

Furniture Man Hits "Eat Less, Wear Less" Theory

National Furniture Leader Speaks Here

Replies To First Lady

Officers of Tech's Monogram Club

On The Square

By C. A. Paul

ON THE SQUARE: Windier at this Crossroads of the Carolinas than in many months—at least, since the skirts grew short again . . . but the street corner oglers are out of luck all the same for the wind blows dust in their eyes . . . and many the passing women are wearing sandals . . . One, two, three, four matches—then a fellow steps inside to light his cigar . . . Former City Manager Jim Marshall, and there are some who say he may be a candidate for the City Council of all things . . . Some of those diminutive girls wear high heels as if they were on stilts . . . That's three times that bearded oldster's hat has blown off and each time he has picked it up with a calmness I envy . . . A girl wearing a blue coat, belted in the back like a French polka, and another wearing an off-the-face hat with a second lieutenant's braid planned on it—but where's the sailor's sweetheart?

THINGS I REMEMBER about growing up: The lady clerk in the dry goods store and the black calico sleeve protectors she wore . . . The faded, fly-specked bolts of calico in the window of the same store.

HOPSOTCH: Where was I when they passed that law? The one requiring me to always be pushed to the rear of an elevator before it reaches my floor? Oh, yes, it all comes back to me now . . . I must have been while I was waiting for the girl at the fountain to serve me after attending to the wants of all those people who rap on the counter with coins . . . Wonder what a fellow thinks about while shaving around his mustache?

WHAT'EVER BECAME OF: The fellow who married a girl because she was known as a good cook?

Japs Want to Hike Indies Workers

BATAVIA, Netherlands East Indies.—Japan raised the question of increasing the number of Japanese workers going to the Netherlands East Indies and of obtaining concessions for the exploration in opening sessions of renewed economic negotiations, reliable sources reported today.

The Indies' immigration statutes allow an annual quota of 800 persons of all nationalities. Colony officials said Japan heretofore had failed to fill her quota, and they expected, therefore, that the Japanese negotiators would be asked to show a necessity for an increased figure.

It was reported the Colonial Government was inclined to regard favorably the request to explore for oil, but it was indicated special areas would be precisely defined, and that Dutch observers would accompany Japanese surveys.

N. Y. Times Critic Praises Cash Book

Calls "Mind of the South" Important Contribution to South's Literature

One of the most favorable reviews of "The Mind of the South," written by News Associate Editor W. J. Cash, appeared in yesterday's issue of the New York Times. It was written by Thomas C. Linn, who regularly conducts the column "Books of the Times."

"To Southerners who want to understand themselves and to Northerners who would like to fathom Southern psychology, W. J. Cash has made an important contribution," Mr. Linn said.

"This is a significant addition to those books which the South has given the nation's readers in recent years—an addition which helps to interpret those other books. Mr. Cash is one of the exceptional persons who, for purposes of study, can view their homeland with calm detachment, analyze its traits,



William J. Cheyney, vice-president of the National Retail Furniture Dealers Association, stopped here last night on his way to Florida to address local furniture men and others at a dinner at Thacker's. He is shown (center) with O. S. Perry (left), president of the Charlotte Retail Furniture Dealers Association, and Rev. Gilmore of Charlottesville, Va., executive secretary of the Southern Furniture Association. (News Staff Photo.)

Reporter On Assignment To Extend Scout Work

The Assignment:

It is said that the demand for private telephones among families of Charlotte's two slum clearance projects, Piedmont Courts (white) and Fairview (Negro), has been so great that the telephone company has had to greatly enlarge its original facilities there. In fact, it is said that the ratio of phones per family in these two housing projects is considerably higher than it is for the city at large. Go to Southern Bell and find out about this.

And The Report:

By TOM FESPERMAN, Reporter

True, the telephone company's expectations were exceeded at both projects, but that's about all.

The national average for telephones at such housing groups is four per cent. That isn't much. The director of the project says, in general, that those who can afford such a "luxury" as a telephone are not in such financial condition that they are eligible to live in low-cost housing units.

By no means has there been a "great" demand for telephones in the two housing groups, according to District Manager Clyde R. Craven.

The Southern Bell executive said that in both groups the rate of telephones per family is about five per cent, a little more than a dozen telephones each have been installed at Piedmont Courts and Fairview Homes, and most of these are paid for by employers of the tenants.

That is, Mr. Craven explained, persons or firms who must contact their employees at odd hours in many cases order telephones installed in the apartment at the employer's expense. Chauffeurs, for instance, at the Negro housing group have telephones which are installed and operated at the expense of their employers.

South Carolina Sidelights

By Harry Ashmore

COLUMBIA, S. C. — Democracy is word that is being kicked around a lot these days, cropping up in every editorial column at least three times a day, and flooding into almost every news story. The war abroad brought the United States' feelings on the matter into sharp focus, and now practically everybody is convinced that the struggle for a more perfect democracy and the forces that seek to destroy it.

Almost every American has become a practicing Democrat, but not Dr. W. W. Ball, the crusty old editor of the Charleston News and Courier. Dr. Ball doesn't believe in democracy and he never has. When he brought out a book on South Carolina in the name of his title and subtitle summed up his attitude perfectly. He called the volume "The State That Forgot, or South Carolina's Surrender to Democracy."

Not that Dr. Ball is any sympathizer with the Fascists or the Communists or any of the other governments now in operation in the world. He isn't at all, he is an individualist to state-wide office, brought his newspaper out for a Republican in this, the most Democratic of States. He has done anything in the world to have anything to do with regimentation of the sort and kind that we see as the collectivist trends of the New Deal has made him one of its most consistently bitter opponents.

What Dr. Ball wants is a sharp about face and a return to the good old days when South Carolina produced the political giants he recalls from his own boyhood. Dr. Ball saw few evils abroad in the land in the pre-Tilman days.

For evidence to back his stand, Dr. Ball can, and does, point to the almost total lack of political leadership in the state, to the wild sort of political campaigns that must be waged if a man is to win election to state-wide office, to the demagogues who have flourished since Ben Tillman's day, to the many fragments that have been committed in the name of democracy. It wasn't like that in the old days when political leaders were men of culture and honor, elected by their own class and ruling all classes with wise benevolence, he insists.

Dr. Ball is a reactionary and proud of it. He wants to read all the way back past the Civil War to the days when a julep could stride the froth in the shade of a tall white column while the field hands strung their banjos under the magnolia trees. The state may have forgotten that, but Dr. Ball's memory of that older, simpler day is ever green.

Dr. Ball's supporters, and they are legion, are never really surprised at what he writes in his editorial columns. And they would be the last to term any of his suggestions fantastic. Not even his suggestions for solving the problem of equalizing the pay of white and Negro school teachers.

It should be done, Dr. Ball says flatly. If they are teachers of equal worth they should get equal pay, regardless of their color. The Constitution of the United States says they should, and for once Dr. Ball agrees with that hallowed document.

But it would, of course, cost a fortune to do that. Dr. Ball is already spending far too much, many times as much as it did in 1870. The answer then is to simply abolish all high school, college and colored.

The State's responsibility for educating its young, Dr. Ball evidently feels, ends when they learn to read and write and get up the Civil War in their history lessons.

Committee To Make Plans Tonight

A long forward step in Mocklenburg Boy Scout Work will be taken tonight when the Troop Organization and Extension Committee meets to plan the organization of sixteen new troops in the city and county.

Officials of the Scout Council said that these groups will be established as soon as possible. Since only slightly more than twenty troops are now in operation in the county, this new step will be one of the biggest made in several years.

MEET TONIGHT

The committee, directed by T. W. Pritchard as chairman, will meet at 8:30 o'clock in the Scout office in the Piedmont Building.

Members of the Advancement Committee received assignments last night to work with District Boards of Review in the Council territory. The Review and Courts of Awards. The committee met with Chairman M. E. Gambrell presiding.

Given Courts of Review assignments last night were the following: L. E. Mohel, District 1; M. G. Perry, District 2; Parks Austin, District 3; Reed Sarraat, District 4; Albert Glover, District 5; and Frank Kuhn, District 6.

Like Dogs, Sailors Free to Fight

PHILADELPHIA.—(AP)—A Common Pleas jury agrees that a sailor is entitled to one fight before he can be considered a vicious man just as a dog is entitled to one bite.

The jury's agreement was indicated yesterday in absolving the liability in the death of Seaman William E. Quinn, who was fatally stabbed Dec. 24, 1938 by another sailor, at Salem, Mass.

The suit brought by Quinn's widow who charged the master of the S. S. Colaba violated the Federal Maritime Statute by shipping as a crew member a man "known to be of vicious and dangerous propensities."

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William Cheyney Is Speaker Here

By TOM FESPERMAN
Charlotte News Staff Writer

The First Lady of the Land received a severe rebuff from one of the nation's leading retailer representatives here last night as a result of her "hint" that people should not buy so many goods this year.

William J. Cheyney of New York, vice-president of the National Retail Furniture Dealers Association, a powerful business organization, answered Mrs. Roosevelt's "request" to curb buying by these preparations theory would lead America down the wrong economic road.

Addressing 100 furniture men of this section and civic organization leaders of Charlotte at a dinner at Thacker's, Mr. Cheyney declared that the President's wife's "curb buying" hint was the best example of the theory that the country can't pay for a big defense program unless people eat less and wear less.

Mrs. Roosevelt fell all a hint on Monday that Americans should buy fewer automobiles and aluminum products and even food this year as a means of helping finance the gigantic defense preparations.

Mr. Cheyney said, is the "butter and guns" theory whose supporters believe that "the only way to pay for these preparations theory would be to make this nation so profitable that business men become more wealthy."

Only through greater and greater prosperity, said Mr. Cheyney, can the nation expect to keep the standards of living up to their accustomed level.

Most people, he declared, are trying to force the "eat less, wear less" theory by making it illegal for retailers to sell more than 50 per cent down payment.

"To deliberately add up consumer goods, and then to go on to do any good at all," he said.

He urged his listeners to contact their Representatives and Senators in Washington immediately and warn them "to watch out" for the dangers of this school of thought.

Some people, he claimed, have forgotten the economic theory on which this nation was built.

"Our system of distribution is responsible for the speed-up of progress in this country," Mr. Cheyney said, defending the retailing method of selling.

Advocates of the "eat less" economic theory are afraid, he said, that essential materials for defense are limited, but he declared that this fear is groundless.

MORE IMPORTANCE

He told the furniture men that their industry is becoming more important every day and that better business can be expected during the year.

Mr. Cheyney was introduced by John Gilmore of Charlottesville, Va., executive secretary of the Southern Furniture Association.

O. S. Perry, president of the Charlotte Retail Furniture Dealers Association, which sponsored the meeting, presided.

Among the guests were John Port, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce; Fred Smith of Advertising Associates; Hunter Jones, president of the Lions Club; Dwight Stephens, president of the Kiwanis Club; and Jimmy Lewis, formerly of Charlotte, who is now in the furniture business at Salisbury. Several out-of-town guests were introduced.



These three youngsters, good athletes and good students, have been elected as officers of the Monogram Club at Charlotte Tech High School. Left to right, H. P. Roberts, secretary-treasurer; Fred Shiu, president; and Paul Black, vice-president. Black is well-known to readers of the sports pages. He was one of the stars in last season's Shrine football game here, was one of the high scorers of the country. (News Staff Photo.)

Germany's Inspector Honored in Vichy

VICHY, France.—(AP)—General Neubronn von Eisenburg, recently appointed under the French armistice agreement as a German inspector with headquarters at Bourges, was received with military honors when he arrived here today to confer with War Minister General Charles Huntziger.

His visit was described as a routine matter connected with assumption of his new post.

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Forty and Eight Initiates 2 Candidates In "Wreck"

On The Square

By C. A. Paul

WANDERING WILLIE: It happened again the other day: I boarded a bus and sat on one of those lengthwise seats and a high school girl got aboard and started to seat herself by me. Just then the bus started forward and she plopped into my lap. Everybody laughed, of course. And a boy across the way accused the girl of blushing. I looked, and he was right. And then I suddenly brought myself to myself, and an equally certain I was also blushing. Just a nimby at heart . . . I kept on getting mail with my first names spelled out, followed by question marks. So far no readers have guessed the real names lurking behind those initials. Sometimes when I look at Pete McKnight, I wish that I too had had the foresight to get my initials. . . . Odd that for the names I refuse to bear . . . Odd that on rainy mornings the dime cabs do not cruise E. Boulevard, when you can't get a thing but the busy signal when you try to dial the quarter tax. . . . You'd swear, wouldn't you, that Kay Owsley is an English girl if you didn't know she's American—and of this here city, sure.

THE QUESTION BOX FOR WRITERS: just in case your memory needs a little jogging. . . .

THING I REMEMBER about growing up: Learning with surprise that we lived on Cherry Street—I hadn't thought that the streets in our town were named. . . .

ODDS & ENDS: For some splay language ask W. J. Cash what Cam Shipp said Belle Davis really said when she fell into that bed of cast in Death Valley. . . .

Mr. Fesperman Tells Of Losing Appendix

Continued from Second Front gave my tummy a capital case. The diagnosis follows: "Himm-m-m."

A nurse came in with a glass and stuck it into my mouth. There it stayed for a minute, while she held my wrist. . . .

CONFIRMS BAD NEWS Later another physician came in and thumped my tummy. "Himm-m-m," he said. I was glad he agreed with his colleague. . . .

CATCHES My mind at end and I was lucky, but I did not feel lucky. This I attributed to the stuff that put me to sleep. . . .

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Dimmer Held After Event

Many Visitors Here For Ceremonies

Around 200 voyagers of the American Legion's Forty and Eight secret honor society were gathered this afternoon at the Elks Country Club on the Catawba River for a Spring "wreck" of the Charlotte voice.

James O. Sheppard, of Edgfield, S. C., chef de chemin de fer, passed past national president of the order, will be the principal speaker at the banquet tonight following the afternoon "wreck."

Dr. M. R. Gibson, of Raleigh, grand chief of the North Carolina and Capt. Robert Kelsey of Spar-



DR. GIBSON

tanburg, S. C., grand chief de gare, will also be honor guests at the banquet.

EXPECTS 200 Keeley Grice, chief de gare of the Charlotte voice, was expecting more than 200 voyagers to be present for the "wreck" and banquet. The initiation ceremonies will begin at 3 P. M. and at 7 P. M. the banquet will get underway. Cecil Pate, commander of Hornets Nest Post No. 9 and grand chief de gare of the Forty and Eight, will be the toastmaster.

Visitors from volumes in surrounding cities and towns of North and South Carolina are expected to be present and candidates from several volumes are to be included in the local class that will be put through the press at the "wreck." A large delegation from Fayetteville, including many former Char-



MR. SHEPPARD

Initiates Included in the class of twelve P. G.'s of the Charlotte voice are Capt. Oliver M. Litaker of Holly Ridge; Bryan Wentz, Fred Fishrup, Warren Neil, D. L. Jones and Frank Darsey, from Hornets Nest Post; Tish Slough, J. V. Harvell, and J. Lester Gillespie from North Mecklenburg Post at Davidson; J. M. Smith and J. L. Cunn from Creek Post and Tom Leeper from Belmont.

The miniature French locomotive which with its shrill whistle and clanging bell, always adds color to Forty and Eight promenades, was expected here as members of the Monroe volume choo-choo into town with their train. It was scheduled to be in front of the Hotel Charlotte in the early afternoon for a short time.

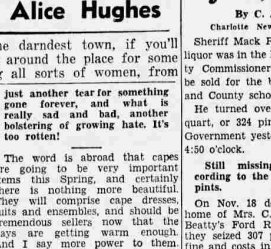
The initiation ceremonies are to be staged by a crack "wrecking crew" of the Charlotte volume under the direction of Trace Henry.

DISLOCATES JAWS The egg snake of South Africa is capable of swallowing whole legs several times larger than its head. It is able to dislocate its upper jaw from the lower, and the two halves of the lower from each other.

TERRY AND THE PIRATES



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Your Dog And Mine

By T. J. Revelle

Every man who ever tramped the fields with gun and dog looks forward to owning the "perfect dog." Many will tell you they own one, and such a dog.

GIRL ABOUT TOWN—Do you ever hear one harspichord player? All right, did you ever hear two harspichordists work on the old instruments simultaneously? I'll bet you haven't, because that's an impossible thing for a granted man or woman. Day a lot of us did the other day.

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Riley Turns Over Liquor (Most Of It, Anyhow) To County Board

By C. A. Paul

Charlotte News Staff Writer

Sheriff Mack Riley's long-missing liquor was in the hands of the County Commissioners today, ready to be sold for the benefit of the City and County school funds.

He turned over 322 pints and a quart, or 324 pints, to the County Government yesterday afternoon at 4:50 o'clock.

Still missing, however, according to the records, were 38 pints.

On Nov. 18 deputies raided the home of Mrs. C. R. Pace, just off Beauty's Ford Road, and reported they seized 307 pints. She paid a fine and costs in County Recorder's Court. Three weeks ago tonight two deputies arrested Fred Torrence and reported they found eleven pints in his car. He too was fined in County Recorder's Court, and County Chief Stanhope Lineberry said the deputies took the eleven pints out of the courtroom at the end of the trial. Sheriff Riley

stated today they turned the eleven pints over to him.

HOTEL RAID Late in January Deputy Sheriff Query Alexander, accompanied by City Detectives Altman and Gardner, raided a room in a local hotel and seized 44 pints, said Capt. Frank N. Littlejohn, chief of the City Detective Bureau, today. Capt. Littlejohn said a report on file in his office showed that Deputy Alexander took possession of the whisky. No arrest was made, said Capt. Littlejohn. He said he was in Washington for President Roosevelt's third inauguration at the time, but the manager of the hotel said someone telephoned him while the officers were making the raid and told the manager he was Capt. Littlejohn and that "everything will be fixed all right."

AT DEPUTY'S REQUEST Capt. Littlejohn said he knew nothing of the whereabouts of the 44 pints because his men did not take possession of it. He said they went with Deputy Alexander at his request, after Alexander had obtained a search warrant at City Police Headquarters.

Asked today about the 44 pints, Sheriff Riley said he knew nothing of the raid. The 307 pints plus the eleven pints plus the 44 pints totals 362 pints. The Sheriff turned in 324 pints.

So 38 pints are still not accounted for, according to the records.

On the way to passage in the General Assembly today was a bill to require all peace officers to turn over seized liquors to boards of county commissioners. The measure was offered by Mecklenburg Representative H. I. McDougle.

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Ann Sheridan Ends Movie Contract Fight

HOLLYWOOD — (AP)—The contract squabble between red-haired Ann Sheridan and Warner Brothers studio is over.

Ann, one of the biggest box office attractions in the motion picture field, is returning to work, after a long layoff, at a salary of \$1,000 a week. She and Warner have been arguing for the last six months about her contract, which called for \$50 weekly. Last October she walked out and Warner put her on the suspended list.

Today, after a series of conferences involving Ann, Hal Wallis, production executive of Warner and Myron Selznick, her agent, it was understood the studio had taken \$10,000. Also, it was learned, the studio agreed to pay all her back salary under the old contract, or approximately \$20,000.

None of the three parties to the conference would discuss the agreement reached. Ann admitted she was satisfied with the arrangement. She is scheduled to start work in "Navy Blues," a musical.

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On The Square

By C. A. Paul

ON THE SQUARE. Now that Summer is really here anything goes in footwear for women and girls. There may be in the background somewhere, an attempt at uniformity, but it is futile. Sandals with sox, sandals without sox or stockings, shoes, pumps, net stockings, and no stockings even with high-heeled patent pumps...

IN THE MARKET. "Would you be so kind as to make a reference concerning the driver who left our six-month-old ten-year living bulldog and bleeding on Crescent Avenue Monday after hitting it with his car?" I attach no blame as the dog should not have been in the street but how kinder my children would have felt toward their fellow man had the driver stopped to investigate and expressed just a few words of sympathy or regret...

Oregonians Propose 'Spitting Derby' To Aid Leaf Growers

RALEIGH—From far away Marshfield, Oregon, comes the latest attempt to aid the hard-hit tobacco growers of the southeast—an "international spitting derby". Recently a group of AAA committeemen toured North Carolina while en route to a conference in Washington. They visited the Oxford tobacco experiment station and other agricultural sections.

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Table for Tomorrow On WBT. Lists programs for the following day, including 12:30 Life Can Be Beautiful, 1:15 Women in White, and 2:30 Living Time.

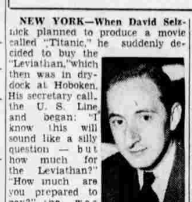
Move To Block Subversive Activities Among Teachers

BOSTON—Stuffy worded proposals intended to block subversive activities in the ranks of teachers faced the National Education Association for action today. On resolution drafted for presentation to the organization's 79th convention declared: "Neither freedom of speech nor academic freedom should be used as a cloak for activities or teachings subversive to the fundamental principles and ideals of the United States."

Bank Holidays FRIDAY and SATURDAY

Friday, July 4, Independence Day, and Saturday, July 5, State Holiday, being legal holidays, the following banks will be closed: American Trust Co., Citizens Savings & Loan Bank, Commercial National Bank, City Industrial Bank, Bank Union National Bank, Industrial Loan & Investment Bank, Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., Morris Plan Bank.

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NEW YORK—When David Selig planned to produce a movie called "Titanic" he suddenly decided to buy the "Leviathan," which then was in dry-dock at Hoboken. His secretary called the U. S. Line and told him this would sound like a silly question but he wanted to know how much for the "Leviathan." How much are you prepared to pay? she was asked—and he replied: "\$75,000."

HUNT: Dr. Tsune Chi Yu, the Chinese Consul, has been swapping war stories with Son Chan, the restaurateur. One of the tales concerned recent maneuvers in British, designed to "destroy" some parachute troops who "landed" and established a bridgedhead. During these maneuvers, the "Defending Army" captured most of the "invaders"—but some of them escaped. When, after a search, they couldn't be found, the army officials notified the police—who found the escaped men in record time—the bar of the nearest public house.

POLITICS: After the American Labor Party meeting this week, two of the officers went into a corner and began whispering to each other. "What are they doing?" David Dubinsky asked Joe Wilson. "Are those two discussing politics—or telling dirty stories?" That's hard to say, was the answer. "Because under both circumstances, the facial expressions usually are the same."

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