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THIS WEEK'S BIBLE THOUGHT

BE ON THE SIDE OF FINAL VICTORY: A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory.—Matt. 12:20.

Wise Choice

Possibly one of the wisest moves on the part of Albemarle League officials was taken last week at a meeting held at Lee's Cafe when W. H. S. Burgwyn, Jr., of Woodland, was elected president of the league for the 1949 season. Heretofore the president came from one of the towns represented in the league which obviously resulted in some dissatisfaction when border-line protests had to be acted upon.

Mr. Burgwyn, a lawyer by profession, is a straight-shooter and can be depended upon to interpret and apply the rules of the league in connection with any decision he will be obliged to make without fear or favor. He is far enough removed from any team in the league to be influenced one way or the other and will, The Herald believes, render his decisions according to the facts presented as they fit in with the league's rules.

It is, then, very important that the rules of the league be thoroughly studied before they are adopted and passed on to the president. Many complicated situations can arise during the course of a baseball season, but most of them can be handled if rules are adopted in which there are not a number of loopholes.

The Herald has every confidence in the ability of Bill Burgwyn as a league president and believes his election will tend to make the 1949 Albemarle League season more pleasant even if it does not happen to be as successful as in previous years.

Happy Birthday!

Though a few days late, The Herald desires to extend its birthday greetings to the Chowan Hospital, which on Tuesday rounded out its second year of operation. The occasion should be especially gratifying to at least four hospital employees, who have been on duty ever since the hospital was opened, and upon reflection will have no difficulty recalling the trying days prior to opening.

Those early experiences were enough to disgust the average person, but the four veterans apparently had faith in the ultimate success of the hospital and, therefore, refrained from going to other places where working conditions might have been more pleasant and even the remuneration more to their liking.

It should be a source of satisfaction to employees of the hospital, as well as those responsible for its operation, to realize that last year 939 persons were discharged after being patients in the hospital. This satisfaction should be even more pronounced when it is realized that precious few of that number had anything but praise for the treatment they received while confined in the hospital. This speaks well for the surgeon and other personnel of the local institution.

Now that citizens of Chowan and adjoining counties realize the value of a local hospital and in view of the fact that apparently the hospital at the base will have to be abandoned, it is encouraging to note that apparently, more than ever there is a desire to continue to have a hospital and that efforts are being made toward that end by hospital trustees.

It would be more or less of a calamity not to have a hospital, so that The Herald hopes plans will very shortly materialize wherein the phase of discussion will be in the background and actual work will begin in the construction of a hospital owned by the county.

A Severe Loss

The Herald, together with thousands of North Carolinians, was grieved to learn of the sudden death Sunday of Senator J. Melville Broughton. As Governor, Mr. Broughton frequently visited Edenton and was especially impressed with the Edenton Band, referring to it as "his" band.

Mr. Broughton was an able man. The Congress of the United States and North Carolina in particular, can ill afford to lose a man of his calibre.

The Herald is not much concerned whom Governor Kerr Scott appoints as Mr. Broughton's successor, but it will be hard to select a man more able and one who can bring any more credit to his State while serving in Congress than the deceased Senator.

Mr. Broughton's sudden death reminds us that in the midst of life there is death, and that the grim reaper is no respecter of persons.

HEARD & SEEN

By "BUFF"

Branning Perry was all excited last week on account of the showing of the new De Soto automobile. In fact, so excited was he that when he invited me to come around to look the new model over he handed out a cigar. "Nope", he hastened to explain, "there's not a baby at my home." Well, he didn't have to go to the trouble to make that explanation.

If Mrs. Jim Daniels holds another fashion show at her Tots & Teens Store, she'll no doubt have to move out all the counters and show cases. She held a fashion show last Thursday night and aside from the store being packed, there was a large crowd outside stretching their necks to get a view of either the clothes displayed or the models. Anyway, I'm too short to try to look over a lot of shoulders, so I had to pass up the show. I understand, however, that the models were as beautiful as the clothes.

Aside from Peter Carlton, Edenton now has another broadcasting team heard each Sunday afternoon over Station WRCS at Ahoskie. The latest broadcasting outfit is the Albemarle Four Quartet, composed of four local colored boys. They are scheduled to be on the air at 12:45 each Sunday afternoon.

Members of Chowan Tribe of Red Men are expecting to have a delightful time in the armory Friday night, when a "Dutch" barbecue and fish fry will be served. Of course, both delicacies will not be served each person, but fish was added for those who do not like barbecue (I didn't know there were any such creatures). The Edenton Band will be on hand to furnish music, Dr. George Crawford is scheduled to present his feats of magic and if enough time is left the remainder of the evening will be devoted to playing bingo. The affair is not confined to Red Men, for squaws and any other palefaces are cordially invited if they fork up a buck and a half. M. L. Flynn is chairman of the committee and if a large enough crowd turns out it will no doubt relieve him of about a dozen headaches he has had in arranging the party.

I want to thank the young lady who wrote the poem entitled "Childhood Memories Which I Treasure", and asked to have it appear in this column. It's just a little too spicy, my dear. In fact, the title is all right, but I want to remain in Edenton a little while longer.

It's mighty hard to figure out these lodge feeds, for sometimes a fellow gets all fouled up. Take the other night, for instance, when Jim Daniels, Willard Rhoades, Leroy Skinner and Hal Davis attended a Red Men's meeting at Winterville. Before they reached Winterville they decided to stop off to eat supper and each one ordered a steak costing two bucks. They were fixed up so far as hunger is concerned and went on to the lodge meeting. After the meeting, only a few hours later, the Winterville Red Men served a barbecue dinner of the first order. The way I get it, all but Friend Daniels got away with a generous helping of barbecue just as if they hadn't had anything to eat since breakfast. Yep, it's hard to figure out these lodge feeds.

I'm glad I'm not a county agent or home demonstration agent, for I don't see how they get anything done aside from keeping track of themselves. For instance, in presenting their reports to the County Commissioners, they report the number of farm visits made, the number of office calls, number of news articles and letters written, the services performed throughout the county, various reports and activities of clubs in the county and beside a multitude of other things, even the number of telephone calls. Gosh, I'm glad that last information is not required of me.

Local Masons will be "back home" tonight for their weekly meeting. It was necessary to skip two meetings in the lodge room due to repairing the panel room, one meeting being held in the old dining room at Hotel Joseph Hewes and another in the Lions Club hall. Tonight the Rev. C. W. Duling of Hertford is scheduled to be present and deliver an address. Of course, Will Harrell and T. B. Williford want to see a large crowd on hand, for they're captains in an attendance contest.

Vernon White, one of the first fellows I met when coming to Edenton about a quarter of a century ago, must be turning into a poet. He's now living up near Washington, D. C., and at the bottom of a letter the other day, he wrote the following:

An Eskimo sleeps in a white bear skin,
And sleeps very well, I am told.
But I slept in my white bare skin,
And caught one helluva cold.

Oh, yes, the Red Cross 1949 fund raising drive is now in progress. Have you made your contribution? If not, dig down in your jeans and fork up.

Mayor Planning To Have Clean-up Week

Mayor Leroy Haskett informed The Herald Wednesday morning that he is planning on staging a clean-up and paint-up week in Edenton, which will be held prior to the forthcoming Garden Club tour.

Mr. Haskett said his plans are not complete, but no doubt the clean-up week will be observed the week of March 28.

The canoe which won't tip over has already been invented, but they call it a scow.—Boston Globe.

Methodist Society Will Meet Tuesday Night

Mrs. G. A. Helms, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Edenton Methodist Church, announced early this week that a meeting of the society will be held Tuesday night, March 15, at the home of Mrs. M. F. Bond, Jr. The meeting

will begin at 7:30 o'clock and all members are especially urged to attend.

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I want to take this means to express my thanks and appreciation to my many friends for the beautiful cards and flowers sent to me while a patient in the hospital.

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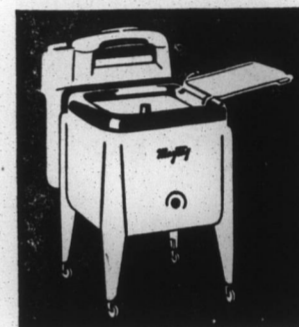
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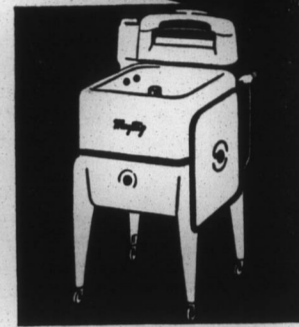
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