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WEDNESDAY, OCT. 8, 1924.



**HOORAY! Th' Ina, Illinois preacher, who poisoned a whole neighborhood, is over nineteen. There's an old saying: "He who runs may read," but th' time it read in when they're talkin' about runnin' you.**

**Needs of Elizabeth City and the Albemarle**

1. A hard surfaced road from Elizabeth City by South Mills and also through Currituck to Norfolk.
2. A hard surfaced highway not less than 14 feet wide, connecting Elizabeth City with every county seat east of the Chowan River.
3. A bridge across the Chowan River, connecting Bertie and Chowan counties and making possible a real coastal highway through this section.
4. A direct road from Belcross to Coinjock bringing all Currituck below Coinjock 10 miles nearer Elizabeth City and thus adding to the attractions of Point Harbor as a summer resort.
5. Ferry service between Point Harbor and Nags Head, connecting at Point Harbor with bus service to Elizabeth City.
6. A broader knowledge of public health among the people of this section.
7. Conversion of the Old Fair-ground just beyond the Elizabeth City hospital into a public park.

**Who Is Mayor's Authority?**

Nobody questions the sincerity of Mayor W. Ben Goodwin in his statement that the utility corporations could have held up the city for the next ten years in its effort to build its own utilities, but one can't help wondering who is the Mayor's authority for this statement. We have heard such a statement before but it emanated from the lips of the learned and suave counsel representing the utilities corporations.

The Advance is as far from being a lawyer as it is a prophet, but, despite the notorious delay of the courts in some matters, from a purely common sense viewpoint we can not conceive that the instrumentalities of legal justice would ever have permitted private corporations to hamstring and hog-tie a city for any such period. Had the city wished to avoid the expense of litigation the time to have taken that course was when Mayor Goodwin was elected to office in his first term. After having fought the issue out to a successful conclusion in every suit instituted by the utilities, to suddenly abandon the fight without any effort to realize anything on victories in the courts seems to us the most imprudent and ill-vised action we have ever

known the city's governing body to take.

The Advance does not wish to create the impression that it believes anybody has been improperly influenced in this matter, but we do strongly believe that the mayor and those who think as he does on the utility question have been duped.

**Make Bescity Safe**

All over the nation this week is Fire Prevention Week, and Thursday, October 9, anniversary of the Great Chicago disaster, is Fire Prevention Day. In the public schools the little children are being taught the importance of "Safety First." But how about the grown-ups? Are you doing your part in seeing that your flues and chimneys are safe? Are you careful or careless about where you smoke and where you throw your cigarette and cigar stubs? In just such small beginnings the big fires that sweep towns and endanger life and property have their birth. Over 15,000 lives are snuffed out by fire each year and most of the victims are women and children. Fires occur in the American home at the rate of 359 every 24 hours, or a fresh outbreak every four minutes. At least three-fourths of them are due to public carelessness.

Elizabeth City has a fire chief, a fire department, and a director of safety education which to be proud, the Primary School worked diligently and enthusiastically to put on a float in the District Fair parade Tuesday that won admiration and, let us hope, a prize.

The President, the Governor, and the Mayor have issued proclamations calling attention to Fire Prevention Week and Day.

But these fine things can not take the place of the personal responsibility of each one of us in the very important matter of fire prevention. Let us celebrate Thursday, by all means, but let us also make every day of the year Fire Prevention Day in the Old Home Town.

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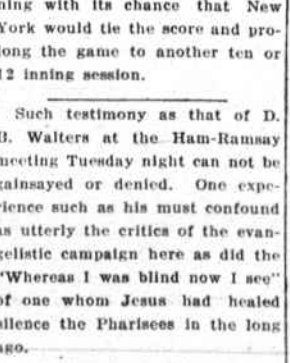
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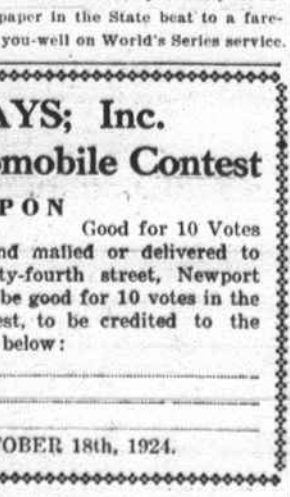
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**MR. HAM'S SERMON**

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 briefly concerning some things of importance at this time.

Basing his discourse upon a phrase from the 11th verse of the 4th Chapter of Ephesians, "He gave some to be evangelists," Mr. Ham said in part:

"God believes in specialists. So do I and so do you. If I am critically ill I get a physician and he is a specialist in the treatment of my ailment, if I am involved in legal difficulties I get a specialist to assist me. When I build a house I get a contractor who is a specialist, a specialist lays the brick, a specialist superintends the carpentering and another lays the hardwood floor. God has his specialists. He has given some to be pastors, some to be teachers, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists. The evangelist is a specialist in the treatment of the flock, studying their needs, their dangers and pitfalls and providing for them that which is essential to a healthy spiritual condition. The teacher comes with the great revelations of the hidden things of God, but the evangelist comes, not to teach the soul, but to build up the church in soul winning. My purpose here is not primarily to win souls myself, but to make your church's soul winning more effective."

"But you say 'I don't believe in revivals.' That may be true, but what you believe doesn't matter. Your opinion may not be authoritative and in the event you are wrong your guilt and responsibility will not have lessened because you believed a lie. God does not consult you. It is for you to adapt yourself to God's program and plan, not He to your idea of it. Evangelism is of God whether you believe it or not. The fact that there are some pastors who are not God-sent men doesn't detract from the fact that there are some objectionable evangelists. Don't establish the fact that evangelism is not of God, in coming to your town there are two things I know beyond any doubt; first, that I am saved and second, that He called me and sent me in this work. That I know, I believe God sent me to Elizabeth City and if He did I will answer to God for every word I utter from this platform during my stay here. No one else is responsible for what I say, but every man, woman and child in Elizabeth City will be held accountable to God for what they do with my message. Before you sit in premature judgment on any revival or any evangelist or any pastor

always be sure of two things: First, that you are a competent judge, and second, that you have heard all the evidence before you render a verdict. He that answereth a matter before he hearth it getteth shame to himself."

And the wise man Just reserve your criticism of this campaign until you see the results. There are some things that are not intended to last. Spring doesn't last, but it is essential as is the case with fall, winter and summer. The bloom on a fruit tree doesn't last, but it is followed by the fruit, a house cleaning doesn't last, but we don't stop cleaning; a bath doesn't last, but I hope it may will continue to take them as long as we live."

There are many things about this revival that won't last, but if it is of God the results of this campaign will be in eternity.

"Well, you ask 'What effect will it have on the churches?' That depends on the church. If the church is run in the energy of the flesh, it will suffer from any spiritual awakening in this spiritual church, it will be spiritually refreshed and invigorated

and will take on new life. Too, if the church gets revived and lays hold of a new vision, but the pastor does not get revived with his people and after the meeting tries to hold a revival, the pastor will suffer, but a pastor who catches a vision and leads his awakened people into the new fields which God will open up in this revival that church will be a power. A spiritual church is the greatest safe-guard in your community. Wherever you find iniquity and crime, it is an indication of a low state of spirituality. Where a people is spiritual, the jail are empty, crime is restrained and the atmosphere of the town is welcome, but where carnality and spiritual indifference prevail, it always results in crime, immorality and an unhealthy atmosphere. The Christian is the salt of the earth. It is not the mission of salt to give life, but rather to restrain putrefaction. Lot was a Christian, but he lost his savor and the putrefaction of Sodom went on all around him. If you see moral decay and putrefaction, you may know God's people have lost their savor.

"But some will say 'I never intend to go near that tabernacle.' Then your opinion will not have any weight when you give expression to it. One's opinion isn't worth anything unless it is authorized. Many of you now have given credence to a great many things you have heard about these meetings and you are going around giving free expression to your opinion and before the meeting has been in progress two weeks you will have been shown up to be totally wrong and this free talk you have been dispensing will only show you up as a fool in

**OLD HOME TOWN**



**—and the Worst is Yet to Come**



the eyes of your fellows. Some of you are allowing yourself to be influenced by rumors to the extent that you are forming definite agreements as to what you will or will not do. Don't blame me if your position gets hot before the meeting is over.

When God begins to work and you see that you will be placed in a position as one who is fighting about God, it is my mission to tell you or these pastors if you have listened to popular talk and have signed agreements which prohibit you from following your Lord. My advice to all of you is to reserve any opinion you may have until you rest it in the fire—it is possible that you might be forced to change and your silence now will prevent your being shown up.

show you God and his plan for his creature—it is for you to act upon your new light. There is no need for you to come to me and ask me what you can do or can't do. I never give a definite answer. You learn to know God and what you can and can't do will be very clear to you for to know God is to love Him, to love Him is to believe on Him and to believe on Him is to have life eternal."

Tonight Mr. Ham is to speak on "Our Foes" in which he will set forth the scriptural teaching on Satan, The World and the Flesh. The morning services were inaugurated Wednesday morning at ten o'clock. Two services will be held each day at 10 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., respectively.

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as wrong in the eyes of the community. We are not here to fight any man. Don't let anyone deceive you. Not one ounce of pressure will be brought to bear on any individual or any firm in this town to force him to do anything.

You will find that in this meeting we will have little to exhort you to do and we will ask you to quit nothing. You need to know about God, it is my mission to tell you of Him; you need to know about man and his natural depravity. It is my business to tell you about him; you need to know about Satan, the enemy of man. It is my business to tell you of Him, warn you against him, and save you from falling victim to his wiles and deceptions.

"That is my purpose here—to

**HE'LL HAVE TO BE SOME STEPPER**



**SCHOOL DAYS**

**WHEN THE CURTAINS OF NIGHT ARE PULLED BACK BY THE DARK, AND THE BEAUTIFUL MOON LIES IN THE SKY, AND THE DEW-DROPS OF HEAVEN ARE KISSING THE ROSE.**

IT IS THEN THAT MY MOTHER TALKS AS IF ON THE WINGS OF SOME BEAUTIFUL DREAM, HE BEST, WITH THE MURMUR OF DEARS, TO BRING YOU A LITTLE OF AFFECTION AND LOVE. I REMEMBER YOU LIVE IN MY DREAMS.



**By Charles McManus**

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