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The Wasted Tenth

art week 402 new names were ed to the list of the unemployed the city registered, with the th Carolina Employment Service it brings the grand-total of such un to \$.752, nearly a test?

persons up to 8.782, nearly a tenth of the whole population of the 45!.

We have got used to that sort of thing by now, but it is essentially in tragedy. And not only for the first of the second the second that the second the second that the second that is the ables -- but men and women quite exapable of working and, in general, quite willing to work. And what the figures really mean is that a very large part of the productive expactly of the city is going to waste. Every one of us is poorer because of the fact that these people are idle.

What is to be done about it we don't know. But it seems intolerable to think that we can't some-how find a way to end this waste and this helpless misery.

Neat, What?

Before now we have lamented the among the statesmen who presently adorn the Congress of the United among the statement who preeminy adom the Congress of the United States, as against those who used the States, as against those who used the public man capable of the quiet and terrific riporte Disraell make the public man capable of the quiet and terrific riporte Disraell make them the Irishman tainnted him with being a Jew? Or the britliant and datayring play of old Randolph of Rosanoke, in whose hands a meal-sx became something very like a rapler? Or the switt, sure wit of a City or a Webster or a Chihoun? or the careafing, casual, almost sleepy, but none the last control of the careafing, casual, almost sleepy, but none of the less telling point and counterpoint of a Zebulon Baird Vand counterpoint of a Zebulon Baird Vand counterpoint of a Zebulon Baird Vand and aiack! Gone, we have said, gone with the assows of the seur-ping years. with the snows of the scurrying years. The statemen of our time sound like the crackerbox wits around a

But slay — Perhaps the tribe is But slay — Perhaps the tribe is But altogether extinct after all. For in the Congressional Record for June 16 we find Speaker Bankhead per-forming not unworthily. Listen:

orming not unworthily. Listen:

"I am very deeply indebted to my friend of many years standing, the distinguished Representative from New York, Mr. Shell. . I believe that on one occasion . . I believe that on one occasion . . . I undertext many the standing of the stan

Heyscood on a Limb

Heywood Broun has a piece on Heywood Broun has a piece on this page today in which he actives, with some success, we must admit, to nip in the budding the notistics that, after all, 'the Old Deal wann't so bad.' It was a wful, as any candid soul who reviews the blunders and the futility of the Hoover Administration will have to admit. And its handling of the Bonus Army, as Rivewood asys, was one of the most heept of its many inept performances.

ness. Heywood is about to make But Heywood is about to make the very mistake he is cautioning against—the mistake of attributing virtue to that which was merely five lesser of two cells. "The men who were stucked" on Anacostis place and who were attacked" on Anacostis poor and mjestake that day, he says, "had committed no crime save that of being goor and mjestake and nomeless."

They had committed a crime, indeed, they had. They fought the evicting police with bricks and iron place and other deadly weapons. They came pretty close to attempts to infinitence legislation by physical control of the cont

ing small favors; they were determined to get a wad of dough in a hurry; and while Rossevit would have handled them better than Hoover, he also wite vetoed the bill which in the end gave them the bonus years before it was due. Those guns never should have been fired, but that does not excuse the Bonus Army. It started the fight.

Our Southern Competitors

Nobody, we believe, not even the New Deal itself, has any clear idea of how the wage-and-hour law is going to work out. Our own fear has been that it would displace a lot of Negroes who held marginal Jobs and that it might result dis-astronuly for the South, which needs industries on almost any terms.

industries on almost any terms.

And yet, when you say South, you cover a lot of territory, just as you do when you say oction textife industry. For between parts of the South there is as much difference as there is between South and North, and wages in the cotton textife industry vary as much in these Southern parts as they do intersectionally.

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em parka as they do intersectionally.

A Department of Labor study, for example, shows that the average textile wase in April, 1927, was 49.5 cents in Massachusetts as-against 37.6 cents in North Carolina, a difference of nearly 12 cents and a differential of 30 per cent. This put North Carolina in a skell competitive position with Massachusetts, but Tatheelix also had its low-wage competitors.

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but Tarheelia also had lik low-wage competition.
Misulasippi, for one; sidler in the Confederaty, Average textle wages in Misulasippi were 288 cents an hour, which gave the textile indistry in that neighborhood an indistry in that neighborhood an indistry with the control of 88 cents an hour, or a differential of 30 per cent. ferential of 30 per cent

ferential of 30 per cent.

To be sure, these are average wages
under discussion, and the Government has set out to fix only minimum wages. But the figures show
that not only are North and South
competitive but the South competitive within itself. In that respect, regulation of Mississippia. pentive within tisen. In the le-apect, regulation of Mississippl's wages might be a good thing for North Carolina.

A Glance at Russia

With the spotlight turned on the fascist bullies, Soviet Russla, once democracy's arch hobpoblin, has Just about been overlooked. It is vaguely comprehended that Stallin has gone on killing off his people from the top and bottom, and scarcely's weeky passes that emaciated Russla deem? have to undergo another purge. But live-and-let-die expresses the attitude of most of our countrymen to the terror that is Soviet Russla. Even so, it is of academic interest to learn that the governmental experiment which started out, under Lenin, to be Communism, is rapidly Jeilling into Just another fascist model where the insiders live on the fat of the land, the rest on the crumbs that fall from their masters' tables. The United States Bureau of Mines reported last week, in a survey of Soviet mineral production, that — "After twenty years of Communism in Russla, instead of a uniform standard of living among the population, one sees a difference in living fround in So-called capitalistic states."

If Russla doesn't watch out, the With the spotlight turned on the

If Russia doesn't watch out, it's going to need a New Deal. And wouldn't that be the joke of thi

Battle of the Poets

We have not in a long time en-We have not in a long time enjoyed anything so much as the enof the poets which has been going
on in our letter column to the right.
We hoped, when we published Miss
Waddell's first four-line squib against
Mr. Dickson, that it would draw a
rise out of him. It did, for that
matter. But he suppressed it. And
we had to call in the public and
we had to call in the public and
exp. on. Miss Waddell to further
thrusts before he could be persuaded
to take up the cudgets. But even
the lake up the cudgets. But exit
thatly, when he did come upon the
field, he acquitted himself proudly.
The two pleces of verse he pub-The two pieces of verse he pub-lished yesterday tickled us immensely --- and everybody else who knows Miss Waddell and Mr. Dick-

It was all in pretended hurt'and fury, of course. It merely pleases Mr. Dickson to affect a high incleanes for poetry of the sort Miss Waddell writes, and to argue that the only verse worth anything is comic dorgered toxased off with lightning speed. His title of Poet Laureate of The News was bestowed in feating recognition of this pose and to give him some defense against the hauteur of an unashamed poet like Miss Waddell. And yet, those compositions of Mr. Dickson yesterday, things of length and much holds have does not be not seen as a fluring the midnight oil; or b Poetling on company time.

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 In fact, we think that the man must be tempted by the astonisting finish of his work to commence turning out poetry in earnest. In which case we should have to resuctiate Miss Waddell and hold up her writing hand in victory.

A BARRIER FOR MARS

By Hugh S. Johnson

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WASHINOTON.—Sômebody is doing
one of the best recorded publicity
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have the nee team of International poter Described on only in our history but in comparison, with the rest of the world. Will Bogers asid: "We never lost a way or won a conference;" and it was the liferial truth. We were the international fat boy and the favorite indoor sport was to cuddle up to our inchappenent foreign representatives and swindle us out of our candy. We won their World War for them, next paid for it, and then, through sligh foreign loans to backward and crippled nations," supposed to sustain our export track, kept them going until 1920 and, when we withdrew that tribute, the recommit structure of the the reanomic structure of the tribute, the red world collapsed.

NOBODY IS LIKELY TO TAKE THESE BOYS' SHIRTS

I doubt if anything like that could be repeated with this present crowd hand-

ing our foreign relations.

Our agricultural price and relief policies are automatically ruining our ex-port trade for farm products—a national tic rather than a foreign policy.

The diplomatic service is doing so good a lob that Uncle Sam is more respected erery intego chancelloge than endfort. T believe mat Tolay Managar,
riectly competent in play Seven Tol

coming home with a war debt settle-ment before breakfast, a pound and dol-lar devaluation over the lunch table, a military and naval accord in the evening

BUT THOSE WAR DEBTS SHOULDN'T BE ERASED

The war debia are not written off. War threatens Europe and no European nation could light an important war without first assuring credit here and our "benevolent neutrality." Modern war depends too much on motor-driven war directeds too much on motor-diliven vehicles on land, sea and air and the products of petroleum—of which we control too be petroleum—of which we control too be petroleum—of which we control too be petroleum of the petroleum

FOR THEY ENABLE US TO BLOCK ANOTHER WAR Anyway, until this question of dollar dersituation and international stability of money is settled, what boobs we would be to make a war debt settlement on a

whether we were eventually to be paid in token, wampum or hokum! There are times in international rela-tions when the existence of a debt is of more value than its discharge. It is a good time to re-read Kipling's "Peace of Dives."

of Dives.

With gold and fear and hate have harnessed state to state

And with hate and fear and gold their hates are first."

With those war debts and our economic supremacy, we may hold in our hands the peace of the world.

The First Parachute

Hastin, Ga., News. Hanner)

J. B. Thomas thinks that the idea of
the parachule came from an incident
that happened in Oglethuppe County in
his childhood. A man loping his horse
arons a clearing hit an old dry well,
and hore and rider went into it, the
harte-bring hilled. In due time a circling buzzard apiled ine deed horse at
the bottom of the well. Mit ellow burcling buzard apied the dead horse at the bottom of the well. His follow buzards watched him and when he whoolshed down to the dead horse, the whole flook followed him down. The man grabbed all the buzard tegs he could hold, yelled at the births and out of the well buzzards and man went. He intended to turn loose at the fop, but the big births were too fast and up he went high the well buzzards and up he went high the went was a similar the policy of the proportion. We are held to the proportion of the proportion. unite sininker he turned loose one bitz-hard at a line and slowly descended to the ground, only loosing the last bird as his feet touched term strem again.

And that, children, is the way the patchinke was born, and if you do not believe it. Mr. Thomas will take you up in Oglichrope County and show you a wall and a flook of busserie. Letters To The Editor:

If Hosses Are Sinful, What About Stocks?

And Butter And Eggs Seem To Him To Be In Same Boat With Cotton And Wheat

explain in your valuable name the difference between betting on (1) a horse, (2) baseball, (3) a bale of cotton (4) a share of stock in a corporation (5) a bushe) of wheat, or (6) butter 'n ***

eggs.

I notice places about town where they have large blackboards on which are listed certain lems. A young man runs up and down on a platform, like a squirrel, writing figures that some off of a ticker tape, and a lot of indice and gentiferns sit in large chairs and look at the board, and some of them cuss when certain figures are posted.
I don't know what kind of a "business"

I don't know what kind of a "business" this is, or what they are doing, but I heard one prominent church member say when he came out of the door that "the matifet was not so good today." I have also heard it whispered that these people were "speculating."

Of course I have heard that there are two laws in Metkenburg—one for ningers who shoot craps at five cents—and annother for prominent people who "speculate."

"JUST PLAIN IGNORANT." Charlotte, R. F. D. A.

Good Thing For Congress To Lay Off A While

Micha Charles and Williams when the country was in the throes of economic crisis." But there are a great number of business men who will disagree with the Republicans, who are saying that the Democrats have left them in the lurch by deciding to pack up and go home.

the time of adjournment most speakers in the Congress were display-ing an irritability from which it is Ing an irritability from which it is doubtful that any constructive legislation for defeating the recession could have come. If the Senators and Representatives will go home and think about things, they may be able to accomplish connecting when they reconstructive. And many a business man is relaxing a sigh of relief that Congress has adjourned. At least, they won't have to worry about unfavorable legislation for a while.

RELIEVED.

A Last Year's Editorial

A Lust Yeur's Editorial

(From The News of June 20, 1937)

A VANISHING HOST

Of the Confederate soldiers who went
from North Carolina to the way 14132200 of them, a greater number than
from any other Southern states only 234
are left. More than half of these will
the in the next twelve months, for they
are at the age when death is but a matter of lime; and the mentality rate accelerates with the weight of years.
Three years upon at about this time
there were 82 of these old soldiers. Six
months later there were 530. In June,
1936, titler ackeleton legion numbered
375 and in this June, 1937, only 344 of
those are present and accounted for,
Insvitably, there will be a last North
Carolina Confederate veteran and then
he will be no more, and the white-haired
man, himself getting up in years, who
six at a roll-top deek in an office in thes
six at a roll-top deek in an office in the State Agriculture Building will make a bulged with the names of a state's sol

The psychologists tell us that it is a bad influence upon children to let them play with war-like toys or to teach them play with war-like toys or to teach them to rever marrial heroes. As a result, in their childfah thinking war takes on faise registributes and romance, and they cannot wait for a war to start that they may play its herole roles. Well, we shall go so far as to consider junking the little to soldiers or the pretty red cannon, but as for letting children born and raised in North Carolina ever forget the valuant regiments of which these 234 off relows are the remnant, the next generation will have to do it, if it is to be done at all.

The white-haired man who inote: The white-haired man who aits at the roll-top desk will make his annual report in a few days.—Editors, The News!

Visiting Around

California—and That

(North Wilkesboro Hustler)

The Carotina-Catifornia Continental
Caravan—three young men in an old
model Ford—left there at daylight Wedneadey morning headed for California
and all parfa west. "Back in about six
weeks, the time of the trip to be determined by the number of Rata," they said.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT ... By Ripley



CITY OF THE BLIND—Vetrenik, Yugoslavia is a city of the blind for blinded Serbian veterans of the World War. When the blind soldiers first came here, they were all batchlers, and to provide them with wives, the King had some advertisements published in Serbian papers. The response were very profuse. Most of the pit's were surprisingly good looking. When the day came, Mr. Velvko Ramadomovich, the Director of the Blind Institute, sized up the applicants, patied them off and took them to the Chaple where they were married. Since the marriages look place, about 100 children have been born, all of whom have received the name of Alexander in honor of lither royal benefator.

The Forgetting Animal

By REYWOOD BROUN

Of ALL the beads man seems to be most referred to the most forgetful. Other animals learn not to return to things which have caused them pain and wor. The singed them pain and wor. The singed for the forest full red for the first full red for the first full red for the first waterful. cat dreads the fire, and an elephant will fall for some particularly mean prank just once. But this is not true of those mammals who are supposed to reason. It is not so much, perhaps, that man forskilled worker was not in the balloon

Soldiers who were up to their necks in mud and blood began after a little time to talk of those same days as it they were gay and slorlous. The profession of arms and the profession of politics could heatily survive if it were not for the human tendency to fundate of all-leys with mignonette. Those recollections which are beyond endigiance we lay away in lavender. And by some strange quite we are prouid of such deviations mental processes and sing billhely of "memories which bloss and burn." Nothing else can explain the rising school of thought which begins to contend that maybe the Ook Deal was not so bad, after all. Soldiers who were up to their necks in

WE KNEW OUR BLACKEST HOUR UNDER HOOVER

HOUR ENDER HOOVER

To be sure, this is not said much by the men who stood on the myriad bread-lines during the Whiters of our despeat discontent. Nor have I yet heard this gospel preached by any of the raggedymen of the Donus Army who were eathered by the guns and gas of General Doug law Marthurk. Expeditionary Forces. It has siways seemed to me that the battle which was wased across Anaccosts Plats marks the feast honorable page in our mational against. The men who were attacked had committed no eritms save that of befine poor and milecurred under the administration of Her-

was actuated by the advice of er Cabinet member who felt it other Cabinst member who feit it would be a shread stoke to convince the compity that the nation was on the eve of revolution. And indeed, the country was in very little need of convincing. Not in my lifetime has deapair ever been so widespread as it was during the final chapters of the Old Deal.

In the streets of the City of Definit thousands and thousands of men atood in aulien islence as the President of the United states drove by. These were the unemployed whose necessities were be-

United States drove by. These were the unemployed whose necessities were being taken care of by private charity. But the black mood was not limited to the jobless. One may hear mournful talk from capitains of industry loday, but it cannot match the die predictions uttered by these same men in the Autumn of 1932. I remember a chat I had with a Wall Street man in that same year. "There is no hope." he said. 'Nothing can be done. Girlillistion as we have known it is gone forever."

BUT MEN BEGIN NOW TO ECHO HIM AGAIN.

Two years later he was oursing

boom times left many communities untouched. A big day in the market meant nothing to the sharecropper. The in-

when everything was going to 300. I have heard critics say that under the New Deal we have lost our sense of moral values. But just how sensitive were our noses in the Old Deal days when there who could rear a house fellow who could rear a house or cards and get the public in-before the special action tumbled! No one man should be singled out as the villatin. The fault was systematic. But America was sick in body and woul. "Lord God of hoese, be with us yet. Lest we forget."

Wild Life In Sanford (Banford Herald)

Water is getting low in the pond at the Isenhour Brick plant at Colon, and on Tuyesday Afternoon the pond yielded big fash. Negroes working at the plant took off and chased this like some do chickers. They ran them down and raught three carp weighing a total of 45 pounds. One weighth 13 1-2 pounds. They caught a few beas, too.

11 D. O. Floyd tore along the Troy-Bisco detour. He was hailed by a hitch-hiker, and stopped his car. The fellow didn't want a ride, but wanted to get scross the

through, with Physics and the departure, by the lither-liter, and his departure. Flord chased and run him down. He was a posum reighing about 18 Dounds. E. M. Underwood Er, who laves posum just about as well as chittina, has him in charge now. Reports are that the next gathering of mentick of voting are will be around posum, and not over contract the contract of t

Earlier Days

News of 75 and 100 Years Ago From Files in the State Library at Raleigh

JUNE 19, 1861
15 YEARS AGO
TANKEES REPULSED AT VICKSBURG
Jackson, Min —On Saturday morning at two o'clock the enemy made another serious assault on Vicksburg. The
action laterd until 10 o'clock and ended
in a complete rout of the enemy.

It is estimated the loss of the enemy on Saturday was 10,000. Also that the

on Saturday was proof. Also that the returns are threeling portions across the Big Black between the rational ridge and Bladds in's Ferry. It is reported that most fine taken powershoon of Union Stuff on the Yang River.

It is reported that the entern acknowledge that loss was heavier than at any other time, and that it is extinated at from seven to ten thousand, and that our victory. Was complete. The Vanker troops are much dipressed and say that Vicksburg has sery been as shather pen and about General Grant for undertaking an impossibility.

—Payertrille Observer.

JUNE 20, 1838 100 YEARS AGO WORLD PEACE ASSURED

WORLD PEACE ASSURED
The arrival of another steamship from
Europe blends all the enthusiasm and
all the hopes that belong so naturally
to such a prodigious stride in the onward
progress of society and of international
communication.

The Hung is yet too new to be looked

The immense fortune which is spende to the continuent by such repire communications from Europe can hardly ret he even quesced at. He chief, its great benefit in our eyes is, however, that it tends simped irrepressibly to make the nations one of interest. It is because peace, permetting peace, seems to us to be its necessary offspring, that we specially half the success of Atlantic steam maximation.

—Favettewill Observer.

Peculiarities Of People. By F. Romer ALEXANDRE DUMAS THE elder Dumas had

a love for conkey, He wrote a recipe book of 1, 200 pages. In it he included fillets of kungaroo neat, a dish of elephants feet, and other outlandish delectibles for the