greensboro before enlisting as a WAVE. So far as The Enquirer is advised Miss Hill is the first Union county young lady to join the WAVES.

BEHIND THE SCENES IN AMERICAN BUSINESS

(By John Craddock)

If you think you have your troubles with point rationing, consider plight of the grocer. During the week when you couldn't buy any canned goods, he wasn't relaxing. He was going over his entire stock of the rationed items, marking the official point values on them—and this cost him a great deal of manpower in these rationed goods. The stamps must be attached to gummed cards and generally deposited in a special ration banking account in the grocer's bank—unless he has a small store. You have already noticed how trading in point ration goods slows up service, since the grocer must add points as well as money—and he can't make change in points. One chain has employed 500 additional warehouse workers whose job it is to stick stamps on gummed cards. Store buyers have to frame cause to effect. We have the right to budget their own buying. And since the stamps are interchangeable for use in buying any of the foods on the list, just as are those of the customer, he has the additional job of correctly estimating how his customers are going to do their budgeting, in order to be sure that he has the particular items you have decided to buy.

WAR-COATS—Nearly three-quarters of all this nation's war-record output of aluminum is going into military aircraft and all of it into the war effort one way or another. With the recent announcement by Roy A. Hunt, director of Aluminum Co. of America, that Alcoa was turning over to the government, many millions of dollars in what he termed "reasonable" renegotiated contracts for 1942 and was reducing prices on many fabricated products effective March 1, the economic effort of new machinery and new techniques developed by aluminum for the war becomes clearer. In the last few months America has been reading about and seeing pictures of new rolling mills that turn out aircraft sheets two city blocks long, rolling them fifty times faster than before; new plants in which 50 foot-long gages could be played at one time; banks of great forging hammers more powerful than any others in the world—all of which were regarded in terms of more planes, better made and more quickly produced. Now Hunt's announcement of renegotiated contracts involving more than 500 contracts, reveals an additional result—cheaper planes. And since aluminum's only customer these days is Uncle Sam, it's the taxpayer who gets the saving.

THINGS TO COME—Fluorescent treated plastic "envelopes" which emit a glow in the dark. . . . A cocktail shaker which doesn't dilute beverage while ice melts, so the last drink is as potent as the first poured. . . . Completely airtight pillowcases using vinylite coating, to overcome troubles of "feather duster" sufferers.

PEEK AT FUTURE—Post-war motorists may be driving on rubber tires made from corn and wheat, according to reports coming from the nation's research laboratories. Rapid wartime development of the synthetic rubber industry, especially in making butadiene and styrene from grain alcohol in the U. S., will make possible the production of 75 per cent of the rubber supply after the war, according to a report on synthetic rubber progress by Dr. A. J. Liebmam, research director of Shell Chemical Corporation, whose distilleries are working day and night in producing alcohol for this and other war uses. He pointed out that 80 per cent of the entire synthetic rubber program now is for the Buna S type, and that it seems probable that most of this vital war material will be derived from alcohol distilled from grain.

NEIGHBORHOOD RAILROADS—There are 12,000 communities in America served by some 500 railroads whose average trackage is about 26 miles, but they are an essential part of the rail transportation system of the country and are doing a big war job. Many of them are one-product freight carriers, with or without a passenger business. One the Baudette Northern Railway in Arkansas, has only three miles of road, carrying bauxite (aluminum ore). A great many pick up their single product at the point of origin and haul it to the big lines where it is shipped over the country. War has reversed their trend of passenger business, besides building up their freight haulage. Competition in the peace-time years came chiefly from private automobiles, but gasoline and rubber rationing, together with more transportation of workers, has lifted passenger business substantially. Last year, the short-line railroads which made reports had an average gain in revenue of 15 per cent. This was not as good as the gain made by major lines, but the short lines had not had so sharp a dip in business in the previous years.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

BIBLE TEACHINGS AGAINST DRUNKENNESS
International Sunday School Lesson for March 7, 1943

GOLDEN TEXT: "Strong drink shall be bitter to them that drink it."—Isaiah 24:9.
(Lesson Text: 1 Samuel 30: 16, 17; Isaiah 24: 1-4; Galatians 5: 19-21.)

From the texts we have been given for our consideration, and from numerous others which we may easily find throughout the Bible, we realize that drunkenness and its accompanying evils have been with man from the earliest times. With the progress that civilization has made it would seem a curse such as this one would have long ago been eliminated from the life of man, but, of course, such is not the case.

In these days of war, when every effort is being made to make the best possible use of every available man in order that the material for war may be produced in the shortest possible time, anything that hinders the efficiency of the nation's man-power should be considered an enemy to the fullest use of that manpower. Evidence proves that alcohol, when taken into the body even in the smallest quantities impairs the efficiency of the brain and slows down the reaction of the nerves.

The story taken from 1 Samuel, which tells of the slaughter of the Amelkites by a small band of Israelites under David, should be an object lesson in these times. These Amelkites, victorious over Ziklag, had taken every cent of a day's service, including the wives and sons and daughters of Judah. David pursued the victors and found them celebrating their victory, spread abroad over all the ground, eating and drinking, and dancing, because of the great spoil they had taken." David utterly defeated them only four hundred young camel riders escaping.

Woe is pronounced on Ephraim by the Prophet Isaiah because of their drunkenness and forecast their utter doom at the hands of the neighboring Philistines. Isaiah also warns the people of Judah that they too, and especially their rulers, are not less conquered by wine than the people of Ephraim.

Are such warnings pertinent to our times. One writer declares, "Drunkenness always means defeat. Did you ever hear of a drunkard achieving? A drunkard has defeated himself. Every one will grant this. But not everyone is willing to grant the further truth that drinking which does not make a man absolutely drunk nevertheless partially defeats him, renders him incapable of achieving his best." Paul, in his letter to the Galatians, from which we have an excerpt this week, gave some very practical advice on living.

While Paul recognizes the liberty of all in the faith he reiterates the claim upon each for service to God, another through mutual love. He contrasts the "works of the flesh" with the "fruit of the Spirit" and urges his followers to allow the Spirit to guide them in their daily living. Verses 19-21 are contrasted with verses 22-23, reciting the contrasting results of lives in which the motive powers are different. As summarized by A. W. Robinson the works of the flesh and the fruits of the Spirit are contrasted:

"The horrid enumeration follows a natural order. The list begins with sins against self, then come what were more directly sins against God; finally, there are the sins against society. The words fall into four groups. The first group includes three sins in which sensuality in the narrower cause is prominent; the second includes two that are associated with heathen religions; the third group contains eight in which conflict with others is present; the fourth consists of drunkenness and its natural accompaniments.

In emphasizing self-control this lesson naturally turns towards the alcohol question, while the Christian is blessed with liberty he should not construe this to mean license. As Professor Findlay says: "Whose liberty is of most importance—a man's right to drink what he pleases or his family's right to a fair share in his income? The consequences of drinking cannot be confined to the drinker, or even to the drinker's home; they spill over into the community where they are of greater importance than a man's right to drink poison. Those who claim the most personal liberty would be in hot water all the time were it not that others give up much personal liberty even for their sake. There is



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no such thing as personal liberty to do wrong or to violate law. All individual rights give way to social obligations. One-way streets, traffic rules, speed limits, ordinances that cover the distribution of ice, milk, meat, and other food stuffs are all in point."

Every Christian should retain complete control of his faculties, which he cannot do with liquor, for, as Bert H. Davis says: "Intoxication begins just as soon as alcohol enters the body. Alcohol has a toxic or poisoning effect. The use of a small quantity may be quickly detected in the membranes of the eye and through the knee-jerk test for nerve control. The effect on intellect is not so easily determined, but science knows that the more sensitive and intelligent the person, the more quickly does alcohol operate to depress and to deaden. Intoxication usually begins, therefore, without the knowledge of the user of liquor. From the first drink onward, he is increasingly less competent to judge whether or not he is being dangerously affected by what he takes."

WORMY PIGS WILL NEVER GET BIG

The old saying, "A wormy pig will never get bigger," should be kept in mind this spring as thousands of new pigs are born, reports Dr. C. D. Grinnell, Experiment Station Veterinarian at N. C. State College. The roundworm or ascariid is one of the most common and injurious of these swine parasites.

To raise pigs that develop quickly and profitably, he urges that growers adopt an approved swine sanitation system. This includes the removal of all litter from the farrowing pens and cleaning of the pens with boiling water, soap, and lye.

A few days before farrowing time, scrub the sow thoroughly with a brush using soap and warm water to remove all dirt. Pay special attention to the udder.
Within 10 days after farrowing, haul (do not drive) the sow and piglets directly to a field which has previously been sown to a forage crop. Allow no other hogs in this pasture except sows and litters similarly handled. Provide plenty of shelter and shade, and a safe supply of fresh water.
Leave the pigs on a clean pasture for at least 4 months, after which danger from roundworms is relatively slight, said Dr. Grinnell. The use of this system generally makes pigs ready for market 4 to 8 weeks earlier than under dirty-hog-lot conditions. The herd is more uniform in size and practically free of runts. For the system to be effective, none of these steps should be omitted, he said.

IN MEMORIAM

On February 8, 1943 God, in His all wise providence, called Mrs. R. A. Redfern home to rest.

1. Resolved, that we the members of the W. M. S. of the Philadelphia Baptist church deeply feel our loss. We pray that we may strive to emulate her devotion and love for her Master and for her lost souls.
2. May we bow in humble submission to God's will, and strive harder each day for the advancement of His kingdom on earth.
3. That a copy of these resolutions be published in the county papers, and a copy sent to the bereaved family, and a record kept in our minutes.
MRS. JUNE HORTON,
MRS. E. E. TAYLOR,
MRS. J. P. RIGGINS,
Committee.

Rickenbaker says the high schools should train only for war.

NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Under and by virtue of the power of authority contained in that certain Conditional Sales Contract executed by James Poplin and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Union county in Book 118 and Page 391, the undersigned, holder and owner of said Conditional Sales Contract and note secured thereby, will offer for sale at public auction for cash to the highest bidder
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