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### BIBLE THOUGHT

Deliver us from evil, St. Matthew 6:13.

Truth is your truest friend, no matter what may be the circumstances.  
—Abraham Lincoln.

### James E. Perry

THE entire community was profoundly shocked to learn that Dr. James E. Perry, who had been chatting with friends at closing time on Tuesday night, had received his swift summons an hour later to

"The undiscovered country from whose bourn  
No traveler returns."

To few is given so merciful a release, yet it is hard for those left behind to understand the passing of a life still in the prime of usefulness and so much to live for.

Dr. Perry's life unfolded through the years as that of a fair and generous-hearted citizen, neighbor, friend. Conscientious in all his business dealings and in the performance of his duties as a citizen, he did his work and fulfilled his obligations so quietly and unassumingly that few realized that he worked overtime and never shirked any responsibility laid upon him.

His place of business was one that reflected the highest standards of his profession as a pharmacist as well as always being a pleasant place to meet a friend. Dr. Perry showed consideration to the humblest customer and was unfailingly kind in all his relations. Certain it is that no citizen in Franklin could be held more universally esteemed or could be judged more popular than "Jim" Perry, as he was affectionately known to all. His going leaves vacant a loving father's place in a home and a gap in the ranks of Franklin's good citizens which will be hard to fill.

### The State Legislature

NEWS of the North Carolina General Assembly now meeting in Raleigh has been crowded out of the leading headlines in the daily papers by war and national news, which is uppermost in the minds of the nation.

Local news, items about men in the armed forces and government bulletins and information for the home front have so far crowded out reports of the legislature in this paper.

Among the important matters now being considered is the nine-months school term and the War Bonus for teachers and state employees. Speaking before the appropriations committee in behalf of these two measures pending as amendments to the 1943-45 appropriations bill, Governor Mroughton said this week:

"All of us agree that we can make this expansion (nine months school) in spite of the war. As for the War Bonus, we have not increased the pay of state employees for many years. Conditions which brought about the surplus also brought an increase in the cost of living. It would be inequitable for the state to benefit from the surplus and not give a raise to teachers and state employees."

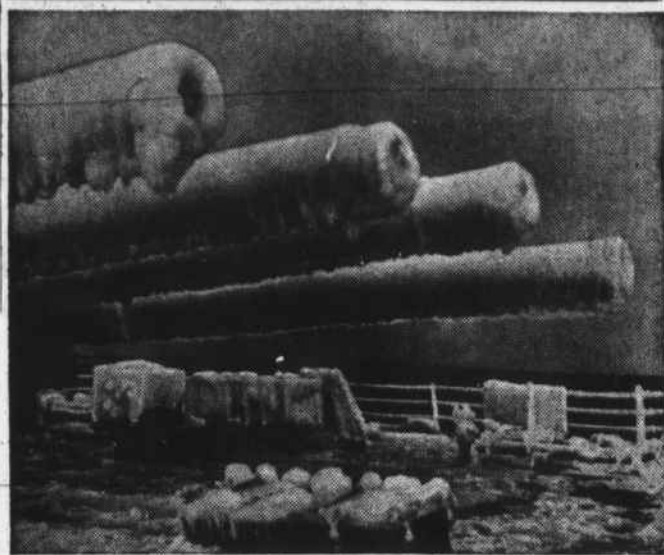
Dr. W. A. Rogers, representative from Macon county has introduced the following county bills:

"To extend the term of office of the chairman and members of the Board of Commissioners of Macon County and to provide for the election and compensation of the members of said board." Chairman and 2 commissioners to be elected in 1946 and quadrennially thereafter. Present board to hold office four years. Commissioners to get \$5 per meeting day and 5c mileage; chairman to get \$5 per day and mileage for days spent in discharge of duties, but neither chairman nor commissioners to get pay for more than 10 days in any month. Any vacancy to be filled by remaining members. Sent to Committee on Elections and Election Laws.

"To repeal chapter 190 of the Public Laws of 1931 and exempting Macon County from the statewide primary law." Would remove from primary law and thus provide for nomination of county officers, including members of Board of Education, in county convention. Sent to Committee on Elections and Election Laws.

"Relative to the compensation of the sheriff of Macon County for his duties as collector." To receive 2 per cent on all taxes collected by him for the year 1943 and thereafter. If tax collector is appointed in the future and such collector is placed on a salary, it shall not exceed \$2,000 per annum. Sent to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns.

## On Arctic Patrol



THE HUGE GUNS of a British battleship on duty in far northern waters. This picture gives an idea of the icy conditions in which the supply route to Russia is maintained. It will be a tough job for the chipping party to get these guns cleared.

### Letters to Editor

The Franklin Press,  
Franklin, N. C.  
Gentlemen:

I am sorry I am late, but I have been ill.

I take great pride in your reports of war work—bonds, Red Cross, etc. that Franklin and Macon County are doing.

Sincerely,  
KATE R. HOBART,  
(Mrs. William D. Hobart)  
1042 26th Street,  
San Diego, Calif.

### FROM A FORMER MACONIAN

Rt. 3 Sedro Woolley,  
Washington,  
February 9, 1943.

The Franklin Press:

Please renew my subscription.... Glad to note the people of Macon county are doing so much for the cause of the war, also in the dime (paralysis) drive.

We have had the coldest weather here this winter we have had in 20 years. Down to 4 above zero. It is snowing today. This is, on the whole, a milder climate than Macon county. The Japanese current affects the climate here. We are proud of this Japan current, but that is about all we can say we are proud of that has the name of Japan. But if we stand together and trust the Lord for guidance, they will be licked before long.

Wishing all a prosperous New Year,

Sincerely,  
MRS. J. B. WILSON.

### Clippings

#### THE BIBLE MADE AMERICA WHAT SHE IS

America rests upon four cornerstones: The English Bible, the English language, the common law, and the tradition of liberty. But liberty language, and law might have been drawn from the Bible alone. Had we brought nothing with us across the sea besides this supreme Book, we might still have been great. Without this Book, America could not have become what she is; and when she loses its guidance and wisdom, she will be America no more.

Did we bring the Bible to these shores? Did it not rather bring us? The breath of ancient prophets was in the sails that drove the tiny Mayflower. The hope and faith of ancient poets, kings, and lawgivers was in the hearts of those who first sang the Lord's song in this strange land. Our first dim outlines of a commonwealth in the Western World were drawn "as near as might be to that which was the glory of Israel." From these beginnings until now the Bible has been a teacher to our best men, a rebuke to our worst, and a noble companion to us all. For these three centuries the grand harmonies of the English Bible have sounded in the ears of all true Americans, dignifying their speech, raising their thought, shaping their conduct, and filling their minds with vivid images of moral grandeur or depravity. Under all the uproar and amid all the haste and excitement of our vast pioneering adventure, this great and solemn and beautiful voice has been rolling on and on. Most clearly of all, it has been echoed in our literature.

Toward several other arts the Puritan fathers were indifferent or hostile; but literature in one of its supreme examples had been familiar to them from infancy. Upon this one Book, which is, in fact, many in one, their sense of beauty had been fed. And America has not even yet outlived this early, long-enduring, and almost exclusive dependence both for beauty and for truth upon the Book.

N. C. Christian Advocate.

### SERMON SUMMARIES

H. M. ALLEY

#### THE CHURCH

Text: "... and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."—Matt. 16:18.

Men have built church houses by the thousands and called them by many different names, whereas, Jesus built One Universal Institution and called it "MY CHURCH." Again, men have used various building materials, such as wood, stone, brick and mortar, in erecting their places of worship upon foundations of substances of relative strength and value. But Christ built His Church of immortal souls, redeemed by His own blood, and established through faith upon the solid and unalterable foundation of the principals, and purposes, the truths and testaments, the mercy and mediation which He declared and exemplified during His life on earth, and which He vindicated forever by His death on the Cross.

A common error in the minds of many is the idea that one is in the church only when he sits in the church house on Sundays, attending the worship or study program usually maintained by his denomination. But the fact that those who are members of Christ's spiritual church are in the church every hour of the day and whether they be in the home or shop, field or foundry, in native land or on foreign shores. This truth

In the Albany, N. Y. area, where ration banking has been in operation, the ration, currency deposited in participating banking offices represented an average of 900,000 pounds of sugar and 3,900,000 gallons of gasoline a week.



#### SOLDIER'S MEDAL

The Act of Congress approved July 2, 1926, authorized a medal to be known as the Soldier's Medal, and provided that the medal may be presented to persons who, while serving in any capacity with the Army of the United States shall hereafter distinguish themselves by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy.

On a bronze octagon an eagle is displayed standing on a fasces, between two groups of stars of six and seven above the group of six a spray of leaves. On the reverse a shield paly of 13 pieces on the chief, the letters "U. S." supported by sprays of laurel and oak, around the upper edge the inscription "Soldier's Medal" and across the face the words "For Valor." In the base a panel for the name of the recipient. The medal is suspended by a rectangular-shaped metal loop with corners rounded from a silk moire ribbon.

### Kyle

By F. W. HEMBREE

Everyone at Kyle was grieved at the death of Bud Hicks, Monday. He was a devoted church worker, and Adult Teacher at the Nantahala Baptist church, No. 2. The funeral service was held at the church on Tuesday, conducted by Rev. Dennis Garmley, and Clyde Morgan, married men of Kyle with no children, have recently taken the physical examination for the armed forces.

The weather conditions at Kyle are fitting the season very properly. The sign of winter has been on the ground and in the air, also

Joe Evans of Kyle reports that Tuesday was the first day he had failed to go to school during his junior high school life. He is an ideal student of the Nantahala high school.

### MILK

Farm income from milk, which has been increasing since 1939, was nearly 25 percent larger in 1942 than it was in 1941, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

makes Christianity a practicable everyday religion, instead of a mere religious form to be put on or taken off according to the will or whim of the individual.

Finally, the program of the church is not just one of worship only, but a grand combination of WORSHIP and WORK, SONG and SERVICE, PRAYER, and PRODUCTION. And despite the fickleness and sham of mere professors, or the criticisms and persecutions of openly avowed enemies, the loyal followers of Christ have maintained and will maintain this program until He who built the Church shall return to claim it as His Bride.

### Clinic News

Fred Blaise, of Baltimore, Md., formerly of Franklin, underwent a tonsil operation this week.

Mrs. Viola Bryson, of Washington, D. C., formerly of Macon county, underwent an operation at the Angel Clinic, Tuesday.

Mrs. Ed Bryson, of Cullasaja, is seriously ill here.

Mrs. Eula Welch, of Pontiac, Mich., former resident of Macon county, underwent a major operation at the Angel Clinic this week.

Aud Penland and Charles Caldwell are recovering from major operations.

Mrs. C. D. Derreberry, of Andrews, underwent a major operation, Sunday.

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#### LIBRARY PLANS UNTIL JULY 1

The local Library Board met recently and worked out a plan to keep the library open until July 1, although W. P. A. funds, which have previously paid the salary of the librarian, are being withdrawn February 25.

Mrs. Frank I. Murray, who has been in charge of the bookmobile, will keep the library open under the supervision of Miss Catherine Ogden, tri-county librarian for Swain, Jackson, and Macon counties, it has been announced.

The hours the library will be open will be the same.

#### Bathless Groggins says—



Yep! I'm back at work agin. I figger on buyin' lots of War Bonds to help our boys. Don't forget—we're all supposed to be signed up for 10% by New Year's!

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