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### BIBLE THOUGHT

MORTAL MEN AND WOMEN OFTEN DISAPPOINT US AND PROVE UNWORTHY, BUT GOD IS WORTHY OF OUR LOVE BECAUSE

### THE GOVERNOR AND UNEMPLOYMENT PAY

Governor Cherry in his recent appearance before a Congressional committee in opposition to the administration proposed liberalization of unemployment benefits was moved by something more than abstract state's right which has been a bone of contention for years and which sometimes means something and sometimes doesn't. We believe that Governor Cherry had in view the welfare of the worker himself.

Of course, it sounds a little peculiar to say that opposing a raise in unemployment compensation would be in the interest of the worker who might receive this pay.

However, it is our opinion, and we gather it is the governor's opinion, that the chief interest of the Tar Heel worker is in getting pay for the job he does as opposed to getting pay for idle time. The North Carolina general assembly has provided that he shall be given assistance in a layoff period but as the Governor points out that any increase above 50 per cent of the worker's average weekly earnings would serve to encourage and increase idleness. This same position was taken by Rep. Robert L. Doughton before the governor had anything to say on the subject.

Everybody knows, or should know, that unemployment benefits are not drawn out of thin air. The business of paying them falls back on a combination of taxpayers and industries, which means of course that in the final analysis the worker who works must pay the worker who doesn't work. This is a fair deal only if the payments to the unemployed are kept within reasonable limits and below the point at which workers would be encouraged to stay off the job.

We believe that the governor of North Carolina is interested in the worker in this state and we believe too, he is interested in the work that is done. For it is upon work done that all of us must live. You can't make a state prosperous with unemployment benefits no matter how high you make them.

### HOME BUILDERS VS. A FUSS

About the only thing on which the War Production Board, the Office of Price Administration and the National Housing Administration—WPB, OPA and NHA, if you like alphabetical designation better—the three government agencies which have to do with housing control, are in agreement is that there is a tremendous demand for new housing.

As a matter of fact, one does not have to go to any branch of the government to discover that truth. We have but to look around us at makeshift arrangements, at the want-ad columns of the newspapers where persons are crying daily for places to live, to realize the country needs more and better living quarters. Many persons put up with crowded conditions in a good spirit during war time, but now that peace has come with its more abundant materials and what we are told is a surplus of workmen, these home-hungry folks think they are entitled to something better.

What is more, they are right, and they should not be frustrated by some argument in Washington. As we understand it, the War Production Board wants to take the lid completely off home building. It has already revoked controls over industrial construction. The Office of Price Administration urges the modification of controls but doesn't want them all torn down. The national housing administration agrees that modification is all right but wants it accomplished differently.

If we were called on to take sides in the argument, we believe that we would come nearer agreeing with WPB and take off all the controls. This not only seems the sensible thing to do but it is also the course advocated by the major national business organizations. They should have some idea about what is the best stimulation for the nation's commerce.

For the moment, however, we are only interested in stopping this bickering and allowing the would-be home-builders the satisfaction of knowing where they stand. The most unsound foundation for a home, building, or anything else, is a fuss.

Twenty-four war criminals seem to make up a mighty small crop from such a big war as we had.

Many congressmen won't have time to unpack their bags from their European junkets in time to get them packed again for Washington.

Not only coal, but its outlook is also dark.

Stabilizer: Something that is used by airplanes and economic systems.

## SHARING THE WARMTH



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### A PRAYER FOR TODAY

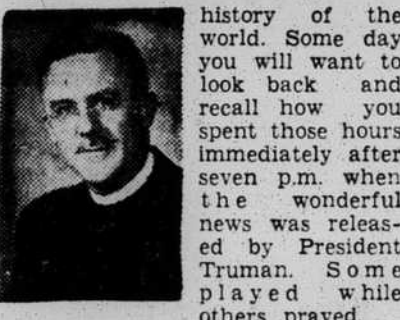
#### FOR THE FUTURE

All time is an eternal present to Thee, O Eternal Creator and Ruler of the universe; and Thy plans for mankind include two worlds. We pray that Thou wilt make us ready for what Thou art making ready for us. In the splendors of a new order of life, ruled by love and justice, may we bear a worthy part. Whatever the new day may hold of deprivation and change and sacrifice, may we meet it in the spirit of those who seek to follow Christ, even to a cross. Deliver us from fear and panic and pettiness; and teach us the eternal soul value. We would not shrink from temporal changes; for Thou, O Father, changeest not, and Thy love is constant in all the mutations of life. Lift up our hearts, and our imaginations, and our purposes, that we may be good soldiers of the new day, wherein Thy will may be done, and through which Thy Kingdom may come. Amen.

### The Everyday COUNSELOR

By DR. HERBERT SPAUGH

What did you do following the announcement of the Japanese surrender and the coming of peace? August 14, 1945 is a new day in the history of the world. Some day you will want to look back and recall how you spent those hours immediately after seven p.m. when the wonderful news was released by President Truman. Some played while others prayed.



REV. SPAUGH

It has always been a source of regret to me that I am unable to recall, and did not write down, my thoughts and actions on November 11, 1918. All that I remember is that I was in the Army and that we soldiers were very happy.

I don't think I will forget the events of August 14, 1945. I was just ready to sit down to the dinner table when the great news came. The doors of The Little Church On The Lane were immediately thrown open, although one door is open all the time. The candles on the altar were lighted. The church bell was rung vigorously for upwards of a half an hour. A number of visitors came into the church for prayer.

The same took place in other churches to which hundreds went quietly for their own prayers of thanksgiving. Even in the wild downtown celebration, there was a thoughtful and solemn undercurrent. A friend who was in the midst of it reported that he frequently heard a remark that this was a solemn moment, and that men should be praying instead of playing. He said that he saw one or two actually kneel on the sidewalk.

Later in the evening I opened my Bible at random to find these words in the ninth chapter of the Book of Ezra:

"And after all that is come upon us for our evil deeds, and for our great trespass, seeing that thou our God hast punished us less than our iniquities deserve, and hast given such deliverance as this; Should we again break thy commandments?"

As I thought upon these words, I was struck with the application to us in America. History is filled with the destruction of nations which have forgotten God. Germany is a awful example. We have suffered less than any of the other nations involved in this war. We have received a great deliverance. There is a new day of opportunity before us.

We have much moral and spiritual house-cleaning to do. Drunkenness among men has increased; among women much more. Immorality, vulgarity, brutality, lack of politeness mark these days. Sabbath desecration is so common that the majority think nothing of it.

### Literary GUIDPOST

By W. G. ROGERS

SELECTED SPEECHES AND STATEMENTS OF GENERAL OF THE ARMY GEORGE C. MARSHALL, edited by Maj. H. A. DeWeerd (Infantry Journal); \$2.75.

Forty-eight selections, from 1938 to this year, from speeches and testimony by the Army Chief of Staff are included in this important volume, rightly heralded as an invaluable source book in American military history.

If a general must be tested by what he does, Marshall passes triumphantly now that the last enemy has surrendered. But a general and Marshall's words are an impressive consistent record of his clear foresight into the danger threatening us and of his single-minded purpose in preparing for it.

Being Chief of Staff seems to have been only a fraction of the Chief of Staff's duties. Marshall had to take time out to address the Legions, Rifle and Ordnance associations, colleges, historical societies, Chambers of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers, and furthermore to argue for his kind of an army before senators and representatives who, to quote a couple of them, thought a fellow who had to wear the uniform very long in defense of his country was "unfortunate" or expected the general to stop every thing while he cleaned out the Pentagon.

Marshall's virtue appears to be that he is an unromantic warrior in time of unromantic warfare. He led no charges, brandished no sword, uttered no memorable rallying cries. He kept his head. His business was conscription, training, production, finances, over-all strategy. Like his book, he is methodical; he's not glamorous but he's effective; a marshal in fact.

Perhaps his most interesting comments have to do with education. School books stress our victories but do not, he complains, admit the price we paid for them. In 1898, he recalls, our troops sailed for the Philippines with enough small arms ammunition to last just one day. We enrolled nearly 400,000 men to beat British armies of 45,000 in the Revolution, and even more in 1812 to beat a foe never numbering over 16,000 in one place.

### Luther A. Abernethy Claimed By Death

LINCOLN—Luther A. Abernethy, 87, prominent farmer, died Monday morning in his home near Macpelah church, after a long illness. The funeral will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Macpelah church.

Formerly Mr. Abernethy taught schools in different parts of Lincoln county. He leaves two sons, W. B. Abernethy, former sheriff of this county, and L. F. Abernethy, and four daughters, Mrs. Pansy A. Boyd of Washington, D. C., Mrs. L. S. Womack of Charlotte, Mrs. Ralph Lohr of Lenoir, and Mrs. J. C. Caddell of Orlando, Fla.

The first national election returns to be broadcast by radio were those announcing the election of President Harding in 1920.

### Merry-Go-Round

## Resignation Of Marshall Likely

By DREW PEARSON

(Lt. Col. Robert S. Allen Now On Active Service With the Army)

WASHINGTON — If Congress really looks into the Pearl Harbor disaster carefully it will uncover one of the most amazing detective stories in international diplomatic and military history.

Top officers who worked on the Pearl Harbor investigation state privately that despite all the polite eyewash about responsibility in Washington, there is uncontrollable testimony that Adm. Husband Kimmel had concrete evidence seven days before Pearl Harbor that four Jap carriers were unaccounted for. These turned out to be four of the Jap ships which attacked Pearl Harbor.

The fact that they couldn't be located was so serious that Kimmel indicated to his intelligence officer, Capt. Edwin D. Layton, that he was aware of the possibility that the Jap carriers might be in sight of Pearl Harbor. Yet Kimmel did nothing to check up and ordered shore leave on Saturday, December 6, just as in normal times. The facts are these:

Captain Layton had done an outstanding job of intelligence against great obstacles. More recently he has directed intelligence for the entire Pacific fleet with equal efficiency. Layton called on Kimmel on the morning of Dec. 1, 1941, and told him the Japs had taken an unusual step. He told Kimmel the Japs had changed all their naval radio calls. Kimmel then ordered Layton to analyze immediately the whereabouts of the Jap fleet.

Layton put together all his secret information and reported back to Kimmel on December 2 that he didn't know where two Jap carrier divisions were.

**ROUNDING DIAMOND HEAD**  
 "What! You don't know where carrier division II are?" Kimmel asked.

"No, sir, I do not," Captain Layton replied. "I think they are in home waters, but I do not know where they are. The rest of the units—I feel pretty confident of their location."

Testifying before the secret naval board of inquiry, Captain Layton continued:

"Then Admiral Kimmel looked at me, as sometimes he would with a somewhat stern countenance and yet partially with a twinkle in his eye and said, 'Do you mean that they could be rounding Diamond Head and you wouldn't know it?' or words to that effect. My reply was that, I hope they would be sighted before now . . ."

Diamond Head is the major landmark right on the island of Oahu near the entrance to Pearl Harbor.

The officers who questioned Layton didn't understand what he meant by referring to the twinkle in Kimmel's eye and they asked him if he felt the discussion had been serious. Layton replied that the question was absolutely serious and that failure to locate the four carriers was most important.

Later on, every day up to the Pearl Harbor attack, Layton sent reports to Kimmel pointing out there was no knowledge of where the missing Jap carriers were. Layton also told Kimmel that 200 Jap naval calls had been partially identified and that not a single one was from a carrier. When ships are on a combat mission they maintain radio silence. Thus it was known that the carriers were up to something.

But Kimmel did nothing about the warnings. He never sent out a single plane from any fleet headquarters to look for the missing Japs. This was despite the fact that Washington had warned of a sneak attack from "Orange" (the secret code name for Japan), which had never declared war in her entire history of ruthless, unexpected aggression.

#### UNDER THE DOME

Admiral Ernie King, commander of the fleet, who put up such a fuss for the gray summer uniform for naval officers, now has another secret sartorial ambition. He is designing a gray-green winter uniform for officers which would replace time-honored navy blues. A lot of other admirals don't enthuse over King's new ambition . . . It was King, who during the height of the war, went over Secretary Knox's head to PDR and ok'd the new gray summer uniform. Knox had vetoed it on the ground that there were already difficult to buy.

The 13th Nazi criminal on the allied list of Germans to be prosecuted is a cousin of the State department official who translated for Byrnes and Truman at Potsdam. He is Gustav Krupp Von Bohlen, head of the Krupp munitions works. His cousin, "Chuck" Bohlen, is an able U. S. career diplomat who speaks Russian fluently and has translated for both Roosevelt and Truman in talks with Stalin. The Russians, who know all about his family background, consider Bohlen very anti-Soviet.

Most newspapermen who know Gen. George Marshall have the highest regard for him. However, when they read the army board's charge that he was partly responsible for Pearl Harbor they couldn't help but remember two cases where Marshall was also woefully wrong with them . . . One was the day after Germany invaded Russia, when the chief of staff held a press conference and predicted the fall of Moscow in a few weeks . . . Again, just a few days before Japan surrendered, Marshall held another press conference in which he told how he needed a tremendous army to invade Japan. This was even after

## Behind The FRONT PAGE

By HOLT McPHERSON, Managing Editor

H. L. MENCKEN IN HIS SUPPLEMENT TO "THE AMERICAN LANGUAGE", in which he considers accretions of the past decade, belabors the fad of recklessly using first names which he views as having reached alarming proportions. He says he knows of little tom-lits not five years old who speak to and of their parents and elders as "Bill," "Jack," "Margaret," "Florence", etc. Radio announcers are, as he views it, doing their pumpkin-headed best to help the movement along.

Now most of us see nothing so disturbing in knowing folks well enough to call them respectfully by their first names, but the youngsters have picked up the habit to the point of excess; witness the story told by Senator Hoey of a recent outing here when a 10-year-old walked up, slapped him a bit low on the because he couldn't reach to a full back-slapping height, and said "Hello, Clyde!"

There was cause for proceedings by some one in that case, through Senator Hoey, naturally enough, took none himself.

**A LITTLE BIRD—WELL, IT WAS A BIG BIRD, COME TO** think of it—tells me that one of the ardent followers of Shelby's baseball team is trying to arrange to give those wrist watches to the boys as his gift, and if successful then the Legion will take the money intended for watches and equip each of the boys with a new suit of clothes as they depart for the world series. The Legion truly honors itself in the way it is honoring the boys, more especially in the provision of scholarships which is to be a continuing purpose, according to Commander Willis McMurphy who pledges all profits from baseball to a community betterment program.

**EDITORIAL PAGES ARE BEING SLANTED MORE IN DIRECTION** of the sports pages of recent days as one editor after another has taken occasion to congratulate their Shelby friends on winning the American Legion's national junior baseball championship.

"This should put a stop to the unfounded rumor that all they raise up in Shelby is cotton and politicians," says Bob Thompson in The High Point Enterprise. "They raise baseball players, too. (All of which reminds us of the time when Shelby's Clyde Hoey was governor and there was a ball game between state officials and Catholic priests down in Raleigh. The first batter was Bishop Haffey. Governor Hoey opened the game by pitching to him. With his long hair and longer coattails flying in the breeze, the governor would up and cut one loose that nearly beamed the bishop. Whereupon both the governor and the bishop were removed from the game and church vs. state strife was avoided as the two settled down in the bleachers to refresh themselves with a couple of cokes.)"

**GOVERNOR ELLIS ARNALL GIVES PROPER EMPHASIS** to the part played by the Battle of Kings Mountain in turning the Revolution and pointing the course of a nation as he writes of "Dixie On the March" to say: There is a feeling through the South that momentous things will happen in the postwar reconversion period. Dixie definitely is on the march to a wider recognition of its status as an integral part of our common country, to a new era of genuine prosperity, based on the realization of our dream of a stable industrial-agrarian economy.

"The heritage of the South is a rich one, with which the people of the South could become better acquainted. Here is the real cradle of American freedom. Here is where the revolution was won, on the battlefield of Kings Mountain. Here is where the continental empire that is our nation had its inception in the grants to the Federal government of the western empires of the southern states.

"Here is where opportunity lies tomorrow, and the last remaining frontier, the neglected and too long exploited South. We are freeing ourselves of prejudices and foibles, and we are pressing upon all the nation the inexorable proof of the interdependence of all sections of our common country."

**A MEMORIAL IS BEING PROJECTED TO HONOR THE MEMORY** of the late Ernie Pyle, the G. Boswell in this war, in the form of journalism scholarships at Indiana University. It is something in which Ernie himself had shown real interest before he died, making its realization a worthy memorial in complete good taste and worthy of success. It is far more worthy of Ernie's memory than that vast park and cemetery which high-powered promoters projected in his name and had to be called off by his widow who was offended by the garish purpose to raise some \$10 million dollars, to do something pretentious for as unpretentious a guy as ever trod this earth.

This purpose to raise the standard of newspapering through better training is a rightful concern of everyone who values the usefulness of an honest, courageous and sound press. It is something of which many of us have thought seriously in the hope that in this state and in the South such stimulation to study and equipment might be encouraged. The press could honor itself and its leaders in no finer fashion than by thus helping assure that the business will be carried on by well-trained hand.

**U. L. PATTERSON IS RAISING STRAWBERRIES THESE** days out at his place, his vines yielding a couple of quarts daily. It just goes to show what enterprise and initiative will do with Cleveland land—I don't know what price fresh strawberries command, but they couldn't be cheap at this season.

### Two Injured When Train Is Sideswiped

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., Sept. 5.—(P)—One soldier and a locomotive engineer were injured early today when the Baltimore and Ohio railroad's National Limited sideswiped a troop train a mile west of here.

Three cars of the westbound Arthur's resignation also may come at about the same time, depending on how things go in Japan. All three are over-age.

When storing cotton wash clothes, wash and put them away without starching.

About one-third of the fires put out by municipal fire departments in the United States are put out with hand extinguishers.

### MADAME NORTH

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