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SCARS OF BALLLE HEALED

On the afternoon of July 3, 1938, there was dedicated on the famous Gettysburg battlefield a shaft in commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the major engagement fought there. This perpetual symbol of peace, known as the "Eternal Light Peace Memorial," was dedicated to "every man, woman and child who, in any way, participated in the war between the states."

The structure which has been erected on the crest of Oak Hill is 85 feet in length, 42 in width, and 55 feet in height, At the top burns "an everlasting flame" fed by natural gas and visiable for many miles in every direction. Carved in the granite on the face of the memorial are these words: "Peace Eternal in a Nation United." On one side appear President Lincoln's famous words: "With Firmness in the Right, as God Gives Us to See the Right," while on the other side this scription is carved: "An Enduring Light to Guide Us in Unity and Fellowship."

Concurrent with the dedication was the final joint reunion of the "Blue and the Gray." This memorial was suggested by 54,000 Union and Confederate veterans when they held their first joint reunion at Gettysburg in 1913. It was made possible by appropriations from the Federal Government and the States of New York, Virginia, Pennsylvannia, Indiana, Illinois, Tennessee, and Wisconsin. The President of the United States delivered the dedicatory address.

The Eternal Light atop the new Gettysburg peace memorial burns day and night, but burns brighter at night.

The natural gas which feeds the flame is reduced during the day, since it is visible for only a limited distance.

When night falls, however, the gas supply automatically is increased, and the flames spout three to four feet in the air. The gas costs about $1,000 annually.

THE HUMAN ELEMENTS

With safety glass, steel turret top bodies and Life Guard tubes, automobiles are now safer than drivers, according to Government highway safety engineers. Eventually, the experts hope they will be greeted in their fight to drastically curb America's high toll of dead and injured in traffic accidents, through the enactment of uniform traffic and compulsory inspection laws. They admit, however, that the human element remains the greatest highway safety hazard.

Safety engineers hail the advent of Life Guard safety tube os probably the greastest recent contribution to highway safety. This new tire introduced by President Paul W. Litchfield of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company of Akron, Ohio, permits the driver to bring his car to a dead stop without swerving and accident in the event of a blowout or puncture. The new tube is actually two tubes, one of which retains air when there is a puncture or blowout for a sufficient length of time for the diver to bring the car under control without swering.

THE NEW LABOR STANDARDS LAW

Our Secretary of Labor outlines plans for the new wage-hours enforcement. In effect, she includes Administration in the Labor Department and through committees in industries to proceed somewhat after the methods of the NRA.

Congress gave authority for Government regulation of child labor. Further control for labor and social problems is taking shape.

The Federal Government provides everything that organized labor has demanded in recent years.

PASSING AROUND THE MONEY

Relief chiefs of the Administration tell how they will spend. $362,000,000 is going to the farmers; $515,000,000 for food; $220,000,000 to properaty owners for rent; $150,000,000 for furniture, fuel gas, water, electricity and household operation; $50,000,000 to doctors and dentists; $60,000,000 for street car and bus rides; $1,000,000,000 for materials and supplies for workers who will be employed; $800,000,000 for housing; $225,000,000 for flood control and rivers and harbors. "Come-On-Along," sing Wallace, Hopkins and Ickes.

PARTY PURGE

J. E. Jones

Washington—Political war is being waged by Administration leaders upon Democratic candidates for reelection who have opposed the President. This is "an old American custom," but it has failed in the past. The situation changes somewhat, though, with the years, and we find that Chairman Farley of the Democratic Committee, Secretary Ickes, Harry Hopkins, James Roosevelt, and other leaders, tell who to "purge". Unofficially, John L. Lewis has been trying his hand. He failed in Pennsylvania, and now there is considerable worry in National political circles in Washington about how much damage he may do to Democratic plans.

Senator Wheeler of Montana, who led the Democratic revolt against the Roosevelt court reorganization bill, speaks the opinion prevailing in a large part of the Senate and House that the interference from Washington in State affairs by National leaders, will be resented by the voters, and endanger the existing power of the majority party in Congress, help the third party headed by the LaFollettes, and likely lose the Presidency for the Democrats in the 1940 elections. This may seem like pessimism to a large part of the electorate of the country. Only time will tell whether Senator Wheeler has prophesied the future correctly.

A hundred or more Congressmen admit privately that they are in danger of defeat this Fall—and most of them are supporters of the New Deal.

Evidently the "party purge" is part of a plan to reorganize the Democratic party, among whose leaders there is a general understanding that there must be an increase of "liberials" to maintain the New Deal and offset the loss of membership of voters who believe in more "conservative" methods of Government. They are headed towards the Republican party.

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Uncertainty

The national outlook for improvement in the business situation changes somewhat, but so-called "elements of recovery" are developing very slowly. "Relief" through Government spending is on the way, but "jobs" in private industry are still very uncertain. It will be recalled that the prophets began last Fall to promise "better times" will come in the Fall. Sit tight, brother.

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What's The Matter

Production has dropped in the United States by approximately 40 per cent. 4,000,000 additional workers have swelled the ranks of the unemployed. Free markets are dull so far as customers go. The customers are either broke or on the rocks. The buying power is down. There is competition everywhere—only the politicians deny the fact.

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There's Hope

The National Labor Relations Board seems likely to undergo improvements. Numerous Court spankings, as well as pats on the back by the Courts should stimulate the Board to a fuller realization of its broad obligations to employers and workmen and its opporttunities to improve relations between employers and employees.

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No Trouble To Duck This One

The easiest thing Congress did this session was to shelve President Roosevelt's proposal to regulate bank holding companies.

Plans for Maryland's part in the World's Poultry Congress, Which is to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1939, will be a major topic for discussion at the summer meeting of the Maryland State Poultry Council at Ocean City on July 27 and 28. This is the first time that the world poultry events has been held in this country and representatives of more than 60 foreign countries are expected to be present.

During the year 1937 the county agents and home demonstration agents in Maryland made 24,843 farm or home visits to 12,013 different farms or homes in carrying on their work. They received 75,601 calls at their offices on matters pertaining to extension work and 50,474 telephone calls of a similar nature.

LUNCHES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

The distribution of hot lunches to thousands of school children during the past two-and-a-half years is rated among the most important Work Progress Administration projects in Maryland, by F. H. Dryden, State Administrator.

Pointing out that when the first WPA program was launched in Maryland a survey revealed that 85 per cent of the school children in certain sections of the State were undernourished, Mr. Dryden said:

"All WPA programs are designed to build not only for the present but the future. Roads, bridges, sewage systems and other physical accomplishments of WPA will serve their communities for years to come.

"But when you consider we have given good health, perhaps life itself, to thousands of school children, giving them an opportunity to grow into strong men and women, I feel that these projects must be rated on a par with the most important carried out in the State."

The hot lunch projects were sponsored by the Board of Education in the various counties, and supported largely through contributions made by Parent-Teacher Associations of the various schools.

Menus are prepared according to specifications laid down by trained dieticians.

Wholesome nourishing food is provided the children, including meat, vegetable stews, puddings and fresh fruits. School lunch projects were carried out in Charles, Queen Anne, Talbot and Wicomico.

During the present year the hot lunch project at Fruitland, Wicomico county, has served more than 8900 lunches; the project in the Centerville Elementary School, Queen Anne's, has served about 35,000 lunches to 77 children, while the Talbot County project served about 10,900.

The largest of these projects, now suspended, was carried out in Charles county, where 639 children were being served each day. A total of 124,491 lunches were served while this project was active.

UNEMPLOYED IN MARYLAND

During the past few weeks the number of unemployed persons seeking work through the Maryland State Employment Service has been reduced by more than 20,000, it was announced this week by D. L. B. Fringer, Director.

The past week saw 710 men and women returned to work by the 11 branches of the State Employment Service, 424 of them being placed in private industry.

Commenting on the progress made by the Service during the past month, Mr. Fringer said:

"The active file for the entire State has been reduced to approximately 100,000, or 23,000 less than on the first of June. This would indicate that seasonal reemployment begins to be felt.

"The fact that more than twice as many persons were placed with private employers during the past week, than on public works projects, also indicates that the Service is fulfilling its major purpose. That is the gradual stabilization of the employment picture by putting men and women back to work in private industry."

During the week just past the 11 offices of the State Employment Service reported the following placements:

Annapolis, 21; Baltimore, 377; Cambridge, 45; Chestertown, 6; Cumberland, 27; Frederick, 83; Hagerstown, 51; Hywattsville, 14; Rockville, 9; Salisbury, 33 and Towson, 44.

SOCIAL SERVICE

Tuberculosis, cancer and syphilis are being brought under control. Government health authorities are securing general cooperation from the States in fighting these scourges.

Idle men and women with money may find opportunities in their cities and communities to render distinguished public service in the better health field.

THE MODERN POWER

In earliest-America the rivers and streams were highways. Then a few horses were introduced into the Colonies. A hundred years ago steam railroads were developing. Within the last forty years coal has been replaced to a large extent by oil and electricity.

But most persons will be surprised to know that the Diesel engine is now being used on more than 23 railroads.

As the final "all aboard" is sounded, all of the good American pioneer spirit surges through your being as you pull out on one of these Diesel powered streamlined trains with electric heat, new type electric lights, telephones, private rooms, new types beds, shelves, closets and many other new things—in other words a first class hotel. And all this is whisked across continent at 100 miles per hour by the new 5,400-horse power locomotive which was built by General Motors at La Grange, Illinois.

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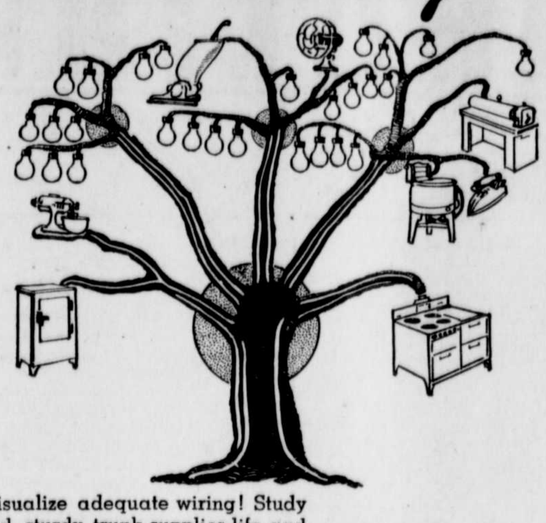

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HOW

LAUGHTER FRESHENS BLOOD AND AIDS HEART ACTION.—Mirth is to the human body as sunshine is to vegetation, Dr. S. A. Shoemaker states in an article entitled "Laughter" in Hygeia, the Health Magazine.

If we would have life abundant and flowing over, we need a copious supply of oxygen, the author declares, and this can be secured most easily through laughter. At the same time, this deeper oxygenization of the blood is secured without the irksomeness of conscious effort that accompanies exercise taken up for its own sake.

Thus through laughter one can vitalize one's blood while reclining on an overstuffed couch when not able to engage in active sports in the gymnasium.

Laughter is a source of therapy for the neurotic, irregular heart. Patients with this affliction are afraid to laugh lest their heart will stop altogether; whereas experiments have proved that a hearty laugh repeated at proper intervals has relieved this trouble. The heart is deeply under the influence of the emotions, and the free outburst of laughter combined with its mechanical action produces a salutary effect on that organ.

Laughter is a good exercise for the digestive organs. They are definitely moved to increased activity by the shaking and massage they get from the abdominal muscles during laughter.

How Word "Straw" Became Part of Word Strawberry

The origin of "straw" in strawberry isn't known for certain. The word is from the Anglo-Saxon "streaw." The dictionary suggests that strawberries were probably so named because the runners resemble straws. Another source regards the word "strawberry" as a corruption of "strayberry," referring to the straying habits of the runners in reproducing new plants.

It is customary to cover strawberry beds with straw to keep down the weeds, fertilize the soil and prevent the earth from soiling the berries. This circumstance is responsible for the name, according to some authorities. A more picturesque theory holds that the name alludes to the old custom of stringing strawberries on straws and selling them on market days for so much a straw.

How to Develop Track Form

Here are some pointers on developing track form: Perfect form is very seldom natural; it must be learned. The first and most important thing for any young runner to strive for is relaxation. Any tenseness you may have while running puts a strain on every one of your muscles and increases fatigue. Therefore your entire performance is slowed down. You must work toward an easy, natural running form, with your body leaning forward and a co-ordination of your arm and leg motion. Have you ever tried running with your hands in your pockets? Try it some time, and you'll see how important your arm movement is in developing a good running stride.

The sharp business man is always prepared for dull times.

How to Clean Unglazed Stone

An efficient cleaning preparation for unglazed stone door sills is made from one gallon of soft soap, one pint of ammonia and two pounds of finely powdered pumice stone, says the National Paint, Varnish and Lacquer association. The stone should first be thoroughly cleaned of soot and dust, the mixture applied and allowed to stand for a half hour or more. Then scrub well into the surface of the stone with a stiff brush or broom. Rinse off thoroughly with clear water. If one application is not sufficient repeat the process a second time.

How to Imitate Stained Glass

Ordinary cloth dyes obtainable at drug and dry goods stores can be used to imitate stained glass. A color is selected and the dye is then mixed with white shellac, which is then applied to the glass. If transparency is required, one coat is enough. Successive coats reduce transparency. A coat of thinned clear varnish is then applied over the shellac stain, permitting cleaning with a dampened cloth.

How to Frame Pictures

Put a little imagination into the framing of your pictures and see what a difference this touch of individuality makes. Above all, avoid using a heavy, elaborately embellished frame, especially a gilt one, unless you have an old master to put in it and a very ornate room to hang it in. For water colors, etchings and modern paintings, frames of simple design are much more pleasing.

How Large Lobsters Grow

Sometimes lobsters are caught weighing 15 pounds and a few have been known to reach 28 pounds. Lobsters sold in markets are usually from 1 to 2 pounds in weight.

How to Pick Elephant Pets

If you want an elephant mascot which will bring you luck, says an expert in India, you must choose one which has the right tusk higher than the left.

Bible Land

According to the Ordnance map of Britain, there are six Jerichos, five Paradises, four Egypts, and four Edens. Nineveh and Mounts Zion, Ararat, and Ephraim occur three times each. Calvary is in Bedfordshire, Jordan Hill in Dorset, and Job's Hill in Durham. There is a Land of Nod in Hants, Moab's Washpot in Worcester, and Noah's Ark in Kent. To crown all, there is a Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Gideon, Gebron, Joppa, Herod, Babel, and Golgotha.

Lincoln Saying

Abraham Lincoln once said: "If I were to try to read, much less answer, all the attacks made upon me this shop might as well be closed for any other business. I do the very best I know how—the very best I can; and I mean to keep doing so until the end. If the end brings me out all right, what is said against me won't amount to anything. If the end brings me out wrong, 10 angels swearing that I was right, could make no difference."

Caring for the new jobless is necessary and decent; but in Heaven's name why not change the system that makes them jobless?

COOPERATIVE PURCHASES INCREASE

Purchases made through cooperatives have increased decidedly since 1930 judging from the indications of a special census 1938 survey just released. The proportion of farmers who made purchases cooperatively is 17 percent in this survey compared with 7 percent in 1930, according to Mr. William L. Austin, Director of the Census, Department of Commerce. Another striking feature of the limited survey is the great increase in the number of tenants making cooperative purchases compared with the increase in purchases made by owners. While the proportion of owners making purchases cooperatively more than doubled in the 8-year period, rising from 9 percent to 19.5 percent, the increase for tenants from 3.9 percent to 13.5 percent is more than three times as great. It is to be noted that, owing to the difference in price levels, the average amount of purchases decreased in about the same proportion as the decline in the commodity index of articles purchased. Compared with the phenomenal increase in the proportion of farmers making use of cooperatives in purchasing, the increase in the proportion selling cooperatively is relatively small, being only a few percentage points. As in case of cooperative purchases the principal feature is the increase in the number of tenants taking advantage of cooperation in selling.

The indications of this special survey, which covered about 3,000 farmers in selected counties in 40 States, are too limited to use with absolute certainty. They are, however, judged in connection with other facts, sufficient to outline the general tendencies of the cooperative movement. Further basis of judgment for those desiring to appraise this survey may be made from the total cooperative sales recorded from these farms which were $470,840, and purchases which were $146,515. The enumeration on which this report is based was made by the field force of the Division of Crop and Livestock Department of Commerce, in the preparation of the coming 1940 Census of Agriculture.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Truth" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, July 24.

The Golden Text will be from Psa. 36:11: "Teach me thy way, O Lord; I will walk in thy truth; unite my heart to fear thy name."

Among the citations comprising the Lesson-Sermon will be the following from the Bible, John 17:1: "These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes and said, 'Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee."

The Lesson Sermon also will include passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, among which is the following, page 3: "The Divine Being must be reflected by man,—else man is not the image and likeness of the patient, tender, and true, the one 'altogether lovely;' but to understand God is the work of eternity, and demands absolute consecration of thought, energy and desire."

Our trouble isn't violation of the rules, but want of brains to invent the right rules for us to obey.