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Money Safe

As far as the banks are concerned money has been mighty safe during the past 27 months, according to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, which recently reported that there has not been a single bank failure in the United States in the past 27 months.

Money, we are sure, has slipped through many careless hands during that period, since it has flowed in the mightiest stream it has ever been recorded in this nation. It may not have been safe in the hands of the individual, it has evidently been so in the custody of our banks.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation also reports that of 14,710 banks in operation on June 30, 13,526 or 92 per cent, with deposits approximating $150,000,000,000 were insured by it, which gives a lot of stability to banking circles as well as confidence to the depositors.

Encouraging

The official organ of the State Highway and Public Works Commission of this state, recently published the following editorial on the status of the Blue Ridge Parkway in this section. The encouraging feature of editorial, is that Chairman A. H. Graham is listed as among those "concerned with the future" of the Parkway.

The editorial is as follows:

The Blue Ridge Parkway, first of its type and scale, when completed will thread through 485 miles of eastern America's most beautiful mountain scenery from the Shenandoah National Park in Virginia to the Great Smoky National Park in North Carolina and Tennessee.

The scenic drive averages 3,000 feet above sea level and more than 360 miles of the federally-financed project had been brought to various stages of completion prior to the war.

In North Carolina the parkway enters at Cumberland Knob Park in Alleghany county and winds 271 miles through the mountains across the state to Newfound Gap in the Great Smoky Park where the road dips into Tennessee.

The parkway is open to travel-hungry Americans from the Virginia line down to near Asheville with the exception of sections of the parkway near Blowing Rock and Mt. Mitchell. There is a detour on paved state highway around the uncompleted Blowing Rock section.

However, the fate of the proposed 96-mile section between N. C. 694 northeast of Asheville to N. C. 107 south of Smokemont in the Great Smoky Park has troubled many interested North Carolinians.

One of them, Chairman A. H. Graham of the Commission went to Washington last week to seek support for completion of the parkway route as approved by Harold L. Ickes when he was Secretary of the Interior.

The Chairman returned with encouraging news that Senator Clyde R. Hoey, a congressional champion of the parkway in North Carolina, has voiced his active support for completion of the project.

The Senator's interest and support in the parkway is already well-known. Only recently he pushed through Congress a boost in parkway appropriations from $7,500,000 to $11,500,000.

Did You Know That—

Although many people are not acquainted with the postal laws enough to know better, chain letters and postal cards are illegal and persons who write them expose themselves to prosecution. Many of these letters are on subjects of religion, but a postal bulletin states that "there are no exceptions insofar as the federal government is concerned."

Haywood Doing Her Part

Statistics show that in 1941 there were 2,791,800 live births registered in the United States. This is a birth rate of 20.2 per 1,000 population. In 1915 when the birth registration area was first established, the birth rate was 25, but since that time it has dropped to 16.6, when the low point was reached in 1933.

That date is well remembered and the depression can easily account for the rate. Since that time it has been climbing "steadily" and we have an idea that the birth rate of 1945 and 1946 when compiled will bring up the figures of a generation ago.

You can always depend on Haywood county to do her part. For reference on this matter we advise those interested to glance with the nurses of the maternity wards of the Haywood County Hospital, and we feel sure that Haywood will head some of the counties.

The Secret Is Out

We have read much about the attitude of Russia toward this country. We understand are suspicious and have taken the attitude that we may expect anything from Russia in the future. Most of them have written from what others have reported.

Harper's Magazine sent a reporter to study the situation and he has at last penetrated "Russia's iron curtain" and found that, of all things, it is fear that imperialistic fascism may be spawning in the United States today.

Some of the facts cleared up by the Harper reporter reveal that Stalin does not run a one-man show government, as most of us have been thinking, but that he takes orders from a 11-man control group.

It was brought out that it will be at least 10 more years before certain areas get back to pre-war conditions. Russia's approach to international affairs stems from insecurity, and they are afraid of foreign attack and that the attack, they believe will come from the United States.

The Russians, it seems, are certain that the United States will not be able to prevent an economic boom and another depression. This, they feel, will see the birth of an American dictator, violently anti-Russian, who will want to invade as Hitler did.

To most of us here in America their reasoning sounds fantastic and we think it could not happen here. But we have to admit that it is not a cheerful thought to feel that the Russians are fostering such ideas which no doubt they will shape their policies for their dealings with us.

It is up to us now to dispel such ideas and the quicker the better, for all concerned.

Far Reaching

In a recent issue of the University News Letter it was revealed from a report compiled by Dr. Wiley B. Sanders, of the University, that one-half of the juvenile delinquents who have appeared in North Carolina courts during the past five years have come from broken homes.

Dr. Sanders has been making a study of juvenile delinquency for the state department of public welfare. Records of the marital status of parents were available for 8,558 of the 12,021 individual delinquents handled by the juvenile courts in the state from July 1, 1939, through June 30, 1944.

"The principal conclusion which we have drawn in this survey," Dr. Sanders observed, "is that any forces which tend to preserve the family life in a community tend to prevent juvenile delinquency as well."

Divorce, separation and desertion accounted for 16.3 per cent of the broken homes, the report shows. In 15.9 per cent the father was dead, and in 8.1 per cent the mother was dead. Both parents were dead in 3.4 per cent of the cases. Rural delinquents came from broken homes in 48.3 per cent of the cases, while city delinquents have a broken home rate of 54.7 per cent.

The question always comes up of the responsibility of the parents to the child as against their own relations, and personal happiness. There is much to be said on both sides, for a child reared in an unhappy atmosphere is bound to have unstable emotional reactions. They are torn in their loyalty between their affection for both mother and father. The remedy goes back to the courtship days when more time and thought should be given to whether or not the couple have the qualities that will make for the deadly routine of every day living. It takes more than romance to establish matrimony on a sound permanent basis.

"BUSINESS AS USUAL"

HERE and THERE

By

HILDA WAY GWYN

[illegible] side of the war [illegible] have had rich [illegible] experiences during the [illegible] will broaden [illegible] and be of interest [illegible] It all depends [illegible] to what [illegible] stored away in their memories. The buck private did not know the responsibility of the commissioned officer, and the high [illegible] officer, unless he came from the ranks did not quite know what the PVT was going through. Each had a special experience [illegible] of their own. The men who have served in the Army of Occupation have a military story to tell. It [illegible] the war privilege to interview civilian persons who have vividly touched this tragic era. Wherever they have given us a peep into sidelights that we have scanned from the newspapers and a personal touch that always remains in our memory. We have met the far corners of the earth second handed, and have felt an soul relation to the men in service and their families a close [illegible] contacts.

[illegible] interesting person we interviewed was none [illegible] Willis Smith, president of the [illegible] Bar Association, [illegible] known as Dollie [illegible] Mr. Smith spent [illegible] of the Nuremberg war [illegible] sessions which [illegible] world pattern, [illegible] are attractive [illegible] but give him a [illegible] attitude and im[illegible] you could listen inde[illegible]

WILLIS SMITH, of Raleigh

The south was appointed by [illegible] Robert M. Jackson of [illegible] Court, who became [illegible] for the prosecution of [illegible] criminals, to go to [illegible] to observe the trials, so [illegible] such reports as [illegible] to the American [illegible] Bar Association. He [illegible] another member [illegible] to accompany him [illegible] Fabian Gregory of [illegible] floor leader of the House of [illegible] American Bar Association [illegible] and were provided [illegible] tents. Upon arrival [illegible] must have felt quite at [illegible] Judge Parker, [illegible] Stewart of Charlotte, [illegible] Carson, assistant at[illegible] N. C. and another [illegible] A. Alderman.

[illegible] visiting Nuremberg [illegible] war criminal [illegible] Dachau near Munich, [illegible] and the trial of Carl [illegible] notorious Nazi, [illegible] Hitler's overlord of Bo[illegible] The south also visited Ber[illegible] where he ob[illegible] military organizations [illegible] of Germany in con[illegible] special missions not [illegible]

But a side from such depressing [illegible] Willis had some light[illegible] moments of contacts. He enjoyed [illegible] the luncheon given him and Justice Jackson, whom he knew quite well back home, in Vienna. During the meal a string orchestra furnished music, wonderful Hungarian music. In a nostalgic moment, he asked the orchestra to play "Carolina Moon", even though he was getting a thrill out of "The Blue Danube" and "Tales from Vienna Woods". The orchestra leader confessed that he had never heard of the composition whereupon, the American secretary of Justice Jackson went to the piano and played it a couple of times. The orchestra picked up the melody and even Mr. Smith doubts if the composer back in America would have rendered it with such a perfect touch. He says he feels sure that it was the first time "The Carolina Moon" was ever played by a German orchestra on the Danube River.

Then there was another highlight of his trip on the homeward [illegible] when he stopped over in London. He was the guest of the Lord Chancellor of the House of Parliament for dinner. The Lord Chancellor lives on the top floor of the House, and the view of the Thames River on a moonlight night from the dining room of this Irish apartment is really "something out of this world," according to Mr. Smith.

Back to the business at hand. From the legal standpoint, there has been no question, according to Mr. Smith, that the defendants have not received a fair trial and been given the opportunity to defend themselves. They were granted counsel chosen by them or assigned by the tribunal and they followed the proceedings throughout in their own language. The advantages of a trial over summary execution have also given the people of Europe an opportunity to see the system of the administration of justice that is so closely akin to the American and English jurisprudence. Most of the evidence of the prosecution was by way of German records, collected by the American army as it swept in such rapid progress over Germany before the latter could carry out orders to destroy such records. To illustrate, some of the records were from Germans in their reports of officers, stating that they had put into effect in concentration camps or prisons, what they had been ordered to do. In other words, Germany convicted herself on her own records. The court received his verdicts and pronounced sentences with the execution or other punishments handled by the Allied Council. The defendants have been given more time for presentation of their cases than the prosecution did in presenting its case. Incidentally, Mr. Smith stated that the German lawyers were not let group to succumb to the Nazi movement in their country.

The trial in Nuremberg has been conducted under a charter agreed upon by England, America, France and Russia, the outgrowth of an undrstanding which began at Yalta.

Wife Preservers

If meat must be kept for several days put it in one of the trays in the freezing compartment of the refrigerator and let it freeze.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Do you think the press should give all details of crimes or suppress them?

G. C. PLOTT—"I think it is best to give the details and the whole facts in the case."

ALBERT ABEL—"I don't think it helps matters to print all the details, because there are a lot of young people, who read things and then try to put them in practice."

W. C. Medford—"I believe in stating the facts, not all the details, but the real facts. If the papers told more they would render a better service, and I think they could do this without being sensational."

CHARLES METCALF—"It all depends on the type of the crime and the criminal. If the person is a first offender and not a notorious character I think the facts should be spared."

MISS S. A. JONES—"It all depends on the type of the crime."

MRS. S. R. CROCKETT—"No, I do not think the details should be printed, for the lurid details do not help either the younger or the older people."

When it was decided to prosecute the men who had brought war to Europe. The Germans have been tried for murder rape, robbery, and slavery in Central Europe. The court officials have been known as the International Tribunal.

The trials have been conducted in the courtroom in the palace of justice built by the Nazi, to which is attached the prison built by them for political prisoners. Nuremberg was selected as the place for the thrial because af the location within the American zone of occupation, with facilities of court house and prison combined for convenience of witnesses generally and probably because Nuremberg has been the shrine city of Germany. It is beautiful and old, but practically all the old part in the walled city was destroyed by the English air force, said Mr. Smith. The destruction in Germany is beyond realization here in America.

The courtroom has been equipped with the most modern devices for trial—a translating system, with three languages and sometimes four according to Mr. Smith, are used by which spectators can have ear phones and tune in on the language of their choice. The trials have been conducted in the most orderly and dignified manner, presided over by Lord Justice Lawrence of England, with Sir Norman Brackett, administering justice that is closely akin to American and

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ALONG BROADW

By

Walter Winchel

The Hollywood gin rummy swindle was turned up by a cub reporter (Los Angeles Examiner) on his 1st assignment. The paper had a tip that Michael MacDougall, the sleuth who specializes in such things, was in town—Baker Conrad was sent on this thin tip—He ran into some members of a club he thought might be involved. They were talking out loud—spilling names and all—on the story the youngster wasn't even sure was cooking—He got an earful and ran to a phone.—The first newsbreak said only that three sharpers had taken Hollywood big boys—no names mentioned—An hour after the edition hit the street, three heavy winners had engaged a high-priced lawyer to "protect their interest."

The prisoner in the dark Gestapo dungeon in Berlin was tall, gaunt Rudolf Diels, founder of the Gestapo in the first turbulent days of the Nazi regime. Diels had said "no" to Adolf when the fuehrer ordered him to liquidate an old pal who had outlived his usefulness to the swastika-gang. Now, Rudolf sat in his cell, awaiting the hangman—By order of Hitler, who did not like people who dared to say "no."

Standing before Diels was medal-dripping Hermann Goering. "I order you to be re[illegible] ground floor!" Get [illegible] late. We can't have a Bowery bum!"

There [illegible] his shoulders [illegible] to go.

Circumstances—too [illegible] volved to relate here—[illegible] from the hangman. T[illegible] in a villa in Nuerna[illegible] plies the prosecution w[illegible] information against the criminals. Among his [illegible] tors was Capt. Harry [illegible] chief German interro[illegible] trials.

Strange [illegible] mused Di[illegible] a sardonic smile on [illegible] sabre-slashed face "[illegible] after all—dear He[illegible] have a man in the fa[illegible] Himself?"

"Dark of the Moon" [illegible] home to the Smoky [illegible] where it was written, a[illegible] people by Howard Ri[illegible] William Barnes. [illegible] at the Community [illegible] Asheville, N. C. [illegible] miles from where the a[illegible] the ballad of Barbara [illegible] of their play. [illegible] celles, nephew of King [illegible] of England has a pl[illegible] making the Broadway [illegible]

Capital Letter

By THOMPSON GREENWOOD

WARREN — Jule Warren, now editor of "We The People" magazine, has just received from the publishers his new book, "The People Govern North Carolina". It's really good. Designed for use as supplementary reading for the eighth grade it gives in a down-to-earth interesting, and easy-to-understand manner the political and governmental setup of this State. He had 5,000 copies printed, and they were sold by mail before the book was ready for distribution. Provided sufficient paper can be obtained, this Warren book may easily go to 75,000 copies within the next two years. No school should be without it—take an old schoolmaster's word for it—Incidentally, Warren has at least one other book up his sleeve.

NOTES—If that 25 per cent raise comes, it would cost the State around $27,000,000 for all employees during the next two years and if the next fiscal year is as good as the one ending June 30 the State would have a surplus of $52,000,000 for this biennium—State income for July was 29 per cent over July one year ago—

Plans are being laid to revive the Young Democrats o[illegible] this State with war [illegible] by Major John Lan[illegible] lead. Although there [illegible] FM sets in Raleigh, a[illegible] cy modulation station [illegible] tion here Sept. 1—Ri[illegible] ton will sell out his [illegible] purebred white-face e[illegible] ber. He paid there [illegible] each for some of the [illegible] now finds he's allergic [illegible]

FROM THE CUFF—[illegible] Turner, Jr. of Gre[illegible] turned down for re-[illegible] for the State Highway [illegible] thus making the third [illegible] of. Meantime, Chal[illegible] Lillington who held [illegible] so many years is ta[illegible] easily as attorney for [illegible] contractors—

If you are a veter[illegible] tain cloth for a Chris[illegible] suit by going to the [illegible] and presenting your [illegible] papers. The cost is [illegible] the catch is that a tai[illegible] you about $40 for ma[illegible] and that's not bad [illegible] what you get—The S[illegible] will hold its annual [illegible]

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