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The Why Of Relief

The facts shown by a checkup of WPA labor reveals a few facts of interest, one being that the workmen are only 80 per cent regular on their jobs.

Is it any wonder that they do not have jobs in private industry?

Could you or any of us hope to hold a job at a living wage if we missed an average of one day out of five on the job? Two or three weeks would be as long as we could expect to annoy an employer with such irregularity.

Is this the type of people that industry is being asked to absorb at a minimum wage of 40 cents per hour?

Never will relief expenditures reach a decent level until men of that type learn that they must earn a living and that they must produce satisfactorily for their employer, whether he be Uncle Sam or some individual or corporation.

It is gratifying to know that area WPA officials are going after the most irregular type with a mandate to work or get off the lists. It was learned that some few of the less worthy relief clients only work one or two days in each day period in order not to be cut off.

Any criticism in this article of course is not directed to the sick or disabled, or to those who have good cause for not being regular at work. The government is offering people a chance to earn the necessities of life at work on WPA projects, and the jobless should appreciate the opportunity and do their best. Instead, they lay out of work one-fifth at the time.

Landon and Hoover

Regardless of the top heavy majority for the present national administration in the last election and the seemingly preponderant approval of its policies up to that time, there are many people in the majority party who are loyal to it who would like to see more militant opposition and competition from the Republicans.

It is because they believe in a two-party government and in a strong minority party to act as check upon what threatens to become an unwieldy majority.

Republicans and the less partisan in the majority party no doubt were pleased at the announcement by Landon that he would not be a candidate for the presidency in 1940. They were pleased not so much because they would not like to see Landon run, because he is a man that has commanded respect.

What seems to have pleased many is the fact that the announcement by Landon has all the ear-marks of an invitation for Former President Hoover to make a similar statement, and pave the way for rejuvenation of the G. O. P. by those who had little or no part in its management in the dark days of the depression. Although many are still loyal to the party and would vote again for Hoover if he were a candidate, they realize that his name has been publicized too many times in connection with the depression and that his chances of election would be indeed slim.

Unsightly Trash

We have always contended that cleanliness, neatness and good appearance are worth much in dollars and cents and much more in satisfaction.

While conditions which make impressions upon visitors have improved lately, there are some glaring faults that naturally catch one's eye. One is the apparent reluctance on the part of contractors and others engaged in building to clean up accumulating rubbish.

Cement bags, excavation dirt, scraps of lumber, bricks, etc., are too often scattered over too big a territory. It

would take very little time and practically no expense to have the trash cleaned up as it accumulates.

Bad impressions upon visitors often prove costly in many ways. It is hard to realize how important little things are, but we should know that great decisions often hinge upon the seemingly unimportant.

Borrowed Comment

WHAT OF THE CHILDREN?

It was enough to make Judge William F. Harding sit up and take notice when he found one of the customers of our Guilford Superior court testifying that he and his wife were able to save \$4 out of their combined weekly wage of \$11 despite the fact that they had four children. The jurist's commendation of such thriftiness, "You keep that up and some day you'll be well off," was well timed to say the least.

But there are a number of inquiries which the court did not make but which in the interest of fairness to heads of families who find it hard sledding to make ends meet on much more than that, ought to be put.

Not a word, so far as reported, was said in the courtroom of what is happening to those four children. Do any of them go to school and if so are they comfortably clothed and fed? What was being done for their pleasure, happiness and growth while the father was out engaging on his comfortable margin in a little intoxicated driving for which he was convicted in Judge Harding's court? Well and good is what the court said about the defendant's frugality. What says society of the opportunities he or it is giving his children.—Greensboro Daily News.

ECONOMIC LAW CONFLICT

Homer Martin, president of the United Automobile Workers' Union, advises all the members of his organization to refuse to buy meat. He tells them this will bring meat prices down. Edward A. O'Neil, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, wires asking Martin, "Is this an invitation for American farmers to take similar action against products produced by CIO union labor?"

After a while the truth may dawn on organizers that striking to put wages—and therefore prices—up and striking to bring prices down, heads toward an economic breakdown in which nobody would quit eating. That would be inconvenient.

The organization responsible for boosting production costs in one industry must not complain if prices rise in the markets for products of many industries. They all are tied together by economic laws.—Detroit News.

DO IT NOW

If Congress will follow the President's suggestions for a better Housing Act we should undoubtedly see a steady increase of building throughout the country.

Reducing the banker's interest and very materially altering the insurance premium brings the true rate on a house worth \$6,000 or under down to 5-1-4 per cent, which is a great improvement, also reducing the down payment to 10 per cent instead of 20, makes a big difference.

But the resistance to the purchase of new houses has been so serious in recent years that we cannot expect a sudden rush of buyers.

Much more important is the opening up of FHA operations to large rental projects. For the sad fact remains that the American people would rather rent than buy. With the drop in the price of materials which is already taking place, and the lowering of labor cost to be expected if larger operations can provide more continuous work, there is no reason why the rental part of the program should not bear immediate fruit.

The talk of a 16-billion-dollar program is to distort the President's words. The Government is not going to spend a dollar. Therefore the amount that will be spent depends on willingness to buy and willingness to rent on the part of the public, and is therefore entirely problematical.

Only one thing is certain. The sooner Congress passes the bill the sooner the buying and the renting will begin. It is up to Congress to act.—Washington Herald.

CHALLENGE TO HOOVER IS SEEN IN LANDON'S DENIAL OF CANDIDACY

Washington, Dec. 10.—Alf M. Landon emphatically removed himself from the 1940 presidential contest today with a statement which knowing observers quickly interpreted as challenging Herbert Hoover to do the same thing.

For months, Landon and Hoover have been engaged in polite but none the less strenuous sparring about Republican policy, while some other Republicans have clamored for a re-examination of party philosophy and new blood in the leadership.

It was inevitable that Washington should bear these facts in mind in reading Landon's statement, particularly an assertion that:

"A man who is in the position of being suspected of being either an active or receptive candidate cannot render the service either to his party or to his country that I conceive to be my patriotic duty and responsibility in the critical situation confronting us."

Landon's renunciation of 1940 White House ambitions was made known at a joyful reunion with Washington correspondents assigned to his campaign for the presidency last year. Each had been personally invited by letter several days in advance.

27,642 NEEDEY PEOPLE GET SECURITY FUNDS

Raleigh, Dec. 10.—The board of charities and public welfare reported today that 27,642 needy aged persons and dependent children received \$218,391.23 during November under the social security program in North Carolina.

The 18,045 needy aged received an average of \$9.18 each, a total of \$165,763.35, and the 9,597 children got \$52,627.88, an average of \$5.48 each.

The November total aided increased more than 4,500 over 23,075 listed in October when \$173,108.01 was paid out with an average of \$9.12 each being paid needy aged and \$5.16 each for dependent children.

About 100 species of mammals now living probably will become extinct within 100 years.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

North Carolina, Wilkes County. Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed on the 12 day of October 1936, by and between C. M. Petty and wife, Mae Petty to the undersigned Trustee, and Deed of Trust being to secure the payment of a certain note, which is past due and unpaid the undersigned Trustee will offer for sale, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash on the 23 day of December at 12 o'clock M. at the courthouse door in Wilkesboro, North Carolina, the following described land to wit:

Lying and being in Edwards township Wilkes county, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning on a stake in Backcreek on the line of J. T. Edwards, and with same North 78 degrees and 30 seconds east to a poplar near a small branch of Backcreek 18 poles to a red oak, thence North 78 degrees and 30 seconds west to Backcreek creek, thence up said creek with its meanders to the point of beginning containing 100 acres, more or less, being the tract on the North corner of Obadiah Sprinkle and wife to David Edwards as per deed on record in the office of register of Deeds of Wilkes county. For further reference see Book 173 at page 265 in the register of Deeds office in Wilkesboro, N. C.

This 22 day of Nov., 1937.

J. F. JORDAN, Trustee.

12-13-4t-(M)

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

CA-2357 - PIPERIS Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by James Piperis and wife, Magdaline Piperis, to Carolina Mortgage Company, trustee, dated 1st day of November, 1926, and recorded in book 146, page 46, Registry of Wilkes county, North Carolina, the undersigned as the duly appointed substituted trustee (see book 171, page 102, of said Registry), will offer for sale at public auction at the Courthouse door in said county, in the City of Wilkesboro, N. C., at 12 o'clock, Noon, on Tuesday, the 4th day of January, 1938, and will sell to the highest bidder for cash the property described in said deed of trust as follows:

Certain lot or parcel of land in or near the Town of North Wilkesboro in North Wilkesboro Township, County of Wilkes and more particularly described as follows:

First Lot: Beginning at a stake on the northeast side of Kensington Avenue in the line of Lot No. 8 and running east 126 feet to an

iron stake at Kensington Drive; thence north with Kensington Drive 75 feet to an iron stake, Mabel Clair Stemple's corner; thence west with the line of Lot No. 10, 100 feet 8 inches to an iron stake at Kensington Avenue; thence with said Avenue 50 feet to the point of beginning, being Lot No. 9 on plat recorded in book 106, page 576.

Lot No. 2.—Adjusting the lots owned by the Crasfield estate, W. F. Trogon, and others, on Kensington Heights, being Lots Nos. 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33, on Kensington Drive as shown on the map of Kensington Heights, a subdivision east of Gordon Avenue in the town of North Wilkesboro, N. C., and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of Lot No. 27 on the northeast side of Kensington Drive and runs thence eastwardly with the northern line of Lot No. 27, 60 feet to a point; thence northwardly 150 feet to the southeast corner of Lot No. 34; thence westwardly with the southern line of Lot No. 34, 123.4 feet to a point on Kensington Drive; thence southwardly with said Drive 163.6 feet to the beginning. For further reference see plat of Kensington Heights, recorded in book 106, page 576.

First lot being the same land conveyed to James Piperis and wife, Magdaline Piperis, by deed from L. G. Caldwell and wife, dated September 19, 1923, and recorded in book 33, page 375 in the office of the Register of Deeds for Wilkes county, March 11, 1924.

Second lot being the same land conveyed to James Piperis and wife, Magdaline Piperis, by deed from the State Company, dated January 21, 1925, recorded in book 140, page 277, in the office of Register of Deeds for Wilkes county, N. C., January 20, 1925.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding and unpaid taxes and other assessments, if any.

This sale is to be made on account of default in the payment of the indebtedness secured by the aforesaid deed of trust, and is made pursuant to demand upon the undersigned by the holder of said indebtedness.

This November 30, 1937.

KESWICK CORPORATION, 12-27-4t (M) Substituted Trustee

Ads get attention—and results

The Tullie was the first National Flower. Scotland adopted it during the reign of King James II.

NOTICE OF SEIZURE OF AUTOMOBILE

Office of the Sheriff of Wilkes County.

North Carolina, Wilkes County. Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of October, 1937, a Buick four door sedan motor No. 1792267, make 1936, with accessories was seized on North Carolina State Highway No. 115, in Wilkes county, North Carolina, for violation of the state liquor laws. Any person claiming any interest in said property must appear at the office of the Sheriff of Wilkes county, Wilkesboro, North Carolina, and file their claim on or before the 6th day of January, 1938, otherwise the property will be disposed of according to law.

This December 6, 1937.

C. T. DOUGHTON, 12-20-3t(M) Sheriff Wilkes county

ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE

North Carolina, Wilkes County. Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of George A. White, late of Wilkes county, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to file them with the undersigned in Wilkesboro, N. C., on or before the 29th day of November, 1938, or this notice will be plead in bar of their right to recover. All persons indebted to said estate will make immediate settlement.

This November 29, 1937.

MRS. NELLIE WHITE HULL, Admrx. Estate George A. White, deceased.

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