

# Personal

Mesdames J. M. Whitley and S. G. Flowers, spent last Thursday in Raleigh with their relatives.

Mrs. Nannie Culpepper is quite feeble. Her condition does not improve as her friends had hoped for.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Winstead, of Greensboro, are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Winstead.

Rev. R. H. Herring and M. B. Chamblee went last Sunday p. m. to hear Hon. Clyde Hoey speak in Raleigh.

Miss Bidly Campen is recovering from an illness caused by an impacted wisdom tooth and the operation for its removal.

Mrs. C. G. Weathersby had as guests for the week-end her mother and sister, Mrs. Williams and Miss Williams, of Clover, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Utley, of Henderson, and Mr. Utley's father, of Raleigh, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Winstead Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Whitley went to Fuquay Springs last Friday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Allan Aiken, who lived in Zebulon at one time.

Paul Cashwell, who had lived here for some time, working with Carolina Power and Light Co., moved last week with his family to Cheraw, S. C.

Miss Myrcelle Bunn, who is a student at Duke University, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bunn.

The Zebulon Supply Co., sold three farm wagons on one day of last week, which is as many as have ever been sold by that firm for the same length of time.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bird and daughter, Miss Lillie Belle, and Mrs. Vetter, all of Mt. Olive, were guests in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Herring for a while Sunday.

John R. Rankin, Jr., and children, Jno. O., Margaret and Tommie of Gastonia spent last Sunday with Mrs. A. R. House. Mr. Rankin reports that the NRA is doing wonders in Gastonia.

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## Middlesex News

Miss Sue Murray was the week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. Charlie Carr, of Dunn.

Mrs. Kenneth Barnes is still visiting in Rocky Mount.

Miss Mary Manning is spending this week in Raleigh with Mrs. H. L. Arnold.

Mr. Hunter Carr and Ed Wallace and Mrs. Charlie Carr spent some time in Middlesex Friday night.

Friends of Mr. Johnnie Alford were very sorry to learn that he lost his home by fire Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Holland spent the week-end in town with relatives.

Several people of Middlesex were Raleigh visitors Saturday to attend the circus.

Mr. Ernest Thompson and friend, Mr. Pritchard, of Buffalo, N. Y., have been visiting in Middlesex for the past week. They are planning returning soon.

Mrs. Paul Chamblee, Mrs. Pat Moore, and Mrs. W. W. Morgan went around town collecting some of the necessary things for Johnnie Alford's family whose home has recently been burned.

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## 'I Don't Pay Taxes'—Oh, Yes, You Do!

It is estimated that 70 per cent of the national income is not subject to direct taxation—income which comes from government bonds, or is exempt from taxation because its owners' total receipts are below the levels touched by the income tax law.

That provides a pretty sound reason for public laxness about taxation. A majority feel that it is no trouble of theirs—that it is a problem belonging strictly to that minority which must pay direct taxes.

We all pay taxes, if we earn a thousand or a hundred thousand—and the bulk of governmental income comes from those whose incomes are in the lower brackets.

We pay taxes when we go to a movie, buy food, turn on an electric light, take a spin in the car, go fishing, or do anything else. We pay them when we are asleep—the maker of the bed, mattress and blankets paid taxes, which he passed on to those who bought his product. The more he paid, the more we pay to sleep!

Tax-freedom, whether for an individual or a business, is a beautiful illusion, and it will never be anything else. If your income falls within the 70 per cent mentioned, don't be pleased about it. You're paying your share of excessive taxation. And you'll continue to pay until you do something about it.

## All Businesses Should Pay Tax

Whatever one may think of public ownership of service utilities, there is no reason why these utilities should not pay their fair share of taxes to the support of the state government.

Advocates of publicly owned utilities claim certain basic advantages over privately owned utilities; money on the credit of a city can (or could) be obtained at a lower rate and the matter of private return sufficient advantage. And yet cities is eliminated. That ought to be a maintaining their own service utilities have always reneged on paying their taxes, thereby sponging on other cities and counties of the state for the support of their state government. As a bludgeon to force cities to go in for public ownership, it is a form of blackmail. Or does the political management of publicly owned utilities demand for their operation not only cheaper money and elimination of private profit, but also a runoff on taxes? It looks as if public ownership advocates are suffering from an inferiority complex—or they know the extravagance of political management.

It is obvious that when a government goes into business it is engaging in business and not in government. The users of municipal service should be ashamed to place themselves in the tax evasion class.—Stockton, Calif., Independent.

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## NRA Code For Safe Drivers

There is one badly needed code which will not have to await an official signature. It affects every person in the country, and its adoption should be unanimous. It is "The Safe Drivers' Code."

Accident statistics reported to June 30, 1933, according to the National Bureau of Casualty and Surety Underwriters, showed that 12,920 persons had been killed by automobiles this year. The indications, judging from unofficial reports in July and August, are that final results may show a decided increase in deaths and accidents for 1933. This is doubly significant, because there are nearly 10 per cent fewer automobiles registered in the United States this year than in 1931.

To motorists, therefore, and to pedestrians and all users of our streets and highways, the following code is directed:

1. Regulate your speed to fit traffic conditions; keep your car under control at all times.
  2. Slow down for intersections, and obey traffic signals.
  3. Use better judgment in passing, waiting until there is at least 500 feet of clear distance ahead.
  4. Pedestrians: Cross at crosswalks; walk on the left side facing traffic; obey traffic signals.
  5. Remember that automobile accidents constitute an economic waste totaling billions, through property damage, high insurance costs, increased taxes, etc.
- Every motorist should feel that it is his duty and privilege to pledge himself to this code.



## Economic Highlights

Happenings That Affect The Dinner Pails, Dividend Checks And Tax Bills Of Every Individual. National and International Problems Inseparable From Local Welfare.

With the coming of fall, the NRA enters its most critical phase. It got off to a fine start with public sentiment massed behind it. That sentiment is still there—but the novelty is beginning to wear out, the first thrill of excitement is dying down, and people are wanting to be shown. Millions of workers are confronted by the unpleasant spectacle of rising prices unaccompanied by comparable increases in their earning capacity. Business generally believes in the NRA, wants to support it, but many do not know where to get the money. President Roosevelt points out to the people that success or failure of the recovery program now rests to the greatest extent in their hands.

In line with this, the most important recent step was the NRA customer mobilization. The pledge—which found millions of signers—involves boycott of non-NRA businesses and patronage for those which display the blue eagle. There is no legal means of enforcing the pledge on a signer who breaks it—that part of the campaign really is voluntary and, as General Johnson declared, depends entirely on the public's conscience.

"What will happen to Ford?" for his failure to sign the NRA code, is being asked on every street corner. His wage and work standards are entirely in line with the code. He simply objects to signing. How much will that cost him in lost business is an interesting and important speculation. If General Johnson has his way, Ford cars are going to be a drug on the market from now until he signs. Temporarily the Ford imbroglio has been sidetracked by controversy with the stubborn soft coal industry.

As for the early influence of the NRA on general business, it has ports from all parts of the country done wonders, according to a recent review by Dun and Bradstreet. Ret show enlarged spending power, stimulated employment and the disappearance of the feeling of suspense and apprehension which gripped the country for three years. Volume of business, in comparison to a year ago, has substantially increased and the forward movement is uninterrupted. New employment is put at about three million.

"What is a sound loan and what isn't?" is a query that is perplexing the bankers now. They're in a tough spot. The government, thru its recovery machinery, wants the banks to ease up on loans, put more money to work. Another branch of government, which does bank supervising, can swoop down and make it very unpleasant for banks which aren't as liquid as they should be under the stringent banking laws to protect depositors. The banker is trying to steer a middle course and dodge the pitfalls that lurk on either side. The suggestion of the head of the R. F. C. that banks should sell preferred stocks and use the funds to extend credit, met a respectful but coolish response. In most communities you still have to put up about \$150 in

A-1 assets to get a dollar loan, and it doesn't look as if that policy will be relaxed to a great degree in the near future.

Financiers are keeping their eyes on the inflation clouds now, wondering how soon they will gather. Heavy pressure is being brought to bear on Mr. Roosevelt to rush inflation; it is known that he has been studying ways and means. Senator Fletcher recently suggested that the Reserve Bank be ordered to buy at least \$100,000,000 worth of government bonds a week, and the Treasury should issue a like amount of new currency. Inflation would create many new problems while relieving existing ones such as lack of credit for building, business expansion, etc.

Gold producers smiled, grew jubilant, when the Treasury, on Presidential instruction, began to pay the world price for gold the other day. Instead of a fixed price of \$20.67 per ounce, they will receive whatever the market says, and gold will rise and fall in value like other commodities. Price now is around \$30.00.

The silver men weren't slow to ask that something be done to help them. Senator Pittman, long the break for silver, suggested that most persistent advocate of a better producers be allowed to take their silver to the mine and receive the coins made from it. This would bring the price of silver to \$1.19 per ounce, more than three times the present market price.

Strong indications that the Administration is ready to fix oil prices immediately unless the industry can keep its house in order, have been made. Major oil companies are divided over the proposal in Washington that the government step into the retail gasoline and oil market and fix retail prices where controversies develop.

The Onslow Mutual Exchange has sold about 1,500 bushels of grapes at a price of approximately \$1 for a bushel of 60 pounds. Black grapes are being sold at 75 cents a bushel. The recent storm seriously injured the crop.

## SANDWICH SPREAD OF PEARS AND RAISINS

If you need sandwich spread for school lunches, try this. It was given members of the Home Demonstration Club by Mrs. McInness. One peck of pears. Two packages seedless raisins. Three pounds brown sugar. One pint vinegar. Any preferred spices for flavoring.

Core the pears, but do not peel them. Grind them in a foodchopper. Grind the raisins also and mix with the pears, adding brown sugar, vinegar and spices. Boil until it thickens, put into jars and seal. It tastes considerably like mincemeat and may be used for pies. The above quantity makes about four quarts.

A number of Jackson County farmers are planning to harvest black locust seed this fall because of the healthy demand and the excellent crop in the mountain area.

Catawba County poultrymen are eating eggs preserved in water glass last spring when the products were selling for ten cents a dozen and are selling their fresh eggs at 28 cents a dozen.

From one to two tons of bright green cabbages are reported by Caldwell county growers. The old-fashioned sweet gum we used to gather is now called storax and is used in making perfumes and ethereal alcohol, says R. W. Gaeber, extension forester at State College.

Storm sufferers in Pamlico Sound are being rapidly rehabilitated under the direction of a relief committee headed by County Agent R. W. Galphin.

J. A. Brown of Rich Square and Lee Grant of Jackson sold 75 pigs to the Government receiving agents at Richmond last week.

Wilkes County farmers have had an interesting time getting their trench silos filled. There is only one silage cutter in the county and the new crop of silos has caused this cutter to be used constantly.

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Experiment Station Bulletin 290, "Cebros and Caponizing," is an interesting new bulletin just prepared by the poultry department at State College and is available free of charge to poultry growers of North Carolina.

Pruning dewberries so that cane blight may be controlled is explained in a recent study made by the North Carolina Experiment Station and available to dewberry growers free of charge as Bulletin 291.

**Vester Brantley**  
Justice of the Peace

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**Mae West**  
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Novelty

FRIDAY and SATURDAY  
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"The Crooning Troubadour"  
—With—  
RAY TEAL and His Orchestra  
And an Array of Stars on the Screen  
"WALLS OF GOLD"  
—with—  
SALLY EILERS, NORMAN FOSTER

**"I WANT MY TELEPHONE PUT BACK IN"**  
By C. G. Cauthen,  
DISTRICT MANAGER  
**SOUTHERN BELL**  
Telephone and Telegraph Co.

As general business continues to improve and prices for agricultural products and manufactured goods continue to rise, people who have discontinued their service are asking to have their telephones put back. These folks tell us that trying to get along without a telephone was mighty difficult, and even embarrassing at times, and that they were doubtful if the small amount they saved justified the annoyance and trouble they experienced when going without a telephone.

Not having a telephone, they say, made it too difficult and inconvenient for their friends to keep in touch with them. As a result, they found themselves and especially the younger members of the family being left out of things.

Many of these people also mentioned that not having a telephone they found themselves using some neighbor's telephone and although the neighbor was willing, still it was embarrassing to be continually borrowing something from a neighbor that couldn't be paid back.

Of course, numbers of people have been forced by circumstances beyond their control to give up their telephones, but as soon as their financial condition improves they are quick to order them put back. As some have expressed it, "the telephone is such a convenience and protection in emergencies and a round handy thing to have in the home that it just doesn't pay to try to get along without it."

If you are one of those who is still trying to do without your telephone, it is really necessary when the cost is so small?

Call the telephone office and find out how inexpensive it is to have his service in your home.

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