

Need Money? — Look To Your Woods

If you've had a crop loss or for any other reason find yourself a little short of cash this fall, how do you plan to make ends meet? If you have a cash reserve like some people, you're lucky, and have to think only about next year. If you have no reserve, you've probably thought of a dozen possibilities to get cash to tide you over. You've probably thought of borrowing from the bank or hoped that the Federal Government would make low interest loans available. But borrowed money must be repaid and that's not easy. If you have timber, you've undoubtedly thought of cashing in on that also, and if done correctly, that is a mighty good thing to do.

Having a well-managed woodland for use as a cash reserve in case of an emergency is lots better than borrowing money and some better than having money in the bank. Money and labor invested in woodland will return you a higher rate of interest than money in the bank. Just an ordinary woods should give you an interest rate of 8 to 10%.

What should one expect in the way of dollars and cents from a good woodland? Trees have no cash value, except to increase the land value, until they're 15-16 years of age. Af-

ter that they have a cash value at any age or size. The value is small when trees are small and increases until the trees mature. A well-stocked pine stand needs some cutting in it at the age of 15-16 years and every 6-8 years thereafter. These cuttings are to open up the stand so that the better trees can keep growing. You should get 10 cords of pulpwood per acre at each of the first two thinnings, worth about \$4.00 per cord. After the first two thinnings most of the trees removed will sell as sawtimber and an average figure of 3 to 4 thousand board feet per acre will be cut in each of the third, fourth and fifth thinnings. This volume is figured on International 1/4-inch rule and at this time brings about \$32-\$35 per thousand.

In a woods that has been kept thinned you should have 10-15 thousand board feet of sawtimber per acre when the trees are about 50 years of age. At present prices this should be worth \$400 to \$500 per acre. Cash like this is nothing to be sneezed at, but it will take just a little care and attention to make 1/4 it.

There is usually a best way to cut, thin, or manage woods, but they can stand some punishment and recover satisfactorily. In case of an emergency heavier cutting can be done without seriously reducing the productive capacity, but this should be done only on the advice of a forester. If you're going to cut timber this fall and winter, and especially, if you need to cut heavily, get in touch with a forester before cutting.

The North Carolina Division of Forestry has foresters available to assist the small woodland owner in managing his woods. Their advice will cost you nothing and could make money for you. If timber marking is involved these foresters will mark your timber for you at the rate of 15¢ per cord of pulpwood and 50¢ per thousand board feet for sawtimber, plus the cost of paint used. The above costs are effective after 20,000 board feet and 10 cords of pulpwood have been marked free for each landowner—however this free 20,000 board feet and 10 cords is only allowed once to each landowner. In most cases this small charge has resulted in money for the owner. Contact your County Forester Ranger or write direct to the District Office of the North Carolina Division of Forestry, Elizabeth City, North Carolina, for a visit by a forester.

Remember—Take Care Of Your Woods And They'll Take Care Of You!

34 JAILED IN OCTOBER
Jailer Bertram Byrum reports that during October 34 persons were placed in the Chowan County jail, with confinements ranging from one to 31 days. The expense, including jail and turnkey fees, amounted to \$215.17.



CHESS QUEEN — Resembling a queen in a giant chess set, this model wears a ball gown with a triple dome silhouette. Gown of purple was displayed in Allentown, Pa.

SENATOR Sam Ervin SAYS

Morganian — World tensions eased slightly last week even as the Cuban blockade was reinstated and negotiations dragged tediously over the removal of Russian missiles from the Western Hemisphere. Although the showdown may not end dramatically, and in fact may linger along for sometime, in the eyes of the world our nation has re-established its credibility for meaning what it says. Nineteen Latin American countries and most of the free world rallied quickly to support our strong position. Once again the world demonstrated that the United States gains respect when it acts with firmness in defense of meritorious principles.

The significance of the showdown is that Russia's move into the Western Hemisphere, which was nurtured by apathy, withered in the face of a willingness to put a stop to the clear violation of the Monroe Doctrine. Khrushchev gambled, as other dictators have done, that he could present the world with an accomplished triumph before the democracies acted. This time military might, world opinion, and all the elements of strategy and diplomacy were marshalled on our side. Khrushchev backed down.

No one foresees any let up by Russia as a result of its "withdrawal agreement" to curtail its drive to dominate the world. Tomorrow will bring new crises.

The world seethes with power struggles which the Kremlin leaders will seek to exploit at every opportunity. But last week on the streets and in the shops of North Carolina, people sighed with momentary relief that the Third World War had been avoided. I think North Carolinians learned again the value of simple treasures, such as a warm home, ample food, pure water, and peaceful skies. In a larger sense, we came to cherish once again American pride, courage, and respect—blessings secured by veterans who bled and died to transmit a priceless heritage to our people.

A grateful nation will pause to honor those who have served in all her wars on November 11. As a people, this generation has endured crisis, war, and crisis, almost since Hitler marched into Poland on that fateful day in September, 1939. Soon ceremonies will be conducted at Arlington National Cemetery and in American war cemeteries in the United States, Europe, Asia and North Africa. They will pay tribute to the ideals, the principles and the purposes defended by American sons and daughters. Concord's Old Rude Bridge and the sands of Iwo Jima call to mind Theodore O'Tara's immortal words:

"On Fame's eternal camping ground

Their silent tents are spread, And Glory guards, with solemn round,

The bivouac of the dead." The Preamble of the Constitution of our country states the great national purpose of this hour:

"We the people of the United States in order . . . to provide for the common defense . . . and to secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

Americans of this day have the equal task of other generations who let no thought, or word, or deed sway them from the unswerving purpose of keeping our nation secure from the perils of would-be world conquerors who rose up in their generation.

On the battlefield cemeteries of the world, thousands of comrades speak to us in the unfor-

gettable words of Captain John B. McCrae who appealed to all Americans of all generations:

"If ye break faith with us who die

We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields."

As we "take up our quarrel with the foe", let us remember that this is our highest duty.

108 Receive Old Age Aid During October

Mrs. J. H. McMullan, superintendent of public welfare, reports that during October 108 persons received old age assistance in Chowan County, with \$4,318 being distributed. There were 37 cases of aid to dependent children, who received \$2,722.

Thirty-nine cases of aid to permanently and totally disabled received \$2,06 and 10 aid to blind cases received \$422.

Three cases received financial assistance in the amount of \$69.18. Nine cases were hospitalized in the county costing \$1,202.90 with the county's part being \$434.90. Six cases were hospitalized outside the county costing \$137.20. One burial cost \$60.

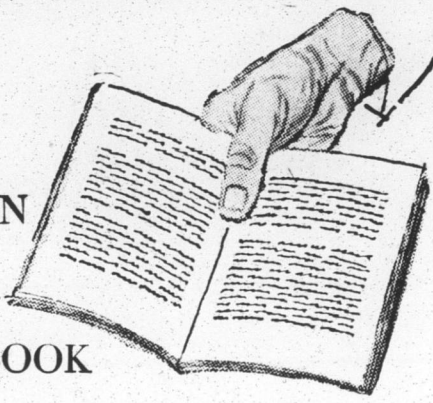
Good Answer

A small child was explaining to her younger brother that it was wrong to work on Sunday.

"But what about policemen?" said the boy. "They have to work on Sunday. Don't they go to heaven?"

"Of course not," replied his sister. "They're not needed there."

AN OPEN BOOK



When the medical profession approves a new remedy, it is made public so that everybody may benefit from it. Poliomyelitis vaccine is a good example.

Should you read or hear about a "secret remedy" for the cure of some serious disease, be on guard. Shun it by all means, because its use could be disastrous.

Consult your physician. Ask his views on "mystery remedies." He will give you a candid evaluation.

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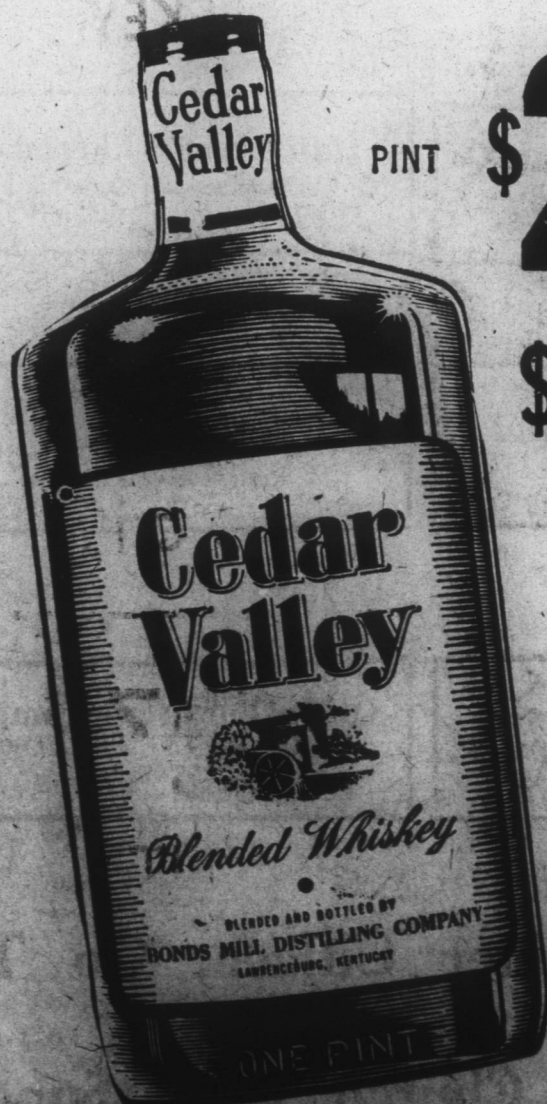
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