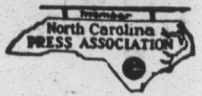


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## Praise Where It Is Deserved

I

For Fifth District Representative John H. Folger, of whom — by virtue of being in his district — Person County has a right to be proud, words of praise from Carroll Kilpatrick, Washington correspondent for the News and Observer, and by echo from the News and Observer, are as deserved as they are generous. Citizens back home in the Fifth District know Folger. They know him as a man who does not back down, as one who comes as nearly as any other man in Congress to standing on his own two feet.

Kilpatrick, in his "Words of Wisdom" column in the News and Observer, puts it this way:

"I am happy to present a guest writer this morning. His name is John H. Folger. He is a member of Congress from North Carolina. His words should be read by every American. They were spoken this week on the floor of the House when not many members were present."

II

Folger said, and we agree with him: "As I am able to analyze or appraise the present situation, we, the Allies, are just beginning to take the offensive in this great struggle. While I would not minimize in the least the wonders that have been accomplished up to this time in launching this offensive action, I confess to you that I am unable to see the chance of anything like an early conclusion of this great conflict."

"Feeling this way, I am greatly disturbed, and while it may seem to be in a measure by way of an indictment against some, I feel every day that too many of us—and I speak particularly now of members of Congress—too many of us are prone to paramount things which, compared with this great struggle going on in the world, are of little consequence."

"Notwithstanding the fact that we yet have before us in all probability a long, hard war, it does not disturb me much that it might mean some privations to me or to you, but it does disturb me when I remember that our own boys and our own men are surrendering willingly their lives upon the battlefields of the world that we may continue in the blessings of liberty and the freedoms which were purchased by the blood of those who went before us."

III

"I am strongly impressed with the idea and, indeed, the conviction that I am not sufficiently mindful at all times of the duty I owe to the men in arms, who are fighting for freedom and the preservation of our country . . . How many shall die depends in a large measure upon how faithful I am to my duty and my obligation as a citizen and a recipient of the blessings that will flow from the sacrifices made by my fellow Americans who are standing between me and the loss of my country and my freedom. Through their bravery and sacrifices I shall be free and not a slave."

"It is not enough that I shall vote for appropriations of money to carry on the war. I must refrain from all acts and avoid all words that would in the least tend to divide those who are engaged in this great battle for my freedom."

"I must not only profess to be, but be, thankful for the Allies who are aiding us in this titanic struggle, which, if gained, will assure our enjoyment of the blessings of liberty, but, if lost, will leave us without hope for ourselves or our posterity for centuries to come."

"I must know that even one word which tends to divide and, consequently, to hinder will result in the loss of a life, or many

lives—the lives of those who gallantly defend us . . .

"I must avoid divisions at home. If by action or inaction, word or failure to speak when I ought to speak, I prolong this struggle for liberty one minute, I cannot say that I am not guilty of at least allowing some mother's boy to die unnecessarily. This is not a fanciful or an imaginary contemplation. It is truth; it is an everlasting truth."

IV

"There is so much involved in the war into which we have been thrust and in which we are necessarily engaged that it cannot be believed that the end is even now near at hand. This is a total war. It not only encompasses substantially the whole world but it has its relationship to the freedom and peace of the world now and for generations to come."

"There are two determinations, one pitted against the other. On the one hand, the determination is that one country shall be free and the rest of the world slave. The other determination is that all men shall be free—free as embodied in the statement of the Four Freedoms, and all men free to live."

"We believe that we shall succeed, and not only in victory of our arms, but that we shall succeed in helping the world to a lasting peace, where human rights are regarded, the dignity of man realized, and the moral law upheld; and where it shall be established that 'righteousness exalteth a nation' and that 'sin is a reproach to any people.'"

"Now we are engaged in a great struggle to overcome the evil forces of the world, who regard neither God nor man. These we must indeed overcome. Therefore it shall be our duty to see that justice and truth prevail in the affairs of men and nations, at least to contribute our full share toward that realization."

## For Honor Received

Surprise to some of his friends, but none the less pleasing, is the appointment of M. Banks Berry, of Roxboro, as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners. The appointment, by Governor Broughton, was revealed Friday, although a few citizens in official circles knew what was coming.

As successor to the late Stanley High, of Durham, Berry will serve until July 1, 1949, on the three man board that licenses barbers in the State and makes examinations of shop conditions. Distinction connected with the naming of Berry is that he is the first "journeyman barber", that is to say, an active practitioner of his trade, to receive the appointment.

Only rub, so far as Person County is concerned is the fact that Berry, who is a Person County Commissioner, having been elected last year, will be compelled to resign his county position because of the State law against double tenure in office holding. Berry, during his short period of service as a County Commissioner for Person, has been an active and where needed, a persistent official, but withal a popular citizen. And County Commissioners do not come a dime a dozen.

## A Dangerous Sign

Resident in Roxboro is a young man whose Eastern Carolina father, down around Pitt County, where potatoes are a money crop, entered into a partnership with his son. Also in Roxboro is a man who spent his vacation in the Tar Heel potato belt acting as an inspector. These men have been on the spot in the area where the potato situation, called a crisis in an AP story, is no joke, and they have come back to Roxboro, where, fortunately all that is done with potatoes is the eating, but they are plenty mad.

The story they tell is one of gross mismanagement by the Agriculture Department, by the Food Administration, or somebody, in which potatoes planted at urgent request from official Washington — are being allowed to rot in piles in the fields and in cars held up by conflicting inspection orders. Bottom of the whole situation is apparently the sliding of the established Government price from \$2.70 to \$2.25, plus the fact that potato crops to the south of North Carolina by a seasonal priority got there first and sold at higher price before the market became glutted. Added factor was the act of God chance that this year's crop of potatoes is larger than it has been in many moons.

Going the rounds also is the tale of the arrest of a grower who violated some rule and was placed in custody while he was enroute with a truck load of spuds to a seaboard City in which there was actually a potato famine. And just as bad is the fact that Army camps are buying potatoes direct, while the government allegedly has

is of no concern to them, but they are wrong. The potato situation, like the piles left rotting in the fields, has a bad odor, symptomatic of what can happen in other crop divisions..

## STATE BOARD MAKES TEACHER ALLOTMENTS

## Special Problems Considered For New Enrollment Centers.

RALEIGH, July 10. — In preparation for the opening of public schools in September, the state board of education this week approved Comptroller Nathan Yelton's report on preliminary teacher allotments for the 1943-44 school year and adopted a schedule for further elimination of the differential between white and negro teachers' salaries.

In considering special problems of small high schools in counties of low population, the board under permission granted by the 1943 legislature, voted Yelton authority to allot to any high school which was on the standard list last year enough teachers to keep that school on the list in 1943-44. The school must have had an average daily attendance of as much as 50 during the 1942-43 school year.

High schools must have at least three teachers to be on the standard list. At its June meeting, the board adopted a rule requiring an average daily attendance of at least 60 in a high school last year for that school to be allotted three teachers. The legislature provided, however, that high schools on the standard list be given special consideration because of temporary enrollment drops resulting from population shifts to defense centers.

The schedule for elimination of the salary differential, drawn up by the comptroller's staff,

provides for the expenditure of approximately \$280,000, for each year of the 1943-45 biennium.

Yelton explained that the entire differential would be eliminated by the fall of 1945 if the next general assembly continues the present plan of eliminating the differences. The 1945 legislature will be asked to appropriate \$150,000, which would place Negro teachers and principals in this state on the same salary schedule now in effect for white teachers and principals.

Clyde A. Erwin, State superintendent of public instruction, was authorized by the school board to issue calls for bids and execute contracts for supplementary textbooks in the public schools.

The board handled its routine business before turning to teacher allotments for the next year, approving, among other things, the leasing of Grant island in Craven county to the navy for a bombing range.

It accepted plans for vocation education and vocational rehabilitation for 1943-44 with the understanding that such changes will be made as are required to conform to federal legislation or U. S. department of education policies.

Approval was given the election of these superintendents: G. R. Wheeler, of Lee county, and Sanford: J. W. Byers, of Red Springs; E. M. Rollins, of Henderson, and W. P. Morton, of Franklinton.

## TAXI VICTIM IDENTIFIED

MYRTLE BEACH, S. C., July 10 — Police Chief Floyd E. Davis said that a white man struck and killed by a taxicab here had been identified as Charles Lancaster, of Wilmington.

## BARLEY

Sunrise barley produced 33 bushels per acre for R. L. Spruill of Columbia and it was 10 days earlier than the Iredell variety, reports County Agent H. H. Harris of Tyrrell County.

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Te Person County Public Library, Chub Lake street, points out the new acquisition, Jack Goodman, Editor: The Fireside Book Of Dog Stories, with an introduction by James Thurber, to the lovers of dogs and well written short stories.

This book is destined to become the top dog in its field. As may be seen by the Table of contents, it is a Great Dane among anthologies, containing 608 pages, two complete novels, thirty-three short stories and articles, and several novelettes.

It contains gay stories and sad ones, philosophical ones and shamelessly sentimental ones. There are stories about mastiffs and bull terriers, pointers and poodles, Airdales and just plain mutts. For people who feel pretty seriously about dogs there pages such as "The Character of Dogs," by Robert Louis Stevenson and "Dandy, The Story of a Dog," by W. H. Hudson. For those who want to get something of a behind-the-scenes line on the way dogs think, there are stories such as, "My Talks with Dean Spanley," by Lord Dunsany, "On Being a Public Character," by Don Marquis and "Memoirs of A Yellow Dog," by O. Henry.

In his introduction to, The Fireside Book Of Dog Stories, James Thurber writes: "the dog has got more fun out of man than man has got out of the dog for the clearly demonstrable reason that man is the more laughable of the two animals." This book is an attempt to remedy this injustice. The reader need bring only one thing to it—

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BARNETT'S SERVICE STATION

## Thrills Offered In New Air Film With Tokio Raid

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This climax is a sensational one, with exciting battles between the big bombers and speedy Zeros and the memorable sacrifice one man makes so that the raid shall be a success.

Pat O'Brien and Randolph Scott are co-starred in the picture, with Anne Shirley, Eddie Albert, Walter Reed, Robert Ryan and Barton MacLane in the featured cast.

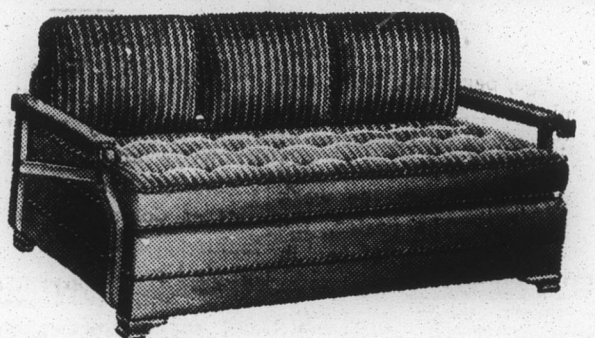
The word alligator comes from el lagarto, the Spanish word for reptile.

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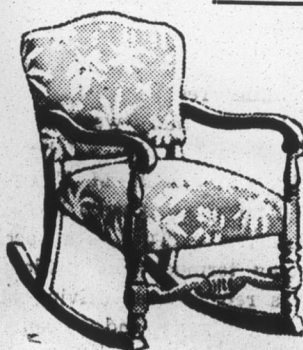
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