

State Wide Drive Now On For 'A Pound A Person'

As the statewide drive for "a pound a person" in gifts of clothing, bedding and shoes began its second week Rev. Henry G. Ruark, Chapel Hill minister, and director of the drive announced rapid progress in county organizations. In many counties chairmen and committee members are already hard at work publicizing the need and in some spots actual shipments have been made already to the Church World Service Center, New Windsor, Maryland. All goods are sorted and packed into waterproof bales there before overseas shipment.

The relief program of UNRRA stopped on March 31 in Europe. To date Congress has made no direct appropriations to take UNRRA's place. Thus the burden of clothing, feeding, and giving medical care to the war-stricken millions throughout Europe and Asia falls heavily on church relief agency. Last month some 2,700,000 pounds of clothing and food went from American churches to 28 foreign nations. However, Mr. Ruark stated, this is only a drop in the bucket when compared to the real need. The North Carolina Council of Churches, in asking citizens of this

WCTC Journalism Club Will Give Original Variety Show Tonight

The Journalism club of Western Carolina Teachers college will present a variety show, "A Night in a Cullowhee Tavern," in Hoey auditorium at 8:00 p. m. on Thursday, May 15. It will consist of a series of original skits, written by members of the club, and enacted by club members and other interested persons. The show will open with the club's own version of "Truth or Consequences," and will close with a beauty contest in which "Miss W.C.T.C." will be named.

The scene of the show will be "Jack's Jernt," a mythical night club in Cullowhee. The skits are only loosely connected with each other, but all are such as conceivably could occur in a tavern. According to Jack Booker, chairman of the club's show committee, "It'll definitely be corny—so corny, in fact, that, just to make sure no one fails to notice it, we'll emphasize corn throughout the program." The skits are mostly satirical in nature, and make their points at the expense of radio, the movies, the press, and persons prominent in those fields.

Between some of the skits, ballads and other songs, including two numbers by the Faculty Quartet, will be sung. Mr. L. R. Taff, assistant professor in the school's English department and advisor of the club, is sponsoring and will direct the show.

state for "a pound a person" realize that most people can give more. A men's winter suit might weigh 3-4 pounds while a good pair of work shoes two pounds. Farmers are asked to contribute cotton feed sacks. Here they sell for 20c; overseas they bring as much as five dollars. They are used as sheets, shirts, towels and even diapers. Many people in Northern Europe

Aleman At O'Dwyer Luncheon



PRESIDENT OF MEXICO Miguel Aleman (left) and Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York converse in Spanish, just before luncheon at Gracie Mansion. Mrs. Paul O'Dwyer, sister-in-law of the Mayor, presided as hostess at the luncheon. Among those present were Warren R. Austin, U. S. delegate to the United Nations; Trygve Lie, U. N. secretary-general, and Dr. Oswaldo Aranha of Brazil. (International)

in the border, adds a thrill to the winter garden for us and for the bees. It helps to convince us that fragrance is the soul of flowers. Chives spreads from seed into the lawn. But it spreads in the herb bed too, and through its purple bloom helps to elevate the standing of its family, the onion.

Then what a struggle there is between the pasture and the garden. The clovers and the grasses are essential for the pasture; what trouble they give us in the garden. So when we are down in our bed of herbs or pansies puffing clover and grass out by the roots and trying to leave the treasured plants still living, we do well to remember that these same persistent qualities are most valuable across the fence.

Thus a garden may become a wilderness if everything which comes to it is allowed to remain and grow where it is. But with thought, planning, and constant care it brings joy of fragrance and beauty. It is like a life which inherits manifold traits and tendencies and capacities. If all of these are properly used, arranged, subdued, or encouraged then the prophet's words come true, "Their soul shall be as a watered garden."

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OUR TOWN AND SOCIAL SECURITY

By D. W. LAMBERT, Manager Asheville, N. C.

In my last two columns, I have stressed the importance of the Social Security account number because it is the key to your insurance account with Uncle Sam. Today's column also deals with this subject.

Have you more than one social security card? And do you sometimes show one card to your employer and sometimes another. If you are doing this, you may take a loss when you file a claim for benefits or your family, in case of your death, may take a loss when they file for survivors benefits, because all your wages should be reported under one account number.

If you have more than one card, it means you have more than one account. It means the wages reported by your employers are sometimes credited to one account and sometimes to another. And that may mean trouble when time to draw benefits comes around.

If you have more than one social security card, write to the Social Security Administration, 203 Flatiron Building, Asheville, North Carolina. He will straighten out your account and tell you which number to use in the future.

*Suppose you lose your card. What should you do? The thing to do is to apply at the office mentioned above for a duplicate card. Don't ask for a NEW card. Ask for a DUPLICATE card with the same number on it. Then you can be sure that you will have just one account and that all your wages will be credited in the same place.

So remember, one card, one number—FOR A LIFETIME.

Application forms to get a Social Security account number can be obtained at any post office or Social Security field office. If you don't have your card when you go to work on a new job, give your employer a signed application to use when he reports your wages.

Weekly SERMONET

Life Is Like A Garden

The possession and care of a garden is an instructive experience. There are many lessons for the ways of life.

Many things come into a garden from the environment. Seedlings of maple, cherry, oak, dogwood, privet, St. Johnswort come up in my garden as well as grass, clover, and blackberry. Then the flowers multiply over the place: thrift, veronica, first breath of spring, honesty, saponaria, and roses. Any of them may be annoying until we discover that they are gifts which we may use. Cherries require more work; but see how they attract the birds. I vow to exterminate the privet so far as possible, until the cedar waxwings come in flocks of trim beauty to feast on the berries.

Someone has defined a weed as a flower out of place. So we who have gardens can constantly convert weeds into flowers. As I mow my back lawn I see a new plant of sweetbriar rose. When I move it a few feet, from the grass to the border, it becomes a joy in its addition to the whole atmosphere of the garden. (You remember it is the eglantine of literature.) I insist on leaving corners here and there for the wild strawberries which add so much to the flavor of life. The breath of spring, placed

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Jackson Bible School Postponed To June 22-29

The Jackson Bible Conference in the Sylva Elementary School Auditorium, announced for May 18-25, has been postponed until June 22-29 on account of the Baptist associational revival of stewardship and missions, according to W. Herbert Brown, director of the Southern Bible Testimony, Inc., Bryson City.

wrapped old rags around their feet for shoes last winter, reliable church observers overseas say. One Dutch woman writes that she used newspapers for handkerchiefs last winter. In Danzig, Poland, a pair of girl's shoes cost \$30.

The Academy Award winner for documentary films of 1946, "Seeds of Destiny," is now being circulated throughout the state. Depicting the terrible living conditions of our brethren overseas, it caused one man to sit down immediately and write out a hundred-dollar check for relief. Although this picture was banned from commercial movie houses, the North Carolina Council of Churches has secured 65 copies of it and has enabled literally thousands to know the facts about life abroad. This film and other material can be had by writing Rev. Henry G. Ruark, University Methodist Church, Chapel Hill, N. C.

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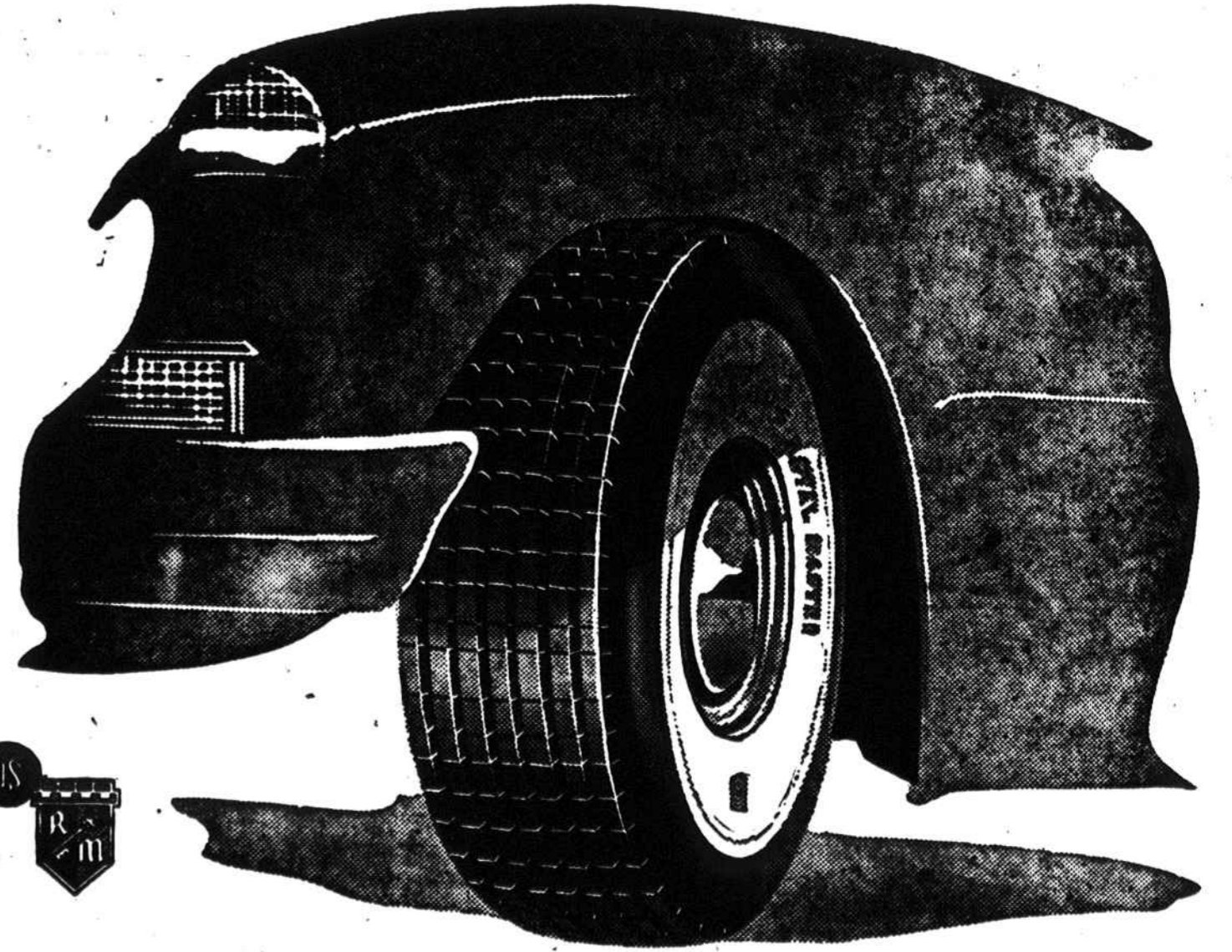
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