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### Greetings From the IRB

Form 1040 of Federal income tax blanks, receipt of which is hereby gratefully acknowledged — well, ac-knowledged, anyhow — has been much simplified since last year. For kinowledged, anyhow — has been such simplified since last year. For one thing, it is only about three-marker as long. Maybe III even go into a typewriter carriage without the sing calloped along the edges. Column rules for cents, hundreds of collars, which last the average iman seldom had to bother with, have been removéd, leaving but one had been seld to be se roomy. Schedule F, covering gains and losses from sales or exchanges of property, is a notable example. There is plenty of space on this year's blanks, whereas last year it was every transaction for itself, and the auditors to guess at the hindmost.

But at the bottom of the return, here is the same old had news. It instantly recognizable:

21. Net income (item 20 above) 22. Less: Personal exemption 24. Balance (for sur-

tax) Earned income 26.

25. Earned Income credit 27. Balance (for normal tax) 28. Normal tax (4% of item 27) 29. Surtax on item 24 29. Total tax Cash—Check—M. O.—

### A Rugged Individualist

Henry Hartwell Brown, who was neury nativell Brown, who was run over and killed by an automobile last night, was a man who stood an his own two feet and never asked for quarter. If the blind chance that governs man's contemporary period had set him down a lean young fellow in Civil War times, he have been found somewhere up near front, bearing a squirrel rifle or the next best weapon, popping off Yankees whenever a head showed itself, wiping his mouth on the back of his hand and grimly cutting an-other notto ho his gun stock. In any company charge, Brown would have gone first and farther, contemptuous of the flying builets, a-holierin' his gone first and random, of the flying bullets, a-hollerin' his head off with that terrifying Rebel

yell.

As it was, he never knew eminence or came close to distinction. He was merely one of that great tribe of Americans, reputed to be vanishing, who make their own way without asking or expecting aid. He invented his own last job, which was to guard the homes of Fourth Ward residents—the Nilabest, the Harrises, the Dunns and other householders of the neighborhood —from also victock in the evening until six in the morning, at so much a week from each, in the evening until six in the morn-ing, at so much a week from each. At 6d, night in and night out, he patroled his beat, lonely, perhaps, but unafraid, and scornful of this newfangled mass salvation, Relief. He was his own WPA, only he op-erated it under the initials HHB.

## Changing the Subject

On this page today there is re-princed, or will be as soon as there is the right sort of space for it, an amount from a New York Times edi-torial, the gist of which is that this the jist of which is that this sanct afford annual jed-questiliares of seven billion that income never has a seemuch in normal and that if there is to come a such thing as a balanced as "sinking apople" of the

the City will have to make known their meistance if the would offset the indicator of the same groups which don't care wit happens to the budget as long as bey get theirs. Thesewhere in the public prints we, have run across a letter from Governer Boey to Sesrets yor Agriculture Wallace viceting with alarm the suggestion of outstalled Pederal appropriations for state highway aid. It would, the Governor and, "very acriousy interfere with the whole road program in North Carolina." Somehow, there seems to be a definite connection between the two paragraphs from the connection between the would complete the connection to the connection of the two paragraphs from the connection between the two paragraphs from the connection of the con

acceptance of The Times argument would compel us to classify Gover-nor Hoey as an unthinking person and to put down the State of North Carolina as component part of a pressure group, we believe the most diplomatic course to take is to call off the whole discussion and talk about something else.

#### Odious Comparison

For our own good reasons, and in-cidentally to please Mr. Kuester, let's assume that the population of this, the Friendly City, is exactly 100,000. It probably inst, quite, but never mind that. Put it down as 100,000. Now, the number of murders that Charlotte had in 1837 will be at the

Charlotte had in 1937 will be at the same time the rate of nurder per 190,000 of population. Do you see? With 27 murders last year, which was an improvement over the year before, we'll call Charlotte's murder rate 27. And would you like to know how this compares with the 1937 rate in other citles having 100,000 or more population? Well, we can't tell you, for the reason that the comparative figures haven't been compiled yet; and for the additional reason that when the figures are gompiled they and for the additional reason that when the figures are sompiled they will lump together both murders and non-negligent homicides. The Charlotte figures take murders alone inte

consideration. The way of the consideration and the consideration and the consideration of th

#### Where Are Their Manners?

They had really a sopping cele-bration in Oreenwood, C., Wednesday night to celebrate he victory of Butsards Roost. The 283rd Coast Artillery Band, Nasional Guard, started things off with several "stirring marches." The president of the Oreenwood Chamber of Commerce then took charge of the mass meeting, and he made a happy little speech, at the end of it introducing the mayor, who made a speech praising Franklin D. Roosevelt, at the end of it introducing the mayor of Ninety-Six, who told of Franklin D. Roosevelt's and Secretary Ickes' unfagging interest in the project. One flagging interest in the project. flagging interest in the project. One by one a succession of people important in their own right or by some connection with the project and the litigation attending it, were called on to say a little say, most of them ringing in Franklin D. Roosevelt, until as a climax the Gwernor of the State of South Carol as, the Honorable Olin D. Johns on, was presented to the audiene amid cheers and applause. Said Gwernor Johnston:

"When I get to Washington, I'm going over to the White House and thank the President for blessing my state"

House and thank to President for blessing my staty.

More cheers, the we do not begrudge the Governo or President Roosevelt in the slight'st. Yet, even so, didn't they every list one forget' the fellow who will be inclipally responsible for the mat rialization of a power plant at Buzze do Roost, the fellow whos already plad for the preliminary work, the engineering research and the leg. illigation? The fellow who in the ind will hand over a \$557,000 outrie til gift and a loan of \$2,195,000 the Greenwood County, the fellow who made all this possible — the Hon. ohn Q. Taxpayer? Doesn't Jolin deserve a cheer or two, or at leaf cordial mention? After all, it is ohn who will foot the bill.

## Freely, At Their Out Risk

The much-extollec constitution which paps Sialin gave to the Union of Soviet Socialist Robulles seems to be, in practice, a comment consisting almost wholly of checks and preclous few balances. For example, the latest installment of Russia's serial mass 'killings was the shooting of eight officials of Soviet Armenia. The charge against them was conspiracy to bring about the accession of Armenia from the Soviet Union. But it is specifical as store in the new Constitution that any constituent republic shall nave the right iffreely to secede," just as Brittin dominions have the right iffreely to secede," just as Brittin dominions have the right in the new Constitution that any constituent republic shall nave the right in the second state as a vocatorate of some foreign power, manned Besides, if that count we a insufficient, the second of the first, and didn't come that close to the first, and didn't come that close to the second. No runs, no hils, two curves, The much-extolled constitution

the OGPU had evidence, good enough to be admitted in any council of hig-wig communists, that the defendants had poisoned tens of thousands of cattle and had impeded the govern-ment's efforts to increase crops. They were taken out and shot.

From this distance it appears, stom this distance is appears, con-stitution or no constitution, that it is still vitally necessary in the land of Stalin to belong to the right lodge and to stand in with the right peo-ple.

## **MANUALS** FOR LEFTISTS

WASHINGTON.—There are certain

WABHINGTON—There are certain books that have become regular texts or bibles of the radical and of the Third New Deal. Generally speaking, Ind them filled with inaccurate and frequently, flagrantly false, statements. Invariably they are outright attacks on



the capitalist system. Prominent among their mithods is a deliberate attempt to discredit individuals who have some public standing by reason of past public services. Throughout they are inflamatory appeals to what the President recardly condemned as class-consciousness. They are in all things consistent with Community manuals on approved methods or discrediting bourgeoids governments and inciting to proletariat revolution. Olitatianding among these fare the

and inciting to proletariat revolution.

Outstanding among these are the
cleverly written books of David Cushman Goyle—who appears from his writings to be a bitter and disappointed misanthrope. One recently pushed into
public notice by the Jackson and Ickee speeches is a 500-page distribe by Ferdi nand Lundberg on the now famous but nythical 60 familles.

The usual reaction of the people and inHorsefiles On Thestitutions attacked is Flanks Of Their to say: "Why bother Betters about such false and extreme nonsense? It

carries its own The disposition demnation on its face." of the average publicist is to say: "These people are only seeking publicity for the purpose of their business. Why give it to them by noticing their stuff?"

That may be right, but this is the source-material for nearly all the speeches and the tons of propaganda of the Third New Deal. Not through these books, but through the translation of what is in them into all kinds of important ulterances from the top down, this political and economic filth is per-meating our intellectual earth like the seepage from a broken sewer.

Here is a sample from "America" 60
Fersonal Families," proof of the Knowledge Of A faisity of which might Bare-Faced Lie be an interesting bit of political history, feelering to the fourth belief, poministical of Received in the helical poministical of Received in the

of political history. Referring to the fourth ballot nomination of Rossevelt in the 1832 Chicago Convention, this is said: "Alfred E. Smith, in concert with John J. Raakob, Bernard M. Baruch and Hugh S. Johnson, tried to procure the nomination for Newton D. Baker . . . but the Smith-Du Pont-Morgan forces were unsuccessful." This is a whole-cloth lie. Yet, it was repeated in different words by the most radical of the Third New Deal commendators.

Mr. Baruch was not for any preconvention candidate. He had had his fingers burned in the Smith-MoAdoo embrogilo. I didn't count. But we were both opposed to Mr. Baker's nomination. Between the third and fourth ballot, Baruch and others, including Herbert Swope (who alone in the group wore a big Al Smith button), were sitting in a room in the Blackstone Hold when Mr. Hearst telephoned Baruch from San Simeon. "To the rumor I hear true, that Al

"Is the rumor I hear true, that Al Smith is trying to break the next ballot for Baker?"

Al Smith had re-

Al Smith had refused to make any
statement whatever.
Swope went to the Congress Hotel and
found Al stiting fully sucking a dead
cigar. To Swope's question, three times
repeated: "Al, are you pulling to throw
this thing to Baker?" there was no anweer—not even the twitching of a muscle. swer—not even the twitching of a muscle.
Silently, Swope took off his Al Smith
badge, laid it on the Governor's desk,
and came back to the Blackstone.

## Let's Build A Railroad, He Proposes

PWA To Put Up The Money, As It Did For Greenwood County's Power Plant.

Doer Sir:

You recent editorial references to the matter of FWA handouts for power prepeter constructions, gives one an idea.

If, say, you and I jush to get a charfer To construct a railroad of some 36 miles length (big enough for amateurs), what's the matter with applying to the PWA for \$2,00,000? Heeft, we could PWA for \$2,000,0009 Heek, we could give the government a mortgage on our rall holdings in just a jiffy. If our application were to be turned down, it would be discrimination. Railroads are public service institutions and perhaps we could be the means of bringing about cheaper transportation rates for the pending the public pending and the pending the p we should not have any trouble in show ing that we haven't the necessary funds with which to construct the proposed line.

On the other hand; if we should wish to operate a coal mine for cheaper coal for the people, there is also a nice field for PWA funds.

The power companies are not the only ones who need financial assistance, and if things were on the square, almost any honest business should be entitled to a slice of pie.

If you decide to try for the railroad project, I shall be quick to nominate you for Chairman of the Board and see that you have a private car with annual passes over every rail line on the North American continent. Tax money is as good to splurge on as any. P. R. McCIAIN.

DIRTINESS OF CITY'S
SIDEWALKS MOVES HIM
TO A COMPARISON

Dear Sir:

As I walk about the streets of this sanitary city, I am compelled to speak a word about the condition of the sidewalks. To begin with, the idewalks are uneven and very rough, and some of them are really dangerous to walk on at night. On top of this, I find that every person who is walking along the street is sometimes eating fruit of whatever kind they like, and they throw the peelings of cranges, bananas, apples and everything of that kind on the sidewalk. These things are liable to cause some person to fall and break his hip or leg and maybe his neck. and maybe his neck.

and maybe his neck.
Why not be decent about this thing
and refrain from littering up our
sirects, and especially our sidewaikes?
Worse than all of this is the expectorating on the aidewaike, which is very insanitary; besides, it denotes that those
guilty of same are very badly reared,
and instead of walking around the
streets of chariotte scattering disease of
all kinds, they should be relegated to a
lone gen far removed from human bablhas all allows, they should be relegated to a hosp pen far removed from human habi-tation. Then they would feel more at home, because there is no difference be-tween these human beings and a hog, except that a hog can't talk.

I hope whoever reads this will scatter the news along and be of some help to the news mong and be of some near to his fellow man. Let everyone sweep off his sidewalks and in front of his place of business, and keep clean. Cleanliness is next to godliness.

## The Direct Approach

(Greenaboro News)
A new "Carrie Nation" has arisen in
Illinois to go after slot machines with
an axe. With a weapon like that, it
ought to be relatively easy to hit the
jackpot.

# Visiting Around

How'll You Compromise on an Unat-tached Trailer?

(Adv., Morganton News-Herald)
VANTED TO TRADE DUE-BILL ON
new Flymouth for lot in Morganton.
Write P. O. Box 282, Morganton, N. C.

## The Next Best Thing

(Sanford Herald).

Down at the license bureau the other ay a man walked in and asked if he day a man walked in and asked if he could buy marriage ilcenses there too.

Upon being informed that he could only buy the ones made out of tin, he de cided he would take a set of those back with him

Just Bide a Wee, Friend; Just Bide Was

Wise

(Brown Hill item, Monroe Journal)

Christmas has come and gone but it seems more like spring of the year to me. It is warm and rainy, the frogs are creaking in the creek and this morning I saw a red bird. I don't sepcially like cold weather but I loope we will have at least one snow

Yeh, It Was Just Another Saddy Night

Here, Too it is
(Headline, Statesville Daily)
FIRST WEEK END OF
NEW YEAR OBSERVED
VERY SCHERLY HERE
GOVE

# BELIEVE IT OR NOT By Ripley

Co request, sent with stamped, addressed envelope, Mr. Ripley will furnish proof of anything &



Today's Cartoon Self-Explanatory

## IT SEEMS TO ME

A LTHOUGH a number of all-star agreequations of one sort or another have already been selected. I think there ought to be some attempt to plek tans; extreme right end-President Cutan All-America Stuffed-Shirt Eleven for 1937.

The task, of course, is monumental on acount of the wealth of material. No proper aciection of material. No proper aciection that is a services of a mational board of trained experts. I have received some little advice from volunteer heipers, but the team which I shall now name, without further applegies, is largely a matter of individual opinion.

It may be noted that The task, of course,

opinion.

It may be noted that there is no left end on my All-America Stuffed-Shirt Eleven, or left guard or left tackle, for that matter. In deference to the feelings of the stars selected it has been neces-

## A Third Term!

(Columbia State)

The menace of the Roosevelt cam-paign does not lie in the third term tradition, but in the state of mind that could desire four years more of Roose-velt in the White House, four years more of personal government, four years more of personal government, four years more of presidential hawleaners, four years more of authoratic rule, four years more of catcherate rule, four years more of executive contempt for Congress, courts and constitution, four years more of contralization, four years more of demunciation and demapage—I astee of mind that wants the new national aims, that wants Federal interference with every form of human industry and activity, that wants the states stripped of their power, that want the try and activity, that wants the states stripped of their power, that want the minority deprived of all the safeguards against the tyranny of the majority, and bureaueracy substituted for the Bill of

Rights.

The danger does not lie in popular in difference to the third term tradition bught popular indifference to the fundamental principles of liberty upon which this Republic was established.

"Don't be slarmed, friend; don't be misted." Twas all said 26 years ago, by the New York World of January 2, 1912, Frank L. Cobb, editor; and of 'tother Roosevelt. Lots of fun, this perusing round in old newspaper files!

#### What! No Drunks?

(Montgomery Advertiser)

(Montgonery Agrerance)

A story in the Advertuer yesterday
quoted a patrolman as saying that
whereas he expected to be busy christmas eve night, he did not arrest a single
drunk." although he was assigned to a
busy thoroughfare.

busy thoroughfare.

Now that nobody is looking maybe
it is no longer fun to get drink; in other,
words, now that there is no reason to
cultivate inlegal trafficters in liquor,
maybe the novelty of liquor-buying is

lana; extreme right end--President Culture of Colgate: right tackles—Governor Davey of Ohlo and Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City: right guardes—Blockler Lewis and Boake Carter; center—William Green; quarterback—Dale Carnegie; wingback—Blahop Manning; tallback—Boaked—Blahop Manning; tallback—Blahop Manning; tallback—

Naturally I do not contend that this team Offensive? Boy is perfect, but it has They're Positivelygreat strength on the Lousy! attack. Indeed I defy attack. Indeed I defy

Lousy! attack. Indeed I dety-anybody to pick a more oftensive aggre-gation. Just look at the backfield. And look at Bounding Burt Wheeler as a pass receive. Harring an occasional confusion as to which is his goal, this flashing end hant an equal. The team specialized in the shovel pass, and all the receivers can leap in the air or stoop to the ground in order to make the

Mayor Hague at tackle is a team in Mayor Hague at tackle is a team in himself. Indeed, he has admitted as much on several occasions. But Dale Carnegie at quarter is the sparkping the eleven. Before each play he makes it a practice of slapping all his teammates on the back. In fact, this enthuesham is so great that it has been necessary to cuttail him a little. In one game he even slapped the referce and the united of the contraction of the con pire on the back, and the officials re sented it, because they thought that Dak

was trying to influence people.

At such times as Carnegic isn't giving the pep talk the chatter is turned over to Sinclair Lewis or Boake Carter, who also have quite a following.

A couple of experts have told me that while William Green Green's Place certainly deserves a Drawback should not be at cen

snould not be at center to. They say that he doesn't cover enough ground. It was their suggestion that Bill should be used as a blocking back. Naturally I had considered that, but men who have played with Green say that, although a superb blocker, he has a tendency to block the attack of his own side as well

once the states of ine own sace as went.

One or two names which might come to mind are omitted, aince a stuffed shirt is properly a person whose performances do not in any way meet his prefensions. An actually sinister figure does not belong Stuffed-shirt's are lesser folk. For instance, there must be millions and millions of people in America who do not pay the slightest attention to the words of President Outlen of Collegate. Nevertheless, he makes the kasm as extreme right ofth, because whosever three or four manufacturers are gathered logsther three is, the not vary famous educator giving it this old college try. as that of the opponents,

mous educator giving it one clay college try.

So let's have nine raw, raw, raws with
"team" at the end of it.

# Earlier Days

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

State Library, at Raleigh

JANUARY 7, 1883
75 YEARS AGO

THE YANKEE ARMY
We published last week the official
statement of the Yankee Army numbering in all 1,006,000 officers and men.
But the Yankee papers figure this away
to less than 500,000 in actual service.
They say that 1,50,000 are sick, 180,000
are stragglers and deserters and that
few will be disposed to place the dead
and wounded at less than 200,000 or
500,000 and leave the number now in service only 469,000 out of the 1,006,000 whe
have been mustered from time to time.
Another year, should the war last sel
long, will use up this remnant of all the
Yankee grand armise. And they confess they cannot raise another.

—Payettevilie Observer.

CONSCRIPTS

The enrolling officers having been required to return the names and ages of citizens between 18 and 30, including those who have furnished substitutes, has led to an apprehension that all such were to be called out as conscripts. The Winston-Salem Sentinel says, no doubt correctly, that this is a mistake; that the object of the Governor in the request is no doubt to ascertain whas number of able-bodied men will be left in the country when the next of the conscripts shall be called.

—Payetteville Observer. CONSCRIPTS

Faystaville Observer.

JANUARY 7, 1838
169 YEARS AGO IT of DE YEARS AGO IT of THE AGO After the people scape the first governmental experiment on the currency with the loss of one or two millions of dollars, they may rub their hands in thankfulness. The loss will be nothing that the their control of the c

Sign Him Un

(Sparianburg Herald)
Georges Bönnet, French minister of finance, holds that position because he never visited Hollywood. If he had ever never valled Hollwood. If he had ever put his foot in the American motion picture metropolis the studies would have showered him with offer of satar-ies that France could not meet. M. Del-les that France could not meet. M. Del-bos has a face strikingly like that of Warren William, a smile as comical as that of Silm Summerville, and a nose that puts that of Schnozsic Durante in the cooler. Sight a combination would prove tresistible for the Hollywood pre-ducers. Unless M. Somet. waste is he prove irresisting for the monty was to be ducers. Unless M. Bonnet wants to be kidnaped it will be well for him to stay away from California.