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BIBLE THOUGHT

"With heart and mouth: For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Romans 10:10.

MORRISON FISH HATCHERY

Encouraging news of today is the general enlargement of the Fish Hatchery at Balsam. The Hatchery has for the past 12 years served a dual purpose: first, as a means of providing fish for restocking Western North Carolina streams, and thus making this area a fisherman's paradise; second, as an attractive spot for home folks and visitors to see first hand how man is aiding nature in keeping the streams stocked with fish.

By restocking the streams, the sale of fishing license showed a material increase this past year. Some of this money is being wisely spent in enlarging the Hatchery in order that the majority of the fish hatched there can be kept until they are five or six inches long before being replanted in the streams of 14 counties in Western North Carolina. The former practice has been to replant them when real small, and as a result, many died.

It is a far-sighted move on the part of the Fishery Commission, J. D. Chalk, and his associates, in making this enlargement program ahead of the completion of the Park. All indications are that the lure of sporting trout in these mountain streams will be one of the main attractions to the visitors, and with this new and larger program already underway, the Hatchery will be able to supply sufficient fish for restocking.

We are confident that the way Leo Reiger, superintendent of the Morrison Hatchery has handled the work had a great deal to do with the Commissioner deciding on such an elaborate expansion program.

Haywood is fortunate in having the Hatchery within her bounds.

G-MEN AND PUBLIC SENTIMENT

The non-resistance capture of Bill Payne and John Turner, North Carolina's desperate outlaws, by Federal Agents, last week, is further proof of the efficiency of the federal officers.

Citizens of the entire country admire the work of the G-Men, their efficiency, their methods of getting "their man," and public sentiment is back of the men and their work.

However, from The Sanford Herald, the progressive paper published in the town where the desperadoes were captured, we learn from the news account of the capture, that the Federal Agents called back to Sanford from Charlotte several hours after the arrest, and asked if the citizens of the town knew what had happened. From the Herald's account, it sounded sarcastic, and tended to belittle the citizens of that community.

If that were the case, and the G-Men did assume that attitude, we feel that continuance of that practice will eventually react on the Federal Agents, and public sentiment will likely change.

The G-Men are accomplishing too much to let a thing like that take place.

DIXIE LAND

The following story is a new version of the origin of "Dixie," was found in an exchange, and should be of interest to all Southerners:

Before the War Between the States, a bank in New Orleans issued \$10 bills (the) were engraved in English on one side and in French on the other. On the French side was the word "Dix," the French word for "ten." The Americans throughout the Mississippi valley, not knowing French called the bills "Dixies" and the land to be known as the "land of dixies" or "dixie land."

OVERHEAD COSTS

Seldom does a newspaper take their readers behind the scenes into the business office of the publication. At this time, we believe our readers would be interested in knowing that the plain white paper on which newspapers are printed is now costing publishers 21 per cent more since the first of the year.

A 21 per cent increase on paper alone makes a material increase in the overhead, yet, for the most part, the publishers will absorb this increase in overhead and continue to sell their subscriptions and advertising at the same price.

The Mountaineer, this week, is carrying several new features, together with the large list already found each week. These new features cost money, but our sole aim is to make the newspaper the very best possible, and to serve the county and section to the best advantage.

The first inclination of a publisher, when faced with rising production costs, might be to "cut down" on the number of pages. Discontinue some feature. Cut corners. Get out as "light" as possible. While that might be the logical method to follow, the publishers of The Mountaineer have taken the opposite view point. A general increase in pages, features and fuller coverage of the news field is our policy. Having done this, we will know that we have given the subscribers and advertisers really more than they paid for, and at the same time served the community loyally.

Although handicapped by ever-increasing overhead, we are striving eagerly to reach that goal.

Along this same line of thought, The Times, Brevard, had the following to say of the rise in paper costs:

"Bound down by fixed prices which so far publishers have been unable to shake, the newsprint that went into the making of this issue of the paper cost 21 per cent more than that of last week. This more than one-fifth increase in price is being absorbed by the Times management, and like a few other newspapers of the section, The Times hopes to continue at its former price.

"However, co-operation of all subscribers must be had if the yearly subscription price is to be kept at its present level of one dollar per year in the county, and one-fifty per year outside. Promptness in sending in renewals as soon as notices are received will be a material help to The Times office, and if our readers will give us the response which we are requesting, increase in subscription price will be warded off as long as possible.

This is not a "cry baby" statement, nor is it a begging appeal. Our subscribers can help us keep the paper at its present price if they will be prompt, which will cut the cost of making up and mailing expiration notices.

"In a few years, it is hoped, Dixie publishers will be able to produce their own newsprint—at a fair price. In the meantime, the price for imported white paper necessarily has to be met if we are to secure paper for printing."

LEGALIZED LIQUOR vs HOME PRODUCT

Down in Atlanta, the Georgia legislature is battling away on proposed legislation which would permit the sale of legal liquor in six of Georgia's largest counties. One Georgia lawmaker, in a bitter attack against the proposed plan, said, in part:

"Liquor stores would sell whiskey made by Yankees, I favor patronizing home industries, and continue using Georgia corn. I'm against sending good Georgia money north for a product that is made profusely right here in our own state."

This liquor question, it appears, is getting bigger all the time, and farther from a satisfactory solution.

However, from what we can learn, Georgia has no complaint to make of their liquor business, if sales on Georgia white liquor are as good in every other section of the country as they are in this community.

THE PISGAH HIGHWAY

Last week, announcement was made in The Times, Brevard, that work would start this week on the lower five-mile link of Highway No. 284 across Pisgah to Waynesville. The contract calls for this lower five-mile section to be completed in October, while the construction work on the upper ten mile section in Transylvania is slated to be finished by April.

These sections when completed will give a good road from Brevard to the Wagon Road Gap—the Haywood-Transylvania line.

The present plans are to get work started on this side of the mountain at an early date, as Commissioner McKee recently said some \$70,000 was available for work on this side of No. 284.

In The Hendersonville Times-News, in a column on the editorial page, Noah Hollowell, said in this connection: "Outlying communities like Hendersonville will be greatly helped by the facilities for travel to points of such scenic interest as the Pisgah National Forest."

THE OLD HOME TOWN



SPARKS of WISDOM

For health and constant enjoyment of life, give me a keen and ever present sense of humor; it is the next best thing to an abiding faith in Providence.—C. B. Cheever.

When wealth is lost, nothing is lost; when health is lost, something is lost; when character is lost, all is lost.—German Motto.

Peace is the happy, natural state of man; war, his corruption, his disgrace.—Thomson.

Nothing is so good for an ignorant man as silence; if he were sensible of this he would not be ignorant.—Saadi.

It is not the will of God to give us more trouble than will bring us to live by faith on him; He loves us too well to give us a moment of uneasiness but for our good.—Romaine.

We can be thankful to a friend for a few acres, or a little money; and yet for the freedom and command of the whole earth, and for the great benefits of our being, our life, health, and reason, we look upon ourselves as under no obligation.—Seneca.

What is difficulty? Only a word indicating the degree of strength requisite for accomplishing particular objects; a mere notice of the necessity for exertion; a bugbear to children and fools; only a mere stimulus to men.—Samuel Warren.

It is a notable and great thing to cover the blemishes, and to excuse the failings of a friend; to draw a curtain before his stains; and to display his perfections; to bury his weaknesses in silence, but to proclaim his virtues from the house-top.—South.

For want of a nail the shoe was lost; for want of a shoe the horse was lost; and for want of a horse the rider was lost; being overtaken and slain by the enemy, all for want of care about a horseshoe nail.—Benjamin Franklin.

Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm.—Emerson.

Those men who destroy a healthful constitution of body by intemperance and an irregular life, do as manifestly kill themselves, as those who hang, or poison, or drown themselves.—Sherlock.

When you know a thing, to hold that you know it; and when you do not know a thing, to allow that you do not know it; this is knowledge.—Confucius.

Money and time are the heaviest burdens of life, and the unhappiest of all mortals are those who have more of either than they know how to use.—Johnson.

It is with narrow-souled people as with narrow-necked bottles—the less they have in them the more noise they make in pouring it out.—Pope.

Go to friends for advice; to women for pity; to strangers for charity; to relatives for nothing.—Spanish Proverb.

When a man finds not repose in himself, it is in vain for him to seek it elsewhere.—From the French.

Tell me thy company and I will tell thee what thou art.—Cervantes.

The disadvantage of knowledge is that the more you know, the less fun it is to catch other people in mistakes.

VIEWS OF EDITORS

Planning
Many a time when a lady appears pensive she is really just planning to be very expensive.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

It's So
The trouble with looking impartially at both sides of a question is that both sides immediately wallop you for being on the other.—Chicago Tribune.

We Guess So
Won't the C. I. O. have to sanction back-to-work movements long enough for the boys to catch up on their dues?—Buffalo Courier-Express.

We Can
When the next campaign rolls around, can't you visualize some of the politicians promising sit-down strikers arm chairs and pipes?—Cortland (N. Y.) Standard.

Just Right
John Garner is the right type of man for Vice President. He never talks until he has something to say, then doesn't say it.—Buffalo News.

Safety in Masks
Gas masks are said to be unexpectedly popular with small school children in Europe. The youngsters have discovered a safe method for making faces at the teacher.—Worcester (Mass.) Gazette.

THIS WEEK in HISTORY

January 13, 1846—Beginning hostilities in war with Mexico.

January 14, 1784—Congress ratifies peace treaty with Great Britain.

January 15, 1929—Kellogg pact ratified by the Senate.

January 16, 1920—Eighteenth amendment went into effect.

BIRTHS
January 17, 1706—Benjamin Franklin, scientist, publisher, statesman, born.

January 18, 1782—Daniel Webster, statesman, orator, born.

January 19, 1807—General Robert E. Lee's birthday.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

America and Britain might see the Japanese a note to end notes.

Some people spend a great deal of time planning to do nothing.

Sometimes an investment is a good buy; at other times it is goodby.

Criticism has been defined as something that may be avoided by saying nothing, doing nothing, and being nothing.

Business not only needs a breathing spell, but an iron lung as well.

Another bumper crop that should be reduced is that of prone pedestrians.

It is a sign of prosperity when voting in Congress reaches an all-time high.

Scientists say life on earth began in hot water. And the water has cooled perceptibly since.

Russia prevented election frauds by allowing voters to cast ballots for only the government's candidates.

The fellow who got that job away from you yesterday is a low-down chiseling so and so and he cut the price to the bone to get it. When you got that job away from him last month it was superior salesmanship.

Isn't it a bit egotistical to think that the fittest survive because we happen to be among the survivors?

The young man who buys everything he wants, becomes an old man who does without things he needs.

"I GROW TOBACCO"

I HAD A FINE TOBACCO CROP LAST YEAR—MY BEST YET. AND THE CAMEL PEOPLE BOUGHT THE CHOICE PART, PAID ME MORE THAN I EVER GOT BEFORE. SO I KNOW THAT CAMELS USE FINER, MORE EXPENSIVE TOBACCO. CAMELS ARE THE CIGARETTE I SMOKE MYSELF. AND MOST PLANTERS FAVOR CAMELS 'CAUSE A MAN WHO GROWS TOBACCO KNOWS TOBACCO SURE ENOUGH

THE men who really know tobacco—the growers themselves—pick Camels as their favorite cigarette, according to George M. Crumbaugh. If you are not already a Camel smoker, begin now to enjoy Camels—the cigarette that is made from finer, MORE EXPENSIVE TOBACCO, Turkish and Domestic.

"WE SMOKE CAMELS BECAUSE WE KNOW TOBACCO" TOBACCO PLANTERS SAY

"NI BEBAS AQUA QUE NE VEAS"

"Look at the water before you drink" is the translation of the above old Spanish proverb. But in this enlightened age everyone knows it is impossible to judge whether water is pure or not simply by looking at it.

And it would be just as absurd to attempt to determine the quality of a prescription by the same method. Yet there is ONE infallible sign. Just make sure the bottle or box bears the ALEXANDER label—the "sterling" mark in prescription compounding.

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