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THE ONLY GOD: — Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord.—Deuteronomy 6:4.

O God, we praise Thee, and confess That Thou the only Lord And everlasting Father, art By all the earth adored."

TO OBSERVE A DAY FOR CHILD HEALTH

Of all the days set apart for special observance of one thing or another—to most of which little or no attention is given—there is one that comes to us just at this time that is worthy of more consideration, we think, than any other.

The News need not go to great length in stating the importance of Child Health Day, nor in explaining what it means. Any person of even less than ordinary intelligence may know from the statement of purpose that it is a day set apart in order to attempt to so "gather" the public mind that it may be singled out for the great problem. It is a problem—Child Health. How to keep a normal child in the pink of health, and how best to bring to health and strength those who may not be in the condition they should be—this is the greatest problem, perhaps, that faces the world today.

The News is inclined to believe that the problem of Child Health today is more serious than it was a generation ago. Many things have taken place in the past twenty-five years. Those who do much serious thinking will wonder how it is that, in this day of changes in the planes of living, children are getting along as well as they do.

Organized effort on the part of the State Board of Health has given us more Child Health than could possibly have been brought about in any other way. The physicians have rendered patriotic service in sponsoring health laws. Centralized authority in enforcing these laws has been highly beneficial. And it is safe to say that had it not been for the activities of the Health Board—the physicians' department of the State government—there would be far less of Child Health today than we have, so much less, in fact, that we shudder to think of conditions that might exist.

And so, parents: If you have not paid any attention to the call for observance of May 1st as Child Health Day, tie onto it now. It is to your interest—your vital interest—to do so. Let your mind be turned toward those things that foster the health of children—your children and everybody's else.

NO "PEP" IN THE CAMPAIGN

A little three-cornered race for the job of Commissioner of Labor and Printing is furnishing practically all of the entertainment the voters will get out of the State primary campaign this year. If anybody desires "pep," there is only one source left. That is to listen either to the intolenters who denounce Al Smith or to those who will not tolerate denunciation of Smith. Any Democrat who happens to be a candidate this year, even for a minor county office, is expected to declare whether he is "Smith" or "anti-Smith." And that's about all there is to it. If you don't get a kick out of that,

you're out of luck in looking for political stimulus. Max Gardner made his campaign for the Governorship eight years ago, and so that's settled. It seems that nobody except incumbents want any of the other State jobs; or, if they do, they haven't the nerve or the cash to put up a fight for them. The "pep" is all gone, we say, and the whole shebang excites us not at all.

Shucks! What's a political campaign without "pep"? Nothing. The News is "anti" on this business of deciding the biggest question out of court. Let's change it after this campaign and have a bunch of fellows who want to be Governor, so that the "big headlines can range from one end of the State to the other, put the "rousers" to the boys and get things going. We crave excitement!

Down here in our own county of Harnett there arose a little smoke from the camp and chances were good for a war-whoop. John Rob Baggett stirred up something by advocating the taking over of the six months school term by the State. From one end of the State to the other there came messages of "Go to it!" Then here came the whole State Board of Equalization and tried to squelch it. Whether they succeeded or not remains to be seen. The News hopes that Baggett will take his case to court—the General Assembly. But wouldn't it be fine if there were two or three candidates for the Governorship to take up and discuss this important measure before the primary?

Brother Peterson is trying his level best to put some life into the race for Commissioner of Labor and Printing. Readers of his paper, The Chatham Record, are finding plenty of platform upon which he stands for nomination. He doesn't seem to be running for office; simply standing. He says he hasn't the cash to run on. Mr. Grist informed The News that it cost him \$9,000 to get the job. That figure probably sounds big to Brother Peterson—a mere newspaper man. The job pays for the four years \$18,000, and so if half of it is to go for campaign expenses, a fellow must want a job mighty bad to become enthused over it. Brother Peterson says "drat if I know" what it takes to be Commissioner, but declares he is willing to learn. If he learns, he will have become far more accomplished than anyone who has yet held the job. It would be fine indeed if the department could be made to function in the manner that was intended when it was created. Much good would result to the State from the incoming of industry, citizens of worth, and consequent wealth. But the Commission seems to be just a job for somebody. Isn't it so?

The primary is just a month off. Business is quiet and folks have a mighty good chance to enjoy a ho' contest for office by candidates with spunk and sporting blood. But it just isn't so. As we say, there's no "pep." The only hope we have left is for the Republican brethren to wake us up this fall with "Hell-and-Maria" Dawes. He is their likeliest choice if the Democratic bill is "moist."

Personally speaking, Friend Oscar Coffin, professor of Journalism over at the University, says that the editor of The News would have made a good candidate in this campaign—declaring that this writer knows more about the Commissioner's job in the Department of Labor and Printing than the whole bunch of candidates put together. Thanks, Oscar. But there's more real entertainment in our newspaper job in a single week than there is in any State job in a whole term. Besides, Harnett just can't spare us.

SANFORD'S ENTERPRISING MERCHANTS

Enterprising merchants of the brisk little city of Sanford are this week publishing a Spring Survey in The News. It is just another illustration of the big bid for patronage persistently made by Sanford's business people. The News has often called attention to splendid business spirit of the Lee county capital, and as often as we take notice of it we are impressed by the fact that Sanford has the right kind of people to make a town grow into a city. Sanford is fast growing into a city—in fact it is a little city now.

One big reason why Sanford has grown and is growing is that the business people there are enterprising, hustling lot of fellows who have long since learned that advertising pays. Advertising has built Sanford into one of the best small cities in the State. The News doesn't hesitate to state its belief that before many years Sanford will be one of the State's chief cities. New industries and new business that has come and is coming almost continually to Sanford has been made possible by men who have the good hard sense required to stake their chances for bigger, better business on the printed page. They want patronage, they realize they must have it, and they go after it in a businesslike way. What else can be expected than that the town will grow?

If leaves are supposed to be full grown by May 10, the vegetable kingdom has a big job ahead. But keep your eye on old Mother Nature! She doesn't fall down on the job.

AUNT "HET" KNOWS A THING OR TWO

Robert Quillen, writer of the "Aunt Het" features appearing in the daily papers, Tuesday morning said: "One of Amy's girls married a newspaper man, and the feller that's courtin' the other one ain't got no money either."

Mr. Quillen published a little paper at Fountain Inn, South Carolina, a town that compares favorably with the paper Quillen published. Both were quite small. (The editor offered to give his paper to anyone who would agree to take it and treat it just as kindly as he had done. Finally his offer was taken up.)

The reason for Quillen's offer was what "Aunt Het" says. It is to be hoped that his features and magazine writings are changing the status quo, so that "Aunt Het" will not have cause to regret her choice.

LET THEM WRITE—IF THEY CAN.

(From the Winston-Salem Journal.) The California Prison Board has called a halt on all writing by prisoners for publication on the grounds that the board is "running prisons and not literary bureaus." The board's action has caused some comment among the literati of Los Angeles.

The discussion strikes a responsive chord in North Carolina which claims as its greatest romancer a man who once wrote from a prison cell. Our own Sidney Porter or O. Henry is a shining example of the potentialities of prison literature.

Eugene Biscailus, under-sheriff of Los Angeles county, is emphatic in his opinion that the board is right in curbing the literary activities of

the men in cells. "After all," he said, "our penitentiaries are penitentiaries. Criminals are sent there to pay their debts to society. They are no longer citizens."

But against his stand is that of Jim Tully, hobo-novelist of note, who said:

"The prison board's ruling as I interpret it, is one of the most drastic imposed on a semi-civilized community. One would have to return to the dark ages to find anything to compare with it.

"I can see justice of imprisoning a man for his transgressions for the protection of society, but no one has the right to 'imprison his soul.'"

With the modern tendency in prison reform which would fit men to take their place in society after they have "done time," it would seem that the California attitude is somewhat retrogressive. Within certain bounds literary endeavors seem a safe and sane enough outlet for man's mental processes.

Defoe and Bunyan wrote their masterpieces while languishing in English jails. Oscar Wilde wrote "Ballad of Reading Gaol," a poem of prison experience, and "De Profundis" while a prisoner.

Sir Walter Raleigh wrote a complete history of the world in prison and Francois Villon, the immortal "vagabond poet," wrote most of his great poems in prison. Another illustrious example of prison literature is "Star Spangled Banner" by Francis Scott Key.

So far, North Carolina prison: have not been overrun with literary genius. Otta Wood is the latest penitentiary inmate to make his bid for fame by his biography. We hardly think that the volume of writing of this kind will be great enough to keep the jailers awake

nights planning ways and means to curb it. Let them write—if they can.

POWER DEVELOPMENT

North Carolina ranks fourth in developed water power in the United States. State Department of Conservation and Development figures reveal.

Water power in actual operation December 31, 1927, amounted to 609,822 horsepower. This does not include the Santeetah plant of the

APPLICATION FOR PARDON OF EARLY GILBERT

Application will be made to the Commissioner of Pardons and the Governor of North Carolina for the pardon of Early Gilbert, convicted at the January Term of the Superior Court of Harnett County for the crime of assault and sentenced to County roads for a term of 12 months.

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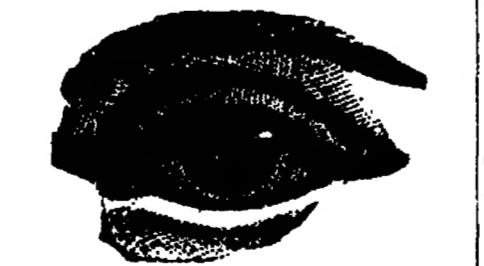
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