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**SELLING PATRIOTISM**

A great many papers today are publishing Patriotic Pages, selling signatures of sponsors for various occasions. Commercializing on the Flag. This does not set well, for every citizen knows that those paying for the publication of their allegiance, need not necessarily do so, for they are known for their patriotic spirit without the use of this subterfuge to extract an extra dollar to place the same before the readers.

The Labor Journal has been carrying pages to its thousands of readers without any attempt at a "Sponsor Sale," and will continue so to do.

The Labor Movement in this section is 100 per cent American, harking back to the days of the Mecklenburg Declaration. The membership of A. F. of L. bodies in Charlotte, we believe, is composed more thoroughly of members who can go back to the days of the Revolution than any other body other than the "Sons," "Grandsons," etc., than any other organization, and they belong in those organizations, at least 50 per cent. of them.

As an analysis, we will say 50 per cent hold a 100 year and better record; 40 per cent a 70 year record, and 10 per cent a 25 year record, which is hard to beat.

**WHAT A FEW OF OUR GREAT  
PRESIDENTS SAY AS TO MERITS  
OF THE AM. FED. OF LABOR**

"Of course we will continue to seek to improve working conditions for the workers of America, to reduce hours overlong, to increase wages that spell starvation, to end the labor of children, to wipe out sweatshops. Of course we will continue every effort to end monopoly in business, to support collective bargaining, to stop unfair competition, to abolish dishonorable trade practices. For all of these we have only just begun to fight."—Franklin D. Roosevelt.

"The trade unions of the United States have conferred such essential services upon their membership and upon the community that their real values are not to be overlooked or destroyed."—Herbert Hoover.

"Governments must recognize the right of men collectively to bargain for humane objects that have to do with their mutual protection and welfare of those engaged in all industries. Labor must not be longer, treated as a commodity."—Woodrow Wilson.

"The organization of capital into corporations with the position of advantage which this gives it in a dispute with single laborers over wages, makes it absolutely necessary for labor to unite to defend itself."—William Howard Taft.

"I believe the practice of collective bargaining, effective only through such organizations as the trades, unions, to have been one of the most potent forces in the past century in promoting the progress of wage earners and in securing larger social progress for humanity."—Theodore Roosevelt.

"Capital is the fruit of labor, and could not exist if labor had not first existed. Labor, therefore, deserves much the higher consideration."—Abraham Lincoln.

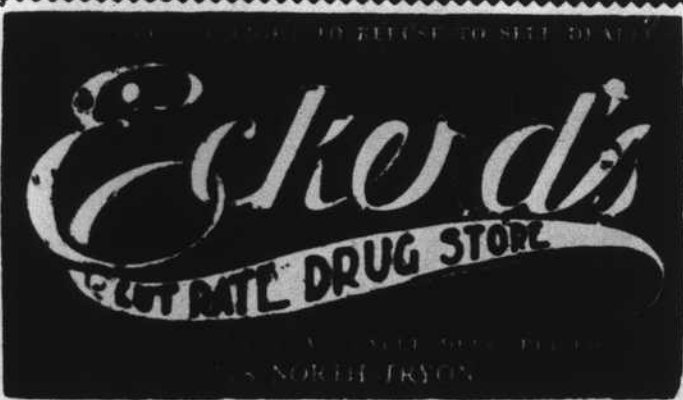
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ALUMINUM COMPANY  
PROJECT SIGNS AN  
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SYLVA, N. C., Oct. 14.—Agreement has been signed here between the Morrison-Knudson Construction Company, contractors on the big Glenville dam tunnel being constructed for the Aluminum Company of America, and the building and construction trades unions whose membership is being used on the job.



**THE GREATER DEVASTATION**

BY DR. CHARLES STELZLE

During recent weeks, as newshoys have cried the "extras" on the street, we have known it meant some new horror visited upon the people of the British Isles. We have listened with increasing dread to the accounts of the devastation of the peaceful countryside, the quiet villages and the garden homes of England. We have mourned the destruction in London of places whose inheritance is that of every free born man and woman—places that stood for milestones on the road to democracy.

We thought we were satiated with horror, as one by one the free countries of the world fell before the Nazis. We had mourned each with increasing sorrow—and now we stand silently watching the last great democracy of Europe fight for its life. But with every blow at England we feel a pride in the English people—in the way they are standing up to it as a united nation, living up to their great traditions of courage and steadfastness. The monuments of their past may be destroyed—but they are building new and greater monuments of the spirit that will live in song and story through all time.

But what of the great devastation of Germany? Though they have not been invaded as other European countries have been, nor their peoples subjugated and subjected to the bestialities which they have imposed upon those nations over which they have so ruthlessly swept—still, their is the greater devastation—for they have suffered a moral and spiritual degradation more horrible than anything endured by their victims.

The church, the school, the press of Germany have lost their places of leadership because they have been dominated by the Nazis, in their insane, unscrupulous, immoral plans for world domination. Their people have been brutalized by the moral degradation systematically cultivated by their leaders. This sanctity of their homes has been violated by the doctrine of the supremacy of the State. The minds of their children have been warped by the teachings of hatred, by the false doctrine that might is right, that the outside world owes them, as a master race, subservience any everything else they want, and that they should satisfy their wishes at the expense of all others, regardless of the laws of right and justice.

When the war is over, instead of being uplifted by the stories of a holy conquest in which the fallen enemy was dealt with mercifully, they will hear only a melancholy tale of rage unbelievable. Pitiful indeed is the devastation of the German people—their minds and morals a heap of ruins! Born to at least a measure of freedom, they have become slaves of tyrannical rulers.

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**U. S. Army Housing  
Projects Allocated  
Sum of \$45,762,500**

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Allocation of \$45,762,500 for defense housing projects for the Army was announced by John M. Carmody, Federal Works Administrator.

The allocation, which will provide a minimum of 13,000 dwelling units, was made after the Secretary of War had requested the Federal Works Agency to carry out the program under the Army's share of the \$100,000,000 provided for defense housing in the second supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act.

**NEW YORK JOBLESS PAID**  
\$241,479,857 BENEFITS

ALBANY, N. Y.—Industrial Commissioner Frieda S. Miller reported that the New York State Unemployment Insurance Fund had paid \$241,479,857.79 in benefit payments to un-

employed workers since January 1, 1938, when benefits first became payable. After payments for August were made the fund had a balance of \$202,323,497.26.

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State of North Carolina,  
County of Mecklenburg.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

Colle Martin Rice, Plaintiff,

vs.

Vaughn Rice, Defendant.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County for an absolute divorce, on the grounds of abandonment and two years' separation.

And the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, at the Court House, Charlotte, North Carolina, within thirty days from the day on which service by publication in this case is completed, or within thirty days from the 25th day of October, 1940, and answer or demur to the complaint filed in this action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 2nd day of October, 1940.

J. LESTER WOLFE,

Clerk of the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County, N. C.

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