

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

By Edward C. Wayne

Speed Up of U. S. War Production
And Reports of Russian Victories
Cheer Allied Nations, Although Axis
Gains in Malaya and Philippines(Editor's Note—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the writer and not necessarily those of the newspaper.)
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Two government officials "on edge?"

JOHN JONES—BIO administrator and secretary of commerce, pictured sitting on desk as he listens to Representative Duggan of Michigan charging that the army was building new production plants while other others were idle.

THE WAR:
Up and Down

The war had become an up and down affair, with the Russians winning all along their huge front, the British gaining victories in North Africa with the Germans on the retreat, and the Japanese generally in the ascendancy on the Philippine and Singapore fronts, but taking a continued whipping at the hands of the Chinese.

Such was the situation as there was no longer any question that the large and well-equipped army of the United States was on the move to join battle actively in the war, though the detailed whereabouts of that participation was still a closely guarded secret.

Estimates of when the tide of the battle of the ABCD forces against the Japanese in the southwest Pacific would change varied considerably.

Some observers felt it would be weeks, others months, some were more pessimistic felt it would be a year before enough American pressure could be brought to bear to produce a definite change in the battle.

But that victory would be won in the end, nobody seemed to doubt. They watched the United States moving troops and ships, producing fast and faster more powerful armaments, moving to put new soldiers and sailors into uniform, and could see but one result, eventual victory, perhaps in 1943.

RUSSIA:
Brightest Spot

The Russian front continued to furnish the brightest picture from the Allied standpoint.

Moscow had begun to report mass surrenders of German troops and to fighting. The Reds also reported large masses of Nazi soldiers in rapid retreat to the southwest from the upper central front, abandoning much war material.

The stages of Sevastopol and Leningrad have definitely been broken, and their garrisons had swept out beyond the city limits to engage retreating Germans and to attempt to form junctions with other Russian troops.

The radio broadcasts picked up from Germany tacitly admitted the situation was serious. One described it as a "crisis, but one with which Adolf Hitler will know how to deal."

Hitler was believed to be planning some sort of major coup, but the nature of it could not be guessed at. He also was variously reported as facing tremendous internal pressure as a result of his break with Von Brauchitsch.

There also had been reports that crack German reinforcements were being flown by gliders to the Russian front to attempt to bolster the cracking Nazi defenses.

MAC ARTHUR:
Tough

Only fragmentary reports at wide intervals, testimony to the increasing difficulties of communications, were coming from the Philippines. Some military commentators say hope for General MacArthur and his landing forces if they could hold out for three weeks.

But this was admittedly problematical. How much in the way of supplies and munitions the MacArthur had was one question. Another was how long these supplies and munitions would continue to get to him.

Admittedly the Filipino-American troops had all the advantage of terrain and superior position. The MacArthur mountain range, which they were defending, was lofty, provided much natural fortification, and actually was the planned line of defense from the outset. This worked out as planned.

Star Dust
CLAUDETTE COLBERT'S
STAGE-SCREEN-RAID
By VIRGINIA VALE
(Published by Western Newspaper Union.)

CLAUDETTE COLBERT'S dressing room has been doing a bit of traveling, to the amusement of inhabitants of Los Angeles who saw the one-room bungalow riding along on a truck one evening. It was made for Miss Colbert at the Paramount studios, when she was working in "Skykay". She was so proud of it that she had it taken to Twentieth Century-Fox when she began "Remember the Day". Back she went to Paramount, for the new Preston Sturges picture—and back, too, went the bungalow.

Miss Colbert's dressing room is rushing the nation's theaters a two-reel special, "War Clouds in the Pacific," which was compiled by the Cactus government. It was shown on December 7. It proved to be so prophetic that M-G-M officials ordered a record number of prints so that the picture would be available for simultaneous showing in many theaters throughout this country.

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JOE K. BROWN

hine stars look to their laurels. Timing himself with a stopwatch, he has streamlined the routine until he can dress completely from petticoats to hat and wig in one minute and forty seconds.

Hugh Herbert, the Woo Woo comedian, will have the principal role in the new version of "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," the play written by W. C. Fields when last the picture was made. Carolyn Lee will play the youngest daughter, the role which brought screen fame to Virginia Valer.

Patricia Morrison's been playing hostess to a solid silver party, valued at more than half a million dollars. It was smuggled out of China, and will be taken on tour later.

Ed East and Polly have just finished their second "Kitchen Quid" film for Columbia pictures, featuring the help for housewives which popularized the wren on thousands of radio programs. The first "Kitchen Quid" was almost at once, this second one is more serious.

Perks Johnson and Wally Butterworth have offered their Vox Pop interviews program to President Roosevelt. The service is free for whatever use it can be put to in informational service, morale building and entertainment.

The popular CBS "Whodunnit" mystery series broadcast Thursday evenings has a group of radio mystery fans continually watching for slips-ups on crime technique and deduction; when they think they've discovered a discrepancy they gleefully write to Lee L. Lansworth, who writes the scripts—and says he can tell them hanging over his shoulder whenever he sits down to work.

It's Ginger Rogers who draws the coveted assignment to star in the screen version—in color—of the highly successful stage play, "Lady in the Darg." This is the second season that Gertrude Lawrence has appeared in it on the New York stage. The leading role requires someone who can sing, dance, act—and wear clothes well. Ginger's a natural for it.

Bob Burns, the "Arkansas Traveler," gets a duplicate of an expert rifleman's medal with three bars; he won it as a marine during the first World War, and last it—friends have been checking records, and finally got him what you might call "a reasonable facsimile."

ODDS AND ENDS—Guest stars on the new Shirley Temple picture "The Little Colonel" will include a number of New York fashion models, who will appear in a model in "Take a Letter, Darling." Madeline Carey, certainly on her way to Hollywood; "Fanny Brice" has been named as the RKO's current film and above picture will be released by RKO under the title of "The Little Colonel."

The Association of Hollywood Photographers want Bob Hope and Mike Rogers to sue "photo-copiers" members of the film capital.

Washington Digest
Expanded War Program
Will Touch Every Home

All Phases of National Life to Feel Effects of Changes Brought About "Colossal" Economy; Tire, Car Curb Mere Beginning.

By BAUKHAGE
National Farm and Home Hour Commentator.

WNU Service, 1343 M Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

In less time than it takes to read this column a new airplane should be completed—that is, if the program outlined by the President in his message on the state of the Union is carried out.

That seems like a large order. It is, but it is that the President has planned for 1942: 60,000 new planes, 45,000 new tanks, 20,000 new merchant ships, 8,000,000 new merchant ships. Since there are only 8,700 tanks in the year, if the OPM is to meet the President's goals, planes will have to roll out of the factories at the rate of one every eight minutes, tanks at the rate of one every 11 minutes, and aircraft guns at the rate of one every 25 minutes, and shipping at the rate of one every 15 minutes.

America's resources may be unlimited, but human comprehension is not. Ever since that message was delivered in Congress, Washington has been struggling in an attempt to comprehend those colossal figures.

Already some of the effects are being translated in terms of human experience—you know if you have tried to buy a tire or an automobile. Other even more painful experiences are ahead. One of them is the unemployment which is coming while the civilian industry is being converted to defense production.

Small Plants Hit
It means that some 130,000 small plants will close their doors. They are too small to be converted. Their workers and supervisors, if they are competent, will be able to find employment elsewhere.

It means that thousands of salesmen who sell, not merely refrigerators, but houses and lake homes, vacuum cleaners and electric toys, but other things which we once thought were necessities, will have to take off their white collars.

A survey of some thousand middle-sized manufacturing concerns now turning out defense products has been made by the labor department. It revealed that three-fourths of the plants were working on three shifts already. Remember that was before the President issued the order to production figures and the OPM "raised its sights" to meet them. But in these plants it was found that the second shift was only half the man-power employed in the first shift. Right there is a 50 per cent waste of employment.

These were plants selected as typical. Someone will have to fill those extra shifts and a great many others. It will mean that a lot of "brain-workers" will have to work their hands. When a nation suddenly turns over 50 per cent of its income to defense production, it means that the man in the street has to have a little chance at getting any other kind of work.

In our homes, the effect of war measures has already been itself felt. Wool is rationed already. That is because wool with all our sheep is scarce. The navy has taken the Argentine for wool. And we are getting ready to close an army of 1,000,000 men. Other restrictions will come.

In his budget message, the President hinted that we might have to carry ration cards the way the Europeans do before the war is over. That is more of a threat perhaps, than a prediction but it is worth remembering before we get too complacent.

Fertilizer Rationing
Already the farmer is being rationed though he may not realize it. Take fertilizer, for instance: Phosphate, the nitrates. All synthetic nitrates have to go into munitions. The one word nitro-glycerine reminds you of that. Natural nitrates have other things in them, so the army is after them, too. But since they come from Chile, they have to come in ships. And there are few ships for this purpose.

Second, phosphates. They come from Florida, Wyoming and Idaho. But they come in rocks. You can see a big pile of these rocks right over in Baltimore. But it takes sulphuric acid to "digest" them. Sulphuric acid is needed for munitions.

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Maritime Commission orders, for the duration of the war emergency, will be trained in about half the time ordinarily required and will not have to take competitive examinations for appointments.

Navy code books aboard ship should be found in such a way that they can be tossed overboard and sunk when there is danger of their falling into the hands of the enemy.

Third, sprays. Formaldehyde is a vital part of many sprays. Also, it is needed to disinfect stored grain and to remove smut and fungus from grain before seeding. But formaldehyde is necessary in the production of plastics to dissolve the woody material. And plastics! They are needed as substitutes for many essential metals.

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When it comes to rubber, the farmer, like everybody else, is affected. The difference is that some farmers are going to be making rubber the next few years.

Out in California the climate produces the best Gayule plants. And there will be acres and acres of these plants cultivated. It takes some time—but some are already growing. A two-acre crop will produce 500 pounds of very good rubber per acre. The trouble is you have to dig up the plant to get the latex—it comes from the roots.

Then, of course, there is synthetic rubber. It is a great deal cheaper than the real thing, which are going to play a large more important part than many of our enemies think in the victory production. There are also the big cultivated rubber plantations in Brazil and Central America run by Ford Chemicals, which is the wild rubber from the Amazon.

Most important of all, there is the contribution that the most astute minded people in the world are going to have to make—the privilege of not buying tires for America's 27,000,000 pleasure cars.

The privilege of "not buying" is going to be extended. There will be more gadgets and there will be a lot less money to buy even the necessities when we pay our share of the bill for building the greatest war machine in history. The machine so big and so destructive that perhaps it will destroy war itself.

Weather Information
And Broadcasting
The highly interesting yearbook just issued by the department of agriculture is devoted to climate and weather. It appears just when for the first time in American history it is worse than a crime to discuss the weather—that is if you talk loud enough to be overheard by enemy ears. A few weeks ago the navy department released an official communique severely blaming a commentator who mentioned the weather activity in the eastern Atlantic.

In Washington we are not permitted to mention even yesterday's weather on the air. This ruling seemed a bit far-fetched to me. In commenting on the fact to an official I told the story of what happened to me when I was broadcasted from Berlin just after the war broke out. On a beautiful moonlight evening I blantly announced over the short wave that "it was a night for an air raid." Nobody objected to that. There had been no air raids and the weather had never been raised. But the next night it was different. No more description of the current weather. "You can talk about last night's weather but not tonight's," he said.

I asked my Washington friend why, if Berlin let me talk about last night's weather I couldn't do the same thing here. "Weather," he answered, "moves from west to east. Berlin's weather moved off where it didn't matter 24 hours. Washington's weather moves right into the eastern Atlantic where knowledge of it might benefit raiders."

"Without disparaging in the least the huge metropolitan dailies, with their circulation running into the hundreds of thousands and occasionally into the millions—and I say they are the best daily newspapers in the world—it is to the weekly newspapers and the small-town daily newspapers that I, myself, can see the most need of guidance and inspiration, especially in the case of problems and questions affecting the general public."

Arthur Capper in the U. S. senate.

Actual sales records in Post Exchanges and Canteens show Camel is the favorite cigarette with men in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps.

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Don't open cans or chop ice in the sink—you will damage the enamel.

Don't keep green bananas in the refrigerator. They ripen at room temperature.

If you like the flavor of cloves, try adding a few whole ones to the fat in which doughnuts are fried.

Paintbrushes, when not in use, should be soaked in turpentine and washed in warm soapsuds before they are stored away.

Moisten dry stove polish with vinegar instead of water and your stove will take on a better polish.

Keep spices tightly covered and away from the heat. Otherwise, much of the flavor may be lost.

It is time to change the water in the goldfish bowl when the water is so warm fish come to the top of the bowl for air. Goldfish like to be kept cool.

Treading on Air
Even when the bird walks one feels that it has wings—Lemiere

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State Press Comments

FOUR "MUSTS" FOR WAR TIME

This year's war budget alone, as proposed by the President, will be \$6,000,000,000—more than half the estimated national income. That makes it mandatory that the Federal government and the people insist upon a workable fiscal policy which will make it possible to spend this money without bringing on an internal fiscal collapse.

First, all must pay higher direct and indirect taxes. And direct taxation must be extended to the very lowest income brackets.

Second, every non-essential, non-defense government activity must be stopped, and appropriations sharply reduced in many non-defense bureaus.

Third, the people must make every possible reduction in their living expenses, and buy Defense Bonds and Stamps to the limit of their abilities.

Fourth, the government must not loan or spend money for any purpose that can be financed by private business.

This last is extremely important. There are literally dozens of Federal loan agencies. Many of them operate in direct competition with the banks, thus subjecting the burdened taxpayers to needless expense and risk. The banks, as their spokesmen have said, are able to materially expand private and defense financing. They must be permitted and encouraged to do it.

The President's message on the State of the Union indicated the extent to which all must pull in their belts and help win this war for liberty and security. And government itself must do precisely the same thing.

The Low Down From Hickory Grove

A good resolution for 1942, if you have not already made one, is to swear-off being a sucker—henceforth.

There are 100 ways to be a sucker. One way is to think you are gonna get hand-outs by rubbing something on your epidermis versus getting out in the sunshine and getting up a good sweat—not a perspiration. Another good way—if you are an old spavin—is to think you are knocking the young gals for a loop because you have a tweed sport coat and goose-grease on your hair. Or if you are a lady and past 49, you ought to forego sailor's pants—you can't fool the young bloods so easy. Also, if you are under 49, sailor's pants don't enhance.

But there are 997 other ways to be a sucker and if I was to try to list 'em here, I would be one myself.

But above all other resolutions for 1942 it will be hard to find one that can surpass a resolution to read one AEsop's fable per annum. And if I was to say the best time to read it, I would say in November just before the election.

Yours with the low down,
JO SERRA.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY By RUSSELL KAY

From the versatile pen of Theodore Pratt author and short story writer whose work is familiar to readers of the Saturday Evening Post, New Yorker and a score of other publications, has come another "masterpiece"—"Mr. Limpet"—a delightful fantasy, on sale at book stores January 19.

Pratt adopted Florida several years ago and makes his home on the east coast. Since taking up his residence here he has written

numerous stories and articles dealing with Florida that have presented authentic and realistic word pictures, such as "Shell Shock" which told of the thrill of gathering Florida sea-shells experienced by tourists who visited Sanibel Island and other points, and "Land of the Jook" dealing with one phase of life in the back country, located in the "Glades area."

Following the publication of these stories tourists swarmed into the territory they mentioned. Sanibel became famed overnight and motor cars loaded with tourists waited for hours to catch the ferry, as the service was far inadequate to meet the demand. By the same token, thousands who never would have considered a visit to the "Glades country" went out of their way to visit it, following his publication of "Land of the Jook."

His delightful book "Mersey Island," dealing with life on the Florida keys, proved extremely popular, and motion picture rights were purchased by Warner Brothers who will shortly release the film version.

I have just had the pleasure of reading an advance copy of Pratt's newest book and I am surely indebted to him for introducing me to as delightful a fiction character as I ever met—"Mr. Limpet!"

In a note accompanying an autographed copy of the book, Pratt told me how he got his idea for this remarkable yarn: An ardent fisherman, he recently tried his hand at "goggle fishing," a newly developed Florida sport that is becoming quite popular, in which the fisherman, his eyes protected by waterproof goggles, swims after his fish under water to spear him with a javelin. Resting after one such expedition, his imagination active, he tried to visualize in his mind the life of a fish. He recalled that scientists have long contended that all life came originally from the sea.—What if at death it returned there?—In this crazy topsyturvy world, seeming intent on destruction, maybe we were just a lot of "Poor Fish" destined to return to our original form.

Out of such fantastic musings came "Mr. Limpet," the story of a timid, middle little hen-pecked bookkeeper who fell from a pier to find that he had become a fish. Fascinated, he lay under the pier and watched the frantic efforts of life guards to rescue him. Looking up on the deck, he saw the wife, who during his earthly existence had always viewed him with scorn and contempt, weeping and carrying on in the center of an excited group of sympathetic onlookers.

Accepting his fate, "Mr. Limpet" decided to make the most of it. All his life he had hoped that the day would come when he could "go to Florida." Thrilled at this new found freedom, he gives a joyful flip of his tail as he heads south. He visits Palm Beach, Miami, the Keys and even Havana, mingles with the nation's celebrities as they frolic in the warm waters of the Atlantic at swanky resorts. He finds he can drive fishermen and guides to distraction since they cannot fool him with their artificial lures and clumsily baited hooks. Altogether, he has one grand and glorious time.

Optometrists owe Theodore a debt of gratitude for his whimsical idea of adorning "Mr. Limpet" with a pair of nose glasses which become almost as important throughout the humorous narrative as the hero himself. With them he attains a marked degree of importance. Because of them he wins the affection of a charming lady fish. They aid him in proving his real identity to naval officials and lead to his receiving a commission from the Navy department in charge of locating and destroying enemy submarines. His temporary loss of them nearly costs him his life and robs him of his sex appeal.

Fantastic and frivolous, "Mr. Limpet" is just the kind of reading we need today to give us a relief from our more serious problems. "Mr. Limpet" will serve to publicize Florida far and wide, and again we find ourselves indebted to Theodore Pratt.

"Mr. Limpet" is now to be seen alive and swimming about in the great tank at Marine Studios.—After reading the story, Milton Bacon, publicity director of the famed attraction, captured a large drum and affixed a pair of glasses on his nose. He is pointed out to tourists and often glances back at them through his glasses as they stare at him through studio portholes.

By all means read "Mr. Limpet." It is refreshing and delightful and a wonderful tonic for over-wrought nerves.

Church Notes

ST. CATHERINE'S CATHOLIC
Hickory Street — Sebring, Fla.

First, third and whenever, fifth
Sunday: Mass at 8:30 a. m.
Second and fourth Sunday: mass
at 10:30 a. m.

Rev. J. H. Cann, pastor
First Methodist Church
Rev. G. S. Roberts, D.D., pastor

Church school 9:45
Morning Service 11:00
Evening Service 7:30
Young People's Meetings 7:00
Mid-Week Prayer Service 7:30
Choir practice, Wednesday nights
following the prayer service.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Sunday school, 10:00 A. M.
Morning service, 11:00 A. M.
N. Y. F. S. S. 8:00 P. M.
Evening service, 7:30 P. M.
Prayer meeting, Wednesday,
at 7:30 P. M.

W. D. Croft, pastor.
United Congregational Church
Dr. Alfred C. Elliott, Pastor

Sunday School at 9:45 A. M.
Topic: "Jesus Overcoming Temptation." Come join us for
worship service at 11:00 o'clock
Music by the choir. Sermon by Dr.
Elliott who will speak on: "The
Coming Man." You are invited to
worship with us.

The Young People's Pilgrim
Fellowship will meet at the church
on Sunday at 6:30 P. M. Mrs. A. C.
Elliott will lead the meeting and
Glenn Whitcomb will introduce the
topic: "The Pilgrim Spirit." Young
people are specially invited to attend.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the
church on Wednesday at 3:00 P. M.
The "Quiet Hour" service will
be held on Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.
A service of inspirational worship
with hearty singing and a letter
address by the pastor. Senior choir
rehearsal at the church on Saturday
at 7:30 P. M.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
O. E. MOSS, Evangelist

Sunday
10:00 A. M. Bible Study classes,
11:00 A. M. Worship Service, subject:
"The Christian's Life." 7:44 P. M. Evening service, Sermon
subject: "The Importance of Unity"

Wednesday
7:45 P. M. Mid-week devotional
meeting.
The public is cordially invited,
especially the stranger and the poor.

Reverend

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Jordan had
as their visitors Sunday Mr. and
Mrs. Eugene Jordan and daughter
Joan, of Lake Wales.

Mrs. H. A. Thompson, mother of
Miss H. Thompson, arrived from
Dubois, Pa. Friday and will stay
in Avon Park for some time.

Charlie Lanier, W. S. Betts and
R. A. Brown spent Monday and
Tuesday in Tallahassee attending
the Budget meeting of the State
Board of Education.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Brennan of
Lancaster, Pa., who have been the
former guests of the Pine Crest
Lakes Club for several winters,
arrived here Friday and will stay at
the Club indefinitely.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wester have
as their guests this week Mr. and
Mrs. John Peinick and daughter,
Elinore of Utica, N. Y. and Mr. and
Mrs. M. R. Wester of Clinton, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Whitcomb
attended the annual banquet for
the Citrus Inspection Department of
Agriculture held in Winter
Haven Tuesday night and also visited
the Orange Festival while there.

Mrs. Lonnie Murphy has leased
the office in the Jacksonville Building
which was formerly occupied by
W. M. Rock, and will install up to
date equipment for a modern
beauty parlor.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Segraves
and son Sherrod, left Wednesday
afternoon for their home in Okla.
Ark. They have been the guests
of Mr. Segraves' sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Crabtree.

Sight Lecturer Coming
Miss Alma Bailey of the International
Child Evangelism Fellowship will
speak at the Florida Public
Schools, Okla. County room
on Wednesday, January 28, at 3:30
P. M. Her demonstration of the
use of visual aid in teaching the
Bible will be of great benefit to
all leaders of young people and
Sunday school teachers. The public
is invited.

Use Times Want Ads

U.S. Assistance For Highlands County Schools Approved

A telegram was received by
the Times this morning from
Senator Claude Pepper stating
that a federal appropriation of
\$144,000 for aid to schools in
Highlands county has been approved.

This appropriation was made
under the new law allowing aid
to schools in defense areas. Representative of Schools F. N. K.
Bailey stated in a telephone
conversation this morning.

The money will be used to
pay five additional teachers and
buy desks and other equipment
to accommodate the additional
students brought to the county
by the locating of the State
Flying School near Sebring.

These of the additional teachers,
Col. Bailey stated, will be in
the Sebring schools, one in
DeSoto City and one in Lake
Placid.

The location of the training
field here, Col. Bailey said, has
brought 127 additional children
to the Sebring schools, has
doubled the attendance at De-
Soto City and increased the attendance
at Lake Placid between 15 and 20 per cent.

National Defense Needs Tradesmen

Civil Service officials disclosed
today that thousands of additional
civilian tradesmen are needed immediately in connection with the
expansion of the national defense
program. The Navy Yard at
Charleston, S. C. alone, needs hundreds
of mechanics, caulkers and
chippers, pneumatic drillers, punchers
and shears, rivet benders and
toolmakers, for immediate duty.

The Air Corps needs thousands of
engine mechanics, instrument me-
chanics, sheetmetal workers, heat
treaters, propeller mechanics, wire
workers, and many other tradesmen.
The officials urged that qualified
tradesmen contact any second
or first-class post office where full
details may be obtained from the
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Congregational Society Meets

Guests present were: Mrs. Katherine Bristol, Miss Edna Tallman; Mrs. C. A. Clark, and Mrs. G. V. Oliver. Members attending were: Mrs. Millie Pearson, Mrs. Alice Sherman, Miss Sarah Brownning, Mrs. Raymond Dilley, Mrs. John Bunting, Jr., Miss Clio Metcalf, Miss Julia Norfleet, Miss Iva Phillips, Miss Alma Harrell, Mrs. Ethel Cloud, Mrs. Margaret Stearns.

Guests attending were: Dr. and Mrs. G. S. McKnight, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Turan, Mrs. Geo. Voorhees, Mrs. Charles E. Wright, Mrs. Talor Seagraves, Mrs. David Owen, Mrs. E. P. Loomis, Mrs. J. M. H. ber, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Anderson, Mrs. W. S. Betts, H. C. Price, N. and Mrs. W. M. Reck, John Shanley, Mrs. Ruth Clowe, J. L. Williams, R. T. Seagraves, Mrs. Fred Pedersen.

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Assembly Lines on Way to Win War

DETROIT—American assembly lines are on their way to win the war, since victory by the fighting forces stems not only from the courage of the people but also from the superiority of their machines.

Paul Garrett, Vice President and Director of Public Relations, General Motors Corporation, declared recently.

Citing the "thought on the heart of every patriot that we as a people put aside all selfish differences for the duration of this war and unselfishly unite our efforts for the victory of our armed forces," Mr. Garrett proposed "an American primer on how to help further the victory of all men."

Among others, he listed these suggestions:

1.—Let us work for victory through a better understanding in America that never was industry more united than now in winning this war at any cost.

2.—Let us work for victory through a better understanding in America of what it is we are fighting for.

3.—Let us work for victory through a better understanding in America that differences between management and employees should be submerged in getting the war job done.

4.—Let us work for victory through a better understanding in America that there is hope for anything yet known if we will but imagine and build it.

The machine has become, Mr. Garrett said, "at this grave hour of the people's right to work and live in a free America."

Nothing so has captured the imagination of the public as our new military machine. With them comes a new realization that back of the mechanized equipment for the war front must be in turn be our giant



Paul Garrett

machines—machines for production in factories and shops, and still further back still more machines and skills to make this production equipment.

"The assembly line is now on its way to win the war. Our basic knowledge in producing for civilian wants has given us the know-how in producing for war wants. I mean the know-how to design and build great new plants and new equipment to make intricate new weapons of war. Supplementing the new facilities, this know-how has enabled us frequently to adapt precision tools, designed to build the world's best industrial products, to building the world's best war machines."

"The task devolving upon industry is to focus on production of war items urgently needed all the energy and vigor and skill that can be gathered. It will tax resources, it will tax manpower, it will tax temperance. But it is a job industry must and will do."

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Says Hitler Stooze, German Army Staff Real World Enemy

By Dr. John H. Sherman

President of Webster College, Webster Park, Wis., Jan. 22.—One aspect of President Roosevelt's great speech should cause us real alarm. It was evidently addressed to the common people of Germany and Japan in effort to impress them with the hopelessness of resistance against our strength.

That was the strategy of Woodrow Wilson in the first world war, and it worked. As Europe saw the first two million men ready to fight, saw the first airplanes coming over the front, and saw a prodigious tonnage of new transports going up in our shipyards, morale broke and resistance wilted.

But that doesn't end the story. The German general staff, nucleus of the military party which has dominated Europe for four generations, promptly exiled the Kaiser and requested an armistice for negotiation of a peace. The whole civilized world rejoiced. We told ourselves that the Kaiser was the villain (it's Hitler now) and that we had no quarrel with the German people.

Germany, a perennially aggressive nation, got a peace without ever feeling war on her own soil, so could go on dreaming of war as a glorious adventure and a profitable enterprise. A peace was negotiated at Versailles which was far easier than any that Germany has ever allowed to any of her conquered enemies. The military clique which has ruled Germany thought and action through the Kaiser as its puppet was left to foment revenge under Ludendorff and Hindenburg until the time was ripe for the new figurehead, Hitler.

Our enemy is not the pathetic megalomaniac Hitler, but the shrewd and tireless General Staff and the German people who generation after generation show their approval of international aggression. Italy, Japan, Poland and Bulgaria are but tails to the kite which is the overweening conceit and ambition of the German people who seek to dominate the world.

So there must be no easy peace this time. We know now that Pershing was right in 1918 when he urged that only an unconditional surrender should be accepted, and that only in Berlin.

The German, Italian, and Japanese general staff must be eliminated this time, and all their records destroyed. The twenty-six United Nations of The World should immediately pledge themselves to accept no peace other than an unconditional surrender.

Further, we should resolve now, and proclaim, that no peace will be granted until every aggressor soldier, sailor, marine and aviator is back on his home soil and grounded there; and that there shall be no armistice to permit of easy withdrawal to that safety.

Let us insist that they retreat all the way under fire; that surrender be accepted only on their own soil; that this time they shall reap what they have sown.

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Special Offer For Service Men On Subscription

The Avon Park Times is making a special offer to all Service Men, whether they be in army, navy, or marines, of a one year's subscription for only \$1.25.

The regular price is \$2.50 when the paper is to be sent out of the country. This paper will be sent directly to the service man where ever he may be stationed.

This would be a good opportunity for parents or friends to give a gift that will arrive every week for one year. A gift that is a long way, letter, from home, telling all about the people he knows and misses.

Take advantage of this generous offer and send your son, brother, sweetheart, or friend your local news.

Florida Official Has Resigned

Tallahassee, January 22 (FNS)—

D. Kirk Gundy, chief examiner of the Florida Securities Commission, resigned Friday to become associated with the firm of B. J. Van Ingen & Company of New York and Miami. Gundy had been with the Commission since 1934 and served two terms as president of the National Association of Securities Commissioners. His successor has not yet been named by State Treasurer Ed. Larson.

Former Imports May Be Grown In State

Miami, January 22 (FNS)—The Florida Research Foundation is working diligently to uncover all available facts and data relative to the growing and processing of tropical and subtropical plants that will produce products formerly coming from the tropics.

The United States annually imports over \$400,000,000 worth of such products as rubber, kapok, silk, fibers, tapioca, guinea, nuts, and oils. Some of these can be successfully produced here and substitutes for them are being developed.

Foundation director H. I. Mosher points out an opportunity for Florida to develop extensive agricultural and industrial enterprises on the basis of information already available and it is certain that future data will disclose many additional such opportunities.

The United States Sugar Corporation at Clewiston, alert to this opportunity, has established a million dollar laboratory which is conducting research toward the production of new, needed and useful products, and their experiments with lemon grass have proven very successful. Florida today is the only source of lemon grass oil in this country and extract firms are ready to produce any amount that the state can produce.

If federal restriction on sugar production in the 70-odd states were removed, this state could soon provide all the sugar the nation might need, but at present can grow only

a pitiful amount, insufficient to meet the requirements of our own state.

U. S. Coast Guard In Need Of Men

Young men between the ages of 18 and 31 are urged to investigate the many opportunities offered by the U. S. Coast Guard at this time.

The Coast Guard is now operating as a part of the Navy. Regular enlistments are for a period of three years. The Coast Guard needs good men who can pass the required physical examination and are qualified in all respects. Men who have had previous service may be enlisted provided they pass the physical examination and last discharge was under honorable conditions.

Ex-Coast Guard or Navy men may be re-enlisted in same rating held at time of discharge. Headquarters will decide rating for men from Marine Corps and Army. Ex-service men must be under 40 years of age. Married men may be enlisted provided their wife signs the necessary papers giving her consent.

Men who are interested in serving their country in this branch of our military service should apply to U. S. Coast Guard Recruiting Office, Stovall's Professional Building, room 209, 306 Morgan Street, Tampa, Florida.

Varnish, soap, insecticide, fibre board and paper bags can be made from low-grade tobacco. Kentucky University chemists advise the research division of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce.

Texas Men Seeking Polk County Oil

Bartow, Jan. 22 (FNS)—Further exploration of Florida's subterranean in a renewed effort to discover gas and oil, is indicated in a lease filed here which gives Texas interests a 10-year claim to any gas, oil and mineral found in a 3,100-acre tract belonging to Mrs. I. A. Yarnall of Highland Park.

The tract covered by the lease is located between Alafia and Babson Park in Polk county and drilling must be undertaken within 12 months, according to the lease.

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Tampa Jaycees To Sponsor Pilots Training Course

Tampa, January 22 (FNS)—

Through the efforts of the Tampa Junior Chamber of Commerce, a pilot training course will be started here March 15, available to men who are not college students, between the ages of 19 and 28. S. W. Tyler, chairman of the Aviation Committee, announced that approval has been granted by the Civil Aeronautics Authority.

The course authorized is the same as the government-financed flying course now established at the University of Tampa. Applicants will receive a 10-week ground school and free flying instructions at the Ragsdale Flying School.

A Florida maker of perfume cartons is now manufacturing military police night sticks, and dough boards for army and navy kitchens, according to the Florida State Chamber of Commerce.



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