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## Incident Of The Baseball Season

A man who fought his way past four persons when discovered in a home at one o'clock in the morning, made the usual excuse: he said he had been drinking and didn't remember anything about it.

This happened out in Long Beach, California, and it has been several months now, but what particularly interests us is that he used a baseball bat to beat the inmates of the home and strew the furniture about the living room.

Now, a baseball bat stands for something rather good in American life, for occasional hours of uninhibited enjoyment of clean sport. Somehow, the incident seems to typify for us the fact that liquor spoils just about everything — it even prostitutes a baseball bat to murderous use.

Of course, this is a little far-fetched, but the general idea is not far-fetched. Drink is a constant, ever-present nuisance and danger to people who are seeking healthful relaxation. It is a menace on the hunting field and on the water, a peril to vacationing travelers and a disgusting annoyance to attendants at football games.

Later: Man in Washington murders a friend with a baseball bat — he'd been drinking.

## Carelessness With Motor Fuels Leads To Farm Tragedies

More tractor and truck fuel is used during the summer on farms than at any other season. Paul Choplin County Farm Agent with the State College Extension Service points out that petroleum products can be a servant or destroyer. It all depends on how they are used.

Careless use of motor fuels or other flammable liquids leads to tragedy. The victims die prematurely and horribly. They ignored repeated warnings and waited until it was too late to change their habits.

If you want to avoid disaster here are some important rules recommended by the National Safety Council.

1. An underground tank with a pump similar to the equipment used in service stations provides the safest storage for large supplies of farm tractor fuels, gasoline or kerosene on farms.

2. The next best method of storing gasoline supplies is in a well constructed steel tank located at least forty feet or more from farm buildings or from combustible material. If a separate enclosure is used it should permit vapors to escape in case of a leak or spill.

3. When necessary to bring gasoline inside, a red, labeled container of an approved safety type and not more than one gallon capacity should be used. Kerosene for immediate use may be kept in a small safety type container that is labeled and different in size, shape and color from gasoline containers.

4. Never re-fuel a tractor while the motor is running or extremely hot. Check fuel lines frequently to avoid leaky connections.

5. The use of open containers or careless spilling of flammable liquids invites trouble. A dangerous feature of gasoline storage in elevated tanks is the hazard of gravity flow, defective hose or the absence of self-closing valves and lock.

6. Never draw or handle flammable liquids in the presence of open flame or other source of ignition.

Add corny news item of the week: Henry Wallace returns to the farm.—Greensboro Daily News.

Chapel Hill speaker says more than half Southern youths are not getting equal opportunity. While that may be true, entirely too many of 'em are getting their convertibles. — Greensboro Daily News.

Democrats purchase home for party in Washington. What's the matter? Are they expecting eventually to have to give up the White House? — Greensboro Daily News.

Blue babies in Georgia are said to be in the victims of polluted water. We don't doubt it. That sort of water is enough to make anybody blue. — Greensboro Daily News.

Marines shifted from Camp Lejeune. But don't worry, Jacksonville; there will probably be some new ones coming in right away.—Greensboro Daily News.

History seems to be repeating itself in South Korea. It looks like those dang North-erners always seem to be raising Cain down south.—Greensboro Daily News.

## Draft Passing Over Men In Reserves

Washington, Aug. 14 — Draft eligibles who are members of organized reserve military units are not now receiving induction orders from Selective Services as an administrative policy.

A Selective Service official made that statement today. But, at the same time, he concurred with Defense department official in saying that men within the draft age—19 through 25—are subject to the draft even though they may be members of organized reserve units.

The Selective Service law makes that clear. It says that men between the ages of 19 and 26, who were not members of organized reserve units when the law became effective June 24, 1948, are subject to draft and induction.

Selective Service has some leeway in deciding which men shall be called under the act. A Selective Service official told a reporter that as an administrative policy inductions are being postponed for registrants who have joined an organized reserve unit since the act became effective.

The men, of course, must be taking part satisfactorily in all drills, training, and duties of the unit, he said. He added that continuance of duty with their reserve units.

Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey is the director of Selective Service. The agency official said Hershey has taken this position.

Selective service until recently had been inactive for about two years. Many men have gone into organized reserve components since the draft act became effective. They are facing imminent calls to duty with their reserve units. The importance of maintaining the strength and teamwork value in these units is great. For that postponing the induction of any draft eligible who has been and will perform satisfactorily in such units.

The official said the date on which a man joined a reserve unit plays no part in the decision to postpone his induction.

He stressed that Hershey's policy is administrative and that the men, under the law, still are subject to the draft and could be called and inducted.

**John Marshall May  
Join Armed Forces**

Raleigh — The report in Ra-

leigh this week is that John Marshall, private secretary to Governor W. Kerr Scott, is contemplating resigning this position and joining some branch of the armed services within the next few weeks.

Marshall, who formerly handled public relations for FCX here and who handled the campaign which led to the \$200,000,000 road program, succeeded Charles Parker as assistant to the Governor a year ago when the latter

became head of the State News Bureau. In World War II, Secretary Marshall was in the U. S. Navy.

Ben Rhoney of Rocky Mount, the other assistant to the Governor and his outer office contact man, is expected to succeed him in the event Marshall decides to become associated with Uncle Sam's fighting forces.

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## - THE - EVERYDAY COUNSELOR

By Rev. Herbert  
Spaugh, D. D.



Thousands of people are starving to death in America, the land of plenty. There is an abundant and inexhaustible supply of food spread out before them, but they won't eat. I refer to spiritual starvation.

The attitude of those suffering from spiritual starvation is childish. They act like small children. Every parent who has or has had small children knows how they can act, and how stubborn they can be about taking needed nourishment. They are not old enough to realize that food is necessary for the human body, and so if they don't feel hungry, they simply refuse to eat.

The whole world is in its present pitiful condition as the result of spiritual malnutrition.

In the July Coronet Magazine Lt. Col. David B. Parker, U. S. A., member of the Army General Staff has written a "fantastic" story which will become true unless nations learn to live in peace. It is entitled "War Without Death," and concludes by quoting Thomas A. Edison who said shortly before he died, "God will not let us advance much further materially until we have caught up spiritually."

Intelligent men and women realize that we are something more than high class animals, that we have minds and souls. Both must be fed with proper diet just as we feed our bodies. But too few are willing to do it.

Our mental hospitals are crowded, and our general hospitals are filling up with patients who are physically sick because they are mentally and spiritually sick. Many are suffering from a kind of spiritual pellagra.

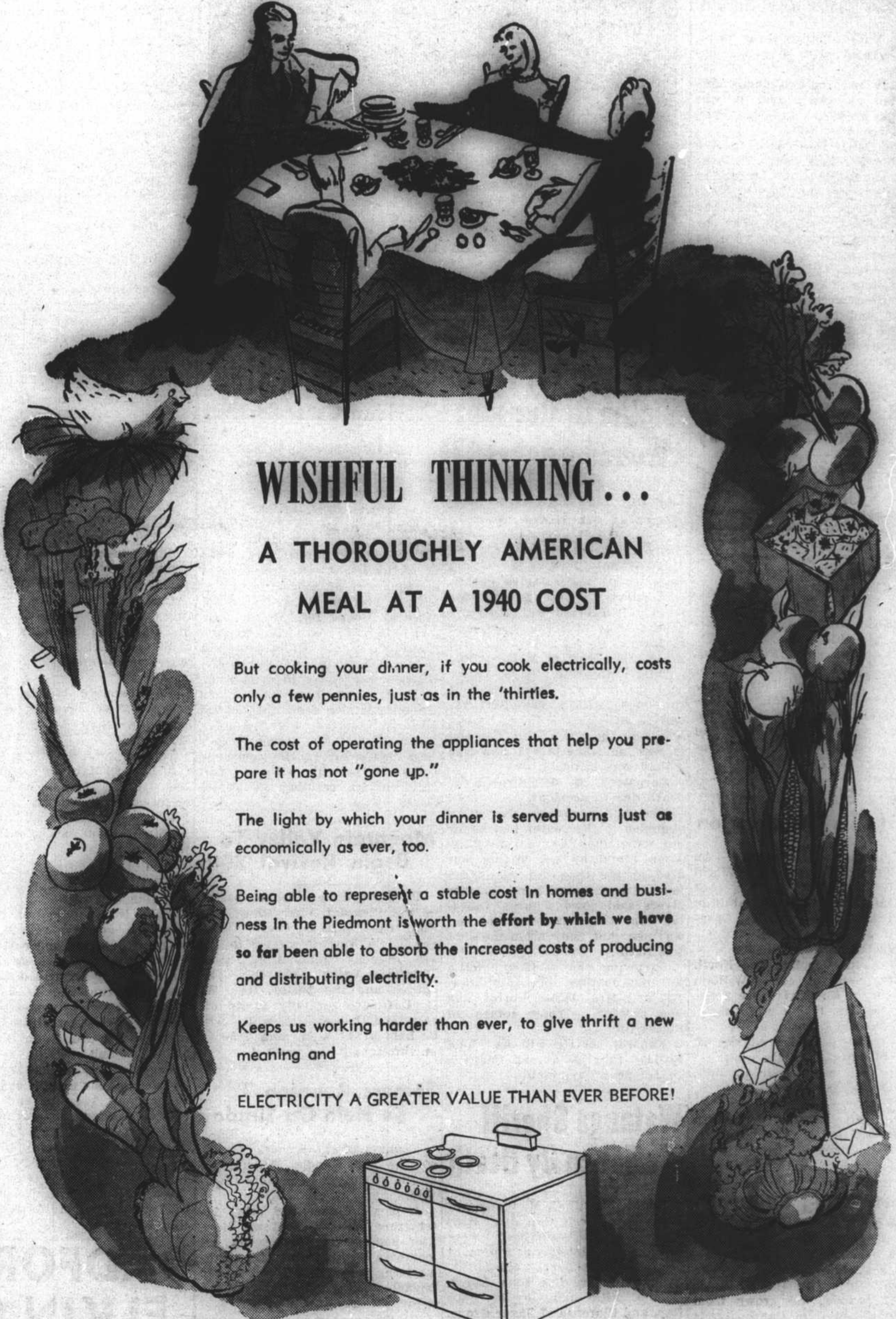
All alcoholics are spiritually sick, but not all spiritually ill are alcoholics. The alcoholic has learned to retreat from his worries, problems, fears by taking refuge in alcohol. He finds cure in feeding his soul with the forgiveness and power of God. Stubbornly and childishly the majority of alcoholics hold on to their bottle which they know isn't the answer. They refuse to accept those spiritual vitamins, the age-old promise of God.

Not all who suffer from spiritual starvation are alcoholics — far from it. But all follow the familiar pattern, allowing their Bibles, the great spiritual Hand Book of the ages to go unused. Yet the production of Bibles is now at its highest point.

My dear reader, if you haven't learned to get hold of the promises of God, get your Bible down now and go to work. Anything less is sheer stupidity. Take a pencil and mark the promises of God. Then claim them for your self. If you need help at once, then get a copy of the Precious Promises Testament published by the John Winston Company, which is the New Testament containing all the divine printed in red.

Get busy! Time is running out on us. Claim the promises for yourself. Claim them for your community, your nation, the world. Claim them on your knees.

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways: then will I hear from Heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." (II Chronicles 7:14).



## WISFUL THINKING...

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