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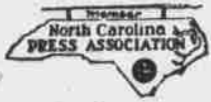
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BIBLE THOUGHT

Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.—Ephesians 4:31, 32.

"With malice toward none, with charity for all with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in."

Scrap Enthusiasm

IF the grown-ups of the county have needed any spur or inspiration to increase their efforts to bring in the scrap, they have received it from the children.

In company with the school children all over the United States, our children have shown untiring perseverance and ingenuity in hunting out, locating and bringing in an amazing tonnage. Reports from schools all over the county are full of lively tales of excursions in the woods and out-of-the-way places to trace down old metal in every shape and form.

They have found sufficient zest in the thrill of reward. No prizes have been offered and no contests sponsored. But the scrap is prize enough. From the efforts expended and the results, it is evident that no other incentive was needed.

The President Speaks

IN his clear, straightforward style, President Roosevelt talked to the nation and the world on Monday night. He expressed his belief that it will be necessary to lower the present minimum age limit for selective service from 21 years to 18. He said that the school authorities in all the states should work out plans to enable high school students to take some time from their school year, and to use their summer vacation, to help farmers raise and harvest their crops, or to work in the war industries.

The President stated positively that we are getting ahead of our enemies in the battles of transportation and production. He reviewed the war from many angles and promised that major decisions of strategy have been made. He closed with these words:

"We are united in seeking the kind of victory that our grandchildren can grow and, under God, may live their lives, free from the constant threat of invasion, destruction, slavery and violent death."

A Great Loss

IT seemed a tragic irony of fate that while Fire Prevention Week was appealing for greater care against fire, one of our most needed buildings was destroyed because of lack of any water supply. The Frazier Community center, built by NYA and sponsored by the Negroes of the county at great sacrifice, was burned down to the stone foundations while the people and the fire department stood by, unable to do anything.

The building was used not only for community gatherings but to supplement inadequate school facilities. No doubt this tragedy will serve to emphasize the fact that a well and tank would have been cheaper than the loss of a building. It is hoped that a way may be found to rebuild on the same foundation with the help of the insurance on the building; and the colored children may be provided with pure water for drinking purposes and the school with fire protection.

Clay County News

WE are glad to welcome among our exchanges, get. The Clay County News in new form. The Graeber has recently been purchased by our friend The neighbor, L. P. Cross, editor of The Clayton (Va.) Tribune, who has been printing the paper from his shop for some months. From the appearance of the first copies, the people of Clay will now be served by a first class weekly county newspaper.

BEHIND THE GUN



Press Comment

A REMARKABLE RECORD

Figures have just been released by the National Board of Fire Underwriters showing that the total estimated fire loss for the first eight months of this year was \$211,172,000, as compared with \$211,773,000 for the same period last year.

When the vast industrial expansion that has taken place in this country in war industries during the past year is considered, in conjunction with the millions of inexperienced persons who have gone to work in such industries at jobs with which they were unfamiliar a year ago, this record of a drop in fire losses for the past eight months is truly remarkable. It speaks volumes for the fire prevention activities that have been carried on by civilian as well as official bodies. Also it indicates that our dreaded enemy, the saboteur, has been well controlled and that his fire depredations have been held to a minimum.

The public deserves a large share of credit for cooperating in all manner of fire prevention activities. It is well to call attention to this drop in fire losses to let people know that their watchfulness has been effective during a critical period when billions of dollars worth of vital supplies have been subject to the fire menace.

This record should encourage every citizen to continue and increase his efforts to prevent fire, for by so doing he is truly playing a vital part in the war.

—Industrial Review.

Home Dairy Mixtures Essential This Year

There are two fundamental reasons why North Carolina farmers should use simple home-produced dairy mixtures this year, according to John A. Arcey, dairy extension specialist of N. C. State college.

First, he says, a home-produced mixture is more economical because it carries fewer transportation and commission charges.

Second, the use of such mixtures would save badly needed transportation space for important war materials.

The State college dairymen said the 1942 feed crop in North Carolina will rank as one of the largest in history. This will be true especially of high protein feeds such as soybean and peanut meal. Except in certain areas, the corn crop will also be larger than usual.

These feeds can be made the basic for many different simple grain mixtures, any of which will give good results when fed together with an ample supply of quality roughage.

Arcey suggests the following home mixtures: Eighteen percent protein and 4 percent fat: 400 pounds of corn and cob meal, 300 pounds of cottonseed meal, 200 pounds of oats, and 100 pounds of wheat bran.

Nineteen percent protein and 4 percent fat: 500 pounds of corn and cob meal, 100 pounds of peanut meal, and 200 pounds of cottonseed meal.

Eighteen percent protein and 3.5 percent fat: 200 pounds of corn and cob meal, 100 pounds of soybean meal, and 100 pounds of ground barley.

Nineteen percent protein and 4 percent fat: 300 pounds of corn and cob meal, 200 pounds of ground barley, and 200 pounds of peanut meal.

In these mixtures, barley can be substituted for corn on a pound for pound basis, and peanut, soybean, and cottonseed meal are interchangeable pound for pound, Arcey said.

CONTRAST

Forsyth county farmers have more food and feed this year than ever before, but Assistant Agent S. R. Mitchiner says total production is expected to be much less next year.

FELDSPAR A BY-PRODUCT IN MICA MINING

Incident to the mining of mica is the recovery of feldspar. These two minerals seem to go hand in hand and thousands of tons have been brought out of mines and left on the dumps for the reason that the market was too far from the source of supply, and transportation costs prohibitive. This important mineral is being more and more in demand, and the large deposits here justify the prophecy that in the very near future its production will be one of Macon's leading industries.

The heart has eyes that the brain knows nothing of.—C. H. Parkhurst.

High School Fire Drill Is Pronounced Success

Fire drill held at Franklin high school Tuesday has been pronounced a big success by Mr. J. F. Pugh, the teachers, and members of the fire department who checked pupils out of the building.

The small school building was cleared in one and one-half minutes, and the large building in one minute and fifty-five seconds. The entire drill was accomplished with such uniform precision that no student passed in front of another.

Mr. Pugh is to be highly complimented on his effort to make the school fire drill a real safety measure for the children in case of fire.

FIRE DESTROYS MAN POWER

Last year people who were careless started 170,000 fires in forests and woodlands. The loss was enough to buy two flying fortresses a day. The millions of feet of timber destroyed by fire is needed for war-workers homes, Army barracks, snipyards, and other war uses. The millions of hours of manpower it took to put out last year's forest and farm woodland fires are needed this year to produce food, tanks, planes and ships for victory.

—R. W. Graeber.

INCREASING

The number of farmers requesting phosphate in Clay county is increasing rapidly, as there seems to be a new realization of the value of this material on farm lands, says Assistant Farm Agent R. G. Vick.

EXCHANGE

To avoid too much inbreeding in their sheep flocks, David Howard and John C. Hill, both of Deep Run, route 1, Lenoir county, have exchanged their 4-H rams for a short while.

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