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HOMES FOR THE HOMELESS CHILD

"And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me."

This from the lips of the Man of Galilee has been handed down through twenty centuries and its significance will be recognized until the declaration shall emanate from the portals of Heaven that time shall be no longer. It is a clarion call to the aid and protection of innocent childhood and the North Carolina Orphan Association pleads the cause of children bereft of parental care and tender sympathy of a mother's love.

The Association again calls upon every man and woman in the State to contribute on or near Thanksgiving Day at least one day's income to the orphanage of his or her choice. For a dozen years a similar appeal has annually been made and the generous gifts to the twenty-five orphanages listed below have revealed the tender and practical sympathy which our people feel toward the thousands of fatherless children who are being trained in them for citizenship and the Kingdom. May the gifts of the approaching Thanksgiving show a greatly increased interest in this worthy cause.

Few situations in life are more distressing than that of children without homes. No loss seems so great as that of parental love. Bereavement inflicts its stroke with acutest anguish when it cuts all the tender ties that bound the loving lives of father and mother to our devoted heart. Other sorrows, other losses, we may bear with fortitude. Other bereavements, even, seem not to fill our spirit with such bitter humiliation; for they come to us in after life, when we have somewhat learned to bear the lessons of grief, and when manhood or womanhood has brought us increased power and endurance.

Childhood, with all its ignorance of worldly sorrows, and with all its frailty of spirit, is overwhelmed by tribulation of being orphaned. The orphan, therefore, is entitled to peculiar sympathy and protection. The child bereaved of its natural guardianship and left, in its innocence and tears, to the tenderness of a cold world becomes the very symbol of defenseless affliction; and as such, it should receive the protection of every man's arm and the affection of every woman's heart. We have seen, perhaps, the actual exemplification of all the suffering home pictures. We remember the dark and tearful day of burial. We seem again to see the child with strange fear and grief, turning its little arms about its parent's neck, and covering with kisses the cold cheeks. We think of the passionate outbursts of sorrow when the loved form was borne away.

Then more sad even than all this, we call to mind the long years of sorrow, suffering and loneliness that followed. Maybe some of our own parents were thus taken and are now among the sainted host of Heaven. Surely, then, we do not need to be convinced by the cold force of argument, nor won by the warmth of glowing rhetoric in order to induce us to feel for the woes, and to relieve the privations of the orphans in our midst.

To this Association, it is the solemn consideration that God Himself has made special promises of protection to the orphan, friends who will "stick closer than a brother." Friends who come softly when their eyes are wet and their hearts are heavy and become the vehicle of Mercy, Truth and Justice, flashing from its centre no rates of stocks or pageantry of kings, making the circuit of the world with help for the destitute and honor for the lowly. If you can estimate the value of the life of a child bereft of the blessings and comforts of a home, you can begin to realize what it means to enlist in the movement to swell our orphanage treasuries at Thanksgiving. If you fail to experience pleasure and satisfaction out of rendering the service suggested in this appeal you have failed to catch the inspiration from the words of the Master. "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

In order that more adequate equipment and support for our orphan homes may be provided we make our

appeal to—

The prince of business to give out of his abundance the actual estimated income of a day;

The landlord and money lender to give one day's rent of his houses and lands, or one day's interest on his money;

The professional man to give one day's earnings, specifying the day of taking the average day;

The salaried worker to give his or her salary for a day;

The day laborer with only pick-up jobs to devote some special day to this cause;

The good housewife with her ingenuity and devotion to set apart the work of a day;

The boys and girls with no regular income to get a job after school hours or on some Saturday and give the proceeds to the orphans.

In short, EVERYBODY, old and young, rich and poor, learned and illiterate, to join in this holy movement and thus to "visit the fatherless in their affliction."

We call upon the press of the State to give the widest possible publicity to this movement which is philanthropic in purpose and State-wide in extent; we call upon all church leaders of all denominations to urge in their respective congregations the giving of a day's income to their respective orphanages on or near Thanksgiving Day.

Very respectfully,
M. L. Shipman, Stacey W. Wade, W. A. Graham, J. R. Young, John D. Berry, Mrs. Kate Burr Johnson, Mrs. Josephus Daniels, Publicity Comtee.

List of Orphanages & Superintendents

- Baptist Orphanage—Rev. M. L. Kesler, Thomasville.
Methodist Orphanage—Rev. A. S. Barnes, Raleigh.
Presbyterian Orphanage—Jos. B. Johnston, Barium Springs.
Methodist Orphanage—Rev. Chas. A. Wood, Winston-Salem.
Thompson Orphanage—Rev. W. H. Wheeler, Charlotte.
Methodist Protestant Home—E. F. Allman, High Point.
Christian Orphanage—Chas. D. Johnston, Elon College.
Oxford Orphan, Asylum—R. L. Brown, Oxford.
Old Fellows Home—Chas. H. Warren, Goldsboro.
Elderly Orphanage—Rev. Lucius B. B. Compton, Asheville.
Pythian Home—J. W. Knowles, Clayton.
Children's Home Society—J. J. Phoenix, Greensboro.
Nazareth Orphan Home—Rev. W. H. McNairy, Crescent.
Falcon Orphanage—J. A. Culbroth, Falcon.
Free-will Baptist Home—Rev. Q. G. Pope, Middlesex.
Nazareth Orphanage—Rev. Geo. A. Woods, Nazareth.
Mountain Orphanage—Hubert T. Deathrige, Black Mountain.
Grandfather Orphanage—J. W. Holcomb, Banner Elk.
Alexander Home—Mrs. Fannie Sharpe, Charlotte.
Junior League Baby Home—Mrs. E. T. Cassler, Charlotte.
Maxwell Orphanage—J. E. Lancaster, Franklin.
Wright Refuge—Mrs. Octavia Evans, Durham.
Saint Ann's Home—Sister M. McBride.
Memorial Industrial School (Colored)—Rev. W. J. Poindexter, Winston-Salem.
Oxford Orphanage (Colored)—Henry P. Cheatham, Oxford.
Junior Relief Home—Mrs. C. H. McNight, Winston-Salem.
Child-placing institution.

From ALLANSTAND

The school at this place is proud of a new stove these cool days. Little Donald and Arnold Gahagan were out playing with a gun and it went off and shot Arnold through the ankle. He was taken to the hospital at White Rock Sunday evening where his ankle was dressed. Miss Morton was very sick Saturday and was taken to the hospital. Little Miss Loreta Hyde is very lonesome these days as Miss Morton cannot be with her. Miss Nellie Gosnell spent Sunday night with her grandmother. Miss Leah Shelton spent Saturday night with her sister Mrs. Oliver Cook. Miss Mary Gosnell attended S. S.

MRS. CECIL AND GOVERNORS TO OFFICIALLY OPEN GREAT FLOWER SHOW

FLORAL DISPLAY WILL BE THE GREATEST EVER STAGED IN SOUTHERN STATES.

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 10.—The official opening of the Southeastern Flower Show, under the auspices and direction of the Southeastern Florist Association, will take place at 1:00 p. m. eastern standard time, at Kenilworth Inn, Asheville, N. C., with a ceremony in which Mrs. John Francis Amherst Cecil and the Governors of North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia will take part. Mrs. Cecil at that time will cut the ribbon across the entrance to the Show and will accompany A. W. McLean, Governor of North Carolina, on a tour of inspection of the exhibits.

This great floral exhibition, upon which enthusiastic and untiring workers have been spending their time for months, has grown far beyond the expectations of the organizers. The Show will occupy two full floors of the Kenilworth Inn, headquarters for the Southeastern Florist Convention, as well as one whole section of the lawn and the terraces. The Show will be divided into two great divisions—one devoted to cut flowers and the other to a formal garden display.

The cut flower exhibit will be decorated with trellises and southern philax. Boses with six foot stems, chrysanthemums with heads eight to ten and twelve inches across, cyclamen plants with fifteen to twenty-five blooms—all these and more will be sent in from different florists of the Southeast. And the flowers sent in will not be confined to the Southeastern States alone. There will be wonderful roses from Illinois and a beautiful array of orchids from New Orleans, New Mexico is sending an exhibit of cacti—grotesque but

attractive, and carnations from far off Denver. Great exhibits of evergreens and many more hardy plants will add to the beauty of the occasion. Plants will range from those grown on the southern border of Canada to those that are indigenous to Florida. The Swiss Village, a feature of the Flower Show, will be conducted by the Asheville Clubhouse for Women, with Mrs. John Enwright as General Chairman. This will be a unique and interesting spot. The ladies in charge of this delightful village will wear picturesque Swiss costumes, and will serve delicious meals during the three days that the Show is in progress. The entertainment will be provided by the Kimney School of Dancing and will add much to this part of the program.

The display of miniature gardens will be an outstanding event of the Show and probably the greatest attraction of all the exhibits will be the formal garden occupying one whole floor of the Inn. The different displays by the individual florists will be moulded into an attractive formal garden. Each display is being distinguished only by the exhibitor's number. The whole effect of this arrangement is calculated to be one of the finest formal garden displays ever thrown open to the public. Other attractions will be the miniature model gardens made by the school children of Asheville and the colorful exhibits of the Cherokee Indians.

On the night of Nov. 10th the Chrysanthemum Ball will begin at nine o'clock. This will be a very beautiful affair and will be especially enjoyed by the ladies, as each will receive a gorgeous chrysanthemum as a souvenir. As a fitting climax to this remarkable program a great fashion show will be staged on the last day of the Convention and Flower Show.

at Allenstand Sunday.

Miss Bonnie Payne made music on the piano for Miss Ellen Brazil and Mr. John Martin Monday.

Mr. Roscoe Gunter and Miss Inez and Wallace Chandler and Geneva Gunter went to White Rock Sunday.

Mr. Enoch and B. G. Gunter have gone to Tennessee to hold a singing school.

Those visiting Mr. Sim Chandler Sunday were Mr. Dallas and Oliver Gunter.

Elmer and Roscoe Gunter and Miss Gladys Gosnell, Miss Myrtle Gentry spent Sunday night with Gladys Gos-

nell. Miss Geneva Gunter spent Saturday night with Miss Inez Chandler.

Mr. Lester Chandler visited Mr. Sim Chandler Sunday night also Mr. Roscoe Gunter.

CHICKEN SUPPER

There will be a chicken supper given by the P. T. A. of Mars Hill, in the room over the bank, Friday evening, Nov. 11th, beginning at five o'clock. Come, get all you can eat for 50 cents, and also help your school.

REPRESENTATIVE M'DEVITT REFERS TO CHAIRMAN BUCKNER'S LETTER

Referring to an article last week in the Madison County News-Record and the Asheville Citizen, entitled WHAT \$1.75 LEVY WOULD HAVE MEANT TO THE FARMERS OF MADISON COUNTY

Signed by Chairman W. G. Buckner. It's not what it would have meant! It's what it would mean now! Here's what it would mean, that every taxpayer in Madison County would keep 30c on every hundred dollars worth of property assessed in his pocket. Would my friend, Mr. Buckner, have the folks think that the County Commissioners picked tax listers, who after taking the oath of office to list property AT ITS TRUE VALUE IN MONEY, just proceed to list with an idea in their heads to confiscate \$10,000.00 in money from the railroad company and other incorporations to save the farmers.

Was that the idea your board had under the law and under your oaths, Mr. Buckner?

Actually, Mr. Buckner, weren't you just joking the farmers about putting it on the railroad company, to save them, or did you read the article before signing it?

The Machinery Act, under which property is listed, is not a mere joke. It's the law of the State of North Carolina, and the oath your listeners took or should have taken to list property at its true value in money is a solemn oath. See the oath of a list taker—Sec. 45, Machinery Act; also see Section 50. It provides that the equalization Board (The County Commissioners) "Shall equalize the valuation so that each tract or lot of land or article of personal property shall be entered on the tax list at its true value in money."

Then from the article, Mr. Commissioners, it looks like if you had been listing with the intention of carrying out the law or legal rate of \$1.75 property would have looked more valuable to you. It that the idea? I find tax payers scared since the misleading article appeared, thinking from your article and your rub-down explanations last Monday you are going to raise the assessments. How could it be done? Has the board had a change of mind this quick as to true value in money? No, the assessment for Madison County is not going to be raised again this year. It passed out of the commissioners' hands after the first Monday in August until next year and then only on personal property and four long years on real estate.

If the legal rate of \$1.75 on the hundred dollars is established maturing indebtedness may be funded, if the commissioners so desire.

It's my opinion that unnecessary expenses should be eliminated in order to reduce the farmers' taxes—this will mean something to the farmers, but any attempt handed out in any way to make the tax payers think the assessment is going to be raised is unfair and it's not in my opinion fair to the commissioners or the list takers to try to make the tax payers think the railroad was "pinched" contrary to law to save the farmers.

If the tax books are to be refigured at the rate of \$1.75 and it costs a few dollars to have that done—I say whose fault is it? It's the fault of the commissioners, of course.

Evidently the tax books show the amount of real and personal property listed by every taxpayer in the county and to ascertain the amount of taxes due by each one would require the total amount multiplied by \$1.75; for example, if a tax payer's property was listed at \$1,000.00 at \$2.05 his taxes would be 20.50 and at \$1.75 his taxes would amount to \$17.50. This looks like it would be quite easy for the commissioners to have figured out—and I am very sure it would look easy to the tax payers when they go down in their pockets after the money to pay the taxes.

Yours very truly, N. B. McDEVITT.

Truth may be eclipsed, but it can not be extinguished.

There are lots of big boys and small men in the world.

A silver dollar isn't very heavy but some men find it difficult to raise

OPEN WATER BASIN AT MARS HILL

The new \$90,000 water reservoir has been opened at Mars Hill which will supply the town; also Mars Hill College. The reservoir is on Bald Mountain, nine miles from Mars Hill. While there was no formal dedication the completion of this venture has brought forth a general rejoicing of that people as there has been a shortage of water in past times.

The new reservoir has a capacity that will provide water for a population twice the size of both the town and the college community, it is said, therefore, good for a generation or more.

HIGHWAY CASE UP SOON AT RALEIGH

When the Madison County calendar is called before the December term of the State Supreme Court at Raleigh, Madison will be represented by two important civil cases.

The one that will attract the most attention is that of T. A. Silvers and others against the Madison County Board of Commissioners and the North Carolina State Highway Commission in which a sum aggregating \$225,000, representing a loan by Madison County to the highway commission is involved.

The second case is that of George Cole and wife, Mrs. S. L. Cole, both of Tennessee against the P. Shelton heirs of Marshall, consisting of Oliver Shelton, Mrs. O. C. Rector and other children of the late F. Shelton.

TAX BOOKS MAY BE NECESSARY HERE

If the law limiting Madison County's tax levy to the \$1.75 on the \$100 valuation is proved to be constitutional, a new tax book will be necessary, according to J. Will Roberts, Register of Deeds of Madison, and clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, consisting of W. G. Buckner of Mars Hill, chairman; C. J. Wilde of Big Pine, and J. C. Chandler of Walnut the three of whom were arrested here a few days ago on warrants sworn out by N. B. McDevitt, representative in the General Assembly from this count, on charges of levying a tax rate higher than the law allows, of violating the road law, and in the case of the chairman, not being bonded in the sum of \$5,000, as required by law.

Mr. Roberts said that if it was necessary to remake, would cost about \$3,500 and require close to three months' labor to complete.

Much interest has been aroused by the situation in which the three commissioners and Mr. McDevitt are involved and it is expected that a large crowd of Madison county citizens will attend the scheduled preliminary hearing of the case to be held before Lee Bryan, Marshall Justice of Peace in the courthouse Saturday at 10 o'clock, a. m. The three commissioners are at liberty under bond of \$500 each.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS

The following program will give an idea as to the various S. S. Conventions to be held.

WHITE ROCK, N. C. at Presbyterian Church—Second Sunday, Nov. 13th—10 A. M. CHAPEL TWEEED, Township Pres't. EVERYBODY COME!

BIG LAUREL SEMINARY Big Laurel, N. C. ISAAC RICE, Township Pres't. 2:30 P. M. EVERYBODY COME!

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