

Health At Home

Charlotte and Mecklenburg, given to following a trail that's downright hereditary, are still about the business of solving their own problems.

The County Commissioners, concerned because there are only four nurses to serve the thousands of children in Mecklenburg schools, have taken steps to acquire another nurse.

The Commissioners have invited the Rockefeller Foundation to come in and assist in its health program.

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Day Of Reward

Saturday, rain or shine, Franklin Roosevelt will take office as President of the United States for the fourth time.

But in the front rows, in the choicest seats, a group of beaming citizens will look upon the ceremonies with full satisfaction.

A quarter of them will be Southerners. Eighteen of them will be South Carolinians—but only two of them North Carolinians.

The division of places between the Carolina will cause a puzzle. The two Tar Heels (a brace of Blythes come from a state which gave the President over 527,000 votes, or 66 per cent of the total).

In those rows will sit men and women from all sections of the country—but they will not be from all walks of life.

A Rum World, Mates

SOAK twenty-eight years ago, Samuel Lee, of a new graduate school at Harvard, described his idea as "A modest program for the retrogressive re-education of philosophers."

At Long Last

The War Manpower Commission and the Selective Service System, laboring together, have finally produced a military and industrial manpower program which strikes us as downright sensible.

Before yesterday the draft people had a clumsy and unwieldy deferment policy for 35 so-called essential industries.

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Death Of A Hero

Aces in this war don't live long. The very courage which makes them killers in combat leads them almost inevitably to death.

And even when his end came he was about the dangerous business of running up his list of 27 U. S. Greenman planes.

It was not only a tragic end to a brilliant air battle fought in full view of his mates below; it was the tragic end of a brief and illustrious career as a warrior.

More than a few weeks away from home when he was killed. He had been back to Greensboro on furlough, a hard-core veteran who came so recently a Guilford College schoolboy.

Some of his records have already fallen and others may not endure. Among so many young airmen before him and after him, his name may not live for history, but he will not be forgotten.

The 7-12 cent cigar, authorized by the OPA, is still in the blueprint stage—Trade note. But those who know tobacco best prefer tobacco.

Getting the virus of war identified and destroyed is only a beginning. FDR would like to know what causes communism.

The course in Comparative Literature will be supplemented by a literature course in French. The course will be offered on the Superior, the Obvious, the Hit-or-Miss, the Fly-and-Large, the Fuzzy-wuzzy, the Gooey-squishy, and the other forms in which Truth appears to the ordinary intelligence.

After receiving a long series of discouraging reports on China, President Roosevelt was delighted last week to get an encouraging report from Representative M. Mansfield of Montana.

The Montana Congressman paid tribute to the job that the United States has done in China, and said that some of them are now giving an excellent account of themselves in Burma.

When Chiang finds something wrong, he reports it to the Chinese First and Sixth Armies. The President asked Mansfield how Americans were now regarded in China and got the report the United States now stands in high esteem.

Had the January, 1944, program been put into effect in January, 1942, without the complicated muddle in which it is now bogged down.

"Father, Dear Father, Come Home With Me Now"

With the war on, it is time to think of the man who has been away from home for so long. He has been away from home for so long that he has almost forgotten the home he is leaving.

"Clear It With Anna"

Actually, she is more than that. Of late, when he has been swamped by work and pestered by requests of the kind and another, he has resorted increasingly to the phrase "See Anna about that."

Now that President Roosevelt is about to enter on what may prove to be the greatest test of his entire career, it is worthwhile pointing out that years of dire predictions about his health that were part of the whispering campaign of last October have come to pass.

There has, however, been one important addition to the household during the past year. Mrs. Anna Roosevelt, the President's daughter, came to live at the White House somewhat more than a year ago, when her husband's assignment in the Army took him overseas.

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conspiration was being handled. So he sent his two sons out to make a complete investigation. Mr. Parsons fired the report, Chiang personally went to the office of the conscription director, checked over the evidence and ordered the man jailed and court-martialed.

Chennault's Teamwork "I liked General Chennault," he left reported, "why he didn't give a bulldog to his air base as they do in other theaters, and thus give the boys credit for the enemy planes they knock off."

Manfield was the first non-military American to ride over that part of the Burma Road which has been referred to as the "Hump." He found morale "magnificent" among the thousands of American men and hundreds of American nurses working under difficult conditions at the end of the Allied supply line.

Manfield found that the Americans, British and Chinese now fighting together in Burma are really getting along well together for the first time. He paid high tribute in his report to Major General Peeling, commander of the British Fourteenth Army who is co-operating so well with our own General Wedemeyer.

Nat—Mansfield tried to visit the Chinese Communists in northern China but was unsuccessful. He reported to President Roosevelt that Marshal Stalin was quite correct in his dealings with Chiang Kai-Shek, and all his Chinese relief supplies to the Central Government, note to the Communists.

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"I dreamed that I took that cleaning woman of ours all through the house and showed her how she had skipped all the corners—and she didn't even talk back!"

People's Platform

Readers who are interested in the American press and its relative freedom will find a fascinating critique from the liberal point of view in The Disappearing Daily, by Oswald Garrison Villard.

Take It Easy On The Bus

In your paper of Jan. 13 there was an article of which I did not approve. Before joining the Armed Forces I was once a bus driver.

Have you for one time thought of this? That the people who wait for you in the stores have to travel by bus or trolley buses, just as you can't get a trolley bus.

A Note From Door-Knockers

I would like to express to you my appreciation for the fact that you have published even the "Door-Knockers" during the Sixth War Loan Drive.

We are most grateful to you and feel that your stories and pictures were most helpful in dealing with the victorious outcome of our drive which made possible the purchase of our new bomber.

He Likes Living

WITH THE U. S. FIRST ARMY in the Balkans, a moment when the world is shaken with tales, it is a consolation to know that the man who has been in the East Sussex Club at St. Leonards-on-Sea.

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