

# Senator Scott reports



from WASHINGTON

Last week the headline hoppers jumped on the recent Public Health Service announcement concerning smoking and lung cancer to again stir up a controversy that is very serious to North Carolina and the entire Nation. For some unknown reason, the campaign against tobacco has been getting more and more intense in recent months. The latest release dealing with cancer and smoking served to boil over what has been simmering for quite a while.

Sentiment has been growing in Washington, mainly since Secretary of Agriculture Benson made an open move in May to gut the tobacco program, to treat tobacco like an illegitimate child in comparison with our other agricultural commodities.

On the other hand, though, many of the same people who are after tobacco sober up considerably when they take a look at the facts involved. In the first place,

if there is a cause and effect relation, then the scientists don't know what it is.

Secondly, should any definite relationship be found, then those who pound their chests about the public welfare ought to get behind programs to remove any undesirable components from tobacco that may be found instead of trying to kill the industry.

I can't help but believe that those who are ready to destroy the tobacco industry are a little rattled. They seem to be wholly ignorant of the pertinent facts involved.

Since the days of Sir Walter Raleigh, we have produced tobacco as a major commodity for both domestic and foreign trade.

Had it not been for tobacco and corn, this Nation could well have died in its cradle.

The significance of the industry is clear enough when we remember that each year the Federal government gets over a billion dollars in tobacco taxes. In addition to this many states tax tobacco heavily as a primary source of revenue.

It would not only be folly but foolish to make a deliberate, systematic effort to kill off tobacco as a basic farm commodity. However, legislation was introduced in the Senate last week that would do just that.

Certainly, those behind the legislation would not have or considered introducing it had they taken the time to consider the facts involved.

The legislation was offered on the pretense that it is "ridiculous" for the government to pay the load of subsidizing the production of tobacco.

Had they taken the time to call the Commodity Credit Corporation, they would have found:

1. Tobacco is the only commodity that is in a "liquid" condition today. That is, CCC would better than break even if all tobacco accounts were settled up as of now.

2. It has cost far less (a mere \$300,000) for CCC to administer the tobacco program since 1932 than any other basic commodity.

3. On the loans that have been

made to the Tobacco Stabilization Corporation, the organization that handles all surplus tobacco stocks, CCC (the government) has made a fat profit. Over 32 million dollars have been paid in interest to the CCC by Tobacco Stabilization against losses of a little over seven million dollars. Another 72 million is outstanding, but the collateral against it is as good as stock in Fort Knox.

### Vets' Question Box

Q—A friend of mine recently lost his sight as a result of a World War II combat injury. What is his deadline for obtaining a VA grant to buy an automobile? A—He has three years from the time his blindness occurred to file an application for a VA grant for an automobile.

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possible conflict with his father and with his own people. Taking ten men of his servants, and working by night rather than by day because of fear of his family, Gideon destroyed the altar of Baal, and did as God had directed. He erected an altar to Jehovah, and offered one of his father's bullocks as a sacrifice thereon.

When the townspeople heard what Gideon had done, they were very angry. Upon learning that it was Gideon who had done this thing, they went to Joash, his father, and demanded that Joash bring out Gideon, his son, but the father refused to do so, saying, "Will ye plead for Baal? . . . he that will plead for him, let him be put to death . . . if he be a god, let him plead for himself."

While Gideon was convinced that the Lord wanted him to deliver Israel from the Amalekites and the Midianites, he wanted further proof. So, summoning

the members of nearby tribes to gather under his leadership, he made trial of Jehovah, using a fleece of wool. God patiently convinced him. Being of a very cautious nature, Gideon wanted further proof, so he asked God to reverse the former miracle. Again, it was even as Gideon had requested, and, from this time on, Gideon raised no more questions and sought no more signs, but did explicitly what God told him to do.

Then, Jehovah put Gideon's faith to a severe test, advising him so that over two-thirds of his men departed from him, leaving only ten thousand to help him fight their enemies. These were further selected until only three hundred remained. Using a carefully devised strategem, Gideon was successful in defeating the Midianites. They were pursued until utterly shattered with

a destruction so great that Isaiah later referred to it as on a parity with that of the Egyptians at the Red Sea.

After this victory, the Midianites troubled Israel no more, and the land had peace for forty years. The people were so impressed with Gideon's leadership, they wanted to make him their king, but he refused them, saying, "The Lord shall rule over you."

Among the many excellent qualities which may be found in the character of Gideon, four are outstanding: They are his humility, his caution, his courage and his faith in God. Gideon, an humble man, was transformed by divine power into a mighty champion of Israel's faith and a successful leader of Israel against its foes.

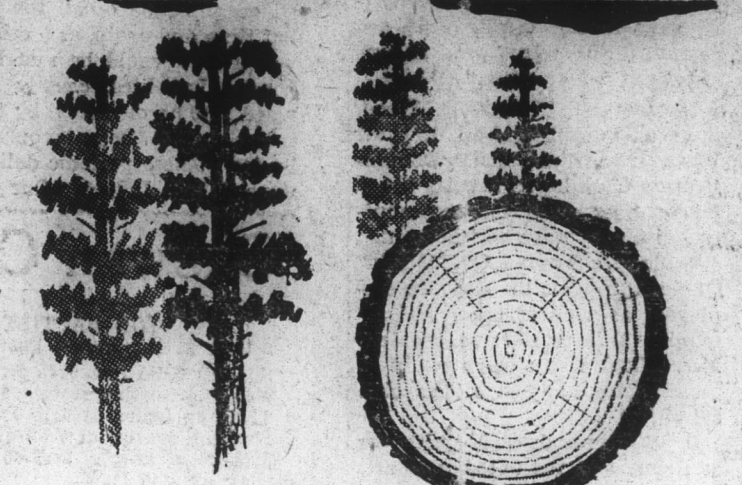
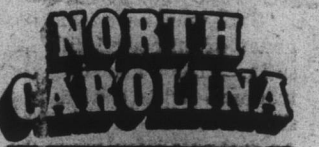
Surely, the story of such a man has a message for us today. God

can use men—no matter how humble—and can transform them into living evangelists by His divine power. While few in this great nation of ours bow themselves down to idols of metal or stone, too many of us worship material things—money, appliances, fine cars, precious stones, and other things which only satisfy their selfishness and greed. They have missed the pearl of great price.

Only Jehovah God can command the continued allegiance of his followers. Material gods decay; only Jehovah God is eternal and everlasting.

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