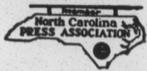


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As Much As Can Be Said

Persons who heard or read the reports of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Monday addresses at Chickamauga Dam and Newfound Gap will be pleased, or displeased, according to their susceptibility to Presidential magnetism.

Carping critics of Republican persuasion have since Monday openly said that the President has begun to use public occasions for private political purposes.

Until the Senate and House come to terms on the now debated conscription issue the President cannot afford to come to employment of more definite terms describing details of national defense.

And so, we have a brace of speeches filled with the never-ending Roosevelt personal charm and padded with legitimate patriotic references to the place the American pioneer spirit has in a world full of "unmatched" perils.

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Twenty Days

Within less than three weeks the Roxboro Tobacco market will again open and with the prospects of that opening Person life should once more feel its annual renewal of strength.

Barring unforeseen developments the local market will open on schedule, Tuesday, September 24, and prices, measured by comparable prices in these areas where warehouses have already opened, should be reasonably satisfactory.

Plans for this stimulation may now be underway. We hope they are, for we remember that in last year's confusion of opening, closing and re-opening not as much was done as could have been done.

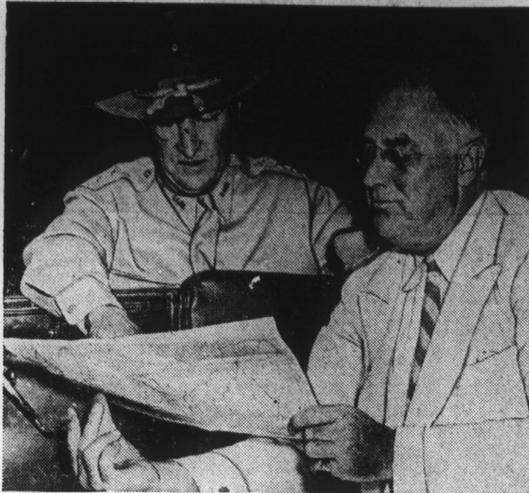
The memory of those dubious September days a year ago when the opening of that war which has now endured a year, was second only to the lowered tobacco prices which it induced, will not soon be forgotten.

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Courteous Solution

Announcement that S. F. Nicks, Jr., who has so satisfactorily served as Mayor of the City of Roxboro since his election to that office in May, 1939, has been

President Roosevelt at Maneuvers



The situation in the nation's biggest peace-time army maneuvers is explained to President Franklin D. Roosevelt by General Hugh Drum at Norwood, New York.

"unanimously elected to fill out his own expired term as mayor" will please many people who did not know of the technical grounds for vacancy of the office and it should please even those who were aware of the technicalities.

We are pleased, as we are sure Mayor Nicks must be, that a situation capable of being subjected to criticism has been ended.



Father of Hawk-eye

Christian Science Monitor

The sharp bark of "Kill-deer", followed by the almost soundless chuckle of Natty Bumppo, may be heard almost any day now along the shores of Lake Otego.

Doubtless these noises are audible in this locality at any time to ardent lovers of the Leather Stocking Tales, but just now there are more of these on the lake shores, probably, than ever before.

Cooper was America's first novelist of American life, and, like the immortal juvenile creations of Samuel L. Clemens, Natty Bumppo is among the outstanding original American characters of fiction.

Those who thrilled at Hawk-eye's exploits, who mourned over Uncas, and who followed the adventures of the pioneer scout through five volumes will not quarrel because critics have called Cooper's plots meager and his style lacking in beauty.

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Lundeen's Counsel

News and Observer

Senator Ernest Lundeen of Minnesota who died in the terrible air crash on Saturday in Virginia was one of those senators who took a strong isolationist view with regard to the American position in the European war.

"Our defense should serve American purposes only. It should not be used as a screen for unneutral aid to the British Empire. No, one, neither the Allies nor the axis, can assail us if we are guided solely by American interests.

Perhaps a decreasing number of Americans agree with all the implications of the statement now. The mood of America has changed with growing fears.

Vidor Has Own Camera Technic

Importation into Hollywood of foreign directors has changed methods of movie-making in ways not always obvious to theatergoers.

The late Murnau was one of the first to introduce the European idea of camera angles and movement to this country more than 14 years ago.

A few American directors move the lens only if it is more or less essential.

When Charles Vidor, who recently directed Columbia's "The Lady in Question," which stars Brian Aherne and Rita Hayworth at the Palace theatre Thursday and Friday, is at work, the lens is mostly traveling.

Ziegfeld Gave Ann Her Start On Comedy Stage

Ann Sothern, who repeats her popular characterization of Maisie, the stranded showgirl, in "Gold Rush Maisie," opening at the Dolly Madison theatre today, is the daughter of Annette Yde, concert singer, and W. J. Lake, Seattle broker.

She was born in Valley City, North Dakota, January 22, while her mother was between engagements in a concert tour of the Northwest.

and won first prize for original musical composition while attending the Central High School there. Later she attended the University of Washington.

She first visited Hollywood while her mother was filling a concert engagement, and was seen by Paul Bern, producer. He suggested she try the screen.

The N. C. Unemployment Fund had a balance of \$21,806,740.53 as of July 1, 1940.



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