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Human Life Is Cheap

Human life has always been cheap on the bat-

tlefield, but gradually life is becoming cheaper

in the midst of peace and plenty. We were once

shocked by the highway slaughter record, but

that record is now almost accepted as a mat-

ter of course. At one time we rushed the victim.

to a hospital, accepting the costs willingly with

the understanding that human life was at stake.

Hardened to the modern way of slaughter

and possessing little human sympathy for the

suffering, we allow wreck victims to suffer and

almost die before we will guarantee hospital

costs. Some of the victims, no doubt, are re-

sponsible for their own fate, but that should

not be accepted as an excuse by us to shirk the

The people of Martin-County and a liberal

government in State and Nation are paying too

much for welfare activities to allow an accident

victim to be hauled from pillar to post while

Too everlastingly much money has been spent

building up agencies and then having the real

purposes of those agencies virtually ignored.

The method of handling a recent accident in this county by a civilied people was little less

than a disgrace. The victim, apparently serious-

ly hurt and unconscious, was hauled about for

two hours while friends and agency heads

wrangled about who would accept the cost of his treatment. It is no credit to those in charge

of the welfare of the people to handle such cases

in a haphazard manner. When it comes to economy, we should not go to suffering and dying

We read the story of the Good Samaritan on

Sunday and practice the ways of the Levite

Running ficay with the Bag

Having virtually eliminated the poor fellow

in the happy hunting grounds, members of

"sportsmen's" clubs are now trying to run away with the bag. They are voicing stringent

opposition to the proposal to divert a small por-

tion of the revenue derived from the sale of hunting ličenses to the forest preservation pro-

These sportsmen are urging the conservation

humanity to save a few dollars

on Monday

gram

responsibility of relieving the suffering.

death hangs over his head.

that financial obligations were secondary

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has no unemployment problem. Nor is Italy grumbling about her idle.

These nations are that way because of intensive spending on armament, and it is agreed that this armament spending has raised purchasing power of so many workmen that the increased spending of these workers has produced a small boom in retail and distributive business

Here in America we have been spending like a house afire; have been priming the pump continuously for six years; spending for bridges, roads, houses, dams, conservation and reclamation projects. Even the boondoggling of the leaf rakers may be considered preferable to employing the hands and time and talent of men to the building of implements of destruction. Yet our unemployment has not noticeably decreased.

Professors and students of economics can't figure it out. These other nations are spending for implements with which to murder and destroy; we have been spending for things that well may be set down as assets of more or less permanency. There is nothing permanent about armament. We build it today, tomorrow it is outmoded.

But our spending has been extended to every community in the nation. And there it is turned back into the channels of trade. What becomes of it then? It is an old American custom for somebody to be where money is with a bag. The federal dollars that have been spent have gone into somebody's till. In our national uncertainty, maybe it has been carried to shelter, where it has failed to provide a continuity of jobs. We wouldn't know. We are only saying "maybe

Thanksgiving Day Change Marshville Hon

A great deal of criticism of President Roosevelt for changing Thanksgiving from Nov. 39 to Nov. 23 has come from football teams and others interested in a financial way, but so far nobody has claimed that we cannot feel as thankful for health and spiritual blessings on Nov. 23 as we could on the 30th. Another evidence that our major holidays are highly commercialized Take the commercial slant out of Mother's Day and even that would be just another day with the average person

It is interesting to listen to and read about all this objection to Thanksgiving Day being moved up a week, making it fall on Thursday, Nov. 23, instead of November 30th. Thanksgiving, like all other major holidays, has become so commercialized that we have lost sight of the original purpose of the day. It is supposed to be a day set apart about the close of, the harvest season on which to return thanks to a merciful Creator for bountiful crops and other blessings throughout the year. As to what day of what month we observe Thanksgiving should and would make little difference if we could only return to the original purpose for this holiday and actually use it as a time for feeling thankful. It might as well come in the month of August as in November, but for the fact that there is little money at that season and commercialization of the day would prove a flop. The only real objection I can see to moving up the date is that it makes liars out of calendars and almanaes.

Why Not Send Winchell to the Moon? Labo

Of course, we may be all wrong but to our to enable Admiral Byrd to make another journey to the South Pole, plant Old Glory on a few more icebergs and thus prepare the way for another lecture tour and more radio talks by the admiral himself.

The admiral's distinguished brother, Senator Byrd, approved the appropriation; so did Congressman Woodrum also of Virginia. Both of

Old-Age Assistance Historical Guide Is Not A Charity,

Assistance Program In State

derate veterans to the public as-stance rolls has come in for considable comment from different sec ions of the state, some of the widows being reported as feeling they were becoming objects of charity by means of the transfer.

has once that old age assistance is these guidebooks have been issued, not a public charity but is parallel a pension or farm parity payment.

were removed from the pension rolls unless they met the old age assist ance requirement of need and the amount of their monthly grant was made equal to the monthly pension

By means of the transfer, many dd people were able to share in the government grants who would not have come within their scope for at least two years more and the con-tingency of a larger legislative ap-propriation for assistance.

Ordinarily each county pays a summ of the cost of grants to the cedy aged, but in the case of the consterred widows the entire cost is borne by the state and federal gov craments, thus releasing about quarter million dollars more to be spread among the counties to take on additional oldsters who are in need

The welfare commissioner has stressed the fact that the majority of those on the old age assistance olls and persons over 65 years of age vbo in former years have contribut ed their share toward the county and tate tax burdens and who have, through the misfortunes of upset conomic conditions found their sav-ings wiped away in their old age and needing just's httle bit more to give them a decent standard of living. The recipients have raised chil-dren and sent them through schoo and out into the world to seek their own living. Sometimes the childre able to contribute adequately t the support of their parents, in which case no government grant would

be available; but when there is no other income available, or contributions from relatives are not suffi-cient to provide a decent mode of life with a few necessities, state, county and federal funds combine to the lack in varying take up for mounts up to \$30 a month

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velopment of Conservation and De-the historical commission has done the research work, assisted by a committee, of historians from the state's leading universities and col-nistorical interest in North Carolin istorical interest in North Carolina tion has done the actual locating of which have been marked, but it is also a condensed history of state inalso a condensed history of state inofar as it has been transcribed onto these highway markers, Dr. C. C. of erecting them

Crittenden, secretary of the State Ilistorical commission, pointed out.

it will be necessary for those desir-ing copies to write either to the State None of the widows transferred Historical Commission or to the Department of Conservation and Dedopment for them. The booklet is ot only expected to be in demand rom tourists and students of history but from school teachers and others to may desire a condensed and conse handbook listing the principal faces and personages in North Car-

ina history. The guidebook lists only the 215

The state's dependent children are mother matter that state welfare afficials feel should be more adepuntely taken care of. They hold the position that mothers who have to ork in factories and small-paying obs can do a better job of raising their children if they were allow-ed sufficient income to stay home and train their offspring instead of aving them roam the streets and lleys during the hours when the

other is out winning bread. In all probability, adequate aid to ependent children would go a long ay toward cutting down North arolina's unenviable juvenile delinquency and make better future citizens of the young boys and girls now absorbing crime from the kinlergardens in the gutters.

highway markers which had been **Things To Watch** erected along principal North Caro Book Available was started in 1935. This program A guidebook giving the location of 215 Historical Markers erected along the highways of the State, together the highways of the State, together

with the wording on each marker, has just been published by the State Historical Commission and the De-partment of Conservation and De-the research work, assisted by a the markers and has done the work

Henderson Dairymen Add

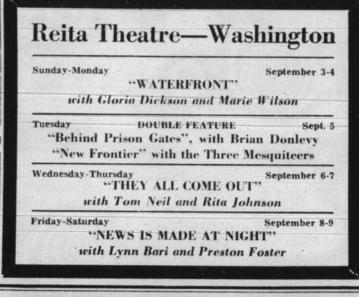
Electric Sterilizers

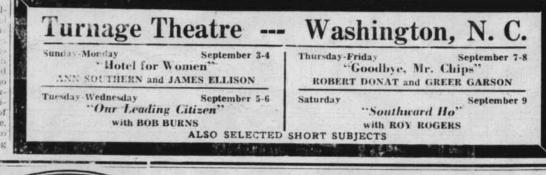
ing collar," requiring no buttons or snaps . . . Automatic air-conditioning for smoking pipes, with a valve in the stem which opens when the bowl of the pipe gets too hot for the smoker's comfort . . . Ten-pin game for the home with the pins made of plastic

celluloid

Boll Weevil Taking Heavy Toll In Bladen County There was a reduction in the num-

ber of small cotton producers who planted cotton in Bladen County this Several Henderson County dairymen are expected to add electric sterilizers to their equipment in the car, but the boll weevil is taking a heavy toll of the crops of those who near future, reports Farm Agent G. did plant, says J. R. Powell, farm D. White agent.



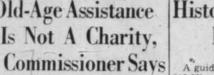




For In The Future

Miniature kitchettes may be built into some 1940 auto models... Trans-parent doilies and table mats made of

celluloid ... An electric iron which automatically lifts itself when not in use ... Sport shirt with "self-clos-



Transfer of Widows Broadens

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Transfer of certain widows of Con-

Mrs. W. T. Bost, State welfare com-

department to hatch and than protect the habitat of the bird. It has been pointed out that the department in years past hatched and released 1,500 quail in the State at a cost of \$18,000 or \$12 per bird.

With these facts to ponder over, it would seem that diversions of funds derived from the sale of hunting licenses is in order even if the funds were used to supplement the grants to the aged, needy or dependent children.

The Difference

Elkin Tribune

Britain's unemployed, 1,256,424 according to the records, is the lowest total Britain has had at any time since 1929. Germany is actually pressing women into jobs meant for men and the gentlemen have been yelling "economy" at the top of their lungs-especially when Congress has been considering proposals to help hungry human beings. But they didn't even gulp as they voted a fortune to the admiral.

There is a serious side to this absurd Antarctic expedition. Argentine has already protested. It wants to know why we are wandering down to its end of the Western Hemisphere. Argentine's protest may seriously disturb our lans for establishing more harmonious relations with Latin America.

The next thing we know someone will be proposing an appropriation to send Walter mind just about the silliest thing this Congress has done has been the appropriation of \$340,000 Winchell to interview the Man in the Moon

