

Thrift Week Committee Suggests Household Budgeting Essential

CHICAGO — Keeping a household expense budget is as essential to the happiness of the modern American family as the national budget is to the safe operation of our government.

This belief was affirmed today by Walter W. McAllister, chairman of the Home Loan Bank Board, in commenting on the forthcoming observance of National Thrift Week sponsored by the National Thrift Committee which begins on next January 17th — 248th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin.

"There is no better time to point up the need of personal foresight and self-reliance than the birthday of that many-sided pioneer, commonly recognized as the most successful spokesman for the prudent and thrifty life in all our history," said Mr. McAllister.

"Fortunately, with the passage of every year, more American families are planning their expenditures and savings in advance."

"People are learning, too, that to estimate their future expenses is not a tricky or worrisome chore, once it is started on a plan to suit the income, size, and aspirations of the family. It can be a profitable, fascinating experience, more fun than working out a crossword puzzle. In many homes, the teenagers are brought into those weekly or monthly budgets, thus giving them some early training in the management of their dimes and dollars."

"Regular saving is a pleasure when people realize that it is just deferred spending, providing means for later fulfillment of the aims that mean satisfaction in life."

Among the secure forms of

thrift to foster, he emphasized savings accounts of all kinds, the purchase of U. S. Savings Bonds, and adequate life insurance coverage. Buying a good home on monthly payments is one way of saving — enforced but highly pleasurable for most parents, he recalled.

"Of course if thrift is good for human beings it is a healthy practice for government too," Mr. McAllister said. "Besides the individual, another beneficiary from greater development of the savings habit is the whole economy of the nation, for the stream of new funds goes into capital investment of all kinds, providing increased employment and payrolls, and the construction of new homes, roads and other facilities."

The National Thrift Committee, the sponsor of National Thrift Week, is an united effort of all types of thrift through 1) the development of individual self-reliance through savings, 2) a balanced economy at governmental and personal levels, 3) the knowledge of thrift in a free economy is basic in the future power and growth of this country, and 4) a program that will champion success in business, contentment in the home and a healthy civic interest through a well planned program of money management.

North Carolina growers produced a commercial apple crop of 873,000 bushels in 1953, some 57 per cent smaller than 1952's record crop of 2,053,000 bushels.

Average prices received by North Carolina farmers for most commodities the year ended December 15.

El-Bethel-Bethware News

(Mrs. Leonard Gamble)

EL BETHEL BETHWARE — Jan. 19 — The Women's Home Demonstration club met Friday at 2:00 p. m. at the El-Bethel club house. Mrs. Hill Lowery, president, presided over the meeting. Miss Lalina Brashears gave the demonstration and the year books were filled out. Mrs. Flora Whittle, Mrs. Hass Green and Mrs. Bryant Whisnant were joint hostesses and served fruits and nuts to the large crowd present. Mrs. Frank Herndon directed a game during the social hour.

Bethware PTA will meet Thursday night of this week at the school. Mrs. Greene and her pupils will give the program. All parents are urged to come.

The Men's Progressive club met Tuesday night at 7:00 p. m. in the school lunchroom for a regular supper meeting. Members of the Junior class served them an oyster supper.

Sunday was the third Sunday of the month, so there was no preaching service at El-Bethel but there was preaching services on Sunday night at 7:00 p. m. This schedule will continue throughout the summer. Each Wednesday night at 7:00 p. m. the choir will meet for practice.

Several families have been sick with flu. Others on the sick list but improving are Mrs. Wesley Clark, Mrs. John Mayes and Mrs. Hass Greene.

The Men's Bible class and the Golden Link class of El-Bethel church will meet Saturday night at 7:00 p. m. at the club house for a social and an oyster supper. All members are urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Eaker and Donna and Mrs. L. F. Eaker visited Mrs. Alex Costner of Lawndale.

Length Of Day Affects Grass

Research that may lead to development of pasture plants capable of maintaining a more satisfactory rate of growth throughout the year is being carried out by the USDA, according to Howard Clapp, Cleveland County agent for the State College Extension Service.

Mr. Clapp says the finding thus far throw some light on why pasture growth slows down in midsummer and then recovers, under normal conditions, in the fall.

The research is being carried out at the USDA's Beltsville, Md., test farm. Its purpose was to study the effect of light upon plant growth and showed that bromegrass recovers its growth more rapidly after cutting and produces more new shoots when the days are short. During the longer days of midsummer, recovery was not so rapid.

All the cut shoots on three strains of broomgrass showed new growth when cuttings were made during a season with 11-hour days. But cut shoots showing new growth in a 14-hour day ranges from 56 to 84 per cent, and the proportion showing new growth dropped to a range of 18 to 51 per cent when the day was prolonged to 17 hours.

Decrease in production during long days was found to be greater in broomgrass strains from the middle and southern latitudes than in northern strains.

Sunday, they also visited Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Costner of Lawndale, too.

Miss Lois Gamble entertained her friends with supper Saturday night on her seventeenth birthday. After supper, they went to a show.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. McSwain had as their weekend guests their son, Luther, Jr., of Lenoir-Rhyne and daughter, Theresa Mae.

Misses Lois and Barbara Gamble, Janelle Anthony, Mildred Putnam and Roy Herndon attended the 4-H council meeting Monday night held in the agriculture building in Shelby. After the meeting they enjoyed recreation.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gamble of Waxhaw were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith and Mrs. J. N. Smith. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Gamble and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Gamble.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Harmon and daughter of Greenville, S. C., were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kee Harmon.

Wylee Allen, who has been working in Washington, D. C., spent the weekend at home.

Mrs. Frank Goforth spent the weekend in Gastonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Gamble visited Paul Roberts of Shelby Sunday. He is a patient in the Shelby hospital. His condition is improving.

Miss Mary Lee Perry of Kings Mountain spent the weekend here with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Perry.

Rev. and Mrs. Boyce Huffstetler and son, William, were Monday night supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thadus Barber.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Champion of Oak Grove visited Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Gamble Sunday night.

Miss Helen Morris and girl friend of Gastonia spent the week end here.

Leukhardt Gets Shelby Post Nod

Candidacy of George R. Leukhardt, of Shelby, past commander of District 28, for state American Legion commander, was endorsed last week by members of the Shelby post.

Mr. Leukhardt's candidacy was projected by American Legion Post 155 of Kings Mountain at its regular December meeting. The local post voted to instruct its convention delegation to vote for Mr. Leukhardt.

His candidacy has also been endorsed by the Chambers Negro post of Shelby.

A veteran of World War I and service in Europe with the 82nd Infantry Division, Leukhardt is a charter member of Legion Posts in Lincoln, N. C., and Atlanta, Ga.

He has held many state and national positions in the American Legion, some of which are Fourth Division, N. C. Dept. membership chairman; vice president of 4th Division Go-Getters; President of N. C. Dept. Go-Getters; and three offices in the 40 and 8.

In the department he has served on the trophy and awards committee and the resolutions committee. He has also served on the National Victory committee and the National Security committee for two years.

He has served the local post as vice commander, service officer, and historian and has served on every committee that exists in the post, including regular and special assignments.

The candidate for department commander has shown particular interest and concern for veteran's rights and privileges, especially in the field of relief and rehabilitation.

He also laid the ground work and made possible the organizing of the Chambers Negro Post in Shelby, which was chartered recently.

Negro News

By Mrs. Cannie Gordon
105 Carpenter Street

Martin L. Bennix entered Friendship Junior college in Rock Hill, S. C., last week. Mr. Bennix is a son of Mrs. Bertie Bennix and Don Bennix of Kings Mountain and a graduate of Davidson high school in the class of '53.

Wadell Cassell left Friday for his home in Detroit, Mich., after spending the Christmas holidays with his father, Mr. L. M. Cassell and other relatives and friends of the Compact community.

The YWCA invites you to attend their anniversary Sunday, January 24, at 2 o'clock. Rev. Jones, pastor of Long Branch Baptist church will deliver the message. Music by the Long Branch choir. Come one and all. You are always welcome to the Mt. Olive Baptist church.

The mother of Rev. J. L. Alford, pastor of St. Paul and All-Hee Methodist churches, passed away.

Alford Service
The friends of Rev. J. L. Alford regret very much the passing of his mother, who died at her home in Dillon, S. C., Sunday night after a long illness.

Birth
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bess, a son, January 13, Kings Mountain hospital. Other patients in Kings Mountain hospital are Mrs. P. J. Brown, Miss Lovelita Gardner and Noah Blacklock.

Club Meets
The Home Demonstration club met at the home of Miss Odessa Shields. The meeting was opened by the president. After the business session, the home agent, Miss McVae, gave a demonstration on the plan of family dinners. The hostesses, Mrs. Johnsell Pressly and Miss Shields, served a delicious course. The meeting was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Alberta Thoms, reporter.

The WSCS of St. Paul Methodist church met Sunday evening at 4 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Eunice Hickman.

Mrs. Cannie Gordon led the worship service. The topic was "Sowing Seeds of Kindness."

The program was presented by Mrs. Lottie Means, Mrs. Janie Young, Mrs. Daisy L. Smith and Mrs. Pearl Gaudelock also helped with the program. Comments were made by Rev. Alford. Business was discussed.

Mrs. Eugenia Brown presided. Others present included Mrs. Minnie Quinn, Mrs. Marrie Quinn, and Mrs. Effie Means. At the close of the meeting the hostess served a delicious course.

Programs
There will be a program at TRUSTEE'S SALE OF LAND.

Under and by virtue of the authority conferred by that certain deed of trust executed by Oliver Falls and wife, to Eugene R. Roberts, recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Cleveland County, North Carolina, in Book 410 at page 77, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured thereby, the undersigned Trustee will, at the request of the legal owner and holder of said indebtedness, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the County Courthouse in the City of Shelby, North Carolina, at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the 15th day of February, 1954, all that certain piece, parcel and lot of land situated in the town of Kings Mountain and being lots Nos. 59, 60, 61, and 62 according to a blue print of same which is recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Cleveland County in plat book No. 3 at page 3, and being the same lots conveyed by the Town of Kings Mountain to C. F. Thomasson by deed dated 26th of September, 1940 as will appear on record in the Register of Deeds Office for Cleveland County in Book 5-A at page 1. Being the same land conveyed by Ruth C. Thomasson, widow and George B. Thomasson by deed dated 11th of March, 1949 as will appear on record to C. F. Thomasson, Jr.

The above lots are being sold subject to a prior Deed of Trust, and the sale will be left open ten days for a raised bid.

This 15th day of January, 1954.
E. A. Harrill
Trustee

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EXECUTRIX NOTICE

Having qualified as executrix of the estate of Grady W. King, deceased, before the Clerk of Superior Court for Cleveland County, all persons having claims against the estate are notified to file same with the undersigned on or before the 21st day of January 1955 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 20th day of January 1954.

MRS. ESTELLE W. KING
Executrix

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NOTICE

I, Melton Kiser, the undersigned, hereby give notice that I have purchased the half-interest of William R. Butler in the business known as Silver Villa, located at East King street, Kings Mountain, North Carolina, effective January 1, 1954. The business will continue to operate under the same firm name, Silver Villa, under the sole ownership of the undersigned.

MELTON KISER
DBA Silver Villa

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Compact high school Sunday, Jan. 24, 1954 at 2 o'clock p. m. featuring Mr. T. E. Sanders and his Saulette Singers of Hickory, N. C. Admission 50c. L. L. Adams, principal is sponsor.

There will be a program at the Dixie Theater Sunday night at 7:30 p. m. featuring the Swanee

quintet of Agusta, Georgia and the Silver Trumpets of Shelby, and your own Kings of Harmony. Admission is 75 cents in advance and tickets at the door, \$1.00.

There will be a singing program at Vestibule A.M.E. Zion church Sunday, Jan. 24, 1954 at 6

o'clock p. m. featuring the Famous Friendly Five and The Mountaineers of Kings Mountain. This program is sponsored by Mrs. Olive Jackson. Everyone come out and enjoy yourself.

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