

# Merry-Go-Round Brown Charmed Into OPA Post

WASHINGTON—Here is the inside story of how President Brown, much against his will, got catapulted from the relative peace of the U. S. Senate into the vituperative turmoil of the OPA.

After Brown's defeat as Senator from Michigan, Senator Robert Wagner of New York wrote to the President urging that Brown's experience be used in the interest of the country. The next day Wagner received a reply from the White House: "I agree with you completely," Mr. Roosevelt said.

Meantime, Mariner Eccles had lusted Brown with a job on the Federal Reserve Board. It carried a ten-year term, and Brown was delighted with the prospect of serving in his special field—money and banking—and being spared the grief of political controversies.

On the day the President sent for him, President Brown encountered his friend Senator Wagner. "I have heard," said Brown, "that the President wants me to take Henderson's OPA job. But the Federal Reserve looks better to me. There's too much fire in the OPA," Brown said stoutly. "I just won't take it."

Wagner smiled. "I warn you, President. Look out for that guy. He'll charm you into it."

Next morning, Senator Wagner and the American public read of Brown's appointment to the job of OPA administrator. The President had turned on the charm.

**Cox and Congress**  
On May 21, 1943, Senator Joseph Walsh of Kansas was told by the U. S. Supreme Court that he would have to spend six months in jail, pay a fine of \$2,500 and never again hold a public office.

He had been convicted of accepting money for using his influence before a branch of the Federal Government. Specifically, he had accepted \$2,500 from the Rialto Grain & Securities Co. of St. Louis, which was barred from use of the mails. Senator Burton tried

to persuade the Post Office Department that the Rialto Co. and accepted money for his influence. The case was fought for two years up to the Supreme Court, which then handed down its decision that members of Congress cannot accept pecuniary reward.

That was in 1936. Nearly forty years have passed since then. The same law remains on the statute books. But otherwise things have changed. Among other things, Congress seems to have lost its sense of smell. Something which would have been a small pure and sweet in 1937, is now so sweet that it deserves reward.

**Gené Cox Rewarded**  
That, in effect, is what has happened to Gené Cox, a Georgia Congressman. Cox's congressional colleague had rewarded him in an unusual manner. They have placed him in charge of a committee to investigate the Federal Communications Commission which brought the first charges against him.

Furthermore, Cox, as chairman of this investigating committee, is corralled a weird assortment of administration enemies to help him investigate. Cox's committee were out, not only to smear the Federal Communications Commission, which had brought the first charges against him, but indirectly the President as well.

**White Boys Nabbed Here**  
Said To Have Been Looting Residence  
Two sets of white boys, six and eight-year-olds, were nabbed in the act of looting a residence and of robbing a box of a delivery, according to reports at City Police Headquarters.

The residence of W. A. Cloninger, 113 W. Cedar St., was entered when the screen on a rear door was cut, and Mr. Cloninger reported to police that he found two white boys, six and eight years of age, in his house.

These boys who were turned over to juvenile court authorities, are said to have been members of the same gang which previously had looted the Dr. Pepper Bottling Co.'s plant and set fire to a truck.

Two other boys were found breaking into a box, containing photographic film and a small amount of money in a downtown stairway. Three locker keys from the municipal swimming pool were found in their possession, police said.

**Fats Collection Continues**  
Collection of waste fats in North Carolina continued to rise last month, totaling 51,788 pounds as compared with 40,357 in April. A gain of approximately 11,000 pounds, J. B. Vogler of Charlotte, executive secretary of the General Salvage Committee for North Carolina, reported today.

The total, however, was still short of North Carolina's quota of 115,000 pounds a month and Mr. Vogler urged households to put forth a special effort in coming months to increase the state's output.



**KERCH AND THE KUBAN IN CLOSURE**—From Kerch to Krasnodar in the Kuban River area, Germans and Russians are clashing in battles that may throw the Nazis from their last Caucasus foothold. Map shows a close-up of this war arena with the whole Russian front as a background.

## High Schools Hear Graduation Sermons

Baccalaureate Ceremonies Are Held At First Methodist, Baptist Churches

Charlotte's three senior high schools held baccalaureate ceremonies last night, two at the First Methodist Church and one at the First Baptist.

Central High's 433 graduating students heard Dr. John A. Redhead, Jr., pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, declare at the First Methodist Church that religion is the answer to the graduating student's need for something to impart courage through the future years.

Dr. Redhead declared that there were three gifts; something to stand for, something to stand with, and something to stand by, that could not be bought, conferred by a principal, or guaranteed by a diploma.

Under the direction of Oliver Cook, Hardings senior choir sang two selections.

Harding's commencement exercises will be held Thursday night in the school auditorium. Dr. Hunter H. Baskley, president of Queens College, will speak.

Class day exercises will be held Wednesday morning at 11:30. A picnic for the senior class will be held tomorrow at Revolution Park.

Dr. J. Walton Stewart Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, delivered the baccalaureate sermon to the Technical High School graduating class of 48.

Dr. Luther Little welcomed the seniors to the First Baptist Church last night, led the invocation, and invited Dr. Stewart.

Dr. Stewart asked the seniors to be prepared for consecrated service and suggested for complete service, devotion to Christian principles.

Principal P. T. Selby will preside over the commencement exercises Thursday night. J. B. Burnside Jr. is the principal speaker. Special awards will be made at the class exercises to be held Thursday morning at 11:30.

# From Bataan To Solomons Money Call It Pacific By Clark Lee

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I was called to the colonel's attention that you plan to go to Manila. You have been notified as to the date and time of the flight. You have been notified as to the date and time of the flight. You have been notified as to the date and time of the flight.

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Heart Attack Kills Former Congressman  
CHERRIE, S. C. (AP)—A heart attack proved fatal yesterday to Donald Stuart Matheson, 75, of Cherry, who had served for years as a member of Congress from the Fifth South Carolina District.

"The colonel takes the liberties of sending me a message, French, no departures are scheduled from Shanghai. There is a possibility of going after the next ten days there may not be any way to get out."

Across the bridge I took another ricksha. "Take me corner Szechuen Road, Poochong Road," I directed the puller. "One dollar for go chop-chop." The grinning Chinese pulled me to the corner.

Major Frank Merrill, American military attaché to Tokyo, came over to Shanghai en route to his new post in Chungking and gave me details of the mobilization. "The Japanese have got every man, woman, and child out of their homes and are now in uniform. They have 2,670,000 men under arms, and 1,857,000 are combat troops. Their reserves number 3,300,000. They have a total of 6,970,000 men in uniform."

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"Then the powder keg—" I began. "I'm almost certain to explode shortly and blow up the whole thing. The powder keg—" I began.

Inside the office, the Dutch agent recognized me and called me over the heads of a group of foreigners and Chinese crowded anxiously against the counter. "If you want to leave," he said, "you are just in time. There has just been a cancellation. One cabin is available on the Tibidona and tomorrow morning. It is going to Manila and you may be able to connect with the President's Coolidge for the United States."

Could Peter Be Pumpkin Eater With Stomach Uicer Pains?  
Pumpkin pie would have proved disastrous to Peter as well as anyone troubled with stomach or ulcer pains. Those who suffer with stomach or ulcer pains, indigestion, gas, pain, heartburn, burning sensation, etc., should try UGAS. Get a box of UGAS Tablets from your druggist. A trial dose must convince or return box to us and get DOUBLE MONEY BACK.

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"This time I interrupted. 'Mr. Koelmaus, tell me that Japan's terms are impossible. And then we will go to war!'"

Weeks before we had planned ways and means for escaping from Shanghai when the Japanese reached Honolulu. I can be assigned to the Pacific Fleet. There is no use of all three of us getting interned in Shanghai."

Today's News Today Why Wait 'Til Tomorrow? The Charlotte News

Easy Soap  
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He took a sip of tea, sucking it in noisily in Japanese fashion. "I'm glad that you are here, or until I get killed. As a youngster, I thought of myself as an American. I went back to Japan and they put me in uniform. Here I am."

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LENOIR—Dr. A. A. McLean, pastor of the Lenoir First Presbyterian Church, has been named to deliver the baccalaureate sermon to the High School senior class Wednesday evening at the church. The presentation of diplomas to the graduating class will be made Friday evening at the high school.

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I walked out into the sparkling afternoon sunshine and crisp Fall air of Shanghai. The date was Nov. 19, 1941.

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