

A Basis For Peace And Prosperity

Peace and prosperity came to the front as Easter worship reached a climax in the minds and actions of millions in tens of thousands of churches Sunday. It is good when man turns his attention from the everyday life crowded with greed and devoid of brotherhood and centers his thoughts on the high ideals and principles propounded by the Christ on Calvary.

Where will the many who crowded the houses of worship last Sunday be next Sunday? Possibly they'll not find time to pause and lend their thoughts to the basic principles of peace, happiness and prosperity so humbly advanced by the Christ 2,000 years ago. Possibly they'll wander into that camp where many would have war and crime continue in the hope that prosperity will be ours at the expense of suffering humanity across the sea. There'll never be a lasting prosperity builded upon such a weak foundation, and when we looking longingly for a long drawn-out war, we are merely offering our birthright for a mess of prosperity that is certain to be of brief duration.

Former Governor Max Gardner sized up the situation recently when he said that a long war now will squander the hopes of prosperity for generation to come.

If we would work for peace and a measure of prosperity then let our people return to their respective houses of worship next Sunday.

Another Season

The season is near at hand again when the hopes of practically all the people of this part of the world turn to the earth and the planting season. The Enterprise joins its legion of farm folk, friends and subscribers, in hoping for a good crop year. We can all use a good crop year.

The industrious farmer of Martin County is just as secure, and maybe more so-as the farmer was in the bountiful days of David and Solomon, when every husbandman dwelt safely under his own vine and fig tree. Back in those good old days, there was no government help for farmers-no soil conservation, no extension departments, no county agents, no farm loans, and no boll weevils, we'll wager.

Farmers have always been eternal optimists. In days of old, Samson once caught many foxes, tied firebrands to their tails, and ran them through the wheat fields of the Philistine farmers, and they lost their crop that year. But no doubt they plowed and planted and harvested another crop the next year, and life went on pretty much the same. The farmer never loses faith, no matter how things go. He wages eternal warfare against insects, hot weather, dry weather, weeds, grass and the elements generally that appear to hinder his efforts at times, but through it all he manages to get along. The soil of Martin County has for a good many years brought forth harvest every season. Farming is a good way of life, for many people. The growing season will soon be here; soon the gyre of Creation will again turn to fecundity, the season of harvest will follow again-not the fruit of the vine and fig trees as in days of old, but the harvest of corn, peanuts, cotton, tobacco and other crops, all of which add up to a means of living, enabling our farmers to live far better than did our agricultural ancestors of bygone days.-C.W.B.

PUBLISHED EVERY Unto Death Young Womanhood

Marches In Some Cases Begotten by an irresponsible father, an illegitimate child was born recently to an unmarried Martin County Negro girl. The mother, only fifteen years old, died, attending physicians called at the last minute , explaining that her life could have been saved if proper examinations had been made in time and had some thoughtful person directed the girl to one of the several maternity clinics held under the direction of the Martin County Health Department.

Commenting frankly and to the point, Dr. John W. Williams, head of the county health department, said.

That Negro girl was trying to carry an illegitimate baby to birth. Her kidneys could not care for the extra burden and she died.

There are different ways of viewing such a case. From the materialistic standpoint, the county had the expense of transportation, hospitalization, physicians' fees (perhaps) and burial not to mention the tax of maintaining a health department to prevent this type of case. There will be a Negro orphan to starve or exist without even an ignorant Negro mother's

care. The county and State have one more unit to add to their maternal mortality percentage.

A farm hand capable of producing a crop of beans as well as bastard babies died in her best productive age for each. Forgetting color, intellect or creed when viewed from the humane standpoint it's a damnable shame that not a person directed the wayward girl to one of the health department's pre-natal clinics, the health office said

In a startling number of cases, the young womanhood of our land is marching to shame and disgrace and even unto death while a thoughtless people stand idly by and watch the bars of decency tumble before this mad modernistic way of life.

On an average of once a week, the courts of this county are asked to determine the fatherhood of an unwanted child, the cases sometimes centering at the very base of our social structure. And to aggravate the situation a case is pending in the courts in which a colored wonan mothers a white child.

This modern society of ours is aiding and abetting the shameful practice, and then laughs at its victims. It is possible that society will be made the victim in the long run, for the number of illegitimate births is increasing and the records show that a large percentage of the tots of doubtful parentage today become the problem of the court tomorrow.

Martin County society can look with pity upon present victims ,offer to help rehabilitate their lives and then take a determined stand to remedy such conditions in the future.

"A Moral Basis For Peace"

Christian Science Monitor.

At a time when war and its supposed prospects are being weighed largely in material, military terms, it is worth while to remember that the strength of nations often rises from other than material factors, that spiritual strength figures even in what military men call morale, and that the course of nations is influenced not alone by battles but also by the universal aspiration for a just peace.

The reminder is appropriately couched in the words of President Roosevelt and of Queen Wilhelmina to the Christian Foreign Service Convocation in New York City Saturday in honor of foreign missionaries throughout the world.

"Today we seek a moral basis for peace," said the President, and he emphasized that some other great religions as well as Christianity have come to adopt the ideal of peace and brotherhood as part of their philosophy. Laying down certain minimum requirements for peace, he said it must include freedom for the individual from oppression and cruelty, freedom for small states from invasion by their larger neighbors and freedom for the dissemination of knowledge and understanding throughout the world. These are conditions evidently set against the triumph of a "peace offensive" by dictator states. "And lastly," he adds, "it cannot be a righteous peace if worship of God is denied." Does he not also mean here free worship of God, not merely a state religion? The Queen of the Netherlands has set forward the fundamental steps by which this ultimate peace is to be more closely approached. "In our present time," she said, "the very first need is that of a radical renewal in the life of every individual." Such a renewal, she declared, "can only be achieved if we return directly to the very source of Christianity, the New Testament." With the foundations of peace and brotherhood laid in the thinking of countless individuals, the collective actions of nations must come inescapably to express the love and generosity which are in Christianity-but only if individuals remember to broaden their Christian thinking to include all mankind. Then no merely convenient peace or imposed peace will stand but will, through peaceful development, be overturned and overturned until the peace of genuine brotherhood arrives.

FSA Collections Are **Higher This Period**

Collections of funds advanced to farm families farming under the Farm Security Administration, in region four, for the first eight months of the current fiscal year exceeded collections for the same months last year by \$683,515, according to figures received here by D. G. Modlin, County FSA Supervisor. Between July 1, 1939 and Febru-Between July 1, 1939 and Febru-

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ections largely to the planned econ-omy program of the Farm Security Administration for all farmers who borrow from this federal agency

"This agency," said Mr. Modlin, "is helping small farmers to become self-supporting, by furnishing them cred-it to get in shape to farm and tech-nical advice in sound farming practices

"Farm families who borrow from FSA." he continued, "are assisted in planning their farm and home operations, keeping accurate records, and getting the best possible use out of the money they borrow."

Mr. Modlin said diversification, a ive-at-home program, conservation within 48 hours - sometimes practices and following approved methods of sceding, feeding and production are some of the basic facors in the success of the farmers who are becoming rehabilitated.

Although the repayment record esablished by thousands of farmers n North Carolina, Virginia. West adv.m5-12-19-33-a2 rirginia, Tennessee and Kentucky is an important yardstick in measuring progress in rehabilitation, it is not the only index of progress according to FSA officials.

The increased net worth of these rural people, higher living standards and better health are of equal importance.

CANDIDATES' CARDS

FOR TREASURER

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of treasurer of Martin County subject to the wishes of the oters in the Democratic primary on May 25. Every vote cast for me will e greatly appreciated DICK SMITH m22-tf

FOR TREASURER

Subject to the wishes of the Dem-ocratic voters in the May 25th pri-mary, 1 hereby announce my candidacy for Treasurer of Martin Coun ty. All support accorded my candidacy will be very much appreciated m22-tf BEN COURTNEY.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER I hereby announce my candidacy for Treasurer of Martin County, subject to the Democratic Primary May 25.

WARREN H. BIGGS.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER I take this opportunity to announce to the Voters of Martin County my sincere desire to again serve them as Treasurer of Martin County. As many of the young people may not know, I was Treasurer of the County in the way distant past. I promise, if nominated in the May Primary, and elected, I will use my very best ef-fort to serve faithfully, ever remembering the very high and capable service of past County Treasurers for the last fifty years and more. Sincerely yours, m19-tf H. M. BURRAS.

NOTICE SERVING SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court. Town of Williamston vs. Ransome Johnson and Any and All other Persons claiming an interest in the Subject Matter of this Proceeding. The defendant Ransome Johnson The defendant, Ransome Johnson, and Any and All other Persons claiming an interest in the Subject Matter of this Proceeding, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, N. Superior Court of Martin County, N. C., in which proceeding said petition-er is asking that it be allowed to condemn certain lands to enlarge the Town's Cemetery wherein the defendant claims an interest. Said lands being described as follows: Beginning at a post or stake the western corner of the lot on which the Free Public Col. School House was situated and being nearly oppo-site to the Southern boundary of the public burying ground belonging to public burying ground belonging to the Town of Williamston and on the West side of the Hamilton Road and about two hundred and twenty (220) about two hundred and twenty (220) feet from said road, running thence south forty degrees west two hun-dred eighteen (218) feet to another post or stake a corner, thence a south-easterly course and parallel with said Hamilton road and southwest-ern boundary of said old Free Pub-lic Col. School House lot two hun-

dred (200) feet to another post or stake a corner, thence north forty degrees east two hundred and eigh-teen (218) feet to a post or stake the southern corner of said old Free Pub-lic Col. School House lot, thence a northwesterly course along and with

Between July 1, 1939 and Febru-ary 29, 1940, FSA collections in this region totaled \$3,290,419, as compar-ed with \$2,606,904 for a similar per-iod last year. In North Carolina, \$1,-iod last year. In North Carolina, \$1,-iod second to the second to the second to the second period, as compared with \$889,556 for a similar period last year. Mr. Modlin attributes the good col-lections largely to the planned econ-omy program of the Farm Security Administration for all farmers who

Clork of Superior Court, Martin County, N. C. m19-4t

LEMON JUICE RECIPE

CHECKS RHEUMATIC PAIN QUICKLY If you suffer from rheumatic, ar

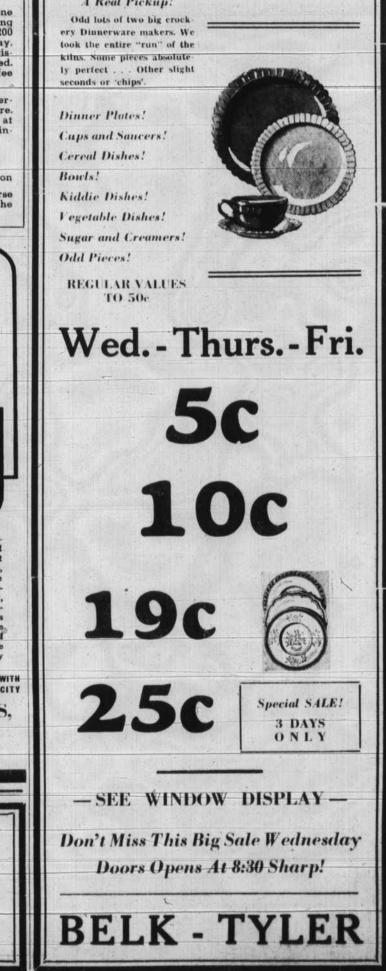
thritis or neuritis pain, try this simple inexpensive home recipe that thousands are using. Get a package of Ru-Ex Compound today. Mix it with a quart of water, add the juice of 4 lemons. It's easy. No trouble at all and pleasant. You need only tablespoons two times a day. Ofter night-splendid results are obtained If the pains do not quickly leave and if you do not feel better. Ru-Ex will cost you nothing to try as it is sold by your druggist under an absolute money-back guarantee. Ru-Ex Com-pound is for sale and recommended by Davis Pharmacy



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THE ENTERPRISE

Contrary To Facts

All this talk about the New Deal and its efforts to destroy initiative is hardly justified in the face of income tax figures released recently by the State and Federal revenue divisions.

The income tax figures would indicate that while the big fellow has been yelping about the government helping the little guy he has been feeding well off the fat of the land himself.

Apparently it is just a continuation of that old habit we have of yelling because we can't have all the candy for ourselves. The argument advanced against the New Deal by the income taxpayer is just contrary to the facts.

The trouble is that while a hundred dollars a month may be enough to get married on, it's not enough to stay married on .- Elkin Tribune.

In poverty and other misfortunes of life, true friends are a sure refuge. The young they keep out of mischief; to the old they are a comfort and aid in their weakness, and those in the prime of life they incite to noble deeds .- Aristotle.



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