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Apply Economy Where It Should Be Applied

There's the old saying in taxation, "get the money where the money is." It is an undeniable fact that the man of small means pays a greater proportion of the tax than the man of greater means, and the poorer the man, the greater proportion of the taxes he has had to pay.

And now there is a loud cry for economy. There are those who would wipe out the WPA, the FSA, the farm program, and everything else that has been designed to help that call of Americans who are in the greatest need including labor. The shouters for economy have cause to shout, but they are shouting up the wrong tree. Authentic reports declare that the United States Army wasted at least \$250,000,000 of its \$800,000,000 cantonnement construction program just by letting those questionable cost-plus contracts instead of calling for competitive bidding. The government paid 29 million dollars for construction of a camp that should not have cost a cent over 19 million dollars.

The same crowd yelling for economy and who demands that the farmer be returned to economic slavery, is the same crowd that is yelling about labor prices. Coming from the United States House of Representatives a few days ago, and it should be authentic, was the surprising news that where the highest wage scale prevailed, the total cost of the camp was the lowest.

Not so many months ago we were told that if the national debt went just two dollars higher we would be ruined. The debt has been increased by two dollars and by several billions more. The increase was approved by the economy shouters because they realized their hides were at stake.

We are for economy just as we are for the principle of getting money where the money is, but this business of burdening the poor with an unfair proportion of the tax load and then turning to the poor to practice economy, we are against it.

And strange as it may seem, the cries for economy in farm programs, wages, relief and

other agencies designed in the name of needy humanity are coming mainly from those defense centers where the growlers are waxing rich directly and indirectly by the expenditure of millions upon millions upon enlarged air bases, army camps, navy yards and so on.

One-half of this nation, if not more, will gladly sacrifice in the name of national defense. It will accept its fair share of the tax burden, and will suffer without murmur the after-effects of this war and whatever hardships that are almost certain to plague the nation in the future. But that half is not to be expected to suffer the load alone. Economy must be applied in the high places as well as in the low. And it can be truthfully said that until the entrepreneur, the high-salaried, the man far removed from the sweat and toil of a cruel world and all others are willing to accept pay at the rate of 85 per cent of his living cost just as the farmer is being asked to labor from the rise of the morning sun until the setting of the sun and gamble his all, including the necessities for self and family, for only a loan of 85 per cent of the cost.

It is true that labor has greater freedom in this country than in Germany. It is also true that business men and all other classes have a greater freedom in America than Germany offers, and it can be added that the freedom enjoyed here by most classes is many times greater than that enjoyed by the farmer and the common laborer.

It is to be admitted that there is racketeering in labor ranks. It is also true that there is racketeering in high financial circles, railroads and even in the places where democratic government reigns.

It would seem that we would overlook the racketeering in the Army's cost-plus contracts, in the nation's high financial structures and in other places high and low. We would condemn racketeering among the lower group who in their eagerness to gain for themselves and parity through ignorance and misguided advice follow the pendulum to the extreme. Balance the tax burden and balance the application of economy, and there'll be no complaint heard in the farmer's or worker's quarter. And those who would tax the poor more and who would apply the economy stick to those at the bottom of the economic ladder are doing little more than shouting for economy than creating disunity and disgust among the peoples of this nation.

Milk From The Machine Shop

Christian Science Monitor.

They were Americans daily engaged in making tools for defense and destruction. But they had a thought for children, too. Their Government was sending to Britain cheese, flour, and eggs, they themselves were sending tools. And they paused to act with the warmth of individuals.

Last week-end, sandwiched in among tons of food and tools on America's first food ship to Britain, was a small package. A note attached said:

Employees of the Jones Machine Tool Works in Cincinnati send this box to employees where this machine is sent. The milk is intended for your children and has been sent without the knowledge of the purchasers of these tools or any agent connected with the same.

The givers were not separate from their gifts. They took time to remember: "milk intended for your children." How heartening is this unofficial supplement to official aid to Britain.

"BUNDLES FOR BRITAIN"



Recapitulation

By REV. JOHN L. GOFF, Pastor Christian Church

Last week we dealt with the idea of commencement, both as it relates to young people graduating from college and secondary schools and that of beginning Christians. Today, may we think of it in similar terms.

The young graduate in seeking employment must show something of qualification. His intellectual fitness, moral character and physical health. He or she may be entering a new field for which no previous experience in training or occupational pursuit has fitted him or her, except the essential base of industry, courage and personality. They more or less have to learn by doing.

The individual who has become a Christian is also one who has had no previous experience in the fine art of Christian living, though he or she may have been living in a most wholesome environment and have been taught many things about right living or he or she may have seen the bungling in living by some parents or friends who were supposed to be Christians.

The new Christians or for that matter, a Christian at any period in his or her life, must depend upon his own resources and that infallible leadership furnished by the Divine Leader, Jesus Christ. The new Christian begins by re-evaluating his or her assets or liabilities. If wise, as one who is learning, say, the machinist trade, he or she will learn first of all the tools of the trade, and the service of each. He or she will begin with what he knows, his or her own character and fine courage. This survey will reveal the liabilities; such as, lack of knowledge concerning the nature and the slowness with which one catches on.

The new Christian begins by studying the manual or handbook which gives illustrations of the tools and its uses. In this case he or she begins

not only to read but study the Scriptures, for they are able "to make one wise unto salvation." Here is displayed the reactions of others who have been learning the tools and their uses. For instance, there is the tool of prayer. The new and old Christian begins to use this tool for himself and in the interest of others. The more often this tool is used the more delight and profit is derived from its use. Then there is the tool of service. Too often the temptation comes to be served rather than serve. This service can take many directions. There may be the service that can be done for the sick, the shut-ins, the crippled, the needy, or witnessing for Jesus among one's friends and associates who are not Christians. The art of using this latter, but very important tool, must be begun early in the process or else it may not be thought of as a useful tool. Again, there is the tool of stewardship. This tool is many-sided. And therefore has many uses. The Christian needs to operate this tool rather than try by proxy. Primarily the Christian should use his time and money through the channel of the Church, for the Church embraces a world-fellowship of interests. This community of interests enables one's gifts to extend from the community in which he or she lives to the ends of the world. Lastly, if one is to learn the most in the use of his or her tools as a Christian, he or she should attend the classroom studies in their uses. The Church is not only a place where one worships God but it is the place where explanation is made on the use of the tools of Christianity, and how to overcome disappointment in the use of them. A learner does not absent himself or herself from the instructional periods. No pleasurable pursuits should be permitted to keep one from this opportunity of learning the fine art and points in his or her trade. The Christian should therefore be one who not only knows his or her tools, but their uses, so that their craftsmanship may be of the best. "Give diligence to present thyself approved

CHURCH NEWS

Jamesville Baptist

Regular services will be held at Jamesville Baptist Church Sunday. Sunday school at 10 a. m. and preaching services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Subject for morning service: And They Shall See His Face. This will be the only service in the town, therefore we invite you from the other churches to come and worship with us. The public is invited.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

First Sunday after Trinity. The Collect. O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in Thee; mercifully accept our prayers; and because, through the weakness of our mortal nature, we can do no good thing without Thee, grant us the help of Thy grace, that in keeping Thy commandments, we may please Thee, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. Church school, 9:45 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.

CHRISTIAN

Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Morning Worship, 11 a. m. Subject, "The Conquering Church." Young People's meeting, 7 p. m. Subject, "A Life of Blessing." Monday, 7:15 p. m., Junior Choir and at 8 o'clock Senior Choir meets. Thursday, 8 p. m., Study of 14th Chapter of Acts.

The following persons will leave early Monday morning to attend the fourth Adult Conference at Montreat: Mrs. George H. Harrison, Mrs. A. R. Dunning, Mrs. Carol Jones and Mrs. Woodrow Jones. Accompanying them to the Young People's Conference at the same place will be Evelyn Griffin and Della Jape Mobley. Rev. John L. Goff, who was to have taught the course on "Workshop" in the Adult Conference had to decline going, owing to the serious illness of his mother. It will be the second conference that Mr. Goff has missed in the 11 years that he

unto God, a workman that needeth not be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth." 2 Tim. 2:15. It will be then that the Christian has a living purpose and prophecy concerning life. Life will have a goal and deep inner meaning, for one will know that he or she is committed to the cause of God in His world. Next week we shall talk about the purpose of all this. In the words of William George Tarrant:

My Master was a workman, with daily tasks to do. And he who would be like Him, Must be a worker, too. Then welcome honest labor, and honest labor's fare. For where there is a worker, The Master's man is there.

Then, brothers brave and manly, Together let us be, For He, Who is our Master, the Man of men was He; The men who would be like Him Are wanted everywhere, And where they love each other, The Master's men are there.

has been in North Carolina. Circles number one and two will not meet Monday as scheduled but are postponed until the following Monday, June 23rd.

BAPTIST

Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Young people's meeting, 7 p. m. Evening worship, 8 p. m. The sermons for the morning and evening, respectively, are: "Christian Character Seven Stories High" and "Why a Special Call to Prayer on Wednesday Nights." Our Sunday School attendance has increased some and our church attendance is good. Let us keep it like this, even through a hot summer.

METHODIST

Church school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Epworth League, 7 p. m. Evening worship, 8 p. m. Mid-week prayer service, Wednesday, 8 p. m. The Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet at the church on Monday, 4 p. m. Mrs. W. K. Parker will be the principal speaker. All the members are urged to be present.

Holly Springs Methodist

Church school, 10 a. m. Preaching service, 3:30 p. m.

Farmers received an all-time record cash income from the sale of turkeys in 1940, reports the State Department of Agriculture.

NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court. County of Martin against J. K. Barrow.

The defendant, J. K. Barrow, above named, will take notice that an action as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to foreclose the taxes on land in Martin County in which said defendant has an interest; and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, at his office in Williamston, North Carolina, within thirty (30) days after the completion of this service of publication by notice and to answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff in this action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This the 22nd day of May, 1941. L. B. WYNNE, Clerk Superior Court m23-4t

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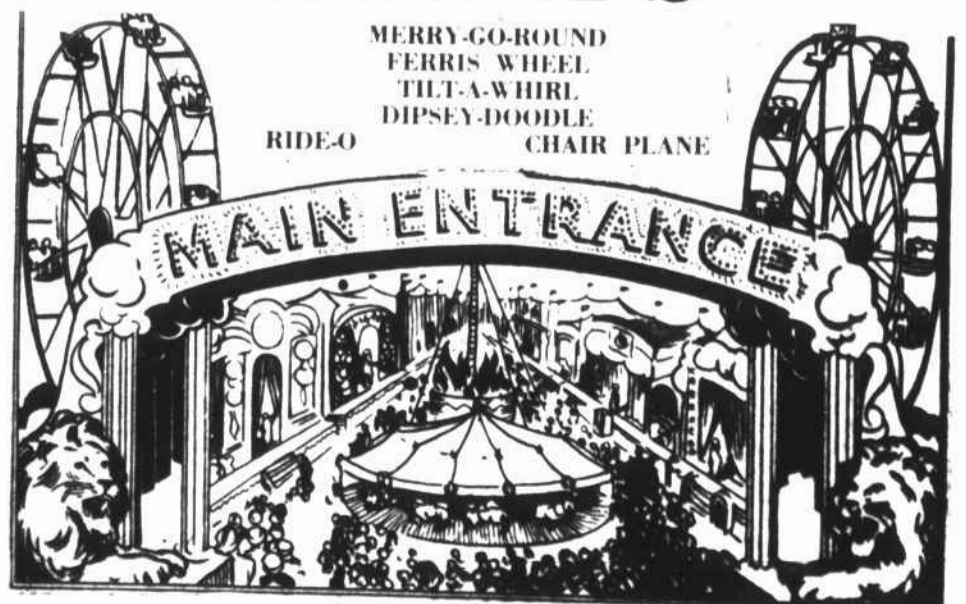
North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court. County of Martin against C. P. Howell and others.

The defendant, C. P. Howell and wife, Lela Ann Howell, above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to foreclose the taxes on land in Martin County in which said defendants have an interest; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County at his office in Williamston, North Carolina, within thirty (30) days after the completion of this service of publication by notice and to answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff in this action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This the 27th day of May, 1941. L. B. WYNNE, Clerk Superior Court m30-4t

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