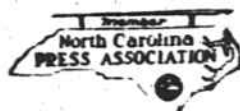


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EDITORIAL

Turn up practically any of the troubles that bedevil mankind, these days, and you will find the bottom plainly stamped "Made In Germany."

Some weather! Employees of the weather bureau in Washington were given a half holiday this week because the heat was so intense they couldn't do their work well.

AS TO PREACHING

We know nothing about the Georgia minister who has been preaching from a sound truck in Sylva, Franklin, and elsewhere, with revival services in Franklin every day, and whose arrest in that town for the violation of an ordinance prohibiting the use of amplifiers on the streets led to the gathering of a great crowd, and threats of breaking down the jail and releasing him. We don't know a thing about that incident. The crowd may have had great provocation. It may have believed that it was acting in defense of the right of free speech. But we do know that preaching that does good creates good feeling and brotherly love in a community, instead of the spectacle of a man being assaulted on a dark corner of the street, severely beaten and left for dead.

Saint John wrote: "By this we know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren." The Gospel of the New Testament is a Gospel of love; not a Gospel of hate.

AN ACCIDENT IMPENDING IN SYLVA

There is going to be a serious accident on the streets of Sylva one of these days or nights, unless: People stop turning their vehicles in the street at the end of a block, instead of driving around the blocks, as they would do in any other town or city; People stop driving or backing into Evelina street, and then turning into Main instead of driving around the block, like they would do anywhere else; People stop making a racetrack of the highway within the school zone, inside the town; People stop backing their cars half way down a block to turn, instead of driving to the end of the block and then turn around the block, like they would do anywhere else; The big and little trucks, unloading on Mill Street stop taking up practically the entire street, like they would not be allowed to do anywhere else; People stop double parking on narrow streets, like Mill, which carries a great deal of traffic; We all realize that Sylva has grown up to be a little city, with crowded streets and congested traffic, and use our common sense applied to present conditions, instead of continuing to act as if the streets of Sylva were still but little used country roads.

TREASON BY FRANK

The Secretary of War has tendered his apology for stating that Senator Wheeler's mailing out postal cards to soldiers in the camps, advising them to petition the President against participation in war bordered on treason. The Journal occupies no such high position as Secretary Stimson and can not be called upon for an apology by a United States Senator. Therefore, we will say that we have been watching Senator Wheeler's antics for a long time. We believe that he is so intoxicated with a sense of his own importance that he is allowing himself to be carried far afield. In the first place, he hates Franklin D. Roosevelt with all the intensity of his small soul; and hate is a thing that will inevitably consume the person who harbors it in his bosom. He has swallowed the German propaganda of the past twenty years, regarding our participation in the World War, and as to isolation and pacifism, until he has almost made it a religion. He has steered himself away from every landmark by which our ship of state has guarded itself through the years that we have been a nation. He is willing to sacrifice everything that we have contended for, in order to avoid possible participation in war. He has allowed himself to come to a frame of mind where he believes that any action that would embarrass President Roosevelt in his efforts to preserve democratic institutions and the American way of life is a high duty.

But when any man, even though he be a United States Senator and therefore should know better, picks up the seditious utterances of Lindberg, The America First Committee, and anybody else who is opposed

to the policy of our government, and sends it out broadcast, without cost to anybody except to the taxpayers of the nation, to people throughout the country, and even into the army camps, is most certainly giving aid and comfort to the enemies of the United States, in a time that has been proclaimed an extreme national emergency. And that comes awfully close to the definition of treason as generally accepted. This time, Senator Wheeler has gone too far. Hatred and captiousness are the resorts of small souls. Big men don't react that way.

JACKSON'S OPPORTUNITY

That the construction of the Parkway along the tops of the mountains, coupled with the new North Carolina Highway from Cherokee to Soco Gap, will take a great deal of tourist traffic away from Sylva and other Jackson County points along U. S. 19, few people will deny. In fact, no more serious blow to the established tourist camps, tourist homes, gift shops, and other service establishments in the localities along Highway 19, could have been conceived by human brains. Perhaps, the fact that the parkway crosses at Balsam Gap, will give some relief to the tourist business there. It may be of great benefit to Balsam, which is in Jackson county. The Journal sincerely hopes that it will.

The highway from Sylva to Balsam, and from Sylva to the Swain county line must be improved, widened, and made attractive. The fact that via Dillsboro is the nearest and best way to the Park from down Atlanta way must be stressed. But the great relief that Sylva, Cullowhee, Cashier's Valley, Dillsboro, and the tourist camps between Sylva and Cherokee can expect, is the completion of Highway 107 from the South Carolina line to Oconee Park, and the designation of this highway with a federal number.

This is a direct route and a beautiful one from Jacksonville, Charleston, Savannah, Augusta, and other points, to the Great Smokies, and is a trunk-line highway from the southeast to the midwestern cities of Cincinnati, and Chicago. If completed, and if properly advertised, there will be a stream of traffic over it in the summer, to the Smokies, and in the spring and winter, and fall to and from Florida.

Here indeed is an opportunity for the Chamber of Commerce to interest the people of our neighboring county seat of Walhalla, and through them, the South Carolina Highway Commission, in completing the 13 miles of 107 in South Carolina that is yet but a gravel road. It would be worth much to Oconee county and Walhalla, and much to Sylva and Jackson county. In fact, it is our salvation for tourist travel.

No more lovely route, no more scenic one could be found anywhere. Nature and geography have both been kind to us. Interest South Carolina in the completion of this road, and then tell its wonders to the world, and we will have wrested a victory from defeat.

PUPPET GOVERNMENTS

Senator Clark of Idaho appears to be the kind of fool that rushes in where angels fear to tread. The other day, he advised, so all the world, including South America could hear, that the United States set up puppet governments in the South American countries, as an offset to Nazi infiltration.

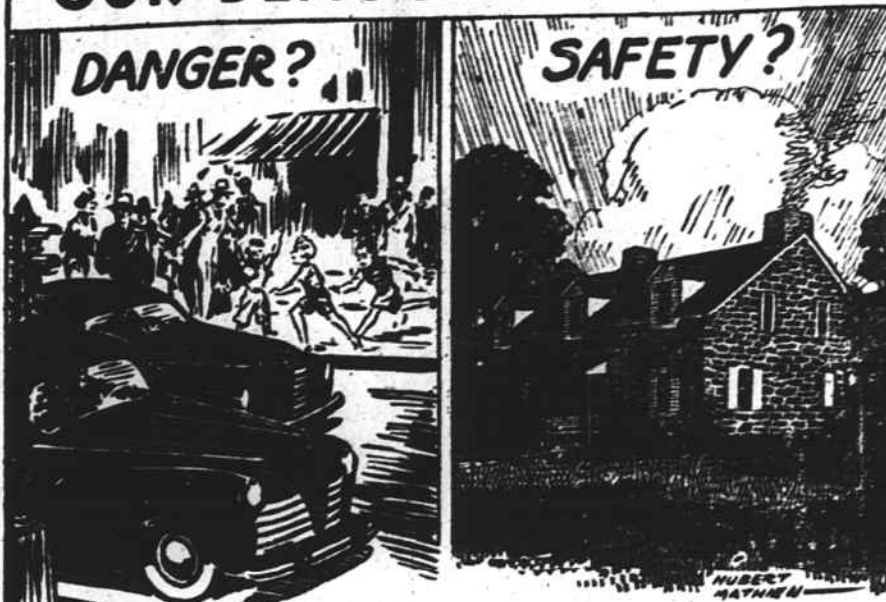
Senator Clark is not the only person who can see no way of combatting the Nazi except to adopt Nazi policies. So far as South America is concerned, the Good Neighbor policy is the best that has yet been tried. The only difficulty is that the governments of the United States were many years too late in adopting it. For long years Uncle Sam appeared to the Latin American as a big, rich bully, who looked upon them and their territories as but objects of exploitation for the North American nationals, backed up by the armed forces of the United States. And, the truth to tell, there was much reason for that belief among our Latin neighbors.

Then came the Roosevelt administration and the Good Neighbor policy. It was timely, and it and it alone, except for the fear of German frightfulness, has helped to solidify the American republics in a bloc of Democratic nations, ready to oppose any aggression from any quarter.

Now Senator Clark would throw all that out of the window, and revert to forceful collaboration, with the real governments of all America seated in Washington, just as Germany would have all government of Europe, Asia, and Africa in Berlin. A more untimely statement could not have been made by a United States Senator. It might easily lead to a lack of faith in the intentions and integrity of the United States, at a time when we sorely need the good will and the active, voluntary support of South America in our defense of the hemisphere program and in our economic warfare with the Axis powers of Germany and Japan. (Italy being now, to all intents and purposes, out of the picture.)

Senator Clark's statement is worthy of the best international thinking of Bob Reynolds or Bert Wheeler. And Dorothy Thompson says that Bob Reynolds as chairman of the Military Affairs Committee of the Senate, is worth many divisions to Hitler; and that Senator Wheeler's utterances come from an honest mind, but one abysmally ignorant of international policies.

OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat



"SAFE AT HOME" — AN HONORED PHRASE, — YET LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES, SO INTERESTED IN PREVENTING UNTIMELY DEATHS, POINT OUT THAT IN 1939 ONLY 600 MORE ACCIDENTAL DEATHS OCCURRED ON THE HIGHWAYS THAN AT HOME. — 32,600, AS COMPARED TO 32,000.



LET'S DRIVE AND WALK CAREFULLY, BUT ALSO PLAY SAFE AT HOME, WHERE IN 1939 MORE THAN 50% OF ALL ACCIDENTS OCCURRED. HOME ACCIDENT TOTAL—1939,—4,732,000.

As Events Unfold . . .

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not immediately overrun when the French morale and French arms folded up, last year. Hitler's advisers were smart. They left part of France unoccupied, and set up a puppet government that could be used to hold the colonies in line, play ball with Germany, and bring about more or less collaboration between the French Empire and Hitler. The fact that mandated Syria had to be wrested from the Vichy French by the British and the Free French under De Gaulle, that the French North Africa may be the path of German conquest, that Indo-China has been turned over to Hitler's naive partner, Japan, that French Guiana is being used as a base for German agents in the attempt to bring South America over to the Nazi side. All this adds up to the fact that the French government in Vichy is a puppet government of arch-traitors. Yes, Vichy is of more use to Hitler in the present juncture than an occupied France could be. An awful reckoning is coming, and the Vichy traitors will have to pay, just as Germany will. The wrath of France will demand their blood. De Gaulle will emerge as the savior of France.

CLASSIFIED ADS

See me before you decide on any kind of Life Insurance—John R. Jones, Special Agent, for Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company.

WANTED To Rent—Small apartment for one adult. Phone 114 after 7 P. M., or write P. O. Box 954. (24-31-pd)

FOR SALE: House and lot on Sylvan Heights. Bargain Price. Mrs. Doyle D. Alley, Waynesville, N. C. (24-4t)

TRAVEL Opportunity: Going to Charleston, S. C., Saturday morning, August 2, returning Monday. Can take four passengers, for part expenses. Call Sylva, No. 4, or information booth, Chamber of Commerce.

TRAVEL Opportunity: Going to Pacific coast. Will furnish car for three persons, or you furnish car. Either way, we will share expenses. V. V. Hooper, Sylva, N. C.

Good 54-acre farm, within quarter mile of Glenville lake. Rolling land, suitable for trucking. For sale by owner—T. F. Moss, Glenville, N. C. (tf)

FOR SALE: Registered 2-year old Gurnsey Bull.—J. B. Cogdill, Addie, N. C. (tf)

DOGWOOD logs wanted. Spot cash. Write Medgentra Mills, P. O. Box 45, Asheville, N. C., or call at plant on Fairview Road Biltmore. (17-4t)

NOTICE

Following notice has been posted at stations served by passenger trains 35 and 36, and Nos. 15 and 16. Suspension of train service effective 27th day of July 1941. The operation of trains Nos. 35 and 36 between Asheville and Salisbury and trains Nos. 15 and 16, between Asheville and Knoxville, will be suspended during National Defense Emergency. Last train being operated on July 27th. This suspension is for the purpose of releasing passenger equipment and power for National Defense activities and at suggestion of Mr. Ralph B. the Transportation Commissioner of the Advisory Commission to the Council of the National Defense and with the approval of the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

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