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A Prophet Without Honor

It was nice to have a letter from It was nice to have a letter from Bishop Tom P. Jimison, former pas-tor of The News parish, and nices still to be in complete accord with its theme. This was: that what Mecklenburg needs, with its crowd-of criminal court dockets, its mag-nanimous nolleprosses, its insbilling to keep up with crime, is for the Legislature to make it a separate Studiel dictrict. iicial district.

That has been the burden of our rgument for some mouths, and the shop is his old sententious self

when he says:

"Iffen we will all lay off Bolicitor
Carpenier, quit custin' the lawyers
and cut out the furnshicides about
house, and will set to work to get
the next Legislature to make a
judicial district of this county, then
the docket will not be covered and
we will be will on the way to the
?romined Land, or son term.

Well on the way nothing; well be the Fromised Land! Its western undary will be the Catabas River, nd. we should be grieved at the respect of leaving poor Gaston in ordage were it not that bonds still te in Gaston, as they used to be in feeklenburg, mers formaillies.

Man in the Air!

For long years the members of Congress have fattened on patron-age, resisting vigorously or supinely, according to their nature, all efforts to take this perquisite away from them and put government service on a strictly merit basis. And now this same patronage appears to be a Frankenstein in the hands of a new bose, about to turn and devout some of its former keepers.

In Maryland, where the Persident

In Maryland, where the President is frankly out to get Senator Tydings, through the means of a New Dealer ramed Lewis, it has been announc-ed from Lewis' headquarters that—

"There is no question about it. No one will be appointed [to Federal jobs] without the recommendation of Mr. Lewis."

tion of Mr. Levis."

Well, it serves Maryland's old-line
politician right, though what is to
be gained by having the new-line
politician fail helv to his patronage
eludes us at the moment. At any
rate, there should be a bitter lesson rate, there should be a bitter lesson, in it for Senator Tydings. He voted appting the the reorganization bill—the one feasible method yet proposed of taking Federal patronage out of politics. He offers the perfect illustration of a man histed by his own petard.

Our Bumper Crop

Our humper Crop

In the last five months North Carolina has at length been moving
ateadily toward the demographic
equinox. However, you need not get
excited about it. Those are only
two-dollar words to describe the
point when deaths in a population
exactly equal the births. And even
if that prespect alarms you you may
be at peace so far as North Carolina
goes at present or is likely to go soon.
The number of births for each of
the last five months has been smaller
than for the corresponding months
last year — the total for 1938 to the
fixed of Aquist being 45.779 as promfixed to Aquist being 45.779 as prom-

Inan for the corresponding months last year, — the total for 1038 to the first of August beling 45,778 as pompared with 46,239 for the same period in 1937. And at the same time, the total number of detalth has been increasing slightly, being 20,198 as compared to 20,176 for the same seven months last year. But you'll observe that even so the number of births is still more than twice as great as the number of detalts. North Carolina still has an enormous excess of the young as against the old, and Mr. Kuester may yet get Charlotte made into the roaring town of which he dreams.

And maybe that soothers you. And

people who doubt it. Thus, the National Emergency Council in its report to the President last week on conomic conditions in the South pointed out at least two objections. The first one is that, as a result of its enormous birthrate, the South must deucate one-third of all the nation; children, though it gets only one-sixth of the national income. And the second is that the number of the young offers a great part of And the second is that the number of the young drives a great part of the best brains born in the Bouth away from it. Thus, over half of the Jamous scientists born in Dirie now live in Yankeedom, and though there is some counterflow, it far from makes up the loss.

Still Hauling Passengers

All the railroad presidents in the country could find food for thought in Mr. Daly's report in The News last week on the Piedmont & Northern Railway's experience with its one-cent-a-mile passenger fare. Prior to 1912, the PAN charged as high rates as any of 'em, and when the combination of the automobile alectife railroad caught you know what. So its directors conferred and de-

the depression came on, this electric railroad caught you know what. Bo lik directors conferred and decided to reduce passenger rates from 3.5 cents to a flat 2. It had some effect; enough, at any rate, to induce the road to take the buil by the tail and put in a bargain one-cent rate. That was in the Fall of 1932. In the first six months of 1933, helped somewhat by reviving business, the P&N's passenger revenues increased nearly three times over the same period in 1933, the number of passengers nearly eight times, and expenses only 41 per cent. And for the first haif of 1938, though the railroad business had suffered so severe a relapse that its plight was the subject of a special Presidential message to Congress, the P&N was still haculing 48 per cent more phasengers than it that in 1933, Revenue from this fraffle was down by a sengers than it has in 1933, Revenue from this traffic was down by a fourth from the best six months of the 1932-1938 period (1934), but the P&N was still considerably better of than it had been with its 3.8-cent

The experiment has proved that there is more profit in hauling more passengers at a cheaper rate than fewer at a lighter rate, which latter is the policy followed by the main line railroads and the ICC. And the passengers — they most certainly more not shared. passengers — ti come out shead.

Now You See It

A combination of the old-run-around and the abeli game is what they're giving Britain's Prime Min-later today. The Non-Intervention Committee wann't his patent, so that he can't be held responsible for its failure to keep Hitter and Mussolini and Stalini-from intervening to their heart's content in Spain's pri-rate war. Put the Easter agreement with Italy was his pet solution, and he thought he had something. Whereas all England has got out of it so far is one taunting postpone-ment after another. That agreement was to go into

It so far is one taunting postponement after another.

That agreement was to go into
effect only after the withdrawal of
foreign soldiers in Spain, in equal
numbers from both sides, had taken
place. Quibbling by Italy served to
delay withdrawals until Franco appeared to have the winning of the
war in his pocket, and then when
the Loyalists wiggled loose and acttally began pushing the Insurgents
around, they pulled the old hiddenball trick on Chamberlain. Withdrawals, they told him, were out.
Franco simply wouldn't hear of
such a thing.

A less autonishing man than
Chamberlain this would have chagrined exceedingly, But there is reason to believe that Sir Neville was
chagrined to the saturation point
already, and that it was when the
Loyaliste pulled themselves together.

already, and that it was when the Loyalista pulied themselves together and showed new fight that he auti-fered his greatest humillation. For he had given Mussolini carde blanche to win this war and made that con-quest the prime consideration for the Anglo-Italian accord. And now the forfeit refuses to be forfeited, and Neville's touted agreement is only something that has never yet come off.

Gay Lady

Gay Ledy

We thought it sounded dizzy
enough and more than a little terrifying when they started building
that telescope in California which
is going to bring the moon within
25 miles of the eye of the observer.
Imagine looking at that luminary,
which is a fourth as big as the earth,
and actually 250,000 miles away, at
about the same distance from which
you can view Kinga Mountain from
the top of the First National Bank
Building. For ourselves, it sets the
hackles up on our necks and makes
us yearn for a surer foothold in the
universe than we seem to have got.
But now the astronomical boya
have gone even that one better.
Use the moon as a mirror — f.e., but
from the earth as the moon beat drom the earth as the moon than
them back to us — they find that,
old Lady Earth is the fancient body
roaming the void. Observed through
that mirror, she turns out to be run-

cess of the young as against the old, and Mr. Kuesser may yet get Chardotte made bin to the roaring town of which he decams.

And maybe that southers you. And clades everything from the complexments to the complex clades everything from the complex.

ion of an indian Belle to that of the late Jean Harrow, to be used at Letters To The Editor: her mood. White and blue and pure 7 7 7. has the dark man, but so does not purple and crimon and orange and black and pink and anothysts—all these and more, ahe continuity and daffs and done in variegated and shining spiender. And even her ties she wears wound around her as golden beads. Somehow, it all scares us stiff, But here is one comfort; the smug sallafaction of seeing our judgment vindicated. We always did surmise that, seeing the antice of the creatures who inhabit her, she must be a flighty looking sight in her own right. must be a fil

A CLOSE **PARALLEL**

By Hugh S. Johnson

BETHANY BEACH, Del.—It was probably only coincidence that Father Dirine decided to act up his latest Heaven for ill-fed, ill-folded and ill-housed people of the colored race at Krum Fibow — just acrols the creek from the almost baronical menuficence of Mr. Romevell's Hyde Park, but who can say it was not appropriate?

Among the BETHANY BEACH, Del.-II

Park, but who can say it was not appropriate?

Among the forement of his great appropriate?

Among the forement of his great products a choise with the heavy and frequently decisive Northern Negrover (and the heavy and heavy a

Beyond that, there are other things n common between the methods of dr. Roosevelt and Father Divine. Mr. Roosevelt and Father Divine. Nome of his followers has yet said that the President is God, but some of them are willing to accept anything he says or proposes almost an readily as though that were true. 88 also do the followers of Father Divine.

BOTH FEED THEIR FLOCKS BY MOST EASY MEANS

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BY MOST EASY MEANS
The Hartem "dety" feeds his flocks.
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No one seems to know just where
the money comes from and Pather
the money comes from and Pather
thine doesn't seem to care. He just
finds it in a box or under his pillow
and that is enough for him. It hasn't
been much more difficult for Mr.
Consent to get the money to feed
his flocks either. He doesn't find it
n any box but it can be written
up on the Treasury dett indgers with
an adding meahten, pelindess'y-collected from the wages of workers
or social "security" and then spent
for current expense, or simply pulled
out of thin ale "by changing the solid
content of the dellar, In this regard Father Tuline is a poor piter,
But while the new and rival chony
diritally of Krum Elbow operates relatively on a tiny scale, this general
idea is just the seme.

AND BOTH MAKE APPEAL

AND BOTH MAKE APPEAL TO THE BASIC EMOTIONS

AND BOTH MAKE APPEAL
There is a filled of the same emotional appeal in both cases also. Mr.
Rooserelt's most arrient followers do
not hypnotise themselves by any auch
cestatic chart as "Pract. Its wondercestatic chart as "Pract. Control
cestatic chart as "Pract.

Exhibiting the method for the
cestatic chart as "Pract.

The both the same process

In which they so confidently believe
that it is a waste of time to attempt
to criticise or discuss them.

Pinally, there are no bosses in
Pather Divine's "Reaven" except the
dark All-lighest himself. His word
goes and if there is any argument
about it the solution is simple. The
dissenter gets swittly kicked the hell
out of "Pleaven" and thereafter shitts
for himself. Exactly the same process

Third New Day Transport on the tratop of apocryptal precedent for this in
the case of futifier. At least, it is
good piecedent where heavens and
drilles and sevils are concerned. It
does seem a little rough to apply it
in a democracy to a political party.
But that's how it is.

There is a lot more than a wisecracking comparison in all this. Most
Germans regard Rittler with nuch the
same emotional adoration of the Har
Will Researcher for Falley Divino and

Oermans regard Hiller with much the same emotional adoration of the Har-tem Heaveneers for Father Divino and of many Third New Dealers for Mr. Roossvett. It faint hard to get into that state with the President. I once was almost there myself. It makes a crusating elation in which anything might happen. But does it make the best and soundest govern-ment?

Visiting Around

Oh, Yesh?

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(Davis Station item, Hendersonville
Times-News)

As school at Elowsh has started all the
children of the community are enthosed
as they start back for another term.

Garden Potts
(Franklin Press)
A special song, "In The Garden," was sung by Mrs. Pearle Potts and Guy Paul.
The parts were then given out for next Sunday night by Paul Waldon.

Catholic View. Of The Duty Of Movies

Prelate Upholds Right Of Legion Of Decency To Fight Showing Of Pictures Church Does Not Approve

The motion picture industry has announced its plans to increase the stiendance jat theaters. The announcement has arrested the attention of all informed and thoughtful persons who know the inestimable value of wholesome public entertainment in our modern life.

ern life.

The chema catera regularly lo audiunous of many millions and now it anticlapales greater stitendance. The fact that
millions of minds are thus influence
by motion pictures imposes upon the industry a grave responsibility to the pubile. The industry, it is to be hoped,
will recognite that there is no escape
room this responsibility to interpure the
moral welfare of its patrons by setting
right, as each of the patrons by setting
right.

and conduct.

During treent years the industry has made progress by giving attention to the moral influence of its dime. The Legion of Decency is happy to express to the industry its appreciation of the improvement made in the moral character and tobe of its work. It is also grateful to the leaders and people of the Protestant and Jewish fallins for their support and insistence that fillins of right moral character be shown to the people.

The Legion of Decency mentales up.

acter be shown to the people.

The Legion of Decency operates under the auxpless of the Catholic Bishops, whose pastoral solicitude for souls
obliges them, especially in a medium so
influential as the cinema, to oppose
vigoroustly every trend which threatens
to invade the domain of fixed and unvarying nulcides of meetilly expressed. to invade the domain of fixed and un-varying principles of morality expressed in the instural and Divine law. The Le-gion of Decency is conserned solely with the moral issue found in the subject matter of motion pictures and in its treatment.

the Legion view with grave apprehension these efforts now being made to utilize the chema for the spread of ideas aniagonistic, not only to traditional Christian morality but to all religion. It must oppose the efforts of those who would make motion pictures an agency for the dissemblation of the false, atherities of the chemanical desired and the contract of the istic, and immoral doctrines repeatedly

Films which portray, approvingly, concepts rooted in gallesophies streeting in the Christian moval order and the suspensatural destiny of men serve not to canobis but rather, to debase humanity, and, as such, these illms are an affront to right thinking men and women. The Legton of Decency, with every resource at its command, shall challenge mp program using the popular thesets excreen to exploit such insidious doctrines. Secular shallers are not in themselves the concern of the Legton of

doctrines. Secular affairs are not in-themselves the concern of the Legion of Decency. When, however, rontrary to all that is truly American, unchanging principles of morelly are assalled, and atheims and irrelation are featured, the Legion must, in pursuit of its single and unwarying objective of a morally whole-some screen, interpose the full weight of Carbotic ontines and authority. Catholic opinion and authority, JOHN L. McNICHOLAS, O. P., S. T. M.

Archbishop of Cincinnati. Cincinnati. Ohio.

Relief Ship Will Sail For Spain Next Month Bear Sir:

For Opath Sect. Acousts.

Rear Sir:

Carrying with it the humanitarian sentiments of millions of Americans, the American Relief Ship for Spain will sail late in September from New York City with 5,000 tons of food, clothing and medical supplies for the war-stricken people of Spain.

The eyes of the world are on this magnificent effort of mercy, and the people of Spain will be awaiting the arrival of the ship with the way the demonstration of international sympathy. The effort is a Christian effort, an American one, and one that demands the sympathy and co-operation of every man of good-will. It is an undertaking of humanity, and we say your co-operation in the publication of this letter.

DOUGLAS JACOBS,
Campaign Director, American Relia
Ship for Spain,
New York City.

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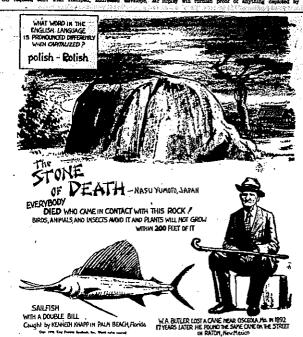
(Oak Park, IIL, Oak Leaves)

O. H. Hikhop of 133, Bast Avenue announced the rogagement of his daughter, Orace, to Dan Christian of 423 East Wisconsin.

These Words We Use

SERENADE
Love-side cronters who hand out
sad "serenades" in broad daylight
have things badly crossed up. The
latin word "acrus" or "state" became
"sera" or "night" in Italian, and an
"sera" or "night" in Italian, and an
evening-side was naturally as "serenista." So save your serenades until
after date, which will put you in good
and regular standing and also make
it harder for the folks next door to
locate you—just in case, of course.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT By Ripley



Explanation of Today's Cartoon

THE STONE OF DEATH—This rock of Naul Yumoto, Japan, which is about seven feet high and cleren feet long, is fenced in to her access to all living things. It is reputed to bring death to any living things that the polarity of flowers grow within 200 feet of it, and birth and insected on not alight on the same that the polarity of the

Men In Automobiles (Bare County Times)

Capt. Tom Baum, operator of the
Rosnoke Island-Manns Harbor ferries.

off the wharf, arguing that once he lost his position, he might not be able to get on the boat when it left.

Tol'able, Thankee, Tol'able (Billy Arthor, New Bern Tribune)
"How do you feel?" I saked Rev. W.
B. Everett yesterday morning.

Everett yesterday morning.
Well," he replied, "if I felt any better

A Disease Diagnosed

By MERBERT AGAN

ennot thrive.

THE National Emergency Council's such as our tartif policy, our freight-rate report to the President, released to the press on August 13, is a momentous document. The meterial in it was known better to be propile. Students of Southern conditions will learn nothing new from this report; but the general public will learn a great deal that is surprising.

The report calls violent attention to one of the mader political problems in

this report; but the general problem will learn a great deal that is surprising.

The report calls violent attention to one of the major political problems in this country. It is a problem which we long have ignored—perhaps because it is aso large that it frightens up. But we cannot ignore it any longer. It has now been brought to our attention in a form which will not be forgotten.

All the advanced industrial nations, with the capitalists system of production, are faced with the problem of the contrast between the very rich and the very poor. This problem is just as acute in England as in the United States; all advanced industrial nations are trying to come to terms with it.

But in addition to the general problem, the United States has a special problem of her own—the problem of regionalism. It is this problem which the report to the President dramatiness unforgetably. Capt. Tom Baum, operator of the Rosnoke Inland-Manna Harbor ferries, takes amused exception to references made to his ferry service in the Wilson Daily Times, Monday, August sib, in an editorial by John D. Oold, it seems that on the Sunday before, Mr. Gold was an route home over the ferries about four o'clock in the afternoon. There was a huge Jam of traffic, requiring the operation of two ferry boats, but the incoming boat could not unload its cars, because the west bound traffic had run down on the narrow direway, and the drivers of the cars obstinately refused to buggs until some show of authority was manifested.

Of course the American motorist often displays some dumb traits, but Capt. Baum says how atypone also to drive a car could figure box they could get a could figure box they could get both they grown off first the mocorpia. On the capt of the cars could be induced to back off the wharf and allow the cars to proceed off the boat. Capt. Baum says the principal trouble he had was with Editor Oold, who refused to get off the wharf, arguing that once he tost his position, he might not be able to

unforgreiably,
AND TO POOR CLASSES MUST
BE ADDED POOR REGIONS
We not only have a class of workers
(or would-be workers) who are too poor,
whose standard of litting must be raised
both for the sake of justice and for the
sake of the general welfare, but we also
have whole regions within our country
which are too poor, regions whose powerty is draggling down the national econmy as well as slowly distributing the hone
my as well as slowly distributing the hone omy as well as slowly destroying the hope and the stamina of many million Ameri-

cans.

Alone among the great nations of the modern world we have to fight this double battle—the battle against poverty on a class basis and on a geographic

If England, for example, were to solve If England, for example, were to solve
the problem of unemployment, and were
to learn how to distribute her wealth
more hutly as between the exercial
classes, she would feel that her chief
economic problem was solved. But
America might do all that, and ahe
would still have the immense problem
of her backward regions on her hands.
No wonder we tried to evade that problem, to pretend that it didn't evide. But
it is a disease within our conomic life,
and until it is cured that life will neverbe healthy. One of the great contributions of the Roscevit Administration has
been its willingness to face this usily
trouble.

troubin.
THESE YACTS AND FIGURES
CANNOT BE DISPUTED.
In the report to the President—which is the work entirely of Southernersschere is found a detailed description of the regions imaging as it applies to the South. The facts and figures are there, and they cannot be disputed.
There is also found a brief description of some of the main reasons for the South's economic plight—historic factors going back to before the Crill War, economic factors of more modern growth,

Earlier Days

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

AUGUST 23, 1841 75 YEARS AGO THE PEACE MOVEMENTS

"Northern papers are making a great passeds over the reported action of the conservatives in North Carolina."

passed over the reported action of the concernitive in North Carcillan."
What is more natural? Certifully nothing could be more encouraging to them, or discouraging to more encouraging to them, or discouraging to the state of the state of

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[*Note: Fip—a fippenny bit.—Editors, The News.]



HORTENSE MANCINI

CARDINAL MAZARIN'S niece Hortense flew about Europe like a giddy cavalier, often in men's clothes, risking peril and disgrace for excite-ment. She dueled Lady Sussex, both wearing nightgawns while fencing in St. James