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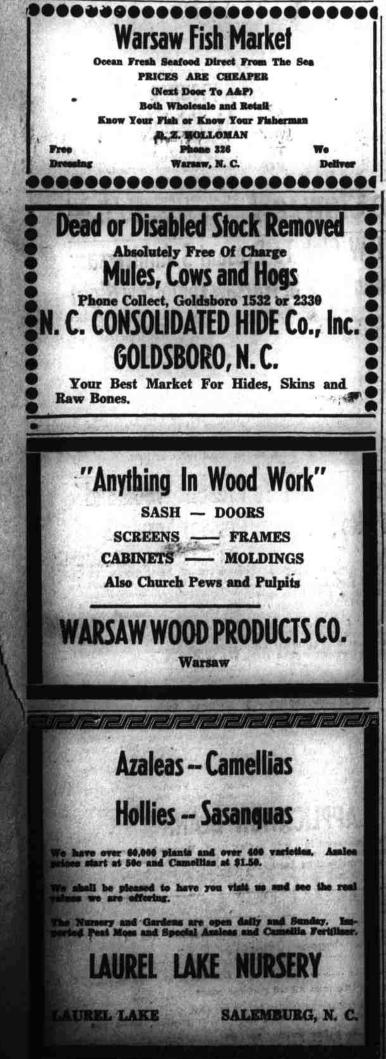


Happenings Affecting Future Of People

As everyone knows, the arms different from that of 1929 in the program is playing an increasingly case of mortgage credit. Then important role in sustaining and mortgages were written for rela-expanding the American economy, tively short periods of time and This year we will spend close to were not of the amortizing type. This year we will spend close to \$50,000,000,000 for national secur-ity purposes. The peak annual for 15 years or more, and is grad-rate may be as much as \$65,000,-000,000. So a great many people are wondering just what is going to happen when, and if, war spend-ing is sharply reduced. In other words, will we be in for another big depression? Answers to that run the gamut, from the pessimists who think the

Answers to that run the gamut, from the pessimists who think the next depression will dwarf that of the '30s, to the optimistists who argue that any really substantial break is virtually impossible. One interesting and informed discus-sion of the possibilities recently appeared in U.S. News and World Report. It took the form of an interview with A. S. McLeod, who is chief of that magazine's Econom-ic Unit, and who served for many years as an economist and consulyears as an economist and consul-field of trend forecasting. In Mr. McLeod's opinion, a crash

on the 1929 scale is "highly in our rapid population rise—a fac-probable," for the reason that "the situation after the arms program ting as much attention as it de slows and stabilizes is to bear no serves. Our population is grow-semblance to that of 1929." As he ing at a rate of 2,000,000 a year or points out, there have been no so, and new family units are being such excesses in security specula- formed at the rate of 1,000,000 a tion as there were then. In those year. That, he points out, means days securities were widely held on long margins, and some 39 per cent of all loans by Federal mem-ber banks were against securities. Today, he says, security loans total less than five per cent of all out-parable to '29. Many other serious standing loans, and most securities stude ts of trends are in general are owned outright. He also finds the situation very agreement with him.



SCRIPTURE: John 15:1-9; Romans 16 27: Philippiane 2:12-27; Colossians

DEVOTIONAL READING: Revelat

Fellowship Supreme Lesson for April 6, 1952

THE church of the twentieth century is taking a beating. We are living in one of the dark eras when the Christian church in large parts of the world is on the retreat. One - sixth of the earth's surface, that

used to be called "Christian." is now dominated by antireligious powers. There were once 8,000 missionaries in China where now

there are 200, and the number is growing fewer still. An Dr. Foreman inquiring minister in Georgia recently asked a num

ber of American church leaders whether they thought we can call the United States a "Christian" nation. Most of them said No. and most of them thought that America is at present slipping farther away from Christ.

What Did the Early Church Have That We Haven't?

NOW the question is: What did the early church have that we don't have? Why did they succeed where we have not been succeeding One quality which was strong i the early church, weak today, is fellowship. Let us first see what the New Testament idea of fellowship is net. It is not organization. It was not any one Big Man or Big Church or any pattern of organization that made the early church "click." Also,

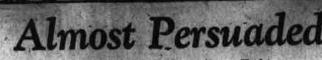
it was not simple nearness. For many persons today, "be-longing to the same church"

with another person means no more than that on occasional Sundays they find themselves sitting within a few yards of each other. They do not know each other's names, perhaps, much less take any personal interest in each other's affairs. Furthermore, the New Testament does not hold up subscription to creed as the main feature of fellowship, All mathematics teachers believe in the truth of algebra and

geometry, but that does not make a fellowship out of mathematics as a deposit. All of said deposit will be refunded to bona fide bidteachers. So you can have several hundred or several thousand people repeating the same Creed without ders upon return of plans and specifications to the Architect.

ever being a fellowship or even knowing what the word means. No Tinker-Toy Business ONE thing that fellowship did mean, when it meant something, Jesus made very plain. It is like the life of a growing vine. You cannot think of the branches without vine, nor of the vine without Carrying on the same idea, Paul (I Cor. 12) speaks of the church as the "body" of Christ, Christian fellowship is first of all an initimate growing-in to the life of Christ, sharing the same life with him.

You can make a tiker-toy man with two arms or no arms, you can pull the legs and arms out and stick them in again as you like, because the tinker-toy man is not real, it is the tinker-toy man is not real, it is <text><text><text><text><text><text> only blocks and sticks. But you cannot stick branches in and pull them out of a vine like that; much Nathan Smith, to Woodrow H, Pet-erson, Trustee, dated August 10, 1949, and recorded in Book 432, at bid bond



A Gospel Singer Waits for a Train

One Sunday in the early 1870's a lone man stepped from a train in a small Eastern towa. His name was Philip Bliss. After twenty years of impoveriahment and heart-breaking work.

His name was Philip Bliss. After twenty years of impoverialment and heart-breaking work, he had risen to the front ranks of America's gospel singers and hymn composers. Deeply religious, Bliss never missed an op-portunity to attend church. He also had very, practical reasons for his interest in sermons. It was from the pulpit that he drew ideas for most of his hymns, Dwight L. Moody had told the story of a shipwreck and Bliss had written "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning." He had heard Evangelist D. W. Whittle tell of a battle durine the Civil War and he came up with his during the Civil War and he came up with his hymn, "Hold the Fort."

hymn, "Hold the Fort." Waiting for his connecting train to Chi-cago, the composer slipped into a church. The preacher was reading from the Acts of the Aposties ...,". . Then Agrippe said to Panl, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian." During his sermon the Rev. Brundage stated, ..., "to be almost saved is to be antiruly lost," and Philip Bliss had the theme for one of his greatest hymns.

A much teacher with an income of thirteen dollars a month at 26, Philip Bliss was earning a fortune from his hymn books at 35-and

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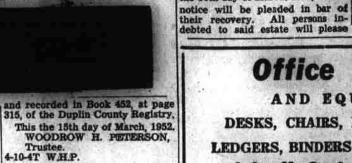
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giving the fortune to charity. On December 29, 1876, he and his wife were riding a Chicago-bound express through Ohio. Near the town of Ashtabula the train grashed through a tres-tile and burned. The composer and his wife per-ished with a hundred other passengers. He would have been 38.

"Almost persuaded," now to belleve'; "Almost persuaded," Christ to receive, Beems now some soul to say, "Go, Spirit, go Thy way, Some more convenient day, On Thes I'll call."

"Almost persuaded," come, come today; "Almost persuaded," turn not sway; Uesus invites you here, Angels are ling'ring near, Prayers rise from hearts so dear, Q ... wand'rer, come.

"Aimost persuaded," harvest is past! "Aimost persuaded, deem comes at last! "Aimost" cannot avail; "Aimost" is but to fail; Bad, and, that bitter wall, "Aimost," but lost.



The undersigned, having quali-

Sealed proposals will be receiv-d by the Board of Education of Duplin County, Kenansville, N. C. at the office of the Board, until and to waive informalities. fied as administratrix of the es-tate of Mattie Taylor Gill, deceas-

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2:00 p.m. o'clock on Tuesday April 15th, 1952, for the erection and completion of the following: Kenansville, North Carolina Kenansville, North Carolina W. D. Herring, Chairman

O. P. Johnson ,Secretary March 25, 1952 Leslie N. Boney Architect Wilmington, N. C.

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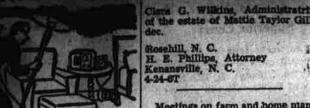
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As a bid deposit, each bidder will enclose with his bid, either a certified check for 5 per cent of bond for 5 per cent of the amount of his bid, made payable to Mr. W. D. Herring, Chairman to the Board of Education of Duplin County, Kenansville, N. C. or cash totalling 5 per cent of the amount of his bid. As provided by Gen-eral Statute 143-129 as amended by chapter 1104 of the Public Laws Having this day qualified as Ad-

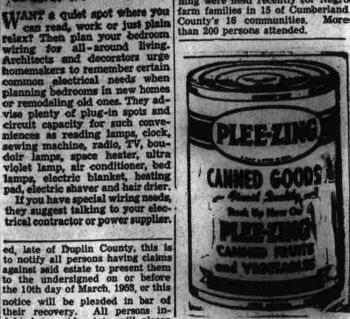
of his bit. 143-129 as amended by chapter 1104 of the Public Laws of 1951. Said bid deposit may, at the discretion of the board, be retained in event of failure of the successful bidder to execute the contract within 10 days after the award or fail to give satisfac-Wallace, N. C.

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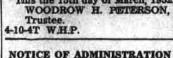
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was the trouble of all; the tempta-tion of one gave the others an op-portunity to fight for his rescue. The church, when it is the church, is the fellowahly su-preme, the united life, the life of God shared by those who love him and one another. Perhaps the best thing the Chris-tian church today could do, instead of getting more "members" who are not members, would be to re-discover and re-practice New Testadiscover and re-practice New Testa-ment fellowship. Such a church would begin to win victories again.

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