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Recognition

A Southerner's Talent Flowers Under Yankee Endowment

The flattering recognition of the original work that Dr. William Allan has been doing in the field of genetics and heredity offers something of a parallel to the history of the section to which he is native.

C'est la Guerre

Oil Furnace Owners May Need Coal Shovel In Fall

After a conversation with one of North Carolina's leading petroleum products distributors, it becomes clear that a major gasoline and fuel oil shortage in this area by midsummer is no mere threat; unless something miraculous happens, it is a certainty.

Revival Spirit

Government of the People Needs Missionary Zeal

The defeat of Nazism requires far more than military and material resources—something that Britain and the United States can achieve such as the Christian religion.

enjoying the fruits of self-government.

It was this missionary zeal, largely, that captured the spirit of Woodrow Wilson and inspired the concept of a democratic assembly of nations.

Sheep And Goats

All Juvenile Offenders Don't Mix Well In Jail

"Within an hour or so, I can tell what kind of boys they are. I can tell whether they are the tough, hard kind that will sit up all night trying to think of a way to get out, or whether they are just unfortunate kids who are about to cry for their first offense by trying themselves to sleep."

Must all of Mecklenburg's juvenile delinquents be confined together in a building that was—and is—a school?

In the county, any boy under sixteen years of age is a juvenile. The Federal Government age limits for juveniles is eighteen. Frequent Federal "juvenile" run-runners, mostly—are confined in the county's so-called "Detention Quarters."

Every mother or father sees clearly the great gap that separates the ten-year-old boy from a half-grown youth of sixteen.

More important than differences in age and temperament are the contrasts in character reported out of Mr. Alley's experience.

Clearly there are two groups of juvenile delinquents; those who are still more or less amenable to kind treatment in home-like surroundings, and those who have been abnormally and prematurely hardened into suspicious, tough, anti-social individuals.

These two groups should and must be segregated; one of the hardened young reprobates is quite capable of carrying a dozen children in the first category.

A private detention home, no matter how comfortable, would hold one of these tough youngsters no longer than it took him to thrust his nose at those in charge on his way out.

If Mr. Alley, using only his experience, is able to differentiate between these two classes, how much more accurate would be the findings of a trained child guidance specialist.

What the county and community needs is not a single institution. From a standpoint that is at once sympathetic and practical, it appears that two separate types of institutions will be necessary to solve the problem.

'Ironpants' And Ickes

By Hugh S. Johnson

HARD as it may seem to justify it, in the other words, the President's appointment of Mr. Ickes as a special agent in charge of the investigation of the "Ironpants" case is a step in the right direction.

WHY DALLY WITH GOVERNMENT OF OTHER PRICES?

But why are we dallying on other methods of price and production control? Let's face it, the situation is a desperate one.

FRICE ADMINISTRATORS' HANDS ARE TIED

Mr. Henderson has not been permitted to act. Why? Because the Federal Government has been unable to control prices without also being able to control advances in wages.

In Defense of the Detective Story

Some of the professors of literature are just now passing in review all Dupin's successors, the Sherlock Holmes, Philip Van Drine, Reginald Porteous, Elsie Queen, Lord Peter Wimsey, Charlie Chan, Nero Wolfe, Inspector Poirot and Colonel Pittmore.

The Woodpecker Is Outfitted

The telephone people have the answer to how much wood would a woodpecker peck in a woodpecker would peck wood.

They Could Aid

If Senator Carter Glass must stutter when he tries to put his mind into Senator Hopkins' mouth, he might ask the Greeks for a word that will fit.

Advertisement for 'The Queen City's Hope Chest' listing items like 'No. 1 - An Uplown Theater Auditorium', 'No. 2 - A Separat Court District', etc.



Letters to the Editor: This Subsidizing Practice

Dear Sir: Come on with the price. You've got the money and here's a poundster of a topic. Name a practiced way to secure a contented peace with Hitler without first conquering him.

Let the award go at \$5 per week or make the key the limit and have 20 feet. You may not have to pay out anything on the one hand and you may have the medicine to start a real fire-fall.

No kidding... That is a good way to get the profits out in the open and give them the chance to earn some money.

Charlotte. —P. R. McCAIN

(NOTE: No prize contests just now, but we're always delighted to print letters.—Editors, The News.)

doubt. In the first place: Who would a steady diet of literature, or even logical problems? May the mind never go on a fast? May it never fitter away a few hours? Must all Glass B features be abandoned?

Danville Hands Over A Business To York

Statistics from Danville, Virginia, show that there have been only 250 marriages so far this year, compared with 1,084 for the same period in 1940. This, however, does not mean that romance is dead in Danville. The low marriage rate is doubtless due to the fact that the last Virginia Legislature enacted a pre-nuptial test law somewhat similar to the North Carolina act—a law providing for health examinations before the issuance of marriage licenses.

Side Glances

One day several years ago, in one of the cloak rooms of the House of Representatives in Washington, a Congressman told a story of a fox-hound that ran against a strand of wire and split himself in two halves.

TODAY'S BIBLE THOUGHT

He will bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great. —Psalm 115:13.

Advertisement for 'The Queen City's Hope Chest' featuring an illustration of a woman and a child, and text: 'I don't want any vegetables—I just want to pay you for that pretty smile you've been giving me each time I pass your stand.'

OPM Asks More Speed

By Raymond Clapper

WASHINGTON.—One thing is certain: OPM is to speed production of war materials. It has been to appeal to the Army for more speed in the production of war materials.

The War Department policy has been to order industry with orders beyond capacity for the time being. The OPM industrialists felt, on the contrary, that industry needed the pressure of heavier orders to drive it to greater production.

OPM officials were moved to this action by two circumstances. One was that, as against \$5,500,000,000 placed in contracts, there remained funds of \$4,500,000,000 not yet under contract.

Consequently OPM officials found many defense plants operating on one shift, and some airplane plants hesitant about filling out their third shifts. Contractors saw no point in training new workmen, recruiting additional forces, expanding facilities, when existing operations would be sufficient to cope with orders on hand.

Special Cases Must Conform To Policy

That is the general policy now going into effect. At the same time, many special situations have to be adjusted in the interest of the over-all program. For instance, the program for a certain class of war goods is in the nature of a special program and was certain to absorb war materials desperately needed for other defense work of more urgency.

After conferences between the Army and OPM, it was agreed that the contemplated orders in this case were unnecessary heavy. They were shaken down so that the war materials would be available for other uses.

Plastics Being Substituted For Aluminum

Shortages, as in aluminum, are driving defense industry to special resources. Some startling substitutions of plastics for aluminum are under way. One official disclosed in a recent speech that plastic has been substituted for metal in 31 bomber parts. Some other substitutions that will afford spectacular savings in aluminum remain military secrets.

Visitin' Around

The Machine City (Casselville, Mo.) Raleigh, N. C. makes bicycle cool and safe. The Miracle (Western Carolina, Lenoir) This O. S. M. Machine City has hereafter it will be open on Sundays to feed his hungry.