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"No Change Up There"

An editorial cartoon in the Greensboro Daily News Monday pictured the Stars and Stripes waving in the breeze atop a dome which was labeled, "United States Government." The cartoon caption was, "No Change Up There."

The cartoon tells a story of encouragement. Thank God, that no matter who is at the controls and in whatever crisis in our national life, the Stars and Stripes wave "o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

There is no real change in the American people. There is no real change in the fundamentals of the American doctrine and the American system. There is no lessening of the courage, the stamina and determination of true Americans.

In every storm, though lashed about severely, the Stars and Stripes, symbolizing American patriotism and the superlative in sincere devotion, wave above a government dedicated to the "proposition that all men are created free and equal." When the sunlight bursts through the clouds, there it remains aloft, undiminished in its beauty and glory.

A Worthy Program

In entering upon the task of making Wilkesboro more attractive, Wilkesboro's Woman's Club sets an example worthy of emulation by the people of all towns and even rural communities. The habit of allowing unsightly rubbish to accumulate around the home and on the streets and highways is one that can be corrected without either great expense or effort.

If the space around the home—by that we mean the backyard as well as the lawn—is kept clean and attractive at all times, the effort and expense are not so great as when the accumulation reaches the point where removal entails a couple of days' work to straighten things up and haul the rubbish away.

"Clean Up and Keep Clean," the slogan adopted by the Wilkesboro civic organization, is a good one. A clean town is so much more attractive, not only to the foreign but also the native eye.

The season will soon be here when summer tourists will be passing through and every effort to make a favorable impression upon them should be made. An attractive appearance is an important step toward that end.

Courteous Children

Perhaps no people have made greater progress during the past 50 years than the colored race. When the slaves were freed after the War Between the States, few colored men or women could read or write. Freedom given their bodies, they sought greater freedom and expansion in the realm of thought, and with the aid of the whites who looked favorably upon their zeal for knowledge, they established schools and began the slow process of enlightening several million people who had grown up in ignorance and slavery.

The progress the colored people have made is indicated at Lincoln Heights where not only textbooks are taught but where courtesy and culture are a part of the curriculum.

One has to but note a passing school bus filled with students of the school to gain an idea of the training which is being given the children. They are quiet and orderly, offering no loud remarks and hurling no quibbles—which are not funny at all—at the man on the side of the road. Sometimes, we think a lesson might be learned by studying their methods and manners in some respects.

The progress they have made is a compliment to the leaders of their race—a race that had to rise from the lowly position of an untrained, ignorant slave who had been freed of a master's guardianship and support.

Sanitation

A perusal of the statement given out by Gordon Battle, state sanitary inspector, is sufficient to cause even the busiest people to pause and consider the matter of sanitation from a practical angle. If we have not already done so, we will get a new conception of the importance of proper methods of sanitation in the territory of the North Wilkesboro water shed.

In the interest of health—the most valuable possession to which any person can lay claim—those who live in rural communities should, if possible, arrange for the proper disposal of sewage and give attention to the water supply.

The health department is vitally interested in the matter of fighting the flies this spring. Mr. Battle makes a rather severe indictment of this kind of disease carrier, and no one who reads this statement should let up in their efforts to keep flies out of the home and away from foods.

Mr. Battle's statement does not mince words. It frankly and boldly gives the facts and should be a warning to the general public.

An Assassin's Victim

Anton J. Cermak, mayor of Chicago, known to his friends as Tony, is dead, the victim of an assassin's bullet. For more than two weeks he battled against wounds made by a bullet which was intended for his good friend, President Roosevelt, but he could not overcome the terrible odds.

Cermak was one of the ablest leaders a Chicago government has had in many years. Taking over the reigns of a city that had reeked with corruption and vice under "Big Bill" Thompson, Mayor Cermak set about cleaning up and brought order out of chaos in the financial condition of the country's second largest city.

Looking through the natural eye, it would be easy to say that Cermak's work was not finished. His death was a real tragedy for Chicago.

A nation that rejoiced at Mr. Roosevelt's escape from the assassin's bullets is saddened at Mayor Cermak's death.

BRUCE BARTON WRITES

ON MEETING AN OBJECTION

Every business man knows the value of being able to sense an objection and meet it before it is advanced. Jesus knew that far better. He went one night to dine with a prominent Pharisee. While the dinner was in progress, a certain woman of unfortunate experience crept into the room and kneeling down by Jesus began to bathe his feet with precious ointment and wipe them with her hair. Jesus knew what that outburst of unselfishness meant to an overburdened spirit, and accepted the tribute with gracious dignity. But all the time he was perfectly well aware of the thoughts that were passing through the self-satisfied mind of his host.

"Ah," said that cynical gentleman to himself, "if he were a prophet he would have known that this woman is a sinner, and would have refused to let her touch him."

He might have been tempted to put his thought into words, but he never had a chance. Quick as a flash Jesus turned on him:

"Simon, I have somewhat to say to thee."

"Teacher, say on." It was a half concealed sneer.

"There was a man who had two debtors," said Jesus. "One owed him five hundred shillings and the other fifty. Neither could pay and he forgave them both. Which of them, do you think, will love him most?"

Simon sensed a trap, and moved cautiously. "I imagine the one who owed him the most," said he.

"Right," said Jesus. "Simon, seest thou this woman?"

Simon nodded. He began to wish the conversation had not started.

"When I came into your house, you gave me no water for my feet," Jesus continued with that extraordinary frankness which cut straight to the heart of things. "But she has washed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. You gave me no kiss, but she has not ceased to kiss my feet. You poured none of your expensive oil on my head, but she has taken her precious ointment, which she could ill-afford, and anointed me."

The dining-room was silent; every eye was turned upon the Teacher; the poor woman still knelt at his feet, embarrassed that her action should have caused so much comment.

"She is like the debtor who owed the five hundred shillings," he said. "Her sins which are many are forgiven, for she loved much. To whom little is forgiven, the same loves little." And then with a glance of infinite tenderness:

"Thy sins are forgiven," he said to her simply.

It is easy to imagine that the conversation rather dragged during the remainder of the meal. Even very supercilious and self-assured gentlemen hesitated to expose themselves to the thrusts of a mind which could anticipate criticisms before they were uttered, and deal with them so crisply.

PARAGRAPHS—

Amelia Earhart suggested that in the interest of peace, women be drafted for war. The idea, of course, is to make it terrible.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

There are those who might profit by the Miami tragedy. Mr. Roosevelt's life was saved because he made a short speech and sat down.—Washington Post.

A German doctor has just announced to the world that bald heads are really a sign of intrepid virility. Ah, those great open spaces under which men are men!—Boston Herald.

PUBLIC PULSE

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T. W. Ferguson Writes

Editor Journal-Patriot: We often wonder what really constitutes news, something possibly that is unusual, the activities of our neighbors, or some unexpected turn in the functioning of our county, state or national government. Right now we are all watching the newspapers and keeping our ears to the ground wondering what will be the trend of events in the immediate future. We are all interested intensely in our own national government since we have been facing an unparalleled situation for three or four years that seems to have no abatement; and now as Franklin D. Roosevelt takes the reins of government with a smile, as the leader, we know that deep down under that smile is a seriousness that no human being could help but betray. We did not have the privilege of witnessing the inauguration but a number of county people did, we are informed. The President needs the hearty support of every red blooded American citizen in his strenuous task of leadership.

In our little enumeration of news events we have attempted to analyze briefly our present state of affairs and venture predictions from time to time on what the future holds in store for us. Regardless of the gravity of the situation we refuse to become alarmed. Those who have studied history closely and the philosophy of life need never become upset over the trend of human events, because the race has plundered and struggled through many similar transitions and has survived stronger than ever. It will survive this struggle and will be the better for it. There are those who condemn the automobile and all modern machinery for the present plight of the world when they have been the greatest agencies of human comfort and physical advancement ever devised. Certainly we must seek deeper than that for our trouble. Back in olden times the Buddhist religion made one of the greatest discoveries of human history and that was that human conduct is governed altogether by desires, physical desires, and the greatest triumph any individual ever made was to properly govern his desires. We have learned today that desires are incarnate with our nature and not the product of the devil. All we need to do is to control them properly but have we done this? No, neither individually nor collectively. In olden times there were said to be seven deadly sins which were pride, envy, anger, covetousness, gluttony, lust and sloth. All these we see cropping out today in our modern complex life, but they are in the form of what Canon Donaldson of Westminster Abbey terms as the seven deadly modern sins, viz: 1. Politics without principles; 2. Pleasure without conscience; 3. Knowledge without character; 4. Commerce and industry without morality; 5. Science without humanity; 7. Worship without sacrifice. Truth has always existed but it remained for the Savior of the world to discover it and transmit it unadulterated to mankind. A large part of the world has that truth today but it has been misapplied, willfully in many instances, possibly, and in many cases through a lack of proper understanding.

All modern inventions are simply the product of fertile brains and the ingenuity of man and are a very natural unfolding of nature's mysteries. These inventions are our physical equipment, the instruments by which we carry on and we can make them a blessing or we can abuse them. Great privileges have been ours as a result of these modern conveniences and the evil days have come to us as a direct consequence of their abuse. It is the old story of the garden of Eden, desires have controlled our conduct. Take for instance the person who could buy and pay spot cash for a three to ten thousand dollar automobile or construct an unduly expensive residence when they could have used a cheaper and more modest outfit and received the maximum service from it; it matters not if such a person could buy and pay for a dozen such outfits, the point is he has tied up wealth that is no longer potential; he has taken money out of active circulation that is now needed so badly to turn the wheels of industry. This is only one example of the gross abuse of privilege and it holds true in hundreds of other cases which all taken together run into fabulous sums. Such actions can be attributed to uncalled for "Pride," one neighbor vying with the other. Space forbids go-

ing on, but as it is, it is a modern transgression of the moral code. Possibly we are dealing in just glimmering generalities, however analyze them and see if you do not conclude they are mostly responsible for a sick world. It is true that material progress has been so rapid for the last thirty years that the world has not been able to digest it all. Our morality and level-headedness have not kept pace.

We have seen the disease, what is the remedy? Perhaps there are hundreds but time and time alone will reveal the right ones. At this time we shall venture to suggest only one remedy which we think is fundamental at least. Let us address ourselves to agriculture which is the basic industry of them all. It should no longer be construed as the occupation of the peasant. Circumstances now demand that it be set up and dignified as the noblest, most constructive industry on earth. Not all are producers of farm products, but all are consumers and always will be. The burning question of today is how shall the farmer continue to produce so as to realize not only a living wage from his toll but how he may also share in the educational and social advantages enjoyed by other professions. The answer is big yields per acre, cheap production, and organized marketing. As a practical dirt farmer we have always deplored the fact there was no cheap way to improve soils and keep them producing abundantly. To grow clovers and legumes of various kinds require lime which is expensive to obtain and apply. Now this condition has been more or less illuminated by the introduction of that wonderful plant imported a few years ago from Japan, Lespedeza, which requires no lime. That to our mind is the salvation of the farmer in a greater part of the Southland and as a user of this marvelous soil improver and forage crop we want to commend it to every farmer who has not tried it. It will at least be a palliative to a part of our ills.

Very truly,
T. W. FERGUSON.

Ferguson, N. C.
March 7, 1933.

GEORGE F. WILSON, 52, TAKES HIS OWN LIFE

High Point, March 6.—George F. Wilson, 52, for a quarter of a century owner of the Ford Motor agency in High Point and a pioneer in the field of automobile selling here, ended his life shortly after 6 o'clock tonight when he walked to a barn at the rear of his large home at 407 West High street and in the presence of a nine-year-old son and a milk-maid shot himself through the head.

He died before an ambulance could carry him to the hospital.

TWO YOUNG BANDITS GET \$90 IN HOLDUP

High Point, March 6.—An early morning holdup here today netted two young masked bandits between \$50 and \$90 from the safe of the Standard Oil filling station at the corner of Clay and South Main streets. N. J. McCusick, 24, operator of the station, was left in a dazed condition by the bandits, who felled him with a blow on the right side of his head as they fled in their waiting automobile after the holdup.

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CHEVROLET COACH	195.00	95.00
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Sunday School Lesson

By CHARLES E. DUNN

JESUS MINISTERING TO THE MULTITUDE

Lesson for March 12th. Mark 6:30-44. Golden Text: Matthew 20:28.

The lesson opens with a picture of the Master and His disciples so busy at work ministering to the needs of the many who hurried to see them, that they had no time for meals. It is then that Jesus sounded His call for a retreat, that they might restore their depleted energies. "Come away, all of you," said He, "to a quiet place, and rest awhile."

Our sorely harassed modern world greatly needs this advice. Relaxation is a lost art. We desperately lack serenity and poise. Our voices are harsh and high-pitched. Our muscles are taut. Our minds are over-tense and excited. William James, the psychologist, uses the expressive phrase, "bottled lightning," as an apt description of the explosive American temperament.

Systematic exercise of the body stimulates steadiness of spirit. Well-planned vacations restore one's balance. Best of all, religious faith brings an inner, untroubled peace. When we share Jesus' boundless trust in God, we are calm and unshakable.

But, alas, the Master's quest for rest, like so many of our own attempts today to flee from the world's tumult, met with frustration. When He and His disciples stepped from the boat upon the lonely shore they had chosen for their escape, a great multitude was there! It was as

difficult for Jesus to avoid people as it is for "Babe" Ruth!

With characteristic compassion He extended His sympathy to them, for, as Mark in our lesson says, "they were like sheep which have no shepherd." And now we see Jesus rising to the emergency of hunger. The day was advancing. The place was remote. But Jesus contrived, with the help of the apostles to feed those five thousand famished folk with an abundance to spare.

How this miracle was actually performed will never be known. It is futile to try to rationalize and explain this famous deed of mercy. The important fact to bear in mind is that it was not a merely physical act, but a spiritual communion with Him Who is, as John's gospel tells us, the true and living Bread.

Republicans Will Lose 40 Committee Jobs in Senate

Washington, March 6.—More than 40 committee memberships were shorn from senate Republicans today at a conference between influential members of both parties.

Those participating in the discussion were Robinson, of Arkansas, who was re-elected leader of his party today; McNary, of Oregon, scheduled to become Republican leader and Reed, of Pennsylvania, a prominent G. O. P. old guard member.

The committee seats vacated will be filled by Democrats.

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Right-Way Shoe Shop
"A Little Neater, a Little Better."

A Letter Worth While

Alexandria, La., February 10, 1933.

"Mr. Howard B. Scoggins,
"American Hammered Piston Ring Co.,
"Saenger Hotel, Dallas, Texas.

"Dear Mr. Scoggins:

"I am sending you under separate cover, one piston with rings, as it was removed from one of our fleet of 1926 Mack AB, City Type Buses, after being used for one hundred sixty-six thousand four hundred and fifty-four (166,454) miles of city service since last being overhauled.

"This bus was used on all our lines and driven by all of our drivers, and is put to the most severe test, road conditions and abuse. The reason for removing piston was not due to any failure of American Hammered Rings, as you will find upon inspection that these still retain the good old hammered tension.

"Was very much pleased with the condition of these rings, they were free in the lands and show very little wear. It is my personal opinion that no one can go wrong using American Hammered Rings as I have been using them for over six years in our buses, trucks and passenger cars, and will continue to do so and recommend them wherever possible.

"Yours very truly,
"H. S. JONES, Foreman,
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