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JUSTICE

 While we fight this war and while our boys are sacrificing their futures, limbs and lives, what are we all fighting it for except for justice, fair play, decency? Can we honestly promise this kind of future to our boys and to conquered people until we really have justice at home? Justice from the courts must spring from the bench, the bar and the jury box. The Hitlerian philosophy that might makes right, the Devil take the hindmost, the average man or woman is crooked or dumb, must NOT prevail either abroad or here at home.

HOME FRONT IN COURT

 On May 28th, 1942, this newspaper printed a list of the 532 citizens of Roanoke Rapids Township (1940 population over 12,000). These 532 were on the Jury Book of Halifax County as of April 24, 1942. We suggested at that time there must be at least 1,000 more citizens and taxpayers in Board of Commissioners.

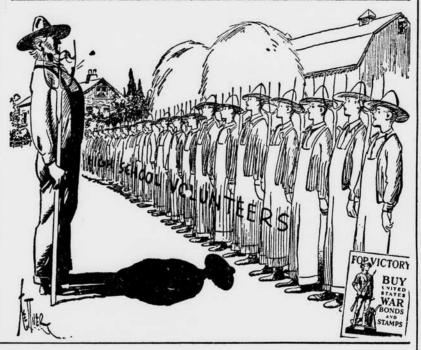
Solicitors may prosecute, defense lawyers may defend, judges may settle points of law and fix given up? Nobody can answer that but you. punishment, but the only one who can say "Innocitizen is concerned, his fate rests with that jury. We charge that any attempt to keep a citizen from serving on a jury is as big a crime as trying to bribe him after he gets on a jury.

In view of our charge of May 28th, that Halifax County citizens had been barred from the jury list by the County Board of Commissioners, (whose duty is plainly stated by the law), we ask that Solicitor Ernest Tyler, who represents the State, ask for an immediate and thorough investigation by the Grand Jury of the method used in selecting the present jury. Halifax County citizens would like to know; are entitled to know.

PROPER CONTROL

 Rumors are out in Roanoke Rapids that the County ABC Stores may sell liquor in quart sizes only. It is now a State rule that only one bottle be sold a person per day, but such is no reason for setting the size of the bottle. Interested in the success of the Control System, we would be against any rule which might force people to buy more than they want. In the interest of control, we ask the County Board of Commissioners and ABC Supt. Eddie Ricks not to demand quart purchases. A sued in the State.

At Your Service, Uncle



pretty profit statement is nice but proper control is nicer.

Rumors are also out in the County that the County Board of Commissioners on Nov. 16, meeting as the ABC Board, selected Mr. Ricks to again head the ABC system for the next two years. No official confirmation of this meeting could be obtained from Halifax Courthouse. Only news which could be gotten for the public was that action of the Board would be dished out to the voters next month. (Raleigh please note the boasted Simon-Pure Democracy of Halifax County.)

THE SCORE IS TIED

• This column has given you bad news before Rapids; H. M. Browder, Weldon; and will continue to give you bad with good as we see it, hear it and size it up. No syndicated lollypops to little people begging for more than their share of sugar, etc. If that is what you want, sub-Roanoke Rapids; F. D. Wilson, scribe to that kind of newspaper.

Here is our dope for the near future to our anoke Rapids; Cecil Ferguson, Roreaders: American power is starting to show itself anoke Rapids; Roscoe Parker, Enon all corners of the globe because of our boys in Lane, Brinkleyville; Jim H. Harris, Roanoke Rapids Township whose names should them just enough bullets and food to stop the enWyche, Weldon; J. M. Cook,
have been put on the Jury Book by the County emy. We will be able to continue to help them only
Scotland Neck; Wade R. Cooper, uniform and the fact we have been able to give Enfield; H. O. Crawley, Faucetts; if we give up some of the things it takes to make Roanoke Rapids. more bullets and food for them. What have you

We brag about what the United Nations are cent" or "Guilty" is a jury. So far as the average doing on all fronts during this period when things don; A. Roger Cullom, Roanoke Rapids; Charlie Byrd, Roanoke look better for us; what will we do when things get Rapids; B. T. Conner, Roanoke We insist that the method of choosing, selecting tight as they will when our enemies start new of-Rapids; R. A. Bass, Halifax; E. V. and determining a jury is paramount in any court. fensives? Can we take it then? Will we be ready Brown, Roanoke Rapids; N. G. Will be be ready Brown, Roanoke Rapids; N. G. Will be be ready Brown, Boundary Brown, Brown, Boundary Brown, Brown, Boundary Brown, then to give them tit for tat? This ball game is not won. The other side had us 7 - 0 for a time and Howard T. Hancock, Roanoke Rapthen we came to bat. We have just scored 7 runs and tied the score; but the game is far from won. J. J. Crew, Jr., Roanoke Rapids; There are many innings yet to be played. Are we DeBerry, Halifax; Waverly Shaw, on the home front ready for them?

> Industrial leaders and military leaders are working together with few small hitches. Main trouble in America is with civilians. Civilian labor supply, civilian price control, civilian rationing, civilian wages: these are the things that are tangled and worrying those who are in position to win this war quickly. Those in uniform are ready to go to town; those in civies are holding up the parade. It's the same old story: Mrs. A is not doing so-and-so, so why should I?

NEWSPAPERS

 ● To insure a complete record of North Carolina's war participation, plans are being made by the State Office of Civilian Defense for preservation of copies of all newspapers and periodicals is-

The project will be under the direction of E. D. Johnson, collector of records for the State Historical Commission, who recently was named state war records coordinator by OCD Director Ben F. Douglas. War records committees are now being formed in all counties as a part of the defense organization for the collection of data essential to the compilation of the State's war history.

A similar collection made during World War I is now regarded as one of the most valuable in the archives of the State Historical Commission, Johnson said.

JURY DRAWN

Jury For Two Weeks' Superior Court Starting Monday, November 30

FIRST WEEK

V. C. Morgan, Roanoke Rapids; G. D. Insco, Littleton; E. T. Ellington, Brinkleyville; Jim Crawley, Brinkleyville; E. J. Smith, Littleton; Warren J. Crawley, Butterwood; Pierce Johnson, Woodrow W. Shadrick, Weldon: Gilbert C. Vaughan, Halifax; M. T. Dickens, Littleton; N. Bernice West, Littleton; A. C. Hawkins, Littleton; T. T. Tudor, Roanoke Rapids; Roy H. Beale, Roanoke H. G. Moss, Roanoke Rapids; O. R. Elmore, Roanoke Rapids; Clifton Everett, Roanoke Rapids; G. W. Aycock, Brinkleyville; R. H. Tudor, Roanoke Rapids; Lonnie Green, Littleton; J. A. Chichester, Brinkleyville; Calvin S. Kennemur, Roanoke Rapids; R. L. Ferrell, Ro-SECOND WEEK

W. H. West, Enfield; W. S. Batton, Jr., Roanoke Rapids; W. J. Edwards, Weldon; W. P. White, Jr., Palmyra; A. B. Draper, Wel-Neville, Brinkleyville; Sam T. Enfield; P. E. Hawkins, Littleton; ids; Paul E. Bailey, Roanooke Rapids; Alphus Carlisle, Butterwood; Eugene Whitby, Littleton; E. L. Roanoke Rapids; L. G. Clary, Roanoke Rapids; John C. Myrick, Littleton; W. B. Joyner, Weldon; Geo. C. Green, Jr., Scotland Neck; J. P. Carlisle, Roanoke Rapids; Horace B. Britt, Roanoke Rapids; Calvin E. Medlin, Roanoke Rapids; R. A. Ward, Littleton.

