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Hands Across the Sea

Two little German girls will visit North Carolina this fall. From the mountains to the coast they will tell us what American books and magazines sent to Germany have meant to them.

This international friendship program, initiated in North Carolina last fall by John A. Park, editor of The Raleigh Times, will continue this fall, joined by people of other states along the eastern seaboard.

Mr. Park started the flow of American books and magazines to Germany after his return from a visit there in the summer of '47. In a youth center operated in Berlin by an American Army battalion, he met Doris Hillenbran, one of the two little 12-year-old girls who will be the guests of our state this fall. Doris, who was studying English, told Mr. Park how anxious German people were to learn more about American people and customs. This impressed Mr. Park with the vast possibility of inculcating democratic principles in the youth of Germany by making American books available to them. Back here he told us of his plan and civic organizations throughout the state responded, pitching in with all the spare good books and magazines, they could find.

Here in Carteret county, the books-for-Europe program was ably carried out by H. L. Joslyn, superintendent of schools, with the assistance of Jaycees, Rotarians, private businessmen, and of course, all of the residents of the county who contributed to the cause.

North Carolinians have thus far sent more than a million books to the American zone of Germany and during the coming year the plans call for five million.

There is a particularly strong need for books in German schools, military government officials point out. They estimate that 3,000,000 boys and girls are studying English in the United States zone of Germany, but instruction is seriously handicapped because of the lack of books in English.

Modern textbooks are also needed by German teachers and scholars who have been shut off for at least a decade from new developments in many fields of knowledge, General Lucius D. Clay, United States Military Governor of Germany, recently pointed out. General Clay hailed the first year's work of the North Carolina plan as "excellent work that contributed materially to our program for the re-education of Germany."

Books desired for shipment to Germany are picture books, readers and stories for young ages; histories, social and general science books for all ages; art and music books, good works of American literature, Bibles, dictionaries, reference books, high-standard periodicals since May, 1945, and college textbooks since 1933.

Five million books for Germany is a mountain of printed matter. We're sure Carteret county will want to contribute a chunk of that mountain!

Thoughts for an open mind...

There are two kinds of discontent in the world: the discontent that works, and the discontent that wrings it's hands. The first gets what it wants, and the second loses what it has. There's no cure for the first but success: there is no cure at all for the second.

Energy will do anything in this world, and no circumstances, no opportunities, will make a man without it.

A man should never be ashamed to own that he has been in the wrong: it is but saying in other words that he is wiser today than he was yesterday.

Every man must educate himself. His books and teacher are but helps, the work is his.

A coward blames the gods—they laugh and let him die. A brave man goes forward.

—Jim Merrill

Smile a While ::

United States industrialists may wish wistfully that they had no more formidable demands to meet than the Yokohama janitors' union. Members insist that henceforth they be addressed as "Mr. Janitor." Employers agreed.

The beach was so littered with black tangled seaweed that it looked as though the sea lions had just visited the barbershop.

Gangsters Batter Bridge

BANGKOK — (AP) — Would-be ferry operators are blamed by a Siamese communications ministry official for damage to a bridge near here. The official said log rafts had been released in the river, damaging the bridge supports. He surmised that a gang wanted to put the river crossing out of action so they could set up an alternate ferry crossing and make a profit.

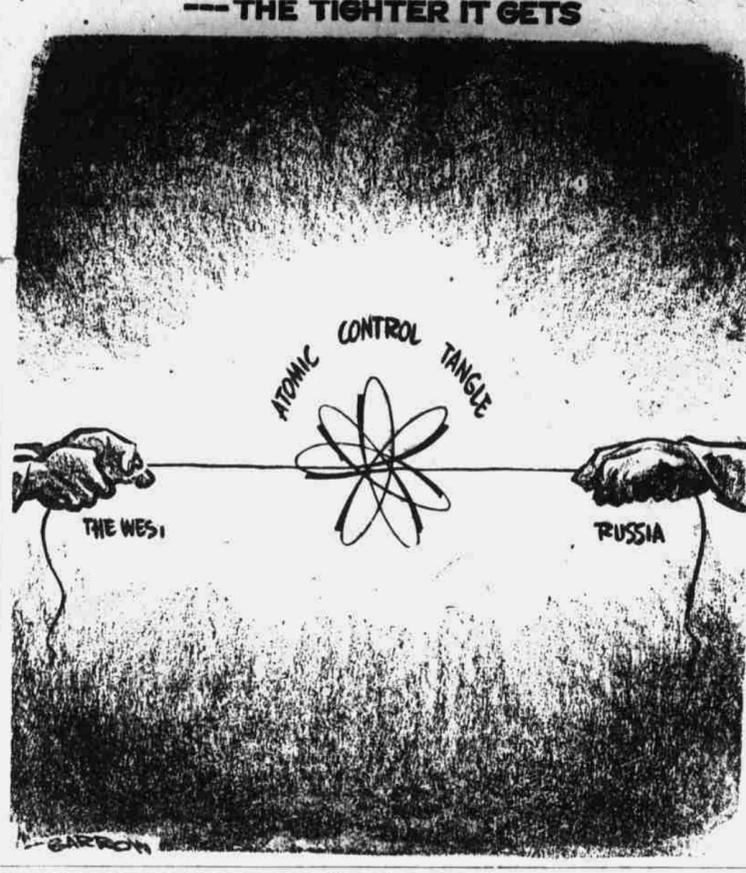
Every day there are 1,690 fires in the U. S. on the average.

Former Harkers Island Resident Appointed Probation Counselor

FORMER HARKERS ISLAND 14 James Waite, 39, formerly of Harkers Island, has joined the domestic relations court staff at Raleigh as probation counselor for white boys, Judge J. L. Fountain, Jr., announced yesterday.

Waite is a native of Columbia, S. C., it was reported, and received his education at the University of Texas. He has served as counselor for boys in private camps in North Carolina, and during the past war he served most of three years with the Navy in the South Pacific. He is married and the father of four children. Waite operated a seafood business before coming here.

Judge Fountain stated that the court was "fortunate to obtain the services" of Waite, who completes the staff. The court is operating now from 9 a. m. until 5 p. m., Mondays through Fridays, Judge Fountain said, and from 9 a. m. until 1 p. m. on Saturdays.



Raleigh Round up



By Enis Nixon Greenwood
TRUMAN SPEECH — Although President Harry Truman's visit to Raleigh is still several days off, his speech (around 10 pages in length) is already here waiting for him and by this time is probably in the hands of news services, key press correspondents, and some of the larger newspapers.

J. M. Broughton, Kerr Scott, and Gov. Cherry can usually wade through a typewritten page, average sized and doubled-spaced, in about two minutes. However, President Truman seems to read a little faster than these gentlemen, and will likely complete the written portion of his talk in 15 minutes. Since his address will be concerned mainly with the farmer's prosperity, President Truman will have a wonderful opportunity to talk at random about his old days on the farm. He will go out of his way to be "folksy." You may expect him to throw a few bouquets in the direction of Farmer Kerr Scott, too, with particular attention given to Scott's plan for a rural road improvement program.

of Women's Clubs is expected to have a report soon from a committee it has appointed to study the feasibility of converting "Wakestone," Josephus Daniels' mansion on Glenwood Avenue into a shrine in his memory.

If present tentative plans materialize, offices of the Federation, which are now in the Carolina Hotel, will be moved to "Wakestone," with the home being open to the public each day.

HIGHWAYS — Within recent weeks Governor Nominate Kerr Scott and some of his closest advisors have had representatives from the Virginia Highway Department down here conferring with them on road plans for North Carolina. Two of these meetings have been held. At the first one, Scott is reported to have said that he wants to build 15,000 miles of roads, virtually all rural, during his four years in office. Of course, this would be fine, but it would

cost in the neighborhood of 150 million dollars, certainly no less, and it would also be 1,000 more roads than North Carolina has built since 1922; or 15,000 miles in four years as against 14,000 in 26 years.

This is important in that it shows just how eager Mr. Scott is to keep his campaign pledges relating to country roads. Capus Waynick, who is chairman of the State Highway Commission under J. C. B. Ehringhaus knows something about roads, was in on the conferences and saw the virtual impossibility of so much road-building, admirable though the dream might be.

HIGHWAY HEAD — The man who is said to have the inside track for the position as chairman of the State Highway and Public Works Commission is none other than George Coble of Lexington. Coble, who has risen from a dairy employee to one of the most prominent dairymen in the United States in the past 14 years, has sat in on the Scott road deliberations and has his business so well organized now that he can look after the State's roads and let his milk just churn along.

POLICIES OR FACES — Between the Election on November 2 and his inauguration as Governor in January, Kerr Scott will do much conferring with the Advisory Budget Commission and with

Danny Kaye, A True Comedian— He Loves To Keep People Laughing

Hollywood — Danny Kaye is Hollywood's strangest showoff. He loves an audience—loves to regale an entire cast and crew at lunch with one admiring pal, frequently Composer Johnny Green, serving as volunteer straight man. But to a one-person audience Danny is practically a clam until you get to know him.

He enjoys and needs the feeling that he is keeping people around him, large numbers of them convinced. A suppressed chuckle from his director, in the middle of a take peps up the whole scene. Henry Koster, currently directing Danny in "Happy Times," calls him a "creative comedian."

Six-foot, golden-haired, blue-eyed Danny Kaye lives almost entirely by instinct. He bursts into a rage over little things—somebody's being late for an appointment, for example. But in another 10 minutes he's apologizing. His peevish

is being regarded as an uncultured funman limited to fast-talking guff-guff. In the lobby at the Metropolitan Opera he encountered a man who said, "What the devil are you doing here?" An hour later Danny was still fuming. He told a friend: I wanted to punch him in the nose."

Of all the events of his 36 years —his breaking in on the Catskill's borscht circuit, his graduation to Broadway, and his six movies—the biggest for Danny was playing to the royal family of England earlier this year.

"It was the first time in the history of England that the king

and queen came to a variety house without it being a command performance," Ed enthuses. "And it was the first time a king and queen sat in the stalls with the people at a music hall instead of in the royal box." The royal couple, Princess Elizabeth, her husband and Princess Margaret Rose sat in front row center down stairs. Afterward, Danny and Ed chatted with the family in an anteroom. Ed was interested to note that Princess Margaret Rose referred to Her Majesty as "Mamma."

The night Churchill attended, Danny lay on the apron of the stage and smoked a cigar; while news cameras flashed. "You've taken seven pictures of him and only three of me," the Brooklyn clothes-designer's son complained to the cameramen. "I'm supposed to be the star of this show—take four more of me, please." And they did.

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From 1828 until 1868, a period of 40 turbulent years in the history of the United States, three men who were born in North Carolina became President. We provided them with their birthplaces, but didn't do much else for them. They all had to go to Tennessee to achieve greatness. Jackson was U. S. Senator from that state. Polk was governor of Tennessee and so was Johnson.

WAKESTONE — Speaking of great men, the N. C. Federation

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