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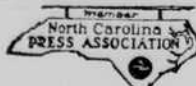
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"Past Is Prologue"
By RUTH TAYLOR

"What is Past is Prologue" is carved in the enduring stone of that great marble building which houses the Archives of the United States.

"Past is Prologue." The dictators whose insane lust for power laid waste one continent and whose mad dreams reached across oceans to engulf us, should have paused at these words and considered their meaning—before the onslaught of our aroused armies swept them into oblivion.

"Past is Prologue." What is our past but a struggle for freedom for all oppressed and disheartened people—religious freedom, economic freedom? The founding fathers, belived of every patriotic orator, incorporated this urge for freedom in the classic phrases of the preamble to the Constitution and in the Bill of Rights, which is the Magna Charta of our freedom.

"Past is Prologue." The past is useful in determining what the future shall be. With the past this nation possesses we could not have turned aside from the cries for help rising from the victims of the new oppression, those helpless people whose

only fault was that their ways were the ways of peace, and that they had possessions the gangster overlords of Europe and Asia coveted. With our past record we could not have turned away like the Pharisee from the wounded traveler. For us—with our heritage of action for freedom—binding up the injured as did the Good Samaritan was not enough. The fight was ours. The task was plain. We had to help drive the robbers from the Jericho Road.

"Past is Prologue." But the past is fulfilled only as the desire for a better future which it had inculcated into our hearts and minds, bears fruit. The past is but the prologue to the future—and we must make the future better.

"Past is Prologue." To keep the promise of the past we must stand firm now and fight to preserve the right. We must not compromise with evil. We must put into practice the truth by which we hold sovereignty over this nation: "That all men are created equal and are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights . . . life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." The task is great, but the past has trained us for the needs of the present. We can and will do all that is demanded of us in the new year ahead.

Air Power Is the Key
General in Chicago Sun

There are some of us who still do not believe that air power, and air power alone, can defeat Hitler. But there can be no dispute over the fact that supremacy above the battlefield—whether it is Berlin, a mountain top in Italy, Tokyo, or some atolls in the Pacific—will be the decisive factor in the defeat of the Axis.

Figured on that basis, the defeat of the Axis around the world is coming inevitably closer. There is a good chance that the arithmetic of Allied production plus the mass of Axis demolition will catch up with the enemy in Europe some time in 1944—a full year sooner than many analysts would have figured a few months ago.

Are You a Hypocrite?
The Cherokee Scout

The average motorist is an unconscious hypocrite. That's a strong characterization—but a little impersonal analysis will substantiate it.

How often have you roundly criticized some driver for an offense which you commit periodically yourself? How often have you taken comfort

Religious News and Views

By REV. W. B. DANIELS, JR.

Each Bears the Light—

January 6 is celebrated in the church year as the Feast of the Epiphany. Built around the visit of the Three Wise Men to the manger-side of the Christ-Child, the Epiphany season emphasizes the manifestation of Christ to all people. The Wise Men were non-Jews, and the story demonstrates that the Son of God came as the Light of the World to all nations. His Kingship was not limited or circumscribed by the nation and race within which He was born.



An interesting story illustrating the meaning of Epiphany is given in the following excerpt from a devotional booklet:

"High up in an Alpine village in Switzerland is a little church which was purposely built without any artificial lights. Whenever there is an evening service, as for example, an Epiphany festival of lights or Christmas Eve midnight service, each villager leaves his home and climbs the hillside to the church bearing his own light. At first the hillside is dotted with flickering lights, but when the congregation is assembled the church is aglow with the combined illumination of many individual lanterns and candles.

"At Epiphany we celebrate the shewing forth of Christ to the whole world. He is not simply the Messiah of the Jews, but the Savior of all Mankind. To St. Paul was grace given to be the first to preach to the Gentiles. To each of us is given the privilege of bearing his own light of witness. Alone our light is feeble; together the world is aglow with the unsearchable riches of Christ."

There are four waterfalls within ten miles on US highway 64 between Franklin and Highlands in North Carolina.

in the thought that accidents are caused by some reckless breed of motorists with whom you have nothing in common, thus dodging the fact that only pure fool's luck has saved you from a crash on a dozen occasions? Have you ever attempted to get a ticket "fixed"—even though you may lip service to the cause of aggressive impartial law enforcement?

It is a fact that a large proportion of accidents are caused by the reckless ten per cent, but the other ninety per cent periodically take chances and are responsible for many of our annual auto deaths.

Ready-Made Cures For 'Flu' Decried By Health Officer

Dr. Carl Reynolds Issues Statement Advising Proper Course

Raleigh.—In view of the increase in the number of influenza cases, Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, State Health Officer, today issued the following statement, advising the proper course to be pursued, including the necessity for avoiding ready-made "cures" and consulting a competent physician at the first sign of the disease:

"Much has appeared in the press recently about the prevalence of influenza, both at home and overseas; but it is to be hoped that, no matter what proportions the disease may reach, our people will avoid unnecessary alarm and hysteria. Wishful thinking has never yet proved to be a remedy for any disease. On the other hand, neither has hysteria. Calm, cool, deliberate action is necessary. Only this can have the desired effect.

"Publicity about any situation which may develop should be cautious. This does not mean that the Board of Health will hide the facts, for this procedure does not constitute one of its policies. It proved this during the summer of 1935, when infantile paralysis practically stopped all tourist travel in Western North Carolina. The situation was bad, but public health officials declined to put on the soft pedal.

"There is no such thing as a 'simple cold.' Every cold is a potential enemy—a 'grand rascal,' so to speak, and should be treated as such, until proven otherwise.

Symptoms of a Cold
"All colds are ushered in with the same general symptoms, varying only in degree. The patient may or may not run a temperature—may or may not be plagued with headache and chills, or nausea sufficient to cause vomiting, according to the susceptibility of the patient and the virulence of the cold.

"Colds are contracted through contact with infected persons, although sudden chilling of the body may cause such reaction as congestion, which is a fertile field for the development of the germ, which is always prevalent.

"The danger of a cold lies in its possible results, or complications, chief among which may be pneumonia. Hence, the extreme importance of an early diagnosis and the avoidance of self-medication. There is no specific remedy for a cold, and it is folly to think you can buy a remedy for a disease that has not been diagnosed by a competent physician. The thing to do is to consult a physician, as a physician is the only one who can make a diagnosis. But, under no circumstances, should the patient undertake to buy a ready-made cure.

Go to Bed; Stay There
"The importance of going to bed cannot be over emphasized—go to bed, call your physician, and remain in bed until he comes and makes a diagnosis of your case, then follow his advice as to what to do. By this course, which is the only sensible procedure, you will avoid unnecessary risk and save money in the long run, too, if that is what you are after.

"There can be no overlooking the fact that there is a seasonal upsurge in influenza at this time, and this should be taken very seriously, but it should not throw the population into a panic. Fortunately, the infection so far has been of a mild type with no widespread serious effects.

"Influenza should be, but is not being, reported. Between November 1 and December 4 only 21 cases were reported to the State Board of Health, when the chances are there may have been that many cases in a single neighborhood in any of our towns or cities.

"While the present situation does not call for hysteria, it does justify caution.

How to Combat Flu
"When influenza is present it is important that the following general rules be observed:

"Keep away from crowds, especially indoor gatherings.
"Avoid people who cough and

sneeze without holding a handkerchief over the nose and mouth.

"Do not use the common drinking cup or the common towel; keep away from soda fountains that do not supply individual paper drinking cups, or glasses—and spoons—known to be properly sterilized in accordance with health and sanitary laws.

"Eat and sleep regularly.
"Keep in the open air and sunshine as much as practicable, and maintain good ventilation in the home and the office, shop or store.

"Wash your hands thoroughly before eating, and never put your unwashed hands in your mouth.

"Do not give the disease to others. When you sneeze or cough, always bow the head and cover both nose and mouth with handkerchief.

"In most instances, a person who has contracted influenza feels ill rather suddenly. He feels weak, has pains in the eyes, ears, head or back, and may be sore all over. Many patients feel dizzy, some vomit. Most of the patients complain of feeling chilly, and with this comes a fever which elevates the temperature to 100 or higher—sometimes as high as 104 degrees. In most cases, the pulse remains relatively low.

Let Your Doctor Prescribe
"If you have any of the above symptoms, go to bed at once—don't expose others—and don't further endanger yourself. Avoid taking any medicine until you send for your doctor and let him diagnose your case, for he knows what to prescribe. Follow his instructions explicitly.

"Again, physicians are urged to report all known cases of influenza—for it is a reportable disease—in order that complete information may be in hand, instead of just rumors as to the prevalence of influenza. Accurate reporting is the only way in which incidence may be truthfully determined and the public adequately warned of the danger point, or the approaching danger point.

"Remember, there is no cause for alarm, at the present time. While influenza is on the seasonal increase, it is, so far, in mild form. But keep it from spreading; protect others."

ROPER

Miss Louise LeFever, of Norfolk General Hospital, Norfolk, is spending some time here.

Mrs. B. B. Spencer is spending the winter in Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. L. B. Windley, of Portsmouth, Va., spent last Wednesday here visiting her daughter Mrs. Roger Chesson.

Miss Evelyn Chesson and Bubble Chesson have returned home, after spending sometime in Norfolk and Portsmouth, Va.

Miss Ida Ruth Knowles, of Bath, spent the week-end here visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Knowles.

Miss Shirley Sitterson spent last week in Washington and Raleigh.

Miss Myrtle Leigh Peacock left Sunday for Oxford.

Bill Bell, of Baltimore, Md., spent Wednesday here visiting his mother Mrs. Hattie Bell.

Mrs. Alice Spruill spent last week in Williamston visiting Mrs. C. C. Parker.

Worth D. Poyner, of Norfolk, spent the week-end here.

Miss Rosebud Gaylord, of West Palm Beach, Fla., spent last week here, visiting her mother Mrs. J. H. Gaylord, sr.

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. O'Brien and daughter of Clyde, N. C. spent last week here visiting J. J. Hassell. Lieutenant Commander Cecil Blount, of West Palm Beach, Fla., spent last week here visiting his mother, Mrs. W. A. Blount.

FERTILIZER

Nitrogen for top dressing small grains and other fertilizer for early spring crops should be ordered now and deliveries taken, says Dr. E. R. Collins, Extension agronomist at State College.

COTTON SEED

One-variety cotton improvement groups throughout North Carolina are now making plans for the growing of cotton seed, direct from the breeder, for seed supplies in 1945.

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IN MEMORIAM

Whereas, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, has seen fit to remove from us our true friend and brother, Harley Johnson, who gave his life in active service for his country and ours, that we may continue to enjoy freedom and liberty; and

Whereas, we, the members of Cherry River Local, No. 423, I. P. of P. M., deeply mourn the loss of our brother: Be it

Resolved, that we extend to his family and friends in this way our sincere sympathy in their bereavement, and share with them their pride in his dedication to duty; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the local newspaper, The Roanoke Beacon, a copy be sent to the Paper Makers' Journal and a copy be spread on the minutes of our local and our charter be draped for a period of 30 days.

(Signed) Miss COLLIA V. DAVENPORT,
Recording Secretary

Mr. M. J. JACK,
President.

1% PENALTY
WILL BE ADDED TO ALL
1943 TOWN TAXES
IF NOT PAID BY FEBRUARY 1

The rate of penalty will increase each month, starting February 1 with 1 per cent. Pay your 1943 town taxes now and save the penalty, as well as possible embarrassment later. Beginning February 1, the 1 per cent penalty will be added to the taxes of everyone who has not paid by then. No exceptions will be made.

P. W. Brown
Tax Collector for Town of Plymouth

GOOD NEWS

For Farmers Who Wish To Plant Cucumbers

Our grading system has been revised so as to effect much higher prices for those who wish to contract with us for the production of cucumbers this year. Green crooks will not be thrown out, but will be included in the grade to which their size entitles them, and we will have but three grades. No women graders will be employed—all grading will be done by machine. Our No. 1 grade has been increased 1/8 inch in diameter and length does not matter. Prices for the 1944 season will be as follows:

GRADE	DIAMETER—(Length Does Not Matter)	PER 100 LBS.
No. 1	(5-8 to 11-8 in) Including Green Crooks	\$3.50
No. 2	(11-8 to 13-4 in.) Including Green Crooks	\$1.80
No. 3	All Over 13-4 in., including Green Crooks	.80

This contract is better than any we have ever offered. Contracts are now ready and may be obtained from C. W. Dinkins at Plant on Brinkley Avenue or at Blount's Hardware Store. See us now and sign up as soon as possible. Plant open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily except Saturday, when it will be open from 8 a.m. to noon.

Last year all crooks were thrown out and there were five grades. The above grades and prices will enable you to greatly increase your returns from a crop of cucumbers this year.

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