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THIS WEEK'S BIBLE THOUGHT WE MAY TRIUMPH OVER DEATH ITSELF: So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.—I Cor. 15:54.

Difference Of Opinion

The Herald's editor has always had no little respect for the judgment of former Mayor J. H. McMullan, but there is a parting of the way so far as our opinions relative to proposed permanent town improvements are concerned, which are opposed by Mr. McMullan and his reasons set forth in an article written by him and appearing on the front page of this issue of The Herald.

Mr. McMullan is perfectly right in saying that "this

is a matter of great importance and should be given serious consideration by every voter," but The Herald believes he is just as wrong when he says, "I consider it unsound economically and not for the best interest of the

town or the abutting property owners."

Mr. McMullan, like others opposed to the improvements, plays up the big bugaboo of high taxes and the scary prediction of people losing their homes due to inability to pay their taxes. He would have readers believe that if the election is carried, a 63-cent tax rate would be added to last year's \$1.50 rate. Let us be fair and study the tax rate a bit.

It is true that last year's rate was boosted 35 cents, making it \$1.50 on the \$100 property valuation, but this raise was principally caused by the purchase of a n w fire truck and a street sweeper, which was paid for during the tax year in order to save a goodly amount of interest. Of course, no figure is available at this writing as to what the 1946-47 rate will be, but it is reasonable to believe that it should not be necessary to again have the \$1.50 rate. Then, too, some opponents of improvements would have property owners believe that if the election is carried, right then and there approximately 63 cents would be added to the rate to pay for \$370,000 worth of bonds, which isn't true at all. The only levy which would be made for bonds would be on the amount used to make improvements authorized by Town Council, which can be any part of the proposed project, so that the tax rate should not be as high and dizzy as some would have us believe. On the other hand, some opposed to the bond issue advance the argument that it might be all right to make some of the improvements but not all at this time, but unless the election is carried, Town Council will be powerless to make any of the proposed improvements, and if it comes to a show-down, The Herdoubts if some of these arguments are sincere.

Mr. McMullan refers to the high cost of paving at this time, but can he or anyone else expect to have paying done at a price paid some 25 years ago? Does it not cost him or anyone else more to live and do business now than it did a quarter of a century ago?. Can Mr. McMullan give us any idea when the cost of paving will be lower, or even low enough to meet the approval of some of those opposed to paving streets, or any other

improvement so far as that is concerned.

And in the meantime, do the opponents of these improvements think that those people living on dirt streets are not entitled to some consideration? Would they be content to be obliged to keep windows and doors closed and be deprived of the pleasure of sitting on front porch is due to clouds of dust coming from dirt streets.? These people are entitled to some consideration, for they pay just as much in taxes in proportion to their property solution as any other person in town. At this point, it might be well to state that for the last two years, in order to provide some relief for people living on dirt streets, approximately \$2,000 was spent each year for calcium caloride to settle the dust, which was only for calcium chloride to settle the dust, which was only tempology. Either these people are to be ignored altogether, or else in the matter of a few years enough money will have been spent for temporary relief to help materially in improvements of a permanent nature. If The Herald editor has been correctly informed, there was a great howl when paving of present paved streets was proposed and so much objection materialized that

was proposed, and so much objection materialized that in order to put the project over, various streets were joined with others in order to secure enough signers. In effect, the same cry went up, "Edenton will be In effect, the same cry went up, "Edenton will be ruined," but who is it who would be willing to return to the old dirt streets? And is there anyone who can furnish the information as to how many people lost their homes due to inability to help pay off the bonds? Well, even if the election is defeated, it will have at least served one purpose, that being to discover how many are so vitally interested in the welfare of "poor" folks who might lose their homes because of their inability to pay their portion of the expense of making improvements. which many of them have already done in order to have what streets are now paved, and at a time when money was far less plentiful than it has been in recent years.
Yes, Edenton has had a \$1.00 tax rate for a long time;

By "BUFF"

It was a year ago Sunday, July 14, that I experienced the heart-breaking tragedy of losing a dear son and precious young grandson by drowning and in the same accident narrowly missed a watery grave myself. Exactly a year later I could not help from thumbing through the large number of cards, letters and telegrams coming from a host of friends as the result of the trag-edy, and came across one from Mrs. J. D. Traylor. Three short verses written by James Whitcomb Riley express our feelings as one year has to some extent helped to heel a wound which seemed almost impossible to bear during the ordeal:

> We cannot say—and we will not say That they are dead—they are just away—With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand They have wandered into an unknown land.

And left us dreaming how very fair It needs must be, since they linger there, And you—O you—who the wildest yearn For the old-time step and the glad return.

Think of them faring on-as dear In the love of There, as the love of Here Think of them still as the same, I say They are not dead-they are just away.

With my daddy visiting me and, of course, going about the poorly equipped high school can every place I go, some people seem to think that we are brothers instead of father and son. Well, even if he does look almost as young as I do, I might say that he never had to contend with the trouble and worries of working on a newspaper. And incidentally a family row almost developed Saturday afternoon when I took "Junior" fishing. We had live bait and salt water shrimp, and of course, I used live bait in an effort to catch speckled My dad preferred the shrimp and after fishing a few minutes he up and pulls out a big speckled perch, while all I caught was two small fish, with emphasis on 'small." I told him it was unorthodox fishing to catch a speckled perch with shrimp and asked him to throw the thing back in the water, but he put up an argument to the effect that he got the fish in the boat and intended to keep it—and he did. Which all goes to show that the bloomin' fish around here are getting more soriable with strangers than with home folks.

C. D. Stewart was a visitor in town for a few days, stopping over on his way from Florida to Hampton, Va., where he is now located. C. D. kept his hat on most of the time so that a fellow could not see how bald he has become since leaving Edenton. Anyway, he says there is good fishing near Hampton, so that he just might as well get ready to have some company from Edenton,

Chief of Police George Dail wants to remind bicycle owners in Edenton that their licenses were due July by eneglected buying their license, so that they bearable. Getting all "het up" about the surprised if they are picked up. The licenses to a her will only make us more the police Station, and it will be better uncomfortable. Since we cannot cool water and lemonade are partichasn't been bought.

Tuesday was pay day at the Post Office, only the whole works failed to get a check. It all came about because the \$1,600,000,000 treasury post office bill, which includes money for the pay roll, was snagged in Conpossible. gress. All salaries will, of course, be held up until the bill passes. Those guys in Washington do some funny things, but the local Post Office employees don't think this is very funny.

Legionnaires at a meeting of Ed Bond Post Tuesday night accepted the recommendation of a committee to sell stock to members of the Legion and veterans to raise enough money to build a Legion hut. It is interest-ing to note that 40 new members were added to the post and, not satisfied, plans are in the making for a membership drive to secure more members and, of course, get more funds. The Post will select a high school boy to attend boys State. Commander Speck Jones announced that there are openings for veterans as management analyst and statistician at salaries of \$5,905 per year.

Arthur Hollowell was among those attending the baseball game in Hertford Tuesday night. While many of the fans had on coats, Arthur said he was going it his shirt sleeves because he still had not forgotten how hot

Which reminds me of the queer weather we're having. A fellow almost melted Saturday and Sunday, and then along comes weather cool enough to wear a coat. Who's messing with the weather, anyhow

This dieting business is also a funny thing. For instance, I was eating with a friend recently and seeing him make away with a heavy meal, I asked him, "I understand you are on a diet." He replied, "Well, I am, aside from my regular meals."

but just what progress has been made with the rate? Mr. McMullan apparently senses a feeling that to make improvements, coupled with the necessary higher tax rate, will prevent industrial establishments from locating in Edenton. Can Mr. McMullan or anyone else point out any industry now in Edenton which has been attracted here due to a \$1.00 tax rate? The rate has all too long provided only enough money to carry on the bare necessities of town government. No, wide-awake industries seeking new locations are not interested so much in a low tax rate as they are in an up and coming town, which cannot be shown on a \$1.00 tax rate in this day

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LETTERS TO THE **EDITOR**

EDENTON-THE LOST COLONY OF TODAY

Steeped in tradition and historical background, the smug little community nestled in the rolling, lush farm country of the Albemarle Sound known as the initial home of North Carolina and the "Iron Men of the Albemarle"-Edenton is rapidly be coming a metropolis of the past.

The very cradle of democracy, where the first white settlers of the Tar Heel State colonized and progressively built schools, court houses, churches and homes, is actually retrogressing to the point where ancient doctrines are held in such high esteem by the few ruling families that today when a business enterprise endeavors to establish in the community, the antiquated hierarchy of the town-high society as it were-connive to deprive this aged settlement of any industrial reform. It matters little to them that the returning war veterans are seeking employmentthat the youngsters graduating from find adequate positions. Few of them realize that the young men who went abroad and the boys and girls returning from college care little about accepting jobs as soda jerkers or service station attendants.

Why can't present day Edenton be as progressive as their forefathers? A CHOWAN VETERAN

HEALTH FOR ALL

KEEPING COOL

Keeping cool in the summer is an art. It's an art well worth cultivating when the rays of the sun beat foods, however, cause the body to it is the result of long exposure and down at their hottest in mid-summer. It's an art which can be learned if cess and should be omitted from the may come on gradually. The sympone thing is kept in mind-modera- diet in hot weather.

all types of physical exertion will spires more in the summer than in nausea and vomiting. 1. make the summer heat spells more the winter, it is necessary to conuncomfortable. Since we cannot ularly good on hot days. Extra salt loosened and an effort made to reduce change the weather and many of us is needed, too, because the body loses his temperature rapidly. If he is possible.

re are a few shaple rules which if followed, may help make the sunr-



"He's Going Back to the Springs for His Live," "That's Just Like Him; He'd Leave His Head Behind If It Wasn't Fastened On"

mer more pleasant.

worn on hot days.

ficult to digest, should be avoided, sanstroke, which swiftly brings on This does not mean living on sand-

Moderation in eating, in play, in fruit juices. Because the body peron to cooler climes, much salt in perspiration. This salt conscious, he should be given salt and hot days approach, it is just may be obtained by adding it to fruit water to drink or fruit juices. It to resign ourselves to the heat drinks or by eating salt tablets. 4. Be careful to avoid over-cr

posure to the sun. Many people look forward to get-comfortably.

1. Dress comfortably, Light cloth a ting extra doses of sunshine during that are not too confining should be the sammer, but too much sun may ove a health hazard. It may cause 2. Eat sensibly. Havy foods dif a painful sunburn or it may lead to

is to isness and hay cause death. wiches and salads throughout the summer. A well balanced diet is among people exposed to the direct necessary at all times, and hot meals, heat of the sun and who are too heavif well planned, will not add to the discomfort of summer. Rich heavy men than among women and children. cess and should be omitted from the may come on gradually. The symp-diet in hot weather. 3. Drink plenty of water and ness, a feeling of oppression, the ab-

Mederation practised during the summer months will make these months pass more pleasantly and



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