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SHERIFF PAT FARRELL is to be congratulated on the recognition he has given organized labor in the appointment of his office force. All too often labor is appealed to by the successful politician when it comes to the solicitation of votes, and then completely ignored and forgotten when the candidate is successful in the election.

IT IS with regret that we note the death last week of Mrs. Anne Thompson, publisher of the Ebensburg Mountaineer-Herald, and our sympathy is extended to her three sons who have carried on the publishing of the paper since the death of their father, Walter R. Thompson, in 1933.

AS THE DAYS and the months go by this nation of ours, down to its very smallest communities will begin to realize more and more the fact that the nation is at war. We're going to realize it the absence of our men, and not all of them will be just the young men; we're going to realize it in the restrictions that will be made upon us and our manner of life for the benefit of defense; we're going to realize it in the taxes we'll be called upon to pay. And we should even be thankful that we may have to do all this in order that democracy and a civilization as we know it, may survive.

FULL impact of the production of OPM's drastic order limiting the use of new automobiles and light and heavy trucks is being felt as local dealers already have advised customers to obtain employment in other lines of business but are making plans to operate on greatly curtailed schedules. And that's not all. Price Administrator Henderson has warned that the government may have to commandeer automobiles from civilians if the stocks of new cars, now frozen under government order, are depleted. Henderson said that the move to take over machines owned by individuals loomed as "one of the gloomy possibilities of the war."

DESPITE former announcements, there will be no ban on volunteer enlistments in the Army. Rather than a suspension of recruiting service there will be a greatly enlarged recruiting campaign for enlistees in the army and aviation cadets. Likely recruiting will be continued for a long time to come. Draft restrictions will be let down, particularly in the physical standards, and thousands of deferred men will find themselves in Class 1-A under new orders.

WE'LL have to make a lot of sacrifices, all of us, during the apparently long war period. But those sacrifices are small in comparison to the families who have lived ones in the conflict. Grumbling on the part of any of us, therefore, shows mighty poor spirit. We are in an all-out war, and that means all of us.

CIO PRESIDENT Philip Murray has urged in a letter to President Roosevelt that all activities dealing with labor supply be grouped under

the U. S. Department of Labor. "It is our judgment that this department, fortified by additional personnel from organized labor, is the proper agency to handle the critical questions of labor supply," Murray wrote. "This includes training, the utilization of public employment offices and the determination of proper deferment policies on the part of the selective service system. Much of the success of our war effort will depend upon the effective organization of our total labor supply, both in relation to the armed forces and in relation to industrial production."

HIRAM G. ANDREWS, editorial director of the Johnstown Democrat since 1929, ceased in that capacity on Monday of this week. During all those years Mr. Andrews' writings, whether his readers agreed with him or not, were always of intense interest and to a great extent, especially in politics, had great bearing on the trend of thought in this section of the state. Whether one agreed with Mr. Andrews or not, one had to agree that he daily supplied copy from his versatile mind that perhaps few writers in the country could equal in volume.

MR. ANDREWS leaves the Democrat with his sails flying full mast. From time to time his writings were apparently opposed to labor movements in this area, but in the long run his achievements for labor likely will remain his monument. Particularly is this true in the part of the Democrat editor's writings that had to do with the organization of Bethlehem Steel in Johnstown. His latest contribution to United Mine Workers of America was the outright stand he took in his columns in behalf of the rightness of John L. Lewis in demanding that the "captive" mines be organized, and an editorial written upon this matter was given leading prominence in the United Mine Workers Journal.

THE EDITOR of this paper has not always agreed with Mr. Andrews, but at no time were we not cognizant with the fact that his arguments were commanding. Down at Harrisburg, as a member of the Legislature, he still holds the record of being the best-versed parliamentarian. During 1941, although not a member, he spent most of his time at the session. And he probably knew what was developing long before most members dreamed it. Mr. Andrews has much before him that he can find useful to perform. He hints, in his valedictory, that he may find service in the labor movement. Anyway, we are truly sorry to know that we can no longer pick up the Democrat in the morning, turn to the editorial page, and read what he has to state, whether we agree with him or not.

DEMOCRATIC LEADERS of the five counties that will have a primary in the next Democratic Congressional primary are the agreed set-up of the special committee goes through, will meet at Harrisburg this week. However, despite the fact that legislators from the affected districts may oppose the proposition, rural members of Democratic faith, and the Republics generally, will have enough strength to put reapportionment, such as it is, through both houses. Anything that will prevent congressmen from being elected at large is better than having that happen.

ANOTHER TIPSTAFF has been named to the Cambria County Courts. This makes ten of them for four judges. We deduct that each judge has two and one half men at his command. Perhaps they're on an around-the-clock schedule at the courthouse, with the half-men working the graveyard shift.

HAVE YOU NOTICED that Labor, particularly the various units of the United Mine Workers of America, are pretty generous citizens when it comes to buying Defense Bonds? Daily you see stories that this and that Local has purchased bonds. For the most part these bonds are purchased by individual miners themselves. When it comes to patriotism none can deny the stand taken by miners, not only in the present war but in all previous emergencies since their organization. Patton Eagles, whose membership is to a great extent composed of miners and others who had now have purchased \$12,340.00 in these bonds.

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the long-voiced 1942 campaign for Governor is now in full swing... District. Present members are Michael C. Chervenak Jr., of Portage, Albert L. O'Connor, of Loretto, and Thomas A. Owens, editor of the Union Press-Courier, Paul Gross and Walter Ross, Republicans, are from the Johnstown District. We can't speak for the rest of the members, of course, but barring unforeseen circumstances, the writer intends to stand for re-nomination by his party at the May primary.

COLLEGES GIVING FULLEST SUPPORT TO NAVY BUILDING Colleges and universities are giving enthusiastic support to the Navy's new regulations which permit juniors and seniors to enroll in officer training courses before graduation, it was revealed this week by Lt. Cmdr. W. R. Chis, Naval Reserve Recruiting Officer. Under the old plan college students

could only enroll in the V-7 officer training course following graduation. But in the meantime they were eligible for Selective Service and many small colleges were afraid that they would be compelled to close their doors because of loss of students. But under the new rulings juniors and seniors would be able to finish their college courses before going into military service. —Remember Pearl Harbor!