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Our National Lawlessness

It is one thing to enact a law, and quite another thing to enforce it. Passing a law doesn't cost the taxpayers anything to speak of, but enforcing it calls for policing, and that may cost more than the evil which the law was intended to remedy.

It is also an example of the inability of Government to enforce any law against a strong public sentiment in opposition to it; certainly of the inability of the Federal Government to enforce a statute which reaches into every corner of the nation, regardless of whether the people of any given state or community want it enforced. The increase of lawlessness in America is directly traceable to our unwillingness or inability to enforce the laws on the statute books. We have too many laws and not enough policemen.

Sometimes the failure to enforce laws is due to the timidity of public officials whose duty is to see that laws are obeyed. It is difficult to see any other reason for the non-enforcement of the laws in the numerous "sit-down" strikes which seem to be becoming epidemic all over the country. Nobody seriously contends that such unauthorized occupation of other people's property is legal, yet there have been few instances in which the laws have been enforced.

Every American child grows up with examples all around him of law violators going unpunished, either because there are not enough law-enforcement agencies or because those are lax in the performance of their duties. Probably the most widespread form of lawbreaking against which the laws are least enforced, is in the matter of violations of laws governing motor-traffic. This is a far more serious offense than many of the statutory misdemeanors for which penalties are more often exacted. Motor vehicle laws have as their main objective the protection of human lives. The terrific toll of deaths in motor accidents, nearly 40,000 last year, is evidence of the need for such laws and especially for their strict enforcement. But when a young motorist discovers that he can break almost any highway law without getting caught, or with a mild reprimand or a suspension of sentence if he is caught, his respect for law—all law—tends to vanish.

Lord's Acre Movement

A movement rapidly spreading among rural churches is that of having members set aside some special plot of ground or give a definite part of the proceeds from some special project to the church. A comment by Dr. John W. Holland in The Progressive Farmer is as follows:

"This Lord's Acre movement emphasizes the farmer's partnership with God. It plans something definite for each one to do. It works in the open where the results may be seen and measured. It will take some of the indefiniteness out of what we call 'Christian stewardship.' Thousands of people will find their spiritual life quickened into newness by the sight of things 'growing solely for God.' Thousands of boys and girls will develop characters who always feel the influence of thus working for and with God. One may not have as much as an acre to spare, but in that case a smaller plot or some other activity will provide something for God's work. The woman who gives all Sunday eggs to the church is an example.

Mae West received the second largest salary paid in this country last year. Mae's figure was \$480,000. The fellow didn't miss it much who said Mae looked like a million dollars.

The state of Texas comprises one-twelfth the area of the United States.

The Legislature

While the general assembly which adjourned last week failed in many points of public duty, it must be given credit for being one of the hardest working assemblies in the past decade. Little time was lost in filibuster and business was transacted with rapidity.

There are several things that the people of the state believe should have been done, notably among these being re-apportionment of representation in government. The legislature failed to do this and in so doing openly flouted the constitution they had sworn to uphold.

Much needed reform in the election laws was called to the attention of the lawmakers, but considering their actions one would almost be led to believe that the legislators were ignorant of the fact that anything wrong exists in the elections make-up in the state. The state board of elections happened to be one of the authorities which urged reform.

It is high time that the absentee ballot be abolished in the state. It has long outlived its purpose and we do not believe that such a handy tool of fraud should be given to people who otherwise would be scrupulous.

The legislature passed a record-breaking tax bill and appropriations, gave some relief in the form of sales tax exemptions, and a reduction of one-eighth in the price of licenses for passenger automobiles.

California, largest honey producing state, broke all records last year with a production of 27,000,000 pounds.

BRUCE BARTON
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IN SIMPLE EASY TERMS

An earnest gentleman with a gleam in his eye got in the other day; He asked me to read a book in which a new prophet sets forth a new religion. The gentleman assured me that if only all men and women could be led to think the thoughts of this prophet every difficulty would fold up.

While we talked I turned the pages of the book, and after about a minute I assured him that I should not need to read it in order to know that it would have no influence.



Bruce Barton

He was aggrieved. "You have a closed mind," he charged.

"Not at all," I said. "I happen to know what kind of words move the world. I'll give you an example: 'The Lord is my shepherd,' etc.

"Four score and seven years ago our fathers founded on this continent, etc.

"Contrast these simple words with a couple of phrases from your book," I said:

"The definitely 'anticipatory' value of the self-protecting mechanism of covenant obligations . . .

"Expanding consciousness obtainable through the direct application of the method of cyclic evolution . . .

"Nobody is going to overturn the world," I concluded, "unless he is able to make his ideas understandable even to a little child. Second-raters are always obscure. But the head man in any department of life, I care not whether it be medicine, theology, science or what, he can make a talk that will fascinate a kindergarten."

John Bunyan explained to his readers that he might have adopted a "stile" much more fancy but he wanted his book to be read by common people everywhere. He has his wish: "Pilgrim's Progress" will live as long as anything in our language.

GET GREATER EDUCATION

"Your problem is personnel," I said to the banker. "How are you solving it?"

"Well, we try to pick the smartest young men from the colleges, men who have majored in economics and finance. We start them in at the bottom and let them fight their way up. Some drop by the wayside, but the survivors develop into very good men."

I told him I thought they were omitting one very important step in the process of training.

"After your young man has had two or three years' experience in the bank, you ought to pull him out and send him into the heart of the country," I said. "Make him spend a year or two working on a farm, or with a section gang on the railroad, or clerking in a country store. Insist that he live on what he earns."

When he comes back to New York he will have some idea of how hard ordinary people have to work for their money. He will have a social as well as a merely financial point of view. A dollar will never become merely a sign or a sum to him. It will represent hopes and fears, ambitions and defeats, human sweat and blood."

I am one of those who believe that we are entering a period of great social changes. No matter how big and strong an institution or an industry may be it is going to be tested. Those institutions will win out which are headed by men of broad human sympathies; men who can see the other man's point of view because they have shared the other man's daily life.

FIRESIDE PHILOSOPHY

By G. M. DICKSON

Modern Code of Morals—if one can't kill all the snakes in his yard, or destroy all the whiskey in his community, he shouldn't bother with any of it.

Thousands of people are so glad that "parked" cars just can't talk.

If Newton's Law of Gravitation didn't meet them, some people are so sure that even when they start to fall they would never reach the ground. No one should blame a minority from wanting recognition, but it should be blamed for wanting "domination."

Apparently, some men would be glad to go blind to keep from seeing something to do.

If some men ever receive grace at all, it is like veneering—a very thin coat.

If a duck has troubles, he takes them under the water, while an eagle takes his skyward.

No man regrets not doing his duty except the man who just doesn't do it.

If a white woman has her hair kinked and calls it a "permanent," it is reasonable that a colored woman who has hers straightened will call it a "temporary."

If heaven is what we say it is, shouldn't we mend our ways to get there?

A colored man, upon receiving a letter from his girl was heard say, "Mongst all de bitters dere an' always one sweet, and I know dat gal of mine am de one." Sometimes, jest one "sweet" can leave the whole heap.

Mrs. Ennice Johns, the young Tennessee bride, who recently took unto herself a husband, has at least two primary requisites for rearing a family; namely, age and education. She was nine years old, and in the third grade. Experience, which may be very costly, will be "added unto her."

Those who oppose voting liquor into their counties probably haven't thought what an impetus it will put on business in the way of building additions to county homes and jail houses.

A modern substitute for the Bible and family devotions—a deck of cards and a "bridge party."

By no means does merely singing in the choir on Sunday morn' always atone for what may have happened on the night before.

Though one runs hard and reaches high to win a prize, the prize is usually worth the effort.

When one sits down to strike, it looks like that the last mile post has been reached.

Hard to outgrow—an environment which is surrounded by beer, bottle-in-bond, and slot-machines.

W. F. Welfare of Snow Hill, Green county, planted 500 black locust and 500 pine seedlings last week, in beginning a program to reclaim abandoned land.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of Mrs. M. A. Thompson, deceased, late of Wilkes County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Tharmond, North Carolina, on or before the 8th day of March, 1938, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 8th day of March, 1937.

J. A. THOMPSON, Administrator Estate of Mrs. M. A. Thompson, Dec'd. 4-12-37-M

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Suit Headquarters FOR MEN AND BOYS ABSHERS

Boomer News

Rev. S. I. Watts filled his regular appointments at Bethel and Littlejohn Sunday.

Mr. J. P. Caudill, who has been a patient at the Wilkes hospital, has returned home and is better.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Minton were visitors to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Caudill Sunday.

Mr. W. A. Caudill has a hen that is taking care of 60 little chicks. She has had some of them and adopted a number of others.

The mother hen seems well pleased with her large family, all of which are growing nicely.

Rev. B. F. Foster filled his regular appointment at Little Rock Sunday.

Rev. J. C. Gentry called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Caudill Sunday.

Mr. Ray Partler and Miss Ruby Worley were visitors to the home of Rev. and Mrs. S. I. Watts Friday and were married in the presence of a few friends, including Miss Dare Howell, Mr. Junior Costner, Miss Nita Partler and others. Rev. Mr. Watts performed the brief ceremony that made them husband and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McGee and children were visitors to the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Beach, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Meadows and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Meadows were visitors to the homes of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Howell and Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Carlton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Phillips were visitors to the home of Mrs. Julia Phillips, Sunday.

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DEMAND AND GET GENUINE BAYER ASPIRIN

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Greer were visitors to the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Ferguson Sunday evening.

A number of the people of this community are listening in over W. B. O. C., Charlotte, each Sunday at 1:15 and hearing and enjoying the Chapman Quartet as they sing their fine gospel songs.

The farmers throughout the county are active preparing to plant their spring crops.

Mr. Walter Pearson, of Bassett, Va., formerly a resident here, died in a Richmond hospital and was buried here last Thursday. Words of comfort were spoken by Rev. S. I. Watts.

Mr. Quincy Triplett died Thursday and was buried Friday in the Elred Graveyard. Last rites were

conducted by Rev. S. I. Watts.

Sunday was a beautiful day and many attended church and Sunday school through the county.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of P. A. Kennedy, deceased, late of Wilkes County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Rays, North Carolina, on or before the 22nd day of March, 1938, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 22nd day of March, 1937.

L. J. KENNEDY, Administrator Estate of P. A. Kennedy, Dec'd. 4-23-37(M)

Champion Bicycle Sprinter says: "ME FOR CAMELS!"

WILLIE HONERMAN adds: "I'll say Camels are mild! They don't upset my nerves. And smoking Camels helps keep my digestion ticking along smoothly."

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