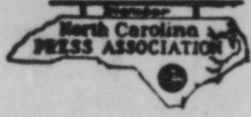


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A VALUABLE BOOK

One of the most interesting and helpful books we have examined lately is a copy of the new North Carolina Industrial and Reference Book, issued under the direction of Mr. R. Bruce Etheridge, director of Conservation and Development. It is well bound with cream canvas and printed on a good grade enamel book paper so as to stand hard usage.

The contents are arranged so that any desired information in the book may be easily found. In Part I the book gives geography, climate, natural resources and a summary of manufactures. Latest maps of the state's highway system and other things of interest are given. Part II gives a state-wide classification of industries; Part III gives County Classification of Industries; Part IV gives City and Town Classification of Manufacturers and Commercial Houses. It appears every business concern in the state is listed in the directory.

On the whole this is the most complete and conveniently arranged book publication of its kind we have ever seen. It ought to be very useful to everyone, especially to those interested in business and other public matters. To help cover a part of the cost of getting this book out the department is asking \$7.50 from those ordering it. A great number of copies have been sold and many others no doubt will be bought by people in every walk of life. From time to time the Department of Conservation and Development plans to get out other editions that will be fully revised and up-to-date. The books may be ordered direct from Mr. R. Bruce Etheridge, Raleigh, for \$7.50

HOW THE OTHER HALF LIVES

Some one has said that half the world does not know how the other half lives. A minister was telling us not long ago of visiting homes in the town where he serves. He said he was surprised to find people living as he found them. We have been told that here in Zebulon there are both white and colored people who live miserably. They lack fuel and food. They seldom if ever attend church. They visit only among themselves. On the whole the situation and their conditions are deplorable. Yet, what are we, their neighbors, doing about it? The pastors are paid to visit, we say, and do as much of it as possible, but what about the rest of us? How many church leaders in Zebulon have made a Christian visit to those homes? No doubt these people feel that the church does not care for them. And, we might ask, do we? Do they not have good reason for so believing?

And this leads us to say another word. We heard the other day of a member of one of the churches in our community who used to attend Sunday School and church regularly. For some reason the habit was broken and she has not been to services now for some time. In fact, she feels neglected and probably hurt because some one from the church does not come to give her an invitation to return to the fold.

Our opinion is, if she is a member and is really concerned about her spiritual welfare and that of others, she would not wait for an invitation. She

does not need one. It is her church and her duty to attend its services through a sense of duty without expecting some one to take the time and trouble of soothing her sensitiveness with a special invitation to do what she already knows is her Christian duty. The social side of the church is incidental. Christians are not here to nurse each other and play society, but to go after the lost—the men, women and children who are lost to the church and to God.

THE WRONG REASON

We have from a prominent news reporter that the reason the General Assembly is not willing to give the University and other institutions all they want, is because they are radical, or too conservative, or extravagant, or something of the sort. We do not believe any of these reasons have anything to do with it. The reason is that the people have all the taxes they can carry. They believe in more and better education for their children, but not to the extent of making slaves of themselves to provide it. Every year almost every department of state calls for more money. Taxes have mounted unreasonably beyond the increase of wealth in this decade.

FOR THE PEOPLE'S SAKE, DON'T

We know government must go on. We know our educational institutions must have no setback. But we believe what the people of this state want above all else is that no advance be made anywhere that will increase taxes and that cuts in expenditures be made everywhere it is possible without serious effects on the state's future welfare. The sky may be the limit in appropriating, but the people's ability to pay is the limit back home.

THE BIRTH OF A BABY

By invitation we saw a preview of "The Birth of a Baby." Our opinion is that it is just another movie made to get the money. So far as the sex problem is concerned, most any ten year old kid could tell you more in a minute than the picture did in an hour. The doctor gave some good advice for expectant mothers. We were neither amused nor disgusted. We have seen just as bad pictures and much better ones. Our opinion is that requiring children to be accompanied by their parents, having an officer present to keep order, the actual show of a baby being born, are all to attract a crowd. Summing it all up, it is just another picture whose primary purpose is to get your quarter.

EDITORIAL ERUPTIONS

MORE MONEY

Some legislator who probably hopes to go back two years hence has introduced a bill in the Legislature to increase the pay of members fifty per cent. If those fellows would get rid of the surplus help around the chambers, then stay on the job over week ends, they would be able to save several thousand dollars. We would be delighted to have them split up the savings at the end of the show.

A BABY AND BABIES

If one baby is born it is hardly news. If there are twins, well, that's different. If triplets, that is news. If quadruplets, that makes the headlines. Quints—that is news for a lifetime. Should one of the quintuplets die, much of the interest the world has in them would end. Numbers Count!

DOING AND UNDOING

North Carolina had a good law regulating marriage and repealed it. Now another bill very similar has been introduced in the General Assembly. We sincerely hope it will pass. Much suffering and unhappiness will be avoided thereby, not to mention thousands of dollars saved to the state.

EGGS IN RIGHT BASKET

While Wake Forest made a respectable showing in both baseball and football, she is going places in basketball. When that college has a goal above her head in sport or culture, she knows how to win victoriously and lead gloriously.

SEEN and HEARD

PRIZE WINNER APPLE JACK EATER

Tommy Williams like most folks likes to eat. Last week Mrs. Williams prepared the usual good wholesome dinner, but added some extras in the way of apple jacks. After finishing dinner Tommy was asked to have an apple jack. No, he thought not. Changing his mind he decided to try one. When he had finished or filled up, there were 3 1-2 less apple jacks and just that much more of Tommy!

Tommy is just like the rest of us in more ways than one.

AT CHURCH SUNDAY

Four young men sitting together and all having on checked suits very much alike. . . . A little girl amusing herself, or just killing time, by seeing how high she could get her feet on the back of a seat, not noticing that she was scouring and scratching the wood very badly. . . . More than half dozen good looking girls and one young man coming in a little late and sitting together on next to the front seat. The sash of the windows so glued to the frames from too much paint so that the windows could not be lifted to get sufficient ventilation. Some people always stopping to close the door while others came straight down the aisle. . . . No one observed to be sleeping while the preacher discoursed. . . . Some young fellows coming to Sunday School and not entering the church but going to their class in the basement and out the back way.

SEND HIM TO SPAIN

Our genial carrier of Route 3, Mr. Morris, has the tightest rooster we ever heard of. All the neighbors steer around that chicken when visiting with the Morrises. Mr. Morris himself has had some fun laughing at them for being afraid of a rooster, saying he would not fight real grown folks. Well, a few mornings ago Morris stepped out into the world feeling fine and fit. He met the rooster on the threshold of his home. The rooster (we did not learn his name but suppose it is Pancho or some such name) courtesied to his master with a drop of his wings and a sidestep. We let Morris go on with the story: "I looked around for something and found a good sized brush. I thought I would break that rooster if I had to nearly kill him. I gave him a big lick knocking him down and under the steps. I got another stick and stooped down to give him another lick, but he came at me. I didn't want him to strike me in the face, so started to get back and get another stick. My foot slipped and I fell. That rooster just kept on coming." Here Morris stopped talking and began grinning, lifting his hand to his right cheek which had a long shallow gash running nearly all the way from his eye to his chin. We are sure Morris will unanimously vote to send that rooster to China, Spain or most anywhere rather than meet him in combat again.

An airplane at Texaco filling station aroused curiosity and much interest Sunday afternoon and night. It was said to have been towed in from Rocky Mount. . . .

Car after car hurrying toward Wakelon School on Monday morning. More even than the usual number, because children who usually walked were being taken to school to keep them from getting in the rain that was falling hard just about schooltime. . . .

Large vases of breath of spring and of yellow jessamine at church Sunday Not a green leaf on any

twig or spray of blossoms. . . . Early daffodils showing occasional golden trumpets in several yards. . . . Violets, short-stemmed, but regally purple, becoming more numerous daily. . . . Spirea Thunbergi looking as if the shrubs had been caught in a slight sprinkle of snow as the tiny flowers appear. . . . Careful gardeners pruning evergreens before new growth is started by spring flow of sap. . . . Flowering quince buds showing red, promising wide-open blossoms after a few days of sunshine. . . .

Two colored men were looking through the window of Hocutt's Grocery Store, discussing a large cauliflower displayed therein.

Asked the first, "Do you suppose that thing grew like that?" Replied the second, "Sure. Just like that. See them leaves. Look how close they fit around it."

"Well," said the first, "if my cabbage patch looked like that, I'd go out an' take a hoe an' chop 'em down and feed 'em to the hawgs!"

A LETTER TO CUSTOMERS

Raleigh, N. C.
February 4, 1938

Dear Customer:

On Wednesday, February 8th, about 9:30 A. M., we will change the Wendell exchange from a manually operated system to a dial system.

For your convenience we have arranged with Mr. Robert Daniel Massey at the Peoples Bank & Trust Co. of Zebulon to accept payment of your bills in the future.

For business transactions, applications for service, moving your telephone, and questions concerning items on your bill, dial "operator" and ask for 9000. Our representative will be glad to take care of your telephone requirements.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your patronage and solicit your continued cooperation.

Yours very truly,
S. H. Youngblood
District Manager

AND ALL ARE GOOD AMERICANS

In reading the list of basket ball players in Creek Pebbles, that excellent Campbell College student newspaper we note the following names of players taking part in games played by the college team: Cobn, Peaki, Kurkin, Kristich, Maksymyk, Marenonich, Yingling, Joas, Gonsler, Strubeco, Veitch. The names sound sort of foreign, but our guess is that all of them are good red-blooded patriotic Americans.

To the Editor:

I have just read your editorial, "Optimists Versus Pessimists" with some degree of interest, but not fully concurring with you. So let me have a say on "Optimism and Pessimism".

Rightly divided, one is not vs. the other. Both are true prophets. One sees into the far future, as did David; the other sees what is at hand as did Jeremiah. You can't substitute one for the other. When we fail to recognize the time element of things we shall find our prophecy all askew, and we shall be declared false prophets.

Let us watch our steps and our prophecy.

J. E. Strickland, Union Hope

MORE JERSEYS

Three new 4-H Jersey calf club members have signed up in Wake county and have secured pure bred heifers. This makes 14 boys and girls with pure bred animals in the county club.

Trade at home and save your gas bill and taxes.