

BRUCE BARTON Says:

We Want To Feel Better
A man who is much disturbed by what he calls the "forgotten habit of church attendance" asks me to write a piece on that subject. From rather limited observation, it has seemed to me that church attendance has been better since times became worse. If this observation be correct, it only bears out the record of past experience.

Years ago Roger Babson made a study which proved in most interesting and conclusive fashion that people tend to neglect the church in boom times and go back to it when prosperity has fled. A boom begets big-headedness, conceit, extravagance, self-will; all these are enemies to humility and faith, and all evaporate in a deflation.

My father, who was a clergyman, used to say: "It does not surprise me that more people do not go to church. On the contrary, I am forever being amazed that so many do go." He went on to ask: "Why do people go? And he answered by saying that they go to hear themselves called sinners, to be told that they have done wrong during the week and have been a disappointment to themselves and the angels; they go to be asked to give money and to be told that they do not give enough. . . All this, said my father, is a program so rigorous that the wonder is that anybody continues to ask for it.

He might have added that people who have been regular church attendants in recent years have had to listen to an awful lot of second-hand economics.

Those people who went to listen to the Founder of the Church heard a good deal about their social obligations but they heard, also, that they were great people, with infinite capacities—children of the Almighty and heirs of eternal life. At the close of the sermon they felt encouraged, not discouraged; better, not worse.

This can not be said of some church congregations today.
We'll Always Be Fallible
It is always my painful duty to

report that the human race is in a bad way, and to submit in evidence by thoughtful citizens at luncheon a number of remarks made recently and dinner tables.

First remark, by the president of a large corporation. "I have revised my will and eliminated the clause which named a Trust Company as administrator. My observation of the action of trust companies during this depression convinces me that they do not know anything."

Second remark, by an intelligent woman: "I have no use for doctors. Most of the time they are merely guessing. They have the lucky advantage of being able to bury their mistakes."

Third remark: "When the lawyers talk about 'cleaning up the bar' they know it is just talk and that nothing will be done. They want the law too intricate and involved because that makes more work for lawyers."

Fourth remark: "I don't read advertising any more; it is so exaggerated and misleading."

Each of these remarks reminded me of the very wise advice of an older editor when, years ago, I was placed in charge of a magazine. He said: "You are going to discover that there are no efficient people in the world. You will explain an idea to a writer, and he will seem to understand, but when he delivers the finished article it won't be at all what you want. You will think an artist has a clear notion of the kind of picture you want, but when he brings it in it will be a hundred per cent wrong."

All of which sums up to this—the human race is made up of a great many million very fallible human beings. On the whole, they try their best, but their batting average is low; it always will be low just because they are human and limited and fallible. If you proceed on that assumption you never are disappointed, and every now and then you get a very cheering surprise.

Gives Final Figures Benefit Payments

A final tabulation of AAA benefit payments shows that North Carolina farmers received a total of \$17,589,406.46 in 1935 for cooperating in the crop adjustment programs.

The money was disbursed as rentals on land retired from the cultivation of basic crops and as

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"HERE HE IS, MR. GREELEY."
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"GENTLEMEN, THINK OF MY DIGNITY."
CHRISTOPHER GALE, CHIEF JUSTICE OF N.C. IN 1711 WAS CAPTURED BY INDIANS

TAX
DID YOU KNOW THAT IN N.C. A PEDESTRIAN HAS THE RIGHT OF WAY OVER A CAR AT AN INTERSECTION IF THERE ARE NO TRAFFIC SIGNALS?

DID YOU KNOW THAT CONFED. PRISONERS AT SALISBURY PRICKED THEMSELVES ALL OVER WITH RED-HOT NEEDLES? THEY WERE PUT IN THE PESTHOUSE AS HAVING SMALL POX, AND IT WAS THEN QUITE EASY TO ESCAPE!

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adjustment payments to the farmers who limited the production of these crops.

The payments in this State for 1935, according to figures announced by Dean I. O. Schaub, of State College, were divided among the growers of various crops as follows: Tobacco growers \$9,359,220.81, cotton growers \$6,717,981.05, peanut growers \$813,904.11, corn-hog producers \$634,489.68, and wheat growers \$63,804.81.

Although this includes all the checks distributed during the year, Dean Schaub stated, it does not include all the money due the growers for their part in the 1935 AAA programs, as some of the payments are still due.

Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, and other high government officials announced shortly after the Supreme Court voided the AAA, that some way would be found to complete all payments due farmers under crop adjustment contracts.

The total payments for all crops last year, divided by counties, shows that farmers in Warren County received \$239,067.11. Halifax County received \$462,918.64, Franklin County

received \$334,806.39, and Vance County received \$216,243.50.

Develop Strong Bee Colonies In Spring

A bee colony that grows strong and healthy in the spring will be in a good position to gather large quantities of honey when the flowers and trees put forth their blossoms.

To insure the development of a strong colony, C. L. Sams, extension apiarist at State College, urges beekeepers to examine their colonies on a warm day in early spring.

The colony should have a good queen, an abundance of food, plenty of brood comb, and a large force of workers. It should also be free from disease.

If the colony has less than 15 pounds of stores, it should be fed with honey taken from a healthy hive that has a surplus or with a syrup made from equal parts of water and sugar.

The condition of the queen may be determined by examining a few combs of brood. Brood from a good queen will be in solid patches, with

very few, if any, cells left vacant, Sams pointed out.

If the brood has many empty cells, the queen is weak. The absence of brood indicates that the colony is queenless.

A colony with a weak queen, or without a queen, should be united with one that has a vigorous, prolific queen. If the colony is in fairly good condition, it may be advisable to introduce a new queen to take the place of an old or weak one.

Bees die rapidly, Sams explained, and unless a large number of bees is raised from the brood in spring, the colony will not be able to gather a great deal of nectar when the honey flow starts.

In the warmer sections of the State, it will be asafe to open the hives for examination in March. In the cooler mountain areas, it is best to wait as late as May to avoid danger of chilling the colonies, he warned.

Winter Does Not End War On Insects

The severe cold weather of the past few months did not bring

a cessation of hostilities in the war between man and insects.

The brief truce is now over, said C. H. Brannon, extension entomologist at State College, and good farmers are getting ready to renew the fight.

Although exceedingly cold temperatures kill some insects, he said, enough will survive the winter to seriously damage the crops in the spring and summer unless preventative measures are taken.

The boll weevil can wreck havoc with the cotton fields if weather conditions during the growing season are favorable to its development.

Cotton growers should prepare now for weevil control, he said. What battle was ever won by waiting until the enemy appeared before starting to get ready for the conflict? he queried.

He urged tobacco growers to watch their plant beds carefully for signs of flea beetle injury. When beetles are found, apply poisons according to recommendations of county farm agents.

Horn worms are a continual source of loss to tobacco growers, but machines have been devised to aid in their control. The same machine can often be used in cotton fields too, Brannon added.

Derris dust containing three-fourths of one per cent rotenone is the most effective poison against Mexican Bean beetles, he stated, and it is not poisonous to human

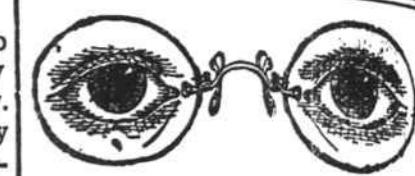
beings.

Orchardists who have not yet applied the winter scale spray should complete the applications before it is too late in the spring. Also get ready to follow the spraying and dusting schedules for spring and summer.

Spraying calendars may be secured free from the agricultural editor at State College.

Buncombe beef cattle are reported in excellent condition despite continued snow and cold. The growers are simply taking more interest in their cattle, says the farm agent.

Jackson County farmers are buying seed in large quantities for seeding this spring. Korean leads in demand.



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