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NO MORE DELAY

It is perhaps useless to try to find the reason or to place the blame for the muddle that seems right now to exist in our handling of foreign affairs. Going back far enough it might be just to say that one reason is that for so long a time the State Department was under the nominal control of an elderly gentleman who was very ill and unable to perform the duties of his office. The man who was actually in charge was the President, one who was never a good administrator and who, in his conduct of foreign affairs, did not even attempt to stick to the usual channels. The department was never reorganized, as had been for so long intended, and the new secretaries he appointed were men young in the field and not capable of the great tasks entrusted to them. The negotiations were carried on by the President himself.

Perhaps, given his opposing numbers, Churchill and Stalin, President Roosevelt was right in thinking that only his personal hand was adequate. But the risk to which this subjected his policies and the country, the risk that that hand might be withdrawn, leaving us without its guidance or that of any other, was too great to have taken. The event has proved it. We are now, at a time when the conduct of foreign affairs is of paramount importance, without a state department or a secretary competent for the work in hand. Necessary as it may have seemed, this one-man conduct of foreign affairs was a danger which should somehow have been avoided.

We are now faced with the need to make immediate decisions on numberless vitally important questions. Apparently we are not ready to do so. The reader of the daily news and listener of the daily commentators is lost in a sea of confusion. And, so baffling is the news that it is hard to believe that our ministers who are attempting to cope with the situation itself are not equally at sea. Why, otherwise, should their moves appear to be so contradictory?

Why should we on the one hand, have insisted on the admission of Argentina to the United Nations and, on the other, criticize Russia for attempting to extend her influence in the Balkans? Why do we fuss continually over the eastern boundaries of Germany while making no attempt, as far as one can tell, to solve her western boundaries? Why do we condemn Russia for wanting to protect herself by hanging on to the Baltic States and at the same time announce that we intend to keep as our strategic bases islands in the Pacific thousands of miles away from us? These islands are along the coasts of Russia and China; how can our claim to them be justified? President Truman suggested the internationalizing of European waterways; yet when it is suggested that the Dardanelles be internationalized, we indignantly back up Britain, in what would seem a most unfortunate move, to say the least.

It would be well, before we allow ourselves to fall in with this game of making Russia the villain of every scheme, to try to use a little common sense. In the international scene, as in many another, sauce for the goose can also be sauce for the gander. Bargaining is a two-way game; whoever starts it is going to have to play it to the hilt. It is a game that can only end with all the cards stacked in two opposing hands, with the players all set to start the cut-throat game again. This is not what the American people want; it is not what the war was fought for. This is not a time for delay; the stakes are too high, for they are the veritable stakes of life and death, as much now as they were those fatal days not long ago.

A group of Americans realize this; undoubtedly many more are beginning to do so. This group headed by former Justice Roberts, have written a letter to the President asking him to propose a constitutional amendment commit-

ting this country to the idea and definite wish for an international federal government. In the face of the present dismay and confusion such a proposition smacks of the fairy-land. Yet the men who advance it are hard-headed, intelligent, practical men, as well as great idealists. They have a purpose in bringing their petition before the President now. Perhaps they do not believe that it will be acceded to, but it is evident that they are convinced that further delay is critically dangerous, that a move is in order, not tomorrow or next week, but right now. Now: when things are bad, growing worse; when the shadow of the atomic bomb hangs over the world like the sword of Damocles; now, when the daring of this great idea may catch the mind of man and fire it to this great accomplishment.

The people of America, torn with a new anxiety, will watch with the utmost eagerness to see what these next few weeks will bring: what will be the answer of the President, what the actions of the men whom he has entrusted with the negotiations now in progress, and, above all, what will be the temper of our country in the face of this perhaps its greatest emergency, its greatest opportunity.

This and That

Did you turn your clock back last Saturday night?

What has become of the plan for renumbering the houses of Southern Pines?

A little fire and much smoke in the woods just above the town sign, located on the east side of the highway near the northern boundary of Southern Pines, brought out one company of the Fire Department at 3:30 Thursday afternoon. Much to their surprise, not to say annoyance, they were called to the same place at 5:30 p. m.

The company answered a still alarm at 2:30 p. m. Saturday afternoon, for a grass fire on Ridge Street near New York Avenue.

Man bites dog again. That is what some, as yet unknown, miscreant is going to think when Judge D. E. Bailey discovers just who got away with his car, last seen peacefully resting near the Seaboard depot, on the evening of the 26th.

Mosquitoes were few and far between during the summer months, but with the advent of Fall they have descended in voracious swarms.

It will be good news to the many former patrons of the New England House that Mrs. J. F. Morris has decided to open her dining room once more. The House is now open, and she already has many bookings for the season.

CARTHAGE

Music Club Entertained
Mrs. W. G. Brown and Mrs. E. B. Long entertained the first fall meeting of the Carthage Music Club Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Brown. Mrs. Colin G. Spencer presided, and members answered the roll call with musical current events.

Mrs. H. A. Chester gave a biographical sketch of Bach, followed by a piano composition, "Loure", played by Mrs. M. J. McPhail. Mrs. E. B. Long sang "Ave Maria," accompanied by Mrs. M. G. Dalrymple; Mrs. L. R. Sugg and Mrs. Reid Pleasants, a piano duet, Gavotte in G Minor; Mrs. M. G. Dalrymple, Bach's Memorial Hymn; Mrs. Laverne Womack, a vocal solo, "Temple Bells"; and Mrs. H. F. Seawell, Sr., an original poem on the music club which completed the program.

The members and guests retired to the dining room after the program where Mrs. Colin Spencer and Mrs. W. S. Golden served cake, Mrs. W. L. Warford and Mrs. H. A. Chester poured punch, and Mrs. F. H. Underwood served nuts and ice cream.

Those present other than club members were: Mrs. Ralph Mohr, Long Island, N. Y.; Miss Alma Edwards, Mrs. Charles Barringer, Mrs. Will Cook, Southern Pines; Mrs. S. H. Miller and Mrs. Ed Muse.

Honor Visitor
The Moore County Welfare Department entertained at a dinner party at The Acorn on Thursday evening honoring Mrs. W. H. Gellerman of Tacoma, Washington, who is visiting her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Gellerman. A three course dinner was served, with covers laid for Mrs. Gellerman, Miss Gellerman, Mrs. Walter B. Cole, Miss Claire Wilcox, Miss Anne Golden, Miss Maxine Jackson and Miss Hazel Stone.

Personals
Miss Elizabeth Gellerman and Mrs. W. H. Gellerman were Sun-

day dinner guests of Mrs. W. B. Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Martin of Greenville, S. C., and Mr. and Mrs. James Boysworth of Albemarle were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McGraw.

Miss Betty Anne Harris, Mrs. Arch McLeod and children, Mrs. Martha Williams, Miss Lucy Vest, and Mrs. Ella Vest spent Monday in Raleigh.

Miss Ann Golden left Tuesday for Ayden to attend the wedding of Miss Frances Turnage.

Miss Claire Wilcox, Mrs. Margaret W. Wicker, John Wilcox and W. H. Currie attended the Carolina-Tech game on Saturday. Miss Polly Caldwell spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Caldwell.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Golden left Tuesday for Wilson to visit Mrs. Golden's sister, Mrs. H. G. Carter.

Miss Elizabeth Gellerman and Mrs. W. H. Gellerman spent Monday in Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mohr of Long Island, N. Y., are visiting Mrs. Mohr's mother, Mrs. R. L. Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. Harper Beall, Jr., and children of Lenoir, Miss Mary Gee Wilcox of Flora Macdonald College, Miss Cam Wilcox and WAC Catherine Wilcox of Greensboro spent the weekend with their father, John Wilcox.

Miss Elizabeth Ann McDonald of Peace College spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee McDonald.

Miss Frances Golden of the University of North Carolina spent the weekend with her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Golden.

Miss Annie Ruth Strader of Elon College spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Frasier.

Miss Hilda Blue, Miss Harriette McGraw and Mrs. Alonza Blue spent Saturday in Durham.

Miss Ruth Tyson of the Candor High School faculty spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Tyson.

Miss Velera McCrummen of the Carthage high school faculty spent the weekend at her home in West End, and Miss Effie Gilchrist spent the weekend at her home in Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gardner and daughter, Nancy Ruth of Raleigh, spent the weekend with J. A. Lang, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Adams spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Hazel Anne Adams at Peace College in Raleigh.

Mrs. Dan Carter and children and Miss Frances McKeithen spent Saturday in Aberdeen visiting relatives.

Among those attending the funeral of Orren Kelly on Thursday were the Rev. and Mrs. Frank S. Blue of Linden; Misses Decie Chambers and Marie Jones of Thomasville; Mrs. Orren Palmer, Sanford; Mrs. Sallie Maness, Sanford; Mrs. A. P. Thompson, Pinehurst; and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Wilcox of Carabonton.

Passengers riding Seaboard Air Line Railway trains in World War

II traveled an average of 333 miles as compared to 93 miles in World War I.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND BY COMMISSIONER

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the Interlocutory Order of Foreclosure made and entered by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Moore County, North Carolina, on the 27th day of August 1945 in the matter of TOWN OF SOUTHERN PINES, Plaintiff, vs ARCHIE McMILLAN, Widow, and PEARLINA DOUGLAS, Widow, Defendants, same being recorded in Land Tax Sales Judgment Docket #10, at page 132, being Judgment #3006, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Moore County, the undersigned Commissioner, will, on,

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1st 1945, at 12 o'clock NOON at the Court House door in Carthage, Moore County, North Carolina, sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, the following described land:

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east corner of Block K&8, as shown on a map entitled "A Map of Southern Pines, Moore County, North Carolina," duly filed in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County, and running thence with the line of Saylor Street S. 53 degrees 15 min. W. 100 feet to the common corner of Lots Nos. 6 and 7 in said Block; thence with the dividing line of said lots N. 36 degrees 45 min. W. 52 feet to a corner; thence N. 53 degrees 15 min. E. 100 feet to New Hampshire Avenue; thence with New Hampshire Avenue S. 36 degrees 45 min. E. 52 feet to the point of beginning, being a portion of Lots Nos. 7 and 8 in Block K&8.

Dated this 31st day of August 1945.
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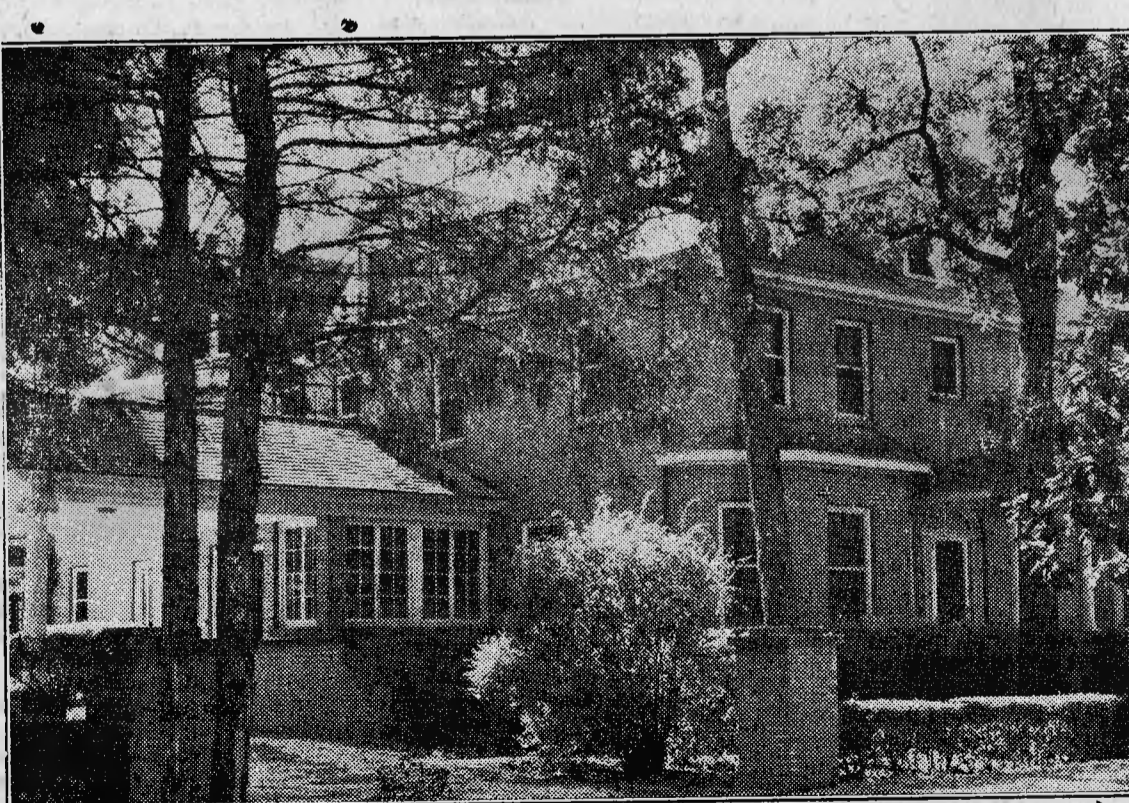


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