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Little Journeys In Palestine

By J. C. CANIPE

Coming up again from the Sea of Galilee to the top of the mountains we get our first view of the Horris of Hatten, the Mount of the Beatitudes, where Jesus preached the Sermon on the Mount. The Top of the mountain is a table land with a slight incline. A multitude of people could have faced Jesus here.

We come down to Cana of Galilee—a little village between the Sea of Nazareth. Here Jesus performed His first miracle, at the wedding feast, by changing water into wine. Cana was the home of Nathaniel, whom Philip brought to Jesus. They show you one of the traditional water spots that was used in that feast. One has to guard against what he sees and hears about many things in Palestine. We pass Gathheper, the birthplace of Jonah. Then we come to Nazareth, the home of Jesus and Joseph and Mary. It lies in horse-shoe shape on the south side of the mountain. Nazareth has about eight thousand people now. It is one of the most beautiful places in all Palestine. Some of the surrounding mountain peaks rise abruptly to an almost perpendicular height. Nearby is the Mount of Precipitation, over which they would "Cast Jesus down headlong" in Luke 4:16-30. One can stand on a nearby peak and see the entire surrounding country in all its glory.

There is a Baptist church in Nazareth with a native pastor who is doing a great work. This Syrian pastor was converted in the great First Baptist church, Dallas, Texas, under the preaching of Dr. Truett. He returned home to do this great work in Nazareth. We visited the Church of the Annunciation and the Holy Family church where the father and mother of Jesus attended and took their boy to church. We visited Joseph's carpenter shop and other interesting places in Nazareth. The Virgin's Spring in the heart of Nazareth where through the centuries drinking water has been furnished the people. No doubt that Mary came here to draw the water for family use. We saw many come with their goat skins to draw water. We spent the night in Nazareth and enjoyed it greatly.

The Family Doctor

By DR. JOHN JOSEPH GAINES

IN REVIEW

Ho-hum! The millennial dawn approaches, thanks to our medical columnists. Every man his own dietitian, his own self-culturist, his own psychiatrist. The family doctor is headed for the long vacation when he shall have talked himself out of a job for all time to come.

Among my contemporaries I read that tobacco does not shorten life; that the snifter of corn whiskey is not guilty, nine times out of ten. That meat and salt don't have a blame thing to do with one's blood pressure—that both are actually essential to hitting on all six. That health exercises are often indulged up to a fatal point in many cases. That diet, rest, and sleep are to be taken at the dictation of appetite.

Which knocks most of the medical theories and speculative hypotheses into cocked hats—almost. Every man his own doctor. He can go on living, and, die in his turn—so—he passes on.

All of which is so much piffle, written for the price, yet pregnant with horse-sense deductions.

No two men or women are exactly alike. Hence, there can be very few sets of rules governing the conduct of many. Here are some, however, that I may say I use myself.

Be temperate in all things. No human ever uttered a better advice than that. Temperance in eating, drinking, working, thinking, sleeping, laughing, sighing, living, dying—temperate in all things. Observe that simple rule—and cut the doctor's bill to near zero.

Then, you will catch the "flu" or break your leg—or your wife will receive a visit from the stork—just any old thing will happen; then call the doctor; as you have always done.

SCHOOL CHILDREN TO SEE FOREST SERVICE PICTURES

Beginning on March 1, and continuing for three weeks, United States forest service will show motion pictures in the schools of Watauga, Caldwell, Avery and Burke counties. These motion pictures are designed to acquaint the school children, and any of their parents who can attend, with the work of the new forest service in the administration of the national forests, and especially to teach them the damage and destruction caused by forest fires. It is hoped that by these contacts the people of the rural communities will become better co-operators in the campaign against forest fires. An attempt will be made to show these pictures in all schools no matter how small unless prevented by bad roads. Where possible blankets will be used to cover the windows of the school building so that the pictures can be shown during the regular periods.

BAD BUSINESS

With a final protest against the action of the legislature in turning the liquor situation back to the pre-1933 status, without a vote of the people of the state, The Democrat turns its thoughts for the moment from the moral to the economic phase of the situation.

At present the manufacture of spirituous beverages is prohibited in North Carolina. Judging by the experiences of the ABC stores in eastern Carolina, for every dollar profit collected from the traffic by the stores, about three dollars would be sent from the state in the form of orders to Kentucky and Illinois distillers. We will be paying a four million dollar tribute to these outside corporations before we shall have gained for our governments one million. This isn't a sound fiscal policy at all. Since the wishes of the people have been largely ignored in making the state wet, it would appear that the state had just as well "go the whole hog" and provide for the manufacture of liquor, the home product to have precedence over the imported in the stores.

If it's a good business proposition, the profits from both the manufacture and sale should as well accrue to the benefits of the state and its subdivisions.

WHEN WASHINGTON LAUGHED

George Washington at Mount Vernon, as revealed to us by his diaries and contemporary records, is not the cold, stiff, overdignified superman so many people still think of him as being. On the contrary, we see him fishing, hunting, dancing a minuet, ordering Martha's clothes, with his own hands planting a magnolia tree, struggling with a toothache, giving a neighbor matrimonial advice (he was in favor of it), helping the poor, talking horseflesh and crops, laughing uproariously at some hilarious story. A visitor to Mount Vernon relates this typical incident:

Judge Marshall and Judge Washington (Washington's nephew) were on the way to Mount Vernon, attended by a servant who had charge of a large portmanteau containing their clothes. At their last stopping place there happened to be a Scotch peddler, with a pack of goods which resembled their portmanteau. The roads were very dusty, and a little before reaching the general's, they, thinking it hardly respectful to present themselves as they were, stopped in a neighboring wood to change their clothes.

The colored man got down his portmanteau, and just as they had prepared themselves for the new garments, out flew some fancy soap and various other articles belonging to the peddler, whose portmanteau they had brought on instead of their own! They were so struck by the consternation of their servant and the ludicrousness of their own position, being there naked, that they burst into loud and repeated shouts of laughter. Washington, who happened to be out upon his grounds nearby, heard the noise, and came to see what might be the occasion of it. Finding his friends in that strange plight, he was so overcome with laughter that he actually rolled upon the ground.

Only 100 acres of national forests in Colorado were damaged by fire in 1936—the best record since 1925 when 71 acres were burned.

Over 700 persons died of starvation in Szechuan province, West China, during November, 1936.

Fireside Philosophy

(By C. M. Dickson)

To rob a song of its "hallicujah" properties is to have it "solog" classically.

A modern "Nicodemian" is a person who knows that he needs Christ, but feels too important to meet Him in the daytime.

The first step toward getting a divorce is to get married.

Some one has said "The night has a thousand eyes." Suppose it should tell all it knows!

Both a positive and a negative conversation—a wife at one end of a telephone and her husband at the other.

Unfair—for a man to vote three times in the same election, but gets pay for voting only once.

Shakespeare's word in "Measure for Measure" which says, "Virtue is bold, and goodness never fearful," is as true today as when they were red hot from the immortal poet's pen.

How puny is the man who is jealous of his neighbor's success!

Unnecessary friction—for a man to be continually changing his mind, but making no improvement.

Many housewives need a course in domestic "silence" as well as in domestic science.

For one time, most bachelors seem willing to try most anything except to marry.

There are two kinds of treasure—one kind who will make good a deficit; the other who will increase it.

Poor indeed is the man who has a surplus of leisure time!

To find a warm hearth, or to see smoke curling from a chimney on Sunday (if the mere "façade" were tangible) deserves to be put in a museum as a relic of the past.

Some modern prerequisites for political and social advancement, or preferment: 1. One must have at least ONE trusted dictator. 2. He must NOT think for himself. 3. He must ask no questions. 4. He must take "mass" when asked to bow at the feet of the dictator while he is living, and at his shrine when dead. 5. He must threaten to bolt his party or quit his church. 6. He shall be guided neither by his conscience nor by principles involved. 7. He should have a court record. 8. He shall discuss no issues, but jump on the band wagon regardless of the way it is going.

After all, it is only those who know who can forget.

Activities of the Boone Lions Club

The Boone Lions club was organized with the view of being a real asset to the town and county. Without some worthwhile objective in view there would hardly be an excuse for existence. One of the fundamental and generally accepted projects of the Lions clubs is to aid the blind or those so near blind that they are handicapped in their effort to help themselves.

A preliminary survey has been in progress for some time by Dr. Robt. R. King among the school children. To date he has found some 200 children in the elementary schools of Watauga county who have such poor vision that they are definitely unable to carry on their work as the other students of their classes. Not only are they not able to see properly but the appalling thing about the matter is that they are not able in most instances to do anything about the situation. Their parents, in order to properly remedy the situation would probably have to spend a considerable amount of money to have an examination made to determine the actual trouble. Then, in some instances treatment would be necessary but in most instances correct glasses would be a tremendous aid, but even to have glasses fitted would require an outlay of money that would be beyond the reach of a great many families and would be a strain on almost any family.

Through co-operation with the state authorities a first class oculist can be secured for the purpose of holding a clinic for examination of the children's eyes, a representative from some of the large manufacturers will be present to fit the glasses and in this way the work can be done so that it will be a small part of the cost of the individuals having the work done.

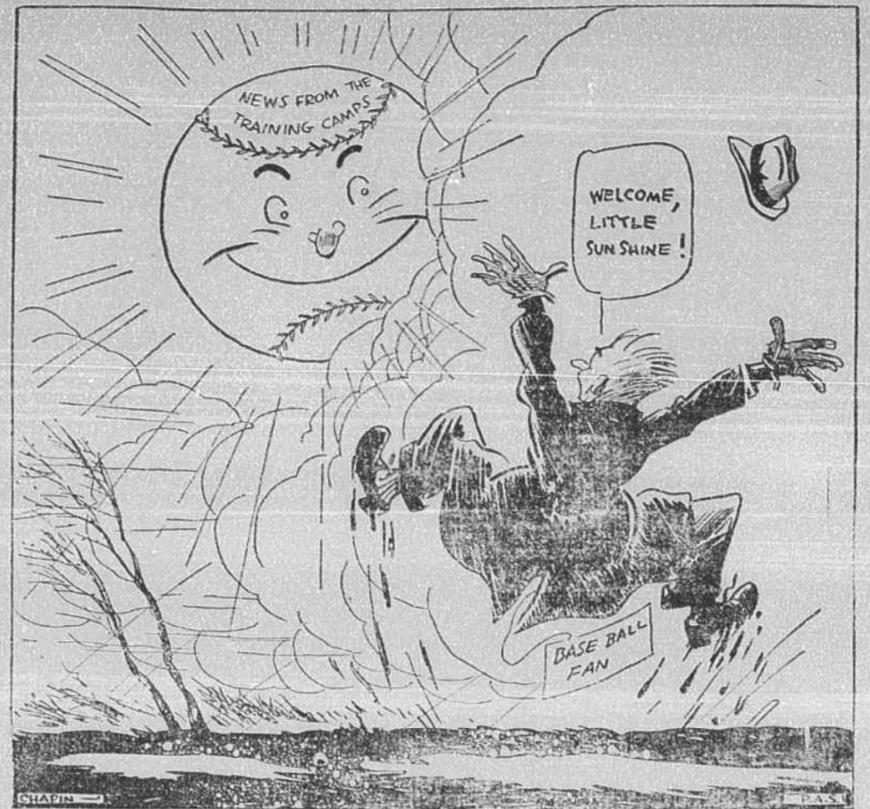
The Boone Lions club has authorized Dr. King to proceed with the details of working up a clinic for Watauga county and as soon as the details are worked out further announcements will be made regarding this important project.

In a word, this is one of the projects that we as members of the club feel will be for the welfare of our town and county. An opportunity presents itself, it is our purpose to sponsor other worthwhile projects and thus ever work toward the betterment of our county and community.

There are 156 national forests in 31 states and two territories.

CAN SPRING BE FAR BEHIND?

By A. B. Chapin



Whiting Lumber Co. Buys Large Boundary of Beech Creek Timber

Work Started on Railroad to Transport Timber to Market at Butler; Other Beech Creek News

The Whiting Lumber company, located at Butler, Tenn., has purchased a large boundary of timber in the Beech Mountain area, the Mount Brothers of Mountain City, Tenn. This is the best boundary of timber in this section. It is estimated that it will take four years to work the timber. The company has started construction work on a railroad from its main line at the mouth of Buckeye Creek, up Beech Creek to the timber. This will give employment to a large number of men in this section.

Miss Cloyd Harmon, who is teaching at Crossnore, spent the week-end at home.

Mr. Andrew Trivett was taken to the Grace hospital, Banner Elk, Monday, for ten or fifteen days' medical treatment.

Mr. Cling Harmon and Miss Mattie Stines were married recently.

Farmers in this section are now sowing their tobacco seeds. If the plants go well there will be a larger crop cultivated in this community this summer than in any previous year.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wiseman, of Ingalls, N. C., visited Mrs. Wiseman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Harmon, Sunday.

The roads in this section are almost impassable because of so much bad weather. There are no graded or hard-surfaced roads like those in other communities. The people are not making any criticism, however, as they are anticipating the construction of the new highway on down the Watauga river to Tennessee soon.

A birthday dinner was given Sunday at the home of Mr. W. M. Potter for Mrs. Potter's daughter, Mrs. Jack Taylor. A large number of relatives and friends were present.

Mr. Carl Edmisten has returned from a trip to Ohio, where he went to visit friends and to see some of the flooded area around Cincinnati. His son-in-law, Mr. Lee R. Mays, who is employed at the coal mines in West Virginia, returned with him.

Mrs. Russell Trivett and son, of Ohio, are visiting relatives on Beech Creek.

FUNERAL SERVICE IS HELD FOR JOE WARD

Funeral services for Joe Ward, 38, of Matney, who died last Friday from injuries sustained by a falling tree, were held at the Antioch Baptist church Sunday, Feb. 14. The services were conducted by Revs. D. M. Edmisten, Talmadge Watson and Roby Painter. Interment was in the family cemetery.

The deceased is survived by his widow, Mrs. Vertie Ward and four children, Gilbert, Victoria, Baxter, and Basil; his mother, Mrs. Rebecca Ward and eight brothers, John, Will, Ben, Jordan, George, Victor, Lee and Marshall Ward; and two sisters, Mrs. Arlene Ward and Mrs. T. J. Jarvis. The pall-bearers were Stanley Harmon, Grady Eller, Norris Eggers, Jack Hairston, Ralph Harmon and Dale Adams.

Mountain farmers say the \$20 allowance for small farms under the better chance to improve their farms than under the 1936 program.

'SOUTH IN SONORA' TO BE GIVEN SOON

The Appalachian Glee club will present its annual operetta, "South in Sonora," by Charles Wakefield Cadogan, Friday and Saturday nights, February 26th and 27th. Admission 25 and 55 cents.

Don Ricardo Gomez, rich Mexican rancher, is father of five daughters, all beautiful save Catalina. The opening scene is a fiesta at Gomez ranch in honor of the president, whose birthday it is. A group of American mining engineers and six college boys are among the guests. Don Ricardo is the engineer, and Teddy and Alfred, two of the college boys, have fallen in love with the three youngest daughters. When their proposals of marriage are offered to the girls, they learn that being engaged will mean nothing, because their father has said "No" to all proposals until Catalina, an older sister, is wed. The girls are sure that Catalina will never wed, so Rosita conceives the idea of having a bandit general who is camped near the house to marry Catalina in her father's presence.

Despite the objections of Dan and Paquita, the twins and their lovers put the plan into execution. The bandit general captures Paquita, falls in love with her and wishes to marry her instead of Catalina.

Catalina, having fallen in love with the general at first sight, begs him to take her, but he commands her to help dress Paquita for the wedding.

The priest is summoned and upon his arrival the bride, beautifully gowned and veiled appears with Rosita, who excuses Catalina's non-appearance on plea of illness. The ceremony is performed and after they are gone, Paquita appears and it develops that Catalina is the general's bride after all.

Two months pass and in Act II, Paquita is bemoaning the fact that Catalina has not been heard from. A new president has been elected and word has been sent that he desires to be entertained at the Gomez ranch. Meanwhile Don Ricardo learns of the twins' plotting with the bandit to marry Catalina and he resolves to send them to a convent.

Teddy and Alfred take the twins to an aunt in Mexico City in order to keep them out of their father's way until his anger cools.

Don Ricardo consents to Dan's marrying Paquita, but she refuses

to do so until she knows Catalina is safe.

In Act III, the twins, traveling in the presidential party, rush into the home living room ahead of the rest of the party and are met by Don Ricardo who seizes them and is at the act of sending them to the convent when Catalina appears. She introduces the bandit as her husband as the new president of Mexico. Both are much in love and the general is grateful to Rosita for saving him from marrying the wrong girl and he intercedes for the twins with Don Ricardo, who forgives them, and all ends happily.

Cast of Characters: Don Ricardo Gomez, owner of Rancho Basque—Bonita—Howard Goodman.

Juanita, a dancer—Kathleen Morris.

Catalina—Lucile Hartley.

Paquita—Daisy Williams.

Rosita and Lolita, twins—Lucy Little and Anne Stiles.

Diego Cortez, a dancer, affianced to Juanita—Dan Crawford.

Marie Apache, an old Indian nurse—Margaret Eury.

Boyd Rogers, chief of mining engineers' camp near ranch—Dale Norris.

Dan Richards and David Wells—Boyd's assistants and friends—T. E. Honeycutt and David Black.

Teddy Grant—Leonard Eury.

Alfred Rose—Jack Gibbs.

A group of college chums from U. S., studying mining in Mexico—J. C. Hawkins, Bob Elliott, Allen Norton, Bahnsen Greenwood.

General Anastacio, a bandit chief—Moiry Ayers.

Captain Ricardo, his right hand man—Francis Gunter.

Private Juan, of the bandit troops—Dan Hoyle.

A priest—Neil Hartley.

Two Mexican maids of the household—Julia Johnson, Reta Oliver.

Chorus of presidential guards—Dewey Bingham, Wayne Church, Allan Norton, John Passage, Herbert Saine, Glenn Trout, Eccles Wall, James Wall.

Mixed chorus of Mexican guests—Lillian Abrams, Lelia Ayers, Lila Clay, Louise Cress, Geraldine Deaver, Ruth Epps, Tina Harmon, Elizabeth Isbell, Selma Anderson, Mildred Barger, Helen Gragg, Mary Helen Greene, Rachel Reader, Leta Tester, Eugenia Vernon, Ethel Whisanant, Dewey Bingham, Glenn Trout, John Von Cannon, Eccles Wall, James Wall—advertisement.

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