

Whence Cometh Sources Of Business Strength?

No doubt about it, this fellow Hagai is a dynamic, even magnetic speaker. He attracts and holds the rapt attention of his audience, and he lazes his talks with enough humor to keep everybody in a relaxed mood. He probably could announce the roast beef is tainted and have his listeners applaud him.

Mr. Hagai's address before the Mooresville Merchants Association Tuesday night was, first and foremost, entertainment. That's what banquet speakers are, primarily, entertainers. There are sober messages sprinkled throughout the polished delivery, of course, but after-dinner speakers were created to aid digestion, not to hinder it. So, with the good ones such as Mr. Hagai, we get wit, warnings and well-wishes all presented in the same pleasant sugar coating of sparkling personality. This is in no way a condemnation of this sort of thing; on the contrary, fun and relaxation are vital elements of a well-rounded business community.

What we want to say here is that our thoughts concerning the welfare of our business community shouldn't begin and end with a hired speaker's canned comments and literal generalities.

Why are we able to gather each year for a Merchants Association banquet? Do we take economic oneness and upwardness as the natural course of events? Each September, as our business leaders review the year's work and plan for the year ahead, what elements must be considered? What changes must be accepted as important to a new business year?

As we enjoyed the gathering Tuesday night, an article prepared by The American Economic Foundation kept turning over in our mind. Called "10 Pillars," the account amounted to a treatise on our way of life. The point of it is that no segment of the economy can be stronger than the economy as a whole. Our society is interdependent. Business can be no stronger than its customers, whose buying power is determined by the strength of business, industry, agriculture and so on that provide their payrolls.

Here are the "10 Pillars":
Nothing in our material world can come from nowhere or go nowhere, nor can it be free: everything in our economic life has a source, a destination, and a cost that must be paid.

Government is never a source or goods. Everything produced is produced by the people, and everything that government

In Germany, Youth Plots A New Course

(From The Evening Tribune, Welland, Ontario)

At a time when Toronto apologists for rowdy and vicious behaviour by youth groups seek to explain the behaviour by repeating the claim of the wayward that they set that way "because there is nothing else to do," leading sociologists and pedagogues in West Germany have reached the conclusion that the youth of West Germany have undergone a remarkable change.

Not too long ago, young people in West Germany, in conformity with certain counter-parts in a number of countries, considered it "modern" and "chic" to be conspicuously different than their elders. Yesterday's rowdies, who for unknown reasons created much trouble and noise, have now become "civilized" people. Newspaper reports on youth rioting are now seldom seen. On the contrary, West Germany's youth endeavors to be especially polite. Sociologists feel that the increased attendance of private etiquette courses by the younger generation is proof of this.

Reason for this surprising change, youth experts believe, is that young people now know that they should not judge their elders by their years but by their accomplishments. Furthermore, the pay check puts

the young person on an equal basis with the elder generation. The regained self-reliance of Germany's youth has made them aware of the fact that good manners lead to the positions their elders now hold and which will someday be their own responsibility.

The development is somewhat remote from the North American scene, but it's to be hoped the seeds can drift across this continent and find fertile ground.

Christian Ethics

More than two centuries before the Declaration of Independence, John Calvin was preparing Christianity for the forthcoming Industrial Revolution. Out of his teachings, which spread to much of the world of his time, came what is known as the Christian Ethic.

Its principles can be simply summarized: Men with capital must put it to productive use. Men with inventive ability must invent. Men with managerial ability must manage their talent. Employers must pay an honest day's wage. Employees must do an honest day's work. Employers and employees must cooperate in producing products of honest value and honest prices.

A further requirement of the Christian Ethic is that government encourage and help, but not unduly interfere with, the economic life of the people.

The passage of centuries has in no way dimmed the validity of these principles. And most of us, surely, will agree that the need for their application is as changeless as the seasons. Yet how many of us honestly and resolutely follow them? How many of the bitter problems and controversies of the present are the result of their violation? How many of our laws, policies and practices—on the part of both government and nongovernmental entities—do straight against their grain?

This whole weary world needs a reaffirmation of the Christian Ethic.

Parson Jones' Pulpit

DEAR MR. PUBLISHER:

I wish you could be fishing with me the other day. The moon was right. I caught 3 stumps, 4 bushes, 1 ole shoe and 12 fish 4 inches long. (I also caught a mess a little blue but I throwed them back.) The madam ground the fish up and made soup out of 'em. I gave the shoe to Spot cause it didn't fit.

It was a good trip, Mr. Publisher, cause I also done a lotta meditating. (That's one thing about us preachers—we always keep busy doing something. When we're not thinking, we're talking, and when we're not talking we're meditating.)

What I meditated about was how much fishing and preaching is alike. I'll explain it to you. Before a fella can do much fishing he's gotta have a pole and fishing rig—hook, cork and such like. It shore would look funny with a body setting on the river bank, empty handed, trying to catch a fish. Let's face it, Sir, some preachers don't seem to have much "fishing" equipment.

You take ole Luke's brother, for example. He went to the Seminary cause he saw the letters "P. C." up in the sky. He thought it meant to "Preach Christ." After a year in school the professors convinced him that the P. C. meant "pious corn."

I hate to admit it to a layman, Mr. Publisher, but I'm afraid there's some preachers a trying to fish from a pulpit when they oughta be plowing corn behind a mule.

Another thing a fella's gotta have to be a successful fisherman like myself is bait. I usually take worms and shrimp cause all fish won't bite the same kind of bait. You take them little fish, for instance. They can't swallow bait if its too big. Course if your bait's too small the big fish won't bite it.

When a preacher's "fishing" from the pulpit he's got to use all sorts a bait. Words and stories that will catch one listener, will float right past another without a nibble. A preacher oughta cut his bait (words) about medium size every-body can swallow it. Hifalootin' bait don't amount to a hill-a-beans if it don't catch nothing.

Something else I noticed was that once you hook a fish, you gotta be careful how you pull him in. If you try to force him he's liable to break the line, but if you don't keep the line fairly tight the fish will jump off. Either way you miss him!

If a preacher bears down too hard on a big sinner fish, he'll jerk loose. You gotta give him a little freedom and let him work his self in.

Well sir, I've gotta be going for now. Me and the madam has been invited over to Ellie Nicklesinger's for supper. We're having big hush bass.

Drop by to see me this week if you can. I've got corn going to waste. I shore have plowed a sight a corn this year. So long.

Yours Truly,

Parson Jones

OUR COMMUNITY



1914

49 YEARS AGO

IN OTHER YEARS

The United States Census Department at Washington has just issued a bulletin dealing with the ownership of frehold county homes. The important facts contained in the bulletin relating to this county are as follows:

There are 6,833 homes in Fredell County.
Farm Homes — Of this number 3,921 are farm homes. 1,862 of the farm homes are owned by their occupants and are free of mortgage incumbrance. The mortgaged farm homes number 471. Renters occupy 1,560 farm homes in this county.

Urban Homes — Out of a total of 6,833 homes in the county 2,912 are urban homes. There are 1,281 urban home owners in the county. Of this number 247 are mortgaged, 967 of the urban owned homes are free of incumbrance. There are 1,540 rented urban homes in the county.

The census enumerators were unable to secure data pertaining to the ownership of a small percentage of both the rural and urban homes in this county.

Miss Mary Johnston returned to Queens College Monday night after spending the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Johnston.

Mrs. P. S. Boyd left yesterday for Snow Hill, where she will visit for ten days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Dall.

Miss Winona Hethcox spent Tuesday at Troutman, where she attended the birthday celebration of her grandfather, Mr. George Washington Hethcox, who was 90 years of age.

Dr. A. E. Bell left the first of the week for the Post Graduate Hospital, New York City, where he will take a special course in clinics. He will return about the first of December.

H. N. Johnston & Co. this week placed an order for machinery with which to enlarge their ice plant. They will be enabled to make fifteen tons a day next year against five tons with the old plant. The new plant will be so arranged that the capacity may be doubled with very little additional trouble and expense.

The big new cotton warehouse of the Mooresville Cotton Mills is nearing completion.

All those who did not attend the barbecue and rally here today are at the Charlotte fair.

Mr. Charles Stevens has purchased a lot on Eastern Heights and will build a residence over there next Spring.

Miss Clara Young, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Young, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Statesville hospital Tuesday.

A large force of hands has been at work all the week, so far, placing a gravel platform long the track and in front of the passenger station of the Southern Railway. The improvement is quite noticeable.

Mr. J. C. Bradford has purchased the house and lot occupied by Mr. J. A. B. Goodman from Mrs. M. S. Oment.

Mrs. J. F. Fairchild was taken to Statesville last Tuesday to enter the hospital, where she will undergo an operation.

Mr. W. M. Neel last week moved from his old home on Main street to the S. A. Lawrence house on Center avenue.

Mrs. A. L. Starr was conveyed to the hospital at Statesville Tuesday where she underwent an operation on Wednesday.

Among those who went down to Charlotte Tuesday night to witness the presentation of "Peg O' My Heart" were Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mills, Miss Blanch Murdock, Messrs. William Johnston and Pink Mills, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Johnston, Misses Anna Walker, Mary Stuart and Martha McNeely. Miss McNeely remained in Charlotte, where she is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. J. F. Jamison.

Center avenue is being treated to the top coating and will be in excellent shape within a few days, provided the weather permits the force to continue without interruption.

From the great quantities brought through in wagons from the mountains, the chestnut root is a large one.

The plumbers are all busy connecting business houses and residences in all sections of town with the sewer mains.

Off To An Early Start

Fans Enjoy Enthusiasm Of Midgets



"The old college try" is passe for Mooresville football fans who have seen the spirit and determination of players on the four teams in the local Midget League. Youngsters 11 through 13 years of age provide the thrills. These scenes are typical of the fast-paced action in the Midget League organized this year. All eyes are on the coaches as mistakes are pinpointed and assignments made during half time. In the inset, a youthful ball carrier looks in vain for escape from what all ball carriers dread—a charging herd of the enemy.

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Midget Gridders' Hustle Thrills Fans

Not since Grant took Richmond have people of the Mooresville area been as shook up as they were at the two Midget League games played Saturday night.

Despite the rainy weather, fans were clustered all around the side lines and the small bleachers were filled to capacity. Their hair was wet from the dew and their lungs were raw from cheering their favorite youngsters to greater heights.

In the two games, Chemsun-Templon defeated John V. Barger 13-2 and in the closing contest the thrills reached both ends of the field as the Iron Works and Draymore battled to a 21-21 tie.

All teams of the league have been playing spirited ball and from their performances the coaches are to be commended for the fine job they have done in getting the teams ready for their games in just two weeks of practice.

The first week's games had Chemsun-Templon whipping Draymore 6-0 and Iron Works stopping John V. Barger 29-0. Only one team of the four-team circuit is unbeaten and untied. Templon has two straight wins while the Iron Works has only the tie with Draymore to blemish its record.

Clayton Dyon, president of the league, reports that interest in the league has grown by leaps and bounds. He, too, is to be commended for doing a fine job, not only in forming the league, but in getting the field marked off to play.

To promote a program of this size it has taken not only the help of Dyon and the coaches but a lot of other interested persons. To continue this same operation it will take the help of everyone. Whenever a helping hand is needed you be ready to do your part. Watching the boys play will be ample reward for your efforts.

The schedule for the remaining play of the season is:

Saturday, Sept. 21

7:00 P.M.—Draymore — J. Barger

8:15 P.M.—Templon — Iron Works

Saturday, Sept. 28

4:00 P.M.—Draymore — Iron Works

5:15 P.M.—Templon — J. Barger

Saturday, Oct. 5

7:00 P.M.—Iron Works — J. Barger

8:15 P.M.—Draymore — Templon

Saturday, Oct. 12

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5:15 P.M.—J. Barger — Draymore

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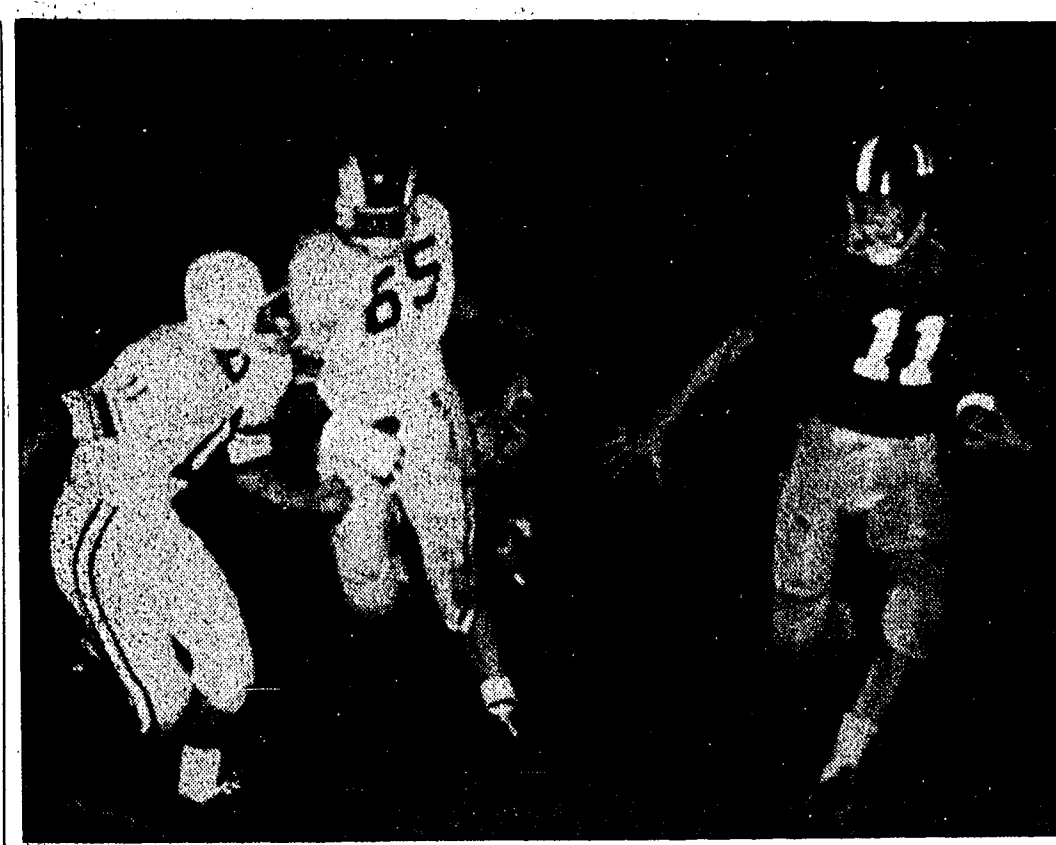
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THE START OF THE FINISH — West Rowan tailback Perry Bradshaw found the rough against the Blue Devils defense last week. Here Bradshaw is just before being brought down by halfback Chick Pless (11) and guard Bobby Pope (65). Mooresville won the conference opener 25-7.

Davie County's Rebels Invade Blue Territory For Friday Night Match

The battle of the haves and have-nots is slated to take place tomorrow night (Friday) on the Blue Devil home field. The favored Blue Devils (2 wins) will be out to protect their record against the Mooreville boys who have been beaten soundly in their first two outings.

Presently, the local griders have scored a 6-0 decision over Statesville in their opener, and last week they stopped West Rowan 25-7. They will put an unbeaten record against the Mooreville boys who have been beaten soundly in their first two outings.

East Forsyth stopped Davie 32-6 in their opening game and last week highly-rated Thomasville took the Rebels by a 26-6 margin. They hope to put a stop to the losing when they motor to Mooresville Friday night.

Record-wise, the Mooreville team will definitely be the favorite in the contest. Coach Roy Boyles shrugs off the favored role, pointing to the anemic showing of the team in its outing last week against West Rowan.

Boyles was referring to the way the Falcons opened holes in the Mooreville line which in the Statesville game performed so notably and then appeared to slack up this past Friday night.

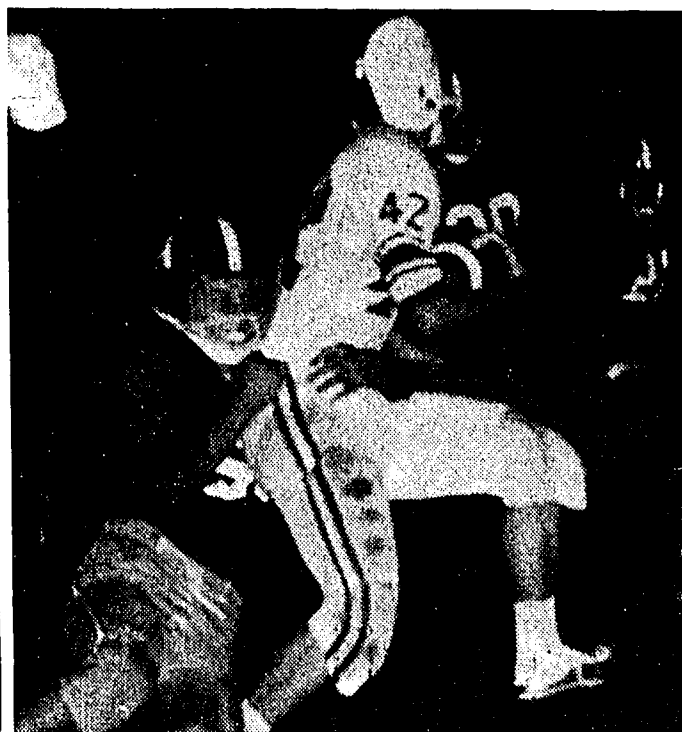
Going for the Blue Devils will be the last for revenge suffered at Death Valley last year when Davie upset the locals 14-7 in a game which surprised every Blue Devil follower. Disregarding their record, the Davie school will field practically the same line as last year. One which is big and fast. With the talented line, the Rebels have a fine backfield which is yet to reach its full potential. This is a good team and that is just what is to explode against an opponent.

Hoping to cut the fuse, Coach Boyles will, in all probability, have his boys fired-up to avenge the loss to the Rebels last year. During the past week of practice the locals have been putting forth great effort in an attempt to strengthen the defense and to polish up their offensive attack.

Quarterback Tommy Deal is beginning to hit the target on his passes. The running attack, with Mike Robinson, David Oliphant and Mike Chester in the backfield, accounted for sizeable gains last week and is expected to be ready to explode against an opponent.

Up front, the locals will count on Roy Thompson and Larry Dyon at ends, Ray Brannon and Gary Karriker at tackles, Billy Watson and Bobby Pope at guards and Dewitt Hinson at the center spot.

The locals came through the West Rowan match with only the regular game scratches and these are expected to be mended by game time.



COME HERE, LITTLE MAN — Let me loose, shouts Devil halfback Mike Robinson as he ran down field after taking a pass from quarterback Tommy Deal. Mike started the locals off in scoring by running across the first Mooresville touchdown in the 25-7 win over West Rowan. Snatching at Robinson is West Rowan fullback Mickey Jackson.

Chester, Robinson, Deal Pace Devils Over West Rowan 25-7

Mooresville's power-driving line smashes led by fullback Mike Chester and the touchdown-making of halfback Mike Robinson and quarterback Tommy Deal enabled the Blue Devil gridders to score a 25-7 decision over West Rowan last Friday night.

Split end Tim Roach also got in the scoring act, taking a 41-yard pass from Deal in the closing seconds of the game for the Devils' final score. West, although scoring only one time, and by the virtue of the Mooreville kicking team, playing house with the highly-rated Mooreville defensive unit.

Time and time again the Falcons made gaping holes in the Devils' line, enabling tailback Perry Bradshaw and fullback Perry VonCanan to scamper for considerable yardage. West had its biggest effort following the second half kickoff, taking possession on its 15-yard line and moving to the locals 24-yard marker where a pass interception by Robinson halted the drive.

Penalties played a major factor in the scoring as each team drew three 15-yard penalties for personal fouls and one Mooreville player was ejected from the game by the flag-throwing officials.

Mooresville's first score came in the closing minutes of the first period. The score climaxed a 58-yard drive which saw Robinson kicking and the final 11-yards for the six-pointer. Deal, Chester and Oliphant and Robinson alternated carrying the ball to the point where Robinson outdistanced the West tackles for the score and a 6-0 advantage. Gary Karriker's kick was off to the right on the PAT.

Midway the second period, the locals let loose, again. The defense composed of Billy Watson, Gary Karriker, Bobby Pope, Ray Brannon, Larry Dyon and Roy Thompson held the Falcon runners in

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