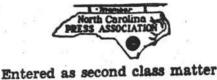
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SCHOOL GROUNDS NO PLACE FOR SHOWS

This editorial is not written in criticism of anybody; but merely to call attention to a few salient facts that may have been overlooked. Now that the circus of last spring is over; and now that the carnival of last week has come and gone, we wish to point out that the campus of a school is not the proper place for such things.

In the first place, schools are usually located near where are situated the homes of a good many citizens; and these things constitute a nuisance to the nearby residents, whose rights should be taken into considera tion.

In the second place, all such performances take a lot of money out of a community, that is needed to pay the butcher, the baker, and the candlestick-makermoney that usually comes from people who need it for other purposes. (But, after all, perhaps that is their affair, and not ours.)

In the third place, these things are always accompanied by elements that do not have a good effect upon the morals of a community. Gambling devices and gambling dens operate in open and flagrant violation of the laws of the State, and are engaged in by young and old, by grown men and women and by children, whose natural gambling instincts are cultivated. (But perhaps, that is something that could be taken in charge by the officers of the law.)

In the fourth place, it is beneath the dignity of an educational institution to harbor this kind of thing upon its campus. It cheapens the entire educational system in the eyes of the people to see the grounds of an institution that stands for cultural development used for these performances.

In the fifth place (and this is the ground upon which we think that the matter is workny of an editorial in a dignified newspaper) we shudder to think of the possible effect upon the health of the community. Here great numbers of people are brought together, and the performers and attendants spend the days and nights in a place where there are no toilet facilities, no provisions made for sanitation. As a consequence, the grounds become polluted. In a few days the children will be playing on those same grounds. This brings into being a distinct menace to the health of these children. Summing it all up, The Journal has arrived at the inevitable conclusion that the grounds of our schools should not be used for these purposes. For a good many years the town of Sylva entirely banned these shows and carnivals from the town. If we are to throw down the bars and let them in again, some more appropriate place should be found than the campus of our school.

crucifixion of liberty and democracy.

Hitler, we are told by those who know, planned the beginning of the war this year, because he was sure that he would find a divided America. If he is successful in overcoming the British, there is grave danger that he will immediately strike in America. The manufacturers who are hindering the progress of the national defense program by a "sit-down" against the Government, seeking to evade the payment of a large part of the tax bill incident to rearmament of the United States, are helping to render the country impotent in the face of a grave crisis. The industrialists and financiers, who were willing to meet Westrink, and the religionists, who oppose conscription and rearmament, are all playing into the hands of Hitler, as are the obstructionist and isolationist Senators.

Unless Americans awake to the grave danger that threatens us, before it is too late to meet the menace, there is a serious danger that dissension in this country will be so great that we will destroy ourselves.

Wake up, America! Wake up, for God's sake before we are engulfed in the unspeakable horrors that have overcome so many free peoples!

QUALLA

PRESIDENT MAY NOT **COME THROUGH SYLVA** (Last Week's Items)

Rev. W. E. Connor spent the week-end with friends in Qualla. He had been conducting a revival service near Franklin and was enroute to Smokmont where he had been requested to preach Sunday morning to the former residents of the park who had a reunion at that place on August 11th. Several Qualla folks attended the service. Mr. J. H. Harwood and Mr. A.

L. Smiley, with other visitors from Bryson City, attended Sunday School at the Baptist church Sunday, enroute to attend the

service at Smokemont. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hoyle have noturned for a trir to Raleigh. Norfolk, Virginia Beach, Washington, D. C., and other points of interest. A supper was given in their honor at his home on Thursday evening. The bride was given a miscellaneous shower at Whittier on Tuesday afternoon, by Mrs. Nell Myers and Mrs. T.

Latest advices from Washington are to the effect that President Roosevelt may come to Newfound Gap from Knoxville, and return to board his special train there.

However, pressure is being brought to induce the President to change his plans and to board his train at Ashevile, coming through Sylva.

Ravenel Dies At 72 In Charleston

Friends in this county will regret to here to here death, yesterday in Charleston, S. C., of S. Prioleau Ravenel. Mr. Ravenel, who was 72 years of age, spent many summers in Highlands. He was a large landholder in Jackson county, and constructed the road from Cashier's to Highlands which was operated for years as the Ravenel Turnpike, and was later bought by the State Highway and Public Works Commis-



NEAR TREASON IN HIGH PLACES

Last week, The Journal had some very pointed remarks to make about the CIO. We are still of the same opinion regarding that organization. It and its methods have no place in our life, especially in such times as those through which we are passing. It should not be tolerated in this part of the country; and prob-

ably will not. However, there is a story, revealed to a Senate Investigating Committee, the other day, that makes the CIO appear as a piker in sit-dawn strikes. The names are not given, because the wrath of the American people would probably be so great as to make it dangerous for these men. A group of manufacturers has refused to begin the manufacturer of munitions of war, vital to our national defense, until the new tax bill, which is to raise money with which to provide adquate defense of American institutions, is written into law. In other words, these manufacturers have staged a sit-down strike against our Government, in an effort to force it to enact a tax bill that will let them go as nearly scot free from paying part of the national bill as is possible. We can think of nothing, in this time of great danger to all of us, to our country, to our institutions, to our freedom, that could be more reprehensible than the action of these manufacturers unless it be out-right treason; and their action is almost treasonable.

Another storyy that is sordid is that about a group of industrialists meeting, a few weeks ago, with Dr. Gerhardt A. Westrick, trade counsellor of the German Embassy, and going over plans for trade agreements with Germany, as soon as Britain is conquered. Westrick, hiding under the diplomatic immunity, is nothing more nor less than a high ranking "fifth columnist" for Hitler in America, comparable to the men who spread dissension in Denmark, Poland Norway, Holland, Belgium, and France, and made easy the path of the conqueror and enslaver of those unhappy peoples. He is reported to have fled the United States, via the port of San Francisco, when government agents got too hot on his trail. Yet, we are told that American financiers and industrialists were actually

W. McLaughlin. Several ladies were present with many useful sion. gifts. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Beck of Tennessee were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thad Beck Saturday night. Miss Etta Kinsland is leaving Wednesday for Dunseith, N. D., where she will resume teaching in the school of that section. Mr. C. B. Terrel left Monday

to teach in Glenville School. Mr. J. E. Freeman made a trip to Brevard Sunday.

Mrs. J. E. Hoyle and Mrs. Emery Hoyle returned to Thomasville after a week's visit with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Chambers of

Chambers Creek spent Sunday at Mr. J. P. Crisp's.

About 700 deaths occurred last year in collisions between bicycles and motor vehicles.



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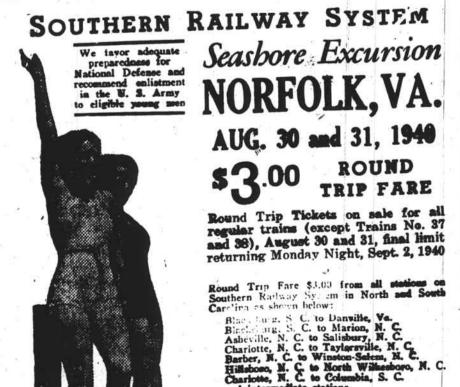
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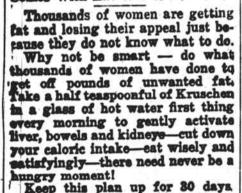
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