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BIBLE THOUGHT

The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.—Psalm 137, 18.

The hopes of the Republic cannot forever tolerate either under-served poverty or self-serving wealth.

We know that we have far to go; that we must more greatly build the security and the opportunity and the knowledge of every citizen, in the measure justified by the resources and the capacity of the land.—President Roosevelt's Third Inaugural Address.

Home Defense

THE all-day meeting held in the court house last Tuesday was of first importance. Attended by members of farm organizations from every part of the county, first steps were taken to carry the nation's defense program into the homes and lives of the citizens of this county.

It was truly stated that the job is larger than can be carried on by paid workers alone, and the whole trend of the speeches was directed to "bringing home" to the men and women present the urgent and immediate necessity of cooperating to meet the demand of war emergency.

Brief messages were included in the speeches made by county farm leaders from national leaders to impress the serious crisis that this nation is facing—the greatest in its history. Here are some of them:

"If this Nation should be forced into a great emergency, then every man, woman and child in the United States should be prepared by being in the best physical and nervous condition that the science of nutrition can develop and maintain."

—M. L. Wilson, Director,
U. S. Extension Service.

"As one who takes pride in America, I want to say very emphatically that subsistence living on submarginal farms is no answer to the needs of the surplus rural population. Their ancestors did not come to America in search of a heritage like that. Our great country, overflowing with abundance, owes these stranded families a real opportunity to live the way Americans should live."

"We may as well read the handwriting on the wall. Foreign markets for our agricultural commodities have been narrowing down for a long time in the past, and there is every indication that they will continue to shrink in the future. In addition to this long-time downward trend, there has been a terrific cut in farm exports as a result of the war."

—R. M. Evans, AAA Administrator

"Forty-five million of us are living below the safety line right now because we are not getting the kinds and amounts of food necessary for strength and health. Hungry, undernourished people do not make for strong defense. We have the lands, machines, and hands it takes to produce and move to market all the food we need to assure everyone an adequate and safe diet. Let's get to work and see that everyone gets at least that. Let's make America strong by making Americans stronger."

"Defense is planes and guns. It is equipping an army to man our military weapons. It is this, and more. It is building the health, the physical fitness, the social well-being of all our people, and doing it the democratic way. Hungry people, undernourished people, ill people, do not make for strong defense."

"This, then, is our job, not all of it, but a vital part: Let us make every American strong, stronger than ever before, sturdier in body, steadier in nerves, surer in living."

—Harriett Elliott of National
Defense Advisory Commission

A Letter From Home

AS the number of Macon County men in the various branches of military service increases, there is likewise a greater number of families and friends at home whose interest and good wishes follow these young soldiers and sailors into their camps and posts.

The American Legion—many of them remembering their days in distant posts—are interested in every Macon man in his country's service receiving news of his home town through his county newspaper. The Franklin Press and Highlands Maconian is cooperating with the Legion to carry this into effect. We hope that no boy may be homesick or be weaned away from home and friends for a lack of this weekly "letter from home."

Wherever they are located the government and the communities are already furnishing means for wholesome recreation and entertainment needed. There is also an equally important duty laid on the folks back home to keep in as close touch with absent boys as is possible by mail.

JAP IN THE BOX!



THE OLD HOME TOWN



Press Comment

THE CHALLENGE OF A CRUSADE AGAINST TYRANNY

It is the spirit of Christ which is absent today among those millions of persons who attend the churches on Sundays but who set up on weekdays all sorts of mental defense mechanisms against sacrifice and unselfishness.

Slowly but surely through the ages the wisdom of the Scriptures has been taking hold in our daily lives. Education, science, knowledge, enlightenment have brought peoples together irrespective of race or creed or boundary lines. Now comes the challenge. Despotism—the oldest antagonist man has known—rears its head again. Shall we surrender meekly in the hope that while slavery may be the other fellow's lot, we will escape? Shall we see freemen in Canada, Australia, Central and South America—peoples all around us who think the same thoughts as we do and extoll the same ideals that we do—taking orders from world conquerors whose bigotry and remorselessness are already written in the haggard faces of the peoples of Czechoslovakia, Poland, Denmark, Norway, Holland, Belgium and France? And shall we forget the millions of Germans and Italians who think as we do but are helpless to join with us because we give them no hope?

What kind of a world do we want to live in—or do we prefer to die in the inglorious heavens of our own discontent? This is the war within ourselves—a war to rekindle the spirit of our country so as to make America first in humanity, first in liberty, and first in the willingness of young and old to offer the supreme sacrifice in order that others who may come after us can carry on for civilization against tyranny, for unselfishness against selfishness, for love and brotherhood against hate.

This is our destiny and it should matter less to what lengths we must go to achieve it than that we shall finally unite to make America the great emancipator of tens of millions of slaves throughout the world. It is the greatest crusade of our times—let America not miss this opportunity to serve. A resolute America, a mobilized America, an America ready to fight, if necessary, will win for the world an early peace.

—United States News.

OBITUARY

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN
On the 5th day of February, 1941, God saw fit in his gentle, loving kindness, to take from our midst George W. Steppe, whom we have sadly missed. He was a man true to his country, as business man, postmaster, school teacher and interested in the welfare of his neighborhood. Just such a

man as Mr. Steppe is the kind we need—a man who is helpful in trouble—but God knows best.

Just one hour and fifteen minutes before God called him, He called Frank Steppe, his son, a young man of good reputation, a boy who worked and made his living, who met everyone cheerfully and looked after his home affairs first. He was not married. He was a young man whom we all loved and he is badly missed.

The Lord says in His Word, "Watch and pray, for ye know not when the Son of Man cometh. He cometh as a thief in the night, for I say unto you, Watch." Let us all pray and watch, and live a life that when He calls for us we will be ready.

May God help and bless our American people, that they look and trust in God through Jesus Christ our Lord. May the Spirit find a lodging place in your hearts as you read this from a good friend of George and Frank Steppe.

My best wishes and success to everybody.

Respectfully,
Your Brother in Christ,
OSCAR RABY

Aquone, N. C.

Holly Springs Defeats Higdonville

A game of basket ball played on the Holly Springs court resulted in Holly Springs defeating Higdonville by a score of 30 to 28.

The Higdonville line up and score are as follows:

Moses, 4; Crisp, 10; Tyler, 11; Mac Bonnell, 0; Teem 4.

Holly Springs:

Crisp, 14; Elliott, T. 4; Elliott, N. 6; Elliott, D. 6; Crisp, G. 0.

Holly Springs will meet the Higdonville boys on their court Saturday.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Upon motion duly seconded, it was ordered that an election be called for the election of a Mayor and six aldermen for the Town of Franklin, said election to be held the first Tuesday after the first Monday in May, 1941, the same being May 6; That R. M. Ledford be appointed registrar and George A. Mashburn and Tom Leach be appointed judges to hold said election; that no new registration be ordered; that notice of said election be given as required by law. The registration book will be open in the Town office on Saturdays, April 12, 19, and 26th. Challenge day will be Saturday, May 3, 1941. That all persons who wish to become candidates for the office of Mayor or Aldermen must file their application to be placed on the official ballot for said election on or before April 5, 1941.

This the 3rd day of March, 1941.

GEO. DEAN,
Clerk of Board of Aldermen
Town of Franklin, N. C.

M6-1tc

LEGAL ADVERTISING

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina,
County of Macon,
Macon County, Plaintiff.

vs.
Emils Meadows and wife, Ethel Meadows, Defendants.

Under and by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Macon County entered in the above entitled action on the 24th day of February, 1941, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 31st day of March, 1941, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the Courthouse door in Macon County, North Carolina, sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate:

1st Tract: BEGINNING at a white oak, an old corner, runs West 155 poles to a sarvice on the bank of the river, thence North 68 poles to a holly on the bank of the river; thence N. 09 E. 60 poles to a stake on the bank of the road; thence S. E. 32 poles with a conditional line to a white oak on the top of a ridge; thence 98 poles with the top of the ridge with the conditional line to the BEGINNING, containing 40 acres, more or less. EXCEPTING 14 acres sold to Ben Matlock.

2nd Tract: BEGINNING at a white oak on top of a ridge, runs at of fence in Morrison's line, and runs a South direction to the ridge; then, Easterly to the Margaret Gillespie line; then N. 30 E. to the Morrison old line; thence with it to the BEGINNING.

3rd Tract: BEGINNING on a hickory in the old Coggins and Duvall line and runs a S. W. course with said line to the river to a black gun corner; then up with the meanders of the river to E. Z. Downs' line to a stake; then with same line N. 20 E. 132 poles to a stake in the D. J. Meadows line; then West 60 poles to a stake; then S. 30 W. 35 poles to a stake and pointers; then S. 17 W. 21 poles to a black gun; then S. 45 W. 13 poles to a stake and pointers; then S. 18 W. 10 poles to a white oak then S. 11 W. 10 poles to a stake and pointers; then S. 48 W. 12 poles to the BEGINNING.

This, the 25th day of February, 1941.

R. S. JONES, Commissioner.

M6-4tc-M27

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina,
County of Macon,
Macon County, Plaintiff.

vs.
Joines Motor & Tractor Company, Defendants.

Under and by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Macon County entered in the above entitled action on the 24th day of February, 1941, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 31st day of March, 1941, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the Courthouse door in Macon County, North Carolina, sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate:

Adjoining the lands of Frank Burgess, Sellers and others.

BEGINNING at a stake at the Frank Burgess line; runs a North-east course about 50 poles to a pine, then a Northwest course about 10 poles to a black oak; then N 50 poles to a post oak at the west line, being conditional corner between Burgess and Cochran; then Southwest course to a spotted oak, then with the ridge to a post oak in the gap of ridge; then South to the BEGINNING. Containing 35 acres more or less.

This, the 25th day of February, 1941.

R. S. JONES, Commissioner.

M6-4tc-M27

LEGAL ADVERTISING

EXECUTRIX NOTICE

Having qualified as executrix of W. T. McDonnell, deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 6th day of February, 1942, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 6th day of February, 1941.

TICIA McDONNELL
Executrix

F13-6tp-M20

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Having qualified as administratrix of John May, deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 7th day of February, 1942, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 7th day of February, 1941.

LOLA C. MAY,
Administratrix

F13-6t-M20

EXECUTRIX NOTICE

Having qualified as executrix of William D. Barnard, deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 28th day of January, 1942, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 28th day of January, 1941.

ELLEN BARNARD,
Executrix

J30-6tp-M6

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of Fred Montony, deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 11th day of February, 1942, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 11th day of February, 1941.

MORRIS BUSH,
Administrator.

F13-6tp-M20

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as executor of Arthur K. Woodman, deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 11th day of February, 1942, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 11th day of February, 1941.

JOSEPH D. FARISH,
Executor.

F13-6tp-M20

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of Geo. W. Stepp, deceased, late of Macon county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 10th day of February, 1942, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 10th day of February, 1941.

CHARLES HIGDON,
Administrator

F13-6tp-M20

St. Patrick's Dance

(ROUND AND SQUARE DANCING)

Saturday, March 15

8:30 — Midnight

ANDREWS HIGH SCHOOL GYM

Andrews, North Carolina

SPONSORED BY THE
Knights of Columbus

Tickets \$1.00 Per Couple

Rodney Bryson's Orchestra

From Asheville