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Crimes Of Violence

No less than 85 persons have been executed by the state of North Caarolina in the past five years.

It is interesting to note that only seven states in the union have a larger number of executions for the period.

It is something for the good people of North Carolina to turn over in their minds. It is a gruesome record and one which does not look good.

The record would look better if we were getting anywhere in the fight against crime.

But the fact remains that crimes of violence continue in all parts of the state and that death row at the penitentiary is kept full with condemned on the waiting

But even the record of executions is not deterring criminals.

The continued record of capital crimes and the ghastly number of executions has led some to believe that capital punishment should be abolished while others take a directly opposite viewpoint, advocating a return to the old method of public hangings in the counties where the crimes were committed.

Summing up the entire question, it must be admitted that society is failing to wholly take its full responsibility in training and guiding youth along the straight way.

Young people, and especially children whose lives are more tender in the formative stage, should be reminded daily that the "straight and narrow" is the only right way through life, and that even a small sowing of wild oats may lead to a bountiful and disastrous harvest.

"Postalizing" The Railroads

The plan put forward by John A. Hastings, a former New York state senator. for "postalizing" railroad transportation, is said to be receiving consideration among railroad men and in Washington.

The ideaa, briefly, is to charge a flat rate for a passenger fare over a distance of. say, a thousand miles, twice as much for 2,000 miles, etc. Mr. Hastings' idea is that it would pay the railroads to carry full loads of passengers between New York and Chicago, or Chicago and Denver or Denver and San Francisco, for a dollar head. The same rate would appply to sessengers who got on and off anywhere along the line.

If it pays to carry a letter anywhere for three cents, whether to the next town or the other end of the continent, why can't the same idea work with passengers? They are easier to handle than letters, because they load and unload themselves and don't have to be stamped and postmarked.

The railroads have already discovered that reduced passenger fares increase revenues. They made more money while the two-cents-a-mile rate was in effect than they have made since it was raised to 2 1/2 cents. They have learned that the cost of hauling passengers does not depend directly on the number of miles traveled. If the train is going through, it can carry excess passengers without any appreciable extra cost.

Without going into figures, it seems to us there is something in the Hastings' idea. It would at least enable men looking for a job or going to a new one to travel farther and cheaper.

PULL TOGETHER

(Editorial in La Verita of Waterbury, Conr.) Not for years have the times been so ripe for all parties in our national society to get together in a genuine effort to cooperate for the national welfare. Unmistakably, the people of America want such co-operation. Unmistakably, the nation needs such co-operation.

So we say to industry, to labor, to agriculture, to government, to consumers, to everybody "let's all work together".

After all, it's an Old American custom.

An Educational Need A common criticism of public schools

is that they do not teach pupils to read and speak the English language correctly. Insofar as that is true, it is partly due to the fact so many children come from homes where the correct use of words is not understood or observed, and they find it difficult to learn a new way of speak-

Children are especially sensitive to the accusation of being "stuck up" with which they are often met by their familiar outof-school associates when they pronounce words differently from the common usage of their environments, or use the correct word among people who consistently use the wrong word.

Now the same charge is being made against great universities, notably Harvard and Trinity, that they do not turn out graduates proficient enough to read and write their mother-tongue correctly.

This is a serious matter, especially for those who have to make their own way in the world. As between two candidates fer a job or for promotion, the choice will always go to the one who speaks better planes. English, all else being equal.

Too many youngsters of both sexes get through their school years still addicted to such misuses of language as the classic example: "If I had of knew what I'd ought to have knowed I'd never of did what I done".

The early schools gave first attention to the "Three R's-Reading, 'Riting and 'Rithmetic". The schoolmasters of those older days recognized that a child who went forth into the world solidly ground ed in those elements of education carried with him the keys to unlock every other door of knowledge through which he the wrong use of alcohol. Now I might seek to enter.

Two widespread influences are at work today to improve the language of the proves its merit. For instance, if masses of the people. They are the talking pictures and the radio. But any lasting knowledge of the elements of education must begin in the lowest grades of the

One of the worse things than can happen is to be always on the lookout for most competent physicians in sons having claims against the worse things to happen.

No mother-in-law thinks that the moth- preachers, tell us that many a er-in-law jokes were aimed at her kind of man dies in early life because of mother-in-laws.

Sunday School Lesson

By REV. CHARLES E. DUNN

Peter Delivered From Prison

Lesson For This Week: Acts 12:5-17 Golden Text: Acts 12:5

Few passages in the Bible are more graphic than this story of the release of well and happy, onslave them. P eter from prison. The minuteness of deserves and dethrone their reason, tail suggests that the narrative rests on destroy their souls by drinking this poithe testimony of an eye-witness.

And how human the characters seem! innocent who must suffer because There are rulers in power today who remind us strongly of him.

Rhoda, the servant-maid, who became clothing all because of a drinking so excited when Peter knocked at the husband and father. Many a pool gate of Mary's home that she forgot to been turned down by the business open it, is extremely lifelike. And so is

Note how astonished he was by the dren are made to suffer because whole performance. He hardly knew of alcohol Doctors tell us that whether he was asleep or awake. It was some time before he really grasped the ten minutes the poison begins to situation and knew for certain that he go into her blood and into the was a free man once more. It all seemed too good to be true.

The story reflects the Bible conviction world. that each man has'his guardian angel who interposes in his behalf at critical moments. "For he shall give his angels trust it. It is powerful, aggress charge over thee", writes the psalmist.

But do angels mean anything to our machine civilization? Does the modern an's cheek: Tomorrow it challengman see them, or pray to them? To be es this republic in the halls of sure, we sing about them at Christmas time, but do they not drop out of our lives at other seasons? Even Peter was skeptical. For he "wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision".

Yet angels still live on, and sing o'er this weary world of ours. He of the childlike faith, whose heart is open and whose feelings are expectant, can experience the touch of an angelic hand, and hear the sweet music of an angelic voice. We do not need to think of Peter's rescue by villians, slain more an angel as a bit of folk lore. All of us can recall similar surprising providential deliverances.

We have been saved, in some mysteriwe have been saved, in some mysters womanhood, broken more nearest ones way, by messengers of God. And so blasted more lives, driven more we continue to sing, with confidence, to smelde and the more travely than any other poisoned source that ever sweet as death dealing warm across this world. But the



Sir Kingsley Wood, British air minister, operates an automatic armoured fire position in a Tolworth are being installed on fighting

PUBLIC PULSE

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ALCOHOL DISASTROUS

Editor Journal-Patriot:

Will you give me space in your column to say a few words about will admit that alcohol has its place in the world and if used for its intended purpose, it always hate to see decay just drop it in a bottle of alcohol and you will be surprised to see how long you can keep him. But alcohol. whiskey, bear or wine, taken in the stomach has proved to he very injurious to health

Medical science studied by the

the world tell us that even the drinking of beer causes many Doctors. the poisoning effect of alcohol on the kidneys and heart. When a person drinks alcohol in beer. whiskey or wine his brain is numbed, his heart taxed, the delicate mucous lining of the stomach is inflamed and every nerve and faculty of the body is affected. Futhermore, they tell us that ed. Futhermore, they tell us that 30 per cent of all who ever drink become slaves to this awful deamon and that 50 per cent of all insunity in the United States is caused by the use of alcohol. Why then will men, women and children, who are well and could stay well and happy, onslave themselves and dethrone their reason, destroy their bodies and loose their souls by drinking this poisson and then there are so many settlement. son and then there are so many others drink. Many a wife has been neglected and many a child has gone hungry and without man who wanted to be honest has world because business just cannot trust a drinking man. this is not all. Even unborn chilwhen a prospective mother takes alcohol in her stomach that in blood of the unborn child. Thus laying the foundation for suffering before it is born into the

Strong drink is a menace to society, a wrecker of homes and life. Henry Grady said: "Don't ive and universal in its attack. Tonight it enters a lovely home to strike the roses from a wom-Congress. It is the spoiler of men, the terror of women, the cloud that shadows the face of children the demon that has dug graves and sent more souls to judgement unprepared than all the pestelence that have wasted life since God sent the plagues to Egypt and all the wars that have been fought since Joshus

stood beyond Jordan." Evangeline Booth truly said that I rok has drained more blood, jung more crepe, more homes, plunged more peo ple into bankruptcy, armed more snapped more wedding rings, defiled more innocence, blinded more eyes, twisted more limbs, dethroned more reason, wrecked more manhood, dishonored more

of Heaven. In 1 Cor. 8:8:10 we read "Haow re not that the an-righteous shall not inherir the kingdom of God. Be not deceiv-ed, neither fornicators, nor idol-aters, nor adulterous nor of ominate, nor abuses of themselves, with mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revelers, nor extortioners shall inherit the kingdom of God." Is it not strange that in the face of confinue to drink and engage in the associating evils that go with drink? Men and Women. boys and girls, for the sake of happiness, friends, society and high Heaven. Juit! "Look not then upon the wine when it is 'red when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." Prov. 23:31-32.

Sincerely, S. I. WATTS, Boomer, N. C.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

All persons are hereby notified that the undersigned has qualified as administrator of the estate of U. G. Foster, deceased.
All persons having claims against the said estate are requested to file same at once. If not filed within twelve months from date of this notice, same will be plead in bar of their right to recover.

All persons owing the estate of U. G. Foster, deceased, are requested to make settlement im-

mediately.
This Jan. 31, 1939.
I. F. FOSTER,
Administrator of the estate of
U. G. Foster, dec'd. 3-9-6t(T)

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Russell Horton, late of Wilkes county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate to present them to the undersigued at North Wilkesboro, N. C., on or before the 1st day of February, 1940, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. 'All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate settlement.

This February 1, 1939.

JOHNSON SANDERS,
Administrator of the estate of
Russell Horton, dec. 3-9-6t(T)

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE Having qualified as executor of the estate of James Lee Turner, tate to present them to the under-signed executor duly verified on or before the 9th day of February,

1940, or this notice will be plead in bar of the payment of same. All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate pay-ment to the undersigned executor at North Wilkesboro, N. C. This 9th day of February, 198 ETTA TURNER, 1989. Executor of the estate of James Lee Turner, dec'd. 3-16-6t(T)

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attlement.
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