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**AN URGENT APPEAL TO
REPRESENTATIVE HENRY.**

To the Hon. W. M. Henry:
You are now preparing to leave for Raleigh, to take your place as a member of the legislature, representing Transylvania county. Your county is now in the worst predicament in its history. The legislation that you obtain for this county will be most important, because of the unusual conditions now existing. Your activities in the legislature will be of intense interest to the citizens of the county.

The Brevard News is asking you, in the most respectful yet emphatic manner, to furnish us with a copy of every local bill that you propose to introduce, BEFORE you introduce it, and permit us to publish the same, to the end that the citizens of the county may have knowledge of these proposed bills that you are to introduce.

We note that representatives and senators in other counties are meeting with the citizens of their respective counties, discussing in frank manner the needed local legislation. It is not too late now for you to hold a meeting here, to which all interested citizens should be invited, and hold conference with them as to needed local legislation.

With existing conditions, conditions that bear heavily upon all the citizens of the county, this is no time for any clique legislation, or personal scheming by any particular group or individual. The whole future of Transylvania county and the interest of all of her citizens are at stake. Your friends are confident that you will measure up to the occasion and meet the emergency in splendid manner. Your treatment of the county as a whole during the next two months will determine once and for all time whether or not this confidence is well placed.

Your willingness to give publication to all proposed local legislation BEFORE the same is introduced will go far toward re-establishment of confidence in the future of our county.

Will you do this, Mr. Henry?

**JUST A REMINDER TO
OUR SPLENDID READERS.**

Events of interest in this community very naturally belong to The Brevard News for publication before being given to other papers. The Brevard News is always ready and anxious to give full publicity to all community activities and events, but it does not relish the idea of "playing second fiddle" to other newspapers. We cannot give the same enthusiastic accounts of local happenings after these have been published in other papers that we always give to such events when we are given proper consideration, and permitted to enjoy our simple right of having first news of these events and happenings.

This, we believe, is also the policy and principle of all newspapers. We appreciate it when our citizens give us first information of events, and make effort to show that appreciation in the manner of giving unlimited space to accounts of such happenings. We do not appreciate the attitude of those who, in thoughtless manner, give out their information to other papers before giving such information to your own home paper.

**SUGGESTS PLANNING FOR
EARLY RELIEF CROPS.**

Prof. S. P. Verner, head of the county schools, made suggestion to The Brevard News that planning for early crops will result in a great measure of relief for the people of the county during the spring and early summer season. Gardens are urged by the school man as one certain way of having something to eat next Spring, when conditions will be no less terrible than now, Mr. Verner thinks, unless remedial legislation is adopted in the coming session of the General Assembly.

But whatever the financial conditions may be when Springtime comes, a good garden of early vegetables will be a blessing to every home where such garden is cultivated. The idea is good, and ought to be put into effect by every citizen who has a garden spot, or can lease the ground for a garden.

**ANOTHER BIRTHDAY COMES
TO THE BREVARD NEWS.**

This week marks the passing of another milestone in the life of The Brevard News, as the paper enters upon its 36th year. Much water has passed over the wheel since the first issue of the paper, 36 years ago. Much of it has been clear water, and at times the tide has been low, and the flow slow, and the wheel barely turned. At other times the flow was bountiful, and the wheel turned with rapidity. Sometimes the water has been muddy, and cogs in the wheel became clogged, and little progress would be made for the time being.

A newspaper, more than any other business or institution, goes with the tide of community life. It prospers when the community prospers, and suffers acutely when the community suffers. It is most sensitive to community reaction.

Yet there is no more attractive work to be found than that of being connected with a county newspaper. Every joy that comes to the community is shared by the paper, and all the suffering endured in the community is felt by the newspaper. It lives in the light of unbounded joy, and goes with the dejected into abyss of sorrow. It is a guest at the marriage feast and the home-coming picnic, and goes from these happy scenes to stand by the bedside of a dying child whose going away leaves broken hearts in the home where its childish prattle had meant so much. The newspaper has a seat at the banquet table and enjoys the fellowship of such occasions, and then goes to stand by the newly made grave to record the sound of the silent clogs of the valley as a new mound is made.

The newspaper has its friends and its enemies; it is loved and it is hated. Its friends are warm supporters and its enemies are bitter foes. Those who love it are passionately fond of it, and those who hate it pour out their utmost wrath upon it. Yet the paper goes on in the even tenor of its ways, not unduly influenced by those who love it, nor vindictive toward those who hate it. It is not elaborate in its expression of appreciation for its friends, and it refrains from publishing harmful information in its possession against its enemies.

Many good citizens of this county have been on the mailing list of this newspaper since its first issue, 36 years ago. Numerous people have been taking The Brevard News for the past quarter of a century. To all who have taken the paper, advertised in its columns, or supported it in any manner, we now express our deepest gratitude. To its friends we can only say that we love your friendship, and strive to merit it. To its enemies, The Brevard News will be courteous, fair, and never vindictive. May this New Year of 1931 be the best year in the lives of all citizens of our county, is the birthday greeting from your own county newspaper.

**WANTS POLITICAL CROOKS TO
FLEE THE WRATH TO COME.**

Rev. R. L. Bolton, Hendersonville, in a sermon delivered last Sunday at Reed's Chapel, laid the law down to political crooks and grafters, warning them to get out before an indignant and long-suffering people arise in their might and mob a few of them. This is one of the plainest, hottest, sermons heard by a Western North Carolina audience, and goes on to say:

"It is high time that the good, God-fearing, God-loving people in this country let wickedness in high places know that public office is a public trust and that violation of this trust is to be dealt with without favor or mercy. It is a sad, sad fact that during the last few years that small men—men without brains and character—have pushed themselves to the front in many centers, both in state and in church. The time has come to take Christ with his whip and scourge and lash the scoundrels out in both church and state. Wicked men in politics and wicked men in our churches should be made to feel the blistering, withering, consuming flames of righteous indignation upon the part of honest, God-fearing people. Ask no quarter from grafters, give no quarter to them.

"If we do not get rid of them in our American life, we are going to give greater impetus to Communism. The people are long-suffering, but after while they grow impatient and become revolutionary. The great majority of our American people are true as steel and as sound as a dollar. I feel sure that during the next few months a house-cleaning is going to spread throughout this nation. Let it be thorough. Thank God, the good women of Asheville are demanding a thorough house-cleaning in their city. And women know quite well when a house is clean and when they get on the job they do not stop until the cleaning is well done. Grafters, peanut politicians, parasites, Judases, thieves, and betrayers of public trust, regardless of their past standing in church and community, must take to the tall timber and the time of their departure must not be delayed lest an indignant public sentiment break out violently against them. The Christ with the whip would have us scourge them out and scourge them out speedily."

**MUST WORK WITH OTHERS,
FOR IT CAN'T BE DONE ALONE.**

In keeping with our oft-repeated statements that all of us must work together, if any of us succeed, is reprinted herewith a poem taken from Patchwork, a monthly publication of Boston:

Stand off by yourself in your dreaming,
And all of your dreams are vain;
No grandeur of soul or spirit
Can man by himself attain.
It is willed we shall dwell as brothers;
As brothers then we must toil;
We must act with a common purpose
As we work in a common soil.
And each who would see accomplished
The dreams that he's proud to own,
Must strive for the goal with his fellows,
For no man can do it alone.

How beautifully these few lines describe the spirit of co-operation! No one man can succeed by himself—he must work with the rest of the fellows, if there is to be any success. No one man can succeed in a community where others are failing. Now, of all times in this century, we need to stand, man to man, working together, pulling together, battling together, for the concern of one is the concern of all. No use trying to get rich all by yourself, for it cannot be done. No use trying to get out of this hole all by yourself, for it cannot be done. If YOU get out, it will be because all of us are getting out, and YOU go along with the crowd. If the crowd stays in the hole, why, YOU are going to stay in the hole, for there's no getting out alone.

Why can we not see the beauty, the benefit, the importance, the absolute necessity, of ALL working together for the good of all? "It is willed that we shall work as brothers," the poet says, and it is so true. It is so willed by a power that cannot be broken. Then let's be up and at it, all working together, "as brothers."

**WHAT RIGHT HAS
NEWSPAPER TO PUBLISH
PRIVATE BUSINESS?**

Intimation in Sunday morning's Citizen-Times that there is probability of publication of the names of depositors in the defunct banks, with amounts of balances and amounts due said banks in unpaid notes, raises a point that will bear discussion. We are of the opinion that a man's banking account is his own business, and as such should not be subject to publication. We cannot see what purpose is to be served by such information. All these items will be filed with the clerk of the court, and any one whose interests can be served by knowing the bank balances of any particular person may have such information going to the clerk's office.

This newspaper feels that it has neither the legal nor moral right to publish any man's private business affairs. It is our opinion that an appeal to the courts would prohibit the publication of such private information, and it is safe to predict that the courts will be appealed to in event any newspaper makes effort to publish this kind of information. Publicity of public matters is within the rights and purposes of newspapers. Publicity of private business is going a step too far, as we see it.

**THAT TALK OF CREATING
A SALES TAX SYSTEM IN
STATE SHOULD STOP NOW.**

North Carolina must not adopt the sales tax method.

To do so is to admit that our boasted wealth is a bursted bubble, and that we must resort to placing the burden of our taxes upon the poorest citizen of the state.

A tax upon the luxuries may be o. k.

But a tax upon the necessities of life is an unbearable thought in a great state like North Carolina.

Who wants the washerwoman to bear the burden of the state by placing a tax upon every article she buys? Who wants the laundry workers, the common laborers, the tenant farmers, the small farmers, the clerks and office girls, to pay the taxes of the state?

The poorer a person is, the greater is the percentage of their payment in sales tax. The poor must of necessity buy in small quantities; the merchant, in selling in small quantities, must charge a higher rate than he could sell the same goods for in bulk, or in larger quantities. Hence, the fact is brought out that the small purchasers would pay the bulk of a sales tax.

The idea of a sales tax is hateful, because it is wrong in principle and a form of robbery in practice, unjust, unfair, heinous, hellish, and has no place in a commonwealth's affairs.

Ned Johnson told county agent D. H. Osborne of Alexander county that he was going to start right in 4-H dairy calf club work so he sold a grade cow and calf to secure additional funds needed to buy a registered heifer.

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**THE DUTY OF HAPPINESS
and
THE BEAUTY OF HAPPINESS**

1. The Duty of Happiness:
"Man's chief end is to glorify God and to Enjoy Him forever"—The Shorter Catechism, Question 1.
Some professing Christians are among the most depressing and worrily people in the world—the most difficult to live with.
And some, indeed, have adopted a theory of ethics which puts a special value on Unhappiness.
The morbid spirit which mistrusts every cheerful virtue, and looks askance upon every happy life as if there must be something wrong about it, is a departure from Christ's teachings to follow the dark brooded philosophy of the Orient.

Jesus tells us that Cheerful Religion is the best. It is fine to do right against inclination, but there is something finer, and that is to have an inclination to do right. There is something nobler than reluctant obedience, and that is joyful obedience.
The rank of Virtue is not measured by its disagreeableness, but by its sweetness to the heart that loves it. The real Test of Character is joy. For what you rejoice in, that you love, and what you love, that you grow like.

2. The Beauty of Happiness:
"Again I say Rejoice"—Phil 4:4. The first thing that commended the Church of Jesus to the weary and disheartened world in the early years of her Triumph was her Power to make her children Happy—Happy in the midst of afflictions. Happy in the Sense of Divine Fatherhood and Human Brotherhood. Happy in Christ's Victory over Sin and Death. Happy in the Assurance of Endless Life.
At midnight in the prison, Paul and Silas sang praises, and the prisoners heard them. The Lateral Force of Joy—that was the Power of the Church. Was not St. Paul a Happier Man than Herod? Did not St. Peter have more joy in his life than Nero?
It is said of the First Disciples that they "did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart." Not till that gladness returns will the Church regain her early charm for the souls of men. Every great revival of Christian Power—like those which came in the times of St. Francis of Assisi and of John Wesley—has been marked by A Revival of Christian Joy.

A PRAYER FOR HAPPINESS

Dear Father I thank Thee for the right to call Thee mine. I praise Thee that I can call myself Thy child and I glorify Thee that Thy Dear Son, Jesus Christ, came to reveal Thee to me, and to make me worthy to enter into Thy Presence. O help me to live as Thy Child.
May I find my Happiness in Thee. May I look to Thee for safety. May I grow daily as Thou wouldst have me grow. As a child may I keep close

DO THEIR GOOD TURN

Penrose Girl Scouts sang carols on Christmas Eve at different homes in their community and made some of the children happy by giving toys, candy and popcorn balls, most of which were made by them. They all enjoyed this, regardless of the walk and the cold weather, for there was one more "good deed done."
Leslie McGuire, Scribe.

to Thee, and O, as a Father be very tender and gracious, for I am only a weak child, wandering and easily frightened. Protect me here; hold me closely to Thyself, and at last let me see Thee and be with Thee forever. For Jesus sake, and through His Love.

Dear Lord, I would serve Thee with heart and happiness of spirit. Grant me Intelligence that I may know life's meaning and enthusiasm, that I may be eager and active; help me to see the vision of the end of all my work; and above all, help me to see Thee. Let me rejoice in voice and feeling; let me be glad in every act, that my life may be a Symphony of Praise, and that my soul may know the sweetest of pleasures, even the Living for God. I ask it for Jesus' sake. Amen.
—C. D. C.

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Best wishes to you all for a happy New Year. May all your good wishes be gratified for the year of 1931.

Let's all go to work and forget what is behind us—nobody ever got anywhere going backward.

Most girls prefer a ring on the hand to two on the nose.

Morton Figaro Meat Salt has been proven by over a million farmers to be easier, quicker and safer way to cure meat.

A girl has hardly passed the spanking age these days before she reaches the sparking age.

Some men are born meek and some of them just get married.

Science added six years to our lives and then gave us the auto and the plane.

Purina Cow Chow keeps the cows in profitable production longer.

Luck is the thing that the other fellow has got.

Cheap automobiles would be all right were they not so expensive.

Coffee at 25c pound—B. & B. Special—and it's good coffee, too.

A traffic jam was caused in Asheville last week by a lady who signalled that she was going to turn to the right and then she did.

"What you looking for?" asked the inebriated man.
"A drowned man," said the cop.
"What do you want him for?" answered the inebriate.

**B & B
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Brevard, N. C.
The Store with the
Checkerboard Sign

LIGHTING

FACTORY working hours in 1850 varied with the sun, for candles provided unsatisfactory illumination. Each employee was given a "bell card" showing what time the factory starting bell would ring for each day. Starting time ranged from 6 a. m. in the summer, to 7:26 a. m. during the winter. Stopping time, too, followed the sun—from 6 p. m. in the summer, to as early as 4:42 p. m. in December.

Artificial lighting has progressed a long way since the days of the tallow candle and oil lamps, with their inadequate light, flickering rays and uncertain shadows.

Electric light is now industry's illuminant. Its steady light successfully rivals the sun's, which varies in intensity and color every few minutes.

Fifteen per cent of industrial accidents are said to be due to improper lighting—insufficient light, or incorrect light because improperly located, causing glare, refraction, reflection, or shadows.

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