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One thing our youngsters learn at track meets is how to keep two-three jumps ahead of the sheriff.

They are paying an ordinary rate of \$35 a day for appearing before a movie camera. No wonder there are twelve million unemployed.

Government by telegraph has almost reached chain-letter proportions when one voter receives six identical telegrams urging him to wire his Representative in Congress to vote against the reorganization bill.

Here's Hoping

Business of making our best bow to Miss Mary Frances Combs, of the North Elkin school, who won the Surry county championship in the Journal and Sentinel spelling bee, held recently at Dobson, and who will represent this county in the state-wide finals at Winston-Salem next Saturday.

This is a worthwhile honor of which this little lady may well be proud. It didn't just happen so; it is the result of diligent and painstaking study and the serious application of schoolroom hours to the purpose for which they are meant—the mastery of whatever is made a part of the study program.

True, one person may have more aptitude than another; more ability in reaching perfection in one study than another. Which is to say that there may be other pupils in Miss Combs' school just as deserving as she from the standpoint of other achievements, but the fact remains that she set out to win—and won.

It is no mean accomplishment to be able to spell. Many employers have reason to grumble with their private secretaries and stenographers because their letters are little better than if they had written them themselves. Particularly has this been so since the schools quit stressing the old Blue Back, yet many of the elders would find themselves stuttering over the simplest of words.

To win over contestants from the various schools in the county is a distinct honor in itself, and Elkin is proud that one of our own youngsters stands out front—a county champion.

So we want this young lady to know that we'll all be pulling for her in the finals, hoping that she will win still more laurels for herself and the town, but whether she wins or loses, she will still have a warm spot in the hearts of her fellows because of what she has already achieved.

Good luck to you, little lady.

How Things Have Changed

Interesting among the political inconsistencies of the present moment, is the fact that two able personalities who answer to the name of leaders, once were the proud defenders of President Roosevelt, but now are his most relentless foes. To the unpracticed eye of the layman the reason for this change is "not perceptible, unless it be the price that every President must pay for the use of the White House.

Senator Bailey's speech seconding the nomination of Franklin Roosevelt was a masterpiece of flowery oratory, bespeaking a loyalty that is sadly missing today. That speech took one to dizzy heights in a flight of oratory that was unmatched by anything that was said in that history-making convention. Now we find the Senator embracing every opportunity to oppose the President and his program.

Equating that speech of Senator Bailey's was the radio address of General Hugh S. Johnson, who speaking from St. Louis, had this to say: "It is not for me to try to trace the silver thread that ties these great men (Jefferson, Jackson, Lincoln, Cleveland, Wilson—Roosevelt), together. Times change and necessities differ... but this single thing I know—that we are effecting the deliberate plan and judgment of one of the greatest champions of the mass of men that ever walked the earth—that where he leads, I for one am proud to follow, and in this great crisis of world affairs to follow blindly—for thus, not otherwise, are human aims attained."

And yet right now no voice is raised more loudly or continuously in fault-finding and vitriolic word-slashing, than that of this same "Old Cracker-Downer" whose autocratic handling of the NRA plucked the flight-feathers from the Blue Eagle, and left it a naked bird of inefficiency, even before the Supreme court chopped its head off.

Clip that little quotation noted above and place it alongside General Johnson's next abusive column, if you are accustomed to

reading it, and measure the one by the other. If one is all wet, then the other must be soggy too. Then General Johnson was anticipating the favors of a chief that he professed to love and respect: Today, he is writing at so much per column. Then it was counted an asset to favor the President, now because loyalty to him seems unpopular, the doughty general is willing to blow with the wind—and just as blindly. Could it be that these men see at the end of the rainbow, a pot of gold—a lucrative handover from the interests they are serving so faithfully now?

A Pathetic Picture

Before us as we try to write is the picture of Walter Donaldson, West Virginia mountaineer, father of eight children, head of a family whose home is a humble log cabin in Orlando, that state.

The caption accompanying the cut tells that Walter is the "millionth adult who has been taught to read and write by the Adult Education Division of WPA" and quotes him as saying: "Now they can't cheat me any more."

Donaldson has a strong face, a keen eye, square jaws, and with a little touching up here and there would easily be taken for one of our elderly statesmen, so far as looks are concerned. But he could neither read nor write until by force of circumstances the government found teachers among the unemployed, and in putting them to work, the teachers found Donaldson, and the man learned how to do both—a process of helplessness that brings its own reward.

There is something pathetic in such a story. One wonders to what heights Walter Donaldson might have risen, bolstered by an education. True there is no dearth of men at the top, no crying need for statesmen or professional belwethers, so far as numbers are concerned. But there is definite need that every man should at least be able to write and that he should be able to read. One cannot conceive that life can be lived in all its fullness without these accomplishments.

Not to be able to read and know something of what is going on in the world without being told by word of mouth; not to be able to study through the printed word the thoughts of others and make application of those thoughts; and then not to be able to record one's thoughts by assembling them in written form—it all seems so unreal, so unjust.

When history comes to write of this era of political strife, we are wondering if, after all, something of value will not be recognized in this program of using government dollars for the good of the underdog? Walter Donaldson's first thought is that "they cannot cheat me any more." Eventually he will evaluate it higher than that. And then we must remember that he is the millionth to come to this fork in the road.

You Have Something There

The news columns have been telling that J. Paul Leonard, executive head of the North Carolina Fair Tax association, will be opening a store in Winston-Salem, for the avowed purpose of testing the validity of the North Carolina general sales tax. Because the newspaper reports were a bit haywire, Paul's friends were fearful he might go to jail on account of it, while his un-friends were afraid he wouldn't.

As a matter of fact, as we understand it, Mr. Leonard does not intend to fly in the face of the law and refuse to collect or remit the sales tax. He will collect and remit, but his remittance will be accompanied by a record of protest, and from there the courts will have the case. Very simple, isn't it? So simple that one wonders why, if there is ground for questioning the constitutionality of levy, some merchant has not done this before.

One wonders, too, why some already established business is not used for this purpose. An explanation of this is possible too. Merchants, having remitted the tax without protest, might not have the same standing in court, if now, at this late day, they begin their protesting. And then there is always the possibility that having started the case through the courts at some cost to the tax association, a merchant singled out for this purpose, could be persuaded that he was rendering a disservice to the state and agree to a non-suit. And so Mr. Leonard and his legal advisers are playing safe, all the way around.

Raleigh officials are pooh-poohing the idea, but it may be that they are not so certain of their grounds. Tales are afloat of various merchants who have flatly refused to collect or remit the tax. Yet, according to the stories, months have passed and they are still selling goods. Other stories tell of check-ups where shortages in remittances are revealed and compromises involving as much as half the alleged shortages have been arranged. If there is any truth to these reports, then official Raleigh is either remiss in duty or skating on thin ice and knows it.

Certainly in all fairness no compromise should be made with the sin of short-cutting. A merchant either owes all of this tax or none of it, and in justice to his fellow merchants, if he owes it all he should not be permitted to pay only half and be white-washed for the balance.

Paul Leonard may have something there—or it may amount to absolutely nothing when he faces the intricacies of the law. But ever since the sales tax has been in vogue, there has been a question as to its constitutionality, and we for one will be glad to see it settled once and for all.

IN WASHINGTON

WHAT IS TAKING PLACE BY ROBT. R. REYNOLDS, UNITED STATES SENATOR

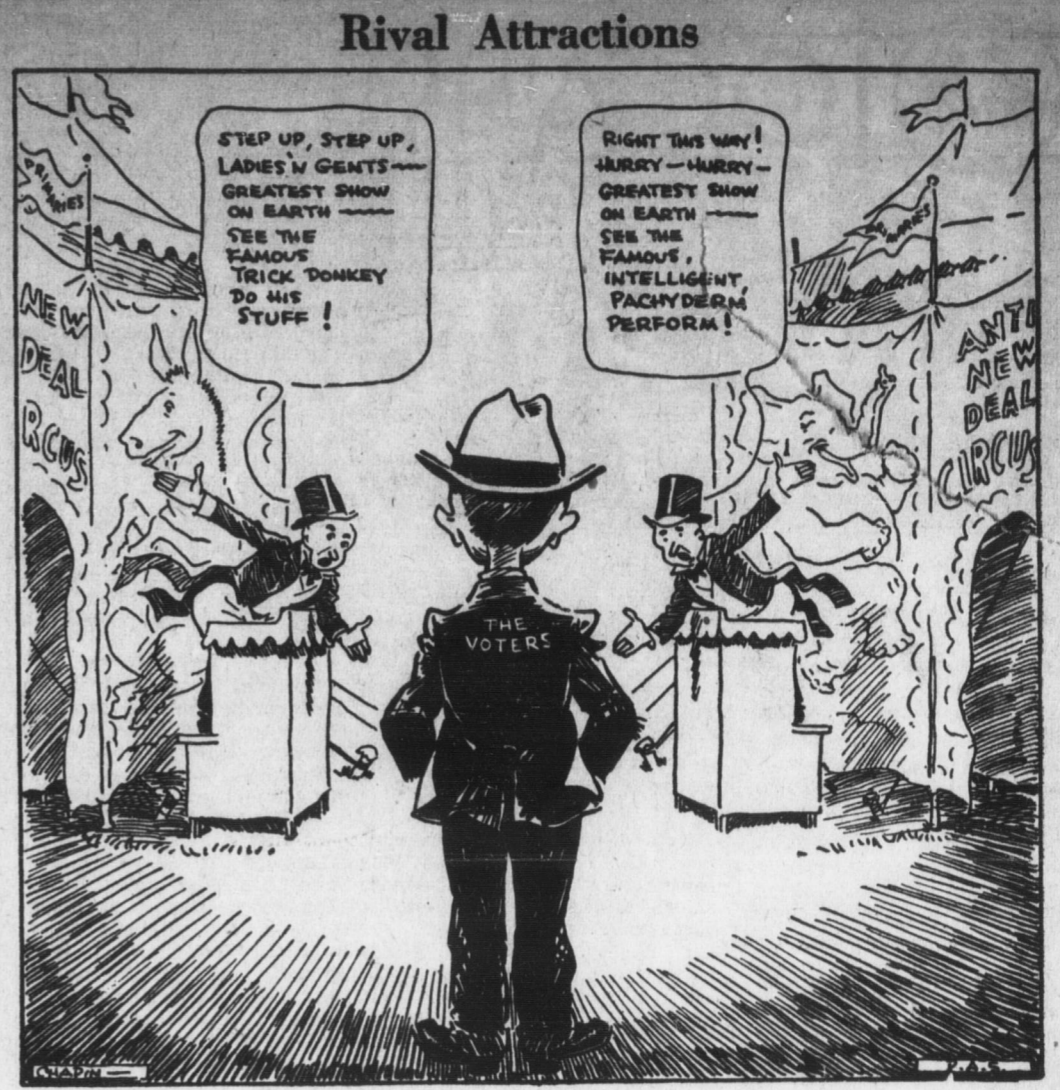
Behind the congressional scenes is pending legislation which, when enacted, will be a new forward step in meeting the country's educational needs, ease the problem of local school authorities and bring new hope to teachers. It is the proposal to enlarge federal assistance to the states for educational purposes and to give states and local officials more to say with regard to how these funds are expended.

To use the words of Senator Thomas, of Utah, chairman of the Senate Committee on Education and Labor, in reporting favorably on the proposed measure: "Federal assistance to the states in support of public education is an inevitable necessity." And there is no doubt that members of Congress are alive to the great problem confronting educators, particularly in rural areas where sufficient funds are not available to provide students with standards of education equal to those in larger centers.

The original measure proposed public education beginning at federal assistance to the states for \$100,000,000 and increasing to \$300,000,000 in five years. The amended measure, which is in accord with the President's Advisory Committee on Education, of which Frank P. Graham, president of the University of North Carolina, was a member, would provide \$72,000,000 in the beginning and increase to \$202,000,000 in six years. Only limited appropriations would be made for the current calendar year.

One of the important features of the new plan for federal aid in education would be that which would restrict federal control and give the states and communities greater latitude in fixing the character of educational activities.

Outstanding is the provision "for lessening inequalities of educational opportunity, and apportionment to the states on the basis of financial need as measured by the number of children 5 to 19 years old and ability to support schools." Aid would be provided for improving facilities for teacher training, construction of school buildings, especially those in connection with desirable reorganiza-



tion of local school districts, aid for improvement of the facilities of state departments of education; grants for adult education, assistance in establishment of rural libraries and aid for co-operative research and planning.

Unfortunately, the new legislation to increase the scope of federal assistance to the states in education is not of the variety of measure that attracts widespread interest. Many less important proposals have won universal attention without having near the merit from the standpoint of national needs.

On the other hand, members of Congress vitally interested in the educational opportunities for the country's young, and particularly in equalizing the rural and urban opportunities, are behind the plan to extend federal assistance and have assured sponsors of the measure full support.

From the standpoint of North Carolina, which has been hard pressed to keep financially abreast with the needs for the Tar Heel young in the schools of the state, the pending measure would bring new hope to those facing the problem. It would also enhance the chance for teachers to have an adequate financial return for the attention they give to their work. Whether the measure gets through at the present session or must be revived at the next session, it seems certain that new federal assistance to the states is in the offing.

Rival Attractions

High School Graduates: Learn beauty culture; special low rates; cheap living conditions. Graduates assisted in securing employment. Enroll now. Write for catalogue and rates. Hinchshaw School of Beauty Culture, North Wilkesboro, N. C. 5-19-c

For Rent—Furnished bedroom to lady or gentleman. R. W. Davis, at Davis Barber shop. 1tp

Wanted—Large live owl or hawk. Must be in natural condition. Call at Tribune office. tfc

Why not drop in today and inspect our reconditioned electric refrigerators? All are well-known makes, guaranteed to give you satisfactory service, and they cost much less than a new one. See them today. Hayes & Speas, Elkin, N. C. 1t-c

Hilary Martin—Shoe Shines, Elkin Barber Shop, Main street. White shoes, 15c; all common blacks, tans, 10c. 1tc

Do you want plenty of eggs from strong, fast growing young chicks? If so feed Panamin. We have it. Abernethy's, A Good Drug Store, Elkin, N. C. ttd

For rent—3 room apartment. Private bath, telephone and garage. Mrs. C. E. Chappell. Telephone 126-M. tfc

Wheat Straw for Sale—Extra large bales, 35 cents. See P. H. Swift, Zephyr. tfc

We buy scrap iron and metals. Double Eagle Service Co., Elkin, N. C. tfc

Real Estate Investment—One six-room cottage at a price that will pay 12 per cent net. Reich & Hunt.

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Why Be Unemployed? We guarantee our students positions. Instruction and equipment the best. Write the Winston-Salem Barber School. 5-5p

Planning to buy an electric refrigerator? Don't buy until you have seen the real bargains in reconditioned electric refrigerators at our store. Frigidaires, Kelvinators, Stewart - Warner, and other well-known makes at a great saving over the price of a new one. Hayes & Speas, Elkin, N. C. 1t-c

Wanted to repair—radios. Our expert thoroughly knows his business. Prices right. Harris Electric Co., Elkin, N. C. tfc

Squibbs Mineral Oil, quart size 89c. Antacid Powder, large size 50c. Nyseptol, pint 49c. Gallon Mineral Oil \$2.25. Turner Drug Co., Elkin, N. C. tftn

Real Estate—If you need anything in small or large farms near Elkin, or city property in Elkin, Jonesville, Arlington, or near by, or some building done, see me. D. C. Martin, realtor and contractor, office upstairs in old Farmers and Merchants Bank building.

Why Suffer With Colds-Pain?—TAKE COOK'S—? C C C And Be Relieved

FIRESIDE PHILOSOPHY

(By C. M. Dickson)

One should want to do right rather than to be forced to do it.

Just one fault may wreck the best of men.

One should keep an eye on himself.

No growth without food.

It's a rare thing for one criminal to respect another one.

Reputation may be transient, but character is permanent.

The only way to be a gentleman is to be one.

Prudent is he who knows to go—but not too far.

One should always search to find the best that's in the other fellow. The faults will show themselves.

One's strength is measured by his ability to overcome obstacles.

All jewels are not in show-cases.

One lane has no end—the one that runs through eternity!

More people than Chimamen hide behind walls.

It is possible to be a sportsman minus the "ship."

An eagle loses his dignity when he lights on a carcass.

Any one can go with the tide.

Some people are too wide to walk the narrow path.

WANTS

Apartment for Rent—No children. Mrs. J. W. Willard, Gwyn Avenue. 5-5p

Room for two men or couple; twin beds, close to bath. Mrs. C. I. Boger, West Main street, phone 97R. 1t-p

Why Spend a Large Sum for a new electric refrigerator when you can buy a good used reconditioned electric refrigerator for much less? Frigidaires, Kelvinators, Stewart - Warner, and other well-known makes. Come in and see them today. Hayes & Speas, Elkin, N. C. 1t-c

For Rent—Seven room house, Eller street, one mile from Elkin. Good garden. For terms see Doug Darnell, Phone 157-R. 5-5p

For Sale—New and used Electrolux Kerosene Refrigerators for homes without electricity. See or write L. Y. Haynes, Box 333, Mount Airy, N. C. 4-28p

We will sell you a good reconditioned electric refrigerator for much less than the cost of a new one. It will give you satisfactory service at a great saving. Hayes & Speas, Elkin, N. C. 1t-c

For Sale at Bargain Prices—One electric stove and one Hoosier kitchen cabinet. Real buys, but hurry if you would get them. Elkin Plumbing and Heating company, Elkin, N. C. 1t-c

Progress Ice Refrigerator slightly used. Thomas Harris, Jr., West Main street. 1t-p

For Rent—Three-room apartment and five-room house on highway 67, one mile east of Elkin. Carl Jester. 1tp

Dry Clean-a-grams. WIN A PRIZE. UNSCRAMBLE THE LETTERS OF EACH LINE—THE ANSWER IS A TEN WORD SENTENCE—ONLY ONE WORD TO EACH LINE. PUZZLE No. 28. PRESENTED BY WHITE SWAN LAUNDRY. SCRAMBLED WORDS: CORRECT WORDS. EW, LADY ROLCI, VINEIT, NME, OT, RTY, ROU, FREE CTP, GLACE INN, GESS NIPR.

PRIZES. 1st: \$2.00 Dry Cleaning. 2nd: \$1.00 Dry Cleaning. PRIZES LISTED HEREIN WILL BE AWARDED FOR WHAT WE JUDGE TO BE THE MOST ACCURATE THE ANSWER, AND THE MOST ATTRACTIVE SOLUTIONS MAILED OR BROUGHT TO US WITHIN FIVE DAYS FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF THIS ADVERTISEMENT. DUPLICATE AWARDS WILL BE PAID TO TRYING CONTESTANTS. ANYBODY EXCEPT OUR EMPLOYEES, MUST COMPLETE. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO MAKE ANY PURCHASES. USE THE FORM ABOVE OR A SEPARATE SHEET. WANT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS PLAINLY.

Winners Last Week: FIRST PRIZE: MRS. VIRGINIA GIBSON, Elkin. SECOND PRIZE: MRS. D. R. CASTEVENS, Jonesville.

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