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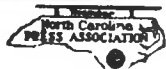
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## Younts' Indictment

The federal government has ordered indictment of Paul Younts, Charlotte postmaster and prominent politician, on charges of violation of the Corrupt Practices Act.

Just what the exact charges are, we do not know, nor do we know whether or not he is guilty. That is a matter for the U. S. court to determine and we trust that the court will do its full duty.

But is is a healthy sign when the law reaches out to say to the prominent and influential that you cannot do corrupt things, not even in politics, and get by with it.

Corruption in high as well as low places is one of the worst enemies any nation can have. It is no use to spend billions and sacrifice lives to save democracy from attacks from without and let it crumble from within.

The case in Charlotte is only one of thousands. Every intelligent person can cite instances of political corruption, of coercion, of vote buying, bribery, and other associated evils in his own circle of acquaintances.

But let it be distinctly understood that the prevalence of political corruption does not justify it and does not lessen the evil.

What has happened in Charlotte in the way of legal action to punish offenders can and should happen in many other places.

Coercion, extortion, threats and other evils which come under the heading of political corruption, regardless of what party or individuals are concerned, are more potent enemies of democracy than powers beyond the seas.

## Two Jobs For Farmers

In a recent address, Fred R. Sexauer, president of the Dairymen's League Co-operative Association, said that farmers have two jobs before them now: First, they must produce this nation's food, and food for export as well; second, they must insist upon prices sufficient to keep food production at the necessary level, and to maintain the farm population's standard of living.

This doesn't mean that the farmer is out to profiteer and to cash in on the nation's emergency. It does mean, however, that the farmer can't be expected to pay higher wages to labor, higher taxes to government, and higher prices for supplies of all kinds without receiving a proportionately higher return for what he sells. The farmer is not a magician; he can't produce money out of the air.

The big job of the farmers now is to establish an equitable relation between operating cost and selling cost. Agriculture remains the backbone of the nation. If it starves, we'll all starve with it.

The motor industry offers us an opportunity to make sacrifices in the interest of national defense. We shall be asked to get along a while with those funny old 1942 models.—The New Yorker.

People have more interest in you than you think. Just wait till something happens that you don't want known.—Brandon Sun.

In the case of Hugh Johnson the President evidently takes the view that it is not necessary to be a general to conduct a column.—Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch.

Oh, for the good old days when we filled our front pages with stories about tree-sitters.—Statesville Daily.

A man who has no theories at all about the Hess case was taken into custody late yesterday. He is suspected of being a fifth columnist.—Baltimore Evening Sun.

## Borrowed Comment

SACRIFICE A LA 1941  
(Skyland Post)

So far, this "great sacrifice" which the government says we are going to be called upon to make has been about as much of a hardship as it is for a woman to give up her winter hat for Lent.

The farmers, who thought they would be called upon to "give until it hurts," are now slated to be on the receiving end of more government aid than they ever have had before.

Labor, which feared it might have to postpone its ambitions for pay increases, has been left free to use defense production as a lever for forcing such increases.

The white collar employees, who thought they might have to begin wearing hair shirts, are finding that defense means more opportunities and better pay.

The industrial leaders, who feel they are the ones who are going to be called upon to do the real dollar sacrificing, are at least having a "respite before taxes" which is giving them an opportunity to store up a reserve for a rainy day.

We know heavy taxes are coming, cutting of government expenditures is coming, scarcity of some products is coming, price increases are coming and other sacrifices are due soon.

But when you go to a good movie there is no sense in not enjoying it thoroughly because the previews of Coming Attractions don't sound too hot.

Clippings are things we put away in drawers, there to remain unseen until the heirs clean up.—Richmond News-Leader.

Home: Place the youngsters come to from school to get the car.—Greensboro Daily News.

And a lot of the war dogs that bark so loudly are only puppets.—Greensboro Daily News.

Backward races are ones that still have to kill people by hand.—Portland Express.

These gasless Sundays won't be so bad if Madam Perkins is given her walking papers too.—Greensboro Daily News.

If Senator Carter Glass must stutter when he tries to say what he thinks of Senator Reynolds, he might ask the Greeks for a word that will fit.—Statesville Daily

## LIFE'S BETTER WAY

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### STAND STRAIGHT

Life's better way is to stand straight. This means much indeed. Just here is where many are falling short, hence making a failure of life. As they stand crooked they live, act, speak and go crooked. To be straight is natural; to be crooked is unnatural. God's way is a straight way; the devil's way is a crooked way. God would have us stand straight; the devil would have us stand crooked. God would have us walk straight; the devil would have us walk crooked. Unto whom are you yielding—God or the devil. How are you standing?

To stand straight before God and man means that we are honest in every particular; that we are absolutely truthful, hence men can depend upon what we say; that we are thoroughly sober, abstaining from all dopes and intoxicants; that we love God supremely, then love our fellows out of tender hearts fervently; that we have a pure heart, a clean mind and a sanctified soul; that we are yielded to God's will and walk accordingly; that we delight in all that is good, noble and religiously beautiful and genuine; that we hate every evil and false way; that we have a good character; that we are upright in our manhood and womanhood; that we have good plans, high aims and sublime purposes in life; that we do all the good we can and no harm to mankind; that we pray continually, obey God faithfully, and walk in the footprints of Jesus daily, which lead always upward and heavenward. Therefore is it not wonderful to stand straight?

To stand straight means, absolutely, that we make the best of life. We accept and utilize our golden opportunities to the best advantage. We waste not our time in idleness. We use it to the best advantage as life goes on. We make the best of our talents instead of hiding them away, or letting them lie idle. We read and study the Word of God in order to know what is right and wrong, then accept the right and reject, hate and shun the wrong. It means that we love, mix and mingle with the people of God; that we likewise love the sinner and help win him to Christ; that we love the church, the Sabbath school, and cherish the means of grace. It means that we are unselfish, and that we give liberally of our earthly substance to God's cause. To stand upright, morally and spiritually means that life shall come to a beautiful and successful close, with a wonderful influence left behind to live after us and bless the world.

## Abnormal Absurdities

By DWIGHT NICHOLS, et al.

### ON AWAKENING PEOPLE

When Kirma, the famed hypnotist, was waking up the pretty young lady who had been asleep 24 hours in Rhodes-Day company's window someone was heard to remark that Kirma should stay around here awhile and wake up several people he knew. And he further said as one instance that the town should be awakened to the fact that it will lose the national guard company unless an armory is built and that the town had lost enough by circumstances beyond local control, to say nothing of what it can lose by neglect.

### NOT HOME ANY MORE

A lady here in town said her residence was not, a home any more. In day time it is just a filling station and at night a parking place.

Home used to be the center of activities, social and otherwise. Now it is very much like the good lady said. The children park at home for intervals of varying length at night. In the daytime they are at home long enough to fill up two or three times with eats.

### TRAFFIC SUBJECT AGAIN

It has been a custom for us to write about the traffic situation in North Wilkesboro when we could think of nothing better; and it surely is getting into the middle of a bad fix when we can think of nothing better.

However, we are shocked ourselves because we must admit that the traffic conglomeration here has cleared up to a great extent since police clamped down a few days ago.

The trouble here has always been that every individual figures he or she owned the streets and had a clear title to same. The streets are public property and belong to the people who pay taxes, et cetera, but trouble must crop out when every person takes the attitude that the streets are his and that others who don't like it can take a long running jump into nevermindwhere.

Traffic jams frequently originate because some motorist decides to stop right in the street in the traffic lane and have a nice long chat with some acquaintance.

To him it does not matter if there are dozens of cars behind him with their horns sending screaming honks to the heavens and it doesn't matter if some of those many people he is holding up really want to go some place. He, or she, as is often the case, must finish the leisurely chat about what they are going to do

tonight or tomorrow or about how aunt Hetty's rheumatism has been behaving lately. Or, the chat may be one of those long drawn out accounts in details about an operation, or sumpum.

It may take a little bit of the iron hand of the law to make such people realize that all are owners of the streets and that use of the streets must be available to all, regardless of whether the

afternoon chat is completed.

An editor in Dallas, Tex., has built a house with walls of newspaper cores, which have the appearance of logs.

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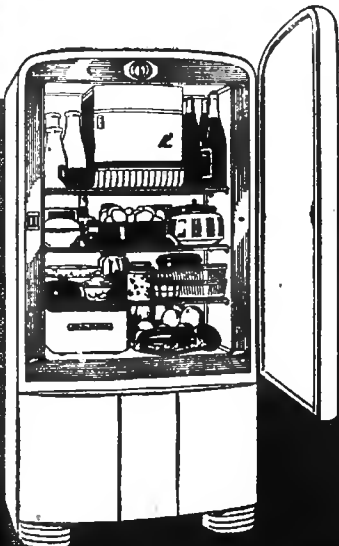
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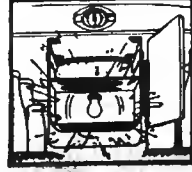
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