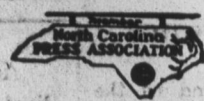


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Without All The Facts

In Granville's dignified Oxford last week Judge Henry L. Stevens, Jr., according to the Oxford Public Ledger, is reported to have adjourned a mixed term of Superior court on Tuesday after completion of trial of criminal cases.

Getting the worst out of the way by method of quotation, we are inclined in first instance to disagree with the implications thrust into the story by the Ledger reporter. No judge worthy of the name would deliberately "close up shop" and leave unfinished business in order to take his wife and son "to the beach for a few days."

But that is not all. As a footnote to the story the Ledger reporter adds that irate Granville citizens, gathered in the empty Granville court room voiced indignation by talking of presenting to the next legislature a bill "providing that Superior Court judges assigned to a county must remain in the county of their assignment to discharge duties of the court until 6 o'clock on Friday of the week of assignment."

The mere suggestion of the introduction of such a bill is a patent reflection of the indignity of the Superior courts and an insult to the memory of those judges who literally gave their lives to the state's administration of justice.

This much can be said now, although complete facts in the Stevens incident are needed before other North Carolinians can be expected to join his Granville castigators, the maddest one of whom appears to be the woman whose expectations of a quick divorce and re-marriage were so abruptly checked.

America's Mortal Storm

In Roxboro drug stores, cafes and hotel lobbies young men not yet within the age limits of the proposed Burke-Wadsworth compulsory military training bill, as well as those who will be directly affected by the passage of such a measure, are wondering if they will not be able to gain more favorable places in the ranks by voluntary enlistments in the regular branches of military service.

To all these questions Americans have as yet no answer. The idea of peace-time conscription is so new to the American way that few of us can have any conception of either the national or personal consequences involved. As one American, as a member of the editorial staff of the Person County Times, we can only say that we shall be glad if militarization in America does not have to become an octopus of European proportions.

And we have no fear that the good aspect of military training—physical fitness on a universal scale—will be ultimately beneficial to the youth of the land. What we do fear has nothing to do with physical progress.

As a reasonably close observer, however, we do know that armies are susceptible to mass influence, physical as well as mental and we are concerned because of the fact that a concomitant of militarization is all too frequently mental rigidity passing as patriotism.

Good Will Stressed at World's Fair



KENSUKE HORINOUCI, Japanese Ambassador to the United States, and Representative Hamilton Fish of New York chatting informally during ceremonies marking Japan Day at the World's Fair.

And just as surely Americans who are now being forced to adopt a system repugnant to their national traditions will have to pay in human character and in subtle changes of private and public life, as well as in money, for all of the benefits and evils of the revolution brought about by increased concentration of good but not too intelligent young men in large groups devoted to military service, but in saying this no criticism of the highest traditions of that service is implied.

In the United States these highest traditions are today intact. We must exert ourselves to preserve them, seeing at all times that the right to free speech and personal liberty so tragically lost in Europe shall be preserved, for unless we make an effort to preserve free speech and personal liberty we shall become shadowy figures in a storm like that which Phyllis Bottemo chose to designate as mortal.



Now For The Facts

News and Observer

After two years of investigation of price fixing charges in the tobacco industry, the U. S. Department of Justice has filed criminal charges of violation of the Sherman anti-trust act against 34 corporations, including the eight major companies, and 33 individuals, officers of those companies in the federal court at Lexington, Kentucky.

The proceedings are based on allegations charging price fixing at both ends of the line, in the purchase of raw tobacco from growers and in marketing of products to consumer.

There are old charges, particularly in the tobacco belt. The proceedings are welcome, because they offer opportunity for the finding of the facts.

There have been suggestions, because of the long time consumed by the investigation, that the whole matter was being hushed up. Those suggestions have been shown to be groundless. The Department of Justice has found that the facts supporting the charges are sufficient to justify prosecution and has instituted the prosecution.

There should be no delay in bringing out the facts in open court so that the public may have the benefit of such facts as the Department of Justice has collected in two years and so that the courts may take appropriate action, whatever that may be.

Certainly, if prices for leaf tobacco have been held down and prices for tobacco products have been held up by processes both artificial and illegal, such practices have already been tolerated too long. On the other hand, if tobacco companies have for years been the victims of unfounded rumors, they should welcome the opportunity to replace rumors with facts in open court.

Facing Realities

Durham Morning Herald

In her approaching death struggle with Germany, England will have one thing in her favor which unfortunate France did not have.

She does not underestimate the foe. France did. Look where France is now.

It's understatement to say that France was surprised at the force of the German attack launched against her. It was an aggravated form of surprise which approached complete confusion. One can trace this to the entirely unexpected tactics Germany used—a swift war of movement in contrast to France's planned-for war of position—but with more truth it can be traced to complete surprise at the power of the German attack, which resulted in confusion and steady retreat and then in rout.

Germany, once she had an initiative, employed it to such advantage that France was never able to regain her balance and offer stationary resistance, much less progressive resistance.

The entire war before the invasion of France had been based on an underestimation of the power at Hitler's command. England managed to escape the consequences of this mistake, for the time being, only because of her insularity.

Because of the things which were revealed in the Battle of France, England no longer underestimates German power, and equally as important, German ingenuity. Gone are the old ideas of economic strangulation of the Reich. England is on the defensive, and she realizes that Germany is going to carry the battle all the way. She is preparing to resist, with the vague hope that she may at the least take the initiative herself.

Gone are the old delusions. England is facing realities today.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

From The Adult Student

Ignoring Consequences

When we see any person constantly making decisions without considering the results which will follow, we naturally discount the worth of his judgment. To act without giving any attention to the consequences of one's deeds is to disclose a kind of thoughtlessness which can result only in some kind of misfortune.

There are entirely too many people who act as if the deeds of their lives were unrelated. As one observes them, he is led to believe that they must think that any decision is like a separate package which one can put up on a shelf by itself. No act of one's life, however, can ever be a separate entity. To forget that there are consequences that follow in the wake of every decision is to incur damage to one's self just because one refuses to consider an inexorable law of life.

What Makes Personality Possible?

Personality is itself possible only because there is continuity between the various choices and deeds of one's life. Yesterday is vitally related to today. That is the only way one can be the same person today as yesterday. What happens tomorrow will be definitely influenced by what occurs in the immediate present. Human personality would be impossible without this inner unity.

Every movement we make alters our inner spiritual world. When an engine backs into the front car of a freight train, the impact is relayed from car to car, on to the caboose. It may, of course, be only slight at the last car, but some force is felt. That is how inevitably decisions and

choices affect our lives.

We may think we are free from the past, but we never are. The past follows us, grips us, and moves along in the present with us. That is because each of us is a continuing personality.

We have heard of the fact that, in the Alps, a single shout has been known to shake loose an avalanche. It sometimes happens that way with us. Decisions and deeds do shake our lives with a mighty force. Always we feel their effect.

Groups Reap What They Sow

Nations reap what they sow. It is not easy for the average person to believe this. Somehow we feel that nations, or large groups of people, are above moral laws. They are not! When nations call evil good and good evil, they pay the price. When nations sow evil they inevitably reap evil. When nations fail to reason wisely and thus choose wrongly, they reap the inevitable harvest. This is a law of life that affects all of us—individually and socially.

More than fifty years ago some miners in the Midwest decided to satisfy a grievance—one that was real or imagined. They ignited a carload of coal and then pushed it down the long shaft of the mine. When it was all ablaze, it struck the bottom. The flames leaped to the layers of coal and set them on fire. For more than fifty years now this fire has burned. It has been estimated that more than four million tons of coal have been consumed. Those men simply did not look ahead. Possibly they did not want to do it. They did not consider the results of their act. Nevertheless, the consequences followed. They always do.

The Allies forgot to show mercy to the defeated enemy twenty years ago. Even after the war they continued a seven months' blockade, in which it has been estimated that three hundred thousand women and children died of starvation. Reduced to importance and economic servi-

tude, a nation once great, now laden with reparations and indemnities which simply could not be paid, turned in desperation to a deliverance which has meant that the rest of the world has been anything but delivered. We are now reaping what we have sown, and the end of the harvest is not yet.

Palace Theatre

Monday - Tuesday, July 28-30th.



Mickey and Judy...together again...in gay New York! Mickey woo woo! Judy sings! The Hardy family's adventures are merrily exciting!

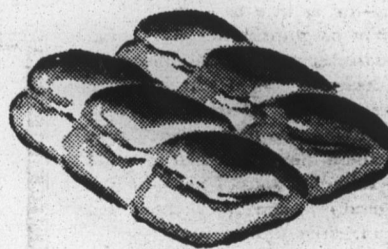
Andy Hardy Meets Debutante. Cast: Lewis Mickey, Stone Rooney, Cecilia Fay, Parker-Holden, Ann Rutherford, Diana Lewis, Judy Garland. Directed by George B. Seitz.

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