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But, just because we have the power doesn't mean any license to waste it. Much electric power is made from coal and coal is a vital war weapon that should be conserved. Likewise railroad equipment that transports it. Electric light bulbs use tungsten, that precious metal so essential to the manufacture of Radar, the mysterious detection device that is proving so effective in this war.

So let's all save electricity in order to save all these things and help speed the glorious day of victory. At home use what you need for proper light, safety and the operation of essential appliances but avoid all waste and careless use.

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WAR STAMP CAMPAIGN

Message from His Excellency, The Most Rev. Joseph Schrembs, DD., S.T.D., Archbishop-Bishop of Cleveland.

"As the first Episcopal Chairman of the N. C. C. W. and the first Bishop to promote the National Catholic School of Social Service, I appeal to all the members of the National Council of Catholic Women to organize and contribute toward the success of this War Stamp Campaign. A contribution to this campaign is not only the expression of appreciation of the work of the N. C. C. W. and the N. C. S. S. but is also an expression of loyalty to our country in this great patriotic movement to aid our beloved country to victory in these trying days.

"I send my cordial blessings to all contributors."

National President's Message

If I could visit with each and every one of you, this would be my counsel: "Trust in God and do your duty even if you seem to see no way out." Our duty right now is to make the War Savings Campaign of the National Catholic School of Social Service a success.

Catholic women everywhere are invited to enlist in the "Sales Force of a great Catholic and Patriotic Campaign." Here is a National Catholic School of Social Service, established by the hierarchy of the United States, presented to the Catholic women of the United States to maintain — our responsibility is plain; our duty is clear. Despite the fact that meetings are few, despite local drives, it is for us to be independent of our own personal conveniences. Catholic Women — this is definitely a call to service for God and country. It is not too late to enlist your services in the War Stamp Campaign!

After many trips into the field, hearing Catholic women report on their many wartime activities, your president is humbly thankful for a revelation — it is like coming out of a long darkness into glorious sunshine. Truly Catholic women are learning that prayer and work are not separated in time or space, nor do they replace each other, but are fused into an essential unity. Every report emphasizes the spiritual values, the forgetfulness of self in the service for others. This forgetfulness of self will be manifest, I am confident, in the efforts of the Catholic women of America to make the War Savings Stamp Campaign of the N. C. S. S. a success.

Up to the present time returns are satisfactory, but let us not become complacent and let us not make the mistake of thinking that this Campaign can be a success — in service to our Country and in service to our School — if it does not have the cooperation of every Catholic woman.

There is still much to be done and so little time left in which to do it. We must work hard; we must pray hard; we must trust in God and do our duty even if we seem to see no way out.

Margaret Marinelli Angele
(Mrs. R. A.)
President

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Led WACS Overseas

Capt. Mary Agnes Hallaren, of Lowell, Mass., one of the few women in the W. A. C. to hold the office of Battalion Commander, has arrived safely in England, leading the first separate battalion of WACS to go overseas. A Catholic, Miss Hallaren is a former schoolteacher, world traveler and lecturer. (N.C.W.C.)

ON THE HOME FRONT

with RUTH WYETH SPEARS

That Washstand From The Attic

Today's living room is often furnished with streamlined pieces that have served a more humble purpose. Almost any plain washstand or dresser may be given long smart lines by adding open shelves at the ends. Here a top of plywood with a plain moulding around the edges extends across the top of the stand and shelves. By adding a plain baseboard and a coat of paint the piece is finished with a modern air. The paint should match the woodwork and if old hardware is removed to make way for simple new drawer pulls the screw holes should be filled with plastic wood and sandpapered before painting.

The diagram at the upper right shows how to make the wall decoration from a remnant of flowered chintz. If you use an old frame, the chintz picture may be given the appearance of an oil painting by applying several coats of varnish, allowing plenty of time for each coat to dry thoroughly.

NOTE: The remodeled washstand is from BOOK 10 of the series of homemaking booklets prepared for readers. BOOK 10 also contains more than thirty other things to make from things on hand and available materials. Booklets are 10c each plus 5c each to cover mailing costs.

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Suggest Drive For Easing Rural Teacher Shortage

WASHINGTON — (NC) — A six-point program has been suggested by the Women's Advisory Committee of the War Manpower Commission as a means of averting the growing shortage of teachers in rural schools and consequently reducing education standards, according to an article in **Education For Victory**, published here by the U. S. Office of Education.

The committee, of which Miss Margaret Hickey is chairman, advanced the following program:

1. Campaign against restrictive hiring specifications with regard to material status and religion.
2. Influence local school boards to raise teachers' salaries within War Labor Board limitations.
3. Initiate campaigns to emphasize education as an essential activity so that teachers and potential teachers will understand they are engaged in such an activity.
4. Urge women who have left the teaching field because of marriage to return for the emergency.
5. Urge high school graduates to enroll in teacher training courses, and
6. Persuade inexperienced teachers and those returning to the field to enroll in refresher courses.

Miss Hickey said the relatively low salaries constitute one of the major reason for the large number of resignations among teachers in rural communities. She said in districts where substandard salaries are paid, women's organizations can be effective in securing increases.

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The poor hold out their hands, but God receives what is given to them.—Pere Chaussy.