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Come 1940 those census takers will at least give the lady of the house a chance to catch up with her conversation.

"A Harvard professor," reminds the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, "is confident that Germany has already lost the war, and, to judge by the news, Britain and France seem doubtful about where to find it."

"Education and road construction are the greatest factors in the building of any state," said Governor Hoey at the official opening of the Low Gap highway. He could have added that keeping the reins of both in Democratic hands, is right important, too.

It is claimed that a "detonator ray" has been developed, capable of exploding things two miles away. Maybe somebody pointed the doodad at some of our statesmen in Congress, and made them do like they did do.

Our Appreciation

It is right and proper that we should erect a shaft in honor of the soldiers from Surry county who served in the World War. This recognition and evidence of appreciation is none the less earnest and sincere because it happens to be belated. If we have been tardy in honoring these heroes, dead and living, it is not due to lack of interest or appreciation, but chargeable to circumstances that made delay necessary.

The monument, erected at Dobson, will be unveiled November 11, Armistice Day, in an appropriate ceremony and program that should assure the presence of every patriotic soul of us who can get there. This shaft of granite will bear the names of the soldiers from this county who served in that great conflict—those killed in action; those dying of wounds; those dying of disease and all others who served in any capacity. It will serve to recall the days of patriotic fervor when this fine manhood responded to the call of their country to fight for what then was thought to be the sole salvation of democracy and all that it implies.

And this occasion should serve, too, to steel us against any tendency to again expose our young manhood to the horrors of war—if that can possibly be avoided. For there will be names on that monument of those who thought they were fighting a war to end war; some of them died for that purpose, yet today the world is in shambles again—and so needlessly.

We said this is a belated recognition! We are not so sure that it is not better thus, for this occasion accentuates and makes more real and significant what we read and hear of the goings-on in Europe, almost in the exact theatre of war where some of our soldier boys shed their blood. And as we unveil and dedicate this monument, we can well pray that the conflict be shortened, and that it may never include another stalwart son of Surry's peaceful hills.

The Committees' Work

Through the democratic process of the ballot box the farmers were called on to determine whether they would have crop control, particularly regarding tobacco. They voted overwhelmingly for it. And now under that same democratic process they have chosen township or community committees that will have much to do in the administration of the crop control program.

In the last issue of The Tribune we gave a full list of these committees as formed by the county convention at Dobson. We know some of these men and have the utmost confidence in their ability and sincerity, and we are persuaded that others whom we do not know are cut to the same pattern.

Determining farm acreage allotments in their relation to normal yields, soil building goals, farm-marketing quotas, etc., will be a tedious job, even when outlined and simplified by instructions from Washington and assistance from Raleigh. And if their ultimate and collective decisions conflict with the views of the landowner the hugeness of their task should be borne in mind and due tolerance exercised for what may or may not be faults in their reasoning.

The success of this control program depends on co-operation. The government has found it advisable, if not absolutely necessary, to penalize those who deliberately elect not to co-operate. Certainly a continuance of the program depends upon the satisfactory manner in which it is accepted and administered during the 1940 agricultural conservation year. These committeemen want to see the thing work out right, and it follows that they will be scrupulously careful in the important matter of acreage allotments. Others, for the same reason should be cautious and stingy with their

criticism. If errors are made, there are ways of correcting them, and these should be employed in lieu of the popular tongue-lashing that sometimes follows.

What we are trying to say is that we hope these committees will approach their problems with the utmost sincerity and that they will have the unselfish co-operation of their neighbors.

And Now We Turn to Politics

With the neutrality issue out of the way, our statesmen can go back to their political knitting, and it is plain that they are doing this like nobody's business.

Politics was not altogether adjourned during the arms embargo debate, but at least Jack Garner found it necessary to put his candidacy on the cooling board for a spell; McNutt slowed down his political flivver, and friends of the President put the soft-pedal on the third term business, except that Henry Wallace had to get a burden off his chest, and hurt rather than helped the cause.

But now they can all go to it with vim and vigor. They can make the front pages again. The Republicans must begin financing their 1940 campaign as well as be about the important business of agreeing on a candidate and scaring up issues. And they are approaching their task with none too much confidence and not a great deal to encourage.

Popular polls indicate that Mr. Roosevelt has lost none of his favor with the voters. In fact he has gained, largely because of his handling of foreign affairs. But whether this popularity is so pronounced that he will do the unthinkable and offer for re-election remains to be seen. Considering the strong opposition to a third term, based largely on tradition, one would think that Mr. Roosevelt would think long and loud before agreeing to run again. But his desire that he be succeeded by a liberal who will undertake to continue that which is good in his program is quite natural. But who can that liberal be? Certainly not Jack Garner, who probably holds the biggest bloc of delegates to the national convention. Hardly Jim Farley or Cordell Hull or even McNutt, all of whom have their limitations when it comes to measuring up to the Roosevelt definition of a liberal.

As a mater of fact there is no leader in either party who stands out like a wart on one's nose; no magnetic personality to arouse the complacency of the voters. And that sort of man will be needed to gain the prestige now held by the President, largely because of these qualities.

We continue to hold to the notion that Mr. Roosevelt will not seek the nomination again; that his silence on the matter is a part of his strategy to assure a liberal leader and a liberal platform. When these are insured he will step out of the picture—and we think he should. It is inconceivable that he should covet another four years of political strife and the wearying details of his high office.

Our Neutrality

Now that Congress has settled the neutrality issue by repealing the arms embargo and going back to this nation's age-old policy, with a few restrictions, we shall see whether the dire consequences predicted by the opponents to this legislation actually eventuate.

In their calmer moments, and with the colored glasses of politics laid aside, it is probable that Messrs. Vandenberg, Borah, Nye and others, will admit that the present set-up is no more likely to lead us into war, than the discarded legislation.

Yet they need offer no apology for trying to hold on to the arms embargo. It was a righteous piece of legislation and based on a commendable interest in humanity. It would be fine if we could say to the world "If you want to fight, provide your own tools." We'll have no part in the nasty business." But unfortunately we have not reached that stage. And the neutrality we had was not neutral. Under it we were aiding the aggressor and hindering and discouraging his victim. And the American people didn't want it that way. Their neutrality wasn't working, so they were insisting that it be changed, reserving the right and hoping in their hearts that the day will come when we can consistently resolve not to become an arsenal for anybody anywhere.

The common-sense brand of reasoning makes it obvious that when our ships are not allowed to carry munitions to Europe; when belligerents are required to come and get and pay the cash, there is less likelihood of involvement.

There is no blinking the fact that back of the urge for a change in our neutrality law was our sympathy for the Allied cause. Deep in the hearts of the American people is the realization that France and England are, in a measure, fighting our own battle, and that their defeat would be a defeat of our own ideologies and a definite threat to our own national welfare, and so we wanted to help instead of hinder.

Naturally this action by Congress will be resented by Germany. But Congress has only itself to blame. It should have acted before, not after, war started. This legislation, enacted or defeated, at the regular session would have let Europe know where we stood, and there is the possibility that this might have averted the present conflict. But whether that be so or not, there was no good reason why we should have been so slow to stand up and be counted. Politics was the only reason.

Mr. Roosevelt asked for this legislation. It is to be hoped that he will administer it in a way that will keep our skirts clean to the end that no war involvement will stem from it.

THURMOND

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the revival meeting which will begin Monday of next week. The services will be held at the home of Roy Simmons, near Thurmond. Rev. W. F. Page, of Hillsboro, will be in charge of the services.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Bell and little son, Jimmy, visited the former's brother, Hasten Bell, at Traphill, last week.

Of interest to many friends in this section is the marriage of Miss Edna Thompson to Clarence Layell, of State Road. They are making their home here.

Marvin Brewer, of Salisbury, was the guest of Arnold Wilson at his home here recently.

Misses Levaude and Helen Simmons and Mildred Holcomb, James Simmons and Jesse Holcomb visited in Laurel Springs Sunday.

Prayer services will be held Saturday night at the home of W. P. Bell. The public is invited. "Aunt" Ellen Wilmoth is quite ill at this time, we are sorry to note.

POPLAR SPRING

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Laster spent the week-end in Mocksville, visiting Mrs. Laster's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey.

Rev. Lester Johnson, of Roaring River, was a visitor at our church Sunday. He spoke to us about the Baptist Orphanage.

Miss Connie Hinson was the guest of Miss Essie Hayes Sunday.

Misses Viola and Nevada Laster were the Sunday guests of Misses Ella and Gertrude Guyer.

A quartette from East Elkin Baptist church will sing at the Poplar Spring Baptist church

Sunday night. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Celia Williams and daughter, Lillie, had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Brady Carter, of the Pleasant Ridge community.

Former Pastor Making Home In Statesville

Rev. E. W. Fox and Mrs. Fox will make their home in Statesville their many friends in this section will be glad to know. Rev. Mr. Fox, at his own request, took his superannuate relationship at the last meeting of the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference.

Rev. Mr. Fox has held pastorates in the North Carolina and Western North Carolina conferences of the Methodist church for the past 38 years and has also served as presiding elder. For three years he served as pastor of the local church and he and Mrs. Fox have a host of friends here.

They are at present visiting their daughter, Mrs. S. A. Rhyne, the former Miss Louise Fox, in Statesville, and later will go to Florida for the winter. In the spring they will open their home on Race Street in Statesville.

Fixed for Good

"Why did you stop singing in the choir?"
"Because one day I didn't sing and somebody asked if the organ had been fixed."

For sale, cheap, trailer with license. See Fletcher Harris at Dodge and Plymouth place. ttc

For Sale—Registered Cocker Spaniel puppies, \$15.00 each. Franklin Folger, Elkin, N. C. ttc

WANTS

Announcing the reopening of L. R. Combs Photo Studio, over Abernethy's drug store, which has been closed for the past eight months due to the illness of Mr. Combs. ttc

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We have just traded for a good Zenith table battery set and will sell it cheap, complete with batteries. This is a bargain! Harris Electric Co. ttc

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One 11-tube Grunow electric cabinet set for sale cheap. Harris Electric Co. ttc

Learn hair styling. Be an expert beauty operator. We assist in securing employment. Enroll now. Write for catalogue and rates. Hinshaw School of Beauty Culture, North Wilkesboro, N. C. 11-30c

Wanted: Experienced cook who has worked in boarding houses or hotels. References required. Mrs. Annie Gray, Elkin, N. C. ttc

One 7-tube Delco cabinet 6-volt battery set for sale at a real bargain. Harris Electric Co. ttc

We buy scrap iron and metals. Double Eagle Service Co., Elkin, N. C. ttc

Wanted to repair — radios. Our expert thoroughly knows his business. Prices right. Harris Electric Co., Elkin, N. C. ttc

Found—North Carolina license plate for car. Owner can get same by calling at Tribune office, describing and paying for this ad. 1tp

We have a 5-cu. ft. used Kelvinator for sale for only \$25.00. Harris Electric Co. ttc

Wanted to buy all kinds of cattle, calves and pork hogs. See Bub Price at Basketeria. ttc

Wanted: White girl, to live in home and care for two children. References required. Call 179-R.

Do you want plenty of eggs from strong, fast growing young chicks? If so feed Panamin. We have it. Abernethy's, A Good Drug Store, Elkin, N. C. ttn

For Rent—Good one horse tobacco and grain farm at Zephyr. Plenty fruit all kinds. Write G. G. Tucker, Reynolds Building, Winston-Salem. ttc

For sale: Thoroughbred Esquimo Spitz pups. Kent Haynes, State Road, N. C. 1tp

We have a very special deal on Royal vacuum cleaners for a short time, consisting of one \$44.95 floor model and one \$16.95 hand cleaner, all for only \$39.95. But hurry! Harris Electric Co. ttc

For sale—93 acres of land in Marsh township, Surry county, near Mulberry church. Located on good sand-clay road, mail and bus route. Two tobacco barns, one 2-room house. Seven acres in lespedeza. A real good tobacco farm. Will take \$10.00 per acre, terms to suit. See or write J. A. White, 208 Liberty Drive, Thomasville, N. C. 11-9p

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