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Devotional Thoughts

"Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all Saints."—Ephesians 6.

When we stop to weigh the meaning of these words, the intelligent child of God will say: I must pray, pray, pray, for prayer is the means for our thinking pure thought, a lamp unto our pathway in a troubled world, a connecting link between heaven and earth. Prayer is the means that God has appointed for his children receiving mercy and Grace to help in time of need.

Sometimes Christians ask the question, "Why am I making so little progress?" So I answer, "Neglect of prayer." You have not because you ask not." A minister would ask why do I see so little fruit from my labor. Again I answer, "neglect of prayer." The Sunday School teacher would ask, "Why do I see so few saved from my Sunday School class?" Still God answers "Neglect of prayer."

In Mark 1:35 we read. "And in the morning rising up a great while before day, He went out and departed into a solitary place and there prayed." If the Master found it necessary to pray, surely we as weary travelers need to pray the more. We need to pray for strength for: Prayer promotes our spiritual growth. Prayer brings power into our work. Prayer life is a spiritual fruitful life.

Rev. E. C. Sexton, Pastor
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Dispatch Highlights

Things are showing signs of picking up; and we are all pleased with the opening of the Wilson Plant again. We have recently lost our duplicating clerk, Mrs. Audrey Lanier, to the Shipping Department. The duplicating duties have been transferred to Mrs. Irene Raper Edwards, in conjunction with her regular work.

Miss Dot Sturtevant took her vacation from the 10th of May through the 24th, so that she can complete her spring planting on the farm.

Miss Viola Winstead has returned to work after being confined to her home during a brief illness. We are glad to have her back with us.

There is not much news this month; but you are all invited to visit the farm on the Nashville highway.

George Davis Passes Away

George Williams Davis, 39, a native of Nash County, died Sunday morning, May 11, in a local hospital following an illness of a month.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon, May 13, at 4:30 from the home of his sister, Mrs. J. L. Pearsall, Rocky Mount, Route 4, with the Rev. G. F. Carter, pastor of the Church of God, in charge. Interment followed in the Davis family cemetery.

Born March 26, 1908, Davis was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis. He had been employed in the Caromount Shipping Department since October, 1945. He was highly respected and well liked by all Rocky Mount employees.

Horace A. Vick Succumbs

Funeral services for Horace Allen Vick, 24, of Nash County were held at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, May 14, from the home of his father, E. T. Vick, Nash County with the Rev. Charlie Varnell, pastor of the Wilson Free Will Baptist church, in charge. Interment followed in the family cemetery.

Vick was born March 29, 1923, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Vick. He died late Monday night, May 12, in a local hospital after several weeks of illness.

Mr. Vick was employed in the weaveshed of the Caromount Division in October, 1945. He was an excellent worker and well liked by other employees.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ocie Vick; a daughter, Patsy Rose; a foster daughter, Myrtle Wallace; his parents, four brothers and four sisters.



Jesse Louis Capps, age 2, son of Mrs. Vera Capps of the Caromount office, is shown above as he participated in the Baby May Day Pageant of the Gallopade Festival in Rocky Mount.

Manager At USCG Meet

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military power that would have to be defeated before any nation could dominate the world.

Our forces in Europe today are small, amounting to only ten divisions. In this country we have two and one-third divisions. We cannot man 4,000 aircraft today. Against this, Russia is capable of putting 200 divisions in the field and can man 10,000 aircraft. We need a peace time army of 1,750,000 men of which the National Guard will be asked to furnish 550,000 which is the equivalent of 27 divisions. Everyone is urged to assist in building up the National Guard, particularly ex-service men.

General Collins stated that the War Department felt that some form of Universal training must be worked out if we are to protect our country from the menace of facism and communism.

∴ Weddings ∴

Miss Dorthy Ann Cockrell, daughter of Mrs. Annie W. Cockrell of Rocky Mount became the bride of Chester Troy Doyle, son of Mrs. Bertie Doyle of Salisbury, Maryland, in an impressive ceremony performed by Rev. Raymond Clyde Lanier in the North Rocky Mount Baptist Church Parsonage, on Saturday April 19.

Miss Lina Ward Everette of the Final Examining Department, and Rufus Creekmore, Weaveshed were united in marriage Saturday, April 19, 1947 at the parsonage in Nashville by Rev. Guy Moore.

Textile Production Low

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The slump came suddenly and without warning. The cancellation of orders for our cloth and the sudden decrease in the demand resulted in large stocks being piled up, for which there was no market, therefore it was necessary to discontinue making this cloth until such time when there was once again a demand.

Our New York sales forces are laboring hard to sell our products in new markets and our research laboratories are burning the midnight oil in their efforts to find new processes and develop new products to make and sell. Several new products are in the experimental stage at present. These products will be announced when they are ready for market.

We are now going into a period in which the sales of our cloth as well as nearly every other product in our country meets with keen competition and the company which makes these products must make every effort to produce a good quality of material at the lowest possible cost.

The continued fine workmanship and splendid cooperation of each employee is necessary for our company to make cloth at such low cost and of such good quality that our salesmen can compete with the price and quality of similar cloth from other companies.

Shelton Conferences

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conducted a panel discussion on "Expansion and Physical Improvements."

Representing the southern divisions Resident Manager E. H. Suessmuth conducted a panel discussion on "Employees: Plant and Personal Services," and Walter Greenman, George Harper and Randolph Sutton participated in this and other discussions. R. Quillen Ward presented a report on the topic, "Good Community Relations are Good Public Relations."

It was the unanimous opinion of the southern delegates that those conferences were well worth while for many suggestions and ideas were presented which should prove very fruitful in the future activities of the company.

Lynch Services Held

Funeral services for George Ernest Lynch, 39, employee of the Engineering Dept., were conducted from the St. James Baptist Church at 3:00 P. M. on Tuesday, May 27, 1947. Lynch died suddenly on Saturday, May 24, as a result of a heart attack.