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CHRISTIAN CONFIDENCE: This is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will he heareth us.—John 5:14.

The Little Fellows

Just a while ago we finished reading a piece written by one of those swivel-chair columnists who perform in Washington, New York or elsewhere, and he devoted his day to a discussion of the little nations and how they play the old diplomatic game in wartime. It was interesting, if not altogether new.

Over here in good old America—God bless her—we shed a lot of tears and become despondent over the sad plight of the little fellows, as they seem sometimes to be ground between the upper and nether stones. The low countries and Scandinavians were not included in the observations, for they have never played for big stakes.

King Carol of Rumania, for example, first was favorable to the Allies cause. When half of that blew up and it appeared, as it still does, that the totalitarians were going to come out on top, Carol had no trouble in switching to the dictator side. All the while he was playing the big boys for suckers in demanding and getting loans or other concessions from them if he would just stay on their reservations.

Great Britain some months ago loaned a mere fifty million dollars to Turkey to buy her friendship, with the promise that she would enter the war on the side of the democracies if Italy marched with Hitler. Well, Italy got in and Turkey has stayed neutral — and still has Britain's fifty millions, and there is nothing Britain can do about it.

Now the point the columnist friend was making was that the South American republics are getting all set to take Uncle Sam for a ride. They show signs of sympathy or of leanings toward the dictators, and the Washington smart boys hand over some millions of bucks or so to keep them in line. If they want some more when that is gone, they maneuver a story in the American metropolitan press that they are again leaning toward the Hitler crowd, and Uncle Sam forks up another handful of millions in the thought that he is keeping them in line, when all the while they are bleeding him for all he is worth.

The observation of the writer referred to is that hundreds of thousands of Germans and Italians in the Latin American countries have not been planted there only lately as stooges for Hitler and Mussolini, but have been going there for years. They went, he says, because when times got tight at home they sought a living elsewhere and didn't run to their governments for handouts as millions of Americans do. How unlike our WPA-ers, who squat and holler starvation until vote-hunters come running with their free money and food.

Pity the little nations? Why some of them seem to be the very fellows who throw the scare into the big boys and cash in on it.

Jack Dempsey and Edna Wallace Hopper, we read, are staging come-backs. Wonder what old ex-Kaiser Wilhelm is thinking these days?

Stalin and Hitler, according to a European commentator, will continue to play ball with each other. But what kind of ball—Baltic or Balkan?

One thing we could never understand—why lawn mowers are not sold in pairs—one for you and one for the neighbor to borrow.

What Is The Point?

Maybe it is our downright dumbness, or maybe something else, but our finite mind has thus far been unable to see the point in the proposed Willie third party movement. It is touted as a means for bolting Democrats to ease their consciences when they stray from their own reservation into the G. O. P. standard-bearer's ranks. But how they can mount any other platform and vote for any candidate other than President Roosevelt without theoretically and actually deserting the Democratic party is too deep for us.

That man or woman who always hitherto has voted as a Democrat and who does not now vote that ticket but does vote for another candidate loses party affiliation nationally. How it can be otherwise Mr. Willkie has not explained; maybe he will elaborate in due time.

For the lifelong Democrat who finds now within himself a rasping conscience, and who hates like smoke to desert his party but hates with equal smoke to have to swallow a third term, is committing just as much a crime, politically, by deserting to a third party as to a second. A new party backing Willkie is just as much an opponent of the Roosevelt ticket as the older Republican party backing Willkie is. If a rose by any other name smells just as sweet, the converse is similarly just as true.

Whatever its name, no new party can provide a vehicle for the bolter that is any better than the existing opposition ranks or a way out whose purpose and effect is in the end different. Democrats who do stand by their party will think no more of those who desert to a third party than it is of a poor excuse; indeed, it is hardly even that. If we were turning to another party—which we have no intention of doing—we shouldn't feel it any easier to "kick against the pricks" in the ranks of a Jeffersonian group than in the company of straight-out Republicans. If Mr. Willkie wants Democratic votes, and of course he does, why not be frank about it? A ruse, by whatever designation, will not be forgiven by those who will they soon forgive or forget those who kick over the traces.

Forming a "third party to capture votes for the candidate of a party that already exists just doesn't make sense.

Politics First

Public men in official positions in the national capital may frustrate the country's effort to arm itself quickly if they persist in inclinations already strongly in evidence of having their way at the old political game. In France responsible leaders put politics first, and where is France today. Her example should be a lesson for us, but up to now it has not been.

It is said that at the Defense Advisory Commission, which is headed by some of the biggest business men in the land, Knudsen, Stettinius and the others are encountering red tape and political maneuvering to the point where their efforts are being slowed down and the defense program is moving at hardly more than snail's pace, compared to the efficiency and mass production methods these industrialists have been accustomed to in their private business in achieving the success that has brought them to the commanding position they occupy today in the economic structure of the nation.

Big business hesitates to pour millions of dollars into factories to speed defense production if present tax policies are to be continued, thus preventing satisfactory amortization on borrowings that would be necessary for urgent expansion. At last there seems to be an indication that top-flight politicians are seeing the light and are showing a willingness to relax.

Some headway is reported also in efforts to have army and navy chiefs eliminate red tape and rid themselves of the ancient habit of splitting hairs over technicalities. Until this is done there won't be a great deal of efficiency or speed in the preparedness undertaking.

"Politics first" may be all right when the country is moving along in normal times, with no emergency threatening, and when there are not more important things to be concerned about. But when, as some contend, the future of the nation is at stake it is time to forget petty politics and work toward the desired and necessary goal of assuring our safety and security.

Student pilots at Cochran, Ga., we read, used watermelons as dummy bombs in air raid practice. This proves that the Americans are ready to make any sacrifice for preparedness.

The Cat's Out

Sufficient progress has been made by the conscription bill in Congress to let the cat out of the bag as to the real motive and purpose of the measure. All indications point to the intention of the war crowd to fasten this scheme upon the country as a permanent part of our national life.

The public was not let in on that little secret at the outset. The whole procedure was on the basis of the current emergency in world affairs. Had they shown their hand at the outset, the revulsion of public feeling might have been too much for success of the undertaking, so the objective has been revealed bit by bit. But now it appears to be well out in the light of day.

A summary of the provisions of the draft bill contains the information that "after a year's training, conscripts would be assigned to reserve units for additional annual training for ten years, or until they reach 45. They could avoid annual peace-time training by serving out two more years in the army or national guard."

There is nothing about that sounds like an emergency. It is something permanent. Nobody thinks the current crisis will continue for ten years. But conscripts would not know the difference. So far as they are concerned, if this measure becomes law—and the odds are all in favor of it, opposition to the contrary notwithstanding—this country will be launched upon a definite policy of militarism which will never be overthrown until and unless there is a revulsion of public sentiment to compel it. And the public is slow to act. Once a scheme is rammed down its throat, the dose is rather bitter at the outset, but throats become hardened to nearly anything of this character, and the thing usually sticks.

The cat is out of the bag, it seems. If the country favors this departure in its way of life, the minority will have to bow to the will of the majority, however much that majority may be misguided and whatever the end and goal of the project at issue. At least from now on, we ought to have a pretty fair idea about where we are headed.

And Zadok Dumbkopf reports the amazing discovery of a summer resort cottage in which the hot and cold water faucets are actually marked that way.

"What," asks a reader, is the proper spelling of that little Balkan country — Estonia or Esthonia?" Judging by latest dispatches from Europe, the proper spelling is R-u-s-s-i-a."

WHERE STANDS DEFENSE?

(Christian Science Monitor)

Americans for several months have been watching the program for American defense form, and they naturally wonder now how fast it is actually moving.

On some fronts it is moving very fast. One of these is the mobilization of public opinion behind measures clearly necessary if the United States is to be prepared in any adequate measure for the shock of aggression which is already rampant in the world and may at any time come nearer to Western Hemisphere shores. It seems evident from editorial comment throughout the Nation that American sentiment overwhelmingly supports the steps now being taken in Congress toward enacting and putting into early operation a law for compulsory selective military service. The draft has been accepted by most as a democratic way of defending democracy. Yet military men are under no illusions that an efficient, large-scale army can be produced overnight even by conscription. There is the problem of training, which in an era of mechanized war assumes larger proportions than ever before. There must at the outset be a considerable expansion of officer-training if the expected 400,000 men are to be brought into camps by October 1 and this number enlarged by 1,000,000 more within a year.

Similarly on the industrial side the job to be done is bigger than the average layman can readily imagine. If it takes ten civilians behind every soldier to support a nation at war, the magnitude of the task of organizing military production is bound to require time. And time is one of the critical strategic commodities today as truly as tin or rubber or aluminum. In industrial defense a good beginning has been made by the calling in of proved and practical businessmen such as William S. Knudsen and Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., to head the President's Defense Commission. It still is possible that a single administrative or co-ordinating head will be found necessary for these activities, as in the case of the World War.

There is also some complaint by business men ready to co-operate but unable to get information as to what is to be done. But the explanation seems to lie in the fact that first things must be put first. Priorities must be established for the most essential war materials and most urgent types of military production. In these lines, according to reports from political sources but from business observers in Washington, it appears that genuine progress is being made. The production of second-

dary and incidental supplies may be expected in their turn.

It is a characteristic of mass production that more time must be spent than formerly in the construction of plant and machinery before the assembly belts can begin to roll. But when they do, the output is tremendous. The financial problems to be solved at the outset are no slight matter. The responsibility for plants that may be left useless after two or three years of operation calls for some negotiation between business firms and the RFC.

These points are not made to excuse slowness. They rather illustrate how much is to be done and indicate that nothing can justify a moment's slackness. The task of arming and training America and of producing meanwhile all possible aid in planes and other munitions for the British Government, whose armies stand in the breach, is a tremendous one. A good start has been made. But the task is only begun.

New Workers In State UCC

Raleigh, July 30.—About 70 names of workers have been placed on the payroll of the N. C. Unemployment Compensation Commission in its two divisions. Unemployment Compensation and Employment Service, this year, practically all in the past six weeks, it is announced by Mrs. J. B. Spilman, vice-chairman of the commission.

Most of the additions have been replacements of workers who resigned during the past year or two and whose places had not been filled until recent increased activities made replacements necessary. All additions have come from the registers of those who passed the merit rating examinations previously given. One group was added to increase services to the farm owner, tenant farmer and share cropper citizens on a year-around basis, and others will take care of increased activities in various divisions.

THE "REBEL" YELL



What Do You Know About North Carolina?

By FRED H. MAY

- 1. Who was the Confederate commissioner to Europe who was captured attempting to land at Wilmington?
- 2. When was the sessions of the North Carolina general assembly changed from every year to every two years?
- 3. Who was the first deceased North Carolina congressman to be buried in the Congressional Cemetery?
- 4. When did North Carolina place an extra tax on all bachelors?
- 5. What amount has North Carolina been sending out of the state annually for supplies that could be produced here?
- 6. What laws controlling industry did North Carolina adopt in 1758?

ANSWERS.

- 1. James Gordon, of Mississippi, captured in January 1865 on a return trip to America when the boat on which he was a passenger attempted to run the blockade off the Cape Fear mouth. A few days later he escaped to Canada, however, he returned to New York and surrendered to Union forces. Shortly afterwards he was given passports to his home in Mississippi. Died in 1912.
- 2. In 1835 when a new constitution was adopted. Prior to that time annual sessions had been held.
- 3. James Gillespie, of Kenansville, who died in Washington January 11, 1865, after having served nearly three terms as congressman. His death came so near the end of the term that no election was called to fill the vacancy.
- 4. Tax schedules which required unmarried men to pay additional levies, or higher rates, were adopted by the general assemblies of 1778, 1779 and 1781.
- 5. An extensive survey within the last ten years showed that North Carolina is sending out of the state for food stuffs and feedstuffs to the amount of 175 million dollars. The

survey claimed that all of these purchases could have been grown within the state.

6. The milling industry, about the only industry in the colony, was placed under strict control. Special laws controlled the erection of these mills as well as controlling their operation.

ANSWERS TO TEN QUESTIONS

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- 1. Eastport, Maine.
- 2. Yes, unless one is a salaried officer of his own firm.
- 3. David Farragut.
- 4. 4,840.
- 5. A Greek mathematician.
- 6. Petrol.
- 7. Copper and zinc.
- 8. Ten cents in addition to the regular postage.
- 9. "Irene."
- 10. Thirty.

Michigan owns more than two million acres of tax-reverted rural land.

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION.

In The Superior Court Before The Clerk.

North Carolina: Vance County: E. L. Brantley, Petitioner, vs. Jacob Bing and wife Martha Bing, Nannie Hodnit and husband Amos Hodnit, India Davis, (widow), Lucy Crawford and Jessie Crawford (if married); Benjamin Bing and wife — Bing, T. S. Kittrell, guardian, ad litem, all heirs of Chatman Graham, all heirs of Benjamin Bean or Bing (if he is dead); and all others claiming any interest in the below described land through Eliza Bean or Bing or William Graham.

The defendants Lucy Crawford, Jesse Crawford, Amos Hodnit, Nannie Hodnit, Benj. Bing, or Bean, — Bing, wife of Benj. Bing, all heirs of Chatman Graham (deceased), all heirs of Benj. Bing (if he is dead), and all other heirs of Eliza Bean or Bing, and of William Graham, including all unknown heirs, and all others claiming an interest in the subject matter of the above entitled action, will take notice that a Special Proceeding entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Vance County, North Carolina to sell for partition two small parcels of land formerly owned by Eliza Bean or Bing and William Graham, but now owned by the above plaintiff and defendants, situated at Greystone in said Vance County; and the said defendants, and all others claiming an interest in said real estate, will further take notice that they are required to appear in the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of said county in the Court House in Henderson, N. C., on or before the 6th day of September, 1940, and answer or demur to the petition or complaint heretofore filed in said proceeding, or the plaintiff will apply for and the Court will grant the relief demanded in said petition or complaint.

This 30th day of July, 1940. E. O. FALKNER, Clerk of Superior Court of Vance County.

30-6-13-20

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of C. S. Catlett, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Henderson, N. C., on or before the 25th day of June, 1941, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. This the 25th day of June, 1940. MRS. ANNIE CATLETT, Administrator of the Estate of C. S. Catlett. J. W. Grissom, Attorney. 25-2-9-16-23-30



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NOTICE.

I have this day qualified before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Vance County, N. C., as executor upon the last will and testament of my late wife, the late Mrs. Martha Leah Bing, and this is to notify all persons having claims against her estate to present the same to the undersigned on or before July 17th, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar to any recovery. Persons indebted to said estate are requested to make prompt settlement.

This July 16, 1940. GEORGE A. ROSE, Executor.

J. P. & J. H. Zollicoffer, Attorneys. 16-23-30-6-13-20

CREDITORS' NOTICE.

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Thomas J. Davis, deceased, late of Vance County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 9th day of July, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to this estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 9th day of July, 1940. MAGGIE R. LEAVES, Admrx. of Estate of Thomas J. Davis, deceased. Gholsen & Gholsen, Attorneys at Law, Henderson, N. C. 9-16-23-30-6-13

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