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**BIBLE THOUGHT FOR WEEK**

**STAY WITH THE LORD:** The Lord is with you, while ye be with him; and if ye seek him, he will be found of you; but if ye forsake him, he will forsake you.—II Chronicles 15:2.

**A RECORD TO BE PROUD OF**

Being included in a list of 19 cities in North Carolina to have a perfect fire record for the year 1934 should be an item of no little interest for Edentonians. But for prompt action and efficient methods a number of fires easily could have resulted in a heavy loss.

Fortunately Edenton can lay claim to a group of loyal volunteer firemen who are ever ready to sacrifice time and risk injury in an effort to keep fire loss at a minimum.

Our hats are off to the excellent services rendered by the fire laddies and we feel sure they will sacrifice much in order to keep down fire damage.

**CLYDE ERWIN PLEASES EDENTONIANS**

Clyde A. Erwin, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who spoke to the graduates of the Edenton High School Friday night, made a very favorable impression on his first visit to the Albemarle. Unlike many in similar positions, Mr. Erwin did not utilize his time in praising the great school system of the State, and rehashing the wonderful achievements made in the past. He rather chose to comment on the seriousness of education, apparently being deeply concerned about what may be accomplished in the future in the way of a safe and sane school program in a fast moving and challenging age.

The head of the schools gave high praise to the hospitality extended him in the Albemarle and The Herald takes it that he enjoyed being among us even as much as we were glad to have him.

**LOCK THE DOOR "BEFORE THE HORSE IS STOLEN"**

It is a source of pleasure to see the interior of the Court House cleaned up and a storage place found for the kindling wood which heretofore had been piled along the passage-ways. This creditable piece of work is the result of the efforts of Richard D. Dixon, who was recently appointed custodian of the Court House by the County Commissioners.

This is well and good, but why not go a little further in caring for this priceless old building?

Not so very long ago vandals entered the Boy Scout cabin and tore the place up in general, going so far as to tear down and trample the United States flag. They were never apprehended.

Why must the Court House door remain open all night long? Who has any business in the building at night except the clerk of the court, register of deeds, and a member of the Masonic lodge to open the door on meeting nights? At present any Tom, Dick and Harry can go in the building, prowl around and do a great deal of damage if they were so inclined. It would take but a few minutes for somebody to do irreparable damage to the paneling in the grand jury room and other parts of the building if they wished to do so.

Not very long ago the lock on the Masonic meeting room on the second floor was tampered with, but fortunately the intruders failed to gain admission into the room, or possibly were scared off before accomplishing their end. More recently someone entered the local Methodist Church and broke open a bank containing birthday pennies deposited by small children. In the same church a silver flower vase which was presented to the church by the Dixon family a few years ago was also stolen.

These are only a few reasons why The Herald believes the Court House as well as any other historical buildings should not be allowed to be open at all hours thus allowing anyone to do damage that could never be replaced.

We see no reason why anyone would want to deface the building, but neither can we see any reason for trampling the Nation's flag, and committing other acts of vandalism.

Both the clerk of court and register of deeds lock the doors to their offices when they leave at night, and The Herald would like to know if there is a legitimate reason for the main door of the Court House to remain open at all hours.

Wouldn't it be better to lock the door "before the horse is stolen."

**HEARD AND SEEN**

By "BUFF"

Here's a note received in the mail one day this week. The sender didn't sign his or her name, but, thank goodness the envelope didn't contain a chain letter:

"Hello, Buff! Did you go to the Red Men's meeting in Elizabeth City?"

"Buff—No, I did not go, I had to stay home and work and I smoked my ole pipe for my fun. Ha! Ha!"

"By the way, do you know the reason why I don't carry my teeth in my pocket? I'm afraid they'll chew the pocket. Ha! Ha!"

The only thing that gets my goat in that note is the "Ha! Ha!" And I'll find out who wrote it if I must be personal enough to ask Harrison Spruill.

Yep, the Rotary convention in Raleigh last week was a big success. If you don't believe it, get a-talking with some of them who attended and hear some of the new jokes. Carroll Kramer heard a good one about the rooster who evidently attended the Legislature.

Jim Blair says he heard it said that the town is going to the dogs, but he's convinced that it's going to 'possums. The other night while closing up at Burton's filling station Jim saw something cross his path and thinking it was a large rat, took unto himself a wicked looking hoe and gave chase to the thing, which had crossed the street to the post office employees' entrance. Probably Mr. 'Possum thought Uncle Sam would take care of him. We can't blame the 'possum for that, however. There's plenty of folks trying to do the very same thing. Anyway, Jim cornered the 'possum with the hoe and now has the thing penned up at his home, possibly by this time having sent out invitations to his friends to come up for dinner some time.

It is said that Senator Lloyd Griffin had his hat stolen while attending court one day last week. Here's hoping the guy that snatched the hat returns it because the Senator's hair is sort of thin atop the head and sunburn is quite painful.

And while on the snatching subject, some dirty skunk evidently knowing that the little tots in the Methodist Sunday School drop their birthday pennies in a bank, broke open the bank and took every last penny and ruined a bank that cost around one buck. A silver flower vase that was presented to the church a few years ago is also missing from the church building. Anyone learning about the whereabouts of the vase will confer a great favor upon the pastor, Rev. W. F. Walters, if they'll let him know about it. As to the low down skunk who stole the children's pennies, if yours truly isn't big enough to give a good swift kick in the pants for every penny stolen, I'll employ Sheriff Alvah Bunch to help out on the job.

And there's two things I like about the new Sheriff . . . he smokes cigars and likes flowers. The other day he came parading down the street with a nice bouquet which was placed on his desk. I'll remind him about the cigars when he runs for re-election.

A lady was in the office the other day and said she sort of has the knack to read people's minds. It's a good thing she don't tell on some of the men folks, for many of them would surely land behind the bars.

I reckon Charlie Hollowell takes the cake for fish stories. I understand that Charlie while on a trip to Oregon Inlet said the blue fish were so thick that they chased oodles of herring right up on the beach. Of course, the boys coming back from the Inlet report big catches, but I'd like to know what makes them so bloomin' tight with the fish when they get back home.

I expect I owe the senior class an advertising bill. During the Class Day exercises a certain young lady was prophesied as being the wife of the single son of yours truly and was employed in the office of the most popular newspaper in North Carolina. I have nothing to say about the first part of the prophecy, but here's hoping the last part comes true.

Kenneth Floars has the right idea. A few days ago he got tired of a certain fellow bumming cigarettes. "Here, take this quarter, buy yourself some cigarettes and don't speak to me for 30 days," said Ken.

C. D. Stewart is a good speaker but he made a mess of his speech last Friday night to the seventh grade graduates. "I hope that four years from now every member of this class will occupy seats on this stage," said Mr. Stewart. Why, the very idea! We want a brand new school building and a new stage before that time, C. D.

Here's hoping that Herald advertising was responsible for the large crowds at the Taylor Theatre Monday and Tuesday nights. At any rate, look over this week's ad and then scratch your head to decide which picture to see if you can't see

all of them. The theatre has been leased to a "Spook Show" for Thursday night after the last show, and from reports it's plenty scary.

Another "square deal" chain letter scheme struck town this week. A number of local folks made a right good investment, but yours truly took a tip from the editor of the Perquimans Weekly and kissed the dollar bill good-bye. Of course, the mails are not used, so maybe it's not gambling . . . just like the machines being used again. They have pins and holes and pay off money, but apparently that isn't gambling . . . another "wonderful" achievement of the state lawmakers.

Tonight the Masons will have their annual banquet. Maurice Broom, manager of the hotel will stage the banquet in the vacant store room in the hotel building where folks can look in . . . might be an advertisement for other banquets. A good program has been arranged, and a large crowd is expected.

Saturday is Poppy Day, and that don't mean to dodge the young ladies who will be out selling these flowers. Loosen up, Mr. Tightwads, and help out in a good cause. Children of Auxiliary members are asked to join in selling poppies, so you can see there'll possibly be as many salespeople going around as was the case early in the week when almost everybody was trying to sell the bloomin' chain letters. The only difference will be that the young ladies will up and pin a poppy on you, whereas the chain letter fans call you off in sort of a confidential way and almost faint when their prospect pulls out a couple of the consarn things and tries to sell the same letter.

Walter Wilkins carries his watch in his side coat pocket. The watch is a plumb good one, but is so large that if he wore it in his watch pocket he wouldn't be able to keep his pants up. Safety first, Walter, old top!

Frank Holmes one day last week decided to part with part of the roll he saved up while working in the State Senate. He purchased a high falutin' casting outfit and went up the creek on one of the days fishing is allowed in quest of some of the big boys. And he did . . . he landed a six-pound bass, which was the first fish Frank ever caught. That's not all of the story, but I can't tell the rest. Remember when you caught your first big fish?

Our subscription campaign is over and you'll see in another column who won the prizes . . . and they've all been paid, too. The Herald has an excellent circulation now, and we're going to try to make the paper even more popular than it now is. To this end, give us your idea of a kind of paper you'd like to have.

The Legionnaires possibly have been too busy lately to think about the baseball challenge Jim Daniels hurled at them. But Jim is game, and the challenge stands. What about it, Vets? You've had your cake, now what about a game?

The local firemen are sponsoring a home talent play at the school house Thursday and Friday of next week. Read elsewhere who will take part in the play, and there's not much doubt that you'll be "among those present."

The Oxford Orphanage Singing Class will also be in Edenton Wednesday of next week. Their show this year is reported to be excellent and here's hoping a large crowd turns out to hear them. A small admission will be charged, and can anyone name a more worthy cause. Chowan County has three children in the orphanage at present. Come out, and help a good cause.

The writer wants to personally thank Mrs. E. N. Elliott, W. M. Wilkins and W. H. Gardner, who acted as judges in the Herald's campaign which closed Saturday night. Of course Mrs. Elliott was familiar with the millions figure because she's kept track of the herring Mr. Elliott caught during the fishing season. Mr. Wilkins doesn't have occasion to figure in the millions, and although Mr. Gardner works in the bank, the figures were far above what he messes with. Anyway, they were a good set of judges and all reached the same answer, so we'll mark them up at 100 on their problem.

**ROYAL AMBASSADORS MEET**

The Royal Ambassadors of the Edenton Baptist Church met Monday evening with Edward Parker at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Parker, on King Street. Members present were: Edward Habit, Frank Sawyer, Edward Parker, Thomas Elliott, Sam White, and the leader, Miss Dorothy Holmes. Mrs. C. T. Doughlie was a welcome visitor. After the business meeting, Mrs. Parker served delicious home-made candy.

**MUCH IMPROVED**

The condition of A. M. Forehand, who was stricken seriously ill Sunday, is reported as being much improved.

**ADVANCE**

Miss Christine Hassell spent Saturday night with Miss Mildred Waff. Misses Minnie Bass and Erma Smith spent Sunday with Misses Maude and Gladys Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Morgan, Mrs. Allie Jones and son, Haywood, Mrs. Earl Jones and two small children were visitors in Colerain Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Sitterson spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Sid Ward, in Bertie County.

Miss Eunice Saunders and Mr. Clarence Lupton called on Miss Ruby Jones late Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Mamie Miller spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Smith. Mrs. Jim Bembridge entertained friends Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Morgan and children from Harrisfield, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliney Brinley and baby, of Harrisfield, spent Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Williams.

Miss Mildred Waff entertained quite a number of her friends at a birthday party Saturday evening. Music was furnished by Perlie and Everett Ashley. Ice cream and cake were served, and the evening was enjoyed by all present. Among the guests were: Misses Maude and Gladys Jordan, Eunice and Minnie Bass, Erma Smith, Evelyn and Elizabeth Dail, Dorothy and Eunice Saunders, Christine Hassell, Mattie Morgan, Annie Mae Perry, Louise and Annie Ruth Hughes; Messrs Erie and William Forehand, Perlie and Everett Ashley, Tessie and Charlie Hughes, Clarence Lupton, Edward Waff, Richard Morgan, Claude Griffin, Raymond Dail, Judie Bowen, Frank Daniels, Rudolph and Billy Castelow.

**Roof Fire Damages**

**R. P. Badham's Home**  
Considerable damage by water was done Monday night shortly after 9 o'clock to the interior of the R. P. Badham home when the fire department was called out to extinguish a roof fire. Four rooms were damaged as well as some of the furniture by the water dripping through the floors.

Quite a bit of excitement prevailed on King Street Monday afternoon when someone, seeing clouds of smoke issuing from the chimney of the Badham home, turned in a fire alarm. The firemen quickly responded but had no occasion to use either water or chemicals.

Later, however, the heat from the chimney fire evidently set fire to the upper part of the building and the firemen were again called out when the fire was extinguished.

**Fishing Allowed in Lake Mattamuskeet**

J. G. Perry, Chowan County game warden, last week received the following information from J. D. Chalk, Commissioner of the Division of Game and Inland Fisheries:

"The U. S. Bureau of Biological Survey who own and control Lake Mattamuskeet have given us permission to open the lake to fishing daily during the remainder of the closed season. This privilege is extended our people for the purpose of further reducing the excessive number of fish in the lake. This ruling applies only to the property of the Lake Mattamuskeet Wildfowl Refuge and does not apply to the fishing in other parts of Hyde County."

**COLORED COUPLE WED**

James Holley and Ida Belle Holley, colored, of Chowan County, were issued a marriage license Saturday by Register of Deeds Maurice Bunch. They were married in the office by Justice of the Peace W. S. Summerell.

**RETURNS TO PHILADELPHIA**

Miss Mattie Sanders has returned to Philadelphia, Pa., after spending some time with relatives in Chowan and Perquimans Counties.

**JUST IN . . .**

**200 Pairs New WORK TROUSERS For Young Men**  
■ Pleated and Plain Pants in Linens, Cordis, Striped and Checked "Cool" Cloth—  
**\$1.25 to \$2.95 Per Pair**  
Every pair guaranteed pre-shrunk.

**Bathing Trunks**  
New Bathing Trunks now in . . . in wool knit and Gabardine—  
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FOR BOYS AND MEN  
**S. GANDERSON & SONS**  
The Boys' and Men's Store  
EDENTON, N. C.

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for  
**Gay Vacation Clothes**

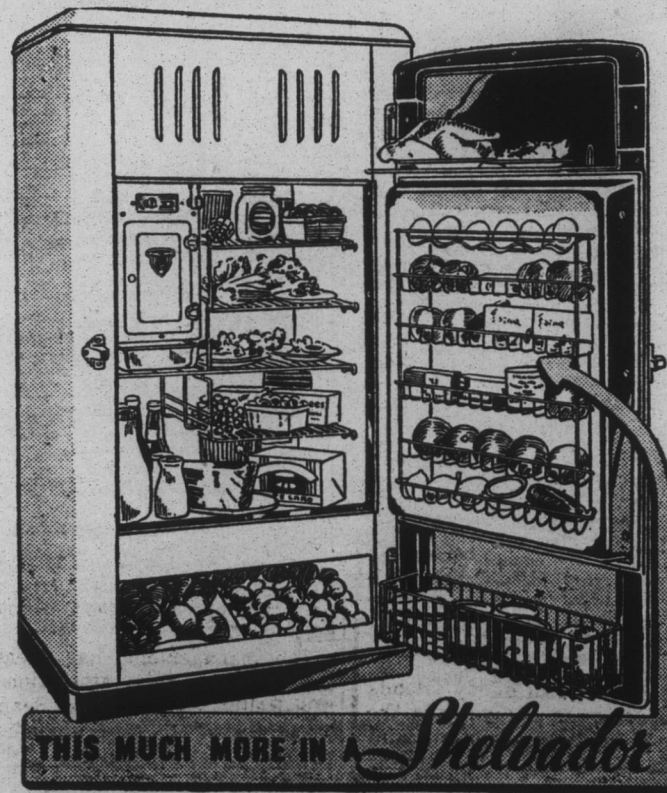


**THEY PRACTICALLY PROMISE A GAY VACATION THIS YEAR!**

Have gay variety in your vacation clothes! You can, if you sew at all, for these new fabrics cover every whim of Dame Fashion. And they're so reasonable that you can have several smart costumes for the price of only one ready-made outfit!

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