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other eight and it is almost certain.

Already half a dozen legislatures have soleminly considered, under the pressure of a deluge of mail, achiemes for acking bachelors with a head tax of from a hundred to a thousand unackers annually. And the odds are fearfully against the boys being able long to recape. For naturally, not only the whole female population but all the married males are deed against them.

The line forms to the right, men. The

days of rugged individualism, slas and also, seem to be about over,

Britain's action in cutting off German coal from fissly brings into the light several things. One of them is that Italy has certainly been serving as a base of supply for Germany; for, of course, the German coal has to be paid for. And it is more than probable that the things Italy has been paying with constain mainly of war materials and foodstuffs, a good deal of it imported from outside, as from the United States, for that specific purnose.

More revealing still is the fact that taly has refused to take more British coal — of better quality than German coal and subject to only about half the transportation cost — and pay for it with airplanes and other arms.

What it indicates is that the assump-

tion that Italy is certain to remain neu-tral or to go to war on the side of the Allies is too precipitate. Actually, Mus-solini seems to be playing a game of pure

solini seems to be piaying a game of puze opportunism.

He la probably not going to war on the Nazi side ao long as littler and Stalin are openiy as thick as they are supposed to be now. The Vatican is far loo powerful in Catholic Italy to make that safe for a dictator. And if, as the war moves on, His Italian Dictatorable judges that the Nazis are likely to lose, then it is not probable that he will go to war on that safe and the safe and the

their side at all - may go to war on

their side at all — may go to war on the Allied side.

But on the other hand, if he judges that it is reashle to overthrow England and divide up her empire, it is more than plausible that he will leap into the side of the Nazis, if the Russian business can be arranged.

And undoubledly it can be arranged. In return for active Izialina ald Hiller, now dislibusioned about the Russian strength, may be quife sulling to throw Stallin overboard. Or better sill, to arranke with Stallin a business of a pre-

God's Acré Sufficient Cause Sometimes

with Stalin a business of a preranke with Stain a business of a pre-tense of an angry quarrel and a break for the benefit of the world and the Vatican, while secretly continuing the connection — probably with the knowledge and ac-quiescence of Mussolini.

Makes It Less Than Sucred

Out in San Francisco, they're moving the Laurel Hill Cemetery. The bones of 35,000 lie there, but up they must come to be moved elsewhere. And no matter that many of them were the rich and powerful of San Francisco's nid days.

that many of them were so and days. The land they occupy lies in a real estate development, and up they must come so that it can be sold for so much a front

that it can, be sold for so much a front.

Which reminds us of the old cemetery behind the First Presbyterian Church. Nobody, so far as we know, has proposed to dig up the dead there and cart their bones away to lie uneasily in new soil. All that has been proposed is that the noelected and somewhat forlorn looking the tree of the timed into a public park, with pathways winding "among the raves and benches set at Intervals under the trees, so that the weary — who in the whole downtown were of Charlotte have un haven — noay sit and rest themselves and perhaps muse on the swift passing of mortal life.

But no, it must not be are told, The could be blasphemous and very when the soil completely worked to the soil can be soil to the soil to the soil can be soil to the soil to the soil can be soil to the s

wicked.

And so, we suppose, the aid cemetery will just have to lie there, with the weeds growing in it, more and more forgotten—until. Until, as the city grows up.

Britain's action in cutting of German

Events Indicate Italian

Course Still Uncertain

population dead against them.

Joker

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 1940

Bonus Battle

Lucky Strike's "Incentive Compensation" Under Fire

Compensation comments
This year's battle over the bonuses
paid by the American Tobacco Co.
Clucky Strikes) to its officers is not the
first time a protect has been raised. Back
in 1930, President George Washington
and hour to drag down \$1,200,000, Hill was about to drag down \$2,200,000 other top officers in proportion, when a stockholder intervened with court ac-

Again in 1931 and 1932, hard years, the region in 1931 and 1932, hare years, the presidential salary and bonus approximated a million bucks, but moderation set in among the directors of the company, and on 1938's business President Hill received only \$420,300.

Illi received only \$420,300.
In the eyes of small stockholder 180 shares? Lewis D. Gilbert, however, this is still too much. A sort of horsefly on the flanks of fat corporations, Mr. Gilbert makes a career of busting up auch a rangements, or at least of bringing the to the attention of other slockholders.

And if they take his "incentive com-entation" away, declares President Hill, he'll ouit. He'd have to, he says, to keep

In that case, and perhaps only in that In that case, and perhaps only in una-case, would it be possible to determine with any assurance whether Mr. Hills services to the American Tobacco Co. are worth what he receives for them, or if he is boldly using his position for ex-cessive enrichment.

Fadeout

The Embarrassing Mr. Hop Is Conjured Out Of Sight

The most singular blackout in politica in the last few months, we are suddenly reminded, is that of the Hon. Harry Hop-kins.

kins.

No more than a year ago, his name was blazing in the front page headlines practically every day. There was a maiter of something he was alleged to have asid at a rose track'to the effect that 'we (presumably the New Dealers) will spend and spend and elect and elect. At least twice a week Carter Olsas or Arthur Vandenberg or Josiah Baitey or some other anti-New Deal Democratic or Republican spokesman rose up in the Senate or the House to denounce him as a mence to the House to denounce him as a mence to the House to denounce him as a mence to the House to denounce him as a mence to the House to denounce him as a mence. ublic in his role as captaingeneral of the WPA

And the President was reported to be actively grooming him as a possible heir to the Great White Throne. Indeed, any list of possible candidates was sure to inelude prominent mention of his name. But now, look at it. The good man's

name may still figure in the news col umns, but if so it must be in that small type back in the financial section. We nestly had to think hard to recall what honestly had to think hard to recall what he was doing now — to remember that he had been kitked upstairs to the job of boss of the Commerce Department, from which Dr. Hoover leaped to the Presidency. From being voulby all over the place he has become as seldom seen as the dodo, as little heard as Harpo Marx. A man, as It were, booted up to glory and oblivion in a single stroke. As a matter of fact, you even hear michty little about WPA any more, since he is on longer there. longer there.

Marbinger

Bachelors May As Well Prepare For The Worst

In former leap years they did it in Au-

In former loop years they did it in Aurora, Ill., as, a lark. This year, too, it was,
ostensibly still a lark. And yet—and
yet, master, three wax a egin air of relalam about it which bodes ill for the confirmed bachriors of the land.
The gais took charge, linerally. Bachelors were collared right and left, heaved
unceremonically into paddy wagons, and
carted off to the hoosegow to stand behind bars until it pleased a female court,
to had them before the bench and assess forms of alockings, candy; flowers. Im-gerie, perfume, etc. etc. etc. etc. etc. etc. etc. etc. etc. — and ad infinition r. etc. etc. etc. — and ad infinition, any married man and all the cagey number bachelors will understand.

Doe Joe Wadkins, one of the town's Doe Joe Wadkins, one of the town's most sought after and warfest catches, got a little sore when he was muleted for two grams of high-priced come-hither water, protested loudly to the sourt, shouled that he maint it. But it did him no good; back he went into the Iron

stuering in it, more and more forcotten—until. Until, as the eity grows up, by and by somebody shall want it as, asy, asite for a filling station. Then, no doubt, it will have to make way. The weary of these times, often all, are only the weary—and probably deserve no better snyhow. But for a generation which will no longer remember the manife of the odes, a good real estate deal will of course be a good real estate deal. An ominous adumbration of the shape of the future. Given another four years, and the certain air of determined ruthlessmeas plainly on display in these pro-needings may well have been trans-

Toward The Past

By Raymond Clapper

MIAMI, Pla -- Actions speak louder than words, particularly in poli-tics. Therefore it is well to note:



recogni es have changed. He is sublican Party to move procession and accept basic reforms of the ninstration, with the a re-efficient administra more efficient administration modifications to remove softheir irritating and obstructivities. That was all very withe words meent anything, if were to be taken sectionly be Republicans. There was a sable lack of enthusiasm for Frank report summing reports and the words and the summing reports and the summing reports

WHILL CALL THE TURY.

Mr. Wels and his fellow millionares are digging into their pockets are size as region into their pockets are size as region into their pockets are size as the size

WEIR THINKS IT'S STILL GOOD OLD 1903

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OUT WITH THIS.

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spartments built.

Men who are furnicing the Republican Party are only Rossavelt and not the conditions of which he are for the party of the Republican Party are to the 1221 one sain in 1232, and it looks at It have going to miss the boost again. Certainly they are having trouble Certainly they are having trouble control of the Republicant of the Republ

What's A Senior?

Montgomery Advertiser

Montgomery Adverliaer
Bishop James Cannon "Jr" —
junior, attinuth he is 78 years
old — is still in there flighting
for prohibition, the only subject
that every really interested him.
Our Michmond Times-Dispatch of Our menimond Times-Dispates of Tursday carries a vigorous letter from him to which the editor of that worthy family journal feels impelled to append a hote of cor-rection. Saw the editor, of The Times-Dispatch in his pote:

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Coming! (Wham!) Coming! (Bam!) Coming! (Zowie!)



Letters to the Editor:

Medan Les Clibers Lust Liberary

Dear Bir!

I wonder if as much free advertising has ever been wasted in any other city in the woold as in Charlotte over the way to get a free public library, gustanteed to Bive a century at least, Here is the short and simplestory of how a certain backward Southern city of 3,000 in 1910 got a permanent tax for a library in 1911. A citizen said in this did boyhood friend who had been elected State Senator; S'ate Senator;
"John, it's a shame that a place

intr."
"All right," replied the brown"All right," replied the brownrelope," pulling one out of his
pocket as a magician pulls a rabbit out of the hat.

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—JOHN SMITH.

What, in your opinion, is the most fundamental need in the lives of young people of America today?

america todas?

The centest begins immediately, closes Saturday, March S. All leiters, to be eligible for the prize, must reach this office before noon on the latter date. While the context is no progress, the daily prize of 31 or best letters will not be offered.

Clip sheets of the saturd best o

To The Poor Farm

Dear Sir: -RO
How often have we driven out the Concord Highway past that Charlotte.

car for them or speak a kind word to them, no relatives to lind a helping hand and see that they have a few trecasating in life. Just alone and forgotten. We drive for these facts but we drive to the larger, if some of you would get together a group and take time of to groun to the County Home and visiones and the same of the see that the se

id beick building which is a home

out deter billiading which is a foot floor people who either from old age or some uncontrollable conditions are unable to provide a home or support themselves? And as we pass don't we often wonder what happiness can life possibly hold for them? No loved ones to care for them or speak a kind word.

British Blunder

By Dorothy Thompson

THE British Covernment has an-nounced that in the future no more land in Pelestine may be purchased from Araba by Jesse or snybody else There-with its falls in with Hiller's blood-and with its falls in with Hiller's blood-and soit theory. The contrastity of land, in that country-which is about the size of the State of Vermont—is to remain the way it is now in perpetuity. Merely being a member of the indigenous race constitutes an eternal claim to the soil, no matter what that indigenous may does to the soil and no matter whether the individual owners with to sell their lands. They may sell, but only to other Arabs.

Arab.

New, this move is made for reasons of international political strategy and is otherwise utterly without logic. The Sittlah Government knows that the Paieston Jews will be logat to Thinton Jews will be logat to Thinton Jews with the Arab. The paieston Jews will be logated by the property open to against he property of the printing of other governments. The British Governer ment wants to conclisive him, and does in at the expense of the Palestine Jawa so at the expense of the rescaline such under the argument that Britain is fight-ing against racial persecution and that the most important thing for the Jews is that Britain should win the war.

THE POLICY HEMS UP THE CROWDED PEOPLES

THE COMMEND FEDERA
Unfortunately, however, Britain setablishes a policy which not only makes
her noble words seem hollow but which
will remain to plague her in peace. For
overcroarded Europe, not only the Jews,
will need colonization projects when this
war is over. It has needed them for
years. And it happens that the Palesine colonization project is the finest Europeans, animated by faith and ideal-ism, can do. For Britain to come out ism, can do. For Britaln to come-for the theory that a race anywhere of attitutes an eternal static population simply to condemn the undeveloped p thous of the earth to elemnal stagnati On that basis this continent would a belong to the Indians.

belong to the Indians. But the Jews in Pelestine have not dealt with the Araba as our forefathers draft with the Indians. Every bit of their land has been bounds from the owners and paid for at an arothern price—not with whitely and colored beads. The land they bought was asampy, deforated and eroded. The Arab lands are still in the same condition. The land of the Jewish colonities, having first been purchased, has been reciding they a system of co-operative land. settlements or colonies whose work is quite incredible.

THEY HAVE MADE A WONDERFUL JOB OF IT

Assistant Walter C. Lowdermitk, Assistant Chief of the Boll Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture, said in a recent report on a vey of land use on three continents, that acricultural colonization in Paleatine by the Jews is the most remarkable devotion to and reclamation of wasted lands that he has ever seen.

This transformation of Palestine back into a land flowing with milk and honey has been done by Jewish youth from the ghettos of easiern Europe or triugees from recurrent poemms.

A Reader Gives Us The Candid Once Over

Dear Sir:

Deling a newspaper man invest and a Charlotte News fain for some twelve or lifteen months. I feel that I have some authority with which to speak in giving an appraisal of your paper. I have studied The News rather closely during the limit I have been a subscriber and I have some to the conclusion it is a pretty good paper. However, there is another side to the Dicture which I shall present here, and I date asy you will be broad-midded enough to give me a show for your 11 daily prize even though my trenarks are not 100 per cent forwards.

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papers is that they are just like the people who read them—afraid to take, hold of new ideas, merely because they are new 'The Charlotte News has always shown itself willing to saccept new ideas.

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WREATHS FOR DAVIS. DOAR, AND HOWE

DOAR, AND HOWE

That leaves Harriet Dox; She does pretty well and I think her column performs a useful function in giving the local women something function in giving the local women something her a better tilt for her ferroman is given the result of the performance of the local her leaves in the something some six-year-old child must have thought of.

The News has an excellent Sunday book page, the sports section is easy, too, although this part hardly ever interests me. Burke Davis, in-dientially, is the best sports columnat I've read in many a day, and Ray Howe is just about as good.

And now for the Washington-Merry-Go-Bound. I think you have something here. Many-papers bury here Merry-Go-Round by sticking it inside on the editorial page in small type. The News has the right lider—tign it up the foot page ness by starting it on page one. There's only me suggestion I want to make on this subject. Whey not so back to your old plan to the page of the page of the page of the type across the tap describing this case in large large I thought it was very effective.

Tye told you all my ideas above spaper. Except one—the biggest ews ever made was in istung Carlo Hollywood. If I derived no

-PRESTON DRABLE

Mr. Spaugh does very well for a minister. Florence, S. C.