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Devoted to the upbuilding of the farms and homes of Mecklenburg and contiguous counties, of which Charlotte is the natural center. It believes this is to be accomplished through the ancient American virtues of honesty, thrift, imagination, and independence, and by growing cows, hogs, poultry and the feed stuffs to be marketed through them.

NOT YET OUR FULL PART

After two years of visible conflict the second World War has brought active hostilities to nearly thirty nations, says the Christian Science Monitor. Gradually the invisible conflict which had been in progress for several years before September 3, 1939, has become clearer in its outlines and meaning. One by one nations have found themselves forced to take sides. One by one they have found themselves forced to submit or resist the "forces of insane violence" let loose by Hitlerism. One by one they have proved there can be no retreat, no compromise in face of those forces.

That is the background for President Roosevelt's Labor Day declaration that Americans "must do our full part in conquering them." The President's speech was chiefly a plea to his fellow countrymen to keep alert and do their part effectively. In one statement—"we shall do everything in our power to crush Hitler and his Nazi forces"—he appeared to go beyond this plea to a promise. And in saying that America must not only make the "weapons of freedom" in increasing quantity but "more greatly safeguard" their delivery to the front lines, Mr. Roosevelt gave fresh hope to the British, the Chinese and the Russians.

Supporting the President the voices of three great leaders of Labor in Britain and America—Ernest Bevin, Sidney Hillman and William Green—were united on this Labor Day. They understood the President's reminder to Labor that a totalitarian world has no room for trade unionism. There is increasing evidence that despite an amazing amount of irresponsibility and the repeated crippling of defense production by strikes, American Labor is coming nearer to the position of British Labor, which even before the war was awake to the perils of appeasement.

British workers have not rejected Nazi peace offensives because they wanted to fight. They foresaw that they would have to bear the brunt of the working and the fighting. They have seen that it is their homes and their children that stand on the front line in a bombing war. But they have chosen time after time to take all that the Nazis can send rather than accept any false peace. They have seen that no class and no nation can afford to sleep in face of the common danger, that all must do their part. Can Americans do less? So far their part is only to work. But how much more fully they could do that!

Time To Forget Trifles and Grapple With a Serious World

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These compose the dead weight mass which Mr. Roosevelt has to carry in his fearful task of organizing American power and duty alongside the nations which are fighting against the deluge that will certainly come if we fail to avert it. Not only have we, as the President says, got to defeat Hitler, but have got to take our place of leadership in so providing that so such monster will never again have the power to slay the innocents of the world.

To defeat Hitler and then to provide safety and peace in the world we shall have to take the leadership of the English speaking peoples and those who cherish similar ideas of peace and decency. Months ago this paper outlined what it thought would be the practical way of doing this. It was no new idea. It is embodied in the eight principles agreed upon by Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill, which are only a codification of the ideas expressed by Lord Halifax many months ago. It is a working ar-

rangement between the nations who seek no aggression and can become powerful enough to dispose of all the nations that do seek aggression. This arrangement will be founded upon peace, good will, and mutual economic effort within the circle, and an offer to all other nations to come into that circle as soon as they wish to abide by its principles. They will come fast enough when they find that peace, security and justice are to be thereby obtained.

The Churchill-Roosevelt suggestion points the way to a new world. Such a new world must be brought into being around these eight points under the leadership of the United States and the British Empire or the world is to live under the new order proposed by Hitler and his alliance of thugs. One or the other of these forces will govern the world. We can meet the Hitler challenge and defeat it or we can shirk the responsibility and take the consequences. Everything short of this is quibbling and childish argument. Those who sneer at what they call idealism and fancy themselves practical men have not enough imagination and vision to discern the truth. They themselves are the impractical people for they propose to live in a new world under the conception of a world that has passed away. National isolation is as dead as Ramases II. The power of one nation, however strong, to live in a world of aggression without fighting for its own rights is deadlier still. We talk of not wanting war. It is not a choice with us. Hitler must be destroyed or he will destroy not only the world of our neighbors but our own. It is time to stop talking about aiding England and Russia and China. It is time to talk, as the President talks, about destroying Hitler, root and branch. And the way to destroy him is to put our weight in the battle against him.

STATE OF MECKLENBURG

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of intangible taxes collected by the Charlotte will receive as their share State in this community \$225,296.02 according to data received from Raleigh tax collection officials and released through the county auditor's office. The county government gets \$112,232.23, and the city gets \$62,272.72. The small towns in the county also share in the cut-back from the State government.

JERSEY CATTLE SALE

An average of more than \$200 was paid Tuesday by bidders attending the annual sale of pure-bred cows of the North Carolina Jersey Cattle club out at the Southern States fair grounds. E. P. Gullede of Raleigh, sales manager, declared the sale was the most successful one the club has held and Lawrence Gardner, field representative of the American Jersey Cattle club, with headquarters in New York, who assisted in the selling, was also enthusiastic. About 50 fine blooded cows from various Jersey breeders in North Carolina were sold, including cows from the farm of North Carolina State college, Dr. Howard W. Odum of Chapel Hill, the Biltmore Dairy farms, the Granada farms, Torrence and Pearson, Arrowood farms and other well known breeders of fine Jersey cattle.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

County commissioners are still on the subject of collection of back taxes. It was decided to farm out the collection of non-property taxes under the county and city tax collector, collections to be paid for by a commission on the collections. It was brought to attention Tuesday that the law provides that dog taxes and poll taxes must always go to the school funds. County Attorney Delaney ruled that no commissions could be paid on these taxes and all collections made must go without demerit to the school fund. Collectors are scheduled to begin trying their hands on collection of the old taxes about the 15th of this month.

The survey of the National Reserve Planning board was approved after presentation of the plan by James W. Hewett, assistant area planning engineer. The object of the survey is to plan all sorts of public work projects which can be used to take up any employment slack which may develop in the next several years.

The commissioners named a committee to establish a work schedule for the county tax collector department. The board also decided that in view of the fact that the State Highway department is buying the Berryhill and Huntersville prison camps the Highway department may continue to use the garage on Wilkinson boulevard.

HEZEKIAH ALEXANDER HOUSE

The old stone house which Hezekiah Alexander completed in the year 1774, one year before the Mecklenburg declaration of independence, is still standing and with its 163 acres may become a state park. Mr. E. M. Cole owns the property and proposes to donate it under certain conditions regarding upkeep. Mr. J. B. Volger, representative in the legislature, has the matter up with the state authorities.

Mr. Volger said a WPA project to clear up the grounds and demolish unsightly old buildings could very easily be obtained. He thought that the descendants of Hezekiah Alexander and Waighstall Avery, along with D. A. R. members, civic organizations, patriotic societies and private citizens should quickly be able to obtain enough funds to get the essential work started, he declared.

AS ONE EDITOR SEES IT

By R. F. BEASLEY

THE NEW REIGN OF TEEROR IS

beginning in France and before it is over the old French Revolution which has been the supreme example of terror for the past one hundred and fifty years, may pass from memory as insignificant. The so-called French government set up at Vichy after the armistice with Germany has become only a tool of the Germans, and the French people are resenting it every way they can. While the former Premier Laval, now a German supporter, was attending a meeting urging Frenchmen to enlist in the Foreign Legion for service against the Russians, a young Frenchman shot him and one of his assistants. Both were severely wounded but are still living. Of course the man who shot them will be executed if he has not already been. And the German officer in command at Paris has said that he will shoot ten, fifty, a hundred, or as many Frenchmen as he deems necessary, for every act of violence committed against the Germans or their friends. It is sure that violence will be committed, and hence the blood of Frenchmen now called Jews and Communists by the Germans, will flow in streams. This is the German policy towards all the conquered peoples, and as the secret Victory campaign goes on there will be more and more retaliation. The brutal Germans are now having their day, but when it is over they will get what is coming to them and it will be a plenty.

JAPAN HAS REACHED THE POINT

of put up or shut. A year ago when Hitler seemed sure to win, when France was down, when Russia was supposed to be allied with Germany, when Mussolini was roaring about the defeat of England, and the United States was playing mummy towards Japan, the Japs thought it a good time to follow the example of Italy and join up with Germany. The conspiracy was plainly and openly against the United States. It was to so threaten us in the Pacific that they would have to keep our whole navy there and let England go down in the Atlantic. But it didn't work out. Hitler betrayed and assaulted Russia and is now bogged down on a two thousand mile front. England is stronger than that ever. Mussolini has shut up. Churchill and Roosevelt have met and warned Japan to stop or take the consequences. Oil tankers are on the way from American ports for the Russian port of Vladivostok in Siberia north of Japan, and this port is to be the gateway for aid to Russia from the United States. First the Japanese announced that they would not allow this, but the ships are on the way and Japan will do nothing about it. Meanwhile Russia and England have taken charge of Persia and Germans there on Fifth Column business are scurrying out. This opens up a new front against Germany where the land forces of Russia and the British can join to protect the east. It will also be a route for British and American aid to Russia. While the Germans are pressing hard on the Russians from Leningrad to the Black Sea, winter is coming on and the Russians are not defeated. Japan has bet on the wrong horse and now knows it. She is whining about England and the United States, but she is stopping, looking and listening. The United States is preparing to send commissions to talk over affairs not only with Russia but with the Chinese to find out what aid is most necessary and how it can be sent. Japan, with a four years war in China has not been able to conquer that country yet and will be further and further from it as time goes on. So sorry, bet on wrong horse.

SCIENCE SERVICE TELLS US THAT

"specialists in sociology, ethnology and political science are joining with psychiatrists and psychoanalysts to discuss in seminars and lectures why we behave as we do and why at this stage of civilization we resort to such organized cruelty and violence as the present war." Now you are going to get something. The set up would be complete if the horse doctors and the corn doctors were called in. In fact, we would set more store by what the horse doctors and the corn doctors would say. An expert is a fellow who can talk all day without telling you anything. Sometimes the radio people put some of them on to discuss

BOTANY BUYS LAND

The Citizen reports that the Botany Worsted Mills have purchased the 79 acres of land lying on the east side of the highway between Aberdeen and Southern Pines and another tract of 54 acres, comprising Powell's lake. Frederick S. Ranzhofer, attorney for Botany Worsted Mills, spent the day in Aberdeen closing the transaction and inspecting the property. While he would make no definite commitment as to when the proposed factory would be constructed, stating he was handling only the legal end of the negotiations, he seemed of the impression that there is no question but that Botany would establish a plant here, and mention of having seen plans for the proposed buildings.

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subjects. The result is a string of hems and haws and ums and ers. Experts are becoming as thick as fleas. The ones most skillful in concealing how little they know are the most expert of all. The daylights are talked out of people so much that they have lost the power to discriminate between trifles and important matters, and all the experts give them is a choice between tweedledee and tweedledum.

FOUR YEARS AGO JAPAN STARTED

war in China and two years ago Hitler started his war on all the world that he could get in reach of. Neither is going so strong as before but the wings of neither have yet been clipped. Twenty-two years ago certain politicians in this country started their war for politics and isolation. Hitler and the Japanese military barons propose to abolish democracy and substitute ancient absolutism with the springs of power in their own hands. The Americans sought first to defeat Woodrow Wilson and did wipe out what he stood for. Their purpose was to sacrifice the world position of the United States for the benefit of party advantage. They gave us Harding and the reign of rascals, and Coolidge and the foundation for the domestic and world depression, and Mr. Hoover and prosperity around the corner which was never turned. Now the successors of these politicians whose highest ambition was to crush Wilson are busily trying to scuttle this country's world position again in the expectation that that it will get Franklin D. Roosevelt.

ALLIED WITH THE POLITICIANS WHO

are actuated by venom for Roosevelt, like Wheeler for instance, are the admirers of Hitler and the hater of England, like Lindbergh. Following these men who have a clear purpose is a string of nondescripts who, like the Bourbons, never learn anything and never forget anything. They see no danger in Hitler because he has not yet dropped a bomb on their homes. They are the folks who always lock the door after the horse is gone. Because there have been bad wars and because people get hurt in wars, they would abolish wars by submitting to the international brigands. In other days they would have counselled paying tribute to highway robbers because to oppose them would cause trouble and maybe danger. Americans on the whole have never been that kind. We have established domestic tranquility by putting down the disturbers of the peace and the highwaymen and the murderers. Modern conditions have made it so that the world can no longer live in peace and safety without putting down the international highwaymen and murderers, and that is what Americans must help in doing.

DEER HUNTERS FINED

Last week's Hoke county recorder's court was featured by the trial and conviction of five deer hunters for operating at night, using spotlights hunting deer out of season and hunting without licenses, reports the News-Journal. The five were arrested by game wardens at 2:40 a. m. August 11 while driving in a car equipped for night deer hunting in McLaughlin township. They were two white men, their wives, and a negro driver. They had two spotlights in the car and one was in operation when the arrest was made. They were equipped with a rifle and a shotgun. They were charged with violating the game law and violating the hunting law. All pleaded not guilty and the judgment of the court was guilty. Sentences in the first instance were thirty days on the roads for the men and thirty days in jail for the women, sentences to be suspended on payment of the costs. In the second instance, a new law which make a fine of \$100 or 60 days imprisonment mandatory for hunting deer with a spotlight made it necessary for the recorder to impose these sentences. It was for the women or on the roads for the men or pay those fines all the costs. The sentences were to run concurrently with the thirty day ones. The five appealed to superior court and bond was set at \$200 each. All made bond and the case will probably be settled in the November term of court. This marks the first time that the new hunting laws have been used in this county.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By REV. H. C. PENINGER

(Sept. 7, 1941—Rev. 2:1-11)

For a long time I have wanted some lessons in the Book of Revelation. We now have four lessons in that so-called mysterious book. I can only touch what I consider the high peaks of the lesson. These scriptures were written by the Apostle John while he was an outcast on the Isle of Patmos. Before I go further into the lesson I will say that this was a vision given to John by Christ of the church both on earth and in heaven. From its earliest existence to its final consummation on earth. The teachings of the entire book mean the certain triumph of the kingdom of God on earth in spite of all human and worldly opposition. John wrote at a time when christians were exposed to the fiercest hatred and opposition of proud Rome. He wrote at a time when to take a stand for Christ meant the most terrible persecution and to escape death was only a miracle.

As I think about this vision it seems to me that it must have been good news to a church hard pressed by persecution. Think about this revelation of the sure triumph in the end of the cause of Christ. Were we living back that day don't you think it would inspire us to a new heart courage and loyalty? As I think about this wrecked and torn world with its most terrible apostasy, should not the teaching of this revelation bring new courage with a more determined ambition to serve God and be faithful to the end?

We now notice the seven churches. The message of the first three chapters is meant for the seven churches of the Roman Province of Asia beginning with Ephesus, the church with which John seemed to be associated. There is a sense in which these seven churches seem to be symmetrical for the whole christian movement. As the holy place in the tabernacle was lighted by the candles supported by the seven branched candle stick, so the church on earth is typified by the seven candle sticks. Under the Mosaic Law the seven candle sticks were seven branches of one common stalk. This was symbolic of the fact that under the old covenant the people were granted the light of God's oracles. Now the candle sticks are separate and distinct and the gospel is free and goes into every nook and corner of the world. In this vision John saw Christ in the midst of his church. This vision showed Christ standing in the midst of the seven candle sticks holding in his right hand seven stars. Follow me closely here. The candle sticks were the churches whose light alone was Christ. The stars were the bishops or ministers of these churches. Here John sees this despised Jesus. This Christ so lowly and yet so exalted

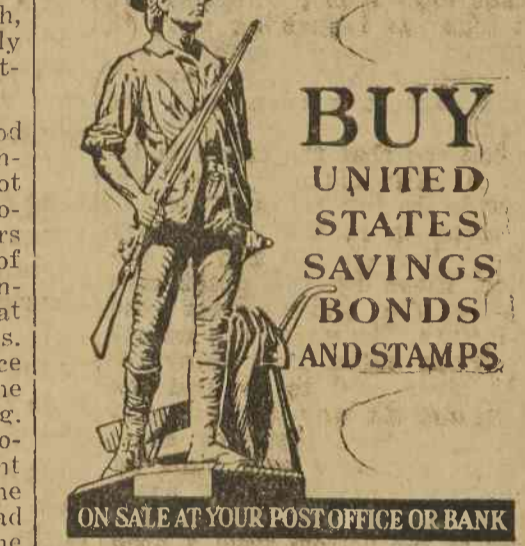
clean up. In closing let me say that I think it is a most appalling thing for Christ to bring any kind of an indictment against his bride, the church. Yet he is forced to do it. Indeed, a righteous God could not do otherwise. I tell you that no half hearted penitence, no slight healing of the wound will satisfy the demands of a righteous God. Remember from whence thou art fallen. Remember, repent, do thy first works. Joseph and Mary had to go back to Jerusalem to find their boy, for that is where they lost him. Where did you lose Christ? You know where. Go back there and you will find him.

Human Interest

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stitch them several times on the sewing machine to keep the pieces together. I cover this piece of blanket with new pieces of gaily colored cotton cloth. One of them I covered with patchwork made from new bright pieces of cloth. After turning the edges in and stitching on the machine, I tie the quilt together with yarn. The result is a very warm coverlet about 33x49 inches, depending upon the size of the blanket used. I am sure many of us have some worn thin blankets that can be used to keep some small British cousin warm.

FOR DEFENSE

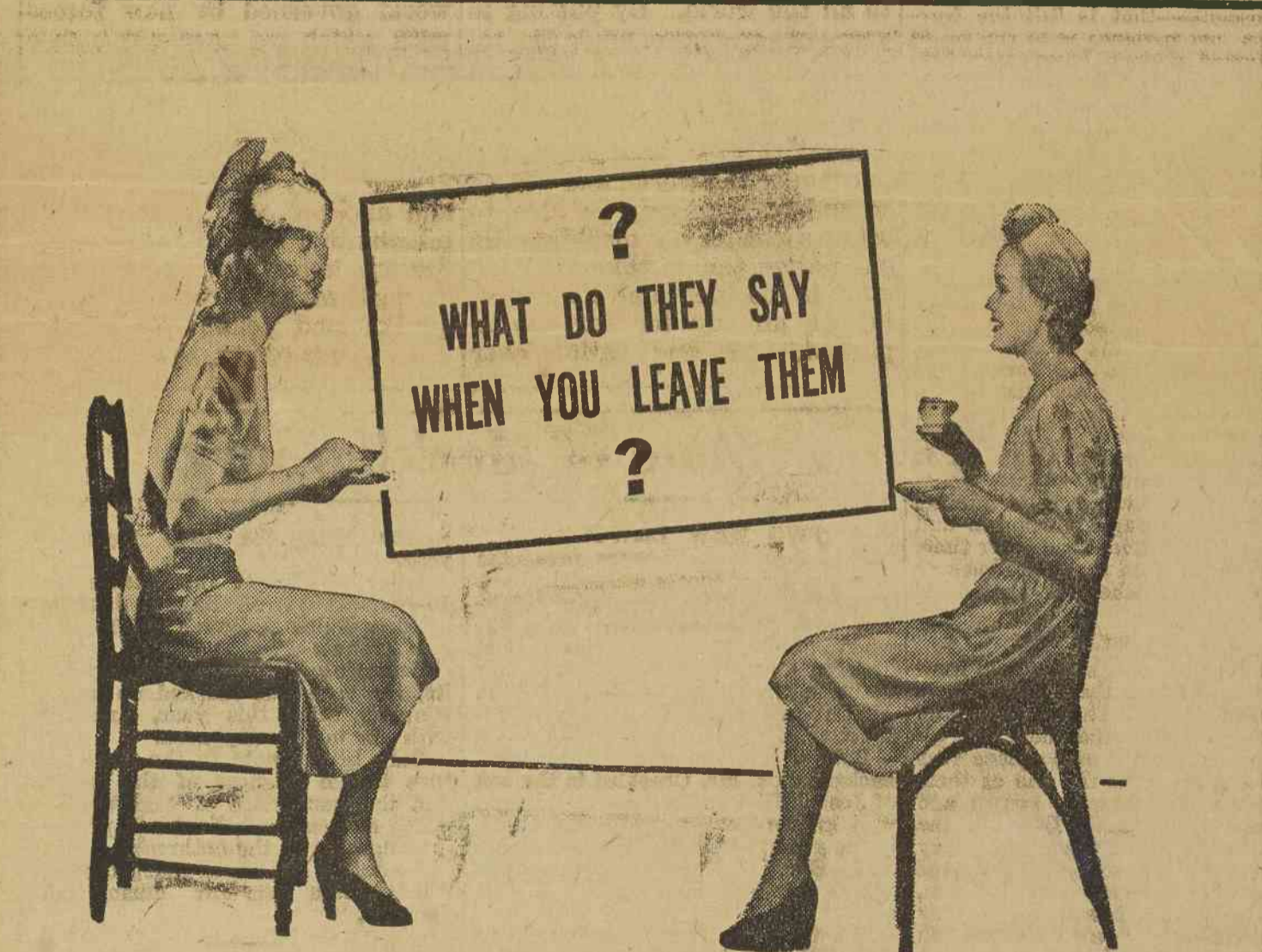


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