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Give Carlisle A "New Deal!"

Not being afflicted as yet with the dreaded disease of stagnation, from which one dies a slow and painless death, the Mercury has a few facts, or better known truths, that it would like to thrust into the faces of the citizens of Carlisle.

But first let us point out some of the advantages:

(1) We are located on a railroad and excellent highways.

(2) We have access to power with which to turn the wheels of industry.

(3) We have an unlimited amount of labor at our disposal.

(4) Our location, free from the jangles of great cities, but at the same time on good highways and a railroad offers ideal location for defense plants and important factories.

(5) We have room for expansion.

These are but a few of our virtues. Now we would like to know what has happened to Carlisle?

Here are a few of the facts that distress us:

(1) Where is the future of Carlisle?

(2) We have no defense plants going up. No factories are being built here as there are in other central Kentucky towns.

(3) We can not expect to survive after the present industrial spurt is over, if we do not have something to offer employment to the citizens of Nicholas county and something to bring more business to Carlisle.

(4) The stock market in this city has become an outstanding market in this section of the state. Quotation on the local market are as good as any, no matter where located. The fact remains, however, that to keep a market here it was necessary for the merchants to solicit funds to establish it. That should not be necessary for any business in Carlisle.

(5) At present we have one small project in the city. We are speaking of the Armory which is offering employment to a number of men, and, was the only reason that the WPA rolls of Nicholas county were not cut further in the recent nation wide slash.

(6) The CCC has abandoned its camp here. It stands idle with only a caretaker. What's going to be done with it?

(7) Where's the interest of Carlisle for its future? No one seems to care that we have no factories or industries (some seem to be afraid of any kind other than farming in our community.

(8) Why have city and county officials not done something, made some effort, to bring new business to Carlisle? Or, is it true that the city council does not want factories? The stock in the street believes that.

(We are not trying to pick a fight with any man or group of men. We are pointing out facts that distress us and many of the people of Carlisle and Nicholas county. We believe that our public officials are honest and make every effort to be good officials, but that is not enough. The old gray mare was honest and hard working, she filled her purpose until Henry came along with the T-Model Ford. Now she's left behind. That's how we feel about Carlisle. We are being left behind.)

(9) A step was taken recently by the city council to secure WPA funds to build enclosed sewers for the city. A city and a council committee were appointed in June to approach WPA officials, but the matter was dropped at the July meeting when the council was reluctant to continue when the citizen committee was not present. It will be continued at the October meeting however.

(10) What is the Business Men's club doing to get behind this project? What has been done to secure other projects? The club has great influence and now is the time for it to throw its influence in the battle to gain greater improvements and industries for the city.

(11) Why don't the business men of the city, county and city officials, and all interested parties, get together and form some program to try, at least, to bring industries to the city?

(12) How do the property owners think they are going to meet increasing taxes without more business? Why can't some industry help meet our burden? Incidentally, how long do property owners think they are going to get excellent rents (what they have been getting for six years) now that the CCC officers and families have abandoned the town and so many houses and apartments are vacant?

(13) What are many families going to do when the Armory is finished?

(14) Why are those that have a few of the world's almighty dollar, willing to sit on their haunches and do nothing to help the city?

(15) What became of that spirit that Carlisle used to be known for? Formerly Carlisle was known for getting what it went after. It was one of the most progressive towns in central Kentucky.

(16) How are you going to make a living next winter, if the Armory does not bring a payroll home? There will be five men for every job. But what job?

(17) Offers at one time or another have been made to establish button, overall, sock, and tomato factories in the city. A proper sewer disposal system is necessary for these industries but what is being done to get them here now that the sewer project is being worked out?

These are but a few of the things that the Mercury is wondering about. They are a few of the things that the progressive citizens of the city and county are thinking about.

The Mercury hereby makes this offer. It will cooperate to the limits of its financial ability, goodwill, and publicity with the citizens of Carlisle in an effort to bring industries to this city. It will take part in any meetings, will help organize a drive, will do its part in an effort to get the movement under way.

We invite the citizens of the city and county to write to the Mercury with suggestions by which to get this movement started. We will publish such communications with or without the name of the writer, however the writer desires, in an effort to give a fair view of the feelings of the citizens and a means of starting the movement.

It must be understood, however, that the movement must be a cooperative move of all the citizens. The Mercury calls upon every city and county official, every civic leader to make suggestions.

The Mercury will do everything in its power to arrange a meeting for the citizens to discuss and plan the movement. But the citizen must cooperate and do his part. Nothing can be accomplished if one sits back and says let the other fellow do it. The people of Paris deserve what they are getting because they have worked for it, but they are not smarter than we are nor are they better workers.

Carlisle must get to the future now, and get it while the getting good.

Blond Bottleneck.

It would be hard to think of two more incongruous matters than bombing raids and the bobbed-hair style for blond women, but there is a real connection. Read on.

Outcome of air battles often depends upon the accuracy of meteorological information furnished by the Weather Bureau. For its data the Weather Bureau relies greatly on a small radio device which fits into a small box Carried aloft by a six-foot balloon, the instrument sends out radio impulses recording temperature, cloud conditions, the velocity and direction of the wind.

When it reaches its maximum height of about 60,000 feet, or twelve miles, the balloon bursts and the instrument floats back to earth by means of a small parachute.

Part of the machine consists of parallel strands of fine blond hair. The short-hair style, which no longer can be called a fad, requires frequent clippings, with the result that the supply of strands long enough for use in the Weather Bureau's instrument has been reduced to the vanishing point. Until recently Balkan women have contributed a large part of the supply of long blond hair. That market has now been shut off.

There arises therefore the curious fact that American blondes with short hair are impeding the defense program. Perhaps a time will come when blondes will be asked to grow hair for their country.

Drive And Be Happy.

Government experts are now said to have come to the conclusion that there is not likely to be need for gasoline rationing in the eastern section of the United States. At any rate, they are now busily engaged in a coordination study that they do not have to stay at home for fear of lack of motor fuel. Incidentally, they do throw out the suggestion that pleasure speeds of travel are an aid to conservation.

Although Oil Coordinator Harold L. Ickes said a month ago that rationing probably would become necessary "in about a month or so," officials said nothing has happened since then to indicate that such action is "an immediate prospect."

The American Petroleum Institute has forecast that the shortage will be felt during the third quarter of the year, most likely in September, and would become acute near the end of 1941 and early in 1942.

"Nothing that can be foreseen now will prevent motorists from planning vacations for the next two months," one official said.

As a matter of fact, a shortage of gasoline in present conditions of production is going to be a reflection upon the ability of the oil coordinator to do his job.

Russian Wheat.

Arguing that a vast victory in Russia would critically reduce the supply of food for the Russian people and perhaps bring about a severe famine is the fact that Russia since czarist days has not been a ranking exporter of wheat.

Prior to the World War Russia sometimes led all surplus producing countries in wheat exports. This usually was at the expense of the peasants who subsisted on poor black bread so that the nation could sell wheat to obtain foreign exchange.

After the war Russia mechanized agriculture and increased its wheat production. But little of it has been exported, partly because Russian gold production was expanded sufficiently to provide adequate foreign exchange.

It would appear therefore that whatever wheat Germany may take out of Russia will be a reflection upon the ability of the Russians to do his job. Germany has plenty of labor, but whether it can make it produce enough food for itself, and also for its armies, is a question.

Paragraphs.

If turn about is fair play, the Finns, in their offensive against Russia, will do as poorly as the Russians did in their war in Finland.

The Washington MERRY-GO-ROUND

A PRESS-ASSOCIATION FEATURE

MEDITERRANEAN MIX-UP

Inside story on General Wavell's transfer to India, as told in diplomatic dispatches, is that Wavell had been quarreling with Churchill and had opposed political-military moves such as the campaign in Greece and Crete and the expedition to Syhan.

More important from the American point of view, Wavell had favored the evacuation of all British forces from the entire Mediterranean area. But U. S. military experts agreed with him—in fact, urged it.

So although in a sense General Wavell is being demoted, yet in other respects he will be in a position to command British forces from an area from which he had urged the British forces retreat.

For some time General Wavell had contended that Britain's position in the Mediterranean was indefensible. The British force of only ten divisions in the Near East faced a combined Axis total twice as strong—400,000 Germans and Italians in Libya, plus 600,000 Nazis in Greece, Bulgaria and Rumania.

This battle front has been partially diminished by transfers to Russia; but Wavell argued that the Nazi-Fascist armies could concentrate against Libya and Egypt, while the troops had to spread out over a far-flung line from Libya to Syria and Iraq. Therefore he disagreed with Churchill on military moves which had a political motive.

U. S. Worried Over Atlantic.

U. S. military and naval strategists sided with Wavell, were strong for the idea of a complete British withdrawal from the Mediterranean. The strategy behind this was twofold:

1. The British have lost 40 per cent of their original Mediterranean fleet. The losses at Crete were much worse than officially admitted, and even in the Syrian campaign British losses were considerable. Therefore, American naval men, facing the probability of having to help the British fleet in the Atlantic, did not want the fleet further weakened.

2. The United States is more interested in what happens on the bulge of Africa around Dakar, opposite Brazil, than it is in the Mediterranean.

Hence, and, both General Wavell and U. S. strategists favored the idea of withdrawing British forces from Egypt, Palestine, Syria and Iraq, establishing a new line of defense across the very center of Africa from Port Sudan on the Red sea to Freetown on the Atlantic ocean.

This line of defense meant that about 1,500 miles of the hottest desert in the world would be between the Nazis and the British lines. Across the desert it is difficult for tanks to operate without heating up; it is difficult for the average bomber to carry a load over such distances. So it was expected that the Nazis would exhaust themselves in the deep, hot deserts of Africa.

Part of the plan contemplated a highway and railroad across central Africa from Freetown and later from Dakar to Port Sudan.

Chamberlain Not Sick.

However, Churchill was flatly opposed. So were many other British leaders. They felt that the shock of withdrawal from the Mediterranean, traditional sphere of British influence, and from Suez which had been identified with the British empire for years, would be too much for a British public.

This debate occurred before the Nazis started for Russia and before the British march into Syria. But it was the slowness of Wavell's success in Syria, all these factors culminated in his transfer to India.

These Wavell can concentrate on defense of the most important part of the British empire—if the Nazis creep up on the Indian border in South Russia. Also, he will not be in the Mediterranean, for the defense of which he had no great enthusiasm.

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MERRY-GO-ROUND

It was a wild-eyed idea in Washington. The only breeze was kicked up by the little subway car running between the senate office building and the Capitol. Passenger Hattie Caraway, senator from Arkansas, clutched at her flying strands of hair.

Curly-haired Sen. Berkeley Bunker of Nevada, who succeeded to the seat of the late Key Pittman, never knew that a senate session had a seriously studying parliamentary procedure. Vice President Wallace has called him to preside during his absence more than any other senator.

United Service Organizations have had some big gifts, but none more touching than the savings brought by one Private Katz, who emptied on the desk 512 pennies, 44 nickels, 8 dimes and one quarter.

Displayed in the department of agriculture lobby are four practical pamphlets: "Cockroaches and Their Control," "Bedbugs: Causes and Cures," "House Ants," and "How to Control Fleas."

The President has on his desk a new leather briefcase, fastened securely at one end with a steel padlock.

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50 YEARS AGO

Thursday, July 23, 1891

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Kerns, of Crayton, on the 17th, a son.

Married—Miss Cretia A. Coons and Mr. Jerry Shrout, both of the county, at the home of the bride on the 21st.—Miss Lula Duncan and Mr. William Shoemaker, both of the Myers vicinity.

William Crawford, aged 29, struck by the northbound passenger train on a trestle near Pleasant Valley Monday morning and killed instantly.

Hon. C. M. Clay, Jr., and Judge J. O. Ward of Bourbon county address voters of Kentucky on the new Constitution at the court house in his city last Saturday.

40 YEARS AGO

Thursday, July 25, 1901

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Barnett, of this city, on the 19th, a son.—To Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Donaldson, of the county, a daughter.

Died—Mr. James M. Collyer, 72, father of Elliott Collyer, of this city, at his home near Sharpsburg.—Mrs. Walter Swartz, at her home near town on the 18th.

Horse driven by little son and daughter of Stewart Johnson became frightened and runs away near town Saturday morning. The horse was badly cut when it ran into a wire fence, the buggy was upset and wrecked but the children escaped injury.

Dr. G. B. Spencer reports that the remainder of the small pox patients have been released from quarantine and there is not a case in the county now. During the epidemic the last seven at weeks, probably two hundred citizens of the county were affected with the disease.

J. J. Veach takes charge of the local telephone plant to succeed Jerry Shrout, resigned. Mr. Veach and family will move here at once. Mr. Shrout has been offered a position in Nashville by the company.

Potato crop will be almost a total failure in the county according to all reports.

20 YEARS AGO

Thursday, July 21, 1921

Married—Mrs. Maude Purcell and Mr. James W. Hamilton, both of the county, Wednesday.—Miss Elizabeth Bell, 19, and Mr. Thomas C. Shrout, 21, at the home of the officiating minister Bela Metcalfe, Tuesday, July 5.

Died—Mrs. Carletos Ball, Mulberry, at the home of her mother in St. Louis last Friday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Lute Anderson, near town, on June 26, a 12-pound daughter.

A cavalcade of 20 automobiles rolled into Carlisle last Friday afternoon carrying about 90 boosters from the Chamber of Commerce of Mt. Sterling and Montgomery county, to create enthusiasm in the Montgomery County Fair which opened yesterday for a four day stay, and stop of about twenty minutes was made here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Watkins received a telegram from the War Department Wednesday morning, announcing the arrival of the body of their son at Antwerp. Young Watkins was mortally wounded in action in France, dying at a hospital the day next. The body will probably arrive in Carlisle in from ten days to two weeks.

Mrs. William Rogers, formerly Nicholas county woman, was killed by lightning Wednesday at her home on the Ruddles Mill pike, three miles from Paris.

OTHER EDITORIALS

WHEN IT RAINS

(Christian Science Monitor)

"There's always a robin when it rains," says Billy. Then with the afterthought of a Captain Corcoran, of the good ship Pinafore, Billy adds, "Well, almost always."

The robin knows that being the early bird is not everything. Being the early bird on hand is also worth two in the bush to him. He knows better even than to hide in the sun. Put out your lawn sprinkler when you want to see the birds. Watch how they around the perimeter of moisture with what appears to be esthetic pleasure. But he keeps one eye for business, and the other for the same thing.

It probably would interest Billy to know in this roundabout way, to hear what Billy says. The robin looks at the whole, he puts it. "There's always a robin when you look at it from another angle. A worm when it rains."

YOUTH FOR DEFENSE

(Ashland Daily Independent)

The armed forces of the United States are being given a dip in the fountain of youth.

No longer will it be policy to induct men of military age, soldiers from 28 to 36 to 45 years of age, into the Army, the Navy, the Air Corps need youth.

Modern warfare is not that, just as war has always demanded it. The quick reflexes, the fleet of foot—these are youth's and youth's alone. Further, to be trained to be an effective soldier, the longer the time, the better. So far in the future, no man knows. The younger the trainee, the longer the experience, the more of value to the nation.

Every generation must make its own world. It is the young who have the guts, and energy, what kind of a world it shall be, for it is they who must live longest in it.

Thus, while it seems shameful, a sad way that they must go, to see the young men, the lads, be cut down in war before they have had a chance to probe deeply into the world's beauties and its ugliness it is also they who hold the long stake.

So we have learned that it is older men who should be sent out to the wars, since they have already drunk deeply at life's fountains and have so much less to lose. But it is by that very token that they cannot be entrusted with the future. To Marshal Petain, stumbling down the last remaining years of life, it makes less difference that France is only a painful and perverted stump of a nation, with nothing free and good to which to cling. To Hitler, with a few years of tolerable comfort is still such a prize to be won.

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That is not good enough for those who have a full life to live out. To each, as an index of that double life which is all any totalitarian country can offer, he is good enough to be a cannon fodder.

WAR IS THE DARING BUT LOGICAL STEP

(Courier-Journal)

The Germans call our occupation of Iceland an active military step "from a military point of view," and, said an official spokesman in Berlin, "these troops might as well be in a British pen."

Oddly enough, the Germans are speaking the truth.

In the current issue of "Look," in an article written before the attack on occupation of Iceland, Major Malcolm Wheeler Nicholson says that the American Army of today—half trained and imperfectly equipped—could be used in a fight to the death against Hitler. The Major's idea is that we would some make up our minds to do it, and that we would then have enough men at once to replace British troops in the "secondary" areas and where there is no fighting but where armies must be maintained. He lists as the Red Sea posts, India, Burma, Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Iceland, etc.

Major Wheeler Nicholson estimates that if we were to make such use of the American Army, and also put a battle fleet at Singapore, we could immediately release for combat work 1,275,000 fully trained and fully equipped British troops. The Navy at Singapore would release 50,000 of these troops, so only about 700,000 Americans would be needed for the whole operation.

A million and a quarter troops today, while Hitler is still busy in Russia, may be worth 5,000,000 tomorrow. We cannot judge the soundness of the Major's plan. But it is a daring and imaginative plan—and only during plus imagination can win this war fast, can save the lives of the millions of Americans who will be killed if we allow the war to degenerate into a long drawn out battle of the rest of the world against the United States.

That battle will come unless we beat Hitler while we have allies we cannot beat Hitler without fighting him. In Iceland we have constituted an "active military step." Why not be daring and logical and commit a war?

LAW AND JUSTICE

Law is the embodiment of the moral sentiment of the people —Blackstone.

A law is valuable not because it is law, but because there is right in it—Henry Ward Beecher.

I believe in obeying the laws of the land. I practice and teach this obedience, since justice is the moral signification of law. Injustice denotes the abuse of law.—Mary Baker Eddy.

What we seek is the reign of law, based upon the consent of the governed and sustained by the organized opinion of mankind—Woodrow Wilson.

There is but one law for all, namely, that law which governs all law, the law of the Creator, the law of humanity, justice, equity—the law of nature and of nations—Edmund Burke.

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NEWS OF KENTUCKY

Gilbert Wills, Clark county tenant farmer, was held Saturday for cutting in affray.

A drive for old aluminum sponsored by the service and civic clubs of Mt. Sterling began Monday in Montgomery county.

The WPA Monday started construction of a $125,000 fine arts building on Murray State College campus.

Dr. Henry H. Hill took office as the University of Kentucky's first dean, but found that he did not have an office.

Eugene Wagner, 17, Louisville, drowned Monday in Harrods Creek while learning to swim.

Mrs. Annette Willis Howard, postmistress of Versailles died Saturday night at the Good Samaritan hospital in Lexington.

An armed bandit held up the Woodland Park service station at Hazard Sunday and escaped with $62 in cash.

Twelve candidates, more than for any other office, are seeking the nomination for jailer of Lawrence county, subject to the August primary.

Corbett Lee Baker, 34, Breathitt county, was charged with violation of the National Selective Service act at Lexington on Wednesday.

Edward Cox, 21, and William J. Blacky Carter, 32, both of Pinckard, Woodford county, were held to the October grand jury on charges of rape.

Slump Browning, 37, of Madison county, was fined $100 and cost and sentenced to 30 days in jail in police court at Richmond Thursday for drunken driving.

Nine children, all under five years of age, have been stricken in Lawrence and Johnson counties in an outbreak of infantile paralysis over the week end.

Mrs. Margaret Beaver, 20, Corbin, was killed and five others injured in a headon collision Monday of two automobiles a mile north of Falmouth Sunday night.

Three hundred persons had registered at latest report, for possible employment in the textile factory which will open at Paris in the near future.

Clifton David Dunegan, 14, of Delvinta, Lee county, was burned critically about most Monday when a can of blazing gasoline spilled on his clothing.

Cass G. Alsop, 65, Scott county farmer, was killed instantly Saturday night when struck by an automobile on U. S. route No. 25, just north of Georgetown.

Extensive reconditioning, inside and outside the State Capitol building, which already has a new roof, is expected to be started early in August.

Approximately 1,500 names were stricken off the Kentucky county registration books by the purgation board last Thursday and Friday.

Dr. Marvin Ransdell, Floyd County health officer, has warned of the possibility of a typhoid fever epidemic following recent heavy rains.

Rev. Richard Lighburne McCready, 80, dean emeritus of Christ Church Cathedral, Louisville, died Sunday in St. Joseph Infirmary where he was admitted July 6.

After months of house-to-house canvassing and private entreaties for money, the Louisville Field Army of the American Society for Control of Cancer has raised $5,300.

Robert Lee Lindsay, 71, retired farmer of Scott county, was found dead Wednesday in his room at his home in that county by a shotgun wound in the heart.

The Chippewaya — Mayaville Country Clubs — invite national golf tournament—began Wednesday—with the qualifying round to be played over 18 holes.

Workmen started Monday to stake off the grounds for the new building that the War Department is to build at the Kentucky State Hospital near Danville.

Pulaski county was granted permission by the state Thursday to reorganize its financial structure by refunding $335,000 worth of outstanding bonds, on which the proceeds were lost in the collapse of a brokerage firm.

Wilbur Brassfield, 18, drowned shortly after noon Sunday in the Ohio river at Louisville.

A total of 4,435 persons visited the Old Kentucky Home State Park at Bardstown over the Fourth of July week end, it was reported Friday.

Recent rains, swelling Trade-water River and smaller streams to overflowing, have brought damage to corn, hay, oat and tobacco in Hopkins and Webster Counties.

Albert Kearnes, 76, farmer, was in serious condition at the Harrison Memorial hospital at Cynthiana from injuries suffered Friday when he was struck by an automobile.

An additional $20,000 has been granted by Civil Aeronautics Authority to finance construction of the new Lexington airport on the Versailles pike, it was announced Monday.

Willard Hunter, 17, and Albert, 22, his brother, were treated at the Richmond hospital Monday for injuries received in an altercation. Willard Hunter's condition was considered serious.

Traffic over West Kentucky's toll bridge at Paducah set a record for above the level of June 1940, and revenue for the five years was $33,000 or a total of $291,000 for the period, it was learned.

Twelve thousand officers and men of the First Armored Division left Fort Thomas early Tuesday of week-stained overalls. Tuesday and into summer weather, it celebrated the unit's first anniversary.

Members of the 10th district Kentucky Medical Association, held a dinner-meeting at the Lexington Country Club Thursday. Dr. H. Arnold Grise spoke on "Compound Fractures."

Forty-three Kentucky youths from NYA resident centers in Louisville and Richmond on Thursday for Verona, N. J., to attend a center three-day work in a resident center where they seek jobs in nearby defense industries.

A stock barn on the J. C. Cosby farm near Winchester was destroyed by fire caused by spontaneous combustion Friday. Two purebred calves and a large quantity of hay also were burned.

Federal Judge Mac Swinford rejected Friday a Government plea for reappraisal of the tolls to be paid landowners and tenants as compensation for taken for a $2,500,000 Army Signal Corps Depot at Avon.

Three golf caddies were killed by lightning the State Golf Links at Louisville Monday and others were knocked down and stunned as they accompanied players. The dead were Richard Coulter, 14, William Langer, 17, and Bobby Harding, 17.

The Western Dark Fired Tobacco Growers' Association advanced money on a 1940 crop total of 8,892,000 pounds it was reported Monday. This is almost seven times as much as the advance total on 1,293,020 pounds.

Plans for the construction of a $250,000 electric power generating and transmission system to serve the REA cooperatives in eastern Kentucky were made at a meeting of eastern Kentucky REA project superintendents at Danville Monday.

Rockcastle County jailer reported Sunday he is holding Miss Dona Nunnelly, 40 and Pvt. Paul Ogle, 22, Fort Knox, in connection with the critical wounding of Jesse Childres, 23, laborer, at Mt. Vernon Saturday night on a crowded street.

A budget of $141,783.22 submitted to the Scott Fiscal Court by the county board of education has been approved, it was announced Saturday. School tax levies were fixed at 75 cents on the $100 and $350,000 on property and 40 cents on bank shares.

Burley Crop Down 13 Pct. U. S. Estimates

The United States Department of Agriculture predicted Thursday that the 1941 burley tobacco crop would total 325,361,000 pounds or 13 per cent less than the 1940 crop.

Kentucky's tobacco acreage was put at 317,400 with an indicated acre yield of 867 pounds, thus a total production of 275,147,000 pounds.

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This Week In Defense

President Roosevelt informed Congress he had ordered a Navy force to Iceland to "forestall any pincers movement . . . by Germany against the Western Hemisphere." He said Germany's occupation of that country would threaten the North American continent, disrupt shipping in the North Atlantic, and the flow of munitions to Britain. The President said he had also ordered to take "all necessary steps" to insure safety of communications" in the approaches between Iceland and the United States, as well as on the seas between the U. S. and all other strategic outposts."

The President later told his press conference that whether Iceland lies outside the Western Hemisphere is an academic question. He said there are points outside the commonly accepted Hemisphere limits which are of importance to U. S. defense, and that in occupying Iceland he acted to forestall a hostile move which strategists considered logical or likely.

Selective Service

Selective Service Headquarters announced that 21-year-olds who registered July 1 will be given draft numbers so they will be called to service after 19-year-olds registrants rather than ahead of or with older men, order numbers will be determined by national lottery on July 17.

Headquarters advised local boards that they may call men who volunteered for civilian or military duty ahead of others in British forces. The House passed legislation to permit enlistment of 44-year-olds men on July 1.

Aire Education

The President allocated $15,000,000 of WPA funds for a program to educate 1,000,000 aliens in the duties and respons-ibilities of citizenship. More than 11,000 teachers on WPA rolls will conduct classes for aliens who wish to become citizens.

Registered Civilian Organizations

WPA announced that more than 200,000 national, state and local civilian organizations, of 50,000,000 members will be enlisted within the next 60 days to determine the parts the organizations can individually play in home defense so the Office of Civilian Defense can use qualified persons for new jobs. All except purely social groups will be invited.

Civilian Supply

OPM conservation officials announced that "our purchases, our habits, our daily lives will have even our styles, will be controlled by the requirements of national defense." Some of the changes facing the public, officials said, will be a ban in bottle tops; beverages in bottles rather than cans; silk hose and parachutes will make silk stockings unnecessary; women will have fewer permanent waves, cosmetics, and facial creams. In the automotive world, there will be no chrome, no plated trim on automobiles; farmers will choose their farm implements with a view of plows; chrome, copper, aluminum and wooden tools of farming will probably not be available to the furniture industry; and many designs will be eliminated.

Hay Coal Now

The Federal Bituminous Coal Consumers' Counsel appealed to the nation to buy coal now so it can be moved from mines before growing defense production burdens the railroads' transportation system. There is an ample supply of the coal, the counsel said, but by September 15 shortages in some places may develop unless coal moves several months to allow the industry time to work out problems voluntarily. He announced, however, that ceiling prices will be placed within a few days on cottonseed oil and certain grades of West coast lumber used by the Government. Mr. Henderson also stated that recent action to check rises in hide prices" does not mean the OPACS expects to freeze livestock or meat prices.

Navy

The President asked Congress for an additional $4,700,000,000 for the Army, most of it for purchase of heavy guns, $400,000,000 for clothing and other equipment, $200,000,000 for the Marine Corps and $350,000,000 for the Signal Corps, and $1,000,000 for horses.

The War Department announced formation of a completely motorized, and heavily armed experimental division, strengthened with tanks, with 50 per cent more fire power than a present armored division, although with 14,000 instead of 15,550 men. The Department also announced that to bolster single rivet, anti-tank defenses, anti-tank guns are to be adapted to the heavy Army large unit to work with tanks and defeating armored force attacks.

OPM announced that during June 1,476 military planes were delivered to the Army, Navy and Great Britain—142 more than the previous record set in new record. The War Department announced contracts of $1,000,000,000 for new airplane manufacturing facilities and ordered all Air Corps Reserve Officers except those in staff assistant positions to active duty by August 1. The Army Air Corps established a new Air Staff to form Air Force plans and decide on expansion of the service without the approval of the General Staff as heretofore.

Navy

The President asked Congress for $1,625,000,000 in appropriations and contract authority for the Navy for additional ordnance, yard equipment, planes, and repairs, including $400,000,000 for defense installations on naval and private ships—and mine equipment, armor, etc., but, the President reported, no money for guns to arm merchant ships.

Rear Admiral Robinson, Chief of the Navy's Bureau of Ships, announced the Navy shipbuilding program is proceeding so rapidly that "every single contract ship is ahead of schedule." He said the problem of labor supply has been solved and the rate of expansion is limited chiefly by the ability to obtain materials.

The President asked Congress for $1,638,000,000 for the U. S. Maritime Commission, including $608,000,000 in cash for new ships and $1,296,000,000 in contract authorizations.

The U. S. Maritime Commission announced a saving of more than 500,000 tons of steel in the building of 705, commission-designed ships by construction methods not known in the first World War. The Commission said the greatest single weight saving measure was the substitution of welding to replace riveting so that entire ships are now built without a

Ashland Receives Bids On Parking Meters

The Ashland City Council received bids last Tuesday on parking meters for installation in traffic congested areas, but deferred further action on their purchase until the Court of Appeals ruled on legality of their use.

The test suit, filed by the Louisville Automobile Club, is expected to come before the Appellate Court after the autumn session convenes.

Lashley Quads To Go Home Soon

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Lashley of Leitchfield, parents of Kentucky's famous quadruplets, met their children for the first time last Wednesday. The quads are named John, Michael, Michael and Martine. The Lashley's have eight other children.

Plans for returning the quads to their home at Leitchfield are being made and will be carried out as soon as the Lashley's new 10-room home is completed.

Half of the first floor of the new house will belong to the Lashleys. Lashley's brother, a special nurse will be with them until they are about three months or two years old. They will sleep in a hall and kitchen separate from the rest of the family. A milk company is building for the new home.

Mr. Lashley said he was not political of the Democratic party, he would admit the public to see the quads as soon as the quads are 25 cents a head.

Democracy Worth It Says Man In Street

From all parts of the country and from all walks of life, American citizens are voicing their willingness to pay the new taxes, to foot the bill so that the freedom and security in this land.

The tax load is a tremendous one, but counterbalancing are substantial. A strong national defense, good government, good and libraries, police and fire protection, fine streets and highways and playgrounds—all these are the children of taxpayers. While it may not be denied that taxes have increased in recent years and are mounting at a speedy rate now, neither may it be refuted that Americans today are receiving more for their tax dollar than ever before.

We receive more in return for our money, a greater degree of liberty and security in this country from our tax dollar than do any other people under the sun. Incidentally, our taxes are small in comparison with the levies of foreign lands. In England and Germany, for example, taxes now exceed fifty per cent of all income.

Fort Sheridan News

(By Pvt. George P. Saunders)

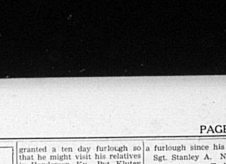
Twenty-two of the boys were home the 4th, 5th and 6th of July, approximately only 15 per cent of the men, which is 17, were allowed to leave on week-end passes but as the 4th of July came on Friday, 70 per cent of the men were allowed to leave. This was the first time since we arrived in Fort Sheridan on the third of March that we have had a chance to get home. We were all mighty glad to see all of our friends in Carlisle and to set foot on Kentucky soil again. The only thing that we didn't like about it was that our time was too short. We were glad to see so many of our friends in Paris to stay with us until our train, which was an hour late, came in. We finally got back to Fort Sheridan safely about 9:30 Monday morning. It was a tiresome trip but it was worth it to get to see the old "home town" again.

While we were in Carlisle, three of the boys, William G. Kerfield, Henry D. Vaughn and James N. Worten were guests of the Edgewater Beach hotel, in Chicago over the week end. This is one of the largest and most exclusive hotels in Chicago. While at this hotel the boys were in the Marine Dining Room, danced to the music of Russ Morgan on the outdoor dance floor and stayed in some of the best rooms in the hotel. Every week this hotel pays all expenses for five sailors from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station and five soldiers from Fort Sheridan to stay over the week end.

Sgt. Stanley A. Newlin visited relatives in Covington and Cincinnati and Sgt. Claude G. Ewd visited relatives in Lexington over the week end.

Pvt. George W. Klutey was granted a ten day furlough so that he might visit his relatives in Henderson, Ky. Pvt. Klutey was inducted in the Army October 19, 1940, and had not had a furlough since his induction.

Sgt. Stanley A. Newlin was promoted to a Technical Sgt. the first of July.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