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—Thomas Jefferson.

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 1945

DISASTER MAY COME

This community may not be on the calling list of a serious disaster during 1945, but unless past history is upset completely hundreds of communities throughout the country will suffer such a visit.

A recent nation-wide survey revealed that Red Cross chapters of the country have arrangements completed to house more than four million people and to feed thirteen million persons daily in time of emergency.

Perhaps many people do not realize that the Red Cross in this community has its disaster committee, which has made prior preparation for any catastrophe which may strike.

We hope we may never face the hardships of a disaster, but at this time when the Red Cross is raising its funds for the coming year it would be well for us to remember that by contributing to the Red Cross we will be helping some American community when that help is needed most—perhaps our own.

Letters To The Editor

APPRECIATES MAIL SERVICE
Editor Democrat:

In recognition of the additional service—the Sunday delivery of incoming mail from our servicemen—recently inaugurated by Mr. J. Edgar Brown, local postmaster, and his staff, I wish to thus publicly acknowledge my own appreciation as a recipient of this service, and that of others who have previously expressed their appreciation in my presence. To the best of my knowledge, this extra service is rendered by no other postoffice staff and is typical of the thoughtfulness and consideration with which Mr. Brown and his staff serve the public of our community.

I am sure that when the service men and women are informed of this program they, too, will be grateful to know that, while they must of necessity, be away from home in the service of our country, the post-office employees have seized this opportunity of serving them and their friends.

Very truly yours,
MRS. HERBERT N. ADAMS.
Boone, N. C., March 13, 1945.

Editor Democrat:

Some time ago I left a religious manuscript in your office for publication, but from observation of the paper I notice you have not had space for it; or either you have overlooked it. Anyway I'm sorry I asked you to use a little space in a column of your paper for a religious article.

I find most folks are interested anyway in how to produce a big crop of corn and tobacco, and how to feed and care for their stock. Apparently we are not thinking anything about reaping for God.

Being a very little farmer I will not attempt to tell any one how to grow a bumper crop of corn, and I have never been able to grow more than 200 pounds of tobacco on a tenth. However, I will say I don't know of any way to make more money from a small plot of land than to grow the weed on it, unless we were allowed to operate a liquor still as the government does.

Not being allowed to do this as individuals, if we want to make a lot of money, we will have to grow what is called good, mellow, sweet tobacco; or rather on the contrary, what is really a very noxious weed and very poisonous to both man and beast. And if we don't want our children to use it and won't allow it, we can grow it for our neighbors to poison their systems, and we as individuals and also as a nation can make money by producing poison for our own flesh and bone to destroy itself with and then boast about Christian America.

Oh, well, we must make a living, and the government must have revenue. That is all true; but are we producing all this poison for a living, or are we producing it for the dollar?

Some one said the love of money is the root of all evil.
JUST A MAN.
Reese, N. C.

The Week in Washington

A Resume of Governmental Happenings in the National Capital

Washington March 13—A veritable bombshell was set off here recently by John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers, when he proposed that mine operators pay a royalty of 10 cents per ton of coal to his union to be used for welfare purposes. Unable to ask for direct pay increases for the miners because of the wage-freezing, Mr. Lewis demanded this indirect method which, if approved, would give his union more financial power than it has ever had before. He said the money, which would amount to \$60,000,000 a year, would be used for medical care, insurance and economic protection.

Leaders here point out that if this proposal were accepted, every other union would naturally seek a similar royalty on production and labor would thereafter look to the union rather than the government for social security funds of all kinds. Those who favor government medical insurance and unemployment insurance fear that their plans would be weakened if not destroyed if social welfare, on a large scale, became a union rather than a government function.

In addition to this proposal, Mr. Lewis made many other demands for pay adjustments which were carefully aimed at keeping within or at least "getting around," the Little Steel Formula. They included such demands as pay for the lunch period, \$100 vacation pay, and a provision that employers supply goggles, hats and other equipment now bought by the miners. If all the proposals Mr. Lewis made were accepted, the operators estimate the increased cost at about \$2.00 per miner per day.

Although Mr. Lewis said there was no reason why there had to be a mine strike in order to reach a new contract agreement, his demands would indicate that there is very apt to be another strike in April. Several government departments are studying the situation to see what might be done to ward off a strike, for it seems doubtful that an agreement will be reached before the miners' present contract expires.

Many congressmen, already enraged over the strike of thousands of employees in Chrysler plants who struck because six men were discharged for loafing, are anxious to take some new, drastic step to stop strikes before the coal issue comes up, but judging from the action on anti-strike legislation in the past it is very doubtful if any new measures will actually be enacted.

Work-or-fight legislation seems to have run into all sorts of stumbling blocks which have disgusted its proponents. Their attitude was expressed on the floor of the senate by Senator J. W. Bailey, co-author of the May-Bailey bill, who in a bitter talk said: "Do what you please with it, but in the name of God and our country let us give the fighting men something of a substantial character in response to the demands of their leaders."

The final confirmation of Henry Wallace as secretary of commerce will center increased attention on the department of commerce. Although Mr. Wallace will not have the financial power he was hoping for, his office should not be looked upon as a minor one. No matter who held the office he would play an important role in reconstruction and in postwar employment—and there is no doubt with Mr. Wallace in the driver's seat the department of commerce will rapidly become the key department in postwar planning.

Mountain Dale News

Mr. and Mrs. Floss Eggers have recently returned to their home after spending the winter in Toledo, Ohio.

Rev. Ronda Earp filled his appointments Saturday and Sunday at Mountain Dale church.

Pvt. Gordon Moody, of Durham, returned Friday to his post of duty, after spending several days with his wife and children, and mother.

On March 4, Rev. Clayton Greene, of Boone Route, delivered an interesting message to the people of Mountain Dale church after the Sunday school hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Reese and Mr. Andrew Cornett, of the upper Beaver Dam, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Burlie Cornett.

Mr. Tracy Cornett and Mr. R. J. Millsaps motored to Blountville, Tenn., to visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. Joseph Eggers spent the week-end with Pfc. Eggers' grandmother, Mrs. Rebecca Harmon of Trade, Tenn., who is very ill at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Collis Greene and Millard Greene were visitors Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Norris. Rev. Ronda Earp and Mr. Oscar Ward spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Phillips.

Spring Calves Make Better Beef Cattle

Beef calves dropped in the spring have shown 36 percent better gains between May 1 and November 1 than similar calves dropped in the fall, according to records of the agricultural experiment station at State College.

Acting on this information, the herd bull at the Wenone experiment station was allowed to run with the cows during May, June and July. The calves were dropped during the following February, March and April and weaned in November, being kept separate from the main

herd during the winter months.

If growers will follow this breeding practice, they can save large sums of money, according to Leland Case, in charge of extension animal husbandry at State College. "It is bad practice to have calves dropped at all times of the year," he says. "Late summer and fall calving is bad for both the cows and their off-springs."

"Usually cows that have to nurse calves during the winter are kept in poor condition and the calves make poor growth. Death losses of both cows and calves is increased. Calves that do not get good growth early in life seldom develop into high grade animals and put on gains as they should. Spring seems to be the most favorable calving season for beef cattle."

"Allowing the bull to run with the herd throughout the year is one of

the most serious faults of our beef cattle industry."

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDER'S MEETING
WATAUGA BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Watauga Building & Loan Association will be held in the Secretary and Treasurer's Office in Boone, N. C., on March 20, 1945, at 2:30 p. m., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

In case a stockholder cannot attend the meeting, he should fill out and return the proxy blank which has been sent to him. The meeting cannot be held unless a majority of the stock is represented.

W. H. GRAGG,
Secretary-Treasurer.

WANT ADS

FOR RENT—Four-room cottage with lights, good water near the house. Will furnish garden, cow-pasture and fruit. Address Ballie Ray, Route 2, Boone, N. C. 1c

FOR SALE—One five-year-old black mare, weight about 1,400 lbs., in good condition and not a blemish about her. Will hitch her anywhere. Noah Winebarger, Route 2, Boone, N. C. 1p

WANTED—Will trade closed pickup in good condition for open truck. B. W. Stallings, Boone. 1c

WANTED TO BUY—Potatoes. Call at Wyke's Feed Store. 1p-2p

FOR SALE—Jersey heifer with calf. \$85.00. Jeff Minton at Poplar Grove Church. 1cS

WANTED—Used platform scales, with all weights. B. W. Stallings, Jeweler. 1c

FOR SALE—Sterling silver hair berrets, 75c to \$3.60. Engraving free. Mail orders promptly filled. B. W. Stallings, Jeweler. 1c

FOR SALE—13 acres of land, 10 acres cleared, balance in nice locust. Good spring, fine building, 1/2 mile, 4 1/2 miles from Boone near Jefferson highway. Avery Presnell, Route 3, Box 36, Jonesboro, Tenn. 3-15-3p

FOR SALE—1935 model Ford coach, good condition; 16-in. wheels, heater, sealed beam headlights; 3 electric radios. W. S. Collins, at Watauga Motor Market, Boone. 1p

FOR SALE—2 fresh milk goats, cheap. See me at Coble Dairy or at my farm. Joe Moody, Sugar Grove, N. C. 1p

FOR SALE—Two good fox dogs. Priced reasonable. Lester Warren, Mabel, N. C. 1p

FOR SALE—500 locust posts. If interested see Roger Colvard, Boone, N. C. 1p

FOR SALE—208 acre farm, located on the Lenoir and Wilkesboro highway 4 miles from Lenoir, N. C. This farm has around 85 acres of open and cultivated land. It has 50 acres of very productive bottom land that is not subject to overflow. It has old colonial type farm home, big barn and several outbuildings. It has gravity water piped into the home and barnyard. There is no marketable timber, but it has around 100 acres of young growing timber such as white pine, old field pine, poplar and oak. This is one of the most productive corn and hay farms to its size in Caldwell county. If interested contact J. R. Mast, 34 S. Mulberry St., Lenoir, N. C., or D. W. M. Roberts, P. O. Box 591, Lenoir, N. C. Phone 3904. 1c

THE IDENTITY OF THE PERSON who took my billfold containing \$785.00 from a desk at the Northwestern Bank Monday morning, is known to me. If he will return the billfold and money to the bank immediately, I will be satisfied. Otherwise the full penalty of the law will be invoked. Ed S. Williams, Mabel, N. C. 1tp

FOR SALE—Dunhill service lighters. B. W. Stallings, Jeweler. 1c

LOST—No. 4 ration book issued in my name. Finder will please leave book at OPA office. Mrs. Nell I. Payne, RFD 1, Boone, N. C. 1p

WANT TO BUY good washing machine. Will pay cash. Inquire at Democrat office. 1p

60 ACRE FARM for sale. Good residence, outbuildings, spring watered, fenced, 10 miles east of Boone, near U. S. Highway 421 in good section. Apply Democrat office for description, etc. Price and terms. 3-8-2p

EVERGREENS, SHRUBBERY—Closing out entire stock of plants at prices reduced one-half or more at nursery. Come get them. W. A. Watson, Deep Gap, N. C. 3-8-2p

MEN-WOMEN 30 TO 50 Supplement present income; afternoon and evening \$5 up; evening only \$3 up plus carfare. Interesting part-time inspection work; local area; national organization; no selling or canvassing. Write giving background, days and hours available. Interview arranged. Box No. D4, care The Observer, Charlotte, N. C. 3-8-2c

FOR SALE—31 acres land 1/2 mile from Rich Mountain Church. 7-room house, all kinds outbuildings, good water and lots of young timber. about 11 acres cleared. If wanted, will let cow go with land. Well worth \$1,500. T. O. Eggers, Zionville, N. C., R. F. D. 3-1-3t

WOOD—Anyone wanting stove wood of any kind call Boone Oil Company, Boone, N. C. Phone 198. 3-1-4p

DR. C. G. BAUGHMAN, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist of Elizabethton, Tenn., will be at the Haganam Clinic in Boone the first Monday in each month for the practice of his profession. 12-1-1f

FOR SALE—One used saw mill with saw and belt, with or without steam power. Priced to sell, not to keep. Mountain Hickory Dogwood Co., Mountain City, Tenn. 1-25-8c


LOST—Somewhere in Boone Tuesday, a brown leather billfold containing gas book, registration card, money and other papers. Finder please return to Democrat office. David Norris. 3-8-2p

DR. L. E. WELLMAN, optometrist, invites you to come to Mountain City, Tenn., for your next glasses. You will receive a thorough scientific examination and the finest of lenses. The latest styles in frames or rimless mountings at a very moderate cost. Office days, Wednesday-Thursday each week.

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