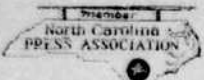


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A Christmas Prayer

by Ruth Taylor

Giver of all Good Gifts, grant us this Christmas Day of Thy bounty. Give us of Thy peace, that we may think calmly in this time of tension and strife. Give us of Thy wisdom, that we may have understanding hearts, willing to recognize the good that is in our brothers, and readiness to forgive the evil doer without condoning the evil deed. Give us Thy pity, that we may show mercy and bring comfort to the afflicted, the downtrodden and the lonely ones of Thy World. Give us Thy love, that we may express Thy will in our dealings with our fellow men and thus help to bring Thy kingdom to earth. All this we ask in the name of Him to whom we do honor this Christmas Day. Amen

How About Their Ideas?

Top men chosen by Eisenhower for his cabinet are with no exception all business men, classed as practical and experienced leaders. There is no objection to millionaires being in the cabinet, but there will be some objection if they advance the same ideas that surrounded the downfall of the nation in 1929 when business ruled the roost without any opposition whatever from any quarter. If the millionaire business men propose to place the burden of maintaining prosperity on the backs of farmers and workers, the country can expect another 1929. Big business can't expect to apply the rule of supply and demand to the farmer unless there is some effort to maintain order, and at the same time manipulate the industrial supply by interlocking directorates and gentlemen agreements. The idea of cutting everything loose to run its course has been tried under perfect conditions. It is just as important to apply common sense in keeping the economy in balance as it is for the president of a giant corporation to study his markets and gear production to the demand. Too many are crying about socialism in agriculture when they are really interested in seeing the farmer feed the nation at a loss and the worker toil for less than a living wage.

Opportunity Ignored

The Republicans are ignoring a golden opportunity to prove their stand on corruption by remaining lukewarm or downright indifferent to the huge slush fund scandale growing out of the last national election. Only token interest is being centered in the hearings, and yet big spending in election campaigns is threatening the very foundation of our government, from top to bottom. If some poor, underpaid government worker had accepted a deep freeze or a coat for his wife, the Republican press would have used boxcar letters on the front pages to tell about it. Judging from the way the Republican press dropped corruption as a hot potato, the nation can expect little in the way of a clean-up in Washington any time soon. Of course, the friendless one will be exposed, and the incompetent will be replaced by others just about as incompetent.

The tongue is in a wet place, therefore, it is apt to slip when going very fast.—Ex.

Valuable — Handle With Care

From the National Safety Council Let's wrap up Christmas safely this year and end the joyous holiday season with fewer broken homes. The holiday season is significant of life. Yet every yuletide hundreds of lives are snuffed out or ruined by careless accidents. Most of the deaths and injuries are in traffic mishaps. The National Safety Council has found that the daily traffic death toll during the Christmas holiday season is slightly more than twice the annual daily average. Family gatherings and other festivities of the year-end holiday season bring the peak travel of the winter—and when more cars are on the move there is more chance of an accident. Early darkness plus bad weather add up to poor visibility. Fogged windshields also make it difficult to see and avoid accident situations. Rain, snow and ice mean slippery streets and highways, but thousands of holiday drivers fail to adjust their speed to hazardous conditions. The good fellowship of the season stimulates more drinking—and too often the celebrants clink glasses with death. An accident can be tragic at any time, but at Christmas it is doubly so. And yet the Christmas season is ruined in thousands of homes every year by suffering and tragedy from accidents that need never have happened. Many a Christmas tree and gaily wrapped gift have become mocking reminders of someone not there to enjoy them. The traditional spirit of Christmas is "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men." A little extra caution, courtesy and common sense can keep this spirit alive and help reduce holiday accidents. Remember that your life is the most valuable present you can give your family or friends. Handle it with care. Don't lose it in the holiday rush. Don't let death take your holiday!

All Mixed Up

They still call Korea Truman's "police action", but it is possible that the name will be changed now that a military man from the opposition party is moving to Washington to take over. It is a well established fact that Truman acted on Korea on the advice of the military, but Harry took the abuse that was hardly to be expected from gangsters. General MacArthur, plainly on record as favoring the "police action," made a mess of things in Korea, but he is coming back with a plan to end it. Let it be hoped that he can do something to stop it, but let it be hoped also that he will not run tens of thousands of poorly equipped men up the Korean peninsula to freeze to death in or near the Yalu River. It has been a popular plan among many Republicans to talk about turning the ghastly business over to the South Koreans. Picture the Civil War in this country and record your reaction should a friendly power come into the South while destruction started at us from every side and tell us to get ready and bear all the brunt of the fighting. It would be well if it could be handled that way, but it is hardly reasonable to expect a little nation like South Korea with twenty million population to fight and hold off indefinitely a nation with more than 400 million population, supported by Russia. Conditions and thinking are really mixed up over Korea these days. But super-duper Mr. Mac is on the march again. Frankly, we expect nothing of value coming from his way, but we'll bow if he does measure up even half way to his claim. And to mix the mixture just a bit more, one recalls Candidate Eisenhower mixing Korea as a big factor in politics just before November 4, and now one sees the new President wrestling with one of his biggest problems right in Korea.

Contrary To The Facts

The new administration is said to be planning to discard containment of Russia as a basic objective. The new group about to invade Washington proposes to let the people behind the Iron Curtain know what this country stands for. It is not quite clear just how the Republicans plan to get behind the Iron Curtain with the facts. It is in the record, however, that the Republicans helped slash funds for the Voice of America, the best agency yet created for reaching behind the Curtain. Then there is the little matter of expenses. The Republicans, with the help of a Byrd, are going to reduce taxes, so they say. While reducing taxes they are going to tell the people behind the Iron Curtain all the facts, win friends, halt aggression and all for free, maybe. Proposed action is contrary to the facts so boldly entered in the old records. All moral obligation resolves itself into the obligation of conformity to the will of God.—Charles Hodge.

CHURCH NEWS

VERNON METHODIST Thedro J. Barrett, Jr., Pastor Church school, each Sunday. Mrs. W. T. Cullpher, Supt. Worship service, 2nd Sunday, 9:30, 4th Sunday 11:00. W. S. C. S. each Monday night after 2nd Sunday at 7:30. Adult class meeting each Monday night after 3rd Sunday at 7:30. Willing Workers class meeting each Thursday night before second Sunday.

WEST END BAPTIST William C. Medlin, Pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Leslie Gurganus, Supt. Worship services 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m., 2nd and 4th Sundays. Prayer service, 7:30 p. m. Wednesdays.

OAK CITY BAPTIST William C. Medlin, Pastor. Sunday School 10:00 a. m. J. C. Johnson, Supt. Worship services 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m., 1st and 3rd Sundays. Prayer service, 8:00 p. m. Thursdays.

HAMILTON BAPTIST C. L. Gatling, Pastor. Sunday School, 10:00 a. m. H. S. Johnson, Supt. Training Union 6:30 p. m. Willis Knox, Director. Worship services, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. 1st and 3rd Sundays. Mid-week prayer service 7:30 p. m. Wednesday.

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS J. W. Berry, Pastor. 10:00, Sunday School. J. B. Nicholson, Supt. 11:00, Morning Worship. 6:30, Youth Service. 7:30, Evening Worship. Mid-week prayer service, 7:30 Wednesday.

EVERETTS BAPTIST C. L. Gatling, Pastor. Sunday School, 10:00 a. m., G. H. Forbes, Supt. Training Union 6:30 p. m. Paul Bailey, Director. Worship services 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. 2nd and 4th Sundays. Mid-week prayer service 7:30 p. m. Thursday.

ROMAN CATHOLIC Catholic services at the American Legion hut, Mass every Sunday at 8 o'clock.

METHODIST R. E. Walston, Pastor. George W. Corey, Church school superintendent. Sunday, December 23 9:45, Sunday School. World Service Sunday. Student recognition day. 11:00, Morning worship. 6:30, Youth Fellowship. 7:30, Evening worship. Wednesday, 7:30, Choir rehearsal.

PRESBYTERIAN J. Don Skinner, Pastor. 9:45, Sunday School. Classes for all ages. 11:00, Morning worship. Nursery open for small children. 6:30, Juniors, Pioneers and S. H. F. 7:30, Evening worship. 11:00 p. m., Wednesday, Watch-night Service. The Rev. E. Gordon Conklin will bring the message at that hour. The public is cordially invited.

CHRISTIAN John L. Goff, Pastor and Myrtle O. Ward, Missionary to Jamaica. Bible School, 9:45. Classes for all ages. W. H. Sessoms, Supt. Morning worship and celebration of the Lord's Supper, 11:00. Evening Praise and Worship Service 7:30. Male quartette will sing at the evening hour. Pastor speaks at both services. C. Y. F. and Chi Rho Groups meet at 6:30. A cordial welcome awaits all who attend services the last Sunday in the year.

RIDDICK'S GROVE W. B. Harrington, Pastor. Regular services will be held at the Piney Grove Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a. m.

Piney Grove Baptist W. B. Harrington, Pastor. Regular services will be held at Piney Grove Baptist Church Sunday night at 7 o'clock with Herman Griffin delivering the sermon. All members are urged to attend and the public is invited.

Christmas criss-cross crossword puzzle with a cartoon of Santa Claus and a list of words to be found in the puzzle.

The Church of the Advent (Episcopal) Hassell and Church Streets. The Rev. Thomas Hastings, Rector. Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th 11:30 p. m. Choral Eucharist and Sermon. Christmas Day, 11:00 a. m. Holy Communion. St. Stephen's Day, Dec. 26th, 11 a. m. Holy Communion. Christmas Collect: "O God, who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of thine only Son, Jesus Christ; Grant that as we joyfully receive him for our Redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold him when he shall come to be our Judge, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end."

Local Library Gets Additional Books Mrs. Ethel Anderson, librarian, this week announced a number of books has been placed on the shelves of the Williamston public library. Included in the list are selections for children and adults. Adult reading includes "The Red and the Black," "Traitor's Moon," "Beyond the Breakers," "This Is Israel," "The Birth Of Israel," "Anybody Can Do Anything," "Household Discoveries," "Mr. Jones, Meet The Master," "Spy-Catcher," "Fourteen Men," "Giants of Geology," "The Healing Woods," "The Statesman's Year Book," "There Is a Right Job for Every Woman," "Time Out for Youth," "The Fragile Years," "The Twisted Trail," "The Doctor Takes a Wife," "Dead As A Dinosaur," "My Cousin Rachel," "The Little Princesses," "October Island," and "Giant". Juvenile selections include "Second Story Book of Better Homes and Gardens," "First Book of Birds," "First Book of Presidents," "Tim Tomkins," "Circus Boy," "The Bears on Hemlock Mountain," "Holiday Storybook," "A Month of Christmases," "Petunia's Christmas," "A For the Ark," "Bible Stories," "Barbar's Cousin," "The Cherokee," "Penny Rose," "Cub Scout At Last," "Ghosts, Ghosts, Ghosts," "Told Under Spacious Skies," "Snowflake," "Buz zita," "Shadow, The All-American Dog," "Bermuda Vacation".

WELL-SUITED SISTERS These adorable little sisters are well-suited to any occasion in their smart denim skirts and jackets. One of the cotton denim suits is grey, the other brown. Both of the suits are trimmed in harmonizing plaid cotton at the collar and on the pockets. The trim little suits are designed in Everglaze denim by G. H. and E. Freyberg for the fashion-wise young lady.

Advertisement for BELK - TYLER featuring a photograph of two young girls in denim outfits and the text: 'Wishes You A HAPPY HOLIDAY' and 'May your heart sing with the true joy of Christmas time. 1952'.

Bear Grass Club Holds Its Party Mrs. Noah Rogerson was hostess to the Bear Grass Home Demonstration Club when it held its Christmas party last week. Mrs. Ralph Mobley, presided over the short business session in which plans were made to visit Mrs. Fannie Page and Mrs. Eva Gurganus and to visit the county home on January 4 and take gifts. Mrs. Mobley read the history of "Silent Night" and the group sang the carol. Miss Agnes Bryant recited the poem, "Twas the Night Before Christmas". Several Christmas carols were sung with Miss Edith Rogerson at the piano. After Miss Catherine Rogerson led the recreation. The hostess assisted by her daughters, served cranberry salad, sandwiches, cookies and drinks. Wednesday night, the Bear Grass club members met at the home of Mrs. Fannie Page with Mrs. J. C. Rawls, Jr., in charge of the program. After the group sang several Christmas carols, Mrs. Rawls gave the devotional. After several hymns were sung, the meeting closed with a prayer. Each member took a gift of food and fruit for the family.

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