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## A LIFT FOR TODAY

A great door is opened unto me.— I Corinthians 16:8.

When we put ourselves in proper relationship with God through faith, work and love, one by one the doors of life will open to us. If we do not put forth the effort to open the doors of opportunity on earth, we may not expect the door of heaven to open to us.

Help us, O God, to realize that each day is a new beginning—an open door to do Thy will.

## Art of Poormouthing

Poormouthing has become a well-developed art in our country. Probably the top expert in modern times was "Plain Ben" Jones, the celebrated trainer for Calumet Farms, who always brought a "little old pony" up to the Kentucky Derby and more often than not went off with the cup and most of the money.

This year, his successor at Calumet, who had won the Derby by disqualification, and the Preakness from here to where you are, was beaten by another expert poormouther, the Princetonian John Gaver, who trained "a relatively inexperienced and unseasoned" horse which romped past the Calumet entry in the Belmont Stakes and won going away.

The late Robert Kennedy artfully poormouthed about his chances in the Nebraska primary; Senator McCarthy poormouthed about his chances in Oregon; Richard Nixon is almost as good at it as Plain Ben Jones was in his heyday. The art lends itself to the fun and games of politics, horse racing and football. Knute Rockne was a past master.

We got to thinking about this poormouthing business when we read an account of a convention of businessmen in Philadelphia in mid-May. Actually, it was an industrial show and top people from a big cross-section of American industry were on hand to see what was new, and to hear about what was new, and to hear about what was coming to make life easier for all of us.

How much poormouthing do you think went on at that convention? Listen to the Chairman of the Board of a major company represented: "Being a product-oriented company, with great emphasis on technology, our appropriation last year for research and development was in excess of \$13 million dollars.

"Budgetary appropriations for this current year were increased 8 per cent across the board. This represents a substantial sum of money... Right now, Eaton Yale & Towne maintains materials handling manufacturing facilities in Canada, England, Germany, Mexico and Brazil, with manufacturing licenses in India, France, South Africa and Australia..."

There, in four sentences is the lesson of American enterprise. No poormouthing. No deceit. American businessmen lay it on the line, research what they're doing to the tune of millions of dollars, and take the final product to every corner of the globe. New producers; new jobs; new markets; new horizons; poormouthing is fine in politics and sports. It has never taken root in the business world.

Hard work still represents the main essential of success in life.

The chief trouble about the human race is human beings.

The jokes that one hears often leads to the conclusion that what the country needs is some new jokes.

# Heard & Seen

"By Buff"

Tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock a reception will be held at the Edenton Methodist Church in honor of the new pastor, Rev. E. L. Earnhardt and his family. The Earnhardts are very anxious to become acquainted, not only with members of the Methodist congregation, but other folks in the community, so that not only Methodists are invited to attend the reception, but members of any denomination as well. Mr. Earnhardt has preached only two sermons thus far since he was transferred here to succeed Rev. E. C. Shoaf, and from all indications he is very well liked by local Methodists, and that includes yours truly.

A few items in the Missus' "Broad Street Bulletin" was crowded out this week, so I'm swiping one of the paragraphs as written by her:

"We have a little crippled sparrow in our back yard. Either his neck or back is broken, but he is a plucky little fellow. He eats along with the rest of the birds, although he has a hard time trying to get a drink of water and he can't make a quick get-away, which makes me afraid a cat will get him. But it proves a point, that even with physical difficulties, a little courage and pluck will pull us through."

With her hospital experience during the past few months, I can vouch for the fact that she knows what she is talking about when referring to "courage and pluck."

It was nice Wednesday morning to get a telephone call from Frank Muth, who was able to return home. He was taken ill while visiting his daughter and family and was obliged to spend quite a little time in the Pineville Hospital. I haven't seen him yet, but over the phone he sounded like his old self. Here's hoping he's about as good as new and will be able to ramble around to greet and talk to his many friends.

And speaking about hospitals, Izzy Campen has been "boarding" at Memorial Hospital at Chapel Hill and also at Chowan Hospital, but I understand he's now at home. Here again here's hoping that Izzy will recover and be about town again.

With the weather and insect problems, farmers hardly know what to expect after planting a garden and other crops. And here's another "farmer" who is just about "regusted" over a crop of tomatoes this year. With 19 stalks of tomatoes just about as large and healthy-looking as one could find, I was very optimistic that I would be able to compete with Henry Allen Bunch in having a good crop of tomatoes well toward fall. But, alas, despite the size and healthy-looking condition of the plants, which are loaded with small tomatoes and blossoms, the stalks are turning yellow very fast and dying so fast it makes my head swim and causes me to wonder if some of the tomatoes will even ripen before the stalks are entirely dead. Some what the same condition prevailed in previous years, but what makes this year's situation more deplorable is the fact that John Jones hauled me several loads of Rocky Hock top soil for my garden (just about 12 feet square). There's no doubt about the fertility of Rocky Hock ground, for some of our best crops come from that section. Then, too, I bought the tomato plants from Mrs. Edgar Pearce, so that they were started in Rocky Hock dirt. And what's more puzzling is the fact that in my garden lettuce, endive, chard, snap beans, radishes and onions did very well in the same ground. Come to think about it, my tomato plants are making me consider taking out of cultivation my "farm" and let Uncle Sam pay me for not having a garden.

Some of us remember some other people saying during the cold winter months that they'd be glad when the good old summer time rolls around. Well, if you ask me, we've had it the last several days.

## The Diplomatic Pouch

### RELATIONS WITH USSR

I should like to ask a question in all sincerity: knowing that the idea of the Soviet leaders of world peace is peace on their terms, which usually runs counter to our ideas, how can you find it intellectually palpable to hold meetings or discussions with their leaders or emissaries? The West has tried diplomacy for 50 years, and, in the meantime, Russia has grown from a small country to a sprawling giant. I can also understand that a militant attitude might not be the answer. So, then, what do you think is the answer?

M. B.,  
Compton, California.

Dear Mr. B.:  
I believe that Secretary Rusk answered your question in his news conference of July 19, when he briefly discussed the Glassboro meetings between President Johnson and Chairman Kosygin.

The secretary said that "... there are obvious differences which are far-reaching between our two countries. The basic objectives of the Soviet Union continue to be to support the world revolution. The question of means is important. We hope that the Soviet Union will understand the importance of prudence in a world situation in which frail human beings have weapons of mass destruction at their disposal... We are conscious of the fact that relations between the United States and the Soviet Union are very important to the general structure of the world peace and we are prepared to sit down with them on whatever point we can find to move toward agreement rather than controversy and to find ways to reduce the impact of disagreements which we might have on important questions."

# Town Council Holds Tax Rate At \$1 For '68-'69

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intersections. This will allow policemen to give more time to their regular duties. Councilmen also included funds to employ sextons at Beaver Hill and Vine Oak Cemeteries and anticipate an increase in revenue from the sale of lots once this is done. Also in the budget is \$1,200 for uniforms for employees in the Street Department.

The budget includes \$1,800 for life insurance. Gardner is to accept for study proposals on a group life insurance policy with employees participating.

The capital improvements budget for the Electric & Water Department for 1968-69 is \$27,800 for electric system improvements from Freemason Street to U. S. 17.

There are still more than \$650,000 in improvements programmed, including water plant and storage improvements, sewer to the new hospital site, water and sewer on Paradise Road and Morgan Park, and water on Albemarle Street extended.

"Some action must be taken on these items during this fiscal year," Gardner informed the council. "We have got to annex some areas and the only thing holding it up is water and sewer extension."

The town's general fund budget totals \$340,418.35. Included are funds for the following:

- Police Department: \$77,995.00.
- Fire Department: \$33,715.60.
- Street Department: \$127,937.75.
- Administrative: \$30,969.00.
- Other: \$69,801.00.

A breakdown of the \$618,616.35 Electric & Water Department budget shows:

- Electric Expense: \$333,700.00.
- Water Expense: \$37,850.00.
- Sewer Expense: \$67,893.00.
- Miscellaneous: \$151,373.35.

Capital Improvements, Electric Department: \$27,800.00.  
The department's revenue in excess of expense is estimated at \$26,783.65.

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