

**News As Reported
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Forty Years Ago**

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Miss Pettie Morton, who is visiting Mrs. A. S. Coffield, was the honor guest at a "daisy party" given by Mrs. Coffield at her home, Tuesday evening. The decorations consisted of daisies and evening commenced with the "confession book" in which each one answered very important questions of a personal nature. Then a contest of musical terms afforded much interest. In this contest Miss Lettie Critcher and John W. Hassell won the first prize, the booby going to W. J.

Gordon and Miss Eva Wolfe. The vote for the prettiest man and woman was given to Miss Morton and Mr. Gordon. Several other attractive features rendered the hours among the most enjoyable spent here this season. Refreshments gave delight to the guests after the contests were over. Those present were: Misses Nora, Hannah Vick and Louise Fowden, Eva Wolfe, Elizabeth Gordon, Mary and Irene Smith, May Bennett, Lettie Critcher and Susie Purvis; Messrs. Leslie Fowden, John W. Hassell, J. P. Simpson, Chase, Harry Biggs, J. W. J. and Maurice Watts, John W. Hassell and Dr. Rhodes. The following invitation has been received:
Rev. and Mrs. George J. Dowell request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Rosina, to Mr. Rufus

BROADWAY AND MAIN STREET

**Nazis' 'Process of Selectivity'
Outsmarted by Polish Scientist**

By BILLY ROSE

Whenever I'm in the mood for gargantuan gab, I lie myself over to a Russian tea room near Carnegie hall where refugees of a dozen nations sit around and give out with tall talk about the old days behind them and the new days coming up.
To give you a fitting for-instance, the other midnight I heard a macabre yarn from a gent who used to teach science in Warsaw, and while I don't know whether it's history or hokum, it strikes me as being worth my

During the last year of the war, there was a small concentration camp in east Germany which had been set up for two purposes:

(a) to build an underground machine shop, and (b) to make available the required number of human guinea pigs for certain experiments being conducted by distinguished Nazi scientists.

By SS STANDARDS, the method of selecting these guinea pigs was scrupulously fair. Each morning before breakfast, the 50 men in each of the wooden barracks would stand at attention until the commandant appeared with a list of their names. He would read off the top name on the list and the prisoner whose name was called would step forward.

The commandant would then hand two small leather disks, one marked with a white circle and the other with a black, to the "trustee" of the barrack for examination. Then the commandant would drop the disks into his hat, and the prisoner would draw one of them.

If he picked the one with the white circle he was safe until his name came up again 50 days later; if he drew the black one, he would be shipped out that Saturday night.

In December of 1944, my tea-room friend—the scientist from Warsaw—was cattle-carred to this concentration camp and assigned to a barrack occupied almost exclusively by captured Russian soldiers. He was asked the usual questions, and when the Russians found the newcomer was a Pole, they quickly let him know that the fraternity of races as preached by Moscow was confined to Kremlin publicity handouts.

And when he further admitted he had never joined the Party—not for any big ideological reason, but simply because he was a scientist and had no interest in politics—the Red army men decided he was an enemy of the state and began to plot against him.

THE POLE, however, was more worried about the disks in the hat than the whispings going on about him. Under the lottery system, it would be almost two months before his name was called, and since news had filtered into camp that the Russian forces were only a few weeks away, he kept telling himself that liberation might come before the date for the drawing. But as the days turned into weeks, and still no sound of far-away cannon, he resigned himself to taking his 50-50 chances with the hat.

The night before the fateful morning, the scientist was lying awake in his bunk when he felt a tug at his blanket. It was a young Czech who had been badly mistreated by the "trustee," and who had often mumbled about getting even.

According to the kid, the comrades had figured out a plot to make certain the Pole would be shipped off to the Nazi experimenters. The "trustee" had cut a leather disk from his shoe and made a black circle on it, and when the commandant asked him to examine the disk, his plan was to palm the one with the white circle and substitute his own, so that either would mean death to the non-Party man.

For a long moment, the scientist looked up at the slat ceiling of the bunk above him. "Thank you," he finally said to his friend. "I think I'll be able to manage."

Next morning when his name was called, he saw the "trustee" palm the white-circled disk and substitute another. But he pretended not to notice, and when the commandant held out his hat he smiled and selected a disk. "White or black," he said, "I'm going to have one good meal in this miserable camp." And before the officer could stop him, he popped the bit of leather into his mouth and swallowed.

The SS man frowned. "Crazy Pole," he said, "what good will that do? There is still a disk left in the hat. If it is black, you picked the white; if it is white, you picked the black."
"That is quite correct, Sir," said the scientist.



Billy Rose

Those who are always wagering on a 2,000 population are out in the cold.

Mrs. A. R. Dunning went to Robersonville Monday.

Misses Clifton and Bount, of Bethel, were guests of Mrs. G. W. Blount Tuesday.

C. C. Chace made a demonstration with a chemical engine here Monday. This engine generates a gas that will check any fire. The Town Commissioners are considering the purchase of one or more of these engines.

Formerly 50% of loan up to maximum of \$4,000, GI loan guaranty to World War II veterans was recently raised to 60% up to \$7,500 maximum.

**Merchants Study
Advertising Plan**

Development of a Statewide flash-warning system designed to protect merchants of North Carolina against worthless advertising schemes, fly-by-night peddlers, and check-flashers will be developed by officials of the North Carolina Merchants Association this week. It is announced by Thompson Green, executive secretary of the organization.

Men's Dress and Work Shoes For Less. WILLARD'S SHOE SHOP

an estimated million dollars each year through advertising in media which has little or no value," declared Greenwood in urging merchants to support their local newspapers and radio stations and to "look with a critical eye on special booklets, programs, and advertising media of that nature."

With properly organized cooperation between merchants and the local and State associations, we hope to curtail sharply peddling, check-flashing and various advertising rackets and to work toward more uniformity in merchants' attitude as regards various solicitation programs," said Secretary Greenwood.

OLD STAGG
Straight Kentucky Bourbon Whiskey
FULL 4 YEARS OLD
\$3.40 4/5 QT. \$2.10 PINT
65 PROOF, KENTUCKY STRAIGHT BOURBON WHISKEY. THE STAGG DISTILLING CO., FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY.

YOU CAN SHOOT A MOTH
DONT SHOOT THAT MOTH!
Moths won't bother your clothing if you get U-San-O Insured Mothproof Cleaning.
Ask for U-San-O Mothproof protection now where you see the shield of safety—
Remember it costs you nothing extra.
Blue Star Cleaners
Washington Street
WILLIAMSTON, N. C.

MOTH PROOF BAGS
Protect your blankets and winter clothes from moth and insect damage during the summer months by using our mothproof bags.
DIAL 2323 TODAY
We'll pick up your winter garments, give them an expert cleaning, put them in moth-proof bags and return them to you all ready to pack away.
Alpha Cleaners

Theodore Coburn on Wednesday, June the first Nineteen hundred and ten at three o'clock, Baptist Church, Williamston, North Carolina.

The following invitation has been received:
Mrs. Joseph Henry Peele invites you to be present at the marriage of her daughter.

The Martin County Building and Loan Association was organized Thursday night by the election of J. G. Godard President; W. C. Manning Vice President; S. A. Newell Secretary and Treasurer; A. R. Dunning Attorney; J. W. Watts, C. H. Godwin and W. H. Biggs, Finance Committee, with all the above officers Constituting a Board of Directors. We welcome the organization, for where such have operated much has been done in the building up of the community. There is no way whereby people can more easily own their homes.

Miss Harriet W. Mears, of Wilmington, is the guest of Miss Annie Lamb on Smithwick Street.

H. H. McCay, who was formerly with Saunders and Fowden, has accepted the position as pharmacist with them again, and arrived Thursday night to enter upon his duties.

Mrs. C. W. Keith and Miss Mollie Moore went to Washington Saturday.

Charles Hassell has accepted a position in the Smithsonian Institute at Washington City.

Miss Bert Gardner went to Everetts Wednesday.
The census enumeration for the town shows about 1,600 people.

Now Is The Time to go to COURTNEY'S For FURNITURE

Vote For

HUGH G. HORTON
Williamston, N. C.
For
State Senator
SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT
Primary May 27, 1950

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You know, you've got TWO kinds of expenses. There are IMMEDIATE costs of living, and then there are things you've got to buy and pay for in the future.
How about those long range expenses? You should be saving NOW, possible for a home of your own or Junior's education.
Guaranty Bank & Trust Company
Edgewood Avenue Phone 2309

Plastic TILE MAKES WALLS SMILE!
• PERMANENT
• COLORFUL
• ECONOMICAL
• EASY TO CLEAN
• SANITARY
You need no longer endure the unsightly appearance that cracked and faded walls present — or face the extra expense involved in re-painting and re-papering every two or three years. If you cover your walls with economical, beautiful Plastic Wall Tile. Available in a large range of colors to suit any decorative taste — in plain or marbled patterns. Adds years of sparkling appearance to the Bathroom, Kitchen, Utility or Playroom and Hall ways. Easy to install.
INSTALL IT YOURSELF AND SAVE
Corey Plumbing Co.
Edgewood Avenue Phone 2309

ATTENTION PLEASE
At The Red Front Warehouse in Robersonville, N. C., Wednesday afternoon, May 24, we will serve from 7 o'clock 'til 8:30 o'clock
You Are Cordially Invited To Attend The
BIG BARBECUE SUPPER
in honor of Henry Johnson. We don't mean just men, but ladies too. Where there will be barbecue, slaw, sweet potatoes and corn bread. No doubt this will be one of Martin County's largest supper ever served.
These 58 pigs were donated by the friends of Henry Johnson throughout Martin County. The bread, slaw and sweet potatoes will be prepared by sixty ladies from various parts of the county who are friends of Henry Johnson and family.
We will expect people to begin gathering around 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Possibly there will be 20 to 22 from 3 to 5 minute speakers due in the afternoon. These speakers are composed of farmers and business men of Martin County.
Your presence is earnestly desired.
This invitation is extended to you by Henry Johnson and his many friends.