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BIBLE THOUGHT

Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit. Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.—Psalms 51:12-13.

Our prayers accept; our sins forgive;
Our youthful zeal renew
Shape for us holier lives to live
And nobler work to do.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Come To The Tabernacle Services

THE cooperation of Christians of every communion is invited in the services that have been announced to be held in Friendship Tabernacle beginning next Sunday.

That the united efforts of all followers of the Nazarene are demanded to overcome an aggressive spirit of anti-Christ in the world today, is apparent, even to indifferent Christians—every sincere effort that seeks to turn men's minds and hearts to God bears fruit . . . "some an hundred fold."

From that memorable missionary gathering of churches throughout the world held in Madras, India, last December, comes this sentence that may well be borne in mind by those who seek through faith and works to discover the heart of the Gospel.

"But first we must come in penitence to the feet of God. In the presence of these disasters and forebodings, we see the judgment of God's righteousness upon our society; but we see also His judgment upon our churches—so enmeshed in the world that they dare not speak God's full word of truth unafraid, so divided that they cannot speak that word with full power, so sullied by pettiness and worldliness that the face of Christ cannot be clearly discerned in them, or His power go forth through them for redemption. We must come too in deep humility, knowing that no merely human deed or word of ours will suffice to meet humanity's need. God's words and deeds alone are the healing of its sickness. Yet it is still His Will to utter and accomplish them through His Church. His promise is still that His strength shall be made manifest in our weakness."

We trust that this mission in our midst may result in a real and widespread spiritual revival.

Officials Should Get Together

WE sincerely hope that federal and county officials can get together in conference to work out some plan whereby as great a number of citizens as possible can be given work on government projects.

It is a pity if any boy or girl or man or woman needing work that can be supplied through cooperation of county and federal officials, should fail to receive it for lack of that cooperation.

The present national Administration is the first that has made "the need of keeping the people working and fed" a primary objective in politics. It is up to those entrusted, through political appointment or election, with this duty, to keep the wheels going round. Failure results in far-reaching social injustice. That this may be caused by personal dislike or misunderstanding reacts disastrously for all involved.

Historical Highway Markers

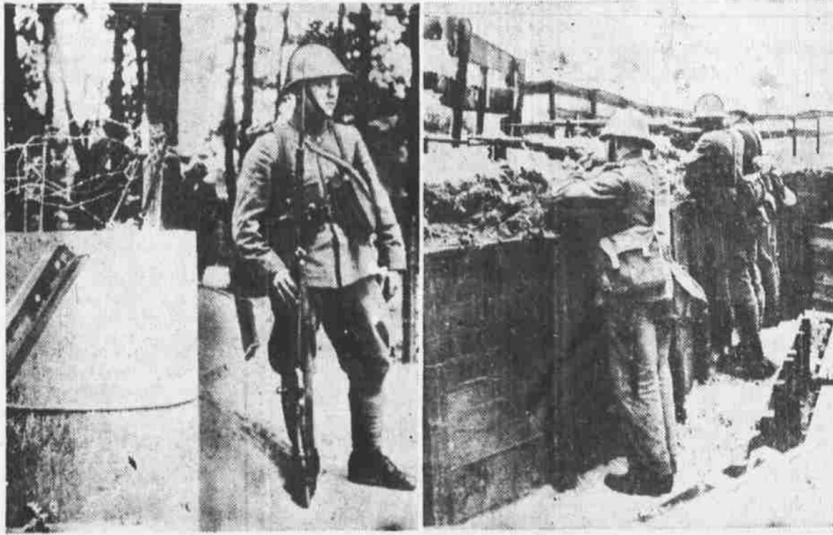
GUIDE to North Carolina Historical Highway Markers" has just been issued by the North Carolina Historical Commission and Department of Conservation and Development. The booklet's purpose is stated in the introduction as follows:

"In possessing places of historic interest, North Carolina is among the richest of all the States of the Union. Beginning with the first English colony in the New World, which settled on Roanoke Island in 1585, many events and developments of historical significance have occurred on North Carolina soil. From the Atlantic Ocean on the east to the Great Smoky Mountains on the west are hundreds of old houses, battlefields, birthplaces of famous men and women, and other historic points which the tourist will find it worth his while to visit. It is hoped that the present booklet will enhance the pleasure and interest of those who travel North Carolina highways and that it will add to the general knowledge of the State's history."

Among the 215 markers along the state's main highways the following commemorate historical event of interest in our section:

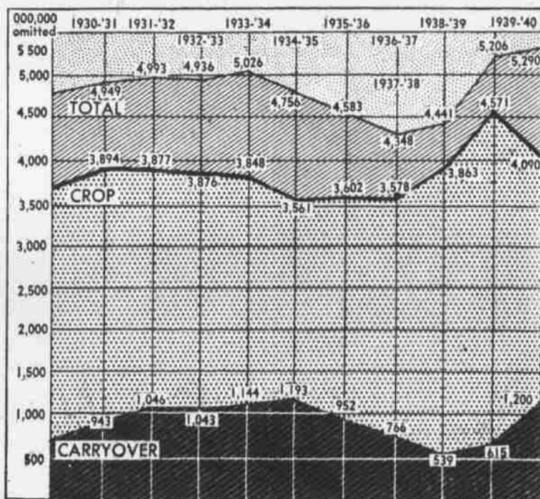
Nikwasi—Marking the site of the ancient Cherokee town near the Indian mound and bridge in Franklin, on route 64. Here was held a council of Sir Alexander Cuming with the Indians, which led to a treaty in 1730.

'Somewhere in Holland Too Close to Germany'



"Somewhere in Holland too close to Germany" is the only locality identification given for this show of Dutch preparedness on the German border. Left: A steel-helmeted sentry stands guard before the entrance to one of the new border fortresses. The concrete slab is a "tank stopper," garnished with steel rails and a bouquet of barbed wire. Right: Soldiers of the Netherlands' regular army stand guard in a trench along the German border. Such scenes are plentiful along the entire frontier.

Here's World's Wheat Supply—Except—



With the exception of Russia's huge wheat crop and China's output, the tentative world's wheat supply is 5,200,000,000 bushels. Which means that more wheat will be available for use in the 1939-40 season than ever before, according to estimates made by the U. S. bureau of agricultural economics. The carryover is 1,200,000,000 bushels, and this year's wheat crop will total approximately 4,000,000,000 bushels.

Cherokee Defeat—In the American Revolution a North Carolina force under General Griffith Rutherford defeated the Cherokees at Wayah Gap. This marker is located on N. C. Highway 28, five miles north of Franklin, and 10 miles east of Wayah Gap.

Cherokee Defeat—In the French and Indian War Col. Grant's force of whites, Chickasaws and Catawbas defeated the Cherokee warriors near here, June 1761. On N. C. Highway 28 about two miles north of Franklin.

Cherokee Victory—In the French and Indian War, the Cherokees defeated a Colonial and British force from New York under Col. Montgomery, June, 1760. On N. C. Highway 28 about four miles north of Franklin.

Other points are marked in adjoining counties. Notable in Jackson County, is "High Hampton" which was the summer home of Wade Hampton, Confederate general; Governor of S. C.—1876-79; U. S. Senator.

The guide book contains a map of the State with all markers indicated in red, which will be of great value to the tourist interested in history.

A Negative Session

THE following editorial, clipped from the Atlanta Journal, comments on the results of the past session of Congress:

The first session of the Seventy-sixth Congress, of the United States will be remembered for negative more than for positive results. The things it has left undone outweigh those it has done.

Some reassuring changes in the tax laws stand to its credit. Certain revisions of the social security program promise to be helpful. National defense needs were well provided for. An important step was taken, through the Hatch bill, to prevent "pernicious politics" among government employes. But the vital questions involved in the neutrality law were brought no nearer an answer by anything that the Congress did. Nor can it be said that economy was among the virtues of a session which appropriated more than thirteen billion, one hundred and fifty million dollars—a peacetime record. This, notwithstanding that the House refused even to consider, in its final week, two of the administration's major measures which the Senate had passed, the housing bill and the "lending bill."

The President has left this Congress largely to its own counsels; certainly, he has not attempted to dictate legislation, although he has stood up for his ideas and convictions. The wrangling and dissension of the last seven months cannot be charged to what the Executive has done within that period. Whether the net result is to be set down for the country's good or ill depends on one's point of view. But no one, we dare say, can admire the session for constructive achievement.

Deer Hunting Season To Open October 1

Below are given the open seasons for hunting as adopted at the July meeting of the Board of Conservation and Development:

Deer (male)—October 1 to January 1. In Macon county, November 1 to 15, in territory northwest of Highway 64.

Opossum, raccoon (with gun or dogs only)—October 1 to February 15.

Quail—November 30 to February 15, daily bag limit, 10.

Rabbit—November 30 to February 15.

Squirrel (other than fox squirrel or southern red squirrel)—October 1 to January 15.

Stamey Reunion To Be Held August 27

The Stamey family reunion will be held at the home of Robert Stamey on the fourth Sunday, August 27, it has been announced by M. A. Sanders, president of the reunion.

All relatives are asked to attend, and bring a basket of lunch.

Clippings

JUSTICE (Asheville Citizen-Times)

A recent decision of the State Board of Conservation and Development at Raleigh should receive the backing and support of all lovers of wild life, as well as of all lovers of our native forests. The Board approved the use of as much as ten per cent of the game fund (largely made up of receipts from hunting and fishing licenses) for the purpose of helping fight forest fires in the State of North Carolina.

Particularly in the hunting and fishing country along the coast and in the mountains should this decision prove popular. There is a rough sort of justice in having the hunters and fishermen help pay thus indirectly for combating forest fires, because lately figures have been published which show that hunters and fishermen are responsible for roughly sixty per cent of all forest fires started in our woods today.

These figures sound slightly exaggerated to us, and may be so, but certainly ten per cent of the fires are so started, as even a rough estimate would prove. Therefore a similar proportion of the license money set aside for fire-fighting in our woods and along our streams would seem to be a fair working out of the situation. For as civilization encroaches on our countryside, the problem of preserving our forests intact is straining the resources of the local, state and federal agencies connected with this work.

But there is still another angle to the matter that is even more important. No better way could be found to preserve our game and wild life than by protecting the woods in which they live. Fighting fires is directly adding to the game in this State. So the hunters will in the end get the value of their license money back after all.

Communications

FIFTH SUNDAY MEETINGS

(We commend the following letter, Long live the Macon County 5th Sunday singings!—Editor.)

Editor Press: Will you allow me a little space to say a few words concerning the fifth Sunday meetings?

At one time in the past the Baptists used the fifth Sundays for

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union meetings, or one Sunday, I believe, was used for a Sunday School convention. By some means they ceased to be. In the later years we have been having a fifth Sunday singing at the courthouse. This meeting is not compulsory, you can go or stay away as you like. Whether you go, or stay away matters little to the singing. There will always be someone there to sing. But the more singers who go and help make it what it ought to be, the better of course, it will be.

I was one of a committee on time and place who sent the first singing to the courthouse. It has been held there ever since.

At the present time there are some who want to do away with the fifth Sunday singings and allow the Baptist ministers of the county to use the day in some capacity. In regard to this, I have this to say: The fifth Sunday singing has no monopoly on the day. Anyone can use it who wants to. The fifth Sunday singing is interdenominational. Anyone can sing regardless of his politics or religion. And we have been accused of not having such things as religion because some few have been known to have had a few drinks before singing, and maybe between songs, also. The better element of the singers deplore this fact, but we can't stop singing because a few want to take a drink. We also deplore the fact that in the churches are members who drink and even sell it, but there is no talk or thought of stopping the churches.

Some seem to want to dictate to us the "brand" of song book we use. We, as singers, have never yet asked the preachers to use only the Bible in preaching to us. They can, and do, use all the helps and commentaries they can get, and do not consult the singers in regard to what to use.

In conclusion, let me say, we have lots of people in the county, some 15,000 I think. Enough to over-fill any church and the courthouse, too, every fifth Sunday. If the Baptist ministers want to use every fifth Sunday in the year, well and good. You will never hear a kick from the singers. We will try to sing better and make the convention better.

As nothing is gained by someone always finding fault with what someone else is doing, I took the liberty to write this for all the singers of the county, for "there is so much bad in the best of us, and so much good in the worst of us that it hardly behooves any of us to talk about the rest of us."

E. A. Snyder.

P. S. This is not the opening of a debate. So far as I am concerned, this is final.

A MENDACIOUS COMMA

Figures may not lie but a wicked little comma can play havoc with the truth. We wish to correct the printed "\$150,000" in last week's editorial, which should read \$15,000.

Macon Theatre

Matinees 3:30 P. M.
Night Show 7:30 and 9:30
SHOWING FROM 1:30 TO 11 P. M. SATURDAYS

PROGRAM FOR WEEK

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

Love on a terror ship ablaze with red doom!

VICTOR McLAGLEN

CHESTER MORRIS

IN

"PACIFIC LINER"

With ALAN HALE

PERRY FITZGERALD

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

Double Feature Program

JACK HOLT IN

"WHISPERING

ENEMIES"

See how racketeers ruin business of today!

And

"TREACHERY RIDES

THE RANGE"

Starring DICK FORAN

The Singing Cowboy

MON.-TUES., AUGUST 14-15

GINGER ROGERS

DAVID NIVEN

"BACHELOR

MOTHER"

With CHARLES COBURN

FRANK ALBERTSON

Never before such fun on the screen! Scream-lined scandal over shopgirl Ginger's doorstep baby—and the boss' son . . . in a romance that races one jump ahead of your leaping heart.

WED.-THURS., AUGUST 16-17

JACK BENNY, DOROTHY

LAMOUR, EDGAR ARNOLD IN

"MAN ABOUT TOWN"

The best of the Benny Pictures! No wonder the whole town's talking about "Man About Town"! Six of the biggest stars of screen and radio, plus "Rochester", Jack's radio man of no work, to make you roar with laughter!

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