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TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Many men know how to flatter; few know how to praise."—Greek Proverb.

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FOREIGN TRADE FACTS

The importance of our foreign trade is apparent when one reads that the United States usually exports two-thirds of its refined copper and patent side upper leather; one-half of its annual rubber crop and gum rosin; one-third of its agricultural machinery, sewing machines, lubricating greases, lubricating oils and tobacco; one-fourth of its office appliances and power driven metal working machinery; two-fifths of its aircraft, dried fruits, printing and bookbinding machinery and borax; one-fifth of its tractors; and one-sixth of its radio apparatus.

As expressed by Francis B. Sayre, Assistant Secretary of State, a farm population of 3,200,000 people is supported by agricultural experts, and in the industrial field conservative calculations estimate that 7,500,000 workers are dependent upon export sales. Based on figures for the fiscal year 1929, the loss in American foreign sales during the years 1934 and 1935 aggregated more than six and one-half billion dollars more than the amounts expended by the Government during the two years to take care of our unemployed.

The other side of the picture is emphasized in the familiar declaration that "to sell, we must buy." Among the things that the United States imports from abroad are coffee, crude rubber, raw silk, book pulp, spices, tin minerals, etc. The nations which buy from us must pay for their purchases either in goods, services, or gold. As most readers know, the United States has already acquired a vast hoard of gold. Besides, the gold stocks of foreign nations are so low that payment in gold is impossible. To pay in services, other nations must be able to sell us transportation, insurance, or credit in the form of loans, but the United States needs no credit from abroad, is able to handle its own insurance, and, along with other nations, is subsidizing ships to build up its own merchant marine. Obviously, this leaves other nations unable to buy our goods in quantity unless they are permitted to sell their products in this country.

IMPORTS AND WORK

Contrary to the popular impression that imports decrease employment in this country, the statistics of the Federal Reserve from the years 1919-1935 show that during every year in which imports increased, factory employment also increased. With a single exception, the figures also reveal that during each year in which imports decreased, factory employment also decreased. Naturally, when imports bring into this country goods from other countries, they start a chain of operations which includes transportation, servicing, processing, manufacturing, and distribution.

Last week in this column, we discussed the effect of Secretary Hull's fourteen reciprocal trade treaties in relation to world trade. Since that time, the President has increased tariff rates on bleached, printed, dyed and colored cotton cloths, an average of 42 per cent, following the collapse of negotiations with Japan, seeking to secure some restrictions of Japanese shipments of these goods to the United States. The increase affected about 58 per cent. on the square yard basis, of the total cotton cloths imported in 1935, and about 90 per cent of such imports from Japan.

JAPS HIT BY TARIFF

This action was hardly in accord with Secretary Hull's program but the President felt that he had to meet a special situation. In this connection, it is pointed out that Japanese shipments to this country during the first quarter of this year increased nearly 70 per cent over those of a year ago. While this seems to be a large gain, the Tariff Commission points out that in 1935 our imports of cotton cloths from all sources were less than 1 per cent of our domestic production. Critics of the President's action point out that Japan in 1935 sold us \$158,000,000 worth of goods and bought from us \$208,000,000 worth. Moreover, the Japanese have been buying more than \$20 worth of raw cotton from us for every \$1 worth of cotton textiles she has been selling to us.

OTHER TRADE BARRIERS

The State Department is confronting other difficulties in its effort to boost our trade abroad.

Auto Mishap Sat. On Boone Trail Is Fatal To Two

Miss Frances Cashion Is One Of Victims. Was Graduate Of Glade Valley High School In County

TWO OTHERS INJURED

Frank Whittington Is Other Person Killed. Funerals Of Both Are Held In N. Wilkesboro

Miss Frances Cashion, 23, a graduate of Glade Valley high school, and Frank Whittington, 30, were instantly killed about midnight Saturday night in an automobile accident on the Boone trail, near the Wilkes-Yadkin county line.

Mrs. Whittington and Hubert Mathis, other occupants of Mathis' car, received painful, although not serious injuries. The tragedy occurred when Mathis' car, in which he, Mr. and Mrs. Whittington and Miss Cashion were riding, was struck by a car occupied by Rob Feimster, Earl Parks and Robert Walker, of the Harmony vicinity.

Coroner I. M. Myers summoned a jury Sunday and an inquest was held at the courthouse in Wilkesboro Sunday afternoon. After the evidence offered by Mathis and J. J. Johnson, state highway patrolman who investigated the wreck, was taken, Feimster, owner of the car, and Parks, who was said to have been driving, were ordered held. None of the occupants of Feimster's car was injured.

According to evidence at the inquest, Feimster's car sideswiped Mathis' car, causing it to swerve and overturn into a ditch off the highway. Evidence was also introduced to the effect that Feimster and Parks were drinking and that the collision occurred on Mathis' right side of the highway going east.

Miss Cashion was a member of a prominent and well-known family in North Wilkesboro, being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Cashion. She was secretary of the Wilkes County Retail Merchants association. In addition to her parents, she is survived by six brothers and sisters, John A. Paul, Roy, Ray, Neal and Elizabeth Cashion.

Mr. Whittington, who for several years operated a taxi service in North Wilkesboro, was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Whittington, of Halls Mills.

Funeral services for Miss Cashion and Mr. Whittington were held Monday afternoon in the North Wilkesboro Methodist church. Last rites for Miss Cashion were held at two o'clock and those for Mr. Whittington took place at three-thirty o'clock. Burial of both bodies took place in Baptist cemetery, North Wilkesboro.

Control Of White Pine Blister Rust In Co. Is Urged

Martin L. Nesbitt, a special agent of the United States Department of Agriculture, stationed in Alleghany county, is urging citizens to eradicate all ribes near white pine areas in the county at once, in order that blister rust diseases among them may be controlled.

"If the citizens will realize the great importance of our white pine," said Mr. Nesbitt recently, "and protect them now, before the disease strikes them, we can have something to be proud of and which will also bring in a nice income."

The citizens of Alleghany county, according to Mr. Nesbitt, have been very cooperative in the drive to save white pine trees, and he is very thankful for this cooperation.

Local control of blister rust is accomplished by destroying the wild and cultivated ribes within infecting distance of the pines. This distance seldom exceeds 900 feet in eastern forests. Field conditions are sometimes encountered, however, which make it necessary to remove cultivated ribes that are growing at greater distances from pines. Forest

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McMichael Speaks Here In Interest Of Ralph McDonald

Attorney Earl McMichael, of Winston-Salem, made a speech in Sparta at the court house Tuesday night in the interest of Dr. Ralph McDonald, also of Winston-Salem, who is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor of North Carolina.

Senator Dalton Warren, of Sparta, it is understood, is spending this week on a speaking tour in Eastern North Carolina in behalf of Dr. McDonald's candidacy.

Hoover Is To Be Invited To Speak At Convention

Arrangements Committee Decides That Republican Chairman Should Extend Invitation To Californian

Cleveland, Ohio, June 2.—Former President Herbert Hoover, of California, is to be invited by the Republican National committee to address the party's national convention here next week.

The committee on arrangements decided late today that Chairman Henry P. Fletcher should extend the invitation. He said he would do so and would telephone the former president to learn what day Mr. Hoover would attend.

Fletcher said that in his previous telegram Mr. Hoover had simply said that he would try to be in Cleveland on the second day of the convention—next Wednesday.

"We decided that the matter lay within the duties of the committee on arrangements," the chairman said. "That committee is making all the arrangements for music. Why should it not invite speakers?"

At the same time, Fletcher cancelled plans for using the Cleveland Stadium for a notification ceremony immediately after the convention. He indicated that the candidates for the nomination had expressed a desire to hold the traditional notification ceremonies several weeks after the convention.

The notification ceremony usually is held a month or six weeks after the nomination. Ordinarily, it is made an elaborate affair. In 1932, however, Franklin D. Roosevelt broke away from the traditional notification ceremony and flew to Chicago to accept his nomination before the convention which had chosen him.

Piney Creek H. S. Boys Make Good In Agriculture

H. D. Quesenberry, instructor in agriculture at Piney Creek high school, left Friday, May 9, for the State Experiment Test Farms at Swannona, near Asheville, where his team from Piney Creek high school competed with forty-nine other teams from Western North Carolina in the Livestock Judging contest.

Alex Hash and Jack Osborne, winners in the Piney Creek contest, represented the school in the District contest. Alex Hash placed second in the contest with 365.87 points. The first place was won with 381 points and third place with 362 points. One hundred boys competed in the contest.

Alex Hash is one of the six boys to represent the Western North Carolina District of twenty-five counties in the State Judging contest at Raleigh the last week in June.

Last week, Mr. Quesenberry accompanied his judging team to the Klondike Farm, near Elkin, to see purebred dairy cattle and hogs. He and F. H. Jackson, of Sparta high school, with their teams, spent one day at Mr. Hash's farm, Mouth of Wilson, Va., where good Herefords are bred, and at the State hospital, Marion, Va., where they saw outstanding Holstein cattle and Berkshire hogs.

Alex Hash is treasurer of the

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Hoey Introduced In Twin City By R. A. Doughton

Carries Campaign For Governor Into The Home City Of Dr. McDonald, One Of His Opponents

After he had been introduced by Ex-Lieutenant Governor Rufus A. Doughton, of Sparta, Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor of North Carolina, was heard in Winston-Salem Monday night by nearly 2,000 persons.

Carrying his campaign into the home city of Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, probably his strongest opponent for the nomination, Mr. Hoey praised state administrations from Aycock to Ehringhaus, lauded the national administration and predicted his own election.

Mrs. W. O. Spencer, former vice-chairman of the Forsyth Democratic executive committee, introduced Ex-Lieutenant Governor Doughton. Mr. Hoey as a man who would not preach class consciousness, but a man who comes to "weld" labor, commerce and industry "for the welfare of the state," and termed him a patriot, statesman, orator and "typical citizen of this commonwealth."

Mr. Hoey, opening his address, quickly launched into Dr. McDonald, commenting that he was not unmindful that he was in the home town of the anti-sales tax candidate.

He referred to Dr. McDonald as a "recent arrival," who knows "everything" and who "wants to take charge" and then charged that the Winston-Salem new dealer never voted the Democratic ticket but two times in his life.

Mr. Hoey told his hearers that North Carolina had a "new deal" under Aycock and a great galaxy of leaders, and then compared his gubernatorial opponent to Hoover, asserting that he would promise anything and was "going to be Santa Claus to North Carolina."

Throughout his address, Mr. Hoey vigorously denied that he was a machine candidate and emphasized that he represented no faction or clique, that running for governor was his own idea, that he was "running to give North Carolina the chance to get a real good governor."

In his praise of the Democratic administration from Aycock to Ehringhaus, inclusive, he lauded them with the Biblical quotation: "Well done, good and faithful servant."

With pride, he pointed to past state administrations with "no public scandal"; to the governors as clean, honest and economically just. Also, he pointed to the progress under the Democratic regime in North Carolina in industry and agriculture.

Mr. Hoey said he would like to make a promise that the sales tax would be repealed, adding that he knew of the inequities, but asserted that he would make no wild promises.

He paid tribute to Robert L. (Farmer Bob) Doughton, declaring that both Farmer Bob and

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Auto Accident Near Here Leads To Arrest Of Two

An automobile accident, in which no one was injured but in which the automobile was badly damaged, occurred near Sparta Tuesday afternoon and led to the arrest of the two occupants of the car, who had stolen the automobile in Winnsboro, S. C.

The men were arrested on suspicion when the two seized their suitcases and hurriedly attempted to leave the scene of the wreck. On investigation by Sheriff Walter M. Irwin, it was found that the two men have had criminal records in many parts of the South.

Four men, R. T. Hanes, R. B. Keistler, J. M. Feaster and S. O. Taylor, from Winnsboro, came to Sparta Tuesday night after the pair to take them back to South Carolina, where they will be indicted for violation of a Federal Statute on taking a stolen car across the state line.

Daily Papers Of Nation Indicate Political Choice

Poll Shows That Most Publishers, Editorially At Least, Will Oppose Reelection Of Roosevelt

New York, May 31.—A poll of daily papers of the United States, conducted recently by "The American Press," a trade paper for newspaper publishers, to show how the newspaper publishers will line up their papers in the forthcoming election—probably the first poll of its kind ever conducted in the nation—shows that most of the publishers, through their editorial columns at least, will oppose the re-election of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The questionnaire was addressed to 1960 publishers, and 647 replies were counted in the compilation. Half a dozen, being unsigned, were discarded. Replies were received from every state in the union except two, Delaware and South Carolina, and every large city but San Francisco, Baltimore and New Orleans is represented. This return of 33% is regarded as unusually high in any kind of a poll.

The balloting shows that 47 dailies which supported the president in his campaign four years ago will oppose him this year, while five which opposed him then, will support him this year. There are 43 papers listing themselves as doubtful about their attitude on the political situation, many of them frankly stating they are awaiting the platform and candidate of the Republican convention at Cleveland before reaching a decision. Some 66 papers will not support any candidate, they state.

Of the counted replies, 313 or 48% express the intention of supporting the ticket opposing Roosevelt. But 34%, or 225 papers, will urge re-election of the President. These totals include the papers which shifted their position from four years ago.

Only in the Solid South does a preponderance of the papers register in favor of Mr. Roosevelt. In most other sections of the country the Roosevelt opposition will have a majority of the dailies' support.

Mr. Roosevelt's re-election will be most strongly opposed by the dailies in the New England and Middle Atlantic States, the figures show. In New England 129 papers were queried and 39, or 30%, replied. Of this number, only 3 will support the President and 25, or 64%, will oppose him. Ten will remain neutral and one is in doubt as to where its support will go.

Of the 325 papers in the Middle Atlantic States, 80, or 24%, responded, and 66% (53) will

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Memorial Day To Be Observed Sun. At Shiloh Church

Next Sunday, June 7, will be observed as Memorial Day at Shiloh Methodist church, on the Sparta circuit, of which Rev. A. B. Bruton is pastor.

The regular worship service is to begin at eleven o'clock and at the close of this worship period, the congregation will retire to the cemetery, where the graves are to be decorated.

The public is invited to attend this service.

Whitehead Boy Receives Honor In U. S. Navy

Reece Landon Joiner, of Whitehead, has completed a course in U. S. Navy training, has received a diploma and has been honored as a first-class seaman, having gone far ahead, it is understood, of any other boy who boarded ship when he did.

Young Joiner joined the Navy October 1, 1935, and boarded the ship U. S. S. Taylor, February 21, of this year, when he took up a course with the ultimate aim of making a first-class seaman.

Many Hear Hoey Deliver Address In Jefferson

Many Alleghany county persons went to Jefferson Monday to hear Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby attorney, and Democratic candidate for nomination for Governor of North Carolina, who spoke in the court house there at 1:30 p. m.

A record crowd, said by old-timers to have been surpassed in number only once in the history of the county, that occasion being the day on which a colored man, Will Banks, was hanged, eagerly and with loud applause listened intently as Mr. Hoey discussed the issues of his campaign.

Alleghany Letter Carriers Meet In Sparta On May 30

Members Of Grayson County Unit Are Among Invited Guests. Group Hears Sidney Gambill

The Alleghany county chapter, together with the Ladies' Auxiliary, of the North Carolina Letter Carriers association, held its annual county convention on the regular date, May 30. The members of the Grayson county unit were invited guests of the Alleghany group, and a number of other guests, including two carriers from Ashe county, also were present.

A banquet was served by the Women's Missionary society of the Methodist church, with Isom Wagoner and Ralph Gentry as hosts and W. Carl Irwin, president of the unit, presiding.

The speaker of the evening was Sidney Gambill, who with Mrs. Gambill, was a guest of the association. In addressing the members of the organization, Attorney Gambill complimented the high-rating, physically, mentally and morally, of the profession, and also gave them information pertinent to the organization's head and activities in Washington.

Following the banquet, a business meeting was held and the incumbent officers were reelected to serve their fifth terms in office. They are: W. C. Irwin, president; Lon Mack Reeves, vice president, and R. G. Taylor, secretary and treasurer. The Ladies auxiliary, of which Mrs. W. C. Irwin is president, and Mrs. Edd Pugh, secretary and treasurer, also keep the same officers.

A dance for those who preferred that amusement was held in the gymnasium and theatre tickets were provided for those who chose to attend the show.

To Hold Memorial Services June 28 At Cox's Chapel

Home-Coming and annual Memorial services are to be held at Cox's Chapel Methodist church on Sunday, June 28.

From 10:00 to 11:00 a. m., a Church School Day program is to be presented by members of the Sunday school, and from 11:00 to 12:00 o'clock, Memorial services are to be conducted by Rev. A. B. Bruton, pastor of the Sparta circuit, on which Cox's Chapel church is located.

The services will stop at 12:00 o'clock for lunch, and, beginning at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon, the choir will conduct a two-hour song service. The first hour will be devoted to the singing of requested songs, and the second hour will be given over to the singing of songs to be selected by the choir.

An effort will be made by the choir to sing favorite songs of persons attending the services or favorite songs of persons buried at Cox's Chapel, if requested. A postal card bearing the title of the song desired, together with the name of the person requesting it, addressed to Joe B. Cox, Mouth of Wilson, Va., will be placed with the director of the choir. Any person desiring a song sung in memory of a departed relative or friend who is

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Musical Comedy To Be Presented Here Fri. Night

Play Will Be Staged At 8:30 O'clock In The Sparta H. S. Auditorium. Sponsored By W. M. S.

CAST ANNOUNCED

Chorus Girls Will Dance And Sing In 5 Numbers. Miss Helen Alexander, Of Atlanta, Ga., In Charge

"Miss Blue Bonnet," a three-act musical comedy, is to be presented in the Sparta high school auditorium tomorrow (Friday) night, at 8:30 o'clock. This play is a Wayne P. Sewell production, and Miss Helen Alexander, Atlanta, Ga., is here this week coaching the characters for the presentation.

All those who enjoy real entertainment, it has been said, will be delighted with this comedy production, with dancing and singing.

The cast of characters follows:

"Pa" Evans, country doctor, C. R. Roe; "Ma" Evans, hen-pecking wife, Mrs. J. T. Inskip; Magnolia Evans, old maid daughter, Miss Florence Warren; Hickory Stout, country codger, Burton McCann; "Blue Bonnet," beautiful psychologist, Mrs. Bill Chester; Burton Hill, leading man, Tommie Noland; Minerva, deaf old maid, Miss Jean Honaker; Sally, Susie, Kate and Una, old maids, Mrs. Emerson Black, Mrs. Sidney Gambill, Miss Edna Walls and Miss Jane Truitt, respectively; Janie Bell, stuck-up daughter of Mrs. Evans, Miss Wilma Crouse; and Wes and Thad, two boys in love with "Blue Bonnet," J. T. Inskip and Bryan Taylor, respectively.

Chorus girls will dance and sing in five numbers and children six years of age are to act as little doctors and nurses. Still others will act as froggies, causing roars of laughter, it is predicted.

A nominal admission charge will be made for the play, which is sponsored by the Women's Missionary society of the Methodist church.

Hour For Political Speech Here Changed

The hour for the political speech to be delivered at the court house in Sparta tomorrow (Friday) night by D. P. Taylor, has been changed from 8:00 o'clock to 7:15, on account of the play, "Miss Blue Bonnet," to be given on the same night in Sparta high school auditorium.

Partolan To Be Here Each Tues. This Summer

Patrolman W. C. Thomas, who is stationed at West Jefferson, will be here in the office of Sheriff Walter M. Irwin from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. on Tuesday of each week this summer for the purpose of issuing automobile drivers' licenses, adjusting titles of motor vehicles, etc.

Announcement to this effect was made recently by Patrolman Thomas.

ALMANAC



"To give advice to a fool is like throwing water on a goose."

- JUNE
- 4—Ex-president Grant's partner, Ward, indicted for fraud, 1869.
- 5—First Chinese Embassy reaches Washington, 1860.
- 6—John Carroll is confirmed as first United States Catholic Bishop, 1794.
- 7—1,000 soldiers start on 2,000-mile trek to Oregon, 1843.
- 8—Robert Stevenson, steam engine inventor, born, 1772.
- 9—Royal Charter for Sparta Colony is granted, 1782.
- 10—100,000 soldiers in one camp in Civil War, 1862.

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