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Says America's Hope Lies In Purity, Political Sanity, Integrity

The Rev. A. B. Cash, pastor of First Baptist church, on Sunday morning preached on "The Hope of America," taking his text from Mark 12:13-34. He declared that the hope of America lies in her moral purity, her political sanity, and her religious integrity.

"The Christian's duty to his country and his duty to God go hand in hand," he stated. "The critics of Jesus thought they would trap Him when they put their questions to Him. He let them know immediately that citizenship is related to two worlds. Christian patriotism has ever led the way to the highest civil hopes of humanity. Of this, our own country is a shining example.

"There are some things of which we need to remind ourselves, in which the hope of America does not lie: 1. It does not lie in her illustrious past. Past greatness does not guarantee future hope. 2. It does not lie in her politicians. 'Woe unto thee, O Land, when thy king is a child, Ecclesiastes 10:16. It may be said, 'Woe unto thee, when thy statesman are mere politicians. He who sells his vote, sells his birthright and is not to be trusted. If he will sell his vote, he might just as quickly betray his country to the enemy. So it is with the one who buys a vote.' The minister then read the poem, 'God Give Us Men'.

"America's greatness does not lie in her great wealth and culture," he stated. "Witness what happened in Egypt, Babylon, Greece, Rome, and Germany. Men blind themselves to lessons of history.

"Wherein lies America's hope? The hope of America lies in her moral purity. When will we cease to debauch the youth of our land with strong drink? When will we cease to glorify criminals and make a laughing stock of our courts? When will we no longer spend six billion dollars a year for strong drink? When will we free ourselves of the threat to our womanhood of a million three hundred thousand young women employed in selling liquor, to 450,000 young women in our colleges?

"The hope of America lies in her political sanity. Political sanity calls for American idealism with its free schools, separation of Church and state, adjusted differences between capital and



NEVER ABSENT — Miss Nellie Rich, of Culberson, pictured above, graduated from Murphy high school May 2 with an excellent record. She started to school in 1935 at Ranger, and finished grammar school in 1940. She entered high school in Murphy and in the nine years has never been absent nor tardy. She made top grades in both grammar and high school.

Miss Rich, who is 16, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Rich of Culberson.

Miss Rich is to be commended for her excellent record. — (sent courtesy Copper City Advance).

labor, and freedom of conscience.

"The hope of America lies in her religious integrity. Modernism has robbed religion of the supernatural. Religious integrity calls for the arousing of America from her religious indifference. The churches today are not opposed, they are ignored. Let this day, Mother's day, call us back to the altars of our fathers, back to the Christian faith of our mothers, the faith that laid deep and strong the nation's foundations, there to light anew those holy fires of allegiance to Jesus Christ, the only Lord and Savior, and devotion to human freedom till 'from the least of them' of all the earth, 'unto the greatest' shall know the Lord and 'the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it'."

District Scout Camporee Is Held At Joyce Kilmer Forest Entrance

Over this last week-end, May 13-14, the annual Nantahala district camporee was held at Jacob's Camp, near the entrance to the beautiful Joyce Kilmer Memorial Forest, in Graham County. This district includes Clay, Graham and Cherokee counties.

More than 95 scouts and leaders attended the camporee and the leader's training session which was held in conjunction with the other activities.

Clarence A. Bales, scoutmaster of Troop 1, Tapoco, and also district camping chairman, was the Camporee Director and Frank W. Swan, district advancement committee and member of the Troop 1 Andrews, led the demonstrations.

In the Training Course the following men gave instructions: C. L. Brownell of Fontana Dam; O. W. Kochitzky of Fontana Dam; Frank Lockery of Fontana Dam; W. F. Elzey of Robbinsville; C. A. Bales of Tapoco; with Francis V. Smith, Assistant Scout Executive, as advisor. Other men who attended the Training Course included: F. B. Anderson and Clyde Ayers of Tapoco; D. W. Bennett of Robbinsville; W. K. Seaman and Rev. G. O. Folmsbee of Fontana Dam and John Stanley of Andrews.

Every Scout unit in the district except two had at least one patrol. For participation in the Camporee each Scout received a 1944 Emblem to wear on his shirt and many of the patrols won additional citations as follows:

Panther Patrol, Troop 1—Andrews, Whit Davis, Patrol Leader, won the Participation and the Pioneer Citation.

Flying Eagle Patrol, Troop 1—Andrews, Gene Stewart, Patrol Leader, won the Participation and the Pioneer Citation.

Black Panther Patrol, Troop 8—Fontana Dam, Charles Sanford, Patrol Leader, won the Participation Citation.

Cobra Patrol of Troop 8—Fontana Dam, George Russell Smith, Patrol Leader, won the Participation Citation.

Bob White Patrol of Troop 8—Fontana Dam, Charles Mullinax, Patrol Leader, won the Participation Citation.

Wolf Patrol of Troop 8—Fontana Dam, Donald Lockery, Patrol Leader won the Participation Citation.

The Explorer Patrol of Troop 8—Fontana Dam, Norman Little, Patrol Leader won the Participation Citation.

Eagle Patrol of Hayesville, Troop 7—Carl Ayers, Jr., Patrol Leader, won the Participation and Pioneer Citation.

Bear Patrol of Troop 7—Hayesville, Howard Palmer, Patrol Leader, won the Participation Citation.

Wolf Patrol of Troop 7—Hayesville, Joe Johnston, Patrol Leader, won the Participation and Pioneer Citations.

Wolf Patrol of Troop 4—Robbinsville, Burl L. Orr, Patrol Leader, won the Participation and Pioneer Citations.

Lion Patrol of the Troop 4—Robbinsville, Billy Shaheen, Patrol Leader, won the Participation and Pioneer Citations.

Horse Patrol of Troop 1—Tapoco, Hugh Allen, Patrol Leader, won the Participation and the Pioneer Citation.

Poultry Specialist Visits Producers

C. F. Parrish of Raleigh in charge of poultry extension, spent Tuesday in Murphy and Cherokee county with A. C. Keener, farm agent, to visit and make checks of demonstration flocks and other poultry producers; also to discuss the broiler production and hatchery program. One of the main objects of his visit was to work out a poultry improvement program with J. H. Gibbs on his hatchery here.

Mr. Parrish was well pleased with the poultry production work of market eggs in the Peachtree community. He visited the farms of A. W. Barton, Carl Stiles, Lawson Lunsford, Clarence Hendrix and Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Roberts.

Mrs. George Evans' Funeral Thursday

Mrs. George Evans, 72, died at her home at Ranger Tuesday after a long illness. Funeral services were held at Shady Grove Baptist church today (Thursday) with the Rev. Paul Lovingood officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with the Townson funeral home in charge.

Mrs. Evans had been a member of the Fairview Baptist church for more than 45 years.

She is survived by her husband; three daughters, Mrs. James Beaver, of Akron, Ohio, Mrs. L. H. Ross of Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Mrs. E. L. Shields, of Murphy; three sons, Verlin and Floyd of Ranger and Carl of Sweetwater, Tenn.; two sisters, Mrs. E. M. Bryant and Mrs. Will Sneed of Ranger and three brothers, Ben Hayes and Mark Fox of Ranger and Lester Fox of Ball Ground, Ga.

Funeral Held For J. M. McAllister

J. M. McAllister, 60, of Culberson died at a local hospital here Tuesday after an illness of several weeks. Funeral services were held at the Shady Grove Baptist church today (Thursday) with the Rev. Thomas Truett officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with the Townson funeral home in charge.

Mr. McAllister is survived by his wife; three daughters, Mrs. Kate Shields, and Mrs. Oscar Chastain of Culberson, Miss Maude McAllister of U. S. Navy, New York; two sons, Olen of New Orleans, La., and Johnnie of Culberson.



IN ITALY — Pfc. Richard Howell, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Howell, entered service in December, 1942 and took his basic training at Fort McClellan, Ala. Since going overseas in June, 1943, Richard has been stationed in North Africa and Sicily and is now in Italy.



VISITS HERE — Pvt. Billy King Howell, who recently spent a ten-day delayed route, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Howell. Billy entered service in November, 1943, and took his basic training at Camp Wolters, Texas. He returned to Fort Meade, Md., for advanced training.

94 Men Leave For Military Examination

Ninety-four Cherokee county men left Murphy Wednesday morning for pre-induction examination for service in the armed forces.

Robert Vernon Weaver was leader of the party and Jack Denver Crawford was assistant leader. Robert Frank Taylor goes into immediate service having already been accepted. Others in the party were:

Steve Alfred Dockery, Roy Arthur Taylor, Robert Samuel Chambers, D. L. Swanson, Ross Ashen Cornwell, Weldon Esco Davis, Howard Killian, John Herman Robertson, Willard Gay Forrister, George Allen Morrow, Charles Higdon, Carl Barney Ledford, Clarence Leonard Payne, Grady Oliver Postell, Wade Vincent Jones, Lester Chastain, Polv William Morrow, Clarence Calvin Roberts, James Cecil Newman, Carl Dewey McHan, John Emory Walker, Willard Ernest Radford, Ernest Cecil Lovingood, Ernest Clarence Payne, Lush Napoleon Prince, Howard Gwin West, Tommie Phillips, William Ralph Farmer, Cecil Willard Verner, Roger W. Ramey.

William Clarence Arms, Leonard Decker, Ted Lee, Herman B. Helton, Fred Vivian Killian, Wayne Lovingood, David Elmo Hyde, March Monroe Coker, George Grant Postell, Floyd Austin Clark, Lester Newton, Clyde Ballew, Donald D. Johnson, Robert Lester Beaver, Clyde Clifton Sherrill, William McKinley Tanner, William Robert Jones, Benjamin Arthur Akin, George Glenn Farmer, Wilburn Daley, Fred Warren Mashburn, Roy William Raper, Troy Sims, Wayne Ben Pace, Ernest Trantham, Francis Ed-

win Brooks, Huey Houston Roberts, Warren Allison, Verlon Frank Kephart, William Elbert Hughes.

William Julius Payne, Robert Fulton Haas, Gerald Edwin Jones, Dock George Coleman, Glenn Noah Pace, Boyd Ray Pace, Elijah By Padgett, Shelby Edward Hampton, Harold Max Hall, Clayton Alvin Cearley, Jack Coogan Lunsford, Jack Columbus Guthrie, Luther Mashburn, Robert Lee Eyers, William Dawes Woody, Coolidge Harris, Ray Hawkins, Roy Smith, Clifford Walter Tanner, William Carson Ferguson, Ralph Venson Kent, Hubert Gayno Stiles, Carl Stanley Smith, Gilbert Warren Solesbee, Felix Virgle McClure, Clint H. Lequire, Albert L. Taylor, Edward S. Adams, Walter H. Dau, Lewis N. Stiles, William E. Watkins, Thomas A. Bandy.

Two men on the list failed to report. They were: Thomas Basil Wright, and Aston Curtis.

Church Honors 80 In Service

HAYESVILLE — A memorial service was held in the Baptist Church last Sunday morning, honoring the eighty men and women from the church in service. As the name of each was called, a memorial rose was placed in a vase by some member of the family. The children also presented a Mother's Day program. Special prayers are offered for the servicemen at eight o'clock each Wednesday night in the church.



AT ENGLISH RECEPTION — Pfc. Jesse Hamilton of Leicester, England. The picture was taken at reception and dance for American soldiers and English girls at De Monfort hall in Leicester April 21. Stalcup represented North Carolina at the occasion.

Council Appealing To Boys Not To Shoot Street Lights

Infantrymen Get Stiff Training In England

Headquarters, European Theatre of Operations — Thousands of American Infantrymen, thoroughly trained in all phases of operations and combat, are now in England receiving the most strenuous type of conditioning ever given United States troops in preparation for invasion.

As the Allied air offensive reaches its peak, role of the foot soldier—to close with the enemy and capture or destroy him—near. Armed with weapons to do the job, including machine guns, grenades, rifles, pistols, bayonets, automatic rifles, 81-mm mortars, and anti-tank guns, they are engaged in maneuvers so realistic that they are sometimes more strenuous than the real thing.

These American boys, some of the toughest soldiers in the Army's history and including many men who have already seen action in Africa, Sicily and Italy are being conditioned to march long distances with full packs and equipment and to conserve enough energy to fight all night if necessary. They are learning that to be good at scouting and patrolling is not enough; that they must be as nearly perfect as possible, stepping silently at night, crawling noiselessly, moving as part of the ground, knowing map and compass and how to use each either by day or night.

Among the men undergoing this conditioning is Pvt. Gordon L. Smith, 21, Route 1, Andrews.

More Changes In Business

Business changes taking place recently in Murphy which were not included in last week's story are:

E. E. Stiles recently bought an ice plant from J. C. Townson and is operating it.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Green have moved into the home on Valley River Avenue which they purchased some time ago from W. E. Studstill.

The home occupied by the Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Ammons has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Claude King from the Brown estate.

Voyles Shot When Trying To Escape

Frank Voyles, 22, of Letitia, and James Collins, who is with the U. S. Coast Guard, were arrested and placed in jail here Tuesday night. Between the time of the arrest and being placed in jail, Voyles gave officers much trouble and got shot in his right arm and thigh.

Policeman Arnold Dalrymple stated in an interview with this paper that about 11 o'clock he was called to South End Cafe by Manager Jim Cearley, who said that Richard Forrester had been beaten by Collins and Voyles, who had left driving a car and were drunk. Dalrymple came back to town and got Deputy Toby Fain to pursue them. They were apprehended near the Ranger Methodist parsonage. With the couple were two girls from Ranger. As the officers were bringing all four back to town, Voyles is said to have said, "We'll all die together" and jerked the steering wheel, causing the car to run off the road to the left, in a branch. This occurred in front of the home of J. L. Hall. While this was happening, Dalrymple said that Fain shot Voyles in the right arm, causing a flesh wound.

The practice of shooting out street lights by the boys of Murphy was frowned upon by the Murphy town council in its meeting Tuesday evening at the town hall. The councilmen appeal to the boys not to be so destructive and to help make the town more attractive. Projects for beautification with lights are being held up because of the common practice of shooting out lights. Parents are asked to cooperate by not allowing their children to destroy this town property. It is expensive and puts the town to considerable trouble in replacing broken lights.

Mayor W. M. Fain appointed committees to serve the town during the fiscal year, as follows: Industrial and civic improvement, Dr. B. W. Whitfield, chairman; A. L. Martin, and E. P. Hawkins; finance and revenue, T. W. Axley, chairman; J. B. Mulkey and Robert Weaver; streets, park and cemetery, E. P. Hawkins, chairman, Robert Weaver, and Dr. B. W. Whitfield; water, lights and power, A. L. Martin, chairman; T. W. Axley, and J. B. Mulkey; police and fire, Robert Weaver, chairman; E. P. Hawkins, and A. L. Martin; sanitary and health, J. B. Mulkey, chairman, Dr. B. W. Whitfield, and T. W. Axley.

A. L. Martin was elected Mayor pro tem. Chief of Police Frank Crawford was elected building inspector, to prohibit any repairing to be done on wood structures within the fire zone of the town.

The council voted to have lights and water connected at the park site whenever the park commission requests that it be done.

Mayor Fain stated that Southern Railway desires to give the town its cinders, and the council voted to accept them, for use on the streets.

Chief of Police Frank Crawford was asked to have all policemen make a daily report of arrests made and file them daily with the city clerk.

The council will meet regularly on the second Monday evening in each month.

This was the first regular meeting of the council since the new members took office.

SERMON SUBJECTS

The Rev. Ralph Taylor, minister of the First Methodist church, will preach Sunday at 11 o'clock on the subject, "The First Bride", and at 7:45 o'clock on the subject, "Worry And Its Cure".

Voyles escaped from the officers and it was about an hour and a half later that he was apprehended.

Dalrymple came to town and got Policemen Frank Crawford and John Stratton and went back to the scene of the wreck. Stratton brought Collins and the girls to town and placed Collins in jail, allowing the girls to return home by taxi.

Meanwhile, Voyles had gone to the home of Arthur Ledford and asked him to bring him to the hospital. Officers overtook the Ledford car and stopped it, when Voyles escaped again and gave officers a chase through a briar patch and over a barbed-wire fence. On this occasion, he was shot again, this time in his right thigh.

Collins is charged with affray, and Voyles is charged with affray, assault with intent to kill, and driving drunk.

Voyles is said to have served in the navy for a few months and was discharged a few months ago. Last Thursday he was arrested for drunken driving and was placed under \$500 bond for appearance at the next term of court.