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### BIBLE THOUGHT

See that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil.—Ephesians 5:15, 16.

He who wishes to know the road through the mountains must ask those who have already trodden it.—Chinese Proverb.

### Two Thanksgivings Again

FOR practical purposes, the 16 states that are holding out against the majority on the date for Thanksgiving, are finding two celebrations a bit inconvenient.

In the first place, all government offices will close for the holiday on the day appointed by the president—the third Thursday. Then in the case of families separated and living in different states, getting together is made difficult when different days are celebrated. Children at school in Georgia or New York, for instance, miss Thanksgiving altogether when they come home to North Carolina. These are only a few examples. The third Thursday has been adopted, not because President Roosevelt has arbitrarily proclaimed it, but because it better suits the schedule of a greater number of the people today.

We hope that North Carolina will swing into line next year, and that in this, as well as other things, the minority will abide by the will of the majority. This is good sportsmanship—"the American way."

### The First Draft

TWO months after President Roosevelt signed the peace-time conscription bill—the first in the nation's history—the selective service plan of recruiting a great civilian army, begins to operate.

Thousands of these men who are first to go to camp are volunteers who signed up for service without waiting for a possible call by their draft board. Owing to the large number of volunteers, the number expected to be called has been greatly reduced.

The American people may well be thankful for the wise action of their government in setting up this orderly and democratic method of calling and training citizens for defense. The ready response and cooperation of all in answering this call is assurance of the nation's approval of this draft law.

Many lessons have been learned from World War I, and timely steps taken so there will be no repetition of conditions caused by hurried mustering of thousands of men in cantonments built under necessity for rapid mobilization of a civilian army. With the present setup there is a minimum of opportunity for favoritism in calling men to service. The influential who would seek exemption for their sons will find it more difficult to secure an alibi.

The nation is assured that every care will be taken to insure good living conditions and the general welfare of the young men while in service. Indeed, for most, this year will be one of training, discipline and strengthening that will make for better men and citizens.

This civilian army is one answer to Mr. Hitler.

### Deplorable Affair

ALL law-abiding citizens deplore the fighting on the Nantahala dam project which resulted in the headlong flight of a number of workers from the North—some of them carrying the marks of personal encounters with local men.

Whatever provocation any group of men may have had, or thought they had, against workers coming from another part of the country, fist-fighting and throwing men and automobiles into the river are acts that cannot be justified on any count.

Those who let their resentment against certain individuals condemn a whole group, and lead them to commit bodily and property injury to innocent strangers, do a grave injustice to their own people, much greater than any injustice they may have suffered from those they have sought to punish.

One of the first thoughts that came to many was that our men in the western part of the state have been going to New York for several years to work on construction jobs on account of the good wages, and they have had fair treatment from their Northern brethren. Another by-product of this affair is the financial loss to all concerned in the resultant closing down of the project.

The fact that extra highway patrolmen had to be called to help keep order up in the corner where Swain, Cherokee and Macon meet, has given these counties some highly undesirable publicity.



### Methodist Women Hold Zone Meeting

The Woman's Society of Christian service held a meeting for the officers of the Macon Zone of the Methodist church at the Franklin Methodist church Wednesday afternoon.

The devotional was led by the president, Mrs. Fred Slagle, after which Mrs. Carl S. Slagle brought messages and instructions from the district meeting held in Bryson City and Waynesville recently.

A round table discussion and questions of the new work were discussed by members and officers attending. This proved a great help to all in the new arrangement of service groups in the consolidation of the Methodist churches.

### Curb Market Will Have Thanksgiving Turkeys

The Curb Market will take orders for Thanksgiving turkeys on Saturday, November 23, for delivery the following week. The market this week will have pumpkin pies, cakes, cookies and other delicacies besides the usual farm and dairy products. Every Saturday the curb market will be open.

### Church Services

Sunday, November 24  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
Rev. C. F. Rogers

9:45 a. m.—Bible school.  
11 a. m.—Morning worship.  
6:30 p. m.—B. Y. P. U.  
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship.

FRANKLIN METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. J. L. Stokes II

10 a. m.—Church school.  
11 a. m.—Thanksgiving message.  
7 p. m.—Young People's meeting.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
10 a. m.—Sunday school.  
J. A. Sutton, Supt.

11 a. m.—Preaching service.  
Rev. R. D. Bedinger, D. D.

ST. AGNES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. A. Rufus Morgan  
10 a. m.—Church school.  
5 p. m.—Evening prayer and sermon.

St. John's Catholic Parish  
Schedule of Masses:  
Franklin:  
2nd and 4th Sunday, 8 a. m.  
Waynesville:  
Every Sunday, 11 a. m.

### Nantahala National Forest

Did You Know That



There are at present 36 mining permits and 10 prospecting permits in force on National Forest lands within the Nantahala National Forest. These permits vary from free use for surface rock for home builders to mica and vermiculite permits on which a charge is made.

A number of permits are in force with the North Carolina State Highway Department for the quarrying of rock for surfacing roads. Such permits to other state agencies are issued free of charge.

Permits for the mining of mica and other commercial minerals are issued at a nominal charge with a royalty attached to the value of minerals removed in excess of a specified quantity. With the increased price in mica there has been considerable activity on the Nantahala National Forest of individuals seeking out likely prospects. Some of the prospectors who have taken out permits have come from as far away as Chicago in their search of valuable minerals.

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### Riverside

Gene Bateman left Sunday for Fairview, N. C., where he will visit his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Burgen Morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McCoy of Clayton, Ga., spent the week-end with Mrs. McCoy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cabe.

Mrs. W. H. Moore and family spent Sunday with their daughter and sister, Mrs. T. B. Picklesimer and Mr. Picklesimer of Clear Creek.

Misses Lucy Bateman, Maggie and Blanche Ledbetter, Bill Conley and Carl Woods visited relatives and friends in Kyle Sunday. On their return they were accompanied by Garland Bateman who is employed by the Nantahala Dam project.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Moore announce the birth of a daughter, Peggy Jean, November 10.

R. B. Curtis has returned to his home in this section after spending several weeks with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Faircloth, Jr., of Fayetteville.

Oscar Bateman and Gus Cope of Mount Holly, visited Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Bateman, Saturday night.

Mrs. Cecil Van Hook and son, Billie, are spending several days in Asheville with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Van Hook. From there they will go to Pontiac, Mich., where Mrs. Van Hook has employment.

Miss Dorothy Southard, who is attending Blanton's Business College in Asheville, and Miss Edna Ramey, who is enrolled in the Asheville Beauty Academy, Asheville, visited Misses Maggie and Blanche Ledbetter Sunday, November 10.

### Red Cross Work Room In St. Agnes Rectory

Mrs. James E. Perry, county Red Cross production chairman, announces that Rev. Rufus Morgan has given the use of a front

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downstairs room in St. Agnes rectory for the work room and headquarters of the American Red Cross.

Since the fire the room to have been occupied in the Ashear building has been leased for an office, making it necessary to find other quarters. Mrs. Perry expects the arrival of materials daily.

### Highlands Girl Tapped By Honorary Sorority

Miss Margaret Thompson of Highlands, a member of the student body of Queens College, Charlotte, was initiated into Alpha Iota, international honorary business sorority, at a formal candle-light service in the college auditorium last Wednesday, November 13. Requirements for election to the organization are superior scholarship, leadership, personality and character. Miss Thompson, the daughter of of Mrs. H. P. Thompson and the late Doctor Thompson, is a gradu-

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ate of Highlands high school and is now taking a four year course in Business Administration at Queens, leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science.

### Loyal Order of Moose

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7:30 O'CLOCK P. M.  
J. J. Mann, Secretary

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