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A Mark Of Progress

With the completion of Hertford's new municipal building this community now has another landmark which, in our opinion, is a credit to the town and is a mark of progress.

Every resident, not only of the town, but the county, should visit this building soon and inspect the modern office spaces from which is carried on the business of the municipality.

The beautiful and spacious building adds much to the business section of the town, and will provide space for more efficient management of the town's affairs.

That the building was constructed at a low cost, and without additional taxation, is to our way of thinking, a credit to the Mayor and members of the Town Board in planning and supervising the construction.

Raise For 4,725,000

Some 4,725,000 persons now receiving Old Age and Survivors' insurance checks under Social Security, will receive hikes in payments, beginning October 3, the Federal Security Agency has announced. Total monthly Social Security payments will rise from \$168,400,000 to \$190,500,000, it was said.

This increase represents 13 per cent increase to retired workers and their families and to dependent survivors of workers. Persons now getting monthly benefit payments need take no action to get the increase, since the increase is automatically provided by a new law passed in the recent session of Congress.

Republicans have charged that the Administration timed the Social Security increases to coincide with the election this year and the Democrats have retorted that the raises were provided by Congress and did not represent a political effort.

Whichever is true, the fact that 4,725,000 persons receiving Federal old age and survivors' insurance checks are getting increases on the eve of the election might have some effect. The \$22,000,000 to be added to the monthly payments is likewise certain to be felt in the business world. The economic effects, however, will not be realized in time to exert any influence on the November 4th election.

Dropping Out Of High School

It has been estimated that almost half of the young people in high school will never graduate. During these times of relatively high employment, it is shocking that nearly half of the young people in high school will give up their opportunity to get a diploma.

Why is it that many young people are merely marking time in school until they are old enough to drop out of school under the state law? Why are so many young people anxious to take the first job that comes along although it may be entirely unsuited to their abilities and personality?

The parents, school teachers, and church leaders must intensify their efforts in guiding children who fail to sense the need for a high school education. It is important that pupils are given the opportunity to take courses for which they are best suited. It should also be brought to their attention that employers generally are not going to put quitters in responsible positions.

The year or two that it takes to finish high school may seem like a lifetime to a teenager but a little self-discipline during this period will, in most cases, pay off in future happiness and earning ability. Learning self-discipline, learning to give up immediate pleasures for long range happiness, is probably a lot more important to one's future success than is the additional education that one gets by remaining in school.

We must follow, not force providence. —William Shakespeare.

Whatever prosperous hour Providence bestows upon you, receive it with a thankful hand. —Horace.

When one is wise, two are happy. —H. G. Bohn.

The more we study, the more we discover our ignorance. —Shelley.



D. P. AGENCY CLOSES

The Displaced Persons Commission recently ended operations in Washington, after having brought over 400,000 refugees to the United States. The Displaced Persons Act expired as of September 1, having been in effect for more than four years preceding that date.

Many people expressed the belief that the closing of the Displaced Persons Commission was a domestic tragedy, in that there are still many displaced persons in Europe. However, it might be well to take into consideration the fact that there have been displaced persons in Europe for many centuries and there always will be.

The last World War ended seven years ago, and although many victims of Nazi and Soviet oppression have not been cared for, many others have. It appears that several European countries will be burdened with an over-population problem for many years to come and, for this reason, some of them were not able to contribute to the European D. P. problem earlier. As long as this tendency in these European countries continues, there will be many displaced persons in Europe.

REPUBLICANS AND THE SENATE

If the Republican party and General Dwight D. Eisenhower are victorious in the November election, it will not necessarily mean control of Congress for the G.O.P. In the House, the Republicans have an equal chance—against the Democrats—to capture the majority control.

However, in the Senate the situation is different, and favors the Democrats. Of the 32 Senators whose terms normally expire, 19 are Republicans. Thus the continuance of 19 Republican Senate terms is at stake, while the continuance of only 13 Democratic Senate terms is at stake.

Of the 13 Democratic terms expiring, many are terms being served by southerners, or border-staters, which are thought to be safely Democratic. Considering the circumstances, which include the fact that the Democrats now hold a slim majority in the senate, it is highly possible that if General Eisenhower wins the election in November, he will by no means be assured of a Republican Senate.

On the contrary, the odds favor the Democrats, who have high hopes of capturing some of the 19 terms expiring now filled by Republicans. It has been only a few years since the President and a majority of the members of Congress were of different party affiliation. In 1946 a Republican majority was elected in both House and Senate and for two years President Harry Truman served as Chief Executive while Congress was in majority-control of the Republicans. THE AMERICAN LEGION AND POLITICS

The American Legion, a veterans' group, has long dabbled in national politics. The annual American Legion convention is used as a sounding board, by Legion leaders, and some members, to express their political opinions.

A majority of the country's editors have probably, in the past, censured the Legion for taking what seemed to them one-sided positions on National issues. The Legion has also, in the past, sometimes sought programs which would cost huge sums of money and which were of dubious value to the national interest. On such occasions, the Legion was acting as a huge pressure group, pushing for special privileges for veterans. There is nothing new or singular in this, since that seems to be the trend in the modern day.

However, the question is whether groups organized to promote the welfare and interest of veterans, or any other special group, should organize into political weapons dealing in all sorts of foreign and domestic issues and there is no reason to believe that they are more unified in their thinking on political issues than any other group. Thus a leadership announcement does not necessarily represent the views of a majority of the Legionnaires on election day.

Perhaps it is improbable, but the hope is that the Legion will some day confine its political activity to the expression of its aims, and to a thorough discussion of the issues, and opponents and proponents, leaving the political decisions to the individual Legionnaire.

RUSSIAN JET BOMBERS FOR FAR EAST

In a recent address to the Air Force Association, the Secretary of the Air Force, Thomas F. Finletter, pointed out that the Russians have made an important addition to their Far Eastern Air Force: a number of jet bombers.

Mr. Finletter evaluates the Russian jet light bombers as "capable of serious and damaging attacks on the United Nations front lines and United Nations logistic support." He adds, however, that these jet bombers are still in Russian hands and have not been turned over to the Chinese Communists.

"But if the pattern of the past is followed, there is no reason why they can't be transferred to the Chinese or North Korean Communist air forces, thus giving them a further and important attack capability which

could change the whole character of the air war," according to the Secretary.

It should be remembered that of the 2,100 planes in the Chinese Communist air force, practically all were built in Russia. It has been estimated that 1,800 of the planes are jets, and most of the jets are MIG's.

Mr. Finletter states that the Russian jet bombers which are likely to show up in the Chinese air force are "capable of serious and damaging attacks on the United Nations front lines and United Nations logistic support."

Few Americans realize the air advantage the United Nations have enjoyed since the beginning of the war in Korea. While Allied planes roamed far and wide behind Communist lines, bombing installations, supply lines, storage dumps and enemy armor, Communist planes have limited their role, thus far, to attacks on United Nations aircraft.

This limited role has meant that U. S. ships destined for Korean ports, as well as aircraft, have been spared from enemy attack. It also means that Allied storage depots, supply lines and all behind-the-line installations, have been spared enemy air attack.

Thus, as the war continues on this basis, the Communists continue to suffer heavily from the air, while

United Nations troops and supplies are generally untouched by Communist air power. If Mr. Finletter's interpretation of the latest Communist air maneuvering in Korea is correct, the United Nations Command might have to face a serious problem in the coming weeks.

The danger is that the Allies may have become negligent, and unaccustomed to the heavy cost enemy aerial attacks bring with them. Some experts expect the Communists to utilize their air power in a new offensive which they might launch. If these tactics are employed, the Allies will face stronger military pressure than they have ever faced before in Korea, since all former Communist attacks have lacked the air power which U. S. military experts consider essential to maximum success.

Health and Beauty

By Dr. Sophia Branson

LOOK TO THE ETERNAL VERITIES

We are living today in a difficult world. Humanity is uneasy and restless. Nothing seems safe or secure any more. Even the rich do not know how soon they may be paupers. Look at Europe. Men who were powerful and wealthy a few short years ago, are beggars, trodden down under the iron heel of unfeeling monsters.

In our own land many seem to be drifting from the old moorings of truth and honor. You actually hear people say, "I don't know what is right any more." Standards of right and wrong seem to be changing.

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Members of young people, who are marrying now, even to do so with the mental reservation that, if they don't find the sea of matrimony a smooth one, they will get a divorce and try again. When Holmes and Dad got married they had no other idea than to make sacrifices, to bear and forebear. They knew that there were no perfect mates on earth, neither were they themselves perfect. They did not shirk the responsibilities of rearing a family.

If poverty was their lot, they toiled early and late to feed their children, and bring them up decently. Now, the idea that the government should support them, has reached dangerous proportions. People want luxuries and feel that they are cheated without them. Some are getting them by dishonest means.

An automobile dealer remarked recently to the writer, "I must get out of the automobile financing business. There are too many dishonest people buying automobiles on time with no intention of paying for them. There are those who actually burn them up, in order to obtain the insurance."

But the same old foundations of right and wrong are unchangeable. They will stand forever. Justice and honor and truth are inherently right. They cannot be destroyed, because they belong to the eternal verities of God. God's standards, never change. No one need be uncertain about what is right or wrong.

Amidst the confused thinking of these topsy-turvy times in which we are living God's eternal truths stand out from His word as of old. Go to the Old Book. It is a guide that will light your way through the darkness of this world's night. Follow this lamp, it will keep you in the right path. If you stumble along without its guiding rays, pain, sorrow and death await you.

The man who walks the path that is right finds peace, the one who does not, reaps misery. Ask the physicians of insane asylums and the wardens of prisons, they will tell you that "the way of the transgressor is hard."

Way Back When
Perhaps the man who died at the reputed age of 166 can remember when houses were so far apart that cabbage for dinner was strictly a family, not community matter.

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Evans Young People Again Win Honors

The regular monthly meeting of the Evans-Perquimans sub-district Methodist Youth Fellowship met with Anderson Church on Monday night. An impressive installation of new officers for the year was conducted by the Rev. Herbert Jamieson, of Winfall.

The young people of Evans Church, led by Kermit Williams, president, won the 100 per cent attendance banner over the other nine churches. This was the fourth consecutive time Evans has won this honor, and is now entitled to keep this banner permanently.

The local counselor, Mrs. M. P. Whitchard, states that in recognition of their faithfulness the church plans to entertain their youth group at a reception to be given next week. There were 112 present at the sub-district meeting.

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