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Hangover

Mr. J. Spencer Bell, manager of the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra, sirtless straight down the alley of our own pet notions when he tells the local Lions Club that "most of the thousands of dollars apent here anousally for musical education is wasted," and that "most of the ones. who study music should confine themselves to learning it from a listener's viewpoint."

A case can no doubt be made out A case can no doubt be made out for the theory that some elementary knowledge of an instrument is a very desirable beats for beginning to understand music from the list-soer's vierpoint. And, of course, sanybody who actually wants to learn an instrument for his own private enjoyment ought to be encouraged—unless, indeed, he lives in an apartment house.

apartment house.
But by and large, the concern with learning to play instruments is merely a hangover from the nineteenth entury cut of the Young Lady. The staid young person sat in the parlor on Winter evenings and played tinking little tunes to polite and patient swains, who did their best to look entranced. And it was supposed to make her very valuable for the soothing of a tired husband, when and if she keguited one. But the cussoothing of a tired husband, when and if ahe acquired one. But the custom is an remote from the actual continuous of unique and the acquired to the fourth Expotan Dynasty. And, to be candid about it, nobody ever did really enjoy, listening with his ears to the Young Lady at the Plano. All the persistence of the cuit does it to breed a lot of very bad mechanical players, who never have any use for their supposed accompliatments, and who usually know less about the music of the great tradition than

Small Potatoes

A man yesterday told the House committee investigating un-American activities that there were ar major menaces to democracy at work in the United States. He named them in this order; communium, escalaism, nadem, anarchism, ultra-pacifigan; and atheign; and to back up the choice of communium for the legating; menace, he prepared to

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prove that the Communist Central Committee had spent in the United States more than 370,000 fe investigated and organization clirity in the Communist of the Communist of the Communistic learning by eight wide, bearing hundreds or pieces of what he called 'red periodicals' published in America.

The extent of the communistic learning in this country no man knows. Several CIO unions are commonly reputed to be pretty closely allied with the Reds, but there again no man can tell for sure. About the only reliable, statistical information on hand is that in 1985 the Communist Party's Presidential candidate policid a mesaly 80,159 votes out of more than 43,00,000. And as for the 570,000 the fellow avers the Communist Central Committee has spent in two years, it isn't much more than John L. Lews and his United Mine Workers spent on Roosevelt in one year.

And as for the 80x8 billboard decreased with hundreds of pieces of

prated with hundreds of pieces of Red literature-shucks! Frank Gan Red literature—shucksi Frank Gan-ucti, the newspaper publisher who singly took on the court hill and the reorganization bill, at one time was sending that much through the mails verry week. A communist mensee there may be in this country, but if appears pathelically pleayunish and im-pectualous in comparison, with 100 per cent American Institutions.

Kettle's Retort

Threaton of territory of sovervirm atten, destruction of lawfully-continued governments and foreits sture of nitherto independent positions and interference in the student of the student

ally...
It is a terrific indictment, this which Mr. Hull yesterday brought which Mr. Hull yesterday brought against Japan, Haly, and above all at this moment, Germany. But all at this moment, Germany. But all of them will undoubtedly retort at once that it is only a case of the pot and the kettle. More than that, they'll be able to make out a pretty good case merely by citing the record. The Mexican War and the amnexation of Terms Attron. and New Mexica was Texas, Artzona, and New Mexico was a case very much like that of the Sudelen Germana-constituted an invasion of territory of a sowereign state," and "acture of hitherto independent political entities." Our conduct in Haiti, Nicaragua, etc. surely amounted to "attempts to adjust infernational differences by artified force," and "interference in the internal affairs of other nations." In the impression of other nations." In the 'suppression of Aguinaldo's rebellion we indubitably disregarded rebellion we indubitably diregarded "accepted principles of international law," as did the national govern-ment in the Crit War. And it is be true, as is sometimes charged, that McKintey made the Spanish war for political reasons, then we may be justly taxed even with "con-temptious brushing aside the rules of morality."

But Aces Are Aces

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But two things at least can be said
annower: (1) that we at least never
an organ grinder.

Back in 1932 Meeticehung Countys
tax rate was 55 cents, and if you took
off the 18-cent school tax, which
the State got, the net County rate
was only 385 cents. Of the revenue
produced by this levy, 3145,000 was
sammarked for general charity, which
was an alarming jump over the 354,
652 expended for that purpose the
year before.

That year 1932 was a hard one,
measures, and it got harder as it unrolled. But look ye at the County
tax rate for the last half of 1935;
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He who sets up to play the bully to the bitter end had better make sure that he is the stoutest man in sight.

WHAT GOAL THE PURGE?

By Hugh S. Johnson

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BTHANY BEACH, Del-why is a purpe-particularly the present purpe of Senstorn? The reason given in Georgia was to finance — "illeens" Congress But in Rentucky and Ohio both boys were "liberal." In Masouri, where the argument made in Georgia was centally applicable to Bennett Claix, there was no purse. The argument" against, Jair, Talmadge in Georgia and Gonze Smith in Okishoma was "too 'visionary," In other word, they were too "liberal." in

in Okishoma was "too visionary," In other word, they were too "linetal." In few cases are the reasons the same.

—that the purgee docart's approve of Mr. Roosevells "objectives," was either almost stilly in the case of Senator George, or else Mr. Roosevell hasn't stated his objective. They are the no frankly stated "objective" to conscitute and executive to conscitute and executive to the contract of the contra no frankly slated "objective" to con-centrate and personalize our form of government—only generally to elevate the depressed classes. Senator George had voted for nearly everything, Mr. Rooserett had proposed for this purpose —to frequently in fact that, as several commentators said, to condemn Senator Coorge's voltage record was to condemn the New Deal itself.

MEN GO TO THE HOT SEAT

AS WARNING 10 oxymmetric secure a 'lib-eral' Congress—sounds fuzzy from an-"7" tan't necessary. Mr. ity of what he calls "liberala" in Con-press already. Planting the itse of death upon the cherks of two or three ram-bunctious Senstors who lick over the traces only now and then will make that majority only more upwelledy. And what is the real reason? It seems fair to guess that it is the same as one of the reasons for hanging a man—as an example and waring to others. It could be shown with suf-ficient force that it is equivalent to a sentence of political death to vote against any sich revolutionary change in gov-

sentence of political death to vote against any such revolutionary change in government as was contained in the combined fifted to the court and reorganisation plans as they came from the White House. If that would not take the relationship between President and Congress all the way to the domination by Willer of the Cermin letishature. It would go a long way in that direction. Mr. Roosevelt seems to wish, not only to fell the people how to vote for less than the contract of the proper how to vote for less than the contract of the people how to vote for less than the contract of the people how to vote for less than the contract of the people how to vote for less than the people how to vote for laws.

AND THESE ARE THE LAWS HE HAS IN MIND

the Nazi farm bill and Mr. lace's fundamence that industry be similarly goose-stepped. There has been no administration proposal in two years that did not irend toward concentration of governmental power of both states and nation in the hands of one man. There has been no hint or action by Mr. Rooseveit that he knows of any but hinteel' who could be entraised with such power. This observer believes that he feels there is no such msn. What are the objectives in which Mr. George does not "in his heart" believe? What do you think?

Visiting Around

How To Reep The Harn Fires Burning (Hubert Hem, New Bern Tribune) The young people of this community enjoyed an lee cream supper at Miss Salile Zubank's tobacco barn Tureday

Well, We're All Got Them Skeletons in Our Closets, Too.

(Southmont item, Lexington Dupatch)
The program will open with a song, followed by a prayer, sifer which three will be a couple of selections by the string band. Then there will be the reading of a very incomplete history of the Russell family.

Trimmed, EA7 Well, Didn't You See Any Gala That Leoked Like This—Sif Along Concord's Risito, Concord Trib-une;
Observing the Bathing besulter was a chief pattine of your truly. We saw figers that looked thus !! O ? Yo! and otherwise. These descriptions apply only to the male of the species. The land des looked trimmed. O, boy!

These Words We Use STARBOARD

Anyone who goes down to the sea in a ship larger than a rowboat soon learns that "starboard" means the right-hand side of the vesset. This is die to the fact that the early Teudue to the fact that the early Tru-tonic boats were guided by a "ateor," a paddle or sudder mounted over the light side of the stern, with a plat-form or "bord" for the pilot to stand on. 86 unfortunately "starboard" is a very practical word and had nothing to do with romantic star-gazing on moonlit waters. Sorry.

Letters To The Editor: A Query Draws An Eloquent Answer

Why The New Hospital Will Be Called The Charlotte Memorial Hospital

"And in whose memory is the Char-lotte Memorial Hospital named?" asked Dick Young in his Saturday afternoon column in The News.

In memory of many persons and mu hings, Dick.

things, Dick.

In memory of the kind and sympa-thetic people who out of the goodness of their hearts have contributed to it in order that suffering humanity might be relieved.

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In memory of little children who have died and who might have lived had the best means of treatment and care been available.

In memory of stives and mothers who have died in childhirth for lack of proper methods and sitention.

In memory of victims of accidents who have succumbed to their injuries before adequate said could be given.

In memory of the far-sighted men and women who founded St. Peters looping, where or skay-five years said fering humanity has found a haven of help in time of reed, and out Samari-had the successful of the said the said the country of the said ple of Charlotte and the surro pie of Charlotte and the surrounding country the superior advantage that will come from a large, modern, well-equipped hospital; and because, as they say: "we recognise that public need and the things that make for general public good transcend in importance sec-tarian and denominational lines."

tarian and denominational lines."

In memory of the first City Government of Charlotte which has had the courage and the interest in the welfare of her citizens to ask the people to give it the power to appropriate \$350,000 to alleviate suffering and promote the health of her people.

In memory of a Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County who are welling to contribute \$30,000 of the County's money toward the construction of an out-patient department for the treatment of the indigent sizk, both white and colored.

In memory of Charlotte's fine doctors, who conceived the plant and look the initial steps, and of the genous-hearted men and women who gave unationingly of their time and money, by bring shoul its realization. In memory of the voters who will

In memory of the voters who will make it possible by enabling the City to contribute its part. In memory of a humane Federal Gov-ernment, which will contribute a large

part of the funds.

In memory of the Charlotta news-papers, which opened their columns to publicity to further the movement, and of the editors, reporters and w commended and explained it.

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In memory of the ministers of religion who privately and from their pulpits advocated it.

In memory of the Governor and Attorney General of North Garolina and our Legislators, who secued the passage of a bill at the special session of the Legislature to safeguard the hospital from becoming a political foot-bell by making more certain the City's right to place the management of it in the hands of a non-political association drawn from the citizens of Charlotta. In memory of the Great Physician, who saught that man's highest duty is service to his fellowman. In memory of all those of every erred and race and color who helped to make it a reality.

The name is not misapplied. Dick. Every stone in the new hospital will be a memorial; and I believe that as the years go by it will be deemed the flittingest place in Charlotte for memorials, and that men and women, churches, orders and organizations with memorial wings and units and wards and rooms and beds.

What name could be more suitable, Dick, than the CHARLOTTE MEMORIAL ROSPITAL?

P. C. WHITLOCK.

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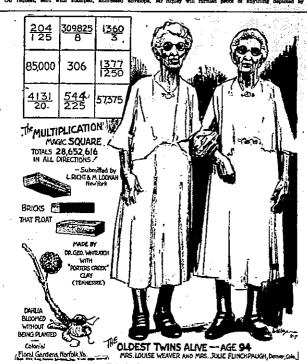
F. R. Can't Win Much In His Georgia Fight

In His Georgia Fight
Deer Sir:

As a Southerner I am glad to see that
the most representative Southern papers
disapprove of Roosevells interference in
Georgia. You are wrong, however, in
saying. If the President wins, it will
be a famonja victory, if he does not win
it with be a simuning blow. You seem
to forget that the Benaterial race in
Georgia is there-cornered, which will
split the vote terribly to Roosevell's
advantage. Senator George and Talmadge are, so speak, Anti-New Dealery,
ac they will split that vote. If Camp
gets more votes than these two together
poll, then only will it be a victory and
tot a great one because he has the
stabuntage of the relial vote.

New York.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT ... By Ripley



Today's Cartoon Self-Explanatory

We Fight But Poorly By MERBERT AGAR

Thompson's Political Guide," asying that anyone trying to understand
out political problems would find the
book well worth reading. Today I want
to discuss one feature of the book
its interesting and important criticism
of the New Deal.
Miss Thompson.

of the New Deal.

Miss Thompson points out that the
one strength of the lyrant states which
have recently been set up in Europe
'a that, for better or for worse, they
are stiffmattive. The people, or at least
those who speak for them, in Russia, ly what they believe, and what they in-

tend to do.

They are therefore nations which are going somewhere. And the consciousness of going somewhere is almost a definition of a nation. An agiomeration of people, held logether merely by convenience, or apathy, or grography, it hardly a nation at all."

The real weakness of the democracies of today, says Miss Thompson, is that they do not know where they are going. "Their political and economic behavior is habit, and hardly more." The noble words which they use, such as "democracy" and "freedom," are undefined and therefore unreal. The noblity is all on the surface.

THE TYRANNIES WORK BUT WE ONLY GAB

In this analysis Miss Thompson has got at the main truth of modern history. The one strength of the tyrannies is that their purpose is clear and that they are willing to work themselves to the bone to serve that purpose. The one weakness of the Democracies is the tack of a positive ideal, accepted by a large majority, for which men will make

large majority, for which men will make accrifices.

We talk of freedom, but instead of working to make freedom a reality, we are content with the false statement that we are accrited free. We boast of Democracy, but we do not apend our lives trying to make Democracy real.

In the Fasciat and Communist states, however, militions of men are spending their three in the service of their dubinous ideals. Why shouldn't we fall? Our cause is good, but we ounselves at not cause is good, but we ounselves at not good enough to live up to the cause. We inherited the good cause-from, our foreighters, but we are not living in such a way as to hand it on intact to our children.

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AND THE NEW DEAL HAB

NOT GOT US FAR

Three facts and these feelings."

writes Miss thompson, "ay behind the
poputar revolt in 1923, which gave us
the New Deal. But today, for years
later, a distillusionment is growing—
which, however, is millittate, because it
does not know what it wants inslead.
"A realization is growing that notifuly
fundamental is being done to revive the
promise of American life The New
Deal... has offered us no comprehenable picture of a future in which we
can believe."

The New Deal, asys Miss Thompson,

The New Deal, says Miss Thompson has redistributed privileges, and has done something toward redistributing income on a more fair basis. But that is more charity. No new picture is

ERT ASAR

emerging of a free or a just society. We have not had a ravival or a conversion—to use trangelical terms—we have just had a Christmap pary for the other side of the railroad tracks."

Miss Thompson's atsaments, I think, are all true. But they are not an attack on the New Deal. They are a decription of our nation's liliness. If the New Deal dwhat Miss Thompson asks of it, the New Deal would have become a tyranny. I shall discuss that problem in tomorrow's column.

Beware the Bath

(High Point Emierprise)

From time to time, the deficiencies of our physical sphere are emphasted by pointing out the abortage of bath-tubs. Perhaps it is well that three contrisuances have not been made available to more of us. Quitt obviously home who have them have not learned how to use them safely. In light of a statute immediately in the public eye, the bath-motile and the property of the public of the public of the sub-motile.

We base the estimate on a report made

mobile.

We base the estimate on a report made to the deligates to the National Accident and Health Association Convention in Cleveland. A Columbus man told the convention that bath-tub accidents have amountee in America convention that bath-tub accidents have continuated companies in America more since 1926 than the Covernment has paid out in relief money. Nearly 20 billion dollars have been paid out in death and scident claims in that pe-riod. Are we not in stream need of a National Society for the Promotion of Safety in the Use of the Bath-Tub's Must we stay away from this dangerous thing, or go on in our reckless use of 117

The Snake's Feet

(Along the Rialto, Concord Tribune) Hawley Hegiar reports that Sunday a week ago he and Orover Creech came upon and killed a black spraading adder. upon and killed a black spreading adder, and placed the careas on a bed of coals to see If the heat would perest the make's feet but the experiment falled. Nevertheless all polosonous anakes—such as the black spreading adder—are supposed to have feet and heat should produce 'em.

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

IS YEARS AGO

ROW CHARLESTON FROM CHARLESTON
Charleston, Aug. 17.—During Friday
night and Baturday, up to about 8
o'clock in the evening, the bombardment was slow on both sides, compared
with the firing on previous days.
Between 11 and 13 o'clock Saturday

night a furious fire opened; our side firing from Port Sumter, Battery Overs and Battery Wagner. The enemy fired rapidly from his land batteries with 200

100 YEARS AGO

8. P. Q. R.
The Roman monogram, B. F. Q. R.,
the Senate and the People of Roma, continued to be born upon the standards
and formed the caption of the laws of
that republic, even when Caligula installed his horse as consult; and we, too,
maintain and boast of all the forms of
freedom arm while its investment of the
procedure of the procedure of the contract mannam and some or an ore re-freedom even while its substance and very life are stealthly but surely fliched away from us.

—New York American.

Morning After

(New York Sun)

Peculiarities Of People Sy F. Romer

W. J. LOCKE

CELEBRATED for his fine novels, and being a model of excellent dress, Locke prafessed to feel real pain upon the slightest whist of perfume. A scent of magnolia or wis-teria in Summer's heat gave him a sense of suffocation.