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Knocking on Wood

with John H. Harwood

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It did our heart good last Friday to see the farmers in the fields, making the dirt fly in an effort to get their corn in before it's too late. Farming's a great life; if is in't too wet, there's a drought; and if crops are good and prices high, there's no help to be had to harvest it.

The help problem is particularly acute, because if good weather way feel damp outside, really has lasts, the work will come with such very little water in it, and when it handle most intermediate in its houselfs in the model in its houselfs was really has landle in its houselfs was really handle in its houselfs was really handle in its houselfs was really handle in its houselfs was really and handle in its houselfs was really handle in its houselfs was really handle in its houselfs.

SOURCE OF TORNADOS

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Rags, Old Burlap Needed for Salvage

For Delivery Phone 230
WOODWARD—NEAR MAPLE

PECK'S Cash and Carry uits, Topcoats, \$1.09

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TIN CANS—Rinse after using, remove label, open bottom nd and flatten with foot. Place t curb for last City collection ay of the month, Keep dry; eep separate from rubbish.

keep cool. Turn in to your meat market when you have a few pounds. Rancid fats not wanted.

SCRAP METALS, GLASS, RUBBER—Leave in bin near Post Office or put at curb on your last City collection day of the month. Copper engrav-er's plates and old keys may be left at the library.

NEWSPAPERS, MAGA-ZINES—You can donate these to Salvation Army, which will call for them. Phone 4014. Scrap paper not wanted. Bank By Mail! Save tires, save agsoline, save time. Make your checking account deposits by mail. Special deposit envelopes and instructions on their use are office that carries your account. WABEEK STATE BANK

War Garden
"Benefits"

We have planted our
Victory Garden on a
piece of land that, for
nany years, we used
for a flower bed. As "farmis" 20, it is not
rounch land, of course; but it will grow
enough of a few items to help solve the
whole national food problem. What bothers
us now (and many millions of other urban
we abandon the Victory Garden idea, will
the AAA begin sending us ehecks for not
growing food? (As it did to millions prior to
Pearl Harbor.)

Defending
Labor

Manpower and womanpower for the production
of war and civilian goods
is a vital a problem as
this nation faces.
An increased military force
creates this, and rightly. But the problem of
efficiently using the manpower within industry is also a great one: organized labor accuses management of industry of wasteful use
of manpower because; says labor, "industry
works on a cost-plus basis, and therefore
doesn't care how much idleness takes place."
Management also accuses labor of slow-down,
minimum quotas of production, etc. There's
some truth in both declarations, probably;
labor alone can repair its deficiencies, while
management must depend upon the cooperation of "brass hats" to effect improvement in
its own sphere of operations.

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Personally, we don't believe that management is half as greedy for profits as some elements of labor argue; the problems of labor—for doesn't management also have to labor—for doesn't management also have to fight against growing totaliarianism, plus the covetous demand of the tax collector? We believe that, almost completely, management only wants to survive these times, so that it can resume post-twar free enterprise, which employs labor. The only other alternative is the governmental ownership of industry—and we know that organized labor dominantly is against this form of tyranny.

Mankind Needs God We see where a group of European churchmen have appealed for a "return to God" as an answer to the problems that beset the world.

This is a generalization often used by those who admit that they are on the inside with the Almighty and that others are in need of advice, instruction and, perhaps, punishment.

advice, instruction and, perhaps, punishment. We certainly are not ready to admit that mankind has turned from God, even if expounders of religion assert it to be a fact. The people of the world may not understand God, they may not live perfect lives, and they may be too ignorant to solve many susce but, for the most part, they are anxious to serve the living God.

Perhaps better methods of teaching on the part of church leaders will help the lay mind to understand, appreciate, and apply the attributes of God to human living.

THE HEAVY BAINS WE HAVE BEEN having in this region may be Heaven's proof that it, too, can' rain down upon the earth so much of a thing that devastation lies in its wake.

Good Advice
To Congress
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Trom Ohio, recently additional to the doubt of the doubt of the doubt of the doubt of two sons in active service, to evaluate every bit of legislation by the "thought of our men overseas" who "are facing the sheer realities of the most brulalizing war in all history."
Mrs. Bolton does not believe that the men who see death pin every hand are "interested with partites, with subsidies, or with crop penalties."

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The lady asked Congressmen to "set aside every suggestion of sectionalism and selfish interest" and to lift themselves "out of all bickering and disorder." She asks that "the basic intent and purpose of everything" un-dertaken he "to further the war effort and to protect our ecinomy."

This is good advice, whether Congress takes it or not.

JUVENILE VANDALS COVINDES OF HARBASS the local public schools by briaking windows and destroying small trees and shrubs. Whoever these youngsters are, they ought to be caught and dealt with—before the habit fixes itself upon them and they become potential future numbers in some house of correction.

NEXT MONDAY, JUNE 14, is ANN M. REACTION day for the Blimingham School District. No opposition is evident for the re-election of trustees H. Ross Mack and Wylie E. Groves. Apparently the public recognizes the ability and loyalty of these two good citizens. Please don't forget to vote at this election: it's one of the objectives we are fighting this war for, isn't it?

BIRMINGHAM LIONS HAVE ELECTED John H. DOMESTIM HOSE HAVE ELECTED John H. Springman as their new president. John is principal of the Pierce school. He has an illustrious group of predecessors to follow-and a membership that is so full of vim and vigor that everything they tackle goes over successfully.

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WRESTLING CHAMP WA CITY, I ow a—Naval tion Cadet David Thomas, son r, and Mrs. C. A. Thomas, of Pilgrim road, Birmingham, this week was named 127-d wrestling champion of his

IN NAVAL AVIATION

Sgt. Bruce Corson

here, who graduated from an fers, 176 Suffield, formerly of mechanics school in the hnical Training Command (More Men in Service in Part 1) quate

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