



THE FRESHMAN CHORUS OF ROANOKE BIBLE COLLEGE

Origin Of The Potato

By WILLIAM W. REID
The name "potato" is believed to have originated from the Indian name "Batatas", and is only one of about 2,000 species of the nightshade family which includes tobacco, tomato, egg plant, pepper, horseradish, ground cherry, and petunia.

There are many wild species in the New World which are closely related to the potato, but most of these are found in the Andes mountains. For this reason, many people feel that the Irish potato is improperly named - reasoning that the Spaniards first brought the crop to Ireland from South America; however, because of the importance to the food supply that the potato became to Ireland, the name "Irish" potato has remained through the years although it may be more correctly called the Andes potato or the South American potato.

To scientists all over the world who name botanical specimens in Latin, the accepted name is Solanum tuberosum and means the same to scientists on all continents.

The disease of potato named late blight wiped out the potato crop in Ireland in 1840, causing famine in Ireland and forcing many Irish families to emigrate to the United States. Late blight disease is still prevalent in our potato producing area, but we are now able to prevent and control the disease through the use of fungicides developed jointly by state and federal experiment stations in conjunction with private industry. This is an excellent example of the proper use of tax payers money wherein a very necessary food item has been saved from oblivion by research on diseases and the extension of that knowledge to farmers.

The demand for potatoes and potato products has changed very much over the past 10 to 12 years. In 1960 the annual consumption of potatoes per person in the U. S. was about 108 pounds. This had reached 120 pounds per person by 1972 and, by 1980, per capita consumption is expected to reach 124 pounds.

Thus, as population increases and demand increases, so must production if we are to keep up with anticipated demand. Increased production could be the result of either of two factors: (1) increased yield per acre by the present growers or (2) increased number of growers.

Because the present growers have the know-how, machinery, and other physical facilities for potato production, it appears reasonable that they will be able to meet this demand—certainly the increased demand of the next few years.

Bible College Chorus To Present Program At DAR Meeting

The Freshman Chorus of Roanoke Bible College in Elizabeth City, under the direction of Professor Beth Bon Durant, will present a program of American Bicentennial music at the meeting of the Edenton Tea Party Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, March 13.

Miss BonDurant, a graduate of Roanoke Bible College and Abilene Christian College, teaches English and music. She is chaplain of the Betsy Dowdy Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Elizabeth City.

Virtually all of the 15 young men and 24 young women who compose the Freshman Chorus are preparing for full-time Christian service at Roanoke, a ministerial training school of the Churches of Christ and Christian churches.

The Superintendent Reports

This school year has been a banner one, thus far, for the athletic teams at Chowan and John A. Holmes high schools. In that athletics is an important part of the school physical education program, this week's column will focus on the importance of athletics, as well as, the successes earned by teams in the Edenton-Chowan Schools this school year.

Everyone would probably agree that participation in a sound athletic program contributes to health and happiness, physical skill and emotional maturity, social competence and moral values. Concomitantly, in that cooperation and competition are both important components of American life. Athletic participation helps to teach the values of cooperation as well as the spirit of competition. Playing hard and playing to win, help to build character.

In analyzing the successes enjoyed by the varsity teams at both high schools this year, it is evident that cooperation and competition were key elements in the winning seasons enjoyed in football, basketball, and wrestling.

The John A. Holmes football team under Head Coach James Addison playing in a new league and under most unusual circumstances, jelled into a mighty force, with bulkward defense and brilliant offense. The 9-1 won-loss record for the season was most gratifying.

In basketball both boys and girls teams at Chowan and John A. Holmes proved to be successful.

Under the direction of Coaches Harry Land and Robbie Boyce the boys and girls teams at Chowan High were major forces in the Tidewater Conference the entire season. The Chowan boys team finished the season in first place in the Tidewater Conference. They then won the Tidewater Conference Tournament in Elizabeth City. The Bulldogs advanced to the finals of 1-A area basketball tournament before losing to Belhaven. In like manner, the girls team had an excellent season, and experienced success in the Tidewater Conference Tournament before being downed in the District Playoffs.

The Edenton Aces basketball teams, under the direction of Coaches Tom Bass and Linda Nichols also had a rewarding season. Both the boys and girls teams showed what "true grit" they had, finishing strong in the Northeastern Conference, winning the Conference Tournament before falling in the District Tournaments. The manner in which these teams handled themselves in the new conference was outstanding.

The basketball teams at both schools have performed magnificently and in determined fashion all season.

Although wrestling is considered a minor sport in most schools, that would not appear to be the case at Holmes High. The reason being, of course, that Coach Gil Burroughs generated much excitement among students for the sport. Not only did the wrestling team go undefeated in regular season play, they also won the Eastern Regional Wrestling Tournament beating some very strong 4-A high school teams. A trip to the State Tournament also proved successful with the Holmes Wrestling Team finishing sixth in the state out of the ninety-six teams present.

As can be seen from the above, the Edenton-Chowan Schools are extremely proud of the success and accomplishment which the coaches and players who represent our system have achieved. In that they also represent our community each time they venture outside the county, we are confident that you join us in saluting them for representing us so well.

An ill deed cannot bring honor.
-George Herbert.

BANKRUPTCY SALE

On March 20, 1974, at the Courtroom, United States Post Office Building, Danville, Virginia, at 10:00 A. M., the undersigned will sell the following described lots located at the Albemarle Sound in Edenton, North Carolina:

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Sunday School Lesson

WHEN THE SPIRIT FILLS A LIFE

International Sunday School Lesson for March 10, 1974

LESSON TEXT: Acts 3-4.

As we study our Lesson for today we cannot help but be struck by the changing inter-relationship of the individual and of the group. For one is irreconcilable with the other. The church is made up of its members; it is a composite of their weaknesses, and of their strengths; of their vacillations and of their positive reactions to any given subject—especially of those concerned with the Gospel!

In the verses of our study is a recount of the first miracle wrought in Jesus' name after the ascension. The prompting of the miracle of the healing of the lame beggarman before the gate of the Temple is most important. It was a realization of his faith by Peter—faith put to concrete and compassionate use—but, nevertheless, ascribed to the power of the Master, in all humility of spirit and a loving heart.

Would that the faith exhibited by Peter was the rule, rather than the exception among Christians today! For Peter's life was so filled with the power of faith that he felt nothing was impossible—just so long as it was accomplished in such a way that it proclaimed the greatness of the Father!

Peter's act was also an act of great courage, as well as faith; for it was performed in public, in the midst of the doubting and derision of many of the populace. Remember—in the days of early Christianity, the faith had many more detractors than it had adherents! Thus Peter's believing testimony (taken at great risk to himself) bore fruit even beyond his wildest dreams.

Called to account by the religious leaders of the day—many of whom had participated in the sentencing of Christ to the cross - Peter and John nevertheless held fast to their assertion that the Messiah, whom they had so cruelly used and put to death, yet lived, and dispensed His grace among mankind. And their witness was joyfully received by the believing community; new converts, who had hitherto placed their faith in things material, were inspired to sell their worldly goods and place the resulting monies at the disposal of the Christian movement, that the Word might be spread still further. The spirit of sharing thus took on a new and practical dimension, for each man was administered to according to his need.

The fact that Peter and John's listeners were "filled with the Holy Ghost" was ample indication of a great inner sense of personal renewal and a sense of spiritual power Christians still need this sense of inner and spiritual fulfillment today.

In our witnessing on Christ's behalf today, what is our impact upon our peers? Does our innate belief shine through in our speech and acts? Are we convincing Christians? Do our words and deeds lead others to Christ—and to His service?

As professing Christians we do not have a monopoly on Christ, the Savior; rather, Christ has a monopoly on US! This is something we must never forget—and it is something which ties back to one of the oldest, and most stressed virtues proclaimed in the Holy Book—humility of spirit.

The real evidence of a life that has been filled by the Holy Spirit bears mute and humble testimony to that fact by the way in which it is lived! If we as Christ's lives in service to Christ, then the more powerful the ministry of our chosen church will be. Is our faith a cornerstone of the community in which we live and have our being?



The man who prays can hear the prayers of others . . . especially when he prays for those human needs which are common to all men.

But even when he prays for needs that are solely his own, he knows that those who care for him are joining their prayers with his.

And God's answers come back along the party line. You're never quite sure the message was meant for you. You are tempted sometimes to think it was intended for someone else . . . until you realize that this answer which God has inspired in your heart does fit your prayer.

There are times when it's good for everybody on the party line to pick up the phone at once . . . and speak what they all feel . . . and listen to what they all need to hear.

That happens regularly on Sunday morning.

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- Sunday
1 Corinthians
3:16-23
- Monday
Matthew
5:38-48
- Tuesday
Psalms
41:1-3
- Wednesday
1 Samuel
26:2-23
- Thursday
Luke
6:27-38
- Friday
Genesis
3:1-7
- Saturday
Psalms
51:1-17



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2. Do not store any non-edible products on shelves used for storing food.
3. Keep all poisonous substances in their original containers. Do not transfer them to unlabeled containers.
4. When medicines are discarded, destroy them. Do not throw them away where they might be reached by children or pets.
5. When giving flavored or brightly colored medicine to children, always refer to it as medicine — never as candy.
6. Do not take or give any medicine in the dark.
7. Always read the labels before taking any medicines or using any household products. Before we dispense any prescription we check each ingredient at least three times. First, as we take it off the shelf, Second, when we take the medicine out of the container and Third, before we set the bottle down to use the contents. You should do the same before taking any medicine.

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