

Fireside Philosophy

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"Fireside Philosophy" contains fundamental truths that will be a constant guide and an inspiration to all who read it.

Mr. Dickson received his elementary education in the public schools of Ashe county, attended high school at Brattle Creek, Va., Appalachian State Teachers College, Duke University, and the University of North Carolina.

Mr. Dickson has spent a great part of his life as an educator. At an early age he became intensely interested in teaching the youth of his native state.



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Mr. Dickson is not only known for his contribution in the educational field, but also as a writer and lecturer. Frequently, he has contributed articles on various subjects to both state and county papers.

Out of the author's rich and varied experiences, together with a keen observation of human nature in many walks of life, he has formed a philosophy of life so idealistic and so practical as not only to interest all classes of society, but that the wayfarer man especially may look upon and see a gleam of light.

His varied contacts with the good and the bad in human nature through school and church activities and public affairs generally, are a constant source of inspiration.

Mr. Dickson sums up his purpose in writing "Fireside Philosophy" in the following sentences:

"To appeal to the interest, humor, and the intelligence of all classes of society."

"To supply a long-felt need for human behavior, or conduct, that will stand the test of the cynic, the atheist, the ignorant, and the superstitious, the over-presumptuous, the egotistic and the sophisticated."

"To formulate a philosophy of life which will stand the test of a changing and complex civilization."

"To give to humanity a philosophy of life so simple that a fool may profit thereby."

"To help mankind get a saner outlook on life."

The truths in this little book are so simple and so practical that on every page will be found something to guide and inspire as well as to amuse all who read it and lead them to a higher plane of living.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our gratitude for the sympathy and kindness shown by our neighbors and friends during the disaster which took our son and brother. Also many thanks for the beautiful floral offerings. Special thanks to the one who found dear little Johnny.

MR. & MRS. W. G. GREENE AND FAMILY.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in that certain deed of trust executed by T. J. Tugman and wife Essie Tugman, to the undersigned trustee, which said deed of trust is dated the 19th day of September, 1938, and recorded in Book 28, page 494, of the Watauga County Registry, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and in the conditions therein secured, the undersigned trustee will on Tuesday, September 10, 1940, at or about 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door at Boone, North Carolina, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described property:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being on the Meadow Creek road, about 14 miles northeast from the town of Boone, in Stony Fork township, county of Watauga, state of North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning on a sourwood, C. M. Miller and wife, Mattie Miller's corner; thence with their line south 79 degrees west 16 poles to a red oak; thence again with their line north 46 degrees west 16 poles to a stake; thence again with their line north 45 degrees west 26 poles to a stake; thence again with their line south 61 degrees west 38 poles to a chestnut oak; thence north 68 degrees west 26 poles to a black gum; thence due west 14 poles to a stake, S. W. Greer's corner; thence north 3 1/2 degrees east 58 1/2 poles to a chestnut oak, S. W. Greer's corner; thence south 88 degrees east 79 poles to a chestnut; thence south 3 1/2 degrees west 19 poles to a locust; thence south 59 1/2 degrees east 44 poles to a stake; thence south 3 1/2 degrees west 31 poles to the point of beginning, and containing thirty-eight (38) acres, to be the same more or less.

Terms of sale: cash and trustee will require deposit of 10% of the amount of the bid as his evidence of good faith.

This 10th day of August, 1940. H. E. STACY, Trustee.

Another War



Ottawa, Canada.—A little heavier, grayer at the temples, but still ready for duty is Air Marshal W. A. Bishop, V.C., as he joins the Canadian service in an administrative capacity, Marshal Bishop, with 72 German planes to his credit in World War I, was Canada's foremost ace.

HARRY HOPKINS WILL RESIGN CABINET POST

Washington, Aug. 24.—It was learned last night that Harry L. Hopkins will tender his resignation soon as secretary of commerce. President Roosevelt is expected to accept it reluctantly.

The President and Hopkins, loyal friends for 16 years, have been co-workers in New York and Washington for the last decade. The widower secretary of commerce makes his home at the White House and Mrs. Roosevelt has been a second mother to his eight-year-old daughter, Diane.

It has been known that Hopkins has felt for some time that his health prevented the application to his position that it deserved. His health has been bad for several months.

Approximately 3,650,000 drivers, alone, are employed by all the trucking companies of the United States.

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

North Carolina, Watauga County: in the Superior Court, Before the Clerk.

Mrs. E. J. Porter vs. E. J. Porter. The defendant above named will take notice that a summons in the above entitled action was issued against said defendant on the 19th day of August, 1940 by A. E. South, clerk of the superior court of Watauga county, North Carolina, for the sum of \$1000.00, due said plaintiff by reason of non-support, which summons is returnable before said clerk of the superior court, at his office in Watauga county, on the 21st day of September, 1940.

The defendant will also take notice that a warrant of attachment was issued by said clerk of the superior court on the 19th day of August, 1940, against the property of said defendant, which warrant is returnable before the said clerk of the superior court, at the time and place above named for the return of the summons, when and where the defendant is required to appear and answer or demur to the complaint, or the relief demanded will be granted.

This 20th day of August, 1940. A. E. SOUTH, Clerk Superior Court.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

Under and by virtue of the authority conferred by deed of trust executed by Jesse Burns and wife, Ethel Burns, dated the 22nd day of November, 1937, and recorded in Book 28, at page 302, in the office of the register of deeds for Watauga county, Jefferson E. Owens, trustee, will at 12 o'clock noon on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1940, at the court house door of Watauga county, in Boone, North Carolina, sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, the following land, to-wit:

Lying and being in the town of Blowing Rock, Watauga county, North Carolina, adjoining the lands of R. M. Coffey, W. L. Holshouser, and being located in the northwest intersection of Holshouser, or Third Street and Coffey Street, or First Street, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an iron stake in the northwest corner of Holshouser or Third Street and Coffey or First Street (said iron stake being 25 feet from R. M. Coffey's line and 103 feet from the east line of W. L. Holshouser's property) and runs thence with the west edge of Coffey Street north 7 east 75 feet to an iron stake in the west edge of Coffey Street or First Street; thence north 86 west 80 feet to an iron stake; thence south 7 west 75 feet to an iron stake on the north side of Holshouser or Third Street; thence with the north side of said street south 86 east 50 feet to the beginning.

Same being the property conveyed to Jesse Burns and wife, Ethel Burns, by W. L. Holshouser and wife, Laura Holshouser, by deed dated December 5, 1936, and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Watauga county, N. C., in Book 45, page 617, to which said recorded deed specific reference is hereby made for a more complete description by metes and bounds.

This sale is made on account of default in payment of the indebtedness secured by said deed of trust. A five per cent (5%) cash deposit will be required of the highest bidder at the sale.

This 21st day of August, 1940. JEFFERSON E. OWENS, Trustee.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By REV. ROBT. H. HARPER

PRAISING GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS Lesson for September 1, Psalm 103: 1-5; 10-18; Golden Text. Psalm 103:2

On a day of fasting and prayer in a New England colony an old man arose, pointed to the many blessings the people enjoyed and moved to amend by making the day one of thanksgiving and praise. The people still had need for prayer but the old colonist was right in reminding them that they should praise God for the many blessings He had given. We should not come before God only to ask Him for something. We should also come with the language of praise.

In the beautiful 103rd Psalm the poet calls upon his soul to bless the Lord. His own mandate was in harmony with that of God. The Father would have us praise Him. The Psalmist enumerated blessings that led him to praise. God's care in needful things of the every day. His removal of transgressions as far as the east is from the west. His pitying his children like a father. Remembering that we are dust, and dealing with us not after our sins—all are sung by the Psalmist as he calls upon his soul to bless the Lord.

It is well to count our blessings ere we lament the absence of other blessings; it is wise to find encouragement in the dark hours when we cannot see the way before us, by remembering what God has already done.

For surely the Father, who has given us blessings in the past, will continue to bless us, according to our needs, if we still trust Him. Praise is a great incentive to faith. No man should repine if he knows the language of praise and looks to God with a thankful heart. May our praise for blessings already received from God's bountiful hand strengthen our faith to look to Him for needful things in days to come.

One day's operation of a fleet of bombing and pursuit planes necessitates the consumption of an amount of motor fuel sufficient to operate 360 American passenger-cars a full year.

Statement

Boston Manufacturers Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 1939, AS SHOWN BY STATEMENT FILED Amount Ledger Assets, Dec. 31st previous year \$7,389,733.48 Income—From Policyholders, \$2,922,681.91; Miscellaneous, \$307,942.31; Total \$3,230,624.22 Disbursements—To Policyholders, \$574,252.75; Miscellaneous, \$2,325,860.71; Total \$ 2,900,113.46 Fire Premiums—Written or renewed during year, \$4,180,069.52, In Force \$7,743,307.75

ASSETS

Value of Bonds and Stocks \$6,167,881.51 Cash in Company's Office \$ 2,925.25 Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks not on interest \$1,257,515.95 Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1939 \$ 338,128.36 Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1939 \$ 11,056.27 Deduct Ceded Reinsurance Balances Payable \$ 71,900.10 Interest and Rents due and accrued \$ 44,792.20 All other Assets, as detailed in statement \$ 14,953.42

Total \$7,765,052.86 Less Assets not admitted \$ 884,611.17

Total admitted Assets \$7,080,441.69

LIABILITIES

Net amount of unpaid losses and claims \$ 79,077.68 Unearned premiums \$3,416,022.59 Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, etc., due or accrued \$ 2,628.50 Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued \$ 18,743.76 Reinsurance on paid loans \$ 16.42 All other liabilities, as detailed in statement \$ 6,377.45

Total amount of all liabilities except Capital \$3,524,866.40 Surplus over all liabilities \$3,555,575.29

Surplus as regards Policyholders \$3,555,575.29

Total Liabilities

\$7,080,441.69

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA DURING 1939

Fire Risks Written \$17,765,570 Premiums received \$94,533 Losses incurred—Fire \$ 3,509 Paid \$ 4,677

President, Marshall B. Dalton, secretary, H. Dwight Hall, treasurer, E. F. Robinson, Home Office 60 Batterymarch, Boston, Mass., Attorney for service, Dan C. Boney, Insurance Commissioner, Raleigh, N. C. Manager for North Carolina, Home Office.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA Insurance Department

Raleigh, May 30th, 1940.

I, Dan C. Boney, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Boston Manufacturers Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Boston, Mass., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company, on the 31st day of December, 1939.

Witness my hand and official seal, the day and date above written. DAN C. BONEY, Insurance Commissioner.

Statement

Bankers' Fire Insurance Company

Durham, N. C. CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 1939, AS SHOWN BY STATEMENT FILED

Amount of Capital paid in cash \$200,000.00 Amount Ledger Assets, Dec. 31st previous year \$290,232.27 Increase paid up Capital \$290,232.27 Income—From Policyholders, \$21.05; Miscellaneous, \$87,264.09; Total \$ 87,285.14

Disbursements—To Policyholders, \$127.11; Miscellaneous, \$84,417.34; Total \$ 84,544.45

Fire Premiums—Written or renewed during year, \$70,181.03; In Force \$ 60,961.29

All other Premiums—Written or renewed during year, \$1,292.64; In Force \$ 1,266.52

ASSETS

Value of Real Estate \$138,781.40 Mortgage Loans on Real Estate \$ 57,551.24 Loans secured by pledge of Bonds, Stocks, or other collateral \$ 5,786.29 Value of Bonds and Stocks \$ 33,267.69 Cash in Company's Office \$ 1,775.95 Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks not on interest \$17,479.81 Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest \$ 500.00 Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1939 \$ 11,047.93

Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1939 \$ 2,630.38

Bills receivable, taken for fire risks \$ 4,594.03 Bills receivable, taken for other risks \$ 2,393.54 Interest and Rents due and accrued \$ 1,463.12

All other Assets, as detailed in statement \$ 17,291.81

Total \$294,563.19 Less Assets not admitted \$ 18,356.29

Total admitted Assets \$276,206.90

LIABILITIES

Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, etc., due or accrued \$ 110.26 Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued \$ 4,268.37 Contingent commissions, or other charges due or accrued \$ 2,497.67

Total amount of all liabilities except capital \$ 20,862.49 Capital actually paid up in cash \$200,000.00 Surplus over all liabilities \$ 55,344.41

Surplus as regards Policyholders \$255,344.41

Total Liabilities \$276,206.90

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA DURING 1939

Fire Risks Written \$3,614 Premiums received \$78.00 Paid \$ 2.00

President, W. G. Pearson; secretary, R. N. Harris; treasurer, E. R. Merrick, Home Office, 707, Fayetteville St., Durham, N. C. Attorney for service, Dan C. Boney, Insurance Commissioner, Raleigh, N. C. Manager for North Carolina, Home Office.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA Insurance Department

Raleigh, June 6th, 1940.

I, Dan C. Boney, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Bankers Fire Insurance Company of Durham, N. C., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company, on the 31st day of December, 1939.

Witness my hand and official seal, the day and year above written. DAN C. BONEY, Insurance Commissioner.

GE GOT THERE!

Helena—Business as business. Loads of no food, to J. A. Collins, who lives on Grandfather Mountain, near Linville.

He appeared at a florist's shop here to say that floods, which isolated his home, would prevent his supplying ferns for a few days.

The amazed florist asked him how he got to Helena.

"I caught a train at Lenoir," Coffey said.

"Yes," persisted the florist, "but how far is your home from Lenoir?"

"Thirty-five miles."

"Then how did you get to Lenoir with all those roads washed out?"

"Oh, I just walked."

National consumption of liquefied petroleum gases last year was 25 per cent greater than in 1938.

NOTICE

On the first Monday of September the Watauga county board of education will sell to the highest bidder the Beaver Dam colored school property. Sale will be held at 11 o'clock in the county superintendent's office.

W. H. WALKER, County Superintendent.

NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received by the Blue Ridge Electric Membership corporation for the construction of approximately 150 miles of electric distribution lines in Caldwell, Watauga, Ashe and Alleghany counties, September 6, 1940, at 11:00 a. m. at the corporation's offices in Lenoir, N. C. Plans and specifications may be examined at the offices of the corporation or the corporation's engineer, B. O. Vannort, 1207 Commercial Bank Building, Charlotte, N. C.

Signed, BLUE RIDGE ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION. G. W. Sullivan, President.

SALE OF LAND FOR 1938 TAXES

(Continued from page six)

- Albert Townsend, 7 1/2 acres 1.26
A. T. Townsend, 48 acres 7.94
F. G. Townsend, 11 acres 1.37
Harrison Townsend, 31 1/2 acres 7.37
Jason Townsend, 14 1/2 acres 7.69
Lem Townsend, 24 1/2 acres 10.98
Mrs. M. L. Townsend, 8 1/2 acres 2.73
Thos. E. Townsend, 7 acres 9.28
Troy Townsend, 55 acres 8.95
Roy Townsend, 2 acres 3.01
J. E. Triplett, 1 lot 1.20
Mrs. Addie Wagoner Heirs, 30 acres 7.71
Ruby, Mary, Heienera and Wade R. Wagner, 1 lot 5.50
Mrs. Boyd Walker, 15 acres 5.50
E. L. Walls, 16 1/2 acres 6.60
Earl E. White, 1 acre .32
W. L. Winkler, 5 acres 2.52
Geo. C. Wood, 15 acres 9.93
J. L. Woods, 36 acres 6.63
Mrs. Media Wright Bolick, 15 acres 5.50
Eli Whittington, 34 acres 11.70
Leonard Yarbor, 4 acres 7.89

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