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ices in Berlin, Rome and Tokio. If we are willing to agree to this, our corner of the world will be set aside for our exclusive use—or at least for as long as headquarters thinks we are behaving.

You see, there have been signs lately that the United States is becoming a little bit too recalcitrant. We've been shouting cheering words to the Britons. We've been using our moral influence to keep Hitler from quietly sinking the British Isles. That has been noticed in totalitarian capitals, and there has been no end of frowning and viewing with alarm.

So Italy thought maybe we ought to be warned.

Okay, we've been warned. The invitation to join the Axis has been received and placed on file. We've not quite sure yet whether it's a compliment to our strength in the world or an insult to our collective intelligence.

At any rate, there's one thing Mussolini ought to know. Preserved in Washington, under a glass case, are two documents. They are yellow with the years, nearly illegible. Millions of persons have seen them. Thousands of school children can recite parts of them by heart.

They're called the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States.

If Il Duce insists on an answer, he will find it there.

**Borrowed Comment**

JOHN PAUL LUCAS

(State Magazine)

North Carolina lost a valuable citizen recently in the death of John Paul Lucas, of Charlotte.

Mr. Lucas was an official with the Duke Power company and was well known all over North Carolina. During the past week, in glancing through the editorial columns of the many newspaper that have paid a tribute to this distinguished citizen. Even more impressive has been their obvious sincerity.

Paul was a close personal friend to scores of newspapermen in North Carolina. We all loved him and we'll all miss him. He was a true North Carolinian, interested in everything that pertained to the welfare and progress of the state.

**HITLER'S TROUBLES BEGIN**

(Salisbury Post)

No emperor ever patched together a more precarious empire than that over which Hitler now rules.

It is an empire held only by force of arms. The subjects outside of Germany proper have only one thing in common—hatred for the Nazis. Minor revolts are already bursting like the little bubbles that rise to the top before the whole pan boils over. Most recent rebellion was reported in Oslo where students rioted against the Norwegian Nazi leader, Major Vidrum Quisling.

No dynasty so constructed can endure for long. It will fall some day. Hardly anyone doubts that. The only question is: Will Britain become part of this regime before the final blowup?

The answer, to Americans at least, is pretty obvious.

**SENDING ENGLAND FLYING FORTRESSES**

(Charlotte Observer)

Information from Washington is that the President is about to give the executive order consigning a goodly number of America's flying fortresses to Great Britain.

These are great cruising ships of the air that England vitally and immediately needs to extend its offensive over the long distances to eastern and southeastern Germany where the latter's main armament factories are located.

There are no ships of such dimensions in Europe. Only America has been building this particular type of longdistance planes that carry heavy cannon as well as machine guns and have a cruising radius of thousands of miles.

The President may justly feel that if he turns some of these great ships over to England, he will have acted in consonance with the sentiment of a vast majority of his fellow-countrymen.

The people of the United States want England to be provided with everything in the way of war equipment and materials from America that can possibly be spared without the impairment of our own defenses.

Maybe Russia's been wooed so much by the same suitors lately she has decided to wait until a Clark Gable or Valentino comes along.

**Active Winter In Building Forecast**

**Reasons Are Cited Why Construction Should Continue During Fall and Winter**

Responding to the rising demand stimulated by factory and business expansion, production of homes at a relatively high level throughout the Fall and Winter is foreseen by Federal Housing Administrator Stewart McDonald.

Even in many northern cities builders are throwing off the habit of Winter inactivity and are planning a busy season, he said.

Several reasons were advanced by Administrator McDonald for this continuation of building activity: Unprecedented favorable financing available under the FHA program.

Production of more attractive and saleable small houses by builders all over the country. General stability of business conditions.

Relative stability of prices. "The war in Europe has failed to slow down home construction, as some feared when hostilities broke out," Mr. McDonald said.

"Also the announcement that there would be no discrimination by FHA against persons called by the Selective Service Act will lead those who are thinking about home building to go ahead with their plans.

Homes Are Better "The home-building trend increases as families of moderate income see the attractive small homes now being offered at prices and on terms well within their means. Builders are to be congratulated on the progress they have made in producing good houses for buyers of modest income, especially during the past few years.

"Lenders generally are cooperating fully with the FHA home-building program. In nearly every section of the country there is an abundance of money available to home builders at the four and one-half per cent FHA maximum interest rate, and in some places it is available at even less."

**Chevrolet Sales Continue Gains**

Detroit. — Immediate sales gains registered by the new 1941 Chevrolet, introduced September 21, increased during the second ten days of the new model season, it was announced here today by W. E. Holler, general sales manager. Chevrolet dealers reported a total of 30,056 new passenger and commercial car sales during the first ten days of October, he said. This represents an increase of 22,699 units over the same period last year for a gain of 308 per cent.

Used car sales likewise held to the upward course that has characterized the Chevrolet sales picture, with a total of 41,207 reported by dealers. This is an increase of 11,813 units over the first ten days of October last year, and is an increase of 40.2 per cent.

In the final ten days of September the preceding period this year, Mr. Holler said, dealers retailed 26,163 cars and trucks.

HE KNEW Visitor to Museum (approaching statue): "Alabaster?" Keeper (raising his eyebrows): "No, Venus."

**Low Prices Every Day**

**Can You Afford to be Sick?**

Few of us can afford the expense and loss of time that serious illness entails. Yet rarely do we take the simple precautions to forestall a "sick spell." Consider your own case. If you are not feeling quite up to par, don't delay or drift along. Go at once to a trusted physician. Get his diagnosis. Be guided by his competent and experienced counsel. Not only is delay dangerous, but it usually results in adding substantially to your bill. And then—bring his prescription to us for accurate compounding.

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**449,855,841 New U. S. Coins Mined**

Washington, Oct. 17. — The mints produced an all-time high of 449,855,841 new coins in the three-month period ended September 30, but the Treasury Department reported today that there was no sign of a letup in the demands.

The July 1-September 30 production, representing a total of \$15,787,820.37 in cents, nickels, dimes, quarters and halves, was an increase of 155 per cent over the comparable 1939 period.

COMPLETED JOB Jitterbug: May I have the last dance with you?  
 Girl Friend: Big boy, you just had it.

**Fiddlers Convention At Roaring River 26**

Prizes in several classes will be offered at the fiddlers convention to be held at Roaring River school on Saturday, October 26, 7:30 p. m.

Best violin player, banjo picker, guitar player, best string band and best tap dancer will receive valuable prizes.

Admission charges of 15 and 25 cents will be made and a large attendance is anticipated. Proceeds of the admissions will be used for the benefit of the school.

Approximately one driver out of ten involved in fatal accidents in this state are from out of the state.

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