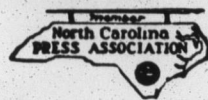


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THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1943

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

A HUMAN EXAMPLE MAKES ALL SIMPLE: I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out and find pasture.—John 10:9.

Let's Go, Chowan!

If interest manifested at the Red Cross meeting Tuesday night counts for anything, and if this interest can be transfused to workers and in no less degree to contributors, there should be little trouble encountered in Chowan County in raising the \$4,200 Red Cross War Fund quota despite the fact that the amount appears to be a high mark to shoot at. Both W. J. Berryman, chairman of the drive, and Mrs. J. N. Pruden, chairman of the Chowan County chapter, feel optimistic that the county will measure up to what is expected of it.

Of especial interest in this year's drive is a plan presented by Mr. Berryman which was immediately adopted at the meeting whereby a quota is allocated for each of the four townships in the county, which quotas were figured out by Mr. Berryman according to taxable values. This is a fair procedure and should create more interest and a keener sense of responsibility throughout the entire county.

As Mr. Berryman stated at Tuesday night's meeting, it is hardly necessary to recount what the Red Cross has done or what it is willing and able to do in alleviating suffering and helping the unfortunate. Not only in war time is this organization ready for service, but one need not search very long to become acquainted with no end of the deeds of mercy performed during peace times. But this year we are in the midst of a war which is causing no end of suffering, and if any relief is to be rendered the Red Cross is the best organized and most adequately equipped agency to go to the rescue.

There should be no hesitancy on the part of anyone to make a substantial contribution to this fund this year. With so many families in one way or another affected by having boys in the service, who knows but what amount any of us contributes may go to relieving the suffering of our own flesh and blood, or possibly the boy of some of our neighbors.

That there will be untold suffering during the remainder of this year cannot be doubted and relief can be administered only in proportion to what we give of our money for the purpose. This relief cannot be measured in dollars and cents, so that no person should hesitate to contribute as liberally as possible to the end that suffering is kept at a minimum.

Though Chowan County's drive will officially start Friday, March 12, it is not too early to plan now for a substantial contribution, and not just pass out what small amount might be on hand when a canvasser calls. It is creditable in peace times to enroll in the annual roll call for one dollar, but this year the need is far greater so that all are asked to contribute as liberally as possible.

Chowan has ever had a warm spot in its heart for the Red Cross and \$4,200 should not prevent reaching the quota again this year.

Her Heart's In It

Only one woman was present at the Red Cross meeting held Tuesday night, she being Mrs. J. N. Pruden, faithful and hard-working chairman of the Chowan County Chapter. There is no way of calculating how much of her time Mrs. Pruden has devoted to the Red Cross and its work, for she has been at it continuously since the first World War. In fact, Mrs. Pruden organized the first Red Cross chapter while the first World War was in progress. The chapter shortly thereafter became more or less dormant and it was then that Mrs. Pruden assumed the chairmanship and has held it since.

Her heart is in every phase of Red Cross work, and while she is obliged to shoulder many responsibilities and sacrifice much of her time and effort, she feels well repaid when reflecting back over the years and not being able to recall a single instance of having called upon any one who refused to respond.

With her experience and knowing the pulse of Chowan County when called upon to rally to a worthy cause, it is little wonder that Mrs. Pruden feels certain that Chowan County will again come through with flying colors in the war fund drive and that she will be able to report that Chowan gave \$4,200 willingly to help relieve suffering in this war-torn world when even Chowan's sons are scattered all over the face of the earth.

Mrs. Pruden is due no little credit for her loyalty to the Red Cross, W. J. Berryman is to be complimented for his interest and sincerity in the forthcoming drive, and we await with eagerness the opportunity to congratulate Chowan County as a whole for going over the top in this very important and necessary appeal for funds.

Not All Of 'Em Are In Service

Much is seen in public print of late relative to the man-power situation in this nation. This has to do with the proposal to draft married men with children, deferring men of army calibre on farms and even bringing men from the Army back to work on farms. Each plan has its proponents as well as opponents.

With food so paramount to winning the war, the importance of raising food and crops cannot be underestimated, but apparently the armed forces are credited with too much of the disruption to farm labor. Of course, many farm boys are now in the armed service and their absence is felt, but has anyone checked to see if there are not more able-bodied farm boys working on

HEARD and SEEN

By "BUFF"

At one stage of the Red Cross meeting Tuesday night it appeared as though only about half a dozen would show up and in counting noses it was found at the time that two Baptists were there, two Methodists, an Episcopalian and one Catholic. Eddie Spires couldn't understand why the Baptists were not far in the majority because it was raining, but W. J. Berryman promptly let him know that Baptists don't like "sprinkling." Which reminds me of a meeting held before Parson C. A. Ashby left Edenton. At that meeting, too, members of the various organizations were counted and when the Parson came to Eddie Spires he classed him as an X—meaning nothing. At any rate, more came to Tuesday night's meeting and the forthcoming drive became so interesting that everybody forgot about their denominational affiliations or whether they were an X or not.

Well, the point rationing system is now in effect and apparently there is little confusion in buying under the new scheme. Which recalls an incident happening last week. A colored man went into one of the grocery stores and asked for a pound of beans. "They're frozen," he was told by the clerk. "Dat don't matter," said the colored man, "Ah likes beans that is friz a little bit." He didn't get any beans, though, whether they were frozen or not.

D. M. Warren no doubt has some idea what movie fan mail is like now. You see, a recent story about the sign posted in the Bank of Edenton announcing a holiday on the day Hitler is buried got into the hands of the Associated Press and was carried in many daily newspapers in the country. As a result, Mr. Warren has received letters of approval from far away places. It was interesting to note in a letter written by Michael Lubin, a Philadelphia realtor, that "on that day the Jews will also have a holiday." But shucks, the Jews are no pikers. Here's betting a stogie that plenty of Jews would be glad to celebrate a whole week if Hitler was placed under the sod.

Time was when merchants were anxious to display as much of their merchandise as possible and tried to sell all they could. But not now. Take candy bars and chewing gum, for instance. These two items are now hid under a counter. Then take coffee, butter and lard, there's no telling where the bloomin' merchants hide these items. And coca-cola—well, most of 'em must keep those bottles on hand locked in the safe. Money doesn't count much now, but what counts more than anything else is whether a person is a regular customer or only scouting around to buy as much of the scarce items as possible.

R. F. Tuttle was a popular man Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and will continue to be so today (Thursday) when he winds up his stay at home to help in filing income returns. For those who have yet to see him, help him out by having your figures separated as to expenses which are deductible. Don't wait until he figures out the thing and when you find you are scheduled to pay income tax, you suddenly think of another item or so to be deducted.

At a neighboring newspaper office the other day a rather well-to-do lady called the newspaper to inquire why some airplanes were flying so low over the town. "I am rawther bothered by the noise due to flying so low," she said, "can you tell me the reason for such low flying?" The lady answering the phone reported the call to the editor, but when the printer's devil heard it he yelled, "Tell her if she don't like it to get the hell out of the United States and go where the planes fly a little higher."

Eddie Spires has many duties to perform and therefore has quite a few titles, but darned if I can figure out how he is Judge E. W. Spires. This title has been tacked to his name several times in the Elizabeth City Advance, but titles without the salary doesn't mean much. Anyway, he's the clerk and not judge of the court.

Lions will, next week, begin meeting in the Parish House, where the Rotarians have met for many years. The Lions, however, will meet Tuesday at 1 o'clock, while the Rotarians continue to meet Thursday at the same hour. On Tuesday night the Lions met with Jimmy Partin and from what I understand, the cars were lined along the street. Say, fellows, the ban on driving means you may drive to attend church but not to drive to park in front of a church.

Edenton High School's boys' basketball team lost a heart-breaker Friday night when their arch rival on the gridiron, Elizabeth City, won the last game on the schedule to mar a perfect record. The kick in the pants was bad enough, but for Elizabeth City to do it makes the defeat even harder to swallow. Anyway, 14 out of 15 games isn't a bad record and here's a lusty "hooray" for the boys, and the girls as well, who also lost only one game out of 10.

What the hee! Just about the time we got over a dickens of a cold spell and enjoyed a few balmy days, snow was flying as this column was being finished. Looks like we're in for a cold snap, for William Reeves, our handy man, immediately went to work and shook up the fire, setting the thermometer as far ahead as it would go.

defense projects than have entered the service?

In fact, there are many non-essential workers employed on essential war projects and in plenty of cases it would be a safe wager to bet that these are working for two reasons only—one to evade army duty and the other because far more money is earned than on the farm.

The Herald believes that there are very few married men with children who would hesitate to enter the armed forces if it is absolutely necessary, but The Herald also believes that the greatest majority of them would resent being called when a large number of single and childless men hold positions on defense projects who could easily be replaced by those who are older and less fit for active service in the armed forces.

That all too many defense workers are not taking their jobs seriously is reflected in the wave of absenteeism, which is detrimental to the war effort. There should be little argument in opposition to making this class of fellows either work or go to the army.

Guard Gossip

From
26th Co. N. C. State Guard
Edenton, N. C.

Who heard the air raid alarm Thursday night? We know 44 men that did. Our company formed at the Army on the blue signal, and by the time the red signal was sounded we counted 41 men and three officers present. Not bad for our organization. Shows we know just what to do when the alarm is sounded. We also know just what to do after the alarm is sounded—but, that's a military secret.

We are still getting equipment. We have received our Company flag, and it's pretty, too. White letters on a blue background. Some day, following we are going to show ourselves up street. During the black-out last Thursday night, the Captain was asked to bring his company up street when the lights were turned on, but he figured he better not—guess it was too late, and not enough people on the street to see us. When we do go, we want a crowd present.

From the office comes word that we are losing two good men. We are sorry that some folks have to work so hard and can't find time to have a little fun with us once a week for two hours. The two men we have reference to are, Hector Lupton, who before long if the draft keeps up, will not only be selling advertising on his paper but will be composing, printing, mailing and selling the sheet. We hate to lose Hec. The other is Rupert Goodwin. Maybe after the rush season is over, Rupert will be able to come back with us. Rupert and Hec both were good soldiers.

Upon making up our strength report and submitting same to the Adjutant General for the month of February, we find that we had an average attendance of 90%. Not bad. Forty-five out of fifty men were present each night. Don't know just how we will stand with the rest of the Companies in the State, but we think we will be above the average.

Maps, maps, maps. This Company is really going to town on maps. If the headquarters section keeps up it will know just where every road, house, tree and ditch is in Chowan County. They have even put dead fallen trees on their maps. Just anything that would afford cover if necessary. Lt. Morgan and Sgt. Wozelka are wizards at making maps. Capt. White took Lt. Morgan, Sgts. Wozelka and Hobbs out Sunday afternoon over the route that the Company hiked over Tuesday night, and believe it or not, those boys (Morgan and Wozelka) drew a map of the whole route, showing everything, Sunday night.

The three officers and the first sergeant are the only ones sporting new shoes as yet. We did not receive shipment enough to outfit the whole Company, but those four men, having to go to Fort Bragg on the 14th of this month, thought it best that they take advantage of it, and have for the past week been trying to break them in. Will be glad when we get enough to go around, for hikes like the one Tuesday night will have lots of us using the 17 coupon.

W. O. Speight Handling Contracts For Pickles

Chowan County farmers are being urged by W. O. Speight, contracting agent for the Manhattan Produce Exchange, to sign contracts to grow cucumbers for pickles this year. Mr. Speight will be in charge of a receiving station at his gin, where cash will be paid for the cucumbers delivered.

Regarding the signing of contracts, Mr. Speight calls attention to a clause in the food production administration of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, which reads:

"No fertilizer manufacturer, dealer or agent shall deliver any chemical fertilizer containing chemical nitrogen for use on melon or cucumber crops except where grown specifically for seed production, or in the case of cucumbers when grown for processing, and no person including fertilizer manufacturers, dealers, or agents, shall use any chemical fertilizer containing chemical nitrogen for any purpose restricted by this paragraph."

Mr. Speight also has seed now on hand for planting cucumbers, and will gladly give any information regarding the pickle contract.

GUILTY OF RECKLESS DRIVING

Only one case was docketed in Recorder's Court Tuesday morning, that being Marvin M. Ross, Robertsonville truck driver, who was involved in a wreck with Charlie Byrum. Ross was found guilty of reckless driving by Judge Marvin Wilson and was sentenced to 30 days on the roads, suspended upon payment of \$50 for damages to Byrum's car and paying court costs.

Special Music At Next Meeting Of Red Men

Members of Chowan Tribe of Red Men will enjoy music after the regular meeting next Monday night, when a program will be rendered by Miss Edna Baughm, who will entertain the Red Men by playing an accordion. Miss Baughm, whose home is in Washington, N. C., but who is at present employed at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, has appeared on a number of programs in Edenton.

C. B. Mooney, sachem of the local Tribe, is especially anxious to have a large number of the members present for the occasion.

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Sale Of Personal Property

The undersigned will offer for sale at public biddings for cash to the highest bidder at 10:30 A. M. on March 22, 1943, at the residence of the late Lawson Spruill on Paradise Road in Chowan County, North Carolina, the following personal property owned by the late Lawson Spruill:

- 3 Mules.
- 2 Carts and Wheels.
- 1 Farm Wagon.
- One 2-1 Cultivator.

A number of Plows, Planters and other farming implements and all other chattel property.

The Mules to be sold at this sale are young and are broken and ready to go to work anywhere.

Signed and posted this March 2, 1943.

R. E. LEARY

Administrator Lawson Spruill, Deceased

MR. FARMER:

Grow Pickles This Year!

Contracts for Pickles are now being obtained for Manhattan Produce Exchange Receiving Station in Edenton this coming season. Government authorities have asked farmers to grow Pickles as a food crop due to the demand for the armed forces. Fertilizer will be available for their production, and land heretofore used in growing cantaloupes and watermelons can be made to yield satisfactory returns.

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