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SAYS

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

We been gitting some mighty interesting items out of Washington here lately. For instant, I was reading a piece yesterday where the broom closets in the Pentagon Building is listed. "Public Building Service, Buildings Management Division, Utility Room, Custodial." If they'd put a mop bucket in with the brooms, I reckon they'd have to put on a extra helper fer the listing.

Incidental, Congressman Dan Flood of Pennsylvania has come up with a plan fer making a little more room in the Pentagon. He is advocating that they git five platoons of Marines and send 'em through the the building and cart off ever fourth man, in uniform or not. He claims nobody but their families would ever know they was gone. Personal Mister Editor, I don't think it would make no more room. In a couple weeks they would start putting in more broom closets.

Then they was a little piece from Senator Young of Ohio advising farmers and ranchers to git their land into golf courses. He said they was a golf course at Blair, Nebraska, that had been renting 14 acres to a near by farmer on account of them not needing it. Then last year they made the golf course bigger and had to take them 14 acres back. And all of a sudden the golf club gits a check fer $283 fer taking land put of production that had been planted in corn. Senator Young claimed that if a feller had himself about 300 acres and would change over and list it a golf course, he could set on the front porch and rock with the grain and collect more'n $6,000 a year.

But the most serious news I got out of Washington last week come in my weekly bulletin from the U. S. Department of Agriculture. You will recollect here a while back I told you about them scientists working to take the cackle out of the hen and the crow out of the rooster. I perdicted at the time that this was going to be mighty upsetting to the hens. Well, this is to report that they has this project well under way. My bulletin last week announced that fer the first time in many years hens is laying less. It says the number of hens in 1961 was up 5 million, but the average number of eggs per hen was down about 1 per cent.

About the only news coming out of Washington last week that din't upset me pritty bad was a statement by Senator Carl Curtis that our national debt actual is a little over a trillion dollars. He give a long list of items to prove it. Billions or trillions, I couldn't care less. I won't be here to help pay it. But I wish you'd ask that School teacher that's so good in grammer and spelling how you write a trillion in figgers. Ed Doolittle and the fellers at the country store will want to know, as shore as shooting.

Yours truly,
Uncle Pete

THIS IS THE LAW

By Robert E. Lee
(For the N. C. Bar Association)

Jones sent merchandise to Smith under a bill of lading issued by a railroad. The bill of lading, which Jones did not read, contained a printed provision to the effect that the railroad was not to be liable for any amount in excess of $300. The merchandise was lost in transit due to the negligence of the railroad. The actual value of the merchandise was $1,000. How much may Jones recover from the railroad?

The answer depends upon whether the transaction is an interstate or instrastate shipment.

If the merchandise was shipped from North Carolina to New York it would be interstate transaction, and Jones would be able to recover only $300. In interstate shipment the common carrier is permitted by contract to limit recovery for loss to a specified amount.

Bills of lading and express receipts are not only receipts but also contracts stating the terms of carriage. Acceptance of such by the shipper constitutes an assent on his part to the contract therein expressed, whether or not it has been read or explained to him. Persons receiving these well-known instruments are, there fore, presumed by law to know that they contain the terms upon which the goods are to be carried.

If the merchandise was shipped from one point in North Carolina to another point in North Carolina, it would be an instrastate transaction, and Jones would be able to recover $1,000.

Contract provisions in bills of lading or express receipts limiting the liability of a contract carrier to a specified amount are contrary to public policy and void in North Carolina if the loss is due to the actual negligence of the common carrier. In this State a common carrier cannot by contract limit the amount of damages resulting from its negligence.

This is the last of a spring series of articles that have appeared weekly during the past three months. They have been written for the non-lawyer as a public service of the North Carolina Bar Association. Another series will be started in the fall.

BIBLE FACTS OF INTEREST

By: Ella V. Pridgen
The Fellowship Of Love

I John 3:18 "Let us not love in word or speech, but in deed and in truth."

"If a man be gracious and considerate," Sir Francis Bacon wrote, "it shows that he is a citizen of the world, and that his heart is no island cut off from other lands, but part of a vast continent. This, of all virtues, is the greatest, being of the character of God."

Sir Francis Bacon expressed his belief in the brotherhood of man and love of others as its expression. He knew that the way of love is the way of life.

John the beloved disciple of Jesus was trying to teach in the letter he wrote to his "Little children in the faith." John had not always known love. There was a time during his thoughtless youth when he distrusted love, and wanted to use force. He was rightly called " a son of thunder", but the years between his youth and old age were spent in an adventure in love, and, as he neared the end of his life, he saw that it is all important, for love is the secret of right relation between man and between Gow and man.

The central teaching of our study in the Bible is God's love for us, and our love for Him, and of our love for one another.

I John 4:7, "Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God and Knows God. 8. He who does not love does not know God; for God is love. 9 In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through Him. 10. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his son to die on the Cross for our sins. 11. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another 12 No man has ever seen God; If we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

There is no fear in love. If we love God and our fellow men, it is because God first loved us, it is God's love in us. John tells us that love is the very essence of God's being and if God dwells in us we are bound to love our fellow-men Our love, like God's, will make no exception.

Let us remember that a Christian's love is the love which God puts into our hearts. Our natural love picks out particular people to love, but God's love causes our hearts to go out with tenderness toward the whole human race.

Let us remember this, love is the deepest, strongest, most lasting thing there is.

Headlines Of The Past

Fifteen Years ago this week

Barden gets labor told in House of Representatives - Congressman Barden tells House what he thinks.
Grand Chapter O. E. S. closes 42nd. Meet Four Day Session Pineland College
Mrs. R. C. Wells brought the first cotton blossom to the Duplin Times office on Wednesday, June 18.

Ten Years ago this week

Late Tut crowded at official opening
Warsaw secures new Cotton Dress Factory - Top Mode Manufacturing Co. moving plant from Pa. - Employs women
New Lions Club organized in Rose Hill

Five Years ago this week

Dr. A. Rufus Morgan named North Carolina Rural Minister of the year
Ralph Sasser is new Assistant County Agent here.
J. W. Hoffler named new Commissioner.

One Year Ago this week

Theodore Boykins sentenced to die for Rape-Murder of Mrs. Lena Barnes - Boykins first to be sentenced to die from Duplin County in very long time - as recalled by R. V. Wells.
Seven Springs gets new building for post office; oldest Wayne Po.
Tornado hits Kenansville around noon Wednesday.
James Kenan District Band Committee employs Band Director Carparella.
Beulaville Tastee-Freez to have grand opening Saturday, June 24.

THE WAYSIDE PULPIT

By D. E. Lindsey

The heavens declare the glory of God. Ps. 19:1

"You may make a better living by moving to town but not a better life. You will walk on smoother pavements but you will never see another star.

In two generations your children will think that milk comes from bottles and water from spigots. They will not know a hound from a horse or a shoat from a sheep.

Property starts in the dirt. If God were to move from the country all the town people would starve to death.

These fine country girls get their wisdom and common sense from a mother who sings hymns while cooking breakfast for six children, four dogs and five cats. The country boy gets his bravery from a father who meets the burgler with sixteen buckshot.

The country church is a fellowship where they meet God and each other.

Change In Tax Form No. 941

The Internal Revenue Service announced today a complete revision of Form 941, "Employees Quarterly Federal Tax Return." Mr. J. E. Wall of the Greensboro, N. C. IRS office said that employers are required to file this form on or before the last day of April, July, October and January. The revised 5"x8" form is printed on paper stock replacing the tabulating card form formerly used.

Mr. J. E. Wall stated that the revision eliminates the cost of printing a separate Schedule A, which now becomes an intergral part of Form 941. Also, the Revenue Service feels that the new form is more adaptable to automatic data processing work performed by Service Centers.

The IRS can provide improved service to taxpayers if employers (1) will use the preaddressed form furnished by Internal Revenue and (2) will make any necessary changes in name or address on the preaddressed returns.

The government's rural areas development program is designed o help people who help themselves — not to provide all the answers or all the financing.

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Bible Material: Revelation 19; Revelation 1:4-6; 12:10-12; 21 and 22. Devotional Reading: 2 Corinthians 10:4-10.

When God Has Won

Lesson for June 24, 1962

THE bloodiest book in the Bible is the last one, Revelation. Weird and terrible, its pictures tell the story of the war between good and evil, between God and Satan. In this war God's servants suffer agonies, and are indeed tempted to despair. Yet in the end the victory is God's, and his faithful people share it. A note running from first to last is "overcome," "conquer," "victory," while all the books of the Bible point forward, more or less, this is specially true of Revelation, which through all the red fog and the darkness focuses on God's final triumph.

Set forth promises.

As every one is aware, this strange book has aroused innumerable arguments over its precise meaning, especially in details. But the main point is agreed on by all serious students of it: GOD WILL WIN. This does not get rid of all the questions we may have about it. These last two chapters, for example: Do they refer to something still in the future, or do they refer to something going on now? Are these pictures of heaven, or are they pictures of this earth in some future era? Let us venture a suggestion which might include both these possibilities. Let us try taking what is said in these famous and beautiful chapters, as an assurance, made in word-pictures, of what it will be like when God's great war with evil on this earth and in this universe is crowned with victory. If you like to think of this as in heaven (because we have heard this so often at funerals), or on the renewed earth in a new universe, either way this is the kind of world which it is God's intention to bring forth, the kind of world which will be a fit home for his people. It is a world in which all the good promises of God will be fulfilled.

What manner of world will it be, the world of the heart's desire of the God who is Love? We can note only a very few of its special glories. For one thing, it is a world with evil shut out. Not only has that great serpent, the deceiver of men, been destroyed at long last, but all those human beings who have held to evil, to thou my good, are shut out,—all the unclean, the cowards, those who love and make lies. Evil, as we have all long since discovered, has many forms. Wickedness is only one form of it. There is also suffering, and this can be of the heart and mind, not only of the body. But there shall be no more pain, no more crying nor tears; so we know that when God has won his victory, all the dark burdens that weigh now on the souls of men, even those griefs in which no evil mingles,—these will all have vanished. The last enemy, Death, will lie conquered, and only Life fill all God's new world.

"And night shall be no more." Considering how often, in the Bible and out, darkness is a symbol of ignorance and error, we may believe, and the Christian church does believe, that in God's world, when it finally dawns, (and indeed in heaven now) the mists of ignorance and groping ignorance that now surround even the [illegible] mind, will be blown away by the dawn-wind of eternity. [illegible] Himself will be with them.

Best of all, and including all that is good,—God himself will be with his people; giver of life, of light, of healing and of comfort.

Here some one may think of a question. Are not all these things true in this life, here and now? Do we not have eternal life? Is not God here on earth as he is everywhere? Are there not many spirits in whom good has driven out evil? Does the Spirit of God not already bring light and healing and peace?

Yes, this is true. God grants to his people, here and now, such "foretastes of heaven" as assure of his presence and power, stir us to strive with him, and give sure promise of victory at last. Heaven [illegible] Earth. Wherever true, unselfish love has its flower and fruit, wherever faith and hope join with love to make this dark life brighter,—in every Christian heart and home, in every fellowship where the Spirit of Christ draws all together, there God's world already comes.

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The future is no more uncertain than the present.
- Walt Whitman

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