

Letter To The Editor

This letter is written in response to the June 11 article concerning my previous article about the situation existing in Cambodia. First of all, I would like to express my thanks for his well-thought-out reply and six cent stamp. My article was geared towards response, proper con, to my stand on the issue. I thank you for sharing your beliefs, Sergeant. But at the same time, there were a few misinterpretations involved, which I feel I must straighten out.

Yes, I did write a letter addressed "To all responsible citizens." But the whole point of my article was not merely to invoke a response from any individual, not to infer that "it doesn't matter what you protest or if you have a solution to the problem, just protest and be counted." What an irresponsible escape—and, unfortunately, one too often taken! My article was merely intended to make people stop and think.

It is my firm belief that one of the biggest hang-ups

FATHER'S DAY COOKOUT

MERRY HILL — Joe White was entertained at a Father's Day cookout Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock at his home at Merry Hill. Those present besides Mr. and Mrs. White, were: Mr. and Mrs. Billy White and son of Plymouth, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Byrum of Edenton, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Miller and daughter of Merry Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Davidson and children of Colerain and Joe Taylor White of Windsor.

of American society today is that they forget too easily. They suffocate the issue at hand with too little effort for their own good. Who or what force can rekindle the issue again? The answer lies within the people themselves—those who stand up and voice their concern in a logical manner. Freedom of speech we have, and it will be used and abused. But what privilege isn't? Our government rests in the power of the people, and the power of the people can not function without freedom of speech.

The author quoted two Biblical passages and asked "if these people care so much for loving everyone, why must they show their love in such a violent manner?" Flip through the pages of the Family of Man until you get to the war pictures, where the theory that war is the strongest love one can ever express is put forth for those interested.

Furthermore, as an added note of interest, I would like the author to consider my emphasis on the Roman Empire, as I have considered his upon Russia and the evils of communism. Rome fell because of her insatiable conquest for expansion and occupation of foreign lands. In relation to Cambodia, the author speculated that "more than likely, the enemy will be forced to make a speedy retreat to higher ground." The latest news reports give the Americans hope for possession of perhaps one-half of the area involved. Who is retreating? Maybe June 30 can help us make a final decision.

Unpatriotic? I, too, am a

native born American, and I believe in God (with possible special connections, as I am a "preacher's kid"). I do not claim to be a Vietnam veteran or one who trains those to tread in his footsteps, although I am trying to do my part as a 19-year-old circulating a petition on behalf of the Jaycees concerning mistreatment of U. S. war prisoners. I must say I admire your confession that you are "as proud of these four facts as any 90-year-old could ever be." But, at the same time, I am not being sarcastic when I say that I sincerely hope that you make it. Its a mean world, but it's yours and mine. We both were issued individual subscriptions to life. Some just expect more for their money.

ROSEMARY HOLMES

Growing Future Seen For Farms

"There is a growing future for agriculture in the Southeast in spite of the cost-price squeeze, high interest rates and mounting labor problems facing farmers, growers and ranchers," according to L. Gary Taylor, branch manager of the Federal Land Bank Association of Ahsokie. This was one of the topics of the annual conference held recently for directors and managers of Federal Land Bank Associations at the Marriott Motor Hotel, Atlanta, Ga.

"As southeastern farms grow larger, there is an increasing demand for larger amounts of credit, as farmers are substituting capital for labor," Taylor explained. "However, our associations have the people and tools to meet the increasing needs of farmers for credit on a sound, productive and constructive basis."

The Ahsokie association is one of the 46 farmer-owned Land Bank Associations which make and service long-term loans for the Federal Land Bank of Columbia, S. C. The bank now has over 42,000 loans outstanding in the amount of \$671 million with farmers, growers and ranchers in Florida, Georgia and the Carolinas—the four states served by the bank.

Officials of the Ahsokie association attending the conference were A. L. Wiggins of Ahsokie, general manager; Frank W. Hollowell of Elizabeth City, vice president; M. B. Johnson of Pendleton, director; H. O. Edwards of Ahsokie, director.

The Ahsokie association handles the making and servicing of loans for the Land Bank in Chowan, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Camden, Currituck, Gates, Hertford, Bertie and Northampton counties out of the association offices in Ahsokie and Elizabeth City.

Make Going To Church A Habit

THE CHRISTIAN HOPE

International Sunday School Lesson for June 28

Memory Selection: "I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God."—Revelation 21:3.

Lesson Text: Revelation 21:1 to 22:5.

As we study our lesson for today, we must be ever mindful of the fact that we are not exempt from the cruelties and hardships of life and the world, but we have a sustaining power in our faith, and hope in redemption and life everlasting, as secured for us by Christ on the cross. The Book of Revelation was written at a time when Christianity was newborn, when those who professed belief in its concepts were undergoing persecution at the hands of its foes. The Book, written in the beautifully, flowery language we, as students of the Bible, have come to know so well, was intended to bring a heartening note of hope and ultimate victory to those who were oppressed and faltering in the face of seemingly insurmountable odds.

Written in a time of great confusion, it is somewhat appropriate that we study it today, for is not our world confused beyond measure, here and now? With modern-day transportation the world has, indeed grown small; the young, up-coming generation seems bent on challenging the mores and precepts of their elders; a "new morality" is making itself felt in many a home across the nation. "LSD"—"pot"—these are becoming almost household words. Strikes and "sit-ins" are commonplace; the college campuses have become—instead of a place of education and learning, veritable battlegrounds, with violence almost automatically erupting at the drop of a hat.

We question: Is this all so vastly different from the ancient sins—money-changing in the temple, idolatry and the free-wheeling life indulged in by the Romans and the Israelites which eventually lead to God's chastisement, as set forth in the Old Testament?

How desperately we, today, need the assuring words of the Book of Revelation!

"In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world," said Jesus. (John 16:33).

In studying our passages for today, by the simple expedient of substituting a few words, we can certainly take heart. The "new Jerusalem" (the perfect city) is the fellowship of man. It shall remain impervious to that which is evil, or disruptive. The necessary articles of man's sustenance are there—the water of life, and the tree of life. Deliverance from suffering is there; (note particularly Revelation 21, verse 4). And, in Revelation 22, also, verse 2, we read that the leaves of the tree of life "were for the healing of the nations."

In Revelation we no longer have a temple, but a God-inhabited society. There will be no need of the sun and the moon for light. God and His

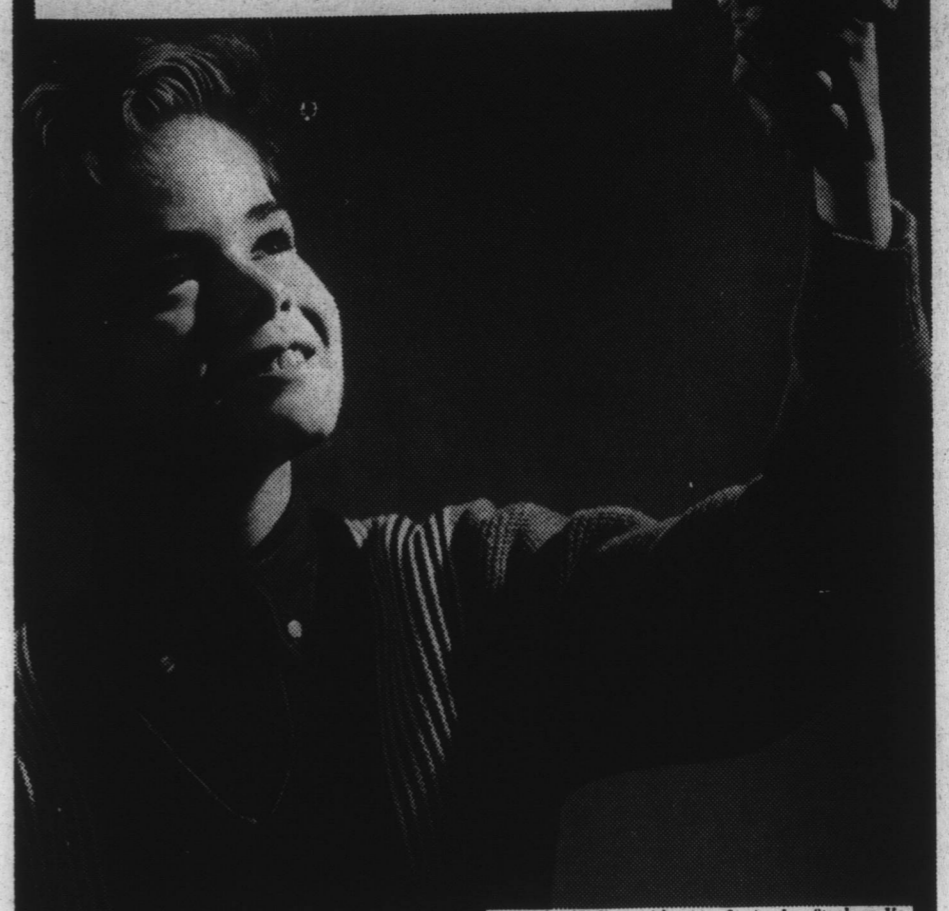
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yours is the hand that lights your child's face

We've heard so much about the effects of insecurity on the life of a child! It seems urgent to find a picture of security . . . that elusive ideal that parents want to provide but can never be sure they have.

Notice the importance of the light in our picture. It doesn't really come from that fatherly hand. Someone else has provided the light which links father and son. The father merely stood in that light . . . and held his son's hand!

Sunday — Father's Day — in hundreds of thousands of churches, earnest fathers will stand in the Light. With their sons they'll worship God . . . experience again the spiritual understanding of life. See the brightness of that true security reflected in youthful eyes.



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Ephesians I	Thessalonians	Genesis	I Samuel	I Kings	II Kings	Mark
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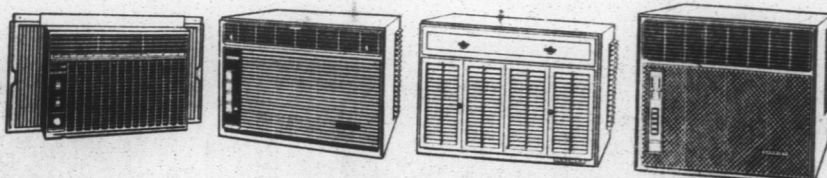
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