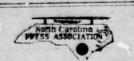
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True Assessment

It isn't how many years we live, but what we do in those years that counts.

The News Letter, issued by the University Press, shows that there are 1,303 persons or 4.7 percent of the population of Martin County are 65 years of age or older. That's interesting, to be sure, and it is a little bit disturbing to note that Martin County's ratio of old folks rates 91 in the list for the State. But it would be even more interesting to know about the old-timers, to know how they are managing in this topsyturvy world with low pensions and so many irresponsible relatives.

In that connection, the Turlock (Calif.) Journal recently had the following to say: Why is it that when we count our bless-

ings we almost always count only our dollars? Is it because we are a materialistic peo-

ple? We hardly think so. Or is it because counting the number of gallons of milk a cow produces is more readily understood than the spiritual gains made by our citizens? This probably is the answer.

But whatever the reason, we are surfeited with statistics this time of year. We learn that Stanislaus County has 137,000 souls; that snowfall of so many inches in the Sierras means so many more acre feet of water next year; that 1,500 people a day are coming to California to live; that four million people of this state are on payrolls, and that California's population is now nearly 12 millions.

Those are important and sometimes interesting figures.. But they are only relative, either to our own past, or to what we may expect in material gains next year. . . .

What we would like to see . . . is some measure of the spiritual and moral and mental progress of our people.

For inevitably, as our material wealth increases, we have or should have more time to devote to the intangibles of life. Do we have more freedom as individuals than before? Do we have a better taste for music and the arts? Have our people learned that hard work, either mental or physical, is one of the greatest character-building forces of mankind? Do they appreciate and encourage a feeling of earning one's way through life, and the self-reliance and inner strength which comes from such accomplishments? Have we enlarged our rich traditions of neighborliness and friendship? Have we as a people responded as we should to the bloodbank in order to save lives of our men in Korea? Are we resting on our laurels since the revealing gains made in our community spirit when the War Memorial was dedicated a litle over a year ago?

These are the things that make life rich and full. They are hard to measure. They don't depend upon material gains, but material things help though they should be and probably are secondary.

Perhaps there's both reason and a distinction as to why we are inclined to list dollars instead of intangibles each New Year. It's easier, in the first place. And secondly, our moral and spiritual attainments are individual matters. Each person has to make his own accounting.

This making of our own accountings, and some estimate of our inner urge to greater spiritual salvation, are the real values we hould assess each New Year.-Turlock (Calif.) Journal.

Education sneaked into the child under the guise of play and pleasement is as fruitless, in contrast with true education, as play is with labor.-Thomas Henry Burrowes.

None of us is responsible for all the things that happen to us, but we are reconsible for the way we act when they do appen.—Exchange.

In The Ralance

Norwalk (Conn.) Hour

The situation of our world today is so grave that every American must be ready to face facts and be willing to seriously ask himself, "What can I do about it?"

We think the situation boils down to asking what is generally called a Christian world?

Reply to this question honestly and you will have the answer to where this Nation and the world as we know it are headed.

All signs point to another good. Irageo in history. Read the history of the rise and fall of the Greek Borney Lough em pires and you will recognize so clearly that those same signs are present in our Nation

The tragedy is that in the short space of time since our forefathers founded our Nation we see these signs of decay that brought about the collapse of those modern world

With the firm belief that hard work and real faith in God would bring forth their reward, the Pilgrims laid the foundation from which has grown the richest and most powerful Nation in the world today.

This priceless heritage of ours is in dan-

The great advances made in science and technology have brought to us richness and an easier way of living. But man's need today seems to be primarily for the material things of life-such things as a television set, a refrigerator, an automobile. Dozens of other labor-saving devices for our homes are terribly important.

A Bible and a seat in a church seem to have lost their importance.

God definitely has been forsaken.

What then is happening? No one can deny that there is a serious decline in moral concepts. Too many of us are willing to say that we are Christians, but when it comes to living a Christian life we do so on our own

Sometimes the truth hurts and it makes us ready to deny it, or go into a shell, or try to justify ourselves. Sometimes, thank God, though the truth hurts it brings an awakening and a willingness to do something to set things right. That time is now-it must be no wif you, like other men and women. D. Eisenhower made a hit with ed, would mean higher rates on alwant to safeguard your heritage so that Congress when he delivered his your children will have a better chance to recent address before a joint live in peace, happiness, and security in a truly Christian world.

We urge our religious leaders to teach if possible with greater wisdom and understanding that moral concepts and faith in God are things worth living and fighting for. We also urge that leaders of religious faiths make greater efforts to bring about a unity of purpose in extending Christian fellowship to all corners of the world.

We urge each American-you and your friends and neighbors—to give a little more of yourselves to God's purpose when He gave you your life.

Is all this possible? It should be simple. ing it clear that he is going to support in Congress again. That's Man has inherited from God the power to do great things. If this inheritance and this latent power that is in every man are harnessed, if the minds and hearts of all men will be moved, the world we want for our children and grandchildren is possible

of attainment. We need not fear a tragedy that can be

avoided. Remembering the past let us all, with courage and high faith in the promise of God, accept this challenge and start today to repair the damage to man's soul.

The Christian World

The situation of our world today is so grave that every American must be ready to face facts and be willing to seriously ask himself-"What can I do about it?"

We think the situation boils down to asking yourself this simple question: Just how important is it to me to be liv-

ing in what is generally called "a Christian World?" . .

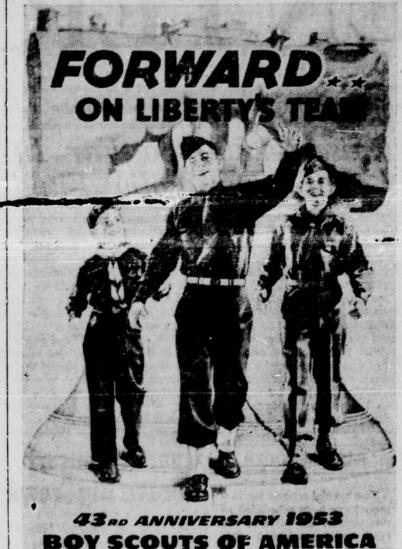
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Manner, not gold, is woman's best adorn-

Boy Scouts Celebrate 43rd Birthday



Official Boy Scout Week Poster

Boy Scout Week, Feb. 7 to 13, interests of boys in three age marking the 43rd anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, will be observed throughout the nation by more than 3,250,000 boys and adult leaders. Since 1910, more than 20,200,000 boys and more than 20,200,000 boys and Scouts will camp at a 3,000-acre

men have been members. Scouts will camp at a 3,000-acre
"Forward on Liberty's Team" tent city on the Irvine Ranch in is the birthday theme and the emphasis is on "The Scout Family" of programs meeting the to 23.

Eisenhower Hits Speech Jackpot

By Stanley James

Washington Correspondent

Eisenhower put himself and his wings of his own party. program over.

Robert Taft would call the shots Truman policy.

were clearly of the international are short affairs.

Express Agency Seeking Increase In Its Rates

The Railway Express Agency has asked the Interstate Commerce Commission for authority to revamp express rates and Washington.-President Dwight charges. The proposal, if acceptmost all categories of express

meeting in the House chamber. brand. His domestic proposals It was almost imperative that were a compromise with both

The speech was strictly Eisen-In the first place, there were hower. It was neither a sursome evidences that the new ad- render speech to the conservative ministration was having a rocky element nor a surrender speech start with Congress, and commit- to the left-wing element. Even tees-before Eisenhower's speech. many Democrats had to admit Secondly, there was much specu- they liked what the President had lation whether Ike or Senator said, for much of it is Roosevelt-

on G. O. P. policy in the Senate— As for pleasing listeners, the speech was about as successful as The President created a strong any Eisenhower will ever make. impression with his speech, and One might even assume that he he went a long way toward mak- will never win such unanimous actively set the party course. His the way it usually is in politics. foreign policy pronouncements New administration honeymoons

State College Has

started on cut-over land?

woods with chemicals is often re- Truman. It also proposed that quired to get pines started again, taxes be cut by allowing the exsays James H. Phillips, forestry cess-prfits tax, personal income specialist for the State College and excise tax increases to expire Extension Service.

Phillips reports that there are many acres of cut-over land in North Carolina that will require treatment with chemicals before pines will seed back naturally or before they can be successfully North Caronna, Martin County,

Two of the most effective chem- Frances Nelson. icals recommended for killing These materials are easy to apply and they pose no danger to livestock that may graze the area.

sult their county agent before ap-

One of the many farmers who pine seedlings started back on cut-over land as soon as possible

With the help of his county agent and the forestry specialists, Randolph is going to take about 10 or 15 acres of cut-over land each year for several years and poison the hardwoods and plant

Poor Highways Increase Motor Vehicle Repairs

At least \$75,000,000 a year is being spent on automobile repairs because of poor highways and the lack of proper parking space, an Eastern states conference of the A. A. A. Motor clubs was told.

Propose Ten Billion

The Chamber of Commerce of complaint. Timely Answers the United States has proposed that the Government limit its Question: What is the fastest spending for the next fiscal year way to get young pine seedlings to \$68,000,000,000, thus cutting fe 10-17-24 mr 3 \$10,000,000,000 from the budget Answer; The control of hard- proposed by former President North Carolina, Martin County.

cel post rates.

NOTICE In The Superior Court
Burtis C. Nelson Vs. Mildred

The defendant, Mildred Frances hardwood trees are ammate and Nelson, above named will take 2, 4, 5-T, according to Phillips, notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to secure an absolute divoree based upon over two Phillips urges farmers to con-the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County on know the value of getting young the 11th day of March, 1953, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action on said date, and unless the defendant answers or s Sidney Randolph, Route 1, En- demurs to said complaint on the above date or within twenty days thereafter as provided by the laws

of the State of North Carolina, the Dollar Cut in Budget plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the

This the 9 day of February, 1953 L. B. Wynne, Clerk Superior Court Martin County.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE Having this day qualified as executor of the estate of Eli T. Hodges, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned or his attorney within one (1) year from the date of ad ce Department has this notice or this notice will be in bar of their receivery. All per-lines indebted to sacrestate will please make immediate payment. This 12 day of December, 1952. MARION F. HODGES.

Executor of the estate of Eli T. Hodges.

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