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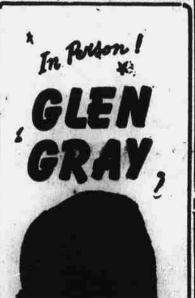
HCL To Drop

American consumers may expect a drop of about ten per cent in the cost of living during the present year, acrding to Dr. Ewan Clague, U. S. mmissioner of Labor, who says that Commis statistics do not lead to the expectation of a greater increase.

A ten per cent decrease in the cost of living would be welcome, of course, but there are many Americans who look for a more substantial reduction. However, the welfare of the national economy as a whole must be of about 31 per 1,000 live births. national economy as a whole must be considered and it is probable that more than a ten per cent reduction in the course of this year might cause severe dislocations in the sconomic machinery upon which all of us de-pend for our more than a ten per cent reduction in the course of this year might cause ago. Indicative of social, political and economic changes is the fact that the pend for our income.

More People For U.S.

experts, who predicted, during the 1930's, that a falling birth rate would lead to an equilibrium between birth. and death rates by 1960.



ther of births, 5,650,000, which seded the lowest death rate in the ory of the nation by about 2,200, The other part of the increase through immigration. 000.

An increase in population, con about by the increase of births inside the country, is much better than a similar increase through immigration. It is natural to expect that native born citizens will have a better comprehension of American ideals than those born in foreign countries who come to the United States in later years.

The extent of the increase in the number of births is indicated by the fact that in the eight years, 1941-1948, more than 25,000,000 babies were born in the United States. This compares with a little more than 19, 000,000 in 1931-1938.

It should be noted in this connection that there are now 48 persons per square mile of land area in the United States. This compares with 25 in 1900. While there have been considerable shifts of population, it is interesting to note that the ten most densely populated states in 1947 were exactly, in order, the same as in 1900: Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, Delaware and Illinois.

One of the revelations that come with a study of population figures shows that the death rate in 1948 was a trifle over 9.9 per thousand, which was a little below the previous low rate established in 1946. Moreover, the infant mortality rate in 1948 declined to a new minimum low

percentage of our population, 65 years or older, continues to grow appreciably. In 1900 it was only four per cent, or nearly 3,000,000 people. In

The population growth of the Unit- 1940, it was 6.8 per cent, or about ed States continues to confound the 9,000,000 people. This phase of our population characteristics is expected to continue to accelerate.

While these figures apply to the United States, as a whole, the figures Insurance Program. Last year, the population of this for the various states and counties country increased nearly 2,500,000. naturally vary considerably. Every

varied. In Vermont, it was only town croppers. The closing data to pre-per cent, but jumped more than two hundred per cent in Florida and the states of the Far West. Croppers. The closing data to pre-etains this year was March 31. "I am particularly gratified," Mr. Mann said, "by the fine response of

The World Situation

In Europe and Asia, the military operations for the entire tarm. For-forces of the Soviet Union consti-tute a dominant power, at present un-balanced by any group of nations. Mr. Mann said farmers in Perguin-In the world at large the strength

of the United States is dominant, outside of the land areas of Europe and Asia, and the possession of the atomic bomb makes this country almost irresistible in warfare for a limited period of years.

The impasse in Europe constitutes something of a deadlock between Eastern and Western Europe, which could be broken, no doubt, by the use attempt to solve these problems by force, as she did in Eastern Europe, is due entirely to our possession of the atomic bomb, in the opinion of Mr. Winston Churchill, who is a man with great knowledge of world affairs. The burden of the United States in international affairs will be greatly lightened, when the nations of Europe, outside the Communist orbit, become strong enough to balance the preponderance of might that now belongs to Russia. When this happens, the United States, separated by the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, will be the decisive factor in world affairs. We will occupy the position that Great Britain held for many centuries in Europe and if we use the position intelligently, we can largely determ-ine the course of world affairs.

CIRCLE MEETING

The Blanche Meekins Circle of An-derson's Church met Friday night, April 8, at the home of Mrs. Ander-son Layden with Mrs. Archie Riddick es hostess. Ten members and two

visitors were present. The vice president, Mrs. Elliott Layden, called the meeting to order with all joining in singing "Near the

During the business session the roll was called and minutes of the last meeting read and approved and reports from the various officer heard

The devotional for the evening was given by Mrs. Fred Floyd, using as er subject "God! Everything to Everyone." The Scripture was taken from the 15th chapter of I Corinthians 51-57 verse

Mrs. Hazel Matthews had charge of the program for the evening, using as her subject "Light In Latin America." Those taking part on the program were Mrs. Hazel Matthews, Mrs. Louis Howell, Mrs. John N.

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These are the top men in the Ruritan corn contest, Swin L. Lowery of Elizabeth City, former president of Ruritan National and chairman of North Carolina Ruritan 100-bushel club (center) chal-lenged Virginia Ruritan clubs to grow more corn during the 1949 season, O. L. Holt of Wakefield (right), chairman of the Virginia Ruritan 100-bushel corn growing contest, accepted the Tar Heel chal-lenge. At the left is Sanator Garland Gray of Waverly, president of Ruritan National, who has offered a \$\$20 hat to the victorious Ruritan state contest chairman.

N. C. RURITANS CHALLENGE MIRGINIA

ans have already reduced their risks by greatly diversifying their crops, and now those who are taking advant-

One out of every five eligible farmers has applied for multiple crop in-surance in Perquimans County this year, according to Julian E. Mann,

State director of the Federal Crop The county is the first in the South

naturally vary considerably. Every to offer this new type of insurance, state has shown an increasing den- which covers more than one trop on sity of population in the years of this the same farm. The program is open century, but the relative increase has to farm owners, tenants and sharevaried. In Vermont, it was only four croppers. The closing date for appli-

Mann said, "by the fine response of Perquimans farmers to the new idea of protecting their investment on operations for the entire farm. For-In Europe and Asia, the military operations for the entire farm. For-

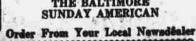
age of multiple insurance are going one step further and assuring themselves that they will get the return of their cash investment. Of approximately 1,200 eligible farmers in the county, incomplete re-ports indicate that 225 have applied for multiple insurance, Mr. Mann

stated that the success of the program was due to the splendid cooperation received from County Agent I. C.

SUNDAY AMERICAN COMICS IN TWO BIG SECTIONS

Effective Sunday, April 24, the comic supplement of the Baltimore Sunday American will appear in two bright sections in full color. The two-section comic supplement will

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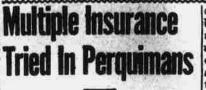


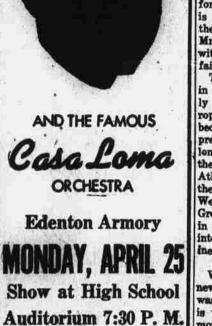
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