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Editorial

CAN BUSINESS ABSORB THEM?

On next Saturday the CWA will drop thirty per cent of those on the pay roll in this County, which means that 176 who have been receiving aid from this fund will have to look elsewhere for subsistence. Admitting, which is not subject to argument, that some have been receiving aid from this source which should never have been on the pay roll, this reduction is going to prove a hardship to many families; many men have been at work during the winter who have been idle for months, not because they did not want to work and support their families, but because they could not secure work, and now when some of these are dropped it will mean hardships. It will mean suffering, for with no work, and the thermometer hugging the zero mark, where are they to get not only bread, but coal or wood? It is expected, or hoped, that business will be able to absorb many of these, and thus provide permanently for them, but any one at all conversant with affairs here know that the manufacturers and public works will not be able to do anything of the kind. Some few of the most worthy may find work, but the vast majority will have hard slugging to keep body and soul together.

Of course, no one expects all of the vast army now being helped by CWA, about four million, will be definitely cut off by May 1st, for that is unthinkable, but what the President has in mind is more likely a change in the set up of the administration of the fund; the CWA may go out of business, but if so some other department will be created to see that no one actually suffers in this great country. That the CWA has expended money too lavishly is true, but even if some money has been foolishly expended, is no reason to abolish the idea entirely and say we will have no more of it. The dole, and it is nothing less, must be continued until business so improves that the army of idle men and women will be much smaller than it is today, or there will be untold suffering.

FURTHER EVIDENCE

Every day we are more and more convinced that the short road to better living and better farming is through soil improvement, and up to the present good day no cheaper or better way to improve your land has been found than by using lespedeza. Concerning this legume Mr. S. L. Clement, county agent for Hertford county says:
"The time is at hand when farmers must decide what they will plant on the acres which they have rented to the government. Many farmers will wish to plant a part of these rented acres to food and feed crops for home use, but there are half of the rented tobacco acres that cannot be planted to any crop which may be harvested. In Hertford County there will be more than 500 rented acres of tobacco land on which can be planted only soil-improving or erosion-preventing crops, pasture, or trees. While the government is paying a liberal rental on these acres, the

farmer is given a wonderful opportunity to build up the fertility of his soil at little expense. Lespedeza is one of the best known plants for improving soil. At the same time it is building up the soil for future crops, lespedeza will furnish excellent summer grazing.
Dr. A. J. Pieters, United States Department of Agriculture, says of this plant:
"Suppose a farmer pays 10 cents a pound for lespedeza seed and sows 25 pounds per acre on winter oats this spring. Suppose, further, after cutting the oats he leaves the field for two years and then puts it into cotton and gets a half bale per acre more than he would have if he had not grown lespedeza, what has he gained? At 10 cents a pound for cotton, he will get \$25 more cotton for \$2.50 spent for lespedeza seed! 'For the land's sake,' plant lespedeza!"
The United States Supreme Court has confirmed the decision of Judge Johnson J. Hayes that persons charged with violating the prohibition law before its repeal cannot be tried for such offense. By this decision all who were indicted after the repeal of the eighteenth amendment will go scot free, while the poor devil who was tried the week before the repeal and airlocked to the pen for six or twelve months, must serve out his sentence. If Governor Ehringhaus, or his pardon commissioner should ask for our advice we would say, turn every man and boy—for there are hundreds and thousands of boys serving such sentences—free and let them make a new start. Many are not criminals and would be much better off at home, where they might make good citizens.

Ninety-nine per cent of the land grown to tobacco in Person county has been signed under reduction contracts for 1934 and 1935, reports F. H. Jeter of the agricultural department. We want to say to Mr. Jeter that the good farmers of this county are of that kind, goes the whole hog for everything they undertake.

Society Notes

MISS DUNCAN TO WED MR. WM. FRANKLIN LONG
The following announcement will be read with interest here:
Mr. and Mrs. George Alexander Duncan invite you to be present at the marriage of their daughter
Jessie Steele
to
Mr. William Franklin Long, junior on Wednesday morning the twenty-eighth of February at eleven o'clock Edgar Long Memorial Church
Roxboro, North Carolina.
MRS. MORRIS HOSTESS TO DELIGHTFUL DINNER-PARTY
Mrs. J. D. Morris was the charming hostess to a delightful dinner party on Thursday evening at her home on Academy street. The lower floor being decorated with lovely spring flowers and thrown ensuite for bridge. After several progressive scores were tallied and Mrs. J. A. Long was awarded high score and Mrs. T. B. Woody consolation. A delicious four course dinner was served at six thirty o'clock at small tables.
FRIDAY PLEASURE CLUB MEETS AT HOME OF MRS. MORRIS
The Friday Afternoon Pleasure club met with Mrs. J. D. Morris at a delightful meeting on Friday afternoon. Several tables were arranged for the club game of progressive contract. Following a number of interesting rubbers, prizes were awarded Mrs. E. E. Thomas for club high and Mrs. Geo. Thomas for visitors high. The hostess, assisted by her daughter, Miss Elizabeth, served a turkey course with accessories, coffee and plum pudding.
GIVE DINNER IN HONOR OF HER FATHER'S BIRTHDAY
On Tuesday evening, Feb. 13, Mrs. B. F. Boone was hostess at dinner complimenting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Edwards at their home in Hurdle Mills, the occasion being the sixty-third birthday of her father and the eve of the fortieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Edwards.
A color-scheme of red and white was effectively carried out. The beautifully appointed table with lace cloth was centered with a large white birthday cake holding sixty-three tiny red candles on a silver tray and was flanked by tall red

tapers in silver holders. Candles burning throughout the dining room together with a large open fire furnished a pretty setting for this merry celebration. Place cards, favors and bonbons further accentuated the Valentine motif.
This would have been a family reunion but for the absence of three of the children and their families: Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Edwards of Durham, Mr. and Mrs. R. Samuel Edwards of Fayetteville and Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Smith of Durham.
Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Edward honorees, and Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Boone, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Edwards, J. Harry Edwards and Misses Nell Edwards and Stella Nicks of Roxboro, and Misses Rachel Long and Bertha Cooke of Hurdle Mills.

MRS. WOODS HOSTESS TO PARTY WEDNESDAY EVENING
A lovely party was given on Wednesday evening by Mrs. Lawrence Woods at her home on Main Street. The rooms were beautiful, decorated for the occasion by the use of many flowers. Several tables were placed for the interesting game of contract. High score was won by Mrs. Curtis Oakley. A delightful surprise of the evening was a telegram received and announcing the wedding of Miss Jessie Duncan to Mr. Franklin Long, Feb. 28. A dainty salad course with coffee was served by the hostess.

YOUNG PEOPLE ENJOY A LOVELY VALENTINE PARTY
The young peoples' Friendship Classes of Lambeth Memorial Church enjoyed a lovely party last Friday night at the home of Mrs. R. E. Dixon, with the entire Valentine idea being carried out. Games and contests were enjoyed, after which the guests were served delicious chicken salad sandwiches with hot chocolate. Those enjoying the occasion were: Misses Molly Wrenn, Corinna Childress, Mildred Painter, Cassie Childress, Lucille Pulliam, Hazel Carver, Lucy Childress, Margaret Wagstaff, Janie Wagstaff, Dora Carver, Erna Taylor, Bertha Mae Howard, Nelle and Ann Dixon, Mesdames Errol D. Morton, A. O. Painter, O. L. Taylor, F. H. Carver and Edd Wagstaff, Messrs. L. V. Coggins, S. C. Tillman, J. A. Carver, R. E. Dixon, Melvin Taylor, John Henry Walker, Oscar Childress, Robert Taylor, Cary Pulliam, Claude Dixon, Paul Childress, Fletcher Carver, Bill Brewer, Melvin Wrenn, Ralph Monday, Early Lee, Billy Wagstaff, Joe Carver and Edward Foushee.

MRS. CURRIER ENTERTAINS WITH CONTRACT PARTY
Mrs. George Currier entertained a number of her friends at her home at Ca-Vel Thursday evening. A Valentine color scheme was used in the decorations and refreshments. Contract was the game enjoyed during the evening. High score was won by Mrs. B. B. Mangum, low by Mrs. Dixon. Refreshments consisting of a salad course with accessories were served by the hostess.

MRS. J. L. MOORE HONORED AT MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER
Misses Lucy and Mary Elizabeth Ranes were hostesses at a miscellaneous shower given in their home Feb. 18th, honoring Mrs. J. L. Moore, a recent bride. The room was beautifully decorated in red and white, the Valentine idea being carried out. After the guests assembled each was asked to register and write a wish or helpful hint for the bride in the bride's book. Later three very interesting contests were enjoyed by all; the prizes being awarded to Mrs. Mary Joyner and Miss Mabel Montague.

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Those present then seated themselves in a semi-circle leaving the chair in the center for the bride. The hostess served a sweet course with salted nuts. Immediately afterwards a lovely umbrella was slowly lowered from the ceiling into the center which contained the gifts. Much amusement was furnished as the honoree opened her many useful and attractive gifts.
The following guests were present: Mesdames J. L. Moore, Slim Clayton, Pervis Gray, Billy Montague, Gentry Bullard, Mason Maurrav, Pat Woody, Bernice Wilborn, Kelly Pavlor and C. M. Ranes, Misses Maude, Mabel, Musette Montague, Lottie Bailey, Jewell Fogleman, Lois Smith, Ruth Starling, Janie Rogers and Helen and Mary Joyner.

VALENTINE PARTY
Miss Mary Joyner entertained the Y. W. A. girls of the Bethel Hill Baptist church Wednesday evening, Feb. 14, at her home near Denniston, Va.
The evening was spent in games and contests in keeping with the season. Miss Madeline Hall was awarded first prize in the Valentine cross word puzzle contest, while Miss Ellen Coxie Merritt was awarded first honor in the musical completion test.
The hostess, Miss Joyner, served refreshments aided by Miss Lois Smith and Mr. S. J. Calloway.
The guests were: Misses Thelma Bailey, Elizabeth Merritt, Ellen Coxie Merritt, Lois Smith, Mary Elizabeth Ranes, Louise Humphries, Helen Hall, Madeline Hall, Gladys Murray, Nannie Murray, Ophelia Montague, Helen Joyner, Mrs. J. H. Merritt, Mrs. A. G. Bullard, Mrs. S. J. Calloway, and little misses

Ann Wilburn and Alice Calloway.
The hostess was given original verses written by the guests expressing their appreciation for an enjoyable evening.
THURSDAY LITERARY CLUB
Mrs. R. L. Wilburn entertained the club in a charming manner on Feb. 15th. The Valentine idea was carried on throughout the entire program, red berries and green plants helping the color scheme.
Roll call was answered by naming two noted lovers, in keeping with the subject for the afternoon, "Romance."
Mrs. Albert Warren led with the first paper on the ideal romance of Robert Browning and Elizabeth.
This was followed by Mrs. Jack Strum reading "Famous Love Letters." Both papers proved romance to an interested audience.
At the close of the program the hostess, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Timberlake, served a delicious salad course, followed by Valentine heart cakes.

MRS. Cavanaugh Hostess AT DELIGHTFUL PARTY
On Thursday evening Mrs. Tom Cavanaugh was the delightful hostess at her home at Ca-Vel. The lower floor of the home was attractive with flowers and several tables were arranged for the game of contract. After a number of progressive prizes were awarded to Mrs. Cunningham for high score and Mrs. Strang for consolation. The hostess served a delicious salad course.

MISS THOMPSON ENTERTAINS AT BIRTHDAY DANCE
One of the most elaborate social events of the season was an informal dance given by Miss Helen Thompson honoring her seventeenth birthday in the club rooms last Saturday evening.
The hall, which was used for the entertainment, was graced with early spring cut flowers assisted by winter ferns. Chaperones for the occasion were Miss Texys Morris and Mr. E. N. Jones, members of the high school faculty. Miss Isadore Long was awarded a stunning gift for the most beautiful girl present.
The hostess served a delicious course consisting of punch and cakes.

Friends receiving invitations were: Misses Mary Craven, Jean Morton, Isadore Long, Daisy Thompson, Montine Warmack, Cornelia Satterfield, Margaret Critcher, Margaret Perkins, Emily Bradsher, Frances Chandler, Ethel Moore, Leue M. Satterfield, Annie L. Bradsher, Nell Wagstaff, Helen Pointer, Virginia Whitten, Cleo Fox, Margie Stanfield, Ernestine Wilkerson and Misses Elizabeth Evans and Evelyn Hamilton to Lynchburg; Rip Scott, Norman Pope, Cecil Yates, John Norris, and Paul Talley of Durham; Randolph Flynn and Burch Sigmon of Danville; Gilbert Wagstaff, of Chapel Hill; Bob Michaels, James Abbt, Bickford Long, Joe Pointer, Douglas Davis, Reade Gentry, Carroll Carver, James Brooks, Maurice Jackson, Jack Price, Gordon Carver, Errol Morton, Ransome Frederick, Bill Miller, Bill Harris, Jack and E. B. Craven, Bill Satterfield, "Pal" Hamlin, Collins Terry, Clinton Winstead, Thomas Bumpass, Ralph Tucker and D'Arcy Bradsher.

MRS. McBROOM ENTERTAINS THE FRIDAY STUDY CLUB
Mrs. O. B. McBroom entertained the members and guests of the Friday Afternoon Study club at her home on Reams Avenue, Feb. 16. The subject for the afternoon was the old grandfathers clock and "the old spinning wheel in the parlor." Interesting papers were given by Mrs. C. L. Bowen and Mrs. S. B. Davis. Roll call was responded to with favorite composers. Mrs. R. A. Whitfield presided over the meeting in the absence of the president. Mrs. Davis delighted her hearers with a paper on Ludwig Van Beethoven, the most illustrious and revered of musical composers, telling how his influence in music has been helpful and inspiring to the race as Shakespeare's was in literature. His "Brentons" "Letters" "Wagner" was ably discussed by Mrs. C. L. Bowen.
At the conclusion of the program the hostess invited the members and guests into the dining room which was very inviting with a beautiful huge growing poinsettia and potted plants. Covers were laid for a sixteen bowl of pink and scarlet geraniums, with buring red tapers in silver holders. A delicious salad course with ham biscuits and coffee was served. The hostess was assisted in serving by Miss Margaret Jackson.

BRIDE-ELECT HONORED WITH BRIDGE SHOWER
As a charming courtesy to Miss Jessie Duncan, whose marriage is the next week, Mrs. Henry Walker entertained at a bridge shower Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at her home. The living room was very cozy with bright fire and potted plants. Three tables were placed for the game of bridge, and after many interesting progressions, scores were tallied and for club high Miss Rose Woods was given an attractive gift. For visitors high a prize was presented to Mrs. C. C. Check. Miss Duncan was the recipient of a love-

ly kitchen shower. The hostess served a salad course with coffee.
MESDAMES MILLS AND JONES ENTERTAIN AT BRIDGE PARTY
On Tuesday afternoon Mesdames F. W. A. Mills and S. A. Jones entertained a few friends at a bridge party at the home of Mrs. M. A. Stewart. A pretty assortment of spring flowers was used in the living room where four tables were arranged for the game of contract. Following a number of interesting rubbers a prize was awarded Mrs. W. H. Morris with high score. A delicious salad course, coffee and sweet course was served.

Short Sermons

By J. B. Currin
DIVINE SYMPATHY
Lazarus of Bethany was sick. We know not how long he had been ill; nor do we know the nature of the trouble.
But his sisters thought it best to send word to Jesus, who seems to have been at the time about two days journey away.
We know not what those sisters expected the Master to do on hearing that message. They seem to have thought it unnecessary to do more than to say, "He whom thou lovest is sick." They may have expected an immediate cure, or they may have thought Jesus would pay them a visit to see his sick friend. It appears from the reading of the Scripture that he was a special friend of his.
But no cure was wrought, and the hours lengthened into days; still Jesus did not come. How disappointed those sisters must have been! No doubt many were the times they looked down the street to catch a glimpse of him, but he did not appear. The time came when it was necessary to take the brother to the tomb; yet he had not come.
When he finally arrived he found that his friend had been dead four days.
On hearing that he was coming Martha went out to meet him. Then later she went back and called Mary secretly saying, "The Master is come and calleth for thee." She then arose quickly and went out to the place where Martha had met him, and said as her sister had said before, "Lord, if thou hadst been here my brother had not died."
The Jews who were there and comfort them saw Mary get up and go out hastily, and supposed she was going to the tomb to weep there. Therefore they followed her.
Now we are told that when he saw the sisters and the Jews who were with them weeping he "groaned in

Leave It To The MIRROR!

Put on that old hat of yours, stand in front of the mirror and take a good look at yourself as others see you!
Gosh! You didn't realize that it was quite that bad, did you? Never mind! We're awaiting your visit with the greatest array of Stetsons and cheaper hats you've ever laid eyes on. And you can wear a Stetson with the double satisfaction of that you are wearing the finest and looking your best.
But, if you are not willing to pay the Stetson price, we have good looking and splendid wearing hats for less.
Genuine Branded Stetsons . . . . . \$6.50
Penn Craft, Stetson made . . . . . \$5.00
Schobles . . . . . \$4.00 and \$5.00
Daltons, best for price . . . . . \$3.50
Others at . . . . . \$1.45, \$1.95 to \$2.95
Look at your hat. Others do. Then come in and let us improve your appearance with a real becoming hat.



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the spirit and was troubled." Then way out.
we read that short but meaningful sentence, "Jesus wept."
He had delayed, for good and sufficient reason, but it was not because of any lack of sympathy for them. He loved them and had come to bring his blessings.
When we are called upon to go through trying circumstances and experiences we are not to consider that he has deserted us.

THRIFT—two ideas
The outstanding example of thrift in modern times, it seems to me, is the case of Emily Smith, Miss Smith spent her lifetime in charge of a famous labyrinth of hedges in which a visitor can wander for hours and not find either the center or the

Chest Colds

Don't let them get a strangle hold. Fight germs quickly. Creomulsion combines 7 major helps in one. Powerful but harmless. Pleasant to take. No narcotics. Your own druggist is authorized to refund your money on the spot if your cough or cold is not relieved by Creomulsion. (adv.)

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