

WM. PEARSON DIES AT WILKES HOME

Father of Smithy Store Executive Succumbs to Stroke of Apoplexy.

William C. Pearson, for many years a prominent figure in Wilkes county, suffered a fatal apoplectic stroke at his home in Wilkesboro on Tuesday night of last week, following a period of apparently unimpaired health.

Funeral services were held Thursday in the North Wilkesboro Methodist Church and interment was in that city. Several Boone people attended the obsequies.

Mr. Pearson was a prominent citizen and for several years was associated in the building trade, devoted considerable attention to farming and was owner of a Brusby Mountain apple orchard. About a year ago he suffered serious injury in an accident, when both his legs were broken and only recently had recovered sufficiently to be out of his home.

Among the survivors is Mr. Joe M. Pearson, district manager for the Smithy Stores, who is well known to Boone people.

New C-H Program To Be Offered Farmers

The corn-hog program for 1936-37 is designed to encourage soil-improvement and to stabilize the production of corn and hogs for the best interests of the grower and the consumer.

The need for building up the soil is now greater than for increasing the planting of food and feed crops, said W. W. Shay, swine specialist at State College.

The new contracts stipulate that land retired from corn cultivation must be planted to soil-building or erosion-preventing crops, pasturage, trees or the like, Shay stated.

And this must be in addition to the land normally used for such purposes, he emphasized.

In the past, he added, the production of hogs has fluctuated widely. Either a surplus or a shortage of pork is undesirable, and the program will tend to keep production in line with consumption.

A grower may agree to adjust his corn production next year by 10 to 30 per cent of his base and receive an adjustment payment of 35 cents a bushel on the average yield of the land taken out of corn.

To receive the maximum hog payment, the grower must raise not less than 50 per cent nor more than 100 per cent of his market base. The payment will be \$1.25 for each hog in his market base.

Under certain conditions, a grower may sign to adjust his corn crop and keep his hog production the same or to adjust his hog production and keep his corn crop at the same level.

In 1937 the adjustment and payments will be similar to those in 1936, the exact rate to be announced later by the Secretary of Agriculture. The new contracts will be ready in the next few weeks, Shay added.

Democrat Ads Pay

THE RECKLESS FOOL!

Have you ever heard the rattle of a dying man's last breath? Or seen the look of horror in the stare that faces death?

Have you ever heard a person scream and writhe in sudden pain and look down at a mangled arm that will not move again?

Or have you heard the moaning and smelled the stench of gin?

And seen the gory, bloody gap where once an eye had been?

When your car is doing fifty have you ever felt the yen To let'r have another notch 'n do another ten?

When a pokey guy's ahead of you have you ever had the thrill Of swingin' out 'n passin' him upon a dangerous hill?

Or have you ever felt the old car scream 'n lurch 'n swerve As you let'r have the limit while you look a sudden curve?

Have you ever seen the wreckage of an automobile crash With flesh and steel made into a morbid gruesome hash?

Have you ever seen the entrails 'n the cars 'n arms 'n hand 'N hat 'n shoes 'n fingers of what once had been a man?

Have you ever seen the jagged bone stick through a mangled leg And heard the blood-smear'd victim pray 'n cry 'n beg?

Have you had the keen sensation of a fast car at your bid 'N run up to a stop sign 'n slip 'em on 'n skid?

Did you ever pass a school-yard 'n give the horn a slam 'N drive close to a gang o' kids 'n see 'em jump 'n scam?

Did you ever take a quart o' rye 'n swallow four or five 'N take the old bus down the road 'n show 'em how to drive?

Have you ever seen a little child all crumpled up 'n still— Who tried to run across the street while a car came down the hill?

Have you seen men's brains on fenders? Have you seen blood in the street?

Have you seen them stare at the bloody stumps of the things that were their feet?

Have you ever heard the crash 'n scream 'n seen the ghastly stare On the face of what had been the driver 'n the rest of the man not there?

Morbid 'n gruesome 'n gory this, I'm sorry, but don't you see, This was not meant to be read by folks as tender as you 'n me. It was meant for the thoughtless 'n careless who kill 'n maim 'n mar.

The reckless fool who is to blame—the man in the other car. —From PHIL BRANIF in "The Insurance Field."

Martin cotton growers have turned in approximately 25,000 of surplus cotton ginning certificates for resale and local sale.

One Rutherford county farmer told a group of men in Rutherfordton the other day that farmers of the county were better off this winter than they had been in ten years, citing specific instances of the improvement.

YOUTH OF STATE MAY SECURE JOBS

Projects to Employ Members of Work Relief Families Slated to Begin.

Youth projects in four general classifications will be shortly released by the national youth administration in Washington, according to information received by C. E. McIntosh, state youth director, and subsequently transmitted to W. H. Walker, superintendent of Watauga schools and public welfare.

These projects, it is stated, will be open to young men and women between the ages of 16 and 25 who are members of work relief families.

Major emphasis will be placed on the first group which includes recreation and community projects; the second, rural projects; the third, projects of public service; and the fourth research projects in which practical studies will be made, the results of which will be used in achieving long-time purposeful programs for the youth of the state.

Understanding is that persons interested in this work may register for same at the national re-employment office at the Boone courthouse. Inquiries may be addressed to Thomas W. Alexander, field representative, 116-118 Court Arcade, Charlotte.

Credit Associations Save Farmers' Money

Production credit association loans, bearing a low rate of interest, have enabled many North Carolina farmers to save money during the past year.

The interest on these loans is five per cent a year, said Dean L. O. Schaub, of State College, who pointed out that buying on long-term credit often adds from 10 to 30 per cent to the cost of the goods.

The production credit associations were established to provide loans at low cost to farmers who run short of cash and would otherwise have to finance their farming operations at high interest rates. The associations are farmer-owned and controlled.

Another advantage of borrowing through the associations is that a farmer may secure his loan in installments as he needs them, paying interest on each installment only for the time he actually uses the money.

For example, a farmer may borrow \$1,000. In the spring he may receive an advance of \$300 on which he will pay interest for nine months. Three months later he may receive another \$300 on which interest is to be paid for six months. The remaining \$400, received at harvest time, would bear interest for only one month.

In this way the total interest would amount to \$20.41, as compared with \$38.50 he would pay if the entire loan had been issued in one installment to bear interest for nine months.

E. F. Warner, secretary-treasurer of the Raleigh Production credit association, pointed out that his association loaned \$270,000 to approximately 1,000 farmers in 1935. Practically all the loans have been paid back, he reported.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for December 22

MALACHI FORETELLS A NEW DAY

LESSON TEXT—Malachi 3:1-12. GOLDEN TEXT—Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me, Malachi 3:1.

PRIMARY TOPIC—God's Best Promise Comes True.

JUNIOR TOPIC—How God Kept His Best Promise.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Believing in a Better Day.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Preparing the Way of the Lord.

(The lesson committee has provided as an alternative a Christmas lesson, using the text Matthew 2:1-12).

The subject of today's lesson is broader than the printed text. In order effectively to teach this lesson, the entire Book of Malachi should be surveyed. The prophet pointed out the sins of the corrupt priesthood, mixed marriages, and failure to pay tithes, with the portrayal of the coming judgment and glorious new day with Christ reigning in his glorious kingdom.

1. The Base Ingratitude of Israel (1:1-5).

God approached them with the tender affection, "I have loved thee." It was the burden of the prophet to declare this fact unto them (v. 1). So worldly were the people that they failed to discern God's good hand upon them. Israel's attitude toward God is shown in the skeptical question, "Wherein hast thou loved us?" (v. 2). Malachi answers this question by showing God's choice of Jacob, and his passing by of Esau, his destruction of Edom and his saving of Israel.

2. God's Severe Indictment (1:6-2:17; 3:7-15).

3. Against the priests (1:6-2:9). They were guilty of:

a. Profanity (1:6). Their profanity consisted in despising the name of God. To fail to honor God is to be profane. To use his name in any ungodly way is to be thus guilty.

b. Sacrilege (1:7,8). Their sacrilegious act was in offering polluted bread and blemished sacrifices.

c. Greed (1:10). They were not willing even to open the doors of God's house without pay. Service to God should be out of a heart of love for him.

d. Weariness (1:12,13). Because of the absence of love, the routine of priestly duties became lifeless.

e. Not teaching the law to the people (2:1-9). Those set apart to teach God's law to the people have a great responsibility and God will not as-

surely demand an accounting.

2. Against the people (2:10-17; 3:7,15).

a. For ungodly marriages (2:11, 12). God's purpose in the prohibition of mixed marriages was that he might raise up a holy seed (v. 15). Marriage with the heathen would frustrate this purpose. Marriage of the believer with the unbeliever today brings confusion into the fold of God and turns aside his purpose.

b. Divorce (2:12-13). Divorce in Israel was the source of great sorrow. Even the tears of the wronged women covered the altar (v. 13). The offerings of the man who had thus treated his wife would be an abomination to God.

c. Public wrongs (3:5-6).

(1) Sorcery or magical arts. This includes the practice of occult sciences, such as spiritism, necromancy, fortune telling.

(2) Adultery. This is a sin of wider extent than the direct parties concerned. It is a canker which gnaws in the very heart of society. Unfaithfulness to the marriage relation should be regarded as a public sin. Such sinners should be ostracized from society.

(3) False swearing.

(4) Oppression of the hireling, the widow, and the fatherless.

(5) Turning aside the stranger from his rights.

d. Withholding tithes from God (3:7-12). Failure to pay tithes is robbery of God. His claim upon Israel was a tenth, plus free will offerings. Our responsibility is to give as God prospers us (1 Cor. 16:1).

e. Blasphemy (3:13-15). They openly spoke against God, saying that he was powerless and vain to serve him.

III. The Awful Judgment Which Shall Befall the Nation (3:15; 4:1-6).

1. By whom executed (v. 1). It is to be done by the Lord. All judgments have been committed unto the Son of God (John 5:22, 30; cf. Acts 17:30, 31).

2. The time of (3:24-3). It will be at the second coming of Christ. John the Baptist was the forerunner of his first coming. Elijah will be the forerunner of his second coming.

3. The result (3:3, 4, 16-18; 4:1, 2). For the righteous it will be a day of healing and salvation; for the wicked it will be a day of burning and destruction.

A Mother's Love

If there be aught surpassing human deed or word or thought, it is a mother's love.—De Spardano.

Well Doing

There is no well-doing, no God-like doing, that is not patient doing.—J. G. Holland.

Justice

To give every man that to which he is entitled, is indeed supreme justice.—Cleora.

50 MILES SCENIC ROAD IS IN SIGHT

Contracts Covering Long Stretch of Parkway Expected to Be In Force Soon.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Secretary Ickes predicted today that approximately 50 miles of continuous roadway would be under construction on the proposed Shenandoah-Great Smoky Mountains National Parkway by the end of the year.

Speedy construction of this distance, all of which is in North Carolina south of the Virginia state line, has been assured, Ickes said in a formal announcement, by clearing of rights of way. He said North Carolina had executed two more deeds covering the land involved.

Three sections of the parkway, a distance of 32½ miles, already are under construction and contracts for two more sections probably will be let before the first of the year.

"This will make a total of approximately 50 miles of continuous parkway under construction from the Virginia-North Carolina state boundary in a southwestern direction in North Carolina," the announcement said.

Deeds to Virginia rights of way have been delayed by jurisdictional technicalities, but were expected to reach the secretary late today.

ABSORBING SHORT NOVEL

"Very Private Secretary" is the title of an engrossing tale concerning a love quadrangle to be found in the December 22 issue of the American Weekly, the big magazine which comes regularly with the BALTIMORE SUNDAY AMERICAN. On sale by your favorite newsboy or newsdealer.



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