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'Old Buck''

A Four-Stacker Former U. S. Destroyer Goes to Glory

It was by accident that "Old Buck" ver got to fight in this war. Thrown suches in feverish haste to ferret out be Kalser's U-boats, the old four-stack had begun to show her age long bear the world dreamed of reckoning the a Reichsfuhrer. The tramp of serman boots in the Rhineland, the summer of Anschluss, echoed against wer barmeled sides as she law in an sunder of Anschluss, echoed against by barnacled sides as she lay in an merican harbor, lashed beam-to-beam with other destroyers called, humiliatingly, "over-age".

She had all but felt the breath of the

strapper's torch when there came a sec-ed call to arms. There were new peri-copes in the Atlantic.

There was a job to be done and the USS Buchanan became an item in the first official Bundle for Britain. They changed her name to His Metatric Tries. bellon, but to her crew she was "Old Buck". They nursed her along with the respect owing to a faithful old sait. She battered her nose in the Borth Sea and pitched sizzling ashcans into the Atlantic. But destiny was sav-ing her for a special hour of glory.

g her for a special hour of glory. It came one night least week when sy loaded her with ten thousand sunds of high explosive and steered straight into the most active Ustness on the French coast—St. Larie. It was to be a one-way trip for M. Buck". If she could reach the thor dry-dook locks, many a month wild go by before German submarines and use St. Lazaire.

was a grand entrance "Old Buck".
On both sides of the harbor, German anti-aircraft batteries machine guns sent streams of fire titish bombers overhead. The two and machine guns sent streams of fire is british bombers overhead. The two lifty streams met over the harbor and through this great Gobthe arch steamed Old Buck", her every gun firing at the speed. Two great searchlights eached out their fingers and touched see. Shore batteries opened up full sast. The Nazi anti-aircraft ship in the harbor tried to stop her and was signing it out. Old Buck" was signing it out. There were the dock gates—full speed head!—and "Old Buck" piled into her act berth. At twenty knote, her meantium carried her halfway through the steel and concrete barrier before

steel and concrete barrier before and jaw-jarring concussion. "Old Buck", the over-age castoff, had shown the steek new destroyers how to die.

"Oh, Say . . . "

Charlotte Needs Practice in "**The Star-Spangled Ba**nner"

The measure of respect Americans and for their national anthem is qualled only by their dread of having being it. Somehow the notion has mixed currency that the average cilizen a incapable of reaching the high notes that come somewhere around the rocket's set giare. Their misgivings are consantly being confirmed by musicians, largely of the publicity-secking variety who write articles about how the tune weight to be changed.

eight to be changed.
At any rate, the result has been a sholesale falling back on "My Country-lis of Thee." Now, we have nothing sainst America. It is a pretty good one, But it is not the national an-

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have been impiring if the Charlotte audience, like those who attend the weekly New York Philharmonic concerts, had pitched in and made the rafters ring. Perhaps the trouble was that too few people knew the words. Well, the only way to learn the words to a song is to sing it frequently. We hope each civic club president will see his way clear to appointing a committee to investigate the singing of the American national anthem. You don't hear it so much, but it's really a pretty swell sone, and it's it's really a pretty swell song, and it's smack in the middle of a vogue.

Contrast

Morganton Impoverished by Mecklenburg Standards

Nobody, we think, could accuse the Mecklenburg Tuberculosis Sanatorium of living in the lap of luxury. The sanatorium has need of the entire appropriation it receives from the County and is doing a good work at a moderate cost. There is, however, a sharp and significant contrast between what the County allows the sanadorium and what the

allows the sanatorium and what the State allows the hospital at Morganion. To be sure, there is a difference in the services of the two institutions, and there may be some negligible differ-ence in methods of reporting costs. The contrast remains sharp and significant all the same.

The average number of patients at the Mecklenburg Sanatorium last year was 140. Its annual appropriation, in round figures, came to \$128,000, which allows an average expenditure per patient of \$915.

The average number of patients at the The average number of patients at the state Hospital in Morganton for the year ending June 30, 1940, was 2,279 (now about 2,500). Its appropriation for that year was \$403,000, which allows an average expenditure per patient of \$177.

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As we say, the two institutions are of a different type, and it may well be that the State Hospital can get along on a much smaller per capita appropriation than the Mecklenburg Sanatorium. But not on less than one-fifth as much. Insufficient funds undoubtedly is one explanation of the shocking conditions at Morganton.

New Managers

Lippard May Drop Out, but The Liquor Trade Will Go On

The Liquor I rade Will to On.

Carl Lippard, who appealed Judge
Vance Howard's eighteen-month road
sentence, will not be an utter stranger
to Superior Court when his case comes
up in that tribunal. It was fourteen
years ago that he last appeared there,
then as now on appeal from a conviction in lower court on a liquor charge.

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Matter of fact, Lippard never actually appeared in Superior Court. His case was called some six weeks after 11 was docktede, but no answer. A capias was issued, and another. He couldn't be found. Finally, six months later, the court gave up and the case was non-prossed. A \$250 bond guaranteeing Lippard's appearance was compromised for \$100 in folding money.

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consumer.

In any event, the substantial liquor business in Charlotte would not lack for promoters. There is only one practical way, so far as its volume and profit go, in which the props could be knocked out from under it, and its proprietors cut down to alze. That is, or course, by changing from the Prohibition Liquor System to the State's deliberate method of control.

Under pressure of the war demand for production, machines become more and more marvelous. Nevertheless, we believe man is here to stay.

It is Spring, and a young man's fancy lightly turns to matters in which she is well shead of him.

Millman's Next Job

By Paul Mallon



MASHINGTON

RESIGNATION of Sidney Hillman, head of the War Production Board's labor division, has
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construction of the propers there is
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A notion

you had a mind to.
A notion is prevalent around WPB that before it is found Mr. illman will be offered a more ominent job.

go that high.

If he does, all available Army
stretchers will have to be mobilized first aid stations. They are
already slightly weak on "draftfor-industry" and only the stouthearted are likely to aurrive the
that post, where he could shiftaround their personnel.

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SOME OTHER ELEVATION
IS MORE LIKELY
More than likely Mr. Hillman
will get some less controversial
civations. extract to issue as ofHis affected his resignation
came out, but only unofficial repuditations of the suggestion were
made. Unpublished resignations
under the support of the support of the
in Government, if satisfactory arrangements are concluded.
Bulwark of Mr. Rocosvell's

Bulwark of Mr. Roosevelt's campaign to curb anti-labor legislation in Congress was Sen-ator Elbert Thomas, of Utah, the ex-professor, who is the self-effacing co-moderator of FDR's labor-management con-ference.

ference.

As chairman of the Senate Labor Committee, Thomas has acted out his role of bulwark unremittingly against any lesislation to which labor the senate of the senat

ed the bill from going further.

MAINTENNANCE OF 00-HOUB.

WEEK SEEMS ASSURED

Thomas regards this "no-strike" agreement. Including arbitration, as agreement. Including arbitration, as greened, for the second publicly at the time of the agree-publicly at the time of the agree-public and assurance that early from PDR that. he was opposed to any tampering with limitations of the work week.

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the general opinion in the dongressional cloakroom is that no change can be made in the 40-hour base pay without the application of the control of th

Texas.

ARMY WILL USE SILVER

KNIVES, FORKS, SPOONS

This Army is going to eat with allver knives, forks and apoons. The procurement division has decided that by awtiching from has decided that by awtiching from the fore enting implements) to silver, it can save some thirteen tons of chromium which is very, very short since the Phillippine supply has been lost.

nan heen lost.

The announcement seemed to have a slight touch of trony in it when it said there was no shortage of sliver.

Thus, at last, is some practical use being found for all the sliver Mr. Morgenthau has been amassing for the Treasury (by direction of Congress) these past few years.

Now, M. The deaths division.

these past few years.

Now if the dental division of the Army will only decide to use some of that gold burled at Fort Knox to fill teeth, a practical war value will be established for the second precious metal in which we have no shortage.

The Mug That Launched A Thousand Quips
The Christian Science Monitor
The modern barber shop, dressed in milrors, chromium, while tile and ilthographed calendars, lacka with the state of the wall would warm to local that all you did-timers: the rack on the wall lilled with gold-lettered shaving mugs belonging to the aubstantial milder with gold-lettered shaving mugs belonging to the aubstantial region of the state of t

TODAY'S BIBLE THOUGHT

If we try to keep all, we lose all: Thou shall not delay to offer of thy harvest, and of the outflow of thy presses.—Exodus
22:29.

"We Aryan Moslems Have To Stick Together!"



Letters to the Editors:

A Legislator Pledges Support

Editors THE NEWS!

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I acknowledge receipt of the Junison and anonymous articles relating to the State Hospital at Morganion, North Carolina, and the Marchael of the State Hospital at Morganion, North Carolina, and the Marchael of the State Hospital at Morganion, North Carolina, and the Hospital at Morganion, North Carolina, and the Hospital thing for the unfortunate patients in all of our state charitable in-situations by Junior Hospital thing for the unfortunate patients and the Hospital thing the Hos

debate and resentment of the mem-bership that followed. The atti-uide of the makers of the budget which is submitted to the Assem-bly at its blennial season here-tofore has been: "They will get along with the budget recommen-dations; they always have." At last season, the appropriations for such institutions were pared in automatic appropriation for the automatic appropriation of the automatic appropriation of cut-cational institutions. Do not set the idea that I am

such institutions were parce in a committee appointed for the purpose, and at the gain of education. I consider the purpose, and at the gain of education. I consider the purpose, and at the gain of education. Do not get a consider the gain of education. I consider the gain of the g

now believe them to be and make proper provision for our charitable institutions.

O. L. RICHARDSON.

A South Carolinian Prefers The News

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so now working in New York.

You might be interested to know
that he was once a Charlotte News
carrier. A very good one, too, he
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copy aum Jrom getting homesick, too, who knows?

We've never lived in Charlotte, but we like The Priendly City!

But I didn't mean this to be as accial letter! Just send me the information about rates and all, and we will send a money order and the paper seent. Want him to start receiving the paper as soon as possible; don't want him to miss any more editions than is necessary. Thank you very much.

KINGS LELIA ADAIR CONVERSE, S. C.

America Must Humble Herself

Editors The News:

Getting down to the finer, more satisfying things of life-a few satisfying things of life-a few greeling, the hand clasp, the chow touch. These attributes cost nothing and can prove a tremendous attribute in creating, building, and cementing a relationship and uniteration need especially at interaction needed especially at inte

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Nehru's Pacifism

ALLAHABAD, I



ANCIENT CITY IS CONTRASTED WITH THE NEW

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The contrast between Allahabed, seat of political leadership of native Indians, and co New Delhi, seat of the British Government of India, is striking. New Delhi is a modern city, laid out during the last quarter century as a seat of government. The buildings are huge and new, with visitas like Washington's Mall section, only more vast. It was built on barre desert, but now flowers line the parks and driveways to the large, gardened homes of officials.

Allahabad, the ancient city, looks moth-eaten. It has been looing population as a result of moving the provincial capital away, after Nehru made this the center of independence signation. His house, on a bill near the

tion. His house, on a hill near the Canges, is on a spot sacred in Indian mythology. So pligrimages are made here not only to see Nehru, but to see the sacred place.

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NEHRU'S FAMILY PREFARE
MARRIAGE FEAST

I found Nehru at his home, which was filled with buy women relatives preparing for the marriage of his daughter. Indira, the next day. Huge canopies were set over the courtyard. Large cooking pils had been dug im preparation for entertaining 600 quests. The groom, named Gandhi, is no relation to the Mahatma. A religious complication was exitted by using the Hindu ceremony of the bride.

Nehru cans into the room—a thin, man of medium height, bed with gray hair on the sides, a youngstaff face of sharp, regular features. A quick smile lights his express eyes. His movements are quick, is womenfolk, he said, "Let's get out of here where we can be quiet."

there we can be quiet."

In talking with Nehra, New Delhi seems even farther away, The British completed their new capital after the first World War, apparently expecting India to endure as the backbone of the empire. Yet with the newness hardly worn off the building, we find Sir Stafford Crippa here trying to arrange a transfer of power.

range a transfer of power. Somehow one feels—although perhaps my first impression is in-accurate—that India is far from ready to receive this power. Unquestionably that power is passionately wanted, but Nehru and others have been so absorbed in the struggle to get it, I doubt if they are organized to exercise it.

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I sensed that throughout Nehru's discussion, for he continually eame back to the excuse that Britain had not permitted India to do the things necessary to prepare for self-government. When I cited the quick development of Russia as an industrial nation, Nehru said:
"But you must remember that another revolution preceded the Communist revolution, and prepared the way. Sometimes I wonder, too, whether Russia has not paid too high a price, for she has devoted herself mainly to building armamenta."

NEHRU SEEMS TO LEAN

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TOWARD PACIFISM
While Russia has been an inspiration to the Indian independence movement, there is doubt that Nehrul has
it exactly in mind as a pattern. Although he is a Socialist, he leans to
the Facilitat aide.

"Only four or five nations find it worth while to arm—unless you can arm to same strength as they, then your arms will be ne avail," he says. "Defense preparations did not save Cechoslovakia, and all her armament effort was wasted."

Visitin' Around

What's Concord Got That Oakboro Route I Ain't? (Oakboro Rt. 1 item, Concord Tribune)

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Morgan and family have moved to Concord.

Rither and Yen, So To Speak (North Wilkesboro Hueller) Much lumber to being hauled in and also being hauled out from N. Wilkes-boro, going southward through Wilkes-boro.



Side Glances



"There must be something going on in the world that we don't know about. Mom, that keeping your tourist