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Attend Farm Meetings—

The Agricultural council in Wilkes has scheduled 23 meetings of farmers for next week to explain the food and feed production goals for 1943.

Regardless of the course of the war during the coming year, the demand for food is going to be the greatest in history of America, and every farmer can be assured of a ready market for what he produces.

Our nation is committed to an all-out war program, and food is just as important as guns, tanks, ships, planes and other implements of warfare. Not only must we furnish food and plenty of it for our fighting men, but we must furnish food for our less fortunate allies if we are to gain the earliest possible victory.

The schedule of farm meetings was carried in this newspaper Monday. We urge every farmer and every person interested in farming to attend the meeting most convenient.

Cadet Nurse Corps—

The government is calling for a large number of young women to become cadet nurses.

This represents an opportunity of a lifetime to girls who wish to secure a lifetime education free. All expenses are paid, and the cadets get some pay while in training.

Nurses are serving all over the world, and the drain on the supply of nurses has become too great. That is why more girls must become nurses and that is why the cadet nurses corps was formed.

Information we have from headquarters is that 65,000 must enter accredited schools of nursing this year if the goal is to be reached.

If you can answer "yes" to the following questions you can qualify for cadet nurse training:

Are you between 17 and 35 years of age?

Are you in good health?
Have you graduated from an accredited high school with satisfactory grades, or have you had some college education?

Are you interested in science?
Have you a sense of humor?
Have you an orderly mind?
Are you neat?
Are you deft with your hands?
Are you quick to grasp what you see, read and hear?

Are you interested in people?
Full information and pamphlets describing the opportunities available can be obtained from the office of the Wilkes hospital in this city.

Fire Is Hell—

When a famous general remarked that, "War is Hell", he summed up in three words the opinion of all mankind. The same description aptly applies to another universal evil—preventable fire. Like war, something must sooner or later be done to curb it.

In the tragedy of the Coconut Grove night club at Boston, last fall, 490 lives were abruptly snuffed out by fire. A few days earlier, American troops disembarked from hundreds of ships on the hostile shores of Algeria and Morocco and quickly achieved the capitulation of those two territories comprising 14,800,000 population. It was officially reported that 360 of our soldiers and sailors were killed in this vast landing operation.

This gives a small idea of the problems which this country faces in its effort to put a brake on our \$300,000,000 annual fire loss.

In proclaiming Fire Prevention Week a short time ago, the President of the United States said: "This nation's war program

is menaced by an alarming increase in preventable fire losses. Since Pearl Harbor the destruction caused by fire in the United States has been comparable to the damage caused by all enemy bombing over England during the first two years of the war. The loss to this nation is just as real as if the destruction had been wrought by enemy bombers over America, or by saboteurs.

Borrowed Comment

DO YOUR OWN STAMP LICKING

(Oxford Public Ledger)

Licking 500 to 1,000 stamps and placing them on letters or cards is quite a task, and few people will willingly undertake it as pasttime.

Yet, that is the task that some of our mail carriers fall heir to in the busy days of December preceding Christmas. It has become a custom in many homes to drop letters into the mail box and to place therewith sufficient money to pay for the stamps which the sender expects the postman to affix to the letters or cards.

In behalf of our friends and your friend, the postman, whether he be a Rural Free Delivery man or a City Route man, we wish to make a small request. Of course the postman could make his own, but the good-natured, accommodating fellow that he is, he wouldn't offend one for anything.

The request which we wish to make is that every patron of the mail service anticipate his or her requirements in stamps and purchase those stamps in advance, either from the postman or at post office. And then, when there is occasion to mail Christmas cards, letters and other matter, there will be no occasion to ask of your postman a little favor for you which when performed for a large number of other people, becomes quite a large job.

How about it folks—especially those of you on the rural routes—will you promise to affix your own stamps and relieve your postman of the time and labor that it would take to do the job?

LIFE'S BETTER WAY

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IMPORTANT WORK

A man's work in life should be important. No one can afford to devote his life to something that is useless. Time is too precious to be wasted upon that which is not worthy to live by and will not do to die by. Life is short, therefore is too precious and priceless to be idled away, or even toiled away at non-essentials. A life may be spent at hard work of no importance, which can be a great curse. This is true of many, many people. They curse the world by their work rather than bless it.

However, when we are doing important work—that which God can set His approval upon—we should consider it beneath us to step aside and waste our time at that which would displease God. The right work is so important that we have no time to spend at the wrong kind of work. We cannot afford to take ourselves away from the right to spend time in the wrong.

When Nehemiah was rebuilding the broken down walls of Jerusalem, and restoring the city to its former beauty and usefulness, Sanballat and Geshem, who were enemies to him, whose purpose it was to defeat his work, sent unto him, saying, "Come, let us meet together in some of the villages in the plain of Ono". However, Nehemiah knew they thought to do him mischief, so sent them word, saying, "I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down; why should the work cease. Whilst I leave it and come down to you?"

That should be our attitude toward the devil and the work he seeks to engage us in. We should tell him that we cannot come down—and indeed it is coming down when we are stopping and stooping to do the wrong, or waste our time in the wrong. Nehemiah was on the walls of Jerusalem repairing them, and this was important work in the sight of God, as God was honoring his work, answering his prayers and defeating his enemies. He won out. The devil would have every man of God come down in order to defeat us. His enticements and proposed compromises are all ways to bring us down, bring others down, and to bring down the cause of right, the cause of God, wreck and destroy life and damn souls in hell. Then we should answer the devil, answer the enticements to wrongdoing, as did the noble, godly Nehemiah: "I am doing a great work, so I cannot come down". Then can we rejoice and praise God because of His blessings upon us. This is life's better way.

ABNORMAL ABSURDITIES

By
DWIGHT NICHOLS

et al

HOG KILLING TIME—

We think somebody should write a song about hog killing time in Wilkes.

It is a picturesque season, and with many interesting, if not romantic, aspects.

There is a song about spring time in the Rockies, and we should have a song about hog killing time. Why?, you ask. Well, we don't know, except we are for it.

This is the way it used to be with us "up on the farm".

On the night before we would cut some wood about four feet long, and build it into a pile in which we placed large stones of grey granite. About five a. m. next morning we put fire to the pile and as the wood burned, the rocks got hot.

A large barrel was placed nearby in a reclining position, and about half filled with water. We would put the red hot rocks into the barrel of water to heat the water, and throw in some ashes to make the water do a better job of scalding the hog clean.

Then a rifle was carried along with which to first put the hog out of misery before sticking said hog in the throat with a long knife, which, in case you didn't know, was to let the blood out.

After said hog was dressed and cut into the usual pieces, the women folks took over the job and us men folks took the guns and went rabbit hunting. Might as well confess that was a mean thing to do with so much to be done around the house, but nevertheless, we did, and usually killed some rabbits at the time, when meat was least needed. Meanwhile the women folks had the task of "doing out the lard" all by themselves.

That was the old way of doing things. Many improvements have been made, but the atmosphere of "Hawg killing" time is about the same.

AIMLESS WANDERINGS—
There was a man who was trying to pass an insurance examina-

tion. He told that his father died at the age of 104 and that death was caused from heart strain received during a football game.

Once a city fellow was out with us on a mountain when we saw him approaching a coiled rattlesnake. We yelled for him not to get too close, because the rattler was ready to strike. "Oh, do those things have unions, too?" was his reply.

There was sparking in the horse and buggy days, we are told, with the new. Once when the horse dropped dead the girl yawned and said she was tired. The boy said a kiss would put life into her and she appropriately suggested that he had better kiss the horse.

22 Anti-Freeze Solutions Banned

Certain types of anti-freeze solutions have been found to be highly destructive to radiators, ignition system and rubber connections in automobiles and trucks.

The Bureau of Standards has identified by name the following brand-named products as constituting harmful anti-freeze solutions as defined in the War Production Board order which stopped their manufacture and prohibited their sale on and after October 30, 1943:

All-Winter, Wonder-Solv, Bird Antarctic, Anti-Arctic, Pre-Zex, Never-freeze, Chen-A-Cool, Lo-Zone, Llexo, Neva-Freeze, No-Freeze, No-Boil, Frezone, Alcotex, Gold Seal, Anti-Frost, 60-Below, Permazone, Ever-Flo, Security, Bond (Top Line), Lo-Temp.

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News Of Beamer The Past Week

Rev. E. V. Hammarner, of Taylorsville, filled his regular appointment here Sunday and as usual preached a fine sermon.

Rev. W. M. Harrison, of Four Oaks, held a meeting at the A. C. Church here, beginning November 15th and running through the 21st. He delivered some fine and inspiring messages.

Rev. S. I. Watts filled his regular appointments at Goshen and New Hope Sunday.

Miss Annie Howell, teacher at Lovelace, spent the week-end at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Howell.

Cpl. Thomas Earp, of Myrtle Beach, is home on furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Earp and other relatives and friends a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Rogers, of Taylorsville, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Greer over the week-end.

Mrs. J. M. German has been right sick and has been a patient at the Wilkes Hospital. She is back at home now and we hope she continues to improve.

Pvt. Warren Berry is in England. He writes that he is well and getting along fine. He says England is a beautiful country. A number of people here are killing some large porkers so they have plenty of meat, ration or ration.

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