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The Pastor's Paragraph

By The Rev. Philip E. Lykes Gladstone, one of England's great statesmen, once said to DeWitt Talmage, "talk about the questions of the day; there is only one question, and that is the question of religion in the home—settle that and you will settle all questions."

As we look about us today, we are aware of the fact that Gladstone's statement is no less true in our day than in his. All around us is the tragic evidence of the absence of religion in the homes of our communities. We see it reflected at times in the moral attitudes and standards of our children. Sometimes we are shocked and hurt at the things they do. Most often though I think that we see it in the complete lack of an awareness on the part of our children that God is vitally interested in them as individuals, in all that they are now and in all that they hope to be and that He loves them with a Holy Love.

This awareness must come first of all through the attitude of our parents towards God and the church. If their's is an indifferent attitude can the child be anything else? Whitaker Chambers, one time communist and the chief witness in the Alger Hiss trial, said that during his childhood he could not remember any mention of God or of Christianity in his home. His mother was critical of religion. This added proof that children are seldom more religious than their parents.

It is reported that Luther Burbank once said, "If we studied children as we do cattle, hogs, and trees, we would improve the race 100 per cent in one generation." Religion in the home! That will improve our world situation in less than one generation.

God has given to man the ability to bring forth upon this earth that which has never existed before. He has given us the ability to bring forth life. As parents we are morally responsible for the way that new life is developed.

Robert Blaylock, Littleton Funeral Director, Dies

LITTLETON—Robert Anderson Blaylock, 78, of Littleton, one of the oldest practicing morticians in the state, died Friday night in Warren General Hospital at Warrenton.

A native of Iredell County, Mr. Blaylock had been a licensed funeral director and embalmer since 1913. He had been co-owner and manager of Blaylock Funeral Home here for the last 15 years. Prior to coming to Littleton he had been associated with funeral homes throughout the state. He was connected with Barnes Funeral Home in Henderson from 1928 to 1941.

Mr. Blaylock was a member of the Littleton Baptist Church, Royal Hart Lodge, AF&AM, both York and Scottish Rite bodies, and of the Sudan Temple of the Shrine.

Funeral services were conducted at 3:30 p. m. Sunday at Littleton Baptist Church by the Rev. Colie Rock, pastor. Burial was in the family plot in Sunset Hill Cemetery here.

Surviving are one daughter, Miss Loyce Blaylock of Raleigh and Littleton; one son, Dorman F. Blaylock of Warrenton; one brother, Henry H. Blaylock of Moncure; and four grandsons.

Warren Native, 99, Succumbs In Vance

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Stewart Cook Powell, a Warren County native who died Sunday, were held Tuesday at 3 p. m. at Herman Methodist Church near Henderson.

The Rev. Robert L. Ossman, pastor of Herman Church, the Rev. W. B. Petteway, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Henderson, and the Rev. Troy J. Barrett, pastor of Wesley Memorial Methodist Church in Warrenton, conducted the services. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery in Warrenton.

Mrs. Powell, 99, died at the home of her daughter in Vance County following a brief illness.

She was born in 1863 in Warren County and was the daughter of the late Ben and Ann Hall Cook. For the past 33 years she had lived with her daughter, Mrs. Ray Crew,

in Vance County.

She was a member of Wesley Memorial Methodist Church here and had served as a mail clerk in the Warrenton Post Office.

Surviving in addition to her daughter are one son, Ben W. Powell of Warrenton; ten grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Tarry Funeral Held On Sunday

Funeral services for William Burwell Tarry, 74, of Long Grass Farm, Mecklenburg County, Va., who died last Friday, were held at 3 p. m. Sunday.

Services were held at the home by the Rev. John Brown, pastor of West End Presbyterian Church of Raleigh. Burial was in the Nutbush Presbyterian Church Cemetery at Townsville.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Evelene Royster Tarry; one daughter, Mrs. Charles M. White, III, of Warrenton; two sons, Dr. William B. Tarry, Jr., of Oxford and Dr. James R. Tarry of Richmond, Va.,

and two sisters, Mrs. Richard Boyd of Durham and Mrs. Frank Barr of State College, Miss.

New Appearance In Telephone Bills

Telephone subscribers in Warrenton and Norlina will soon notice a change in the appearance of their monthly telephone statements.

Howard Pitts, local manager for Carolina Telephone, said the newly designed statements will be used here with billing periods dated September 22 and after.

Although the new bill will show the charge for local service and those for long distance service separately, the entire statement will consist of an oblong hinged electronic accounting card.

In addition, a return envelope will be enclosed with each statement for use by subscribers who wish to pay by mail.

In commenting on the change, Pitts said, "The revised statement is the product of electronic equipment recently installed in our Accounting Department. We think that the new statement will be easier to read and understand."

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So Smart, Yet So Dumb

On Tuesday night many persons here saw a program on Telstar at the Rotary meeting and its promise of improved communications and marveled at the scientific achievement of man who is now seeking to reach the moon, while yet a long ways from solving the earth's problems.

And yet one must judge mankind with mixed emotions. Looking at him by his scientific achievements, as exemplified by Telstar, one must say that man is incredibly smart, but looking at his blunders in the social, economic and governmental fields one must feel that he is quite stupid.

In spite of great natural resources, great facilities for training people in the economic and social field, in spite of volume after volume of research on government, we have not been able in more than thirty years to elect a President capable of balancing the Federal budget or a Congress insistent upon its being done.

More than anything else the people of the world want peace and justice, but we are committed to a policy where one wonders whether or not the economy could operate on a peace time basis, or even whether or not we could afford, if we could, to abolish sin. Millions of our people are out of work, and one wonders what would happen to the country if suddenly by some miracle our swords could be beaten into ploughshares. In the 1930's we raked leaves to make work so that money would be distributed, and in the 1960's we are building armaments with at least a touch of a similar purpose.

Likewise, as our minister friend pointed out in a jocular mood, if sin were abolished all the preachers would be out of a job. And so would the jailers, the judges, the lawyers, the policemen, and all the millions whose time is spent in trying to keep man from committing mayhem.

The larger portion of the world is worrying about getting enough to eat while our farmers are worrying about producing too much food, and if they are not the government is.

Here in Warren County we are bothered by lack of jobs for those who want to work, and at the same time we spend a great deal of our time cursing those on Welfare for not being willing to work.

This could go on and on, as there is no end to it, but it does cause one to wonder how man can be so smart and so dumb at the same time.

Shopping Habits Undergo Change

Goldsboro News-Argus
The shopping habits of North Carolina citizens have changed. We see this in Goldsboro, in Raleigh and in most other energetic and progressive cities in the state.

Once Saturday was pay day almost without exception. Now pay day is every day with some section of the people. Once Saturday was the big shopping day. Now Saturday is one of the least important shopping days.

It is not so much a shopping day now because not only do more people get paid on different days but the five-day week is growing in popularity. More and more businesses fall in line with closing on Saturdays or closing for a half day on that day.

Note the food advertising of a city and you get a check on what sort of a city it is, how fast it is growing and changing.

In some of North Carolina's larger cities already it is routine for the big food stores to insert advertising in the papers on Monday and on Tuesday as well as on Thursday or Friday. We noticed this routine first years ago. Now you see it in Durham and in Raleigh, to mention only two cities which follow this system.

NEWS OF FIVE, TEN AND 25 YEARS AGO

Looking Backward Into The Record

September 13, 1957

Members of the Haliwa tribe of Indians of Warren and Halifax Counties have opened a private Indian school near the Bethlehem Negro school in East Warren County.

The Greystone Concrete Products Company's new plant at Norlina went into operation on Wednesday morning.

A free X-ray Clinic will begin in Warren County next week when a mobile unit from the North Carolina State Board of Health will be on the court house square in Warrenton.

Several hundred persons are expected here Sunday for a tour of historical sites of Warren County.

September 12, 1952

The Mariam Boyd Elementary School here will be dedicated on Sunday afternoon, W. B. Terrell, superintendent of schools, announced yesterday.

The Warrenton Tobacco Market averaged 50.48 cents a pound on Monday after a ten-day delayed opening.

H. G. Halthcock resigned as Macon police chief this week due to poor health.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Coleman of Inez announce the birth of a daughter in Warren General Hospital on September 7.

September 10, 1937

The road from Norlina to Warrenton has been closed this week in order that the highway might be re-surfaced.

A street dance will be held here next Wednesday night on the eve of the opening of the Warrenton Tobacco Market.

The town jail has gone bad and town prisoners are being confined in the county jail.

Peter Seaman, Jr., entertained twenty of his friends at a birthday party on Saturday afternoon.

School Menus

JOHN GRAHAM MENUS

September 17-21
Monday—Fish sticks, potato slaw, cornbread, milk, butter, brownies.

Tuesday—Fried chicken, rice, gravy, candied yams, string-beans, hot biscuits, milk, butter.

Wednesday — Spiced luncheon meat, potato salad, buttered cabbage, hot rolls, apple sauce, milk, butter.

Thursday — Beef patties, creamed potatoes, hot biscuits, turnip greens, chocolate cake.

Friday—Weiners, rolls, cole slaw, beans, apple pie, milk, butter.

MARIAM BOYD MENUS

Monday—Spanish lima beans, cole slaw, rolls, butter, apple sauce, milk.

Tuesday—Tuna salad, buttered peas, carrot sticks, rolls, butter, milk, lemon icebox pie.

Wednesday — Chicken pot pie, tossed salad, biscuits, butter, sliced peaches, milk.

Thursday—Meat loaf, buttered rice, green beans, biscuits, butter, pineapple upside-down cake, milk.

Friday — Weiners, rolls, beans, cole slaw, cherry pie, milk.

Mrs. Thad Holloman of Ahoskie spent several days here last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hedgepeth.

Mrs. R. C. Dickerson and children of Wake Forest visited friends here on Friday.



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There Is Time

Everett (Wash.) Daily Herald
Frequently somebody says: "There is time. All you need to do is to take it."

What is time? Today is time. Most everybody at some time or another has said: "Someday I am going to do this-and-so." Most of our days are lived considering the future. Some wait for the weather to clear, some for conditions to improve and some for a dream ship to come in.

What about the present? What about this day? Time is a gift from God and what are we doing with it? Yesterday is gone forever leaving but a memory—a result. Tomorrow may never come. But today. It is here. It is a gift we can use wisely or unwisely.

We who hesitate in accepting our gift must reconcile our actions—to offer excuses to ourselves and to others: "I didn't have the time... If I were only younger... Do you think I could do it?"

Maybe we cannot achieve something that has existed in our dreams. But we can try. Today is the only time in which the opportunity for trying is assured us.

Those who put off until tomorrow what they could attempt today are merely creating an image of defeat. God gives us the gift of time. We can return that gift in our best efforts.

Someone has said that tension is caused by worrying about yesterday and tomorrow. Our best effort in making today a better day will give us enough to do without worrying about tomorrow... or weeping about what has transpired.

A lifetime can be lived in a fleeting moment.

You have more than a fleeting moment. There are 24 hours at your disposal today. What you do with them is entirely up to you. Soon today will have become another fruitful, or another wasted, yesterday.

Some Solid Advice

Fandford (S.D.) Bugle
A fellow in Minneapolis has figured out a way to beat the parking problem. He buys cheap cars and deserts them.

Be Kind To People!

It's an act of kindness to trust people with a secret. It makes them feel important while they're telling it.—Salt Lake Tribune.

It's About Time

It is now legal to stand up and take a drink in Washington, D. C. What a relief for the American public. At least we are now assured our public servants will stand for something.—Indianapolis Star.