Charlette News

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Idle Thought

Federal Writers Project here king a book about Charlotte tecklenburg County. It will be, if Mecklenburg County. It will be, bording to a preview, a valuable sk, accurate historically and full lively information, such as that MITSI seven gallons of whisky were brounded at a funeral, the bill arged to the estate of the de-

in 1833, the Sons of Temperance was organized. Judging by the style

We organized. Judging by the style generals; it was high time. That brings us, by a series of co-ment steps, to the year 1833. That was when James W. Asborne ran for magness. During his campaign it will be the series of the company of the company of the flows of Temperance, and strongsh his populates could not save this thing, they best him. In that, the Hugor question was the mass of the campaign, and all the greatest control of the campaign, and all the greatest control of the campaign, and the present of the campaign of th

standard-bearers were defeated, dish ho; the cycle spins. Let's Oh. June 1, 1837, the United Furber and the Women's Chris-Temperance Union won a liquor ion in Mecklenburg. County, dief if Chester Morrison will be indidate for Congress in 1937?

All the Difference

ur old friend, the word fascism, fith us again. The occasion this is the National Labor Relations me is the National Labor Relations pard's order ("Raling at your lift) to Hartley W. Barclay, editor the Comover Mast publication, will and "Reloya", to appear and pidaln just how and why he chose write an article sharply criticaling a board's handling of the Weirton cell hearing.

hearing.

at, grave men tell us, is fascism
And we had better watch
Our liberties are about to be
from us, and just one more

But somehow we take little stock in it all. That was a stupid and arsall: That was a suppl and armin order, certainly—one which
squarely into the teeth of the
squarely into the teeth of the
s—one in itself in the fascist
i, no doubt. Nevertheless, we'deto believe that it or any of
other things with a fascist
sk' that sometime transpire ng us, as Mayor Hague's attemp deny the CIO its legal rights in sey City, really mean that we are errey City, really mean that we are i the alightent danger of actually oring fascist. For observe: Mr. sarchay declined to heed the sub-orina, fasty. And can the NLRB of the string of the sarchay could go sto a court with the practical cer-sisty of getting immediate relief, the Barclay, in brief, has a remedy sainty of getting immediate relief, the Barclay, in brief, has a remedy saints at terms to violate his arciay, in brief, has a rentedy to attempts to violate his And the CIO at Jersey Cily remedy. Nor is there the set sign that we are going deprived of the remedies. And ug as that holds, we are man merr of actually going fascist. I is the essence of fascism

On a December Morning

clock has just struck seven is clock has just struck seven-yin the merning and you are rubbling the cobwehs out of cyss and feeling a little cross ou tern into North Tryon Street walk toward. Independence see. Hang Charlotte for a dull, allo town; anyhow! However it happen. that you came at hour on this December morn-be-this -markutur year of the is hour on this December morning is the particular year of the printian ear to be walking along in particular year to the printian control of the particular street in this complete stown towards breakfast in the task; of putting words on the particular of the particular towards the particular towards to walk to the particular towards towards the particular towards

eyes a little clearer, and the sun is elanting on the lowers of the buildings along the west aids of Tryon. Sathed in shining light those towers lift up out of the shadows—why, they lift up with all: the white portentous mystery with which dropus Gazde coop must have lifted over Camelot. And a nave, littled over Camelol. And as you move into Independence Square, the light streams westward slong Trade, soft and yellow and lambent, to merge into a mist of rose and brown. Southward along Tryon there lies a deep unfashomable shadow of like and purple. And stadent of like and purple. And eastward are blue shadows under the black line of the railroad pass siltiouetted against the light. And suddenly you feel that all towns are white and gold and purple towns—that Charlotte also is beautiful with that Charlott also is beautiful with that charlott also is beautiful with the beauty, of, the, earth, at sight office, on a fine December mindle, wery much even that you have to put words on paper to ends that remain obscure.

Hard But Fair

In addition to that handsome limestone structure down East Trade way, and the Armory-Auditorium. the Municipal Garage, the Incinerator and other real estate, the City now owns—almost, that is—aix deelling houses. The purchase was made yeaterday when City Treasurer Leichether hild beam for the contract of the contract aix deviling houses. The purchase was made yeaterday when City Treasurer Ledbetter bid them in at an auction sale for the exact amount of taxes and accrued interest due. Unleas the City's bids are increased by 5% in 20 days, or, we suppose, unless the past due taxes are paid, title to the warlous parcels will past from their present owners to the municipality.

from their present owners to the municipality.
Weil, it's hard lines, and we confess to some sympathy for the six about-to-be-sold-out owners. But there's another side to it. They are behind in their taxes by as much as seven, eight, nine years. Their accounts have gone up year by year until they constitute amost a capital charge against the properties. They have been given every opportunity to settle on almost any kind of basis. The City would have been delighted at any stage to accept partial payments and defer the execution.
And, besides, the \$3,000 or so that these six owe in taxes it part of an enormous accumulation of unpaid laxes running up into the hundreds of thousands. Fiship, out of consideration for those people who were paying, those who weren't paying had to be brought to taw. It may be hard, but no one can question

he hard, but no one can question that it's fair.

Easy Doesn't Do It

In contrast to the City's show In contrast to the City's snow, and wown with delinquent taxpayers, consider the County's persistent optimism that some day they will come bustling in and settle. The County has about as much due in unpaid taxes as the City, in spile of the City's having had larger bills to collect. But the County has conto collect. But the County has con-sistently fought aby of any method that smacked of compulsion. Its latest half-way ineasure is the em-ployment of an "outside man" to call on the delinquents and urge them to come across. Maybe, at that, some of them will; but it will take a pretty active collector to make a dent in the half-million dollars of taxes past due. And if there is any lesson to be learned from the forecleoure actions which the City has finally been

And if there is any lesson to be learned from the foreclosure actions which the City has finally been compelled to take, it is that too much consideration is, in the end, worse than almost no consideration. Practically any home-owner, if put to it, can rake, scrape or get together somehow his twenty or thirty or fifty-folligr annual tax bill. But let the account run for ten years, and the \$200 or \$300 or \$350 o together

The Dead Come to Life

The case of the man who yester-day woke up to find himself lying in a winding aftest on the cooling table in an Asheville undertaking establishment, with corpses ranged around him, is not without parallel. On opening old graves, signs have been found which ledicated that been found which indicated that the "corpse" had returned to conthe "corpse" had returned to con-sciousness after being burled and had put up a terrific struggle to ecapse. And makers of the morbid sort of fiction, such as Poe, Hoff-man, Monk Lewis, and Bulwer-Lytion, have often played with the idea. Poe devotes one of his most appalling sketches to what soes on in the mind of a young English gift, catalepile and aircady obsessed with the fear of being burled allve. Having been pronounced dead, the with the fear or bounded des Having been pronounced des poor thing awakens in the

But there are strictly historical But there are strictly historical cases, too. One of the most celebrated is that of the mother of General Robert E. Lee, Subject to catalopsy—a condition which simulates the rigidity of death—she was once placed in the family want and partered for as dead, She stayed there for two days before her growing and griered for as dead. She stayed there for two days before her growns and cries attracted attention. That was before the birth of the great Confederate captain —according to one story, only a few months; but according to another, nine years.

QUEER RULE, THIS HENRY'S

Pr. SCORE B. JORNSON

CHICAGO, ILL.—A alrange rule being cosed into the Third. New

Deal "sconomy democracy." It is that

any form of goose-stepping of any par
ticular group, such as farmers or works

era, is binding on



real bloding on crypt single india, ridual in the group, it is a sproyed by a magnity of those solume in the proposal breath of the control o union-minded and non't wain any union at all. The final vote stands at 1,000 for Union "A." 1,400 for Union "B," 6,000 don't want any union and so don't

what do you think the NAIMB will do? It will certify Union "A" as the sole agency to barrain for all 2000 work? and after that none but Union "A" can barrain or be recognized at all—not-withstanding that faver than 18 per cent (1,800 workers) wanted it and 7,600 for ED per cent didn't want any part of it. That is Third New Deal "industrial Generator," That is the "mainterior **.** . .

THEY CALL IT DEMOCRACY
If you examine Mr. Wellace's argument for his bill to goose-step the
farmer, you will find that no compulsory conicel cose into effect without
approval of two-thirds of the "farmers
velling." That, no the argument runs,
removes from the bill any aspect of
regimentation or farm faction. That is
"arricultural democracy."

Who holds these elections? The guy who proposes the control. Through his county agents and his proposed "Com-mittee of Farmers" to be compensated under his direction, Comrade Com-missar Wallace sits at the center of a missar Wallace site at the center of a far more permaire OOPU than Com-rade Stalin's. Every farm tearning in the country is in this web. It is in the hearts of the Comrades As-sistant Commissars to make Mr. Wal-lace Comrade Persident, by use of this network, its billions of dollars of patron-age and its now proposed strangle-hold "compulsory" control. Of course, Comrade Henry knows nothing about this. His faithless seatants are pul-tics bits over on him. ung this over on him.

The truth is that the seemingly guile-

and these developments, are just abou the most threatening, danger . . .

PARALLEL IS UNSOUND

Where do they get this "majority of those voting" racket? They get it squarely out of our system of political elections. It's a fine superficial argusquarery out out of spaces to positions elections. It's a fine superficial argument. "Why that's exactly the way we elect a governor—that is the very essence of democracy. If you don't vote 'no,' you are assumed to assent by not

'no,' you are assumed to assent by not vating."

As in the labor example given, you are frequently foreclosed from the opportunity to any: "I don't want any union by the form of the ballot." Let's pass that. When you vote for a governor there must, under the Constitution, be some governor. You merely express a selection in the inevitable. You are giving up no constitutional righ when you don't vote. But constitu when you don't vote. But constitu-tionally you don't have to join a union and you don't have to join a union and you don't have to it. Mr. Waliace run your farm. It is just like saying: "If you don't say 'no.' you're married to Calamity Jame. If you don't say 'no.' one per cent of your neighbors can lake your property. If you don't say 'no.' you lose your right to acil your labor."

Visiting Around

Could He Be Meaning Isainh, You Heckon? (C. A. Paul, Charlotte News)

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Newspapers take care to spelt names correctly. I confess that it leks me a little because the man who delivers milk to us instate on making out statements to Mr. Paula Mark Twalis, writing "The American Claiman," once thought for days in an effort to tag his particular, unreliable Colonel with a name no one would have . He settled on Tasaih Setters . . .

The Last of the Lowerys' Cat (Marshville Home)

A. L. Lowery wants people to get away from superstition about black cats crossing a road in front of them. He states that his fine black cat started

Family Medic Has Not Yet Joined Dodo

Species is Far From Extinct, And in Fact Does Three-Fourths Of American Practice.

Deer Ster

In spars to your recent actional about the growth of specialization among doctors—don't be in too big a hurry to preact the futured of the country doctor, the family doctor. The sparsing practitionar. Thire-formula of the medical practices in the United States is done by general practitioners. And country folias tive longer than etty folias—The covenity doctor. The family doctors are most than holding their own with the specialists today.

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Charlotte.

COPE ARE HUMAN BEINGS AND CAN BE AS POLITE AS NEXT-ADAMS CITED

AS NEXT—ADAMS CITED
Dear Sir:
Whichier the general citizenty of
Charlotte realizer it or not taken are
not only some good policomen but also
some polite policomen on the force bera.
The other night I saw an excellent exple of politi

ample of politerbas;
While riding in the business area of
the city with a friend, he committed a
minor traffic violation, purely unintentionally. On the corner stood Traffic
Patrolman I. B. Adams. He motioned
my friend to stop.

Patroiman L. R. Adams. He motioned my friend to stop.

In an quiet a some as one would use in talking in private conversation, Officer Adams saked for his driver's license, looked at his lags, took out his ticket book and prepared to send my friend to Recorder's Court. My friend was at Recorder's Court. My friend was at fault and knew it, but the violation had been absolutely uninterational. Officer Adams thought the same thing. He told my friend about his mitiate, said that he'd simply warm him that time, keep his name and sodress and if he caught him again he'd have to give him a ticket. It is matters like that which raise the

as as mattern line that which raise the politicemen in the eyes of other citizens who do not come in contact with them, except on violation of the law, to a very high level. Such an act as that of Officer Adams is to be highly commended. The violation was trivial. A warning was sufficient, and the officer made a fetend.

friend.

Too often the general populace forgels that a policeman is also a human
being who can realise that a trivial traffic violation, uninitationaly made, is no
crime, and that a warning often is better than a ticket.

Charlotte.

NEWSPAPERS FLAYED CAPITAL BOLE IN TAKING CENSUS OF UNEMPLOYED IN THE COUNTRY

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unrectly and indirectly, in the access of this undertaking.

The voluntary nature of the Centus under Lessential to obtain a wide dissemination of information. The shortness of time, due to the necessity of getting this work out of the way before the Cristians rath in the Post Office Department, made an intensive campaign was effective is indicated by the fact that telegraphic reports from inone typical cities show that the Unemployment Report Cards were filled with such accuracy that only one per cent required call backs. To this result delly newspapers made a major contribution.

The editorial cooperation of daily newspapers

re-employme

Officially I acknowledge your part in

Officially I acknowledge your part in this great public undertaking, and, per-sonally, I thank you. JOHN D. BIGGERS, Administrator, Cenaus of Partial Employment, Unem-ployment and Occupations. Washington.

As Woman to Woman

(Mrs. Theo. B. Davis, Zebulan Record) idfin. Theo, B. Davis, Zebulon. Recordal in have about concluded that, though every soman deserves a flay off now and then and about have it by hook or by crook, abe should seel to be a far from that if it were a man and my wife didn't have to work too hard, and I four that if it were a man and my wife didn't have to work too hard, and I had to go often into a home not ready for its master's approach, I'd beat her. Anyway, I hope enere to be to a Jury that decides the case of a man tried for wifer-beating for such cause. Just so he didn't kill her, I'd yote for acquittal.

Reward

(Windsor Star)
Clergyman And what
mother give you for being a
Little Gir)—She lets me
from church on Sundays.

HENT KNOCKED HIS BALL IN THE HOLE Today's Cartoon Self-Explanatory

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BUT DID **NOT**

ON THE RECORD

The Grouse

(WHAT the world need, and the

Grouse sententious), "is to direct
its distinguished attention to the study
of geography. Less free vers, amateur
dramatics, baket-wraving and kindred
subjects and more geography. Also
simple grountly. A straight line, I
was taught in my youth, is the shortest
distance."

distance"—
"Whatever are you talking about? Do
you want some bacon?"
"Geography, Geometry, The geometry
of the world today is based on the
theory that the longest way 'cound is
the shortest way home. That is a
sentimental, not a scientific observation."

"I don't know what you are talking

about. "You often don't. The immediate cause of this observation is a little pamphlet which has come to me by way of the business men of Kyoto, Japan, Testille Building. A pretty little pamphlet with pictures of fishermen and pretty with pictures of fishermen and pretty that I have Testile Building. A pleasy and pretty Kyoto girls. And it seems that I have been gravely misinformed in the public prints and news reels about the Sino-

"Misinformed"
"Yes, my dear. I have been thinking
that bomba dropped upon Nanking were
directed against the Chinese, whose
lives they took. It seems this is not
her fact. They are directed against
Bucilans."
"So what?"
"Allow me to develop my argument in

"Allow me to develop my argument in my one way. This little pamphet beine with a produmation from the Mistad, the Dupreer of Japan, affirming that the adventure into China is for the purpose of statabilishing pace. You yourself have often maintained, as I remember, that the next war will be fought not for democracy, but for peace. We are fold that peace is threatened by the fact that 'Soviet Russia, stretching her terhales through Outer Monigolia', makes it impossible for the world to remain indifferent. Theretio." ing her tentacies through Outer Mon-golts . , makes it impossible for the world to renate indifferent. Thereto, says this pumpblet, rice the threat of a world configeration. And it is of stop Routs from making this world configeration but Jayan de in China. She is not there for any aggretaire pumposes.

She is 'not there for any aggressive purposes.'

"The fundamental issue at stake, we are told, is whether China's teeming masses will become steeped in Communism. The viliath is General Chinang Kait-hiek, who, having once fought the communisatic Kuomintang government, has dared to sign an agreement with Soviet Russia. This agreement, to get arms from Russia in case of attack, amounts to a etclaration of hostilities. "Now, of course, this argument is not confined to China. Germany, Raily and Japan all consider that Soviet Russia is a menace to world peace. They are only fighting, to put down Soviet Russia. And now you understand what I mean about geotraphy and geometry."

"I understand veguely, Not exactly."
The shortest route to Russia, my child, is not by way of Shanghai; Nanking, Peinting and Jehol. The shortest route is by way of Visidivestok—which is very near to Japan in-

The Grouse on Geography
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geography. Also

The shortest routs between Rome and
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The shortest routs between announced that they aim to stand to-gether and down Communism in the interests of world peace. The seat of Communism, local and international, is Communium, local and international. In Moscow. Three it rules, and there the party line is laid down, and from there the world movement, such as it is, and directed. Blut obviously, these rations don't know geography. Or ecometry. They bink that a curved and age-rag line is the straightest distance between two points. They deposit astendahed liailan soldiers on the Spanish coast when they think they are coing to attack Russia in Ethiopia.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT By Rigley

VALERA

SINGING COFFEE CUP MAKES MUSICAL SOUNDS

WHEN FILL I'D WITH COFFEE

PRESIDENT OF THE IRISH FREE STATE

BECAUSE HE FLUKKED IN GAELIC

WAS ONCE REJECTED AS A LETTER CARRIER

"New this unfortunate con "Now this unfortunate confusion about georetably and geometry is very dangerous. Because you just never cantell where these fellows are going to turn up neat on their long, long march to Moscow. Russis, you may recall, lies to the rest of Germany, but France is terrified that the geographists in Berlin may take it into titler heads that it lies westward, and that one day a new you ware high left, shootthat it lies westward, and that one day an army may march into Paris, shoot-ing. "Down with Stalint" Obviously they have aircody mistaten Madrid for Leningrad, and the Mediterranean for the Arctic, and Arabia for Siberia, And the Crecholowska are all worked up because the Germana apparently think that Prague is Odessa.

There ought to be a commission." concluded the Cruute. "Maybe the Carriede Poundation, which has been proceeded by the Carriede of Poundation, which has professors associated with it, not publishes a lot of books and reports and thirsy, might take a hand. They ought to send the boys over to Rome, Berlin and Tokio and say: "Boys, here is a globular may of the world. Will you just stop the sightling a minute, and take a peep at it? Lookit, boys, the place where you want to go is there. See? A Guernica baby is not a commissar."

Jim Opens Up

(Macon Telegraph)

In his speech before the American Bar ssociation Jim Reed declared that it "is uncless to deny that the country has ar-rived at a period when the serpent of religious intolerance, emerging from exercinc of ignorance and hete, can drag its atimy folds across the centuries and in the city of Wabhington thrust-lits forked tongue into the face of Junites." Jim and the stake both were feeling better than middle both were feeling better than middling.

Amenities of Statesmen .

(Montgomery Affectiser)
Thus in September, 1830, speaking in Montgomery as independent candidate for the Senate, Heflin and of Governor Benjamin Meek Müler:

Earlier Days

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

DECEMBER 7, 1962 TS YEARS AGO A TANKEE STORY BOOK

A MANKEE STORY BOOK
We have a very singular extensity
from Yanker Land in the shape of an
official report made from moretigating committee of the Congress at
Washinston, on the subject of "reside
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feet that those moretime stakehoods committee natter themselves to the re-fect that these monstrous falseholds will "disgust and horrify foreign na-tions against the unholy rebellion."

It will be recollected that many months ago the abound and curious lie reas circulated in the Yankee news-mapers that the Confederate moidlers papers that the Chniederate soldiers were in the habit of carving savage were in the habit of carving lavage organization in the form of rings and breastpins from the bonrs of their nemnier. This story is "erfoundy re-produced in the report referred to and styren to the world in the imposing form of official documents and aworn testimony. According to this report the quantity of Southern bilouterie manufactured from the bones of dead Yankees is astonishing and the number of whethers would not in the Yankers is astonishing and the number of skeleina worked up in the jewelers shops would be sufficient to supply every family in the Southern Controderacy with these popular trinkets. We are told in the afficial text of this Yanker investigation that it is me requiar presente of Confederace soldiers for ranneck battlefnids and collect Yanker bones, which, after being worked into piessing thapes, are displayed for safe in the barn of the Southern Confederace in the barn of the Southern Paysetterille Observer.

DECEMBER 7, 1837

100 YEARS AGO OUR GLOBIOUS PRESIDENT

OUR GLOBIOUS PRESIDENT
Read his message, hear what he says
of the bank and he sub-treasury, and
behold the elequent and unflinching
champion of the people's rights, firm
and undismayed amidst the uprease and
interat of a powerful party, clairs with
the hope of success. If he falls in the
triumph of his extentic, or if he is
ustained by the voice of the people, he
will slike rue in glory and be halted
throughout he world and by posterily
as the incorruptible partiel, the defender of the Democratic Failh, and
zealous and fervent pleaser for his counttry's liberty and the rights of my iry's liberty and the rights of man.

Business as Usual

(Tar Heel, Chapel Hill)

(Tar Heel, Chapes Him-Sam Burnette, the Negro junitor of Steele doratiory, lunged up the stairs yesterday carrying four new chairs. The yeary man of labor paused for a mo-ment for rest, slitting wearily on the stairs. When he returned to his job

the chairs were gone.

The much abused janitor now walks with fear, expecting ghosts at every step. But agreral students in Steels have no such superatitions. For they