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On Brotherhood Week

Throughout the nation this week people in all walks of life are recognizing Brotherhood Week, as sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

The current theme is "Brotherhood for Peace and Freedom. Believe it! Live it! Support it!"

We heartily agree with M. A. Fulton, editor of the Davenport (Ia.) Times, in his appraisal as he said:

"For centuries civilization has fought to gain and preserve the basic human rights of religious freedom, tolerance, and the brotherhood of mankind.

"Our nation was founded upon just such principles. Devotion to them has helped build the spiritual strength without which America could never have achieved lasting greatness.

"It is indeed fortunate that a nationwide organization, the National Conference of Christian and Jews, has dedicated itself to keeping those ideals alive. It is of everlasting importance that a free people never lose sight of the necessity of spreading the kinship of man under God. This is, of course, a year-round proposition. But since 1934, Brotherhood Week has been held annually under the auspices of the Conference to dramatize universal dependence on the need for true religion in the crusade for liberty and democracy.

"Now perhaps more than ever before, America faces a challenge from a godless philosophy that would destroy all human and religious rights. The nation is pouring its wealth to build material strength against the threat of Communism. But despite this, the united cause against the enemy could be weakened were we to become divided by intolerance and bigotry.

"Acceptance of the meaning of Brotherhood Week can help build up the spiritual and moral power vital to this fight.

"Nationwide observance of Brotherhood Week, sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, is on this week.

"President Eisenhower, honorary chairman, hailed the weeks' observance as a time when "all of us must continue our efforts to promote a belief in brotherhood among people of varied backgrounds, to uphold the right to freedom of worship, to foster the individual citizen's understanding and tolerance of his neighbor's spiritual convictions.

"The programs this week extend the work of the National Conference which stimulates year-round activity in schools and colleges, churches and synagogues, and community organizations.

"Everyone is urged to do more than give the principles of brotherhood mere lip service. That is the high opportunity of Brotherhood Week."

Deer Killing Is Important Issue

Elsewhere in this issue of The Times is a most interesting and informative article by Ranger Ted Seely of the Pisgah National forest in which it is explained why there should be an open season on doe deer.

There is a state law at this time forbidding the killing of doe deer in North Carolina. In fact, this state is one of the few states in America that does not have a non-sex deer law.

Ranger Seely explains further that he would be happy to conduct a "show-me" tour for persons who are dubious of the conclusions drawn in the article.

He has also asked the representative from Transylvania to bring other lawmakers here and see firsthand how the

deer herd is being deteriorated because of too many does.

A large number of local sportsmen take part in the annual hunts. Many come back empty handed, not because they didn't see a deer, but because they did not get a shot. Many who come back empty handed report that they saw plenty of deer, but they were all does, or that they could not be sure at a distance whether the deer were male or female and took no chances on killing a doe.

If and when the situation arises that a thinning job is necessary to even up the over crowded deer population in our National forests, we think it only fair that our sportsmen should be given an opportunity to do the job. They have done a very good job of keeping the forests from being over run with bucks.

Buildings Indicate Progress

Attention is being focused this week on construction in and around Brevard, since this is the centennial observance of American Institute of Architects.

A vast amount of building is underway through the business area, at the college, and in the residential sections of the community.

This indicates progress, and the modern structures being erected are a tribute to the architects.

In this, their Centennial Year of 1957, the members of The American Institute of Architects have rededicated themselves to the high ideals and objectives of the Founders and have pledged themselves to continue their work towards the improvement of our people's environment, helping them to express their hopes, ideals and aspirations through the fields of Architecture and the Allied Arts and joining with them in their efforts towards achieving a happier and better world for mankind.

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Paragraphics...

When saving for old age, be sure to save up a few pleasant thoughts.

You're a good loser if you can grip the winner's hand without wishing it was his throat.

If you insist on perfection, make the first demand on yourself.

"Some people say the best way to stop the noise in the car is to let her drive!"

People may doubt what you say, but they'll always believe what you do.



Comments From Our Readers . . . LETTERS TO THE TIMES

Mr. John I. Anderson, Editor
Transylvania Times
Brevard, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Anderson:

The members of the Transylvania District Committee wish to thank The Transylvania Times and radio station WPNF for the space and time which they devoted to Scouting during the recent Annual Scout Week.

Such publicity is extremely

helpful in keeping Scouting active in our county; and we are indeed grateful that we have your support not only on such special occasions but also throughout the year.

Yours very truly,
TRANSYLVANIA DISTRICT
COMMITTEE
DANIEL BOONE COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
Earle O. Bryant
District Chairman

PICK OF THE PRESS IN THE CAROLINAS

GOVERNOR HODGES DIVIDES HIS SPEECHES

(Forest City Courier)

We rather admired Governor Luther Hodges for the way he handled his inaugural message last Thursday. Instead of outlining his legislative recommendations as previous governors have done in their inaugural messages, Governor Hodges took a broad look at North Carolina, its people and their advancements.

Tonight he will make his legislative proposals to the general assembly sitting in joint session. These proposals will hold marked interest for the people of this state.

But the people will hear about these proposals almost as soon as if they had been a part of the inaugural message.

There is a time to generalize

and a time to be specific. Obviously Governor Hodges thought that last Thursday was a time to deal with his state in general terms and to review some of its history.

Surely he did a good job of this. And the people of North Carolina can thank him for an illustrious story well told.

Tonight will be a time to be specific. He will deal directly with those problems which confront the General Assembly. He will call a spade a spade and otherwise present detailed matters.

It is just as well, we think, to keep these specific suggestions separate from the kind of inspirational address he made last Thursday.

Both speeches are in order but Governor Hodges has demonstrated they can be made separately and to great effect.

FROM OUR FILES GLANCING BACKWARD AT "THE GOOD OLD DAYS"

12 YEARS AGO

Charlie M. Douglas has again been appointed to head the Red Cross War Fund roll call drive in Transylvania county. The campaign will start on March 1.

Jess O. Barbour, of Morganton, lieutenant governor of district one Kiwanis International, will make his official visit to the Brevard club Friday evening of this week.

A 60-gallon still and 600 gallons of beer were captured by Sheriff Bert Freeman and Deputy W. T. Brown last Saturday afternoon in the Cedar Mountain section. The still had been in operation and had an upright boiler.

The wedding of Miss Frances Louise Talley, daughter of W. Everett Talley and the late Mrs. Talley, of Penrose, to Lt. Boyd B. Meixell, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Meixell, of Penrose, took place on Sunday, Feb. 4, in Stout Field chapel, Indianapolis, Ind.

Cpl. James E. Smith, of Brevard, and former manager of Belks Store, has reported for duty at the Air Technical Service command, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

Brevard high school students have started golf practice on the Brevard country club course with the view of entering the annual high school tourney in Greenville, S. C., sometime this spring, it was announced today.

Sgt. and Mrs. Charles B. Dish-

er have returned to Macon, Ga., after spending several days here with Mrs. Dish's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCrary.

Funeral service for Elijah D. Reid, 86, who died at his home in the Oakland section last Monday night was held at the Lake Toraway Baptist church Tuesday morning.

Miss Flora Cagle, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Cagle, of Pisgah Forest, underwent an appendectomy on Monday at Transylvania Community hospital.

Mrs. Vance Jackson is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCrary here this week. She will return within a few days to Midland, Texas, to join her husband, Lt. Jackson, who is a bombardier instructor there.

Monroe Wilson post of the American legion has been awarded a "Certificate of Distinguished Service" by the national organization, J. I. Ayers, adjutant, announced yesterday.

The OPA has called a meeting of all wood dealers in Transylvania county to be held in the ration board office here next Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, Miss Mattie Lewis announces.

With a quota of \$1,200 and a goal of \$1,700, the adult membership campaign of the Transylvania district of the Boy Scouts of America is now in progress, Chairman Ed McMahan announced today.

BEHIND THE NEWS . . . From Washington

By GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY



POWER IN NEW YORK STATE

Undoubtedly the largest power project in the world is the complex on both sides of the St. Lawrence River and the utilization of the Niagara. On the American side, this enormous task is being administered and operated by the Power Authority of the State of New York of which Robert Moses is chairman. This Authority will shortly require \$600,000,000 of new financing for Niagara, bond issues sold to the public, as this is to be a self-supporting enterprise.

A bill has been introduced in the United States Senate by Pennsylvania's freshman Senator, Joseph S. Clark, Jr., granting a license to the Power Authority of New York for Niagara's development under conditions which are unworkable. Of this bill, Robert Moses said in a telegram to a Buffalo newspaper: "I was never consulted by Senator Clark of Pennsylvania nor were the officers and members of the staff of this Authority. We never heard of Senator Clark's activities in this connection until we learned he was introducing the original Lehman bill without the amendments necessary to make it workable and with a flamboyant publicity release exhibiting incredible ignorance of the Niagara Frontier power problem."

Why a Pennsylvania Senator who has never been associated with either the Niagara or St. Lawrence projects should suddenly emerge as the sponsor of a New York State bill can only be explained on the basis that Governor Averell Harriman, favoring an extremist position regarding public power, turned to the Liberal Party, the Americans for Democratic Action (A.D.A.), and western cooperatives for assistance.

According to Moses, the Clark bill is in conflict with New York State laws and would immediately be attacked in the courts, thus delaying any possibility of private financing.

One of the problems faced is the utilization of power. The Authority maintains that it can develop enough power to sell to the municipal plants, cooperative, rural electrification associations within economical transmission distance in New York State and even in Pennsylvania and Ohio while also selling power to existing industries and new industries which can be brought to the Niagara Frontier.

The organized building trades

support the program of the Power Authority because it will increase work opportunities, but public power advisers to Governor Harriman do not seem interested. I quote from a letter signed by Martin T. Lacey, president of the Central Trades and Labor Council of Greater New York:

"... Refusal to consider the importance of industry will merely lead to the recession that is inevitable under the philosophy of those opposing the Reynolds and similar contracts. All this ideological hogwash about low-cost power without jobs and industry is economic foolishness."

The power authority, a non-profit organization created by the state, seeks to encourage such enterprises as Reynolds Metals and others to locate in northern New York so that it can sell its power to them. The Authority is operated in a businesslike manner and what it has to sell is cheap power to whoever wants to buy it. It will generate roughly 75,000 kilowatts and it needs customers for that load. The Aluminum Corporation of America has been in that area for half a century, is the largest employer of labor and the biggest taxpayer in St. Lawrence County. The real danger is that the public power fanatics, confusing the issue altogether, could develop a situation, particularly after a rockslide in June 1956 destroyed an important Schoellkopf privately-owned power plant, whereby the manufacturer would be forced to move elsewhere. Waterpower is only more advantageous than coal-power when it is cheaper and the sites are equally suitable.

Despite the fact that New York State is highly industrialized, the northern part of the state is underdeveloped. The real difficulty with this operation is that the Power Authority faces doctrinaire politics. For instance, the public power advocates believe that increased use of power by domestic consumers is indicative of prosperity. This is only true when those same domestic consumers have jobs and the best way to make jobs is to encourage new industries to come into an area.

What is being done about the St. Lawrence and Niagara is of importance because it could become a model for other parts of the country. The utilization of a Power Authority, publicly created but privately-financed and working on a non-profit basis, has worked successfully in the New York area for many years.

THE EVERYDAY COUNSELLOR

By REV. HERBERT SPAUGH, D. D.



"The Crown Tree" by LeGette Blythe (John Knox Press \$3.50) is another gripping historical novel by North Carolina's best known and greatly beloved writer. Already the author has won fame for himself as he has presented in dramatic form events surrounding the life of Christ in two historical novels, "The Bold Galilean," which is the life of Christ, and "A Tear for Judas."

In this new book, "The Crown Tree," the author as in his two previous novels to which we have just referred, deals reverently with the events set forth in the New Testament. Three years of research and work have gone into this new book. When one reads the book, this can be understood.

"The Crown Tree" is a natural sequel to "The Bold Galilean," and "A Tear for Judas." It presents a panorama of the exciting years when Christianity was born.

It commences with the shattering experience of the crucifixion carried out under the direction of the Roman centurion, Longinus, who is one of the principle characters in this new book. Continuing with the resurrection and its stunning effect upon the enemies of Jesus as well as His followers, the book moves on with soul stirring fervor. You see how a new day dawned on that Easter morning, and you see in action the power of this new faith that changed the lives of men and women, and finally overcame mighty Rome.

Through the chapters of the book march the architects of this infant religion, Simon Peter, Luke, Barnabas, James, Stephen, and Paul.

Other historical figures appear who plot the destruction of this new faith — the scheming high priest, Caiaphas, the appeasing Pilate, the opportunist, Herod Agrippa, and Caligula, the insane Roman Emperor.

There are thrills and shudders. Throughout the story you will follow the fortunes of Longinus, patrician centurion, and the woman he loves, Lalage, charming sister of his friend, Centurion Cornelius. Longinus was haunted by the vision of the bronzed Galilean on the Roman cross, dying from his spear thrust. In the end peace comes to Longinus under the sturdy branches of the Crown Tree, a thorn tree growing in the garden of the Fortress of Antonia from which the Crown of Thorns placed on the head of Jesus was taken.

In the last chapter you will discover how the book received its name.

Don't miss this book. I recommend it highly. My good friend LeGette Blythe has again done a noble work.