WASHINGTON REPORT

Washington — Last week, at the annual Congressional banquet of the North Carolina Democratic Club of Washington, I had the honor of awarding certificates of appreciation — in behalf of the Club—to the four Congressmen from our State who serve as Committee Chairmen in the House.

I think it was fitting that the N. C. Democratic Club of Washington decided to make such awards of appreciation for the fine public service that has been rendered by these outstanding men, Reps. Harold Cooley, Graham Barden, Carl T. Durham and Herbert Bonner.

No one in the history of our State has done more for the advancement and betterment of North Carolina than these Representatives in Congress.

In the almost four years I have been in Washington, I have found each one of them most cooperative in working on projects and problems that affect the people of North Carolina and the Nation.

Congressman Cooley is recognized as one of the Nation's most informed experts in the field of agriculture. As Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, Congressman Cooley has been instrumental in the passage of all beneficial farm legislation that has gone into effect during the past 25 years. Nowhere is there a stronger advocate of the importance of a sound farm economy.

Congressman Barden is one of the most powerful men in the House as Chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor. First and foremost, he is a strong believer in the rights of the individual. A rugged individualist himself, he has done a great deal to bring into being many valuable programs and projects that have been important in the growth and development of North Carolina and the Nation.

As Chairman of the Joint Senate-House Committee on Atomic Energy, Congressman Durham occupies one of the most important positions in the Nation. Military and scientific leaders alike have deep respect for his knowledge of the atomic energy program and his devotion to duty.

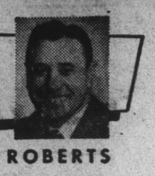
Congressman Bonner is recognized as the Nation's outstanding expert in the fields of water transportation and commercial fisheries. As Chairman of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, Congressman Bonner has been a key figure in the development and success of the Nation's merchant marine and fisheries industries.

It has taken a great deal of hard work, and a long time, for these four North Carolinians to reach the position of leadership they hold today.

As North Carolinians we should remember that these men make up the largest group of Committee Chairman of any State delegation in the House. Together, they have 84 years of service in the House.

All of us, regardless of political party affiliation, ought to be proud of these men. They are doing a great deal for their State and their Nation.

ABUNDANT LIFE



by ORAL ROBERTS

GOD IS AS NEAR AS YOUR NEED

In what direction would you point if you were trying to point to Heaven and God? The truth is—God is everywhere. One man said, "As a sponge is in the ocean and the ocean is in the sponge, so we are in God and he is in us." St. Paul said, "God is not afar off, for in him we live, and move, and have our being."

Have you ever heard the story of the two little fish who met a frog beneath a rock? "Don't you know you are in great danger, little fish?" croacked the frog.

"No!" cried the fish, much frightened.

"You mean you didn't know that fish can't live without water?" teased the frog. "You'd better find some water quickly or you will die."

And so the little fish swam to their mother in great distress. "Oh, Mother, Mother! The frog says that we will die if we don't find water quickly! Mother, what is water?"

"I don't know," confessed the mother fish. "I have never heard anything about it. Let's go ask the beaver."

"Water, my dears?" laughed the beaver. "Why, you live in water! That's what you breathe!"

And that is the way we are with God. He has a certain personal relationship with us that is even closer and more intimate than our breath. We are not to look for him somewhere far off. He is with us and in us.

Some people look skyward when they speak of God. But God in his relationship to our needs is not somewhere in the sky. He is immediately near us. And if you need him, you must realize that he is very intimately near. The Bible tells us that the Kingdom of Heaven is within you.

Mrs. M. J. was suffering from an abdominal cancer in an advanced stage. She had lost a great deal of weight. She was in constant pain and the outlook was bad. In an effort simply to prolong her life (for it seemed certain her life could not be saved), it was decided to operate.

At this time she first learned that God was able to heal her. She was carried to a church in which prayer was offered for her healing. She claimed that she had received healing from God, but her family insisted that she should undergo surgery.

When her abdomen was opened, the surgeon's fears appeared to be correct. The growth had invaded and already partially destroyed certain vital organs. And yet when the biopsy was brought back from the lab, the physician was utterly amazed to find the report was "no sign of malignancy."

Yet unmistakable evidence of cancer lay before him. He repaired the damage as well as he could and sent her back to her room.

Today, five years later she is in good health. The supposedly damaged organs are functioning well. There are no signs of cancer.

How close is God? He is just as close as you need him to be.

payments would be higher. If conditions should change so it would be more advantageous to receive pension payments, will VA make the switch automatically?

A—No. VA may not make such changes automatically. You must request the change.

GARDEN TIME

M. E. Gardner
N. C. State College

Sometimes we are not very careful when sowing seed. Nothing can take the place of good seed bed preparation. The land should be prepared in such a manner as to assure fine soil particles so that they will come in close contact with the seed.

The depth of planting is very important and will be regulated by the seed size. Such crops as cabbage, kale and lettuce should not be planted more than one-half inch deep. Tomato, turnip and pepper from one-fourth to one-half inch, while the larger seed, such as snap bean, should be planted three-fourths to one inch. This is more or less common knowledge but carelessness when planting may materially reduce germination of the seed.

Many soils bake and crust before the seed has a chance to germinate and push out of the soil. Here is a suggestion. After you have planted your seed, mulch lightly over the row with either pine needles or ground corn cobs. Both of these materials are light and will prevent most of the crusting and baking of the soil. These materials should not interfere with the growth of the young seedlings but you should make frequent observations and adjust the mulch as needed.

You are now, no doubt, familiar with nematodes which cause root knots. The knots formed by the feeding "eel worms" prevent the normal functioning of the roots by blocking intake and movement of water and nutrients. They present a knotty problem and can be serious, as many of you have found out. Your county agent can supply you with information concerning the control of this pest.

In the lower Piedmont and Eastern North Carolina, it is time to plant cool season vegetables such as cabbage, mustard, spinach, garden peas, onion sets, beets, carrots and Irish potatoes. Maybe some of you have already planted these crops, but not if the weather has been like ours. This is a good time to plant strawberries for next year's crop in the lower Piedmont and Eastern North Carolina. Better wait a while to do this job in the mountains.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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honest man is sometimes unable to be other than skeptical. To say that he believed contrary to all evidence would be for him a lie—a betrayal of his innate honesty. The remedy for honest skepticism is faith. Faith, however, is not necessarily brought into being by our desire to believe. FAITH IS THE GIFT OF GOD. Only God can satisfy the honest, inquiring mind.

In another time and place, when John Wesley was seeking assurance of salvation, he did not find faith easily. He asked many for advice as to conduct while he sought faith. Among the many words of advice given to Wesley were those that if he acted as if he had faith, he would receive it. Wesley therefore preached salvation by faith before he experienced it. He saw, often, those to whom he preached, converted, but there was no assurance for himself. Then, according to his own account, while listening to the reading of an explanation of tht Scriptures, he suddenly found that which he sought so earnestly —FAITH. The grace of God had led him from doubt to a life of trust—a repetition of the story of Thomas, which has been repeated time and time again down through the ages.

In these times of the ever-present threat of atomic warfare, we need to have faith to sustain us, and to remember that all the perilous situations known to the world have not been reserved for our day and age. As we read the Scriptures we find that the Old Testament prophets were subjected to many difficulties. During the years when the New Testament was being written, persecution and martyrdom were rife. Yet the righteous were quite often filled with trust in the Lord, and this sustained them through even the darkest hours. We, too, can be sustained in these troubled times by faith in the ultimate victory of good over evil.

At times the Church (of which we are an integral part) cannot help but be pessimistic about the moment. On occasions no rational man would be willing to speak hopefully of the immediate future. The Church is not, however, dependent upon the present, nor upon the rational. God works through eternity to accomplish his purposes. His plans exceed the rational capacities of man. If we remember this, and hold fast to our faith, we will find it hard to be pessimistic—no matter how black things can look to us on occasion—when the future is in the hands of God. Through our faith in Him we gird ourselves with courage.

(These comments are based on outlines of the International Sunday School Lessons, copyrighted by the International Council of Religious Education, and used by permission.)

Vets Question Box

Q—If my son goes to school under the War Orphans Education program, will VA pay his tuition as well as a monthly living allowance?

A—No. Under the law, VA makes one payment for each month of training. Generally, this goes to his living parent or guardian. Out of this must come all training expenses, such as tuition and books. VA does not make separate payments to the school.

Q—I had a World War II GI term insurance policy which lapsed in 1946. Is it too late to reinstate or renew it?

A—Yes. Application for reinstatement of GI term insurance must have been made within the policy's term period. Since your term insurance expired, it is too late to reinstate it.

Q—I am eligible for both VA compensation and pension. I chose compensation because the

VFW Hot Line
Post 9280
By J. NASH

Last week's discussion on "What the VFW Does for You, the Member," has brought a lot of comment from my readers. I'm happy to say most of it is good. I wish to point out the other side of the story in this issue and hope to amplify and clarify what is expected of the members of a Veterans of Foreign Wars Post.

To begin, in general and basically, most members support the efforts of their VFW in some fashion or other. Most of us are willing to help out when we're asked and often feel left out of the picture when we're not asked to help or support a particular program. The thing that some members fail to realize is this: most of the business and planning of community projects are proposed and voted on at the regular weekly Tuesday night meetings. Now it stands to reason that if you aren't at the meeting you have little to say either for or against certain proposals. Likewise you usually find out about the program quite a bit later, often after the thing is well under way.

The way you can support your Post best is to attend and be a part of the meetings when you can. It's nice to be able to attend all the meetings, but some of us can attend only those meetings that will interfere with our business or plans that can't be postponed. Attend when you can but don't simply forget about one of the basic principles of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, comradeship. Get to know your fellow VFW comrades. After all you have something in common or you wouldn't be a member of the organization.

"What Good it is for Me to Attend the Meetings?" A fellow reported the other day when asked to attend a meeting it's a waste of time. The meetings are too dull. Nothing ever happens to make it interesting for me to attend. Well I'm glad this comrade spoke up because it reflects an almost universal feeling among the members that the meetings lack glamor and need something to boost them and make them more interesting. When a Post, boasting a membership of over 120 members can muster an average of from eight to a maximum of twenty-five members at the regular scheduled meetings, something is lagging somewhere. There will be a proposal offered on the floor in April with suggested remedies to this dire situation. You can do yourself and your Post a good turn by attending the next few meetings and get in on the planning of these and other problems. What can you do for the VFW? Be a good member and make the meetings interesting and worthwhile.

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The last Saturday night dance was a huge success with new faces showing up from as far away as Sunbury and Windsor. As a matter of fact, about six or seven couples came over from Windsor. If you haven't attended a dance, why not come on out? The ones who try it are returning and each time have a bigger and better time. Bring a crowd and win the big door-prize given away every Saturday night by D & M Superette. Percy Dail and his wife are regulars and believe you me, if they can come out after working fourteen hours in that grocery store . . . Well, nuff' said.

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Congratulations are in order to the new Post Commander. Harold (Buck) Langdale was elected as most of you by now know. I think, with proper support, Buck will be an outstanding commander. Congratulations Buck Langdale.

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The teen dances on Saturday afternoons are doing real well. The Post home is open from two through six o'clock for teen and all other age groups. A radio portion of the dance party is held starting at three o'clock on Saturdays. Randy Lee directs the radio portion.

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New decorations have been completed at the club section of the Post home. You have to see it to appreciate!

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With warmer weather coming on I can't help wonder when the next barbecue or fish fry will take place. We all had such a time at the last one and already folks are talking of another one.

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You might look for a camera man roaming through the audience at Saturday night dances fairly soon. He will be looking for shots suitable for this paper and can be talked into some group shots or singles, etc. His prices are extremely reasonable for the latter two mentioned, especially since he is professional.

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Yours truly was voted "VFW Man of the Week" for week ending March 29. I'm extremely grateful for this distinction and wish to thank all who helped to make this possible. I will continue to work toward the betterment of this Post and help in any way possible to solicit better relations between Post and community.

CARD OF THANKS

We are taking this means to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the many expressions of sympathy and deeds of kindness on the part of our friends during the illness and death of our husband and father, John C. Pearce.

—Mrs. John Pearce
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