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BIBLE THOUGHT

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.—St. Matt. 5:9.

It is of the essence of war that the evils that you seek to destroy by it are not destroyed, but enter into your own lives and souls.
—Oswald Garrison Villard.

School For Every Child?

TODAY Macon county's children and teachers started "with a clean slate" back to school. For all—new and old alike—the year's work will present tests for teachers as well as pupils. And there will be other "true and false" tests besides those mimeographed for mass consumption by the grades. We hope these experiences will be of a character that all will be the better and stronger for them.

Many children will come with care-free happiness, some with shy reticence. Some go forward to success, others face failure, a few, perhaps, tragedy. For some the flame of thought will grow brighter; for others there await frustration and bewilderment, like the girl who said, "I've done took French two years and it ain't done me no good yet."

Then we must not forget the children who didn't go to school today. We need to feel the sort of shame in this fact that will drive us, all working together, to right this wrong. It is no one person's or one group's fault that this is the case. But the guilt is shared by every one of us if the condition is allowed to continue.

Now is the time that superintendent, principals, teachers, parents and children should mobilize; and, through churches, organizations and welfare agencies, set out to combat illiteracy. There is no poverty so acute that a way cannot be found to lift every little child out of the threat of this darkness.

The fruits of past vicious circles of ignorance and poverty may be seen on our streets—especially court weeks and Saturday nights—in all its pitiful reality. Like some foul disease, the privileged cannot escape contagion by indifference.

What is needed is something more than "enlightened self interest"; it is hard, unselfish work that is prompted by genuine caring about the other fellow enough to help remove the cause. Then a new era of education for all will begin.

If it is willed by the good citizens of Macon county that no child is too poor or too isolated to go to school—that he may find the tools to a better life—then it can be done.

If not, we will go on having festering spots, with the darkness that breeds poverty, and more poverty, prostitution, drunkenness, suffering; to menace, and perhaps ruin some of our happy children who started to school today.

Peace and Peacemakers

TREMBLING on the brink of "the next war" men's minds are driven to ask again "what, when, where and how?" concerning "the next peace."

An Englishman in this month's Atlantic Monthly, trying to pierce the darkness in Europe today, considers war even preferable to the present chaos of 'cold war' or 'hot peace'. But whether the victors in a war would 'establish' peace after 'making' peace he gravely doubts. The author sees in any event, the inevitable course of Great Britain and France politically towards a totalitarian form of government. After the destruction of what he considers an outworn system, the only gleam of light in the picture he paints is stated in closing, "We shall all have to stoop down together to one common dead level—socially, economically, politically—if ever we are to build a new order."

Some other thoughts about peace and peacemakers come to us from one who fought through the World War. This speaker referred to the beatitude, "Blessed are the peacemakers", shedding considerably more light on those things that make for peace than the learned scholar in the Atlantic Monthly.

This other Englishman reminded his hearers that peace was not a cessation of war, but being of so positive a character that it was one of the hardest blessings to attain. "It is not blessed are those who sit down under their own vine and fig tree, enjoying the blessings of peace and indifferent as to the rest of the world. The peacemaker is the peace producer. . . . The man who would be a successful peacemaker must graduate through all the other beatitudes from poverty of spirit through hunger and thirst after righteousness to purity of heart.

Ciano, Hitler Grind Their 'Axis'



Italian Foreign Minister Count Galeazzo Ciano chats with German Reichsuehrer Adolf Hitler during conversations at Berchtesgaden and Salzburg between Ciano and Joachim von Ribbentrop, German foreign minister. Observers believed this conference brought a statement of Italy's disinclination to support Germany in a war over Danzig, also paving the way for an all-European conference to settle issues over Danzig and Italian claims against France.

"It means the planting, sometimes in the face of deadly opposition, the principles of freedom and fair play in the dark places of the earth. It means coming into close grips with every kind of villainy and villainy so that peace making is no mere dress suit and kid glove affair."

Pacifism becomes just another "ism" when the mission of the peacemaker is thus defined. No peace worth the name can be had at the sacrifice of principle, this speaker brings out, also that it is the peace-at-any-price people who are largely responsible for the making of war.

Finally, there was a reminder of the truth, "Peace on earth to men of good will." Can there be peace for others? Perhaps the road to an enduring peace is harder and longer than we like to think about. But there is a road.

Muse's Corner

THE TWENTY-NINTH SONNET

William Shakespeare

When in disgrace with fortune and men's eyes,
I all alone beweep my outcast state,
And trouble deaf Heaven with my bootless cries,
And look upon myself, and curse my fate,
Wishing me like to one more rich in hope,
Featur'd like him, like him with friends possess'd,
Desiring this man's art, and that man's scope,
With what I most enjoy contented least;
Yet in these thoughts myself almost despising,
Haply I think on thee,—and then my state
(Like to the lark at break of day arising
From sullen earth) sings hymns at heaven's gate;
For thy sweet love, remembered such wealth brings,
That then I scorn to change my state with kings.

NORTH CAROLINA

Come to North Carolina, come today,
Load up your things and come to stay.
Come to the North Carolina mountains
Drink good cold water from our fountains;
Come to the mountains and keep cook;
Take a swim in the swimming pool.
Why stay there and swelter with heat?
Come to Franklin; it cannot be beat.
You can go on picnics and hikes,
Walk, or drive, or ride on bikes.
Come go fishing in Wayah stream
And watch the water ripple and gleam.
Go and picnic at Arrowood Glade—
Plenty of benches and lots of shade;
See four states from Wayah Bald,
Five thousand feet up, the tower is tall.
Come to the mountains, come today—
Franklin is the best place to stay.
The seashore is good, mountains are best.
Come to Franklin and have a good rest.
C. L. GREEN

Two New Bulletins Printed By College

F. H. Jeter, agricultural editor of State college, has announced two new publications of interest to farmers. They are available free to citizens of the state. One is Extension Circular No. 237, "Making Hay in North Carolina," and the other is Technical Bulletin No. 61 of the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station, entitled "Production of Firm Pork From Peanut-fed Pigs."

They may be obtained by addressing a request to the Agricultural Editor, State College, Raleigh, and specifying the title and number of the publication.

E. W. Gaither, subject matter analyst, and E. C. Blair, agronomist, of the extension service, collaborated in the preparation of the hay circular. Prof. Earl H. Hostetler of the State college animal husbandry department, and J. O. Halverson and F. W. Sherwood of the animal nutrition division of the experiment station, are co-authors of the swine bulletin.

Five points in making good hay are listed in the extension circular, as follows: (1) Use a well adapted crop; (2) prepare a good seed bed, fertilize well, lime if needed, use plenty of seed, and plant on time; (3) harvest early, before full bloom for most legumes and in the milk stage for small grains; (4) cure rapidly and take steps to avoid weather damage; and (5) house as soon as well cured.

The swine investigations showed that firm pork may be produced with peanut feed when the amount

of shelled nuts fed is restricted to 90 to 100 pounds. If 35 to 45-pound pigs are placed on peanuts, they should be taken off that ration when they reach 75 to 85 pounds in weight. With the larger (60 pounds) pigs, the peanuts should be discontinued at a change weight of 90 to 100 pounds.

Upper Cartoogechay

A. C. Clarke, of Macon, Ga., was in this section on business last week.

Miss Ruth Dills, of Dill's Creek, was visiting Mrs. Burl Southard Sunday.

Randall Conley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Conley is slowly improving at Angel hospital after a serious operation.

Louise Southard, of Franklin, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Southard. Mrs. Annie Mae Anderson made a business trip to Rainbow Springs Saturday.

Aunt Dock Waldroop spent Saturday in Franklin visiting her nephew, Hunter Waldroop, who is a patient in Angel hospital.

Ellis Roane, who is working at Highlands, spent the week-end with home folks.

HARVESTS SEED

J. R. Franck of Scotland Neck told F. M. Keeme, assistant farm agent in Halifax county, that he harvested 350 pounds of white Dutch clover seed from a 1 1/2 acre pasture without harming the sod in the least.

Improved Uniform International SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.,
Dean of The Moody Bible Institute
of Chicago.
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Lesson for September 3

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ISAIAH: A LIFE DEDICATED TO GOD

LESSON TEXT—Isaiah 6:1-13.
GOLDEN TEXT—Here am I; send me.
—Isaiah 6:8.

Crisis! We have had so many of them that they have almost become commonplace. There has been one war crisis after another. There have been world crisis and domestic crisis until the word has almost lost its meaning.

In the life of the individual, however, the times of crisis are very real and important. In a critical illness one knows when the crisis comes, and he who safely passes that hour is on the road to recovery. More vital than a physical crisis is a spiritual crisis, when a man meets God face to face and his future destiny is determined by the response which he makes to God's call. Isaiah had such an experience when he came to realize God's glory, confessed his own unworthiness, and sought cleansing of life as a preparation for commission to service.

I. "I Saw the Lord" (vv. 1-4).

King Uzziah, who had begun well but had forgotten God, was at the end of his life, a leper because of his sin, and dying in disgrace. Israel which had known unprecedented prosperity under God's blessing now hardened its heart nationally against God and was also about to go into eclipse. God needed a man to speak for Him in such an hour, to bring to His people a message of judgment and also of blessed invitation. To prepare that man, the great Isaiah, God gave a remarkable manifestation of His glory and power.

It is essential that the man who speaks for God should first see the Lord high and lifted up and to hear of His holiness and glory. The negative tone of the present-day message, the lack of enthusiasm and interest in holy things, the low standards of personal holiness, the failure to preach boldly the truth regarding God's holy standards are to be explained by the fact that there has been no vision of the eternal holiness and glory of God. The need of the people today is the same as it was in the time of Isaiah. Where are the men and women who are ready for a vision like his and for the commission which will follow?

II. "Woe Is Me! for I Am Undone" (v. 5).

To see the holiness of God is to be immediately conscious of one's own sin and unworthiness. The obvious conclusion which one draws from that fact is that anyone who is proud, who is not concerned about his own sins and the sins of his people, is living far from God and has either never known or has forgotten about His divine holiness.

Isaiah spoke of the pollution of his lips, thereby confessing that his heart was not right. Whereof the heart is full, thereof speaketh the mouth, for we read in Matthew 12:34 that out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. Remember that even though Isaiah was a believer he recognized the need of cleansing.

III. "Then . . . He Touched My Mouth" (vv. 6, 7, R. V.).

"Then" — what an important word! When Isaiah called out in humble confession, "then" he was cleansed. The turning point is right at that place for any life. Only when we come to the place of confession and contrition which Isaiah knew, can we expect the Lord to send the cleansing fire and the enabling power.

None but God can give this cleansing. Man is unable to wash himself clean. "For though thou wash thee with nitre, and take thee much soap, yet thine iniquity is marked before me, saith the Lord" (Jer. 2:22. See also Jer. 13:23). Reformation, turning over a new leaf, character development, all commendable in their place, are not sufficient. There must be divine cleansing of the life if there is to be a commission to service.

IV. "Here Am I; Send Me" (vv. 8-13).

God had a difficult and unpopular message to be delivered but now He had a man who was ready to carry it. Isaiah had to proclaim to Israel that because they had turned from the sunshine of God's love, which would have melted their hard hearts, it had for them become the sunshine of His wrath, which could only progressively harden them and turn them from Him. The same sunshine that melts the wax hardens the mud.

The work of God in our day awaits the man or the woman of vision—the one who has been prepared by confession and cleansing and who has then received the divine commission.

Faith

Of all the forces at the disposal of humanity, faith has always been one of the most tremendous, and the gospel rightly attributes to it the power of moving mountains.

Girl Scout Notes

The Girl Scouts, under the leadership of their Captain, Mrs. Melchior, and the troop lieutenants, gave their court of honor with a "pot luck" supper in the basement of the Methodist church, Friday. The following were guests of the supper:

Mrs. H. E. Church, Mrs. John Wasilik, Jr., Mrs. Zeb Conley, Mrs. Gordon Moore, members of the troop committee, and Mrs. Ben Woodruff. The following lieutenants were also present: Sara Conley and Mrs. Tom McCollum.

After supper the color guards presented the colors and the entire group sang the national anthem. Barbara Stockton then presented Mrs. Woodruff with a gift from the troop. After many songs presented the awards to the girls.

The following girls received awards at the meeting: Carolyn Leach, Virginia Lee Porter, Louise Pendergrass, Carolyn Long, Ida Mae Dowdle, Joan Palmer, Rebecca Smart, Maxine Dean, Sara Frances Cunningham, Frances Furr, tenderfoot; Betty Jane Waldroop, tenderfoot, needlecraft and cook; Saily Lou Moore, second class; Emogene Landrum, second class; Lucille Calloway, tenderfoot and my troop; Barbara Stockton, my troop, musician, second class, and world knowledge; Doris Werner, second class; Mary Frances Page, dancer, tree finder, swimmer, craftsman, and second class; Virginia Tessier, child care and senior scout; Inez Crawford, dancer, housekeeper, group musician and second class; Dot Sloan, dancer, my community, business, my troop, minstrel, canner, pathfinder, pioneer, scribe and senior scout; Lane Porter, child care, camp craft and first aid; Mary Evelyn Angel, personal health, first aid, home nursing, child care, cyclist, reader, home safety, public health, cook, handywoman, second class, first class, and senior scout. The meeting was ended by the group singing taps.

This season the Girl Scouts have been pretty busy. We have been working on box holders and different badges in the Scout book. Several have been working on Tenderfoot, others on Second Class and still others on the merit badges. We have been in swimming twice. We have learned several new songs and singing games. Barbara Stockton.

Dairy farms in Cumberland county report that their soybeans planted for temporary pastures are the best in history, reports M. E. Hollowell, assistant farm agent.

Macon Theatre

Matinee 3:30 P. M.
Night Show 7:30 and 9:30
SHOWING FROM 1:30 TO 11 P. M. SATURDAYS

PROGRAM FOR WEEK

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
STUART ERWIN
GLORIA STUART IN
"IT COULD HAPPEN TO YOU"
Also "LONE RANGER RIDES AGAIN"

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
Double Feature Program
"MISSING DAUGHTER"
RICHARD ARLEN
ROCHELLE HUDSON
and the THREE MESQUITEERS
"PALS OF THE SADDLE"

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
Two Big Shows
"BLONDIE TAKES A VACATION"
With PENNY SINGLETON
ARTHUR LAKE
LARRY SIMMS
AND
"TORCHY PLAYS WITH DYNAMITE"

TUES.-WED., AUG. 5-6
JAMES CAGNEY
JANE BRYANT
GEORGE RAFT IN
"EACH DAWN I DIE"

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
"FRONTIER MARSHAL"
With RANDOLPH SCOTT
NANCY KELLEY
BENNIE BARNES

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