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BIBLE THOUGHT

Thou therefore endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. -II Timothy 2:3.

Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do that day which must be done, whether you like it or not. Being forced to work, and forced to do your best, will breed in you temperance and self-control, diligence and strength of will, cheerfulness and content and a hundred virtues which the idle never know.—Charles Kingsley.

"What's New in Agriculture"

THIS is the title of one of the regular departments of The Progressive Farmer. Since many of our readers may not receive this magazine, these excerpts from the March issue will be of interest to farmers.

Referring to cuts in the President's budget proposed in a House bill, the commentator stated: "If certain Congressmen have their way, farm people will be made to bear the larger share of the cost of building battleships to save a nation whose soils and people are sliding downhill. . . . The House bill wipes out the 25 million the President had suggested be made available for tenant farmers. This year 40 million is being used for this purpose. . . . Between you and me I hardly think that Congress will carry through its threat to cut funds for farm programs in half. By the time this appears in print it is probable that Congressmen will have remembered that this is election year."

Speaking of the government's tenant aid program, the writer has something to say about a bill before the House Agricultural Committee that would provide for government insured tenant-purchase loans by private capital. He thinks that some such plan must be devised since the government alone could only scratch the surface of the problem.

Trade treaties come in for some spicy comment, with approval of Cordell Hull's reciprocal trade treaties. Referring to the plight of the farmer when he was made "the goat" in a former tariff bill, there is this recollection:

"Herbert Hoover called a session of Congress in 1930 to revise the tariff in the interest of the farmer. By the time Smoot and Hawley and their henchmen got through with the farmer he had lost his shirt. So it has been throughout the years. Every time a tariff bill is framed, logrolling politicans sell the farmer down the river, and yet we have farm organizations that are willing to have farmers go back to the Senate for another skinning."

There is the suggestion that our nation should demand that Britain take a normal quantity of our farm products along with our airplanes and guns, since U. S. producers of tobacco, cotton, wheat and fruits have been hard hit by the British wartime trade program.

The development of yellow pine newsprint inspires the following comment: "This may portend the development of an important new industry in the South. With it comes the necessity of improved forestry practises. For, as the president of a Florida paper company warns, the expansion of the pulp paper industry in the South without careful forest management means a timber famine."

Frazier Community Center

AT the dedication of the community house for Negroes, reported in another column, several significant facts were cited by speakers.

Attention was called to the designation of February as "interracial month", which the citizens of Macon county were fittingly observing in celebrating the completion of this undertaking.

A National Youth Administration official referred to the project as a practical demonstration of the working of democracy in the community, where many groups and agencies had cooperated to make this work possible.

For the first time, the colored citizens have a place where they can hold large meetings and develop educational and recreational activities needed for old and young. The colored people themselves shouldered the responsibility of sponsorship, raising all needed funds.

The Nantahala Forest Service furnished the logs, NYA the labor. The land, deeded by the Episcopal church, was a gift made over fifty years ago to the colored people by Mr. Frazier, whose name has been chosen for the center. The unselfish labors and gifts of many have been wrought into this "dream come true", which holds promise for advancement of a large group in the county.

Communications

EXPLAINS PURPOSE OF SCOUT CAMPAIGN

To the Editor of The Press: Thank you for calling attention to the 30th Anniversary of the Boy Scout movement.

However there seems to be some confusion as to the purpose and the territory in which these contributions will be used.

The primary purpose of the campaign is to acquaint the community with Scouting, its purposes and its ideals, and to make the community Scouting-conscious. Interest needs to be aroused in the Scout movement and in the work of the local troop of Boy Scouts. The money raised in this campaign will be used for salaries, office expenses, travel expenses, charter fee, national headquarters quota, and miscellanous expenses of the headquarters of the Daniel Boone Council.

The Daniel Boone Council covers an area of more than 5,000 square miles in 14 counties of there are located 72 troops and units of Boy Scouts. The money contributed by our community will go to build Scouting in these 14 counties and will not be limited to Asheville and vicinity. A moment's reflection will make one realize that the more distant from headquarters a troop is the more per capita will be the expense of contacting that troop and that the Franklin troop therefore will receive a greater share of the contributions per troop than the troops of the Asheville area.

In your editorial you say, "Helping support a headquarters as far as Asheville has, as yet, brought little direct benefit to this section". If this is true then you place no value on the troops in Franklin, Sylva, Cherokee, Bryson, City, Cullowhee, Highlands, Andrews, Murphy, Hayesville and Robbinsville which have all been organized and aided by the Daniel Boone Council. You would include along with this the splendid gift of the cabin on Wayah which came because of the development of Scouting in this area under the leadership of the Daniel Boone Council. And you would include in this also the fine group of Boy Scouts from our own community who have been advanced year by year through the Courts of Honor of the Daniel Boone Council,

Having known of Scouting in Franklin since 1926 and having had some small share in the work during most of that period, I can say sincerely that there is no comparison between the benefits derived from association with the Daniel Boone Council and acting as an independent unit. One man in our community who has been making an annual contribution for a number of years of \$10 feels that this is the finest contribution that

I agree with the Rev. Frank Bloxham in his reference to apparent lack of interest in our own troop here. Our local troop and its leadership deserves our support. It is true also that our Scout House is a disgrace to our community and unfit for our Scotts. It needs rebuilding and should be, in the near future. My feeling is that the community is ready to back this undertaking and if the Troop Committee will push the matter, we could very shortly have a Scout house worthy the name and one that our community could be proud

Trusting that this may help clarify somewhat the misunderstanding as to the purposes of the Adult Membership Campaign, and especially as it relates to the liberal contributions made by the citizens of our community during the past

Sincerely yours, J. A. FLANAGAN, Chairman, Finance Committee, Franklin Troop Committee

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Stockholders

Of Federation To Meet Saturday

Macon county stockholders of the Farmers Federation will hold their annual meeting at 10 o'clock Saturday morning in the federation's warehouse on Palmer street, according to an announcement by Max M. Roberts, the cooperative's educational director.

James G. K. McClure, president, and other executives of the federation are expected to attend. Reports will be submitted on last year's business and plans for the current year discussed.

Also to come up at this meeting will be the election of a county advisory committee and the nomination of a director.

Each county where the federation is organized is entitled to two representatives on its board of directors. They serve for overlapping terms of two years. Directors are nominated at county meetings Western North Carolina in which and elected at the annual meeting of stockholders of the entire organization held in Asheville each year on the fourth Saturday in March.

> Music will be furnished at Saturday's meeting by the federation's string trio.

A community good will meeting will be conducted by Mr. Roberts at the Jotla school at 7:30 o'clock Friday night, Motion pictures of federation activities will be shown and addresses will be made by Mr. McClure and Guy L. Houk, county superintendent of schools.

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the Clerk of the Superior Court of Macon County, N. C. and answer This the 27th day of February,

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