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ZONING LAW MUST BE MAINTAINED

THE zoning Superior Court hearing in the case of the City of Charlotte versus George Levan, restaurant operator, will have an important bearing on the future of the city's new zoning ordinance.

Mr. Levan leased a residence at 1122 N. Morehead St. after several months of negotiations for the purpose of converting it into a fashionable restaurant, without changing its structure.

with zoning ordinance, payment of taxes, observance of wage-hour regulations, or what-not. The holding of a license, the City contends, does not relieve him of such responsibility.

The City further contends that the zoning ordinance will never be effective if exceptions are made here and there, and asks that the restaurant be permanently closed.

There is a good deal of merit to each side and there is certainly ground for sympathy with Mr. Levan in his predicament. As a simple matter of courtesy, the City official issuing the license should have suggested to Mr. Levan the full check into zoning regulations of the zoning ordinance.

CHRISTMAS PRESENT FOR HUMANITY

SINCE 1904 the death rate from tuberculosis has been cut 80 per cent. But this is no cause for complacency, since it proved that an annual fight is necessary to keep this deadly disease - it is to be prevented - at bay for further public health.

The 42nd annual Christmas Seal Sale started yesterday, in Charlotte and in the remainder of the nation. Various organizations devoted to fighting tuberculosis will through this campaign, seek to inform the public of the necessity of wiping out tuberculosis completely and attempt to raise funds to carry out this task.

The seals, packed off your Christmas packages, will be used for your and your family's defense of tuberculosis, and your contributions in return for the seals will enable such groups as the Mecklenburg County Tuberculosis and Health Association to continue such work as that being carried out through the mobile X-ray unit.

THE KITTY HAWK COMES HOME

NORTH CAROLINA has, you might say, adopted Orville and Wilbur Wright, the two young men from Dayton, Ohio, bicycle shop who launched man's massive invasion of the sky from a sandy hill on the Teel coast.

When Orville and Wilbur Wright chose Kitty Hawk as the site for their first tests of their flimsy, frightening heavier than air craft, they wrote the name of North Carolina bold in the history book of man's progress. Since that windy day in December, 1903, the name of North Carolina, the Wright brothers and it has displayed pride by erecting on Kill Devil Hill a tall tower which, like a giant finger, points prophetically to the sky.

Now, as they fly along with Orville and Wilbur Wright when the Smithsonian Institution sought to minimize the importance of the Wright brothers' flight by giving credit to Samuel Langley, who also built an airplane, "A Heels were sympathetic when Orville Wright angrily shipped his plane - the Kitty Hawk - off to England.

It is tragic that so many Hollywood stars are addicted to the use of sleeping tablets. We have heard of the habits of those who appear in films so easy to do so naturally. - Jackson (Miss) News.

United States Must Take Action

What The Peruvian Revolution Implies

By SUMNER WELLES

THE PERUVIAN revolution affords new evidence of the disintegration of the American Republics.

The good neighbor policy in its first stage concentrated on the removal of dirt. It abolished all forms of United States interference. It brought about the conclusion of a series of inter-American treaties of which the most important is the Pact of Bogota. It ended hostility to the United States and laid the groundwork for a regional system based on confidence and a recognition of common interest.

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The solidification of the Roosevelt Administration was premised on the assurance that social progress and political stability in the hemisphere were contingent upon higher living standards, the growth of democracy, the improvement of living conditions, better nutrition, sanitation, education and communications. It is believed that the necessary financial and economic co-operation that was undertaken would not only increase the probability of political and military security but would provide greater demand and increased purchasing power to United States exports.

The deplorable lack of consistency in American foreign policy was again emphasized when, notwithstanding the demagogic rattle of the good neighbor policy, its essential features were discarded as soon as the need arose.

Remember that your kindest and most understanding friends will find occasion for talking and finding something every day they live to play and forgive. - Lomer (Mo.) Democrat.

This is the season of the deer. When farmers' cows meet death like deer. And many feathered, crowing flocks Lay down their lives as wild game cocks. - Blaine C. Bioter in Greenville (Tenn.) Sun.

WARTIME TRAGEDIES VIEWED IN HINDSIGHT

FLEET ADMIRAL BERNETT J. KING, following with time, has now decided that the war in the Pacific was a military disaster. He has concluded that the Pearl Harbor case, their sins as amended, were the result of a "human error" of commission - errors of judgment as distinguished from culpable inefficiency. These were sins of which a great part of the American public and its experts and leaders were guilty in the dark year of 1941. And Admiral King points to the "human error" of commission - errors of judgment - as the cause of the disaster.

Whatever history ultimately decides about the degree of blame attaching to the Navy leaders for the Pearl Harbor disaster, few will dispute that the "human error" of commission - errors of judgment - was the cause of the disaster. And it may well be that history will place an even greater responsibility for that disaster on the "human error" of commission - errors of judgment - of the Army and Air Force. A lack of civilian and military experts are trying to overcome.

It was and is that lack of courage, that opened up the "Battle of the Solomons" again this week. Bitterly between the services is the chief contention of the "Battle of the Solomons" in 1944, and for its organization. When Marine General Holland M. Howling said "Smith re-

A Kentucky man was kicked by a horse he was forcing. He shouldn't have left it in gear. - Fort Myers (Fla.) News-Press.

Falling butter prices may win back some old consumers who still remember the taste. - Memphis (Tenn.) Press-Scimitar.

lieved Army Major General Ralph Smith of command of the 7th Division. Because that division had failed to advance as swiftly as the two Marine divisions flanking it and because the Marine commander in Hawaii, very apparently not so much designed to clear the military name of General Ralph Smith as to drive in the "Howling Mad" side, let it appear that "no Marine was qualified to command a troop."

Currently "Howling Mad" is letting off steam in a magazine article, and an Army historian has written a book about the "Howling Mad" for the sake of those who did on Guadal and for our success in any future war.

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Money Down Two Drains

WASHINGTON

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Unsigned Letters

FROM THE JACKSON (MISS.) DAILY NEWS: The desk is an anonymous letter from some highly opinionated and densely ignorant counter-feit of a human being in which all persons who voted for Thurmond and Wright ticket are bitterly assailed.

Before tossing the letter into a capacious wastebasket, I thought I might as well give you each year we pause long enough to say this: Only a person headed straight for hell who has the guts to make the heart of a hyena and the conscience of a cow and the smell of a polecat could have penned such a distribute.

Quote, Unquote

CONFIDENCE: It's not my many foolish crimes that will save me from the gallows. It's just that I've convinced them. - To friends who can't forget. - The Cheerful Chemist, Washington Gas (Va.) Powell Valley News.

Cooperative Rule Of The Ruhr

TO UNDERSTAND the importance of the Ruhr, you have to understand what would happen if a slice of the USA that stretches from Cleveland to the Atlantic Ocean were cut out of our economy. Removal of the great blast furnaces and rolling mills in this area would paralyze the basic industry of the American industrial farm and machine tools. Almost every industry would come to a halt.

Like France, Italy, Belgium, most of Europe are part dependent on the Ruhr for their raw materials and consumers are even more dependent on the producers. To them the Ruhr is vital to the life of the nation.

It is to make sure it doesn't become another arsenal for war.

Thorny Problem

WASHINGTON: THE great accomplishment at Key West, it now appears, was to forge a close link between the President and the Senate leaders. The President on holiday took all sorts of good resolutions to rectify one of the major errors of his first administration, which was to restrict to a minimum the management of day conduct of legislative business.

As Key West, he told both Vice President Barkley and Speaker Rayburn that he was determined to enact what he called the "New Deal, New Deal." And he promised to work closely with them on this long, complex and arduous task.

If these good resolutions are kept, Key West has answered one of the two great questions about the future of the second American administration: "Will it be a good many of the first?" The answer is, "Yes, indeed." The President put off answering the question even longer and more painful question until his holiday was over. His central problem of staffing the new administration with men who will command the utmost public confidence, does not appear to have been finally solved as yet.

But his plans have been taken to be sure. The President evidently concluded during the campaign that it was best to name a man who had the State Dept. Chief Justice Vinson would be the best replacement. The President's own selection, when he conceived the Vinson mission, was not so soon made as it is fairly well-established that the Chief Justice was sounded out about the court soon after his appointment, and indicated the greatest reluctance to do so. No doubt, the President was in a delicate position with Marshall, the man he most admired, was further increased.

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Consumers Have Vested Interest

THE PRINCIPLES of a co-operative is that the consumer is just as important as the producer. If the co-operative producer does not give a dividend to the consumer he is not a co-operative.

Ruhr industry is so important to the consumer nations of Europe that the consumer nations should have a say in the management of the Ruhr. It is to make sure it doesn't become another arsenal for war.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

Cooperative Rule Of Ruhr Is Advised

WASHINGTON: ON MARCH 1, 1926, Hitler's small, newly organized Reich marched into the Ruhr, publicly thumbing its nose at the giant but motionless French Army.

For that matter, the Ruhr was not a giant. It was a small, newly organized Reich. It was a small, newly organized Reich. It was a small, newly organized Reich.

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