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Vote Next Tuesday

Next to his call to worship, the duty of every citizen to vote in the election next Tuesday, November 5, is the most important. It is for the cause of good government that the people of this country are being urged to express their desires and wishes in the election at hand. If the individual harbors the false impression that his vote will be of no value, he is attacking the foundation of our government, for when individuals in appreciable numbers fail to act, the power of American politics is placed in the hands of the minority.

The urge to vote is not limited to any one group or party. The appeal should be heeded by those of all political party affiliations.

Martin County is expected to go democratic. The size of the victory depends upon the individual voter. This year as never before, and possibly never again the people of this county have a golden opportunity to press on to a complete victory for the Democratic party in county, state and nation.

Take time to vote, for it is to be remembered that the most humble vote counts for just as much as the one cast by the greatest in the land.

Religion And Neighborliness

In this world of unrest and turmoil and in all the confusion and modern sophistications of the day, it is heartening to the mind and soul for one to wander off the beaten paths and enjoy the companionship and neighborliness of those who it might well be said are holding high the torch of righteousness and neighborliness through a religion that is marked for its meaningfulness and its sincerity.

The good people of Martin County, each year in due course, bind ever closer the ties of friendship and neighborliness at their church centers. There was the meeting at Bear Grass recently, and only last week-end persons, possibly more than two thousand of them, of all creeds and beliefs and from the varied walks of life met with the Church at Smithwicks Creek. Other similar meetings have been held and still others are scheduled.

It is no little task for the people of those communities to entertain a meeting of such magnitude. But it is apparent that while they may not receive a direct benefit, it can be said that they are doing much to promote friendships, friendships for which the world is so fervently pleading today.

One may seek refuge and peace of mind and soul in the modern way of life, but none of the glamorous events can supply the spiritual blessings that are so readily apparent in the meek and humble events created and advanced by a good people who in their souls and hearts are at peace with their fellowman and with the world.

The call of modern life may lure the multitudes to strange places and things, but may the humble and basic religious beliefs of those churchmen and the cherished neighborliness and friendships continue to live for time immemorial in the events similar to those held in this county recently and in those yet to be held.

Death Strikes Again

Death struck again on the highways of Martin County last week. All earthly power combined cannot alter a past event, but possibly the little child of tender years did not die in vain if we whose good fortune it is to enjoy life today will awaken to the serious accident problem staring us in the face every time we step into an automobile or play in or near the streets and roads.

Those involved in the recent tragedy are not to be censured any more than anyone else. With one exception out of possibly every 100, we drive too fast. We don't keep our minds on the immediate task. We are too carefree, too thoughtless and oftentimes too reckless. The right-of-way established by the law does not give one the right to slaughter or tear down. By exercising greater care, by playing this dangerous game of auto steering fairly, and

by recognizing the rights of others we can eliminate much of the slaughter and wreckage on our highways.

There will be accidents, of course, when every care is exercised. They fall into the "unpreventable" class, and when we have solved the problem as it relates to the other class much will have been accomplished.

Not all the blame is to be placed on the shoulders of the motor vehicle operator. The pedestrian will do well to realize that it is foolish to maintain a perfect right at the cost of his life. Because the law tells him to walk on the left side of the road does not mean that he is given undisputed priority rights over all others.

Then there are those parents who do not point out to their children the danger of playing in the streets or roads. It is unreasonable to expect a young child to realize the danger that is present in the street and on the highway. The little ones are to be constantly reminded of and warned against the dangers lurking in the streets and highways. This constant drilling will pay dividends.

Just two summers ago, Martin County people became greatly excited about the presence of infantile paralysis. Possibly they had good cause to become excited, but it is to be said here and on the record that there is even more cause to become excited about the street and highway death toll. Already this year more lives have been claimed by the motor vehicle in this county than were claimed by infantile paralysis in the last four or four years.

Mr. Willkie's Promise

Eight years ago, Franklin Roosevelt in his bid for the presidency made various promises. As the end of his second term draws to a close it is encouraging to note how many of those promises have been fulfilled. Labor has shared in the fruits of its toil. The farmer has shared in the benefits that were for so many years reserved for the industrialists. The aged have been taken under the government's wing. The little dependent children find it unnecessary to play the role of the unwanted urchin, roaming the streets pleading for a livelihood. The blind have been made to see through a humanitarian touch. Business, including the bankers, was rescued from the debts of depression. And after listening to the assaults that originate in the Old Guard camp, there is still liberty of speech and action in these United States today, a liberty and freedom untouched and a liberty and freedom that the President during those eight years has upheld and preserved.

There have been disappointments. Possibly we have had too much done for us, and we failed to take advantage of the golden opportunities that have been ours during the period. Possibly many thought that any gains made under Mr. Roosevelt would be wiped out by another debacle like unto the one that flourished under the Hoover administration.

Now, Mr. Willkie comes along and promises everything to everybody from a bag of peanuts to a new world. How he will maintain his liberality is not quite clear. He says something about not hampering business enterprise. He talks about free enterprise which compares to Mr. Herbert Hoover's idea of rugged individualism. It becomes more apparent day by day that Mr. Willkie would return to the old crumb theory of economics which provides a few tables at the top with an abundance and feeds the multitude with the crumbs dropping from those tables.

Mr. Willkie would apparently tell business to go out and employ the millions and pay whatever wages they wanted to pay. It will be recalled right here in this county that men, grown men with families, worked back in the early thirties for less than fifty cents a day. Mr. Willkie would apparently tell the farmers to raise more crops, create more surpluses that the tables of those at the top might be provided with cheap foods. He does not tell how a man can support a family on fifty cents a day. He does not say how a farmer can continue to remain free and independent by producing the necessities of life at a loss.

Mr. Willkie's alternative, according to his own declarations, is to return once more to the system of low prices and low wages, cut-throat competition and a license to the strong to overrun and prey upon the weak and less fortunate. He has said nothing about lowering tariffs granted more than a century and a half ago for the protection of weak industrialists. He has said nothing about lowering the standard of living for those in the high places. All he has said he would do is directed at the welfare of the industrial worker and the farmer and to aid and abet the strong to trample down the weak.

Mr. Willkie does not realize that a new problem is facing the United States today, a problem that was postponed by the creation of mortgage financing and installment buying. Mr. Willkie does not realize that the farmer had just about mortgaged his family to the overlords, that the laborer no longer had the down-payment when Mr. Hoover completed his work in the White House back in 1933.

America was on the brink of feudalism back in 1933. Mr. Willkie apparently is anxious to take over now and give millions of free and independent Americans a push that will land them in the abyss of despair and hopelessness.

A school for brides is being opened in New York. Many a young married woman over there hardly knows how to set about her first divorce.—Punch.

BELK - TYLER'S Golden Harvest SALE!

NOW IN FULL SWING — EVERYBODY IS COMING!
Every Department Chock Full Of Real Bargains

Sale! Ladies' FALL DRESSES

Lovely new fall dresses in spuns, crepes, wash silks and novelty weaves. All the newest fall styles and colors including the new football shades.

\$1.98-\$2.98
\$4.98



Cannon Towels

Large size, heavy weight Cannon bath towels with colored borders.

9c

Sale!

"Moon-Glo" HOSE

Lovely sheer full fashioned silk hose in the new fall shades.

48¢



Satin Slips

Excellent quality full cut, satin slips, all sizes, color tearose.

38c

Ladies' Coat Sweaters

Good warm coat sweaters in all sizes. Colors blue and gray. Golden Harvest.

98c

Ladies' Outing Gowns

Heavy weight outing gowns in all sizes.

48c

Sale! Ladies' Cotton Bloomers

Excellent quality, full cut, ladies' cotton bloomers. Color tearose.

15c

Children's School Dresses

A new shipment just received, beautifully styled, fast color children's school dresses in all sizes.

48c

Dish Towels

Extra large size, sugar sack dish towels, special for the Golden Harvest Sale.

14 For \$1

Children's Anklets

A large shipment just received. Excellent quality children's anklets, in fancies and solid colors.

9c

Sale! Chenille Spreads

Extra Special for Golden Harvest. Full double bed size chenille bedspreads with colored backgrounds. Regular \$1.29 and \$2.50 values.

97c — \$1.88



Golden Harvest Sale!

LADIES' FALL COATS

Beautifully styled sport and dress coats made of the new tweeds and novelty materials. BE SURE TO SEE THESE NOW.

\$5.95
\$7.95
\$9.95



MEN'S WORK SHIRTS

Excellent quality heavy full cut work shirts in new blues and greens

48c

5-Ft. STEPLADDER

Sturdy built 5-ft. stepladders

Reg. 1.29 value **97c**

BOYS' UNION SUITS

Good heavy weight boy's union suits in all sizes.

39c

BOYS' WORK SHIRTS

Good quality boy's covert work shirts. All sizes.

39c

Men's Work Socks ... 5c

MEN'S UNION SUITS

Heavy weight men's union suits in all sizes. Regular 59c value.

48c

PADDED IRONING Boards ... **97c**

CURTAIN STRETCHERS

Sturdy-built, adjustable curtain stretchers. Regular \$1.29 value

97c

Giant OCTAGON 3 Fr 10c

Sunbrite Cl'ner 3 for 10c

Super Suds ... **8c**

Pride SOAP, 3 for ... **10c**

Pride Powder ... **2c**

Sm. Octagon ... **2c**

Lux Soap ... **6c**

Box Lye ... **6c**

Men's Dress Shirts

Attractively styled "Bon-aire" woven madras dress shirts in all the newest fall patterns. An extra special for GOLDEN HARVEST SALE.

97c

SALE! LADIES' FALL SHOES

Lovely new styles in pumps, ties and straps including the new elasticized crushed kid and patent combination.

\$1.98—\$2.95

Natural Bridge ARCH SHOES

New fall styles in pumps and ties. Let our experienced shoe men fit you.

\$5.00

CHILDREN'S SHOES

Good serviceable children's shoes, oxfords and straps in all wanted colors.

97c



SALE! 300 MEN'S FALL SUITS

Beautifully styled fall suits in tweeds, twists and worsteds. All the newest fall patterns in a complete range of sizes. BE SURE TO SEE THESE.

\$9.95 — \$12.95
\$14.75

BOYS' FALL SUITS

Attractive new fall styles in hard finished worsteds and tweeds, both double and single breasted with knickers and longies. Golden Harvest Sale.

\$2.98 — \$4.98



Solid Color OUTING ... **10c**

Father George SHEETING ... **6c**

Fast Color PRINTS ... **8c**

MOTTLED OUTING ... **8c**

Solid Color PRINTS ... **5c**

Heavy LL SHEETING ... **5c**

Overalls

Men's Bloodhound ... **89c**

Boys' Bloodhound ... **59c**

Nero SHOE POLISH ... **5c**

Men's Work Shoes

Good tough work shoes that will give lots of hard wear.

\$1.48 - \$1.98

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