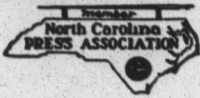


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## BIBLE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

MAKE INTELLIGENT USE OF THE LAW OF LIFE: The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure making wise the simple.—Psalms 19:7.

## An Object Lesson

Despite the complete success of Monday night's black-out, it was an unpleasant incident that an arrest was necessary for utter violation of black-out regulations. This violator was a Negro truck driver on his way from the peach-growing section of the State to Elizabeth City, who disregarded signals to stop his truck at the Bridge Inn Service Station and, police say, reluctantly stopped when he was ordered to do so near the city limits.

In connection with the black-out a number of would-be accidents were injected into the test, resulting in a sense of realism of what may be confronted in event of an actual raid, but the case of the Negro truck driver was not a part of the pre-arranged program.

Black-out regulations require drivers of vehicles to stop when signalled and when within hearing distance of the alarm they are required to park and turn off all lights. Then just as important is the requirement to extinguish all lights in buildings which can be seen from the outside. No violation of this regulation was reported during the black-out, however.

The arrest of the truck driver was an unpleasant phase of the black-out, but should stand out in bold relief as an example to others who may have a warped opinion that these tests are unnecessary and are more or less of a nuisance, and for that reason have a feeling of reluctance in complying with the regulations. Violation of any black-out regulations will be similarly treated.

We are at war and there are many things which may cause us inconveniences and even hardships, but whatever they may be, they have come about primarily for our protection and a supreme effort to perpetuate our freedom. Isn't it a thousand times better to be inconvenienced and undergo temporary hardships than to look forward to be under the yoke of a gang of ruthless and cut-throat dictators who would, without doubt, reduce us to little more than slaves?

It is not a time to do a lot of belly-aching, but rather to grit our teeth, and be ready and willing to do anything toward the ultimate victory.

## A Wise Choice

In the opinion of The Herald, it was a wise choice last week for directors of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association to elect J. G. Campen as president of the Chowan Chamber of Commerce and Edenton Merchants Association, a new organization resulting from the consolidation of the two old groups.

Mr. Campen is not at all unfamiliar with the activities of both organizations. He has been a member and has taken an active part in Chamber of Commerce affairs since it was organized some 20 years ago. It was he, too, who was the prime mover in the organization of a Merchants Association and he served as president during the stormy period of organization and continued as president until it was on a sound working basis.

The new president is one of those sort of persons who, when a task has been assigned to him, puts forth every effort possible to bring about success. He has time and again demonstrated this fact, for times without number he has been called upon to participate in undertakings of a civic nature, and never has he been lacking in interest and effort in any movement with which he was connected. So enthused has he become at times that even his own business has been neglected in the interest of the particular job in hand.

He is vitally interested in the welfare and growth of Edenton, and can be depended upon to go the limit in his new position. He is energetic and persistent, two of the principal qualifications of a president of the sort of groups he represents.

Mr. Campen did not seek the appointment, for several names preceded his, but for one reason or another none of those selected could serve. The fact of the matter is that Mr. Campen also intended to decline the office, but when several refused, he decided that somebody must shoulder the responsibility and rather than see the organization drag along without a president he decided to accept the presidency.

He went into harness immediately and appointed a finance committee and a by-laws committee, with instructions to be in readiness to present their recommendations at a membership meeting to be held tonight (Thursday) in the Court House.

Mr. Campen feels that it is no more his duty than any other person to develop a strong organization working for the welfare of Edenton, and for that reason he, as well as all of the officers, urge every merchant and business man to attend tonight's meeting.

Edenton now, more than ever, needs a strong and influential organization to further the interests of the town. It is not a job for one, two or a few, but if the proper cooperation is offered by the business people as a whole, the load will be light and the town can be expected to continue to go forward instead of taking a back seat in this day of rapid progress.

For that reason The Herald, too, urges every person who has the best interest of Edenton at heart to be present at tonight's meeting. Your presence will, at least, be an inspiration to the new officers as well as an incentive for them to go forward in a year's work which should outdo any previous year's efforts.

# HEARD and SEEN

By "BUFF"

Following a rain and wind storm Sunday night, the temperature hereabouts took a sudden drop, and so far this week, it was not unusual to see folks wearing coats. In fact those parading the streets in their shirt sleeves early morning were rambling along with their hands jammed in their pants pockets and stepping up their pace a little more than during the hot spell hanging over us for some time. With September here and chilly mornings on deck, what can be better than a cup of hot coffee and a pile of hot cakes before getting off to work?

Isn't it strange how much trouble just one little figure can make? For instance, in a story last week relative to Captain Dick Hall being honored at the State Firemen's Convention, this appeared in print: "Working up through the ranks, he succeeded Frank Tuttle as fire chief in 1941." Shucks, that would not be much of a record, but the trouble is that an error was made and the figure "4" appeared where the figure "2" should have been. Captain Dick was made fire chief in 1921 and not 1941, which correction is made to save Chief Hall any further explanation to a gang of his friends who called his attention to the wrong date.

As before stated, this portion of The Herald is not a Want Ad column, but doggone it all, I lost one of my best fishing poles 'tother day while driving West on Church Street to Granville and South on Granville Street to the ice plant. Of course, bamboo just now is a lot harder to get than money is for some people, so I have little hope of getting the thing back. Anyhow, if the guy who picked it up returns it, I'll give him the first fish I catch with it, and if he doesn't return it, I hope he doesn't catch a gold-darned fish with the pole.

With black-outs coming into vogue, maybe preachers had better start to memorizing their sermons instead of reading them, for an air raid alarm might just as likely as not be sounded on a Sunday night. It so happened Monday night that revival services were in progress in the Center Hill Baptist Church when the black-out was called. But despite the fact that the church was suddenly blacked-out, the preacher continued his sermon just as though all the lights were turned on, and the service went on uninterrupted. It would have been a bad fix for a preacher who depended upon reading what he had to say. But then, there's one consolation, for it would have been easy for some bird to take a snooze unnoticed—that is, unless he went to snoring.

White perch, and plenty of big ones at that, have been furnishing splendid sport lately for some local fishermen in the Albemarle Sound almost within shouting distance from Edenton—that is, if you happen to run into their favorite hanging-out places. The latter remark was reason for a suggestion on the part of one of these birds who think the gang who go fishing so much are a bunch of nuts. The suggestion was to safely hook a perch in the back upon its being caught, with a cork on the other end of the string and by this method one could determine where the scudder goes to get up with his partners. But the guy making the suggestion didn't know that those white perch are scrappy little devils and that they can travel pretty darned fast when they decide to, and that the boys go out to fish and not for a boat ride. At any rate, Edenton Bay of late has taken on somewhat the appearance of Ocean View, for at times there have been as many as a dozen boats parked about the fishing grounds—the first year hook and line fishermen have "invaded" this section of the Sound. Why even Joe Conger is a "regular customer" of late in his high-falutin' yacht. Joe, by the way, is having a hard time finding the scudders and when he listens to reports of anywhere from 100 to 200 being caught, he just doesn't say so, but his facial expression leads one to believe that he wants to say "You're a darned liar." Maybe the bloomin' fish scamper away when they see his nice boat and figure they've got a better chance hanging around these little old skiffs which are just about able to negotiate the waves when the water gets a bit rough. Anyway, fishing has been so good that several of the boys have been able to pick up a little extra change by taking out some of the air station workers at the rate of 50 cents per hour—and some of 'em have had a real treat by making splendid catches.

This paragraph is primarily to keep my neighbor newspaper friends straight, some of whom think I've gone high hat due to an abundance of job printing for the Marine Corps Air Station. 'Tis true that some folks in Edenton have as much and more business than they can handle, brought about by the government's project here, but not so with The Herald. 'Tis true, too, that there's been a whale of a lot of printing done to date, but the lion's share of this work has been done by outside printers. Not that The Herald isn't equipped and able to do this printing but maybe we just don't know the ropes to get it. At any rate, profits from printing for the Air Station done by The Herald so far would scarcely buy a round or two of cheese sandwiches for The Herald crew. Surely, it wouldn't be enough to buy a sufficient quantity of corned beef, crackers and a bottle or two of pop for the fishing trips I've taken when I could have been working on job printing—if we had it.

Maybe the Bank of Edenton's decision to open its doors Wednesday nights knocked into a cocked hat the development of a new business in Edenton, for the way I get it, some bird had just about decided to cash checks for the air station workers, charging 10 cents for each check cashed. Wednesday is pay-day for employees at the air station, but they do not quit work until 5 o'clock, so that the bank decided to add this extra service of opening Wednesday nights for the purpose of cashing checks. Note—There's no use chasing to the bank on Wednesday night to hit 'em up for a loan, or to give a hard-luck story for not paying off a note, for the only thing they intend to do is cash checks for those working in one way or another on the air station.

"Be sure you know what you're talking about," said a local renter of apartments Wednesday morning, "when you comment about unfair rental practices." It so happened that this particular party ordered tenants to vacate solely on the grounds of drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and that the tenants concerned had spread the rumor that they were obliged to move because the rent had been boosted. As a matter of fact, the rent remains the same and but for their improper

## JUST HUMANS

BY GENE CARR



"Is th' Doctor in?"  
"No, He's Gone Away For His Health!"

conduct the same parties could have remained. This paragraph is, therefore, inserted to show that there are two sides to this rent proposition. The writer has it on good authority that there have been cases of plain, unadulterated profiteering on rental of living quarters, and it is also realized that there are those coming to town who expect too much for too little. At any rate, those who rent all or part of their homes, and even inconvenience themselves in order to cooperate in the housing emergency, are entitled to a decent and peaceful home and proper care of their property. Any newcomers who disregard these rights have no reason to complain at any amount of rent charged or other means resorted to in order to get them out.

Just how it came about is not known at this writing, but Charlie McCullers is in Duke Hospital nursing several broken ribs. He was transferred from Fort Bragg to Camp Butler, where the accident occurred. Gosh, is that what happens when getting tough for army duty?

## Air Warning Corps Urged To Continue Spotting Airplanes

### Ground Observer Group Vital to Safety of United States

Brigadier General John K. Cannon, Commanding the First Fighter Command has stressed the necessity for Ground Observers along the Eastern Seaboard to continue their vital work of spotting planes, despite hardships that may occur as the result of the present gasoline rationing. "The work of the Ground Observer Corps is a vital and necessary one to the safety of the United States."

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Volunteers in this service may be called upon to endure increasing hardships during the coming months, but it is only as the result of their untiring efforts and complete loyalty to their work that the Eastern Shores of this country may be safely protected.

In connection with his call for continued service, General Cannon issued the following statement: "Before the present gasoline regulations were promulgated by O. P. A., this Command was fully aware that the Ground Observers would be affected in some degree. The matter was therefore taken up with O. P. A. by the Army Air Forces in Washington, D. C.

"As the result of this action, Ground Observers were specifically included in the published rationing guide, describing that mileage which should be considered by Rationing Boards as 'occupational' in character. As the result, the duties of the Ground Observer are specifically designated as 'occupational mileage,' and the Ground Observer has been placed in the same preferred position as workers in war industries and volunteer groups engaged in essential war work.

"This means that if the occupational mileage of a Ground Observer does not exceed 150 miles per month, the Observer must use a portion of his basic allotment of gasoline to perform his duties in the Ground Observer Corps before he is entitled to receive extra gasoline.

"If his occupational mileage is greater than 150 miles, or if his occupational mileage plus the mileage required to go to his Observation Post is greater than 150 miles per

## Miss Turnbull New Commercial Teacher At Edenton School

John A. Holmes, superintendent of Edenton schools, on Wednesday secured a commercial teacher to succeed Miss Hazel Robinson, who taught the past two years and will not return due to being married next Monday, August 31.

Miss Robinson's successor will be Miss Lois Turnbull, of Greenville, S. C. She has for the past eight years taught a similar subject in the Trenton, N. C., high school, and will be ready for her new duties when school opens Wednesday, September 9th.

month, then the Observer is entitled to receive additional allotments of gasoline to provide for the mileage over 150 miles which he must drive to perform his duties as a Ground Observer.

"It is expected by this Command that the Ground Observers will consider their problem in the light of the foregoing and if they do not drive 150 miles for their occupation, they will be willing to use such part of their basic allotment as may be necessary to perform their duties in manning the Observation Posts throughout the weeks and months to come."

Chief Observers in this area who desire further information relating to this matter, should contact Carroll E. Kramer, District Civil Director, AWS, Edenton, N. C.

## Wrong Size

They sat in the parlor at midnight, But her love was not to his taste: But hers was a forty-six waist.

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