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We Invite You

FRANKLIN is happy to be host to so appreciative a group of nature lovers as the hiking clubs that have chosen our mountains for their annual meet.

We invite you to behold the surpassing beauty of our horizon, to feel the cool depths of our forests; to hear the ripple of brooks, the rush of waterfalls, the songs of birds; to plumb the depths of trout pools and to scale the heights of peaks.

We invite you to stand in awe and wonder even as the Indian did when all this glory belonged to him. From Standing Indian you will see the Cowee range of mountains to the north, the Fishhawks on the east towards Highlands. On your right are the mountains of northern Georgia and Rabun Gap, at your feet are the romantic Nantahalas. In the distance and beyond lie the Great Smokies, beckoning you to yet unscaled heights. The ribbons of water far beneath are the Little Tennessee, the Cartoogechaye and Wayah Creeks, the Cullasaja, lying in the richness of the farms and fields they water.

We invite you to drink it in, to fill your soul, your mind, your memory. It is yours richly to enjoy. It is yours to carry away as much as is your capacity. For all this beauty of forest and trail, of mountain, mist and cloud, of green trees and sunset gold is yours.

St. Augustine of Africa suggested a satisfying aim a thousand years ago. This from his meditations—

"And the people went there and admired the high mountains and the mighty downward rushing streams . . . and the course of the stars,—AND FORGOT THEMSELVES."

America Carries On

IT WOULD be hard to find a man of intelligence who could undertake with any confidence to point out what goal our social order is heading for, or to foretell the results of the tremendous activities of our Federal Government.

We hear on one hand expressions of dissatisfaction, apprehension, and even of despair. On the other hand, many see steps toward a perfect state, which they believe is being created under the New Deal. One group says the country is heading for ruin; the other group believes that we are on the road to security and contentment.

We think both of these points of view are wrong. We don't believe that either catastrophe or the millennium lies in our immediate path. What we do believe is that the United States of America will go on just about as it has been going on for a century and a half. The pace may be somewhat accelerated, the burdens of taxation may weigh more heavily upon different individuals and groups than in the past, public enterprise may take the place of private enterprise in many fields, but on the whole we do not believe that our children and grandchildren will find America very much different as a place in which to live than we and our fathers and grandfathers have found it.

We say this because we do not think that human nature changes materially in one or two or a dozen generations, and we do not believe that the temper and the fundamental spirit of the American people are going to be permanently changed by any political devices. After the making of new laws and regulations has come to an end, the people will pay no attention to such new rules of conduct as do not suit them, and will more or less observe the laws which, after a reasonable experience with them, prove to be workable.

That is the way the American people have conducted themselves in the past and we think it is the way they will continue to conduct themselves in the future.—Selected.

A Praiseworthy Project

FROM what we have read and heard about the President's "Youth Project" it seems to have much to commend it. Mr. Roosevelt has set aside \$50,000,000 out of his Work Relief Fund to help young people between the ages of 16 and 25. The announced objectives are:

1. To find employment in private industry for unemployed youth.
2. To train and retrain young people for industrial, technical and professional employment opportunities.
3. To provide for continuing attendance at high school and college.
4. To provide work relief upon projects designed to meet the needs of youth.

Whether or not this project succeeds in its announced objectives, it is at least a commendable attempt. Its suc-

"I WANNA GO HOME" — by A. B. Chapin



cess or failure will depend upon a great many factors, but particularly upon the intelligence and ability with which it is administered. It would be very easy for it to become merely another dole. Many are of the opinion that there are too many doles and too many people drawing money without giving anything in return, as matters stand now.

This "Youth Project," as we understand it, has for its main purpose the assistance of young people to develop qualities of mind and character. No such development is possible unless the recipient of the benefits gives as much as he or she takes.

We can imagine no greater disservice to young people in their formative stage of life than to encourage them in the idea that the world owes them a living, or that there is nothing shameful in taking money without giving adequate return for it.

The new "Youth Project," under highly skilled administration, might become the greatest character-building enterprise ever undertaken. But it also might easily become a character destroyer.—Selected.

Sharing the Wealth

WE EXPECT to hear a great deal of discussion about the President's proposal to levy inheritance taxes in addition to the present estate taxes, and to increase the percentage of taxation on very large incomes. There is, of course, a tremendous popular appeal to the man in the street, in this plan to redistribute wealth. We doubt, however, that even if such taxation extended to the point of complete confiscation, it would make very much material difference to the average citizen, just as we doubt that the imposing of these proposed new and higher taxes would have the dire results that some people are loudly predicting.

It is, of course, true, though most folks do not realize it, that no man has a right to say what shall be done with his wealth after he is dead. A dead man can own nothing. The passing on of his property by will is a privilege granted by statute, and not a fundamental right. The State, which has granted the privilege of leaving wealth to one's descendants, has a perfect right to revoke that right at any time. There is, therefore, no question of elemental rights involved in any proposal to tax inheritances up to as high as 100 per cent. The only question of consequence is one of public policy.

Since practically nobody who has any material amount of wealth keeps any large part of it in cash, the payment of death duties and inheritance taxes often, if not generally, involves the forced selling of property, which usually results in realizing much less than its real value. That is why many states, and the Federal Government, allow long terms of years for the payment of estate taxes, to give the executors of large estates ample time in which to raise the necessary cash for tax payments without sacrificing values.

J. P. Morgan has lately been selling pictures from the art collection founded by his father, and disposing of considerable real estate holdings for cash. Mr. Morgan is approaching seventy, and seems to be attempting to provide sufficient cash to pay the death duties after he passes on.

We think it is probably right to tax the man with a ten-million-dollar-a-year income—if there is any such man in these days—at a higher percentage than the man with only a million-dollar income. But when we get up into those high income figures we touch only a very few fortunes, perhaps not as many as a hundred.—Selected.

ZION CHURCH PLANS REVIVAL

Dr. W. W. Gist, Negro Evangelist, To Conduct Series Of Meetings

A special series of revival meetings will be conducted at the Green street A. M. E. Zion church July 15 to August 2 by Dr. W. W. Gist, Negro evangelist.

Dr. Gist has been conducting revival meetings in Asheville since Easter. He is president of the interdenominational League of Salisbury.

The Rev. E. Johnson McKay, pastor of the Green street A. M. E. Zion church, and the officers of the church joined in issuing an invitation to the public to attend the revival services, which will be held each night beginning at 8:45 o'clock.

Restaurant Patron — I want a good-sized glass of orange juice; two strictly fresh eggs poached medium soft, on buttered toast that isn't too brown; coffee with no sugar and plenty of cream in it, and a couple of doughnuts that aren't all holes.

Waiter—Yes, sir. Would you like to order any special design on the dishes?

LEGAL ADVERTISING

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of Sam Cunningham, deceased, late of Macon County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 8th day of July, 1936, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 8th day of July, 1935.

ROY R. CUNNINGHAM, Administrator.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as executor of John L. Cabe, deceased, late of Macon County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 11th day of July, 1936, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 11th day of July, 1935.

MELL CABE, Executor.

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