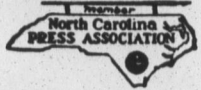


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THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 1940

A Worthy Campaign

Lester Blackwell Post of the American Legion is to be commended for again sponsoring a "Safety Campaign" in this city and county.

As announced in today's issue of the Times, the campaign, which will be staged through Tuesday of next week, has as its purpose education in safety as an all around program for both motorists and pedestrians.

People may be weary of reading and hearing statistical reports that so many persons per day, per month, per year, are being killed or injured in motor accidents and these same people may comfort themselves by thinking that such and such an accident can never happen to "them", but there is no other way to tell a careless people of the dangers they constantly face, except through repetition.

As an example we are thinking of the Sunday collision near Semora. Everett Talent, the young CCC boy who lost his life in that wreck, had planned to return to camp that afternoon. Carelessness, inattention or some other fault, maybe, speed, on the part of one driver or the other, if not both, caused an accident in which loss of life, physical injuries and automobile repair bills were a natural toll.

This particular accident must go on the records of Caswell county. But, we have no way of knowing when a similar accident, or one much more horrible, may have to be entered on the record for Person, although it is our hope that the good record made thus far this year will be accepted heart and soul by those of us who live here.

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Reapportionment and Person

According to a story printed in Tuesday's News and Observer, two counties in the state, Mecklenburg and Guilford, will be entitled to four members each in the House, if and when the 1941 legislature makes a reapportionment of representatives on the basis of the 1940 Census.

Eight other counties, among them Durham, retain two representatives, a new man being allotted to Cabarrus. Others of the hundred counties, including Person have one representative, with no change, while Halifax, Nash, New Hanover and Rockingham stand to lose one each of the two they now have.

Under the circumstances Person county can still be adequately represented by one member in the House, but we could wish that some arrangement could be made for a change in the alternate Senatorship now shared between Person and Granville counties, so that each county could have a Senator each term, but this change apparently cannot be expected in the Granville-Person district or in any other, for the News and Observer closes comment by saying:

"Reapportionment of the Senate was not figured because the legislature has the power to alter senatorial districts and any computation would be meaningless". It would seem, therefore, that unless Person residents institute an agitation for a change, "what is, must be", as far as the State Senate is concerned.

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Not the Last Stand

Many readers of the Times, like thousands of people in America, have apparently been shocked by intimations that the British Isles may be subdued by Nazi and Fascist onslaughts. Most pointed criticisms have been directed to Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, whose address has been previously noted in these columns, and whose opinions have been generally misunderstood.

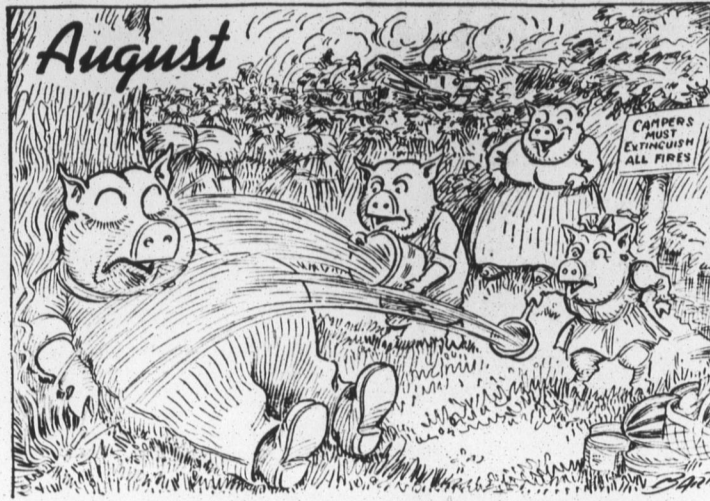
Judging from press releases and radio reports the "Battle of Britain" has now begun in earnest and just at this time, when the tide of battle may be turned in one direction or the other, we wish to remind the fearful and the shocked that even if the worst should come to the worst, England will not be vanquished, and, that judging also by the length of time the conflict has been in progress, the looked for invasion may not take place.

Cold comfort comes, of course, from so many negative statements, but in this day a good negative condition is more acceptable than an undesirable positive one.

We will, however, go further with negatives by saying that England, like more ancient Rome and Greece,

THE HARVEST MONTH

On The Farm and in The Home



The reapers sing, the threshers hum. There's work to do that cannot wait. When golden August harvests come And urgent duties fill the slate. In field and kitchen all are busy Enough to make a person dizzy.

In this month, too, all due concern Is felt by all the careful folk. Lest field and forests start to burn For fires in August are no joke. And carelessness with cigarettes Is apt to bring acute regrets.

has a civilization which cannot be destroyed by mere over-powering by military strength, and that any tendency to accept defeat for Britain can be accepted only as a possibility of temporary military and economic subjugation.

On such a basis it is practical to say that the battle now being waged may be lost, but it is just as practical to think that German-Italian reserve strength may be exhausted before the English can be whipped. No man now knows what may happen, but life still has dignity, in England and that is why we have hope.



Entitled To A Say

Greensboro Daily News

While there may be ground for criticising Wendell L. Willkie for refusal to enter into an agreement with the present administration on foreign policies, there is certainly much that can also be said in defense of the position that the G. O. P. nominee has taken. It is reasonable to suppose that his views will be set forth in this field as part of his general pronouncement at Elwood, Ind., Saturday.

In the meanwhile it has been reported that Mr. Willkie has expressed a readiness to talk with the President anytime the latter asks him to a conference. The invitation which he has declined to enter into an agreement purportedly came from "administration representatives". A charge from one side is just as fair as it is from the other: Who knows but that these representatives, endeavoring to embarrass or draw out the opposition candidate in advance, were playing a bit of politics their own selves?

The futility of advance commitments must have been pretty well demonstrated by what has happened to Democratic platform pledges and campaign utterances after they were made. Changes come more rapidly and completely than ever before, and rigidity of policy or of action grows correspondingly untenable.

It likewise happens that American foreign policy is something in and about which Congress invariably demands and takes a hand and now the entire Washington debate rages around it. The difficulties of committing a Congress in advance are patent; they have been painfully demonstrated in other days with the Woodrow Wilson tragedy still fresh in American memory. Among the political possibilities—some do say probabilities—is Republican capture of the house; and that presents a practical factor of which a potential President should take cognizance.

Deponent's own feeling is that agreement, settling of any transcending issue by private conference of candidates, would be an unwholesome development. The time for threshing out issues is the ante-election period and the place is the public forum. The American people deserve their own intelligent say in regard to their own destiny.

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What Labor Gets

News and Observer

Addressing the North Carolina State Federation of Labor, Governor Hoey repeated the now somewhat old assertion that labor gets a larger share of the manufacturing dollar in North Carolina than in most other states.

That statement in itself means far less than it appears to mean at first blush. The labor costs of low-grade manufactured articles is always relatively high. The only fair comparison between wages in North Carolina is on the basis of payment for the same quality and quantity of labor.

Unfortunately, on that basis North Carolina ranks below, not above, most other states. Even on that basis, however, the State is far from the bottom. Credit should be taken for the real accomplishments in North Carolina in regard to laboring conditions. But, undue credit should not be taken by setting up misleading standards of comparison.

Corporation Plans To Provide For Men In Service

Greensboro, Aug. 9 — At a meeting of the directors of Southern Dairies, held at Myrtle Beach, S. C., July 25 and 26, approval was given to a plan to provide compensation to members of the organization during periods of military training. A decision was reached to reserve jobs for permanent employees who are conscripted for service. Southern Dairies will also supplement the money paid by the government during the three weeks National Guard training period, so that the employee will receive his average weekly wages. Salaried employees will also be paid on this basis. Group insurance will be maintained for all employees during their military training service.

State College Develops New Variety Of Wheat

"Carala," a new variety of wheat, has been developed by the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station, Dr. Gordon K. Middleton, acting head of the State College Agronomy Department, announces. It is an early-maturing, high-yielding variety recommended for the central and southern Piedmont and the Coastal Plain.

The major part of the work in developing the new small grain variety was conducted on the Piedmont Branch Experiment Station at Statesville, of which J. Wade Hendricks is assistant superintendent in charge. Part of the hybridization work and the growing of the first year crosses was carried on in the State College greenhouses. Dr. Middleton and his associates directed the work throughout.

Carala resulted from a plant selection of the Alabama Blue Stem variety, and the new wheat was named for the states—"Car" for Carolina, and "Ala" for Alabama.

Dr. Middleton reported that eight-year tests at the Statesville experiment station showed the following comparative yields: Carala, 27.6 bushels per acre; Leap 157, 25.7 bushels per acre; Redhart, 25.3; and Fulcaster 24.1 bushels per acre. Three tests were conducted in 1939-40 in the Coastal Plain area and the new variety showed up as follows: Carala, 32.7 bushels per acre; Redhart, 29.2 bushels per acre; Purplestraw, 25.6; Hardired, 27.1; Coker 39-2, 29.3; Leap 157, 24.0; Fulcaster 151, 20.1; and Frondosa 21.8 bushels per acre.

The agronomist says that Carala is a stiff white-strawed variety that stands well for combining. It is not resistant to loose or covered smut or to leaf rust, but it is early enough to escape ordinarily serious rust injury. In winter hardiness, it is not equal to Fulcaster, and it is not recommended for the mountain region.

Seed can be secured from the Statesville station, or from certified growers, a list of whom will be sent anyone writing the N. C. Crop Improvement Association, State College Station, Raleigh.

PALACE THEATRE

ADVANCE PROGRAM From Thursday, August 15 through Sat., August 17th

Motion Pictures Are Your Best Entertainment

Thursday-Friday, August 15-16 "A Road Show Engagement" Bette Davis-Charles Boyer in Rachel Field's immortal best seller, with Jeffrey Lynn - Barbara O'Neil, in "All This And Heaven Too" The Screen has never held greater thrills than these: the deep-stirring romance of two heaven-destined lovers... the magnificent surge of its history-making story... and the first, momentous clash of Hollywood's most dynamic stars! When other books and films are forgotten, you still will cherish all this: the tenderest story ever told.

Walt Disney Cartoon: "Donald's Vacation" Robert Belchley in "The Day Of Rest"

No Morning Show; afternoons, box office opens 2:45; previews and shorts 3:00 o'clock, feature 3:30; Admission 10-30c evenings, box office opens 7:15; previews and shorts 7:30; feature 8:00 o'clock Admission 15-35c.

Notice To Patrons—Due to the unusual length of "All This And Heaven Too", there will be only one performance each afternoon and evening. You are, therefore urged to come on the hour.

Saturday, August 17th Tex Ritter - Susan Dale - Warner Richard, in "Rhythm Of The Rio Grande" Hell-and-thunder action... As Tex hurls the defense of a helpless youngster! The musical western that's aces for action... tops for thrills! Episode No. 12 of the serial "Terry and the Pirates" (No escape) with William Tracy-Granville Owen - Allen Jung Terry Toon: "Harvest Time" Afternoon 2:30-4:00; Admission 10-30c; Evening 7:00-8:30-9:45; Admission 15-35c. (Box office opens 6:45)

DOLLY MADISON

THEATRE ADVANCE PROGRAM From Thursday, August 15 through Sat., August 17th

Motion Pictures Are Your Best Entertainment

Thursday-Friday, August 15-16 George Brent-Virginia Bruce-Brenda Marshall - Richard Barthelmess, in "The Man Who Talked Too Much" (first run) He could talk an innocent man into the electric chair! He could talk a woman into anything! What he knew, what he saw, what he told is the most thrilling story of the season! Even gangland's terror could not seal the lips of the woman who loved too much... to be afraid!

Pete Smith Speciality: "What's Your I. Q.?" Sport Thrills: "Sport Of Kings"

Special Morning show Friday 10:30; Afternoons Daily 3:15-3:45; Admission 15-30c. Evenings daily 7:30-9:15 Admission 10-30c

Saturday, August 17th Gene Autry with Shirley Burnette - June Story, in "South Of The Border" (A return engagement by popular request)

Thrills and romance Down Mexico Way where sparkling eyes and flashing fans add zest and danger to gay adventure! The spectacular story behind the world's most popular song.

Opening episode of the Thrilling serial "Adventures Of Red Ryder" with Don "Red" Berry- Noah Berry - Tom Cook - William Farnum, in twelve episodes. Thrill-a-minute action with your favorite Cartoon Hero Red Rider! Blazin' pioneer trail across the badlands of the west! "Plan now not to miss a single episode."

Popeye The Sailor in "Fightin' Pals" Afternoon 2:30; Admission 10-30c; Evenings 7:00-8:30-9:15; Admission 15-30c; (Box office Opens 6:45)

AUGUST FOOD NEWS

Fresh Vegetables Daily

Orange Juice 46 oz. can 20c Salad Dressing Qt. Jar 25c Red Seal Tea 1/2 lb. pkg. 30c ROYAL SCARLET Coffee 3 lb can 75c

Turnip Seeds

MARKET SPECIALS

Hamburger fresh lb. 15c Veal Stew 3 lbs. 25c Veal Chops lb. 17 1/2c Sliced Bacon lb. 17c Boneless Ham lb. 35c Skinless Franks lb. 18c Pure Pork Sausage lb. 17c Beef Roast lb. 17c Round Steak lb. 25c

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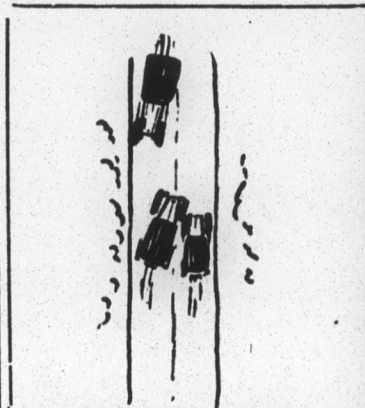
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