Senator Sam J. Ervin Says WASHINGTON-This session with its true intent and mean- the efficient administration of of the Congress has witnessed ing. At the same time, I am the courts.

our Federal Judicary. The proposals now being offered due to the national concern Senate has considered three which would undermine the about judicial ethics, these The House has taken prelim- unconstitutional manner.

than 27 bills to discipline dependent judiciary.

terpret the laws. Some of many years. Congress creat-ciples. these legislative proposals ed the Judicial Conference in Since the performance and

sistently urged that we have making of plans for the best on this subject. best possible judiciary, use of judges in clearing and that we appoint federal crowded court dockets and in judges who interpret the preparing suggested rules of Guard Position Constitution in accordance practice and procedure for

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g controversy over concerned about many of the In recent years, however,

nominees to fill a single va- independence of the federal councils have begun to ascancy on the Supreme Court. judiciary in an unwise and sume disciplinary duties. The assumption of this authority inary steps to consider a pos- For this reason, as chair- has been questioned by many sible impeachment of one of man of the Senate Judiciary judges, and has raised the feeling the Justices of that Court.

Subcommittee on Separation councils should be permitted to gether with a general public ducting hearings to detercriticism of the administramine how we can best reason, as chair has been questioned by many judges, and has raised the councils should be permitted to go in supervising the operation of the courts.

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tion of justice by the federal solve the difficult questions nature, there are widely dicourts, have apparently caus- involved in judicial reform so verse views on how these ed many members of the that we may preserve the councils have functioned with-Congress to introduce no less fundamental need for an in- in their statutory authorization. The function of the

federal judges. Some of these The principal issue at stake subcommittee's study is to bills would require judges before the subcommittee re- try to ascertain how we can to disclose their personal fi- lates to the future role of the best protect the public, the nances, while other measures Judicial Conference of the courts, and assure the fair would establish sweeping United States and the judi- and impartial administration controls over the power of cial circuit councils which of the laws in accordance judges to try cases and in- have been in existence for with constitutional prin-

seek to establish inquisition- 1922 to clear up a backlog of integrity of the federal courts like commissions which could cases and to improve the is at stake, I believe that the purge unpopular judges in functioning of the federal testimony given at these hear-violation of constitutional re- courts. For many years, ju- ings will be most helpful as quirements for impeachments dicial councils confined their the Congress undertakes to As the readers of this activities to "housekeeping" weigh the consequences of the column know, I have con- duties which involved the various legislative proposals

To Maj. Harrell

Hanover Street, Williamston, has been named battalion executive officer of 1st Bn. 119th Infantry, N. C. Army National Guard, with headquarters in Ahoskie.

Maj. Harrell enlisted in the Guard in Edenton 21 years ago. He received his commission from ROTC at N. C. State University in 1954, where he was designated a Distinguished Military Graduate. He served on active duty as company executive officer with the 6th Armored Calvary Regiment in Straubing, Germany.

In the Guard he has been a company commander, Brigade S-3 (operations and training officer), and Battalion

The 1st Bn. 119th Infantry has units in Wilson, Nashville, Tarboro, Scotland Neck, Woodland, Roanoke Rapids, Windsor, Edenton, Elizabeth City and Williamston.

Maj. Harrell is the American Oil distributor for Mar-Washington and Bertie

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International Sunday School Lesson for May 17

Memory Selection: "A man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ."-Galatians 2:16.

Lesson Text: Acts 15:1-35: Galatians 2.

In our lesson today we will endeavor to show that Salvation is the true gift of God -a gift given freely and willingly through the shedding of the blood of Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son. And the only "price tag" that salvation bears is that of an unflinching and trusting faith. For, contrary to somewhat popular beliefs, it is not necessarily "earned" by good deeds alone.

In these passages today we will also see a familiar battle waged—the battle between what the "law" proclaimed as right - and what was truly right. (We are reminded of the many times Jesus was confronted with the law, as opposed to His interpretations; for which He was often regarded as a radical). But Jesus felt that in a strict and fanatical observance of rules and regulations (laid down, no doubt, with the best intentions in the world) the larger and more meaningful issues were oftentimes overlooked completely.

The church, at the time of our studies, was having "growing pains." The church at Antioch, the forerunner of the concept of Christianity for all, was free-thinking in its concepts, dedicated and enthusiastic about spreading God's word to all men, while the church at Jerusalem clung even more tenaciously to its history in the life of the Jewish people, determined to preserve the old customs and the accepted ways of Jewish

It is not surprising, therefore, that circumstances forced the church, as a body, to delineate the requirements for salvation and church membership. The concept that merely a dedicated observance of time-honored rituals and a meeting of the obligations of rules and regulations met head-on with Paul's interpretations. For he constantly maintained that Christ was one who came in man's behalf, a Being who could reactivate and re-direct the life of any man who believed in Him and that for which He stood. Identification with Christ, maintained Paul, enabled the weakest of men to duplicate His prin-

For Paul the Christian faith was not only a religion-it was a practical and rewarding way of life. It was a sharing in Christ. Salvation and fellowship, to him, went hand in hand. This is reiterated throughout all his writings.

Controversy still rages, throughout many of our churches today, on many diverse topics. We should not, let it be said, be necessarily dismayed-although we need to be wary of unhealthy dissension. For dissension can become a way of life-a habit which accomplishes nothing-and which even destroys. But healthy, active controversy can be an enriching and enlivening experience for the church membership. For it could very aptly mean that progress is Continued on Page 12

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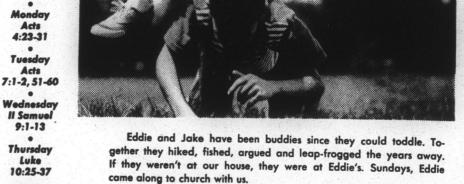
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