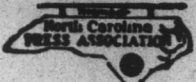


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A LIFT FOR TODAY

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness.—Matthew 6:33.

Are we forgetting the brevity of earthly life and the boundless stretch of Eternity, and seeking wealth, pleasure, position and honors which cannot give permanent joy or afford security for the future?

Our loving Father, help us to labour not for the meat which perisheth. Teach us to put first things first and seek abiding values.

ATTACK ON THE ANTHEM

For several months our National Anthem has been under attack. It all started when 26-year-old Jose Feliciano gave a "soul" rendition of the Anthem preceding the fifth game of the world series. Something shook up the St. Louis Cardinals that day. They scored 3 runs in the top of the first, and didn't do anything the rest of the day, losing 5-3.

Whether or not it was the Feliciano rendition which did the trick is hard to say, but there is no doubt that a lot of people were rubbed the wrong way. Still a recording by the blind Puerto Rican later became a top-seller, and he now begins every public performance with his "soul" rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner".

Many personalities have jumped into the controversy. Frank Sinatra has called it "a terrible piece of music". Joan Baez, who has found nothing that we can recall which she professes to like about this country, calls it "just so much trash." Mitch Miller calls it "a joke".

On the other hand there are several great stars and composers who defend the song. Marian Anderson is "well satisfied" with it; Irving Berlin, who composed the great "God Bless America", (which is often mentioned as a replacement for the "Star Spangled Banner") thinks that it would be a "terrible mistake" to change. Richard Rodgers is on record as saying that "tradition is more important than simplicity," in answer to those who protest the difficulty of singing the Anthem. Duke Ellington commented that the singing of the song is not the issue. "It's the symbol of our great nation—and that's all there is to it."

Meantime, a national magazine is conducting a poll, with coupons for voting, on whether or not the anthem should be changed—and to what. The results are to be submitted to the Congress, the magazine proudly proclaims.

If you feel strongly about this, we'd suggest you write your Congressman and Senator. If you don't, somebody else will.

As for us: Frank Sinatra may have trouble with the range of the "Star Spangled Banner"; it may be a "joke" to some and "trash" to others; but it is the most beautiful—and meaningful—piece of music ever composed to so many Americans who were at Bataan, Panmunjom, and a thousand other points of tearful pride, that it would be a travesty and a tragedy even to consider making a change.

Too many men have wept, unashamedly, at the relief of hearing it played.

The myth of human equality fools nobody but those who yearn to be fooled.

We know several individuals who can tell you what is wrong with the world. The trouble with the world, as we have heard it said, is the people in it.

Heard & Seen

"By Buff"

A long-distance, though brief, letter came last week from Chester and Gail Stevens, former Edentonians now living at far-away Bangkok. It read: "Hello from Bangkok. We do so enjoy our Chowan Herald. Unfortunately, we miss a few issues—no fault of yours for newspapers and magazines have a way of disappearing. We especially enjoy Buff's and Kate's columns and the Public Parade to keep up with all the news. We miss Edenton and all our friends here. Hopefully, we will come home in the summer of 1970. Until then please keep The Herald coming to us." It's so nice to hear from our friends, especially when they are so far away.

Apparently quite a few people are observing Lent by sacrificing a number of things. Such is the case at my home, where the Missus has given up all kinds of candy, ice cream, in fact anything sweet. I'm joining her in making a "great" sacrifice. I'm determined to have enough fortitude to resist eating chitterlings and garlic during Lent—and after Lent, too!

Frank Muth last week returned from a trip visiting his children and grandchildren. And while visiting some of 'em one of his grandchildren said "Grandpop is a mess." Well, I'll second the motion, but it's nice to have him back in the old town. Incidentally, Friend Frank will be honored at the Masonic meeting tonight (Thursday). He will be presented a beautiful pin as a reward for 30 continuous years of membership as a Mason. He, too, will preside at Past Masters' Night, for he's the oldest Past Master of Unanimity Lodge.

I've attended a lot of banquets in my life, as well as covered dish suppers. And if you ask me, for downright good eatin' the covered dish suppers are far ahead of any banquet. On Wednesday night of last week proved this when the Byrd Home-makers Club had one at the home of Mrs. Charlie Overman in honor of members' husbands. If a fellow took some of each item that was on the table, I don't see how he (or she) could eat it all. Then every now and then the Chowan Scottish Rite Club has a covered dish supper and there, too, all kinds of food is on hand and cooked fit for a king, and enough for some of the heavy eaters to make two, or even three trips to the table. Last week a steak supper was served at the Scottish Rite Club and there again everybody ate as much as they could carry away.

Everyone who is interested in a better community should make plans to see the Billy Graham evangelistic film "The Restless Ones," which will be shown at Taylor Theater March 13 to 19 with two shows daily, 6:30 P. M. and 8:45 P. M. Unlike some movies, this picture is not limited to those over 16 years of age. In fact, every bloomin' youngster of any age, as well as adults, should see it. One of the features to be seen is Billy Graham preaching to great crowds of people. Since 1965 six million people have seen this picture, which dares to provide an answer to young people's relentless search for reality. It's a picture well worth seeing.

Of interest to local basketball fans will be the appearance of the California Cuties, who will play a basketball game in the Perquimans High School gymnasium tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. The Cuties will play the Perquimans Monogram Club and Bill Herman's Hermits. A percentage of the proceeds will go to the Perquimans Rescue Squad. It should be a lot of fun and at the same time help a worthy cause.

Some local organizations have a hard time getting a good attendance at meetings and one of these is Chowan Tribe of Red Men. A new scheme has been arranged whereby some member will carry away a pocket full of change. Each meeting every member deposits a dime and only one name is drawn from a box. This member will get all the money in the pot and at present there's enough accumulated to make it worthwhile to pick up. Ever since the idea was inaugurated the name of a member not present was drawn. Better show up, fellows, for your name might be next.

Members of Edenton Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, had an election of officers at a meeting held Monday night. And nary a cigar was passed out.

Four Called Out In District Court

Four persons were called and failed to appear Tuesday during a regular session of Chowan County District Court.

Judge Fentress Horner of Elizabeth City ordered capias issued for each and three of them were fined \$25 for failure to appear.

Those ordered to pay this fine were: Geraldine Selecta Jones, Terry Lee Moon and Clarence Walker. Jessie Holley was ordered to post bond.

Nine cases were tried during the brief session of court, at which Solicitor Wilton Walker prosecuted. Action taken included:

Donald Wayne Ward, speeding, 60 days, suspended upon payment of \$25 fine and costs. Notice of appeal entered and bond set at \$50.

Buddy Jordan, assault, costs.

Johnnie Kenly Leary, drunk driving, six months, suspended upon payment of \$200 fine and costs. Notice of appeal entered and bond set at \$400.

Earl Thomas Satterthwaite, speeding, prayer for judgment continued upon payment of costs.

Earl Booker Privott, drunk driving, 90 days, suspended upon payment of \$100 fine and costs. Notice of appeal entered and bond set at \$125.

Robert (Bobbie) Williford, trespass, six months, suspended upon payment of \$100 fine and costs.

The Diplomatic Pouch

Do you have an inquiry? Send it to: "THE DIPLOMATIC POUCH" P/M, Room 4635 U. S. Department of State Washington, D. C. 20520

Bombing Halt

Halting the bombing of North Vietnam is another mammoth blunder in the military operations against the Communist enemy. Ten times these pauses have been tried, only to have the enemy infiltrate and cause the loss of many more American and Allied lives.

A. F. G., Jr., Gloucester, Mass.

Dear A. F. G.:

With respect to the bombing halt, we believe several points might be made. In an effort to advance the cause of peace in Vietnam, President Johnson announced on October 31, 1968, that all air, naval and military bombardment of North Vietnam would cease as of November 1. This decision was taken in the belief that the other side intended seriously to join us in de-escalating the war and in moving toward

The Public Parade

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ago. Clay is the only county in Tar Heel with a lower percentage increase—16 per cent.

The amazing thing, though, is when counties like Yadkin can show a 78 per cent increase. They have nothing to offer except red clay hills and a distinction of being the only county in the state without a railroad track.

They call it a "Decade of Growth" and this shoe fits in most of the state's 100 counties. But not in Chowan.

Historical buffs are increasing by the millions. They have more time, money and curiosity than most folks. Some extra effort must be put forth here to attract them, occupy some of their time, share our heritage and relieve them of their money.

They'll actually appreciate it. And the local hurt will be soothed.

BY-PASS GETS

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county funds are now invested. The county had \$71,000 invested prior to February when an additional \$88,500 was taken from the 17 various county funds and invested.

The board agreed to invest in improvements at National Guard Armory after Capt. Earl Lane of Ahoskie, administrative assistant, and Capt. Kenneth L. Stalls reported on the condition of the building.

Capt. Lane said the state is to spend \$7,500 and it is estimated that another \$2,000 will be needed to put in hot water and fix the bathrooms. "The building has been neglected," he said.

He added that efforts were being made to present a better looking building that can be better utilized by the community.

Commissioners donated \$200 to Chowan Arts Council to assist in bringing the N. C. Little Symphony back to Edenton.

Murray Ashley reported that Edenton-Chowan Rescue Squad answered 19 calls during February at an expense of \$376.07. The squad received \$45 from convalescent calls.

Drs. David Wright and James Slade were named medical examiners here after receiving appointment from the State Medical Examiner.

The board will meet at 2 P. M., April 8 as a Board or Equalization and Review.

Commissioner David T. Bateman reported on activity of the state association's Political Action Committee relative to obtaining increased revenue for counties.

William Reginald Gregory, speeding, not guilty.

Louis Godley, trespass, 90 days, suspended upon payment of costs.

Claude Barnett, assault with a deadly weapon, 12 months, suspended for five years upon payment of costs. Notice of appeal entered and bond set at \$100.

Following are cases tried February 25 but not reported last week:

James Randall Askew, traffic violation, 10 days, suspended upon payment of \$10 fine and costs.

Jimmy Lee Boone, speeding, 90 days, suspended upon payment of \$100 fine and costs. Notice of appeal entered and bond set at \$150.

Linda Asbell Askew, traffic violation, 10 days, suspended upon payment of \$10 fine and costs.

Jack Hardy Dail, reckless driving, 60 days, suspended upon payment of \$35 fine and costs.

Margaret White Davis, speeding, \$15 fine and costs.

Frank Marion Holmes, speeding, \$9 fine and costs.

An unpaid obligation is a challenge to personal independence.

Democracy, like religion, suffers most from its careless advocates, not from its enemies.

a peaceful settlement. The United States will not allow this action to endanger our own and Allied forces in the field. Therefore we have made it clear to Hanoi that if North Vietnam takes military advantage there can be no productive talks in Paris of the situation, for example if cities are shelled or if the Demilitarized Zone is abused.

The President halted the bombing of North Vietnam in an effort to ascertain if peace is possible. The bombing halt does not mean a change in U. S. goals. The government and people of South Vietnam have a right to demand that the aggression against them come to an end. We continue to support them fully in that demand.

Rural Kindergarten Opens Monday

A three-month kindergarten for preschool students in a portion of Edenton-Chowan Administrative Unit begins on Monday. It will be held at White Oak Consolidated School.

Mrs. Elizabeth Byrd, ESEA director, said children living in the White Oak and Chowan High School attendance area will be eligible to attend. The children will ride on the regular school buses serving these schools.

White Oak currently houses grades one through four in this unit.

The children attending this kindergarten must be eligible to enter the first

grade in September. The program design aims to help each child to adjust more readily to the first grade, according to Mrs. Byrd.

Breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack will be served.

The kindergarten, a phase of Title I, ESEA, is designed here to handle 40 students. There will be two teachers and two teacher-aides.

In 1968, the first year of this program, 47 students attended. Mrs. Byrd said the kindergarten was very successful. "The gains noted were quite good," she added.

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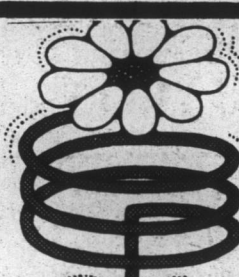
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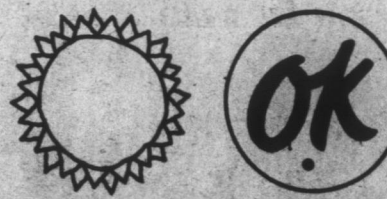
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