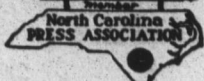


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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

SO DO LIKEWISE: For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.—2 Cor. 8:9.

Who'll Complain?

It should be a source of satisfaction to Chowan County taxpayers to learn that their taxes will be considerably lower for the year 1942-43, in fact the tax rate as tentatively adopted Monday by the County Commissioners will be the lowest in the county in recent years.

Last year's rate was \$1.02 per \$100 property valuation, but 22 cents were shaved from this figure, making the new rate 80 cents. It may be said, too, that while this reduction was effected by shaving here and there, the Commissioners did not make the rate so low that any phase of the county government would be jeopardized under ordinary conditions.

The Commissioners are to be congratulated, but then they also had splendid cooperation on the part of every department coming under their jurisdiction.

In fact, it was apparent that all who have anything to do with spending the taxpayers' money realized that unusual conditions now prevail and that it is a time when the utmost care must be taken in expenditure of public funds.

Chowan County is in splendid financial shape, which is reflected in the new tax rate, and this adds another reason why old Chowan is one of the garden spots of the nation.

Day Of Reckoning Coming

With continued complaints being registered relative to what is referred to as public nuisances developing about cafes and filling stations in Edenton, it is a foregone conclusion that some of these proprietors will lose their beer licenses in short order.

The County Commissioners were told by Officer Robert L. Pratt that nine out of every 10 arrests made for drunkenness were attributed by those questioned to drinking unfortified wine. It was also stated that this form of beverage not only makes a man drunk, but has a stupefying effect and as a result many man-hours are wasted when employers need all the help they can get at this time.

If such conditions prevail, there is no reason why some licenses should not be revoked. If the proprietor of any kind of business has not enough regard for the rights and privileges of others, then he has no right to remain in business, and according to complaints made, some of these proprietors are paying the way for such action on the part of Town Council and the County Commissioners.

Purpose Accomplished

Many celebrations have been held in Edenton, but as to interest and impressiveness, the one held on the Court House Green Saturday morning in observing Victory Day surpassed any ever attended by the writer.

Though the affair was held outdoors, death-like silence prevailed as each one spoke on the program as well as when the band played numbers which made one feel that he is an American and ready to undergo any ordeal in order to perpetuate the American way of life for the present generation as well as those who follow.

As Lloyd Griffin stated in his brief but appropriate address, freedom today is challenged and this challenge is backed up by the greatest military machine the world has ever known.

He spoke of the sort of faith which has sustained the men of old, and as the names of almost 300 young men from Chowan County already in the service of their country were slowly and distinctly called by John A. Holmes, there was revealed on faces of those pres-

HEARD and SEEN

By "BUFF"

The "Younger Set," who ever they are, (but I discover there are four of 'em) are on me again. In the mail in time to get into this column, the following letter was received:

"Dear Buff:—The 'Younger Set' is at it again, but this time our reputations won't be at stake as they were before. I suppose you know just what incident we're referring to.

"Buff, what gets our goats, now that we've gotten that Marine Glider Base, is the fact that our old pal Charlie McCullers and his band kids are unhappy. All four of us, being former E. H. S. Band members, want to try and do something about this. So, Buff, how about telling your public how hurt and disappointed Mr. 'Mac' and his band kids were last Thursday night when everybody forgot to give them a hand. Tell th' folks to give them a hearty applause the next time they play to make up for last Thursday night, will ya?

"THE SAME CREW."

"P. S.—You oughta start paying us by the column inch soon!"

Buff's P. S. to P. S.—Yep, I oughta pay for the space, but me no can do until some of our merchants feel like buying some advertising space again or else a gang of folks suddenly run out of their job printing supplies. How about the "Younger Set" telling our business people that "it pays to advertise."

Things are looking a little brighter for Emmett Elliott to attend the regular meetings of the Commissioners. You see, the tires on his car are not just what they used to be and he's a-thinkin' that maybe he'll have to rely on the thumb method to get to Edenton. However, some of the talk going the rounds is to the effect that the Marine glider base will be located in his neck of the woods, so that Raleigh Peele told him he ought to be able to roll into town on one of the gliders when they begin scooting about. But says Emmett, "No, siree, I'm not a gonna ride one of those fang-dangled machines."

It was rather unusual Monday morning to see D. M. Warren, at the beginning of the County Commissioners' meeting, suddenly stop and roll up his shirt sleeves. But, no doubt he realized the job on deck working on the county budget for 1942-43 and setting a tax rate. However, with all the figures the Commissioners had to wade through, what wonders me is why in the dickens he didn't roll up his pants, too.

Here's hoping watermelons and cantaloupes will be good this year. But then, if any of us happen to get hold of some which are not sweet enough to suit our taste, we should make no complaint, for sure as guns if you bellyache to the party from whom they were purchased, they'll have a comeback that sugar rationing is the cause.

Though it's been pretty hot lately, I had a chilly feeling the other day when Mrs. Joe Haste dropped in the office. She had several pictures from her son, Shields Haste, who for some time was stationed in Newfoundland and among 'em was one or two showing snow as high as the second story of a house. These, together with pictures of snow shoes, provided a little relief for a spell even if it was only imagination.

There ought to be a law compelling people to tear off a leaf of calendars when a month passes. Not doing it got me in a jam last week. It was while writing about Judge and Mrs. Richard Dixon attending the launching at Wilmington of the Victory vessel "Hugh Williamson" that I glanced at the calendar to see what day the 7th was. The sheet I was looking at was June, which listed the 7th as Sunday. As a matter of fact, the boat was launched July 7, which was Tuesday of this week. All of which explains why Judge and Mrs. Dixon were seen in Edenton Sunday when my story said they'd be in Wilmington.

Preachers, like newspaper editors, sometimes at least say something really worthwhile, which was the case with the Rev. W. C. Benson last Sunday. He was preaching about the nation's flag and what it stands for, and while Henry Barber and I were neck and neck in a race to see who walloped the most yellow flies, I heard the preacher say, "There's not much likelihood that the boys in the nation's armed forces will dishonor Old Glory as there is among many of those who remain at home." Let that remark sink in, then brusp up on what Old Glory stands for, and maybe you'll join me in shouting an "Amen" to what the preacher said.

Mrs. Howard Jackson pulled a mean trick on me. She sent word that she had left a couple of tomatoes on my desk. She didn't say what kind, but of course I had visions of two big red tomatoes and began searching for 'em. Finally I found 'em, but of the above two characteristics, the only one which could apply was "red." The bloomin' things were about as large as marbles. Here's hoping watermelons and cantaloupes don't show up in size accordingly.

Though Leroy Haskett has about gotten used to riding his bicycle, he's now encountered another handicap. He complains that the seat is too small for him to sit on. But what puzzles me is how a guy with a rear end as large as Haskett manages to hit the seat at all.

It's a hard matter to keep boys from playing ball, so that it is not much of a surprise to learn that the soft ball bug is working. Two of the "boys," Bill Privott and Jim Daniels, are very anxious to play a game or so, and for that reason would like to get a crowd out on the diamond. If you're interested, see either Bill or Jim, but make 'em furnish a bottle of liniment, just in case.

ent, many of them fathers and mothers of the boys, a faith and determination to sacrifice and suffer if need be to prevent America from falling into the hands of a group of ruthless dictators.

The celebration accomplished its purpose in that all who attended were more forcibly impressed that it is a dark hour we are going through, but by faith in ourselves, each other, our fighting forces, our commander-in-chief, President Roosevelt, and last but not least, God Almighty, Who still rules the universe, war drums will cease and we shall again enjoy the blessings which come from a world at peace.

JUST HUMANS

By GENE CARR



"How Did He Get th' Black Eye?" "Bumped Against a Rollin' Pin, I Heard!"

Collection Of Taxes Better Than In 1941

\$7,547 Unpaid as Compared With \$12,388 In 1941

Comparison of collection of taxes by Sheriff J. A. Bunch, shows that Chowan County tax payers are either in better shape financially or else becoming acquainted with the fact that taxes must be paid and the sooner the better. At the close of the fiscal year on June 30, there was \$7,547.53 uncollected taxes of the 1941 levy, while at the same time last year uncollected 1940 taxes amounted to \$12,388.37.

Sheriff Bunch's report to the County Commissioners Monday showed that while he collected only \$308.74 in June, the total collection of the 1941 levy amounted to \$70,533.36. The tax levy for the year was \$78,080.89.

At the close of the 1940 fiscal year, Sheriff Bunch had collected \$69,226.79, when the levy was \$81,615.16.

Time Mopping Cotton For Boll Weevil Past

Dusting is now the most effective method of controlling boll weevil, Dr. Z. P. Metcalf, State College entomologist, advises cotton growers. "The season for mopping cotton to prevent the pest is now past," he declared, "and the only successful control for weevils this late in the year is dusting with calcium arsenate and lime, mixed half-and-half."

The entomologist said that undiluted calcium arsenate is necessary as a dust where the weevils multiply very rapidly. "But where a careful count shows the weevils have punctured only 10 to 15 percent of the squares, the arsenate-lime mixture will control the pests very satisfactorily," he stated.

Dr. Metcalf reports that the boll weevils have emerged in greater numbers this year than in several past seasons. "This should not be taken as a cause for alarm," said the State College man, "but it should be taken as a warning to be on the alert. Make preparations to meet the insect menace. The loss of the cotton crop would be a disaster of the first rank."

Complete information on methods of controlling boll weevils are contained in Extension Circular No. 258. This publication is free to citizens of North Carolina upon request, by letter or card, to the Agricultural Editor, State College Station, Raleigh, or at offices of county farm agents of the Extension Service.

"Make boll weevil counts," Dr. Metcalf advised. "Pick 100 squares from each of the four corners of the field, and 100 squares from the center of the field. Keep them in separate pockets. Count the number of punctured squares in each pocket, and if as many as 10 damaged squares are found in any one batch, start spot dusting in that section of the field. When the percentage of damage is less than 10 percent, stop dusting."

Pender's Meat Market Heads List In Grading

Pender's meat market heads the grades for meat markets in Edenton for the period ending June 30. According to the report of W. B. Gaylord, sanitary inspector, the grades of markets are as follows:

Pender's Market	96.0%
Dixie Service Station	94.5%
Lassiter's Meat Market	92.5%
Friendly Meat Market	91.0%
Graham Byrum	90.0%

All markets are listed as Grade A.

Victory Day Celebration One Of Best Programs

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In closing his remarks, he said, "Come across, or go across."

At this point, the Colors were advanced by Shelton Moore and Robert L. Pratt, with John A. Holmes giving orders. Mr. Holmes then read the names of Chowan County boys in the service of their country, both those who enlisted and those who were drafted, which totaled almost 300. Then followed the singing of "Over Here," written by Mrs. Julien Wood and sung to the tune of "Over There," written by George M. Cohan during the First World War.

Mr. Spires briefly told of the activities of the Chowan County Civilian Defense Council, saying that over 1,000 persons in Chowan have been trained and equipped in various ways to meet almost any situation which may arise due to the war and to aid FBI and SBI agents. He urged everyone to be particular about making disparaging remarks, for, like germs, he said, such remarks grow sometimes to dangerous proportions. He paid especial tribute to the Draft Board and Ration Board, whose duties are many and burdensome and the members of which are serving without pay as a patriotic duty. He said they should be given encouragement instead of criticism, as is often the case.

The principal address was made my Lloyd E. Griffin. Beginning his remarks, Mr. Griffin said, "We are here today because of what has transpired in our growth, for those who sacrificed before us saw to it that in the Constitution provision was made that liberty be perpetuated for succeeding generations." He told of the expansion of the United States which started from 13 struggling colonies until now the blessings and privileges enjoyed make us a nation envied and challenged.

"Our freedom," he said, "is being challenged by dictators backed up by great might, one in the Atlantic and another in the Pacific, and to stand we must be united in one common purpose. Dictators know no voice except the voice of cannon, bombs and instruments of death. This is a dark hour, but glory of the cause and faith in our fighting men and leadership of our leader, President Roosevelt, will bring us through."

Referring to the long list of names called by Mr. Holmes, Mr. Griffin said that was only the beginning and that hardly be a single family in the country which will not feel the effect of war. "War is bitter," he said, "many of our boys will not return, some will be crippled and there will be billions of dollars of taxes to pay, and only by the faith which has sustained the men of old shall we win the victory."

The speaker paid tribute to the mothers and fathers who have already and will later furnish boys to stand the brunt of battle. "I have been commissioned," he said, "to pay homage and respect to you. I ask you to bear in sympathy and love and stand together until the drums of war sound no more."

At the conclusion of the program, Mr. Wiggins paid tribute to the boys who have answered the call to the Colors, especially referring to the loyalty of the colored race.

During the program the Edenton High School Band played a number of selections.

Movement Under Way For Colored Library

Sadie Fayton appeared before the County Commissioners Monday in quest of financial assistance in establishing a library for Negroes of the town. She informed the Commissioners that quarters had been secured in the colored Episcopal Church and that a goodly number of books had already been secured for the purpose.

She was informed, however, that to establish a library in keeping with the State standard would run into considerable money and that while the Commissioners make a small appropriation to the Shepard-Pruden Library, this money is used for maintenance purpose only. She appeared much interested in establishing a library for the colored people and was advised to contact the State Library Commission to see what procedure will have to be pursued.



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