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CARDINAL MINDSZENTY

The forces of right have never been arrayed against those of predominantly are in the western darkness in so clearcut a fashion as they are in Hungary today. In gers have no competition from that small driven land a battle state liquor stores, and state line is drawn, in which the whole world as we know it must line up on one side or the other, and there can in the end be no compromise. The battle will be wonor irretrievably lost, and with it all we have fought and struggled the drys would win. for up out of eons of darkness.

Once, not so many hundreds of years ago, the civilized world--much smaller then-was torn apart on the issue of church control of state. To many that seemed an evil thing. Now, in our modern time, when it seemed that through increasing tolerance ways had been found for church and state to live and work side by side together in amity, each supreme in its separate realm, comes that incomparable, unimagined and most monstrous evil, state control over church.

And by "church" we mean not the physical edifices, nor the lands, nor the parochial schools, nor even the signs and symbols of any one denomination, but the wide environment. Anthough it is a matter purely for the decision of North Carolina, a neighbor can be pardoned for hoping that the ghosts of prohibition won't to change it, as he says that. A of any one denomination, but the Christendom of all right think- ities with old ills which liquor Christendom of all right thinking men: the wellsprings of spiritual living, the religious values which mean everything to us all. states.

Cardinal Mindszenty, powerful fighter for Christian rights, strong voice of democracy in a totalitarian fog, has in his forced capitulation-or seeming capitulation-become the symbol of the greatest martyrdom. Not his seat of will and of worship, have who happened to read that esbeen attacked.

It is indicative of the way God marshals His armies when the foe is near that not only Catholics, but all the Christian world sprang to the battle line, and Protestant leaders spoke out with firm voice even before their own colleagues in Hungary followed the Prince Primate to im- 11 listings in that distinguished prisonment and torture.

(Norfolk Virginian-Pilot) There is a possibility that North Carolina will hold a statewide referendum on prohibition this year and, if this is done a probability that the state will vote dry. Some of the best- informed observers of Tar Heelia, bles... predict flatly that if a statewide referendum is held the prohibi-

tionists will win. Governor W. Kerr Scott made the promise of Kerr Scott made the promise of such a referendum a major point in his campaign. Senator Penny of Guilford county now has in of Guilford county now has in-of whether the state will be wet or dry from Manteo to Murphy, with no local option counties in between.

If this sounds strange to Virginian-Pilot readers, it is because outside, the covers, could never many of our immediate neighbors in North Carolina have ABC stores under the privilege of local option. Actually, less than one-third of North Carolina's 100 "Kathleen is the place spelled

part of the state where bootlegcase there was still a choice. . agents are scarce. Cautious political engineering of the transition from prohibition to local option in North Carolina indicates that, we stated, getting technical. . . all along, there has been the suspicion that in a statewide vote

One of the certain results of a return to prohibition in North Carolina would be a boosting of said. . . "We don't know. . . It the sales from Virginia ABC was named that when we bought stores in counties along the North it."

So we settled for the spelling things to say about our town. . . with an e, and henceforth that's Thanks, folks, and please come would profit from a distribution of Carolina dollars. Nonetheless, we should regret to see North Carolina, whose progressiveness we have so often noted, turn the clock back to the Dark Era of organized bootlegging, bathtub gin, alcoholic poisonings, and graft and corruption in the relationship between the citizen and his government. Although it is Barnum Insurance Agency signs

control programs have sharply The reduced, if not cured, for most

"WHO'S WHO" AND THE UNIVERSITY

(The Sanford Herald)

"The Evening Sun" of Baltimore, Md., brought a glow of business associates of many years body, but his mind and soul, the pride to the hearts of Tar Heels are convinced we are wrong. torial commenting on a series of for the permanent postmastership articles about the University of by President Truman, didn't help Maryland. "The Sun" notes that 85 per-

sons in Chapel Hill are listed in "Who's Who in America," while College Park, seat of the University of Maryland, can muster but volume.

Grains of Sand We called out at Walshes' last due alacrity, now you know why. week to settle that troublesome question of whether it's spelled

Stoneybrook, or Stonybrook, staincluding leading newspapers, ten it) both ways, and inclined We had seen it (and writtoward the latter spelling, as more in accord with out thirdgrade spelling lessons, dimly it became important to get it setphone, and our question immediately threw her into a quandary. . . Like that of the old gen-

tleman who, when asked whether he slept with his beard under, or sleep again for wondering which. "Let's see now, how do we spell it?" she mulled, and sought counties permit the legal sale of hard whiskies. The dry areas I just don't know!" I just don't know!"

Kathleen came up in favor of "If the name refers to a brook with stones in it, by dictionary useage it shouldn't have an e." "Of course, it might have been named after some other place, in

Carolina line. Virginia localities

the way The Pilot writes it. . . Stoneybrook, or Stonybrook, it's a lovely name for a lovely place. Which brings us back to our friend and Postmaster-Nominee, A. Garland Pierce, who says that's the way his name is, let-

to change it, as he says that, A. Garland or Garland A., it made no difference to him. federal government,

though, it seems, is choosy about such things, and as Acting Postmaster he lecided it would be best to come out in his true colors as A. Garland. . . The Pilot cooperates, making itself thus

somewhat of a martyr to the truth, as some of his friends and A radio announcer Thursday matters by referring to him as A. Garland Price. . . "What glory Price?" quipped Garland. I don't know if they can ever

Motorcyclists of this area will And orchids to Mr. and Mrs.

And we were so pleased by the things he said, we haven't even been able to complain.

the people of North Carolina have We were interested in Tom Wicker's account of the robbery shoes, clothing and bedding to the at Johnny Hall's new houses Church World Service center at here, published last week in the New Windsor, Md., for reship-Sandhill Citizen, our able competition at Aberdeen. . . Among the ment overseas and distribution to missing items he listed a flat-bed needy persons through non-dis-. Tom, is that printer's criminatory religious agencies. sink. soul of yours getting the best of you?. . Or will you be telling ted no small amount to this total us next that the Citizen is print- through the Fill A Ship With ed on a flat-rim press? Friendship drive and through

other contributions collected by Ramblings: Edith and Leo Wal- churches and other agencies. per have started a vegetable gar-The remarkable part of a recent den at Parhaven-planted flow- report on private overseas relief ers, too, the optimists. . . When is that bus station going to get started a-building? We're mighty interpret of private overseas ferrer is that the state of North Carolina stands second in the nation in the amount of these supplies it has "Kathleen, is the place spelled with an a on not? I declara L declara Boone and Miss Natalie Gardner, One of the characteristics of this

What They're

Saying

Since the beginning of this year,

Residents of this area contribu-

A HARVEST OF

former manager and room clerk nation, illustrated in the March of the Pine Needles hotel, when of Dimes for polio relief, the Red the e. . . We demurred faintly, in they stopped by the other day on Cross and many other agencies, is their way from Buck Hills, Pa., the way private giving suppleon their way to Florida. . . and ments governmental aid. Diffy Phillips, an old resident, The value of this attitude on

now living in Chapel Hill, who the part of the American people stayed Thursday night at the is summed up eloquently in the Belvedere. report of a Congressional commit-Also at the Belvedere that tee investigating the value of vol-

night were Mr. and Mrs. Neil untary foreign aid: Ireland or somewhere, with an Hester, of Raleigh, who attended "Private relief ventures abroad the Lions' zone meeting at West have adapted their resources to End. . . He is an editor of the the meeting of particular needs in News and Observer. . . This was local areas. . . Private relief proapparently their first visit here, grams, furthermore, are a means and they really had some nice of bringing Americans into per-

sonal contact with the needs of other countries. . . the recipient abroad knows that the assistance

back!

'wonderful feed."

get us into the kitchen again!"

their recently opened dining

Thanks, Mr. Turner, for the fol-

"Song of the Road" by the Na-

sing "Highways Are Happy

The Public

Speaking

teen years.

room.

lowing:

he receives is based upon the per-Mothers in charge of the Blue sonal response of some individual and Gold banquet of the Cub American to his needs. The re-Scouts, held at the Brownson Memorial Presbyterian church the American people." sult is a harvest of good will to February 10, were Mrs. Claude Sanford Herald Reams, chairman, Mrs. Harold

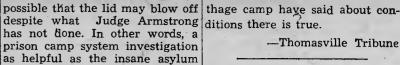
Collins, Mrs. R. A. Hamel, Mrs. Dan Ray and Mrs. Garland Pierce THE LEGION IS AMERICAN

The American Legion, compos-The kids, and their grownup guests, are still talking about the ed of war veterans, who know what it has cost this Nation and millions of its fighting men to de-

fend its principles and institu-In the story of the Masonic banquet at the Southland hotel, tions, can be counted upon always we called Lloyd Woolley the to stand for America and Ameritreasurer of the lodge. . . He's canism against all foes at home not, he's the secretary. . . Ralph and abroad. Chandler is treasurer, and both It was in keeping with its tradi-

have held these offices for um- tional policy that its 3,456 voting delegates at its annual convention in Miami adopted resolutions As a guest who thoroughly enjoyed the occasion, we'd like to pledging prompt, thorough, united hand credit to Herbert Dieten- and militant defense of freedom hofer and his committee on ar- against attacks from enemies teemed publication's recent edi- night, revealing his nomination rangements for the fine way without or traitors within, and everything was handled. . . The urging Congress to outlaw the wives approved, too. . . As one Communist party in the United of them told us, "Other years, we States in order to stamp out this "Kremlin controlled menace."

The Legion members know, as all Americans ought to know, that the Communist party in the meet at Pate's Curbway Sunday at 2:30 p. m. to organize an offi-Harrington, for the excellent din-viet fifth column directed by the cial Southern Pines Motorcycle ner, the first big event held in Kremlin, serving the purposes of chub... This should be one of the their recently opened dining Busici in schling the purposes of



P. Jimison may be coming up.

ditto inspired by the late Tom The Golden Delicious, a blond apple preferred by many consumers. That the system has its faults has proved of special value to cermay be discovered closer at home tain experimenters on apple hand-

than Rockingham, if what some Thomasville and Davidson county ling because it shows bruises betsent more than 521,000 pounds of men who have served at the Car- ter than red apples.

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Nor have we heard one voice which has evidenced even one small ray of belief that Minds- wonders if the situation is due zenty was turncoat. In his weakness so well documented by his captors, his strength has shone out with a clear white light over all the world. By its light are clearly seen, even by those who were before confused, the menacing features of the free world's enemy, Communism.

HORSE RACES

The race event held last Sunday on the Stoneybrook track And this happy fact is undoubtedly reflected in "Who's Who." was in most ways a highly enjoyable affair. The Chamber of Commerce and other responsible are to be commended on its sponsorship and success.

Enjoyment on one fine winter afternoon was not the only source of satisfaction, for those interest- From the Pilot files: ed in our community. As a revival of a sport which has meant much here in the past, and the prospect of its continuance, it was most gratifying.

iation, widening its scope to Many remember when large, happy crowds of spectators used to flock, in pre-war days, to the old Steeplechase track, and the fame which came to our town then as a center of horse racing road. in its finest sense.

Sunday's event showed us we still have the horses, we still road and Connecticut avenue. have the riders, and we now have dent of the Sandhills Horse Show another track, of great possibiliassociation, succeeding Leonard ties. It is still new, and those Tufts. Other officers are Nelson who sponsored this week's races C. Hyde, vice president; Col. G. are well aware of all that needs P. Hawes, chairman of the execto be done before it can be rated utive committee, and C. W. Picas first class. They also know of quet, secretary-treasurer.

other things that will need more

Paul Roche of Pinebluff, careful working out before we can be unreservedly proud of our speaks to Chamber of Commerce can be unreservedly proud of our speaks to chamber of occurs on possibilities of or-races: handling of traffic, visibil-ity of the track, less lag between ganizing a Sandhills Baseball league.

DAR holds George Washingments will come, we are convinced; and we're hoping for many

Highland Pines Inn. more such events held annually A. B. Yeomans is drawing or oftener, at which lovers of fine horses and a colorful show plans for a new home in Knoll- Lo and behold, we heard our own of their tribe means. They call has done nothing but file report will be present by the thousand wood to be built by Halbert J. name called. . . If you thought themselves "Ani-Yunwiwa" we bounded to our feet with un- "real people." when that bugle blows.

Approaching the contrast with liveliest organizations in these soft-spoken politeness, "The Sun" parts, composed as it will be of hardy young men, most of them to climate. . . "Or could it be that veterans. . . For some, motorcythe sort of people who alone can cling is a hobby and sport; for make a university great have not others, a serious business, as they tional Safety Council is worth rebeen in demand at College ride motorcycles to, from and in peating-at 45 miles an hour, Park?" connection with their work.

It is not our purpose to at-We were surprised to learn Ways"; at 55 croon "I'm But a tempt to answer this question, there are so many motorcyclists Stranger Here, Heaven is My because we know nothing whatabout. . . Some of those interest- Home"; at 65, "Nearer, My God, ever about the University of Maryland. What we believe is

In Bygone Days

TEN YEARS AGO

Pinehurst Horse Show associa-

tion votes to change its name to

the Sandhills Horse Show assoc-

Nat S. Hurd is elected presi-

TWENTY YEARS AGO

ed in forming the club are Bill To Thee; at 75, "When the Roll Hall, Jimmy Springer, Tech. Sgt. is Called Up Yonder, I'll Be true, however, is that the University of North Carolina does attract and hold the sort of people Stancil, of Southern Pines; Ronald who can make a university great. Littleton, Aberdeen; Hugh West,

Lakeview; Tommy Dunn and Sam Frye, Pinehurst; Bub Kirk and Hal Kirk, Roseland, and T. S. Little, Pinebluff. Some have wives who are en-

thusiasts too. . . And one pretty sight is Sergeant Clinton on his handsome dark red vehicle, with its nail-studded saddle and sad-dlebags, riding along with his The Pilot. young wife and baby up behind Dear Editor,

We heard considerable pleased comment on an event we wrote Tuesday, from the winner of the up for last week's paper. . . The third racee in Sunday's race proaunching plans for the building Fohns in Knollwood for the hon of a show ring inside the steeple- Fobes in Knollwood, for the ben- munity as well as the Chamber chase course on the Midland efit of the March of Dimes. . of Commerce. Johnny, aged 13, is one of that TOM WHITE

Mrs. Barbara S. Lansing, of Englewood, N. J., buys W. Clark special pride, the Pilot newsboys Arkell residence at Highland . . . And he also promises to be Manager Southern Pines Chamber of our competitor.

job, too.

He printed the tickets and programs for the dog show on a Chamber of Commerce,

hand printing set. . . Did a nice Southern Pines. It is a real pleasure to congratulate a Chamber of Commerce

We are pleased and charmed which has the nerve and determination you had in putting on by our own latest cognomen. . your races Sunday. Handed us by Chamber of Com-

You saw an opportunity to do merce President, Hoke Pollock, something which will yield good at the annual Chamber banquet returns for a long time, and were at the Highland Pines Inn. After he had introduced vawise enough to put it over. Thanks for a good day's sport

too CARTER B. BROWN

ed around with interest, to see Tryon. ton's Birthday benefit bridge at what grey-headed old codger

would totter to his feet as soon The Cherokees of North Carolina do not know what the name have pushed the probe further, as the name was announced. . . or of the case with state prison officials, and that in Raleigh it is

Russia in seeking to weaken the foundations of this Republic, destroy our system of government, and deliver the country into the hands of the Moscow regime. -Charlotte Observer

RECORD OF ACCOMPLISHMENT

As members of the Central **Electric Membership Corporation** -theh REA co-operative serving this area-gathered for their an-Dick Clinton, T. T. Overton, Pete Kaylor, Preston Stancil and Jack Coming Home." how far this organization has progressed in bringing the blessings of light and power to rural neighborhoods in this area.

No less than 1,683 families in Lee, Chatham, Moore, Harnett, Hoke and Randolph counties are now receiving benefits of membership in the REA co-op-and 511 more families will be added to this total under projects for which funds have been appropriated.

The cooperative has accomplish-We would like to pass on to ed its work since the end of World War 2, in spite of crippling shortages.

> The local cooperative is part of a nation-wide effort through which rural electric lines are bringing new comfort and happiness to millions of farm pople in the United States.

The day is now in sight when every farm family who wants it can have electric service, provided either by REA co-ops or by private power companies which are also steadily extending their lines. —Sanford Herald —Chapel Hill Wekly

PRISON CAMP COMPLAINTS

Commerce

At Rockingham in Richmond county there was a stir over a grand jury report on "cruel and unusual punishment on prisoners" and that Camp No. 706 "was not being administered according to State Law." It is also said that Superior Court Judge Frank M. Armstrong of Troy, who could

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