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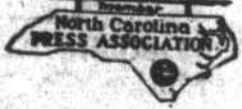
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Protect Investment In National Defense

Americans have always been credited with a smart investment sense. We carry more life and fire insurance as a nation, and per capita, than any other people. We protect our savings accounts, keep our gilt-edged securities in safety deposit boxes, and are generally pretty sharp about guarding our business assets.

It made sense, in line with that way of thinking, when we put our surplus Navy ships in the plastic-protected "zipper fleets," where neither rust nor decay can touch them.

There was only one weakness in this arrangement. A ship is only as good as the men who sail it. You can't put brains in mothballs. It is impossible to seal off and leave dormant the "know-how" of millions of trained technicians and specialists—"know-how" which cost billions to obtain.

"Operation Naval Reserve" is the logical answer to the question of how we can conserve, develop and utilize that "know-how." It has for its goal the recruitment and training of a strong civilian Naval Reserve, including both veterans and younger men. These Reservists will have access to training and education that will benefit them in their civilian jobs. Membership in the Reserve will make them better citizens.

And, finally, the know-how they acquire and improve will be the best safeguard of America's investment in peace.

Help Legion With Junior Baseball

Wilkes County Post 125 of the American Legion has entered a baseball team in American Legion junior competition in area 4 of North Carolina.

Legion junior baseball has long been recognized as one of the most worthwhile projects being carried out in the nation specifically for boys.

Boys who had not reached their 17th birthday by January 1 this year are eligible to play.

Many brilliant baseball careers have had their beginning in junior baseball, but perhaps of more importance is the physical and competitive training afforded the boys in clean sport which builds character as well as bodies.

Boys in Wilkes county who want to try out for the county junior team are urged to get in touch with Frank Allen, Legion athletic officer, at North Wilkesboro. Parents and friends of boys who are good baseball prospects are asked to help in the movement by encouraging boys to participate.

Borrowed Comment

RATIONING NEEDED?
(Winston-Salem Journal)

Proposal again has bobbed up in Congress that the rationing of sugar be terminated.

Appropos this suggestion, news arrives from Wilmington that ships from Havana, Cuba, are almost literally covering up our North Carolina port city with sugar.

The Wilmington Star reports that the S. S. Lotta Dan, a Danish vessel, unloaded 500,000 pounds at Wilmington Tuesday. On Monday of this week the S. S. Corinto, out of Havana unloaded 3,400,000

pounds. Customs officials announced that four other shipments of sugar were due to arrive within the next ten days. The sugar is being stored at Wilmington for "local and State-wide distribution."

On the surface, these shipments, first to come by ship to Wilmington since the beginning of World War II, indicate a growing abundance of sugar. If this is the case the argument of those who contend that sugar rationing, even under liberalized rations, is unnecessary gains weight.

But there is a possibility, of course, that unless the supply is fully ample to meet consumer needs on something akin to the prewar standard competitive purchasing in the open markets would drive the price of sugar, which has been very stable and reasonable throughout, to the inflationary price levels of various other food commodities.

So, unless the supply is abundant Uncle Sam might be wise in holding on a while longer to the check reins which curb the free and indistinct sale of sugar.

The fellow who toots his own horn will end up playing out of tune.

If some people were as near perfect as they think others should be—wouldn't this be a swell world?

When one speaks of accessories to match these days, you can't tell whether he or she is talking about a bride's costume or what you have to get a new automobile.—Greensboro Daily News.

Representative Cooley tells North Carolina automobile dealers that the road to world peace and prosperity lies along "a two-way highway of world trade." And it had better be adequately patrolled too.—Greensboro Daily News.

John W. Hanes tells Winston-Salem audience that he's a Democrat no longer. Nobody will suspect him, however, of having any inclination to team up with Henry A. Wallace in establishment of a third party.—Greensboro Daily News.

LIFE'S BETTER WAY

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LIQUOR STORES A CURSE

When a grocery store goes up in a city, town or community, it is a blessing, as it furnishes us food for our bodies, and thereby sustains life. When a cotton mill goes up, or some other manufacturing plant that turns out some product that is essential to life, it blesses mankind. But when a liquor store goes up it is a curse. Absolutely. It takes the money people need for food and clothing, and with which to meet expenses, and poisons and kills them instead. Alcohol is a deadly poison. As Judge Webb says, "It kills the living and preserves the dead."

Men who erect liquor stores in a town or city certainly don't do this to bless the people. Never, a thousand times NEVER! They know their dirty business is a curse. All they care for is the money they get, regardless of the harm they cause. What do they care for your home, your husband or wife, your sons or daughters? Nothing, just so they get your money. They know when they erect liquor stores that people are going to buy their poison, drink it, get drunk, curse, disturb, break hearts and break up homes. They know that as men and women drink liquor they will cause horrible wrecks on our highways, and thus maim, cripple and kill humanity. They know their liquor will cause crime after crime, and thereby fill our jail houses, send people to the chaingang and penitentiaries. But what do they care? All they want is your money; and your soul may go to hell so far as they care. Friends, I'm against liquor one hundred per cent, and that means I'm against every liquor manufacturing plant and every liquor store on the American soil and on the face of the earth. How about you?

No nation can take the food stuff that God provides for our sustenance and health, and manufacture it into liquor and beer, which is a curse, and go unpunished. Men and nations have to reap what they sow, and how awful is the harvest that comes from drinking and drunkenness! It is a harvest that has to be reaped for time and eternity.

ABNORMAL ABSURDITIES

By
DWIGHT NICHOLS
et al

THE UNUSUAL USUALLY HAPPENS—

Baseball, the national pastime, sometimes comes up with unusual plays that start people, including the umpires, guessing.

It is the most stable game in the nation, and there has not been a major change in the rules in 15 years.

But written rules cannot cover everything.

And somebody comes up with the question: Can a run be scored after the third out?

A run could be legally scored after the third out.

If the bases were loaded with two out and the batter is walked, he could run down to first base, get off the base and be tagged out after the ball is put into play. The runner on third could be walking home and not have reached home plate when the runner on first is tagged. But his run would count.

A Carolina League umpire related the following about the most unusual play he ever had to call:

There was a runner on third base in a close game and the pitcher delivered the ball to the batter. It was called a ball and the catcher threw quickly to third base in what looked like an effort to catch the runner off base.

But instead of throwing the ball, the catcher had reached into his pocket and pulled out an Irish potato about the size of a baseball. It was the potato that he threw toward third base, but he threw the potato high over the third baseman's head and it sailed into left field.

The runner, seeing what looked like the ball sailing into the outfield, ran for home plate, but just before he got there the catcher stepped out with the ball

and tagged him. The umpire was faced with a dilemma. There was nothing in the book about potatoes.

The outcome of the play was that the runner was called safe and the catcher was put out of the game for conduct unbecoming a player. Of course, the home team fans poured onto the field and the cops had to prevent a riot, but the umpire's decision stood the test.

Local Students Have Part In Art Exhibit

Elementary pupils in 49 North Carolina schools submitted a total of 361 different art works to the 10th annual North Carolina Art Exhibit for elementary grades which will continue on view in the Person Hall Gallery at the University here through Sunday, May 25.

There are 259 paintings, 61 construction projects and 41 textile designs included in the exhibit, which received high praise from Miss Belle Boas, Director of Education, Baltimore Museum of Art, who served as judge of

NOTICE

North Carolina, Wilkes County. The undersigned, having qualified as administrator of the estate of Jennie S. Benge, deceased, late of Wilkes county, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 28th day of April, 1948, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 28th day of April, 1947.
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By Ralph Davis, Atty.



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this year's exhibit. Next fall the exhibit will be circulated among public schools throughout the state to acquaint both teachers and pupils with the work being done in other schools. Miss Bess said of the exhibit: "I am amazed at the over-all excellence of the entries. There is in the work a rich sense of color and great variety of subject matter. I would like to meet the teachers and tell them what good jobs they are doing. I wish other states could see the fine work being done in North Carolina schools."

Local students exhibiting works include: Hyatt and Roberta Gibbs, grades 3 and 5, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Gibbs.

Emergency allocations of 7,500 long tons of olive or meal have been made to Belgium and 2,500 long tons to Italy.

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