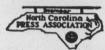
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## Third Term Fever . . . . . . . .

Daily papers in the state have within the week carried double page, full page and quarter page ads of the "North Carolina Democrats-For-Willkie" organization, whose address is the O' Henry Hotel, Greensboro. Having lived in Greensboro and having while there come to considerable understanding of the ins-and-outs of Democratic politics in that city and in Guilford county, we are forced to observe that although some of the ringleading Willkie-crats may be perfectly sincere in pledging allegiance to the G. O. P., the majority of them are disgruntled Democrats first and Willkie-crats or what have you afterwards.

Knowing the pettiness of some causes of dissatisfaction in Guilford, mostly bound up in "no account differences" between factions in Greensboro and High Point, we would point out that in Guilford, at least, the Democrats-for-Willkie are not as united as they would have the State at large to believe. We would also like to show that as clever and as well-written as is their advertisement, its marshalling of facts, by quotations from 1912 copies of the News and Observer, is more amusing than logical. Reference to what Washington, Jefferson, Madison and Monroe said or did about third terms is interesting history, but is no more in line with U. S. A. 1940 than the 1912 third term effort of Theodore Rooevelt, an attempt so bitterly opposed by the then editor and now ambassador Josephus Daniels, whose words are now being employed for an entirely different purpose from which their author ever intended. We would like to hear what castigation Mr. Daniels could give to those now taking his words in vain.

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### Provincial Innocence . . . . . . .

At a time when the world watches, waits and wonders while Hitler, Mussolini, Franco, Laval, et al work behind scenes to shape the course of world destiny, the comic relief afforded by Macon county protests over alleged inaccuracies and misrepresentations incorporated in a WPA and University of North Carolina sponsored film called "Mountain Folk" and intended to reflect the general character of such folk by examples freely chosen from among Macon people, is not to be overlooked.

A particular point of complaint with Macon residents is that a woman, presumably of hillside aristocracy, was photographed in "bare feet". Objections were also made to such simplicities as home arts and crafts, and (maybe) to feminine pipe smoking and a bit of chewin'. Protests were made to those in authority at Chapel Hill and suggestion was made that if recourse failed in that quarter, complaint would be made to Gov. Clyde R. Hoey. In any case, the picture, made with serious intentions of sociological accuracy and some concession to art, has for the time being been withdrawn from circulation and inference has been left that the natives will be placated by having an opportunity to "perform" in another and more pleasing film of the life they are supposed to lead. As for choice, it strikes us that a film made to please might possibly be worse than that one which has offended. It may be true that "Mountain Folk" is not representative of the mass of such people but any picture made on grounds of pleasing would probably be artistically worse and much more misleading as to actual facts. What, for example would be an idealistic picture of life in Person county? We have here fine homes, well stocked farms and no little industry but whole truth would compel a few down at heers tenant cabins, undernourished children and deserted church yards because these, too, are with and are part of the fabric of our daily life ,although many of us blink our eyes or turn our heads the other way when confronted with such realities and would prefer not to have said realities thought of in connection with our county. That's the way Macon folks are: no better than the rest of us. To the crazy Tar Heel department we would add those persons in Raleigh who have objected so strenuously to the pink sidewalk put down by a chain store in front of its establishment. We can see therein very little difference between Macon county provincial innocence and that exhibited in Raleigh. A pink sidewalk may be an affront to Fayetteville street dignity, but the street, like many of the people who venerate it, needs a bit of shocking now and then to set it right. 0 - 0 - 0 - 0

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bles us, for differences between good intentions and actual accomplishments, as contemplation of what other have expected us to be. And nothing should more easily spur us on to greater achievements than a desire to measure up in some way to those expectations.

The world is a living world but those who are in it lose nothing by stopping now and then to remember in thanksgiving all the kind, generous and noble people who have at one moment or another made the living world more vital and more rich because they too were a part of it.



## Mark Twain on War Hysteria . . .

From Labor

Mark Twain's fame rests largely on his reputation as a humorist, but, as a matter of fact, his best writing was in a serious vein. For exmple, in "The Mysterious Stranger," here is what he had to say about war and war hysteria:

"There has never been a just one, never an honorable one-on the part of the instigator of the war. I can see a million years ahead, and this rule will never change in so much as half a dozen instances.

The loud little handful-as usual-will shout for war. The pulpit will-warily and cautiously-object-at first; the great, big, dull hulk of the the nation will rub its sleepy eyes and try to make out why there should be a war, and will say, earnestly and indignantly, 'it is unjust and dishonorable, and there is no necessity for it.'

Then the handful will shout louder. A few fair men on the other side will argue and reason against the war with speech and pen, and at first will have a hearing and be applauded; but it will not last long; those others will outshout them, and presently the anti-war audiences will thin out and lose popularity.

"Before long you will see this curious thing: The speakers stoned from the platform and free speech strangled by hordes of furious men who in their secret hearts are still at one with those stoned speakers-as earlier-but do not dare to say so.

"And now the whole nation-pulpit and ali-will take up the war-cry, and shout itself hoarse, and mob any honest man who ventures to open his mouth; and presently such mouths will cease to open.

Next the statesmen will invent cheap lies, putting the blame upon the nation that is attacked, and every man will be glad of those conscience-shooting falsities, and will diligently study them, and refuse to examine any refutation of them; and thus he will by and by convince himself that the war is just, and will thank God for the better sleep he enjoys after this process of grotesque self-deception."

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## On Italian-Greek Front . . . . .

#### **Durham Morning Herald**

It is about as difficult to figure out what has happened thus far in the Italian-Greek war as it is to forecast the direction and outcome of the battle. Information is sketchy and contradictory, which is normal, and scant as well.

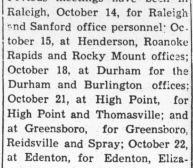
But one does not need verified reports to know that the Greeks are in a hot corner that is likely to get hotter and that the Mediterranean naval battle the British claim they have successfully sought is prabably around the corner. For the Greeks, apart from British aid they are certain to receive and Turkish aid they may or may not receive, are and will remain in the underdog position on land and in the air. They'll have to fight on land, against heavy odds with unequal equipment and in the air will be practically out of the running except planes thrown in by the British. That leaves the

## Area Training **Conferences Held**

Raleigh, Oct. 31-Area training conferences, as a part of the State-wide nine-months training program for personnel of local offices of the Employment Service Division of the State Unem-ployment Compensation Commis-

sion, are now in progress, under direction of P. B. Pollock, personnel and training supervisor of the UCC. Several area meetings have

been and will be held this month. Prvious meetings have been in



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beth City and Williamston; and for Morganton, Hickory, Marion at Salisbury, for Salisbury, and Rutherfordton; October 29. Wilson; and at Asheville, for Airy.

Asheville and Hendersonville; October 24, at Albemarle, for Albemarle, Rockingham and Asheboro; and at Bryson City for Bryson City, Waynesville and Mur

Schedules of other meetings were, October 25, at Lenoir, for Lenoir and North Wilkesboro; October 26, at Wilmington, for Wilmington and New Bern; October 28, at Charlotte, for Charlotte and Concord; and at Morganton,

Statesville and Lexington; Octo- at Gastonia, for Gastonia and ber 23, at Greenville, for Green- Shelby; and at Winston-Salem. ville, Kinston, Goldsboro and for Winston-Salem and Mount



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# All Saint's Day . . . . . . .

We must suppose that not many of tonight's "Hallowe'en revellers on Roxboro streets will pause to remember the religious significance of the day which follows after, but to those whose faith is found in the more liturgical churches tomorrow will be a day of prayer and remembrance for heroes of faith, for saints and loved ones now belonging to what St. Paul has described as "so great a cloud of witnesses".

And it is in the spirit of that phrase that we would remind Times' readers, regardles of race or creed, to pause for a moment on that day and remember those loved long since and lost awhile. Nothing quite so numItalians on top, of course, except on the sea

Reportedly, already the British sea arm has moved in on both sides of Greece, occupied islands and landed blue-jackets to help the Greeks defend an island airdrome near the Italian-fortified Dodecanese.

There are vague reports, too, of naval brushes between the British and Italian Fleets. But there is little to suggest anything akin to a major naval engagement as yet and something of that sort is, it seems to us, bound to take place before the fight Mussolini has started gets very old.

The British, of course, are better prepared to deal with Italy on the sea than anywhere else and the situation is one that requires Italy to risk a sea challenge on the one hand and broken communications with land forces on the other. Anyhow, if the thrust against Greece is part of an Italo-German plan to strike toward the Near East across the Dardanelles, or across the Aegean, the Axis powers must stand their ground on the sea and the Italian Navy is their hope in that respect.

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