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Neglect Rather Than Little Respect

Probably it is just some more of our modern neglect rather than small respect we hold for our dead that the last resting place of hundreds here is allowed to take the appearance of a rubbish heap or an abandoned shack on a deserted farm. A visit to Williamston's cemetery calls to one's mind a certain group of people is a distant land who had the unusual belief that the unkept burial ground was not inviting, that the evil spirits would not enter there under those conditions. We call people with such and similar beliefs heathen; and yet, we have a poorly kept cemetery and there isn't even a belief to excuse our neglect.

It has been said that a people may be judged by the way it respects the dead. The facts, and they can't be disputed, give us a poor rating.

Should an epidemic strike, there wouldn't be space for the dead bodies in Williamston's cemetery. Only a few lots in the grounds are unclaimed, but most of them are not wanted because they are low and because they are a part of a cemetery that is all but ignored. No one is to be censured for the disgraceful condition there, for the everyone of us has been neglectful; we have been too busy in our everyday affairs to think about maintaining a place of beauty, a place that offers peace and rest to those of us who are destined to run the race with eternity there.

Appearing before the town's governing body a few nights ago, a representative of interested citizens urged that an investigation be made probably with the possibility of developing a new cemetery and having its care accepted by the town government.

It is time that our town authorities give the problem due consideration, and for every citizen here to support any plan that may be advanced by them. Nothing will ever be done as long as the living think of a cemetery only when they are in it paying respect to the memory of a departed friend or relative, and then dismissing the crying need from his mind as he passes out the cemetery gate.

Paying the Price Now

Human beings by the hundreds of thousands are now paying the price for poor lighting in the past, and the rising generation, despite modern school building programs will be saddled with a similar cost unless the holders of the State purse strings become more lenient. Word comes from Raleigh instructing against liberal use of lights, or, in other words, a bill that covers adequate lighting may be rejected because it exceeds the appropriation. The policy apparently is to save a few pennies today and leave the child pay dollars tomorrow for glasses.

Poorly lighted school rooms have and are today in many cases weakening the eyesight of numbers of children in the public schools of this State. Surely, there is some cause for the increasing number of peo-

ple finding it necessary to wear glasses, and there is little doubt but what that cause is traceable to a certain extent to the dark school room.

Modern education has been so busy training youth how to figure and out-figure the other fellow, that it has ignored factors of equal importance, factors probably of even more importance than instructions in stock manipulations and other allied subjects.

The parents through their associations will have done a good day's work when they investigate lighting conditions in the school rooms where their children are spending so many of their waking hours, and demand that inadequate lighting effects be remedied. Attention given this problem now may mean that it will not be necessary for scores of boys and girls now in school to go through life with their eyes imprisoned behind glasses.

Home Town Newspaper

There is nothing in print that has fireside appeal, influence or pulling power as the home-town newspaper. As we know it in America it is a product of our own soil and peculiar genius. It is one of the few independent businesses left in the country. In the aggregate it is the greatest power in America. While the Metropolitan newspapers have evolved into great industries and while the Metropolitan press is still the great reflector of public thought and opinion, the cross-roads press of America is still the motor of it.

The first line of American defense is our army of 14,000 home-town newspapers and if the nation endures, it will be because they were not only kept, but because aroused in America's hour of peril and carried the word of warning to the people that the enemy was within the gates. There is nothing that a militant press cannot accomplish with its conscience and the courage of its convictions.

I have long been of the opinion that the democracy of this country must constantly be renewed from the soil, and whatever else I might say with reference to the country publisher, I can testify that a goodly part of the character of this republic is still preserved in his independent spirit.—Clayton E. Rand, President NEA, at AFA Convention in New York.

Lawyers Go From the Sublime to the Ridiculous

Rocky Mount Herald

At the annual meeting of the N. C. Bar Association, held last Friday in Raleigh the president, Julius C. Smith, of Greensboro, general Counsel for Vicks Chemical Co., called upon and ordered the assembly to stand in honor of Senator J. W. Bailey, whom he said made "such a masterful fight against President Roosevelt's court plan." According to press reports it was stated that several other lawyers spoke against the president's court reorganization plan but in the same breath recommended big changes in N. C. courts. After several members had congratulated the bar and stated how fortunate the country was that the Supreme Court would still remain at nine in number they then proceeded to the ridiculous, by taking as the bar major objective this year the "discipline and reform of the poor man's court and proceeded with a severe castigation of all Justices of Peace.

But for the Justice of Peace court being a constitutional court they in all probability would have done away with the time honored squires.

Just think of jumping from the sanctified Supreme Court to the Justice of Peace court.

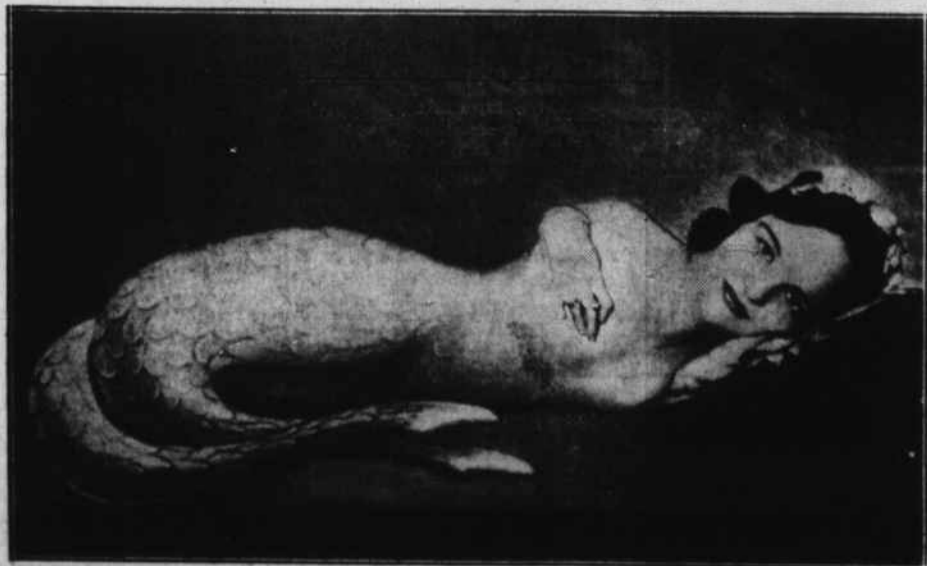
It would appear that the speakers must have sailed off in oratory and fallen flat of their backs in the wood pile.

Our own opinion is "with the President of the U. S." that more reform is needed with the Federal Judiciary rather than fool with a few Justices of Peace.

The commitment of the bar to reform the Justice of Peace is like the mountains going in labor and giving birth to a mouse. These lawyers could have found a more constructive objective.

With all the great questions of today that concern N. C. and its people, leaving all of these but the J. P. Courts!

IS LOVELY LADY A LIVING MERMAID?



"Sea-Tiny", pictured above, one of the feature attractions with the Mammoth Marine Hippodrome, that will exhibit here for one day only, Friday, Nov. 12. This young lady is usually the center of interest aboard the exhibition car, in fact has been known to "steal the show" from "Colossus" the 68-ton sea monster, also featured.

While "Sea-Tiny" is at home in

the water, and can travel about there with much ease, when out of the water she remains a prisoner within herself, being unable to move about without assistance.

People who have visited the exhibition have come away thinking that perhaps there might be something to the legendary idea that "mermaids" really did exist. The exhibit has many other features including

living penguins from the Byrd's south pole ship; "Fredia" known as "the little Ray of Sunshine"; giant devil fish; 40 species of deep sea life; and dozens of other equally interesting displays. The exhibit, on a specially constructed railroad car will be placed on a siding near the A. C. L. Railroad Depot immediately on arrival in Williamston and will be open to the public from 3 p. m.

RELIGIOUS NEWS

Go To Church Sunday

PRESBYTERIAN

Regular services will be held at the usual hours at all Presbyterian points in the county Sunday, Rev. Z. T. Piephoff announced today. The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. Z. T. Piephoff Friday night at 7:30 p. m. in the Manse instead of at the church as announced.

CHRISTIAN

Rev. John L. Goff, Minister Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Sunday marks the beginning of the evangelistic services. Each evening, Mr. Goff will bring the messages. He will be ably assisted by a song leader. The membership cordially invites the people of our community to enter heartily into these services.

BAPTIST

Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. B. T. U., 6:30 p. m. Evening worship, 7:30 p. m.

EPISCOPAL

Rev. E. F. Moseley, Rector Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity. Church School, 9:45 a. m. Holy Communion and sermon, 11 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p. m. Holy Trinity Mission Sunday school and preaching, 2:30 p. m.

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THE RIGHTS OF OUR CHILDREN

Every Child born into this world of ours has the right to be well-led. One of the most important decisions a boy or girl has to make is "What Am I Going to Do with My Life?" An answer must be given sooner or later and the decision is usually made sooner. Our children should be well-led in making their choice here. There are some three or four thousand gainful occupations from which they can choose but the average boy or girl knows only of some 25 or 30 of these professions, if they know that many. We should hold before our children some very definite principles touching their life work. Mention is made of but two here. First, Do not choose a profession that requires Sunday work. Second, Do not choose a profession that is known to be useless, of little or no value to society, or is known to be an evil in society.

There are so many forms of livelihood that it is not at all necessary for a person to break an explicit and direct law of God such as breaking the Sabbath. There are too many kinds of work to be chosen from for a boy or girl to choose one that requires seven days a week at work.

Particular reference is made here to such things as spending one's life in the manufacture of chewing gum—playing baseball for a living—and so forth. There are too many other professions more worth while and useful which we can choose to spend our lives in.

Another reference is made to the manufacture and sale of beer, wines and strong drink. These things are definitely known to be evils without one decent soul to speak one good word in their behalf, and yet some 3,000,000 of our boys and girls are engaged in the passing of these things across the counter to many customers. Is that the kind of thing we want our boys and girls to spend their lives in doing? Isn't there something far more decent and honorable that we can give them to do? We can say what we will, but in the not far distant future these things will be outlawed again and the children of those who now deal in these things will be ashamed to admit that

Sunday School, Too!

METHODIST

Church school, 9:45 a. m. Morning services, 11 a. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Two more Sunday before our conference roll call at Raleigh and yet our report is a long way from being complete. Your report will look quite different if every member who received a missionary envelope will return it with a liberal offering in it. Let's turn ourselves in to a real Gideon's Band for these next two weeks and conquer.

their parents earned a livelihood from the sale of such a vicious product. We should not permit our children to drift into such professions, but we should guide them now in the proper choice before it is too late.

Our children have the right to be well-led in their worship. As parents we should set the example in spiritual things. As parents we should set the example of church attendance, of loyalty and love for Christ and His kingdom, of love for the Sabbath day, of service to the church, and of Christian stewardship and giving. By doing this we can make amends for our failure elsewhere, and in so doing it may be that the Lord, our God, shall become their God and we shall be His people.

To lead others in the right direction and not become blind leaders of the blind, we ourselves, must be well-led. General Stonewall Jackson is a good example of this. He was a great leader, his men followed him, loved him, fought for him, and would have gladly died for him because they believed in him. If in the Providence of God, he had to fight on Sunday he always gave his men a full day of rest and worship on one of the other days of the week. He led them right, because he was

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in turn led by the greatest of all leaders, Jesus Christ.

It isn't too late to make amends, it isn't too late to confess our short comings and to beg for forgiveness. If we are to be leaders, every red blooded American wants to lead those who follow him in the right path and onto the field of victory. If we in turn need leading, and who doesn't, it is but human to want the best one available and to be found on the winning side. That leader and that side is none other than Jesus Christ and His Cause.

Be a real man, be a real woman, be a real father and mother. Go to church Sunday and take the children with you.

DR. V. H. MEWDORN OP-TOM-E-TRIST Williamston office Peele Jly Co., every Fri., 9:30 a. m. to 12 m. Plymouth office Liverman Drug Co., every Fri., 2 to 5 p. m. Robersonville office Robersonville Drug Co., Tuesday, Oct. 19. Eyes Examined - Glasses Fitted At Tarboro Every Saturday

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