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Bad Break

Greek-British Outlook Dark As Nazis Press Statists

The Nazi thrust through the pass at Balaklava is the most serious blow the Allies have yet sustained in Greece. The chief real cause for the supply of the Greek forces in Albania and western Greece lies about 50 miles further directly south.

matters is power. It holds that the systematic murder of women and babies, the destruction of every human decency, the wanton looting and pillaging of uncounted simple people, every brutality and cruelty is thoroughly justified to them.

Say It, Judge

A Great Many People Would Have Agreed With Him

"Maybe" decided outspoken Judge Hoyle Slinker yesterday, "I'd better not say what I was about to say."

What he had been about to say concerned a ten-cent-cab driver who had just been sentenced to the penitentiary for breaking and entering. The man, it turned out, had served a six-year term in South Carolina for robbery, and Judge Slinker thought it entitled to the City's carelessness that an ex-convict could become a cab driver.

A week ago four ten-cent-cab drivers were convicted in Federal Court of hauling Negro bootleggers. For a dollar a trip the cabs would drive the Negroes out to where the liquor was cached and bring them back to the city.

The City regularly inspects taxicabs for mechanical defects, but makes no examination of drivers or looks for criminal records. An ordinance to this effect was proposed some time ago. It got nowhere, which is more or less characteristic of proposals to regulate the dime taxis.

But if their drivers continue to be involved in criminal cases, something is going to have to be done. The longer it is postponed, the more drastic, in all probability, it will be.

New Okeys

Tangle Over Camp Site Turns Hundreds Out Homeless

Monday the gun range at Camp Croft, S. C., went into use. And 200 farmers, most of whom have lived there all their lives, have until tomorrow to get off the 18,000-acre reservation.

They are reported as being pretty mad, these farmers. And you can understand why when you learn that they are being sent away without payment for their lands and houses and crops, with no place to go. Nearly no place, anyhow. The Federal Farm Assistance Board has started building pre-fabricated houses, but these are far from ready for them, but few are ready. And moreover, the farm planting season is past, so that the dispossessed are without a means of making a living.

In the Federal Court of the district, \$450,000 is on deposit. That is the sum of money the county officials agreed that the Government would have to put up to get the whole 18,000-acre land. \$25 an acre, it comes to. Spartanburg was to pay the difference.

But the farmers are angry about the whole thing. They are angry about their land and crops. And so in many instances they have had to be re-appropriated and re-appropriated. More than that, Spartanburg hasn't come through. And so the money lies in the bank and just lies there.

Whose fault all this is we don't know. Maybe Spartanburg's which is committed to be trying to duck out of its obligations. Maybe the avarice of some of the farmers, too. Maybe, again, the notorious lapse of the Federal re-appropriation. But one thing can be said. The whole situation gives an outrageous picture of democracy at work.

A medical observer finds the British diet richer in essential minerals than the foe's. Also, it is now fortified with the valuable new vitamin U.S.A.

When he tells the workmen of Germany to work harder, the Fuehrer gets a cheer. However, he could get that in the Bronx.

Durham Sunday

A Letter To The Editor

(Note: This is the third of a series of letters and articles appearing in the Durham News from mayors or other responsible persons in cities with an approved Bureau in the interest of an inquiry as to how the Institution has worked. Another will appear tomorrow.)

The Editors, The News, Charlotte, N. C.

Dear Sir: I am requested in your letter of March 21, I am enclosing you the City Ordinance covering motion picture theaters.

Although the ordinance definitely states that Sunday movies are not allowed, the Council has never put this section of the City Code into effect. Each year before the third Monday in December, the Council passes a resolution deferring for one year the effective date of the ordinance.

The entire loss of our city, together with some other organizations, prevailed upon the Council to put this section of the City Code into effect. Each year before the third Monday in December, the Council passes a resolution deferring for one year the effective date of the ordinance.

The picture houses are not supposed to operate during church hours, and their schedule is from 2 o'clock in the afternoon to 10 o'clock and from 8 o'clock to 11 o'clock at night.

As to whether the above arrangement has affected church attendance and public order is an open question. Some argue that it has, but I am sure that it has not. My personal opinion is that there has not been much change one way or the other.

—W. F. CARR, Mayor, Durham, N. C.

Censoring The Press

By Hugh S. Johnson

SAN FRANCISCO—This question of voluntary press censorship to prevent military or naval information reaching the enemy is a sticky one. In the first place, it is not purely "voluntary." There is no statutory authority as yet to demand the disclosure of news and editorial content to the censor.



was explained in a recent column, there is statutory authority to demand the disclosure of news and editorial content to the censor.

SEEK END OF FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

Nobody doubts that there should be the strictest censorship of the press. But what kind of information is in that category? It is a question of judgment. That judgment will be exercised by the publishers, under the supervision of the censor.

But the censor will be exercising a censorship and the censor will be exercising a censorship and the censor will be exercising a censorship.

This may come later but, at the beginning, it is not likely. The official censor will be men suffering through the press. They are men suffering through the press. They are men suffering through the press.

BUREAUCRATS WILL BE HITCHHIKING

Pushed overnight into positions of immensely increased rank and tremendous responsibility, this type of man is not likely to be completely censorious, especially of criticism, to feel like Alvin Karpis.

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The Pipes of Spring



Letters to the Editors: We Are Not Amused, Robert

Dear Sir: Senator Reynolds sent me a copy of his paper, "The American Vindicator."

In this paper is a quoted article in which speaks very derisively of the small European nations which President Roosevelt has promised to help in their struggle to achieve or regain democracy.

Now these insulting charges that the small nations of Europe are lacking in culture, call to mind the art exhibits of these nations were far superior to those in the American Art Building.

There are many things that the production of the United American Artists were mere clowns.

In the Polish pavilion I also saw a collection of terrifying, heart-rending photographs of German atrocities. Nobody with any heart could look at those pictures without wanting to do something about it, and do it quickly.

The day I visited the foreign building there was a Polish demonstration in the Court of Nations consisting of patriotic speeches, a parade, and a song. "Poland lives forever."

And shall be free again. The Poles are a valiant people, and so are the Belgians, the Dutch, and all other oppressed peoples whom the Germans have trampled under their vile heels.

There can be no isolation in this day and time except in theory. The only isolation which it is possible to practice is that of the ostrich.

Attacks Liquor as Cause of Accidents

Dear Sir: The Altiers were church and church school workers, civic workers, people who were always ready to help the poor. Recently, it was a happy family, the father, mother and two girls, two boys, Roger and the boy just 21. Natalia was twelve. Calantha, the oldest girl, was twenty and Nancy was fifteen. Could it be possible that sorrow, trouble and death

Today's Riddle

A merchant takes a customer a five-dollar pair of shoes, is tendered a ten-dollar bill in payment, and gives the customer five dollars change. Then he takes the ten-dollar note to a drugist and gets five five-dollar bills in exchange.

Later the drugist finds the ten-dollar bill to be counterfeit, and the merchant makes it good. How much has the merchant lost? (Answer on back page of this issue of The News.)

could come to this home in a horrible way? Young people like to dance and it seemed all right that Roger and Calantha should attend. Parties are nice, parties are fun, and rather than offend friends, a taste here and a taste there, and a little more and a little more and then it seemed perfectly natural to the young people to get high, to drink, and to make much noise at these parties, but somehow they always managed to keep it under control and Mother.

For anything would either Roger or Calantha do anything to hurt the feelings of their parents. Too, these young people never dreamed they were drinking too much, and both thought they could stop at any time—yet they DID NOT.

Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.—Matt. 23:27.

Side Glances

It is for all of these things, as much as for economic well-being, that we are preparing to defend ourselves. We are spiritual values as real to most Americans—though they are slightly ashamed to talk about it—as anything physical.

It's An IU Wind—(Handy item, Lorington Dispatch) The writer of this Handy news item is convalescing after a few days of confinement, for which we are very grateful.

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Concerning A Mural

By Raymond Clapper

WASHINGTON—The other day I saw the preliminary sketch for a great 60-foot mural which is to go in the new War Relocation Authority building.

The distinctive thing about this sketch was that it pictured what we have at stake in the struggle against Hitler across the Pacific. It has been inflicted upon his world. At other end of the mural design are clustered soldiers and war machines.

Between these, comprising most of the picture, are suggested the institutions which we seek to preserve by this defense effort. One group of figures are at worship. Another section shows a political orator with his plunger of water, and a voter in the voting booth.

This mural was selected in competition with some 300 designs, and I know that the jury chose it because the artist had illustrated so effectively the recent pledge of President Roosevelt that "the freedom of the human spirit shall go on."

People and peoples live not by bread alone. The complaint in Norway is not alone the economic hardship but the loss of independence. Norway is a Norwegian, accustomed to his free and democratic life, does not like to have to check in to Nazi Quiltings when he wants to change jobs, or travel without what once was his own country. If he must have policemen around, he wants them to be his policemen, not Hitler's. Norwegians say Germany is maintaining an army of occupation equal to one German for each ten Norwegians, plus a Gestapo force of 10,000. Love of freedom and independence is hard to exterminate in a people that has known it.

WE WANT RIGHT TO OUR OWN LIVES In Holland, Dutch leaders are requesting the people to refrain from demonstrations to mark the anniversary of the Nazi invasion. Germans recently executed a number of Dutch citizens in reprisal for outbreaks of resentment against the invaders.

This is more than economics in all of this. It is more than a matter of respect for the rights of freedom from English rule. Some of the bloodiest wars of history have been fought over religion, with economics only a minor factor.

This world has been made completely unsafe for most small nations. If they happened to exist near Germany, their existence was precarious, no matter how inoffensive, they tried to be. The Netherlands certainly tried to stay on the fence, but that did not save that little country.

Among the large nations, none has exercised more respect for the rights of small nations than the United States. Our record is not perfect but it is so far beyond that of most other nations that it seems almost so by comparison.

Our interest in the world situation is partly an economic self-interest, but beyond that is our desire for a free, peaceful world in which we can live a normal existence.

WE GIVE UP ANY LIBERTY RELUCTANTLY We remain the most individualistic of the large nations. We have accepted larger Government controls during the last few years with much reluctance and only because we were driven to it. We want free discussion, the right to elect our governing officials, the right to influence public policies, the right to go to a church of our own choosing, or none if we prefer.

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Letting George Do It (Big Laurel Item, Marshall News-Record) Miss Lola Rice spent Thursday with Mrs. Dora Rice and helped her quilt. Mrs. Dora Rice was visiting Mrs. Dora Rice Monday and helped her quilt.

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THE QUEEN CITY'S HOPE CHEST. No. 1—An Uplown Theater-Auditorium. No. 2—A Separate Court District. No. 3—An Uplown Rest Room. No. 4—Street-Widening.

