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pose. If the results attained by many individual communities and by North Carolina and other states which have conducted advertising campaigns constitute any indication, the money thus expended will bring rich dividends to North Wilkesboro and Wilkes."

Borrowed Comment

MAKING THE CRIMINAL'S WAY EASY

When Undersecretary Sumner Welles stopped over in Berlin in his quest for information concerning the basis for the peace that sooner or later must come, Adolph Hitler gave him to understand that Germany is determined to fight England and France until she has guarantees that these powers will not interfere with Germany's living space, and that the last remaining "wrong" of the Versailles treaty loss of German colonies be "righted."

"Living space," does he say? The kind of space he took from the Czechs and the Poles, and their subsequent enslavement, the while he admonished German women to bear children and consider them honorable, even if without benefit of marriage. Hitler talks seriously of the loss of German colonies. One cannot blame him for that. From every direction comes complaining about the injustice in the treaty of Versailles, and the crediting to it of Europe's present woes. So why shouldn't Hitler play on that harp until the strings snap?

We wouldn't set ourself up against the wisdom of the world statesmen and economists. But we have become tired and weary with all this talk about unjust peace terms forced on Germany when she failed to stafe her enemies. And we fell less lonesome in this position after it is revealed that General Pershing favored pressing on until Germany was forced to surrender unconditionally. That would have meant that the German people would have tasted the kind of war they took to innocent Belgium and hoped to carry to Britain and France. And the chances are that we would be having no war today, if Allied soldiers had occupied Berlin for a spell, or even if the terms of the peace agreement had been observed or enforced.

And Germany signed that peace treaty, didn't she? And abided by it only as long as feet were under the council table. Then came Hitler whose way may have been easier, because of it, but no easier than the next who will benefit by any soft-heartedness brought to the next peace pow-wow. The terms of the next peace should be measured by the same yardstick Germany would use if victorious in this war. For the world knows by this time that as worthy as the German people may be, they are too easily led astray, to be given free rein again.

We could be wrong, of course, but a mad dog is a mad dog to us, and a feather duster is no fit weapon to use against any of them. We don't yank an arch criminal into our courts, convict him of murder, hand him an all-day sucker and tell him to think of what a bad boy he's been. Unless he's abundantly heeled with cash we take him out of circulation. Germany out of circulation for a spell wouldn't hurt civilization a bit.

IT COSTS TO BE A DOCTOR

(Elkin Tribune)
The research committee of the American Medical Association figures that the cost per credit hour for a medical student is \$26.96 as compared to the next highest, \$15.87 for dentistry. The cost for law courses averages \$11.05 per credit hour and only \$4.06 for teaching.

Those figures go to show that it costs more to turn out an acceptable physician and surgeon than is required to certify any other specialist. And that doesn't take into account the sacrifice of from four to six years required in this preparation—time which could be used in producing an income rather than constituting a continuous drain on somebody's pocketbook.

Nor does the cost even end there: Your doctor of today cannot practice from a saddle-bag stocked with pills, potent and make-believe. He must have expensive equipment, for his tools must be dependable. He can't play hide and seek with theory. He must know what he is doing and check his conclusions with scientific doodads that cost money.

It used to be that the most potent medicine the old country doctor had was his sympathetic friendliness and the confidence that it begat. His presence and his hand on a fevered brow, in those days, was enough to make some of his patients well. That psychology is not entirely gone, even now. But the demand is more urgent that he be equipped mentally and mechanically to do his job.

A lawyer can make a legal slip, and start all over again; the teacher can check her conclusions by the textbook that is before her. But the physician cannot restore the life that he has allowed to flicker out, and in order to be efficient in his chosen profession he must spend and spend and spend.

And it might be well to remember this when next you are confronted with a doctor's bill that seems powerful high—now that the emergency is over.

"It's so good of you to keep thinking of me," said a certain President when last queried about a third term, "and I'm so tired of it all."—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Interracial Meet Very Successful

By R. V. HORTON

The interracial meeting held at Rickard's chapel A. M. E. Zion church under the direction of Revs. S. R. Lomax and R. V. Horton, marks another milestone in American civilization when outstanding members of both races met to discuss problems as it relates for the well being of all American people. After a short devotion the speaker of the evening was introduced by Rev. Horton, who with few words gave the people to know that Rev. Garland was no stranger to him, mentioning how they had worked together in Tennessee, North Carolina and Georgia. He also spoke of the eight years Rev. Garland spent in Africa as a missionary for the A. M. E. Zion church, and he came to warn of the unseen hazard that serves to jeopardize the lives of the American people.

The speaker did not hesitate to tell his hearers that here in the Southland is the best place to live, where we have friends and where races understand each other, and I am asking that we do not allow any foreign agitator to break up this feeling, and we can only keep this feeling by cultivating a workable understanding and by fighting Communism on every hand, notwithstanding it is said that one should never cross the bridge before they get to it. However I must say that I believe that there in these mountains we are not far from its direct, painful influence, and it is also believed that both races are actually engaged in spreading its doctrine. It is said, the speaker said, to see the school children in Russia at high noon when they are called to march out and with one accord make three loud yells "there is no God." This is instilled into the minds of pure souls that could be converted into great Christians.

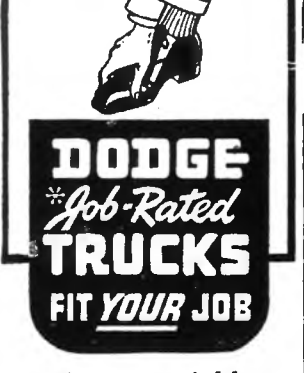
The speaker closed by recommending the great God of Heaven that has brought us through the ages, and with God's help we have made America the greatest nation on earth today. He urged his hearers not to shake hands with any foreign agitators but keep a workable and sympathetic friendship with the white south.

Rev. Garland then introduced Mr. John R. Prevette, who came to rostrum with a broad smile and gripping personality, carrying the American flag in his hand. Mr. Prevette began at once to give its symbols, and for a few minutes held the interest of the entire audience, giving the history of the flag and how the people of yesterday lost their blood to make and preserve it and how that even today we are willing to do the same.

Mr. W. P. Kelly, secretary of North Wilkesboro's Commerce Bureau, did not choose to speak but voiced heartily his approval.

Mr. J. C. Reins postmaster of North Wilkesboro, with few words gave the people to know that there are principles if one possesses which demand the respect of others, and he or she can be a worthwhile citizen. The music through the session was rendered by the junior choir of the Damascus Baptist church, the glee club of the Lincoln Heights high school, and the quartet of North Wilkesboro.

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Seed Lespedeza Now, Advises E. C. Blair

Lespedeza should be seeded now in the Coastal Plain and Piedmont regions, and within two weeks in the mountains, advises E. C. Blair, agronomist of the State College Extension Service. The crop should be grown on medium to heavy soils, preferably those well supplied with moisture.

Kobe, Tennessee 76, and Common varieties are adapted to the Coastal Plain, and the Kobe, Tennessee 76, Korean, and Common to the Piedmont and mountains. From 25 to 40 pounds of seed per acre is sown and covered with a weeder, or the seed may be drilled shallow on small grain. Lespedeza responds to fertilization with phosphate, potash, and lime on some soils. The only cultivation necessary is to clip off the weeds once or twice during the summer.

Because most soils in North Carolina need additional fertility, Blair strongly urges that farmers make plans to turn under at least a part of their lespedeza crop for soil improvement. It should be turned under in the fall of the first or second year. Lespedeza will re-seed itself and produce another crop the second year. Two years is generally long enough to leave it. A grain crop may be put in after the first year by disking and drilling.

If lespedeza is harvested for hay, it should be mowed when in full bloom or when 12 inches high, whichever occurs first. To wait longer will cause loss of leaves, the agronomist explained. Hay is usually cured within two days. Three to four inches of stubble should be left so that the crop will re-seed itself.

INTERESTED
Nash County farmers are exhibiting a lively interest in the 1940 agricultural conservation program, says H. E. Alphin, farm agent of the State College Extension Service.

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Today - Tuesday
"YOUR ENTERTAINMENT CENTER"
NEW ORPHEUM THEATRE

The National Guard

Some of us Friday night had the pleasure of learning more about the National Guard and its value to a community. In a banquet at Hotel Wilkes the full personnel of Company A, officers of the 105th Engineers and a representative number of business men enjoyed a meeting together.

Adjutant General J. Van B. Metts delivered an instructive address, in which he pointed out that the National Guard is an organization of service as well as a potential fighting force and a vital link in our chain of national defense.

The National Guard stands ready for call at any time as a secondary police force to protect life and property. It is also ready to assist when disaster strikes in the form of floods, conflagrations or tornados.

It was fitting that the meeting be held in that it gave an opportunity for at least a limited number of civilians to gain a better understanding of the value of a National Guard company to a community.

Company A, the National Guard unit here and which General Metts said was one of the first organized in the state following the World War, was highly complimented by high officials of the Guard and also by a number of business leaders who freely expressed their desire to offer every cooperation.

Co-Operation Helpful

In our opinion, the visit of a delegation from the North Wilkesboro Commerce Bureaus to Governor Hoey and the Department of Conservation and Development in Raleigh Wednesday will be very helpful in the publicity campaign for North Wilkesboro and Wilkes County.

The bureau of advertising of the state department of conservation and development can be a great aid to local efforts in advertising this city and county.

The bureau has worked wonders for the state in the way of advertising and publicity since it was established and operated by means of a state appropriation. Tourist travel in the state has increased vastly and many new industries have been established in North Carolina.

It is this department which has the task and the pleasure of answering inquiries relative to opportunities in the state.

Unless the bureau is provided with material about North Wilkesboro and Wilkes county it of course will give information about whatever sections for which it has the material.

By supplying the bureau with the new pamphlets they will be in position to let interested people know what we have to offer in the metropolis of northwestern North Carolina.

The state bureau will cooperate fully and has already agreed to send its industrial engineers here for a survey. That is getting somewhere.

The men who left their positions and their business to go to Raleigh for the conferences did a commendable thing and their actions no doubt convinced the state officials that North Wilkesboro is awake to opportunities and they will not hesitate to recommend North Wilkesboro as a city of opportunity.

Commenting on the subject of "Advertising Wilkes," the Winston-Salem Journal on Sunday carried the following editorial: "Just a few months ago it was that leading business and civic leaders of North Wilkesboro and other communities in the 'state of Wilkes' puts heads together and laid plans for making the world acquainted with Wilkes climate, soils, minerals, material progress and other interesting features they thought the world ought to know about.

"But much has happened in a short time. An attractive 32-page booklet advertising North Wilkesboro and Wilkes county is now being distributed over a wide area and other steps are being taken to place the advantages of the community as an agricultural, recreational and industrial area before the outside traveling, home-seeking and investing public.

"The progressive citizens interested in the movement to publicize Wilkes gained the ear of their local legislators some time ago, with the result that appropriations for the purpose were authorized in a local act passed by the legislature, thus clearing the way for the expenditure of a relatively small amount of public funds for this pur-

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