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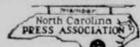
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"What is food to one man is fierce poison to others"—Lucretius

- OCTOBER**
- 1—Official U. S. Weather Reporting begun, 1890.
 - 2—Safety zone established around two Americas, 1939.
 - 3—First Pan-American conference, 1893.
 - 4—Daladier given dictatorial powers in France, 1938.
 - 5—Portugal became a republic, 1910.
 - 6—First German immigrants landed in Philadelphia, 1683.
 - 7—Hitler makes peace proposal to Britain, France, 1939.

Better Opportunity For Local Merchants

Before the lack of tires and rationing of gas it was a common practice to drive from small communities to larger trading centers to buy for the home and farm. The local merchants were friends, but business is something else and better merchandise at lower prices might be obtained in the cities; certainly this was indicated by the advertisements in the city papers. Besides, there was the pleasure of the drive and city attractions as a further lure.

These trips to the cities being now barred, because tires and gas must be conserved, a better era has dawned for the local merchants. Recognizing the increased demand for their wares and knowing the critical taste of these customers who have been going elsewhere, the merchants generally have been buying stocks calculated to please all, both wealthy and less wealthy, and discriminating patrons can obtain from them most anything they could get in the cities, often at lower prices because operating expenses are less. Some merchandise is difficult to obtain or unobtainable, but what is available to the city stores is also available to the local merchant and is to be found in his stock of goods, for he has seen the trend and has acted to meet it.

As a consequence, merchants in the smaller towns are enjoying better trade. As the people learn that

their wants can be supplied at home they are buying at home. Many of them do not yet know this and think it necessary to buy by mail, but sight unseen purchases are often unsatisfactory. It is the duty of the local merchants at this time to spread information of what they have to offer their customers. They will find the response gratifying.

Small Boy Sets Example For Others

In the town of Gueydan, Louisiana, having about 1,300 population, two million pounds of scrap metal have been collected and sold to the government within the last few months. Incentive to do this was inspired by a boy, 11 years of age, who began gathering in metal junk about six months ago and has garnered about eight hundred thousand pounds. For this he has received a little more than \$2,700, but this has not been his profit as much of the junk was paid for; his profit has been small. The bulk of this money has gone to those on whose property the boy collected the scrap metal, paying them for it unless they chose to give it to him, as some may have done to encourage the boy to make a few pennies.

The incentive this boy gave others to gather in scrap metal was a real contribution to this nation's war effort. Others noticed what he was doing and did likewise, the result being that in and about that little town upwards of 1,000 tons of apparently useless waste have been salvaged for an urgent need. Surely 1,650 tons can be salvaged in Washington County during October, that being this county's quota in the campaign to begin October 5. It is a splendid opportunity for church societies, school PTA's and Boy Scouts to do something both helpful and patriotic.

Wish For Draft Deferment Figures In Lawsuit

A Lumberton youth has sued his uncle for \$40,000, alleging libel and slander in letters written by the uncle to Robeson County Draft Board No. 1. The complaint quotes from the letters a reference to the plaintiff as a "thoroughbred drug store cowboy" and "a real cake eater, who has been trying very hard to get religion, thinking that probably would keep him out of the war."

The complaint states that the plaintiff had sought a 4-D draft classification from the Robeson County board in order to undertake studies leading to a Catholic priesthood and that his uncle had written to the draft board suggesting that the youth's 1-A classification be retained. The plaintiff is 21 years of age. Evidently the young man is unmarried or he would not seek to study for the priesthood. With a scarcity of 1-A draft registrants and many married men being drafted into the army, it might be asked why this young man has not already been drafted. Some might ask if the libel suit he has filed will act as a bar to drafting him. The draft board knows the answers.

The plaintiff's uncle must have thought the young man fit material for the army. He would have been wiser to have communicated that opinion to the draft board without criticizing the youth's habits, if they justified criticism, or questioning his



U. S. Treasury Department.
"Wait! On second thought you ought to make a good con-in-law!"

motives in seeking draft deferment. Such comments weaken a plea.

Seeking service as a priest is laudable, but seeking such service when the nation is at war with several years of study necessary before he could serve as a priest is not in line with patriotism. It should be assumed he was sincere in his wish to become a priest, but his country needs his services just now in another capacity and service in the army will give him experience that should make him a better priest when he becomes one after the duration.

If the young man is really hoping for draft deferment he is most unwise to ask money damages from his uncle for alleged libel and slander. Such an action at law is certain to get wide publicity and doubtless cause the draft board to give keen scrutiny to his draft status.

Mighty Is One Little Word—"Please"

One little word of five letters, the word "please," is a mighty force in the world. It is a pity that people do not realize its effectiveness and use it more. Even the ridiculous frequency in which it is used by the Japs must be effective, else those guileful little followers of the Shinto cult long since would have abandoned it. Among English speaking people it is used too seldom, but those who make a practice of connecting it with a request find it goes far in winning assent.

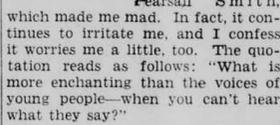
"Please" does not synchronize with demand, which has force, but lacks the fellowship that attends a request. One may consent to a demand because he must; he complies with a request because he wishes to, the wish is often urged by "please." Instances are many where "please" has healed dissensions, has cemented friendships, has changed refusals to agreements, has altered the course of

Religious News and Views

By REV. W. B. DANIELS, JR.

Listen Carefully—

When I receive my monthly copy of the Reader's Digest, the first thing I do is to skim thru the magazine reading the short feature articles, such as "Picturesque Speech and Patter," "Quotable Quotes," and the clever assortment of anecdotes. There appeared in a recent issue a "Quotable Quote," by Logan Pearsall Smith,



which made me mad. In fact, it continues to irritate me, and I confess it worries me a little, too. The quotation reads as follows: "What is more enchanting than the voices of young people—when you can't hear what they say?"

It's a clever little remark. But beneath the surface of cleverness, there is a meaning which is fraught with danger. Somehow, the older generation, and especially that portion of it which is in the church, has been

important events, has even affected the destiny of a nation. Great men and great women never hesitate to use it, knowing that while it attaches to a request in form it adds to it instead of detracting from their dignity. It does not hurt their pride to say "please," it makes allies of many who would obey merely from a sense of duty.

When EXHAUSTION leads to Headache

Don't let headache double the misery of exhaustion. At the first sign of pain take Capudine. It quickly brings relief, soothes nerves upset by the pain. It is liquid—already dissolved—all ready to act—all ready to bring comfort. Use only as directed. 50c, 30c, 60c.



Scraps Gathered For Melting Pot

From West Point, Nebraska, comes a story of a "scrap" by which an honored couple of that town celebrated the 22nd anniversary of a happily married life. They staged a "scrap" dance and welcomed all who wished to attend provided each guest brought 20 pounds or more of scrap metal. The dance was largely attended.

At Delvan, Ill., a Scrap Harvest Goal within a stated time was set at 100 tons. The harvest was far be-

content to listen to the voices of young people from afar off, to be enchanted with the subdued hubbub. Perhaps that explains why the church has failed to reach the majority of its young people with a vital, vigorous, and inspiring Christianity. We have not listened to the voices creating the general tumult which sounds like an enchanting murmur from a distance. We have turned deaf ears to the questioning, bewildered voices of youth. We have not hearkened to the inchoate yearnings, the half-expressed desires, the paralyzing fears in the hearts and minds of today's young people as they face a disintegrating world. We have heard these young, desperate voices muted to an enchanting murmur by the far-distance between youth and adulthood.

We had best listen carefully . . . we must hear the young voices . . . if the world's Fountain of Youth is to bring forth pure water and sweet for the refreshing of a weary and aging civilization.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY—

"O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; serve the Lord with gladness, and come before His presence with a song."

To relieve MISERY of COLDS
LIQUID TABLETS SALVE
NOSE DROPS COUGH DROPS
Try "Rub-My-Tism"—a Wonderful Liniment

yond expectations. Long before the time limit the 100-ton mark had been passed, at last accounts a 575-ton mark had been passed and the scrap temperature "mercury" was still climbing.

Three professional salvage divers living near Pittsburg, Pa. have pulled a total of 167 tons of first-class scrap from the muddy bottom of the Monongahela River and were still at work, forecasting their salvage would reach 350 tons.

Two iron deer, each weighing about a ton, which graced the front yard of Walt Disney, film producer, have joined the "scrap" heap. Serv-

ice being preferred above beauty, they will be converted into two 5-millimeter howitzers or 80 100-pound bombs.

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Free Book Tells of Home Treatment that Must Help or it Will Cost You Nothing
Over two million bottles of the WILLARD TREATMENT have been sold for relief of symptoms of distress arising from Stomach and Duodenal Ulcers due to Excess Acid—Poor Digestion, Sour or Upset Stomach, Gasiness, Heartburn, Sleeplessness, etc.—due to Excess Acid. Sold on 15 days' trial! Ask for "Willard's Message" which fully explains this treatment—free—at ARPS' PHARMACY

ARE YOU READY FOR WINTER

Better drop in at Plymouth stores and get the things you will need when the weather turns colder. Stocks are complete now, but with priorities and delayed shipments those who keep putting off may be disappointed.

You will find Plymouth merchants are anxious to serve you with dependable merchandise at fair prices, and they will appreciate a call from you. Begin now—trade with your home-county merchants and put your savings into War Bonds and Stamps.

PLYMOUTH MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION

THE 1942 TOWN OF PLYMOUTH DELINQUENT TAXES WILL BE Advertised Next Week

If you pay up by next Monday, your name will not be in the list. Otherwise, we're sorry, but we've done all we can for you.

P. W. BROWN

Town Tax Collector Plymouth

NOTICE! Stockholders Meeting

The annual meeting of the members and stockholders of the Plymouth Building and Loan Association will be held in the Council Chambers of the Town of Plymouth on the 14th day of October, 1942, at 8 p. m., for the purpose of attending to such business matters as may come before the organization

This the 23rd day of September, 1942.
ALL STOCKHOLDERS ARE URGED TO BE PRESENT AT THIS MEETING

PLYMOUTH BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION
By MARTHA HORNTAL, Secretary

True Stories Mighty Men of Vision BAMBY BREAD

THE SECRET OF JAVA'S DEATH PRISON

In the 1880's, in Java's steaming swamps, dread beri-beri paralyzed the nerves... killed thousands. An unknown Dutch Doctor of undaunted courage went among the people to find the cause. We re-enact the story.

ME FROM JANGRO PRISON, DOCTOR. ME NOT SICK. ME FEEL GOOD!

ME FROM HOBBI PRISON, DR. EJKMAN LEGS SWELL UP. JOINTS HURT ME SICK ALL TIME.

TERRIBLE! BAFFLING. TWO PRISONS EXACTLY ALIKE. YET IN ONE OF THEM MEN DIE LIKE FLIES FROM BERRI-BERI, THAT PARALYZING, PAINFUL NERVE DISEASE. I MUST FIND THE CAUSE!

COME! COME DOCTOR! LEAVE THIS TERRIBLE CLIMATE THAT HAS TAKEN YOUR BELOVED WIFE'S LIFE. GO BACK TO HOLLAND!

NO, HANS. I CANNOT. I MUST FIND THE CAUSE AND CURE OF BERRI-BERI.

THE YEARS DRAG BY... STILL THE CAUSE ELUDES HIM. THEN ONE DAY IN HIS BACK YARD...

LOOK! THIS CHICKEN'S LEGS ARE SWOLLEN, PARALYZED. IT SUFFERS LIKE A HUMAN WITH BERRI-BERI...

I'VE FED THESE CHICKENS ONLY RICE FROM HOBBI PRISON... THE BERRI-BERI DEATH-HOUSE. H-M-M... HANS! I THINK I'VE FOUND THE CAUSE! QUICK CALL PRISON OFFICIALS!

IN HOBBI PRISON, WHERE MEN DIE, MACHINES REMOVE BITTER RICE HULLS.

IN JANGRO PRISON WHERE MEN ARE WELL, WE HAVE NO MACHINE TO REMOVE RICE HULLS.

AT LAST! THE ANSWER THAT THE WORLD IS WAITING FOR! RICE HULLS HOLD THE CURE FOR DREADED BERRI-BERI.

Vitamin B₁ (which we doctors know as vital to life) was unwittingly taken from Hobbi prisoners by removal of hulls from rice—their principal food. Dr. Eijkman's findings pointed the way to today's science of Vitamins.

BAMBY ENRICHED BREAD

