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Today Is Armistice Day In Our Nation

Thirty years ago today the first World War ended in Europe with an armistice. Warring nations laid down their arms and the world hailed the day as the beginning of World Peace. The "war to end all wars" had ceased, and peoples of the world were happy.

But now this date of November 11 has lost its eminence, because since the end of the first World War another has been fought. A war of greater magnitude and far greater destruction.

Although a second World War has been fought and three years have elapsed,

world peace is not yet a reality.

In Palestine the Jews and the Arabs have been warring for many months and peace there seems only a distant possibility.

In China a civil war that has been going on for years continues to rage and the end there is not yet in sight.

In Europe, Russia has gobbled up a number of small countries and is trying by "cold war" methods to control Germany and thus spread communism to the greater part of continental Europe, with the ultimate aim being control of all Europe and Asia.

The United Nations has failed to function as a world tired of war had hoped it would in the interest of lasting peace. This has been due to the voting action of Russia, who has wilfully failed to cooperate to any appreciable extent with anything the western powers favor.

Thirty years after the first World war and three years after the second we are in need of an armistice, an armistice of greed and lust for power. The world yet has not reached the stage where it can lay aside arms. But a world at peace is not an impossibility, and the United Nations represents the greatest step in that direction. It may not work miracles now; it may not prevent further bloodshed, but the plan of nations united for peaceful settlement of differences can and will become a reality.

Soil Conservation Essay Contest Soon

North Wilkesboro will be the scene of the district contest on soil conservation essays this year. The contest is yearly sponsored by the North Carolina Bankers' Association, but local prizes are needed to encourage high school students to participate.

The Wilkes Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the contest locally, with \$50 in cash prizes as the incentive to enter and do a good job.

In a statement this week, John P. Stedman, of Lumberton, chairman of the agricultural committee of the Bankers' Association, said:

"The agricultural committee of the North Carolina Bankers' Association has for many years centered its interest around the protection of the soil of North Carolina, which is the state's most valuable asset. We, as bankers, mealize that the prosperity of our people will rise or fall in proportion to the care or lack of care and treatment that the majority of the state's population, who produce a livelihood from the land, give to it.

"Approximately 72 per cent of all North Carolinians live in or produce from the country-side. For that reason, the strongest efforts are needed on the part of business and industry to foster an effective educational program for proper land use and care. It takes a long time to develop good land, but carelessness and neglect can cause it to lose its value overnight".

When we travel the highways of North Carolina and see the worn out, washed away lands we are made to wonder if agricultural progress has been as great as politicians would lead us to believe. Wilkes has plenty of this type of land, but the tobacco and cotton belts of the state are made up principally of land which will not produce unless the land is fed heavily with commercial fertilizer every year.

The soil means more to us than any other economic asset, and we should give it first place in plans for the future.

There might be more friendliness in this world if people would give less advice to each other

A business man lost his health getting wealthy, and then lost his wealth trying to get healthy.

Successful democracy depends upon the collectively expressed judgment of free thinking of individuals.

talkers, but when anyone offers them mon- ed troop was installed on Septemey they are usually willing to listen.

Eskimo tribes are said to believe that a person with a bad temper is possessed by a devil. Anyway, the idea seems logical.



By Rev. Herbert Spaugh, D. D.



Now the psychiatrists are saying it! The ministers have been saying it for years. St. Paul wrote the 13th chapter of I Corinthians about it. Jesus Christ commanded it. What? LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

"Nearly everyone is starved for love," said Dr. O. Spurgeon English, Temple University psychiatry professor, in a recent address to the Pennsylvania Medical Society in Philadelphia.

"The need for love and its derivatives of approval, appreciation and recognition is a most important emotional need, and sufficient gratification is of great importance to health, both physical and mental," declared Dr. English. He said that one of our great troubles today is that "we are living in a world which regards love as a luxury if not a sin." As the result of this he said that there is a corresponding swing toward "perverted physiological activity" as men and women "take to drugs and alcohol, try new love adventures, get divorces and remarry, trying to find a cure for their love hunger."

That's the theme of the New Testament, and the theme of the Christian gospel. Jesus Christ left only two commandments. One of them was, "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another." The other was the commandement instituting the Lord's Supper, the Holy Communion.

What Dr. English said is based upon his experience. I can collaborate from my own experience in counseling. People are starving for love and appreciation.

That's the cause of our difficulties with Russia today. We don't understand them. they don't understand us, and there's certainly no love lost between us.

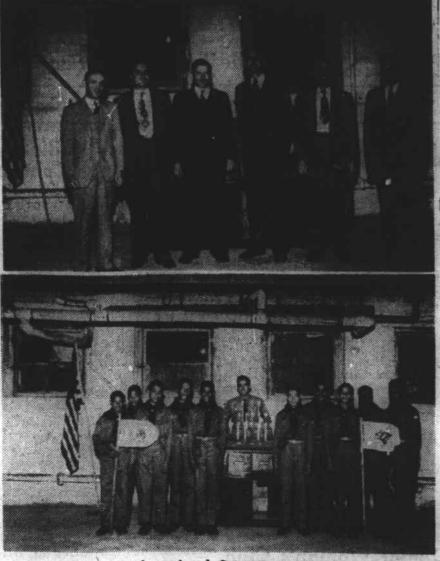
That's what is causing the high rate of divorces. Love has been allowed to languish and die due to lack of appreciation, attention, courtship. Time and again I have written to married couples, "Continue courting and you will stay out of court."

We live in a world filled with the greatest variety of fears. I have never had so many patients as recently, who are suffering from functional disorders as the result of hidden fears within them. They have aches and The asswer is obvious. pains for which the doctors are able to find no organic cause. They say it's nerves. Certainly it's nerves. And these taut nerves are the result of fear and worry.

Love is the one antidote for fear and worry. St. John wrote that long ago in his Epistle when he said, "There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love."

Love just doesn't fall out of the sky. It comes like anything else in the world. It has to be born, and then grow. It grows by practice, attention and cultivation. Doesn't that make sense? If it does, act that way!

NEW COLORED SCOUT TROOP FORMED



A new Scout troop for colored boys was formed recently in the Fairplains community under sponsorship of the Beulah Pres-The American people are called great byterian church. The newly formwell. The troop was very impressive with a candle light ceremony recently before the Scouters' course here. Pictured at the top are Scout leaders and executives who assisted in formation of the troop. Left to right are Dr. T. L. White, P. W. Greer, G. R. Andrews, Scout Executive Ralph Harbison, Cyrus Faw and Joe Zimmerman. The lower photo shows the Scouts composing the troop: Left to right: Richard Watkins, Jimmie Golden, Jimmie Lomax, Jr., Dudley Waugh, James C. Reynolds, Scoutmaster William J. Reynolds, Claudus Harris, Carlyle Reynolds, Danny Waugh, Charles R. Watkins, and Patrick Watkins.

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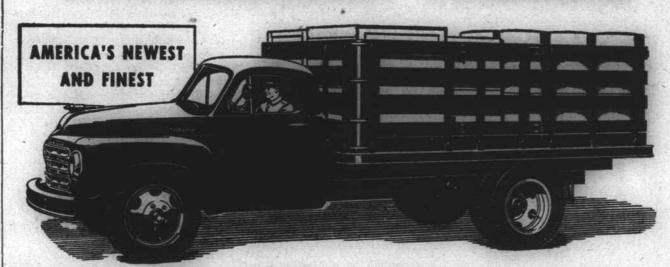
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