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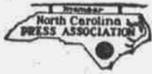
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BIBLE THOUGHT

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.—St. John 15:13.

What is it that gentlemen wish? What would they have? Is life so dear and peace so sweet as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take, but as for me, "give me liberty or give me death!"—Patrick Henry.

"Front Page News"

THE Franklin Press and The Highlands Maconian is one of the newspapers participating in the gigantic Scrap Drive and contest being sponsored this month by the newspapers in North Carolina. We are printing the rules for the statewide contest on the front page and plans for the Macon county contest.

A lot of people reading The Asheville Citizen on Tuesday morning looked in vain for the usual war news on the front page. All they found was news about junk, scrap, salvage. Why this radical change of face, as it were, was explained in their leading editorial. We can impress the Why of this by quoting from their editorial.

Here is something we need terribly to get through our heads. Here is why we had better begin to collect scrap.

"The greatest fact in America and the world today is that we are losing this war. The record of events proves it beyond a shadow of a doubt.

We have been living for years in a fool's paradise. This paradise won't last. Haven't you felt it slipping out from under you in the last few months?

"The terrible truth is, we're headed straight for perdition—a blazing hot and torturous place being efficiently prepared for us by a German devil aided by Jap and Italian imps.

"That is why the news on the front page of this paper today is the most important thing in the world for us in this region.

"It means that we must get out of the grandstand and on the field of action. It means all of us, not just a part of us. It means every man, woman, boy and girl in Western North Carolina. We can remain spectators no longer. It means that we are compelled to get into this fight ourselves.

"It means we have launched a civilian offensive of our own at home to help try to reverse the trend of events and maybe yet save what is left of civilization and along with it our own skins.

"It means that Western North Carolina must do a vital war job and do it fast. Just a fair share of our scrap metal won't do! Three-fourths of it won't do! We must get every single pound of our scrap metal into Uncle Sam's hands, and quick!

"If we in safe, peaceful, beautiful Western North Carolina can't or won't do this job, and do it up to the hilt, can it really matter a tinker's damn to us what goes on in the rest of the world to make news for our front page?"

"Fire Is A Saboteur"

THE members of the local fire department have gone in heartily to cooperate with National Fire Prevention Week which has been designated for October 4 to 10. Never before has there been such urgency to prevent fire. Every business man and every owner of property knows that if home or business is destroyed by fire, there is no chance of securing materials to rebuild for the duration of the war.

Many business firms are supporting the efforts of the Franklin volunteer fire department this week in a page advertisement which is designed to bring home more forcibly to all readers the importance of being more fire-conscious than ever before. We know that "fire is a saboteur" in this war.

To put it in plain words; letting things burn is one of the ways we can help the Nazis and the Japs in their effort to destroy this nation. Let us give every support to our fire department and air raid wardens who are alive to immediate or possible future dangers and are equipping themselves through study and practice to meet any emergency.

In rural homes, out of reach of town fire fighting equipment, the responsibility of preventing fire is squarely up to the owners. Having hose where there is running water, and a barrel of water where there is none, buckets of sand and handy tools in the barn and home are good precautions.

We Can't Equal Their Sacrifices, but We Might Try



—By Darling U.S. Treasury Department Copyright, 1942, New York Tribune Inc.

Likewise our forests are not only our wealth but our ammunition and protection; which, when swept by fire, becomes a major disaster to our war effort. Let us heed, as never before, the instructions of the forest service and county fire warden authorities.

The Mountain Echo

WE salute the first issue of our contemporary, "The Mountain Echo", with peculiar pleasure. Published by the Journalism Club of the Franklin High School, this year this creditable monthly magazine has been advanced to a higher grade in the field of high school publications. Heretofore, the club has published a mimeographed sheet, doing all the mechanical as well as journalistic work themselves. Now, in printed form, where the excellent work of the editorial and advertising staff receives the attractive display of a printed magazine form, this little publication takes its place alongside the best of its class.

The young people deserve much credit for their enterprise, showing both talent and training in the result of their work. We wish them continued success from a literary and financial standpoint.

Farm Machinery Rationing Board Named For County

Henderson Is Chairman; Classifications Made In Effect To Nov. 1

Announcement of the personnel of the Macon County Rationing Committee to handle temporary rationing of new farm machinery until November 1, 1942, was made today by C. W. Henderson, chairman of the County USDA War Board.

Mr. Henderson, who also is chairman of the County AAA Committee, will serve as chairman of the rationing body, and other members named by the County USDA War Board are: B. W. Justice, Route 1, Franklin; and C. S. Slagle, Route 1, Franklin. Alternate members are: A. C. Patterson, Route 2, Franklin, and W. L. Ramsey, Route 3, Franklin.

The order setting up the rationing program provided that the chairman of the County AAA Committee should be chairman of the rationing committee, and that two representative farmers should be selected by the County USDA War Board to serve as regular members. Naming of two alternates also was provided in the order.

Chairman Henderson said that no member of the committee may act on his own application to purchase new machinery, an application of a member of his immediate family or other near relative, or that of his landlord, tenant, or other business associate.

Under the program, Chairman Henderson said, one classification (Group A), including items which are scarce and which are vitally needed in 1942 agricultural production, may be sold only upon approval of the county rationing committee. Equipment in this class includes: combines, corn pickers, disc harrows, feed grinders, fertilizer spreaders, grain drills, grain elevators, hay balers, lime spreaders, manure spreaders, milk coolers, milking machines, pickup balers, potato diggers, shredders, and tractors, including garden tractors.

A second classification (Group B), includes items somewhat less scarce which may be sold upon certification by the farmer to the dealer that it is required to meet current agricultural needs. This group includes most other types of farm machinery.

The third classification (Group C) includes smaller items which may be sold without restrictions, such as hoes, rakes, forks, scythes, shovels, and all hand-operated and one and two-horse farm machinery and equipment not included in Group A or Group B.

Eligibility requirements for Group A purchases, he added, in-

Poet's Corner

NEWS FROM HOME
When you've wandered from your childhood home,
And all your scenes are new,
Just to get the good old Franklin Press
Brings "Tarheel" back to you.

Through western hospitality and and new friends have proved true.
It's good to get the hometown news
When they send it out to you.
—Mrs. Fred Hodgins
Lyman, Wash.

Copper for 4,187 rounds of .50 caliber cartridges is contained in the typical household bronze door hinge, check, and door stop.

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