



WASHINGTON, D. C.—It has taken a war plus an Arctic winter to give Mr. Ordinary German a holiday from flag-waving, parades and compulsory rejoicing. No torchlight procession. No Reichstag meeting. No flags. Only at the last moment are Germans informed that the Fuehrer will speak over the radio in the evening. With the Munich bomb in fresh remembrance, the place from where he speaks is not announced beforehand.

After six months of war, propaganda, the best weapon of the Nazis, is frozen up. Mass celebrations use up fuel and transport; Hitler had to cut them out. Instead, Germans are consoled with hints of the great things their Fuehrer will do when Spring comes. Nazis predict some spectacular achievement.

So confident is President Roosevelt of an upward trend in business that he is rejecting suggestions for a further spend-lead program this year. This confidence is probably due to Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr., who reports that the volume of orders in heavy industries is expanding weekly. Of great importance, also, is his knowledge that both Great Britain and France intend increasing their orders for commodities, as well as war materials.

The momentary crisis in France last week did not, for one thing, show a weakness in French democracy. A democratic institution is strong when 300 Deputies can bring down a Government that had actual dictatorial powers. Germany may insist that "a panic" existed in France, but there seems to have been no reaction in that country to the Nazi "peace offensive."

Instead, there are signs of plans for a more vigorously prosecuted war. The French, however, mean to avoid a repetition of the horrors of the last war, when thousands and thousands of French youths were hurled to death in offensive after offensive. An intensified economic war is what can be expected from now on.

THEY SAY:
"The English are so proficient in the art of lying that one is tempted to envy them for it."—Dr. Goebbels.

"The Englishman will fight like a lion, not when his worst instincts are appealed to, but when his noblest aspirations are called into being."—Major the Hon. J. J. Astor, M. P.

"The systems of thought and life in the German State and its ambiguous associate—the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics—are systems intrinsically hostile to the Christian doctrine."—Dr. William Temple, Archbishop of York.

Furches

Furches, March 25—Miss Ruth Woodie spent Saturday night at R. M. Taylor's.

Those visiting the home of Frank Roupe Sunday night were: Mr. and Mrs. Claude Critcher, Mrs. Bessie Critcher, and Bruce Williams.

Miss Gladys Caudill has been ill with flu.

Mrs. Bessie Critcher had as dinner guests Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roupe and children, Louise, Frankie, Reba Sue, Floyd Orrin and Fred, Bruce Williams, Robert Evans and Edd Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Critcher visited the home of Glen Woodie Sunday.

Robert Evans and Edd Taylor of CCC Camp of Laurel Springs spent Friday night at the home of Mack Taylor.

The school children of New Hope enjoyed a marshmallow roast and egg hunt Friday, March 22.

During 1939, a total of 37 bicyclists were killed and 268 were injured in this state.

Your Government . . .

how familiar are you with it?
The SUPREME COURT

1. How are the justices of the Supreme Court appointed?
2. What is their term of office?
3. There are nine members of the Supreme Court. Were there ever less than nine? More than nine?

Answer these questions in your own mind, then look elsewhere in this issue for the correct answers.

Our world...

Pope Pius Implores for World Peace

Vatican City, March 24.—Pope Pius implored for "peace, concord and unity" among nations today in an Easter homily in which he advocated settlement of their relations "not by force, but by rules of truth, justice and charity."

German Ship sent to Bottom

Copenhagen, March 24.—The shell-scarred German freighter Edmund Hugo Stinnes, 2,289 tons, sank with her cargo of coal today off the west coast of Denmark, where she was attacked last night by a British submarine. She was the second Nazi merchantman sunk by a British submarine since the war began. The 4,947-ton ore carrier Hedderheim was torpedoed last Thursday night nine miles east of Scaw (Skagen) at the entrance to the Kattegat, which leads into the Baltic sea.

Turkey Strives to Reconcile Nations

London, March 24.—Turkey is striving to reconcile the allies and Russia and thus dispel the danger of a conflict in the Near East which would force Russia into the war on the side of Germany, it was learned tonight. At the same time diplomatic quarters heard that Italy and Russia soon would sign a trade agreement and send their respective ambassadors back to their posts, from which they were recalled because of strained relations between Rome and Moscow over the Finnish war.

Welles an Able Messenger

London — Under-Secretary of State, Sumner Welles, still on his trip for President Roosevelt, has been in London and has won for himself the highest of English compliments—that he dressed like an Englishman, talked like an Englishman and behaved "as an Englishman would like to behave." He has also given the newspapers a fine example of the art of saying nothing. Asked by one newshawk whether his face had been "gloomier" when he left Hitler's presence, Welles quipped: "Like you, I cannot see my own face." Thus far he has kept locked tight any information he has gleaned on how the belligerents will behave. His schedule includes a second visit with Mussolini and his return home to America this week.

England Wants New Cabinet

London—England clamors for a new cabinet with increased intensity, suggesting a five-man cabinet in place of the present nine. This change would centralize the rule of the Empire and increase Churchill's power on all military and naval arms.

Boy Fatally Shot

Roscoe Gilbreath, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Chal Gilbreath of North Wilkesboro, was accidentally shot and killed about noon of March 25 while playing with some other boys near the fair-grounds. Roscoe and a friend were shooting birds with a .22 calibre rifle, and Roscoe stepped in front of the gun as Eckenrod pulled the trigger to shoot.

Republican Delegates to be Free

Raleigh—North Carolina delegates to the Republican national convention will go uninstructed, Jake F. Newell, Republican state chairman, forecast yesterday.

Reaches Ripe Age . . .



IRA HALSEY

—well-known and highly respected citizen of the Maple Shade section of Grayson County, of which he is a native. He is 89 years of age, and is one of the oldest citizens of the county. Mr. Halsey has been in good health and was able to work until a short time ago. He had been married 60-odd years when his wife died in November, 1938.

Fire Department Minstrel Show

—for the benefit of Sparta and Independence Fire Departments, will be given in the Sparta High School Auditorium next Wednesday, at 8 o'clock p. m. with an admission fee of 25c. There are 22 in the cast of the show, which will include singing, dancing, fun—no end, and a mock Negro trial. The show has been given before, and those who know say it is rich fun.

NORWAY LODGED A PROTEST WITH GREAT BRITAIN

—yesterday in Oslo against violation of Norwegian neutrality by British warships seeking out German vessels in Norwegian waters.

To exploit Latin American markets for the benefit of

—North Carolina tobacco farmers, Mayor Thomas E. Cooper, candidate for governor recently urged tobacco

farmers of the state to call upon their respective congressmen to back a bill introduced last week by Senator Josiah W. Bailey, to make funds available for a study of means of opening these markets to United States tobacco.

"Our greatest hope of a fair market this year," said Cooper, who is a tobacco farmer himself with a farm in Brunswick county, "is to get these markets formerly supplied by the British for the weed grown and processed in North Carolina.

"If this bill, which Senator Bailey introduced shortly after I pointed to the need for opening these markets for North Carolina tobacco farmers, is passed, it will be the means of entering the thin edge of a wedge which will soon open wide the doors of South American and Central American countries to our greatest cash crop."

Cooper made the statement as he was making plans to tour the state in his campaign for governor in a sound truck.

"I plan to begin my tour about the first of April," he said, "and it is my hope I will be able to see and talk with the majority of the farmers of this state. I have always found farmers of North Carolina to be men with whom I could talk easily, being a farmer myself, and I have also found they have an excellent knowledge of the needs of the state. Through my talks with them on farm problems, on the needs of rural schools, on the needs for better farm roads, it is my hope I will be able to find some solutions for the many difficult problems which they face today and which they have faced for 30 years under the administration of the late Governor F. W. Lenoir." (turn to page 6, please)

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Rivers Officially Enters Race For Congress



In small change and dollar bills received as donations to his campaign fund, Jim Rivers posts filing fee for ninth district congressional race with Elections Chairman Lucas.—Winston-Salem Journal Photo.

Jim Rivers, a son of the late Robert C. Rivers, who for almost fifty years published The Watauga Democrat, at Boone, Saturday paid his filing fee to the state board of elections and became a candidate for congress in the ninth district. His action will bring about the first party contest over the seat occupied for thirty years by Representative R. L. Doughton. Rivers gave to the press a brief statement which indicates that he will make his first bid for office as "an unurged, unsponsored candidate." It follows: "In filing my intentions as a candidate I have not overlooked the fact

that fourteen leaders of the party in which I have held lifelong membership recently called on the incumbent representative and delivered to him an instrument in writing which they alleged was a mandate of the people that he again seek the seat which he has occupied for nearly thirty years. A sketchy survey of the district indicates that there are some two hundred and sixty-odd thousand folks in these nine counties who were not consulted by the aforementioned group, many of whom would prefer, this year, a candidate by contest rather than petition. If nominated and elected to the office, I shall strive to earn my pay." Representative Doughton had first announced that he would retire from congress at the end of the present term but later decided to run, because, he said, of the many requests that he do so.

Sen. Lee Gravely pushes his campaign

—for the Democratic nomination for governor into the far eastern section of North Carolina this week with

speeches and tours in Tyrrell, Hyde, Dare, Washington and Beaufort counties. During the latter part of the week he was to move into the central part of the state, covering Moore, Lee, Richmond, Hartnett and other counties in that area.

Speaking before the Young Democrats of Tyrrell county on Monday night Senator Gravely paid tribute to the state's army of highway workers who "toil in fair weather and foul in order to enable the traveling public to enjoy the benefits of our roads."

In Tyrrell, the candidate stressed the need for farm to market roads, saying their construction demanded "prompt attention." At Swan Quarter on Wednesday night Gravely charged that the promise to furnish a system of highways from county seat to county seat, connecting those points by the most direct route "remains the moral obligation of the state." It cannot be done in one year, he explained, "but it must be an objective of the state to be done as rapidly as revenues will permit." The method of allocation of funds has limited the amount of work done in Hyde county, Gravely declared, "and it seems to me a fund of reasonable size should be set aside for use by the Highway Commission in sections of the state suffering by reason of such a method of allocation."

Senator Gravely touched upon another subject close to the hearts of Eastern Carolina folk when he pointed out that while the road situation is of major concern "we must not forget one of the principal industries in North Carolina depends upon the waters of Eastern North Carolina. He referred to the fishing industry. "This great industry," Gravely declared, "is in a serious condition and is rapidly approaching the point where it needs government assistance."

Rocky Mount — Senator Lee Gravely will be supported in his campaign for Governor by a fellow townsman and veteran member of the General Assembly, Representative W. E. (Bill) Fenwick. (turn to page 5, please)



SEN. LEE GRAVELY

The Russo-Finnish Peace hinders the

—Allied cause, is the opinion of American and foreign military experts. It has placed the Scandinavian

countries under the joint domination of Russia and Germany, and weakened the Allied blockade because the Reich can obtain vital war materials from the Northern countries, experts point out.

With the outcome of the war still completely uncertain, in the eyes of military men this blow could easily mean defeat for France and Great Britain. Realizing this, the settlement for large-scale military relief for Finland increased in both countries just before the peace was signed.

That the Scandinavian countries were perfectly aware of the situation is apparent in the statement from Sweden that only an adequate force of 30,000 to 100,000 men would be allowed to cross its territory on the way to Finland. A smaller force, it was reasoned, would be unable to protect Sweden from invasion by either Russia or Germany—and the presence of British troops on Scandinavian soil could easily be interpreted by the Reich as an excuse for military action.

Recent developments have at least clarified the European situation, and proved that the war on the Western Front and the war on the Karelian Isthmus were, for all practical purposes, one and the same. (Turn to page 5, please)

Gov. Hoey spoke Monday night in Washington

—D. C., at a banquet given by the North Carolina Society of Washington, in the governor's honor, and in his

speech, made no reference to the May Democratic primaries in this state, but told what North Carolina had accomplished within recent years in the fields of education, industry and agriculture. "We have been sowing in North Carolina the paths of peace," he asserted, "peace in industry, peace in agriculture and peace in education."

"We have a balanced budget and we are reducing our bonded indebtedness," Hoey continued, "and we have not increased taxes. We think we have a reasonably fair tax system."

Former Governor O. Max Gardner told the society that there would be "no domination and dictatorship" in the choosing of the state's next governor.

The reference to the primaries, in which seven candidates are entered to succeed Governor Hoey, came after Gardner praised the "wisdom and tolerance" of the present state administration.

Gardner, who is Hoey's brother-in-law and from the same town—Shelby—said Hoey's successor would be chosen by "the 3,500,000 people of North Carolina, free and untrammelled."

Hoey has announced his neutrality in the approaching political fight.

Gardner recalled that Hoey was nominated in 1936 "after an intense factional fight."

"He went into the office after the state had been divided," he said, referring to the bitter contest between Hoey and Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, former Winston-Salem college professor.

"But during the past three and one-half years, Governor Hoey has conducted his office with such wisdom and tolerance that now he is the most popular governor North Carolina has ever had."

"Today there are seven candidates running to succeed him, but there has not been a suggestion that he is undertaking to exercise his power to throw it behind any one candidate."

"The people of the state will name his successor without coercion or dictatorship. I am proud to say that North Carolina has no dictator. The next governor will be chosen without any domination."

Hoey laughingly asked "what's the use of having a brother-in-law unless he can stand beside you in an emergency?"

Members of Congress from North Carolina and other officials in Washington from this state were among the more than 400 present.

Governor Hoey, who left Raleigh Sunday night, returned to the state capital city aboard a midnight train Monday night.

Thieves entered the cellar at the home of Frank Atwood

—in the Stratford vicinity on Sunday night, March 10, and a considerable amount of groceries were stolen. The thieves entered the cellar by means of a key and left the door locked. On the following morning, Mr. Atwood and son, Darrell, in a search, found part of the stolen goods.

Mt. Zion

Piney Creek, Mar. 25.—W. E. Maxwell, of Sparta, took Easter dinner in the Mt. Zion community and spent Sunday evening visiting

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