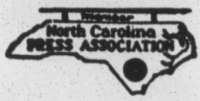


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It Is Not For A Few Men

While no serious minded citizen can regard passage of the British Aid bill Saturday in the House by a 260 to 165 vote as any step other than one which may bring the Nation yet closer to military participation in the war, no citizen of fair and impartial mind can do other than applaud the declaration made Monday in the Senate Foreign Relations committee hearing by Vermont's Republican Senator Austin, assistant minority leader, who said: "It is not for a few men to create the impression that the Republican party does not have faith in our institutions and in our people. The Republican party should not adopt a policy of blind opposition."

No better plea for a reasonable attitude where party traditions are concerned has been made recently and adoption of such an attitude should make it that much easier for Wendell Willkie's report on British conditions to be received with that courtesy which is due. It may be true that what Willkie says is only in confirmation of what has been already known here, but we need at times like the present to have that confirmation and if it can come from a man who is still titular head of the opposition party it is just that much more impressive.

We quoted a few weeks ago from an English woman a statement to effect that England's need now is for supplies, military and otherwise, not for men, and on Sunday in a broadcasted message Prime Minister Churchill said the same thing. We have an idea that Willkie's message will re-emphasize the same implication and we are pleased that one of the leaders of his party has endeavored to clear the way for calm and non-partisan appraisal of his views, regardless of how nearly they coincide with those of the Administration. We would not have our people accept blindly the opinions of "a few men" in either party: what we now need is patience to hear all sides, with full realization of margin for error before we make up our minds as to what can and should be done.

Disturbing Information

Not for some weeks have we been as disturbed as we now are over latest reports from the European area, where three trouble spots, France, Rumania and Iceland may at any moment offer complications affecting whatever has been left of an uncertain hour to hour security. Most inflammable, and therefore most dangerous, if unconfirmed, is report that Reykjavik, Iceland, Danish owned but British controlled territory not more than 1,000 miles from the North American continent, has been object of machine gun attacks by German planes.

Scarcely less disturbing is the breaking off of diplomatic relations between Great Britain and Rumania. Ordinarily, addition of one more country on the Axis side could not mean much, but proximity of German dominated Rumania to Turkey and Russia and to other Balkan states not yet completely involved in the conflict makes it that much less likely that any one of those countries can much longer preserve semblance of neutrality.

As for what is happening in France, where Petain's government is being apparently subjected to strains unimaginable to any of us in America, there is still no telling.

Events in any one of the three countries we have mentioned can in a moment take such turn as to seriously upset the half-way balance of power being maintained in military sense between Great Britain and the Axis powers and about the only consolations Americans can have is that continued weakness now being displayed by Italian forces struggling against the Greeks and the English may indirectly affect the solidarity of Germany's morale and may thereby bring about a general breakdown of war. And, horrible as the present war is, we honestly and sincerely fear consequences of any breakdown which may come, almost as much as we now fear and dread the daily warfare being practiced.

Case of Laddie

Best human interest story of the week concerns "Laddie," hunger-striking Airedale, property of Private Everett Scott, of Fort Ord, California. Laddie's quick trek from Kansas to California by airplane, made additionally dramatic by over-night stops for blood transfusions and intravenous feedings, have given him generous headlines and picture spaces, publicity details granted to few dogs and relatively few people.

We remember, too, the little Scottish terrier carried to its death last year when a suspension bridge collapsed. Details of that event, in which the Scottie's owner, a newspaper man, barely escaped with his life, may not be remembered, but no one of us who read the pathetic last line of the story can forget the man's sorrow at the loss of his canine friend.

Laddie's saga has been more fortunate and all who love dogs will be pleased that he and Private Scott have been re-united. We take it that there are in Person county any number of men and women of sporting blood who like their dogs for reasons of both utility and sentiment, although first reason may be uppermost in minds of many of the owners.

To these people and to all others who may have in their care dogs and cats, the two animals closest to man, we would issue a reminder that meanest meanness of all is any willful mistreatment or neglect of the care and comfort of what we are in our arrogance pleased to call "dumb" animals. Not many of these friends of ours are called upon to suffer as much or to be rewarded so graciously as "Laddie" but all of them in their quiet ways will repay us a thousand times over, if we must be repaid for that kindness which should be innate.

Once Again

Once again we come to the anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, founding of which is being this week celebrated throughout the Nation. Culmination of local observation of Boy Scout week will not occur until Friday, February 21, on which date speaker at the Roxboro District Father and Son banquet will be Greensboro's Scout Executive, Frank Dix, whom we knew personally a few years back and for whose leadership as exemplified there we have then and since had uttermost respect.

Scarcely necessary at this time or any other is any reminder as to the value of Scout work in this community. If such work has defects, as what work does not, the blame for defects must rest upon the shoulders of leaders and parents rather than upon those of the boys and young men receiving training. The boys are themselves most willing to embrace any and all opportunities afforded by the Scout program, and, fortunately, the same praise for cooperativeness can be extended to many leaders and parents who give cheerfully of time and money. There is need, however, for that re-affirmation of faith which will be given at the forthcoming banquet and we would urge all fathers who are even remotely interested in the kind of men their boys will become to make plans now to share with them for one night the fellowship fostered by the Scout organization.



Where Justice Reigns

Oxford Public Ledger

"Who's going to say anything for the two colored boys? What will become of them?"

They were questions one spectator leaned forward and asked another in the court room here the past week as attorneys had just concluded stirring appeals for two young white men who with three negroes had entered pleas of guilty of breaking and entering and larceny.

"The court will see that they do not suffer unduly," was the whispered reply.

The proceedings continued. The presiding judge inquired into the energy of the white defendants, of their willingness to reside with their parents and abide by the order of the court, and told the youthful defendants that their behavior had brought humiliation to their parents and loved ones. The judge related the experience of one father whose health was destroyed by distress and humiliation brought down upon him by a wayward son.

He inquired into the costs of the court and found that the bill would total several hundred dollars, and commented "you boys have no money to pay that cost, and again you must turn to your fathers; they are not rich men. It is they who will have to deny themselves to pay this bill."

Judgment was pronounced upon the defendants—five of them. Nothing was said for the colored defendants save what the judge himself said.

"I'm giving you two years on the roads, suspended for five years. I expect the colored boys will serve theirs, for I do not believe they will stay out of trouble five years."

Justice reigns in the old Granville court room—justice that keeps the ring of purity by the wise counsel that is passed out with judgments pronounced upon those who violate the law.

Strange Allies

Christian Science Monitor

If, as Damon Runyon reports, in his column in the New York Daily Mirror, the liquor industry is protesting the overemphasis on social drinking in many American motion pictures, it must be obvious that the friends of temperance and decency were not for wrong in their own remonstrance.

For some time past, those who have noted the powerful effect of the movies in molding manners have deplored the cinema's accent on barrooms and urged that producers set a better example to youth by ceasing to portray drunkenness as fun. Says Mr. Runyon:

We will not dwell here on the offense that scenes of copious drinking and inebriety give millions of member of the movie audience who are opposed to alcoholic in-

Seen' Double in the Navy



The navy will be seeing double from now on. Two sets of identical twins, whose names are quite similar, are shown taking the oath as they enlist in New York city. They are, left to right, Charles E. Pierpont and William Charles Pierpont, 19, of Woodstock, N. Y., and Charles Francis Heil and Francis Charles Heil, 17, of Newburgh, N. Y.

New Chick Disease Appears In State

H. C. Gauger of the N. C. State College Poultry Department is warning North Carolina farmers to be on the lookout for a new disease of baby chicks that has caused considerable alarm in many sections.

Known as epidemic tremor because affected chicks show a peculiar vibration of the head, the disease has been seen in a few sections for the past three years. However, a comparatively large number of outbreaks have been reported this year, particularly in Chatham County.

On the basis of recent research work, it appears that the disease is caused by a virus, an agent smaller than an ordinary germ. The symptoms may consist of a fine or coarse head vibration or tremor and a paralytic-like condition affecting the legs, although

the former symptom may sometimes be absent.

Epidemic tremor affects chicks in acute form up to the seventh week. Although day-old chicks may show symptoms, it is during the second and third week after hatching that symptoms are generally observed. Morality may run as high as 50 percent, but usually the losses are around 10 to 15 percent. Apparently, the disease is not very contagious.

Poultrymen who encounter the disease should take the following steps: Carefully inspect the brood several times a day and remove, destroy or burn all affected chicks at once; carefully clean and disinfect the floor and side-walls every two to three days; clean and disinfect feed containers daily; give fresh water several times each day and disinfect the water containers prior to each filling with fresh water.

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dulgence on various grounds. But we must mention that it strikes us as most curious that the liquor industry recognizes and respects these scruples to the extent of deploring the undue demonstrations of bibbling on the screen while the movie makers just ignore that phase of the situation.

The reported objection of distillers and brewers to too much screen drinking is understandable: It naturally arouses the antagonism of temperance groups. The paradoxical alliance of the two opposing groups should mean something to Hollywood.

New Book On Flowers Interesting

Of interest to women everywhere is a new book on flower arranging by Mrs. Laura Lee Burroughs whose 1940 volume on this subject proved to be a "best seller," reaching a total distribution of one and a half million copies.

The new book is entitled "Flower Arranging, A Fascinating Hobby" Vol. 2, and its subject is precisely what its title indicates. In a gay and chatty style, profusely illustrated with 48 full-color illustrations, many of them full-page in size, Mrs. Burroughs' work glamorizes and glorifies a hobby which is claiming the attention of an ever-increasing number of women.

The subject matter of the book ranges from humble sunflowers and morning glories to rare exotic blooms. Its practical application covers the cottage, the apartment, and the mansion. Explanatory text by Mrs. Burroughs and diagrammatic sketches accompany the color illustrations of her flower arrangements in order to tell and show just how each one was made. Richardson Wright, editor-in-chief of "House and Garden," has written the introduction.

Like its 1940 predecessor, Volume 2 of "Flower Arranging, A Fascinating Hobby" is being distributed by The Coca-Cola Company, Atlanta, Ga. and copies may be obtained by sending 10 cent in stamps or coin to them.

SWINE

Recent outbreaks of cholera and other swine diseases have brought a flood of requests for vaccination in Bertie County, reports R. D. Smith, assistant farm agent of the Extension Service.

Advertisement for '666' colds medicine: To Relieve Muery of COLDS take 666 LIQUID TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS

Large advertisement for Chevrolet '41 cars: Among All Biggest-Selling Low-Priced Cars CHEVROLET FOR '41 IS FIRST IN ACCELERATION, FIRST IN HILL-CLIMBING, FIRST IN ALL-ROUND ECONOMY. DRIVE IT ONCE AND YOU'LL DRIVE IT ALWAYS! AGAIN CHEVROLET'S THE LEADER. You'll say "FIRST BECAUSE IT'S FINEST!" TAR HEEL CHEVROLET CO. MAIN STREET ROXBORO, N. C.