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Uncle Pete From Chittlin Switch SAYS

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:
 I see by the papers where the Civil War is about to break out again between our Yankee and Confederate Senators in Washington. One Yankee Senator allowed us how the South, except for her ancestry, cotton, football and the Miss America contest, didn't have much going for her. A Confederate Senator replied that if the North didn't quit trying to run the South's business, the Confederates was going to have to take another pot shot at Fort Sumter.
 Such goings on in the capital of the nation, it's a great pity we ain't got more United States Senators and less Yankee and Confederate Senators in Washington. I

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planning to her other four and he couldn't see how number five would need none. And that, Mister Editor, is about all they said about Liz that you could put in a family newspaper.
 Well, politics for the November elections has got started pretty good. If we got to have a drought this would be a good year for it. With about half the crop work eliminated by a drought, farmers and ranchers would have more time to spend on politics and the Government would have to worry less about the surplus. We got plenty of candidates around the country but not many issues. It's like the cafe owner that told a customer, "We ain't got nothing today but ham and eggs, but we can offer you a fine choice of waitresses."

BIBLE FACTS OF INTEREST

By Ella V. Pridgen
 "The Church The Body of Christ."
 St. Paul's phrase — "Each part finds its wholeness within the total body, not by itself, but each part" is different from the others as the leg is different from the arm. These differences do not destroy the unity of the whole but rather they enrich it and make possible unity in diversity. Not uniformity, just as the human body has a head in which is centered its direction and authority, so the church has a head — Jesus Christ.
 — Jesus Christ is the head of the Body, the Lord of the Church, the One to whom we look for authority, and the one from whom we look for authority, and the one from whom we learn what God wills for us. Martin Luther suggested that every Christian should be a Christ to his neighbor. This we come to see the church as a ministering community with each member sharing the ministry of Jesus. The church as seen in these Biblical terms — a Community of believers, a redemptive fellowship, the Body of Christ, is not just a collection of miscellaneous individuals. Rather these individuals are bound together in a community.
 The Christian community and the life in Christ is a cooperative life in which the people are dependent upon one another, and responsible for one another. In this sense, being a Christian is always in communion with God and in communion with other Christians of his congregation, his denomination, and other Christian groups both far and near.
 When we look at the local church, we may not see it. As the people of God or the Body of Christ; but whatever it appears to be does not alter the true meaning of the nature of the church. Any church is the true church when it is faithfully fulfilling its nature, as the people of God, and the Body of Christ.
 This is the goal, which we ought to be realizing with God's Grace.

THIS IS THE LAW
 By Robert E. Lee
CONTRACTS OF WIVES
 May a married woman own property in her own name?
 Yes. In North Carolina the real and personal property of a married woman, which she has acquired before or after marriage, becomes her sole and separate estate. She may acquire by gift, inheritance, or purchase any or all kinds of property.
 Is the property of a married woman subject to the payment of her husband's debts?
 No. No. No.
 Mary Jones inherited a house and lot from her father. May she convey the same to another without the consent of her husband?
 No. In North Carolina a wife cannot without the written order of her husband (1) convey her real property or (2) lease her

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COURT CHUCKLES BY J. M. REAGAN

YOUR NEIGHBOR SAYS YOU STARTED TO CROON A TUNE AT FOUR O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING. WHAT HAVE YOU TO SAY ABOUT THAT?

I WASN'T CROONING, YOUR HONOR, I STUBBED MY TOE IN THE DARK!

real property "to run for more than three years, or to begin in possession more than six months after its execution."
 A wife may inherit, receive as a gift, or purchase real property in her own name but she cannot convey it by deed to another without the written consent of her husband. There are not only statutes but a provision in the Constitution of North Carolina so providing. The purpose of affording the wife the counsel and protection of her husband.
 May a wife mortgage her real property without the written consent of her husband?
 No. This is because a mortgage is a conveyance of property given as security for a debt.
 May a wife sell or give away her personal property without the consent of her husband?
 Yes. A wife may do with her personal property, as distinguished from real property, in any way she chooses. She may sell it or give it away to whomsoever she desires without the consent of her husband.
 Real property is land and anything permanently annexed there-

Headlines Of The Past

ONE YEAR AGO THIS WEEK
 Boykins Rape-Murder trial to begin Tuesday in Special Term of Court.
 Membership Drive being conducted by Eastern N. C. Broiler Growers.
 Duplin Soft ball League formed by Community Clubs.
FIVE YEARS AGO THIS WEEK
 Duplin County will lead State in Turkey output, 650,000 turkeys to be produced during 1957; grain is local

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THE WAYSIDE POINT
 By D. E. Lumbardi
 Grant unto thy servant an understanding heart, 1-Kings 3:9
 So many of our opinions come from misunderstanding. I knew a man with a very mean face and I discredited him until I saw his father.
 While on a pastoral call I observed that Mr. Moses on the adjoining lawn was cooking a steak. Mrs. Blount misunderstood and reported that I said "Mr. Moses was as crooked as a snake."
 One of the happiest days of my life was given when my mother agreed with my lying and encouraged me to plant some peas under the oak and later I made enough money to buy me a pony.
 One of the best friends I ever had was old shaggy Carlo who led me to think that I could beat him running.
 Will Moss was twelve and his first plowing was wretched. But his father smiled indulgently and said, "Will, that is better than I did at your age." When young Will became a preacher that father was his first convert.
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THE BIBLE
 BY DR. HENRIE H. FOREMAN
 Bible Material, Acts 1:18; 11:26-28; Revelation 1 through 3; Revelation 22:13; John 14:15-21.

Lukewarm Church
 Lesson for June 16, 1957

THE book called Revelation is probably the most difficult book in the New Testament to understand; and yet for some reason more people, with more reason, are differing ideas, claiming to know just what it all means than any other. It is strange also that the two chapters which are plainest of all, are the two that receive the least attention. Dr. Foreman's interpretation of these two chapters (2 and 3) contain short messages or "letters" to seven Christian churches, all of them long since vanished, in the Roman province of Asia.
 Why study messages to churches far away and long ago? For the same reason we study the Bible at all. By thinking over what "holiness of old" said, by the Spirit's inspiration, to men of their time, we can gather truth which is useful to us who live in a different century, under seemingly different circumstances. Suburban captivity
 Some commentators on the book of Revelation have seen in the descriptions of these seven churches a panorama of church history; seven ages of the church; seven successive eras in which the Christian church has resembled first the church of Ephesus then that of Smyrna and so on. This is highly artificial and I am not suggested by the book itself. It is nearer the truth to say that both the virtues and the vices of all the seven Asian churches can be seen in every era and in almost every congregation. Take the Church of Laodicea, for example. There have always been churches of this type, and especially in America. It is common today. A student of the church named Wither has written a book called "The Suburban Captivity of the Churches," in which he makes the point that suburban churches today carry a very large portion of the church members, and set the style, so to speak, for other types of churches, rural and urban. Then the author proceeds to point out what is wrong with the churches of suburbia... and it reads almost as if he were thinking of Laodicea all the time. There were two main things wrong with that church. First it was lukewarm. It had neither the enthusiasm and spontaneity of the "hot" church, nor the discipline, the doctrine, "laid out cold," the careful liturgy, of the "cold" church. It went through the motions of being a church, a proud, blind church. Dr. Wither's book makes the charge that the typical American church, the pace-setting congregation, is more of a club than a true Christian fellowship. It runs away from poor people, it hides in an expensively zoned residential community where poor people can't come. It is wealthy, the building costs a sum which the members are proud to mention to visitors. Its contribution to benevolences is small, but on the amount in the Building Fund column! To be a member of it may be not only respectable, but a sign of social distinction. It takes some pride in the fact that it does not need any money from the outside. It has its own kindergarten, kitchens and everything. The same people you will see at the country club you will see here.
 But this is just what the church at Laodicea was. Rich, proud, and blind. One such church moved not less than six times in one of our great cities, to escape the "invasion" of minority groups. Finally one of the leading officers summed it up: "No place is safe." "Those whom I love."
 But the object of a church is not to be safe, but to be saving. A church that is only a middle-class club is expendable. Like the Laodicean church, it needs to open its eyes to the spiritual poverty and disease. Now some busy readers of Revelation have supposed that God had wrathfully cast out the church at Laodicea. Not at all. It is made clear that God would not rebuild the church if he did not love it. There is no church God does not love; but there are few churches that God approves of just as they are. There is more than a little of the Laodicean in all churches. Yet even a blind, proud, lukewarm church may hear the word, I counsel thee... that thou mayest see.
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