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MEDITATION

"These days demand that we pay as little attention to discouragement as possible. Let us remember the ship at sea points its prow toward its harbor. The train continually seeks its destination. Airplanes fly from port to port. Christians are headed for an eternal and universal kingdom where God Himself is King, and all men are brothers. Love prompts all things in this kingdom. Believe that. Faith less than this will not suffice. We must put our hand to the plow and not look back."

"Rich Man... Poor Man..."

When is a man rich? When is he poor? What, really, is wealth?

Economists, philosophers, men and women, everywhere are trying to find the answer.

Textbooks used to teach us that wealth was simply "surplus capital". Bernard Baruch, sometimes called the "grand old man of Washington", said recently that any man was rich who had one dollar more than he absolutely had to have to meet his needs.

In these days of constantly changing values, in a world beset by constant fear of inflation or deflation, it would seem that a modern definition of wealth is in order.

Men and women have become realists about money. They know, for instance, that dollars buy more in times of deflation like the depression years, but jobs, and therefore dollars, are harder to find and deflation does not benefit them.

They also know that in times like the present, with partial inflation, there are plenty of dollars around but they don't buy much. Therefore inflation too is no help.

All this leads up to one thought... What the average person wants is not fluctuating dollars, but Security; the kind of security that gives him peace of mind. That is the realistic definition of wealth.

Considered in these terms, we, in communities like ours, may consider ourselves reasonably secure. We are secure because our wealth is not in dollars but is in food, forests and other raw materials which the world must have for its existence.

Consider one of our industries, for example—pulp and paper. In 1932—in the year of the great depression—the employment index in the pulp and paper industry was 27.7% higher than the index for all other manufacturing.

Today, while most other industries are looking uncertainly into the future and trying to decide whether inflation is in store for them, the pulp and paper industry, through the U. S. Employment Service, is hiring new woods and mill workers in order to meet the very certain demands for its products which lie ahead. This too is the reason that the mills in this area are urgently in need of more top quality pulpwood Now.

YOU'RE TELLING ME!

By WILLIAM RITT
Central Press Writer

RADIO BROADCASTING is now 25 years old. But adds Grandpappy Jenkins, it is still a mere infant compared to some of those comedians gags, though they are infantile enough.

Grandpappy's first radio receiver was a crystal set. It was a wonderful device save for the fact it didn't work.

The old boy says there was quite a thrill in monkeying with that first set because you never knew when it would blow out every fuse in the house.

In those days it was the Grandpappy's custom to sit up all night trying to get distant stations. The result was always the same—be discovered east

coast and west coast static sounded exactly alike.

The first Jenkins set had a huge amplifying horn which expanded the static's frying-egg sound into the stentorian growl of an angry concrete mixer.

By 1938 radio static had reached international proportions. G. J. remembers that was the year Hitler was making all those speeches about the Sudeten folk.

In closing, Grandpappy says he doesn't think his ears couldn't have borne up under radio's noisy barrage all those years if it hadn't been for the comfort- ing thought that television was "just around the corner."

THE CLOCK STRIKES "ONE!"



Scouting With The Editor

THE EDITOR has done no "Scouting" to write about for the past two weeks. With the unsettled condition in the office, incident to moving into our new building, there has been little opportunity. However, in moving I came across some clippings from my old college papers and other publications which are good reading and will fill this column for this week.

MISTAKES

"There are seven mistakes of life that many of us make," said a famous writer, and then he gave the following list:

"The delusion that individual advancement is made by crushing others down.

"The tendency to worry about things that cannot be changed or corrected.

"Insisting that a thing is impossible because we ourselves cannot

accomplish it.

"Refusing to set aside trivial preferences in order that important things may be accomplished.

"Neglecting development and refinement of the mind by not acquiring the habit of reading.

"Attempting to compel other persons to believe and live as we do.

"The failure to establish the habit of saving money." — Seaman's Log.

TEACHERS will find some consolation in the words once spoken by President Woodrow Wilson:

"The only thing that is worth while in human intercourse, after all, is to wake somebody up, provided you wake them up to see something that is worth seeing and to comprehend something that their spirits have not hitherto comprehended. I have spent the greater part of my life doing what

Exalting Christ in the Life of Nation

HIGHLIGHTS ON THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By NEWMAN CAMPBELL

(The International Uniform Lesson on the above topic for Dec. 16 is Isaiah 9:2-7; Luke 1:26-80; Heb. 1:1-4; I Peter 3:13-18, 22; Jude 24, 25, the Memory Verse being I John 4:10, "He loved us, and sent His Son.")

THE FIRST part of our lesson is concerned with the prophecy of Isaiah about the coming of the Messiah. We will have room only for a brief mention of it. Everything in the kingdom of Israel was in ruin. There was no king worthy of the name on the throne, and it was felt that a king must come; that God would take pity on His people and give them a real ruler.

Isaiah's prophecy must have brought his people comfort: "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given and the government shall be upon His shoulder: And His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God; The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."

"Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, . . . to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of Hosts will perform this."

Annunciation to Mary

St. Luke, poet and physician, tells the lovely story of the annunciation to Mary. The story really starts with the priest Zacharias and his wife, Elizabeth, who was a kinswoman of Mary's. The angel Gabriel had appeared to Zacharias in the temple and told him his wife would soon have a child, and they should call him John. Zacharias was doubtful because Elizabeth was no longer young, and because of his unbelief, he lost the power to speak. He would recover it when the child was born, he was told.

Six months after this "the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee named Nazareth." Galilee was the richest part of Palestine, but Nazareth was known as an evil city. Mary, betrothed to Joseph, lived there, and the angel appeared to her and said, "Hail, thou art highly favored, the Lord is with thee."

Mary was troubled at this saying, and could not understand. The angel said, "Fear not, Mary; for thou hast found favor with God." Then he told her she would have a child and his name should be Jesus, and "He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of His

father David. "And He shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of His kingdom there shall be no end."

Mary Goes to Elizabeth

Gabriel also told Mary that her cousin Elizabeth was going to have a child. After the angel had left her, Mary hastened to Elizabeth's home. Elizabeth, hearing her salutation, knew at once that something wonderful had happened to her kinswoman, and rejoiced.

Mary said, "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour."

"For He hath regarded the low estate of His handmaiden; for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed."

"For He that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is His name," etc.—the great Magnificat.

Mary stayed with Elizabeth for three months and then returned to her own home, and Elizabeth gave birth to a boy, and said his name would be John. Relatives told her no one of their family had ever had that name, and appealed to Zacharias, who asked for paper and wrote, "His name is John." As soon as he had written this his mouth was opened and "he spake, and praised God," being filled with the Holy Ghost.

Zacharias prophesied that the Lord "hath visited and redeemed His people. . . . That we be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us."

And to the Babe he said, "And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest; for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways."

John, Forerunner of Christ

This child was none other than John the Baptist, the forerunner of Christ. The chapter ends with the words, "And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his showing unto Israel."

In conclusion we refer to Peter's advice to the Christians who were being persecuted for their faith: "And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?"

"But if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye; and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled;

"But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts; and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.

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is called teaching, but many of the pupils of most of our universities systematically resist being taught. I remember being somewhat comforted and reassured some years ago, after I had taught for ten or fifteen years, by being told by a friend of mine at Yale University, who had taught for twenty, that he had found that the human mind possessed infinite resources for resisting the introduction of knowledge."

TWELVE THINGS WE SHOULD REMEMBER

- The value of time.
- The success of perseverance.
- The pleasure of working.
- The dignity of simplicity.
- The worth of character.
- The power of kindness.
- The influence of example.
- The obligation of duty.
- The wisdom of economy.
- The virtue of patience.
- The improvement of talents.
- The joy of originality.

—Marshall Field.

L'ENVOI

When the last red candle has faded, and the last of the tree has been burned. When the last card of thanks has been written, and the last duplicate been returned, we should rest — Lord knows we shall need it, after all the worry and stew — but instead we must work like the dickens to pay all the bills that fall due.—Alice McBride in The Kansas City Star.

THE LIMIT

An Englishman and an American were discussing the merits of their respective fireproof safes. The Englishman said he locked up a little dog in his safe and put under it a quantity of coal and tar, which he lighted. After the fire had burned out and the safe cooled, the dog was found to be all right.

The American said he put a young rooster into his safe and surrounded the safe with wood, petroleum, coal and coke, which, when lighted, brought the safe to a white heat.

"I suppose," said the Englishman, "you are going to say that when you opened the safe the cock came out and crowed?"

"No, sir," said the American, "it was frozen stiff."

Circle Has Christmas Party

The evening circle of the Woman's auxiliary of the Presbyterian church held its annual Christmas party at the home of Miss Hattie Palmer Friday evening, with Miss Frances McPherson serving as joint hostess.

The home was beautifully decorated in blue and silver, with the usual Christmas tree about which gifts were placed.

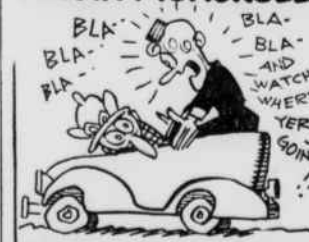
Mrs. George Phillips presided over the meeting. Christmas carols were sung and the "Joy Gift" offering for ministerial relief was taken. A gift was presented the pastor, the Rev. T. G. Tate and Mrs. Tate. Gifts were exchanged among the members and Mrs. Dixie Palmer assisted the hostesses in serving fruit cake and coffee.

Those attending were, Mr. and Mrs. Tate, Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. R. H. Ford, Miss McPherson, Mrs. Marie Walker, Mrs. Palmer and Miss Hattie Palmer.

It's a good time for rural health committees to induce doctors and nurses returning from war to settle in their areas.

In 1940 there were 143,563 functionally illiterate adult persons on North Carolina farms. About one-third of the group had completed no grade in school.

NOAH NUMSKULL



DEAR NOAH—WHEN A GUY TAKES HIS TALKATIVE LITTLE WOMAN FOR A DRIVE, WOULD YOU CALL IT A JAW-RIDE?
MARY DEAN LAHEY
MONROE, N.C.

DEAR NOAH—WHEN A G.I. JOE IS DOG TIED, DOES HE GROWL OR BARK IF HE HAS TO SLEEP IN A PUP TENT?
CAPLEY KENNISON
ST. PAUL—MINN.

WHERE CIVIL WAR ROCKS CHINA



HOURLY MORE CRITICAL becomes the spread of undeclared civil war in China, with almost a million Central Government and Chinese Communist troops fighting it out for the control of some 11 provinces. Shaded section in above map indicates the vast area generally involved, while numbers point to specific zones of conflict: (1) Kaifeng section, where trouble in Honan province is centered; (2) Fuchow, where rail lines are being contested; (3) Paotow, in the Shansi trouble zone; (4) Tsinan, important rail center, and (5) Kiaochow, toward which the fighting appears to be spreading. Arrow points to Changcheh, in Shansi, reports taken by Communist agents. (International)

Turkey production in the U. S. is at an all-time high, and chicken production is up about 5 per cent over last year.

The N. C. State Mutual Hatchery Association will hold its annual meeting in Raleigh on December 5 and 6.

Low yields of small grain are associated with late seeding, say researchers men of the Agricultural Experiment Station at State College.

There are 1,700,000 boys and girls in U. S. 4-H clubs and more than 90 thousand of them are in North Carolina.

Handbags Fitted For Christmas Gift Giving



What woman doesn't like to receive a beautiful handbag as a gift? Here are purses to suit every woman's taste, luxurious bags, in many styles—the perfect complement for the perfect costume.

OTHER SUGGESTIONS
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SCARFS — HANDKERCHIEFS

CANDLER'S