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A Crippler
 Over 13,000,000 American men, women and children, young and old, rich and poor, suffer from arthritis today. Many of them are severely crippled. Most of them face increased disability unless they act now. All that is necessary is to take that first step — a

Notice Of Candidacy
 I HEREBY ANNOUNCE MY CANDIDACY for a seat on the Hertford Town Board in the election coming up Tuesday, May 2nd.

YOUR INTEREST IS MINE; if elected I will serve the people of the Town of Hertford to the very best of interest to all.

WHEN YOU VOTE, vote for CHARLIE UMPHLETT. I sincerely want to offer my services in the best interest possible.

Charlie Umphlett

qualified physician. Why do people delay when delay means excruciating pain and, in many cases, certain crippling? Does pain itself promote apathy? Do the come-and-go symptoms, so typical of the dreadful disease, lull its victims into a false feeling that "it won't happen to me?"

The answer lies in many places. Too many patients and even a few doctors, feel nothing can be done. Others fall victim to the thousands of quacks who prey on arthritics to the tune of \$300,000,000 a year, the amount spent on worthless "cures" and useless medications. Still others don't know where to go, how to get help, whom to ask.

The answers to these questions and many others are contained in a thin, red booklet, now entering its second million printing, titled "Today's Facts About Arthritis," published by the Arthritis Foundation, the sole voluntary health agency seeking the cause and cure for arthritis. It is available, free of charge, through the North Carolina Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation, Drawer 311,

Chapel Hill, N. C. 27514. In its foreword it states: "No case is hopeless. Something can be done for arthritis now. Moreover, research for the cause and cure of arthritis is moving forward rapidly. New therapies and many promising new drugs are emerging. Yesterday's discouragement can be replaced by today's optimism."

Arthritics must learn: Apathy is their greatest enemy—action their greatest ally.

Department Is Honored
 The Woman's Society of Christian Service of First Methodist Church, Hertford, honored members of its Adult Home Department at a luncheon on Friday, April 14, in the Fellowship Hall of the church. No program was planned, but those attending shared early experiences as members of the church, and enjoyed a period of fellowship. Mrs. Durwood Reed, Superintendent of the Home Department, along with Mrs. Jessie Harris, president of the WSCS, planned the luncheon. Those attending were P. L. Stevens, Mrs. A. C. Shannonhouse, Miss Kate Blanchard, Mrs. Maude Blanchard, Miss Ethel Nixon, Mrs. Nathan Relfe, Mrs. Fannie Wright, Mrs. T. J. Nixon, Jr., Mrs. R. M. Fowler, Mrs. Thad Chappell, Mrs. R. Anse White, Mrs. R. M. Riddick and Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Bame.

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Let's Go To Church Sunday... Make Church Going A Habit



Today Carol and I dusted her doll collection and packed it away. I must admit to a feeling of sadness, for the moment made all of the wedding preparations suddenly become real. Carol is being married in less than a month, yet it seems only yesterday John and I brought her home from the hospital.

Hansel and Gretel were last, and I smiled as I packed them. For they remind me of Carol and her young man. They seem such dreamy young innocents, but are really quite practical. Already they've solved many of the problems John and I never thought of until after our marriage. Yes, their path is well marked through the forest of matrimony.

To be sure, they may have troubled times, but they share a deep and abiding love for God that promises strength and comfort beyond their own resources. With God and His church at the center of their lives, they cannot fail.

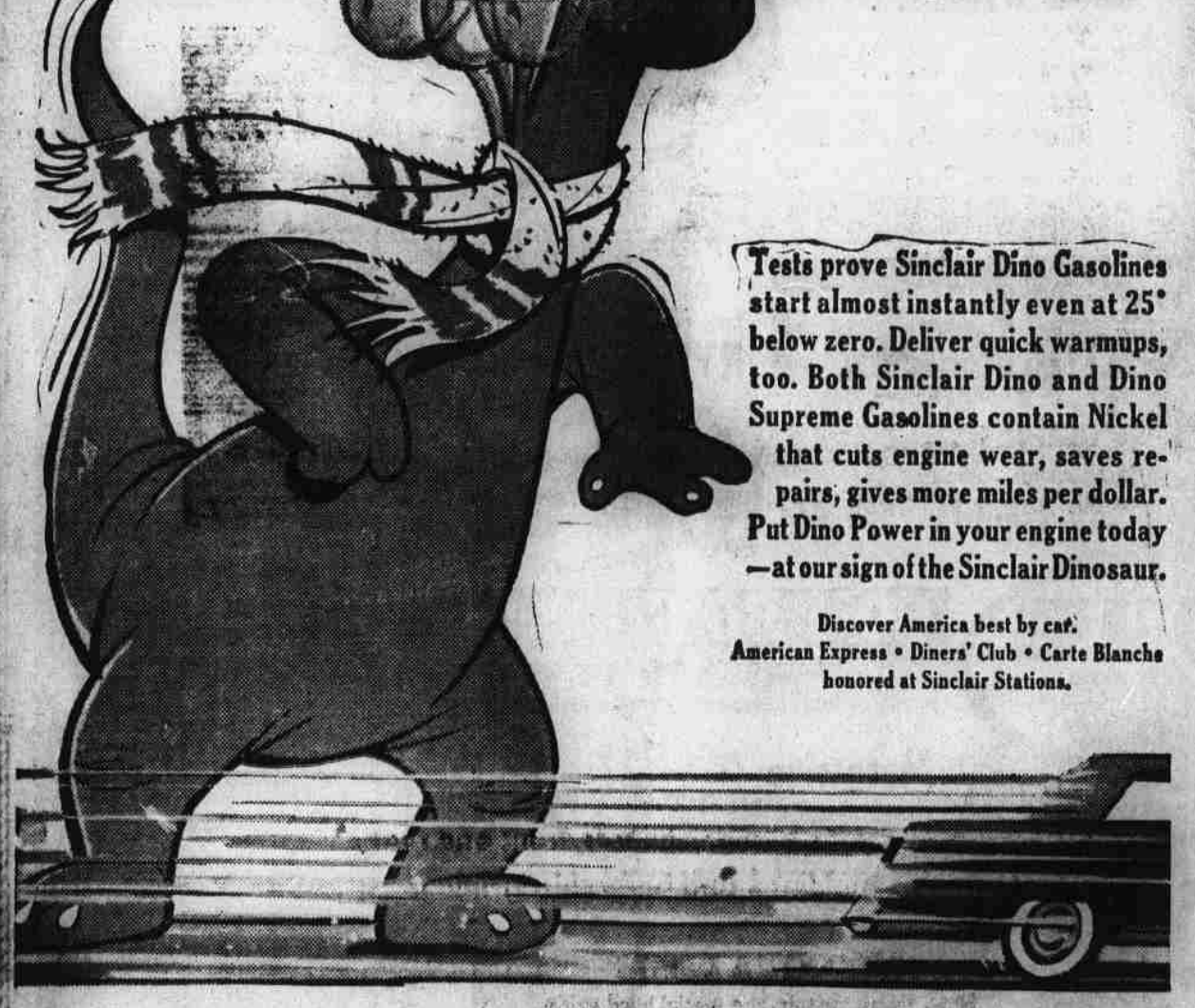
THE CHURCH FOR ALL
 ALL FOR THE CHURCH

The church is the greatest factor on earth for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a storehouse of spiritual values. Without a strong church, neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should attend services regularly and support the Church: (1) For his own sake, (2) For his children's sake, (3) For the sake of his community and nation, (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and material support. Plan to go to church regularly and read your Bible daily.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Leviticus 26:3-13	Deuteronomy 8:1-10	Psalms 5:7-12	Psalms 19:7-14	Galatians 5:16-26	1 Peter 3:1-12	Revelation 7:13-17

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Sunday School Lesson
 THE POWER OF FAITH

International Sunday School Lesson For April 23

Memory Selection: "Whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive."—Matthew 21:22.

Lesson Text: Acts 3.

Today we continue our studies in the Book of Acts. This unit will show the church at Jerusalem actively playing its part in the doctrines of Christianity — those of worship, proclamation, education and ministry. During our studies we will be aware of the opposition to the teachings of the church—but we will see Christianity grow in acceptance—since the suppression of truth is always futile. And unity—as demonstrated by Christian leaders—always lends weight to an argument.

Our verses deal—specifically—with the healing of the lame beggarman at the gates of the temple; this miracle being performed by Peter, in John's presence, in the name of Jesus Christ. NOTE . . . IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST. For Peter did not in any way attempt to take credit for himself out of this miracle. Rather, he used it as a demonstration of the power of Christ after death.

In giving the man the use of his legs, Peter bestowed upon him a gift that was more valuable than gold or silver.

Faith can work wonders, whether it is the faith of the giver—as in Peter's case—or the faith of the receiver. Certainly, when Peter and John looked at the crippled beggar, they saw a man in desperate need. That Christ would respond to that need was an unassailable fact in their minds. And certainly the beggar must have been motivated in his response to their commands by the interest they were taking in him. We always respond to a sign of caring, and the more desperate our needs, the more spontaneous our response.

Thus was the power of faith proclaimed to all and sundry who saw a hitherto crippled man rise up and walk—and run—and leap. And Peter was not slow in taking advantage of this opportunity to testify to the power of faith in the living Christ. As we have pointed out before, Peter claimed no credit for himself in the perpetuation of this miracle; he was quick to point out that his healing power was God-given.

And that God was not alone for the Jews, or Gentiles—He was a universal God, bringing to all peoples, all creeds, all races.

We cannot live without faith of some kind or another. The student has faith in his teacher. The manufacturer has faith in his product. The child has faith in his parents, and the parents in the child. Faith is a basic necessity of human existence. But, where faith in the human world is often, alas, subject to failure, faith in God, in Christ, His Son, is ever

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