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The Poor Are Still With Us

Much has been accomplished in solving the problem caused by poverty and want in this country, but it must be admitted that the poor are still with us.

Reports from the school lunch rooms in this county state that almost as many free lunches are being served today as there were two or three years ago. It is indeed difficult to understand the cause of such a condition when jobs go begging for workers and when farm prices have just about doubled themselves. After allowing for those cases overtaken by misfortune, there seems little reason for continuing our cast relief system. This newspaper is just as bitterly opposed to the apparently self-perpetuating relief system as it was strong for feeding the hungry and caring for the needy when conditions prevented them from gaining a livelihood back in the thirties. Back in those trying days, this paper voiced the humble opinion that the hungry should be fed and the needy cared for even if the task brought the nation down into bankruptcy.

But when corn cribs are bulging, the larder filled to overflowing and when farm commodity prices are rising, it appears foolish to sit American youth down to a free meal and teach them to expect something which they or their parents could earn for them. It may be necessary to maintain the relief setup on a small scale today, but if the relief agencies will bother to read the handwriting on the wall they will curtail their programs and get ready for the shock that is certain to come. Progress toward that end now may prevent an uprising later on when the average citizen faces the new tax schedules.

If the relief system has to be continued on an extensive scale, the guardians of human welfare had better start revamping that system. With nearly ten years of experience to their credit, the relief agencies should by now have a fairly definite idea for approaching the problem.

The poor are always with us, but nothing has ever been said that the deadbeats must be included in that group.

Merely Taking Up the Slack

Apparently this nation is turning to national defense merely to take up the slack in our prosperity program. Bending over backwards in the name of prosperity, we are supporting the national defense program only and when it fits in with the almighty dollar and individual gain. Poor-ole country is getting little more than the crumbs falling from heavily laden tables.

The industrialists have moved only after being spurred by high and handsome profits. Labor has stalled for higher wages and all the accessories.

Some few small manufacturers may have been forced out of business, but the automotive industry in the first seven months of 1941 made over half a million more passenger cars than it did in the corresponding period in 1940.

We have bought defense savings stamps and bonds only with that money left after satisfying every whim and fancy. And in so many cases there was no money left, and consequent-

ly no stamps or bonds were bought in those cases.

There hasn't been a war fought yet but what the people were called upon or were forced to sacrifice, and the sooner we recognize that very evident fact and take definite action the better we'll survive the ordeals, trials and tribulations that are confronting us. History tells of the great suffering in 1776, and the scars and hardships experienced in the sixties are still evident in the South's economic structure, admit it or not. We rode high and wide on the World War bubble, but millions are still suffering from the shock accompanying that great fall in 1919. Despite the indelible writings, we are strangling our fellowman, struggling among ourselves to gain a commanding position on a high limb, making ready, unconsciously perhaps, for another great fall. Possibly the shock could be lessened if we were to temporarily abandon or at least drastically alter our present economic schedule, and turn our efforts to the task at hand; namely the defeat of Hitlerism and the establishment of safety for America and Americans.

Behind the Battle Front

Despite the mass murder and almost unbelievable destruction of property in battle, the war in Europe is exacting possibly a greater toll of horror behind the fronts where thousands are being tortured, mutilated and starved. It would seem that America would wake up and offer to do even more than she is doing to alleviate the suffering among helpless mankind and to realize that Hitler and his fellow runts in world murder are not to be trusted.

There have been many horror stories behind the battle lines, but to satisfy our own peace of minds we casually dismissed them as false. Just recently, Representative Celler in the halls of Congress offered as valid some striking happenings as they were reported by reliable persons who had witnessed many of them.

In recalling the appalling conditions, Representative Celler said, in part:

Europe before Hitler was divided and subdivided into national and international differences and disagreements. Today most of Europe is united—in hate of Hitler. It is a solid union of grim abhorrence that ignores boundaries and racial and social prejudices. Poles and Czechs, blond Norsemen, and swarthy Greeks and Slavs are now bound together by a common vengeance.

A Gestapo reign of terror in the conquered provinces has caused this federation of venom and hostility to the Hakenkreuz and all it implies. Rapine, pestilence, disease, plunder, and famine have aroused an opposition that even torture cannot still. Reprisals are rampant. Tens of thousands of political prisoners have been seized and forced into refined torture chambers. Thousands of pastors, priests, and rabbis are summoned by the Gestapo and insulted and defiled. They are forced to substitute prison clothes for their religious garb and are forbidden to conduct mass or say prayers. Regardless of age or infirmities, they are forced to do degrading manual work—to clean latrines and scrub floors.

Thousands of laborers and intellectuals resisting Nazi tyranny are machine-gunned and massacred. Scores caught escaping are brought back and subjected to sadistic cruelties. Here is a typical case of torture of students in Czechoslovakia who protested the ousting of certain professors because of their beliefs. Hundreds of these students were beaten into insensibility by blows from thick clubs and cudgels. Still others had their ears torn off and their eyes struck out by blows from whips. Groups of four youths were given whips and ordered to slash at each other. If they did not attack with sufficient savagery, they were goaded on and burned with flaming torches or slit with sharp swords. A number of girl students seized in raids were dragged into large open spaces and violated in view of bound male students, who were powerless spectators of these horrible scenes. Their cries of anguish and fright were met with new and more cruel tortures. These are but a few of the dreadful rites practiced by the German soldatin—the so-called Herrenvolke. These wretched soldiers are the vanguard of the master people (the German) who would make Sklavenvolk (slaves) of all other people.

The most tortured nation is Poland, where many thousands have been machine-gunned and gassed—murdered for what the Nazis call eugenics—the Poles being a lowly, inferior race, according to the Nazis. Mass executions have claimed more lives than did the Polish-German war.

CHURCH NEWS

METHODIST

Church school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship and the Holy Communion, 11 a. m. Epworth League, 7 p. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Mid-week prayer service, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

The circle of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet at the home of Mrs. J. W. Watts, Monday, 3:30 p. m. Mrs. Watts and Mrs. Roger Critcher, hostesses.

Promotion Day will be observed in the church school Sunday, and the new church school year begins at this time also. If you are not attending Sunday school anywhere, you will find a hearty welcome at our school.

Our church is uniting with millions around the world in observing World Communion Sunday. The Lord's Table is a fitting place for Christians to unite their prayers for world righteousness and peace, and to offer their petitions to the Heavenly Father to heal the wounds of the world caused by man's inhumanity to man. Christian people, make your way to your church, or to the church of your choice Sunday morning, and participate in the World Communion Service.

Sunday, October 12th, will be observed as Loyalty Sunday. All the members of the church, Methodists whose membership is elsewhere, and other friends, are cordially invited to be present at all of the services on that day. Our revival also begins at this time. Rev. J. G. Phillips, of Bethel, will do the preaching. All are cordially invited.

CEEDAR BRANCH

Regular services will be held at Cedar Branch Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. It is hoped that all of the membership will try to be present for this meeting. It is our regular communion service, and also our associational business will be attended to. We invite the public to come and worship with us.

BAPTIST

Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. B. T. U., 6:30 p. m. Evening worship, 7:30 p. m. Dr. Charles A. Leonard, Sr., will speak Sunday morning at 11 o'clock on "The Conditions in Manchuria and the Hawaiian Islands." For thirty years Dr. and Mrs. Leonard have been doing missionary work and our souls are being inspired with their fellowship. The Lord is good to send them to us for these few months.

"Abounding in the Work of the Lord" is the theme for Sunday evening's hour of worship.

ST. MARTIN'S, Hamilton

A celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon at 7:30 p. m. This being a part of the World-wide Communion Sunday the members of the other churches are invited to worship with us.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

17th Sunday after Trinity. The Collect Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. Church school, 9:45 a. m. Celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon, 11 a. m. Sunday is declared by the National Church as "Forward in Service" Sunday. It is also declared by the National Federation of Churches as World-wide Communion Sunday. It is hoped that every communicant will be at church for this service.

The Woman's Auxiliary will meet Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock with Mrs. Robert Everett. St. Elizabeth's Auxiliary will meet Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Dairy Farmer Installs Pasterizing Equipment

J. R. Powell, Fayetteville dairy farmer, has installed pasterizing equipment to take care of milk from his 50 cows.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Simpson, of Dardens, announce the birth of a daughter, Judith Ann, on Sunday, Sept. 28th. Mrs. Simpson is the former Miss Dorothy Swinson.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned Trustee by W. E. Stevenson and wife, Leafy Stevenson, of record in the Martin County Public Registry in Book X-3, page 629, dated 23rd day of December, 1940, to secure a certain note of even date therewith, and the stipulations in said Deed of Trust not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said bond, the undersigned Trustee will, on the 17th day of October, 1941, offer for sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the Courthouse door, Martin County, at 12 o'clock, Noon, the following described real estate:

Being a house and lot in the Town of Williamston, N. C., on Pine Street, said lot being 50 feet front and back, and 150 feet deep and being Lot No. 29 as shown by map made by T. W. Seecrest, C. E., same being of record in Land Division Book No. 1, page 425, description as shown by said map being made a part hereof. This 16th day of Sept., 1941. s19-41 Trustee, B. A. CRITCHER.

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court. County of Martin vs. Elizabeth Brooks and others. Under and by virtue of an order of sale and judgment made by L. B. Wynne, Clerk Superior Court of Martin County, on Monday, the 1st day of September, 1941, the undersigned commissioner will, on Monday, October 6th, 1941, at twelve o'clock noon in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder the following described land, to wit:

Beginning at a pine stump known as the Hardison corner and John T. Brooks corner in Harnett's Branch, thence extending North 4° 40' E along the lines of John T. Brooks, Warren Brooks, David Brooks and Sarah James to the Boston Bridge road, thence Southeasterly along said road to a lightwood post, thence southerly along a line of marked trees to a large pine stump in Harnett's Branch, thence Westerly up the run of said branch to the beginning, containing Six (6) acres, more or less. ELBERT S. PEEL, Commissioner. This the 6th day of Sept., 1941. s12-19-26-03 Commissioner.

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