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The New Campaign
The newest campaign inaugurated by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration is that affecting the dairy industry.
How much interest will be taken in Wilkes is problematical. Everybody knows that there aren't half enough cows in Wilkes. The Caldwell Record confesses to somewhat the same situation in our neighboring county. And yet the plan of reducing dairy herds and placing a cow with a family whose children are undernourished for want of milk is apparently the most sensible step taken by the AAA.
In the main we fully agree with the Caldwell Record which discusses the new campaign in the following editorial:

The new campaign that is coming for the farmers in this county is a reduction in the number of dairy cattle and the amount of dairy products. We have more sympathy with the plans for this campaign than for any of the others that have been inaugurated by the Triple A. Not because we think there are too many cows in this county. We know good and well that as long as there is one child in Caldwell county who does not have a quart of milk a day that there is no surplus. But we favor the plan because the AAA proposes to distribute the surplus cows to families on relief who can feed them.

All the non-producing and sick cattle are to be disposed of, and the good surplus will be redistributed through the relief office of families who are in need of food. It is a sensible move, and the government will buy the cows from the dairy farmers and where they give a cow they will cut some of the relief funds.
Another good thing about the plan as it affects local farmers is that the cattle which will be bought by the government here and given to poor families are good cows. High-class Jerseys; producing fine, rich milk. The social aspects of this plan appear to be much better than plowing up cotton and reducing wheat.

We drove ten miles in this county last Thursday afternoon. During the drive we passed a little house on a hillside where there was not enough of anything. Two little children, pale, dirty and ragged, played in the yard. There is not too much of any necessity of life so long as a condition such as that prevails. It would be far better to spin and weave the surplus cotton into clothing for folks like that and see that they work to secure the necessities than to reduce production as long as there are hungry people to be fed and naked people to be clothed.

In this connection, it is well to realize that as bad as the relief situation here has appeared to be, it is much better than in nearby counties. The University News Letter, the hottest little sheet that shows us what we are, comes up with a show of figures in regard to the relief situation in the state that is most illuminating. For instance, Caldwell county last year had 12.6 per cent of her citizens on relief. Wilkes, to the east of us, had 8.3 per cent, Watauga 20 per cent, and Avery 23.2 per cent. The other nearby counties varied as widely. And the variation in the state as a whole was even more noticeable. Stanly county carries off the blue ribbon, with only 3.7 per cent of its population on relief. Stanly is also a Jersey county, and a good farming section.

The conclusion at which we arrive after reading these figures and thinking the situation through, is that Stanly is probably feeding that percentage of its population that all of us should feed. The plain fact is that no farm population in this state should have to be fed from federal funds. The government is doing all in its power to assist the farmers to do good farming and to grow enough food for their families, and their last move—to put a cow on every farm where one can be fed—will go a long way in that direction. The necessity for assistance from the federal government has created a situation that has produced too much dependence.

"Heaven Bound"
"They couldn't get enough money for their schools, so they went 'Heaven Bound.'" That is the way Carl Goerch heads an interesting article about the pageant which negro school teachers of Cleveland county have given throughout the Carolinas and Tennessee.

The coming engagement of "Heaven Bound" in this city gives added interest to the story of how this pageant came into existence. The pageant was born of the depression and cradled by the mother of many great achievements, necessary. With inadequate funds to carry on their educational program among the colored children of Shelby and surrounding communities, the teachers, under the leadership of Violet Thomas, began thinking of some way to raise the needed money. The outcome was the writing of "Heaven Bound" and its presentation to more than 500 audiences.

The play, pageant or revival meeting, whichever you choose to call it, has stirred upwards of 100,000 people. It needs no introduction to people in North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro. Those who saw the performances here last year, have declared it one of the finest plays seen here in years.
The realization that the colored school teachers of Cleveland are using this pageant as a means of supplementing state funds for the operation of their schools and the consequent enlargement of the opportunities for their race should help to increase attendance at the performance here.

Realignment of Parties
"Every so often a great personality flashes across the horizon of our national life so brilliantly that a cleavage is left in our strong political parties and the result is a realignment," Attorney Ira T. Johnston, of Jefferson, said as a remark incidental to his address dealing with the history of the Whig party at the Kiwanis Club luncheon Friday.
A list of men who have so influenced the thinking of the nation would include Andrew Jackson, Abraham Lincoln and perhaps Franklin D. Roosevelt.
Reaffirming his belief in the two-party system of government, Mr. Johnston made the significant statement:
"I am firmly convinced that there should be a realignment of our political parties. There should be a strong conservative party to put on the brakes when the liberals have a tendency to go too far. And there should be a strong liberal party to keep pushing ahead and prevent the conservatives from halting the march of progress."

And when we think seriously of the present party alignment, we realize that both the Democratic and Republican parties are composed of a hodge-podge of political thinkers. La Follette, Cutting, Hiram Johnson and Norris are much closer to Franklin D. Roosevelt in their views on government than many Democrats, including such outstanding men as John W. Davis, Alfred E. Smith and Carter Glass. Strictly speaking neither party can be classed as conservative or liberal. There are conservatives in both; there are liberals in both.
Mr. Johnston's view that the nation would be served better if there were one conservative party and one liberal party is logical. Perhaps, as the Jefferson attorney suggested, the Roosevelt personality may be the means of regrouping the liberals in one party and the conservatives in another.

The Book
By BRUCE BARTON
BEGINNING OF THE END

The beginning of the end of the Jewish nation.
All of this took place around 1000 B. C., which is a useful date to remember in connection with David and Solomon. From the death of Solomon until 586 B. C., when Jerusalem was destroyed by the Babylonians, the history of the two little kingdoms is a sad tale of intrigue, sinfulness, bad management and steady decline. Sometimes the kingdoms fought and sometimes they were allies. In periods of peace the crown prince of one kingdom was usually named after the reigning monarch of the other, so that the record in the Book of Kings is confusing enough to the average reader. You get the gist of it in verses like these:

"In the thirty and first year of Asa king of Judah (the smaller kingdom) began Omri to reign over Israel (the larger) . . .
But Omri wrought evil in the eyes of the Lord and did worse than all that were before him. . .
Omri slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria; and Ahab his son reigned in his stead. . .
And Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the Lord above all that were before him.

Each king, you see, excelled his predecessor in wickedness and incompetence. We have no time for them in this rapid survey except a single glance at two of the most dramatic figures—Jezebel, the strong-minded old queen, and Jehu, who slew her. Jezebel was a princess of the proud kingdom of Tyre, and when Ahab, king of Israel, married her, he thought he had achieved a great diplomatic victory. As Queen Mother, Jezebel's powerful influence lasted after the death of her husband and throughout the reign of her son Joram, king of Israel, and Azariah, her son-in-law, who was king in Jerusalem. Attaliah was another Jezebel and dominated Jerusalem as the mother did Samaria. Jehu was a kind of Cromwell, stern, bloody, unmerciful. He killed both Kings Joram and Azariah, and raced back to the capital to make away with Jezebel and all the members of the royal family. When Jehu started for a place he arrived in a hurry.

The driving is like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi; for he driveth furiously.
Jezebel could have fled, but her queenly pride scorned such cowardice. Instead, she "painted her face, and tird her head, and looked out at a window." When Jehu drove through the streets she taunted him as a dog who had slain his master. And Jehu "lifted up his face to the window, and said, Who is on my side? who? And there looked out to him two or three eunuchs. And he said, Throw her down. So they threw her down; and some of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses; and he trode her under foot."
With such edifying spectacles the record is thickly dotted.

North Wilkesboro School Honor Roll

Following is the honor roll of the North Wilkesboro city school for the 5th report period:
Grade 1: Billy Gabriel, Eugene Hayes, Palmer Horton, Edwin Long, Sloan Hill, Mary Elmire Finley, Betty Hutchens, Chaima Teague, Mazie St. John, Roscoe McNeil, J. C. Pardue, Dick Underwood, Bobbie Louise Hawkins, Patsy Ruth McNeill, Dorothy Summers, Gilbert Anderson, Ralph Church, Ralph Craven, Glenn Gollifer, Jackson Hayes, Christal Anderson, Lila Anne Belsch, Helen Candill, Marie Eiler, Betty Gwyn Finley, Nancy Forester, Gaynell Hayes.
Grade 2: William Hayes, Annie Ruth Blankenship, Betty Jane Turner, Patsy Ruth Hadley, Joyce Harrold, Kate Porter, Lomax Kilby, Jack Anderson, Bill Halfacre, Lewis Hill Jenkins, Thos. Whicker, Hope Allen, Helen Blankenship, Betty Jean Bush, Peggy Jane Hart, Mary Moore Hix, Ruby Lee Johnson, Frances Kennedy, Ruth Wyatt, Henry Waugh, Charles Williams, William Keck, Fred Miller, Frances Rousseau, Billie R. Trogdon, Lucille Casey, Peggy Nichols.
Grade 3: Rose Zell Caudill, Mildred Elledge, Wilma Higgins, Ruth Laster, Clara Louise Pardue, Malcolm Butner, William Wade Estes, Claude Reynolds, Craven, Gladys Dagenhardt, MarEdna Mae Minton, Betty Joe Gie Gallier, Frances Finley, Betty Hill, Joyce Kilby, Ersie Faye Lyall, Grace Miller, Hubert Clark, Carl Gwyn Coffey, Ward Eshelman, Royal Eudally, John Kelly, Thomas Lowe, Hill Carlton, Joe Clements, Joe Hunt, Wade Palmer, Fred Jennings, Christine Byrd, Lucille Covington, Martha Frazier, Betty Mills, Margaret Rhodes.
Grade 4: Jack Hadley, Henry Landon, Donald McDiarmid, Edna Absher, Pauline Bumgarner, Pearl Dancy, Katherine Finley, Nellie Gabriel, Wanda Kerley, Nell Rousseau, D. T. Bush, Jr., Ward Kenerly, Bob McCoy, Hal Owens, Henry Reynolds, Mary Brewer, Betty Halfacre, Lucile Rhodes.
Grade 5: Mildred Williams, Johnnie Lackey, Ruby Jones, Nellie Gallier, Floyd Palmer, Mack Miller, Bobby Hethcock, Paul Haigwood, Walter Jones, Wayne Caudill, Grace F. Kilby, Lorine Jones, Mary Lois Frazier, Betty Sue Pierce, Cora Pruitt, Alice Wells, Wanda Johnson.
Grade 6: Pat Williams, Mozelle Beeson, Mary Louise Clements, Corinne Faw, Margie Gabriel, Jane Perry, Frank Cranor, Joe McCoy, Russell Pearson, Harry Shaefer, Ozell Andrews, Mildred Ford, Virginia Morrison.
Grade 7: Ralph Crawford, Edward Day, Johnny Edwards, George Wells, Agnes Elledge, Margaret Mills, Lassie Minton, Elizabeth Neel, Mary Frances Pardue, Margaret Whittington, Ralph Bowman, Edward McNeill, Robert Schaefer, Charles Whicker, Mabel Johnston.
Grade 8: Ruth Absher, Grace Dancy, Helen Kelly, Mary Nichols, Sara Poole, Charles Sink.

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