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God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound in every good work.

Unemployment Funds

A few months ago, the unemployment benefit checks were less than \$79,000. Now, they are \$1,347,000. The unemployment compensation commission, according to Director F. L. Martin, some 2,000 unemployed workers in the State shared this benefit.

The statement received also that the commission received a grant of sixty million dollars, which is the greatest amount in any one time thus far as far as unemployment benefits are concerned in a single month.

The deduction from these statistics is that there was an unemployment fund at any time during the benefit system was set up. It is more than six years ago that the first unemployment fund was set up. It had been set up in 1936.

Very probably the majority of the unemployed are being abused to some extent, as have most government agencies, most of which would have far more that could be reasonably said of them.

Common Sense

Describing proposed government subsidies of prices as "mere peanuts" by comparison with some Federal expenditures, labor leaders are making light of the plan, and we are inclined to believe they have something. They contend that a ten per cent reduction in "just a handful of items" is not enough, and of course it isn't.

That's the most sensible suggestion we have seen coming from any responsible source in all this talk about controlling prices. Our own opinion, often expressed in this department, has been all along that the only safe, workable and sound control against inflation is to freeze prices of everything as of a certain date, allowing for adjustments in the very few instances where needed, and prosecute those convicted of violating fixed ceilings.

Another suggestion in the same connection, and one which we have also long and consistently advocated, came from the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives, demanding suspension of planting and harvesting restrictions on all vital crops in which scarcities have developed—and that means most crops. It quotes have ever been lifted from the domestic sugar cane and sugar beet growers, we have never heard of it, and yet there is and for a year or more has been—so the country has been told—such a shortage in sugar that the commodity has to be rationed, and was indeed one of the first items to go under the heavy hand of Federal control.

One hears talk of present or post-war famine, or near famine, in many parts of the world, yet quotas are applied to wheat and penalties imposed for violations. The same is true of cotton and also of tobacco, while talk is common that there is not enough of certain types of cotton, and widespread and general understanding that tobacco is short and becoming more and more so, to the extent that rationing is being hinted even in this commodity.

The National Council of Farmer Cooperatives spoke of "historically discredited price control methods" for what it called "our present demoralized food situation." All of which is not surprising in light of multiplicities and duplications of regulations and regulating agencies.

Each time the crackpot bureaucrats have a new brainstorm they come out with proposal for still another bureau or commission to provide a top flight administrator at a fancy salary and an army of pay roll leeches to embellish his quarters to make him look important and to add to his prestige, if any.

A few times we have sworn off from this sort of criticism and from calling attention to such monstrosities in government; yet that is precisely what the Federal bureaucracy would prefer to anything else, namely, that they be given free rein and let alone to do as they please and live in clover the rest of their days at taxpayers' expense.

Two of the best remedies we can think of for present headaches is to freeze all prices as suggested by labor, and to lift restraints from crops, as the farm group proposed. At least they sound as sensible as some of the things that are being attempted.

There is nothing surprising about Caudillo Franco's peace feeler, probably inspired, if not insisted upon, by his paternal godfathers in Berlin and Rome. It shows he is still on the most intimate and sympathetic terms with these brutal dictators.

He tells his people and the listening world that the war has reached a deadlock in which neither side has the power to destroy the other. But we had thought Britain and the United States had been making pretenses in North Africa, and that Staged headway in the destruction business Soviet armies were matching the performance against Hitler's legions on the eastern front.

they delay the harder it will be and the more irreparable their ultimate plight.

For our health's sake, we're told, one should wash his feet daily. And by keeping one's socks on during the bath, one can also cut down one's laundry bills, too.

The British Royal Air Force has been bombing and blowing up so many German locomotives that it's the lucky Nazi who misses the train.

What Do You Know About North Carolina?

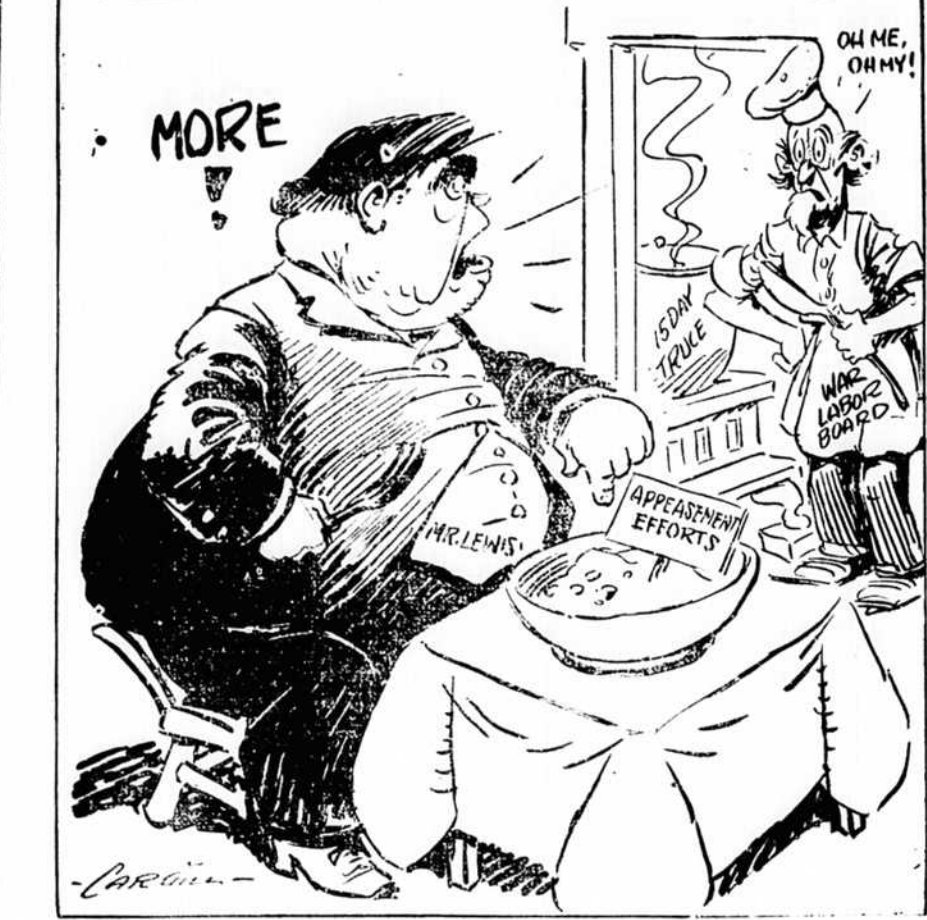
By FRED H. MAY

- 1. How many patients do North Carolina's general hospitals take care of annually?
2. Who was the famous southern leader who the Republicans claimed in 1875 the Democrats planned to make president of the University?
3. Who were the North Carolina congressmen in office with Congressman Doughton during his first term in 1911-1913?
4. Who was the great North Carolina judge who claimed lawyers studied only enough to obstruct the courts?
5. How many western North Carolina counties are named for Eastern Carolina leaders?
6. Why did Congressman Jesse Attherton Bynum, of Halifax, leave the State in 1847?

ANSWERS.

- 1. North Carolina's 166 general hospitals take more than 214,000 patients annually. The average number of patients in hospitals at all times is reported as 15,329. These hospitals report a total capacity of 20,353 beds and 1,710 nurses.
2. Jefferson Davis, former president of the Confederate States of America and former congressman and United States senator from Mississippi. When the Democrats in 1875 sought to make some changes in the reconstruction constitution the Republicans made a strong fight, claiming, among other things, that the Democrats planned to make Mr. Davis president of the University at a salary of \$10,000 per year.
3. In 1911 North Carolina's congressmen were John H. Small, of Washington, N. C.; Claude Kitchen, Scotland Neck; John M. Faison, Edward W. Poir, Smithfield; Charles M. Stedman, Greensboro; Humbird L. Godwin, Dunn; Robert N. Page, Aberdeen; E. Yates Webb, Shelby; James M. Gidger, Asheville; and Robert L. Doughton, Laurel Springs.
4. Judge Thomas Ruffin, of Hillsboro, judge of the superior court from 1816 to 1818 and from 1825 to 1828; associate justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court from 1829 to 1833 and from 1838 to 1860; and Chief Justice from 1833 to 1862. He was credited with being one of the greatest jurists of the whole United States. In 1825 he severely criticized the lawyers of that day, saying that they were lax in preparing the facts and law pertaining to their cases. They prepared only enough to obstruct and delay the courts, and not to aid the justice of the cause, he said.
5. Burke county, named for Thomas Burke, of Orange county, Caswell, named for Governor Richard Caswell, of Lenoir; Iredell, named for James Iredell, of Chowan; Ashe, named for Governor Samuel Ashe, of New Hanover; Macon, named for Nathaniel Macon, of Warren; Henderson, for Judge Leonard Henderson, of Granville; Haywood, for John Haywood, of Wake; Graham, for William A. Graham, of Orange; Polk, for William Polk, Wake; Mitchell, for Dr. Elisha Mitchell, Orange; Gaston, for William Gaston, Craven; Caldwell, for Dr. Joseph Caldwell, Orange; Buncombe, for Edward Buncombe, Tyrrell; Stanly, for W. R. Stanly, Craven; Davie, for W. R. Davie, Halifax; and Moore, for Alfred Moore, Brunswick. For years it was claimed that a western county could not be established unless it was named for an eastern man.
6. Congressman Jesse Attherton Bynum, born in Halifax county in 1797, and educated at Princeton, left North Carolina about the end of his fourth congressional term in 1844 to engage in farming in Louisiana. So many of North Carolina's leaders left the State about that time that it was called the "Great Exodus."

"THE GROANING BOARD"



ANSWERS TO DAILY QUIZ

- 1. Henry M. Stanley.
2. Senator Harry F. Byrd of Virginia.
3. Washington is the only one.
4. Egg-shaped.
5. Max Stephens.
6. Samarra.
7. Greenland.
8. Dutch.
9. "Against it."
10. Black hair.

AROUND CAPITOL SQUARE

By LYNN NISBET Daily Dispatch Bureau In The Sir Walter Hotel-Raleigh

MEMORIAL—Some communities in the State staged local observance of Confederate Memorial day Monday, but there was no statewide recognition. In the city, if any, were closed and ABC stores failed to open for the thirsty customers. State departmental offices were doing business as usual. Interest in the day is rapidly becoming historical rather than personal. Checkup at the State auditor's office disclosed only 25 veterans of the State pension rolls—approximately 125,000 North Carolinians who went in to the Confederate army. Two of these are disabled and draw \$35 a month. 23 are in Class A at a dollar a day. Also on the State pension rolls are two Negro body servants of Confederate soldiers, and 717 widows.

EXCEPTION—Governor Broughton led the political union at Chapel Hill Saturday night he would attempt to answer any question asked except questions about the 1944 State primary. So one of the first shot at him was what the thought about the fourth term for Roosevelt. He winked, but didn't duck, and said sentiment he had found indicated Roosevelt could get the nomination if he wanted it, and his election would depend upon the course of the war.

LEFT—Ralph McDonald, one of the avowed candidates for governor next year, was present. When called upon he said "since the left wing of the race was 'born' he would say nothing if a political nature. This gave the governor a chance to come back with the observation that he

had understood McDonald was regarded as the "left wing." That can be interpreted however the hearer of the reader sees fit.

LATE—One of the final acts of the High Point city council was to repeal all 18-year-old city ordinances which maximum train speeds through the city at ten miles an hour. They can now go 40 miles. The old ordinance had been in effect since the main line tracks had been lowered, eliminating grade crossings.

PARTISAN—The retiring council was just electing a new one, and perhaps was doing a nice thing for the city by repealing the ordinance. The majority of Republicans in the city is the only majority in the city with a night-out partisan system of municipal government, and due to factional fighting among Democrats the Republicans took control in last week's election.

WORDS—There is sound philosophy in "em, but the words, themselves in a casual statement by C. D. Matthews, re-integrating Mathematics into the State's largest peach and potato growers and has asked about conditions for both crops. He has a seven "N" satisfied with the extraordinary natural handicaps facing our industry, certain agencies beyond control and without the knowledge or consent of the fruit growers have superimposed a multiplicity of artificial hazards—some necessary, some supposedly necessary, and many wholly unnecessary, but all operative. When the gamut has been run to exhaustion, we are individually and collectively, will turn to fundamental necessities. Therein lies his hope of salvation." Clear, is it not?

SHEEP—R. S. Curtis, sheep man for the State Department of Agriculture, just got from a swing through piedmont and mountain counties, reports a lively interest in sheep raising. He hopes to get six or eight carloads of sheep on North Carolina farms within the next few weeks.

Name of Robbins Sticks to What Is Now Called Hemp

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, May 11.—Only reversed by the Supreme Court of a decision by Judge John J. Burney now stands in the name of Hemp to Robbins. Attorneys for protestants of the change have little hope that the higher court will reverse the lower, but they are following through to exhaust every legal effort to prevent the name changing.

Judge Burney stated his decision immediately after a hearing in Wake county court house Monday on a restraining order to prevent the state board of municipal control from changing the name. The hearing was featured by a humorous presentation of the far reaching consequences of name changing delivered by Judge Walter Siler, attorney for the opposition. The judge's ridicule might have had weight with a jury. Level-headed, tobacco-chewing Judge Burney was impervious to it, although he enjoyed the witty sallies as much as anyone in the court room.

Opponents of change had sentiment and humor on their side; the other side had the law. "Names of towns, like names of persons, acquire significance," said Judge Siler, "High Point means furniture, Detroit automobiles; Hollywood is synonymous with moving pictures, and Milwaukee with beer, just like Shelby is with candidates. Why, if this uncontrolled name changing is not curbed the secretary of state may wake up some morning to find his name changed to Thaddeus Euripides." Having no bearing on the pending case, but indicating that a majority of the Hemp voters (to be Robbins voters after September 1) are in fa-

Unemployment Is Expected To Grow When Peace Comes

In the Sir Walter Hotel, Daily Dispatch Bureau.

Raleigh, May 11.—The \$9 million dollar reserve in the State's unemployment compensation fund will be very rapidly dissipated after the war, if estimates made by S. F. Campbell, UCC statistician, prove anywhere near accurate. Campbell expects the drain on the fund to exceed 27 million dollars a year for the first two years after peace. He starts with the assumption the war will be over in 1944, and states that should it continue longer the effect of unemployment dislocations might be less drastic.

Campbell points to two factors which have caused some concern to State promoters during recent months, as perhaps advantages in the postwar reconstruction period: The fact that dollar value of primary war contracts in this State is far less than in others, and few plants have been built specially for war work. Readjustment will be easier under these conditions than if the regular order had been more disrupted. This state is largely a producer of consumer goods and such war business as has come has meant mainly increasing production along regular lines.

It has been estimated that at least 105,000 persons would find themselves out of work due to cessation of war industry. Because of high wages now being earned, their weekly checks would average over \$8 each. By way of contrast it is noted that during April of this year only 11,347 benefit checks were issued, totaling \$78,799.53—less than \$7 each. This is the lowest claim load of any month since the system was inaugurated six years ago, and less than one per cent the number of checks written in August, 1940, peak of unemployment.

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