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and the men to do it. Do not underesti-mate them, Mein Führer.
But of course Dr. Thompsen could not have said this in Lisbon. That, too, would have cost him his head.

Aside from the great grumble that gasoline-rationing started, and all the

more praiseworthy because of it, is the record made by the hundreds of Char-lotte school teachers who issued A. B.

and X cards to a clamorous public last

week.

Plucky is a modest adjective to apply
to these ladies who, for a second time
within a month, were called on to
represent the Government of the United States. They had no part in drawing up the rationing regulations, nor did
they have authority to change them,
yet, as the most available link between
Government and the People, much of
the abuse, ill will, and downright unpleasantness which gas-rationing stirred
up fell on their shoulders. The frate, and
to takes youlte, public felt that it had
to take it out on somebody.

It is with considerable approval, there-

to take it out on somebody.
It is with considerable approval, therefore, that we acknowledge receipt of the following letter which George Roberts was considerate enough to write to Chalrman Dick Thigpen of the local rationing board:

attoning board:
"I want to tell you that the writer, as a citizen, was very greatly impressed by the efficient work done by the folias registering its for pasoline cards.

"I watched them work, while waiting my turn, and it appeared to me that it appeared to me that it will be a supplementation of the consideration." I think they are due a vote of thanks."

The motion is in order. We second it.

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New War Plant Will Stop

Emigration of Our Workers

On the nineteenth floor of the Liberty

On the nineteenth floor of the Liberty Life Building, rachiteets are drafting plans for an industry that is destined to be the turning point in Charlotte's war effort. Up until now this city has been losing workers, losing executives, losing professional men. In a few weeks, thanks to a new enterprise that will employ upwards of 6000 persons, we are going to start getting most of them back and others beader.

No longer will Charlotte men and women be obliged to move to Baltimore or Nortolk or Atlanta to get war jobs. There will be plenty of work to do right here in Mecklenburg County where, medicatally, most of the pay roll will be spent.

An estimated 37,000 Charlotteans (over

be spent.

An estimated 37,000 Charlotteans (over 14 years of age) are presently gainfully, employed on jobs not including energency gubble works. The opening up of 6,000 new 3,000 is a potent shot in the arm, coming as it does when many a Charlotte worker feels his job getting shaky underfoot.

By northeast the work insufficient details.

But perhaps the most significant detail is the statement that more than half of the new jobs will be open to women. It is no exaggeration, we think, to say

that Charlotte is well-supplied with idle

At the time of the 1940 census, 17 107 women were working in Charlotte, More than a fourth of these, 5,333 to be exact, were domestic service workers maids, cooks, laundresses. That left 4,168 clericooks, municesses. That left 4,168 cleri-cal and sales workers, 1,122 hostery and knif goods workers, 895 cotton mill work-ets, 1,278 service workers including beau-ticians, boarding house keepers, char-women, wattresses (421 of them) and practical nurses.

gractical sursey.

Now they will have an opportunity to participate directly in the war effort by leading shells. The work will be hard-more tedious than playing out a two nortrump bids—but the rewards will be handsome, Many a tired travelling man is liable to come home after a hard week of riding the train and bus to find that his wife has out-carned him.

Nor need this be Charlotte's only war industry. Somehow, contracts for big war factories seem to come in bunches and them that has, gits.

A picture page gives us a Missouri mayor in a gas mask, and we haven't been so unnerved since the late Coolidge wore the Indian war bonnet with his double-breasted serge.

A Sallande ... To the Ladies Behind the 'B' Cards-Who Remained Ladies

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Sweet Unity

The President Purchases a Measure From the Commics

Commutation of Earl Browder's four-rear sentence, read the White House tatement, would have a "tendeuty to romote national unity and allay any celling which may exist in some minds hat the unusually long sentence in Stowder's case was by way of -penalty mposed upon him because of his po-titud lives."

titleal views."

Our own candid feeling is that Browher's four-year term, imposed while
tunes as a playing pals with Germany,
a that the sentence was about 50 per
ent political. And honestly would consble us to admit, further, that at the
time we were delighted that a reasonhibe pretext had been found to dispose
of this man who availed himself of the
berties of the United States in order
o foment discord among its people.

And by his release now, our own feel-

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And by his release now, our own feeling of unity is not at all enhanced—in act, may actually be somewhat subuod. Whose unity, then, did the White douse statement refer to? The unity of the U, S. and Russia? In that light knowder's release would appear wholly ustifiable.

But, por "national unity" the state.

ustifiable.
But, not, "national unity", the state-nent said, which can be taken to mean only unity within this nation. And do you, sir, and you, madam, feel your mity glow at this development? Plain-y, you do not. You feel it cool, if any-ching. You do not relish having a revo-utionary turned loose into the midst of our war efforts.

DOUR WAY Efforts.

"Pray, then, whose unity did the White House statement have in mind? Why, sirs, that's an easy one. The unity of the American Communists, the unity of the radicals in the American Labor Party, the unity of all the dratted pinkoes everywhere, so that they would "most be a sirely would be a sirely white the pinkoes everywhere, so that they would "most what?" Would have Germany. would what? Would hate Germany and love the United States? 'Naw. They're doing that aiready on instructions via the party line from Moscow, to that they would continue to think well of the New Deal and have nothing year which to fall out with its proprietor. Exactly.

For Publication

Nazi Envoy Puts Out a Deliberate Lie in Lisbon

Deliberate Lie in Lishon
It's a pretty good act Dr. Hans
Thompsen, the former German Charge
d'Affairs in Washington, is stasting in
Lishon but it woult fool many people
on this side of the Atlantic.
Dr. Thompsen, it is reported, first took
a deep breath of Portuguese air sat best
a risky business, on the Lisbon waterfront) and exhaled that it was great in
be 'free' again. He then delivered himself of a short oration, saying that the
United States is buffing about almost
everything concerning war production
and deliveries of war materials.

"The astronomical armament figures."

and deliveries of war materials.
"The astronomical armanient fiscures particularly were a genuine Roosevelt bird," he continued.

That's what the Doctor says to the press, But what is he going to report to the Foreign Office when he gets back to Berlin? There will be no way of finding out for sure, but it's a good bet that Hitler will hear a different account.

Because the Doctor knows better, He knows that the war program to produce those so-called astronomical figures is, in many lastances not only on schedule.

knows that the war program to produce those so-called astronomical fluures is, in many instances, not only on schedule, but actually shead of the Rosecvelt tune table. This fact has been officially reported to the American people, even if the Nazis have tried to keep the Germans from hearing it.

Moreover, whateve he might have said in Lisbon for prepaganda purposes, he will scarrely inch his neck in Berlin hy felling his superior any such fection. And indeed the wonst he ricking his many has been been supported to the superior and have been supported by the felling his superior and supported his superior and his produced was just buffing. The Pathers thready has recognized the cut of those tanks. Timoshenko is using before Kharkov, Made in the U. S. A.

What the Doctor will say lug, his real report ought to run something like this. It is true, Mein Fuhrer, what they say should kneed the superior to the superior

Congress? By Paul Mallon

Why Poor



without asking. Free elved without asking.

The official automobiles provided for Cabinet members and nuthorities of rank carry this year a special Government license plate (no state plate). This plate entitles them to unlimited gas without registration.

ALL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS COULD GET X-CARDS

Furthermore, all other Govern-ment employees of any rank using their cars on official business are entitled to X-cards under the reg-

ulations.

If any ridicule must be expressed, it would naturally apply to all
officials—not only Federal, but
state, local and foreign diplomatic
for they are exempt also.

But what all this argument gets down to is whether cit-riens, as well as the officials who have obtained X-cards, weep justified in their claim that they cannot get along in their work on the 57-gal-ion limitation of B-3 cards,

ion limitation of B-4 cards.
There is a way of proving that,
Another Government department,
the Bureau of Internal Revenue,
has the goods on the commercial
use of motor vehicles. The expense
of operation of these vehicles has
long been deductible from income
lax returns.

ONLY BUSINESS MILEAGE COUNTS IN RATIONING

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If a car is used partly for business and partly for pleasure, only
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ONE SENATOR INSISTS ON A B-CARD

ON A B-CARD

Senator Prentiss Brown of Michigan, went to register at the special capitol room, was handed a blank and was filling it out, when It occurred to him to ask;

"Where do you put in the amount of mileage you have to drive?"

In contrict of mileage you have to drive?"

In egit attendant said no provision had been made for that as X-earth were being farmished. As a contrict of the said of the said

CONGRESS TURNS AGAINST THE PRESS AGAIN

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When the cussing blame started falling upon them, some Congressioner rauted at the press again, the press being the second most popular skilpings how for all compensations of the control of the second most of the control of the limited of the control of the c

About a week ago some amonymous afficial at OPA in-formed the press at a confer-ence that Senators and Con-gressmen would get X-cards. But the first day of registra-story that information at OPA indicated. Congressmen would not.

not. Then, after the hullabaloostarted, Henderton primised to get
out a statement and eventually
flid sayting what was a plain tact
answay, that Congressing on offrond bedieses were as much refrond bedieses were as much reofficial on smaller bississes.

A lew of the grumbling Legislaflors are saying it was all a spilajob to put Congress in bad with
his and it, and to many believe
his sould be a bad
job of administration.

CARDS DID NOT CARRY OUT REGULATIONS

"The gasoline provided by A or B cards is not sufficient to permit a vehicle or boat to be used to the extent necessary to the life or work of those who depend on it."

But the ration cards were not on that basis. They left out con-sideration of 'life' entirely, and restricted 'work' to a few ex-clusive business enterprises includ-ing hading, non-matter what) astropathy, chiropractics, and joth-

No mention was made of farm-ers. for Instance, whose business is pretty important. No mention was made of defense industries. A forcinan in a corset factory could get just as much gas as the forcinan of the leading plane factory of the country.

Uncorking It



"The Moon Is Down"

them and keep them conquered. Conquest—he says—is something that is never over. You never can settle down and call it a day. You have to keep an conquering, for the moment you relax your conquest vanishes.

Naw, it happens that history supports Mr. Sleinheck, if ever a country was conquered it are not supported by a contract of the conquered for late years. Everything the Nazls are now doing to Poland was done by the masters before. Her little her history was a support of the proposition of the propo

By Dorothy Thompson

WASHINGTON

A RAGING debate is going on about John Steinberk's book and approximate the state of the state of

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I do not think that Mr. Steinbeck's book is "great". It is no
"War and Penes"; no "Vanity
Pair"; no "Tale of Two Cittes".

It is a simple book about invasion
and occupation, and the way invadors and invaside Debay.

Thappen to think that it is a superb piece of propaganda in the test sense of that much abused word. If I were in charge of political warfare against the Nazis, I would have more than the compaganda was a superbolic to the com

all the accupien countries.

I think II be utterly convincing, because I believe it is true. I think III is, the way liveders and it is the III is a second of the moreody moving because of its moreostement, and a detacted objectivity — as though the author were shiply recording what happens without p-count condition of bias.

which happens without personal continuous that happens without personal continuous that happens with the format community is of Mr. Steinbeck's work are outraced that the German communiter is so symmetric as found in the format communities. It is depicted as a new like this job-lit revolts blind memorisment. But even more, he does not believe in it intellectually as made to be the solider, and there are his orders. He is houstly as are his orders. He is houstly and skeptical and estrandinarily illuminated. More than another in the whole drawn he fully sees.

Now the Narks are not sumplifying the sees of the soliders of the solider

that "order" for which they are justly famous. But the Poles didn't like em. Not after 150 years they didn't. They didn't like being un-derdogs. People don't.

THE BOOK IS JUDGMENT RATHER THAN HATRED

RATHER THAN MATRED

Mr. Steinbeck's accusers seem amonged by this absolute faith that any the steem of the bloom as because we are on the side of the human race. They fear that if we admit that any Germans and also belong to the human race, we are weakening our case. They are apprehensive that people who read this book or see this too do is to let instruct take its course.

But actually our me.

As a matter of fart, the Germans brought all sorts of "rudtural benefits" to Poland, They laid out roads and towns and introduced All Times

TODAY'S BIBLE THOUGHT And the only way of life that satisfies: Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shall make me full of joy with thy countenance.—Acts 2:8.

Add, in The Landon Times
The Council of the Lard's Day
Observance Society therefore once
more appeals to the Gorermon's
should be withfrawn; and they
do so the more urgently in the
present hour of national need,
when the favor of Almighty God
is of Supreme importance.

Side Glances



"What can be the matter with me? The town's leading citizen falls down and I find myself fighting an irresist-ible impulse to laugh!"

Another Blunder

By Raymond Clapper

WASHINGTON Government official says the Arm) A Government official says in the says in



unlimited use of their automobiles.

UNLIMITED PRIVILEGES
FOR CONGRESS

I have a lot of sympathy with the need of Senators and Representatives to get around, and am far less inclined to question the mileage they pile up than I am the applit—the selfish, obstructive spirit—they display in claiming unlimited privileges. Portunately they are being so stupid in this that a number of them are apit to pay for it destry at the hands of indignant voters. We'll fund out that some of them are not excential gasoline users after all.

The very tent to whom the whole

sential gazoline users after all.

The very men to whom the whole
cauntry looks to see an example and
to encourage the public to accept the
personal inconveniences needed to
help win the war are doing exactly
the reverse. Instead of trying to
cooperate they are chesting like
wet hens to hold their special privliere.

They are handing out personal abuse to rationing officials and are denouncing the press for reporting the fact that they are chiselling unlimited gasoline cards. They are claiming that the press and the officials are trying to destroy Congress.

Congress.

MARKLEY WILL "TAKE" HIS WITHOUT APOLOGY

The Senate majority leader. Barkley misted of appealing to his colleagues to help save gasoline. Hies into a rase when Senator Downey of California asks the Senators to waive their rights and pledge themselves in restrict their use of gasoline. Barkley says some newapapers are trying to undermine faith in Congress and adds defiantly that 'I am going to take whatever I am entitled to without apology."

Representative Faddis of Pennyt-

Representative Faddis of Pennsylvania holds out for his right to unlimited use of gasoline to campaign back home in spite of "any nit-witted bureaucratic clerk to the con-trary."

He and the whole horde of them are induleing in an orgy of moral-electroving chatter. Representative Leland Ford of California says in the House that it is time Congress showed they were not going to take orders from the bureaucrats downtown." That's outspucken definite to discuss the surface of the control of the contr

A AND B-CARDS MAY BAVE TO BE CUT

TANK TO THE CUT.

The number of unlimited cards being issued is so unexpectedly large that the allowance on all other cards may have to be cut is there will be enough fuel for the unlimited cards.

The attitude of these Senators and Representatives makes one's blood boil, but more than that. It makes you selemily wonder for the future of Congress. This is symptomatic like the pension grab hast Winter. The retterment seleme was not victous in itself and had much be commend if but Congress stupidly tried to sneak it through at the very time the country was being

gress stupidly tried to sneak it through at the very time the country was being asked to make heavy sacrifizes. Popular reseminent was so strong members alteredy have been defeated on the Issue. More are likely to bite the dust, especially new that Senators and Representatives have binned ered again by this destructive and assume that the dust specially income the supplementation of the property of the supplementation of the property of the supplementation of the supplementatio

Visitin' Around

(North Wilkesbore Hustler)

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A.N. Wilkesboro Hre slarm Sunday afternoon about 5 o'clock caused by the wood house at Dr. E. M. Hutchens a fire which was put out before it burned down.

Experienced Hand (Oakland item, Transylvania Times)

Rev. Roland Robinson reports he pretty well under control at this has the forest fire in this section writing on Monday.