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We seek truth, that we may follow it.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1938

Kidnaped-or Caught?

Japanese foreign office spokes-men report, with a fine show of indignation, that Chinese soldiers have "kidnaped" three Jesuit priests in the Yellow Hiver battle area.

in the Vellor River battle area.

But it may be reasogably quesflored as to whether the priests
have been "dishapped" or simply
saken prisoners of war. It is an
accepted principle of the law of
nations that wheever gives all and
certainly an invading enemy—ocempires the sistens of an enemy humself, and may justly and levally
be taken prisoner and, if his offenses is a segious one, executed,
And it does not seem entirely unBiely that these Jesuits have been
guilty of lending ald and comfort satility of lending aid and comfort to the Japanese as sgainst the Chinese, For of all Catholic orders the Jestils are most immediately subject to the command of the Pope. And it is of record that, directly after the beginning of the Japanese stack on China, Plus XI officially accepted the Japanese claim that it was all by way of defending the world from the Red, and instructed all Catholic priests and orders in China to sid the Japanese in this crusside against communism" in every way they could the Jesuits are most immediately

## Advance and Be Recognized

The President's Advisory Commit-tee on Education has submitted to Congress a bill calling for Federal aid to the states, beginning at 500-500,000 in 1999 and increasing year by year to \$190,000,000 in 1949. By far the largest item in this proposed appropriation is earmarked for what neral aid fund for the current operating and maintenance expenses of public elementary and secondary schools. And what, pray, is the sin-

shools. And what, ray, is the single principal cost of operating schools? My, teachers' halaries, This shift, then, stripped of its camonfage, is chiefly a bill requiring the Federal Government to supplement teachers' stalaries.

Well, they could use the extra money, we don't doubt, and they may put up the valid argument that everybody else is getting some of the gray, so why shouldn't they? We don't know a pat answer to that, except that two profiliancies don't make a frugality, but this we do know-fat mired each that miracles in the quality of Eduthat miracles in the quality of Edu-eation are not necessarily accomcation are not necessarily accom-plithed merely by increasing appro-priations. Do it in the name of the teachers, if it must be done, but spare as the pretense of doing it in the, name of Education. We've heard that one before.

### Study in Creditors

The City Government has hardened its heart toward delinquent tax-payers and set out to use the means at its command to make them pay up. Aiready tills to a number of pieces of property has passed to the City, and the threat of fore-closure has induced many other continues has induced many other to settle. The latest move, taken while suits are being filed for sub-stabillal amounts of taxes past due, is directed against the "little fellows," some of whom owe no more than their accumulated dellar poll whote. But the aggregate of such some of whom owe no more their accumulated dollar poll But the aggregate of such nits is large, and the authori-re determined to collect them

Americans drank 500 milest them of that requires going to the life of salary garnishments and see on personal property.

Toward Moderation

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Americans drank 5,100,000 gallons by milest year, to set un all-time record. The highest previous conversed in the property of the company of the comp

Exactly a week ago, as everyone knows, Mr. Neville Chamberlain rid ilmuself of Anthony Zeen as Foreign Scenelary and embarked forthrightly on the policy he is said to have favored all the time—the conciliating of Mussolini and Hiller by civing them a full hand to do what they like, particularly in Central Europe. And last Monday afternoon, on the floor of the House of Commons, he defended his action by saying that he conflictuity expected that it would—

". ..... insure the peace of Europe for a generation."

Wherefore we observe by today's paper that the first fruit of his course has been that the Austrian Government has had to send the Austrian army to Graz to put down Austrian army to Graz to put down to 50,000 Nails assembling to march on Vienna. If the attempt he of the one did that, La Belle France would have no choice but to repudiate all her treaties - or fight.

There are, we know, forms of life in which the span of "a generation" is precisely seven days. But we had not thought that man was one of

#### Grow Young With Us.

At 78, Carter Glass ran for another six-year Senate term and was elected with, what amounted to unanimity. At 71, General John J. Ferahinga stout heart and sound constitution are rallying bravely in an attempt are railying bravely in an attempt to pull him through the most critical of illnesses. At 73, Bob Doughton announces for Congress again, as he has ever since the beginning of the twentieth century. Still Inde-fatigable and Indispensable he is. and the attitude of his district probably will be that if he wants the place he can have it. He wants it.

phase he can have it. By wants it.
There are many other notable illustrations of men—Brandels at 50 ahd Hughes at 75, for two—who not only have billitely exceeded their allotted quota of three score and ten years, but whose usefulness has continued unimpatted. Their natural attainments have been sugmented by experience that has been as extensive as it has been inflensive. And their example should be a rreat encouragement to the middle-aged of 60 or so and the youngsters of 50, not to mention the Haming youths of 45. In fact, having taken heart from these septuagemarians who are still very much in the fight, we think we'll just stop wearing hats and sock-supporters and act our age.

## Circumstances Alter Cases

All of the places in North Caro-All of the places in North Caro-ina that want the new U. S. veter-an's hospital, and that includes them all, with the possible exception of Oteen which already has one, are coming forward with their claims, many of them with an order attached to donate a site absolutely free of charge to Unele Sam. Their suppo-cition is, of course, that they will make back the cost of the land in the business the hospital will bring along with RI: and theyre probably long with it; and they're probably

along with It; and they're probably right.

Nevertheless," the spectacle of somebody offering to give Uncle Sam something is novel, to put it middly. It becomes downright astoniching when one stops to recall that most of these municipal donors are theoretically so hard up that Uncle Sam has to come to the resource of the uniemployed among them. In fose, there is one town, whose name we shan't disclose, ready to plank down a deed to Uncle Sam for 171 arrs of land, which once had its fire hydranis painted as a WPA project, assumably because it didn't have the money to paint 'em liest'. What it all comes down to, we reckon, is that it has money for investment but not it has money for investment but not

Count Untrue

City, when it took title to property, county large party of the harder in the bargain; but generally county large in the bargain; but generally county largeyers have what amounts virtually to permission to let taxes alide.

It's going to be interesting to generally controlly and which, in the long run, proves the greater accommodation to tax payers. Our own belief is that the Grity, by forcing the delinquents to eath up, is playing fair with the taxpayers who settle without being made to, and that the County is but ying up grief for itself. In any event, we shall find out, when laying up grief for itself. In any event, we shall find out, when budgets are made next Bummer, which has the right idea.

So Soon a Generation?

Exactly a week ago, as everyone know, Afr. Neville Chamberlain rid stillers do not look for any great the propulation increase. And that the distillers do not look for any great concession compares with 180,000,726 gallons to 181,000,726 gall I have read your editorial in Charlotte News of Wednesday, Jai 28, 1828, it having just been by to my attention. The editorial is he "Stop, Look and Listen." mcrease in consumption in the fu-ture is pointedly argued by the fact-that the production of whisky for the first ten months of 1937 was only 138,300,000 gallons as compared with 214,000,000 for the same period in 1936.

## A LECTURE BY TYROS

BY HOUR & JOHNSON

HOUGHW, S. C.—Professor President
with a pointer and an easel full of
charta criticating American business on
good business judgment, through a presi
conference, with associate professors
Henry the Morgue and Henry the Fowler
—I mean Parmer—diffing owithin by,
is only outdistanced in sheer impertinence by Adolf Hitler's testure to the
world. Here were three separate and
distinct business feitures underwriting
the Milliest economic nonacuse yet adranced.

With the main thesis, nebody will dis-agree. It is true that it is not high prices or low prices that make distress. It is unbalanced prices. As this col-umn has insisted since its beginning, the outstanding circumstance of both booms and busts is that great price

booms and built is that great price groups do not go up and down together and the producers in the laggard price brackets lose their purchasing power. But to compare the "sensitive" price group with the more stable price group, call the latter monepolists, and bersate its producer for not lowering the prices of iron and ateal, for example, to the level of farm prices, is abyamal ignorance.

Factors controlling price in no two groups are the same. Where the major element of cost is fixed, as it is where factory over-head is high and labor Basic Factors Differ Very

and material costs are a relatively small and material costs ago a relatively amail element of price, prices are more stable. This is especially true in the fron and steel industry. Where goods are sold in a world auction market, like wheat and cutton, nothing that either the indus-try or government can do will control

are simplest industry to manage is automobiles. There, increased production is so great a factor in reducing costs that prices, per pound of product, are incredibly low. That rule applies with only fractional effect in agricultural implements where an immense diversity of product so restricts the advantages of mass-production that you cannot mass-urs the two industries by the same yardists.

yardatick.

The labor cost in a package of cigar-ettes is ridiculturally low—as I recall, as about one mill. In such an industry was there is no excuse at all for cutting awage to lower price. But in other in-dustries where the labor element of cost runs as highing 30 per cent and most of the remaining cost is a fixed charge for one element of cost in the cost of the cost o to lower price without culting wages.

There are some inJohn Levis In
More Aware
Of The Facis
The President saked for lower prices
without cutting wage. John Lewis,
who started out by being a labor
cenomist, knows his onions better. In
the yoal industry he protested against
because he knew that in that industry
the two are inceparable.

because he knew that in that industry the two are inseparable.

That is the present trouble with this well-inlentioned administration. It works on charts prepared by theoreticlassumer the direction of men like the two Henrys whose only experience with the actual problems of the intrease and diverse patterns of business merely proves that they don't knew enough about business to live in it. That goes equally for the President. And yet, they presume to Jecture business.

Economists, professors and positicians are all right. Each group has a contribution to thake. But practicel experience in business is all right too. It also has a contribution to make.

#### House-painter, You Mean?

(Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch)
Evidently where Von Blomberg made
his big mistake was in not marrying a
female paperhanger.

## Senator Berry Says Marble

Enters Demurrer To Editorial And States Land Was Bought Before TVA Was Born.

Toop, Look and Listen."
You discuss at some length the
political situation in Tennesses to
which, of course, X offer no objections,
but I think it my duty to advise you
as to the statement made with respect
to the undersigned and I do so in the
following manner:

following manner:

I. You say that my appointment
was "list by Fresident Rocervit as
overdinator of the remains of the
NURA". This is not a satement of fact,
the open of the remains of the NURA."
The office was set up for the purpose
of endeavering to work out a cooperative relationship between Capital.
Management and Labor and it had no Management, and Labor, and it had no relation whatsoever with the National Industrial Recovery Act.

relation whatevere with the National Industrial Recovery Act.

2. The editorial says, "He is the same ritizen Berry who is suing TVA for damages running into the millions on account of flooded machel lands on which he holds options—bought up, TVA charged, more on the strength of its side knowledge that the lands were to be covered with water than on any commercial worth soft the marble there to be found." This statement is unfait to me for these reasons.

No suit was instituted by my against TVA, but you on the contrary, the TVA brought condemnation proceedings against a number of persons, including myself, for the purpose of determining the value of the property confusered by the TVA. Of course, I am sure that you will agree promptly upon the proposition that there would be no value or logic in the TVA bringing condemnation proceedings unless there was something to condemn. I have laken no action whatsoever against the TVA.

the TVA.

The editorial further points out that I am "suing TVA for damages running into millions on account of flooded marble inda." This is not a stetement of fact, because I have never placed a price upon the damages sustained by the flooding of the land. I have simply requested that I be compensated for the confluention without due process of law, and have been willing from the bestiming to allow the facts to determine the value.

I think the proposition of my having

facts to determine the value.

I think the proposition of my having bought up options abould be clarified and adjusted by the simple facts; to wit, that I took option and purchased property more than a year prior to the enactment of the law creating the TYA; before Mr. Roosevelt was nomi-nated or a candidate for the Presi-dency, and, of course, prior to his elec-tion to that office. Moreover, the fact-are that I was ragaged in the sale o

law creating the TVA.

The foregoing are the facits. I do not believe that I am subject to undue critisism in the face of the facet, I am no different than the hundreds of other property courses, whose land and minerals and properties have been destroyed by reason of the "Tennessee Valley Authority's construction of the North Dam. I still believe very definitely in the rights of pirvate ownership of property and the guarantees given under the Constitution.

J. Amment serving for the nurroses

I am not writing for the purpose of asking you to make the correction, but I do express the hope that you will at least understand the injustice that has been done me in connection with the publication of this editorial GEORGE L. BERRY.

Washington

## Visiting Around

There Wasn't, by Chance, a Priso Attached to Them, Was There, Constable? (Adv., Chesterfield Advertiser)

LOST—On Monday, Jan. 31st, in or near Mt. Croghan, pair of Peerless Hand Cuffs, Finder please notify D. B. JORDAN,

Apprentices at Play

(Mooresville News-Leader) r - Prank Shoemaker Jr. spen night with Master Alonzo Shoe

And Thus Endeth the Beading of the

(Hot Springs news, Marshall News-Record) Mrs. Moody Bible went to Marshall last

## Yeh, and She's Got Two Horns Windshield-Winers

Windshield-Wipers
(Adv., Tayloraville Times)
OOW FOR BALE—Good family cow tor
sale, in good condition, and gives extra
good milk—G. G. Tegue, Tayloraville,
N. G.

# BELIEVE IT OR NOT By Ripley



SINK OF THE POPO AGIE—In Fremont County, Wyoning, just above Agie River comes down from the mountains through a carryon five miles long, dashes into the right hand wall of the carryon and disappears completely. Ab the river emerges from the left wall of the carryon. Somewhere in that half racross the carryon, which is about 1,000 feet wide at this polynomy, which is about 1,000 feet wide at this polynomy.

## The Policy Cain Began

By HEYWOOD BROUN

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Control who would close their eyes and thank God that the rest of the world is well last. I have just been reading the brief and eloquent account of the greatest isolationate of any in lived many years before Borah or Neville Chamberiain. The story can be found in the ninth and enth verse or the fourly chapter of the Book of Cheesis. And it runs:—

"And the Lord said unto Cain, Where it Abel, thy brobler? And he said, I know not. Am I my brother's keeper?"
"And the Said, What has thou done! The voice of thy brother's hat hou done! The voice of thy brother? And leads, I is the list of the said of the done as a doornal."

The League of Nations was not contaminates. It was delivered bunglingly diplomats, and now it lies bleeding like the body of Abel. And the mats as weath has account he mounts to waste.

It seems to me that Cain's heresy was the crisis of his crime. Other men in Israel were violent and killed in anger those mar

it was Cain who first voiced and set the philosophy of isolation and rugged individualism.

And it is recorded that God said, "Now

And it is recorded that God said, "Now art thon curred from the earth which halb opened her mouth to receive thy prother's blood from thy hand."

Now, then, will it fare with those who asy, "It's none of our business?" And will there be praise in the bong eternity of posterity for three statesmen and leaders who take delight in declaring, "Nebody can touch us for years and years. What do we care about the rest of mankind!"

I think that upon the brow of such there will be placed a mark, the oldred or complete indifference, which should make them known to their fellows. The blood of our brothers does ory out from

make them known to their fellows. The blood of our brothers does cry out from the ground. It cries from Spain and China and from the concentration camps of Nari Germany. Will it be well for us to wash our hands and say with the cynicism of Cain, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Until this elinging

and it Lies Today Under Many Forms and search there will be no peace. It is the solece of the smug in all the nations of the world. It affects both domestic economy over and over and over again in a thousand current expressions:—Tet them worry. "What's it to me!" "Intime blobble," "Lat George do it," and "I've got to think about myself."

and the got to think about myself. There are scales and finks among nations as well as among individuals. The theory that each man is sufficient unto himself is the core of industrial conflict. Just as the theory of complete nationalism has been the corner stone of war. Peace through to operation is a difficult task, but if not an idle and fantatic dream. Men who call themselves realist stabbed it to death. Neville (Chamburlain, council to death, Neville Chamburlain, council to death, Neville Chamburlain, carnot be questioned as to; accuracy when he says that the League of Nations.

Cecut In lot. In the deep control of the deep case as a doornal?

The League of Nalions was not conceived under the most assoptions circumstances. It was delivered bungling by diplomats, and now it lies bleeding like the body of Abel. And the earth has opened her mouth to rective the blood. But linst red stream is acticulate. The people of the world must organize again. The tollers should take the lead. Agreements with facility are feelbt things. Such arrangements are the endorsement of war and not its negation. Turies in all lands are fundamentally facility and you don't even need to scratch them to find that but.

what have we done? We cannot pass by on the other side when the cry comes from blood brothers. The peace and freedom of the world can be preserved only by free mrn. And each of us is his brother's keeper. And

## Get Up, Old Horse

(Calamba News-Enterprise)

Although about 33 years of age, an old horse on a farm of the late R. L. Asherbranner, near Vale, is still hale and hearty and able to do light work, if he were shod, according to Miss Ether Ash-

A few days ago while Alfred Lall was nelping the old horse get up, the animal cloked Mr. Lall on, the leg, breaking

Miss Asherbranner reports that Mr.
Lall is recovering astisfactorily, but she
reachts the implication of a news report
rom Vale which was published on Derom Vale which was published on ember 30. In which it was said when the old horse lies down he to ble to get up.

"It is only occusionally that this ho needs assistance in getting up-lines not oftener than once months," Miss Asherbranner said:

27 years.
The further fact that the horse broke
Mr. Lati's leg accidentally, instead of
kicking him malticlously, was also atreased
by Miss Asherbranner, who recalled that
when the animal was young two calves
and three hogs once spent a night in his
atali without getting hurt.

## Give in the Lion's Tail

(Norfolk Virginian-Pilot)

(Nerfolk Virginian-public turns out that the American inch is two-millionths shorter than the sh linch, which is odd, considering much the British have been giving

## Earlier Days

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

15 YEARS AGO FRENCH INTRIGUE IN TEXAS

FERNICH INTERIOUS. IN TEXAS

The French Legation in Washington
has seen fit to deny peremptorily that
the Emperor has been plotting to
separate Texas from the Confederacy,
and a correspondent of the New York
Tribune, who evidently speaks from
knowledge obtained directly from the Legation, asserts that the French Gov-Lexation, asserts that the French Ost-ernment is at present wholly injournal of what has taken place in reference to this matter. The whole responsi-bility connected with it fails upon un-known agents and subsilters officers, who, destrous of distinguishing them-selves, have assumed certain functions unwarranted by their rank and position.

—Payetterille Observer.

## ARTILLERY EXPERIMENTS

The big gun of the ateamer "Rich-mond" has been tried with ample suc-cess. A target, plated with eight inches of iron, was penetrated by the powerful of iron, was penetrated by the position projectile fired from the gun at a distance of 800 yards. It was first charged—iro 15 nounds of powder, then with with 15 pounds of powder, then with 20 and finally with 25; but the 20 pound charge was found to be the

### FEBRUARY 28, 1838 100 YEARS AGO

THE SEMINOLES
We learn from General Hernander, passing through here on Tuesday lest on his way to Washington and who came direct from Fordia, that the operations against the Seminoles must soon close for the season, but that there is no prospect of the war's ending with the present campaign, unless for which, nowever, the hope is alightly the districtions among themselves may produce a voluntary submission. No THE SEMINOLES

-Favetteville Ob

## Placing the Swastika

(Richmond Times-Dispetch)

Ritler's professions of a brotherly feeling for his fallow Austrians, and his ferrent references in the past to "the call of blood" between the people of Germany and those of Austria, hier been received billetty in the latter country, as a consequence of his failure runn to promise to respect Austrian in-

ependence.
The state of mind of the two The state of mind of the two-thirds of the Austrian population which has never had any sympathy with Nasidon, is restly appreciated. Those sady distillusioned thiood brothers of the Plathere must be more than yere after to the supropriationes; of the plather of the supropriationes; of the plather of the p