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Meditation

*I will not doubt though all my ships at sea
Come drifting home with broken masts
and sails.
I will believe the Hand which never fails.
From seeming evil worketh good for me:
And though I weep because those sails
are tattered,
Still will I cry, while my best hopes lie
shattered.
"I trust in Thee".*

Cull Unprofitables

Sometimes dairymen keep unprofitable cows to help build up a larger milk base for market purposes.

This may be all right as a temporary practice, but such cows should be culled from the herd as soon as the base building time has passed, say A. C. Kimrey, dairy specialist for State College Extension Service.

"High prices now being paid for beef make this a good time to cull out dairy cows that are unprofitable," asserts Kimrey.

If these unprofitable cows are kept in the herd, he adds, they will add to the early summer milk surplus. This always causes a disturbance in the dairy industry and in most cases it is produced at a loss to the herd owner.

Cows of the smaller breeds, Jersey and Guernseys, that are producing less than 6,000 pounds of milk per year are as a rule unprofitable, particularly in view of the present high cost of labor and all other things that enter into the cost of producing milk.

Larger breed cows, such as Holsteins and Ayrshires, must produce a minimum of about 7,500 to 8,000 pounds of milk per year to be profitable.

Conquering Colds

Apparently science continues to labor hard in the direction of curing the ordinary head cold.

The latest miracle drugs, such as sulfonamids and antibiotics, are, of course, not effective against virus diseases, such as the common cold, but Dr. Mark Welsh, of Pearl River, New York, says that large laboratories are getting soil samples from all parts of the world to make tests for new molds.

The scientists hope they will find a product that will be as effective against viruses as against bacteria, which will mean conquering infantile paralysis and cancer, as well as the common cold.

Hint to readers of the news: There is no law against thinking things out for yourself.

Hard work succeeds in life whether the worker has mediocre or exceptional intelligence.

Almost anybody can give you a plausible excuse for not doing something that should have been done.

If you think the truth is easy to discover, try listening to two candidates of opposing political views.

If you are conscientious and unselfish in what you say or do, you need not worry about what people think.

Whatever prosperous hour Providence bestows upon you receive it with a thankful hand.—Horace.

Teach us Delight in simple things,
And mirth that has no Bitter springs.
—Rudyard Kipling

Burdens become light when cheerfully borne.—Ovid

Pleasures lie thickest where no pleasures seem.—Lyman Blanchard

Meekness is Christ used the word is not inert; it is energetic. It is not negative; it is positive. It is active.—Rev. W. A. Cannon

Scouting With The Editor

ARE 'WETS' CHRISTIANS? This is the question which heads an editorial appearing last week in Brevard's Transylvania Times. Our recent election brought wide-spread publicity to our community, THE SCOUT and its editor getting their share of it. I make no apologies for my position. The Transylvania paper, one of the Anderson chain which is edited by my friend, John Anderson, states in the editorial that the publisher took an unusual position in the issue. I see no discredit in being "unusual" if it is done for a righteous cause. As to the question, "Are 'wets' Christians?" I shall leave that to Mr Anderson to answer, but shall describe the situations as they existed which gave the reporter the natural expressions of "Christian" and "wets". Before and during the election, we saw hundreds of people who are professed Christians, dozens of ministers, some of the finest people in our community taking a definite stand against legalized beer. We also saw these same "dry" workers meeting together in a Christian spirit and with prayers to the God they serve to give them a victory against an evil. Members of practically all churches in the community—most of them leaders and active workers—were among that group designated as "Christians". We do not retreat on this designation. As to the "wets", they were so designated because of their own claims. We did not see or hear of their holding any prayer meetings or doing any praying for success of their campaign. They may have, and we give them the benefit of the doubt. Christian people are commanded to "ask" and receive the power and leadership of the Lord. They did it during this election and had a victory. They will not stop with voting out legalized beer. They plan to continue to be banded together to stamp out bootlegging, corruptness, poor law enforcement, and the other evils they see in our community.

THE EDITORIAL from The Transylvania Times is reprinted below, and comments pro or con on it are welcome:

"Another Western North Carolina town has banned the legal sale of beer. Murphy, which is the county seat of Cherokee County, by a vote of more than two to one two weeks ago, voted the beverage out.

"We learn from Miss Addie Mae Cooke's Cherokee Scout that a group of around 200 people in the courthouse while the ballots were being counted, upon learning of the dry victory spontaneously sang "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

The Scout took a very determined stand against beer from the outset of a campaign which was bitterly fought. Miss Cooke refused to accept publicity, even the paid variety or printing from those who favored the continued legal sale of beer.

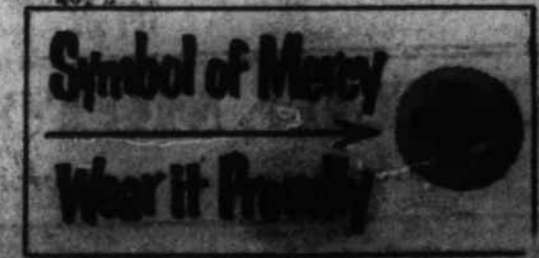
"This is a very unusual position for a publisher to take. In a controversial issue in which public opinion is sharply divided, a publisher will generally—and rightly—we believe, permit both sides to be heard, even though he may be actively identified with one side or the other.

"In her story reporting the outcome of the election, Miss Cooke, or one of her reporters, by inference, makes an odd distinction. We quote: "Christian leaders of the community as well as wet forces were in the court house throughout the day."

"Again: Christian forces immediately went to work and planned a campaign to defeat the proposals.

"Clearly, in the mind of the writer of the story, one who advocates the legal sale of beer is not a Christian. The word the writer intended to use perhaps was church, since church people directed the campaign. However, it may be that the dries were so inflamed by their own outpourings that they concluded that those who favored beer were per se allies of the devil and hence not Christians.

"In an idle sort of way we wonder what odious term the Murphy paper would apply to a fellow caught slipping into a joint in Cherokee and buying beer after the ban goes on. Plenty of them will do that, including perhaps some of those who joined in the hymn of thanksgiving when the tabulation of votes forecast the end of legal sale of beer in Cherokee."



The Red Cross must cover the world these days—do your part—answer the call.

Looking Over A Four-H Clover

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Four-H Club members and leaders of Cherokee County wish to extend their sincere appreciation to the sponsors of the special page on observance of National 4-H Club Week which occurred in last week's Scout. We are indeed grateful for your assistance in making the page possible. As you travel over the county and observe the projects and accomplishments of 4-H Club members, we feel that your reward will be realized.

FOUR-H CLUB SCHEDULE FOR MARCH

Tuesday, March 4, Andrews Elementary at 10 a. m. and Andrews High at 11 a. m.; Friday, March 7, Hiwassee Dam Elementary at 10 a. m. and Hiwassee Dam High at 1 p. m.

Monday, March 10, Ranger at 3:30 p. m.; Wednesday, March 12, Murphy Elementary at 9 a. m.; Thursday, March 13, Peachtree at 9 a. m.

Monday, March 17, Hangingdog at 10 a. m.; Tuesday, March 18, Unaka at 10 a. m.; Wednesday, March 19, Martin's Creek at 10:30 a. m.; Thursday, March 20, Tomotla at 9 a. m. and Marble at 10:30 a. m.

Thursday, March 20, County Council Meeting at 7:30 p. m. The topic of the program for March 4-H meetings is "The Milky Way to Health", to be given by Club members.

DAIRY DEMONSTRATIONS

Four-H Club girls are presenting the Dairy Foods Demonstration, "The Milky Way to Health" in each of the 4-H Clubs this month. This type of program is designed to give the girls opportunity for leadership in club work. The following teams will give a program at their clubs:

Barbara Anderson and Joyce Collett, Andrews Elementary; Shirley Carver and Barbara Barton, Andrews High; Imogene Voyles and Jo Ann Simon, Ranger; Mary Nell Reese and Helen Wilcox, Hiwassee Dam; Rosell Curtis and Geneva Garrett, Unaka; Marilyn Trull and Betty Lou Wilson, Marble; Carol Palmer and Joy Ruth Pack; Kathryn Amos and Oslia Bell O'Dell, Hangingdog; Ann Martin and Frankie Chastain, Martin's Creek; Mary Ruth Donley and Betty Kate Wilson, Peachtree; Christine Elliott and Jerry Ruth Smith, Murphy High; Aileen Farmer and Carol Elliott, Murphy Elementary.

The Murphy 4-H Club presented a chapel program Wednesday, March 5 at 10 a. m. in the school auditorium. This program was given in observance of National 4-H Club Week, March 1-9. Emma Jean Shields opened the program by giving a welcome and a short history of club work. Club members sang the National 4-H Pledge and 4-H Pleading Song. James Smith, Billy Killian, Christine Elliott and Elizabeth Franklin gave the "Meaning of the 4-H's". Joan Cornwell, Billy Killian and Jerry Ruth Smith served as music leaders. A film was shown on "Four-H Headlines". The program was concluded by the singing of "America".

HIWASSEE DAM

A similar chapel program was given at Hiwassee Dam assembly on March 7 in the school auditorium.

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

OF THE BOYS, BY THE BOYS, FOR THE BOYS

BOYS JOIN THE SCOUTS BECAUSE THEY WANT TO—BECAUSE THEY LIKE THE IDEAS AND IDEALS THE SCOUTS STAND FOR, AND THE FUN AND HEALTH AND SELF-RELIANCE THAT SCOUT TRAINING MEANS.

THE BOY SCOUTS ARE NO "YOUTH MOVEMENT," BUT RATHER AN ASSOCIATION—FREE OF REGIMENTATION OR COMPULSION AND RELYING ON SELF-DISCIPLINE AND TEAM SPIRIT—IN WHICH BOYS WORK AND PLAY TOGETHER WITH COMRADESHIP, SELF-RESPECT AND CONSIDERATION FOR OTHERS.

SCOUTING ENCOURAGES THE QUALITIES OF INDIVIDUAL INITIATIVE AND RESPONSIBILITY THAT ARE THE ESSENCE OF OUR DEMOCRACY AND FREEDOM EVERYWHERE.

IF you want to be respected show respect.
IF you want to be a genius be willing to drudge.
IF you want friends be a friend.
IF you want success be willing to toil.
IF you want consideration be considerate.
IF you want to be trusted be trustworthy.
IF you want to be shown kindness be kind.
IF you want to be helped be helpful.
IF you want neighbors be a neighbor.
IF you want knowledge be diligent.
IF you want to be popular be a good listener.
IF you want to be heard speak briefly.
IF you want to be appreciated show appreciation.
IF you want to be remembered remember others.
IF you want to be happy make others happy.

FORWARD... ON LIBERTY'S TOWNSHIP

Federation To Have Meeting Mar. 15

The annual Farmers Federation Stockholders' meeting for Cherokee County will be held in the Murphy Warehouse on the organization at 10 a. m. Saturday, March 15. It has been announced by James G. K. McClure, president of the Federation.

Stockholders of the Farmers Federation in this county will attend the annual meeting for the election of committeemen and the nomination of one director, it was announced. The director nominated at this meeting will be voted upon at the annual meeting of all stockholders of the organization in the Buncombe County Court House on March 29. Each director of the Federation is elected for two years in such manner that one director comes up for election each year.

At the meeting Saturday music will be furnished by the Farmers Federation String Band, and baby chicks will be awarded as prizes. Refreshments will be served.

The present directors for the Cherokee County Warehouse are J. H. Hampton and W. A. Adams. Committeemen for Cherokee County are as follows: W. A. Adams, Clyde McNabb, U. S. G. Phillips, John Tatham, B. B. Palmer, J. H. Hampton, Ernest Burnett, Mrs. John Shields, Wayne Crisp, Mrs. Aline King, Ralph Lovingood, S. H. Roberson, Mrs. Clarence Hendrix, J. H. Hall Horace Brendle, Mrs. Henry L. Cover, J. H. Ellis, Claude Stiles, and Cole Hyatt; Graham County: R. O. Sherrill, B. N. Hyde.

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THE BIBLE SPEAKS
International Union
Sunday School Lessons
BY DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN
SCRIPTURE: Acts 20:17-27; 21:2-28; II Corinthians 11:24-33; Philippians 2:4-11.
DEVOTIONAL READING: I Corinthians 2:9-17.

Balance Sheet

Lesson for March 9, 1953

IT is not every man who at the close of his life can look back and say that life has brought him more than it took away. Death, or the approach of death, is a reminder it is time to balance our books. There was a man named Paul sitting in a Roman prison. He was to be tried on a capital charge, and there was no certainty that he would be acquitted. Yet if the Romans had only known it, that solitary prisoner, whose very food was provided by the charity of friends, was the happiest man in Rome. He looked back over his eventual life and in a letter to his friends, while admitting that he had lost much, counted everything well lost in comparison to what he had gained. The balance sheet of Paul's life showed no deficit, but an enormous balance on the credit side.



Dr. Foreman

Losses Written Off

PAUL gave several thumbnail autobiographies, some of which are included in the Scripture readings for this week. So we know pretty well what he had to give up. What would strike most of us today is his loss of comfort and security. Modern Americans want above all to be comfortable and secure.

Probably Paul missed comfort and security as much as any man, for he was born to both. But as an "ambassador of Christ" he had had to give all this up.

He had long since exhausted whatever money he may have had; he had to work at hard manual labor to support himself; he was a constant traveler, which in those days did not mean Cadillac cars, Pullmans or even foam-rubber bus seats; it meant dirt and fleas and bad food and seasickness and wrecks (we know of four he had; it meant sometimes being half-starved, sometimes robbed and always in danger of armed robbery

His Worst Losses?

BUT there was worse. A wise man does not count hardships his heaviest losses. To lose freedom is more serious. And Paul (when he wrote to the Philippians) had been under arrest for more than four years. He had been jailed at Jerusalem first, then for two years in Caesarea, then a journey in chains to Rome, and then in Rome for we don't know just how long.

Paul was just the temperament that feels imprisonment most keenly. Active, vigorous, always on the go, the four walls of a cell or even the four walls of a house must have galled him terribly. But perhaps worst of all was loss of standing in his home community.

He was born both a Jew and a Roman (as a Jew today may be a good American or a good Frenchman too); but the Jews looked on him as a traitor to his race, a man not fit to live; while the Romans regarded him as a crack-pot at best, a subversive agitator at worst.

Whatever advantages Paul had had at birth or by education, he had definitely lost long before the end.

Credit Balance

YET Paul, in writing up the balance sheet of his life, calls everything he had lost so much trash, in comparison with what he had gained. To his mind it was like losing a truck-load of ashes and finding one diamond.

We ourselves, not being, alas! saints, if we had fixed up his balance sheet, would have put some items on the credit side that he does not mention. After all, he was then and still is Christendom's first citizen.

For many of us, and all of us still him saint, which means he belongs to God's aristocracy. You can afford to lose a good deal for that. He was also, and still is, close to the top, if not at the top, of the list of the most influential men in the world's history, aside from Christ himself. He is this, because almost half the books in the New Testament were written by him. Yet he does not say, speaking of his life's hardships, "I count these things as nothing in comparison with my position as leader . . . the fact of my sainthood . . . my contribution to the Bible."

We know what his life-ambitions were: "to testify the good news of the grace of God"; "to gain Christ—to know him—to share the power of his resurrection, the fellowship of his sufferings"; and "by all means to win some." These things he did; these things he had, and no enemies could keep him from doing. With these things on life's credit side, the debit was trifling.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Gibson of Knoxville, Tenn., were visitors in town over the week-end.