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Coming Back to Normal

The country is coming back to normal some day, and that day will be just as soon as we come to ourselves. And we are beginning to do that now.

A woman turned up her nose when she saw a shoe marked under \$5. last year, but now she is asking for one priced at \$3, and even less. Girls, who refused to wear a dress costing less than \$4.98 last year are now colling for \$1.98 dress, syaing as they do that displaced the one costing \$1.98; and it is almost to they have watched strong men blown to bits; they that point-when buys the higher priced stocking, it denotes a wedding or a millionaire.

The thing that has sunk us deepest in the financial line is our extravagance, the attempt to buy things that were too expensive for us to buy. Now we must come to our senses, get on our level and buy only such articles as are within our means.

Moral Degeneracy

A casual reading of the newspapers reveals two serious troubles with our country. One is financia! strain, and the other is moral degeneracy.

There is no use to mince words, nor to apologize or speak in a whisper about this question of moral degeneracy, nad we may as well face the fact squarely. With the girls of our country smoking cigarettes, laying aside their modesty and taking the broad privileges the rough tough boys indulge in, there is surely going to be plenty of trouble ahead, and the worst kind of trouble

There is nothing that makes us so poor as the loss of our virtue, and though we be decked with gold and chained with pearls, we are equal to nothing with virtue lost. And even though we try to console ourselves by saying it is the fashion of the day to go in the fast parade we some day are going to be filled with remorse—the day when we are called on to give account of ourselves, regardles of when or how we

Attitude of the American Legion

Mayon Parker, editor of the Bertie Ledger-Advance, spoke wisely in a recent issue of his paper when he commented on the attitude of the American Legion in connection with expansion in war-like armaments: Editor Parker says, in part:

In my opinion, it is an odd thing that those who know best the horrors of war and suffered most from its rigors should be the loudest, through their national organization, clamorers for expansion in war-like armaments and increases in military preparations. Practically every man I know who served in the muck and mud of France will say he will never be drafted into another war for anybody's sake-patrotism, democracy or what not. They saw enough and suffered enough to give them a stomach full of war for the rest of their lives.

Yet their national organization, the American Legion, has come to be one of the strongest advocates of increased military and naval strength. It is constantly urging a larger army, more military equipment, more death-dealing machines for the slaughter of human being, a greater navy; and it is continually deploring the activities of those designated by the intensely patriotic as "pasificists", who would attempt to reduce the burden of armaments and relegate war as a mode of settling international differences to the scrap-heap of civilization to which slavery, torture, trial by combat have been cast as mankind progressed.

"Those fellows who went to France for us ought to know what war really means. They should be the greatest advocates of peace in this country. They know the devastation and horror of it; they have seen what it does to men's minds and bodies; they have known its fears, privations, its suffering, and its death. They have seen men treated worse than animals: they have watched tsrong men blown to bits; they have seen war, its horror and its fear, crush out the minds of men and make maniacs of them from its very gruesomeness. They know that war is a useless slaughter in which men do not fight for sheer patriotism to protect high ideals, but because they are driven and dumb and have forgotten all ideals and been stripped of their civilization. In my opinion, these vs, to whom we owe every consideration because of what they have sacrified and what they have learned, should be mobilized into a great army for

Next!

Greensboro News.

"Whose will be the next governor?" asks the Williamston Enterprise, which would seem to have heard report that some of the candidates might not be traveling under their own power.

We are confident that the Enterprise is unduly alarmed. The next governor will, like his predecessors, be the people's.

He will also be the friend of the public schools, whole-heartedly in sympathy with the ideals of higher education, a foe to special privilege, an advocate of just taxation, pledged to economy, protector of home, defender of the faith, concerned for the weak and helpless, yielding to none in his reverence for Tar Heel tradition and his confidnce in the robust manhood of its sons and the virtue and pulchritude of its daughters, and standing four-square against any and all of those forces which would deny burgeoning space to the feeblest of this commonwealth's God-given aspira-

If he is not kept too busy being all things to all men, he will find time to be several ditto to the League of Women's Voters, the Woman's Missionary Society, the W. C. T. U., U. D. C., D. A. R., B. and P. W. clubs and Young Women's Christian Association. He will have put his hand so firmly to the plow as never to have had a chance to look backward, more especially when he will have been straddling every row he is asked to hoe or otherwise cultivate.

The next governor will have delivered himself of resounding platitudes upon every known safe subject, will have shamed the Delphic Oracle in his efforts to be non-committal on all moot questions and will have led at least one lawyer in each county to expect appointment to the next vacancy on the Supreme court.

He will enter office loving and beloved of everybody, and it will not be 30 days until he will have alienated half his county campaign managers and be doubting the altruism of his oldest friends, who in turn will be wondering what they saw in him and confessing to a conviction that the memory of a successful candidate is shorter than the patience of an ambitious wife with well-married sisters-in-law.

His days will be full of irk and frustration; his nights of travail and dread of the morrow.

He will know himself for an Ishmaelite without any of the latter's avoidance of responsibility. Every man's hand will be upraised against him, to pat him on a breaking back, to smite him under the fifth rib, or in the gesture known as "Gimme!"

Whose will be the next governor? He'll be unreservedly our'n, for we will have made him. He'll be timorous when he should be firm, tenacious when the call is for compromise, petulant when he should be

What a pity he can't be his'n-and go about his business as any other simple gentleman employed to do a small job of work which will probably be forgotten in a twelve-month!

Looking Out for Themselves

We fear the purpose of the bankers in begging the nations to have mercy and show favors to each others is not so pure

They may see that Germany will not be able to pay both their obligations to them and to the various nations, and they are looking out for themselves. Nor are we convinced that Mr. Mellon thinks as much of the United States as he does of a few big business

Invention Has Done Too Much for Us

"Hambone" is entirely right in saying that we have so many conveniences these days that it works us to death to keep them going. He might have gone further and said our conveniences have gone a long way toward breaking us up.

When you go to a bankrupt sale, you nearly always find a lot of high-priced labor-saving equipment. In many cases, paying for such equipment caused the bankruptcy. Now, since we find ourselves "busted," and our business and homes gone, trying to put in labor saving equipment, we have lost our jobs. .

Invention has done too much for us. We spent all we had for machines to keep from work, and now we want work and can't get it.

America Too Proud

Is America too proud? For many years we have heard much of the greatness of America, and the spread of the eagle's wing and strength of its talons. Our attitude has not always been sound, and in the bounds of reason and truth. In fact, we have not kept ourselves out of danger at all times. Possibly our chief trouble has been that we have learned to depend too much on the other fellow, and to our sorrow have found it unsafe to follow such a program, for whenever we do, he is subject to do the unexpected, and we are left flat. We need to depend on ourselves more and to praise others, rather than to boast of our gratness.

Crime To Allow Pellagra to Spread

It is a crime against humanity to allow the disease called pellagra to spread in Eastern Carolina. Every father and mother can prevent this loathsome and dangerous disease by keeping a cow, using plenty of milk and butter, plenty of vegetables, green and canned, fruits, and by eating yeast.

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When every farmer learns that milk will save us from half of our diseases, and appreciates the need of milk and butter enough to go to the trouble to properly care for a cow, it will be worth billions to our country.

LEADERS FROM STATE 4H CLUBS

Honor Society To Be Formed at State College Meet in August

Those 4-H club members who have done exceptional work and have rep resented North Carolina at national gatherings will be gathered into an honor organization at the annual short course for club members to be held at State College during the week of Aug-

"For some years we have wanted o set apart those club members who have rendered exceptional service to their local communities and to the State," says L. R. Harrill, club leader at State College . "Our plans are now to do this at the next short course luring the first week in August. Those boys and girls who have represented the State at the National Club Camp Washington, at the International Fraining School at Springfield, or who have done exceptional work in their local communities will be formed into an honor society. The recommendations of the home and farm agents will be largely followed in making the se

This will be only one feature of the club meeting, however. Mr. Harrill says the program will be filled with instruction and recreation. The club members will gather Monday evening. August 3, and will begin classroom work early Tuesday morning. Classes will be held each morning, with the afternoons devoted to demonstrations, sight-seeing trips, games, contests, and other activities. The evening hours will be given over to impressive vesper services.

Crowning of the King and Queen of Health for the State will be an interesting occasion. This will be preceded by a health pageant in which those boys and girls who have won in the county and district contests will take

Mr. Harrill looks for a large attendance this year. There are now about 26,000 club members in the State and representative delegates from this num er will attend the short course.

Although Herman Parsons, of Norwalk, Conn., received a fractured skull, broken arm, and a broken leg when he was hit by an automobile, the dozen eggs he was carrying escaped without

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