

PEACE emotions
It amuses me to read, as I often do, newspaper reports headed "Peace Meeting Breaks up in a Row." The trouble with all efforts to stop war by conversation is that people bring their personal and racial dislikes and prejudices into these gabfests.

I don't believe peace is ever going to be insured by talking about it. All of the peace arguments are based on reason and logic. Reason and logic play a very small part in human affairs. Mankind is still the plaything of its emotions. Let the hands start playing and put the boys into khaki, and we'll all throw reason and logic overboard.

Just the way the folk do who get into a scrap at peace meetings!

WAR not people's
Thinking back over what I have read in the history books, and what I have observed in a fairly long lifetime, I don't remember any war that was actually instigated by the people of any nation. Few ordinary people ever want to go to war with their neighbors. They are led into wars by governments and rulers who have ambitions and purposes which are seldom fully disclosed to the general run of common folk.

I am talking, of course, of the way wars start. Everybody, practically, is ready to jump to the defense of his country when the other fellow starts to invade it.

How to end war? I don't know—and I don't think anyone else does. A good way might be for nations to stop trying to take advantage of each other.

MORALS of nations
One of the commonest examples of loose thinking is the prevalent idea of "national honor." It implies that there is some sort of a moral law or obligation applying to nations comparable with the moral laws by which individuals are, on the whole, guided in their relations with each other.

There ought to be some such rule or moral law governing international relations, but there isn't. The League of Nations was set up with the idea that it could serve as an international conscience, and by solemn proclamation "outlaw" nations which started to grab something that belonged to other nations. But I doubt very much whether all the moral force and "sanctions" recently brought to bear by the League against Italy would have had any effect if the British fleet had not been mobilized in the Mediterranean.

Conscience has as much to do as policemen in keeping most individuals from taking somebody else's property by force. But until we have an international police force, strong enough to overawe any nation, however powerful, I don't think we're going to stop war.

AMERICA free
Did you ever stop to think that the United States of America is the largest area in the civilized world in which all the people speak the same language? It is more than that. It is the largest area in the world in which everybody can travel freely without interference, sell his goods freely without tariff obstacles, and live and work wherever it pleases him.

War between any two states or any two sections of the United States is unthinkable. We had a sectional war 75 years ago over the question of slavery. That war settled forever the liberty of every individual to travel, work and trade anywhere in the nation.

I become more convinced as time goes on that there will be no such thing as permanent peace until the same liberties of travel, labor and trade apply to all people anywhere in the world as they do in the United States.

RELIGION influence
The fundamental teaching of Christianity is the brotherhood of man under the fatherhood of God. Churches and sects have overlaid and obscured this basic teaching with such a variety of doctrines that the essential principle seems almost to be lost sight of in much of our religious teaching.

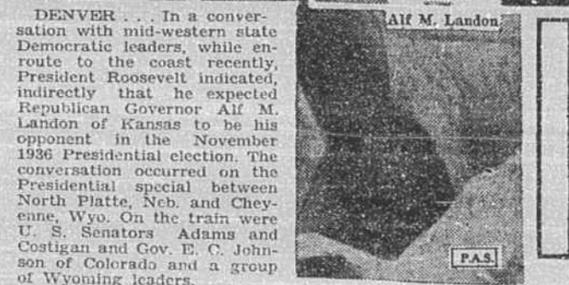
Most of the other great religions of the world have a similar foundation. I am firmly convinced that the world is far better than it would have been had it not been for the influence of the great religious teachers. But I am also convinced that most of us are a long way, still, from really believing in and acting upon the teachings of religion.

Maybe it will take 10,000 years, maybe longer, but the only ultimate answer to the question of war or peace must be, it seems to me, the acceptance by the whole human race of the underlying principles of religion.

MEETING IS HELD
A series of revival meetings which had been in progress at Antioch Baptist Church for a week came to a close Sunday. The pastor, Rev. W. C. Payne, and Rev. W. D. Ashley did the preaching, and the meeting was described as being successful.

President Thinks Landon Likely Foe

Roosevelt Indicates That Governor of Kansas Has a Good Chance of Being Republican Nominee.



Alf M. Landon

DENVER In a conversation with mid-western state Democratic leaders, while en route to the coast recently, President Roosevelt indicated, indirectly that he expected Republican Governor Alf M. Landon of Kansas to be his opponent in the November 1936 Presidential election. The conversation occurred on the Presidential special between North Platte, Neb. and Cheyenne, Wyo. On the train were U. S. Senators Adams and Costigan and Gov. E. C. Johnson of Colorado and a group of Wyoming leaders.

WHITE PLAGUE IS FATAL TO SEVEN

Respiratory Tuberculosis Claims Seven Victims in Watauga County.

Raleigh, Nov. 11—Watauga county had 7 deaths from respiratory tuberculosis within the borders of the county last year, of which 7 were white and none colored people, while the number of usual residents of the county dying from this disease numbered 6, of which 6 were white and none were colored, the State Board of Health reports. The distinction is made because the deaths without showing the usual place of residence would be unfair to counties in resort or treatment areas.

In the entire state there were 1,818 persons who usually reside in this state, of which 763 were white and 1,055 colored, and 119 more, or 1,937 died within the borders of the state, of which 851 were white and 1,086 colored. Deaths from all forms of tuberculosis in the state last year numbered 2,143.

Protection Against Diphtheria Is Urged

It is urged upon all parents by the District Health Department to see that their children are protected against diphtheria, and this protection can be secured, it is further stated, by vaccination of all children between the ages of six months and six years.

Some six months after vaccination a simple test can be made that will show whether the desired protection has been secured, the Schick test. This test is being made in the schools in the first and second grades in the regular course of the physical examinations, and will be made for any of the upper grade children upon request.

No charge is made for the vaccination of the children of the first two grades, but because of a shortage of expense money it is necessary to make a charge of ten cents, the cost of the vaccine, for those in higher grades.

One "Good Samaritan," Mrs. David Milton, of Blowing Rock, donated \$25.00 for the purchase of toxoid with which to protect the children of our county. At ten cents a dose this means that two hundred and fifty children have benefited from this kind lady's generosity.

CHANGES MADE IN HOURS AT DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT.

The District Health Department is discontinuing office hours on Tuesday morning and instead will be open on Monday and Saturday mornings from 8:30 a. m. until 12:00 m. This change is to become effective from this date. All citizens of Watauga county are invited to visit their health department on these days and take advantage of the service that is being given there.

PROLIFIC SWINE

Mr. Clayton Vines of the Beaver Dam section is reported by R. T. Palmer as having a sow, the mother of a litter of 15 Poland China pigs. The pigs are described as perfectly normal, are now three weeks old, and none of them required artificial feeding.

2 BRANDY STILLS TAKEN BY HOWELL

Sheriff Reports Capture of Fifty-Eighth Blockade Distilling Plant.

A small, but complete distilling outfit, which was being used for the manufacture of apple brandy, was captured by Sheriff Howell and deputies on the Pilot Mountain, near Todd and represented the first illicit whiskey plant to be taken in that immediate neighborhood for forty years. The capture also brings to 58 the number of stills Sheriff Howell has taken during his administration, and the officer states, incidentally, that the distilleries are evidently becoming scarce in Watauga county, judging from the many fruitless raids which are made.

Several nights ago another small brandy still was taken in Stony Fork township. Until recently it appears the manufacture of brandy had been abandoned in favor of the synthetic corn liquor usually referred to as "sugar-head."

Dept. of Agriculture Movies To Be Seen

Arrangements have been made to show several United States Department of Agriculture films each month to the vocational, home economics, agricultural students and 4-H club members of the county, it has been announced.

The first series is scheduled to be shown at the Pastime Theatre at 11:30 Friday, November 15, the showing having been made possible through the courtesy of Mr. A. E. Hamby.

Farmers and home makers of the county will also be interested in these shows, which are altogether educational. 4-H club members are particularly urged to attend.

The first series of movies includes, "Home Is What You Make It," "Our Wild Life Resources," "She's Wild," "The Chip College."

Production Credit Official Is Coming

Mr. L. E. Francis, secretary of the Winston-Salem Production Credit Association, will be in the office of Mr. S. C. Eggers November 19, for the purpose of receiving applications for loans for live stock investment or other uses permitted under the associational rules. Mr. Francis is very anxious that borrowers meet him during the morning hours of his one-day visit.

RAGAN CHILD DEAD

Mildred Mae Ragan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ragan of the Meat Camp section, died Saturday after an illness with diphtheria.

Funeral services and interment was at Meat Camp Baptist Church Sunday at 2 o'clock. Rev. W. C. Payne led the services and Reverends Moretz and Ashley were also present.

Surviving besides the bereaved parents are four brothers and two sisters: Billy, Ted, Fred, Raymond, Mary Annie and Opal.

The best exhibit of Jersey and Guernsey cattle ever displayed at a Union county fair were shown this year.

NUMBER AUTOS IN CAROLINA NEARS ALL-TIME RECORD

By End of Week More Than Half Million Motors Should Be Registered.

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION PLANS PROCEED IN STATE

First Driver's License is Revoked; Education Week Programs; WPA Progress. Other News of Raleigh and The State.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 11.—By the time this is read, North Carolina will have more licensed automobiles and trucks than were licensed during the peak year of 1929, when the number reached 503,590. The registrations were less than 2,000 below the 1929 figure by the middle of last week, and reports for the entire week will show the 1929 figures have been passed. The registration last year was only 471,084 for the entire year. The low figure after the peak was 397,455 in 1932.

New cars sold in October numbered 4,838, and 1,091 trucks, as against 4,384 cars and 1,364 trucks in September, and 6,978 cars and 1,915 trucks in October, 1934. New cars sold in the 10 months of this year are 46,197, and 11,834 trucks, as against 40,046 cars and 9,700 trucks in 10 months last year.

SPEAR'S NEW JUDGE

Marshall T. Spears, prominent Durham lawyer and part-time law instructor at Duke University, recently named federal referee in bankruptcy, was appointed last week by Governor Ehringhaus as judge of the Tenth Judicial District, succeeding Judge W. A. Devin, Oxford, who in turn was placed on the Supreme Court bench succeeding the late Justice W. J. Brogden.

Judge Spears is a native of Lillington, graduate of the University of N. C. in 1912, later studying law, licensed in 1915 and practiced in Lillington, moving to Durham about eight years ago. He had the almost unanimous endorsement of the Durham bar and many outside the district. Mrs. Spears is a younger sister of Dr. Robert L. Flowers, vice-president and business manager of Duke University.

ELECTRIC PLANS PROCEED

North Carolina power companies are going ahead with rural electrification in close co-operation with the State Rural Electrification Authority Chairman Dudley Bagley announces. Lines are being constructed and authorized and others are being surveyed right along. Mr. Bagley cites that the Carolina Power & Light Co., since June 15, has completed 11.7 miles of lines serving 105 customers, has under construction 18.75 miles to serve 157 customers and has authorized construction of 127.25 miles to serve 879 other customers. The company is still surveying for new lines, Mr. Bagley said. Other companies are also busy, he said.

TO RECEIVE COMPLAINTS

Stock and bond holders in reorganized corporations who have been victimized by dissipation of assets in high salaries of protective committees, receivers, trustees, attorneys or others, and by assessments of stock for such corporations, do not have a place to lodge complaints and have such individuals investigated. A. J. Fletcher, Raleigh, and J. C. Meekins, (Continued on Page 2)

Sixteen Sheep Are Destroyed By Dogs

Mr. P. W. Moretz, who resides on the Rich Mountain, reports the slaying by the dogs of hunters of sixteen sheep, four of which were registered Hampshire ewes. Mr. Moretz tells the Democrat that all hunters are advised that henceforth all dogs found on his land will be killed on sight. One of the dogs engaged in the depredation is reported to have been trailed to a TVA family, where its owner shielded it from death.

Episcopal Bishop Will Preach Here

Bishop Robert E. Gribben, of Asheville, will preach at the Episcopal Church in Boone Sunday morning at 8:50, and conduct a confirmation service, it was learned yesterday. Bishop Gribben is known as one of the most forceful members of the Episcopal clergy in the state, and this is his first public appearance in Boone. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

INFANT SUCCUMBS

An infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ray of Deep Gap died Sunday, and interment was at the cemetery at Laurel Springs Church.

JIMMY AND BETTY

Former New York Mayor and Wife End Exile



NEW YORK A close-up of former-mayor Jimmy Walker of N. Y. and his wife, the former Betty Compton, upon their return here after his three-year self imposed exile in Europe which started amid the Seabury investigation. "Walker says he wants no part of politics" for the present, at least.

HIGH SCHOOL GIVEN APPROVAL OF WPA

Sixteen Room Model High School Building to be Built in Boone.

FISH HATCHERY APPROVED
Later information from the Winston-Salem WPA Office, indicates that a project calling for the expenditure of about three thousand dollars for building and new water sources at the Rutherford fish hatchery, has been approved. This, it is stated, brings the amount of money definitely on the way to Watauga county, to approximately \$65,000.

That a sixteen-room model high school building will be erected in Boone as a part of the Works Progress Administration's program, appeared certain Saturday, when District Director Jim Rivers announced an allocation for the purpose of \$12,000, to supplement a previous grant of \$6,000 and a state appropriation of \$12,000. The structure is expected to be of native stone. Boone had hitherto been without high school housing facilities, the school having been carried forward in one of the college buildings.

At the same time it was said that Bethel, Mabel and Valle Crucis schools would be pushed as had previously announced and that a supplemental grant of \$7,500 had been added to the street improvement program in the town of Boone, which together with the money advanced by the municipality will result in the expenditure of nearly \$25,000.

Mr. Rivers stated that the new money added to Watauga county's quota had been granted from a state-wide fund, and represents about \$200,000 more than could have otherwise been secured for the county. He further states that road projects are in the offing, and that a sincere effort is being made to allocate the work as per instructions, with due regard to the centers of heaviest relief loads, and points most easily accessible to the unemployed.

Work Overtime

The work program in the sixth district is going forward night and day, according to Mr. Rivers, who stated that no holidays or Sunday leaves would be permitted until the full program has been inaugurated.

Tuesday 535 additional workers, 400 of them men, will be employed. There had been 4,547 jobs created in the 13 counties of the district up until Saturday night, and state WPA officials are authority for an announcement that the sixth district is now employing more than twice as many workers as other districts of the state.

R. W. Seehorn Dies; Once Watauga Citizen

Mr. R. W. Seehorn, 85 years old, died at his home at Shouns, Tenn., last Monday and funeral services were conducted there by the Methodist Church there in the presence of a large assemblage of friends. Rev. R. C. Eggers, pastor of the deceased, was in charge of the obsequies and interment was in the neighboring cemetery. The floral offering was profuse.

A widow, one son and one daughter survive.

Mr. Seehorn was a highly respected citizen and a member of the Roan Creek Church. He had formerly lived in Watauga county where he was well known by many.

SCENIC PARKWAY CONSTRUCTION TO BE ACCELERATED

Contracts Let on Scenic Road For Construction to Mulberry Gap.

CONSTRUCTION WORK NOW GOING FORWARD

The Deep Gap and Virginia Line Section Constitutes Principal Portion of Thoroughfare; to Detour By Boone.

Bids on the construction of the fourth segment of the scenic parkway in North Carolina, will be opened by the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads December 5, Chairman Capus M. Waynick of the State Highway and Public Works Commission has just been advised. When these bids are opened, they will bring to a total of 43 miles of parkway on which contracts have either been let or bids opened. The first from Virginia line in Alleghany county to its intersection with State Route 21. Bids were opened some weeks ago on Projects B and C, extending from Route 21 to Air Bellows Gap and from Air Bellows Gap to Mulberry Gap and construction on these two segments, totaling more than 17 miles, is expected to start just as soon as the contracts have been awarded.

This fourth segment extends from Mulberry Gap to Horse Gap, about 12.5 miles and will bring the parkway to within 12.5 miles of its intersection with N. C. Route 60 at Deep Gap. It is expected that bids on the fifth and last segment from Horse Gap to Deep Gap and Route 60 will probably be opened about January 1, Chief Locating Engineer R. Get-Commission said today. When all these projects are let and under construction, the first main sector of the parkway totaling some 55.5 miles will be under construction.

For the time being, it is not planned to build this northeastern portion of the parkway beyond Deep Gap and its intersection with Route 60, but to follow Route 60 into Boone and then on into Blowing Rock over Route 28, since these existing state roads are already paved and offer almost as short a route as the proposed parkway route.

The parkway from Airbellows Gap to Deep Gap will follow closely the main ridge formation of the majestic Blue Ridge and several short sections of the scenic road will be in Wilkes county. This section of the parkway will offer unexcelled panoramic scenery because it will follow the main ridge, alternating on each side around the higher peaks.

The next main link in the parkway to be constructed will begin at Buck Gap on Route 104, and extend around Mount Mitchell and the Craggies to its intersection with Route 694 just north of Asheville.

Road Project Will to Employ 69 Workers

Information Wednesday morning was to the effect that the Works Progress Administration had approved road work for Watauga county, involving the expenditure of \$7,995 and designed to employ 69 workers.

No information was forthcoming as to the specific projects approved, although it is understood that a large number of road building proposals had been made to the governmental agency.

Armistice Day Is Observed In Boone

Armistice Day was almost a complete holiday in Boone, all the retail establishments with the exception of drug stores and cafes closing their doors in observance. A large portion of the population either took to the field and forest with dog and gun or took their families on outings, and the day carried with it the usual Sabbath calm. A display of fireworks by the American Legion took place in the evening.

WOULD CONSIDER BUYING CAROLINA GROCERY COMPANY

The receiver for the Carolina Stores, Inc., has received an offer for the purchase of the company as a going concern, according to the Caldwell Record, and the offer will be submitted to the Superior Court at Newton, November 20th.

The party making the offer, has informed the receiver that it is his intention to continue the operation of the stores as such, and as conditions improve, to extend the territory which they serve. There will be no interruption in the operation of the stores.

Two of the units of the Carolina Stores are located in Boone.