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Meditation

"The circumstances of life she could not alter, but she took them to the Lord, and banded them over into His management; and then she believed that He took it, and she left all the responsibility and the worry and anxiety with Him. As often as the anxieties returned she took them back; and the result was that, although the circumstances remained unchanged, her soul was kept in perfect peace in the midst of them. And the secret she found so effectual in her outward affairs, she found to be still more effectual in her inward ones, which were in truth even more utterly unmanageable. She abandoned her whole self to the Lord, with all that she was and all that she had; and, believing that He took that which she had committed to Him, she ceased to fret and worry, and her life became all sunshine in the gladness of belonging to Him".

Let Your Heart Move Your Hand

The March of Dimes is now under way.

Public response to the annual fund-raising drive of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis in previous years has enabled this humanitarian organization to do a magnificent job in meeting the increasingly widespread polio challenge.

The need for an enormously successful March of Dimes this year must be fully understood. Not only was 1950 the second worst polio year on record, but its timing, immediately following the worst year, in 1949, has created urgent financial problems. A recapitulation of some facts concerning the cost of infantile paralysis brings this home vividly.

By last fall, epidemic aid funds of the National Foundation were gone, despite a most successful March of Dimes the previous January. Every available dollar had been pressed into service to provide for aid of the stricken. Not only for 1950's cases, but also for patients from 1949 and other years who still required care and treatment.

The patient-care bill alone for the three-year period 1948-50 took more than \$58,000,000 in March of Dimes funds—exclusive of the millions that went to underwrite research, and education for professional personnel.

Right now, in hospitals, homes and clinics throughout the country, there are thousands of boys and girls—and adults too—who look to the 1951 March of Dimes for continued assistance.

They will get the helping hand they need—only if We Do Our Part.

Edgar Allan Poe once said: "Childhood knows the human heart." Let that heart now know the need for happy childhoods for our young people—all of them within reach of our generosity. Let your heart move your hand—Join the March of Dimes!

School Benefits

Veterans, discharged before July 25, 1947, must begin their educational training before July 21st, 1951, under the terms of the present law, which extended to veterans the right to go to school after their discharge.

Because most educational institutions begin their second semester in the next few weeks, the legal requirement means that veterans must soon get under the wire in order to be assured of their training benefits. There are some exceptions to the requirement but they do not apply to most of the veterans of World War II.

Wildlife News

By PAUL CRAWFORD

Well folks the big election is all over and here are the new officers of your Hiwassee Dam Wildlife Club: George W. Zirbes, president; Dr. B. W. Whitfield vice-president; E. T. Smith, secretary; and John Posey, treasurer. In addition to the elected officers the following committees were appointed: Program: B. B. McCoy, chairman, R. A. Martin, and R. C. Fuller; Membership: Hugh Hensley, chairman, George Crawford, Fletcher Graves, V. M. Sells, and B. B. McCoy; Essay contest: E. T. Smith, chairman, J. T. Osborne, and H. Buck. Wildlife News reporter, Paul Crawford.

We feel that the club elected a capable group of officers and that the president of the club appointed an excellent group of committees. Most of the officers and committeemen have served as officers or on committees before, and all have proven that they have the interests of the club at heart. Let's all get out to meetings and give these men the support they need to do a good job.

make. We are sure a better Wildlife News reporter could have been appointed. However, your present reporter is stuck with the job, and you readers are stuck with this reporter. Maybe we can make this column more interesting if you readers will drop us a card here at Hiwassee Dam and give us any news item that will be of interest to other sportsmen. In addition to the election of officers, the club voted to change the time for the regular monthly meetings from the first Monday night of each month to the first Thursday night of each month. The reason for the change is that at least two other organizations meet on the first Monday night of each month, making it difficult for some members to attend. As far as we have been able to determine there are no conflicting meetings on Thursday so we hope to see attendance improve.

Also, the club voted to oppose the suggested change in non-resident fishing licenses which was mentioned in this column last week. It was felt doing away with daily permits and increasing the cost of season licenses would tend to keep non-resident fishermen away from North Carolina, and that the result would be less income from the sale of fishing

licenses and fewer tourists in the state.

The January issue of "Wildlife in North Carolina" has a very nice article on the statewide wildlife essay contest. The editors failed to mention the fact that the Hiwassee Dam club originated the contest, but we feel that every member of the club is entitled to give himself a great big pat on the back for helping start this project.

Everyone will be sorry to hear that one of our most active club members, Hugh Hensley, is in Petrie hospital recovering from a very serious operation. We sincerely hope that by the time you read this, Hugh will be up and around again.

Changes in hunting seasons for this week are: The dove season closes Jan. 15. The season on all non-native varieties of pheasants closes Jan. 10.

It seems that many people in Cherokee County are not very well informed as to what the wildlife clubs are doing. Next week we will give you a brief summary of what the Hiwassee Dam Wildlife Club did last year and try to show you that it will be to your advantage to join the club if you are not already a member.

Scouting With The Editor

A HISTORIC MEETING of the committee on a Baptist Home for the Aged was held Tuesday at Bowman Gray Medical School, Winston-Salem, as it was at that time definite plans were made for opening the institution on March 1, and a general superintendent and matron elected. The Rev. J. M. Hayes, pastor of North Winston Baptist Church, Winston-Salem for the past 13 years, was elected superintendent, and Miss Edna Heinzerling, director of the School of Nursing at the Baptist Hospital for many years, was elected matron. Already many applications for admittance to the home have been received. I am sure that all Baptists in the State will be glad to know that it will not be long before the home will be in operation.

COMPRISING THE COMMITTEE which the Convention last fall asked to serve as a Board of Trustees for the home, are the following, most of whom attended the meeting Tuesday: Dr. John Wayland, North Wilkesboro, chairman; the Rev. W. E. Pettit, Winston-Salem; the Rev. J. M. Hayes, Winston-Salem; J. B. Eford, Charlotte; Dr. E. H. Potts, Spencer; the Rev. J. Clyde Yates, Charlotte; the Rev. Zeb A. Caudle, Aberdeen; Dr. Ronald E. Wall, Greensboro; the Rev. P. T. Worrell, Colerain; the Rev. W. N. Long, Belmont; Mrs. Edgar L. Council, Durham; H. C. Philpot, Lexington; R. N. Sims, Jr., Raleigh; Dr. Wingate M. Johnson, Winston-Salem; R. E. Earp, Selma; W. M. Matthews, Pilot Mountain, and Addie Mae Cooke, Murphy.

ENROUTE TO WINSTON, I had visits with Miss "Be" Cobb in Morganton and Louise and Harold Myrick in Lincolnton, spending both Monday and Tuesday nights with the Myricks. Louise went to Winston with me Tuesday.

CPL. JACK RITCH's mother told me a few days ago that her son is receiving the SCOUT regularly and enjoys reading it. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ritch of Murphy. Enlisting in the Air Force in August, 1949, he spent several months in radio school at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. He arrived for duty in Alaska on November 6, 1950. On January 2 of this year he was promoted to the grade of corporal. In case his friends want to write to him, his address is Cpl. Jack Ritch, 5001st Res. and Dev. Group, APO 731, c/o Postmaster, Seattle, Washington.

A NEW YEAR'S GIFT that I have failed to acknowledge here was a large pumpkin, presented by W. F. Hill of Wehutter. Mr. Hill is one of the SCOUT'S loyal subscribers, and the pumpkin certainly is appreciated.

IN ANTHOLOGY—The National High School Poetry Association of Los Angeles, California, has announced that a poem entitled "Autumn's Sacrificial Offering", written by Betty Jean Robertson, senior in Andrews High School, has been accepted for publication in the annual, "Anthology of High School Poetry," in the spring.

Miss Robertson is now enrolled in the English class of Miss Jean Christy, and has studied English in the high school with Mrs. Aline E. Bristol and Mrs. Eleanor C. Hudson.

The poem follows:
AUTUMN'S SACRIFICIAL OFFERING
Along about this time every year,
Dogwood berries begin to appear.
Drops of blood with nails speared through;
Even the leaves blood-spattered too.
In the spring, the white cross was there
On the dogwood tree, bent with care.
Each corner nail dented, with dried blood brown;
In the center the thorns which were his crown.
The tree is small, and bent low with shame
Because our Jesus on it was slain.
To beg forgiveness, each year this tree
Brings forth gifts to keep alive his memory.

Lend me a hand

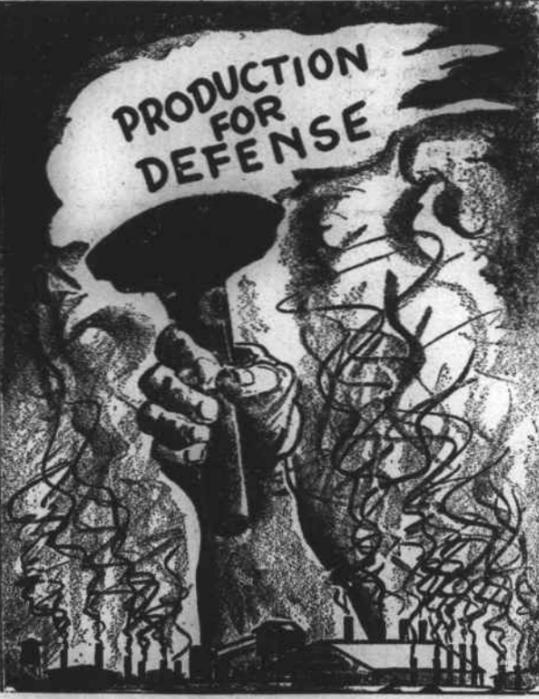
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TO ARM A FREE WORLD



New Plymouth On Display 13th

Spectacular new qualities which produce driving and riding ease heretofore unknown in automobiles of any price feature the new line of Plymouth cars. Combining smart new body lines with unprecedented interior luxury, the new Plymouth will go on display in the showroom of E. C. Moore here Saturday, January 13.

Designers have given the Plymouth a striking new silhouette, and refinements in the interior are innovations in the lowest price field. The styling improvements retain the traditional roominess of the cars. Easier to drive and more comfortable, the new cars have greater beauty, more safety features and broader ranges of vision than ever before.

O. S. Ledford

Obie Simpson Ledford, 68, of Shooting Creek, died Friday at 1:30 p. m. in a Black Mountain Hospital after an illness of eight months.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 11 a. m. in Union Hill Methodist Church, with the Rev. R. L. Poindexter and the Rev. Andy Clore officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with Ivie Funeral Home in charge.

Farrell Penland, Worth Davis, Harold, Verlin, Zeb and Alvin Ledford, nephews, served as pallbearers.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Annie Perrie Ledford; two sons, Howard Ledford of Tuscaloosa, Ala., and Willard Ledford of Canton Ohio, two grandsons; five brothers, Hemman and Omer Ledford of Shooting Creek, Lonnie and Hauie Ledford of Dalton, Ga., and Robert Ledford of Carrollton, Ohio; three sisters, Mrs. Jack Penland, Mrs. Clara Woody and Mrs. Neal Rogers all of Shooting Creek.

Faith, Harmony, and Truth are names of North Carolina villages. North Carolina has 505 registered undertakers. More than six million tourists visit North Carolina annually. There are more than 1,300 tree, shrub, and herb varieties in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park on the North Carolina-Tennessee border.

H. F. Carpenter Taken By Death

Funeral services for H. F. Carpenter, 55, who died at his home in Cheoah Tuesday at 6:30 p. m. were held today (Thursday) at 2:30 p. m. in Sweetwater Baptist Church near Robbinsville.

Burial was in Old Mother Church Cemetery with Townson Funeral Home in charge.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Mamie Green Carpenter; two sons, Capt. Claude Carpenter with the armed forces, Tom of the home, one daughter, Mrs. Billie Foust of Knoxville, Tenn., and three grandchildren. Also surviving is the mother, Mrs. L. A. Carpenter of Graham County.

Carpenter had taught for 36 years in the Graham County schools, and at the time of his death was Social Science teacher in Robbinsville High School.

H. J. McFalls

Harve J. McFalls, 61, of Hiwassee, Ga., died at his home Friday after a brief illness.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Allie Foster McFalls; two sons, Harold and Carroll, and one daughter, Miss Alma McFalls all of the home; two brothers, Ed McFalls of Clearmont, Ga., and James McFalls of Detroit, Mich. He had been a member of the Baptist Church for many years.

Funeral services were held in Mt. Zion Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a. m. with the Rev. Jim Martin and the Rev. A. D. Swanson officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with Townson Funeral Home in charge.

OLD YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

This time of year everyone talks about New Year's resolutions. How about last year's and the year before that? If you have resolved to save more money in the years past, and failed, this year why not try the Payroll Savings Plan? This plan, available to you where you work is systematic, simple! Only \$3.75 per week in this plan will return \$2500 in United States Savings Bonds in just ten years. Join up!

IDEA OF THE YEAR

There are books of the year, movies of the year, here's the "idea of the year"—regular saving. You've had that idea for a long time, why not put it into practice this year? Here's all you have to do in order to save regularly, systematically—sign up for the Payroll Savings Plan, where you work. Only \$3.75 each week will total \$2500 in United States Savings Bonds in just ten years! Join millions of fellow Americans in making the "idea of the year" work for you through the regular purchase of U. S. Bonds.

Life of Action

Lesson for January 14, 1951

SCRIPTURE: Mark 1:21-39. DEVOTIONAL READING: Psalms 148:10-21.

THEY say that in four regions of the United States there are four different questions which are asked of newcomers. In the New England states they ask a stranger "How much do you know?" In the wealthy northern states they ask, "How much have you got?" In the South where pedigrees are so much treasured, they ask: "Who was your grandfather?" But out in the wide-open west they have only one question: "What can you do?"

Action in Religion

IT is a fair question. If the answer is "Nothing," then it does not make any difference at all what a man can answer to the other three questions.

To be sure, they look at this differently in the Orient. According to the ancient philosophy of the East, it is only the inferior man who rushes around doing things. The superior man sits and thinks. The West's admiration for action, and the Orient's admiration for contemplation, enter into religion itself. The typical Oriental "saint" may be a man who never turned his hand to a piece of work in all his life. The typical western "saint" is likely to be a very busy and active sort of person.

It is all the more interesting that Jesus combined both the western and the eastern ideas of religion. He was a man of prayer and meditation, yet a man of strenuous life too.

Life of Action

THE Gospel by Mark, reliable tradition claims, actually comes from Simon Peter. During Peter's missionary travels he used to speak often about the life and work of Jesus, and young John Mark would take down notes of what he said. Then later Mark worked up into a connected "gospel" many of those story-sermons. It is easy to believe the tradition, because this gospel sounds so much like what would appeal to Peter, a man of action.

At any rate, in Mark we have very little said about Jesus' teaching, a great deal said about what he did. Jesus does not have a spare minute, not a day off. What about the rest of us? Suppose some biographer were to write up you who read these lines. Suppose he could use in his story only your actions, not your words or ideas. Would there be enough material for him to write a book?

Words of Power

WHILE Mark almost never tells us what Jesus taught, he does tell us that Jesus was a teacher. In describing the synagogue-service in Capernaum Mark tells us the people were astonished, and even two demon-ridden men were struck down with terror.

What Jesus said that astonished the people and alarmed the demons we do not know. Possibly Peter, who was there, may have been too busy watching people's faces to hear what Jesus was saying. However that may be, Jesus is here introduced to us not only as a deer but as a thinker and teacher. Life is not all action; it is also thought. Jesus' acts were full of power; so and not less so were his ideas, words, teachings. Look at the rest of us again: We may be full of talk, but how much power is there in our ideas?

Straightway

ONE word is found many times in Mark's stories of Jesus: "Straightway" as the older versions have it,—that is, immediately. It is not just Mark's style. It is his way of bringing out something important about Jesus' life and habits. There were no blank spaces, no pages unwritten, no empty gaps, no waiting-around, in Jesus' life. In his life one activity followed on the heels of another. He had no time to waste, and he wasted none.

Let the honest reader try to make a realistic budget of his time. At the beginning of a week let him draw up a kind of chart showing how he expects to spend his 16 waking hours each day,—so much for work, recreation, study and so forth. Then at the end of the week let him ask himself: Where did my time go? He will often have to admit that he did not really live the whole day, any day,—only parts of it. Living as a Christian means living one's full time, living one of those 16 hours a day.

Average man of North Carolina makes \$2,500 in 1950—a 10% increase of \$200 in two years.