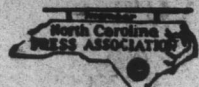


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A LIFT FOR TODAY

★ Watch and pray. —Matthew 26:41.
THE BEST, SWEETEST flowers in paradise, God gives to people when they are on their knees in the closet. Prayer, if not the very gate of heaven, is the key to let us into its holiness and joys.

Through Prayer, may we find the strength which triumphs over temptation — this we pray, Almighty God.

Well Deserved Rest

His many friends will be interested to learn that E. W. Spires has definitely decided that he will not seek re-election for Clerk of Court in the forthcoming May primary. The decision was made after considerable thought on the part of Mr. Spires in the interest of his health. He is now a patient in a Richmond hospital, where he is gradually recuperating from a nervous condition brought about for the most part by the great amount of work and worry in connection with the duties of the clerk of court's office.

At the conclusion of his term as Clerk of Court Mr. Spires will have earned a deserved rest. He has been a wheelhorse in every major project in which Edenton and Chowan County was the beneficiary, and there is no way of estimating how much of his time and effort have been contributed to the welfare of the county. He is one of the "free horses" who for many years was called upon to render service and in every instance he was willing to sacrifice his time, influence and in many cases personal finances to serve his town and county.

Mr. Spires is a native of Elizabeth City and came to Edenton 37 years ago to manage the Edenton office of the Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Company. He became interested in politics and was elected as a Town Councilman when J. L. Wiggins was Mayor. He was elected Mayor of Edenton in 1933 and served until 1937, during which time a number of major improvements were made in Edenton and in which he shouldered the greater part of the responsibility. He played a major role in securing bridges across Chowan River and Albemarle Sound, two trying projects which required a great deal of effort, tact, perseverance and patience, but which met with crowning success.

Mr. Spires has very ably and efficiently filled the shoes of the late Richard D. Dixon as Clerk of Court for 17 years and is very appreciative for the confidence the voters of Chowan County have reposed in him over the years. He has conducted the Clerk of Court's office in an able and efficient manner, giving to it more than his line of duty. He can be considered one of Edenton's present day leaders and the citizens owe him a debt of gratitude for the valuable services he has so unselfishly rendered.

The Herald is among the many of his friends who hope his sojourn in the hospital will be short-lived and that he will soon be able to return home a healthier and stronger man and at the termination of his term of office enjoy a well deserved and needed rest and deriving a great deal of satisfaction in the realization of a job well done.

Our Sunday Schools

National Sunay School Week will again be sponsored by all-faiths group, the Laymen's National Committee, Inc. The dates chosen are April 14 through 20, and the committee asks everyone to join in furthering their theme: "Our Sunday Schools—First Line of Defense."

Within the walls of our Sunday Schools the religious thoughts of our young ones are shaped. It is here that the home teachings are co-ordinated with early religious training.

Let us make every week a Sunday School Week and lead our youth in rightful ways.

Batting For Uncle Sam

Human nature being what it is, we tend to envy people in the big-salary brackets. But here's a case where things aren't always what they seem.

For instance, slugger Ted Williams is the highest paid player in baseball history, at an estimated salary of \$135,000 a year. But, according to L. H. Gregory, sports editor of the Portland Oregonian, he'll only have around \$35,000 left after paying his federal and state income taxes. In other words, he does a lot more batting for the government than he does for himself.

Heard & Seen

By Buff

Town Councilmen had no reason to want to go to Mayor Ernest Kehayes' restaurant after Town Council's meeting Tuesday night. Every one of 'em attended the firemen's banquet in the Legion building just a short time before and John Mitchener had a double helping. Besides, the Council meeting was over before 10 o'clock which is still the "cash on the counter" policy at the Mayor's eating place—another reason for not being so anxious to hold an extra eating and bull session.

And speaking about Mayor Kehayes, he caused a lot of laughter at the firemen's meeting because he didn't talk quite fast enough. The Mayor made the address of welcome and near the end of his remarks he said he didn't want to prolong the meeting because he figured some of the firemen were loaded with ideas. He sort of hesitated after the word "loaded" before the words "with ideas" came out, so that his whole speech was held up while most of the firemen had a hearty laugh. Anyway the Mayor and town and county officials were delighted to have the firemen meet in Edenton and apparently the firemen also were pleased with their visit. The "waitresses" (local firemen) did a bang up job in serving the guests barbecue chicken and pork, as they hustled around fighting appetites instead of a fire. The firemen did not forget their long time friend, the late Cap'n Dick Hall and everyone stood with bowed head in respect of his memory.

Thanks to Philip McMullan, Jr., who now lives in Philadelphia, Pa., I'm smoking a "long-distance" cigar. Philip (Big Boy) became the daddy of a daughter on March 31 and he sent me a good brand cigar from Philadelphia (he's had the right kind of bringin' up). The young lady's name is Julia Anne, named after her two grandmothers, so here's my tanks and congratulations to "Big Boy" and his daddy, who is the proud grandpappy.

Mrs. Reynold Mosley, who lives in Madesa, Pa., sent a letter late last week containing a check for renewal of The Herald. A brief note said: "Dear Buff: Enclosed is a check for \$2.50 for my subscription to The Chowan Herald. We enjoy it a lot and look forward to getting it on Saturday to find out the news from home. We had a rugged winter but all the snow has about melted and now a few flowers are sprouting." Well, we've had a rugged winter, too, if you ask me. There's no snow here, but there's a lot of unpaid oil and fuel bills still remaining.

I, as well as L. S. Byrum, Chairman of the Chowan County Board of Elections, was in error last week about April 14 being the deadline for candidates to file for the primary election on Saturday, May 31. The correct deadline is Saturday, April 19, at 12 o'clock noon, and as I said last week, that means 12 o'clock noon. Up to this writing only five candidates have filed with Mr. Byrum. They are Albert Byrum for Representative, John White for Clerk of Court, Marvin Wilson for judge of Recorder's Court and Joe Webb, Jr., and Bembry Wood for County Commissioner from the Fourth Township.

Radio listeners will have an opportunity to hear the proceedings in connection with the district conservation poster contest in Elizabeth City Friday. Sponsored by the Edenton Tractor & Equipment Company, radio station WCDJ will broadcast the program live. The program will be on the air from 11:30 to 12 o'clock and the winners will be announced over the radio from 2 to 2:30. I've seen the Chowan entries and here's hoping some of 'em will win out for district honors, for they're very good according to my idea of drawing.

Some repairs were done at the fire station this week when a new door was built on the side facing the bank. It was a case of repair or else, for the bricks above the door were falling out. There's now a smaller door to the fire station, but the boys are not afraid of being hit by a falling brick.

I see where the Chamber of Commerce plans to issue a fishing bulletin. It's a good thing, but maybe it's not much use after all, for the word sure gets around when the fish are biting.

Some people had a day's vacation Easter Monday and some didn't. Which reminds me of what a fellow had to say near The Herald office Monday morning. As a friend passed him he was asked, "Don't you have a holiday today, it's Easter Monday?" "Nope," was the reply, "I'm just too glad that I have a job instead of loafing." Well, there's plenty of folks who would be delighted if they could have worked Easter Monday.

And speaking about Easter, the weather man saw to it that there wasn't much showing off of Easter togs, for rain was the order of the day from morning to night.

ABUNDANT LIFE

By ORAL ROBERTS

HOW TO HEAL TENSION IN YOUR HOME

A young fellow was having a lot of trouble with his mother-in-law. Each afternoon when he came home from work, she was always in a peevish mood. She was constantly nagging, angry, complaining and accusing him unfairly.

At first he took it meekly. But then he couldn't bear it in silence any longer. He began to reflect her mood like a mirror. If she complained that she and her daughter had too much work to do, he griped right back about how hard he worked in the office. When she accused him of not making enough money, he would quickly inform her that he made more than the average person, but that she and her daughter would have broken the Henry Ford family.

In fact, every time she yelled, he yelled. His wife who was caught in the middle yelled first at one and then at the other. The children joined in and just yelled.

The home became so tense and edgy that divorce seemed to be the only solution. Finally, he decided he must have help. He went to his pastor and discussed the situation with him.

Between them they discussed who was setting the tempo and emotional mood in the household. They both agreed that it was the mother-in-law.

And then the pastor told him this: "You are simply reflecting whatever mood your mother-in-law establishes. There is only one way to insure peace and harmony at your home. You must be the

one who will take control of the situation. And there is only one real way to make the environment of your home what you want it to be. You must do this: When you answer your mother-in-law, you must insist by the way you answer her, that this is how you wish your home to be. For instance, you want it to be courteous. Well, you be courteous. So half of your environment changes instantly."

The young man asked, "How do I start?" The pastor said, "The next time she complains, tell her you are sorry or make a courteous answer."

And so the young man went home determined to try this. The first time he said, "I am sorry," he robbed his mother-in-law of speech. How could she argue with someone who would not argue with her? For if a person is determined to be courteous, he will be and others cannot help being affected.

Eventually in this home, the pattern was established as the young man wanted it to be. And this became his resolution: "Whatever happens, I am determined by my own conduct to affect that situation so that the outcome shall be exactly what I wish it to be."

This will work for anyone. The Bible declares that "a soft answer turneth away wrath" (Proverbs 15:1).

And many of the heartaches and tensions that exist in homes across America could be healed if more people would adopt this philosophy.

NO COMMENT

By JAMES W. DOUTHAT

Washington — Conservatives in Congress are deeply fearful that the advocates of "big government" in Washington will succeed in using the present economic recession as a vehicle for a further devastating attack on state's rights.

It is pointed out that the campaign now in progress to federalize the state unemployment compensation system would—if successful—be another serious blow at government on the local level. Ironically, this controversy comes at a time when an Eisenhower-appointed committee is seeking to develop a program for transferring back to the states as many as possible of the functions now performed by the Federal Government.

Legislation is pending in Congress—introduced by both Democrats and Republicans—to provide by federal subsidies supplementary unemployment benefits in addition to those now authorized by state laws.

All major industrial states now have a maximum duration of 26 weeks for unemployment compensation, except Pennsylvania which provides benefits up to 30 weeks.

Identical bills introduced in Congress by Rep. McCormack of

Massachusetts, the Democratic House leader, and by Rep. Mills (D-Ark.), chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, would extend federally financed benefits for an additional 16 weeks.

Payments would be 50 per cent of the worker's weekly wage, but not to exceed two-thirds of the average wage in the particular state. In many cases, these bills would increase maximum benefits above those now paid.

Since the Ways and Means Committee has jurisdiction of the legislation, Chairman Mills is in an excellent position to push-it. And Democratic leader McCormack served notice to the House that "we expect to move very promptly" on the measure.

Another bill, introduced by Senator Case of New Jersey and seven other Republican Senators, would permit anyone whose benefits were exhausted in 1958 to receive extended payments until January 1, 1959. Thus, anyone who exhausted benefit rights would be entitled to benefits for the remainder of the year at the expense of the Federal Government.

The Eisenhower Administration also has proposed a program to provide federal unemployment compensation benefits for those out of work who have exhausted their state benefits. This was revealed by Secretary of Labor [Mitchell] in his recent address to an AFL-CIO meeting in Washington, called to pressure Congress for enactment of anti-recession

legislation. The Federal Government has a fund, set up by Congress and now amounting to about \$200 million, from which any state may borrow if its unemployment fund is depleted. Authority exists for congressional appropriations to replenish this fund if it is exhausted.

However, state's righters point out that the state unemployment reserve accounts now have available nearly \$9 billion—and the Federal Government is facing a period of deficit spending.

In this situation, they ask: why are the states—which, after all, have the primary responsibility—not permitted to solve the problem?

It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge. —Albert Einstein.

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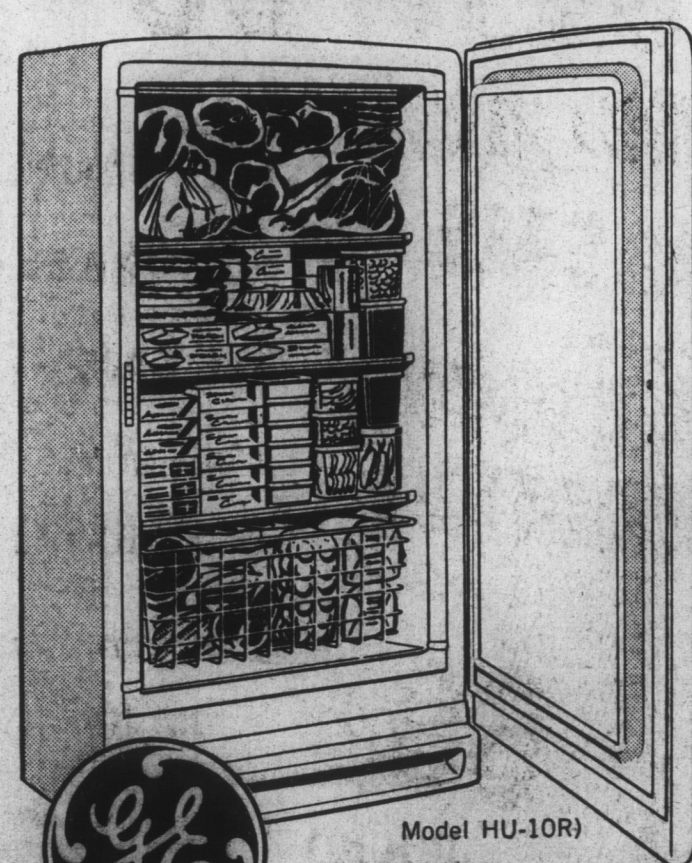
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