

40-60 Lb. Pigs Draw Lower Prices At Sales

A total of 6,890 feeder pigs were sold on eight state graded sales this week, according to the Market News Section, N.C. Department of Agriculture. Prices were generally 1.00-2.00 lower on 40-60 pound pigs. On 40-50 pound weights U.S. 1-2s averaged 82.32 per cwt and No. 3s 74.53; 50-60 pound 1-2s 76.50 with No. 3s 66.23; 60-70 pound 1-2s 65.35 with No. 3s 59.16; 70-80 pound 1-2s 57.50 and No. 3s 53.48.

At weekly cattle auctions held within the state this week slaughter cows were 75 cents to 1.50 higher, veal calves steady to 3.00 higher and feeder steer calves .25

to 1.00 higher. Utility and commercial cows 23.75-31.75; choice veal calves 52.00-72.00, good 43.00-60.00; good slaughter steers 33.00-35.00; choice slaughter heifers at one market 32.25-33.25; good feeder steers 300-600 pounds 36.00-44.00 and good feeder heifers 300-500 pounds 27.00-32.50.

Egg prices were steady on large sizes and 2 cents lower on medium and smalls. Supplies are fully adequate with demand moderate. The North Carolina weighted average price for small sales of cartoned eggs delivered to retail stores on Friday were 71.13 cents per dozen for large; 63.39

medium and 57.46 smalls. Sweet potato prices increased 50 cents per carton this week. Supplies are at moderate levels. Fifty pound cartons of U.S. No. 1s were quoted at 7.00-8.00. Some interest is being received by shippers for Easter sales.

Corn prices were 2-3 cents lower and soybeans 34-35 1/2 cents higher through Thursday of this week compared to the same period of the previous week. No. 2 yellow shelled corn was quoted at mostly 2.50-2.56 in the eastern part of the state and 2.64-2.65 in the piedmont. No. 1 yellow soybeans ranged from mostly 7.74-8.27. New crop corn for harvest delivery ranged 2.41-2.54. New crop soybeans for harvest delivery ranged 6.77-7.00.

The broiler and fryer market closed the week steady. Supplies moderate with the demand good. The North Carolina dock

weighted average price is 41.25 cents per pound for next week. A total of 6,956,000 head were slaughtered in the state this past week with the average live weight on March 2 at 4.00 pounds per bird.

Hen prices were steady this week with weak undertone. Supplies were fully adequate with demand moderate. Heavy type hens were quoted at 19-20 cents at farm.

Cotton quotations from the Charlotte market ranged 74.50-75.00 for strict low middling 1-one sixteenth inch through Thursday of this week.

North Carolina hog prices at daily buying stations this week were .50 to 1.00 lower ranging from 37.50-40.00. Prices at weekly auction markets brought mostly 35.00-39.25 and sows 25.00-33.00.

Recreation Scoreboard

By Mike Johnson
The women's volleyball regular season ended Tuesday night with the final standings:

Baptist	8-1
Peoples Bank	6-3
Town	4-5
Hospital	0-9

Thursday night the women's volleyball tournament was held with Baptist defeating Peoples Bank in the finals 15-10, 8-15, and 15-11. Hospital received the Sportsmanship Award.

Women's exercise classes are being held at 7:00 P. M. on Thursday nights. The Edenton-Chowan Recreation Center will start a new card system for all children who participate in activities at the Center. Cards will be issued free at

the door to all participants. If cards are lost participants cannot get into the Center unless they pay 25 cents for another card. Rules for the Center are written on the cards.

There will be a very important Babe Ruth League meeting on Monday, March 14 at 7:30 P. M. at the Perquimans County Courthouse in Hertford. All officers and interested persons are urged to attend.

The Men's Adult League Basketball season came to an end last Wednesday night with United Piece and Dye Works defeating the Town by a score of 56-42, for the Tournament Championship. UPD also won the regular championship with a record of 8-3.

Confirmed Abuse Cases Represent Only Fraction Of Total Number

By Janet Frye
CHAPEL HILL—Child abuse is a dirty word. It brings to mind poverty-stricken or mentally incompetent parents and their battered children. But child abuse and neglect affects all economic, racial and ethnic groups in all communities—including yours.

More than 4,000 confirmed cases of child abuse and neglect occurred in North Carolina last year. This is a fivefold increase in the last 10 years.

Many experts believe the figures represent only about 10 per cent of the actual number of cases.

Because the problem is on the rise in North Carolina, a resource center in the School of Medicine at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has been formed to help local community groups organize to fight the problem.

The N. C. Child Abuse and Neglect Resource Center was founded one and a half years ago as one of several demonstration centers across the country funded by the National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect.

"We help local communities plan conferences, provide speakers and distribute resource material and literature," said Bill Gahnz, social work consultant at the center. "And all of our services are free. Our focus is to establish

and support community groups interested in the problem of child abuse and neglect."

The center, part of the division of community pediatrics, maintains and updates a resource library which contains bibliographies, articles, booklets, pamphlets, films, videotapes and cassettes on general and specific topics.

"Any interested individual or group in the state can write to us for free information," Gahnz said. "Besides the information at the center, we have a booklet listing films and free information from other sources. We also have a free newsletter available upon request."

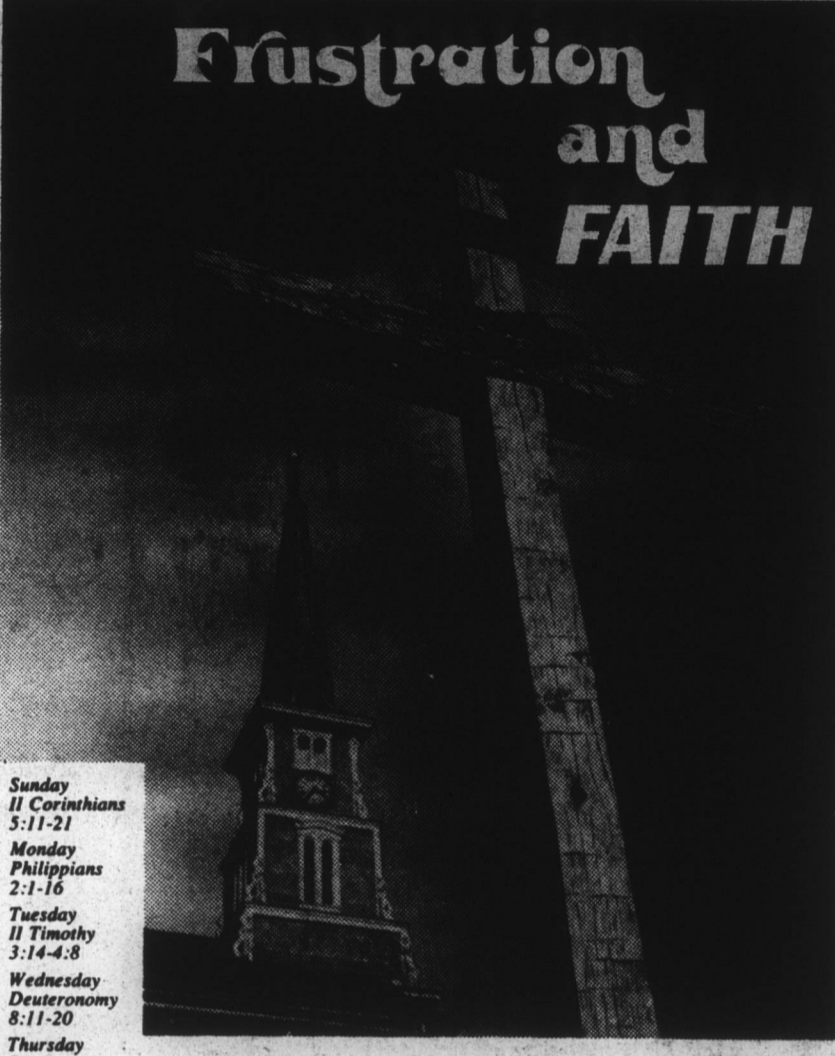
The center also can help counties set up training programs on the recognition and treatment of child abuse cases for professionals, such as doctors, teachers and social workers.

The Maltreatment Syndrome Team, a part of the program, consults on cases referred by county departments of social services.

The resource center provides a link between the various programs, groups and projects that exist in the state, Gahnz explained. A list of contact persons for these programs is available to those interested in beginning their own programs.

"There will always be pressure on parents that will cause them to lose control and possibly abuse a child," Gahnz said, "but I'm optimistic that parenting skills can be improved."

For more information, write to: North Carolina Child Abuse-Neglect Resource Center, UNC-CH School of Medicine, Clinical Sciences Bldg. 229-H, Chapel Hill, N. C. 27514.



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Do you gain any real comfort from that old cliché about dark clouds having silver linings? Who can peel a cloud to find its happy lining? But frustration has been a blessing to many men. It has driven self-centered souls to seek a new fulcrum for life. It has brought men to God... acknowledging human failure... seeking divine strength. And as they have found in the Church comfort and courage they have learned anew the spiritual meaning of defeat and victory. The One that this world crucified is King of kings. Beyond a cross and a crown of thorns our greatest aspirations await us.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THE TOTAL COMMITMENT OF JESUS
International Sunday School Lesson for March 7, 1976
Scripture: Matthew 19:23-30; Matthew 19:1-2; 20:17-28
By Mrs. Jesse Waller

In answering the disciples questions, Jesus speaks to us in the here and now. How important it is that, as we study the scripture, we stop and hear what He has to say to us.

We live in such a competitive atmosphere, and often take the attitude that we must take care of ourselves, for no one else will fulfill our needs. Our "needs" seem to snowball, as our neighbors lawn looks greener, and they buy a boat, new car, or what have you. Commercial advertising has caught on quickly, and picks up the song. If we are not using the right mouthwash or toothpaste, we will never get ahead! This is called pride of life, and in a subtle way, takes our eyes off of the total sacrifice Jesus made for us.

Jesus taught us that we don't live for what we can accumulate, but for the sole purpose of giving ourselves in service to others. When He set His face toward Jerusalem, He told His disciples what He must suffer, in giving His life. They were too blinded by their own positions and worth, to see His sacrifice, and to understand its far reaching benefits to all.

This lesson in Matthew helps us examine our own motives in life, and to look at them in the light of Jesus' complete commitment.

The secret of total giving of self is love. Jesus loved the individuals and crowds who came to Him for help. He realized that the crowd was fickle, and that His popularity was ironic at this point. The people were attracted by His miracles and the things He could do to help them. In spite of his knowledge about them, He loved them, and served them to the end. Even on the cross, He promised paradise with Him, to a thief.

Even on route to Jerusalem, Jesus again tells His disciples of the impending trial and crucifixion. In His patient explanation, for the third time, He used His total physical, emotional and mental agony. This was to be the terrible debt which canceled our sins. He didn't leave His disciples in despair, because He foretold His resurrection on the third day.

The disciples were a closely knit group, and when they heard that the mother of James and John had made the request that one sit on the left of Him, and the other on the right, they were indignant. They had missed the whole meaning of greatness. Jesus' answer was simple. Be a servant, was His simple answer, if you want to be great. See how many you can serve. He didn't mean we have to be a doorman for society, and be walked on, but we must put the welfare of others ahead of our own ambitions. I have known many who understood this principle of Jesus, and have given up high positions and salaries to go and serve where they were most needed.

Prayer: Dear Lord, help us to make the necessary changes in our lives which will make us more useful in your kingdom, Amen.

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Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

Bishop Ken wrote this favorite doxology as a closing stanza in "For Morning, Evening, and Midnight" for his students at Winchester College, England. Ken was a true-hearted Christian who dared to rebuke even the king for his sins. At one time Bishop Ken had the roof removed from his home for "repairs" to prevent the insistent king from housing immoral friends with him. He lived and died a courageous Christian.

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