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"If the choice were left to me whether to have a free press or a free government, I would choose a free press."—Thomas Jefferson.

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Let's Build A Hotel

As it has been pointed out many times before, there is a definite need here for building a hotel. The interest is here and certainly now is the time to make plans or rather to go ahead with plans. Building materials will soon be available, the labor shortage should improve, let's build a hotel.

During the past summer hundreds of tourists had to be turned away, because of lack of accommodations, to say nothing of transient and commercial travelers.

This section has many advantages and the number of people, who visit it would be greatly increased if adequate hotel facilities were here.

With travel conditions improving next summer should be a banner season, if there were adequate hotel facilities. Let's not delay longer in building a hotel.

Congratulations Are In Order

Harvey Laffoon, publisher of the Elkin Tribune, was last week named president of the North Carolina Press Association and on this occasion we want to congratulate both the organization and the man.

President Laffoon richly deserves this honor, for he has been very active in the association and through his interest and work has made a real contribution to the association. He has long published not only one of the outstanding weekly newspapers in North Carolina, but in the country, having won many state as well as national prizes. Among these awards is community service, which within itself is an index to the type of paper he publishes.

We want to offer our congratulations and best wishes to Publisher Laffoon, for the honor bestowed on him and to the North Carolina Press Association for having such an able man at its head.

Another Battle

The last battle of the war—the battle to win the peace—has yet to be won. The winning of this battle will require the combined effort of management, labor and government, just as these forces cooperated to win the battles that have brought defeat to our enemies.

A sound peacetime economy will depend, as Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., chairman of General Motors, says, upon our ability to build more and better things for more people. General Motors and industry as a whole today are plowing millions of capital back into the establishment of a production machine to meet the needs of peace. President Truman has indicated clearly his consciousness of the need to reconvert quickly and effectively.

Thus, we have a picture of management and government working to insure our future, while labor leaders give the impression of being interested only in the present. This is not the teamwork that is required to win the battle ahead. Strikes at this time which delay our return to peacetime production can be just as damaging as those which hampered our preparation for war and the prosecution of the shooting war.

Only an honor student in the school of stupidity can fail to see the need of cooperation now in order to build up a production machine to supply our millions of returning veterans and ration-ridden civilians with clothing, shoes, transportation, refrigerators, washing machines, radios and hun-

dreds of other goods and services. The average American workman cannot feel differently about this need than does the public as a whole, nor can he feel any differently than the average stockholder, but his leaders are painting him in an extremely bad light by asserting leadership in the wrong direction.

We promised the men and women in our armed forces jobs and a better place to live. This promise can and must be fulfilled. They have won all the battles up to now for us. It is up to us to win the last battle for them. Labor leaders must recognize this at once and accept their share of the responsibility.

Victory Over Insects

DDT, the famous insect-killer used in the war, is now available to the public.

The stories which have been built up about the powers of this drug seem fantastic, yet the facts indicate that most of them are true. DDT, put in paint and wallpaper, will bring death to flies and mosquitoes which touch them for several years afterward. It probably will end the moth menace. It may rid our country of flies and mosquitoes and other germ-carrying insects. It may be used to get rid of garden pests and at the same time not destroy necessary bugs and insects. Perhaps it will get rid of the termites. It will undoubtedly be produced in a form which can be used safely on the body to keep insects away.

Giant Sales Job

From now on we are going to hear a great deal about surplus materials. It is estimated by some that there will be as much as 100 billion dollars worth of surpluses, made for war and no longer needed by the government, which must be disposed of in some way. These surpluses include everything from nuts and bolts to huge factories and ships.

The problem of disposing of this huge supply of goods is a gigantic one. It must be done without competing too much with the new products of industry. It must be done so that it does not hurt the interests of retailers and jobbers. And it must be done so that the taxpayers of the nation get back as much money as possible from their huge investment in war.

Naturally, in handling a sales job of this scope, some mistakes are going to be made. Some things will be sold at prices which might appear scandalous. Other things may be thrown away instead of sold, in order to avoid conflict with normal business.

No matter how well this huge job is handled, there will be plenty of opportunity for politicians and scandal-mongers to find juicy bits of information which they can offer to indict whomever they are gunning for. But the public would do well to take any scandal stories about surpluses with a grain of salt, realizing that the world's biggest sales job, involving thousands of employees, operating with many severe handicaps, can't be handled without some slip-ups.

Ignorance Isn't Bliss

Somehow, international agreements, major conferences between chiefs of state, and the plans for preventing future wars don't seem to excite the interest of a large group of people.

We realize, in a vague sort of way, that the future of our nation and the welfare of ourselves and our children may depend upon the agreements which are worked out during the next year, but many of us are content to leave the details in the hands of our government leaders.

A recent survey showed that 54,000,000 adults never heard of the Atlantic Charter, 33,000,000 don't know what a tariff is, and 27,000,000 didn't know, in 1944, that the Japs had taken the Philippines.

To those who do follow the details of war and the planning to prevent war, these figures are amazing. But they show, by and large, that about half of our population loses interest in news when it gets beyond their immediate horizon.

It is a dangerous state of affairs, in a democracy, for such a large number of citizens to leave their nation's fate entirely in the hands of the leaders. If we hope to keep our way of life and maintain peace it is imperative that more of us, from now on, take an active interest in the affairs of nations.

UNITED WAR FUND DRIVE OPENS OCT. 8

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Thompson; Piney Creek, Graham Pugh; Gap Civil, Robert Allison; Cranberry, Reece Miller; Home Demonstration clubs, Mrs. Isom Wagoner; Woman's club, Mrs. A. V. Choate; Lucille Ford Circle of Baptist church, Mrs. Clennel Richardson; Circle I of Baptist church, Mrs. C. A. Reeves; Wesleyan Guild, Mrs. Mexa Phipps; Glade Valley-Sparta Presbyterian Auxiliary, Mrs. C. A. Thompson; Methodist Circle, Mrs. Jay Hardin; Rural Carriers, W. Carl Irwin; Lions club, Joe Bill Reed; Chamber of Commerce, Miss Clyde Fields; Merchant's Association, J. K. Wagoner; schools, Miss Minnie Lou Edwards; churches, Miss Dorothy Evans; D. and P. Pipe Works, Austin Miller and Boy Scouts, Granville Liles.

Mr. Joines urged that all those named as chairmen be present for the brief meeting Saturday afternoon when supplies and materials for the drive will be distributed.

SUPERIOR COURT WILL OPEN HERE MONDAY

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ship Corporation; and D. C. Bledsoe, owner of Alleghany Motor Company vs. J. E. Carlyle.

The case of Jane Smith vs. Allen Crouse, in connection with a board bill, will also be heard.

Divorce cases slated to be heard include: Floyd Billings, vs. Saddle Billings; Edd Casey vs. Mae Casey; Mildred Nichols vs. Clay Nichols; Joe R. Woodruff vs. Florence Woodruff; Bessie Murphy vs. Handy Murphy; S. L. Nichols vs. Elva Kirby Nichols; E. M. Smith vs. Ethel Smith; W. E. Loggins vs. Dora Loggins; Cordia Todd vs. Garpett Todd and Hazel Waddell vs. Platt Waddell.

CURB MARKET HAS SUCCESSFUL SEASON

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Roaring Gap were so well-pleased with the food they purchased from the club women at the market this summer that they have contracted with several of these women to send them butter, eggs, canned foods, etc. to their winter homes. Everything sold at the market was in strictest compliance with OPA ceiling prices and regulations, a policy that will be followed in mailing the products this winter, she stated.

The curb market, which features the sale of food products, including farm, garden and dairy products, poultry, canned foods, cakes, handicraft, cut flowers, etc., has become so well established at Roaring Gap that a movement is under consideration among the directors to construct a modern building to house the market next year, it was pointed out. The anticipated increase in business next year will justify larger and better accommodations, the home agent explained.

There are at present 17 active home demonstration clubs in the county with 430 members and three 4-H clubs for girls with 175 members. A small number of the 4-H club girls sold food products on the curb market for the first time this year.

The Roaring Gap market, which is open only to home demonstration club women and to the 4-H club girls of Alleghany county, is accessible to any woman in the county if she will join the home demonstration club in her community, it was explained.

"If there is no club in your community, I will be glad to help you organize," Mrs. Wagoner said, adding, "It is not only my duty, but it is also a pleasure to do anything I can to help you with any of your problems relative to home work."

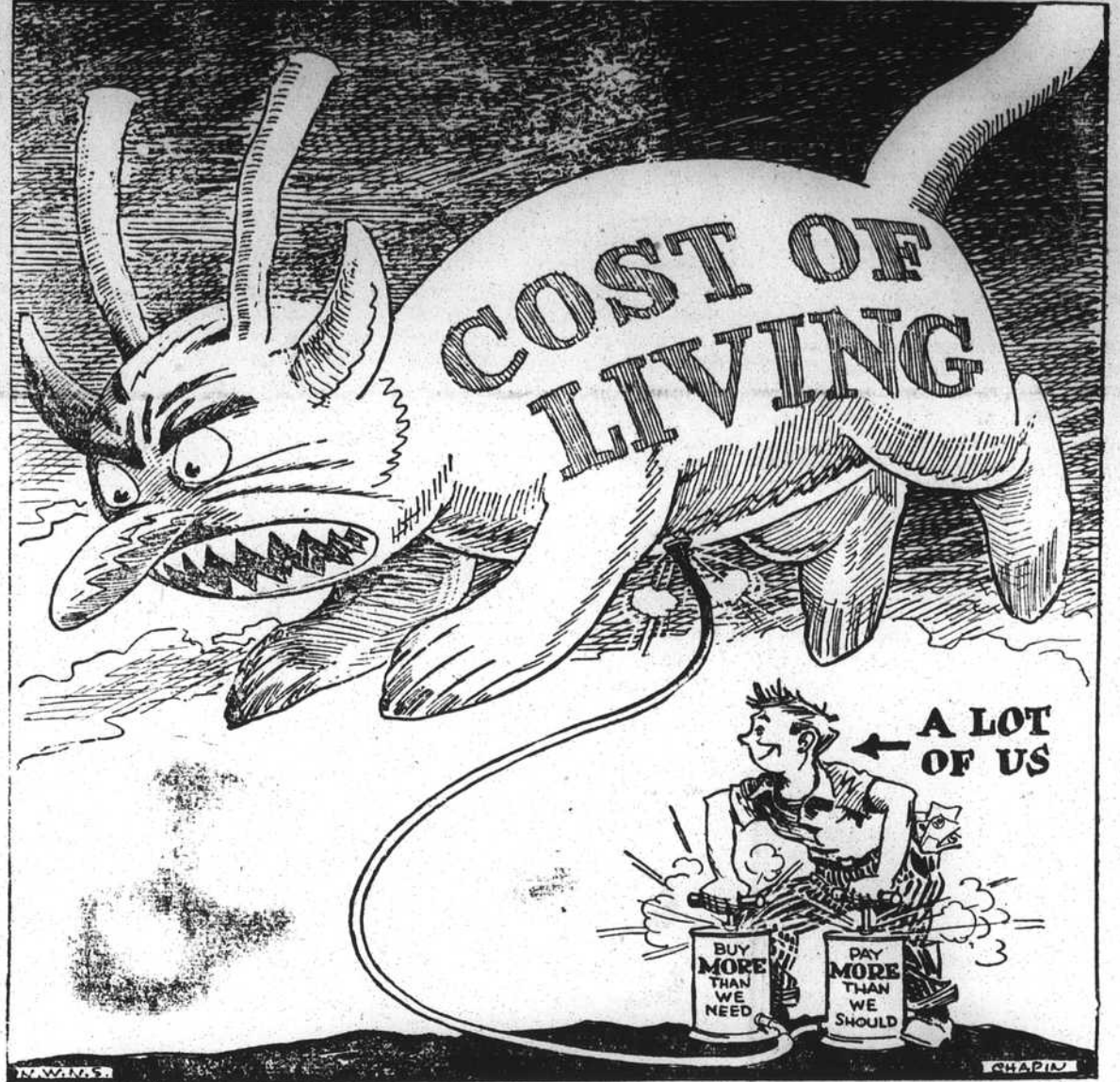
YELLOW JACKETS TO MEET N. WILKESBORO

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strong line for the Yellow Jackets, a line that the Walkertown team found almost impassable, Osborne, who carried the pigskin over for the Sparta score, was a highlight in the game, as was Reeves, who went in at the last quarter for Irwin, making a spectacular kick from the Sparta 30 to the Walkertown 10 yard line.

Summary and lineup:
For Walkertown: Sparta
LE—C. Wagoner Taylor
LT—Angle Holloway
LG—Grubbs Bennett
C—Bowman Joines
RG—Rickwaggoner Roe
RT—Morris Hincer
RE—Griffin Thompson
QB—Vaughn Davis
HB—N. Jones Royal
HB—Amos Osborne
FB—Scott Irwin

Score by periods:
Walkertown 0 12 0—12
Sparta 0 0 6—6
Walkertown scoring touchdowns:—Vaughn, C. Wagoner.
Sparta scoring touchdowns:—Osborne.
Substitutes: Walkertown—Mey-

He Who Inflates



HORSE SHOW TRACK IS NOW COMPLETED

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open three gaited ponies, open five gaited ponies, children's horsemanship, ladies' horse man-

Evening show: Children's horsemanship under 16 years, local walking horses, pony races, model three gaited shown in hand, open side harness cart races, open walking horses, model five gaited shown in hand, ladies' horsemanship, championship three and five gaited horses.

All entries should be mailed to R. L. Joines, secretary, as soon as possible. For any additional information concerning the show, Joe Bill Reed may be called here, it was pointed out.

RATION BOARD TO BE DISCONTINUED

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was pointed out.

Mrs. Fleetwood also stated that more than 50 women throughout the county, comprising the Alleghany price panel assistants, de-

ers, Caudle, McGee, Wilson, Sparta—Reeves.

Obituary

Ella Black Edwards was born October 2, 1887, the daughter of George Black and the late Alice Black. She died at her home Saturday night, September 8, 1945, in the Mt. Zion community.

She was married to Cicero-Edwards October 9, 1907, and to this union was born one child which died in infancy.

She professed a hope in Christ when she was young and joined the Mt. Zion Methodist church. She was a true and faithful member until she was called by the angel of death from this earth to a better world above. She was one of the best women of her community and loved by all who knew her. She was a good friend and neighbor to all around her, always willing and ready to help. She was gentle and kind in all her ways. She was patient and uncomplaining in her affliction. She loved her home, her church, her Savior.

In addition to her husband she is survived by her father, George Black; one sister, Mrs. Virgie

served much credit for their voluntary work in the fight to keep prices down.

ENROLLMENT FOR CO. SCHOOLS INCREASES

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ored teachers and 2 vocational agricultural teachers, one at Sparta and one at Piney Creek, it was pointed out.

Supt. Fields also stated that schools throughout the county have been opening at 9:30 a. m. and that with the time turned up one hour on Monday for the return to Standard time, school doors will open at 8:30 a. m.

Monday will be the first day since the change to daylight saving time that the school hours will operate on the old schedule from 8:30 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. instead of from 9:30 a. m. to 3:15 p. m. It was explained, however, that there will be no actual change in the opening time, that it merely involves the changing of the clock.

Pugh, and three brothers, Charlie, Custance and Eugene Black, and a host of friends.

She will be missed but she has gone to a better home.

"Servant of God, well done, Thy glorious warfare past; The battle fought, the race is won, And thou art crowned at last."

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