

# THE PILOT

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### ANNOUNCEMENT

In taking over The Pilot no changes are contemplated. We will try to keep it as good a paper as Nelson Hyde has made it. We will try to make a little money for all concerned. Where there seems to be an occasion to use our influence for the public good we will try to do it. And we will treat everybody alike.  
JAMES BOYD.

### THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM IS ON

The Secretary of War says the Nazis offer us "abject surrender or uncompromising forceful resistance." Is this a time to talk about "aid to Britain"? Are we aiding Britain, or is Britain aiding us? How long are we content to live as the pensioners of other men's courage?

The war is not worth supporting unless it is a war for America, for the American idea and thus for the human race. If it is such a war, are we willing to hire other men to win it for us?

The Secretary of the Navy says, "The peril which threatens the British fleet is a danger to you, a danger greater than you can imagine." If it is a danger to us, are we so meek as to ward that danger off by giving the tools to other men?

Wendell Willkie says, "We want those cargoes protected. We want it at once, and with less talk and more action." If we want the cargoes protected, that means war. Are we such weaklings that we sidle into war without admitting the dreadful choice we are making?

The fight for freedom is on! The American people are in it. A huge majority prefers war to a Hitler victory. This has been proved in repeated polls. And now our leaders tell us that a Hitler victory looms unless we act.

We hoped to defeat Hitler without the use of our armed forces. Like so many other plausible hopes, this one has been murdered by our enemies. The time for half measures is gone. We can win if we fight. We shall lose if we wait, expecting others to fight for us.

The fight for freedom is on! It is our fight. Nothing can stop America when America is on the march!

—STRUTHERS BURT.

### OUR LAND IS YOURS, UNCLE SAM

Meetings are being held throughout the county for the purpose of obtaining from owners of farm lands permission for the use of their property by the Army of the United States during the greatest maneuvers in the country's history, to be held at our very doorsteps during October and November of this year.

Our neighboring farmers need not be told the importance of signing up these land-use permits. America is on the threshold of participation in a war which will call for the defense of its life and liberty. We can do no less than allow the Army to use our land for any maneuvers which may aid its training, especially during a season of the year when few crops will be on it, and with the government's assurance that payment will be made for any actual damage done.

### DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL OPENS JUNE 16

The Daily Vacation Bible School at the Baptist Church will be held for 10 days beginning June 16th and ending June 28th. Colin Osborne, Jr., will again be principal of the school. Sessions will be held each morning from 9:00 to 11:30 Monday through Friday.

## THE POCKETBOOK OF KNOWLEDGE

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SHELLS AND BOMBS ARE PAINTED BEFORE THEY ARE USED — SHELLS ARE GIVEN A SMOOTH COATING SO THEY DO NOT AFFECT THE TUBES OF GUNS — BOMBS ARE PAINTED TO PREVENT RUST, REDUCE AIR RESISTANCE, AND TO ENABLE PILOTS TO FOLLOW THEIR DESCENT MORE EASILY.

### Grains of Sand

EXTRA! EXTRA! Read all about "Marriage Takes a Holiday!" Moore county's marriage register showed Tuesday that not one marriage license had been issued since April 29th.

From May 10th through May 16th— one week—just 220 automobile drivers lost their licenses in North Carolina, all but three of them for drunken driving. A total of 34,628 have lost their licenses since the drivers' license law went into effect a few years ago.

Edgar Ewing was pacing up and down in front of Mack's Five and Ten the other morning before it had opened for business. We asked him what he wanted.

"Waiting to get in. I need a new suit of clothes," he said.

If you're interested in the region around Hatteras, in Virginia Dare, Theodosia Burr and the Wright Brothers, there's a new book out by Pocahontas Wight Edmunds of Halifax, Va., titled "Land of Sand" that will be worth your reading.

Has the radio hurt newspapers? Here's an answer, from the circulation standpoint, from none other than the United States Census Bureau:

"Newspaper circulation in the U. S. is now over 62,000,000—an all-time height. The average family now spend nearly \$10 a year for newspapers. Daily newspapers have increased their average circulation three-fold in 40 years—from 7,000 per paper to 21,000."

And don't think you haven't a lot of companions in that desire of yours for chocolate bars. The Census tells us that 224,834,095 pounds of chocolate were converted into bars last year to satisfy the craving of the American appetite.

You can fish after Tuesday of next week in any one of three new lakes in the Sandhills recreational area near Hoffman, the State Department of Conservation and Development tells us. These are McKinney, Broadacres and Kenny Cameron lakes which have been closed to fishing until now. They were stocked several years ago.

U. S. Highway No. 1 is closed for traffic between Norlina and Henderson while the road is being widened to 22 feet. The detour through Warrenton is O. K.

Ben Bowden, former member of The Pilot staff, sends a feverish post card from Canada wanting to know where his copy of The Pilot is. Ben's "in the Army now," the Canadian Army.

We believe we met the supreme test of neutrality in the recent Southern Pines mayoralty campaign. We have just discovered that Stutz thought we were leaning toward Matthews and Matthews thought we were favoring Stutz.

The 1941 North Carolina State Fair will be held October 14 through '18, at Raleigh.

### NIAGARA

Mr. and Mrs. John Cameron, with Mrs. L. D. Williams, Claribel and Curtis, spent Monday in Barium Springs visiting Wallace and Roscoe Twombly.

Mrs. J. V. Snipes returned Sunday from Moore County Hospital where she has been for a week.

R. W. and J. S. Morgan of Chapel Hill spent Sunday here visiting relatives.

Mickey Walsh and family left Wednesday for Long Island, N. Y., to spend the Summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ferguson of Durham spent Sunday here with relatives.

Miss Harriet Gay returned last week from a trip to Florida.

Mrs. D. S. Ray is reported as slowly improving in the Moore County Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Cameron and Miss Claribel Williams left Wednesday for Bethlehem, N. H., and Maine to spend the Summer.

Mrs. Bell Wilson has gone to Vass for a two weeks visit.

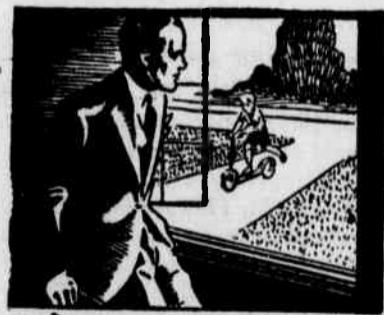
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