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MEDITATION

He chose you not to bitter tears,
 Though dark your life may seem;
 He chose you not to foolish fears,
 And not to sit and dream;
 He chose you in His loving grace,
 To action, patience, trust,
 To show upon a smiling face
 What God can do with dust.

Ray Klesimer Finishes Course

FORT DIX, N. J.—Pfc. Ray Klesimer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Klesimer, Turtlecreek, Tenn., has completed Leaders' Course training with the 9th Infantry Division, Fort Dix, N. J. Private Klesimer was chosen to attend this six-weeks course for future non-commissioned officers on the basis of intelligence, perseverance, and leadership potentialities shown throughout his basic training. He is now qualified to teach Army methods and procedures to new inductees.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Beaver of Grandview announce the birth of twin sons on Saturday, February 5.

Miss Adella Meroney returned to her home in Atlanta Tuesday, after spending ten days here with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mauney and other friends and relatives. Mrs. Mauney accompanied her to Atlanta and spent last week with her and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Weir.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. E. C. Sullivan of Cherryville is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Hoover and family.

Miss Gladys McCleskey and Miss Elizabeth Gray left Sunday for a two weeks' vacation in Miami and other points in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ruffner of Guild, Tenn., and Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson of Topton were guests Sunday of Mrs. Mattie Taylor and Frank Taylor.

Richard Mauney of Raleigh spent the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mauney.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Griffith of Cornelia, Ga., spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Savage.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mauney left Monday for Florida where they will spend two weeks visiting various points in the state.

Miss Ginger Gray of Hayesville spent the week-end with her cousin, Miss Betty Jean Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bailey returned Tuesday night from a two-week's vacation spent in Florida.

Vengeance Creek

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilson visited Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rogers, Sunday.

Polie Derreberry was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harve King and W. K. Derreberry.

An all-night service will be held at Vengeance Creek Church on Saturday, February 19.

Mrs. Floyd Watkins, Mrs. Earl Adams and Miss Ruby Stiles were Saturday guests of Mrs. Roberta Stiles.



SCRIPTURE: Matthew 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 9:12-19
 DEVOTIONAL READING: Luke 9:1-11

Eleven Immortals

Lesson for February 20, 1949

JESUS believed in prayer, but he did not usually spend all night at it. When he did, we may be sure he had something of the greatest importance on his mind. One of these occasions was the night before he selected the twelve men he called Apostles. He had thousands of disciples, crowds followed him wherever he went. But it was important to have a few with whom he could live as an intimate friend. So from the immense number of followers, Jesus selected twelve closest friends. Before that fateful morning no one outside their villages had ever heard of them. But now their names are known—and eleven of them are honored—around the world.



Dr. Foreman

A GOOD executive, Jesus multiplied his own personality. A recent book has shown how Harry Hopkins during World War II lived in the White House as Roosevelt's personal companion, having given up his own ambitions and living only to carry out the ideas of his chief. Without Roosevelt, Hopkins would have been little more than an inferior politician; and without Hopkins, many of Roosevelt's plans could not have been carried out. He enabled the president to be in two places at once. So it was with Jesus, as Mark tells us. Jesus wanted those twelve to be with him, and then to send them out.

He wanted these friends to know him as the crowds, and his enemies, never could know him. He wanted these men to absorb his ideas and ideals.

The word Jesus used for them was not his own invention; "apostle" was the word used all over the civilized world in those days. An ambassador, a personal representative of royalty. All Christians are in the "apostolic succession." If a Christian can truly say, "I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me," then he is, as these men were, Christ's personal representative.

Raw Material

THE ASTONISHING thing about Jesus' choice of these twelve is his faith in them. Of course they had faith in him—who would not? But who would have faith in them? There was not a single "outstanding" man in the lot. Not one had what we would call a college education, not a man of them had held public office or was rich or famous for anything at all. There was Peter, an ordinary fisherman, much given to profanity; there was Matthew, a crooked business man if ever there was one, for no publican could be honest and keep from starving; there was Philip, as stupid a man as ever asked a foolish question; there were James and John, loud-mouthed (Jesus nicknamed them the Thunder Boys—"Sons of Thunder"), greedy fellows who could not be satisfied till they had elbowed their way ahead of everybody else; there was Thomas the born pessimist, the defeatist. . . . What could have got into Jesus' mind to select such men?

—and Judas Iscariot

THE SECRET of Jesus' choice was this: He selected his men not for what they were or had been, but for what they could become, filled with his spirit, transformed by his friendship. It is so today, as always. The Kingdom of God needs men and women, but the raw human material found in or out of the churches is too shabby and weak to build anything like the kingdom of God.

Yet after all, it was never human weakness that has built the Kingdom. It is men re-born, re-made by contact and companionship with Jesus the Lord of men. . . . Now as then, Judas is among the Twelve. Jesus must have seen good in Judas, otherwise it would have been mockery to choose him. But though that man was with Christ for just as long as the others, heard what they heard and saw what they saw, he ended by being a traitor. "Twelve immortals"—? Nay, but one is the immortal betrayer and suicide. Why? The reason was in Judas, not in Jesus.

But he wants volunteers, never forced labor. The Christ of Glory can be served by the humble; but the free Christ can be served only by free men with open hearts. Judas may keep his heart shut if he will; Christ never forces his way in.

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Mr. and Mrs. Cloe Moore and children, Betty, Burke Edward and Tommy, attended the Ice Follies in Atlanta on Saturday of last week.

Scouting

With the Editor

RESOLUTIONS are not always kept; it is the general rule that they are broken, but that promise to have this column in the paper every week was not intentionally broken. For the past two weeks it has been crowded out. A portion of this has been held over for two weeks.

BAPTISTS of North Carolina have an orphanage in which they should take exceptional pride. The orphanage, composed of two homes—Mills Home at Thomasville and Kennedy Home at Kingston—rates among the top ones in the entire Southern Baptist Convention. Through the years the institution has been under consecrated, efficient management and has been a blessing to thousands of homeless boys and girls.

Last Thursday, accompanied by a friend, Mrs. G. Harold Myrick, of Lincolnton, I attended the dedication of the new freezer plant, Brogdon building, and a trustee's meeting, at Kennedy Home. At this branch of the orphanage 145 children are given a home. They are bright-faced, happy, well-nourished and well-trained youngsters, and I rejoice that as a North Carolina Baptist I can have a small part in providing such a place for them. Through both homes and in foster homes secured through the orphanage, more than 700 children are cared for at present.

Kennedy Home property comprises 1250 acres, of which 500 are in cultivation. The new freezer plant will make it possible to preserve for year-round use the products from the farm including beef, pork, poultry and eggs, vegetables and other produce. The green fields of the huge farm, the dairy and beef cattle and the hogs, and the modern practices of carrying for them that are used, in themselves would make a visit to the orphanage interesting.

The Rev. W. C. Reed, formerly of Sylva, is superintendent of the home. He and Mrs. Reed and family live in the home. Cedar Hill, built and presented by the Kennedys to the orphanage. Some of the Kennedy's elaborate furnishings and treasures are a part of the home. A dining room, in which nothing has been changed since Mrs. Kennedy's death, is kept as a memorial to her. It contains some of the most beautiful silver china, cut glass and furniture I've ever seen.

There is much that could be said of the buildings that house the boys and girls, the Perry Morgan office building and library and others that make up the plant, but there is not space this week.

Dr. B. W. Spilman, whose name is synonymous to Kennedy Home, attended the luncheon given for the trustees and visitors in one of the girls' cottages at noon. His health is not good now. He is known and loved throughout North Carolina because of his devotion to Kennedy Home.

On our return trip, we stopped at Mills Home, Thomasville, and visited Frank Frankum of Murphy who went there in January. He is attending school and church services regularly, lives in an attractive cottage with Mrs. Grace Battle as his house mother, and has all the advantages that can be provided to help him grow into a good citizen and Christian young man.

Dr. Zeno Wall is general superintendent of the orphanage. He visited this association last fall when it met at Mt. Pisgah.

THANK YOU, Frank Walsh, for the notation in renewing your subscription: "For us the Scout is not a luxury, but a necessity. I hope you continue the 'Scouting' column."

BOB WALKER of Tahlequah, Cherokee County, Okla., writes: "I like your paper for the reason that I have a lot of relation in Cherokee County, North Carolina. My grandfather moved from Ranger, N. C., to the Indian Territory before the Civil war and left a lot of kin folks there. I visited there in 1937 and met several of my kin folks and enjoyed visiting them. Cherokee County, Okla., was at one time a cow country, and I learned to be a cow boy and am still known as the Cow Boy Justice of the Peace in Eastern Oklahoma." (He enclosed some pictures of a cattle cutting contest in which he participated.)

OLD MAIDS are the object of many jokes. Maybe most old maids are like the one the Rev. Robert Barker told about in a

speech at Little Brasstown church Sunday afternoon: A little boy asked his old maid aunt why she had never married. She replied, "Well son, perhaps it is because I have never been sufficiently urged."

LITTLE BRASSTOWN Baptist Church is situated on a beautiful little mountain, and with snow falling in large soft flakes Sunday afternoon during the entire program of the Sunday School rally, it became even more picturesque. Ruth Bagwell, associational mis-

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"The Wreck Of The Hesperus" With—Willard Parker - Edgar Buchanan

Sunday - Monday, February 20-21

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"Melody Time" (First Run) (In technicolor) Sung and played by Roy Rogers - Dennis Day - The Andrews Sisters and many others News—Short Subjects

Tuesday, February 22

ON STAGE IN PERSON

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Tuesday - Wednesday, Feb. 22-23

"Shed No Tears" (First Run) With—Wallace Ford-June Vincent Short Subjects

Thursday - Friday, February 24-25

"The Farmers Daughter" Starring—Loretta Young - Joseph Cotten - Ethel Barrymore News—Short Subjects

sionary, who presided, didn't enjoy the snow much, though, because as she was attempting to climb the hill to the church, she had a "tree top" experience. Being a new driver, she failed to make the proper turn and went up an embankment and a tree on which there is little bark left came in contact with the fender and stopped the car.

EDYTH IVIE said Sunday that she was going to borrow Johnnie Savage's red suit and get Vivian Gentry's new hair-do so she could make "Scouting" this week. Well, I haven't seen her yet in the new outfit, but she did make the Scouting column!

SCHOOL DAYS return for members of the North Carolina Press Association annually in January when the Press Institutes are held at Chapel Hill and Durham, with U. N. C. and Duke University cooperating. We go to school to get a refresher course on the publishing of good newspapers.

THE 1949 INSTITUTE opened Thursday evening of last week (January 27) when the editors heard Drew Pearson make the opening address. The public was admitted, and Memorial Hall was crowded to hear him. He was presented by Dr. Frank Graham, president of the University, who received the biggest ovation of the whole institute, demonstrating the esteem of North Carolina people for him. Chancellor R. B. House made the address of welcome, and Leslie Thompson, vice-president of NCPA Whiteville, replied. Norman Cordon sang three spirituals (Frank Daniels, president, was prevented from attending because of illness.)

FRIDAY MORNING the editors heard an address on "Is Editorial Courage Worth the Price?" by Jenkin Lloyd Jones, editor of Tulsa Tribune Tulsa, Okla., and one on "Safety on Our Highways" by Galt Braxton, publisher of Kinross Free Press. At noon the University gave us a luncheon at Carolina Inn, headquarters for the institute, serving us a half broiled chicken and all the fixings to com-

plete an excellent meal. Miss Beatrice Cobb of Morganton was the principal speaker and told of her recent clipper trip around the world. Group meetings were then held.

DUKE UNIVERSITY was host at a dinner meeting Friday evening. I list below the menu for the benefit of any hostess who might want to give an elaborate dinner some time:

Fresh Shrimp Cocktail, Seafood Sauce Saltine Crackers, Consomme Madrilene aux Croutons, Ripe California Olives, Hearts of Celery, Filet Mignon with Fresh Mushrooms, Potatoes Franconia Broccoli Hollandaise, Banquet Rolls, Butterettes, Head Lettuce, Tomato Garni, Four Acres Dressing, Fresh Coconut Bombe, Petits Fours and Coffee.

THE SPEAKER for the evening was Assistant Secretary of State George V. Allen. He was presented by Dr. Robt. R. Wilson, professor of Political Science at Duke. Dr. Herbert J. Herring, vice-president of Duke, welcomed the guests and Leslie Thompson responded. Dr. Charles E. Jordan was toastmaster. Gov. Kerr Scott presented Press awards for 1948. (The governor asked to be remembered to Loftin Mason.) Every year a special feature of the Duke dinners is the vocal selections of the Duke double quartet under the direction of J. Foster Barnes.

SIDELIGHTS — Five of us "unattached" ladies shared at Carolina Inn a suite that had just been redecorated and refurnished, with all new furniture, new rugs and pictures, and we held open house all the time we were not in meetings, for folks to see the "swanky" suite. The management says that the entire inn is to be done over like these three rooms. With me were: Miss Beatrice Cobb, Secretary of NCPA; Mrs. Elizabeth Gold Swindell, business manager Wilson Daily Times; Mrs. Virginia Price, Democratic committeewoman from Georgia and publisher of a weekly in Louisville, Ga.; and Miss Elizabeth Whitten, associate editor of the Marion Progress, Elizabeth Whitten, J. A. Gray, publisher of Sylva Herald, and I travelled together to Chapel Hill.

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