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The Spirit

Someone remarked that the real value of an education became apparent during times of depressions for it enables people to converse on a high cultural plane while standing in a bread line. Consideration of that statement in a serious light we are likely to discover that there is more truth than poetry in it.

Conditions have become acute. The legislative branches of both Federal and State governments are seriously concerned with the welfare of the people. A survey of the newspapers and Red Cross reports causes us to realize the full force of the economic depression which has enveloped practically every section of the United States. Serious consideration is being given the proposal to establish what amounts to a dole system in certain parts of the country.

Now we may consider just what an education means to one, for both the educated and uneducated alike are affected. Conversing on high cultural planes while standing in bread lines may not be literally true, but education is preventing the depression from undermining our institutions and making possible conditions which usually follow periods of stress in countries where the masses are largely uneducated. We still retain faith in our institutions, and we are yet to seek to alleviate suffering by turning to anarchism.

Those in authority are able to plan relief after consideration instead of being forced to act under threat of revolt. And whether standing in bread lines of scraping the bottom of the flour barrel we discover that conditions do not warrant desperate action.

About The Red Cross

The country is in rather a strange position at present as to its inhabitants and its economic position. Grain elevators all over the middle west are filled to capacity and all around them farmers are wanting food for their children. Cotton is very much "overproduced," and yet people in a number of these states of ours are very much in need of clothing. The House recently appropriated \$45,000,000 for farm relief so that "the farmers can buy fodder for their stock, but cannot buy food for their families."

Even after Congress passed the bill for the farm relief, they are halting in their efforts to put through a bill to help the Red Cross in their work to save lives all over the nation. An appropriation of \$25,000,000 is being halted over and thought about more than entrance into a war. Meanwhile letters are being sent out to the more wealthy citizens of the nation for contributions to bridge the gap that Congress refuses to fill.

The Red Cross in some measure of desperation has had to start a nation-wide campaign for contributions. Every bit of help which we are able to offer should be forthcoming willingly. Every student should give something or at least make one of his weekly show attendances be on this coming Sunday, the benefit from which performance goes to the Red Cross.

Since the Red Cross is being put off by our legislative body, we, as citizens, should give willingly to make possible the existence of thousands of fellow citizens who are suffering to an unbelievable extent in our United States.—O. W. D.

God's Own Gentleman

He isn't on the football team; he can't box or wrestle or run. Clean living has made him healthy enough, but the body God gave him is mediocre, helplessly and hopelessly mediocre.

On class he is a C man, consistently a C man. He studies hard enough, but the mind God gave him, like the body God gave him, is mediocre; helplessly and hopelessly mediocre.

But the spirit God gave him makes up for it all. It's decent and fine and generous. Of course he's human, and it's human to love the limelights, the applause of the multitude, the feeling of being able to excel in at least something. And so, since he is human, there are times when utter weariness and helplessness and hopelessness come over his soul. But only he ever knows of it. He laughs aloud, but like a well-bred animal he suffers in silence. And he goes on his colorless way in patience, if not in joy.

He admires and likes, and all without a touch of envy, those who can do what he can't do. He takes such part in the scholastic and campus activities as his capacity permits. He asks no applause, expects none—and gets none. But he's the stabilizing influence of it all. He's the background of the picture, but without the background the picture would lose half its beauty.

There are a good many of him; the pity of it is that there aren't more.

Mentally and physically he's mediocre, helplessly and hopelessly mediocre. But in spirit he's one of God's own gentlemen.—V. A. D.

Graham To Address P. T. A.
President Frank Graham is to speak before the Parent-Teachers' Association of Greensboro tonight. This speech will be the last for some time as President Graham intends to rest after his recent illness.

With Contemporaries

The Senate Opposes

Although the senate opposition forces have been defeated on several occasions, they have again seized upon an item that is almost trivial and with much talk about "humanity" in general, they have determined to create appropriations for federal relief work in several mid-west states, particularly since the refusal of the Red Cross to accept the administration of a \$25,000,000 fund.

But behind all this talk of "human suffering," there is a still very distinct threat of filibustering and holding up the appropriations bills until such relief agencies shall have been formulated.

There may be some grounds for such speeches as that of Senator Joseph T. Robinson who asked "that senators with a spark of humanity repudiate this policy, that no action whatever shall be taken in this time of national distress," but it sounds more like the minister who, when he could not think of anything to say, just shouted.

Senator Robinson's argument is merely that the \$10,000,000 fund which is being raised by public donation is not nearly sufficient for the tremendous amount of work which must be done along relief lines.

These arguments would seem rather foolish when one considers that, probably more than any other organization in the country today, the Red Cross is in first hand contact with local conditions. Who, other than such an organization, is able properly to judge the expenditures which must be made for relief? Certainly not a United States senator, even though he may come from one of the states critically endangered by the drought and business crisis.

The people of the United States have responded generously to the appeal of the Red Cross and this organization, in close contact with conditions in the drought areas, has estimated that \$10,000,000 will be sufficient. It would be more expedient to let the Red Cross handle its own job, confident that it has enough funds to complete the task, and for the Senate to settle down instead of getting out of the way some of the multitude of legislation that is really needed before the adjournment of the Congress on March 4.—Michigan Daily.

GLEE CLUB WILL SING AT HOLLINS SATURDAY NIGHT

(Continued from first page) hoer Chorus, which presents a concert here the ninth of February.

The entertainment of the club, while in Virginia will be handled by the Hollins music association, which sponsored the concert, and the Carolina alumni of Roanoke. A supper will be given Saturday evening by the music association at the college. The alumni in Roanoke have expressed the desire to entertain the members Saturday night. Three of these men have been outstanding in extending this hospitality: W. S. Battle, Jr., Rev. A. R. Birkley, and Dr. J. T. McKinney.

In addition to this concert, the club will make three trips to other places in the state. The first of these will be to Spring Hope, where the senior class of the high school has agreed to sponsor the program. This trip will be made February 20.

At the evening services of the Church of Wide Fellowship, in Southern Pines, the group will give a special musical feature March 1. This appearance was

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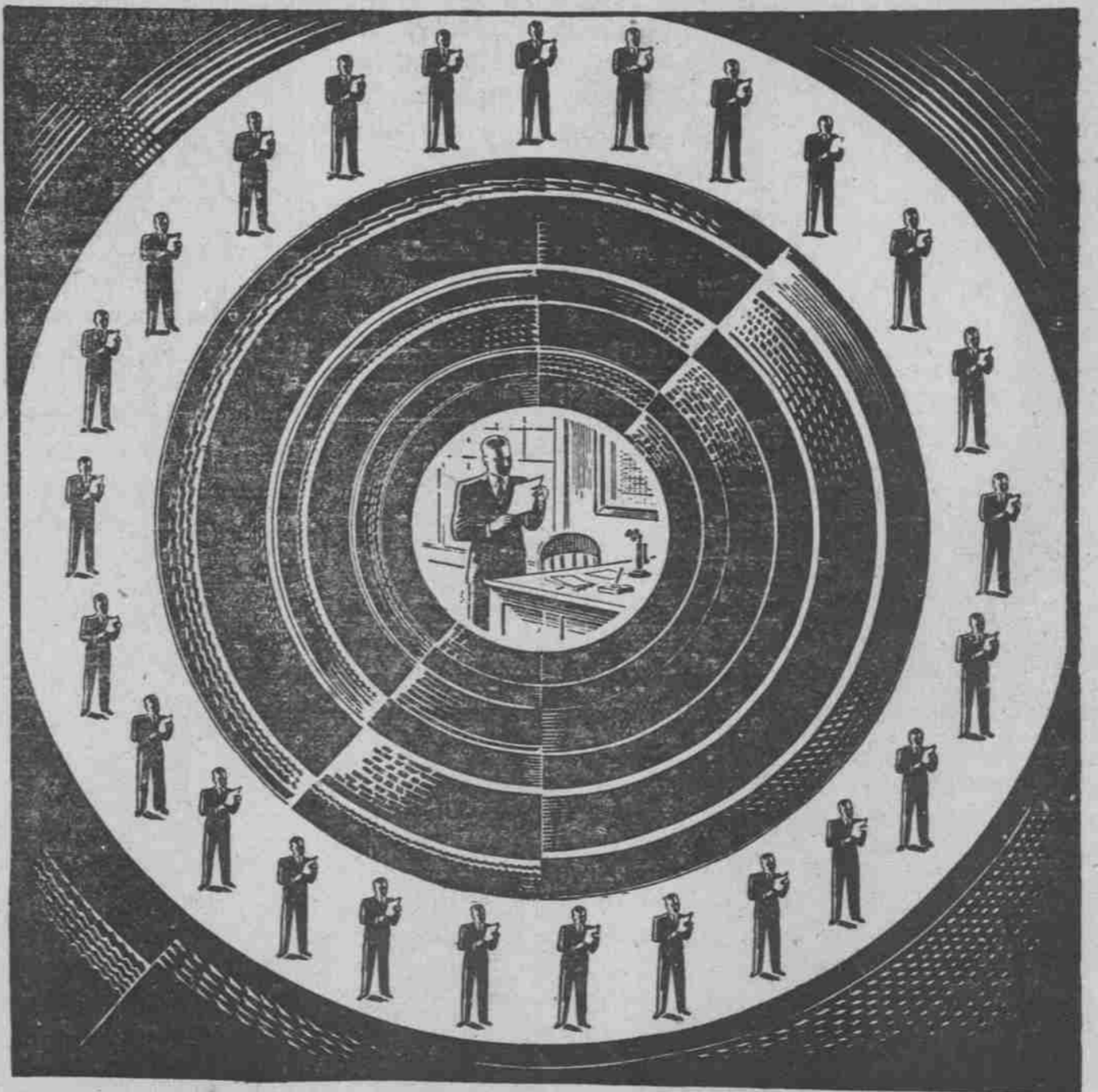
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contracted with Elmer W. Serl, minister of the church. He holds a platform hour every Sunday evening, at which time the congregation is entertained with music and messages.

The last of the concerts for the quarter will be given at the Moravian Church at Salem College, Winston-Salem, under the auspices of the church. The date of this program is March 3.

There is much in this country to inspire young men, and we have no doubt when Al Capone started out in business he didn't have a machine-gun to his name.—Ohio State Journal.

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