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MEMORIAL DAY

Friday, May 30, is Memorial Day. The day is observed in America as an occasion for the paying of the nation's tribute of gratitude to its honored dead.

A day of reverence for the gallant host of brave men who have fought and died For America, it is one of the most beautiful customs of our people.

It originated in an hour of deepest sorrow, at a time when few American homes were spared the tragedy of war's bereavement.

Peace had been restored to the nation after a conflict in which State had been pitted against State, neighbor against neighbor, fathers against sons.

Out of that struggle came the realization that all who had fought, all who had died, had helped to make America whole.

The peace that followed was an enduring peace, an imperishable barrier against survival of the passions which war had bred. America was cleansed by that war of a gnawing malady.

Its people turned quickly from battlefields to the building of a happy, peaceful and prosperous nation, its ideal of Union cemented, its vision of Freedom perpetuated.

The world has never ceased to be amazed by the ability of Americans to put the memory of that terrible struggle behind them, and to accept the regained unity of their nation as the prize of all.

Memorial Day commenorates that great human achievement.

We do not make of it a day of boasting of the deeds of the men who won the war, or of gloating over those who lost it.

We honor those who fought in it without thought of the side for which they fought.

This was the spirit in which Memorial Day was conceived and in which it has ever since endured.

Three years after the close of the war General John A. Logan, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, designated May 30 as Memorial Day, or Decoration Day.

Various Southern States preserve the custom on other days, but in all States, North and South, East and West, the original spirit has not been violated.

As the years have passed, the observance of Memorial Day has become one of the most significant of all our commemorative occasions.

It has developed into a day of remembrance, not alone for those who have served in the nation's wars but for all who have been endeared to us and have been taken from us.

The setting aside of a day of tribute, of recollection and of appreciation for the nation's honored dead and for the loved ones who have passed from the circles of each of our lives exalts the American character. —Baltimore American

PUBLIC SAFETY

In the interest of public safety, the Keystone Automobile Club has issued a bulletin calling upon property owners and the autorities to aid in accident prevention by trimming trees, hedges and other growths which obscure vision at intersections.

"Our warning of this danger has resulted in appreciable improvement of highway conditions", said Edward P. Curran, Safety Director of the Club. "In many cases, property owners do not fully realize the hazard motorists are subjected to, and are quick to take remedial action when the matter is brought to their attention".

The Club official said the danger is particularly serious at points where "slow" and "stop" signs are obscured.

"Motorists on the 'stop' street," he said, "enter intersections without warning of danger or knowledge of law violatioin. At the same time, drivers on highways which the obscured signs are supposed to protect are placed in peril because they are expecting cross traffic to give them right of way and are unprepared for the emergency when vehicles from the cross road loom before them.

"We believe motorists should take cognizance of these conditions and approach intersections at greatly reduced speed."

People don't mean to shirk duty. You see, if their poor kin are starving, it's the government's fault.

This one, too, is a poor man's war. Rich people don't live near the factories and harbors that get bombed.

LONGER HOURS FOR MACHINERY

By J. E. Jones

Washington, D. C. May 26—William Knudsen, director of the Office of Production Management, tells American industry not to wait for new machine tools but to use second-hand tools available "which will do the job", and to get busy and let sub-contracts because "no one knows your job, your facilities, and the other companies in your area so well as you do". He tells those who are "waiting" to quit waiting. "Let's get going and keep going; let's forget everything except the welfare of our country", says Knudsen--who sounds more convincing every time he speaks.

OPM has headquarters in 36 Federal districts, all working to speed up production, but Chief Knudsen tells the world not to wait for the Government to hunt them up. It is clear, adds Knudsen, that "American industry has many, many times done the impossible. The American people expect us to do it now." And he is right.

It is interesting to note that Mr. Knudsen's successor at General Motors, C. E. Wilson, only a few days ago stressed the same idea, suggesting that defense production would be speeding by finding ways and means to work machinery more hours per week, and that if you only operate the machinery two forty-hour shifts per week, you are only operating that machinery less than half of the time.

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Silence Means Consent

William Green threw back an answer to John L. Lewis who said that the Government need not "expect too much cooperation from labor". Green declared: "I assure the Government of the United States that it can expect the fullest cooperation from all members and officers of the American Federation of Labor in the national defense program. I say it without reservations of any kind." Philip Murray, CIO president, was present on the occasion when Mr. Green made the above statement, and he was so quiet that Green has charged: "Silence, as you all know, means concent."

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Try To Keep Cool

Here is a home remedy prescribed by a Washington journalist, which seems to be good for men, women and juniors. It reads:

When the weather gets hot try to avoid too much heat from the sun. Just think about how to do it—and do it, easily. When the war talk gets hot among your friends and associates try to get them to do more reasoning and less shouting; more goose stepping for know-it-alls.

These are the best kinds of home remedies because they promote health, comfort and better understanding of national defense. It also helps the blood pressure.

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What's in A Name.

When you read about a "unit" it likely means a house which may be very small or very large. Hundreds of acres of units have been built in what is spoken of as "the Washington area" that reaches out into parts of Maryland and east from the District of Columbia down to Norfolk and the Virginia Capes. A unit is some kind of a house.

Laymen may never have suspected that the merchant marine and the Naval forces of the United States government had so many tons. A ton is still a puzzle but when a ship is called a ship, the same way a frying pan is described as a frying pan, then we can all understand.

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Battle Of Taxes

The men who know figures, and the illustrous statesmen who try to understand figures, are carrying on the Battle of the Taxes on Capitol Hill—all doing their best to figure out how much tax money must be raised, or, is this only a skrimish?

VETERINARIANS DEFERRED

Selective Service headquarters has advised local draft boards to defer military training of veterinary doctors and students.

Brigadier-General Lewis Hershey, acting director of selective service, said surveys showed there was a "national overall shortage" of veterinarians.

Common people are the ones who could live safely if they didn't have to pay for the blunders of the great.

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AMERICA IS MORAL ENEMY OF TYRANNY

Our National Faith Is That Men Shall Be Free

America, by its very nature, "is the moral enemy of all tyranny", declared Governor Herbert R. O'Conor, in charging the newly commissioned Reserve Ensigns who finished their course at the United States Naval Academy.

"By our very nature, by our creeds and convenants", the Governor continued, "we are the moral enemy of all tyranny. We are the moral opponents of any nation or any government which sets itself up as Master of Mankind. For it is our national faith that men shall be free, and not be slaves; that they shall be equal before one another as they are equal in the sight of God, and not be subservient to false godheads of military might or political overbearance. We are the spiritual antagonists of racial hatred and religious intolerance; of promise-breakers, of all who would trample and annihilate the dignity of man the wide world over.

"Nor are these moral issues by any means one-sided. Our dislike for dictators is as nothing compared with their blood-hungry loathing of us. For as long as America stands, she is a beacon in the sky, a promisie in the heavens to all the down-trodden peoples of the earth. As long as the torch of liberty burns in our land, there is ligiht upon the earth, there is hope, and there is incentive to rise against the oppressor. How bitterly then must all tyrants hate us? How wishfully must they connive and conspire to have us fall? How artfully in secret council and how savagely by hidden daggers are they forever trying to deal a disabling wound."

"Let us remember", the Governor concluded, "that the future still belongs to the youth of the world. It is going to be whatever you make of it. The flame of liberty burns inside the human heart, and it will not die in hearts that are ardent with courage and determination. Yours is the heritge of brave hearts and bright souls. Yours is the legacy of freedom and of glory. Be it yours, too, to keep that which our forefathers won and bequeathed us".

"We, of this generation, will keep faith with our forefathers. We will preserve the nation they founded, and we will pass on to our descendants the same Democratic form of Government, and the same individual liberty and freedom which always have been and, God willing, always will be the heritage of the American people".

FIRE AND FIFTH COLUMN

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has published a series of twelve posters to encourage workers in defense industries to watch out for fifth columnists or saboteurs. One of these posters represents a crouching black figure holding a torch, with the heading, "The saboteur's favorite weapon is arson. . . . A thin wisp of smoke in the quiet hours . . . a belated alarm, and the damage is done. The saboteur chalks up another Victory as important as any won in the Front Line Trenches. Be Viligant. Be Alert. Be Careful. Know your fire prevention appliances. Never forget that America's front line is the Production Line . . .It's Here!"

We all recognize the truth expressed by this poster. We all know that nothing would delight fifth columnists more than fire in our defense industries, wasting man power, wasting time, wasting money and materials. Any fire anywhere serves the fifth columnists' purpose. All incendiary criminals should be considered as members of the enemies' forces.

America has always had incendiary criminals. When the National Board of Fire Underwriters was first founded, in 1866, it organized a Committee on Incendiarism and Arson, the purpose of which was to cooperate with all local authorities in the apprehension and punishment of such criminals. Its first efforts were confined to offering rewards for their capture. However, in 1917, it was decided that more aggressive measures should be taken. The system of offering rewards was discontinued and the work of the Committee was broadened to include a staff of trained men who operate in all parts of the United States. These investigators cooperate closely with state fire mashals, local sheriffs, police officials and district attorneys, in developing evidence of arson. Frequently arson racketeers are brought to justice after having been traced for years across a dozen states.

The spotlight is now turned on incendiarism. It menaces our national safety. Unlimited public support should be given to the National Board and all other groups which are fighting it, and thus safeguarding this nation's security

Easily Yours with a Tireless

ELECTRIC WASHER AND IRONER

Yes, the scene above is no figment of our imagination. It happens in countless homes equipped with an electric washer and ironer. Actually, these two tireless electric workers do the washing and ironing in jig time...with minimum of effort on the homemaker's part. What's more, they make it easily possible to keep ahead of the soiled clothes hamper . . . and provide frequent changes of crisp, clean clothes. Treat yourself to this cheap luxury right now!

CONOWINGO POWER COMPANY

Live Electrically and Save

DO WE WANT MILK?

L. A. Chapin, secretary of the Dairymen's League Cooperative Association of New York, recently said this: "In the face of strikes and unpatriotic disturbances which are increasing dairy farmers' costs and menacing democratic institutions, dairy farmers are being asked to greatly increase production of milk without any consideration being given to additional recompense that farmers must receive if the desired results are to be achieved . . .There is no essential difference between a dairy farm and an industrial plant. Both are factories, equipped to produce essentials of peace and war".

The new taxes and the increased costs of labor and supplies will fall with heavy weight on the farmer. He cannot be expected to meet these costs unless he can obtain a price for what he produces which compensates for them. Without a profit the farmer cannot maintain milk production.

THE AMERICAN DOCTOR

The British Red Cross recently appealed to the American Red Cross for one thousand American doctors to reinforce the staffs of the Emergency Medical Service and the Royal Army Medical Corps. This appeal was at once endorsed by the President, who pointed out that those who volunteer will work under the protection of the Red Cross Treaty of Geneva, which has been respected by belligerents since 1864.

As is to be expected, many young doctors have already responded to this appeal—as they did to a similar appeal made April, 1917. The typical American medical man is ready to help relieve suffering wherever in the world it may appear. And the British soldiers and civilians treated by these Americans will receive a quality of medical care that cannot be surpassed.

Medical science has reached its greatest development in this country. Here we have had private medicine, as contracted with the bureaucratic, socialized medicine that exists in most European countries. Every doctor is encouraged to do his utmost—he knows that there is no limit to achievement save that set up by his own ability and energies. That is why American standards of health are the highest in the world.

Changes in the conscription law may take place this year. The Army wants the age minimum dropped to 18—it prefers young men. Another law may be proposed to give the President authority to defer all men over 27. Conscripting older men has made for social and economic dislocations.

According to officials, training is going ahead well, and the quality of men is the best in our history. Basic supply and housing problems have been solved. However, some experts doubt that a year's training is enough to turn a civilian into a crack soldier.

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GOVERNOR O'CONOR TO SIGN RURAL ELECTRIFICATION BILL

Service Should Be Available To Larger Number of Residents

Thousands of farm homes in all sections of the State will be benefited by enactment into law of House Bill No. 712, known as the Rural Electrification Bill, which Governor Herbert R. O'Cono rannounced he intended to sign.

In a formal statement giving his reasons for the decision, Governor O'Conor said: "I have take into consideration the following points:

a. "Only 37% of the farm people of our State are today supplied with electricity. This strikes me as a most unfortunate situatioin because, with its widespread use, electricity should be available to a much greater number of our citizens.

Before Rural Electrification was promoted by the National Administration only one farm in ten had electric service. Today, approximately one farm in three enjoys its benefits. However, Maryland has not kept pace with the rest of the country.

b. "Although $370,000,000.00 have been loaned by the Rural Electrification Administration, only $1,500,000.00 have come to Maryland. There are over 800 cooperatives and other associations in the country but only 2 in the State of Maryland.

"I believe that greater conveniences of life will be made available to people in the rural sections and that increased income to them will be made possible through the use of this service. At a time when farm owners and operators are experiencing considerable difficulty in retaining help, I think that labor-saving devices, made possiible through electrification, are much to be desired.

c. "The Bill is not designed to infringe upon the rights of any private corporations. In fact, it seeks to afford service only in those areas which utilities have not undertaken to supply. Under the terms of the Bill the service will be available only after a majority of persons in the affected area have expressed a desire for it.

d. "Particularly because I believe the standards of living in the country sections will be improved and desirable benefits brought to thousands of our people who have heretofore been denied conveniences do I think this measure should be approved. It was introduced by the Speaker and 26 other members of the House and passed both branches with large majorities. I do not feel that I have the right to deny to the people of Maryland the advantage to be derived from its provisions".

SOLDIER BOYS WANT FURNISHINGS FOR ROOM

Cecil County soldier boys at Camp George G. Meade have an empty recreational room. Each company is expected to furnish their own room as there is no government fund provided.

Any donation to go towards chairs tables, games, etc., will be greatly appreciated by the boys. Send your gift, large or small, to Mrs. Russell M. George, Elkton, chairman of the Soldiers' Service Committee for Cecil County boys at Camp George G. Meade.

Canada is exporting, every minute 25 pounds of soap to the United Kingdom.

THANKSGIVING DATE RESTORED—NEXT YEAR

The 48 states again will celebrate Thanksgiving on the traditional last Thursday in November because, in the words of President Roosevelt, advancing the date failed to accomplish its purpose.

The change will not occur this year, however, so calendars, football schedules, and sales campaigns will not be thrown out of kilter. For 1941, as he has done for the last two years, Mr. Roosevelt will proclaim the next to the last Thursday in November to be Thanksgiving Day. That will be Nov. 20.

When he announced in August, 1939, that he was advancing the date, the President said retailers wanted the change because they figured business would be better if there were a longer interval between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Besides, he said, Thanksgiving had not always been celebrated.

IN UNCLE SAM'S SERVICE

Four Cecil County young men were inducted into the U. S. Army last week. They were: Charles Roland McCloskey, volunteer 1211, of near Appleton; Norman Albert Cornell, 626, North East; Mitchell Murray Fristoe, a replacement for himself of Rising Sun; and Joseph Ralph Sumpter, 800, Perryville.

Joseph Hugh Gibson, 636, Rising Sun, was inducted on Tuesday of this week. There will not be any more calls on Cecil county until the latter part of June. Cecil county has sent up to date 108 boys for army service.

CECIL COUNTY DEED

Samuel L. Janney and M. Lizzie Janney to State of Maryland, to the use of State Roads Commissioin. Lan din Cecil Co. $1.00.

Abraham Gifford, et al., State of Maryland ,to the use of the State Roads Commissioin. Land in Cecil Co. $1.00.

Francis Hall and Catherine M. Hall to State of Maryland, to the use of the State Roads Commission. Land in Cecil Co. $1.00.

Russell Brewer and wife to Sara H. Willis, a single woman. Land in the Fifth District of Cecil Co. $10.00

Sara H. Willis, a single woman to Russell Brewer and wife. Lan din the Fifth Election District of Cecil Co. $10.00.

James C. Rhudy and wife to W. Floyd Scarborough and wife. Land in the Fifth Election District of Cecil Co. $10.00.

Sybilla B. Powell and husband to Paul D. Good, et ux. Lan din the Fifth Election District of Cecil Co. $10.00.

Ira A. Moore, widower to Helen Jane Ott, wife of Ernest Ltland Ott. Land in Cecil Co. $250.00.

Changes made in the unemployment law by the recent session of the Legislature include increased maximum penalties for workers who ignore regulations and restrictions in regard to qualifications for benefits, it is emphasized by Director S. C. Cromwell, in charge of the State Unemployment Board's compensation division, which handles the claims and determines the benefits to be paid.

After a man gets married he has less to say about what he can or cannot afford.