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Monday, September 19, 1937... A Drive Made Painless... Mayor Ben Douglas's acceptance...

Putting Their Foot in It... And now Joutel Shouse and John Hamilton join the uproar against the...

Let Him Have It... Governor Hoy, our Raleigh bureau colleague, has had a "crooked lawyer"...

They Also Serve... A new use for the lambs in Wall Street is suggested by former Chairman Landis of the SEC...

Black Thoughts... Associate Justice Hugo Black of the United States Supreme Court is, so far as...

Too-Much for Piggy... (Richmond Times-Dispatch) A pig at Rising Fawn, O., is definitely cross-eyed...

Out of His Experience... The seven-year-old Boy Francher ought to be able to deliver a good sermon on the "Art of Playing Marbles"...

It is a possibility that the... Charlotte News... And there is a possibility that those who would gather the old soldiers of the Blue and the Gray in a joint reunion...

From Pillar to Post... The Vatican newspaper Osservatore Romano published a stirring editorial warning Germany that if Nazi paganism were not checked, the blood of Catholic priests might be shed as it was in Spain...

It does not make sense, any more than the expressions of concord between Germany and Spain, traditional enemies, with the admitted presence of a German military adviser on the staff of every Chinese army division...

Compromise... Six times in about as many consecutive days a couple of weeks ago we put before the question, Why should the Federal Government pay for improvements of a strictly local type...

Now, it develops, there is an answer—a reason, more or less reasonable, why the Federal Government, which is running deeper and deeper in the hole, should pay half the cost of building school houses and waterworks and bridges and hospitals and power plants for lesser governments, whose budgets for the most part are in a state of balance...

Heaven help us! If this is what all the easy-muck spending is about, let's call it constitutional in a hurry and call it off before it breaks us.

A new use for the lambs in Wall Street is suggested by former Chairman Landis of the SEC—that of providing support for a declining market. The odd lot buyers usually put up cash and many of them have their stock certificates sent to them, thus reducing the floating supply.

On the other hand, the odd lot buyers are the ones who are expected to join the ranks of the short sellers. The stock market has been cutting capers of late, and mostly has been going down with the result that most of the profits accrued to the short sellers and the brokers who handled their transactions. The complaint has been that the SEC regulation has made the market "thin" and has frightened the big traders to the sidelines. However, well founded this complaint might be, it is a fact that President Gay, in the Exchange and Mr. Landis found their ways locked in a controversy at the time the latter went back to university work.

For the present, it looks as though the SEC will continue its rules unswerving and the odd lot buyers will support prices with their purchases. Their judgment as individuals may not be the best in the world but at least it can be said such buying is one way of steepling a "redistribu-

tion of whatever wealth stock holders possess to those to the celestial Clyde Beatty.

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Perhaps your editorial writer would say that a little "word" once committed doesn't make it easier to do a bigger wrong the next time. Perhaps he thinks that the worst criminals in our society today began their careers by committing the desperate crimes they commit as seasoned criminals.

But, were he to investigate, he would discover that little things do lead to big things. He might have reached the conclusion, which I believe to be the correct one, that we must check little law violations in order to ever hope to check big ones. Councillor John Wilkinson was right when he said, "We can't turn our backs on law violations." He should have added, as he did imply, "no matter how small the violation may be."

Dear Sir: I am not a subscriber to The News. I insist upon my husband's bringing it home each evening mainly because I enjoy John Hardin's column so much. As it has not been in the paper the last few days I have inquired and was told when it is going to start again.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION FROM THE MECKLENBURG BAPTIST ASSOCIATION... We are very grateful for the full and complete coverage of the proceedings of the Mecklenburg Baptist Association by The News. We are especially appreciative of the untiring efforts of your staff writer, Mrs. Bincham, to cover the proceedings of all sessions, which she did in a most splendid way.

REQUIM By Marjorie Waddell... The red mornings softly like winds in the pines... While the gulls wing westward their way, And night hovers over the jasmine vines...

Visiting Around... Can You Be Sure It Isn't Hey-They Fever? (Richmond Item, Fayetteville Observer) Mr. T. Williams and B. E. Blake are spending today at Myrtle Beach for a day of lay over.

Sh-Sh! The Buyer Might Overhear... (Tulsa Item, Shelby Star) The Tulsa Clin Co. signed their first bill of cotton Monday for B. H. Sain. It was very wet and green.

He's the Two Names Are Practically Identical... (Leiter News Topics) The J. W. Swanson who was given a lifetime lease in second court last week as reported in Friday's issue of the News-Topic is not Corner J. B. Swanson, but another of similar name.

Council Up-Held For Its Consistency... In Not Turning Its Back on Law Violations, Even of the Pettiest Kind.



ON THE RECORD... Debt Versus Prosperity... THE financial pages this week carried a warning from Main Street and not Wall Street that there is a slight contributor to the next serious economic upturn.

By and large, he is very much like the American farm Negro, who will buy anything from a new set of gold-plated teeth, which he installs as a memorial to his dead grandfather, to a grand piano to put in his leaky cabin, to demands only one condition—credit and forty years to pay.

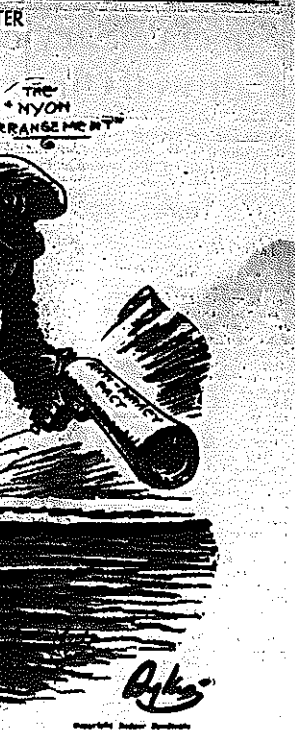
Unpaid—Uncollectible! (National Safety Council) Who pays the hospital bills for automobile traffic accident victims? Who pays if the victim has no money? Sometimes the hospital writes off the cost as "unpaid and uncollectible."

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And No Questions Asked... (Louis Gramsc, Chapel Hill Weekly) My yard has been seeded with Italian rye for the winter; and the seed ought to be pushed into the ground; and the surface and underneath, the little silver chipmunk and the little brown brother are eating the seeds because somebody borrowed my roller and failed to bring it back; and to whoever has it I hereby utter the prayer, Bring back, bring back, bring back my roller to me.

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Same Roosevelt, Same Conservation... (New York Times) No one has expressed more eloquently the traditional American doctrine of individual liberty guaranteed by constitutional limitations, or given more cogent reasons for it, than Franklin D. Roosevelt, speaking only a few years ago. The occasion was an address made in this city during his first term as Governor.

This country, more than any other nation on earth, lives in a delusion of wealth, and much installment selling acts as a narcotic to nurture that delusion. The mortgaged family knows no happiness, security or contentment. It lives under a continual nervous strain, and a major illness, an operation, means catastrophe. The family doctor sits up all night when the baby is born, and cannot collect his model bill because the agents are at the door with a pre-vious claim. Everybody pays for the reckless indebtedness—not only the family, but its other creditors. And it is impossible to estimate what the real prosperity of the country is at any moment, because sales are counted which are not sales at all, but merely highly speculative loans.

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