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A SOUND GROUND FOR COURAGE. WE DO NOT FIGHT ALONE. Let not your heart faint, fear not, nor tremble, neither be affrighted, at them for the Lord your God is he that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies.—Deut. 20:3-4.

One Federal Monopoly

But for the fact that it is part of a trend offensive to and feared by so many people of the country, the Federal government's plans for establishment of its own munitions industry would meet with well nigh universal approval. It has long been the feeling of a large segment of thinking Americans that manufacture of implements of war should be an exclusive function of government. At least it would remove much of the motive and incentive for war on the part of some of the large shareholders in those industries that hitherto have supplied the nation with its stocks of guns and explosives. These incentives have been overly magnified, but there is every probability that they have figured in some degree in past wars, here or abroad.

There is always the sickening sight of the political factor in every enterprise carried on by the government. A publicly owned munitions industry here would hardly be an exception, affording another device for patronage and providing an additional yardstick with which to torture legitimate business. Moreover, assuming that it functioned at the very zenith of efficiency, so far as it went, it would still be weighed in the scales and found wanting if neglected to the extent the army, navy and air force have been in recent years, in the face of ever darkening clouds on the horizon.

In the present haste to prepare a competent defense for America, there will be ample need for all the output of private munitions plants and a new government munitions industry, if established, for years to come. And, barring a miracle of the magnitude in international relations, private munitions concerns would find abroad abundant demand for their output even after the United States has caught up.

The business of making war is exclusively that of government. But the business of supplying the guns, the planes, the ships and the munitions has not hitherto been that. And such a venture would involve the usual red tape, the indecision, the petty jealousies and the inefficiencies of public operation, whether of war devices, power, or other commodities.

But for some of these, the nation today would be better prepared for defense and some nations of Europe would not be where they are, either as victor or vanquished. For among the mightiest engines of destruction now being employed on the continent some were sold there after they first had been offered to and rejected by the smart boys of our army-navy organizations. What is the pledge that a government munitions industry would change ways?

German planes are dropping leaflets on British towns. Those Britishers who have read them report the blitzkrieg looks good—on paper.

Al Capone, we read, now plays a lot of golf. Wonder if he has any better luck getting out of sand traps than he did out of Alcatraz?

A woman can get rid of that gloomy feeling, writes a fashion expert, by buying a hat. And then it's her husband's turn to be gloomy.

A successful Japanese general, says the man at the next desk, is one who loses the battle but saves face.

Blazing the Way

Decision of trustees of the University of North Carolina to introduce a military training program at the Chapel Hill unit, and until that can be arranged to require compulsory physical education, puts the institution again in the vanguard of American schools of higher learning. It is not the first time the University has blazed a trail, and in this instance, as in others, prospects are favorable for attaining the goals announced.

Effort is to be concentrated on training of 600 air pilots annually. That is a step in the direction of perhaps the nation's greatest defense need in this emergency. Citizens cannot be translated into soldiers, not even as infantrymen, overnight, nor in the space of only a few months. But to train and equip men to handle war planes efficiently, both as to their personal safety and in service to the nation, is an even more difficult undertaking.

Supposing the United States today had the 50,000 war planes the President has fixed as a goal, most of them would be useless because of the lack of trained men to handle them. So that by going in for development of capable fliers the University is doing the nation a big service in a time of urgent need.

Information about action of the trustees was not specific as to whether the new program, when inaugurated, is to be a permanency or merely an emergency undertaking. If that phase of the proposal was thought of at all, probably the view of the board was that the bridge will be crossed when reached.

The United States went in for war in a big way a couple of decades ago, so much so that appearances might have been taken as an indication that militarism was an end and aim. But all that was speedily abandoned when peace came. Whether it will be this time will be decided largely by the outcome of the war. If Germany wins, our program will be expedited and quickened. If England is victor, there will most likely be definite relaxation. But not much thought is being given now to these uncertainties of the future. And when the time shall have come when we can safely slacken our pace, these things may have become so vital a part of our national life as to be fastened to the political structure as inseparably as relief already is.

War Or No War

War or no war, Tar Heels do not intend that frantic efforts at national defense shall interfere with that sport of sports, and that game of games, the Carolina-Duke football classic, come November 16. We submit that when a normal stadium capacity of 24,000 is sold out three months in advance, the sports fans of the State do take their gridiron rivalries seriously.

At least ten thousand additional seats will be provided at the Chapel Hill arena by the day of the great clash. And it is a surety that if a sell-out of the concrete stands is achieved, the accomplished fact, though it may give their minds the last few days of the year, will be sufficient to snap up the temporary benches as fast as they are made ready.

Football has come to be a tremendous industry in North Carolina. The State University and Duke University can properly be given the lion's share of the credit for the recent development.

Many there are who can recall doubts expressed when Kenan Stadium was completed that it would attract capacity crowds. But it did just that in a few years.

When Duke in 1929 opened its great arena, with a seating capacity right at 40,000, the skeptics were even more numerous. But who does not remember the Duke-Carolina classics staged there the past several years, especially that one with a nose count of 52,000 and more? And to cap the climax of them all, that outstanding milestone in southern sports when in a blinding snowstorm late November day in 1938 saw Duke defeat mighty Pitt before some 32,000 insane followers of the gridiron, who cared nothing about the snow and the sub-freezing temperature, so long as Duke won and they saw the game.

Should the present disturbed condition of the world continue, and grow worse, its effects will be easily perceptible in football and other sports in this State and in the South—in the entire nation, for that matter. It will sap some of the greatest players, as well as the thinking of the masses, to say nothing of the terrific drain in taxes. But until that time comes, Tar Heels are going to have their football, and have it with a vengeance.

Glass Backs Off

Senator Glass says he has decided to vote the straight Democratic ticket in November—Roosevelt, third term and all—despite the fact that he has been a consistent foe of the President and many of his policies, and in spite of the fact that it was he who nominated Chairman Farley for the high office at the Chicago convention. It is the fact that he was a member of that convention, and his loyalty to principles of democracy, which call for majority rule, that he will abide the decision of the convention and support its nominee.

That will be the course of Southern Democrats in general who may be at odds with the administration for one reason or another. One hears much bold talking now, but there will not be as much bold voting in November. That is one of the certainties of "politics as she is spoke" south of the Mason and Dixon line.

Senator Glass has refused to become a witness in behalf of the Burke one-term-for-presidents constitutional amendment bill, on which hearings will soon begin. But he did say he would support the measure on the floor when it gets there.

While the Burke measure has provisions to commend it, and its general purposes will be widely accepted, it lacks a lot of punch that some who might otherwise favor it would desire. What Senator Glass' views are about its details he has not stated publicly, so far as we have seen. He has merely said he would favor it.

The Virginian's support of the President is not surprising. Whatever may be said of his lifelong party loyalties, it may be there are domestic considerations—that is, State politics—in the course he has announced. Southern Democrats have been and are brought up on the theory that the party is sacred, and whatever it does most of them accept. To be sure, 1928 was an exception, but as this newspaper lately observed, third term tradition will not breed the resentment a distasteful religious affiliation did a dozen years ago.

Senator Glass has blazed the way for a flock of dissenters, from high up on down through the ranks. If he places party fealty above convictions against men, traditions and policies, how can the smaller fry be expected to do otherwise?

OTHERS VIEWS

FAVORS DRAFT

More and more it unfolds to me how important it is to the national defense of America to enact at once the draft law for compulsory military training. I was very much impressed Sunday morning when I went down to the railroad station to see the soldiers off for camp; not one foreigner did I see, no not one. And you will not see any unless they are drafted. For they are too busy grubbing off every nickel that they can get their paws on to care anything about the national defense of their adopted land. All they want to do is to get rich and go back home to their native land; and yet our boys have to fight for them; yet they enjoy all the freedom and privileges and protection of this government. Where else in the world can they find the following principles that I list except in America. Equality for every person—for every race—every creed—guaranteed security of person and property—individual freedom and full opportunity—limited only by your own ability and energy—the right to help choose your own government—free speech—a free press—freedom of assembly—and trial by jury—Basically that is America. They should love it or leave it.

The American Red Cross is the most generous in the world. It stands

EXASPERATING, TO SAY THE LEAST



ACH! ENGLISH BOMBER PESTS AGAIN. HERMANN! VOT'S DER MATTER MIT YOUR MESSERSCHMITT SPRAY?

ready at all times to extend a helping hand to suffering humanity, in fact America gives to all the world with lavish hands. We have no territorial ambitions but we will protect our own. That is why it is so very necessary for national defense. America the land of the brave and the home of the free. She stretches forth her hands filled with rare opportunities and high ideals to all the restless millions of her own and vast multitudes of aliens both who have been born anew within her doors. So let's draft them and train them that they may help defend these sacred principles of America that we all love and enjoy.

JOHNNIE BECKHAM,
 Henderson, Aug. 7, 1940.

What Do You Know About North Carolina?

By FRED H. MAY

1. What is the most densely populated county in North Carolina?
2. When was W. N. H. Smith chief justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court?
3. When were persons marrying in North Carolina required to make an oath of allegiance to the United States?
4. What relief did the state provide in 1863 for wives and children of Confederate soldiers?
5. When was kidnapping in North Carolina made a felony?
6. Who was Daniel Boone's hunting partner who became United States senator from Tennessee?

ANSWERS TO TEN QUESTIONS

1. Singlestick.
2. England.
3. Winnie Mae.
4. Faneuil Hall.
5. President James Monroe.
6. Eight feet.
7. Kiel Canal.
8. Dorothy Dix.
9. Egypt.
10. Fifteen.

5-10-20-25 Years Ago

(Taken from Daily Dispatch Files)

August 8, 1935.
 Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Latta announce the birth of a daughter, August 8, at Maria Parham hospital. With their swimming school opening at Camp Balance Rock next Monday morning, indications were today that the instructors would have a capacity class. Eskime Clements, Jr. and James C. Mills will teach the class.

August 8, 1930.
 The Henderson Business School on September 1 is to occupy six rooms on the second floor of the Law Building on Young street. The school has had a large enrollment for the two terms it has been open here, and has been forced to obtain larger quarters.

August 8, 1920.
 Miss Myrtle Whitmore left yesterday for Farmville, where she will attend a house party.
 Miss Annie Lamb Walton, of Wadesboro, and Mr. George Gilliam, Jr., of Franklinton, are visiting their grandfather, Mr. G. C. Lamb, on Burwell avenue.
 Miss Elva Leigh Hobgood, of Durham, is visiting Mrs. J. K. Plummer, at Middleburg.

August 8, 1915.
 Work on the remodeling of the store building formerly occupied by Mr. N. B. Thomas is progressing very rapidly. Carpenters are at work every day.
 Announcement of two new dispensary points for giving the anti-typhoid treatment in the county is made today by Dr. D. C. Absher. Next Tuesday he will visit Epsom for the first time, and on the next day will give treatment at Kittell.

Invited to Fight



Richard Greene

A bid to Richard Greene, Hollywood actor, to enlist was extended by Col. Ronald Kingham, commander of the 16th Scottish Regiment, who accused Greene of "using the Canadian Army for publicity." Kingham declared Greene had applied for a commission to the only army unit which was not recruiting, and had shunned those looking for men.

(Central Press)

Reynolds Favors Sending Men to Foreign Nations

Washington, Aug. 8.—(AP)—Senator Reynolds, Democrat, North Carolina, yesterday during debate on the national guard measure by saying he favored sending men to foreign countries.

"But the men of whom I speak are aliens," he added quickly.
 "Then he referred specifically to Harry Bridges, west coast maritime labor leader who was born in Australia.

"We've appropriated about 18 billion dollars," said the North Carolinian, "and we are thinking of conscripting two million men. The appalling thing about it all is that with all our wealth we can't lick one man—Harry Bridges. He's the worst enemy we ever had, or one of the worst, anyway. The American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars have led a drive for years to get rid of him and we can't do it. He's still here."

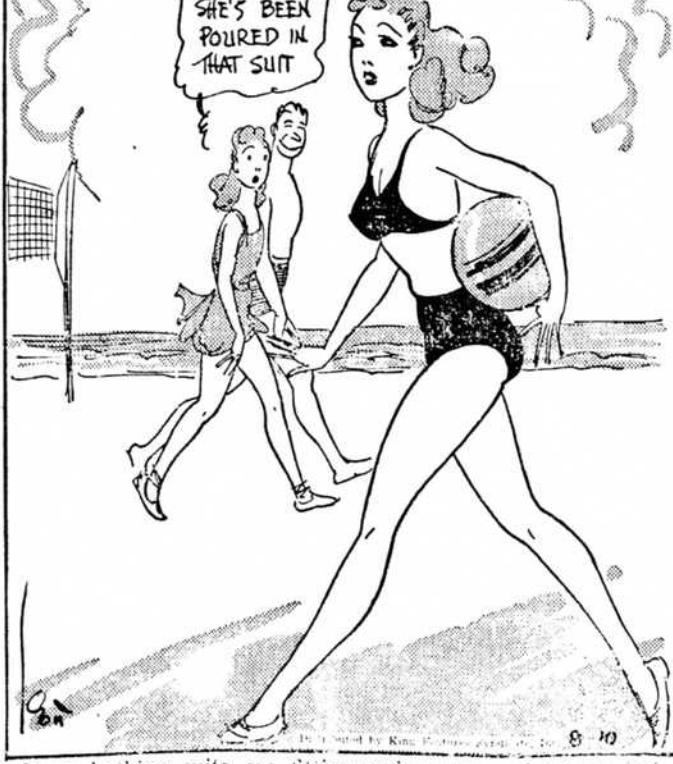
NOTICE

The property hereinafter described having been offered for sale on the 27th of July 1940 at the courthouse door in Henderson, and a bid of \$414.00 received and reported to the court, and thereafter increase bid made and order of re-sale made. Now therefore under and by virtue of authority contained in the orders heretofore made in the proceedings entitled Carrie Pearson, et al. vs. Mollie Henderson, et al., the undersigned will offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder at the courthouse door in Vance County, N. C., on Saturday the 24th of August, 1940, at mid-day, the bidding to begin at \$455.40, the following described lands, viz:

All those two certain tracts or parcels of land containing 9.41 acres and 29.35 acres, in aggregate of 38.76 acres more or less, subject to the dower by metes and bounds of 5.9 acres, same situated near Greystone in Vance County of record Book 5 Page 10 and Book 65 Page 190 Vance Registry. This 8th of August, 1940.
 T. P. GHOLSON
 and
 D. P. McDUFFEE,
 Commissioners.

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 FOR RENT...
 RADIO AND...
 LOST: BUNCH OF...
 WE SPECIALIZE IN...
 TOBACCO FARMERS GET...
 WE HAVE A FINE...
 JUST RECEIVED...
 A SMART NEW HAIR...
 MODERN BIRTH...
 GET PRICES ON OUR...
 WANTED: YOUNG...
 HAVE YOU SEEN...
 USE FARBO...
 GET EVEN WARM...
 WE CAN REPAIR...
 FOR RENT: SECOND...
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