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Expert's Job
Traffic Calls for Thorough Study by Trained Man

The first thing we'd like to do is to pass out a compliment for the attention the new City Administration, acting through its Public Committee, is paying to traffic conditions in this metropolis of the Carolinas.

And having issued the compliment, we shall have to vilify it by stating that, in all likelihood, traffic conditions will be little if any improved after these changes are put into effect.

Traffic regulations are just like cold remedies. Everybody has his own pet suggestions, and they are generally worthless. Indeed, some of them may aggravate the very condition they are supposed to correct.

Prediction
LaGuardia Believes War Will End by March

Mayor LaGuardia believes that the war will be over in about seven months. He indicates, without saying so for certain, that Hitler will lose.

Fiorello is a fast man and it is possible that he is a little ahead of the rest of us in his analysis. Also he may have information not accessible to most of us.

A Rumor

Churchill-Roosevelt Report, Even if Untrue, is Hopeful
East from Hatteras for 3,000 miles, restless, pulsating like the surging of three hundred million captive peoples.

It does not matter, we say, whether the rumored meeting between Winston Churchill and Franklin Roosevelt yesterday was for or against.

imagination of a people who are fast approaching the point when they shall be able to seize the initiative in the struggle against the most insidious tyranny the world has ever known.

Ich'sian Trick

Surprise! Gasoline Curfew Was Just "Psychological"

The gas curfew is a ker-flop. Newspaper surveys in seventeen eastern seaboard states indicate that Mr. Ickes' all-night gasoline curfew has failed to cut down fuel consumption.

But this does not disturb Mr. Ickes. He declares that he is "satisfied" with the results.

How, you ask, can Mr. Ickes be satisfied with the curfew when it has failed to accomplish its publicly announced purpose? Did not "Honest Harold" put the thing over shouting that it was in the interest of national defense?

The answer is, as we had begun to suspect, that the curfew was never intended to curtail the consumption of gasoline.

We have said before that one of the major faults of the Roosevelt Administration is that it frequently and without necessity it chooses to be tricky.

If he were a football coach, and we often wish he were, he would be one of the razzle-dazzle boys. (They'd probably can him for coaching from the bench, though.)

Forced Economy
Paper Shortage Cuts Down Government Press Releases

Our somewhat dense but open-handed big brother, the Federal Government, has decided at long last to conserve white paper.

We are somewhat amused to learn that it took a change of mimeographing paper to persuade the Government to curb its propaganda. Common sense should have dictated a wiser policy years ago.

Every newspaper in the country has been receiving daily pounds and pounds of Government press releases and other assorted propaganda, \$0.44 per cent of which is immediately filed in the waste basket.

There is some good in everything, we suppose, and the shortage of mimeographing paper is no exception.

Economic Nonsense

By Hugh S. Johnson

A GOOD deal of nonsense has been written about the new Economic Defense Act, headed by Vice-President Wallace.

In the first place, it has been asserted that this is a large-scale effort to speed up industrial mobilization comparable with the war industry.

THE TRUTH of this criticism about doing the job is dramatized last week in the "Hilberts" show that was put on paper.

Much of the desired result of all this is necessary and unavoidable in the sense that the results have been demonstrably heading, grotesque and impossible.

Letters to the Editor: Free Speech For Wheeler?

Editors, The News: It is time for every American woman who loves her country and stands by the President to give Burton K. Wheeler a taste of his own medicine.

In view of the above facts, I hope every woman who reads this will either write or voice her protest to Senator Wheeler.

If the women of this nation, who are so ready to die for their lives, if necessary, for the nation, will rise up in mass, and demand that he be restored to free speech to others shall be himself deprived of that privilege.

THE AMERICAN people, who are loyal to their President in his grave hour, have a right now to demand that this man's treasonous words be silenced once and for all.

Brutality and The Gas Chamber

The Charlotte News is to be congratulated on the article printed from the Baltimore Sun which appeared in issue of your paper. Had the barbarous situation referred to been handled in the manner of an affair we can be assured that it would have made front page stuff for our reading papers.

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

Gasless Nights

By Hugh S. Johnson



New Plans To A Fight

By Raymond Chandler



Side Glances

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The Charlotte News is to be congratulated on the article printed from the Baltimore Sun which appeared in issue of your paper.

There is increasing feeling that in the Atlantic the balance has changed. Some here believe Hitler has given up the Atlantic as a hopeless struggle and is now bent upon entrenching himself on the three continents.

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Visitin' Around

Shot At A Rooster And Killed Two Items (Mount) North Item. Monroe Journal.

Recently Mr. R. E. Price went out with his rifle to kill a chicken for supper and killed two. He had been chafed for supper and breakfast.

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"Every boy needs a dog, so I brought this puppy for Junior to grow up with."