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THANKFUL SHARING

As we approach the Thanksgiving season we are reminded on several sides of people less fortunate than we ourselves. According to newspaper reports, suffering has begun in many cities. With the cold weather comes need for warm clothing, fuel and heat producing foods.

With talk of the federal funds ceasing the first of December many cities are staging drives now for funds for their poor. The city of Charlotte has made survey and finds that there are five hundred needy families that must be cared for. Volunteer forces from the United Welfare Federation gathered in an early bird breakfast session Monday morning and laid plans for raising \$92,469. for charity. This move appeared odd to laymen who are wont to think that there are sufficient alphabetical agencies set up by the government to take care of all such.

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A conference with the local ERA office explains the situation now existing in Charlotte, a like one probable in Randolph in the near future. On November 15th orders came from Raleigh to the Randolph office, and to the others as well it is understood, to take no new charity cases after November 15th. This means that any family falling on relief after this date will be out of luck. There are at present 277 families on relief in the county some of whom will be transferred immediately to the new WPA. Those families who cannot work will likely not fare so well. Certainly there are no new cases being cared for. If there is illness, no difference—unless the illness is permanent and the case can come under the county's unemployable list. There is a slender fund for such cases as these.

Not only is the strict order from headquarters preventing the taking on of any new cases, but there is no definite assurance of the future, save for those who can work and may be employed by the WPA. There is only one work project in progress at the present in Randolph—the airport.

When winter comes, what will poor robin do then? The people of Asheboro and Randolph would do well to look a bit ahead, for unless there is some provision, there will be considerable suffering. People have come to expect aid and with things as uncertain as they are in the ERA, there is no assurance of any permanent relief. There are some worthy cases that will have to be cared for. Perhaps there are some who should be cut off, but the dead of winter will be rather hard time to do this. Perhaps the citizens of Randolph should look ahead as are our neighbors in Charlotte.

ANOTHER OLD THEORY GONE

Henry VIII may have had his weak spots and idiosyncracies but he knew the value of a good cat. The British Treasury has an official mouser, a large sandy cat named Rufus, Rufus the Sixtieth. This tradition, according to a current news story, dates back to the time of Henry VIII and his great chancellor, Cardinal Wolsey.

For as long as men can remember a Rufus cat has been carried on the official payroll of the Treasury at a rate of twopence a day as a regular item of the state administration, duly presented each year to Parliament, debated and voted. In 1930, Rufus' pre-war pay of twopence a day was raised and a penny added to his daily salary.

Looking into the matter a little more carefully reveals that Rufus is one of many official cats throughout the world. "In England," we are told, "barracks, dockyards, offices, stores, museums, factories—all have their 'resident' cats. The maintenance of post-office cats is provided for in the

annual budget of the United States government."

Cats are not only popular necessities in this country, but in many other countries cats are valuable assets. In the national printing office of France a staff of cats is employed to protect the stock of paper from rodents. Vienna also has its official cats kept at public expense to prevent rats from causing plague epidemics. It has been conclusively proven that Indian villages where cats are kept are fairly free from epidemics of cholera. In the early stages of the bubonic plague control, a cargo of cats from the United States were sent forthwith. In Hong Kong it is mandatory that a cat reside in every average house with three cats required for the larger edifices.

This is hard indeed on the theory of modern doctors who hold that cats carry disease, as well as the old household slogan. Modern young parents who fear for their children to have cats will also receive a jolt at this information.

The article touched entirely upon the useful side of the cat question, omitting to mention the fact that they are uncommon good company and cozy companions to any household.

The Open Forum

ADVISES RANDOLPH FARMERS

The Courier, Asheboro, N. C. Gentlemen:

I wish to advise the farmers of Randolph county to insure their property in the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association, which is in good shape, with no outstanding indebtedness and a surplus of around \$2,800.

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Yours truly,
—N. H. PREVOST.
Jackson Creek, N. C.
October 28, 1935.

DEATH ON THE HIGHWAY

Asheboro, N. C. November 19, 1935.

The Grim Reaper of Death continues to stalk the highways of North Carolina. Another record was set in October for the number of people killed in automobile accidents. Instead of decreasing, this wholesale highway slaughter is gaining new victims as times goes on. The well built roads, once a comfort and convenience to the motorist, have become a scene of mangled bodies and broken limbs. The roads which have been pointed to in the past as a matter of pride are now a reflection, as North Carolina leads the nation in highway deaths.

The last legislature enacted, as a means of highway protection, a drivers' license law, and added more men to the highway patrol. These efforts are a seemingly mockery in the face of increased deaths on the highways. There has been some discussion recently of calling a special session of the legislature to consider old-age pensions and liquor legislation, but would it not be better to call a special session and enact drastic measures to stop this awful tragedy of the highways. An emergency exists in the state of North Carolina and the time has come for well meaning citizens to assume a responsibility.

It is encouraging to note that one of our United States senators from North Carolina has recognized the situation for it is not somewhat of a problem which should be dealt with nationally. If human beings cannot be controlled as to the operation of automobiles, will there not have to be some kind of restraint placed on the cars as they are manufactured? Mechanical speedsters are easier to regulate than human ones.

This evil which besets the highways is not to be blamed on any one class or creed. The drunken driver is dangerous and so is the speeding churchman. The well respected citizen and the scum from the gutter are standing side by side in the cause of this highway slaughter. The modern car with its speed is as much to blame as the antique with its faulty lights and brakes. There is some kind of speed law in North Carolina, but do all of our supposed-to-be law-abiding citizens respect it?

The politicians tell of the important problems which face us today, problems which they say will affect our destiny as a state and nation. There may be problems which will affect the destiny of our state and nation but if these deaths on the highways are not decreased the continuation of our very civilization will be affected.

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The following appreciation and resolutions of respect, was adopted by the Board of Trustees, of the Methodist Protestant Children's Home at a meeting last week:

AN APPRECIATION

Resolutions of Respect For R. R. Ross, of Asheboro.

The death of R. R. Ross of Asheboro, July 16th, 1935, cast a gloom over the length and breadth of the Methodist Protestant church, the state and his large circle of friends and acquaintances everywhere. His four score and four years, had truly been filled with thoughts, deeds, time and services, which were uplifting and beneficial to those with whom he came in contact. His was,

"A Life that Counts"
"The life that counts must toil and fight;
Must hate the wrong and love the right;
Must stand for truth, by day and night,
This is the life that counts."

The life that counts must helpful be;
The cares and needs of others see;
Must seek the slaves of sin to free—
This is the life that counts."

Mr. Ross was a man of unusual Christian attainments, business ability and was at all times considerate of his fellowmen, indeed he was a friend to man. A veritable humanitarian, whose kindly interests, and sincere loyalty and devotion, began in his own home and extended through religious, educational, civic and political interests. A tribute without reference to his love of animals would be incomplete, for those who knew him, knew his love for animals, especially horses, an indication of which was evinced by his scarf-pin—a horse—pictures in his home, and a prized set of book ends with a primitive covered wagon with horses. His loyalty to friends was never questioned, nor was his sense of justice and right. In youth, early manhood, middle age and approaching old age, merited honors were conferred upon him, none, however, more appreciated than those pertaining to his beloved church, especially his position as a member of this body, the Board of Trustees of the Children's Home, of the Methodist Protestant church, a position in which he was of inestimable value.

For this we offer gratitude.
"That the Lord has blessed him and kept him,
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loved member, and for his interest, influence and usefulness, that we place the name of R. R. Ross, among our most hallowed memories, as one of those who shall shine, as the stars in the bright and beautiful forever.

Resolutions of Respect

That we, as a body, extend to his bereaved and honored family, our appreciation for his life and service, and sympathy in the loss, which we share.

That a copy of this appreciation with resolutions, be placed upon the minutes, a copy sent to the Methodist Protestant Herald for publication, and to the esteemed family.

MRS. WM. C. HAMMER.
Asheboro, N. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Saturday night, October 19, 1935, the death angels visited in our midst and took from us, to her well earned reward, our beloved friend, Mrs. Elmer Cox. We miss her dear presence, the whole community realizes the loss of this dear one and mourns her going. To know her was to love her. In time of need she was ever present. She was greatly interested in church work being affiliated with the Women's Missionary Union as president. Her moral, spiritual and physical support will be missed much. Her wonderful religious character was an inspiration to every one who knew her. Her sunny disposition was an uplift to those with whom she came in contact. To help others was apparently her chief aim.

The assuagement offered by friends in this sad hour denoted the love and great esteem held for her. The floral tributes were beautiful and numerous. These symbols of love were greatly appreciated by members of the bereaved family and the missionary union.

She is gone to rest for awhile, until that great day when we shall meet on that happy golden shore where death will part no more.

Mrs. G. A. Patterson, Mrs. B. M. Morris, Mrs. Mary Webster, Mrs. Mattie Welborne, Mrs. H. J. Sundstrom, Miss Addie Long, Miss Letha Howard, Mrs. Edward Seagraves, Mrs. O. C. Ivy.

Scouts On Jaunt

The Boy Scouts of Troop 27, of Farmer, took an overnight jaunt to the Garner place, near Farmer. During the time there, several scouts passed off tests. This troop has recently been organized under the supervision of senior patrol leader Robert Cromwell, and junior patrol leaders, Wade Yates and J. C. Ridge and includes Scouts Roy Harris, J. C. Delk, Jr., Reitzel Garner, Buren Prevost, Laurin Welborne, Hanzel Johnson, Waton Harris, Edward Hunt, Keith Hammond and Hyatt Hammond.

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