



## Two Suspicious Looking Fellows

We want to see all the farmers in North Carolina provided with electricity, and we want to see private enterprise provide that electricity where possible. We therefore decry the current controversy between private utility spokesmen and REA backers concerning which is to supply our farmers with electric power.

The recent comparatively mild exchange between Governor Scott and President Sutton of the Carolina Power & Light Company is not the cause of this controversy; the exchange is but a passing and rather insignificant incident in the fight.

Most farmers hereabouts, if not all, are a little exasperated at what they consider bickering; they are pragmatic enough not to worry much about who does the job and gets the credit, just so the job gets done.

We are reminded of an event in St. Paul last month, which was reported by the Associated Press.

Two St. Paul detectives were called upon in the dead of the night to see what a suspicious looking man was up to. Questioned, he told them he was a watchman in a nearby building and was watching a suspicious looking man at the opposite end of the alley.

They circled around and came upon the other man from behind. He informed them that he was a watchman in a nearby building and was watching a suspicious looking man at the opposite end of the alley.

We suggest that whatever moral may be applied to this story fits the rural electrification squabble but too well.

## Almost the National Sport

We have seen all of Wakelon's football games so far this fall, and we intend to see the rest. We have suffered while watching Wake Forest go down too many times this season. We are going up to New York to watch Justice and Weiner do or die against old Notre Dame. Tomorrow, however, we are staying home from the Wake Forest-William and Mary game to do some carpentry work for the lady of the house, and that we consider the ultimate sacrifice.

We quote a contemporary who expresses our sentiments exactly: "I have no reservations about football; I like it. I like the play — the sturdy character, the resourcefulness, the ingenuity exhibited in the game. I like the spectacle. The band, between halves and before the game, is something to thrill me. I enjoy the crowds, which never fail to have flashes and splashes of color. All that is on the credit side of the ledger."

On the debit side of the ledger there is the statement by Dr. Robert H. Hutchins, chancellor of the University of Chicago: "I have worked long, and occasionally hard, and have seen very little done. My one solid accomplishment I owe to Michigan — it procured a team which defeated mine 85 to 0. Because of this I was able to abolish football at Chicago."

All well and good for you, Dr. Hutchins, but you have never seen Charlie Justice on an end run or Bill Gregus on a line buck! You have never even seen Wakelon playing its heart out to beat Wendell. We have, and so will continue to yell ourselves hoarse just about every Saturday.

## Seen and Heard

Vance Brown was telling us about the two flies that met in a bugle and went off on their first toot together.

And Irby Gill says that human nature is what makes you swear at the driver when you're a pedestrian, and swear at the pedestrian when you're driving.

From our *Record* files of 24 years ago this week: The Raleigh Baptist Association met in Zebulon, with Rev. Theo. B. Davis, Pittman Stell, W. N. Pitts, and S. M. Finch as committee on arrangements, and Mesdames E. C. Daniel, S. M. Wheless, and Ed Gill as entertainment committee.

Governor Morrison's road bond program was defeated in Zebulon by a vote of 40 for and 132 against the bond issue. Tom Bunn, student at Wake Forest College, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr.

and Mrs. M. C. Bunn. Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Gould attended the state fair.

Miss Ernestine Whitley, a student at Meredith College, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Whitley. Mayor E. C. Daniel extended grace period for delinquent taxes. Mrs. Edgar Hall addressed the Woman's Club, which met at the home of Mrs. M. B. Chamblee. Plans were made to raise money to purchase a club building.

A group of Wake Forest alumni were discussing the sad state of Deacon football the other night. All agreed that the 1949 team had not won all the games they had expected it to win, and wondered aloud whether Peahead Walker would continue as coach at the Baptist school.

Most of the alumni were rather

hard on Peahead, pointing out at great length what is wrong with his coaching. Not so Herbie Appenzeller, whose Wakelon eleven has not fared too well this year.

"You know," Coach Appenzeller said, "when I used to play football at Wake Forest, I felt the same way you fellows feel, but now that I'm coaching, I have a lot of sympathy for Peahead!"

Everybody laughed, including Appenzeller, but there is a truth in what he said — the job always looks easier when somebody else is doing it.

We'll end these remarks with the story of the unidentified local man who was asked by his small son how he met his wife.

"None of your business!" was the short answer. "But I'll tell you one thing — it cured me of whistling."

## With Other Editors

The Senate's rejection of Leland Olds to succeed himself on the Federal Power Commission may be another snub to President Truman in the matter of major appointments. But the tenor of the hearings on which that rejection was based snubbed also the American people's right to a more thorough airing of the issue for which Mr. Olds had been made a symbol.

Instead of giving chief weight to Mr. Olds' open record as a commissioner — his vote on decisions and his reasons for so voting —

the hearings spent costly hours on his leftist writings as a youth, and on his views of years ago which he vigorously repudiated before the committee.

The interests which have opposed Mr. Olds' appointment may have been more right than wrong in some instances. But the senators owed it to the country to make plain who these interests are and what they have at stake. Instead, they fogged the air with adjectives.

Mr. Olds' record shows that he

did stand consistently firm on the side of strict regulation of power and its sources. Perhaps he leaned too far. Perhaps he was too rigid. Nevertheless, there are signs of new and militant efforts on the part of regulated industries to rid themselves of many controls which the excesses of their own predecessors brought upon them. This is a trend which bears watching as closely as does the trend toward over regulation. And watchfulness is merely blurred by shouts of "radical."—The Monitor.

## Sunday School Lesson

Golden Text: "I will trust, and not be afraid; for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song." — Isaiah 12:2. Scripture lesson: Isaiah 12:2; 26:1-7; 30:1-2, 15-17.

Next Sunday, October 23, we study Isaiah's steadfast trust in God, and discover a source of strength to carry us through our trials as did the prophet in the dark era of Juriasm.

In the day of the scripture writer Judah was ever in a state of anxiety and alarm. The international picture was troubled; warfare between Asia and Africa, sometimes with Europe involved, was per-

petual with Judah always the pawn of one power or another.

Isaiah preached, in the portion of his works to be studied next Sunday, four principles: (1) Salvation will come by faith. (2) He who would be saved must remain steadfast in his faith. (3) Steadfastness in faith requires stewardship. (4) Security therefore will be obtained by faith and faith's works.

There can be few Old Testament passages more fitting to the twentieth century than these four selections from Isaiah. Our times are those of war and uncertainty, of changing ideas and ideals. And

our case for salvation is exactly parallel with that of Isaiah.

Even should we disregard the international overtones, we must agree that most of us seek security from sources other than worship. Many seek it through material things; others seek a sense of security through false ideologies — fascism, communism, anarchism.

We must, as Christians, seek security from the true source: faith in God and stewardship to him. Consequently Isaiah's remarks of nearly 3,000 years ago provide us an altogether satisfactory guide to daily living.

## Tar Heel Farm Facts

Cigarette output this year probably will be near 395 billion, eight billion above the record set in 1948. Consumption in 1950 is expected to continue near current levels although retail prices in many states will be higher because of new or increased taxes.

The United States normally exports about nine million pounds of timothy seed annually.

Only five of the 14 Western European nations are significant producers of tobacco.

U. S. exports of wheat totaled about 68,5 million bushels for July and August. Recently, exports of this crop have been increasing.

A total of 777 million eggs were produced on North Carolina farms during the first eight months of the year.

The number of milk cows on North Carolina farms has been gradually declining for the past five years.

Milk cows on North Carolina farms produced an estimated 150 million pounds of milk during August.

The 10-year average production of cotton for North Carolina is 549,000 bales.

Eleven Swain County farmers produced Turkish tobacco this year, all of them for the first time. They received an average of 91 cents a pound for their crop.

"At least one permanent pasture on every farm in North Carolina is now the goal of the State College Extension Service" says S. H. Dobson, extension pasture specialist.

Chatham County, already well known for its poultry and dairying, is rapidly becoming one of the leading areas of hog production in the Piedmont, says Jack Kelley, extension swine specialist at State College.

"Better Living for a Better World" will be the theme for National 4-H Achievement Week, November 5-13.

During the week ending October 8, placements of broiler chicks in the Chatham and Wilkes commercial broiler producing areas totaled 299,000. This compares with a total of 171,000 for the same week a year earlier.

Cigar consumption in the United States from October, 1948, through July, 1949, was about 2 per cent lower than in the same months a year earlier.