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The Farm Program

This is the time of the year when farmers are planning their operations for the year and is also the time for them to sign forms signifying that they wish to comply with the government's soil program.

The benefits due farmers of the county for the past year were approximately \$90,000. This is a lot of money, especially when the fact is considered that the money is being paid farmers for what they should have done anyway.

But the fact remains that the farm payments help the farmers very much. Many who otherwise are unable to finance the planting of legumes, buy lime, make terraces, plant trees, thin woodland or do other things to improve and conserve soil are enabled to go ahead with the help of the government payments.

Farmers in Wilkes have been encouraged to carry out every practice possible for which payment is made. Each one is asked to earn the maximum payment allowed for his farm if possible.

Farm improvement in Wilkes county is one of the most important needs which faces the people. Better farm homes and better farms will constitute one of the best advertisements for the county.

Encouraging farmers to take part in the soil program in order for them to earn payments has a decidedly good educational effect. When they plant legumes, improve pastures, terrace to prevent erosion, thin forests, use lime and phosphate they see the good results obtained and the results act as an incentive for greater improvement and consistency of good practices.

Declining Death Rate

Interesting figures are often found in statistics, dull as they seem to the average person.

The death rate per 1,000 persons in North Carolina last year dropped to nine, which is unusually low.

But even more interesting that the rate for the state was the rate for members of the Reins-Sturdivant Burial association, which had 45,644 members in northwestern North Carolina. While the death rate for the state was nine per thousand, the rate in this large group of the people in this section was only five.

While it would be fantastic to assume that the people of this section of the state are going to live to an average of 200 years of age and we know that the rate must increase among the group, the figures are interesting and represent a good advertisement for northwestern North Carolina.

Progress made along medical lines and education of the people to fundamentals in disease prevention has resulted in a declining death rate throughout the nation. This means that a larger percentage of the population is going to be in the middle age and aged class, because the birth rate for the nation as a whole is not as high as it was 20 years ago and will probably go lower with the bulk of the population increase being accounted for by the lowered death rate.

A Campaign Year

This year promises to be a very interesting year from a political standpoint.

The nation will elect all its representatives in congress, a third of the senators, a president and a vice president. In addition, practically all of the states will elect governors, legislators and counties will also elect their officers.

There is something interesting about an election year when the people exercise their right to govern themselves. All the fanfare, speeches and other noises which are made to arouse the emotions of the people in one direction or another are a part of the system of democracy.

It gives us thought to pause for a moment and be thankful that we have the privilege of the ballot and that office seekers plead for votes instead of ordering men to vote their way.

An election year in America is a striking example of democracy at work.

The small minority of people who would seek to control votes by coercion, bribery and other low down methods deserve the contempt of all liberty loving citizens who appreciate democracy.

But that type is decidedly in the minority and the American people are so consti-

tuted that they will not long tolerate rule by force or by any means other than the expression of the majority of the people. And in a democracy the minorities have the same rights as those who belong to the majority.

This will be an interesting campaign year and with communications developed to a degree never before reached, the campaign should serve to educate the American populace. But the citizens should throw aside prejudice, weigh all the propaganda carefully and then vote as they think best for the nation.

Borrowed Comment

UN-AMERICAN TROUBLE-MAKERS
(Hertford County Herald)

One by one the un-American groups and organizations which have made it their business to stir up racial prejudices and religious intolerance are being smoked out and shown up in their true colors.

The latest of these subversive groups, whose concealed purpose has just been brought to light, is the "Silver Shirts." The leader of the Silver Shirts, William Dudley Pelley, confessed at a hearing before the Dies Committee in Washington that it was really an anti-Jewish organization, concealing its real purpose under the cloak of patriotism.

So far as has been disclosed, the Silver Shirts have not done anything except to fulminate in print and by word of mouth; but that Mr. Pelley should be able to muster a group of followers calling themselves Americans, who had so little understanding of the fundamental basis of Americanism, is a sorry commentary upon the intelligence and understanding of a considerable sector of the American people.

This is just another example of the way in which ideas brought from foreign countries can take root among the minds of people with a distorted conception of patriotism.

There would be occasion for serious concern about the stability of the Bill of Rights and the future of the Nation if there were evidence of any spontaneous public sentiment behind such efforts to deprive minorities of their civil liberties. There is no such evidence. And so long as the Government's strong arm stands ready to punish any actual intimidation or suppression of any class or race, however small a minority it may be, America will continue to be the land of the free.

PROTECTING READERS
(Concord Tribune)

The press, said Father Charles E. Coughlin, in his most recent broadcast, is not the proper vehicle to carry his reply to critics, who have, in increasing numbers been asking questions of the radio crusader lately.

What Father Coughlin meant, no doubt, is that the press will not fall for reams of propaganda. In that, he is correct. The columns of American newspapers are, at all times, open to earnest controversies of interest to their readers. When such controversies are used, however, solely to dramatize or glorify an individual or an idea out of proportion to its significance, the press is not willing to cooperate.

The past several years have been trying ones for the press in general. Propaganda is sometimes dressed in alluring robes, and it is not easy to distinguish it from true news. During the strain of modern events, American newspapers generally have performed a creditable piece of work.

"POLITICAL PAP"
(Gaffney Ledger)

Some member of the legislature has proposed that each senator and each member of the house be given four scholarships to the state schools for distribution to the young people of the various counties. That would be providing "political pap" with a vengeance.

The scholarship idea is all right if not abused. Beneficiaries should be limited to young men and young women who would not otherwise be able to secure higher education. But the awarding of the scholarships should not be put on a purely political basis.

Citizens of the state pay millions of dollars yearly to keep up the colleges and the university. There is no reason, however, for the general taxpayers to be forced to meet the costs of an education for an individual whose family is financially able to pay his way.

COURAGE AND CANDOR
(Charleston News and Courier)

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt insistence that the American Youth Congress "is fighting for great principles in which the communists could share is characteristic of her courage and candor. It commands The News and Couriers admiration. Communists are persons who believe that the American republic should be destroyed, that private property should be abolished, that a state modeled on the Bolshevik, or Russian plan should be established in the territory of the United States. Communists believe that in order to advance the cause they can take an oath to support and defend the constitution of the United States and break it at convenience.

PRESENT CONTROL CHILDISH
(Charleston News and Courier)

"Many of us are realizing," The Union Times says, "that it is not a function of government to take control of the children." Reading about the "American Youth Congress" we gather that it is function of the children to take control of government.

Definite Action In Nutrition Work By Board Health

Raleigh. — North Carolina, through the medium of its State Board of Health, in cooperation with other important agencies, is preparing to take another advanced step, in the field of nutrition, which will include definite action.

The human being—not the rabbit or the guinea pig—will receive the benefits.

The General Committee on Nutrition met at the call of Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, State Health Officer, in the new State Laboratory of Hygiene building, and discussed plans for the improvement of the nutritional status of the people of North Carolina. As a first step, it was determined to launch a statewide fact-finding program, to be carried on through the various agencies represented, after which further steps will be taken.

Cooperating Agencies
Department of Public Instruction: Charles E. Spencer, representing Superintendent Clyde A. Erwin; Miss Virginia Ward.
Duke University School of Medicine: Dr. W. C. Davidson, dean; Dr. William A. Perlezwelg, Dr. G. S. Eadie, Dr. W. J. Dann.
Rockefeller Foundation: Dr. John A. Ferrell, Dr. John F. Kendrick, Dr. D. F. Milam.
Department of Public Welfare: Mrs. W. T. Bost, commissioner; Dr. James Watson, head of the Division of Mental Hygiene.
Department of Agriculture: Dr. E. C. Constable, representing Commissioner W. Kerr Scott; Dr. C. W. Pegram.
Extension Division, State College: Dean I. O. Schaub, Dr. John W. Goodman.
North Carolina Medical Society: Dr. Cloyce R. Tew, representing Dr. T. W. M. Long.
North Carolina College for Women: Miss Margaret Edwards.
University of North Carolina, Division of Public Health: Dr. H. W. Brown.
State Board of Health: Dr. G. M. Cooper, Dr. E. S. Lupton, Dr. J. C. Knox, Dr. R. E. Fox, Dr. Walter Wilkins.
Dr. John M. Saunders, of the Children's Bureau, Washington, also attended the meeting.

There were expressions of cooperation from all present, the conference, which was held in the fourth floor of the new laboratory building, lasting for almost four hours.

General Purposes Explained
Dr. Reynolds, who called the conference and presided, explained its purposes and outlined plans for a cooperative nutritional study, which is being set up in cooperation with the Duke University Medical School.

"The purpose of the study," Dr. Reynolds explained, "is to get an accurate measure of the present nutritional status of selected areas and groups of the population," explaining that, in order that the best results might be obtained, the first studies, including blood tests of patients, etc., would be conducted in an area within thirty miles of Durham.

"This basic information," he continued, "is considered necessary both to outline the problem to be attacked and to furnish a base line against which improvements can be measured."

"The statewide Nutrition Com-

NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of March, 1940, at one o'clock P. M., the undersigned Administratrix will offer for sale the highest bidder for cash at the home of the late W. A. Sprinkle the following articles of personal property:

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Film Cowboys Shoot It Out On City Street

Los Angeles, Feb. 25.—Barking "six-shooters" in the midst of a quarrel between two movie lot cowboys attracted little attention today on busy Sunset boulevard.

But what spectators thought was a movie scene ended in the death of John Tyke, 45, and the arrest of Jerome B. Ward, 50, both "western bit" players.

Ward, captured after a chase by police, was booked on suspicion of slaying. During the booking proceedings he took off his 10-gallon hat, rolled a cigarette and struck a match on the seat of his blue jeans.

C. R. Sylvester and W. F. Mole, who made the arrest, said Ward pointed his gun at them and "fanned" the hammer in the western style, but the weapon was empty.

"I've fed and helped that guy for years," they quoted him as saying, "but he's been picking on me for four months."

Ad. get attention—and results

mittee," the Health Officer went on, "has for its task the general supervision of the nutritional study by fixing objectives and general procedures. More important, however, is the formulation, in due course, of a practical program for improving the nutritional status of the whole population. It is hoped that the study may provide facts to serve as a basis for this program and that gradually a comprehensive plan can be worked out."

Dr. Reynolds went on to say that "the State Board of Health has been deeply interested for many years in this problem, and intensification of the work now lies immediately ahead."

Qualitative Food Deficiencies
"In North Carolina, not only poverty, but ignorance, has led to much ill health from food deficiencies and resulting deficiency diseases. It is the qualitative rather than the quantitative element of food that has been overlooked. "The high incidence of pellagra about 1930 led to a vigorous educational campaign on the part of the State Board of Health to promote the use of pellagra-preventing foods. A declining pellagra rate has eased that situation, but pellagra is still so prevalent as to be a reproach to the State."

Discussing of this and other deficiency diseases, Dr. Reynolds declared:

"Of course, something should be done about it. A statewide plan and program to put to use some of our scientific knowledge of nutrition is urgently called for," and he explained that this is the underlying purpose of the General Committee on Nutrition which, from now on, he said, will attack this problem from every angle.

The number of people working on American farms increased by approximately 110,000 persons from January 1 to February 1, reports the U. S. Agricultural Marketing Service.

Government reports indicate that January was one of the best marketing months for domestic cotton in recent years, a total of 1,756,771 bales being moved into trade channels.

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