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**EDITORIAL**

**LOOKING AHEAD TO 1936**

All the signs point to the likelihood that the New Year just beginning will be one of the most exciting years we have had for a long time.

In this country the big fact is that this is a Presidential election year, and all the indications are that the campaign, which will begin around the Fourth of July and run to November 9, will be the most exciting political episode in our national history since Bryan ran against McKinley in 1936, just forty years ago.

Abroad it seems quite probable that there will be a major war, involving big European nations, before very long. Again, nobody can say with certainty that this war will break out in 1936, but there surely will be enough war talk to keep the whole world in a state of jitters.

Watch for big developments in the scientific and technical fields in 1936. The year just ended saw the establishment of the first air mail and passenger service across the Pacific Ocean. It seems to be on the cards that before 1936 is over we shall see the beginning, at least, of a similar Trans-Atlantic service.

It would take a brave man to promise that television will be perfected before the year 1936 ends. But it is certain that long strides will be made toward the goal of bringing the world's great events, as they occur, before the eyes of millions of people sitting comfortably in their own homes.

No one can be quite certain that we have yet achieved the stable recovery for which we have been looking but we are certainly on the way. Doubtless there will be set-backs, but there is nothing now to suggest that our general economic situation will be worse when 1937 rolls around, and many signs to indicate that it will be better.

The most important thing that will happen in 1936, is what has been happening every year for the past 1935 years. That is the steady growth of the spirit of human brotherhood and goodwill, of justice and righteousness in human relations. For nothing is more certainly true than in such matters the world has been getting better every year.

It will keep on getting better in 1936.

**TRAINING PUBLIC OFFICIALS**

What may rightly be called one of the most important pieces of news that has been published in a long time, is the recent announcement that a New York manufacturer and philanthropist, Lucius W. Littauer, has given \$2,000,000 to Harvard University to endow a School of Public Administration.

The weakest spot in our whole political system is the lack of trained administrators. It is an old American saying that "anybody can run a hotel." Everybody knows that isn't true, but we intrust the management of our public affairs—and our tax money—to men whose only qualification is that they have been faithful workers for the party in power.

How far that system can be changed in a society as completely political as that of the United States is somewhat doubtful. But if the new School of Public Administration does nothing more than focus public attention on the fact that special training is desirable for those who are to manage our complex administrative systems of government, it will have done something.

**Timely Farm Questions**

Answered at State College

Question: What is the best method for curing meat?

Answer: There are two principal methods advocated in North Carolina—the brine cure and the dry salt cure, either of which is satisfactory. Common salt is the basis of all meat curing and in either method is the predominant factor. In both cures sugar is sometimes used to give the meat a better flavor and to counteract the action of the salt by keeping the muscles soft, where salt alone makes them hard. Formulas for both the brine cure and the dry salt cure are given in Extension Folder 34 on "Killing and Curing Meat on the Farm." Copies of this folder may be had free upon application to the Agricultural Editor at State College.

Question: What proportion of birds should I give my tenant

who is raising poultry for me on shares?

Answer: Where all the baby chicks, equipment, and feed are furnished the tenant should receive about one-seventh of the birds or an equal amount of the sale price. From 14 to 18 percent of the sales is a good range for labor payment. To make any profit from this arrangement, only good healthy chicks should be furnished the tenant. Good brooder houses should also be provided as well as a properly balanced ration. The tenant should have a good knowledge of feeding and care of growing chicks together with some knowledge of poultry diseases.

"Some congregations are too softhearted to fire a preacher," declares Jerry Allen, "so they just cut his salary and starve him out."

A local branch of the Farmers' Federation has been established in Macon County with a membership of 350 urban and rural members.

**Hauptmann Nerves Failing**



Hauptmann

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 31.—The iron nerves of Bruno Richard Hauptmann are cracking at last, authorities at the New Jersey State prison believed today.

After watching Hauptmann's reaction to the execution of one of his fellow death house inmates, Romaine Johnson, thirty-four-year-old negro, last night, the prison officials declared it was not unreasonable to hope the stolid Bronx carpenter would make a complete confession of his part in the Lindbergh baby kidnaping and murder before his scheduled walk to the death chair himself the week of January 13.

**Has Case of "Nerves"**

The first word that Hauptmann's amazing fortitude had be-

gun to desert him came from Col. Mark O. Kimberling, warden of the prison. He said:

"Hauptmann displayed a bad case of 'nerves' while the death warrant was being read to Johnson, and for an hour before and more than two hours after Johnson's execution he lay huddled beneath the blanket of his cot."

**Food Untouched**

All day yesterday Hauptmann left his food standing untouched. Only when two of his attorneys, C. Lloyd Fisher and Frederick Pope, visited him and told him they believed his chances before the Court of Pardons were "better than even" did the prisoner appear to become cheered.

**RENEW**

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**TODAY**

**LEAP YEAR**

by A. B. Chapin



G'WAN, SON, JUMP!  
BEAT IT  
IF YOU CAN—!

Miss Roxanna Williams of Cumberland County will start 250 acres of pines under management as the result of a thinning demonstration given in the county by the Extension Forester.

**Doubtful**

Absent-Minded Professor: Waiter, haf an hour ago I ordered some lamb chops. Have you forgotten them, or have I had them?

The only thing tougher than putting a ten-dollar license on a five-dollar car is wasting a twenty-five dollar beauty treatment on a thirty cent face.

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