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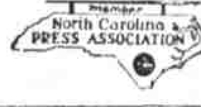
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BIBLE THOUGHT

By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, and honour, and life. Proverbs 22:4.

CHINA, A COVETED LAND

Without question, the most loyal people in the world, are the Japanese. They readily sacrifice their personal gains and pleasures for their country, and they never know when to stop giving.

Since the conflict in the Far East, there has been a number of Japanese in this country, who have left their work and are now traveling over the country explaining their country's part in the Far East affair. One such Japanese, M. T. Yamamoto, lecturer and author, addressed the Waynesville Rotary Club last Friday, and as was expected, upheld his country in their invasion of China.

He tried to present a clear picture of the situation, and in so doing, did stick to the truth, but even at that, we have to admit that he failed to convince us that Japan is justified in her actions.

It must be remembered, that Japan is a progressive nation. They are thrifty. They are shrewd traders, while just across the narrow strip of ocean, is China, contented to go along as their ancestors did centuries ago. But the Chinese want to be left alone. On the other side of China is the mighty country of Russia. And Russia, like Japan, desires to control the north Pacific, but realize that they must first have an upper hand in the affairs of China in order to gain this desired control.

Russia, through the communist organization, has gone into China, and organized the Chinese, or as Mr. Yamamoto explained it, has "Sovietized" them.

This action, is resented by Japan, because it gives Russia, their natural enemy, the advantage of them on the mainland of Asia.

Japan has a right to fear Russia's control of China, because of the importance which China plays in furnishing crowded Japan with food and raw materials.

Japanese have failed to design a plan which they can successfully combat, without force of arms, the progress Russia is making in "Sovietizing" China. Although the Japanese claim they are only interested in keeping Russian influence out of China.

Of course, the Japanese say the cause of the actual fighting, is the result of the killing of a naval officer by the Chinese, and several other unimportant incidents.

As we said at the first, Mr. Yamamoto failed to convince us that Japan was in her right in trying to keep China from becoming "Sovietized," by using armed forces. We are printing the highlights of his address in this issue, in order that our readers may get a first hand picture of what the loyal Japanese are presenting to the world.

The whole thing, sums up in our mind, that both Russia and Japan realize that China is not a progressive nation, yet very important territory, and both want control of her vast area. Russia adopted the plan of making the Chinese communists, to win their favor and confidence; while under disguise of helping the Chinese from falling into the stronghold of the communists, Japan is using force of arms to carry their point.

Naturally, under such circumstances, it can well be expected which nation the Chinese are looking up to, and in which they have lost confidence.

There is one advantage in Haywood's candidates waiting a long time to announce. There will be less time in which to make promises which they know can't be fulfilled.

10,000 PROSPECTIVE HOME-SEEKERS

To date, over 10,000 persons have written in for information regarding North Carolina, as a result of the state's national advertising campaign. These people are interested in coming to North Carolina to live, and to invest money.

The board of commissioners of this county have acted wisely, in having prepared an illustrated folder to be sent to all those who make inquiry about wanting to invest or move to North Carolina.

The commissioners readily realized that in order to derive the most benefit from the state campaign, was to publicize Haywood County and attract new residents and home-seekers and eventually receive direct benefit from the advertising campaign.

The advantages that Haywood can offer to prospective home-seekers compares favorably with any county in the state, and we believe that satisfactory results will come from this timely tie-up with the elaborate state advertising campaign.

LIVING LONGER

The reader probably thinks he would like to know how long he will live. For that reason human beings are always interested in revelations that tend to reveal the causes of death and the habits that tend to prolong life.

Prof. Maymond Pearl, noted biologist, has recently come to some interesting conclusions about longevity. Inasmuch as they are based on a scientific study of data the statements of this scientist are worth passing on, although every reader will "know" immediately that the student is entirely wrong on any conclusion that does not coincide with his or her prejudices.

Prof. Pearl's study reveals that inheritance is a major factor in the achievement of great longevity. It is not surprising that ripe old age is based on a "pretty good egg" at the beginning.

He finds that smoking means a definite impairment of longevity, proportional to the amount of tobacco used. Contrary to some ideas he reports that "no measurable effect of the moderate use of alcoholic beverages can be demonstrated" although heavy indulgence "definitely and considerably impairs life expectation."

Hard physical labor, says the professor, whether performed in indoor or outdoor occupations, has no effect upon life expectation up to the age of forty but considerable effect after that age.

In the case of persons dying eventually of diseases of the heart or the blood vessels, his study convinces him that it is possible, even when such persons are in a state of good health, to distinguish the groups that will be short-lived and those which will be long-lived.

Prof. Pearl reports that life tables show a great improvement in the average duration of life in the past forty years but this is due to a great improvement in infant welfare and not to a lengthening of the biological span of human life. In fact, he asserts that "actually fewer persons alive at the age of 70 today survive to the age of 90 than did forty years ago."

The wife of a textile worker in Gastonia, last week gave birth to a 19-pound boy. Eight days have passed, and the youngster has not received an offer from a football coach in the country. That's news.

Game Warden Cody Plot has just completed his year's work, and finds that hunting and fishing license sold in Haywood County last year brought in \$4,899. Which is further evidence that we still have confidence in ourselves as being good fishermen and hunters.

The pesky little groundhog is getting credit as being a good weather forecaster, and we'll give him all that's due, provided we get by March without a big snow.

Although about six years late, the lettering now being placed on the Court House is further evidence of showing to the world that we are proud of what we have.

Our statistics department reports that "the outstanding social event" of the season has already occurred 47 times in 1938.

Some of these days a smart man is going to go somewhere by telling the people some things that they don't like to hear.

The modern flapper knows how to give a man the run-around without letting the guy catch on that she is complimenting him.

Now that the average citizen has about learned contract bridge some bright foreigner comes out with a five-suit game, with sixteen tricks.

A pretty face and a pleasant smile, girls of the growing-up class, will get you a long way on the path of life but if these are your only assets don't bank too heavy on the finish.

THE OLD HOME TOWN By STANLEY



Random SIDE GLANCES

By W. Curtis Russ

It is not very often that this column is devoted to shop talk, but this week, we are breaking over, and certainly anyone who has been in the office during the past week can understand why.

Our determination to keep our plant modern in every detail, prompted us to purchase and have installed last week, in what we believe, to be the latest in presses for commercial printing.

This press, a compact piece of machinery, is known to the printing industry as the Miehle Vertice—pronounced mee-lee.

It is an automatic, high speed machine. The pressman can put as many as 5,000 sheets of paper in one end, and the press prints and delivers them at the other end without the aid of any pressman. The sheets are picked up by an air suction apparatus, put in place for printing, and then taken from the printing gadget and stacked in a neat pile.

The setting of the type for this machine is the same as for the other four presses used in the office.

The new press has two large air pumps which supply air for the apparatus which picks up the sheets of paper, and also some other features of the press, which are too technical for me to understand.

The press is what is known as fool-proof. It will not start until everything is all set, and then if a sheet of paper should happen to become crumpled, or torn, the press automatically cuts off until the bad sheet of paper is removed.

So accurate is this automatic press, that a sheet of paper was run through the press three times the other day, and it was impossible to tell but what the paper had only been printed once. Even the dot of an "i" in small type did not vary in size.

The machine is especially adapted to the reproduction of pictures on paper. High class color work which requires the utmost in accuracy is usually done on this type of press.

Just what steps will be taken to improve presses, or make them faster in the future, I would not venture to say, but it seems that a press that will operate by itself, at the speed of 3,600 pieces an hour, is just about all that can be expected for sometime to come. There are certain type presses that will run faster than this one, but different kind of work is printed on them.

Leaving the subject of presses, enough to acknowledge the sample box of homemade candy from Mrs. Amelia Burnette, of Route 2, Canton. She appropriately named her candy, "Pigeon River Homemade Candy." She has started a candy kitchen at her home, and right now is specializing on six flavors, or perhaps it should be fudges. A national magazine recently gave her a score of 100 per cent on her candy. That, within itself, is an accomplishment.

Never before have I seen as many kites being flown as this year. It seems that every boy in town must have a kite up. The box type seems to have met with more favor this year than the old stand-by cross-bar. Anyway, there are but few things can give a boy more enjoyment than to out-sail another boy.

OPINIONS OF OTHERS

Adolph Hitler, German Dictator: "The claim for German colonial possessions will be voiced from year to year with increasing vigor."

Alf M. Landon, former Governor of Kansas: "I abhor Communism. It cannot permit the freedom, privileges and tolerance which we enjoy under a representative democracy."

Sinclair Lewis, author: "The United States has grown so soft and luxurious that perhaps it is time for the barbarians to come in and take possession."

Patrick J. Hurley, Secretary of War under Hoover: "If we just let these Democrats alone, they're sure to elect us (Republicans) in 1940."

Henry G. Wenzel, Jr., N. Y. Su-

preme Court Justice: "The most expensive of all expensive hobbies is the collection of wives."

Frank C. Whitmore, educator: "The biggest difficulty with mankind at the present time is that our knowledge has increased so much faster than our wisdom."

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, First Lady: "Cities are places one should visit but never live in."

We see where an expert says that taxes are hard to understand. Worse than that, they are hard to pay.

No matter what you do or how you do it there will always be wiser methods than friends will point out.

It is much better to prevent a boy from becoming a criminal than it is to put him in prison after he violates the law.

Just about the time we are convinced that somebody has a cure for business woes another expert starts expounding another cure that is just the opposite from what we thought was agreed upon.

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PRECISION

There is no such thing as a "pretty good bridge." It must be PERFECT or it isn't a bridge—very long. Alexander's conception of prescription compounding is exactly the same as the engineer's conception of bridge building. In our opinion a prescription that isn't filled EXACTLY right is as unsafe as the bridge with a flaw—no matter how seemingly small that flaw may be.

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