

INDUSTRY OPPOSED TO WAR PROFITEER

General Foods Head Declares Nation's Plants And Mills "Getting Ready Fast"

New York, June 25 — American industry, Colby M. Chester, chairman of General Foods corporation, asserted, wants "no monkey business, no profiteering, no tricky stuff and no politics in our mobilization of the defense of our free system of life."

Addressing the annual convention of the National Editorial association, Chester declared the nation's industrial system was "getting ready fast. In experience, in talent, in skilled workers, in factories and materials and assembly line efficiency, we shall face the job ahead with confidence."

Admittedly, he said, "we would prefer to devote all this energy and money to constructive effort, but when dictators thrust this menace upon the world we have no choice. We don't want America turned into a battlefield. Instead, we must arm America to keep peace."

He termed the United States the juiciest prize of war on the face of the earth" and added: "Like bombs, reality explodes in our faces, revealing a fat, rich and unready republic in peril. The true facts, the naked realities and the dangers, and the stoutness of defenses—these we must inventory today, before it is too late."

Chester warned the editors and publishers against mistakes he said European newspapers had made in telling their countrymen they were safe and placing an optimistic light on all news.

Pontiac Sales Continue With Record Pace

Deliveries of Pontiac cars for the first ten days of June were 6,681, a gain of 49 per cent over the 4,498 new cars delivered during the same period of June last year, according to D. U. Bathrick, general sales manager of Pontiac Motor Division.

Although there has been no let up in production of cars at the Pontiac factories, inventories again showed a decline during the last ten days, and unfilled orders continued at a record breaking rate with from one and one half times as many on hand as there were one year ago.

Bathrick points out that contrary to the expectations of many observers unsettled conditions in this country brought about by the war have not resulted in any slowing down in automobile sales, Pontiac's increase of 49 per cent over the first ten day period of June 1939 is a step up over the May rate of sales which were 42 percent above May of 1939.

Used car sales by Pontiac dealers continued at the record breaking rate that was established in May with an increase of 26.5 per cent over the first period of June, 1939. Stocks of used cars continued the decline which has been steady for the last four ten-day periods, while turnover was at the exceptionally high rate of 30.7 days. Ten days used car sales over the highest for any first ten day period of June in Pontiac's history.

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Hocutt Urges Parents To Warn Of Street Dangers

Raleigh, June 26 — A plea to North Carolina parents to drill into their children the dangers of running into the street and highway was voiced this week by Ronald Hocutt, Director of the Highway Safety division.

Noting that the May traffic fatality report showed an increase in child pedestrian deaths in this state and also that several children were killed in traffic accidents on North Carolina streets and highways the first two weeks of June, the safety director said:

"The fact that ten or more children in our state have died in the past thirty days as a result of playing in the street or running into the street or highway should point a lesson to every mother and father in North Carolina."

"Children are not as well acquainted with traffic hazards as their parents are, and it is the duty and responsibility of parents to pass on to their children the benefits of their knowledge and experience in coping with traffic."

"And not only must parents impress upon their children the danger of playing in the street or running into the street or highway, but away from traffic."

"Our children deserve every protection we can afford them. Let's all work together to stop this slaughter of the innocent on our streets and highways."

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