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Who's Busiest?

In this postwar world of confusion and contrary opinions, it is difficult for one to see or even think just what is taking place. However, it is fairly evident that the material and even the consequential things in life are receiving more attention than those designed to enrich and give the people a more abundant life.

The amusement world is expanding rapidly and there are plans well advanced for expanding it even more. Is the religious world maintaining the pace?

More motor cars are being promised. Washing machines are to appear in greater numbers. Labor-saving gadgets are being invented in great numbers. Is our educational system maintaining the pace? While segments of science are offering us a less burdensome life, is education moving into the fore to teach and train us how to make the best use of this new life? New inventions naturally throw our economy out of adjustment, but if we are to reap lasting benefits from those inventions we must maintain our balance. An automobile in the hands of a careless driver is a potential weapon of death rather than a means of transportation. A washing machine that saves the householder time to engage in questionable activities, helps in one way and causes damage in another.

Give us the new gadgets and all the labor-saving machines, but let us learn to fit them into a pattern of life worth living and guard against deterioration. We can't afford to become soft now when a hard and solid foundation is needed to get and maintain lasting peace. We must strengthen our weakest supports in

our lives, give more attention to things religious and educational, to effect a balance that will strengthen our positions rather than weaken them.

We are fussing and "cussing" this thing and that thing because we can't get a new car, a new this and a new that. It isn't necessarily this thing or that thing causing all our headaches just now. We are out of balance and badly need adjustment. There is no return to normal times; we will have to make adjustments and create normal times, not times exactly like those before the war, but times when all elements necessary to a sane and wholesome life are in balance.

We can't blame all this juvenile and adult delinquency on strikes and shortages of materials. In other words we condemn one group for allowing bad conditions to exist when we are failing in our own parts. If we fail to teach and train our children how to live rather than how to make money and quit there, we are setting the stage for things and conditions far worse than our present plight caused by work stoppages.

It is time for us to look around and see who is busiest in this world: the forces of evil or the forces of good? and to get busy ourselves in maintaining a happy medium.

Two Worthy Drives

The two drives now in progress, one for used clothing and the other for funds to carry on the fight against infantile paralysis, are worthy of our every consideration.

We have won the war at great cost, and we can well afford to spend more in winning the peace. Once the peace is won there'll be no need for more spending for another war. By contributing our used clothing—down to our backs, if necessary—we can do a great deal toward winning the peace. It will not mean much to us to part with a few garments, but those garments will mean much to a ragged people in other lands. We spend billions to win the war; let's help keep it won by sharing our old clothing with the victims. Then, too, Christianity would have us share, not only our clothing but also some of our other possessions.

The infantile paralysis drive this year finds our people indebted to the National Foundation, and it is up to us to meet that solemn obligation. When hundreds of our people, mostly little folks, fell victim of the disease year before last, the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation moved into our State and lent every possible aid in addition to contributing more than half a million dollars to help the victims.

In the name of suffering humanity, we appeal to our people to support both drives to the limit. Don't wait to be solicited; contribute your cash to the infantile paralysis fund and deliver your used clothing to the receiving station in your community.

The one who will be found in trial capable of great acts of love is ever the one who is always doing considerable small ones.—F. W. Robertson.



"But since the war is over I didn't think you'd need your uniform anymore—so I sent it to the Victory Clothing Collection."

QUIT YOUR SKIDDING



Keep posted on winter road and weather conditions. A safe driver is always aware of his limitations and has plans and other equipment necessary to get through safely and on time.

Churches Must Get Closer To Youth

Chicago.—Churches are reaching too few of the youth of America was the warning of J. Edgar Hoover, director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, in endorsing the observance in rural and urban areas of the United States and Canada of 1946 Youth Week, January 27-February 3, sponsored by the United Christian Youth Movement, which is administered through the International Council of Religious Education. "This failure to make contact with the citizens of tomorrow is producing a fertile field for future crime," he pointed out.

"Youths too young to vote accounted for 21.4 per cent of the arrests last year," Mr. Hoover declared. "Unless a concerted effort is made now through the media of the church and the home, these same juvenile delinquents may be the hardened criminals of tomorrow."

James L. Graft, Chicago, chairman of the board of Kraft Foods Company who is vice-chairman of the board of directors of the National Committee on Boys and Girls (4-H) Club Work, maintained in endorsing Youth Week that "youth today is challenged with a growing consciousness of man's responsibility toward man."

"The sickening cost of war, in terms of human life and suffering, have brought the fact of mutual responsibility home to thinking men around the world," he averred. "Civilization, if it is to survive at all, must recognize this mutual interdependence of men."

Declaring that the time has passed when the establishment of human brotherhood was an ideal, Jerry Voorhis, U. S. Congressman from California, in endorsing Youth Week stated: "In this atomic age Mankind is face to face with the imperative necessity of making a moral advance corresponding to the scientific advance already achieved. Unless there is a deepening of religious conviction and devotion to religious principles, the very scientific advance of Man will become his greatest peril. Human brotherhood has become an immediate necessity."

The quota of superphosphate for the current fertilizer year is the highest that has ever been established.

Long delays in starting Spring work will result if tools and equipment are not repaired and ready to be used.

Be Quick To Treat Bronchitis

Chronic bronchitis may develop if your cough, chest cold, or acute bronchitis is not treated and you cannot afford to take a chance with any medicine less potent than Creomulsion which goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Creomulsion blends beechwood creosote by special process with other time tested medicines for coughs. It contains no narcotics.

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Mortgage Total Of Life Companies Up

Real estate mortgage financing was an important part of life insurance investment activity throughout the war in spite of the curtailment in new construction. Total funds thus advanced to property owners by the life companies on new mortgages written since Pearl Harbor totalled about \$3,700,000,000, the Institute of Life Insurance reports.

These new mortgages were offset in large part by maturities and prepayments, but at year-end the total mortgages held by the life insurance companies amounted to \$6,650,000,000, the largest aggregate in twelve years.

Total new mortgages purchased in 1945 by the life companies approximated \$950,000,000, of which \$210,000,000 were FHA mortgages, \$120,000,000 were farm mortgages and \$620,000,000 were city mortgages other than FHA.

Aggregate mortgage holdings at year-end are \$6,650,000,000, of which \$1,500,000,000 are FHA mortgages, \$750,000,000 are farm mortgages and \$4,400,000,000 are city mortgages other than FHA.

During the past year holdings of foreclosed real estate were further reduced by sales of over \$200,000,000, reducing total real estate holdings of all life insurance companies to approximately \$900,000,000, the smallest figure reported since 1931. Of this aggregate, almost \$200,000,000 is under contract of sale. Of the balance of \$700,000,000, over \$250,000,000 is in home office properties.

The Japs had to forget about loss of face and face their loss.

Use Of Fertilizer Doubled In The Midwestern States

Use of fertilizer has doubled in the Midwest since 1940. For Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin there was a 109% increase, or 580,902 tons, from 1940 to 1944, or from 534,629 tons in 1940 to 1,115,531 tons in 1944.

The biggest increase is shown for Illinois, from 49,753 tons in 1940 to 185,565 tons in 1944, or an increase of 273%. Next was Wisconsin, with a jump from 64,253 tons in 1940 to 134,770 tons in 1944, or an increase of 195%. Indiana used 255,059 tons in 1940 and increased to 466,850 tons in 1944. Smallest increase was for Michigan—from 166,546 tons in 1940 to 275,000 tons in 1944, a 65% increase. These tonnage figures do not include government distributions.—*Prairie Farmer.*

Probable touch about 1950: "Brother, can you spare an atom?"

NOTICE
North Carolina, Martin County.
In The Superior Court
Mary A. Johnson vs. Willis G. Johnson.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to secure an absolute divorce based upon two years separation; and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, at his office in Williamston, N. C., on the 4th day of February, 1946, or within 20 days thereafter and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 4th day of January, 1946.
L. B. WYNNE,
Clerk of Superior Court.
Peel and Manning, Attys. j 8 4 t

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V. G. Taylor

NOTICE!

Taxes Will Carry One Per Cent Penalty On FEBRUARY 1st

This Penalty Will Be Added To All Taxes Unpaid and Increase Each Month Thereafter

Special Notice

ALL LANDS ON WHICH 1945 TAXES HAVE NOT BEEN PAID WILL BE ADVERTISED FIRST MONDAY IN MAY, FOR SALE FIRST MONDAY IN JUNE.

PAY NOW!

M. L. PEEL
Martin County Tax Collector

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

Martin County Building and Loan Association

Of Williamston, N. C., As Of December 31st, 1945.

(Copy of sworn statement submitted to insurance commissioner as required by law)

ASSETS

The Association Owns:

Cash on Hand and in Banks	\$ 14,044.30
State of North Carolina and U. S. Government Bonds	209,400.00
Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank	5,600.00
Mortgage Loans	309,572.48
Money loaned to shareholders for the purpose of enabling them to own their homes. Each loan secured by first mortgage on local improved real estate.	
Share Loans	6,865.00
Advances made to our shareholders against their shares. No loan exceeds 90% of amount actually paid in.	
Advances for Insurance, Taxes, Etc.	199.18
Office Furniture and Fixtures	300.00
Other Assets	2,983.65
TOTAL	\$548,964.61

LIABILITIES

The Association Owes:

To Shareholders	
Funds entrusted to our care in the form of payments on shares as follows:	
Installment Shares	\$279,011.75
Full-Paid Shares	164,150.00
Running Shares	27,658.33
Other Shares	
	470,820.08
Accounts Payable	1,679.89
Loans in Process	8,224.87
Undivided Profits	37,611.71
Earnings held in trust for distribution to share-holders at maturity of their shares.	
Reserve for Contingencies	30,000.00
To be used for hte payment of any losses, if sustained. This reserve increases the safety and strength of the Association.	
Other Liabilities	628.06
TOTAL	\$548,964.61

ETATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF MARTIN.
Vella Andrews Wynne, Treasurer of the above named Association personally appeared before me this day, and being duly sworn, says that the foregoing statement is true to the best of her knowledge and belief.

V. G. TAYLOR, Notary Public.
J. D. WOOLARD, Notary Public.