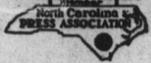


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THIS WEEK'S BIBLE THOUGHT:
THE SUPPORT OF FAITH: And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?
—Matthew 14:31.

Need For Action

If the picture is as dark as was painted at the meeting of Town Council on Tuesday night relative to the sale of cheap unfortified wine and the resultant drunkenness, rowdiness and disregard of law and order and the rights of other citizens, then to break up the nuisance and menace, Town Council should go further than merely regulate hours so that this beverage cannot be sold over the week-end.

The operators of businesses where beer and wine are sold have a responsibility and The Herald has no patience with the effort at Tuesday night's meeting to pass the buck to colored ministers in town or the police either. An operator of any business, be he white or colored, can and should have a great deal to do with operating a decent business and one which is not a disgrace to any community and reason for wholesale complaints and criticism by those living in the neighborhood. Disregard for law and the rights of others who are indulged in only so far as proprietors of cafes or filling stations will allow. It can be regulated if there is any desire to do so within the places of business and outside the building, the police can be called to break up any disorder.

It has been reported that at some of these cafes, and even at a filling station on North Broad Street, boys and girls in their teens can purchase wine, and that so unruly are the crowds hanging around at times that it is unsafe for a woman or children to pass. Rowdiness, indecent language and a continuous fuss, it is said, prevails about some of these places and those living in the neighborhood are deprived of their rest and other rightful privileges.

So acute has the nuisance become, if what is heard is true, that the belief has been advanced that unless it is curbed nothing short of murder will materialize. In fact, numerous fights and cutting scrapes have already occurred.

Every citizen in Edenton has a right to live in his home unmolested and travel the streets and sidewalks without fear of harm or insult. But according to the story as told to Town Council such is far from the case in some sections, especially from Friday night through Sunday night.

There is a legal phase to be considered in prohibiting sale of this beverage between certain hours, but it seems to The Herald, that if conditions are as bad as reported, there should be little trouble in declaring some of the places public nuisances and revoke licenses to sell the beverage. If one or two places were deprived of their licenses, it would not be long before all other places would see to it that their business is conducted on a higher plane in order to eliminate complaint and criticism.

There is another remedy, too, for if the places are as obnoxious as reported, those who are affected have the privilege, and it is their duty, to report to the next grand jury and if conditions warrant, the place can, and no doubt, will be padlocked, thus depriving the owners of doing any business whatever.

Police claim that of arrests made for drunkenness, nine out of ten say they became intoxicated by drinking unfortified wine. Police also say they frequently patrol the places in question, but upon their arrival orderliness prevails, but are told that it lasts only until they are out of sight.

If rowdiness, indecent language and fighting continues and likely murder is in the offing, it's time for some drastic action on the part of Town Council, and this action will no doubt depend upon the way the operators of the places in question conduct their business. If any business is conducive to robbing any law-abiding citizen of his or her rights and privileges, then such business should have no place in the community, be it operated by a white man or a colored man.

The matter has bestirred no little members of Town Council and a special meeting will be held very shortly to take some drastic action to either correct conditions or, if necessary, revoke licenses or take other steps to curb a condition which is now a disgrace and a menace to the community.

The Man Has Something

While in Edenton early this week, Hyman Weinstein, an Ohioan who is now located at Bowers Hill, Va., where he has gained a nation-wide reputation as a norticulturalist, advanced an idea which, it seems to The Herald, is extremely timely at this time when Uncle Sam is calling for the dollars from everyone to prosecute the present war.

Mr. Weinstein said that at the present there are about three hundred million dollars of unclaimed deposits now on hand in the national banks of this country, the owners or heirs being unknown.

Because of the great need of money by the government, it is Mr. Weinstein's idea to have this huge amount of money turned into war bonds for use in the war effort, and following the war redeem the government bonds to make government guaranteed loans at about 3 per cent to worthy youths who desire to further their education, and especially those who served their country in the armed forces.

The cost to the government would be small, paying only one per cent of the three per cent rate. Since it would be expected that only about 10 per cent of the available \$300,000,000 would be used each year, the government's contribution would be negligible, he pointed out.

By the plan the national banks would get a minimum

HEARD and SEEN

By "BUFF"

Paul Olsson was an early riser Monday morning for it was moving day for him and he crawled out of bed at 4 a. m. For seven years he has made his home in the Citizens Bank Building, but he is now located in Mrs. A. T. Bush's building next to the telephone office, which was the home of The Herald until July, 1940. Friend Paul was sweating up a storm about 8 o'clock and because the bank building is steam-heated, a friend reminded him that he would have to have a stove in his new quarters. Of course, the friend was looking several months ahead, but Paul's reply was: "Not by a darned sight do I need a stove in that place today."

A group of Rotarians had a breakfast Tuesday morning which turned out to be practically a banquet, for though the usual bacon and eggs faced the group, a large platter of fried chicken was placed on the other end of the table, which meant that the bacon and eggs had little show. The place of the meeting is a "military" secret, but Izzy Campen says he "caught" some chickens—"over the phone", which is a bit more simple than going out on a dark night to catch some frogs to serve to the hungry Tuesday morning breakfast clubbers.

And talking about "military secrets," five of the group of white boys who left for Fort Bragg Wednesday of last week were rejected for army duty. One of the number was Bob Phillips, a former member of the old Ambulance Company here. Before he left, I told Bob he had a decided advantage in the Army in that he wouldn't be seen if marching behind a soldier of average size. Upon his return, some of his friends asked why he was turned down, to which Bob replied: "That's a military secret."

Here's one who got away from the heat last Sunday. Packing a regular picnic dinner, my family, together with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes, beat it down toward Joe Webb's home. We fooled him, though, for driving up to his home about midday, he might have thought he was getting company for dinner. Instead, we de-toured down to the creek, boarded a boat and headed down the river to a shady spot, where a breeze kept us nice and cool all afternoon. It could not have been better at any highfalutin' resort anywhere. A nice place was found to spread the eats and justice was done to that phase of the affair. But on Monday morning I was decorated with a lot of "red badges," and not for bravery. I have no criticism for the Diet and His works, but consarn if I can figure out why in the dickens the Good Lord ever put those pesky red bugs in the woods.

News from the General Hospital in Norfolk, Va., is to the effect that T. B. Williford, who went there several weeks ago in a very serious condition, is gradually recovering. The fact that he relayed certain instructions back to Edenton is proof that he is coming along all right. T. B. sent word to Bill Goodwin to be sure and feed his minnows, which he has in stock for fishing bait. But even if he is making satisfactory progress, to be confined in a hospital when fishing is going on is an ordeal of itself.

Things began to appear normal down around the fire station Tuesday, when Captain Dick Hall again put in his appearance. He has been confined both in a hospital and in his home for several months, and it was the first time he was able to hang around his favorite spot since he became ill. He was no happier, however, than the friends he met were to see him hobbling about again.

And speaking about the meeting of Town Council, there were plenty of visitors on hand. Most of these were due to the complaints regarding the sale of wine over the week-end, but then Gus Moore and Jim Cates were on deck to once more try to get some improvements in the cotton mill village. It was a case of all things come to him who waits, for they were finally assured that the Town will go 50-50 on putting cement sidewalks on streets in the village. Then Mike and Fletcher Harris, all diked out in their Boy Scout outfits were on hand, just to get an idea of running the Town's business in connection with their Scouting activities. Former Mayor Eddie Spires was also a visitor and here's betting a stogie he didn't envy Mayor Jack McMullan's seat at the head of the table. Over two hours were consumed in discussing the wine nuisance and when the matter was finally disposed of, Mr. Moore was given the floor. In his opening remarks Mr. Moore said, "I don't want to discuss how drunk folks get, but I do want to get their feet out of the mud."

One colored woman at the meeting brushed up front during the wine discussion and said, "I understand a person can be arrested for being drunk and swearing on the street." Mayor McMullan informed her that there is a law to such effect, but that a warrant would have to be sworn out. "If you want anybody arrested for violating the ordinance," he said, "call the police and they will bring them in." She hesitated and then replied, "Lawdy, You'll have to send a truck to haul 'em all in."

Maybe it was because Town Councilmen were paid off Tuesday night that they had to have a long meeting. Each one received six months' pay—whoopee, an even dozen dollars. Business ought to pick up in town now. In fact, the way some members of the Board feel, the salary (doesn't that sound big,) should be more than a measly \$24 a year or else nothing at all. Anyway, the boys took the check in payment for the time served on the Board and the cussing and criticism taken for six months.

A much needed rain arrived Wednesday afternoon. It was very welcome to those who have crops or gardens badly needing moisture, but on the other hand it knocked in the head a number of fishing trips by some who were observing the Wednesday half holiday. You see, even the Lord Himself cannot satisfy everybody

fee for their services and thousands of youths would benefit from the loans, while during the war period, the government would receive a substantial boost to defense in war bond purchases.

Off hand, The Herald would say Mr. Weinstein has something.

JUST HUMANS

By ODE CARB



"Aintcha Goin' T'school?"
"Naw. I Washed Me Face an' Teacher Thought I Looked Pale an' Sent Me Home"

Wood Will Take Place Of Coal And Oil As Fuel

In view of the present transportation shortage, the Government is suggesting that farmers and people in small towns use wood as fuel instead of coal and oil, where feasible. R. W. Graeber, Extension forester of N. C. State College, says that the use of wood fuel has great possibilities in North Carolina for the heating of homes, curing tobacco, heating schools and in smaller industries where equipment can be readily changed from coal-burning to wood-burning.

The forester said a ton of dry wood is equal in heat units to about a half ton of soft coal. Different kinds of wood vary in weight from about 1 1/2 to more than 2 tons per cord.

"The maximum heating results are secured from well-seasoned or thoroughly air-dried wood," Graeber said. "Such wood will then contain about 15 to 20 percent moisture by total weight. Fuel wood requires from six months to a year to season properly. If it is intended for next winter's consumption, the wood should be cut not later than this summer."

The Extension worker said that farmers, in providing themselves with fuel for their winter use, can place their woodlands in good growing condition at the same time. "Utilize the poorer species," he suggested; "the dead, crooked, defective and heavy limbed trees not suitable for commercial use. This thinning-out process will give the good trees a better chance to grow into saw-timber side."

Farmers who have stacks of wood alongside the road should find a ready market for surplus fuel, "and this is one time that surpluses will mean extra profit for the farmer," Graeber declared.

Sacred Heart Feast At Catholic Church Sunday

On June 14 will be observed the Sunday Within the Octave of the Festival of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus at St. Ann's Catholic Church, announced Rev. F. J. McCourt, pastor, who will preach on "The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus" during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass that will start at 10:30 a. m.

Everybody is invited to these and all other services that begin every 1st and 2nd Sunday of the month at 10:30 a. m., and every 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday of the month at 8 a. m. Confessions are heard for half hour before each service.

SUMMER SCHOOL HOSTESS

Miss Lena Jones, popular member of the Edenton school faculty, will leave today (Thursday) for Asheville, where she will remain several months as summer school hostess at Asheville College.

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COUNTY COUNCIL MEETS

The Chowan Council of Farm Women met Saturday afternoon at the Community House at Cross Roads. The meeting was opened by singing "America," after which the Lord's Prayer was repeated.

Mrs. Z. W. Evans, president of the Chowan Club, extended an invitation to all clubs to feel free to use the Community House and especially to use the new library.

The roll was called and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The nutrition class which will be taught by Miss Colwell in Edenton was explained.

The club members decided to have canteen courses at Cross Roads, Rocky Hock and Gliden in the near future. These courses will be taught by Miss Colwell in order that club members and others interested may receive training to prepare for an emergency in the county.

A motion was made by Mrs. S. E. Morris and seconded by Mrs. W. A. Harrell, not to have the County-wide picnic this year.

The report of the nominating committee was read and the nominees were voted on. The newly elected officers are as follows: President, Mrs. R. H. Hollowell; vice president, Mrs. Percy Smith; secretary and treasurer, Miss Inez Perry; song leader, Mrs. Joe Byrum, and pianist, Mrs. W. H. Saunders.

Mrs. A. D. Ward, president of War's Club, made an interesting talk on Parliamentary Law. Chowan Club was hostess and served delicious refreshments.

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Husband (testifying in court)—Garrulous? Why, I have to go to football matches every Saturday to get a quiet afternoon.

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Branch Library Now Open At Mackeys

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A branch of the Washington County library now under the supervision of the State Library Commission is now ready to serve the public of the Mackeys community. The library is located in the store room of the Mackeys Methodist Church and will be open on Wednesday afternoons from five to six o'clock, and on Saturday afternoons at the same hour. There are a number of good books for the juveniles and more are expected soon. For adult readers there are books of light fiction as well as some of the best non-fiction.

Rev. John T. Byrum Weds Helen Brett

The marriage of Miss Helen Mangum Brett, of Murfreesboro, daughter of the late Edgar Brett and the late Mary Darden Brett, of Murfreesboro, to the Rev. John Thomas Byrum, of Tyner, took place Sunday afternoon, May 24, at 3 o'clock, at the home of the bride. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Paul Nickens, pastor of the Murfreesboro Baptist Church, before an improvised altar of mixed spring flowers with greenery and lighted cathedral candles. The wedding music was played by Miss Rosalie Liverman, of Murfreesboro, and before the ceremony Mrs. Roger Watson, of Norfolk, Va., sang "Until" and "Because."

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Colgate W. Darden, of Franklin, Va. She was attired in a navy sheer crepe, with navy and white accessories and a corsage of Talisman roses and lilies of the valley. Miss Margaret Brett, of Murfreesboro, was her sister's maid of honor. She wore a dress of light blue sheer crepe and a shoulderette of vari-colored sweet peas.

Little Miss Frances Clark Welch, of Ahoskie, was ring bearer. She wore a dress of pink net and carried the ring in the heart of a lily. Mrs. George Neblet, of Murfreesboro, was mistress of ceremonies and was gowned in a victory blue crepe and her corsage was of sweet peas.

Mr. and Mrs. Byrum are at home at Tyner.

The bride is a cousin of Colgate W. Darden, Jr., Governor of Virginia, and received her education at Chowan College, Murfreesboro.

Mr. Byrum is pastor of Ballards Bridge Baptist Church, near Tyner.

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