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Taking A Chance
 Have you ever stopped to think of how many chances you have of ending your sojourn in this terrestrial clime? Under the caption of "Death Lies In Wait," the Winston-Salem Journal editor commented as follows Tuesday morning:

Ways in which one can meet with accidental death today are almost too numerous for the counting. A crack train ploughs off a trestle into a hotel in Charlotte and two persons die. A Winston-Salem negro gets caught on a trestle, sees and hears an approaching train and jumps off to avoid being struck. He dies from his injuries.

A man attempts to cross a street in front of a speeding car. The undertaker gets the body. A boy gets a rusty nail stuck in his foot, gangrene sets in and there are funeral services. Many of the ways of accidental death are prosaic enough. There is little color or glamour about them. The victims pass out without a chance for the heroic word or deed. But their sacrifice is just as great as that of one who dies in battle.

Death is waiting for the young man and woman just as eagerly as it waits to snare the faltering of age. The infant in the cradle (though there be few cradles now), the boy and girl on playground or in school room, are seized upon with avidity.

Thus the problem of safety ever grows more complex. Modern life is a continuous series of attempts in the avoidance of danger and the fatal accident, or the disease that consumes and kills. It is a period in which right living, quick thinking and correct thinking and acting are imperative.

Every time you enter your automobile, cross the street, or do almost any kind of work you are taking a chance with your life. The chances of accident, disease or calamity can be greatly lessened by being careful.

Public Debts

How much money can the United States Government owe before its credit becomes impaired and it can't borrow any more?

We don't pretend to know the answer, but the latest estimates we have seen from Washington place the figure a great deal higher than used to be thought possible.

At the beginning of the depression the national debt was about 16 billion dollars. That was about 10 billion dollars less than the peak of war-time; we had paid off more than a third of the national debt in ten years.

At the end of 1934 the national debt was about 28 1-2 billions, or 2 1-2 billions above its previous highest level. At the present rate of borrowing the debt is increasing at the rate of about 4 billions a year.

A year ago we were told from Washington that the nation could stand a debt of 35 billions and not be harmed. Now from the same sources we are told that a Federal debt of 50 billions would not be unbearable or result in harsh taxation to pay the interest. At the present rates of interest on Government loans, it would take about 1 1-2 billions a year to pay the interest on 50 billions, and the tendency of interest rates is downward.

If we add to the possible 50 billion of Federal debt the 20 billions of state and municipal debts, the burden upon the entire people of the total load of 70 billions would be about \$560 for every man, woman and child. The present per capita Federal debt is about \$225. In Great Britain the national debt burden is about \$973 a head; that of France is \$470, while Germany, which repudiated and liquidated most of its debts by inflation, carries a debt load of only \$94 a head.

How large a debt a nation can carry depends upon how confident its people are that they can pay the interest. It also depends upon how soon the bonds fall due. England has some bonds which run for 99 years, requiring only a trifling percentage annually for sinking fund purposes. There are some railroad bonds outstanding in this country which run for more than 100 years. We commend the idea of very long maturities for future Federal borrowings.

History In The Making

This is indeed a busy age and a very busy season of the year, due in part to the fact that the national congress and the general assembly are in session.

It is a very busy time for your newspaper. There are so many things going on outside of your community and county that you wish to know the truth about and you naturally will depend on us to furnish you a reliable account, especially if you are not a reader of a daily newspaper.

Things are going to be done in Washington within the next three months that will affect, in some way, every individual. Some of these things in the making are the soldiers' bonus, old age pensions, insurance against being jobless, modification or change of the NRA, probable change to a 30-hour week for industry, discussion of a national sales tax, enlargement of the Civilian Conservation Camps, new policy in administering relief, and many others.

As our duty to you we will try to keep you informed about the progress of these movements as well as to let you know what is happening in your own county.

In North Carolina the general assembly is facing such problems as the sales tax, licensing of automobile drivers, increased appropriation for schools, diversion of highway funds, requests for changes in the liquor laws and hundreds of measures that you will be interested in.

In keeping with our promise about national affairs it will be our aim to let you know how the proposals progress and what is actually written into law.

In reading a newspaper it is well to consider the words and their meaning instead of making yourself believe that the words mean what you want them to. Very often we have listened to conversations in which people stated that they had read certain things in the newspaper, stating that the paper said that each person over a certain age would be given so much money, when all the time we knew that the paper stated that such a measure had been proposed. To get the most out of your newspaper read it for what it really says and not what you would like for it to say.

Sunday School Lesson
 By REV. CHARLES E. DUNN

PETER'S LESSON IN HUMBLE SERVICE
 Lesson for January 20th. John 13: 1-17.
 Golden Text: 1 Peter 5:5.

This beautiful story of the washing of the disciples' feet is one of the high points in the gospel narrative. It illustrates first of all the lowliness of service. Jesus here performed the work of a slave. He placed Himself in what many consider an ignoble, ignominious position. And He did so at a time when the disciples were by no means in a responsive mood. In fact they were jealously quarreling over the question of precedence. How vain and childish they were! Surely they needed this lesson in humility from Him who thereby obeyed His own immortal charge. "Whoever will be great among you, let him be your minister."

Then, too, this incident makes clear the brotherhood of service. There were occasions when the Master allowed His disciples to serve Him. He permitted them to manage the boat while He fell asleep in its stern; He allowed them to distribute food to the hungry multitude; and He planned His triumphal entry and the Last Supper.

Now He might have assumed the attitude of a lord to his vassal, or a rich man to his vassal. But He did nothing of the kind. Not only was He willing that the disciples should serve Him, but He was ever eager to serve them.

Again, this touching event sets in a clear light the dignity of service. Peter was shocked. "I will never let you wash my feet!" he declared, indignant over what he considered a descent from that lofty place of honor the Master rightfully occupied. Had He not approved Peter's confession that He was the Messiah? Why then perform so menial a task? But Jesus rebuked Peter. "You will have no share with me," He said, "unless I wash you." In a sense what He did was drudgery. But the Master was a servant who "makes drudgery divine," as the poet Herbert puts it.

If it could be arranged that the pay of the war-gun manufacturer would be the same as that of the fellow who goes to war to shoot the gun, that might help, too.—Macon Telegraph.

Adolf Hitler, we read, says there have been times when starvation was staring him in the face. It couldn't have been very pleasant for either of them.—Everybody's Weekly (London).

England is considering a law forbidding the use of motor-car horns altogether. Such a law in America would deprive a lot of motorists of their entire driving equipment.—Kansas City Star.

Belk's January Sale Announced

Clearance Event to Begin Friday Morning at 8:30; Big Trade Expected

Belk's Department Store's January clearance sale, an event that starts tomorrow (Friday) morning at 8:30.

The manager of the local Belk's store extends a cordial invitation to everybody to visit the store, especially during this clearance event, and to avail themselves of the values offered.

The store enjoyed the biggest year in its history in 1934 and is anticipating good trade throughout the ensuing year. For this reason the clearance sale is being put on in order to make room for the new merchandise to arrive shortly.

Although the pre-holiday trade at Belk's was very heavy a tremendous stock of seasonal merchandise remained to be disposed of during the clearance event and prices have been marked down to insure quick sale. In a two-page advertisement today some of the items are listed. The reader's attention is called to pages four and five for more information regarding the sales event.

Say Man Was Killed
 Wilson, Jan. 15.—The body of Hanley Jones, Wilson county farmer who lived at Sims, about eight miles from here, early yesterday was discovered in a swamp about a mile from Lamm's Cross Roads near the smoldering ruins of his automobile. Local officers made an investigation, developments of which have already led them to believe, they state, that a murder occurred and that the perpetrators concocted the "accident" to cover up their misdeed.

Probe War Department
 Washington, Jan. 15.—A renewed investigation of the war department, described as designed to "keep a check on vicious and improper practices," was proposed jointly today by the chairman and by a leading Democratic member of the house military affairs committee.

BENG NEWS

We have been having some real nice weather on the Blue Ridge for the time of year. There is a lot of flu in the community.

Mr. M. F. Watson, of the U. S. Army, stationed at Minneapolis, Minn., is spending some time with his father, Mr. F. M. Watson, and other relatives of Beng.

Mr. F. M. Watson and son M. F., spent Thursday night with the former's brother, Mr. W. S. Watson, and family.

Mr. W. S. Beasbears and Mr. W. C. Walsh, of Walsh, were welcome guests of Mr. F. M. Watson, Sunday.

Mr. Stokes V. Phillips, of the U. S. Army, stationed at Fort Monroe, Va., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Florence Phillips and other relatives of Beng and adjoining communities.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson, of Winston-Salem, spent Saturday night with the former's father, Mr. F. M. Watson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Greer and children spent a short while Sunday p. m. with Mr. Greer's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Greer.

Mr. Edgar Watson and sister, Miss Ina Pearl, of Summit, spent Saturday night with their grandmother, Mrs. Florence Phillips.

Mr. Taft Phillips spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Nichols.

Mrs. Joe Spear, of Obids, was in Beng shopping Saturday.

Miss Clyde Owens, of Warrentonville, spent the week-end at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Owens.

JOHNSON IS PRAISED BY S. CLAY WILLIAMS

Winston-Salem, Jan. 14.—S. Clay Williams, chairman of the national industrial recovery board, paid tribute to his predecessor, General Hugh S. Johnson, in a speech here tonight, declaring also that the NRA needs more time for experiment.

"General Johnson, working under conditions that prevailed when he was working, accomplished a task nothing short of miraculous," Williams told the Winston-Salem chamber of commerce.

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