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## Do They Still Have Faith?

We have heard much about the superior race in Germany since the regime of Hitler started, for he was credited many times with telling his people they were destined to rule the world. Over in Japan Hirohito. was felling his people something which meant the same thing-though he expressed it a little differently.

Hirohito told the Japs they were a peculiar people, descended from the gods and of superior flesh. The superior race and the superior flesh could not stand up under the fight they started themselves, so we wonder ere this how they must feel about the leaders who so misled them to their ruin.

## Will It Happen Here?

Last week we read that the Caldwell county home had closed its doors after almost a century of service—to be exact for 98 years it had been the home for the aged and others who had been deprived of their homes. The Caldwell institution is "out of business," according to the county commissioners of the county.

There were only six inmates when the home closed, and these were taken to Stanley county, as the number presumably was not sufficient for the operation of the home.

Perhaps this is a trend in the changing times. With old age assistance and various other means of security such places will in time automatically cease to be. It shows where in directing our lives.

## Youthful Lawbreakers

We were surprised during the week to read that J. Edgar Hoover, who has studied statistics on youthful lawbreakers is warning that there is a crime wave in the making. He places the blame squarely on the family and the community.

Hoover denies that crime is coming home from the battlefronts, stating that mischiefmakers are youngsters on the loose. "The country will benefit when the armed forces return," according to Mr. Hoover, "the more killing they have witnessed, the more they value orderly society."

During the first five months of 1945, arrests rose 8.4 per cent in the under 21-age bracket, according to the FBI authority. Boys 17, and girls 18, stacked up more of-

fense than any other age groups. The statistics offer a challenge to the homes and communities of America.

## Brain Tonic

We read that a Columbia University psychologist has taken a group of white rats and set them to learning their way through a maze, noting how many tries were necessary before they mastered the route. Then he dosed the same rats with glutamic acid, tried them on similar problems,. Without exception they learned mazes 50 per cent faster, mastered puzzle box problems, which without glutamic acid they had been unable

"So I downed a pill and whipped through my geometry lesson," is the prospect that the psychologist holds out. In our business of writing it sounds like a very wonderful prospect. Perhaps without effort there is a chance that someday we may be able to turn out copy by taking a brain tonic. We hope that human beings will react like the white rats, and that we will be able to work our way through a maze 50 per cent faster. It would truly simplify life.

### Warning

America's highest ranking prisoner of war, Gen, Jonathan Wainwright, is back in this country, happy, after his years of imprisonment by the Japs. He has received ovations everywhere he has gone, but the General is not overcome with his own personal heroism, but more that the United States never let such havoc be wroight

Part of his warning is that the United States must be well prepared, so much so that "never again will our soldiers be forced to suffer torment and starvation."

"I know that Americans will insist that the full meaning of Japan's surrender be brought home to every subject of the Emperor. These truculent men must be forced to realize the folly of their ambitions. Until the Japanese people display sincerely a desire for peaceful ways, we must not abandon our watch."

Which all reminds us are we repeating the mistake we made in Germany in World War 1? Did we quit too soon out in the Pacific? Have the Japs suffered enough from the war to be impressed with their own sins against mankind?

## N. C. At The Bar

North Carolina had a big part in World War II in the European theatre, and now with Circuit Judge John J. Parker of Charlotte on the four-power court to try war criminals in Nuremberg, we stand to have an opportunity to mete out the justice to the 24 high ranking Nazi war lords.

We trust that former Attorney General Francis Biddle, of Pennsylvania, and our own Tar Heel representative, as this country's two judges, will brand these men who have been the indirect cause of so much suffering, as criminals in all their relations with the people of all nations.

The idea, ais we understand it, is to indict Nazisim as such for planning a war of aggression. The tribunal on which Judge Parker will sit will set the pattern for all since September, 1943. future war criminal trials - and the Jap leaders and of all criminals throughout the world who will be tried by other courts.

Although the trial will be military as has been agreed by the four Allied nations, it is interesting to note that military men were not selected by this country. 'The State Department wanted by reason of the trial's historic importance, "experienced judges of the highest and most outstanding character.'

## Archinal-Tojo

Sergeant John A. Archinal, veteran of New Guinea and the Philippines, has achieved a unique place in history so extraordinary ville and in a way so baffling that it makes one a trifle giddy to contemplate it. The sergeant volunteered his own living blood to be served during World War I period pumped into the veins of Hideki Tojo so that and was not discharged until 1923. the latter could "get his just dues and suffer of the seventeen months he made me around on the seventeen months are seventeen months and the seventeen months are seventeen months and the seventeen months are seventeen months and the seventeen months are sevent for the seventeen months he made me spend ian five months, but the tug of from knowing our location. in New Guinea." If the sergeant is an imag- army life drew him back into uniinative man, as seems not impossible, and if, form. But even at that he has been mighty lucky, for he married as one hopes, he is able to attend General between wars and had a happy General MacArthur. Don't believe Tojo's trial as a war criminal, he is sure to home, with his "squad", as he and of it. He knows his job and experience some peculiar emotions. To ob- calls his family of six children and he knows the Japs. When he says wife, and they have been with him that 200,000 men will be enough serve one's own heart's blood being tried, as at all times, living near his camp to have in the army of occupation it were, for high treason to the human race, except the last tour of duty which he knows what he is talking about to realize that one has saved this primitive stationed at Polk Field. Fort does not understand is that it and cruel life in order that it may be properly Bragg. 16 years, and only in 1940. disposed of, to toy with the mystical idea was he ordered to report to air 800,000 draftees to do what 200,000 that one has transfused vitality into this Orleans and then back to Cali- best that the men volunteer for the creature which, dedicated to a suicidal code, fornia. could not even make a success of suicide, will add up to a singular experience which may well have Sergeant Archinal wondering where World War before we start on the he leaves off and Tojo begins. It will afford revenge, but of a pretty baffling kind.

In volunteering his blood, the sergeant was a bold man. He was getting himself, from there was sent overseas on through the curious intervention of modern science, pretty deep into those ancient mysteries of life and death, of blood and redemption which have been the central themes of so many great religions. And he was also I, and from this was entitled to making himself a symbol. The destructive wear the Victory ribbon, five and self-destructive impulses of ancient the army of occupation medal-Japan can only be halted and turned to bet- aside from all kinds of citations, ter expression in the modern world by a massive transfusion from the main intellectual and social blood stream of modern cul- proud to pass the information on, ture. From New Guinea to the Philippines we have literally poured out American blood upon this operation; arrived in Tokyo, we find that in the act of destroying the savage and barbaric in Japan we must pour out another great transfusion of Western thought sergeant, a mechanic, in this and institutions if our enemy is to be left branch of the service. He trained neither a primitive danger nor a corrupting and the Pacific patrol from 1940 corpse in our own society. We are all Ser- to 1943 before he was assigned to geant Archinals in a way. We have beaten the 7th Air Force and sent to the Japan; we must now pump into her the blood of a rational and modern order. We must save her, in one sense, in order to save our-

Happy days are here again - Dad and busy night and day mending flak Junior can take turns licking the egg beater missions during an eight months intensive bombing period, was



# HERE and THERE

HILDA WAY GWYN

"I have enjoyed being a soldier, around two days, and it took every but I will be glad to return and minute in between to get those live with my family. I expect to shattered planes ready to ride miss my life in the army however, again. Quite a lot of our men did but I certainly don't want to go not get back. It was the great disthrough another war," said Master tances they had to fly to fight Sergeant Walter D. Brown, 48, and if it had not been over water veteran of two wars, and in the they might have been rescued. The regular army for 28 years, with planes from our outfit helped do 30 months to go before retirement the damage over the Gilberts, Carwhile his youngest daughter perch- nani and Iwo Jima. Of course I ed on the arm of his chair gave am partial to the B-24's for they him a timid hug. We had the were the ships used in my group pleasure of talking to Sgt. Brown, whom we have known always, at his home last week on Walnut street, where he is spending a 30- the weather in the Pacific. We day leave after serving out in the were only five degrees south of Central Pacific with a heavy bom- the equator. It was so hot that bardment outfit in the air forces during the strain of the first three

aineer that his mother, Mrs. I. man out there too long. with great pride, "I have a new gets them. During the rainy sea grandchild" They all adore him, and no four at the same time. Sergeant Brown, native of Waynes- is a combination of sea sickness

Sgt. Brown volunteered in the

Maybe we had better catch up second. Sgt. Brown served with the 6th Engineers, taking his basic at Fort Thomas, Ky., and later was sent to Washington, D. C., and rope from that date until Aug. 1919, first with the 3rd Division in France and later with the army of occupation. He was in six major operations during World War bronze stars, one silver star, and which the Sergeant would as soon cut off his right hand as to tell you about them, but his family are so that is how we learned the inside story.

When he re-enlisted in 1924. Sgt. Brown did not return to the Infantry, but joined the Air Corps, and has served as a master

"It was a terrible strain sweating the men out and back, for it was our job to keep the 15 planes in our group in perfect condition the ships came back shot to pieces with flak, my metalsmiths were

and his family beamed on him, olinas, Marshalls, Mariannas, Bo-—with ten men to a crew," he said.

"Another thing, don't leave out

weeks, trying to get organized lost between 50 and 60 pounds. We have always been interested In fact when I was ready to come n the Sergeant and his family, home they kept me four months We recall a number of times dur- in Hawaii for rest. Life is hard ing the years we have been on on the boys in the Pacific. The the staff of The Waynesville Moun- government should not keep any J. Brown, would call up and say weather and no recreation just and would begin, son, which is steady for at least Sgt. and Mrs. Brown announce the three months at a time, it does not birth of, etc. The children range just rain, but it comes down like in age from Lucile, 15, down, a blanket waterfall. You can have Betty, Nona Jean, Walter, Jr., two inches of rain in 30 minutes Peggy and Robert Lee-stairsteps, and before you know it, things Their relation with their soldier are dry. You can literally wade father is a very fine thing to see, in mud and get dust in your eyes starred general was ever a bigger mosquitoes and Denque fever to hero at his own fireside than the contend with. The Denque fever and malaria. I have seen nurses and men drop in dead faints with the fever," he continued

> "Our first assignment in the Pacific was to get our bombardmen was tough fighting in the Pacific,

he knows the Japs. When he says would take between 600,000 and army of occupation, for if a man really wants to be a soldier he makes a better one than a draftee in most cases. He wants to be a soldier and he knows how and expects to take discipline," he ex-

"Another thing I wish that peoole understood is that General MacArthur is not wanting anything. He is definitely not in poli-All he wants is to get things settled and retire and come home with his family," he added with much feeling.



# Voice People

ee our Haywood Livestock and Home Demonstration Show revived. devoted to the efforts of Haywood olks with all the money kept at

ttle bit of entertainment.

st in growing better products and Richard N. Barber, Jr .- "Yes, I

bink a fair is stimulating in a county, but I also approve some orns of entertainment, but not he type of recent years.

and he mighty fine to revive the air. There are a lot of young scoole who are missing something n not knowing about county fairs. think they are very stimulating n any community, and I hope that they revive a county fair in Hay-

prove of reviving the fair, but I do not approve of having any gam-

W. A. Bradley-Yes, I do on ac ount of the livestock and the agri-

J. W. Killian-"Yes, by a big najority, and I would also like

Neall's favorites at Fort Braggolina reporter, also veteran of ver he happened to serve. Inciommisison, because he wanted to

"I used to be the first sergeant at home, but times have changed ment for others." my wife is now, and right here I want to pay a tribute to the mothers of America. They have done a fine job. They are the ones who should have the battle stars. I know, for I have worked with too many of their young sons, not to know. I used to have bad luck though, for just about the ime I would get my 109 men trained to cooperate like clock work, here they would give me another group to train," he said. But we believe we understood the reason for such changes by the commanding officers, for in this ability to train men Sgt. Brown made his greatest contribution when he served on the Pacific coast getting nen ready to fight the Japs.

"I hope to get in some college as military instructor so all my children can finish their education," he said when asked what he intended to do when he retired-and we thought what a lucky institution to get the Sergeantfor through his year of service he knows military tactics and through his own children knows and under-

As we talked to the Sergeant, stands youth

Do you think efforts should be made to revive the former Haywood county fair-minus the carni- In a pathetic letter, he is asking puts up. val aspect?

Jonathan Woody-"I would rather

Miss Nancy Killian - "I really volud like to see the county fair evived, but I would also like a

Frank L. Rogers-"My first im-

pression is that we should have

county fair, for it creates inter-

H. B. Atkins-"Yes, I think it R. L. Prevost-"Yes, I do ap-

ding devices that take all the noney and of the community, but would approve of merry-gocounts and such for the chil-Noble Garrett - "Yes, I would

ertainly be glad to see the exribits of Evestock, agricultural and some revived in a county fair."

ulture, and I would like some fun amusement features along

who was one of Ben Dixon Mcand was the hero of many a tall ale of this well known North Carwo wars, we couldn't help but vonder how the young civilian his seasoned 48-year old non-com. County. who knew all the answers in the We bet they weren't a bit ocky around the Sergeant, lest Roberts. display their ignorance of military tactics, for behind his to be on the up and up. good humor and jovial manner is strength and determination that New York City e feel sure made him chief wherdentally we have it on good auth- little fun and a few stunts on the ority that the Sergeant turned side, but not the kind to take all down more than one chance at a our money away. live close to his men and stay a

his recent letter he would be better the that satisfied if he could hear from expenditu more of his friends in the States. for more news from home. His ad- ing area dress is Pvt. Woodrow Arrington, her

> Postmaster, San Francisco. BEES have kept pupils of the Central Elementary school on the week in alert for the past week. The bees built their nest at the intersection ling towned of the school and street sidewalks. and after several students had been stung, the place was roped off The little insects have a way of their own, and one of the safest

W. F. WHITMAN was fascinated making the at the mechanism of the press of age hunter The Mountaineer recently, but he on hand than couldn't figure how he could mix Said by bulldough on it for his bake shop- spoke neither could be figure a way to make "dough" with such a large expensive piece of equipment. That as Jim recent is something many a newspaper- on his recent aftern man has tried to flure out in vain, newspaper Mr. Whitman. Often it just isn't Knows. The Frontier

H. B. HARRISON, manager of crated his Belk-Hudson's recently gave me a mer. book and insisted that I read it- know him has 'The Art of Living" by Norman his photograph Vincent Peale. I have read it and ment stopped him it is a gem. Just a few simple and said flanding w rules for finding a fuller life that keep your chin up most of us overlook every day

ANOTHER BOOK from E. N. Pope of Raleigh, titled "Uncle Heef Barner Sam's Billion Dollar Baby" is the his electron story of TVA in story book form, group per of An interesting volume, especially state

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the work of Chief of Police O. R. Waynesville and Haywood seem

DR. E. W. GUDGER Sept. 18, 1945.

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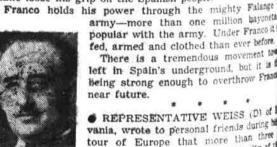
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Franco Remains Strong Despite Defeat of Axis

Badies Not Ye Special to Central Press

 WASHINGTON—The position of Generalissumo Francisco and his Spanish government is considerably stronger than believed, despite the complete defeat of his Axis friends

Diplomatic observers who predicted that the pint-size chief of state would sneak out after Germany fell have been to revise their estimates. They fear now it may take some shake loose his grip on the Spanish people.



General Franco

fed, armed and clothed than ever before There is a tremendous movement to left in Spain's underground, but it is i being strong enough to overthrow France

• REPRESENTATIVE WEISS (D) of vania, wrote to personal friends during tour of Europe that more than three after V-E day Berlin still was a city of the with an estimated 35,000 hodies buried ruins.

"The odor of decomposed bodies still air," Weiss wrote. "Over 72,000 build homes were destroyed. They say there are over 35,000 boll

THE WAR LABOR BOARD came very close to folding

completely right after President Truman announced the

Some Labor Department officials were of the opinion WLB, created as the government's arbiter of war-time putes, should pass out of existence immediately. Apprised of this feeling, WLB members representing the

industry and labor rushed to the White House and convince Mobilizer John W. Snyder that the board should not be because such a move would leave chaos in its wake on the trial relations front. Hence, the WLB will stay at least until new peace-lin

machinery can be set up. • WHILE GEN. CHARLES DE GAULLE made a very de impression in the popular sense during his recent visit.

doubt that he succeeded so well officially. De Gaulle was amiable and gracious throughout. His intended primarily to correct the unfavorable impression his refusal to see the late President Roosevelt last winter

The general's Hyde Park visit was intended to wipe out

that injured him politically at home and abroad. but It may have reacted in the opposite direction since

J. W. KILLIAN, ber