

# The Danbury Reporter

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## MR. HANES SAYS HE WAS MISQUOTED—STANDS FOR SUPPORT OF DEFENSE PROGRAM

Mr. R. M. Hanes, president of the Wachovia Bank and of the American Bankers Association, has returned to his home in Winston-Salem after a tour of the west, where he made several speeches before assembled bankers.

The following letter just received from Mr. Hanes is self-explanatory.

Winston-Salem, N. C.  
June 26, 1940.

Mr. N. E. Pepper, Editor and Publisher,  
Danbury Reporter,  
Danbury, North Carolina.

Dear Mr. Pepper:

I have read the editorial in your issue of Thursday, June 13, which is written on me and my undesirable qualities.

Of course, you have a right to any opinion of me you may choose, but I am taking the liberty of enclosing herewith a full copy of the speech which I made before the Idaho Bankers Association, together with the press release thereon.

You will find that I never used the expression, "someone else's war," either in this speech or in any other I have ever made. Having served in the last war overseas, I know full well that this is not someone else's war, and I realize as fully as do you that if the allies are defeated, we shall probably be the next plum which Hitler and his maniacs will try to pluck. I think probably I was the first in North Carolina who stated, at Pinehurst before the North Carolina Bankers Association on May 10, that the United States ought to make available every material aid to the allies.

The quotation you got from my Idaho speech I believe you will agree is altogether incorrect and misleading.

I am simply giving you this information to keep history straight and for whatever use you see fit, in a spirit of fairness, to make of it.

Very truly yours,

R. M. HANES.

In the issue of the Danbury Reporter of June 13, was printed excerpts from a speech which Mr. Hanes made before a Hayden Lake, Idaho, bankers meeting, in which the report of the speech rendered by the Associated Press quoted him as saying:

"Every citizen of America should guard carefully his personal liberty in 'this time of stress.' Once your personal liberties are taken away they will never be returned. There is too much talk of war. The United States needs to work solidly and calmly. Let us not confuse defense of our nation with a hysteria which will sweep us needlessly into 'SOME ONE ELSE'S WAR.'"

In commenting editorially on this statement of Mr. Hanes, the Reporter asked Mr. Hanes "if this thrust was aimed at Washington or Berlin—the President of the United States or the German Feuhrer."

The Reporter felt justified in being thus inquisitive in view of Mr. Hanes' well known unfriendliness to the New Deal, and further owing to the fact that the leading military opinion of the United States believed that the life-line of dying European democracy was America's frontier; that the struggles of France and England were OUR WAR and not SOME ONE ELSE'S WAR.

The Reporter commented further as follows:

"Such propaganda launched by a person in the high position of the President of the Wachovia Bank and the American Bankers Association—propaganda launched by the implication that this war is not OURS but is SOME ONE ELSE'S—was discouraging to American defense preparations, damaging to the morale of the people, and therefore indirectly dangerous to the liberties of the American people."

We are under obligations to Mr. Hanes for a mimeographed copy of the speech which he says he made at Hayden Lake, Idaho, June 10, 1940, and in which there is no such expression as that

which the Associated Press quoted him as making at Hayden Lake.

On the contrary we read this fine statement:

"As bankers we heartily support the President's defense program. It will be worth whatever it costs and the cost will be infinitely less than the people of Europe are paying now for lack of modern defense."

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ever platform the committee builds for them. We refer particularly to Mr. Hoover, recalling his tour of Europe two years ago, his visit and pleasant chat with Herr Hitler.

At London later Mr. Hoover gave out that: "I do not believe a European war is at all probable in the near future."

And on his return to New York he said emphatically: "There is no prospect of war in Europe."

Of course such an opinion expressed by the President had a most sedative effect on Congress and the country in general, especially influential Senators like Borah, Johnson and others who had always opposed any particular preparedness, and fought for isolation. Practically all Republicans in the Senate and house opposed every effort of the President to increase

the navy and airfleets, saying he was trying to get the country into war.

The same policy has always been supported by the Socialist La Follette and the pro-German Bennett Clark and the hair-brained Holt of West Virginia, Roosevelt haters, as well as other recalcitrant Democrats.

The platform committee at Philadelphia in its exuberance over an issue found possibly also forgot the little sinking affair of Harding's administration when a billion dollars worth of vessels and war materials were destroyed under the world-peace delusion.

Cock Robin is surely dead. Who killed him?

#### Buck Island News

Allie Long has gone to Martinsville, Va., where he holds a position.

People are very busy plowing and chopping grass.

Claud Calhoun picked up a big moccasin in some shucks Wednesday, but didn't get bitten.

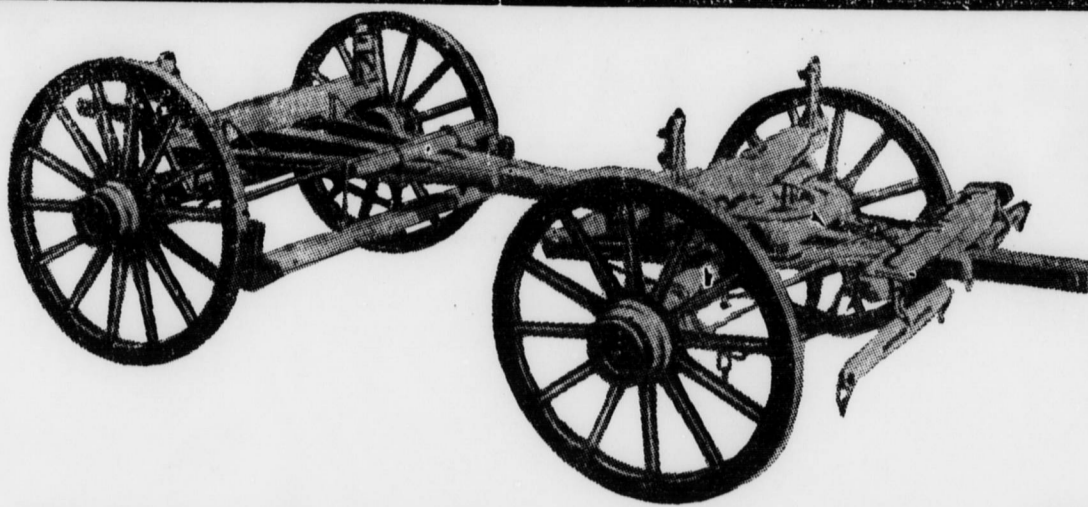
Junior Nelson motored to Martinsville Sunday evening.

James B. Joyce was here today from Winston-Salem.

#### ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Mrs. B. F. Pulliam, deceased, late of Stokes county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at 1406 N. Hawthorne Road, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, on or before the 28th day of June, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 21st day of June, 1940.  
O. L. PULLIAM,  
Administrator of Mrs. B. F. Pulliam.



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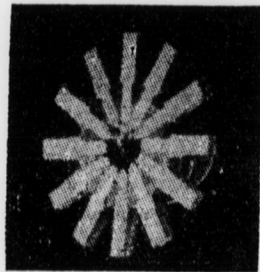
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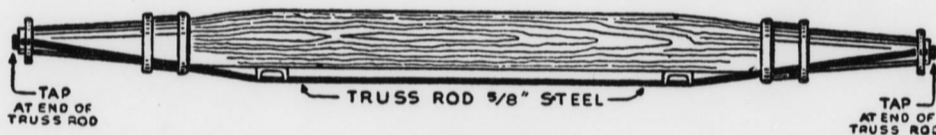


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