

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE
 This day qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of MARGARET BRADLEY MARTIN, deceased, late of Buncombe County, North Carolina, the following persons: N. W. BIDDIX, North Carolina, to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned, on or before the 11th day of June, 1955, for the purpose of settling said estate. All persons interested in said estate will please appear in person or by attorney at the County Court House of Buncombe County, Asheville, North Carolina, on the 11th day of June, 1955, before the undersigned at his office in the County Court House of Buncombe County, Asheville, North Carolina, and if you do not appear or demur within the time required by law, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. This the 11th day of April, A.D., 1955.

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REPORT OF CONDITION OF
Swannanoa Bank & Trust Co.
 At Swannanoa, North Carolina
 To the Commissioner of Banks
 At the close of business on April 11, 1955.

ASSETS	
Cash balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 328,453.77
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	100,000.00
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	203,886.42
Loans and discounts (including no overdrafts)	554,382.61
Real estate owned \$2,398.45, furniture and fixtures \$1.00	3,399.45
Other assets	1,006.85
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,191,129.10
LIABILITIES	
Deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$ 537,629.64
Deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations of United States Government (including postal savings)	473,402.66
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	760.50
Deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	35,000.00
Other liabilities	1,367.36
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,048,160.16
Other liabilities	8,609.06
TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated liabilities shown below)	1,056,769.22
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Common stock	\$ 50,000.00
Reserves	50,000.00
Surplus	34,359.88
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	134,359.88
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	1,191,129.10

This bank's capital consists of:
 Common stock with total par value of \$50,000.00.
 Deposits to the credit of the State of North Carolina or any political thereof \$ 25,000.00

MEMORANDA
 Deposits pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes \$ 25,000.00

W. Alexander, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly sets forth the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 ROY W. ALEXANDER, Cashier.

Attest:
 George W. Craig
 John H. Smith
 Ray R. Harrison

State of North Carolina, County of Buncombe, ss:
 Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th day of April, 1955, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.
 VIVIAN P. NICHOLS, Notary Public.
 My commission expires 7/24/55.

RIDGECREST ramblings
 Mrs. Leonard Biddix Dial 4966

Ridgecrest Baptist Church News.
 The reporter heard that the Rev. Cecil M. Perry preached a mighty good sermon at the morning service and that a large congregation was on hand to hear it.

Van Covington of Gastonia visited with the congregation of the Ridgecrest church.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Pickering and Lex and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Edmunds of Nashville, Tenn., spent Sunday at Mars Hill college, visiting Paul Caudill, Jr., and Nathan Brooks III. They attended Hill Baptist church, Paul and Nathan are counselors at Camp Ridgecrest For Boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pearson and daughter Carol of Ridsville arrived Saturday to visit Mrs. Pearson's family, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Moore, Mrs. Pearson and Carol Mr. Pearson returned to Reidsville.

Mrs. Jim Moore and her new baby have returned to their apartment at Dream's End after a visit with her parents in Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Craven of Lakeland, Fla., arrived Friday for several months at the planting of flowers and gardens also come the summer folks returning here for their home. We welcome them and are very glad to have them back.

The Rev. E. F. Hardin is assisting the Rev. P. H. Parris of the First Baptist church, Pilot Mountain, N. C., with a revival this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Jack B. Fellows have moved from Black Mountain to Ridgecrest and are residing at the J. H. Dew's cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard K. Weeks have returned from a visit to the southern states of South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida, where Mr. Weeks spoke at several different engagements.

Miller Jackson of Charleston, S. C., spent Sunday here with Mrs. Miller Jackson and daughter, Beth, and celebrated their eighth wedding anniversary.

Welcome callers at "Moorehaven," the home of Dr. and Mrs. Hight C. Moore and Mrs. Norma Moore last week were Will A. Parker, a cousin of Mrs. Moore, and his wife of Raleigh, N. C., Dr. Edward H. Pruden, the pastor of the First Baptist church, Washington, D. C., and Dr. Eugene West, the pastor of the First Baptist church, Marion.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Biddix and Jerry spent the week-end in Thomasville visiting Mrs. Biddix's family, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Black, Mr. and Mrs. Claiborne Black, and Mr. and Mrs. Seibert Lamb. En route Friday they stopped in Statesville to visit Mr. Biddix's aunt, Mrs. Amos Sharpe, who is a patient at Davis hospital. On Saturday they visited Mrs. Biddix's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ward of Ramsauer. While visiting an uncle at the Thomasville hospital Sunday the sudden storm came and as they looked out the windows and saw the wind blowing very hard, they thought that must be the safest place to be. As they returned to Ridgecrest Monday morning there were many signs of destruction done by the storm.

MISS KITCHEN HOME
 Miss Sarah Kitchen has returned from a three weeks' stay in Washington, D. C. She also visited her nieces in New York, Baltimore and Frederick, Md.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
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emphasis on freedom of all kinds and the Revolutionary War, led to the dissolving of established churches. The period from 1776 to 1833 found the states moving one by one toward "free exercise" of religion and separation of church and state.

The feeling of separation of church and state is understandable. Most of the people coming from Europe were coming to a land of freedom in which they might have an opportunity to worship God according to personal desires. These people had rebelled against dictation in religious matters. They did not find such dictation pleasing in the old countries, therefore, they came in search of greater religious liberty.

The First Amendment to the Constitution of course, restrains congress from (1) establishing religion and (2) prohibiting the free exercise thereof. The idea behind this separation of church and state was freedom of religion. Under other circumstances it might operate to give freedom to the state.

The idea was not to secularize our national life or to take religion out of political affairs. In the early years of the nation both federal and state governments had goodwill toward religion and gave it encouragement but attempted to be impartial toward the various churches.

Today we are wrestling again with the age-old problem of church and state. We are in a period of extraordinary need for national strength and also for religion. This is an unfortunate time for such an issue to arise, especially, when we should be unified. We have before us one large religious body clamoring for certain aid for private schools. Recently the nation was confronted with the proposal that the United States send a diplomatic representative to the Vatican. It is evident that all religious bodies do not hold to the American idea of separation of church and state.

As Protestants we recognize and wish for such people the same freedom of religion which we desire for ourselves. Our prayer is that in the near future they may work and pray for freedom for all protestants. It is our sincere desire that all Christians might cooperate in moving toward a Christian world. But the problem is very acute because the Roman Catholic church holds to the idea that there is but one church. All other organized religious bodies are "sects." This attitude has caused great hindrance to Protestant missionary work in Italy, Spain, France, and many countries of South America. The attempt on the part of Protestants to establish religious work within these predominant Catholic countries has caused Protestants to greatly fear any direct relationship with this large church.

We Protestants have no desire to return to a completely church-dominated society, in which the church chooses political leaders, enforces religious conformity, and performs many similar functions. The church is a voluntary fellowship, not an agency of compulsion, although it has legitimate concern with political principles.

Nor do we want the state to dominate religion so that we are not free to promote our faith without interference. We cannot tolerate the claim of the state to be a church. The state does have use force to keep order, but it goes beyond its function if it tries to enforce worship of itself.

There can be a separation—with mutual respect. At the same time, there is a genuine togetherness—with mutual support. Both church and state are finally responsible to God. The proper balance is not easy to maintain, but it will help if we keep two points in mind, freedom and responsibility to God. This goes for both church and state, each in its own way.

One of the most acute forms of the issue before us is in the field of education. Both church and state have fulfilled certain responsibilities in education. Where is the dividing line in our tradition? We have a system of public education with vital features for democracy. Then we have voluntary schools run by churches, providing special values. In our nation these private church schools are solely the responsibility of the sponsoring churches. The state gives an opportunity for education and when the various groups become dissatisfied the establishment of private church schools is up to the sponsoring church, not the state. We are aware of the need for greater religious emphasis in our entire educational system without partiality to any denomination. The question is: can it be done? Its accomplishment is our hope for the future of our nation. We cannot remain strong with the spiritual anemia of present-day education.

Our principle of church-state relationship can be maintained only through understanding and patience. In addition, it requires the strong virtue which Jehoshaphat urged in his day: "Deal courageously." This is no day for tepid faith or hesitant will to act.

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 Having this day qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of W. W. COMPTON, deceased, late of Buncombe County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned, duly verified, on or before the 11th day of June, 1955, for the purpose of settling said estate. All persons interested in said estate will please appear in person or by attorney at the County Court House of Buncombe County, Asheville, North Carolina, on the 11th day of June, 1955, before the undersigned at his office in the County Court House of Buncombe County, Asheville, North Carolina, and if you do not appear or demur within the time required by law, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. This the 12th day of April, 1955.

GENEVIEVE COMPTON
 Black Mountain, N. C.
 April 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19, 26.

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