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They Say There's No Overproduction

Henry Ford apparently is a better mechanic than he is an economist, especially when it comes to telling the people what's wrong with the country. "There is no such thing as overproduction," he says, intimating that the way out of the recession or any old depression is to produce more.

Probably the cabbage growers who have found it more profitable to feed cabbage to their hogs than it is to offer them to the trade, are not growing enough cabbage to feed all the hungry. And neither is Henry Ford building enough cars for everybody that wants to ride. Mr. Ford along with General Motors, the industrial magnates and others are all the time harping about the fallacy of limiting production of farm commodities. And yet they are the first ones to turn off workers by the thousands, close down their plants and sit back and criticize when they get a dozen or so cars in excess of demand. Why don't they continue production? They think it fine when the farmer piles up perishable goods just to let them rot for want of a market at any price. But, Mr. Farmer, you just continue to pile up surplus so we can get our food cheap, they say on the one hand. On the other hand they say we'll make automobiles, farm machinery and other goods and make you mortgage your farms, your homes, work your wife and children in the fields to pay for our goods and give us a juicy profit. And we'll be careful not to manufacture a single article in excess of demand, a demand backed by cash.

When Mr. Ford, Mr. General Motors, Mr. Big Manufacturer start selling goods at 50 per cent below the cost of production, when they see their factories and homes sold from under them, their children placed at the forge, then they can turn to the farmer and tell him to raise all he can for nothing.

Much of this talk against limiting production is sugar coated by those who control industrial activities of the country. They hide behind the consumer's coat tail, and talk about the high cost of food.

A careful study of costs will show that the consumer is paying less for his food as far as the farmer enters into the transaction even with strict production control in effect than he pays for a few hundred pounds of junk iron manufactured into a vehicle and placed on rubber tires.

Professor Melvin T. Copeland, in a recent Harvard Business School study, pointed out that limited production of farm commodities will not solve the depression problem. The professor, and he is one of the very few to do so, did add that with wheat prices low and implement prices high, farmers had no purchasing power for such factory products. General prosperity depends upon equitable exchanges.

It may be true that no permanent prosperity can be built upon limited production. But it is equally true that a permanent prosperity cannot be built on mortgages, child labor, and the destruction of natural resources. Those three items, plus the little lee-way offered by installment buying have maintained the basis of exchange between the farmer on the one hand and the industrialist on the other.

It is against a return to that basis of exchange that millions voted for Franklin Roosevelt in 1932 and duplicated the act four years later. It is the dictatorial command of the high-handed business manipulator directing a return to the old system that is creating class strife. America was at the cross-roads back in late 1932 and 1933, but the millions waited patiently for a leader. They realize that they have not gained an all-time economic security, but they will not complain just as long as they are not returned to the old times when the more they produced, the less they got, when their children were dressed in common bags and rags, when officers were afraid to hold land sales at the courthouse doors, when this country was nearer serfdom than at any time since the year Columbus came over.

A Good Sign

The universal cry by the big manipulators to have the government abandon its reforms is recognized as one of the most encouraging signs of the day. If conditions today were like those in the early thirties, big business would be knocking at the door of government for help. Today, it is anxious to throw aside the government and run its own course to greater profits.

The big financiers of the country claim they want lower wages and lower prices, but apparently they are trying to re-create the system whereby they might manipulate wages down and prices up without interference by the government.

Farmers Face Ruin, Government Steps In

"Carteret County cabbage growers face ruin because markets are so low they cannot realize their fertilizer bills. The government steps in and raises prices from three and five dollars a ton to nine and fourteen dollars."

In substance, that is the report coming out of the coast area last week-end.

In blaring headlines, the "Manufacturers Record" says, "Let Business Alone."

The Record would let those Carteret County farmers sell their cabbage at a great loss. The Record apparently rejoices when the farmer and laborer suffer, but it howls when business faces a period of adversity.

Political Depression

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It appears that the powerful forces of finance and business who have been opposed to the philosophy of the New Deal from the beginning but who in desperation followed it and its great leader, Franklin Roosevelt, to save their own necks and fortunes, are determined that this philosophy which they naturally abhor and the man whom they both hate and fear shall be wrecked, even if the country must be forced into an unnatural and artificial depression. Such appears to be the case at the present time, and these forces are doing their best to sell this country into the belief that the New Deal has failed and the country is threatened with a major depression such as the Roosevelt administration brought us up from. Their efforts and their propaganda have been a success to the degree that they have created doubt in the minds of some business men of the Roanoke-Chowan section whose economic position has been improved a hundred times over under the New Deal and whose business now continues to be better than at any time during the nineteen twenties. These doubts and fears are deliberately created by those whose private interests and the special governmental privileges they had heretofore enjoyed, are fundamentally at variance with and opposed to the philosophy of the good of the average man, the underlying principle of the New Deal.

There is no doubt that this business recession which has been talked about in the industrial centers, and which has slowed down the pace of business, has been deliberately created and is now being artificially magnified. Its purpose is political, and it is inspired by the hope of the opponents of President Roosevelt to defeat the present administration and put on end to the policies brought into being by the New Deal, which have so greatly improved the status and well-being of the average man in this country today. It is being magnified and prolonged for the effect that it may have on the November elections.

In his message to Congress recently, followed by his radio talk to the nation, it was shown, however, that Roosevelt is determined to carry on his fight. Both were without rancor or recrimination, but showed him to be the same spirited and courageous leader, firm in the rightness of the principles for which his administration has stood, that he has been throughout the six years during which he has brought the country up from the ruin into which the forces that are now opposing him had plunged it.

Tax Exemptions

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While it is tax listing time in the Roanoke-Chowan section, in Washington President Roosevelt has proposed a revision of the federal tax laws which would remove income tax exemptions for government employees and government securities. And as the taxpayer in the Roanoke-Chowan section knows, it is not so much the taxes one has to pay as it is the inequalities of valuation, which bring about inequitable distribution of the tax burden, that bring about injustice and dissatisfaction. The taxpayer is not unwilling to bear his just share of the cost of the government, but he does heartily oppose being taxed while others escape their just share. For this reason, it should be that the proposal to eliminate the exemptions that government employees as a class have enjoyed, and the escape from taxation that has come to investors in government securities, should be given immediate popular support. These are special privileges that should be removed. There is no reason why those who draw their incomes from government payrolls and investments in government securities should not contribute equally in the support of the cost of government with private citizens and investors in private enterprise.

County Home Agent Reviews Activities For the Past Month

Agent Travels 783 Miles And Writes 84 Letters During Period

(By Lora E. Sleeper, Home Agent)

Mr. John Harris, landscaping specialist, spent one day in the county and visited three homes. Plans were made for improving the grounds about the agricultural building and the market. The plans will be carried out in the fall. Pictures were taken of two homes which plan to make improvements in planting. This work was begun as a part of the Better Homes program in the county. A County Better Homes Tour was held during Better Homes Week and six homes were visited, two different types of underpinning were seen, three different kitchens, one better home garden, one home with correct electrical wiring and one home with attractive wall finishes and furnishings.

Boy scouts in Williamston upon a request made by the Home Agent canvassed a portion of the town for books for a better library. The boys contributed 19 books as a result of their efforts. This was their part in the Better Homes program.

Miss Willie Hunter, clothing specialist, was in the county the first of April and conducted a leader's school with the women. The subject of the demonstration was "The help the pattern gives." Miss Hunter made the meeting more interesting to the women by showing a few inexpensive hats, which the women could make. The leaders' part in the demonstration for the month was the taking of measurements. The women at Cedar Branch made a request for a club during the month, and the home agent met with them. Women at Hassell also had one meeting during the month. This is a total of 12 groups in the county in adult work.

The fifteenth annual district meeting was held April 19th in Washington. The same day as the Tulip Festival. Home demonstration club women were present from six counties, and enjoyed the Tulip festival program previous to their district meeting held in the Parish House at 12 o'clock. Mr. F. H. Jeter and Mr. Van Dorp were the speakers on the program. There were 800 in attendance and 67 from Martin County.

Marketing—Women selling on the curb market took in \$109.33. The sellers secured milk bottles and bottle caps as requested by the County Health office. All sellers have health certificates.

The Home Agent travelled 783 miles during the month, held 25 meetings, arranged for two other meetings and attended one district meeting. There were 5 days spent in the office, 18 days spent in the field, and 3 days sick leave during month. There were 84 individual letters written, 8 circulars prepared and 1524 copies circulated, 249 bulletins distributed and 15 different homes visited.

NOTICE OF RESALE NORTH CAROLINA, MARTIN COUNTY, IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Mrs. Ella Ellison and others vs. Mary E. Sils and others Under and by virtue of an order of resale made in the above entitled proceedings, the undersigned commissioners will, on Saturday, the 28th day of May, 1938, at twelve o'clock noon, in front of the courthouse door of Martin County in the town of Williamston, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate to wit:

DR. V. H. MEWBOEN OP-TOM-E-TRIST Williamston office Peele Jly Co., every Fri., 9:30 a. m. to 12 m. Plymouth office Liverman Drug Co., every Fri., 2 to 5 p. m. Robersonville office Robersonville Drug Co., Tuesday, May 17. Eyes Examined - Glasses Fitted At Tarboro Every Saturday

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It is very necessary that summer eggs be infertile and for that reason the males and females should be separated as soon as the breeding season is over. The layers should have a balanced diet; the nests must be kept clean, and the eggs collected several times a day. It is also advisable to candle all eggs produced in summer and the quality egg must have a yolk that stands up and a large per cent of firm, white albumen. Market eggs should also be carefully graded for size, shape, shell texture and color.

CANDY SALESMAN WANTED TO work retail stores in vicinity of Williamston. Apply by letter to Rawls-Dickson Candy Company, Winston-Salem, N. C. m10-3t

Lying and being in Jamesville Township, Martin County and state of North Carolina, bounded on the North by the lands of T. A. Davis, on the East by the lands of A. F. Stallings, on the South by the lands of Jerry Winston, and on the West by the lands of J. E. Johnson, containing 11 acres, more or less.

This land is being sold subject to the right of Ella Ellison to have possession of same for a period of five (5) years from the signing of judgment above set out provided she pays the taxes on said land during said five years.

This the 10th day of May, 1938. ELBERT S. PEEL, B. A. CRITCHER, C. W. JONES, Commissioners.

NOTICE OF SALE North Carolina, Martin County. Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed to Edward E. Rhodes, trustee by Helen B. Rhodes on the 2nd day of March, 1925, and of record in the public registry of Martin County in Book X-2 at page 13, Elbert S. Peel having been substituted as the trustee therein, default having been made in the payment of the note secured thereby, and the stipulations contained in the said deed of trust not having been complied with and at the request of the holder of the said note the undersigned substituted trustee will on Saturday, the 21st day of May, 1938, at 12 o'clock, Noon, in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, to wit:

Same being lot No. 7 in Plot No. 3 of the James S. Rhodes Land Division as surveyed and Platted by D. Modlin.

This the 19th day of April, 1938. ELBERT S. PEEL, Substituted Trustee.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP

The public will take notice that the partnership of Robert Swindell and G. P. Hughes trading as Swindell and Hughes Machine Shop is hereby dissolved by mutual agreement. The said G. P. Hughes is to receive all money due said partnership and is liable for all debts made for the benefit of said partnership but is not liable for any debts contracted by Robert Swindell as an individual. The machine shop will continue under expert workmen in the name of G. P. Hughes.

This the 5th day of May, 1938. Swindell and Hughes Machine Shop m6-2t By G. P. Hughes

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the United States District Court For the Eastern District of North Carolina, Washington Division. In Bankruptcy No. 635. In the Matter of Grandin Sternberg Vought, Bankrupt. The petition of Grandin Sternberg Vought, Trading as Vought Lum-

ber Co., of Farmville, North Carolina, for a full discharge in Bankruptcy, having been filed in said Court, it is ordered by the court that a hearing be had on June 6, 1938, before Honorable L. M. Meekins, Judge of said Court at Washington, North Carolina, at 12 o'clock M., and that all known creditors and other interested persons may appear at said time and place and show just cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

Williamston, North Carolina. This May 4th, 1938, A. D. WHEELER MARTIN U. S. Referee in Bankruptcy. m6-2t

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of G. R. Terry, deceased, late of Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit same to the undersigned for payment on or before the fifth day of May, 1939, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please come forward and make immediate settlement.

This the fifth day of May, 1938. S. R. BIGGS, Administrator of the estate of G. R. Terry. m6-6t

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PROGRAM FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY, MAY 16.

Turnage Theatre --- Washington, N. C.

Monday-Tuesday May 16-17	Thursday-Friday May 19-20
"Of Human Hearts" JAMES STEWART and WALTER HUSTON	"The Goldwyn Follies" CHARLIE McCARTHY and EDGAR BERGEN
Wednesday May 18	Saturday May 21
"Flight into Nowhere" with JACK HOLT and J. WELLS On Stage in Person Jesse Crawford with His Hammond Organ	"Colorado Kid" with BOB STEELE Saturday Night Owl Show "Over the Wall" DICK FORAN and JUNE TRAVIS
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