

THE RELATION OF CHRISTIANITY TO THE WAR

By Roy Cox. We depended upon Christianity to prevent wars. It was natural enough, we thought, for heathen nations to engage in warfare, but among Christian people it was impossible.

It is quite natural, then, that we should be shocked that Christian religion instead of being invoked as a preventive of war was invoked as an inspiration for it.

The leading nations on each side in this titanic struggle feel sure that God is with them. The Germans feel that because God is on their side it will be easy for them to crush the enemy.

The French, the English, the Russians and the Serbians are equally sure that God is on their side and that they are fighting for Christian civilization against German militarism.

Our conception of God will not permit us to believe that he will give victory to the one side and wreak vengeance and destruction on the other. Either one side or both are wrong in believing that the Divine blessing will favor their arms.

The truth is that victory in this great struggle will go to the side that shows the greatest physical prowess and endurance. The biggest armies and the biggest navies best equipped for fighting must win.

Can it be that God is with the brute strength and has no ear for the cries of the weak? Was it not with the lowly Nazarene as he walked the sands of Galilee? Did "might make right" in the sight of the Prince of Peace?

Something is radically wrong. Is it that the world has wandered away from true Christianity? Can Christianity be one thing in Germany and another in England?

The truth is there can be no winning in this war. No one side can win to the utter humiliation or extinction of the other. The ruin of it must overwhelm all. No one can escape.

But we must believe that some ultimate good will result. The war has already induced Russia to stop the liquor traffic which for years has held the whole Russian people under irretrievable servitude.

There is a screw loose in somebody's Christianity. The truth is there can be no winning in this war. No one side can win to the utter humiliation or extinction of the other.

IN MEMORY OF MR. STEEL. Mr. Alvin B. Steel died at his home in Danville, Virginia, on the 23rd of March, 1916, at the age of 70 years.

He was the son of Jacob and Eunice Steel, who have been dead some years. He left no children; but his wife, one brother and sister survive.

The deceased was a highly respected farmer, well beloved by all who knew him. He was a good husband, a good brother, and a better man and neighbor never lived.

"Why do we mourn departing friends Or shake at Death's alarm? 'Tis but the voice that Jesus send To call them to his arms."

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Watson.

THE CRAVEN FAMILY

(News & Observer).

From an industrial write-up of Chase City by a staff correspondent in the Richmond Times-Dispatch, this item is clipped.

"Chase City has the reputation of having one of the brightest weekly newspapers in the State of Virginia, and it is a reputation that can in no way be gainsaid.

Braxton Craven, founder and first president of Trinity College, is held to be one of the greatest and best of North Carolinians, and among the famous former students of 'Old Brack,' who will back up this judgment, are both of the United States Senators from this State and the Congressman from the first district, a number of judges and others in high positions in this State and in other States.

It is also of interest that at this day, more than a generation after Dr. Craven passed over the river, the 'Old Brack' stock is well evidenced by his active grandsons.

George B. Craven, of Chase City, the youngest, is credited with running the best weekly paper in the Old Dominion. Bruce Craven, lawyer, and writer, 'the inimitable Bruce,' as he was referred to recently, lives at the old home in Trinity and is too well known to need any introduction.

Prof. H. B. Craven, the eldest of the 'boys,' has been for nine years the head of the city schools of New Bern and has made of the system a model for business efficiency; he also owns property at Ridgecrest and is interested in various business enterprises, and is grand regent of the Royal Arcanum.

Earl B. Craven, the second in point of age, is a director and official in the Commercial Bank of Lexington and ranks as one of the live business men of that live city. Rev. J. B. Craven is president of Davenport College at Lenoir and in the six years of his administration has developed the institution into a high class college that the past year did not have sufficient accommodations for those who desired to enter.

The 'Old Brack' stock is thus maintained by a bunch of real live wires and bids fair to 'grow in grace.'

WHOLE FAMILY DEPENDENT

Mr. B. Williams, Hamilton, Ohio, writes: "Our whole family depend on Pine-Tar-Honey." Maybe someone in your family has a severe cold—perhaps it is the baby.

Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey is an ever ready household remedy—it gives immediate relief. Pine-Tar-Honey penetrates the lining of the throat and lungs, destroys the germs and allows Nature to act. At your Druggist, etc.

GRAYS CHAPEL ITEMS

Most of our farmers have been putting in good time breaking land for summer crops.

John Cagle, of Lynn, Indiana, recently visited his father, George Cagle, of this place, and other relatives in different parts of the county.

Messrs. Redding and Routh have moved their saw mill to George Cagle's, where they have a small lot of pine timber to saw.

One of the largest crowds we ever saw attended the sale of personal property of the late Isaac Routh, recently.

Emmus Holder is having a good barn built, Messrs. Julian and Redding doing the work.

The school here, being taught by the Misses Smith, will continue two weeks longer.

There has been considerable horse trading—buying, selling, and swapping—around here of late.

SOME FORMS OF RHEUMATISM CURABLE. Rheumatism is a disease characterized by pain in the joints and in the muscles. The most common forms are: Acute and Chronic Rheumatism, Rheumatic Headaches, Sciatic Rheumatism and Lumbago.

For defacing the public school building at Pleasant Garden and writing indecent phrases on the blackboard, three white boys were sentenced to do the cleaning up and other work usually done by hired men for their period of one year. The sentence was imposed by Justice of the Peace Collins, before whom the boys were tried.

"THE BEAUTIFUL BOY"

Dr. Prince E. Burroughs, of Nashville, Tennessee, recently delivered an address in the First Baptist church, High Point, on the "Beautiful Boy." The eminent speaker declared that he had never, in the literature of many languages, found a stronger picture of "clean, sweet, unadorned, and unblemished boyhood and manhood" than that of the Scripture character of Daniel.

Continuing the doctor said that the best defence of a country lies not in great forts, men-of-war, nor giant guns, but first, last, and always in the integrity of its young manhood; in fact, he thinks the greatest wealth of any country is true manhood.

The lecturer also made a plea for equality of moral laws for boys and girls. He said he loved the beautiful boy, and often turned to look at them as they passed on the streets.

The seriousness of early training was very graphically presented. He was passing once upon a time where some men were busy digging, and when asking the reason was told that a building was to be erected on the spot.

He spoke of the numerous times physicians refer to "resisting force." He said he once had a sick friend of whom the doctor remarked, "your friend can't live. Nine-tenths of the people in a similar condition would get well. He's got no resisting power."

"Dr. J. Frost tells of a terrific storm which once visited Selma, Ala. In a park there were some magnificent spreading oaks over a century old. These had their limbs threshed and broken, and nearly every tree was uprooted.

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KEEP YOUR BOWELS REGULAR. As everyone knows, the bowels are the sewerage system of the body, and it is of the greatest importance that they move once each day.

WHEAT CONSIDERED CONTRABAND. German Ship Commander Confesses to Destroying American Ship Freese. The German cruiser, Prinz Eitel Friedrich, went into dry dock for repairs at Newport News, Virginia, last week, after scouring the Atlantic and Pacific oceans on a marine-wrecking expedition covering 55,000 miles.

Wheat is considered contraband. The German commander admitted that his ship sank the American ship, William P. Frye, bound from Seattle to Queenstown, and loaded with 55,000 tons of wheat, on January 28.

MORTGAGE SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE. By virtue of authority and power in the undersigned vested by a deed of trust executed on the 4th day of May, 1908, by Mary A. Ferree to J. D. Ross and others, which deed of trust is duly registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Randolph county in Book 137, page 480, and by an indenture or deed duly executed on the 15th day of March, 1910, by and between Mary A. Ferree, J. D. Ross, Trustee, and G. Rosenthal to Bertha Rosenthal, Jr., which indenture or deed is duly registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Randolph county in Book 133, page 186, the undersigned will expose at public sale to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in the town of Asheboro in said county on Friday the 16th day of April, 1915, at twelve o'clock M. the following real estate mentioned and described in said deed of trust, being the valuable property known as the W. J. Glass place in the town of Randleman, lately occupied by the said Mary A. Ferree, and more particularly described and defined as follows:

Beginning at a stone on the west side of the Asheboro road and running west 6.34 chains to a stone; thence south 5.34 chains to a stone; thence east 6.34 chains to a stone by the side of the road; thence direct to the beginning, containing two acres more or less.

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This the 11th day of March, 1915. BERTHA ROSENTHAL, JR., Mortgagee. G. S. Bradshaw, Attorney.

NOTICE. Having qualified as administrator on the estate of Jane Asbill, deceased, before J. M. Cavness, Clerk of the Superior court of Randolph county, all persons having claims against said estate are notified to present them to the undersigned duly verified on or before the 20th day of March, 1916, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery; and all persons owing said estate will come forward and make immediate settlement.

This 17th day of March, 1915. E. T. BYRD, Adm'r. Asheboro, N. C.

A Miner's Cough denotes a weakness and if neglected it leads to bronchitis, pneumonia or consumption. SCOTT'S EMULSION is the sure and safe remedy for coughs and colds because it relieves the trouble and strengthens the whole system to avoid sickness and loss of time.

Every miner should take Scott's Emulsion and refuse the alcoholic, inferior substitutes. Every druggist has it.

THE NEW PRIMARY LAW

One of the vigorous workers in the House of Representatives for a State-wide primary law was Representative A. A. F. Seawell, of Lee. Asked to give his views as to the law passed Senator Seawell said:

"The Weaver-Hobgood primary bill as it finally passed is far from being an ideal law, but it is a big step forward. The bill suffered diminution in strength in the Senate, and was the subject of violent attack in the House with a view to still further reduction.

"The loss of the 'oath feature,' the test of party loyalty upon challenge, is more than compensated for by the amendment permitting challenge at the time of voting and providing a way of deciding the challenge, and the amendment requiring a different set of boxes for each party. The secret ballot provision was somewhat weakened by an amendment, the only material advantage gained by the opponents of the Weaver-Hobgood bill in the House.

"The law, when published, will show the popularity of the 'legalized primary' idea because so many counties were left without its provisions as to representatives and county officers. The referendum feature of the bill brings in many others.

"I should say that the law needs strengthening especially at these points: 1.—Let the qualifications of the voter be stated more explicitly.

"2.—Make the provisions plainer and the machinery better to exclude those who have no right to participate, and permit only those to vote who do so in good faith. Require an oath on challenge as to present party affiliation and good faith. This oath should not go further than to declare the good faith of the voter at the time he offers to vote, and his present intention. His right to 'change his mind' ought not to be questioned or embarrassed.

"3.—Make the provisions as to secret ballot so clear, and provide so definitely for non-interference with the voter as to leave him a chance to vote his choice at the time he does vote.

"Personally, I do not think the provisions of the present law as to the management of the primary ought to be permanent. I think that the primary election is a party election of its own candidates and that managers should be appointed from the political party to which the primary belongs, and if possible, balancing the factions of that party in their selection. I can foresee many complications arising from the present plan. Amongst others the 'dominant party' will be criticized for abuses in the primaries which it assumes to control, but cannot, because of the 'electorate.'

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PINEY GROVE SCHOOL CLOSES

Piney Grove high school closed Friday, March 12, with the best record ever made at this place.

We wish to extend to the teachers, Mr. W. C. York and Miss Eula Freeman, our thanks for the good work done, especially the enrollment record. Of the number in the district all were enrolled except a dozen.

The committee and patrons have the congratulations of all the patrons for securing these teachers. PATRON.

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CAROLINA PEOPLE TELL WONDERFUL EFFECTS OF MAYR STOMACH REMEDY

Sufferers Find Swift Relief by use of This Remarkable Treatment.

Stomach sufferers in the Southeast, and, in fact, all over the country have found remarkable and efficient results from the use of Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy.

Many have taken this remedy and tell today of the benefits they received. Its effects come quickly—the first dose convinces. Here is what two Carolina folks have written:

W. R. DAVENPORT, Parker, N. C.—"For years I have suffered from a disease which has puzzled doctors. I heard of your remedy and one bottle gave me relief. Your full treatment has about cured me."

J. E. ERWIN, Winston-Salem, N. C.—"I am satisfied through personal use of the powers of your remedy. You have saved my life."

These statements come from letters among thousands. This remedy is known and used throughout the United States. It has a record of results and proof.

Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy clears the digestive tract of mucoid accretions and poisonous matter. It brings swift relief to sufferers from ailments of the stomach, liver and bowels. Many declare it has saved them from dangerous operations and many are sure it has saved their lives.

We want all people who have chronic stomach trouble or constipation, no matter how long standing, to try one dose of Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy—one dose will convince you. This is the medicine so many of our people have been taking with surprising results. The most thorough system cleanser ever sold. Mayr's Wonderful Stomach Remedy is now sold here by Standard Drug Company and druggists everywhere.

DIGGERS SEARCH FOR GOLD IN GRAVE IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY. Every one who has crossed the Pee Dee River at Lowder's Ferry immediately below where the Uwharrie River flows into the Yadkin and after the confluence the river is called Pee Dee, knows David Lowder, who has been ferryman at the ferry on the river between Montgomery and Stanly counties, nearly thirty years, living on the Stanly side of the river, and now 82 years old. Mr. Lowder tells a story to the Stanly Enterprise about digging for gold in a grave, which we quote as follows:

"On Wednesday night of last week when the moon was shining in all its glory, the grave of DeLamont, a Frenchman, buried some 75 years ago on the Montgomery side, opposite Lowder's Ferry, was dug into by certain parties who obviously searched for gold, long reputed to have been buried with DeLamont's body. Mr. Lowder tells us that this search was within his own memory, the third one made for the old man's gold, at his grave. It is needless to say that no gold was found.

"On the night that the grave was dug into there was a spelling-bee at Dickville school house, and a number of boys and girls from the Montgomery side attended. Kron Lowder, a son of Dave Lowder, served as ferryman that night. After the match was over he and another young man set the party of young people over to their home side. Kron, noticing certain young men standing aside on the Montgomery shore, asked what they were there for. One fellow said, 'I ain't going to tell you now. Your daddy will know soon enough.' Those idle fellows had worked in a field near the grave during the day, and naturally their actions had aroused suspicions.

It remains to tell something of DeLamont. He came from France about the same time that the late Doctor Kron came with his two daughters, Misses Elizabeth and Adeline Kron. DeLamont being rich bought much land both on the Montgomery and Stanly sides of the Yadkin. Before he died, having no relatives in America, he willed his property in Stanly to the Krons. For some reason a lawsuit ere long followed, and Dr. Kron, rather than lose his property, willed it to his daughters. These two lived on the estate until each in her turn passed into the silent land. What became of DeLamont's money will probably never be known until the sea gives up its dead. Let us hope though that his ashes will never again be disturbed."

ANOTHER OLD CONFEDERATE SOLDIER GONE. The many friends of John H. Kirkman will regret to hear of his death, which occurred a few days ago. He had been in poor health for some three years.

Mr. Kirkman was one of my school mates back in our boyhood days. Raised near each other, we grew up until 1861, and the War between the States broke out. I volunteered in the spring of 1861, and Mr. Kirkman was conscripted in 1862, by the first act, and was attached to Company H, Third Regiment North Carolina troops. He served under Lee and Jackson in Virginia until Lee surrendered in 1865.

Mr. Kirkman visited our camp in the winter of '62. I saw him several times in that terrible scuffle, especially at the battle of Chancellorsville, and the terrible three days battle of Gettysburg, where he was wounded the last day. I never saw him any more until the end, when he returned home, married Angeline Patterson and settled down to farming, at which he made a good living as he had made a good soldier.

He was raised a Methodist. If he ever connected himself with any church, I do not know it, but he was a good man from boyhood. All of us old soldiers that followed the Southern flag are growing old and our time growing short; so let all of us be ready to answer to the last roll call in peace with our God. If not ready, I beg you to get ready. JOHN T. TURNER, Co. M, 22nd Regiment North Carolina Troops, Ramoth, N. C.

MAN TAKES HIS OWN MEDICINE IS AN OPTIMIST. He has absolute faith in his medicine—he knows when he takes it for certain ailments he gets relief. People who take Dr. King's New Discovery—they know this cough remedy will penetrate the linings of the throat, kill the germs and open the way for Nature to act. You can't destroy a cold by superficial treatment—you must go to the cause of the trouble. Be an optimist. Get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery today.

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FOR PERFECT REGISTRATION

North Carolina Soon to be Recognized as a Registration State. North Carolina will soon take her rightful place among the states of the Union as a registration state. This is all due to a law just passed perfecting our registration of births and deaths. Hereafter, upon the death of any person in the state, the undertaker or person acting as such will be obliged to file a death certificate with the local registrar in exchange for a burial permit, within seventy-two hours after death or before the burial of the body. Heretofore, in the country, ten days were allowed for filing such death certificates after the burial of the body. As a result a large portion of deaths in the country were forgotten, overlooked and unrecorded, and our vital statistics, particularly for rural districts, are of very little value and in many cases worthless and even misleading.

These conditions were so self-evident that the Federal authorities refused and rightly, to recognize North Carolina as a registration state or to give our statistics a place beside the statistics of other states with proper laws. It is not known if North Carolina will be recognized as a registration state for 1915 or not, as almost one-fourth of the year will have passed before the law can be put into effect, but there is no doubt that our figures for 1916 will be accepted by Federal authorities. After that North Carolina will be favored with emigrants seeking healthful climes who now have no means whatever of knowing whether North Carolina is a healthful state or not.

Fifty dogs have been shot by policemen's bullets in Concord recently, following a mad dog scare, in which five people were bitten. A number of the dogs were killed at the request of their owners; others, while running at large in the streets. All the victims of the mad dogs are taking the Pasteur treatment, at Raleigh.

SECRETARY DANIELS MAKING GOOD. It has remained for Secretary of the Navy Daniels to get the most ever accorded at the hands of Congress for his department. In turn, Secretary Daniels makes acknowledgment in a statement he issued to the public Wednesday, reviewing the naval appropriations bill for 1916. No other Congress has been so generous in providing for the needs of the navy. It passed not one, but two naval bills. The appropriations provide a whole division of dreadnaughts, fleets of submarines and torpedo boats and aerial craft. The entire appropriation for new construction amounts to \$87,945,531. Of this, \$1,800,000 was reappropriated by reason of the economies effected under Secretary Daniels' administration. Incidentally, this action was a rebuke to the attempts that have been made to discredit the navy's material and personnel. And Secretary Daniels is still going ahead building up one of the finest executive records in the navy department. He is making good and he is making North Carolina proud.—Charlotte Observer.

IF MEALS HIT BACK AND STOMACH SOURS

"Pape's Diapepsin" Ends Stomach Misery, Indigestion in Five Minutes. If what you just ate is souring on your stomach or lies like a lump of lead, refusing to digest, or you belch gas and eructate sour, undigested food, or have a feeling of dizziness, heartburn, fullness, nausea, had taste in mouth and stomach headache, you can get blessed relief in five minutes.

Ask your pharmacist to show you the formula, plainly printed on these fifty-cent cases of Pape's Diapepsin, then you will understand why dyspeptic troubles of all kinds must go, why they relieve sour, out-of-order stomachs or indigestion in five minutes. "Pape's Diapepsin" is harmless, tastes like candy, though each case will digest and prepare for assimilation into the blood all the food you eat; besides, it makes you go to bed with a healthy appetite; it is what will please you most, is that you will feel that your stomach and intestines are clean and fresh, and you will not need to resort to laxative liver pills for biliousness or constipation.

This city will have many "Pape's Diapepsin" cranks, as some people call them, but you will be enthusiastic about this splendid stomach pacifier, too, if you ever take it. Indigestion, gases, heartburn, nausea, dyspepsia, or any stomach ailment, Get some now, this minute, and give yourself of stomach trouble and indigestion in five minutes.