

Baptist To Hold Fifth Sunday Meeting At Ratcliff Cove

Program for the fifth Sunday meeting to be held with the Ratcliff Cove Baptist church Sunday, January 30th. The general subject will be "My Part in My Lord's Program."

"There are four reasons why every Christian ought to give his heartiest support to this program," Rev. Frank Leatherwood said.

10:15-11:15—1. It Is The Command of Our Lord.

1. His commands are not to be ignored.

2. Our relationship to Him as Lord demands obedience to His will.

3. It is not a question of cost, but of doing His will.

—By I. A. Rhinehart.

11:15-12:00—Sermon, Avery Peck.

1:30-2:00—11. Because of the Needs to be Met.

1. There are souls that are lost.

2. There are homes that know not the love of Christ.

3. There are lands that are still heathen.

—By R. P. McCracken.

2:00-2:30—111. Because of the Impression Which Success or Failure Will Make.

1. We ourselves will be influenced by the results of success or failure.

2. The non-Christian will judge our religion and our Lord by the failure or success of His program.

3. The worldly man judges the Church by its weakest member.

—By F. H. Leatherwood.

2:30-3:00—1V. Because the Life of Our Church and Denomination Depends on Our Missionary Endeavors.

1. Only the missionary Church thrives.

2. The anti-missionary Church will die.

3. The Christian Church grows by giving out, finds its life by losing it.

—By Thos. Erwin.

End Of Recession Not Far Off, Says Roger W. Babson

Babson Park, Fla.—It is too early yet to say when the business recession will be over. I am more certain than I was a month ago, however, that a revival is not far off. There are now straws in the wind which show that business is slowly turning around. These straws were missing at Christmas time. Among them are good retail trade reports, seasonally higher industrial activity, steadier tones in commodity markets, and better building volume. To get a words-eye picture of current trends, let me briefly analyze the leading business barometers:

Consumer Industries Sensitive
Consumer industries are usually the first to be hit and hence are usually the first to recover. Therefore, conditions in this group at present are of more than ordinary interest. Textile activity is currently 40 per cent below last year's level and back to the 1932-34 bed-rock figures. Trading in gray goods, however, has recently been more brisk and prices have firmed. The past fortnight, moreover, has seen a sturdy step-up—10 per cent—in mill operations.

The shoe industry was among the first to feel the slackening in activity last year. Production last month was 30 per cent under the year-ago level. Smart shoe-makers, however, have cut prices 10 per cent. As a consequence, buying was better than expected at the recent annual Chicago shoe show. Reports indicate that some factories will be running near capacity during the next 60 to 90 days.

One would think that food sales would jog along at a stable level, but volume is influenced by prices and general conditions. Latest reports show food sales considerably under the 1937 figures. Here again there has been a noticeable pick-up during the past week or two with the easing off in retail prices as the leading stimulating factor.

Paper consumption has taken a "licking" along with all other businesses. Because paper is used in so many different lines, it is an excellent barometer of general business. It is interesting, therefore, that paper company executives report orders nudging seasonally ahead in the past ten days with mills running better than they have for several months.

Some Heavy Industries Hit Hard
Heavy industries maintained their volume long after the more sensitive consumer industries began to curtail. Hence, some were hit later but harder than the lighter manufacturing group. Biggest sufferer among the durable goods industries has been steel. Operations catapulted downward from 85 per cent of capacity last August to 20 per cent a month ago. Since Christmas there has been some recovery and the operating rate this week is around 30 per cent compared with 80 per cent a year ago.

Motor assemblies in 1937 were the second largest in the history of the country. Car sales continued at an excellent level until November when



Mr. Editor an' loyal readers, this wk. I'm a givin' ye the

WHY UV UNKLE ABE
Today I set jist whir I've sot before, A-writin' a rime—an' hit's a crime, Cuz I'm a-murderin' our English onet more.

Ernes' Messer sez, "Now, keep that stile; Yore spellin's a roar—jst give us more— An' with the 'em-lasis' onet in a while."

Boon Rogers sez, "Don't be sitch a cusser; My carekter's good, hit's allus stood . . . But I'm a-teerd you'll make it wuss-er."

"That dia-leck, me thinks I'de cut it down . . . I like yore stuff not kwite so ruff," Thinks a woman here in our town.

Mister Hanson opines, Unkle Abe hits the spot . . . Yore speech an' jokes, it's like our tokes; So keep up yore 'njar totes, an' yore 'what'."

Doc Walker sez, "Whir-je git that stuff? That yoomer's a roar—give us more . . . I'll tell ye when I've had a-nuff."

"I woudn't read Abe—if I had to die," Sez a woman I no—but that haint so, Cuz they kotch 'er readin' it on the sly.

"I enjoy a little fun," Mr. Erwin makes noan— (An' Tom's a preacher, an' also a teacher) "Jst keep up yore stile—hit's yore oan."

An' so thinks Frank Davis an' Dave Cibe— Farmers, lawyers, doctor man; hunters—meny other klan— That's why I've bin a writin' "Unkle Abe."

But I'm a-goin' to give it up, fokes, yes sir-ee! I'm a-goin' to take a rest—an' let you readers have a rest. An' when I kum back—if I ever do, think I'll put the fodder alittle hyer,

as Sam Jones yooce to say, leastwize I'll feed you fokes on a different kind uv "fodder," if the editor will let me.

On the hole, Unkle Abe has enjoyed the work . . . an' by the way he's bin a puggin' away at this stuff fer 3 1/2 yrs, havin' only mist 'bout 8 or ten times.

An' now, in gitten off the stage, hit's my harts-de-zar to thank Editor Russ fer hiz ko-opperashun . . . also the meny, meny readers uv the Deer Ole Mountneer' fer their kind kompliments on my effures endurin' the hole time. The good things you've sed, my frens, 'bout this kolyum has help't to keep me a-goin'.

An' if Unkle Abe haz sed enny-thing, jokim'ly, 'bout ennybody, what has took it in the rong sperit, an' so calkinked to ruffle that person's feelin's jst a little, he now wishes to say—

Let's forget it!

My good frens, Johnny Ferguson, Tom Green, Ray Morgan, etal et ux,

sez that I needn't be a-feerd uv enny-boddy ever koppyin' "Unkle Abe," 'cuz hit kaint bedid. So, with these g-yar-antees, I now leeve what I've rit with the ginerel publek, hopin' that some little kontribushun haz bin made to our pe-kyoolyer mount'n yoomer.

But, as Bill Nye sez— If all the stuff that I have written Wuz piled t'gether in a pile, An' with a match the pile wuz litten— You cood see the blaze a mile."

"But all the gold that I've gitten, Fer the stuff that I have rote, Woud not kill the weakest kitten— If poard molten down his throate.

Mr. Editor, the above is fer the informa-shun uv a few what thinks I've bin a-gitten rich from writin' this kolyum.

S' long, fokes, Yores crackly, UNKLE ABE.

Crabtree Club Has 14 To Attend Meet

The Crabtree home demonstration club met January 21st at the home of Mrs. Hugh Noland, with fourteen members present. The leaders of various club projects were chosen for the new year.

An interesting program was given by Mrs. Jack McCracken, Mrs. Burl Brown, Mrs. Frank Williams and Mrs. Hugh Noland.

Mrs. Frank Williams won the prize in the clothing game. After delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, the club adjourned to meet in February at the school house.

Fines Creek Club Holds Monthly Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Fines Creek demonstration club met January 17th with Mrs. Cauley Rogers. A covered dish was carried by each member and a lovely luncheon was enjoyed.

The new officers for the year took up their duties and the various committees were appointed. Songs and several interesting readings were given by the club women.

Miss Smith, home demonstration agent, gave as her demonstration, kitchen arrangement. A contest on different materials was won by Mrs. N. O. Newell, after which the meeting adjourned to meet in February with Mrs. Wiley Noland.

Edwin W. Kemmerer, economist: "All currency standards in modern times, including the gold standard, are more or less managed."

they folded up like an accordion. Factory output has dropped from 120,000 cars per week last Spring to 65,000 at present. The current level, on the other hand, compares with only 50,000 assemblies in the first week of this month.

Building volume has held up remarkably well. Private home construction has fallen sharply since last June and is only 65 per cent of the 1937 level. But non-residential and public operations have stepped into the breach so that total construction in December was above a year ago. Furthermore, the first half of January was better than the initial fortnight of December. As a consequence, allied industries, such as lumber, have begun to pull up from their recent depth of as low as 50 per cent under their 1937 peak.

General Indicators Look Up
Miscellaneous indicators also give an excellent clue to business conditions. Heading the list is power consumption. It is a valuable indicator because electricity is used universally in factory and home. Its trend has been vertically downward since September. Several months ago output crossed below the "year ago" level for the first time since April, 1935. Current figures, however, are reflecting the seasonal step-up in industry all over the nation.

Freight carloadings reliably mirrored the down-hill rush of business shipments this Fall. Loadings for the last week in December were at the lowest level for any similar week in four years. Although traffic is still 20 per cent below the 1937 figures, there has been a sharp rebound in loadings in the last fortnight.

Banking figures are beginning to be optimistic. Commercial loans continue to slide off gradually. They are down six per cent since their peak in October, showing that inventories are being worked off. Bank debits are down 15 per cent. On the other hand, deposits have halted their downward trend which set in almost a year ago and are \$100,000,000 above their December lows.

Retail trade is the most optimistic of all the barometers. Merchants have put on attractive "sales" to keep goods moving. As a result, retail trade had held up splendidly. Christmas volume was off only two per cent from 1936, while January clearances have been within 5 to 10 per cent of a year ago. Good retail trade is helping to hold and to boost volume in all lines.

Sentiment Barometer Weakest
Now, what does the performance of these barometers mean? While they do not definitely show that we have rounded the bottom they do indicate that business is stabilizing and that we have probably seen the worst. The barometer which has the lowest reading of all right now is "Business Sentiment." Underlying factors have a more important effect in the long-run than surface conditions such as the present name-calling contest at Washington. But an end to the current "Era of Bad Feeling" would do more to heal sentiment and to help this mid-winter upturn than any other single factor!

Medical School FOUR YEARS

The four years required Medical School study is divided approximately as follows:

1st Year—The future Doctor of Medicine must master the fundamental science of the human body: such as Embryology (development of human being); Physiology (study of all organs in health); Anatomy (study of body structure in health); Histology (microscopic study).

2nd Year—Intensified form of above studies. Beginnings of study of Pathology (effect of diseases on various organs); Diagnosis (comparison of diseased organ to healthy).

3rd Year—Under trained instructors and practicing physicians, the embryonic Doctor begins to meet patients, watching actual clinical practice, diagnosis and treatment, working from nine to twelve hours a day, six days a week for thirty-six weeks.

4th Year—Continuation of third year, constant training in rational treatment based on careful examination and diagnosis. The student is required to be responsible for twenty or more prenatal cases, and attend delivery under supervision of a specialist.

After completion of these four years, he goes through stringent examinations before being allowed to graduate. Medical Schools, Medical Associations and the laws of your State all are constantly working together to prepare your Doctor to be more competent and thorough.

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J. W. BOYD
Tax Collector for Town of Waynesville