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The Zeb Vance

May She Live Up to the Valour of Her Namesake

Valour of Her. Admission.

First of the freighters to come down the ways of the North Carolina Shipbuilding Co. at Wilmington, a 10,000-ton vessel, whose keel was laid; ten months ago, is well named. The USS Zebulon B. Vance, if she takes after her hamesake, may look forward to a long, valurous, distinguished, and wholly enjoyable service.

able service.
All North Carolinians, including all studying their state's history, ough know more about Zebulon Baird see. He was this state's governor dur-the Civil War, resigning (with im-see-regret, it-is-likely)—a-colonel's Mense-regret, "It is "BERFY" a COLORUS commission in the Confederate Army to take over the distressed commonwealth's affairs. And he was is United States Senator for years after the war. His speeches in the Senate were among the most logical, the most appealing and

Senator for years after the war. His speeches in the Senate were among the most logical, the most appealing and the most enjoyable that body has ever been privileged to hear.

Governor Vance, whom the whole state knew best as Zeb the was in his early thrittes when elected Governor), himself knew much about Wilmington and ships. After the North's blockade had shut off the flow of goods through its harbors of Norfolk, Savannah and Charleston, it was Zeb who somehow found ships which could move in and out of the Cape Fear, plying between Wilmington and Beranda. This was, along with her manpower, North Carolina's most notable contribution to the Confederacy, just contribution to the Confederacy, just should be contributed to the Confederacy, just should be considered to the Cape Fear. Mothing could might good ship in Exhidion 8. Yence. It is a good more for the vessel. Let her bear herself proud by wherever she may sail.

Sergeant-Pilots

They May Fly, but They Aren's "Gentlemen"

There has never been any reason but There has merer been any reason but an arbitrary one why an apt and properly trained U. S. Army sergeant should be in the same as well as a scrailly skilled fleutenant. The difference has existed largely in the traditionally hide-bound minds of American Army brass hats. It is a hangover from World Wee'd was when as the Prench

Army breas hate. It is a hangour from world war days when, as a hangour from world war days when as a French put it, the military piton as the French put it, the military piton as the French put it, the military piton as the French put it is a series of a creeme, and only officers and send send send send in the creemen and the part of the put in the put is a send in their way. Bergeants, corporals and a few privates became filter. In expanding the RAF, even the snobbish British did likewise.

Az, even the snoblish Brilish did like"les."

Meanwhile, the U. S. &rmy, defender
of the world's greatest democracy, mainsained all phases of its undemocratic,
solubn-aping, millitary caste system. It
is a sad reflection on our military inlectibility that only in recent weeks
war the hara let down and a restricted
simpler of sergeanis permitted to besme Army plotes. Even then, the change
papeared to have been dictated by exeditincy rather than by any sincere insmit to make the Army democratic.

Now the Braza Hits have sent forth
like word that sergeants are to be "enhard word that sergeant are to be "enhard word that sergeant are to be "enbe waited. Henceforth sergeants may
fly despite their distressing lack of two
year's enrollment in a liberal arts college.

But just because they can the west.

bes. But just because they can fly as well as the lieutenants in their squadrons, set them; not imagine that they are gentlemen." Only God can make as the and only the President of the United States can commission an "officer and a gentleman."

Vic Fesperman Death Waited Twenty Years To Trick Him

Death played an ironic trick on Vice personan. It filtred with him consumption in the little of the

them. If a chance was to be taken in the line of duty, he took it. Nor was it a case of not being aware of the consequences. The Chief saw of the consequences. The Chief saw thousands of bloody auto crashes—as many, we'll wager, as the next man in Mecklenburg. Whafever cless may be said of him, when he was behind the wheel of an automobile, his nerves turned to steel.

Turned to steel. Death must have been impressed. It howered at his shoulder, but never touched him. Instead, his daughter, Bonnie Mae was taken in an auto crash. And his son-John, was-shot down by a fugitive during a chase. Then a few years ago, We Fesperman resigned his hazardous profession, cratted to his country home. It looked stired to his country home. It looked as if Death had been cheated. But, alsonat as a strethough the Names as the change in the country home.

if Death had been cheated. But, al-most as an atterthought, the Reaper turned back this week. It was not a, spectacular wreek oit East. Boulevard. Vic had seen many a worse one, with no casualities. But freekinity, a door sprang open and spilled him to the atreet. This time, Death was waiting.

Four-Flusher

McCormick's Tribune Eggs On the Jap War-Lords

On the Jap War-Lords

If the misguided Japanese Government
does not dare light the United States,
It will be no fault of the Chicago Tribune's. Day after day Clohnel McCormick's newspaper had been preaching
and teaching the weakness and unpreparediorss of America. No faniasy has
been too ephemeral for the Colonel to
swallow, no half-truth too dishonest for
him to banner in two-inch type.

It is the kind of stuff that the Japances wairods like to hear. Moreover
it is what they don't mind the people
hearing. Therefore the following headlines appeared in yesterday's Tokyo
press: "UNITED STATES LACK OP
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hearing. Therefore the following head-lines appeared in yesteday's Tokyo press: "UNITED STATES LACK OF PREPAREDNESS EXPOSED BY AMER-ICAN PAPER." "UNITED STATES WHOLLY UNPREPARED FOR MILI-TARY OPERATIONS." "SECRET UNIT-ED STATES FLANS AGAINST JAPAN.."

ED STATES PLANS AGAINST JAPAN..."
All of these headlines only further, convince the Japanese of what they have been told by their ledders for years; that the United States is too weak to light Japan. This is not so, it is true that we have not yet reached, as Japan and Germany have, the peak of our war potential. But we are coming along fast; we are gaining in strength, white both Japan and Germany are locing. We are already well enough armed to heat the stuffing out of Japan, as the Japanese may well learn—after it is too late. Col. McCormick imaginess or at least.

the stuffing out of Japan, as the Japanese may well learn—stire it is too late.

Col. McCormick imagines, or at least, asya, that he is working to keep the United Blates from getting to keep the United Blates from getting to keep the United Blates from getting to keep the Japan. If he is sincere, he is stupid, if he is insurere, he is unspeakable. American weakners, or what the Japanese take to be our weakness, is the wery basis of their worlike attitude toward this country. Every constitution, to our reputation for military impotence in Japan merely encourages, the Nipponese to go even further in provoking war. Col. McCormick's interest in provoking war. Col. McCormick's interest to start the Japa to marching.

This is not a plea for a controlled press. If Col. McCormick's folly is the price we must pay for freedom, it is still a good, investment. It is merely a reminder that every free man has responsibility in direct proportion to the Jowes of his voice—Those who consecurity or unconsciously disregard this responsibility should be held up to public scorn.

A glass house in one of the home and garden magazines interests us strange-ly. By soing downstairs one can spot his collar-button under an upstairs dresser.

A Detroit tot, trying her hand at a typewriter, leaves what looks to be the long-sought national watchword on a practice sheet: "Now is the time for all good men to come to."

Even when it is explained that war may mean and end to feminine finger-nais in a Lady MacBeth shade of red, some isolationists are against it.

Not a single complaint over food has come from the conscientious objectors camp in Meryland. Evidently these fellows are just not the soldier type.

Defense Manpowér

By Hugh S. Johnson

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This colum discussed the immore than the could be made
by the use of men of lea then
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INSURING SKILLED LABOR FOR DEFENSE

MOUNT FOR DEFENSE.

But there is another-field, almost equally important, which slightly overlaps this one but which it. in the main, in the same official area it refer to the insuring of selected and efficient manpower in insuring skilled labor to defense production.

rifernes production.

It is true that there has been created within the general framework of OFA. a laber supply committee, operating "under the able direction of Mr. Arthur 8. Fleming of the Givil Service Commits and the committee has been working for some time but very like public attention has been given to the public attention has been given to the public attention has been given to make a class one of the committee has a least one to the committee has been supplied to the committee has been a least one to the least of the least one to the least one to the least one to the least of the least one to the l

LABOR SUPPLY IS COMPLEX FIELD

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What Happens To Old Parachutes

To Old Parachittes
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there its parachites after they've
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Their Training Table Ain't Like This

Business Week

A store near the University of
Minnesota campus in Minnesotia
features a special co-ed breakfast
for 15c—cranga juice, coffee, and
two cigarettes.

... The U.S.-Japanese Negotiations



Letters to the Editor:

Is Roan's Beauty Safe?

Sepator Soaper Says:

Metal from the collapsed Ta-coma Bridge is finding its way into defense material—believed to be the first military ac-ceptance of the fallen arch.

Cameramen, as they pose the Neanderthal right guard for the Neanderthal right guard for the Neanderthal right guard for the will please remember not to have the textbook upside down.

As it is found that fellurium, added to steel, gives off an aroma of garlic, our ordnance planners might consider a cannon that breathes on the adversary.

With the incident of the parachutist who made a forced landing in Brooklyn, it is be-lieved the least of the Dodgers' delirious tans has now returned to earth. In the interest of clarity, another large Eastern hostelry has removed French dishes from its bill of fare. From what one hears, the same is happening in France.

Editors. The News:

Ask what this has to do with the feare outlay in this very critical concerning. Roan Mounting in a National domain set of the profile of

Even the young can help pre-pare the way for God's rule on earth: And thou child shall be called the prophet of the high-est, for thou shall go before the prophet of the Lord to prepare his ways.—Luke 1.78.

Side Glances



"Now I get it why Sis wanted to trade weeks with me wiping the dishes—so I'd get stuck Christmas week, when

Post-War Trade Bight

By Roymond Clapp



TUREY IS ONE OF THE IMPORTANT SOURCES.

We can pay for throme in land-lease goods, and by projecting the sprement into the post-war period we can't finance this source for a long time to come.

FUTURE RAW MATERIAL SUPPLIES ARE NEGLECTED

return future supplies of raw materials We are nibbling at it but we have not outhed it. Herry-Hooking who w out the general policy, has been op-posed to bringing up the matter of repayment at this time because he did not think it desirable to raise questions which might distract the British from their war effort.

Some other officials do not-take-such, a sentimental view. They believe that now is the time to obtain commitments in return for lend-lesse, All of the lendlease countries produce certain raw materials which always will be needed by its, such as Turkey's chrome, China's tungsten. and the rubber, t'n and-qu ine from the British and Dutch posses-sions in the East Indies.

AGREMENTS FOR POST-WAR SUPPLIES ARE NEEDED The big scramble now is for raw materials. Our primary defense manulacturing plant is nearing completion. During the next year the driense problem will be to obtain the necessary raw magnetic the processing the process of the process of the processory raw magnetic the processory raw magnetic the processory raw magnetic than the necessary raw magnetic than the necessary raw magnetic than the processory raw magnetic than the processory raw magnetic than the processory raw magnetic than the processor raw magnetic than the proces terials, especially those which are imsive. We need agreements now that will for the post-war period, insure us a

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supplies to they come in a category agait from the other lend-lesse countries. Some officials, recogniting the exchange problems involved, are, hopeful that they can be death with, through a new bank of international settlements, an international craims house which would remove the necessary for national tenders to record to creed the state of the cost of th nations to resort to closed bi-interal trade or barier arrangements.

One situation palicularly is caus-ing some American officials to think ing some American officials to think in such terms. Great britary is building up a large amount of block-ce of sterling—which means that many countries which have been a supplying material to England can obtain repartment after the war only if they buy Petitish. Rogland is not criticized for this, it is recognized that the supplying many criticized for this, it is recognized that (in the abovere of an international circuity hand. British is ablief to rest tunn this blocker.

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letting desire in order to face the post-war situation.

One thing has impressed force of not cliticals here. It is that England is not disceparding her post-war problems. When an American official noting upon such questions, he risks being suspected of anti-Britain freing. England is taking every care not to upset her commercial channels more than is hecessary, looking again to her post-war needs. Some of our officials believe we should show could foresight.

ANGLO-AMERICAN TRADE
WAR IS FORESEEN
What they primarily fear is that if
arrangements are not made now, the
two countries will break apart in the two countries will break apart in the post-war and. The result of that apaid be a bitter trade rivary and analysis of the apart of the post-war and apart incommentable difficulty in any collaboration to insure peacetul conditions in which commercial enterprise could function.

The winning-nations will have to play to the war, the post-war apart of the post-war and the post-war

If they beek spar, the United States will be forced to defend the Western Remisphere as a self-contained unit, it could be done but it would be conty in every sense. We would be little better off then if Hiller won. The other course is considered more desirable. But to insure that a free economic world will result from the course in the course of the Is considered more desirable. But to in-sure that a free economic world will re-sult from defeat of the Axis, the start in making arrangementa needs to be made now. If we wait until Armistica Day it will be too date.

Visitin' Around

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(Jonas Ridge Hem.
Morganton News Herald)
Morganton News Herald
Mft. and Mfts. Zennie Renson weng
to Vurginia Saturday to take Tous
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