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## Polio Campaign Touches Hearts Of The People

January is here and time for the annual campaign for funds for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

This campaign as no other reaches the hearts of Wilkes county people, because the Foundation has done so much to aid the many unfortunate victims of infantile paralysis in Wilkes county.

Wilkes has gone through two epidemics of polio, and many of those victims were aided greatly by Foundation funds. With but very few exceptions the families could not have paid for the costly treatment and care given the patients while they suffered from the disease, and could not have paid for the operations, braces, special shoes and other things used to rehabilitate victims.

In 1944 there were 38 cases of polio. In 1948 there were more cases in the worst epidemic in the history of the county.

In 1949 there were but few cases in Wilkes county.

But the need for funds is perhaps greater than ever because there were more cases in the United States in 1949 than in any year in the known history of infantile paralysis, although the epidemic did not strike in our midst here.

The National Foundation is out of money, and the campaign must be successful this January or the Foundation will not be able to care for future victims of polio and will not be able to carry on research which medical men believe will lead to finding preventative measures to blot that scourge from the human race.

Polio may strike here again this year, or next. Your own child may be a patient, and if the March of Dimes is not successful the National Foundation will not have funds to give that child the care and treatment it must have to prevent crippling.

The lower percentage of permanent disability among polio patients is due to the splendid care and treatment given patients, the cost being provided by chapters of the National Foundation. If your child has polio now the chances are greater for a complete or near complete recovery, because the Infantile Paralysis Foundation gets the funds in the campaign each January to pay for good care and treatment, and for corrective surgery after the disease has done its damage.

Edward Bell has been appointed chairman of the polio campaign in Wilkes. An organization is being perfected to try to carry the appeal to every man, woman and child in the county. The combined efforts of all public spirited people must be had to make the campaign a success.

Already the National Foundation has advanced more money for care and treatment of Wilkes patients than ever will be raised in campaigns here. But we can do our part in carrying on this work on a national scale.

## Taxes Can Kill

The gravest and most far-reaching internal issue this country faces is the cost of its government. And of all issues, it is probably the least understood.

At a time when the Federal government's income is at a near-record peak, and when the burden of taxation borne by the people is without precedent in days of peace, the nation is unable to make both ends meet. It is running a

heavy deficit which will be added to the towering national debt—a debt which is a direct obligation upon every man with an income, a piece of property, or material resources of any kind.

There is, of course, a glib answer to all of this. It is: "Tax the rich man and the rich business—let them carry the load for the rest of us." But the fact is that we could tax the rich into financial extinction and the proceeds wouldn't even come close to paying the bill. It is the tens of millions with moderate means—not the few with large means—who are hurt by extravagant government.

But that is not the end of the story. Something infinitely ominous is quietly happening in this country. Taxes are killing our economic growth.

A recent article in Newsweek describes this. Sales of common stock in industry largely determine whether we shall have good times or bad, an expanding economy or a static economy, more employment or less in the future. Yet, Newsweek says, last year trading in stocks accounted for only four per cent of the national income where, in the 55 years prior to 1930, it averaged more than 40 per cent. This means, the magazine goes on, that "if most of our corporations were not already in existence, it would be impossible today to create them." The money that once went into the enterprises upon which our living standards and our world leadership are built is being taxed out of existence.

George Sauer, Navy head football coach, resigns when two of his assistants are fired. Indicating that while George may never have been an officer, he retains the instincts of a gentleman.—Greensboro Daily News.

## - THE - EVERYDAY COUNSELOR

By Rev. Herbert Spough, D. D.



What do you have to show for having lived another year? The New Year finds many people thoughtful. Some make resolutions which they keep; some make resolutions which they break.

A correspondent once wrote describing a copy of the painting by Watts, "Sic Transit Gloria Mundi," which translated means, "So Passes Away the Glory of the World." The painting depicts a man lying still in death covered with a white shroud. No part of the face or body is exposed, but around the central figure are a number of scenes depicting the various experiences of a man's life. From these it is evident that he was wealthy, highly educated and appreciative of art.

In three corners of the painting these words appear: "What I spent, I had. What I kept, I lost. What I gave, I have."

It takes most of us a long time to learn that we keep only that which we give away. This sounds like a paradox, but we witness its truthfulness every day. Money which is kept and never spent is of no use. Money spent to purchase things for ourselves, we leave at death, if we keep them that long. That which we give away represents an investment in others, and we never know its ending.

The Everyday Counselor column is a modest effort to share with others those experiences which have either come to the writer personally, or have been shared with him by others. When a correspondent writes me relating something which has been helpful to him, I always try to pass it on that others may also find help.

The modern everyday comforts which we enjoy have come as a result of the sharing with mankind of the research and inventions of men of science.

This is pre-eminently true in the realm of the spirit. Those blessings which come to use from Almighty God, often as a result of much effort and even suffering, must be shared with others if we are to enjoy their blessings to the fullest. Many people are fruitlessly good. Their virtues are negative. They never learn to share with others the blessings of God, which bring the only true joy and happiness into the heart.

True virtue is fruitful only in sharing. Editor's Note: The third edition of Dr. Spough's little book on successful living "The Pathway to Contentment" is now available. Orders may be sent to The Everyday Counselor, Box 6036, Charlotte 7, N. C. The price of the book is \$1.00 postpaid. It also may be secured from your bookstore.

## Dewey Rules Out Race In Year 1952

Portland, Ore.—New York's Governor Thomas E. Dewey isn't going to change his mind and run again for the presidency. That's "as certain and final as death and the staggering New Deal taxes."

It's what he told a long-time friend in a letter answering the question.

John C. Higgins, who managed Dewey's Republican primary campaign in 1948 in Oregon, said he had heard of political stirrings in the East, suggesting a move was afoot to get Dewey to run again. So he wrote and asked.

This, he said yesterday, was the answer:

"Nothing could arise now or in the future that would lead me to be the nominee for our party in 1952. My decision on this matter is as certain and final as death and the staggering New Deal taxes."

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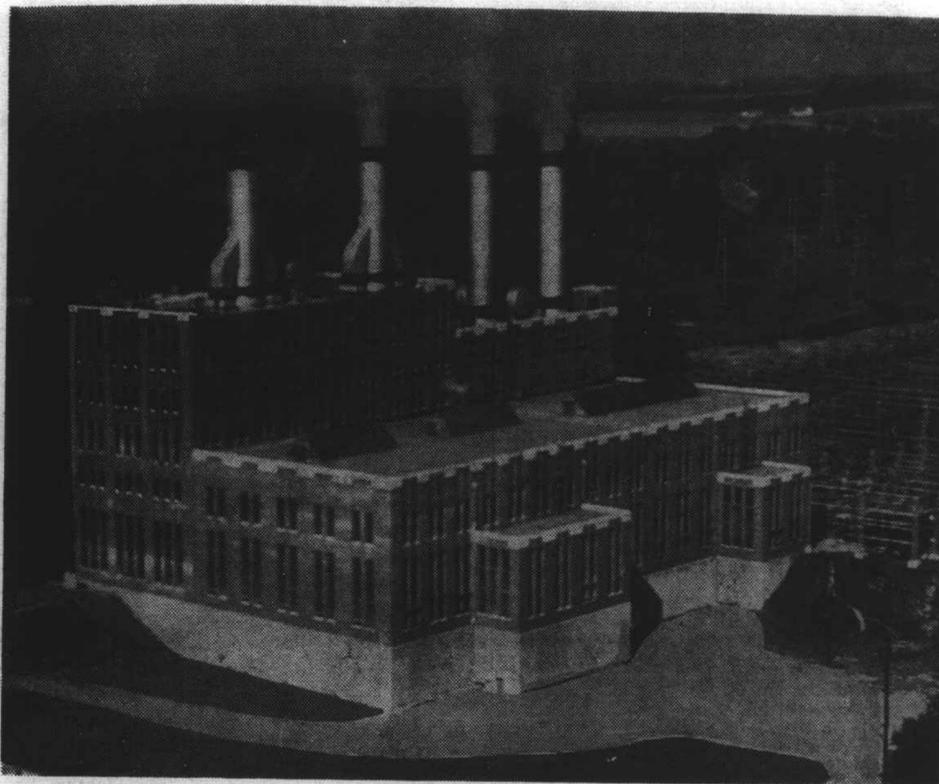
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## FROM THE OLD MILL STREAM

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The rains came, and sometimes the little riverside plant went out with the flood.

Then adventuresome engineers began to turn power wasting at falls and shoals into electricity. They transmitted it to towns located a safe distance from the rivers. Factories increased, and their loss by flood ended.

They increased so fast, in fact, that such river sites as could be reached and profitably developed were "used up." Too, it was found that, in time of drought, streams proved inadequate to power needs in the awakened Piedmont.

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