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When Victory Rumors Are Confirmed

Southport, along with the rest of the United States, went wild Saturday night when false rumors of Germany's surrender were spread abroad. Though much has been said about the way we should receive such news, the spontaneous reaction indicated that advice of calm rejoicing was thrown out the window as soon as the news came through.

We've jumped the gun once, and it is quite possible that we'll do it again before surrender is really a fact. It might be well to think now about how to receive this heartening news when it is finally confirmed by those in authority.

Just remember that when Germany does surrender it doesn't necessarily mean that the fighting has stopped. Boys will still be dying in a war which has been formally declared ended. Another thing: we still have the war in the Pacific ahead of us. For some of those boys the war is just beginning.

When you go whooping and hollering around town when you hear that peace has been declared just remember that there will be people listening to you whose sons or husbands will never come back. It won't make them feel any too good to hear those of us here safe at home making the occasion an excuse for revelry.

Of course we'll all be thankful. Nothing can make us so happy at this time as victory in Europe. But it seems to us that a more appropriate way to celebrate the coming of people in Europe would be on our knees, either at home or in the nearest church.

The Perfect Shipping Campaign

If you have talked to any of the boys from overseas who have received packages from home, you have probably heard something about the damage resulting from improper packing of articles that were sent to them.

Throughout April, the railroads and the Shippers' Advisory Boards have been featuring the Ninth Annual Perfect Shipping Campaign to prevent loss or damage in transportation.

The railroads impress on their own employes the following: Prevent Shock; Pile Safely; Pack Securely; Switch Properly; Stow Carefully, etc.

But behind this, there must be public cooperation to prevent damage. Each person who wraps a package, in home, factory or store, must do the job right or loss will follow.

Send In Your Contribution

A recent Collier's editorial carried a blast cancer research up to now. It has "been handled mainly by a few big institutions or by individual scientists, generally with inadequate funds in both cases."

The American Cancer Society hopes to change all that, says the editorial. "It is setting out to raise a fund of \$5,000,000 by popular subscription, with which to put cancer research on its feet financially and get it organized as it ought to be."

The Society is seeking public support in its current fund drive, and urges everyone to put a contribution in the mail. In Brunswick county these may be addressed to: Glenn M. Tucker, Bolivia, N. C., or to any of the school principals in the county. If it is more convenient, you may send it to school by one of the children.

At The Crossroads

There come great hours of history when the course of civilization reaches that turning point from which it has but two alternatives. It may move upward into the broad uplands of peace. Or it may move downward along the road of international chaos.

Such a great hour is now. Meeting in San Francisco are dele-

gates of 46 United Nations concerned with turning the course of civilization at this great hour onto the uplands of peace.

History has demonstrated to the satisfaction of all that recurrent wars are a stupendous drain upon the basic elements of civilized society. War is bred by hate and breeds more hate and is opposed to everything which the ordinary decent individual or nation must have if its civilization is to remain intact and progressive. No doubt but what another war would result in chaos unbelievably chaotic. Given another 20 year interval between wars and the robot bomb will have been developed to that point where it will be able to reduce New York to rubble comparable to the rubble heap of German cities in the wake of Allied aerial pounding.

We must choose now whether we want to live in that kind of world within the next decade or so, or whether we have enough of war and are now ready to cooperate for world peace. Historically, we have arrived at the crossroads where we must choose peace as our future lot or chaos as the inevitable consequence of our failure to choose peace.

As President Truman said in his address of welcome to the delegates at the San Francisco conference, "We still have a choice between the alternatives. The continuation of international chaos—or the establishment of a world organization for the enforcement of peace."

It's as simple as that.

United Nations representatives at San Francisco have upon their shoulders the burden of the future. They and all the world know that if their mission succeeds, and they in harmony establish the machinery for the enforcement of a just peace among the nations of the earth, the future holds the promise of better days and brighter days.

But on the contrary, if they fail, they and all the world must know that in their failure will be the drum beats of another and more ghastly war.

History has reached that point. We must choose now. The chaos which rides with the fury of a demon over Europe; the equal chaos which is in store for Japan; the immeasurable sacrifices in blood and money which have been poured out by victor nations—these demand that we choose now.

After San Francisco, we march upward to peace.

Or—we march downward to chaos. There is no middle ground.

Pathetic Petain

Of all Frenchmen who had a hand in collaboration, Marshal Petain, the veteran hero of Verdun, is the most pathetic. It was historic irony that placed in his trembling hands the fate of France at a time when France had already been bled to her knees by the treachery of Frenchmen who had sold their country out to the enemy.

As Vichy Chief of State, Petain appeared at this distance about as firm as any person could have been under the heel of Hitler. His conduct after France surrendered did not bear the stink of the foul Laval who from the beginning gave every evidence of being nothing more than a Hitler stooge. Laval was the arch traitor who fit well into the Nazi pattern of things, but there was a stubbornness about Petain that Hitler never could quite break down.

The moment of his greatest weakness was when he surrendered France to the Nazis instead of fighting on from positions in the Empire. That was what the government of Paul Reynaud plead for. Who will ever forget the "clouds of planes" plea Reynaud made to the United States during the twilight of French resistance?

The return of Petain to France will be followed by his trial for high treason. He will be convicted and punished with something short of death. He will deserve the punishment that he gets. But he will remain the pathetic Petain.

It doesn't make us mad that the Russians asked the Yanks to withdraw from the suburbs of Berlin and let the Russians take it as per agreement. Nor do we imagine that the Yanks are pouting about it along the Elbe either. Thousands of them are alive today who would never have lived to come back home had they fought their way into Berlin.

If the rubble heap that is Germany doesn't impress the Japanese, they are stupid fools.

Letters To Editor

TO THE EDITOR OF THE STATE PORT PILOT:

I wish to state to the readers of the State Port Pilot that the last issue of The Pilot it was stated that one of the cases of dynamiting fish occurred in Waccamaw township and was said to have been tried before a Justice of Peace of this Township. Several men were involved and got off with a penalty of only forty dollars for dynamiting this is false. I am the only active Justice of Peace in the Township I have not tried any case for dynamiting. I heard a case for violating the fish law and the defendant plead guilty and I taxed \$40.00 fine and the cost.

I know that I have no jurisdiction to try a dynamiting case. I guess that I know the fishing law as well as any one in Brunswick County. I don't feel that I should be criticised for something that I haven't done thru the columns of a newspaper.

I have the warrant which issued before me and to which the defendant plead guilty and would be glad to let anyone see it.

And if anyone should be further interested please inquire of Capt. Bowmer or C. S. Skipper who signed the warrant.

This is the second time that I have had to reply to a false rumor in the State Port Pilot and this paper should be aware of the third time.

COY FORMY DUVAL, J. P. for Waccamaw Township.

Mr. and Mrs. George Savage of Wilmington spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. James Wolfe.

AMUZU THEATRE SOUTHPORT, N. C.

Thurs. - Fri., May 3-4—
"SUMMER STORM"
George Sanders, Linda Darnell
ALSO—Selected Short

Saturday, May 5—
"UNDERCOVER MAN"
Bill Boyd - Andy Clyde
ALSO—Cartoon

Mon., - Tues., May 7 - 8—
"MERRY MONOHANS"
Donald O'Connor - Peggy Ryan
ALSO—Cartoon

Wednesday, May 9—
"BIG SHOWOFF"
Arthur Lake - Dale Evans
ALSO—Fox NEWS

COMING:—
"HAIRY APE"

GE

For General Electric refrigerator equipment which is now available for grocery stores, meat markets, cafes, hotels, boarding houses, drug stores, schools, hospitals, etc.
See your GE dealer—

City Cut-Rate Store

Harry Robinson, Prop.
SOUTHPORT, N. C.

SUPPLY NEWS

Earl Sellers was discharged as a patient from the Doshier Memorial hospital last week. He had been receiving treatment there for several days.

Harvey Brown underwent a medical examination at Duke Hospital in Durham last week.

James Sellers, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sellers, left for induction into the Army last week.

Mrs. Carl Hewett went to Duke Hospital in Durham last week.

A large group of boys and girls enjoyed a wood sawing at the home of Miss Darnell Clemmons, Tuesday night of last week. Another such event was held at the home of Miss Ida Bell Evans Thursday night of the same week.

At both places refreshments of bottled soft drinks and cake were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Bartley Clemmons; Mrs. Floyd Evans; Darnell, Dallas, Mary Lee, Hugh, Otto and Harold Clemmons; Linwood, Jenrette and Talmadge Brown; Maxton, Murry and Ida Bell Evans; John Paul, Leo and Nina Bell Sellers; Dan, Billy and Eveyyn Phelps; Bob Sellers, Burnice Hewett and Zora Mae CXlemmons, all of Sup-

ply. John Barber of Shallotte; Roy, Elmore, W. M. and James Willetts; Leon, Lewis, Rudolph Simmons, Peter Johnson and Burnice McDowell, all of Winnabow; and Little Miss Jackie Brown Clemmons, of Supply.

WOMEN WORST OFFENDERS IN COURT MONDAY

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judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$10.00 and costs.

Frazier Lee Warlick, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$15.00 and costs.

Alex Lennon, drunk driving, continued to May 7th.

Alex Lennon, improper brakes, continued to May 7th.

Richard Lennon, carrying concealed weapon, continued to May 7th.

S. C. Barefoot, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$15.00 and costs.

Eugene E. King, speeding, continued to May 7th.

Bennie Grange, reckless operation, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$25.00 and costs.

Mrs. J. T. Chandler, misuse of spotlight, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Mrs. Hazel Manley, no opera-

tors license, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Charley Blackburn, driving without lights, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Edward Simpson, reckless operation, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$25.00 and costs.

Colon M. Hall, speeding, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$15.00 and costs.

Geneva E. Carter, drunk driving, judgment suspended on payment of a fine of \$75.00 and costs.

Thurman Fowler, violating stop sign law, called and failed to appear.

H. B. Small, drunk in public place, continued to May 7th.

W. B. & S. BUS LINES, Inc.

Southport, N. C.
BUS SCHEDULES
Effective June 16, 1944

SOUTHPORT TO WILMINGTON
Monday - Saturday

LEAVE SOUTHPORT ARRIVE WILMINGTON

Read Down			Read Up						
AM	PM	PM	AM	PM	PM				
7:00	9:00	4:00	6:00	Southport	8:30	3:00	5:30	7:30	11:30
7:30	9:30	4:30	6:30	Supply	8:00	2:30	5:00	7:00	11:00
7:45	9:45	4:45	6:45	Bolivia	7:45	2:20	4:45	7:05	10:45
8:00	10:00	5:00	7:00	Winnabow	7:30	2:05	4:30	6:50	10:30
8:15	10:15	5:15	7:15	Lanvale	7:15	1:50	4:15	6:35	10:15
8:30	10:30	5:30	7:30	Wilmington	7:00	1:35	4:00	6:20	10:00

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

7:30	10:45	4:00	6:00	Southport	10:25	3:00	7:45	11:25
8:00	11:15	4:30	6:30	Supply	9:55	2:30	7:15	10:55
8:15	11:30	4:45	6:45	Bolivia	9:40	2:15	7:00	10:40
8:30	11:45	5:00	7:00	Winnabow	9:25	2:00	6:45	10:25
8:40	11:55	5:15	7:15	Lanvale	9:15	1:50	6:35	10:15
8:55	12:10	5:30	7:25	Wilmington	9:00	1:35	6:20	10:00

SOUTHPORT TO SHIPYARD (EXCEPT SUNDAY)

5:00	1:30	9:30	Southport	9:00	5:25	1:25
5:25	1:55	9:55	Mill Creek	8:35	5:00	11:50
5:45	2:05	10:15	Winnabow	8:15	4:40	11:35
6:00	2:20	10:30	Lanvale	8:00	4:25	11:20
6:20	2:50	11:00	Shipyards	7:25	3:55	11:55

SHALLOTTE TO SHIPYARD (EXCEPT SUNDAY)

4:45	1:15	5:35	Shalotte	5:25	1:30
5:00	1:30	5:50	Supply	5:20	1:15
5:20	1:50	6:10	Bolivia	5:00	12:55
5:40	2:10	6:30	Winnabow	4:40	12:35
6:00	2:30	6:50	Lanvale	4:25	12:20
6:20	3:00	7:10	Shipyards	4:05	12:05

CITY ELECTION

Tuesday, May 8th

Polling Places

1st Ward—Capt. Fred Doshier's Store

2nd Ward—Harrell's Funeral Home

3rd Ward—Court House