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A Great Humanitarian Work

That part of the work of the New Deal known as the welfare division came to an end on December 31st. The general feature of the activities of this department has been to see that the unfortunate hungry was fed, a charity that has not been surpassed and perhaps has never been equalled in the history of man, and which has generally had the approval of the masses of the people.

Of course, this work has given aches and pains to a lot of folks who have never endured the sting of poverty and who have little sympathy for the underlings and unfortunates of the world. Yet it should be remembered by all who really have hearts of sympathy for suffering humanity as one of the sublime acts of any government.

Though many mistakes have been made, yet only those with hard and cruel hearts can criticize and condemn the leaders who brought forward this great blessing. And we should remember that the same fellows who planned this act of charity also put in motion the agencies embraced in the New Deal that caused the tobacco farmers of Martin County to be paid three times as much additional money for their 1934 crop of tobacco than all the governmental agencies have paid to charities in Martin County during all of their charitable projects.

So why should we complain because a number of poor folks have been fed by the government when we look around us and see that the same government has enabled those who were in a better financial condition to get four times as much incomes as has been given to the poor.

Farm Values and Crop Prices

No man knows the value of his farm unless he has some assurance of the cash income it will produce. The reason American farm values have fluctuated so often and so widely in former years has been due to the manipulation of the price of farm products.

Look at the market records of farm crops for 50 years and compare the farm prices, and you will find low cotton, wheat, and tobacco prices have ruled land values. You will also find that organized wealth has ruled the price of farm products until the government stepped in and broke up their manipulations and gave the farmers a chance to free themselves from the manipulators' greedy clutches—and that is the reason why organized wealth is kicking.

We had rather see a farmer smile than to read of big dividends for trusts and monopolies. Keep in mind the friend that has sheltered you in the time of storm.

Watch the Propagandists

It is a sickening thing to hear these rich folks talking about our national indebtedness when our trouble is that our own individual debts are due to the wealthy. When about one-third of the people owe big insurance companies an distrust companies for their homes and farms, there is where we find the trouble.

Then when the government came along and loaned the people money to save their lands and homes at a much lower interest rate and on longer and easier terms, of course we naturally expected a squeal and a howl from those who had been getting rich by loaning money at high rates of interest.

If it had not been for the New Deal, many homes now occupied by the owners would be empty and the former owners would be out trudging in the snow with no place to lay their heads.

Watch the propagandists and steer clear of their gabble.

The Neutrality Act

There now seems to be looming a fight in the Congress over the question of the neutrality act. The rank and file of the folks want the act strengthened, especially the poor people and those who would be called to the front and expose themselves to the attacks of every horrible process of modern warfare.

The folks who are against a more binding neutrality law are the fellows who want war to make a market for their products in order that they may do as they have always done—grow rich on the blood of other men. We need to join in the movements for peace and help outlaw war—a thing we can never do with the steel trusts, Morgans, and duPonts directing our relations with other nations.

Plotting a Course

The new year seems to be puzzling some people as to what plans to pursue. If a man stakes all of his energies on money-making, which is always a bad plan, there seems to be no reason for fear, because business is in an up-and-coming condition and neither the supreme court nor any other earthly institutions can crush the morale of 130,000,000 people which has been built on actual experience; and, regardless of all the political harrangue, the people's voice must be heard. The money powers will not be able to crush the country this year.

The better plan for men to pursue is to follow the more sensible course. That is to go a bit slower in our efforts to gain wealth and take more time to improve our citizenship and to serve man and God, which course never fails to produce good dividends that are worth far more than gold and rubies, and which will not fade away when the dark hours hover around us.

We, of course, need to work definitely and diligently for a sufficiency for an honest living, but when we attempt to accumulate too much we should remember that moth and rust are great destroyers and that human nature is not strong enough to withstand rapid prosperity. More folks break trying to make money than ever succeed in making money.

If every person will just go along in the even tenor of his way be a law-abiding citizen, 1936 will not be a bad year. It is only the high-flyers who are subject to the great falls.

An Acute Situation

Every day there comes the cry of the hungry who have nothing to eat.

The condition of a few people in this section is even more tragic than most of us know. There are a number of families right here who have missed the last three meals and who have no assurance of getting the next three—or even the next one, for that matter. Some of them have worked steadily when work could be found, but at this particular time, with work all blocked by bad weather, and no basis upon which to establish a trading place, the condition is pitiable.

There are a few who are able that are willing to help, but many are not.

It now seems that the county will be forced to take up these matters, or some people will be forced to the county home or to starvation in their huts.

Ruining the Country

News and Observer.

The Secretary of Commerce reports for 1935:

- A 10 per cent increase in factory employment.
- A 25 per cent increase in factory pay rolls.
- A 20 per cent increase in sales of general merchandise in rural areas.
- A 25 per cent increase in production of durable goods.

An increase of 40 per cent in dollar expenditures for new passenger automobiles.

This fellow Roosevelt is ruining the country.

'Tis Another Year

Sampson Independent.

We have with us a brand new year—1936. The old year, which passed into the realm of history Tuesday night as the clock struck twelve was at least an improvement over some of its immediate predecessors. To be sure, it was not what many of us would have had it be in many respects, but by and large it was a right good year.

Somehow, the thought of the passing of a year brings a tinge of sadness, even when it failed to meet with our anticipations. We know that when a year passes it is forever gone and there is no recalling it.

But regardless of the old, we welcome the new year and when one is ushered in we always have hope that it will be an improvement over the old. It is that hope of something better in the future which sustains and makes it possible to carry on. Without hope there would be little incentive to go forward.

At this, the beginning of another year, it is well to remember that we, as individuals, will play the most important earthly role in making 1936 better or worse for the individual. It is a role which nobody else can play for us; a role which we must choose for ourselves. Too, we should remember that the success or failure of the "show" depends to a very large degree upon how well we play our role. Hence the question is, how well will I play my individual role?

A Challenge

Sampson Independent.

We read that Col. Charles A. Lindbergh and family have abandoned their home in the United States, their native land, and gone to England to establish their residence. The chief reason advanced for this act on the part of the noted family is the constant dread that the second son of Col. and Mrs. Lindbergh would be kidnapped.

Press statements state that frequent threats of such kidnapping have been received by the Lindberghs. In view of what happened to their first born, naturally Col. and Mrs. Lindbergh would be annoyed by such threats and the subsequent fear.

A condition of this sort is a reflection upon our country, to say the least. It is indeed a reproach that those who have achieved success and popularity cannot live at home (here in the United States) unmolested by the lawless element of the country. It is true that the same thing might happen in England or some other country, but the chances of its happening are not nearly so great.

This is a challenge to our law enforcement agencies, and one which calls for serious thought. It appears that the law enforcement agencies, especially the Federal agencies, have been more successful of late months in combatting the activity of the lawless element in this country. And yet, there is a long way to go before we reach the desired goal in that respect.

Tells How to Avoid Damage by Termites

The easiest and most effective time to protect a house against termites is during the early stages of its construction.

The problem, said Dr. E. B. Fulton, research entomologist at State College, is to keep the termites from reaching the wooden parts of the house.

These insects commonly live underground, but will build mud runways up the masonry walls of a house to reach the woodwork.

The greater the distance from the soil level to the woodwork, the less chance of termite infestation, Dr. Fulton said. And a house with a full basement is less likely to be bothered than one without a basement or with only a partial basement.

Any part of the building which is not directly over a basement should be protected by removing the soil to give a clearance of three or four feet. Stumps and roots in the ground underneath a house should be dug out.

Dr. Fulton recommended the use of termite shields for frame houses, particularly those without basements. A shield is a strip of non-corrosive metal placed between the foundations and the sills.

Well laid Portland cement gives a good protection, he added, but only so long as there are no cracks through which the termites may enter.

A common source of trouble is in terraces or porches with a concrete floor laid over an earth fill, and on a level with the floor of the house. Termites frequently find cracks through which they can reach the woodwork.

Building the terraces one step below the floor level reduces the likelihood of termite damage.

Examinations for Civil Service Jobs

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows: Junior graduate nurse, \$1,620 a year.

Assistant to technician (forestry), \$1,620 a year.

Assistant geophysicist, \$2,600 a year.

Accountant and auditor, assistant accountant and auditing assistant, \$2,000 to \$3,200 a year, Bureau of Motor Carriers, Interstate Commerce Commission.

Certain specified education and experience are required in connection with these examinations.

Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Exam-

iners at the post office or custom-house in any city which has a post office of the first or second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

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NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power conferred on me as trustee in that deed of trust from W. L. Andrews and wife, Edna B. Andrews and husband, W. L. Andrews, Leon C. Andrews and wife, Helena Andrews, dated July 1st, 1927, recorded in book Y-2, at page 444, to secure a note of even tenor and date; the terms of said note not having been complied with and at the request of the holder of said note, I will offer for sale at the front door of the courthouse of Martin County, at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, on Friday, January 31, 1936, at 12 o'clock noon, the land described in said deed of trust as follows:

Beginning near the fork of the Mill road and running along the said Mill road to Andrew Cherry's corner; thence running with said Cherry's line to Simon Fagan's line or corner; thence with said Simon Fagan's line to the beginning at Mill Road, containing 80 acres, more or less, and being Ida F. Nichols' 1-4 interest in the land which was willed to her by her father, Moses Andrews, reference to said will is hereby made for further description.

This 31st day of December, 1935. HUGH G. HORTON, Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER EXECUTION

North Carolina, Martin County. B. A. Long vs. G. M. Long, S. L. Long, J. F. Long, Mrs. Milton Norman, Mrs. Mabel Strickland, Mrs. Mert Lee Ainsley and the heirs of J. B. Long, to-wit: Josephine C. Long, Dora H. Long, Minnie S.

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