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"The basis of our government being the opinion of the people, the very first object should be to keep that right, and were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without government, I should not hesitate a moment to choose the latter. But I should mean that every man should receive these papers and be capable of reading them."
—Thomas Jefferson.

THURSDAY MARCH 11, 1945.

A Bible Thought

In the lips of him that hath understanding wisdom is found; but a rod is for the back of him that is void of understanding.—Proverbs 11-13.

A CROWNING ACHIEVEMENT.

Watauga county, which has always been in the forefront of achievement, when a really worth-while job needed to be done quickly, has, we believe, broke its many records of the past by over-subscribing its Red Cross War Fund quota on the eighth day of the campaign, with a full three weeks of the prescribed period yet to go!

We take exceeding pride in this accomplishment, and felicitate all those who labored so diligently in bringing to pass this remarkable demonstration of loyalty to our fighting men and to our civilians when the hand of disaster rests heavily upon them.

Such patriotic zeal on the part of our citizens bodes well for the war effort. Wataugans with a few minor exceptions, feel disposed to adjourn all personal differences and get right down together during the emergency to further the war effort in every possible way. Such teamwork, and such generous and immediate action in this connection, must be mighty satisfying to those of our sons who will read these lines somewhere in the African war zone or in the vast expanses of the far Pacific.

LET'S LET 'EM FIGHT!

A Roosevelt got a mighty hand from both Democrats and Republicans in Congress the other day, and it wasn't the gentleman of the White House. It was a son of the President, Lieut. Col. Elliott Roosevelt, who with three brothers is in the battle against the Axis for all he's worth, who pleaded that he be allowed to fight without being stabbed in the back "for the sake of politics."

Representative Lamberson of Kansas had asserted that the President "jerked" two of the four sons from the battlefronts and Co. Elliott wrote as follows to Representative Lanham of Texas, his friend and congressman:

"Such criticism aimed at men who are fighting for their country strikes me as sort of unfair. They can't answer back. We feel we are fighting for all America. We are not in politics. In the armed forces there is unity of purpose—the continuation of American freedom and American ideals.

"Please explain this fact to your colleague, and try to explain to him that we, as soldiers, don't care whether or how much he disagrees with the President, but for God's sake let us fight without being stabbed in the back for the sake of politics."

"I don't care whether a man is a Republican or a Democrat. Let's get together and get this damn war won. I'm tired and I want to go home and live in peace on my ranch with my family. The sooner, the better too."

Referring to criticism of his brother James, Elliott wrote:

"I happen to know that James has insisted on carrying on, in active duty, even though he is not physically up to the strain of combat. He could easily sit back and not be exposed to actual combat, because if he were anybody else's son he would be exempted from such duty. He is a hell of a fine officer and has plenty of guts. Ask any man who has served with him—that is the test!"

And a burst of applause broke all party lines for the moment in the House—and we should all cheer such men as Col. Roosevelt, who only ask to be allowed to save our hides, without our back-biting them. The Roosevelts and the Smiths and the Joneses, and the Cohens and the Kelleys make up the finest fighting

machine this nation has ever produced, and they deserve the united support of the people back home who are living in safety and comparative luxury. Let's keep faith with our fighting men. They are not drunkards, and irresponsibles—they are your son, my brother, your husband—just a cross-section of American life—a serious-minded bunch of courageous young men trying hard to master the world's most difficult assignment. We are for them 100 per cent and expect to defend them in season and out. We owe them our devotion, our praise, and our prayers. Let's don't cuss them. Let's just—let 'em fight!

Six-Inch Sermon

REV. ROBERT H. HARPER.

In the Upper Room.
Lesson for March 14: John 13:12-20; 14:1-6.
Golden Text: John 14:6.

In the upper room Jesus as a servant washed the disciples' feet, then said, that if he, their Lord and Master, had washed their feet, they ought to wash one another's feet. Some take this injunction literally as in the foot-washing of a certain sect. The most regard the whole incident as teaching love and humility. Many gladly render lowly service to high service to lowly people. But let us not shrink from any service in Jesus' name.

Nothing worse could be said of one than Christ's statement of the traitor whose presence marred the occasion. For nothing could be worse than breaking a circle of brotherhood. Soon Judas slunk away into the night before Jesus instituted the Sacrament.

Beautiful were the words of comfort which Jesus spoke to the troubled hearts of the disciples. They believed in God, let them also believe in Jesus, and trust him. We cannot know all about the wondrous mansion of which Jesus spoke; it is sufficient that we have a place in the better world. No "housing problem" will trouble us there. The blessed words of Jesus lifted the troubled thought of the disciples beyond their sorrowing world to an eternal one. When Jesus will come again, not even the angels know; it is enough that He will come again and receive us unto Himself.

Consider the words used as the Golden text. Jesus is the Way that leads to God. All we need to know of God we may learn through Him who is the Truth. And through the risen Lord we may have life more abundant—now and evermore.

Dale Carnegie

Author of "How to Win Friends and Influence People."

HE DARED TO TRY.

Sixty years ago there lived in a country village in southeast Missouri, a sallow-faced, anemic, hollow-chested, spindle-shanked boy. His father owned the general store; the boy helped behind the counter after school and on Saturdays.

Southeast Missouri was infested in those days, with swamps, which caused chills and fever. The boy didn't thrive there, so his father finally sent him to school in the city.

The youngster's name was William H. Danforth. He was a typical malaria zone product. All you had to know that his subnormal scrub would never set the river on fire was to look at him—But listen to this!

In the city school flowered a teacher named George Warren Krall, a "health crank." One day Krall looked the anemic boy straight in the eye and said slowly, challengingly: "Will I dare you to build up that weak body and become the healthiest boy in the school!"

Will Danforth looked at him in bewilderment. That challenge changed his life.

What boy can refuse a dare? Will Danforth promptly swallowed the bait, hook line and sinker. He went in for exercise and right living. He determined to become the transformed personality which Krall had pictured. The change astounded him. It astounded all who knew him. Soon he was tops—tops in his studies, tops in sports.

Out in the world at last William H. Danforth had a living to make. How? Into that keen, active mind flashed a big idea. Why not sell the most important of all commodities, Food! Why not for a starter, prepare and sell a mixture of crushed or ground oats and corn for horses and mules!

Danforth had a partner, a young man named Robinson. With limited capital the energetic pair bought oats and corn, dumped them on the floor of a shed and mixed them with a couple of scoop shovels. Then they went out to drum up customers. The big idea promptly rang the bell. Orders came pouring in. The partners were hard-pressed to meet the demand. Finally they installed a grinding and mixing machine. At last they were on their way!

William H. Danforth became many times a millionaire; and those two scoop shovels, wielded by vigorous young arms, grew into the enormous plants of the Ralston-Purina company in St. Louis.

Church Announcements

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL
W. C. Leach, Priest.
First and third Sundays, evensong and sermon, 6:45 p. m.
Second and fourth Sundays, Holy Communion, 11 a. m.

HOLY CROSS (Valle Crucis)
W. C. Leach, Priest.
First and third Sundays: Church School 10 a. m., Holy Communion 11 a. m.
Second and fourth Sundays: Holy Communion 8 a. m., Church School 3 p. m., Evensong 4 p. m.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Rev. Edwin F. Troutman, Pastor
Luther League at 9:45.
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Sermon at 11:00 o'clock.
Lutheran Student Association at 6:30 p. m.

STEWARDS' MEETING.
The regular meeting of the board of Stewards of the Boone Methodist Church will be held in the ladies' parlor Friday evening at 7:00. The meeting will be over in time to attend the World Day of Prayer meeting at the Lutheran Church.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
J. C. CANIPE, Pastor.
"Come unto me all you that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me, for I am meek and lowly and you shall find rest for your souls."—Jesus.

BOONE METHODIST
Dr. E. K. McLarty, Minister
9:45 a. m.—Church school, Mr. Lee Reynolds, general superintendent.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship service.
6:30 p. m.—Young People's Fellowship service.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN
10:00 a. m.—Sunday school.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship and sermon.
8:00 p. m.—Adult Bible study and young people's meeting.
8:30 p. m.—Sunday night sermon.

JAMES I. VANCE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN
Rev. Marion H. Currie, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a. m., E. Ford King, superintendent.
Sunday service at 7 p. m.
Prayer service Wednesday 8 p. m.

COVE CREEK BAPTIST
Sunday school 10:30 a. m.
Morning worship 11:30.
Training union 8:00 p. m.
Evening worship 8:45.
Prayer meeting 8:00 Wednesday.

OAK GROVE BAPTIST
Rev. G. A. Hamby, Pastor
Worship services 2nd Sunday 11 o'clock and 7:30 p. m.; 4th Saturday at 11 a. m. and 4th Sunday at 11 a. m.
Sunday school 10 o'clock every Sunday, L. M. Hodges, superintendent. B.T.U. at 6:30 each Sunday, Ernest Hodges, director. Prayer service every Thursday night. Come and be with us.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST
Rev. G. A. Hamby, Pastor
Preaching first Sunday at 11 a. m., and Sunday night; third Sunday 11 o'clock and Sunday night 7:30 o'clock. Sunday school each Sunday at 10 o'clock, Ira Hodges, superintendent.

More Pulpwood Wanted From Farms Of State

Sharpen that axe, file that saw! Begin cutting more pulpwood for Uncle Sam. These are suggestions made to North Carolina growers by R. W. Graeber, extension forester at N. C. State College.

The nation needs 13,000,000 cords of pulpwood in 1945 to fill the requirements of the armed services and civilians. The farmer is asked by those in charge of war activities to enlist his saw and axe, his muscle and his woodlands, in the fight to win the war.

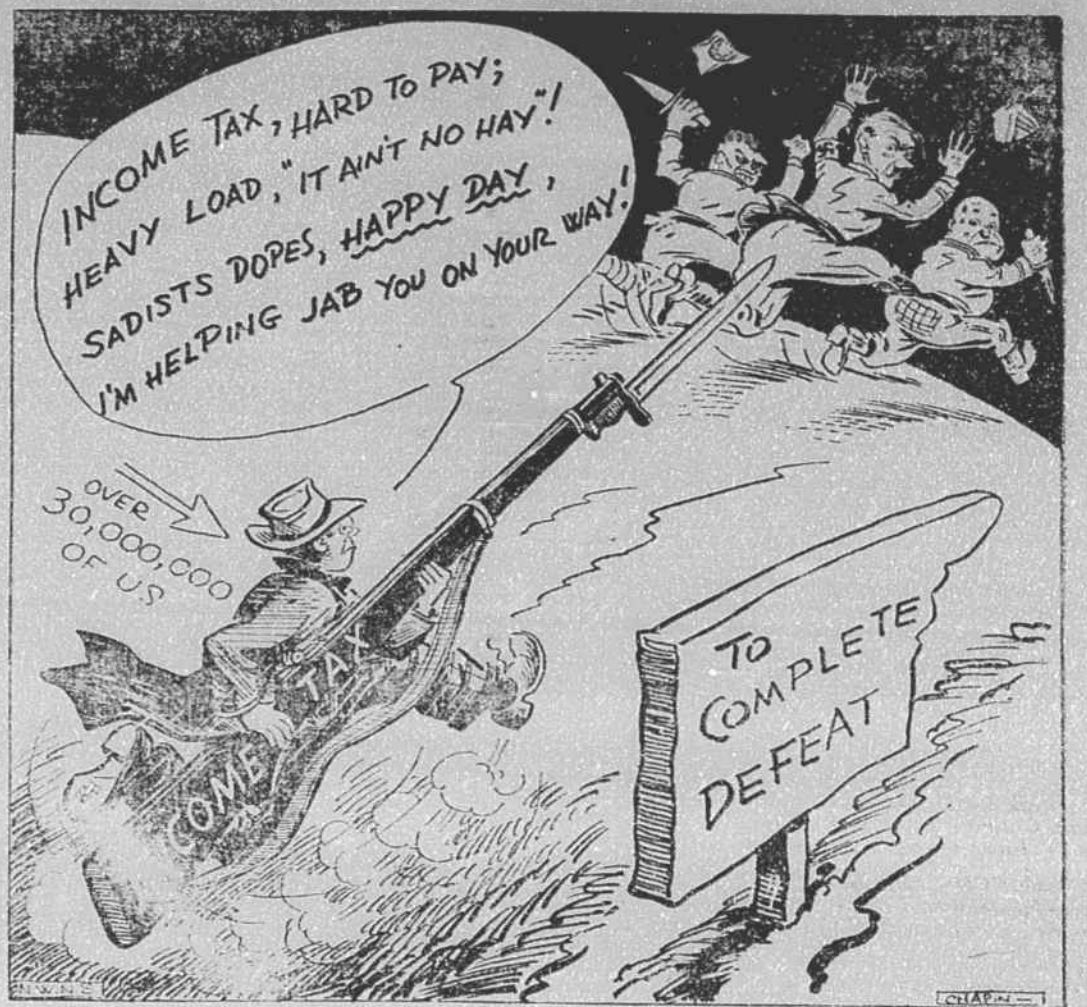
Military requirements for pulpwood are many. It is needed for making smokeless powder; in rayon for parachutes; in medicinal products for treating sick and wounded soldiers; as blueprint paper for the planning of ships and planes; as paper for shell cases; and in a thousand and other new and old wartime uses.

Of the recent African invasion convoy of about 800 ships, approximately 300 were warships and 500 were transports, which were loaded with troops and supplies. Much of these supplies were protected by shipping containers made from trees. New multi-walled bags, made of paper are replacing metal drums. More and more products are being shipped in kraft paper bags.

There will be a shortage of pulpwood, according to Graeber, unless every farmer with a woodlot takes time to serve his country with saw, axe, team and truck. Woods operations fit well with other farm work. Pulpwood can be cut on slack days.

BUY WAR SAVINGS BONDS

TAXPAYER'S DREAM.



Mabel News

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Culver, Jr., of Butler, Tenn., spent the week-end with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright Lowrance of Trade, Tenn., were visitors in the community Sunday.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Church has returned to her home after spending the past three weeks in Bristol, Va.

Mrs. Victoria Hodges of Zionville spent the past week with her sister Mrs. A. N. Church.

Mrs. Maude Warren of this community is taking treatment at the Watauga Hospital in Boone.

Misses Mabel Norris and Maude Williams visited recently with Mrs. Ivan Church of Bristol, Va.

Mrs. J. E. Combs has returned to her home from Washington, D. C., where she has been employed.

Private Hite Williams became ill while on army maneuvers in Texas. He was sent back to his home base in Florida by plane for treatment. He will return to his division as soon as his health permits.

Private Edward Baird visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed S. Williams over the week-end. He is stationed at Fort Bragg at the present time, but will leave there soon since he has already completed his basic training.

Pvt. J. B. Williams of Camp Pickett, Va., has been in the hospital there for the past few days. He expects to return to duty with the medical detachment soon.

Miss Elsie Dunsmore of Towson, Md., has returned to her home, after a ten days visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hodges, Sr.

Miss Ruth Hodges had as her Sunday guests, Miss Louise Williams Earl Norris and L. C. Oliver.

Miss Estelle Miller was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Fox of Vilas were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mast Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph of Johnson City visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Eggers Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Brown and little son, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dishman Sunday.

Mrs. J. T. Sutherland and daughter of Creston, and Mrs. Chas. Sutherland visited at the home of Mrs. G. W. Younce Sunday.

Mr. Sherman Thomas was a recent visitor with his sister Mrs. M. L. Warren at the Watauga Hospital, Boone.

Points For Retailers Of Rationed Foods

Retailers of processed foods that are rationed do not have to place the point value stamps on gummed sheets. Stamps shall be inserted in envelopes available to trade. This envelope must be sealed firmly by person inserting stamps and this person will be legally responsible for contents as indicated by him on outside, says the local OPA office.

Persons inserting stamps must write on face of envelope the type of stamps enclosed, the number, the total value in pounds or points, across the sealed flap. Penalty is providing for misrepresenting the number or type of stamps. Any number of stamps up to 500 may be inserted. All stamps in a given envelope must be identical.

Coffe, sugar and gasoline stamps are placed on gummed sheets, but processed food stamps, fuel oil and kerosene stamps are to be placed in envelopes.

Dick Reynolds Gives Farm Movies to College

A gift of a series of motion pictures on agriculture to the recently organized State College Foundation, Inc., by Richard J. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, has been announced by Col. J. W. Harrelson, dean of administration of the college and president of the Foundation. The moving pictures, to be made in sound and color, will be produced to aid North Carolina farmers in increasing the value and output of their farms, particularly during the war emergency.

When completed the pictures will be given to the State College Agricultural Extension Service, for use of this and the other College Agricultural agencies in their rural educational activities.

Mr. Reynolds, now a lieutenant in the U. S. Naval Reserve, on active sea duty, completed arrangements to make the movies during a recent leave.

"I am doing this," he said, "because I think that nothing is more important to the war effort than the production of food. The farmer has a big job, and needs such aid as I believe these educational movies can give."

Mr. Reynolds' interest in agriculture has been stimulated by the operation of his own large farm on

which he raises the typical crops of the Piedmont section.

Present plans call for the production of five pictures, all to be made on North Carolina farms. Subjects to be treated are: home gardening, swine, dairying, poultry, and repair and maintenance of farm machinery. Other pictures on subjects of vital interest to North Carolina farm families will follow as rapidly as the time and seasonal activities to be photographed will allow.

Dean I. O. Schaub, director of the Extension Service, said the pictures will be of great value in promoting the production of "Food for Victory" during the war emergency, and will be a substantial asset in the field of extension education.

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W. R. WINKLER
BOONE, N. C.

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It looks is if this would be a good time to plant lots of potatoes. I have the fertilizer for them, if you want one bag or one hundred.

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M. C. Hollar

Main Street

East Boone.