

atmosphere of Washington at this writing may best be described as a mixture of politics and war. To be sure, the atmosphere of Washington is always political, but the present combination of circumstances gives a political tinge to everything that is said and done, in and out of Congress. And there is very much concern about war, and the possibility of the United States being drawn into the situation in the Far East by officials who know about the real situation.

Politically, Washington is con-cerned immediately with the 1938 Congressional elections, as well as ore remotely with the Presidential election of 1940. Many of the recent public utterances of men in high places have no other real purpose than to make it easier to re-elect present Administration supporters and fill some of the seats in both houses with sympa-thetic legislators.

#### **Big Bad Business Blamed for** Slump

The Administration and its suplookers see in this apparent advoporters are sensitive to public recacy of Jackson as his successor a actions, and the present business and industrial depression has move by the President to keep Sectended to shake the confidence of retary Henry Wallace from getsome voters in the Administrating too far out in front. Every-



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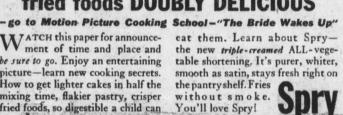
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Mr. Jackson's Political Prospects

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Many folk here believe that the President is quietly grooming Mr.

1940. Possibly Mr. Jackson shares

that belief. The "out" about that

theory is that the next Governor

four-year term instead of two

for President in 1940 he would

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Some shrewd Washington

Presidential campaign.

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At first the idea body here believes that the Secre- N. C. RELIEF FUNDS don's policies. At first the idea body here solution is definitely a was to deny that there was a de-pression. The tactics finally adopt-ed were ancient and time-tried gossips say, does not want to be strategy. It is an axiom of both war and politics that the best de-backing Mr. Wallace. Hence his tacit approval of Jackson as Preswar and politics that the best de-fense is in vigorous attack. So the admission was made that there was a depression, but that it had was a depression, but unsound busi-tact approval of Jackson as Pres-idential timber. War Preparations Go On The defeat in Congress of the The defeat in Congress of the

been brought on by unsound busi-ness and financial policies which needed correction and adjustment. The defeat in Congress of the Ludlow resolution for a Constitu-tional amendment for a popular tional amendment for a popular referendum before this country ever goes to war, was largely influenced by the President's opposition to it. And the President, in turn, was undoubtedly influenced A part of the political play in by facts and conditions not gen-Washington is the evident effort erally known or fully understood in circles where they are known Jackson into the Governorship of Outwardly the Secretary of State

New York, at the 1938 election must maintain a calm and peace-next November. Postmaster-Gen-ful attitude and tone. Insiders Insiders gossip is that among discreet govdrop his suspected ambition for ernment men and his intimates that high office, to clear the way he talks in a way to indicate that the time is nearing when the United States must come to grips with Japan and other aggressor

nations. Jackson for the Presidency in Some say that Congressional pressure on the President and the State Department prevented a more aggressive reply to Japan's apology for the sinking of the U. S. gunboat "Panay." The Presiyears, so that if he were to run dent was told emphatically by his party leaders that Congress would have to resign in the middle of his not back him up in a reply to Japan as aggressive as that first drafted.

Diplomats who know are saying that the attitude of Congress is taken in Japan as proof that the United States is bluffing and will do nothing no matter how many of our warships are sunk by Japanese bombs.

Meantime, secret Army and Navy movements are under way in the Pacific, the Army and Navy budget has been increased, and there are many other indications that the Administration regards the Japanese situation as delicate, f not yet dangerous.

**Richberg Plans Business** Regulation

#### There is little belief here that there will be a spectacular antitrust campaign by the Department of Justice, nor any Congressional investigation of trusts Probably such an investigation will be authorized for next year. More seriously regarded is the plan which the Administration is reputed to be considering for a new method of government regulation of business. It is believed to be the creation of Donald Richberg, former head of NRA. The new plan would establish a government agency with power or clothe the Federal Trade Commission with power to call persons engaged in any particular business or industry together and help them work out schedule of production and sales, codes of labor treatment and fair practices, on the basis of conditions within that industry. The Department of Comemrce is said to be behind the plan and so are many who were strong for NRA. This new plan however, is an effort to get down to earth and be practical.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR DR. LEAK

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at East Bend for W. G. Leak, 63, who died at a Winston-Salem hospital Wednesday afternoon after an illness of short duration with blood poisoning. Dr. Leak accidentally ruck his irm was alrea injured, against a hypodermic needle which was lying on a table. and inflicted a very tiny injury so small he thought nothing of it Last Sunday he waited on more than 50 patients and felt no ill ef-fects until Monday morning. He was rushed to a hospital with a high temperature where he died Wednesday. Funeral services were held at East Bend Methodist church, of which he was a member, at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon, after the body had lain in state at the church for two hours. Rev. Ralph A. Herring and Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl of Winston-Salem and Rev C. H. Hutchens of East Bend or high and the services. Members of the Masonic lodge, of which he had long been a member, were in charge of the burial with active pallbearers as follows: C. B. Huff, Clyde Kirk, Bill Poindexter, Will North, J. T. Reece and J. W. Mathews. Honorary pallbearers were all doctors in Yadkin, Surry and Forsyth counties.

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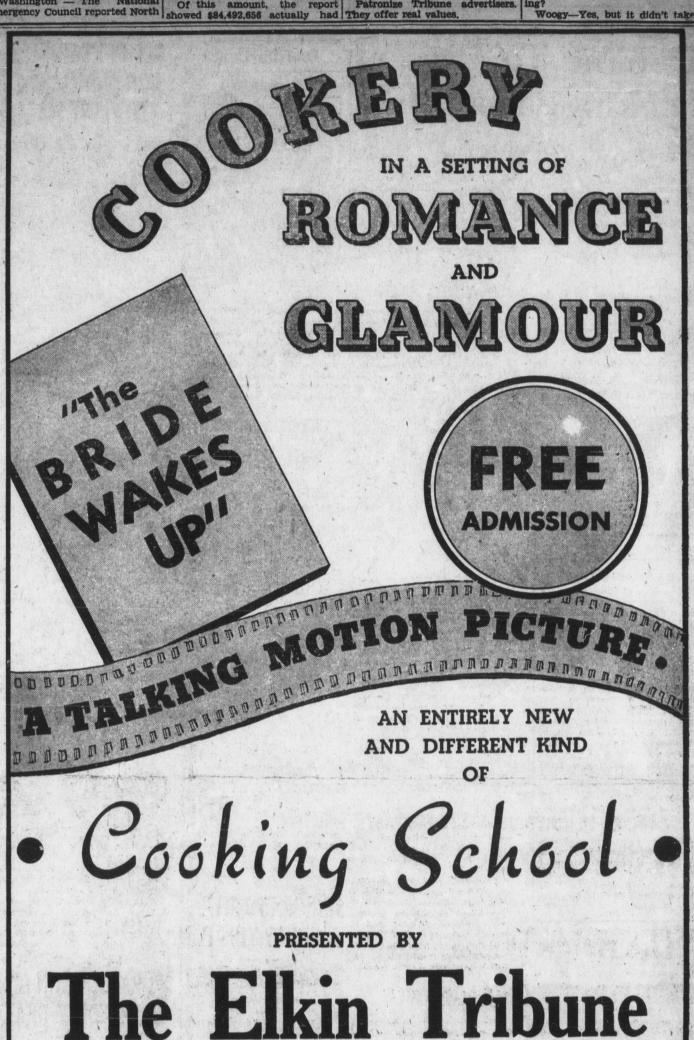
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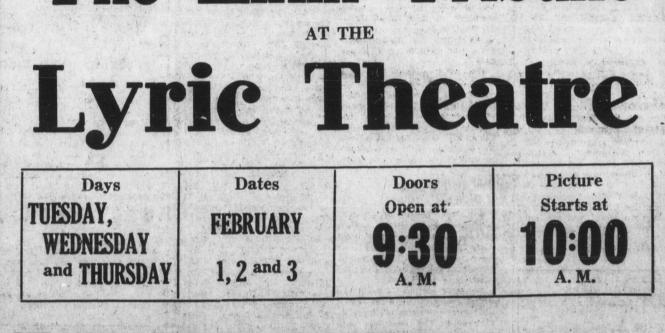
#### JUDGE RIDICULES PAROLE SYSTEM

Judge Hoyle Sink sentenced a defendant in Durham superior court last week to 18 months and then turned to the man's attorney and said:

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