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BIBLE THOUGHT

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in Heaven.—Matthew 5:16.

Try thyself unweariedly till thou findest the highest thing thou art capable of doing, faculties and outward circumstances being both duly considered, and then do it.—John Stuart Mill.

Uncle Sam Numbers His Children

ONE of Uncle Sam's biggest jobs, the taking of the decennial census, is now under way and will continue through April.

The taking of the census of the population of the United States was started during the administration of President Washington in 1790 and has been repeated every ten years since that time. It was provided in the constitution in order to properly proportion the representation in the lower house of congress.

Under the 1790 census, which counted 3,929,214 persons, the then 17 states were apportioned 106 seats in the house. The population per district has increased since then so that the 48 states in 1930 shared 435 seats. It used to be the custom to increase the number of representatives each 10 years, so that no state would lose a representative, but 435 has been standard now since the 1910 census. Congress can do anything it wants to next year about reapportionment—including doing nothing, which happened after the 1920 census.

Next to the population total, the figure most sought in the census will be the count of the unemployed—the first such tabulation in history. This figure may be the basis for far-reaching legislation in the future.

As to the matter of increasing the number of congressmen from North Carolina, census bureau officials point out that in the intervening 10 years, the industrialization of North Carolina has been greatly accelerated, resulting in an influx of population. Further factors pointing to an appreciable gain in population are the high birth rate that has been maintained, the small amount of migration among the negro population, and the tendency for population from large metropolitan areas to drift back to the more agricultural regions such as North Carolina.

If the state is to go over the slight hump to gain an additional congressman, however, every person in the state should see to it that he is counted and then assist the enumerators in getting a complete census.

When the enumerator calls and begins to ask the required questions, bear in mind that the government is not conducting an inquisition and that there is no intention of meddling in private affairs, but that information is being sought from each individual in this great country which, when tabulated, will be of vital importance to the whole nation.

Information given to enumerators will never be divulged. It goes direct to headquarters in Washington, and the Bureau of the Census does not give information to other government agencies in regard to individuals. There are heavy penalties provided for enumerators who talk about answers given to the various questions, so you are perfectly safe in answering every question freely and frankly.

When the enumerator calls answer all questions promptly, treat him or her courteously, and you will be assisting your government, your state and your county in the biggest job that has been undertaken since 1930.

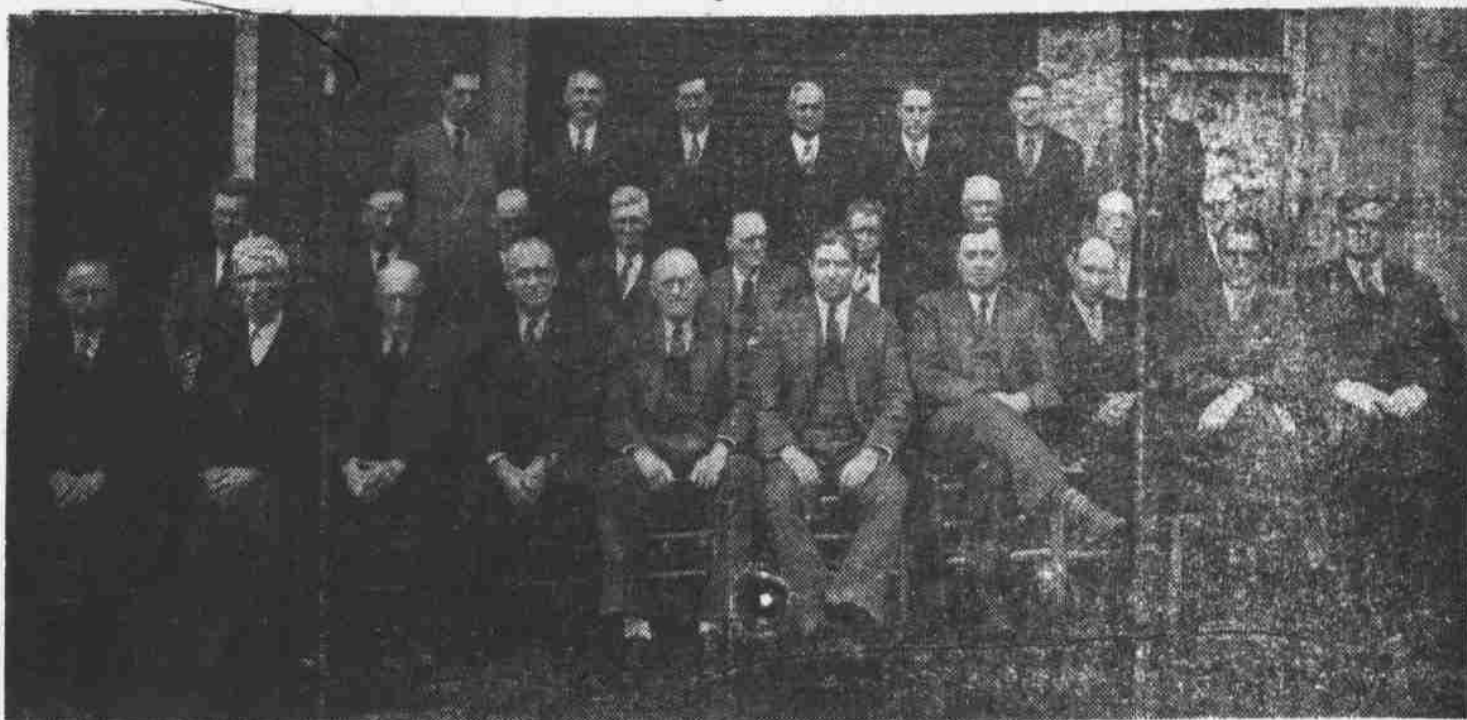
The Rev. Harry S. Williams

THE transfer of the Rev. Harry S. Williams from the Franklin circuit to the Hillside Street church in Asheville is a promotion and on that account his Macon county friends are glad, but his departure is a source of deep regret.

During his stay of more than two years in this section, Mr. Williams has endeared himself to the people of all denominations. He has not only given most effective service to the churches in the circuit, but has been of great assistance in the work of the Boy Scouts, the Red Cross and every movement for the common good. He will be missed by his churches and by the entire community.

Mr. Williams' successor, the Rev. Philip L. Green, will be given a cordial welcome in Franklin and throughout the circuit.

Directors Elected by Farmers Federation



Twenty directors were elected to the board of the Farmers Federation at the annual meeting of stockholders in Asheville Saturday, March 30. Terms of 15 other directors extend for another year. Here the board is shown as it posed for a photograph in front of the cooperative's central office in Asheville. Left to right, front row: H. A. Enloe, Swain county; Wilson Edwards, Yancey; Harry Roberts, Henderson; L. G. Foster, (not a director) president of the Columbia Bank for Cooperatives, who met with the directors; R. C. Cromwell, Buncombe, vice-president; James G. K. McClure, president; O. J. Holler, Rutherford, secretary-treasurer; E. Carl Allison, Transylvania; T. N. Wilcox, Polk; C. C. Cook, Buncombe. Second row: Henry Francis, Haywood; Carl Slagle, and Ed. B. Byrd, Macon; Winslow Burgin, McDowell; H. A. Coggins, Buncombe; Ben Gibbs and C. G. Hicks, Burke; R. T. Boyd, Haywood; J. H. Hampton, Cherokee. Back row: Davis Tuttle, Caldwell; C. M. Howes, Polk; Jerry Franklin, Macon; Milas Parker, Jackson; Guy M. Sales, general manager; H. Arthur Osborne, Haywood; Lloyd Cantrell, Transylvania. Eleven directors were not present when this picture was made.

Soviet Oil for Hitler's War Machine



At Przemysl, town which was once well in the interior of Poland, but which is now on the dividing line between Russia and Germany, oil from Soviet railway tank cars is transhipped to German cars to be rushed for military use. The photograph was passed by the German censor—possibly to refute British claims of having effectively strangled the Reich oil supply. Russian tank cars are pictured on the left.

At Annual Meeting Saturday Federation Elects Officers

ASHEVILLE, April 3.—The importance of maintaining a high standard of quality in goods handled by farmers cooperative purchasing associations was emphasized by L. G. Foster, president of the Columbia Bank for Cooperatives, in an address at the annual meeting of stockholders of the Farmers Federation in Asheville Saturday.

He commended the federation hatchery for its "U. S. Certified" baby chicks, declaring that "riff-raff" chicks, although sold at bargain prices, usually proved costly in the long run. The same is true, he added, in farm machinery, seeds, and other agricultural supplies.

About 300 farmers and farm women from Caldwell to Cherokee county attended the meeting, heard reports of federation executives and elected 16 regular directors and four directors-at-large.

Meeting in the afternoon, the new board of directors re-elected James G. K. McClure, of Fairview, president; R. C. Cromwell, of Candler, vice-president; and O. J. Holler, of Union Mills, secretary and treasurer. The directors also re-elected an executive committee consisting of Mr. McClure, Mr. Cromwell, Mr. Holler, L. L. Burgin, of Horse Shoe; H. A. Coggins, of Swannanoa, H. Arthur Osborne, Canton, and C. C. Cook, of Asheville Route 4.

Directors named by the stockholders were:

Regular Directors—B. A. Patton, Buncombe county; Davis Tuttle, Caldwell county; R. T. Boyd, Haywood county; Harry Roberts, Henderson; Milas Parker, Jackson county; Carl Slagle, Macon county; Ben Gibbs, Burke county; C. M. Howes, Polk county; J. B. Price, Rutherford county; J. H. Greenlee, McDowell county; D. Witherspoon, Cherokee county; E. Carl Allison, Transylvania county; W. W. Jenkins, and H. A. Enloe, Swain county; Grover Robinson and Wilson Edwards, Yancey county.

Directors-at-large—H. A. Coggins, Buncombe county; Henry Francis, Haywood county; C. C. Cook, Buncombe county; T. N. Wilcox, Polk county.

Twelve regular directors and three directors-at-large elected at last year's meeting of stockholders car-

ry over until the 1941 meeting. Directors serve for overlapping terms of two years.

Submitting a financial statement as of December 31, 1939, Guy M. Sales reported total assets of \$520,795.37 as compared with \$473,533.00 at the close of the previous year. Current assets were listed at \$271,190.61 as compared with \$251,670.90 the previous year, while current liabilities for the corresponding periods were \$163,066.33 (1939) and \$141,277.13. Working capital at the close of 1939 was reported as \$180,184.28 and the surplus account was \$114,734.30.

Sales for 1939 were \$1,077,991.58 as compared with \$966,691.38 in 1938. Profits were sufficient, Mr. Sales reported, to pay six per cent dividends in cash on preferred and common stock and a three per cent patronage dividend, payable in credit toward stock shares, on cash retail business. Summarizing the federation's activities, Mr. Sales said the cooperative is now operating 20 warehouses in 14 counties serving approximately 8,000 customers and has 4,500 members.

Reporting on the federation's poultry improvement program, Paul A. Raper, in charge of this work, said the cooperative hatchery was the only commercial hatchery in the United States which had attained the official rating of "U. S. Certified." Although the hatchery has a capacity of 93,000 hatching eggs, he said, the demand for federation baby chicks exceeds the supply. Eggs for the hatchery come from 90 carefully supervised supply flocks and bring premium prices. Last year, Mr. Raper stated, the hatchery paid approximately \$20,000 to farmers for 350,000 hatching eggs.

S. C. Clapp, manager of the federation's seed department, announced establishment by the federation at Fairview Siding of its own plant for blending rotenone insecticides widely used by farmers in the control of plant pests.

Reports also were submitted by Harry Rotha, manager of the forest products department; Max M. Roberts, educational director; and the Rev. Dumont Clarke, religious director.

Mr. Clarke said the Lord's Acre Movement was spreading to all parts of the country. He asked

that all "work together more earnestly" for a "stronger, conquering church" to meet the challenge of a war-torn world.

Muse's Corner

SPRINGS OF JOY

Good things in life
Spring from gentleness.
Better things in life
Spring from kindness.
Sweetest things in life
Spring from tenderness.
Dearest things in life
Spring from thoughtfulness.
Richest things in life
Spring from humbleness.
Truest things in life
Spring from genuineness.
Beautiful things in life
Spring from loveliness.
Best-of-all things in life
Spring from godliness.
—Clifford L. Near.

IN THE SOUTHLAND

Never has the Spring
So delighted me;
Every sight and sound
I drink of thirstily.

Each dainty daffodil,
Yellow as the sun—
Emerald grasses ripple
Where the breezes run . . .

A peach tree is in bloom
By the wood-house door—
A blue-bird swings upon it—
Who could ask for more!

Yet there is more—a pear tree
Delicate and sweet;
Violets and snow-drops
Blossom at my feet . . .

O, earth is beautiful . . .
God, thank you for the Spring!
For the haze of happiness
Over everything.
—BESS H. HINES

A total of 114 persons were killed in traffic accidents in North Carolina the first two months of 1940.

Three-fourths of the drivers involved in accidents in North Carolina last year had been driving a year or longer.

Sows Need Good Care At Farrowing Period

Take care of the sow and save the pigs, is the timely advice offered farmers of North Carolina by Ellis Vestal, assistant extension swine specialist, at this season when thousands of swine are being born all over the state. A large percentage of the pigs farrowed in the state do not live until weaning time because of improper care of the mothers, he stated.

Vestal recommends that the sow be scrubbed thoroughly a few days before her farrowing time. "Use soap and warm water, and a brush to remove dirt and parasite eggs, paying especial attention to the udder. But nothing should be neglected, not even the feet," he said.

After cleaning, the sow should be put in a clean farrowing pen, and after she has dried off, oil should be applied to control lice and mange. At farrowing time an attendant should be on hand to give any needed assistance. As the pigs are born, they should be dried, and the eight tusk-like teeth should be clipped with side-cutting pliers.

As other advice, Vestal said: "Keep other hogs away from the farrowing pasture, and keep the new pigs away from dirty hog lots. Leave the pigs on the clean pasture until they are at least four months old, or have attained an average weight of 100 pounds. When possible, leave them there until they can be turned into the corn fields or otherwise fattened for market."

In conclusion, the extension specialist declared: "Save every pig farrowed, if possible. It is the number of healthy pigs weaned that counts, especially during this period when swine prices are low and the margin of profit is lessened."

Opportunity Knocks

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