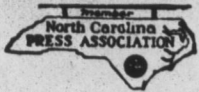


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For The Man With The Umbrella...

James Brodhead, one-time Roxboro citizen and now a resident of Cincinnati, who was in Europe during 1938 and 1939 and returned to the United States in February 1940, made an impressive statement within the week at Roxboro Rotary club when he declared that the late Prime Minister Chamberlain, of England, since Munich regarded as an apostle of futility, in reality saved an unprepared England.

It has been a long time since any commentator has had kind words for Chamberlain, an old school statesman destined to go down in history as "the man with the umbrella", the man whose policies of conciliation and appeasement seemed in their time to amount to a betrayal of democratic principles, but as Brodhead suggests, neither Chamberlain nor the British people, in a military sense, were prepared to fight in 1938. The preparation began in 1939, a full six months before the declaration of war in September, and involved in the preparation were steps not taken in the United States until after the Pearl Harbor debacle of 1941.

What Chamberlain failed to accomplish at Munich must be put down as a historical tragedy, but it is refreshing to learn from Brodhead, who was a first hand observer in England, that the genesis of the tragedy dated further back than the ill-timed Munich pact and that the people of England, as well as Chamberlain, were at the time unprepared to back up a stronger protest. To have done so, according to Brodhead, would have been an invitation to military defeat.

Poor Mr. Oscar Lewis.....

Out of Caswell County, by way of The Messenger, comes the sad story of Oscar Lewis, a Pelham farmer, who early last Sunday morning lost \$1,500. Lewis and his wife, according to the Messenger account, were asleep in a bedroom in their house when Mrs. Lewis was awakened from early morning slumber by the sound of the striking of a match.

In the dim light Mrs. Lewis made out the figure of a man, presumably white, who snatched Lewis' trousers and fled from the house. In a pocket of the trousers was a wallet containing \$1,500. There was the hue and cry of alarm, but the man and the \$1,500, at this writing, are still missing. Footnote to the story is the fact that an outside door of the Lewis house apparently had been left unlocked, giving the robber free access.

Caswell authorities are doing their best to trace the man, even going so far as to import bloodhounds from Asheboro. Chief find, to date, has been the discarded trousers. This leaves Lewis, we hope, a wiser, as well as a sadder man. The incident furnishes the obvious moral that citizens should not keep large sums of cash in wallets in trousers overnight, plus the lesson that house doors are made to be locked. The plainly curious may want to know what Lewis was doing with \$1,500 at one time, anyhow, but that, we take it, is purely Lewis' affair.

Helena's Cannery Project.....

Commendable leadership is being shown in the Helena-Timberlake community by the establishment there of a community cannery, a cooperative project undertaken with federal, state and local cooperation and designed to aid in food conservation.

Cooperative canning is not new to Person County. It has been done through Four-H and community clubs, but never on so large a scale as will be possible at Helena. The Helena project, as we understand it, is intended chiefly to serve the inhabitants of the area covered by the school's patronage, but provisions will be made so that other County citizens can share in the program. There is nothing so unusual in the fact that Helena has a cannery, but due credit for pushing the movement must and should go to L. C. Liles, of the school faculty, who, with soon to come to Roxboro Jerry L. Hester, has laid the home groundwork.

It is certainly true that if food is to be produced, it must be saved, and a long step in the saving can come from this new cannery.

The Summer Slump Hits Bond Sales.

Of concern to Chairman Gordon C. Hunter and to other Person and Roxboro citizens interested in maintenance of our previously good record in War Bond sales is the Summer slump which has pulled June sales here down to less than \$10,000 for the first fifteen days of the month. Hunter says this is a lower sales record than any established here since Pearl Harbor.

There are factors like the income tax installments due last week, and the low cash income of farmers at this season of the year, but somehow, some way, it is up to us to find a way to keep the dollars and the dimes and the pennies turned to War Bond channels. Men and women who are fighting in battle zones cannot stop just because the weather is hot. Those of us on the home front should not.

WITH OTHER EDITORS

Note On Some Unfinished Business.

Greensboro Daily News

Due notice is taken of this more or less personal paragraph from Lynn Nisbet's Raleigh correspondence to afternoon newspapers of the state:

Monroe Redden, of Hendersonville, chairman of the state Democratic committee, made it clear that his visit to Raleigh this week was on professional rather than political business. But a state chairman cannot come to Capitol square and get away without talking some politics. The chairman is satisfied not to have the next campaign get under full steam too early, lest it wear itself out. Anyhow, his main job doesn't come until after the primary. By that time a new nominee for governor will very likely have a different recommendation for state chairman.

One conspicuous omission we note, however, in Chairman Redden's observations; namely, there is no reference whatsoever to a highly important bit of unfinished business which is also on the election calendar for Tar Heel voters next year. The so-called education amendment which the party hetman had such an important, if overzealous, part in putting across is awaiting to be amended in accordance with an amendment to the amendment which the 1943 general assembly sent on its prescribed course after a sound and second judgement based primarily on public intelligence and concern for what had previously gone into the organic law.

We trust that Chairman Redden and the party machinery which took unto itself the assignment of getting approval for the constitutional change as it now stands will not forget or run out on this unfinished business which emphasizes cleaning up the unsatisfactory situation which they left. There is a heavy moral, if not political, responsibility for them to follow through, although we beg leave, here at the very outset, to make it clear that moral responsibility does not go sufficiently far to call for instructions to election officials to work for passage of the amendment to the amendment while performing duties in which they are foresworn to neutrality.

In The American Way.....

Christian Science Monitor

The War Labor Board's decision to require equal pay for Negro and white workers performing the same work for the Southport Petroleum Company of Texas City, Texas, is in line with American ideals. It is morally sound. And it is, as morally sound decisions will always be, economically sound.

It will benefit not only the Negro workers affected by it, not only Negroes all over the United States who are endeavoring to cast off shackles of prejudice, but white workers and indeed the entire social fabric of the United States.

Those low-paid white workers who have assumed that still lower pay for Negroes gave the white man some advantage will soon realize that this discrimination operated to lower wage scales as a whole. Others who have enjoyed a sense of racial superiority because of economic discrimination may now learn that there are more substantial satisfactions to be gained in the American way of life.

It is always easier to detect the mote of racial discrimination in another's eye than to cast the beam out of one's own. What Americans say about Nazi theories, or about racial aspects of imperialism, will have more weight in the world as Americans practice at home what they preach abroad. There is room for more practice. Discrimination against Negroes in the economic life of the country has many more forms than the average American realizes. It tends to set up vicious circles in which the "Negro problem" revolves endlessly.

The War Labor Board's decision, as written by Dr. Frank P. Graham, of Chapel Hill, himself a Southerner, was an eloquent appeal for wide understanding of the Negro's place in American society, of his contribution to American culture, and of his rights as a patriotic citizen.

One of the striking passages in Dr. Graham's report said: "Slavery gave the Negro his Christianity. Christianity gave the Negro his freedom. This freedom must give the Negro equal rights to home and health, education and citizenship, and an equal opportunity to work and fight for our common country." When that goal is achieved one of the chapters of man's inhumanity to man can be forgotten except as it illustrates how mysteriously, to human sense, do all things work together for good to them who seek the good of all.



MAKING HAVOC AMONG THE JAPANESE in Burma from February through May of this year, have been columns of British, Indian and Burmese troops led by a British brigadier. They blew up more than 100 miles of Jap railroads and bridges, killing numerous Jap soldiers. But perhaps more important was their work in building better roads into Burma and in making friends among the native people. These will be useful when it becomes possible to launch the offensive that will drive out the Japanese. This new picture of supplies carried by mules for the Allied troops in Burma shows the difficult unattractive conditions in which these daring fighters operated.

LIBRARY CORNER

Library Hours: 12:00-5:00

We are pleased to announce that the Person County Public Library, Chub Lake Street, has had the following children's books for several months.

Burton, The Little House; Gray, Adam Of The Road; The outstanding American award for children's literature were announced Monday night at the Roosevelt Hotel in New York, when Elizabeth Janet Gray received the Newberry Medal and Virginia Lee Burton received the Caldecott Medal. Ordinarily the winners are announced at the annual conference of the American Library Association, which has been cancelled for 1943.

Both awards are conferred annually by the Associations Division of Libraries for children and young people. The Newberry medal goes to the author of the preceding year's best contribution to American literature for children, while the Caldecott medal is given to the artist responsible for the most distinguished picture book published in the United States during the same period.

Adam of the Road, is a story of medieval England, at a time when Englishmen were becoming aware of the rights of the common man. The son of a troubadour, on his journeyings through great cities, abbey towns and small villages, rubs shoulders with farmers, merchants and actors who typify the English

DOLLY MADISON

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Monday-Tuesday, June 21 - 22nd Anna Sten, Ward Bond, Dennis Hoey, Sig Ruman, George Sanders, in

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A Killer without Mercy or a Hero without Glory? Is his name forever destined to live in infamy as a Nazi saboteur.... or in fame as an American government agent???? The Thrill picture of the year!!

Headliner — "MITCHELL AYRES and ORCHESTRA" Hearst Metrofone News — "NEWS WHILE IT IS STILL NEWS"

No Morning Shows; Afternoons Daily 3:15-3:45; Adm. 10-30c; Evening Daily 7:30-9:15; Adm. 15-30c.

Wednesday, June 23rd "BARGAIN DAY"

Hal Roach presents William Bendix, Grace Bradley with Joe Sawyer, in

"TAXI, MISTER"

Those fun specialists from Brooklyn are back again!! Wow! What a Show! say the boys in the front row! It's more fun than a burlesque show!! Gags galore and girls who are gorgeous!

Technicolor Specials — "EAGLES OF THE NAVY"

Victory Short — "FARMERS AT WAX"

Special Morning Show 10:30; Afternoon 3:15-3:45; Evening 7:30-9:15; Adm. 10-20c.

spirit as it was then and is now.

Miss Gray is already well-known for her stories about the United States in the Colonial period. She is, indeed, a means for pride for North Carolinians as she was one time a cataloger in the University of North Carolina library. It was there at Chapel Hill that Miss Gray met and married Morgan Vining of the faculty of the University. He was later killed in an automobile accident. She is now a resident of Washington, D. C., and continues to write children's books.

Virginia Lee Burton is a young artist who has had a varied career as dancing teacher, life saver and art instructor. She is now living in Gloucester, Massachusetts, with her sculptor husband, George Demetrios, and two children, Aris and Mike. The Little House, recounts the experience of a farm cottage which in time finds itself engulfed by the city.

Clyde Allen In City Court Loses His Special Plea

Clyde Allen, of Roxboro, a veteran of World War I and said to be suffering with diabetes, charged with being drunk, lost his case Wednesday night in Mayor's court before S. G. Winstead, who found him guilty as charged but released him under good behavior. Allen, represented by counsel, contended that the disease with which he is said to be affected sometimes produces the effect of intoxication. The arrest was by Policeman

Gilbert Oakley, who with Sam R. Whitten, Jr., another policeman, were called as witnesses.

Final Red Cross Program Was Given Friday

Final session of the American Red Cross Water Safety and Swimming course being given here by George Barber, of the district Red Cross staff, was given Friday night at Chub Lake, where recognition was accorded to men and women and youths who have been taking the course each morning and night for the past two weeks.



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