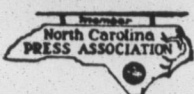


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Where An Apology Was Due

From New York comes the story that Edward J. Flynn, Democratic National chairman, has apologized for "the stupid document" discussing Republican presidential candidate Wendell L. Willkie's "German ancestry"...

In expressing his regrets that the ancestry issue had been brought up Mr. Flynn added that no one questions Mr. Willkie's 100 per cent Americanism...

In a campaign which now has only a few weeks to go and which has been colored by bitterness, both of national and international character, it is gratifying to have Chairman Flynn correct a statement which was slander of the more personal type...

It is discouraging to think that the choice of a man for President of the United States will in this November election depend partly upon the turn of events in Japan, Germany, Italy, Russia, the Balkans and—

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Being American

Doubtless many Person citizens assembled for the Monday morning opening of Superior court were pleased to hear so forthright an expression of the value of Americanism from Judge Henry L. Stevens, Jr., whose charge to the grand jury was, as he said, not intended for the jury alone but for all citizens of the county...

We are ready to go all the way with him in his appraisal of the everlasting importance of good citizenship and we think it probable that there is an even closer connection than he visualized between said citizenship and the crime ratio, for if more persons were first of all filled with respect for the land in which they live, it would appear that deeds of violence would be less frequent...

There is, however, some difficulty in setting up a rigid Americanism. Under the theory that freedom of assembly and the rights to a free press and religious toleration must be preserved, liberties of expression must be granted to certain minority groups whose opinions do not adhere strictly to doctrines of Americanism...

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On Gallows' Hill

On Saturday night of last week, as can be seen by reading an item published elsewhere in the Times, a number of Negroes living in the Gallows' Hill settlement at the edge of the city of Roxboro became involved in a free-for-all rock throwing contest in which several of the residents were injured, one seriously, and to the scene of which were called at least four police officers, who would have been glad to have had double strength before the fracas was ended.

If this sort of thing happened here and in other parts of the county only once in a great while, we could regard it as merely normal human inability to get along, under living conditions far from ideal. But as it is, scarcely a week passes without shootings, knifings and rock throwing sprees. We can't, as we see it, put all the blame for these disturbances upon the fighters, who are most frequently Negroes. Week-end drams of whiskey plus cramped quarters on mean streets or lonely farms naturally aggravate the devilish side of human nature, which people more fortunately placed in the social scale can and do take out in other ways or with more moderation.

It has been suggested that more careful supervision of cafes and other night spots on Gallows' Hill would induce more order in the neighborhood, but we cannot see how such supervision can be carried out unless the City increases the size of its police force, for under present regulations it takes about all of the time of the

available men to supervise the equally congested if not quite so rowdy downtown section on a Saturday night. We do know that something needs to be done to discourage week-end lawlessness hereabouts and we wish the cure could be by way of morals rather than by the big stick.

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Man Wins

Over in Durham the other day a commercially sponsored cooking school came to a close and to the surprise of both the sponsors and the feminine majority of students, first prize, an electric range, or some article of equal significance, was awarded to a man. In the rush of the day we have forgotten the man's name: we cannot forget that he won or that newspapers in that city thought the incident so unusual that they fluffed the story up with bigger than average headlines.

To the disappointed women, who with their sisters all over the land, have been lead to believe that cooking, like teaching children and having them, is an exclusively female occupation, we offer our profound sympathy, and to the budding Tar Heel Oscar of the Waldorf our congratulations for carrying on in the great masculine tradition.



Feeling Our Muscles

Durham Morning Herald

Evidences of the sudden preoccupation of Americans with physical fitness is now becoming apparent in a number of ways. Most recent is the formation of a national committee which will promote mass sports and community hikes. The idea is not only to get Americans tough but to get them thinking more about physical fitness than they have in the past.

That America is beginning to turn toward a more active participation in sports is an encouraging sign, and the transition ought to be effected quickly and full advantage ought to be taken of it.

There has been too much onlooking in the United States during the past few years and not enough participation. Most of us have preferred to sit in a big stadium and watch others play rather than play ourselves. What exercise we do take is generally irregular and not very thorough. All things considered we are a healthy nation, but we certainly aren't a hard nation.

Mass sports, hikes and the like, are certainly reminiscent of the "Strength Through Joy" programs of the Nazi Government in Germany. But that ought not, per se, to be a condemnation of it. Certainly we ought to be able to take a leaf from fascism's book when by it we should benefit the nation.

The war has focussed our attention upon getting ourselves in condition. We are spending billions for arms this year, but as an enlightened Frenchman once said, what good is shining armor if the body within that armor is soft and weak?

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Grenfell of Labrador

Christian Science Monitor

Sir Wilfred Grenfell—or more affectionately, Dr. Grenfell—had a gift for improving environment. Some of his acquaintances can remember the old Monmouth-Street house in Brookline, Massachusetts, whose obsolete basement kitchen became a pleasant library and work room because Dr. Grenfell had moved in. When he "moved in" among the needy people of Labrador and Newfoundland he made such improvements as were to inspire charity and courage among more fortunate folk for thousands of miles around.

"Dr. Grenfell" became a household word in the United States. Schoolteachers who thought it their business to teach something more than the "three R's" read his accounts of life on stormy, ice-beleagued coasts, where poverty and ignorance were greater enemies even than the weather. Dr. Grenfell's work included much outside the field of medicine. To hospitals were added schools and orphanages and industrial and community organizations that were to lift the level of living for innumerable people. These works were made possible through the inspiration he transmitted to others. As he himself said:

As the work grew and new activities developed, we found in the universities and schools of America many young men and women volunteers who were glad to come down and help us try to meet those challenges.

It must have been a great reward to Sir Wilfred in retirement to know that the good works his career inaugurated and expanded would of their own momentum carry on without his personal direction or inspiration. He builded well because the foundations of his work were laid in those qualities of compassion, courage and self-denial that make men only a little lower than the angels. His passing marks no end of the things that made up his daily life but leaves these as permanent and continuing achievements.



"Milestone Car" Presented to Contest Winners



Presentation of Chevrolet's "Milestone Car"—the 1,000,000th 1940 model produced by the industry's leader—was made at the New York World's Fair last week to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weinert (shown here), of Iron Mountain, Mich., owners of the millionth Chevrolet six-cylinder model, built in 1929. The Weinerts were winners of a nation-wide contest conducted by Chevrolet to locate No. 1,000,000. As guests of Chevrolet, the Michigan couple drove to New York, arriving at the Fair with more than 110,000 miles on their '29 car, which Weinert had purchased as a used car, at a price of \$25. M. E. Coyle (left), general manager of Chevrolet, presented the new 1940 Special De Luxe model to the Weinerts. Chevrolet's production of a million units this year maintains a seven-year record of a million a year average, with the 1,000,000th 1940 car following No. 900,000 by exactly one month. The well-traveled 1929 model has been returned to Detroit, where it will be placed on display.

Market Is Offered For Black Walnut Products

Americans consume fifty million dollars worth of nuts each year, and about one-fifth of these are from wild trees in the forests. In other words, ten million dollars picked from the ground, not including the nuts consumed by thousands of farm families who have their own.

With this in view, R. W. Graebbar, Extension forester at N. C. State College, suggests that North Carolina farm families, especially 4-H Club boys and girls, add the growing of black walnut trees as a sideline to their agricultural enterprise.

"No less than \$150,000 worth of nuts are sold in North Carolina each year," he declared, "and the possibilities for growing black walnut, both for nuts and lumber, are good. The market is far from saturated."

This is only one of the angles of "tree farming" stressed by Graebbar in his forestry educational program. Continuing, he says "Each year eight hundred million dollars are brought into the American bank account through the sale of forest products, making this one of the chief sources of our income. Six million people are directly or indirectly employed in our forests; and if it was not for wood, another 122 million or more would have a hard time making a satisfactory living."

"The house we live in is usually made of wood, as well as the bed we sleep in, the chair we relax in, the table we eat at; and the stove we cook with consumes a lot of wood. Even when the newspaper arrives, it is printed on paper made of wood. Our shoes would be so stiff we couldn't bend them if they were not treated with tannic acid, which is extracted from chestnut, hemlock or oak bark.

"There are more than 4,500 different uses of wood. This counts plastic as one use and paper as one use, but there are thousands for each of these."

Announcement

I hereby announce that I am a candidate on the Republican ticket for the office of commissioner of Person County. I will appreciate your vote in the November election.

If elected I shall strive to serve to the best of my ability. BOB WHITT

BROADCASTING PICTURES BY THOUGHT WAVES

How a "Human Transmitter" sat in a studio, staring at random at photographs while members of a psychic society turned their minds to him to prove that telepathy exists. The results of this demonstration are related in the October 27th issue of

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