

MONDAY, MAY 14, 1945

Professors' Hire

It is easy enough, and bound to be popular, to strike an indignant attitude against an annual expense fund for professors...

We have heard it said, or have read somewhere, that "they" from other people's incomes...

Congressmen, unlike business and professional men, may not charge off on their income tax returns...

If a business man calls his Congressman about a matter, the call is an expense and so deductible...

If a business man has offices in two places, the cost of his travel back and forth between them is an expense chargeable to his business...

We think it may be sensibly argued that a lot of Congressmen aren't worth \$10,000 a year, much less an expense account in addition...

Repeat Clients

There is something dangerously hit-or-miss in the traditional method of trying and punishing criminals in the United States...

There is a bill up in Congress, the Kilgore-Waller bill, which would attempt to substitute individual analysis and treatment of wrongdoers...

There may be a good deal of mollycoddling in such methods, but the short comings of the traditional system justify some experimentation...

And so far as the state court in Mecklenburg County may be a sample of the administration of justice in North Carolina, the danger hereabout is not, it seems to me, that it may be left free to do crimes against society...

It's almost axiomatic in Mecklenburg that when a man commits a serious violation of the law, he must go to court record. For the latest instance, take the case of the young man charged with beating another man's head in with a hammer...

Bill to be tried on that charge, his record shows nonetheless how much of

Statesmen At Work

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the business of the cops and the courts hereabout is repeat business. First he was sent to Jackson Training School. Thereafter his record runs:

August, 1933—Charged in City Police Court with theft of radio; judgment not stated.

December, 1935—Field in the investigation of an automobile theft; no charge preferred.

February, 1937—Now eighteen years old, he pleaded guilty in Superior Court to larceny and was sentenced to four months. A more serious charge of breaking and entering was dropped, probably in return for his plea of guilty to the larceny.

December, 1937—Tried in Superior Court on two counts of broke breaking and larceny, acquitted by jury.

October, 1938—Tried in Superior Court for breaking and entering, larceny, and receiving stolen goods. Sentenced to four to seven years on the larceny count, sentence of five to ten years on the receiving count suspended.

As Amended

With one basic amendment, we think we would approach unqualifiedly Representative Joe Ervin's suggestion to his fellow members of Congress...

Lighting into the bill with both feet, furiously, Mr. Ervin warned his colleagues before voting on it to make sure people back home understood what the bill would do...

...a labor leader, a contractor, the town postmaster, the heads of the local agencies of the Federal Government, the secretary of the Merchants Association, head of the county Grange, a newspaper publisher, banker, manufacturer, some good white women who were working in industry, a member of the Railroad Brotherhood, a man in the trucking business, local court officers, the Governor or his representative, the American Legion post commander...

The reception of FEPC is likely to be, we concede, most damaging in those very regions where it is intended to bring about the greatest change, and we are dreadfully apprehensive that the bill may pass even so, the mere defeat of it will mark no milestone in the betterment of human relations and the economic progress of millions of Negro Americans...

So we suggest the amendment to Mr. Ervin's suggestion after a Congressman has gathered his representative citizens together and they have denounced the FEPC, let the question be put to all of them: "Well, now, what do you plan to propose in order to improve the job opportunities and the living standards of the American Negro?"

Demonstration

We suppose that the Optimists Club must feel kind of sat on now that both the City Council and the School Board have declined to support the resolution against the Jehovah's Witnesses...

Everybody needs to be taught now and again that the constitutional freedoms of speech and the press and religious worship are designed, expressly, to protect not the orthodox or the eminently respectable...

The Optimists, contemptuous of the Witnesses' war record, spoke out in protest. In doing so they reminded our local authorities that the most sacred freedom is frequently a safeguard for the very persons who may have done the least to earn it...

It's a good theory, if it has worked

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Slaughter Or Starvation?

By Drew Pearson

WASHINGTON

BACK in 1937-38, Admiral William Leahy, now Chief of Staff, White House, devised a strategy against Japan which, if it had been followed, might have prevented Pearl Harbor and even World War II.

The Panay Incident

At any rate, the plan to blockade Japan, following the failure of the Brussels conference in October, 1937, was dropped. Later, when, in December 1938, the Japs sank the U. S. gunboat Panay and the British gunboat Ladybird...

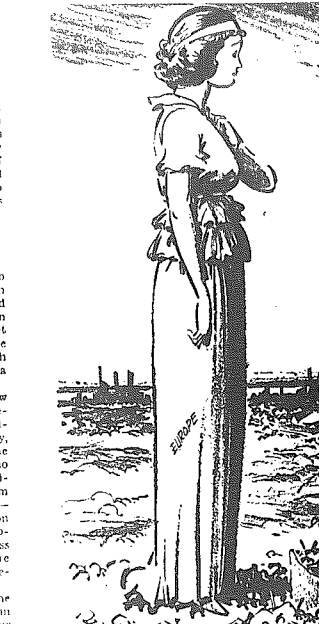
Act and Counteract

President Roosevelt agreed. So did the British. And in the late summer of 1937, the British actually denied six battleships, twelve cruisers and twenty destroyers to leave British home waters for Singapore...

Japan Can Be Starved

But beginning with V-E Day last week, the possibility of blocking Japan for the first time since 1937 was completely reversed. Since V-E Day, the British fleet is entirely free to operate in the Pacific...

He Makes A Solitude, And Calls It Peace—Byron



Just Us Chickens

By Samuel Grafton

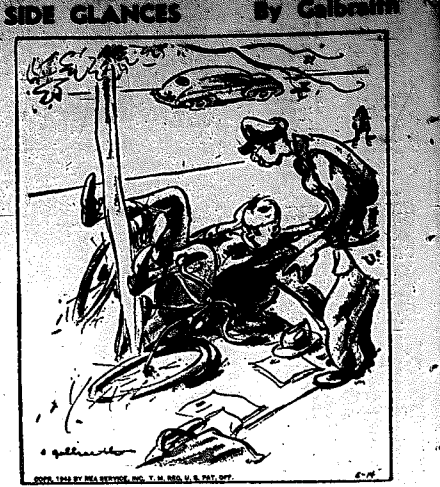
THE Reich's proud 2nd Air Corps has surrendered. It was a "haughty" fashion. Its members brought their own cognac and champagne along with them...

Food For Starving Europe

By Marquis Childs

A SERIES of clarifying statements has opened the way to a positive action to straighten out our dwindling food supply. That will be the purpose to send help to Europe...

That is where the third statement serves a useful purpose. It comes from the special House committee on food and agriculture. It is a long and detailed report on what is wrong with our food supply and why the black market should be such a menace at this time...



"My son had 24 bombing missions in the Pacific without half as much trouble as I've had with this biker!"

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have been arrested of Grand Admiral Doenitz as a prisoner of war and was a criminal; even short delay was dangerous for it is by the prompt style in which we conduct ourselves that lay down the conditions of unconditional surrender...

V-E Day In Jerusalem

By Dorothy Thompson

JERUSALEM

THE Palestine Symphony Orchestra, founded by Toscanini and Huberman and composed of refugees musicians...

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Quote, Unquote

I DON'T see any possibility of any tax reductions except of the most trivial nature as long as the war with Japan continues...