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TIME TO DO SOME WEEDING



Tire Situation Reported Growing More Serious

Johnston County Rationing Board Releases Valuable Information to All Tire Users.

"The seriousness of the tire situation has been brought home to us," Turner Vinson, chairman of the tire rationing panel of Johnston County War Price and Rationing Board said today, with the announcement that sufficient re-usable used tires are not available to meet the needs of those who must have them and that the government has been forced to meet the situation by releasing more than one million low-quality used tires to be sold to motorists holding Grade III rationing certificates.

"The tires are part of the supply purchased last fall and winter under the idle tire purchase plan. They are called emergency tires and are branded with an O into the sidewall to identify them," Vinson explained.

The emergency casings are not fit for recapping but can be made serviceable for limited use either as spares or on low-mileage cars. Motorists may purchase the tires through their regular dealers who will order them through their suppliers.

Ceiling price to the consumer on the emergency tires is one dollar each, Vinson said, with dealers permitted to make additional charges when they repair tires before selling them.

"The release of these poor quality tires emphasizes the fact that the nation has to squeeze every possible mile from its rubber supply," Mr. Vinson continued. "W. M. Jeffers, the rubber czar, last week telegraphed Price Administrator Prentiss M. Brown calling attention again to the situation. He said we are in a 'critical' period, and called upon Mr. Brown to direct rationing boards to do everything in their power to get the cooperation of the community in the conservation of rubber."

The text of the Jeffers telegram continued: "We do not want to be forced to impose any new and more drastic regulations other than limiting eligibility for Grade III tires but this may have to be done if present regulations and advice does not bring the necessary results to tide us over this period while we are scraping the bottom of the barrel for tires to keep essential cars in service."

This subject matter received from Washington, D. C., in relation to the supply of tires is very important to the public:

"The Defense Supplies corporation has approximately four million tires left in its warehouses which previously were classified as unsuitable for future use. Because of the acute temporary shortage of sound tire carcasses, however, these tires have been re-examined and it has been found that suitable repairs will make some two million of them fit for limited emergency use. Although these tires are not of the quality of the used and recapped tires now being rationed, they will serve for emergency use by low-mileage operators to whom they will be rationed.

"The distribution of these 'emergency' tires will take place immediately and will be under the supervision of the Office of Price Administration. The plan of distribution is stated below in order that you may be fully informed as to the nature and purpose of the reports which will be received by your office under this

distribution scheme:

1. The "emergency" tires will be sold, with certificate, to tire dealers, through the agency of the Rubber Manufacturers Association of America. (Dealers will place orders directly with manufacturers.) Delivery will be direct from a Defense Supplies Corporation or a Rubber Manufacturers Association of America warehouse to the dealer.

2. Any dealer may purchase, without certificate, not less than 25 nor more than 200 "emergency" tires. Only one shipment may be made to each dealer outlet.

3. Within 5 days after the tires are shipped to the dealer, the Rubber Manufacturers Association of America will send a copy of the shipping order to the Regional Office serving the area in which the dealer is located. This office, in turn, will forward the shipping order to the District Office serving the area in which the dealer is located. The District Office is to accept the shipping order as notification of the increase in the dealer's inventory.

4. The dealer, within 10 days after receipt of the tires, must notify his District Office as to the number of tire received which are beyond use. These tires must then be held by the dealer for a period of not less than thirty (30) days from the date of notification and must be kept readily available for inspection by an OPT Tire Examiner.

5. All "emergency" tires will be branded on the sidewall with the figure "O" prior to their delivery to the dealer and will be sold, with or without repairs, only to persons holding certificates authorizing the purchase of Grade III tires (No tire in need of repair, other than a branded tire, may be sold to a consumer. Also, no branded tire may be recapped.)

6. The pricing of these tires will be as follows:

(a) Price Paid by the Dealer
"Emergency" tires will be purchased (without choice of size or condition) by the dealer at a price of fifty cents (50c) each. A refund of ten cents (10c) per tire, however, will be made if the dealer picks up the tire at the warehouse. No refund however will be made to the dealer for unserviceable tires.

(b) Price Paid by the Consumer
A dealer may sell unrecapped tire carcasses (as he receives it) to a consumer for a price not in excess of one dollar (\$1). The consumer, if he wishes, may repair the tire himself, or he may have the tire repaired and pay the repairman not more than the established ceiling price for such repairs.

The dealer may repair the tire, prior to its sale to the consumer, through the use of such temporary repairs as liners, bobs, patches, etc. In such cases, the repaired tire may be sold for one dollar (for the unrecapped carcass) plus the ceiling price of the repairs made. (Price of these repairs must be itemized. In no event, however, may the aggregate price exceed the price of a basic tire carcass of the same size. (For a 6.00 x 16 tire, this would be \$3.50.)

The tire dealer may repair the tire prior to its sale to a consumer, through the use of a permanent repair if the condition of the tire warrants such a repair. (Tire must meet the specifications for permanent repair established by WPB order M-15-

Rev. F. B. Peele Dies

The Rev. F. B. Peele, who five years ago this coming fall, closed a four-year pastorate of the Methodist church in Selma, died Thursday morning at Watts Hospital, Durham, where he had been a patient for ten days. For the past three years he had been pastor of the Person circuit and resided at Roxboro.

He underwent an operation a few days ago and since then had been in a critical condition.

Mr. Peele, age 56, was a native of Scotland county. He was an alumnus of Rutherford College. For 20 years he was a member of the North Carolina Methodist Conference and had served churches at Biscoe, Fairmont, Siler City, Selma and Durham circuit.

Surviving are his wife; one son, Carlyle, of Roxboro; two daughters, Louise Peele of Roxboro, and Frances Peele of Durham, and the following brothers: the Rev. C. E. Peele, of Chester, S. C., Dr. D. D. Peele of College Park, S. C., Mack Peele of State Park Hospital, Columbia, S. C., Bishop W. W. Peele of Richmond, and Raymond Peele of Gibson; and one sister, Mrs. D. C. Lynch of Gibson.

Funeral services were held on Friday morning at 11 o'clock at Hall-Wynn's Funeral Home in Durham and interment was made in Gibson. Ministers in charge were the Rev. J. H. Shore of Roxboro, the Rev. W. V. McCray and the Rev. F. S. Love of Durham.

Man Fined For Death Of Henry Potts Here

Andrew Androvski of Alteras, Fla., charged with manslaughter in the death of Henry Potts, 65, of Selma on May 1, was tried in Smithfield on Wednesday of last week and received a two-year sentence, suspended on condition he pay a \$400 fine, court costs amounting to \$61, give up his driver's license for 12 months and remain of good behavior for two years.

According to the investigation of Highway Patrolman H. C. Bobbitt, the truck driven by Androvski ran into the wagon driven by Potts. The accident occurred on Highway 301 about half a mile south of Selma, at 7:55 a. m. Potts sustained broken limbs and a crushed skull. After all the state's evidence was given, the defense entered a plea of involuntary manslaughter and Judge R. D. Dixon gave the sentence.

Fears Living Cost Will Jump 50 P. C.

Washington, June 25 — Richard Gilbert, chief of the Price Administration's Research Division, expressed fear today living costs would increase 50 per cent in six months if House cuts and restrictions in OPA's appropriations were allowed to stand.

Employed persons in the United States in May, 1943, totaled more than the country's population in 1880, b, as amended.) In such case, the dealer may charge not more than the ceiling price established for the permanently repaired tires.

STRIKES ARE UNPatriotic

By M. L. STANCL

Our boys in the armed forces are expressing their dislikes. On account of so many labor unionists going on strikes. That they are "hot in the collar" is putting it quite mild. After hearing of so many strikes and race riots running wild.

If these strikers were on the front, they'd look for a hole. And would welcome a shelter where they could go and dig coal. They would be glad to dig coal without much thought of pay. Rather than face the treacherous enemy both night and day.

They would care less about more money for living expense, if they were in the thick of the fight where many go hence. These boys have answered most bravely their country's call. And for a meager salary they are now risking their all.

Had they known that strikes during war would have existed. They may have been drafted, but none would have enlisted. As time rolls on and the war on all fronts grows tighter. These boys want to feel that each one back home is a fighter;

Fighting for the production of more bombs and planes; Fighting to produce more coal to run our factories and trains; Fighting to produce more food for our boys at the front. So each one will be physically fit to do some winning stunt.

Fighting for the most speedy culmination of this great war. Without taking time to discuss what we are really fighting for. Fighting to end it all in the quickest possible way. So our boys can come back home once more to stay.

Fighting for those boys who are now fighting for us. Rather than for money that would not be worth a cuss. Should we lose the war because of our foolish dickerings. And the enemy come gleefully romping and snickering.

DEDICATION THANKSGIVING BAPTIST CHURCH LAST SUNDAY DRAWS IMMENSE CROWD

Selma Kiwanians Hear Mrs. Carl K. Parrish

It was a rare privilege of the Selma Kiwanis club on last Thursday evening to listen to a most interesting address by Mrs. Carl K. Parrish of Wilson's Mills, who was introduced by Program Chairman J. C. Avery. In introducing the speaker, Mr. Avery said the club had heard many addresses from people from many places, but he believed it was the first time Wilson's Mills had been represented by a guest speaker.

From the very first, Mrs. Parrish caught the attention of her audience by the tactful manner in which she handled her subject. The speaker devoted most of her address to talking about the Smithfield Bagging Company, located at Wilson's Mills. She told how a Northern Jew had learned the lesson of thrift while in the First World War overseas where he witnessed great stacks of bags going to waste during and after the close of that war. As he stood guard over these bags he made up his mind then and there to try to do something about the staggering waste in bags. Coming back home, he went to work to see what he could do about this matter. In some way he contacted Mr. Howard Mitchiner at Wilson's Mills who induced him to come down and open up a bagging plant. Although during the early days of the new enterprise it was operated on a very small scale, it has grown to be one of the outstanding enterprises in Johnston county, giving employment to 30 to 40 people, mostly Negro women, with a weekly payroll ranging from \$250 to \$300.

The business consists of sterilizing old fertilizer bags, feed bags, and other types of used bags, which are cleaned and made into sheets, cotton bagging, etc. During the sterilizing process much waste matter is obtained, all of which is utilized for either plant or animal food.

Nothing is lost at this plant which is not only teaching a much needed lesson in economy, but is making a profit to its owner through its successful operation.

Radio Quiet Hour May Be Heard Over WGBR

Goldboro. — Beginning Sunday, July 4th, and continuing through July and August, the Quiet Hour Program heard each Sunday afternoon by hundreds in this section will be broadcast at 5 o'clock in the afternoon instead of the usual 4 o'clock it was announced by Miss Doris Virginia Byrd, secretary to the director of the program.

Miss Byrd stated that during July and August the program will be carried by WGBR, Goldboro only, but is expected to return to the network in September.

Paper is now used in making alarm clock and flashlight cases, clothes hangers, buttons, string, rugs, porch chairs, garbage pails, dustpans, mail boxes, blankets, and many other articles in order to save more essential materials.

Roosevelt's Popularity In South Is Waning

Some States Will Make No Contribution To New Deal Slush Fund To Try And Elect Roosevelt Again; Princely Spending Orgies At Capital Are Also Hit By Old Line Democrats.

Of late there have been signs of incipient rebellion in the South against the New Deal national government and against the Democratic national committee. First to rebel was the Democratic central committee of South Carolina. Members of that official party group served notice that, given present conditions, they would make no further contributions to the big campaign slush funds of the national organization. Replying to a request for comment from the Charleston (S. C.) News and Courier Senator Ed Smith expressed himself as proud of his State and party.

A couple of days later the Georgia central committee took similar action. The chairman of the party organization in Louisiana said his State group would be slow to respond in the future to appeals for funds from the national body.

Democrats in the South when of the conservative school, have sporadically manifest concern over national trends and policies, race questions not infrequently figuring in the prevailing discontent.

If it will be noted, however, that current complaints relate primarily to money matters, this is not only significant, but decidedly symptomatic.

It is believed that the princely spending policies of the New Deal have extended to all New Deal agencies and there is now a disposition to include in these most liberal agencies the Democratic national committee.

In the States' party men reason that after all Presidents, as well as State officials, are elected in the States.

It does not help, it is furthermore contended, if the campaign funds raised in the States are sent to the national organization, to be paid out in salaries and otherwise scattered about the District of Columbia where the enjoyment of the four freedoms is strictly limited if the right of suffrage is something to be highly prized. One state organization has already requested that 25 per cent of any contribution they may make to the national committee be returned to their own party coffers.

Also, the use that is made of national party funds, the expenses incurred, including salaries, is already under investigation, with the encouragement of some of the Democratic members of Congress. One may regard the inquiry as of a piece with the proposal of Senator George to place a ceiling over national government expenditures, including those made for prosecution of the war, and the report from the committee on non-essential expenditures, headed by Senator Byrd of Virginia, proposing that the government let out 300,000 federal employees. The Democratic national committee has been caught in this cross-fire.

Irish Potatoes Grow Crop At Both Ends

Mr. Kenneth Anderson, Selma, Route 1, was in Selma Saturday morning and brought with him an Irish potato top on which had grown a cluster of berries, resembling tomatoes. These berries were about the size of marbles. Mr. Anderson says he has found three or four hills of potatoes in his field on which these berries have grown. Mr. Anderson said he had heard of such things but had never seen them before. He said there were potatoes growing on the roots of these vines just as others in the adjoining hills.

New Navy Recruits Say Navy Is Swell Place

Navy Recruiter J. W. Stallings says he has recently received letters from Willis Strickland and Willie Davis, both of whom are Navy recruits from Johnston county, and they say they are doing fine and that "the Navy is a swell place."

The recruiter will be in Selma at the postoffice on Thursday and Friday, July 1 and 2. Men who are 17 are urged to contact him. Women interested in the Waves and Spars should see the recruiter when he is here this week.

BUY WAR BONDS & STAMPS

Homecoming At Thanksgiving Brings Prominent People Together From Many Places — Dedication Sermon By the Rev. J. W. Suttle — Dunn Merchant Gives \$2,000 In Bonds To Organ Fund.

Sunday, June 27, was a full as well as important day for the congregation of Thanksgiving Baptist church, located nine miles north of Selma. In spite of the fact that the building was erected in 1925 and no indebtedness had been against the building for years, it had never been dedicated.

Thanksgiving Baptist church was organized on Thanksgiving Day, 1899, in a one-room school building, known as Earp's School House, which stood a mile from the location of the present building. During these 43 years the congregation has been housed in two buildings and has enjoyed uninterrupted progress.

Two years ago the building was moved over a mile to a commanding site on Highway No. 42, nine miles east of Clayton. Since its removal to the new location, the building has been remodeled both inside and out and today in beauty and convenience it is second to none for a framed building of its age.

Dedication and Homecoming

Some weeks ago the congregation decided to have a dedication service and a homecoming service combined on June 27 and invite former pastors and teachers who taught in the local school as well as all the boys and girls who have gone from the community to return for an all-day service with lunch served on the grounds.

Over 40 boys and girls have gone to college from this community and two of these boys, Dr. C. Earp, head of the Department of Greek at Wake Forest College, and Dr. W. C. Whitley, professor of Chemistry at Georgia Tech University, were invited to teach the Young People's and Adult classes in Sunday school Sunday morning.

The Rev. C. E. Stevens, of Mt. Gilead, preached the homecoming sermon, using the subject, "Co-workers With God and Man," at 11 o'clock, after which a sumptuous lunch was served on the grounds.

Suttle Preaches

At 2:30 in the afternoon the Rev. J. W. Suttle of Shelby, who preached the organization sermon 43 years ago, conducted the dedicatory service and used for his subject, "Why Build God A House?" This subject was handled as only Mr. Suttle could preach from it.

Mr. Suttle is a former pastor of the Smithfield Baptist church. Just before Mr. Suttle spoke, Wade M. Brannan of Dunn, another boy reared in this community who has made good in the business world, presented to the church \$2,000 in government bonds, which is to be used for the purchase of an organ in memory of his mother, father, and two brothers, all of whom belonged to this church and community and the bodies of which rest in the church cemetery.

A feature of the afternoon service was a history of the Thanksgiving church given by one of its charter members, Postmaster H. E. Earp of Selma.

Teague Heard in Evening

The Rev. J. U. Teague of Powellsville, a former pastor of this church, conducted the evening service and preached from the subject of "The Power Of God Unto Salvation."

This is an unusual community in that over 40 boys and girls have gone to college from this community since 1914 and many are filling responsible positions in various parts of the country.

Thanksgiving church is unique in that its church budget is cared for by holding a Harvest Day sale the first of November each year. In fact the church is setting aside \$1,000 for a building fund each year as well as caring for its current expenses, all of which comes from the proceeds of its Harvest Day sale.

While there are no trained musicians belonging to the church, yet under the direction of Miss Bertie Earp of Raleigh, another girl produced by the community, a wonderful and fitting musical program composed of vocal and instrumental music was rendered at the dedication.

Thanksgiving church is fortunate indeed that it is served by Rev. and Mrs. Tom M. Freeman. This splendid couple came to this church a little over a year ago, direct from the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

Mr. Ralph Creech, who holds a position with the Navy Yard in Portsmouth, Va., is spending this week with his grandmother, Mrs. Charlie Creech.