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the citizens of King Mountain and
its vicinity.



FAITH

Better trust all and be deceived.
And weep that trust and that de-
ceiving.
Than doubt one heart that, if be-
lieves.
Had blessed one's life with true be-
lieving.
Oh, in this mocking world too fast,
The doubting fiend o'ertakes our
youth;
Better be cheated to the last
Than lose the blessed hope of truth.
—Kemble.

There is nothing particularly new
about aluminum. It is much in the
limelight now because of the war.
Its usefulness is due to:

Lightness, color, ability to take
high polish, ability to form alloys
of high strength, ductility, malleability,
good resistance to oxidation,
resistance to corrosion by nitric
acid and practically all organic
acids, high electrical conductivity,
ease of working and machining.

These and numerous other qual-
ities made it popular for use in au-
tomobiles. Manufacturers of cars
became the largest users of alumi-
num. With the development of air-
craft, its use was largely increased.
It is the lightest metal in common
use. Aluminum was first isolated by
Wohler in 1827.

Commercial production of the metal
did not come until 1888, when
Hercules developed the process of
reducing aluminum chloride by
means of metallic sodium. This pro-
cess was used for thirty years until
the development of the present elec-
trolytic process. On an average the
United States produces 40 per cent
Canada 25 percent, while the other
50 percent comes from other coun-
tries.

Domestically, aluminum has prac-
tically displaced tin. Once it is said
to have ranged with gold in value.
Research and science changed all
that by new processes. Thousands
of jobs resulted. As an illustration
of the present urge for aluminum,
the National Association of Manu-
facturers tells us that the metal in
60,000 percolators is needed in mak-
ing one bomber. Therefore, if you
joined in giving up your old alumi-
num pots, pans, etc., during the re-
cent crusade you are a patriot. —
Selected.

SURE WE CAN

Can you imagine a civilization
whose chemists have produced nylon,
cellophane, plastics, and hun-
dred of other synthetic substances,
that will not be able to produce in
two years' time something that can
supplant rubber, at least temporarily?

We know such work has been go-
ing on for years, but then there was
no pressing need. The old adage of
the maternal relationship between
invention and necessity will fan the
flames into activity. And one of
these days the news will leak out
that the trick has been turned. No
more then shall we have to depend
on the other side of the world for
our rubber supply.—Sunshine Mag-
azine.

What You Buy With
WAR BONDS

The mess kit is one of the most
important items in the Soldier's
equipment. It consists generally of
a pan, a plastic canteen and cup, a
fork, knife and spoon, all in a canvas
pack cover. The total cost runs
up to about \$2.00.



Canteens and other items such as
handles on knives and forks, formerly
made of aluminum, are now plastic.
Alloy has replaced stainless
steel. You can buy many of these
mess kits for our boys with your
purchase of War Bonds and Stamps.
Invest at least 25 percent of your
income in War Bonds or Stamps every
pay day and top the quota in your
county. U. S. Treasury Department

Here and There

By Raymond E. Lynch

Even with the gas rationing on it
will pay you to drive down Gold
Street and see the Old Bridge's
historic fence, which has been painted
red, white and blue. I don't
know which one of the Bridges to
give credit for the unique idea, but
I'll bet the same one who designs
their Christmas cards had a hand
in it.

Another patriotic endeavor which
came to my attention this week is a
letter to all the Heister Hill
employees who are in service. The
writer of the letter which is to be
a regular affair, calls himself, "The
Old Mountaineer" and the epistle
is check full of interesting bits of
news about the fellow employees of
those who are on distant fields in
service of their country. The first
mailing list contained 125 names,
and I know they will enjoy the
scribbles of The Old Mountaineer.

In the Mail: A get-well card
from Pfc. James W. White, who evi-
dently is somewhere in the Pacific,
so the letter was sent by airplane.
Soldier James said: "You
should be here with me while you
are convalescing, but he failed to
tell me where he was and the en-
closed card had been consigned by
number 378. I deeply appreciate a
soldier away out in the Pacific
thinking about me enough to take
the time and trouble to send me
a card airmail.

And here's another card from Red
Walker who used to be the right
hand man of the Herald office. Red
who is stationed in California had
this to say: "I get my Herald every
Tuesday and you can bet I read
every word in the old sheet. Glad
to know you are recovering from your
recent illness. Hurry back to the
old Desk.

One of these days I am going to
take time off and write every sol-
dier who has written me, because
if they enjoy getting letters from
me as much as I do from them, it
will be time well spent. When I go
to the post office and get a batch
of mail, the soldiers letters are the
first one I open and read. So boys,
write to me and I'll write to you.

I am expecting a number of cards
from former City Clerk Karl Sawyer.
He was only gone a couple of
days and I received two cards from
him.

Kenneth Cook who has a married
daughter and a son in the army
says he is just about the youngest
man in town because he is in class
1-A and is ready to lick the Japs
like a young buck 21 years old.

70 ARRESTS MADE
DURING JULY

During the month of July there
was a total of 66 persons arrested
against whom a total of 70 charges
were brought, according to a report
from the Police Department. A re-
capitulation of the arrests and
charges follows:

Assault 2; Assault with a deadly
weapon 2; Copia 1; Deserter 2; Dis-
orderly Conduct 4; Fornication and
Adultery 2; Highway Robbery 1;
Investigation 1; Larceny 2; Murder
1; Non-Support 2; Operating an Au-
tomobile Intoxicated 2; Public
Drunkenness 41; Vagrancy 2; Vi-
olation of liquor laws 2.

During the same month the fol-
lowing cases were investigated by
the Police Department, however no
arrests have been made to date:

Accidents 4; Breaking and Enter-
ing 2; Disorderly House 1; Grand
Larceny 1; Larceny 2; Missing per-
sons 1; Shooting air rifle 1; Sus-
picious persons 2.

HOME COMING DAY
AT OAK VIEW

There will be a Home Coming at
Oak View Baptist Church Sunday,
Aug. 9. The public is invited to
come and bring dinner and enjoy
the day. The Ellensboro Quartet will
be with us and others are expected.
A revival also begins at that
date with Rev. L. W. Cain of Cas-
ar doing the preaching.

U. S. Employment Service

Directions for putting into opera-
tion the wartime plan of the United
States Employment Service, as
directed by the War Manpower
Commission and Director John J.
Corson, of the Service, have been
received in the Shelby Employment
Office, from Mrs. Gertrude K. Clin-
ton, director for North Carolina.
Manager W. T. McArver, announces

The wartime plan of service for
all offices in the nation provides
that four essential activities are to
be performed by the local office
staffs, including (1) serving essential
war industries, (2) farm placement
program, (3) occupational in-
ventory, and (4) claims taking ac-
tivities.

Essential activities, those which
the local offices may now serve,
Manager McArver explains, are de-

signed as (1) establishments holding
war contracts, (2) establishments
holding contracts for war con-
tractors, (3) establishments provid-
ing equipment and supplies for war
contractors or their subcontractors,
(4) all phases of agriculture, and
(5) essential civilian activities, such
as public utilities, transportation,
hospitals, etc.

Under this plan, a priority is now
established in labor, as well as in
supplies and equipment, and local
employment offices are directed to
provide essential workers for em-
ployers on the basis of their priority.
In cases in which such workers
are needed by two employers, Man-
ager McArver explains that the war
effort must be served first and the
more important of war industries
must be supplied with workers, be-
fore less important industries can
be served.

The U. S. Employment Service, in
this State, as in all other states, is
now on a full wartime basis and is,
strictly speaking, a war labor sup-
ply agency.

The farm placement program is
given an important position, be-
cause the "food for freedom" cam-
paign is definitely a wartime activ-
ity, Manager McArver says.

The occupational inventory, at
present, has to do primarily with
the Selective Service registrants.
The Employment Service is direct-
ed to sort out all registration cards
of those with essential and needed
skills and suggest that they be placed
in essential industries, rather
than in the armed forces, Manager
McArver explains.

Former Kings Mt. Woman
Draftman in Navy

Mrs. B. B. Bundy, of Charlotte,
before marriage, Miss Vera Pflizer
of Kings Mountain, is reported to
be the first woman draftman to be
employed by the United States
Navy.

Mr. Bundy is with the Barrett
and Hipp Construction Company,
Portsmouth, Va., and Mrs. Bundy
is employed at the Norfolk Navy
Yard. Mrs. Bundy is a daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Ben D. P. Her of this
place.



(Opinions Expressed in This Col-
umn Are Not Necessarily the View-
of This Newspaper.)

There is strong sentiment in the
Senate, at this time, against infla-
tionary conditions. Senators George
O'Mahony and Vandenberg deposed
of "half measures" to control prices.
George said that the administra-
tion's wage policy was making it
impossible for price controls to op-
erate. O'Mahony wants to meet the
inflation threat "head on." Their
remarks were made during
debate on a bill for the Government

to raise wages of its own employ-
ees.
Some officials here are predicting
that during the next few months
GPE price ceilings will be lifted
half and then to adjust prices to
the higher costs which have not
been prevented. No general apply,
but a multitude of specific adjust-
ments appear — reacting on others.
They say that "life is inflation, slow
and moderate, but not yet a run-
away."

65 percent of war contractors are
doing an honest and effective job
and are receiving only fair and rea-
sonable profits." A great majority
are doing a magnificent job in sup-
plying the Navy with its required
equipment. That is the summation of
the year long investigation by the
House Naval Affairs Committee in-
to costs and profiteering in the Na-
val Expansion program. The other 35
percent, according to the Commit-
tee, appear to be taking advantage
of the situation and to be making
excessive profits. The Committee
considered the average net profit
on a naval contract to be reason-
able. They recommended a statutory
method of profit limitation. Chair-
man Vinson recommended an out-
right statutory limitation but the
Committee said that Congress
should decide whether the limita-
tion be by direct act, by excess pro-
fit taxes or otherwise.

A great deal of discussion is still
heard here about the tax bill and
its effect on curbing inflation. The
Senate Finance Committee had been
disposed to undertake substantial re-
vision of the tax bill had the Treas-
ury come before it with a "realistic"
wartime program. Committee mem-
bers wanted suggestions for new
sources of revenue — something to
curb inflation such as a tax on
tax, compulsory savings, a
withholding tax, but as expected,
Secretary Morgenthau reiterated the
request he made to the House —
more from the same sources — abo-
lition of special privileges (joint
returns, percentage depletion, state
and municipal bonds). Mr. Morgan-
thau did indicate that as far as cor-
poration tax rates are concerned he
is interested primarily in total rev-
enue from this source rather than
specific rates.

Representatives of the National
Association of Manufacturers, the
United States Chamber of Com-
merce, the Congress of Industrial
Organizations and the American
Federation of Labor met with Pres-
ident Roosevelt recently to jointly
assure the nation of the desire of
both employer and employee to con-
tribute their utmost to the war ef-
fort.

The delegation assured Mr. Roose-
velt that they wished to do every-
thing possible to win the war and
informed him that "we realize that
in this critical hour the future of
our American system, comprising
free management and free labor,
is at stake. We must win the war
to preserve that system for the fu-
ture." The President thanked them
for their support, praised the war-
production record, and told them
of his resolve to halt the upward
spiral of prices.



"Aincha Lucky Ya Aint a Dief!"

MEETINGS AT DIXON
SCHOOL HOUSE

The folks of the Dixon commu-
nity are going to have a week of meet-
ings at the school house beginning

at 3:00 p. m. Sunday and again at
8:00 p. m. and every night at 8:00
through Friday. The speakers will
be Rev. F. D. Patrick and Mr. Charles
Dixler. All are cordially invited
to attend.

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