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Money Not Wasted

With all the fun poked at WPA workers and in spite of all the jokes about shovel handles, etc., the people of rural Wilkes county feel that WPA money as spent on secondary roads has not been wasted. Without it, many secondary roads would still be channels of mud and now impassable.

WPA road work was about the same as nothing before the state highway commission took a hand a few years ago and began to act as sponsor, furnishing equipment and supervision for placing crushed stone on roads. Before that time, all that the WPA men were able to do was grading work in red clay, stirring up more dirt which the rains made into mud.

But the WPA and the highway forces working cooperatively have accomplished something worthwhile. Many hundreds of miles of secondary roads in northwestern North Carolina have been crushed stone surfaced. This has enabled the school buses to operate, has made it possible for the mail man to pass your home approximately the same time each day, it has enabled the doctor to reach your home, it has made it possible for you to get to town and to market when the weather was not fair.

And in spite of the fact that the WPA workers have not won any workers' marathons or championships in speed or endurance, we know that WPA money as spent on secondary roads in this section has accomplished much, and much credit is due the state highway commission for the manner in which it has handled the work.

We believe that as long as it is necessary to continue work relief that work should continue on the roads until it is possible for all rural residents to be in reach of a road which they can travel to a hard surfaced road in any kind of weather. In view of the fact that the people who live on the dirt roads pay their gasoline and license taxes along with those who are fortunate enough to be located on the side of a hard surfaced thoroughfare, the state of North Carolina would be acting morally wrong in using their tax money for other purposes until their road needs are filled.

Got To Spare Jobs

The man who invests his money in business and thus provides jobs for additional workmen is to be commended. He has good qualities of citizenship which should be rewarded with an opportunity to realize a profit in keeping with his risk.

But there are some scattered few people throughout the country who are determined to accumulate money and are more solidly determined not to spend or invest funds. They are enemies of progress.

They deny themselves the simple comforts and conveniences which a liberal wage earner would not hesitate to provide for himself. They put their money into government bonds and other securities which are tax free or almost tax free.

It is a blessed privilege to be able to make money provided that money continues in use creating more jobs and more business, which should reward the investor with more profits. Any man who will risk his funds in business which will provide jobs should be respected. And his rights to realize a fair profit in keeping with the size of his investment and the risk taken should not be tampered with.

Because, he is not only working for himself, but his investment and risk mean prosperity for his brothers of the race.

Those whose sense of patriotism includes appreciation for the glorious opportunities of democracy will work for the preservation of the ideals and principles of self-rule by providing an opportunity for other people through business expansion and reasonable risk.

Need Street Markers

Often it is very vividly brought to our attention that street markers are sorely needed in North Wilkesboro.

All our streets have names, and the houses have numbers, but when there are no street markers it is very difficult for a person not acquainted with the city to find any certain place.

For the consideration of the people who visit our fair city and in view of the fact that we continually try to attract more visitors of the better type for return visits, the city should erect street markers. Surely the cost would not be excessive.

Marking the streets at each corner would be a convenience to local residents, who are often inconvenienced and embarrassed when trying to direct someone to any place in the city outside of the business district.

What \$2 A Day Means

It is interesting to observe that Dr. Isador Lubin, Commissioner of Labor Statistics, in his statement concerning the monopoly inquiry at Washington, called attention to the 5,200,000 families in the United States, who in 1935-36 had incomes of less than \$1,250 a year.

Next, asked the Commissioner, what could these families buy if their income could be raised an average of \$2 a day, or about \$600 a year? His answer arouses the interest of business men:

With such an increase in income these 5,200,000 families could spend, every year, an additional \$800,000,000 for food, \$416,000,000 for clothing, \$613,000,000 for housing, \$213,000,000 for fuel, light and refrigeration, \$224,000,000 for house furnishings, \$385,000,000 for transportation, \$73,000,000 for personal care, \$254,000,000 for recreation and \$208,000,000 for medical care.

The stock objection to such an increase is that there would be corresponding increase in costs and that family buying power would remain constant, or nearly so. To answer this comes the objective of industry to produce more goods at lower prices while paying higher wages.

The truth of the matter is that the fear is possible, but just how, nobody seems to have the necessary information upon which to proceed.

Correct this sentence: "As a matter of principle, I will not accept a discount".

Sunday School Lesson
 By REV. CHARLES E. DUNN

Peter Heals a Lame Man
 Lesson For This Week: Acts 3:1-10
 Golden Text: Acts 3:6

The Golden Text, "I have no silver or gold, but I will give you what I do have", is an accurate symbol of Abraham Lincoln's contribution to Americanism. Born and reared in poverty, with very meagre schooling, slow to develop, with a marked strain of distrust and melancholy, he yet won his way to the Presidency and a martyr's undying fame by dint of sheer force of character.

The life of Lincoln is the best illustration in American history of the stimulus of an unfavorable environment. When Dennis Hanks held in his arms the future President shortly after he was born, the baby screwed up its face and began to howl.

Turning to Betsy Sparrows, Dennis handed her the unhappy infant, saying, "Aunt, take him! He'll never come to much." The early years of Lincoln, years of hardship, frustration, and only moderate success, give point to this early prophecy.

But at long last, when most men have passed their prime, Lincoln, in the full maturity of those powers forged on the anvil of many heartburnings and reverses, became God's man of the hour. What a patient, skilful pilot he was!

Much might be said of his honesty, his conscientiousness, his courage, and his sense of fun. But we love him best of all for his humanity. Tolstoy called him a "Christ in miniature". There was a gentleness in him as is shown in his compassion for court-martialed soldiers.

He "did not believe it would make a man any better to shoot him". And there was a magnanimity toward his Cabinet, his generals, and the South which reminds us of the great text, "A bruised reed will he not break".

One biographer calls him "the finest product and the noblest prophet of democracy". And Lincoln, we may be sure, had the root of religion in him. As President Wilson testified, "This strange child of the cabin kept company with invisible forces".

Dennyville News
 Items of Interest

DENNYVILLE, Feb. 8.—Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tomlin, of Harmony, are happy to announce the birth of a son, Robert Nell.

Miss Nellie Welborn, a student nurse at the Davis Hospital at Statesville, spent a few hours with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Welborn, of Cycle, last Sunday.

Miss Hester Mae Welborn, of Greensboro, was the week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Welborn, of Cycle.

The friends of Miss Lura Elledge regret to learn of her illness. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Laman Brown, of Ronda route 1, spent last Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Welborn, at Cycle.

Mr. Duke Welborn, of High Point, underwent a very serious operation for appendicitis last Wednesday. He is now resting very well.

Mr. and Mrs. Talmage Mastin and little Michael, spent last Wednesday with his father and mother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Billie Mastin, a few miles east of town.

Mrs. Della Chambers and Mrs. Letcher Redding, of Ronda route 1, spent last Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ivin Wagoner, of Cycle.

Mr. Ed Redding was a bedtime visitor with Mr. John E. Byrd last Tuesday night.

Mrs. Percy Chambers, of Ronda, spent last Thursday evening with Mrs. Nancy Younger.

Mr. Donnie Johnson called in to see Mr. John E. Byrd last Thursday evening.

Miss Lola Walker, of Ronda route 1, spent last Thursday night with Miss Fay Adams, of Ronda Route 1.

Miss Francis Gray, of Cycle, spent last Thursday night with Miss Pauline Hemrie, of Ronda route 1.

Mr. Percy Chambers and son, Ralph, of Ronda route 1, made a business trip to Wilkesboro last Saturday.

Mr. R. P. Walker, of Ronda route 1, made a business trip to Wilkesboro last Saturday.

Mr. John E. Byrd spent a short time with Rev. M. Walker and daughter, Mrs. Percy Chambers, last Saturday.

Mr. C. L. Byrd, of High Point, and his father-in-law, Mr. Johnnie Vannoy, and son, of Brooks Cross Roads, came up to see C. T. Byrd's father, John E. Byrd, Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Tucker and children were the guests of Mrs. Tucker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Gray, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gray and children visited Mrs. Gray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Sparks, at Cycle, Sunday.

Miss Loise Gray spent Sunday evening with her friends, Miss Lucy and Miss Winnie Sparks, of Cycle.

The young men and girls of Cycle community are taking great interest in the singing being taught at Dennyville church by Mr. Ernest Nance.

Misses Loise, Francis and Irene Gray, also Misses Lucy and Winnie Sparks, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Welborn last Friday night.

Miss Lillie Walker and daughter, Lola, visited Miss Lura Elledge, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Prnett, of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. William Pinnix came up to see Mrs. Lillie Walker last Sunday. Also visited Miss Lura Elledge, of Cycle.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Walker, of Elkin, Mr. and Mrs. Jones Byrd, of Jonesville, all came over to visit Rev. M. Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Chambers, last Sunday evening.

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Miss Virginia and Miss Clairine Welborn spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Elledge.

Mr. Robert Welborn and son, Please, made a business trip to Wilkesboro last Saturday.

Boost In Pay Is Proposed For Solons

Raleigh, Feb. 6.—North Carolina's General Assembly, reconvening tonight for its sixth week of lawmaking, received a bill calling for a constitutional amendment to raise the pay of legislators from \$500 to \$900 a session.

The measure, introduced by Representative Mallison, of Pamlico, also would increase the pay of the speaker of the house and the lieutenant governor from \$700 to \$1,000. The lieutenant governor is ex-officio the presiding officer of the senate.

Ferguson News

FERGUSON, Feb. 8.—Ray Livingston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Livingston, of the Beaver Creek section died suddenly Sunday afternoon while talking to a group of friends at the home of the late Uncle Moses Triplett on Elk Creek. He had apparently been in good health and his death came as a distinct shock to his relatives and neighbors. He was about 31 years of age and leaves a wife and several children. The Reins - Sturdivant undertakers came up and took charge of the deceased and funeral services will probably be Monday afternoon or Tuesday.

Mr. P. M. Thorneburg and Mr. Lawrence Thorneburg, of Hudson, were visitors among friends here Sunday afternoon. It will be recalled that Mr. Lawrence Thorneburg married Miss Beasie Wall, of Boomer, who will be remembered here as a former teacher in the local school.

The picture "The Romance of the Rockies" presented here last Thursday night at the school building was largely attended and quite a sum was raised for the benefit of the school.

W. H. Ferguson, of Richmond, and L. C. Ferguson, of Dallas, Texas, visited relatives here and at North Wilkesboro for several days last week. Jack Ferguson, son of W. H. Ferguson, who is attending school at Davidson College, also spent the week-end here with relatives.

Mrs. J. E. Foster, who spent several months at the Bernarr McFadden Physical Culture Hotel has been back home for several days now and is much improved in health. Mrs. Foster speaks in very high terms of this health resort.

Sunday school has been resumed at the Methodist church after being allowed to lapse for several months. It is being conducted by Clinard Johnson and is again off to a good start.

Mrs. Ray Bumgarner, local teacher, was called to Millers Creek last week on account of the death of Mr. Bumgarner's grandmother.

We are sorry to learn that Rev. A. J. Foster is confined to his room on account of illness. Mr. Foster has charge of the adult education for this district.

Mr. Lawrence Miller, chief clerk of the Wilkes County Soil Conservation service spent the day here Friday giving the farmers the opportunity to sign for their 1938 pay checks. This is a voluntary farm program and has proven very beneficial to farmers in sponsoring and effecting improved methods and practices. If the farmer complies with the requirements, he gets paid for it, if not he receives no pay check, but the worst part of it he realizes no benefit in better practices on his farm. The conservation program sponsored by the Government is doubtless the most far reaching service ever rendered in modern times. When you see a country clothed in grass and thrifty forests you not only see a beautiful country side but a prosperous people. In our dream a few nights ago we fancied we were suddenly transplanted (or translated) to the planet Mars. We got aboard a very rickety and unreliable elevator we got, but it carried us safely and swiftly upward through miles of space until we landed among a very strange but happy and prosperous population on the far away planet. We don't recall any conversations with any of the inhabitants, but we were at once struck by the unexampled beauty of the landscape, the well terraced farms, and the produc-

tion of the soil. Big cities were few but the countryside was thickly populated with a happy contented rural minded people. Church spires and school buildings dotted the land. They had all of our modern improvements and inventions, but had made such greater use of them in the preservation of what nature had given them. What a lesson we took for mother earth. How we made our return trip to the planet of our nativity the dream did not reveal but we felt well repaid for this visionary excursion to the planet Mars whose name means war. However we forgot to say we saw no war there, no marching soldiers and aeroplanes were used only in the peaceful pursuit of happiness.

The ordinary pins, so commonly used today, were once so expensive that only the wealthy people could afford them. The term "pin money" dates from that time, referring to the allowance a husband gave his wife to purchase pins.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
 Having qualified as administrator of the estate of John Staley, deceased, late of Wilkes county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Reddies River, N. C., on or before the 11th day of January, 1940, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.
 ELISHA STALEY, Adm.
 2-16-8tpd(T) John Staley

FAULTY
 From the standpoint of accuracy, 40 to 60 per cent of family checks of white employed city workers appear to be in need of improvement and the same is true for about 60 per cent of the checks of negro families, the Federal Bureau of Home Economics found in a recent study.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
 Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Russell Horton, late of Wilkes county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate to present them to the undersigned at North Wilkesboro, N. C., on or before the 1st day of February, 1940, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate settlement.
 This February 1, 1939.
 JOHNSON SANDERS,
 Administrator of the estate of Russell Horton, dec. 3-9-6(T)

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
 All persons are hereby notified that the undersigned has qualified as administrator of the estate of U. G. Foster, deceased.
 All persons having claims against the said estate are requested to file same at once. If not filed within twelve months from date of this notice, same will be pleaded in bar of their right to recover.
 All persons owing the estate of U. G. Foster, deceased, are requested to make settlement immediately.
 This Jan. 31, 1939.
 I. F. FOSTER,
 Administrator of the estate of U. G. Foster, dec'd. 3-9-6(T)

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