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**Meditation**

"I do not believe that we have begun to understand the marvelous power there is in stillness. We are in such a hurry—we must be doing—so that we are in danger of not giving God a chance to work. You may depend upon it, God never says to us, 'Stand still', or 'be still', unless He is going to do something. This is our trouble in regard to our Christian life; we want to do something to be Christians when we need to let Him work in us. Do you know how still you have to be when your likeness is being taken? Now God has one eternal purpose concerning us, and that is that we should be like His Son; and in order that this may be so, we must be passive. We hear so much about activity, may be we need to know what it is to be quiet."

**Far From Over In Pacific**

With Japan's young men becoming 20 years of age (military age) in greater numbers than her battle losses have been you can get an idea of our Pacific enemy's strength in manpower. If, and when, Japan scales her military age down to 18 years, the same as our own, think of the young men she could put in the field. But why do this when she can train and harden them until they are 20 years old, and more able to stand the rigors of war. Japan's greatest loss so far has been in surface ships. This, of course, in the end will weaken her considerably, as much of her raw products must be brought to her war plants from other islands. Our B-29's are also beginning the softening up process by wrecking vital war plants. This, however, has just begun. Think for moment how long and how hard Germany has been hit from the air, and what a fight she continues to put up. Our real war with Japan is yet to come. It will be far in the interior of China where the Jap is now entrenching himself so solidly.

There is a long hard war ahead in the Pacific—but from the reports of the heads of the 6th War Loan Drive few of us in America seem to realize the seriousness of the Pacific War. We are afraid our boys will be receiving mail in that area two Christmases from now. Ask the boys who have seen action against the Jap. They will soon dispel any idea of a short war in the Pacific.

Better buy those extra War Bonds today, thus speeding the day we can claim victory over the Japanese as well as the German.

**Cash Crop Going To Waste**

For one reason or another many farmers are failing to harvest a cash crop this year, and as a consequence both they and their country are suffering. The crop, lying idle on many a farm woodland, is pulpwood.

War agency heads are alarmed at the falling off of pulpwood production since September and warn that 1945 requirements for military and essential civilian pulp and paper items cannot be fulfilled unless increased quantities of pulpwood, of the desired species and specifications, are cut and delivered to the mills this winter.

Those farmers who have responded to Government appeals for more pulpwood have found—as in the buying of War Bonds—that they are not giving anything. They have found that pulpwood prices are at a wartime peak and that production pays good dividends.

With field crops out of the way until next spring, most farmers have the time now to harvest their pulpwood. By so doing they will help shorten the war by helping to

furnish our fighting men with all the supplies they need.

Don't let the boys down, and don't neglect a cash crop. See your county agent or mill buyer on what kind of pulpwood to cut.

**Light Spots In The News**

Editors do have hearts despite all assertions to the contrary by reporting gentlemen of the press. True, they cut and "kill" without compunction, but just let a good "human interest" story come along, and the milk of human kindness is discernible even to those who swear that nothing but black ink runs through an editor's veins. Picking at random some h. i. stories of the week:

The light at Eighth Avenue and 54th in the world's busiest city flashes three times from red to green before Patrolman Reilly gives the go-ahead signal. Not until a little white cat has drunk his fill of milk spilled from a 30-gallon-can, and has retired to the sidewalk lapping his paws, is traffic allowed to proceed. And it's news worth precious space.

Another member of New York's feline family watching the procession of letters down a mail chute, and vainly trying to swat them as they pass, rates room in the papers.

A lonesome pup, searching for his missing master at a busy New Orleans intersection for 48 hours, stands on his hind legs to view occupants of passing cars. His vigil earns him a two-column picture.

And somehow these little items, telling of kindness, simple amusement, and loyalty help make not only editors but the war news itself seem less formidable.

—Christian Science Monitor

**Price Control Protects The Farmer**

By R. M. Evans, Member, Board of Governors, The Federal Reserve System

The farmers of this country have a direct personal interest in controlling inflation. They know, first of all, that it is the patriotic duty of every American to resist inflationary price increases during the war. They know that by increasing their production to keep pace with the unprecedented wartime demands, both by the armed services and by the civilian population, they have made the most effective possible contribution to the fight against inflation. They are justly proud of this achievement.

Now that the prospect of victory in Europe draws nearer, American farmers have an added reason for supporting price stabilization. The end of the war in Europe will necessarily be followed by a diminishing demand for agricultural commodities. Instead of being hard pressed to supply the demand, American farmer will be confronted with the problem of war accumulated supplies and of surpluses in various lines of production. In other words, the agricultural sectors of the economy must be prepared to meet and solve the problems resulting from deflationary rather than inflationary pressures affecting their output.

The industrial sectors of the economy, however, will present a very different picture, at least until the end of the war with Japan and the reconversion of industry to a peacetime basis. Until that time inflationary pressures may be expected to predominate because the production of civilian goods will not be large enough to meet the current and accumulated demand, including the demands of farmers for many things that have been unobtainable since the war started.

It is clear, therefore, that unless price controls are maintained and enforced to prevent these inflationary pressures from driving up the prices of the many things the farmer will need and want, he will be at a serious disadvantage. He would find himself in the unhappy position of selling his products at lower prices than he enjoyed during the war and of being obliged to buy the goods he wants at inflated prices. For that reason, every thoughtful farmer will give full support to a continuation of price controls until the manufacturing plants of the nation have been able to resume peacetime production in sufficient volume to meet all demands. When that day is reached there will no longer be any need or reason for retaining controls which, however irksome, are vitally necessary to the economic welfare of the entire nation.

A bright business future is ahead for the office boy who can teach the big boss how to roll a cigaret.

Zadok Dumkopf wonders if California's petrified frog got that way standing in line for a pack of cigarets.



News and Comment From Raleigh

**CAPITAL LETTERS**

By THOMPSON GREENWOOD

**FRIENDS**—If you read Drew Pearson's Washington Merry-Go-Round column, which runs in about a half-dozen North Carolina Dailies, you have frequently been surprised at the apparently close relationship between Mr. Pearson and former Governor O. Max Gardner. Well, that relationship is very real.

A few years back, before Drew became so famous, he hurt the feelings of General MacArthur, who has a pretty good opinion of himself—as you might have guessed by watching the Pacific war news.

MacArthur sued Pearson for a cool million dollars. Gardner, who has worlds of respect for the press, went to the columnist's rescue—and charged him not one red cent, according to reports. The suit was eventually thrown out the window, and Pearson continued his merry way until now he has become so important as to be called a "chronic liar" by that man in the White House and to be voted the Washington columnist having the most influence on these 120 million Americans.

And as for Gardner, his defense of New Dealish Pearson has meant thousands and thousands of dollars to him in one way or another.

**RECEPTION**—Gregg Cherry's going into office next January reminds one of Governor Gardner's first reception in 1929. Do you know who were the ranking members of the receiving line—not Supreme Court justices, or any fellows like them, but regular old newspaper guys—"Fleet" Williams, who now helps Josephus Daniels write editorials. Bob Thompson, now editor of the High Point Enterprise, Charles Parker, who is now associated with Allied Military Government, and others. This may give you some idea of the appreciation Gardner has for the press.

**DOC**—If you keep up with sports much, you know that Doc Blanchard, Army freshman, is probably the most famous football figure in the Nation for 1944. Well, Wake Forest had Blanchard all set to be a good Baptist, but in spite of everything he became an Army man.

Back yonder around World War I days, Doc's father was a real Athlete for Wake, both on the gridiron and on the diamond. Known as "Big Boy", C. W. Blanchard was a familiar figure around Wake Forest. He and L. Y. Ballentine, your next Lieutenant Governor, were good buddies, playing baseball for the Baptists in the spring and continuing for some mill team during the summer.

"Big Boy" left Wake, went to Tulane to study medicine, played three or four more years of football under another name, became a physician, settled in South Carolina, died about a year ago. His boy at West Point is carrying on the name . . .

**ROSES**—In his speech to the members of the Citizens Association in Raleigh last week, Governor Broughton alluded to a line from the famous Negro drama, "Green Pastures", in telling of the troubles of being Governor. If you recall, "De Lawd had worries aplenty in that play, remarking at one stage that "even being de Lawd ain't no bed of roses". Governor Broughton said being leader of the State is no bed of roses. Maybe so, but JMB has certainly enjoyed it as much as any Governor we have had.

**DAY**—J. C. B. Ehringhaus said last week: "All through my life I had thought that the happiest day of my life would come the day I was sworn

in as Governor. Well, I can tell you it was the most unhappy day of my life."

North Carolina was on the verge of bankruptcy when Governor Ehringhaus, desperately ill with a kidney ailment, arose from a sick bed to take the oath as Governor in 1933.

Those who kicked Ehringhaus in those days love him now. Sooner or later he will be recognized as one of the few really big men in North Carolina. Self-effacing and gracious, a real citizen, he is an excellent attorney, and, so far as anyone knows, he has no political ambitions whatever.

**NOTES**—Governor Cherry's first appointment will be a secretary, but at this time he does not know who it will be—John Harden, who handled his publicity, is first choice.—In Omaha, Neb., last week to attend the annual session of the Commissioners of Agriculture, your Commissioner of Agriculture could not locate one spittoon in the hotel. "Doesn't anybody chew tobacco in Omaha?", he asked, reaching for a cigar—Plans are being laid for a beautiful 4-H Club camp at the new test farm at Waynesville—You ought to see the colorfoto of that Goldsboro lovely in the December Esquire . . . Gardner Porter, former State News Bureau man, will marry an Edenton girl in January . . . The labor situation in printing plants will likely prevent a half-dozen annual State publications from appearing this time, if law will permit . . . If you know of anyone, or any three or four, having 50,000 gallons of apple cider for sale, get in touch with the N. C. D. Agriculture . . . Leo DeSola, a talented musician, and WPTF (Raleigh) have come to the parting of the ways—too temperamental . . . You may expect R. G. Deyton to continue as assistant director of the budget under Mr. Cherry . . . Cherry, now writing his Inaugural Address, is getting in touch with various departments for their ideas . . .

—Buy More Bonds—

**Pvt. Carl Corbin Goes To Kessler Field, Miss.**  
 Mrs. Carl Corbin has returned to her home here after spending two weeks with her husband, Pvt. Carl Corbin, at Blackstone, Va. Pvt. Corbin accompanied her home for a few days and has been sent to Kessler Field, Miss., for further training. Pvt. Corbin has been in service since November, 1943, and has been with the Quartermasters Depot Supply Co.

**To the People of this Community**

GI Joe in his Pacific foxhole—maybe he is your brother, husband, sweetheart or friend—is listening in on you today.

He knows you have a date with a Victory Volunteer, a neighbor with a War Bond order in his or her hand. The two of you may talk it over at your work bench, in your office or in your home. Will GI Joe pick up phrases like "I can't afford it," "Why do they have to have more money?" "We'll lick Japan with one hand tied behind our back?" GI Joe counts on you to have enough sense and knowledge of the facts about the Pacific war to back him up in his foxhole. The extra \$100 War Bond you buy today is a War Bond with the most power. It gives GI Joe the support he must have at the time when he needs it most. It tells Tokyo you're in the fight to the finish.

THE EDITOR.

**AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN**

To write at this time  
 Is really a task,  
 And yet to keep silent  
 Is too much to ask  
 Of one that has been here—  
 We'll say, several score—  
 (The years are quite lengthy divided by four)

I've read some and listened  
 To Judges and Kings,  
 In fact I have helped with  
 Elections and things.

It's hustle and bustle  
 And how they get mad,  
 They call their opponent  
 A cheat and a cad,  
 They get indigestion,  
 They yell and they shout,  
 "He's beaten so badly  
 He's already out."

And then come the morning—  
 How quietly they sat,  
 (Confidentially my husband  
 Has just lost his hat.)

They nod and they smile and  
 We hear someone say,  
 We knew all the time—  
 It would go this way;  
 So forget your troubles  
 Your worry and pain.  
 There'll be more elections—  
 Again and again—  
 and again.

STELLA HALL

The foregoing poem was written by Mrs. Stella Hall of Hattiesburg, Miss., on the election for the Extractor, a magazine published by the Hercules Powder Co. Mrs. Hall is a former resident of Jackson County, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Broyles, of Webster. She is the wife of L. C. Hall, superintendent of the Hercules Company in Hattiesburg.

—Buy More Bonds—  
 Although a heifer may be well-bred, she'll be a scrub if not well-fed, say Extension livestock specialists at State College.

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**NOTICE**

Having qualified as Executor of the estate of John Lewis Phillips, deceased, late of Jackson County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, at his home, Sylva, N. C., RFD No. 1 on or before the first day of November, 1945, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make settlement immediately.

This the 28th day of October, 1944.  
 S. J. PHILLIPS,  
 Executor of the estate of John Lewis Phillips, Deceased.  
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