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A BLESSING, INDEED

Waynesville and Haywood county have been blessed during the past 10 days by the messages brought by Rev. John R. Williams, evangelist at the Presbyterian church. Rev. Mr. Williams is not what one would call a sensational preacher. Yet he is sensational, because he preaches only facts as set out in the Bible and delivers his messages in such a plain simple way that even the small children can readily understand his teachings.

Rev. Mr. Williams has left in Waynesville many hearts that have been stirred by his sermons [illegible] the results of his ten days of ministering [illegible] in many days to come.

Those who were fortunate enough to hear the visiting evangelist have in most instances, taken a new grip on life. Although he has gone elsewhere the results of his labors are still being felt.

LOSING FARMS

Ten percent of the farmers in the United States have lost their homes during the past five years, according to official government figures, and still more stand in danger of losing their farms. There seems, however, a growing spirit against the wholesale dispossession of our husbandry from their farms.

In Iowa recently a group of farmers banded together and prevented the foreclosure of one of their neighbors by bidding more on the farm than the mortgage company.

In Pennsylvania, farmers in a community are buying farms for a dollar or two by keeping outside bidders away, and then returning the farms to the original owners.

"Americans," comments Common Sense Magazine, "are at last waking up to the fact that nobody can help them but themselves."

A DOWNHILL MATTER

During the first seven months of the 1933 fiscal year, the United States government spent $1.00 for each 45c that was collected, or in other words the government collected from all sources $1,138,505,910 and spent $2,410,226,941 which meant that the treasury was "in the hole" $1,271,721,031.

The public debt on January 31 amounted to $20,801,707,134, an increase of almost $3,000,000,000 in the total in 12 months. On January 31, 1932 the indebtedness was $17,815,861,177.

Figures as large as the ones above mean little to the average person, but the principal involved is the same as for an individual—its impossible to go forward when we spend more than twice our income.

MORE PUBLICITY

Last summer a member of the staff of the National Geographical Magazine was in this section making photographs and getting data on this section of the country preparatory to publishing an article in the magazine soon.

Information received here states that the article will be published during the next few months.

Publicity of this nature cannot be bought, but it should be followed up with so-called commercial advertising. It seems that now would be a grand time for this city to capitalize on the advertising made possible by some outsiders.

ON ADVERTISING

The codfish lays a million eggs
While the helpful hen lays one.
But the codfish does not cackle
To tell us what she's done.

And so we scorn the codfish
While the helpful hen we prize
Which indicates to thoughtful minds
That it pays to advertise.—Ex.

SOLD UNDER MORTGAGE

"My house and lot was sold under mortgage a day or two ago," said a man this morning, "and it lacked $1,200 of bringing enough to satisfy the mortgage, and now they are bringing deficiency judgment against me and it will take all I have left in the world. Do you call that justice?" This is one piece of legislation that we would like to see enacted on the statute books at Raleigh. Let each piece of mortgaged property stand on its own, and satisfy the obligation. The "deficiency judgment" has ruined many men—Gastonia Gazette.

The above is typical of what is going on. Debts must be paid, of course, but unless moratoriums are granted by land banks, other banks, corporations, individuals and by counties and cities for taxes on property that is earning little or nothing, both creditors and debtors will suffer.

If we can find a way for moratoriums and an interest rate of less than two per cent on foreign debts, it ought to be possible to find a way to give extension to debtors who now stand to lose their homes. In many cases the mortgaged property will not bring the mortgage and if the creditor takes over a farm, he will be unable to run it profitably.—News and Observer.

AN ADMIRABLE APPOINTMENT

The appointment by Governor Ehringhaus of Felix Alley of Waynesville to succeed the late Judge Walter E. Moore as resident judge of the 29th district will give the largest satisfaction. Mr. Alley is one of the most popular men in Western North Carolina, a good lawyer and an upstanding citizen. He is held in the highest regard throughout this section and the action of the Governor in appointing him to the superior court bench will be cordially approved by the bar and by the people.—Asheville Citizen.

THOSE FOOLISH ADVERTISERS

All of us do not do the same thing in the same way. Some of us like to be "different."

Take, for instance, from seventy-five to a hundred of New York's merchants. For weeks they have been advertising "Christmas goods"—about everything they had was good for "gifts," and they so advertised it—day after day, week following week. Some folks looked on in amazement at such foolishness. Why spend $2,000 to $2,800 a page to advertise goods and keep it up day after day, in these tight times?

"Only those who have got to buy are going to buy, so what is the sense of trying to interest the others? Why attempt to put notions in their heads?" So said the wise ones.

It did seem foolish to spend those hundreds of thousands of dollars in advertising, didn't it? And now in the past two weeks more expense has fallen upon those advertising merchants; they have had to go out and hire 10,000 additional clerks to enable them to serve their customers. Of course, it was something to give that much employment to those unemployed, but think of the huge expense of the extra help!

Funny how wasteful some folk are!—Columbia State.

A beauty specialist now advises pinching the cheeks instead of using beauty clay for the complection. In some cases it would take both to get the required affects.

Several years ago it was stylish to have appendicitis, now it seems to be "lapse of memory (?)".

If some girls did as much work on clothes-lines as they do on necklines they would accomplish more.

Well, the trees are all set out at the court-house, the grass planted, yet there is no name on the building.

Some men try to make a little truth go a long way on the home-stretch.

Listening to cold facts makes some people hot.

Friends are just that only when their friendship is tested.

About the only thing some people seem to keep in running order is their bills.

People are not at a loss when they give away happiness.

Be it ever so tumbled, there's no place like home.

The only product that never seems to exceed the demand is nerve.

Says WILL ROGERS

BEVERLY HILLS—Well all I know is just what I read in the papers. The same lame duck Congress has been putting up a mighty inspiring example of just how hickory a Congress can be if they really make up their minds to be hickory. We just got about four more weeks of it now and then there boys go back to what some writer has termed "private life." Oklahoma is a new way that's own.

But the minute these guys get out if there were will some of them go home and take their places. No, whether the new one is better than the old one is just kinder like cutting off a bunch of sheep as they run through the gate, or picking em because they don't look as good, then getting at the gate and try out the other half of em to see if they are any better. But we got rid of an awful lot of old rams at this shearing anyhow. We had some old big horned babies that had been in that Senate corrall so long that their horns were getting kinder twisted, but some likable old animals at that.

Well we are all getting ready for the new deal. We dont know what kind of hand we will get, but we want it even if its just duces. It will at least get us out of our expectant mood. Democrats been doing a lot of starring around since they got promoted work. Couple of weeks ago bunch of em went down to Mussel Shoals Dam to figure out what they could irrigate, or imitate, or nitrate, or fertilate with it. That dam was built when it looked like the war was going to be over. It was finished just [illegible]. We have an awful lot of dams figured out to do with a dam if we had a war but we can't [illegible] a war.

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