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Good or Bad?

Much has been said about England and its Labor Government in recent years, the opposition doing most of the talking and condemning. But a little item found its way across the Atlantic, saying that the number of domestic servants had decreased from 706,800 in 1931 to 178,000 in early 1952.

The reduction could be good or it could be bad. It must be good for those who have moved out of the servant class.

It is against the modern trend, to be sure, but there'll be more real prosperity and happiness in this country when the tenant is no more and every farmer owns his land and home and looks after them himself.

The Christian Viewpoint

The past and the future are ever with us, and at New Year we are accustomed to think backward and forward. Let us hold dear in memory that which wells-up gratitude within our hearts, that which teaches us wisdom to guide us away from repeating old mistakes, and that which hold us to our best selves. Let us forget the things we have forgiven in others, put out of mind our foolish blunders so they will not burden our climbing upward, and have our sins at the foot of Christ's cross. Thus the past will bless and not break us.

Let us, to use the ancient phrase, gird up our loins for the race ahead. So much of our lives is clutter; let us put first things first. By faith, we may put our hand up into the hand of God and walk into the future with our Heavenly Friend.

Neither the past nor future is ours. We

live in the present. Only this instant is yours. Use it now.

Paul the Apostle wrote words fitting for our New Year consideration: "Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brethren, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but one thing I do, forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:12-14—Prepared by The Department of Bible, Presbyterian Junior College.

Election Isn't Over

Christian Science Monitor.

You may think General Eisenhower has been elected President of the United States. But not yet. In a manner of speaking he and his vice-presidential colleague, Senator Nixon, are still working their way through the electoral college.

It is true that on November 4 the American voters cast 33,927,549 ballots for presidential electors pledged to the Republican ticket, against 27,311,316 for the Democratic nominees, Stevenson and Sparkman.

It is also true that these electors met in their various states Monday and dutifully cast 442 electoral votes for Eisenhower and 89 for Stevenson. But those votes will not be officially counted and the result declared until Congress on January 6 holds a joint session for that purpose.

The unit rule of voting by state blocs usually exaggerates, as it has done this year, the proportions of the popular vote. But it has also on two occasions, by quirks of distribution, resulted in defeat of the candidate who had a majority of the popular votes—Tilden in 1876 and Cleveland in 1888.

Neither party could be very proud of a triumph on that basis if it should occur in any future election—which would necessarily be a close and hard-fought one. Congress would be wise, therefore, to submit to the states for ratification some equivalent of the Lodge-Gossett constitutional amendment which received only committee consideration in the 82d Congress.

That amendment proposed that the electoral vote of each state should be merely a medium of calculation and should be divided (down to three decimal places) in the proportion of the popular vote of the state. This would make altogether improbable the election of a minority President and insure that the electoral vote would reflect the vote of the people.

After all, maybe the reason the electoral college is "the only American college without a college yell" is that it hasn't much to shout about.

There's no limit to the good a man can do if he doesn't care who gets the credit.—Ex.

Pretending to be rich keeps a lot of people poor.—Exchange.

Shipmates Aboard The "Desi-Lu"



Here, miss makeup and the hectic atmosphere of their enormously successful TV show are Lucy and Desi Armas, relaxing aboard their boat, the *Desi-Lu*. One of video's handomest and funniest couples, they panic 20,000 fans each week with their "I Love Lucy" shenanigans. Their personal life, which closely parallels the mood of the *Records* family they portray on TV, includes a ranch house near Los Angeles, their 1½ year old daughter, Lucie Désirée, and another date with the work on January 19th. A six-page cover story in the January issue of *Cosmopolitan* magazine traces the Armas' skyrocketing career since the former Cuban *arrivante* and her band leader met the ex-obscure girl, soda-jerk and dress model. Explaining the lovely Lucy's switch from movie screen roles to blackened-trunk baggy pants and screwball hair-dos, the article quotes her as saying, "I don't know why, but I just love it when they laugh."

State College Has Timely Answers

The best time to use methyl bromide gas in tobacco plant beds is in the fall or spring—any time the outside temperature is 50 or 60 degrees or higher, according to R. R. Bennett, tobacco specialist for the State College Extension Service.

Bennett says that the methyl bromide gas treatment, when properly applied, has proved effective in controlling grass and weeds in tobacco plant beds. It also helps control nematodes.

In 1950, demonstrations with methyl bromide were conducted in plant bed soils in 32 tobacco counties in North Carolina. Prior to that time, the treatment had been tested by the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station, and 24 demonstrations were conducted in 10 counties in 1949.

Results prove that the treatment is "very effective," according to Bennett.

Methyl bromide gas penetrates the soil best when the soil is not too wet, Bennett points out. An air-tight cover of plastic or tough kraft paper can be bought in suitable widths for the purpose of confining the gas in the plant bed.

Methyl bromide is a poison, but tear gas is mixed with it as a warning agent, Bennett notes.

ministration is not likely to follow the recommendations of a commission appointed by President Truman. The report will be treated, probably, as so many other reports are treated in Washington. It will be filed away. But some day this one will probably be dragged out again, since the cost of medical services and attention is getting to be a problem with more and more people.

Health Report Is Headed For Files

One of President Truman's most controversial recommendations was for a compulsory health insurance program. During his entire stay in the White House, Mr. Truman kept up the chatter for such a program, but he never went into details, never offered a specific plan which he termed "it". Recently, however, a group he had appointed a year ago reported on the health program (and there is one in this country).

This fifteen-man commission was composed of doctors, social workers and laymen. The commission did not recommend President Truman's proposal for compulsory health insurance. Nor did it go along with the American Medical Association's exactly opposite view, in favor of an all-voluntary program. Instead, the commission recommended an extension of present health insurance prepayment plans operated by both federal and state grants. The program would include those unable to make premium payments and this is a controversial issue.

The commission also recommended creation of a Federal

Health Commission, which would report annually to the President and Congress, increased federal appropriations for medical research, hospital construction, etc. and creation of a Cabinet post of Health and Security.

The report may have little effect on any one. The new ad-

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The National Council of Churches in Christ warns that religion must be restored to its rightful place in American life if the nation might become a secular state capable of "satanic crimes."

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of the power contained in a judgment in the case of Mary James Pierce vs. Naomi James et als. of record in the Clerk's office of Martin County the undersigned commissioners will on Saturday, January 31, 1953, at 12 o'clock noon in front of the courthouse door of Martin County, in the Town of Williamston, North Carolina, offer for sale at public auction for cash the following described tract of land:

A tract of land in Jamesville Township, Martin County, North Carolina, bounded on the east by Welch's Creek, on the south by Charlie Smith, on the west by Johnnie James Estate, and on the north by Albert Boston, containing thirty-six (36) acres, more or less, and being the same lands conveyed to the late Thomas James (father of the petitioner and respondent), by Robert Simmons and Victoria Prively. This December 31, 1952. R. L. Coburn and P. H. Bell, Commissioners.

NOTICE OF RE-SALE

Under and by virtue of a judgment signed by the Clerk in an action entitled "J. W. Rhodes et al v. Sophie Rhodes et al", the

undersigned commissioners will, on Saturday, January 17, 1953, at 12 o'clock noon, in front of the courthouse door in Williamston, N. C., offer for re-sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described land:

Lying and being in Jamesville Township, Martin County, and State of North Carolina, containing 22 acres, more or less, bounded on the north by the lands of Mrs. Lizzie Smithwick and Cooper Swamp, bounded on the east by the lands of Robert Mobley, bounded on the south by the lands of Bob Mobley, bounded on the west by the land of Church Mobley, containing 22 acres, more or less, and commonly known and designated as the W. E. Rhodes land.

The last and highest bidder will be required to make a deposit at the sale of 10 percent of the bid.

This January 3, 1953.
B. A. Critcher, F. S. Peele, Commissioners.

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