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WE CAN GIVE ONE DAY AT A TIME TO HUMANITY: Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.—John 3:16.

On the Credit Side

One hears much talk about the short tobacco crop and the smaller income the county will receive from its sale this year, and on the basis of that, recurring fears and complaints of living difficulties that may follow in its wake.

On the debit side is the small crop, and that is the chief and about all the debit there is.

On the credit side of the ledger are many hopeful aspects of conditions for this fall season. Tobacco prices thus far are approximately one-third higher. The very fact that the crop is smaller means that it has been produced at less expense of time, effort and cash outlay.

All of these activities mean payrolls and incomes. They offer jobs for idle hands and steady wages for some time to come. Last year thirty million pounds, roughly speaking, of tobacco were sold on the Henderson market.

These values, however, can be entered on the credit side of the ledger. They are assets. It is true enough last year was nothing to boast of, but this year, by comparison, should be just about as good.

Another credit entry that should be taken into account, too, is that feed crops, particularly hay, have been grown in larger quantities than in many years in this county, and money will not have to be spent for these needs in the same proportion as hitherto.

When the war is ended there will likely be repercussions as there were in the wake of the last war. Economic adjustments will be necessary, of course. But there is no indication of peace at an early date, as regrettable as that may be.

For the present at least there would seem to be much more for consideration on the credit side of the book than in the debit column.

High School Clubs

In the "Others Views" department on this page is a communication by Prof. W. D. Payne, principal of Henderson high school, relating to the system of clubs and societies at the high school.

Prof. Payne writes favorably of the activities and purposes of the myriad organizations that have sprung up at the school in late years. He undertakes to justify them as valuable adjuncts of school life, and they may be. It depends on the viewpoint.

The system is a new departure from former times, but that in itself is no argument against it. The only standard for proper measurement is as to whether clubs and societies fill a real need, whether they broaden the horizon of students in preparation for a chosen career, or bridge gaps left in regular scholastic curricula.

Whether they earn credits toward graduation is not a matter of definite knowledge with us. With a few exceptions, we doubt if they add to a student's equipment for college entrance.

Our previous comment was not intended as any sort of carping criticism, but was motivated by what appears to be a movement carried to unnecessary extremes, some of its reaches seemingly contributing little or nothing to the essential training of an adolescent child.

OTHERS VIEWS

PROF. PAYNE EXPLAINS HIGH SCHOOL CLUBS

Your editorial entitled "Clubs of Learning" raises a question that concerns every parent of the Henderson high school, and I believe that our parents would like to have more complete information about this program here.

A few years ago he had no provision for clubs to meet during the scheduled school day. Clubs had to meet after school hours and frequently met at night either at the school or in one of the homes of the members.

This fall a few days after school opened the entire student body of the high school met in the auditorium to consider the question of clubs here. As their principal I offered the student body the privilege of voting to eliminate the club period from our schedule.

After much discussion of the club program here in the past few years, and its value to the school and our students, the student body was permitted to vote on the question of whether or not we should continue to have a Club Period in our regular weekly program.

On Wednesday, October 16, several dozen mothers attended the regular October meeting of the P.-T. A. here in the library. They had asked me to speak to them, and quite by chance I chose the topic: "The Club Program in Henderson High School."

For any student to belong to more than one Tuesday club. It is the same situation with the Thursday clubs and no student can belong to more than one Thursday club.

In former years our band had to meet at night. This is no longer necessary as the band now has a period every day to have their rehearsal periods. Our glee clubs used to be forced to meet at night or after school, and this took the glee club members away from home one or two nights each week.

The fundamental principle behind our club program here is the idea of "free choice on the part of the pupil". No pupil is required to join a club. Thus he joins only if he is interested. He works with a group of 30 to 35 students interested in the same thing, and this arrangement makes a fine learning situation.

Students find an outlet for their special interests and aptitudes. Many of these students find lasting satisfaction an enjoyment in Club work. I happen to recall off-hand these students who are today earning their living in fields that they entered because of their interest aroused from club membership while in high school.

1. D. E. Evans is a commercial photographer. He started in a science club.

2. J. W. Partin has followed the same path.

3. Elvie Turner is a professional electrician. He began here in school in the science club.

4. Paul Patterson hopes to become a professional musician. He began his career here in the high school orchestra.

I believe these illustrations could be multiplied many times if we could have the complete record of men and women who are now earning a living from some field of work that challenged them while in some high school club.

You will find attached a complete schedule of the present club arrangement in the high school. I would like to invite every high school parent to study the plan and then let me know how they feel about the question of clubs here.

The faculty of the Henderson high school will gladly abolish the club period if and when a majority of the high school parents prefer that we do this. The high school of Henderson belongs to parents and taxpayers and the faculty here greatly desires to run the kind of schools that our citizens want. We invite comments both favorable and unfavorable at any time. Only in this way can we know the desire of our people.

W. D. PAYNE, Henderson, October 17, 1940.

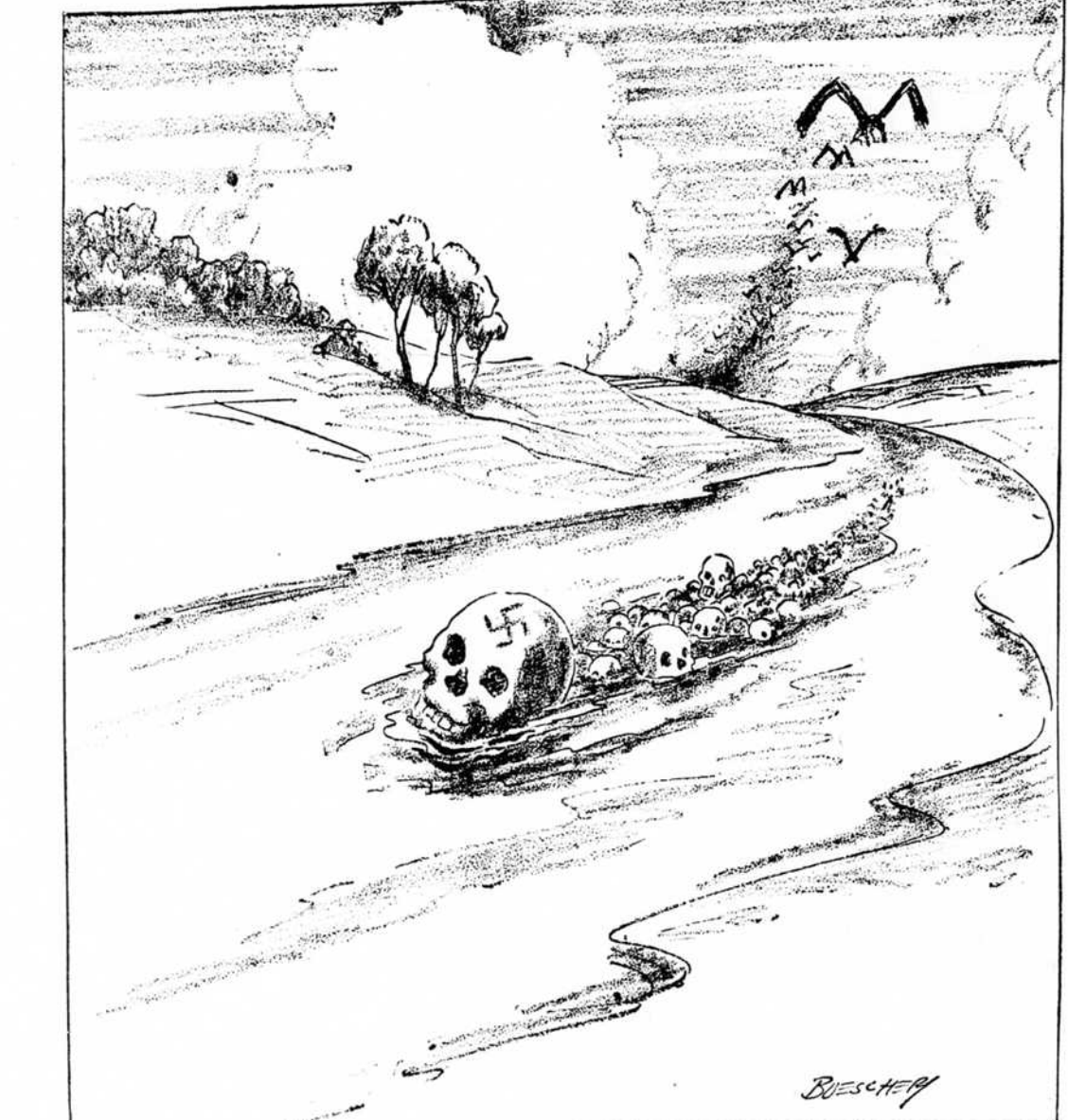
Club Schedule in the Henderson High School 1940-41

Clubs meet on two mornings each week at Activity Period which is a period set aside each morning from 8:30 to 9:10.

Students cannot possibly belong to more than two clubs since all Tuesday clubs meet at the same time, and in like manner all Thursday clubs meet at the same time. Thus a student may belong to one of the Tuesday clubs and also one of the Thursday clubs.

- 1. Randolph, Study Period, Nature Club. 2. Morton, Dramatics Club, Study Period. 3. Greene, Journalism Club, Study Period. 4. Chriesman, Study Period, Study Period. 5. Turnage, Junior Dramatics Club, Study Period. 6. Cogdell, Basketry Club, Basketry Club. 7. Ramseur, Study Group, Charm Club. 8. Dickson, Study Group, Jr. Red Cross (knitting group). 9. Mrs. Paris, "Know your State", Study Group. 10. Kilpatrick, Science Club, Monogram Club. 11. Bowlin, Boys Glee Club.

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Girls Glee Club. 12. Byrd, Archery, Archery. 13. Nelson, Jr. Red Cross (sewing group), Study Period. 14. Felton, Study Period, Study Period. 15. Miller, Boys Recreation, Girls Recreation. 16. Hearne, Music Appreciation, Music Appreciation.

A student cannot belong to the same group on both Tuesday and Thursday. If he belongs to a club that meets on the two days he must have two different clubs for the two days.

Club membership is optional on the part of the pupil. He may join a club if he so desires, and if he does not desire to join a club he may use the club periods as a study period under the supervision of one of the faculty. This guarantees suitable study conditions for those pupils who desire to study at club period.

2. Bartholomew Figures Moore, a leading and respected member of the North Carolina bar for many years. He was born in Halifax county in 1801, and was a graduate of the University. After reading law he established a law office at Nashville, later moving to Halifax. In 1849 he became attorney general and moved to Raleigh. Three years later he resigned to accept the commission to revise the North Carolina code. He opposed secession from the beginning, and openly remained an outspoken Unionist during the four years of the Confederacy. He included a justification of his position in his will, which included the following sentence: "My judgment was the instructor of my conscience, and no man suffered greater misery than I did."

3. Reynolds polled 156,548; Morrison 143,179; Bowie 37,748, and Grist 31,010. The second primary gave Reynolds 227,364 and Morrison 120,420.

4. Nathaniel Macon, of Warren county, congressman from 1791 to 1815 when he was elected United States senator, and senator until 1828 when he resigned, because he had reached the age of seventy. As long as he was physically able, when home from duties in Washington, he worked in his fields with his slaves, plowing and hoeing just as they did. When possible to do so himself he would allow no one else to top his tobacco.

5. In 1933 the tax collections failed by nearly nine million dollars to take care of the budget.

6. William Cicero Hammer was elected first in the fall of 1920, beginning his first term March 4, 1921. He served until his death on September 26, 1930. Walter J. Lambeth, of Thomasville, succeeded him.

ANSWERS TO TEN QUESTIONS

- 1. Japan. 2. Yes. 3. Yes. 4. Vermont. 5. An American Indian. 6. Mars. 7. Arterial. 8. 1933. 9. Yes. 10. An ironworker, or smith.

What Do You Know About North Carolina?

1. Does the population of North Carolina show more women than men? 2. Who was the Raleigh lawyer who remained a Unionist throughout the War? 3. What was the Morrison-Reynolds-Bowie-Grist primary vote in 1932? 4. Who was the North Carolina congressman and senator who insisted on topping his own tobacco? 5. In what year did the state fail by nearly nine million dollars to collect enough taxes to take care of expenditures? 6. How many terms did Congressman W. C. Hammer, of Asheboro, serve as representative of his district?

Weekly Market News Review

Raleigh, Oct. 19.—Feed markets followed the usual seasonal trend during the past week and prices advanced materially as a result of the more active inquiry from dealers and feed manufacturers, the U. S. and North Carolina Departments of Agriculture revealed in the weekly market news service review.

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