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### Who Said That? A Slogan Would Have To Be Altered To Fit This Merger

Altered To Fit This Merger

There are obvious advantages in consolidating the country's two telegraph services and allowing them to operate inside Federal post office buildings.

As Jesses Jones points out, there has been no real room for competition between Western Union and Postal Telegraph since the Government started fixing all rates many years ago. Futhermore, any Jesses, without competition there can be no profiteering. In fact, it has been necessary in recent years to lend Postal about five and a half million dollars to beep the company going. Economy and ufficiency demand that there should be a single telegraph agency, just as there

efficiency demand that there should be a single telegraph agency, just as there is now only one express company, one briphone company, and one U. S. mail system. And certainly there are plenty of new and spacious post office buildings. Yet there remains one drawback. We shudder to think what the nation's post-masters are going to say when the tel-graph companies more in on them and short tacking up that familiar alogan, "Don't write, telegraph!"

### Utter Confusion

Washington Gives the Red-Green-Yellow Signal

Green-Yellons Signal
Weshington has made it all very clear, these last few days, exactly what the gas hortage means to automobile-owners in the Eastern Seaboard. If means, in a word, that they may look forward to a westly ration of the go-fuel not exceeding fire gallons and perhaps half of that. No, that isn't it, it's somewhere letween 30 and 50 gallons a month that such motorist will be entitled to. Come to hink- of it, maybe there won't be any rationing at all. But to avoid it, Washington suggests, save all the gas you can anyhow.

We think it goes without saying that storists are ready to accept whatever suitation is necessary and advisable sen the use of their automobiles. If when the use of their automobiles. If y their indulgent consumption of gaso-line they are contributing indirectly to the sinking of tankers off the coast and the loss of seamen aboard those tankers, they will walk and be glad to. Being rauged individuals, however, they see no sees in walking while their neighbors side, and their neighbors have taken the stitute that if gasoline is freely offered for sale at filling stations, it might as well be burned as left to evaporate. From Washington's many and diverse

m Washington's many and diverse ictions, the people have gained only use of utter confusion. They don't se of utter confusion. They don't what they should do, much less Show what they should do, much less what they will have to do, Nothing abort of iron-clad rationing will now convince them that the gas shortage is wholly real, and nothing less than a full-dress Treede Chat or a Supreme Court decision will reassure them that, this time, the Government has made up its minds. In only one particular will they derive any autifaction, and that is in the happy recollection that the military men, not the bureaucrats, are in charge of the war.

# Old N. C. Custom

Another State Looks at the Larder and Adopts It Pronto

Miss Katharine Lenroot, head of the Children's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor, would in other times have raised bor hands in holy horror at something that happened recently in New York . Its Legislature passed a law rupt the school term for a mo er to permit children to do farm

is a strange conflict to watch, this America's newer verities on their to brish with the hard facts of natal survival. In the beginning child or was a term which meant the ployment of children, and as such perly was to be controlled. But by its presion and a playersens, another than the property was to be controlled. But by its presion and approximate the present of the present steesion and enlargement, specifically the phrasing of a proposed consti-sitional amendment, child labor finally sale to mean work of any kind by bldern under eighteen years of age. these of the men on Bataan probably at not reached their eighteenth birth-

s in North Carolina, the greater tion of which his agricultural, the tion of which his agricultural, the stion of children's working on farms always been looked at practically, and to be. Large farm families were the control of the control of the partial particularly at harvest a not the State made allowance for the charten of the control of the control of the charten of the control of the charten of the charte

then breaking into the term for a month in the Fall so that the farm children could help with the crops. Now New York State, likewise a big agricultural producer, has put in the same system under the stress of—well, call it fear of national hunger.

And what sayeth the Department of Labor? Well, it hasn't any jurisdiction in the matter, anyhow, since these children are not employed. But the social workers, in all probability, are like the rest of us. If a searcity is in sight, hang reforms. Let the little devils get out and gather. Be good for them, anyhow. gather. Be good for them, anyhow.

### Fair Enough

The President's War Economy Calls for Common Sacrifice

Calla for Common Sacrifice
It was the President of the United
States who spoke straight to his people
last night in the evident and earnest
purpose to raily all of them to the
preservation of their country from
dangers without and within. The immediate prospect he described was not inviting, and nobody knows, of course, inviting, and nobody knows, of course, intype of the present of the reception by the
300 million people of the nation.
But the long odds are that the people
listening to him in their homes last
night, the people of all stations and
political denominations and shades, of
opinion, Americans, found that his words
touched in them a common love of
country and a resolution to defend it at
all costs. Always present, this patriotism.

all costs. Always present, this patriotism requires great occasions and great leadership to call it forth,

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It is characteristic of Americans that
even in times of national peril—indeed,
all the more in times of national peril—
they maintain a sort of competitive
spirit. Sacritice they do not mind so
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spirit. Sacritice they do not mind so
maintain and the second of the second of the
without intentional discrimination upon
all alike And perhaps there seer many
listening to the President last light
whose ears were sharpened to detect in
his words some sign as to whether the
leadership he offered was on a rigorous
share-and-share-alike basis, or with indulgences. There can be no doubt as
to the sign he gave.

With allowances for differences over
method, the President's declaration of
intent was clear. For the period of
the
divantage shelveen Americans, Upon
all of them alike falls the obligation to
subordinate individual concerns to the
transcendental concerns of winning the
war and preserving some vestige of the
national economy that in winning the
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national economy that in winning the war we shall not have lost a heritage.

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The way in which the President proposed to go about it was, in American words, fair enough. We all are in the same boat. Sacrifice is to be in proportion to means, which in America has always been considered fair enough. By always been considered fair enough. By our own unbegrudging consent a heavy discipline is to descend upon our system of free enterprise and individualism, immobilizing it for gain of person or class; and that, under the compelling circumstances, is fair enough.

The people hold the President to that declaration of principle, and the President and the people must hold Congress to list effectuation. The whole of the nation is at stake, and the whole is greater than any of its parls, and must be favored accordingly.

### At Home

State Tuberculosis Ass'n Originated Here Years Ago

Out of a meeting called in Charlotte 29 years ago, attended by a handful of people, grew the body which now is well known as the North Carolina Tubercu-losis Association and which holds its an-

known as the North Carolina Tubercu-losis Association and which holds its an-nual meeting in Charlotte today. It is proof again of the sdage that from little acorns, mighty oaks may grow. Like many worthwhile undertakings, this one was initiated, in its lasting form, by the Red Cross. But the for-mation of the statewide association was an assignment with which a few Char-lotteans, among them Mrs. C. C. Hook, Hamilton C. Jones, Mrs. Gordon Finger and others, were charged. They bor-rowed \$300 and sent forth a young min-later to organize the rest of the state. So hearty was the response that the organizers were enabled to repay the loan immediately, and from that com-mencement has evolved the larger as-sociation which supports its appealing which is supported to the same of the familiar culvities by the sale of

# Spring, But No Drive

By Paul Mallon

WASHINGTON



our to renew Ostemath to go to December 19 to 1

BOVING CENTER BACKS THE FLANKS

ROVING CENTER

BACKS THE FLANKS

Hitler is evidently counting on
on the central and northern front,
to keep the Russians from breating through his weakened forces
there. His transportation facilities
slans that he can move from the
center to the south much faster.
But he seems to have depleted
his center to such an extent that
tion to get them back when the
thaws pass in a few weeks.
Time weighs heavily on
shoulders, and every moment he
going means that much less chance
of success. The Russians, fortumaintain themselves in both areas.

SPRING OFFENSIVE

makely, have enough manpower to maintain themselves in both areas. SPRING OFFENSIVE NETS ONLY FEXAM BUT ON THE TOTAL THE TOTAL BUT OF THE BUT OF

siny British rock under the toe of Mussolini's boot, but it is still there telcking him as well as the faded Mussolini. An observation of the faded Mussolini. Nothing has happened so far in Spain or at Gibraiter, although promised and promised has been promised and promised have been not been deep to the faded of th

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to him.

Also the British have behind the
Commandos the home forces, and
they could conceivably throw these
in behind the Commandos to make
their stay longer. For the present, that situation stands only as

Ready: One, Two, Three, Eat!

(Hilda Honeycutt, Stanly News & Press) Stanty News & Fress;
Evidently all of the Home Economics girls do not study when they should. Mrs. Troxler gave a test on Table Service which provided her with some interesting

"The hostess is the same as the host, except she is not a man."
"A Bilence Cloth is used to cover your dishes on the table with."
"Crumbing the table means spilling all the crumba you can on the table.
"Crumbing the table means applling all the crumba you can on the table."
"A woman guest is a woman inwited to your home, and she sits as the menu runs."
"A woman guest is a woman inwited to your home, and she sits as a she follows her in eating."

The New Yorker

"Character is what we are when we are alone with ourselves in the dark."—Patchwork.

Or better yet, with someone else in the dark.

After Waiting So Long for Nice Weather



### Letters to the Editors:

# Subjects For Editors

Here are four editorial subjects for editors who have not got brains enough to think and have to have a subject that does not require thinking. Any sixth grade pupil can write an editorial on one of these subjects and get a big hand for it.

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### Wants "Facts" About 40-Hour Law

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Editors, The News;
Why does The News not print
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J. E. SAGE. Charlotte,

Thank-You Note

From Fore and Filters in News withdress in Jettings and wolft your inewspaper. We enjoyed it very much as It was our first dime to see a newspaper printed. Thank you for showing us hrough use —MISS HOLCOMBES FIFTH GRADE.

"The Scene Has Changed For Uncle Sam . . .

WAVES OF REDEMPTION
The fighting ships at Harbor Pear
Tugged lazily, and the aeroplane
Closely placed and wing to wing
Bespoke the work of idle brains.

Like bolts of Thor the bombers came From sky, their carriers, sleek and long Were fighter-ringed within the range Of vital spots on Island strong.

That islands lost would be redeemed
The Prexy said in stirring speech
And hope was born that help
would reach
The battling boys on Bataan's
Beach.

Through honeyed words and hidden threat The Japs had duped the patient peers Of Congress, the Cabinet Through weeks and months and fateful years.

Another day, another month The scene has changed, for Uncle

Sam Awake at last, is on the march From Randolph Field to Amster-dam.

Like fledglings fit the aeroplanes Are made, then quick are in the air; They grimly search the seven seas Spotting the enemy everywhere.

Like cagles swift they etch the Like falcons flerce they find the A spurt, a dive, a burst of flame The debris' seen the afterglow.

The artillery, the engineers, the infantry
Await the hour of early dawn
When they like Yanks of other days
Have taken off, to battle gone.

The chariots of iron await the call The flats to take, the sharp in-Ready to pit their mauling might 'Gainst trench and fort firing line.

Rush on oh waves of might and Rush on on war war right
Routing the enemy, redeeming the dead
Slashing the seas with scythes of steel . Til fleets of iron away have fled. In days to come our naval guns Will jar the Japs with blow on

They'll stab the seas, the stratosphere From Singapore to Tokyo.

Speed the day, oh Destiny
When bombing planes will set
their sights
On Yokohama, its yellow men
And let them have the dynamite.
—W. W. GRAVEN, M. D. Charlotte.

"Brawny and Brown And Simple at Heart ..." Editors THE NEWS

PORTUGUESE FISHERMEN Across the water's gray expanse
The little trawlers hurry,
While pickaninnies sing and dance,
And fiddlers sandward scurry;
For night is failing on the sea,
And day and work are done,
And home is calling tenderly,
As sinks the setting sun.

The holds are filled with the day's full catch,
And the Portuguese nets are And the shrimp are on ice to the top of the hatch,

For the fishers have worked from dawn; The vessels are manned with branch with the control of the Whose hearts and whose mus-for the the control of the control for the work the control of a trimp and then Set sall for home with a song.

They are brawny and brown and simple at heart,
With a faith that is child-like and sure.
And the crucifix placed in their ships is a part
Of thier love for their Saviour

so pure.
As the sun goes down on the far western shore.
The Portuguese Fleet fills the

bay,
And their soft foreign voices tell
o'er and o'er
Far more than their words ever
say.

-MAUDE WADDELL.
Charleston, S. C.

Three Steps Forward,

Kick; and Repeat

Chapel Hill Weekly
The next event in the Graham
Memorial's series of informal
dances will be the Tokyo Tromp.
to be held from 9 to 12 octock
tomorrow (Saturday) evening the
the main Jounge of the building.
Admission is free and everybody is invited.

The Thought, Not the Gift

Not the Gift
Dave Sink, Lexington Dispatch
Speaking of Mr. Thomason, he
had a piece of luck the other day,
drug store, just sitting, when a
Florida car drove by. An errant
wind blew from the rear of the
car a new straw hat and Mr.
Thomason picked it up. Of course,
Thomason picked it up. Of course,
and the straw of the could atop it. So now he has
his Summer hat, a little small
but it will do nevertheless. And
then, the same week, a friend presented him a quart of likker. Of
ter, but he appreciates the spirit
behind the gift.

TODAY'S BIBLE THOUGHT

Christ revealed the father, do we reveal Christ? If ye had known me ye should have known my father also,—Matt. 8:19.

# Side Glances



"I have my doubts about baseball bolstering the nation's morale—just look at you when the home team loses!"

Man With A Big Job

By Reymond Clapper

WASHINGTO

SO far as it is possible to judge, President Roserell's leadership seems to gain in strength and to be considerably stronger



can National Com-mittee resolutions, the public utterances of men in busi-ness and industry all seem to place increased confidence in the leadership of the President.

If this is the case, it is a remark-able tribute to Mr. Roosevelt, because we have been through a long series of defeats and heavy losses. During thi in England sagged considerably al-though it has recovered somewhat now.

though it has recovered somewhat now.
It is not the way of democratic countries to treat their leaders too kindly in periods of advarsity. For many months Mr. Roosevelt has had little except bad news to offer the country. American lives have been lost by our unpreparedness in Hawaii and the Philippines. We have been hardly successful in checking submarine ravages among our ships.

THE PEOPLE ACCEPT

THE INEVITABLE

It must be that the American people
are taking a hard-headed, practical
attitude. Evidently they realize that
war cannot always bring good news
and that setbacks do not always call
for a sacrificial goat. They know that war in these times requires also behind the lines and recognize that the President is doing what must be done when he calls for new sacri-If anything the public ready to accept more hardship than the Government has asked for.

To anyone who looks back over the last few years it must be evident Mr. Roosevelt more than most of us sensed what was taking place and tried eened what was taking place and tried against many obstacles to prepare for the dangers ahead. No doubt that has sobered critics. If Mr. Roosevelt is to be criticized, it is for not baving been more ruthless in overriding opposition to his preparations for war.

He is now again compelled to take firm action to check inflation and firm action to check inflation and hold our economy steady against the violent forces which the war has feleased. With so many distortions in ordinary supply and demand, drastic protective measures unnecessary in normal times become imperative.

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IN WAR, IT IS RESULTS THAT COUNT

RESULTS THAT COUNT

In these like, Robervelt will sagainneed the support of thinking people.
He will need good American common
sense to support shim, in facing realtiles without regard to school-room,
theories intended for inormal times.

Our best lesson in that is the way
Riller disregarded orthodox economics
to obtain the war preparations he
wanted. When most of the respectable economists of the world said
Hiller should by all of the rules collapse in national bankrupicy, he was
going right sheed building up the force going right ahead building up the force that came within a hair's breadth of mastering the world.

It does seem however, that as soon as Mr. Roosevelt can break away from these immediate material problems, fresh attention could be given to the purposes for which the United Nations intend to use their victory, Mr. Roosevelt's leadership is needed there badly now.

Now.

East of Sues we are regarded as fighting to restore the heted imperialisms imposed by the western nations. Asia is through with them. Our whole cause needs to be clarified. It needs that liberation, proto be made clear that liberation the place of nineteenth century ex-ploitation of native peoples and natural

piolitation of native peoples and natural resources.
Leadership in that must inevitably be loaded on President Rosevita. The American record with regard to the Philippines is the greatest asset the United Nations have in the East. It lies unused while the Japanese represent themselves as liberators of Aria. Presi-dent Rocesvelt can lead the United Nations in Lating that wearon out of netter reosever can lead the United Nations in taking that weapon out of the hands of the Japanese and using it on the side where it belongs.

# Visitin' Around

Zliphia Knows the Way

(Bailey Camp item, Lenoir News-Topic)

Mr. Richard Trexler was dinner guest at Miss Zilphia Bolick's Sunday.

Sounds Like a Catalogue Of Bad Habits (Reedy Creek Hem.

Lexington Dispatch)
The farmers have been very bug
turning rye land for tobacce.