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### BIBLE THOUGHT

And thou shalt consider in thy heart, that as a man chasteneth his son, so Jehovah thy God chasteneth thee. Eccl. 8:5.

### 1938 GRADUATES

This month will mark the graduation of thousands of high school and college seniors.

The majority of these graduates are at a loss when they get out into the world, to determine what they have learned during their eleven or fifteen years in school. Some think they have learned to make a living; others feel they know how to live while another group have the idea of first let live.

Truly, a confusion of ideas, but none so pathetic as that group which believes the world owes them a living.

After all, however, our sympathy goes out to the graduate whose head is filled with theory and has crowded out the practical application of common sense.

### ON THE GROUND FLOOR

Haywood County dairymen proved beyond any doubt last week at the annual promotion Guernsey sale, that they are interested in building up better dairy herds in the county, when they bought 5 of the thirteen animals offered for sale.

The facts as presented by the leading dairy specialists at the dairymen-farmers meeting last week, assured Haywood dairymen that pure-bred stock would offer a substantial profit, as other states were beginning to realize the necessity of pure-bred herds.

From all sources, we have every reason to believe that Haywood County dairymen and farmers are getting in on the ground floor of a business that is going to pay big dividends. Records over a period of years show that this is true.

### GOOD WORK FROM THE SOUTHERN

The Southern Railway System is doing their part to advertise this section of the country.

In their monthly time table, which numbers over 200,000 and are sent all over the world, the inside double page printed in three colors, shows a cloud hovering over a peak in the Park, while underneath are four smaller pictures showing Linville Falls, Chimney Rock, Indian Gap and a sightseeing bus.

The double page is headed: "The Paradise of all Eastern America, The Great Smokies in the 'Land of the Sky'!"

This is just one of many phases of publicity the Southern Railway System is doing to encourage travel in this section.

### TEN THOUSAND MEN WITH TEASPOONS

Several years ago many of our national and state leaders who should have known better thought it would be possible to solve the unemployment problem by refusing to make use of labor-saving machinery. They put thousands of men back to work with hand tools, with which most of them were most inefficient.

One of the advocates of old time methods looked at a modern machine which was digging a great trench at a rapid rate.

"How many men with shovels does that machine replace?" he asked the contractor.

"Why don't you junk that machine and put one hundred men with shovels into that trench?" asked the bright, modern thinker.

"I can think of a better one than that," said the contractor. "What's the matter with ten thousand men with teaspoons?"—Linotype House Organ.

A local man is called Charlie McCarthy and his wife Edgar Bergen. She makes all the decisions and tells him what to say.

### GET MORE CASH FROM COWS

There are three basic reasons according to Dr. Tait Butler, writing in The Progressive Farmer for March, why there should be more milk cows on Southern farms:

"1. There are not now enough milk cows on Southern farms with sufficient dairy products for maintaining good health.

"2. The dairy cow probably furnishes the best market for legumes, pasturage, and other forage these states must grow in order to prevent soil erosion and maintain and restore soil fertility.

"3. The South needs the additional farm income which efficient dairying will bring."

But Dr. Butler knows of no sort of successful farm production that is fool-proof, easy, or certain, and notes particularly some requirements for success in dairying:

"I know that dairying requires more work, knowledge, and business judgment than many other kinds of farming, but I believe that it pays as fair a wage (if not a better one) for all the labor and intelligence put into it as any other line of farm production."

Regarding "the man" as the first factor in successful dairying, he says:

"The factors which largely determine success in dairying are, first, the man, second, the cost of suitable feeds, and third, the quality of the dairy cows."

### "BUY A TICKET HOME"

William Allen White said the other day: "The farmer is today the greatest gambler on earth; alongside him a stock speculator or a craps shooter looks like a Christian soldier!" Apropos of White's idea about the gamble of crop production, The Progressive Farmer recalls Bradford Knapp's story about the oldtime horsemen who used to go down to New Orleans every spring to bet on the races:

"The first thing every wise gambler learned he had better do was to buy a ticket back home! Then no matter what Lady Luck might do to him he could at least get back to home base!"

So Bradford Knapp always tells farmers that a "live-at-home" policy constitutes the best possible "ticket back home" for everybody who engages in the gamble of farming!

Every time we hear one of the modern new songs sung by movie and radio stars we are reminded of the poetry we used to write in our grade school days. We were a genius then and didn't know it. If we could write stuff like that now we could glut the market with winners.

Strange how long it is necessary to preach common sense things to people before they accept them and do them. It took years of agitation to get old age assistance, and, obvious as the need is, it will take years of agitation to secure anything like a general recognition of the need of soil conservation. The man who said the human race never does anything until it is forced to, was not far from the truth.

We recall in our younger days that one of the most interesting sights in connection with a circus were the fine horses used to draw the heavy wagons to and from the show grounds and in the parade. To many, the horses were more interesting than the cages of wild animals and the herd of elephants. Since the tractor and power machinery have all but banished the horse from the farm and from the circus, how much more interesting a horse powered circus would be today than it was forty years ago. The horse is perhaps the most universally loved and admired domestic animal. Horse lovers would come many miles to see an old time circus with its fine big Percherons and Normans and Clydesdales and to give the menagerie of jungle animals a hurried once over.

### TWO MINUTE SERMON

BY THOMAS HASTWELL

#### THE DOUBLE RESPONSIBILITY

I recall an experience that I had as a young man that gave me, at the time, a severe shock, and which, even yet, years after, I recall with regret. There was in my home town a young man whom I had become to regard very highly. Like many a boy my age I thought that he was the personification of everything right, and good, and honorable. He was my ideal. One day he was discovered stealing from his employer. For a long time I could not believe it could be true, but was finally reluctantly forced to admit that it was. I can remember yet what a sense of desolation the news gave me. My faith was destroyed. It was a long time before I could reconcile myself that anyone or anything was right, or true, or honest. I have thought a good many times what a splendid lesson this incident affords. There is scarcely a young man or a young woman in the business world to whom some younger person does not look up to as a model and an ideal. In the conduct of their lives it is not only important for their own soul's well being that they keep clean, and straight, and wholesome, but it is also important for those who look up to them for leadership, who believe in them, and trust them. There are few disappointments in life keener than the discovery that one's idols are possessed of feet of clay.

### THE OLD HOI-WON



THAT STRANGER WHO LOOKS LIKE A CIRCUS ADVANCE MAN, HAS HEARD A LOT OF ENCOURAGING NEWS SINCE HE HAS BEEN IN OUR TOWN

## Random SIDE GLANCES

By W. Curtis Russ

I haven't heard of it from any one, but from the trend of events, I am inclined to believe that last week must have been "National Pencil Week."

The first thing Monday morning, a salesman taking me for a prospective customer presented me with a new type mechanical pencil. That afternoon I found a new pencil on the street.

Tuesday's mail brought a sample from a big pencil manufacturer. Tuesday afternoon while going through a desk drawer that is seldom used, I found several I had put away several months ago.

Wednesday night, I had five pads passed among those present at the dairymen-farmers supper for names and when I got them back, along came five pencils. A nice "haul" for such a short time.

The first thing the next morning, I walked an office supply salesman, quoting prices on pencils. By that time I felt as if I had the pencil market cornered, and merely laughed at his offerings, and displayed my collection.

There must be a race on between bakers, to see which one can bake the biggest variety of cakes. It is absolutely confusing to try and pick out a cake from the average bread counter.

Candy manufacturers are almost as bad. It used to be that there were stick candy, gum drops, chocolate drops, and striped mints. Now look at the hundreds of kinds on sale.

Have you ever stopped to think how many different kinds of drinks that there are offered at the average soda fountain? To make a list will amaze you.

Boys today are missing a lot when they do not have the old-fashioned horse-drawn ice wagon to chase and slip shavings from. I have followed the wagon for blocks, just to get the chips made by the saw. Although there was plenty of ice at home, none tasted quite as good as the fresh "shavings" from the big blocks, that fell in the sawdust covered floor of the wagon.

Add to today's smiles—as happy as a candidate without opposition.

A salesman spent several hours in Waynesville last week, giving away samples of a new cigar bearing the name of a well known brand of liquor. After giving away numerous samples, he realized that most of Waynesville's male population was familiar with the liquor, which led him to remark: "This town must be soaking wet, from the way people here talk."

### MARRIAGES

Neil Watson, of Lake Junaluska, to Kate Henson, of Enka.  
Arlie Hall to Ruth Suttles, both of Clyde.  
Roy M. Parkman to Marguerite Massie, both of Waynesville.

The Incas of ancient Peru practiced soil conservation and terraced their hillside farms to prevent the soil from washing away.

### Your Horoscope

April 23, 24—Although you are sometimes dominated by others, if left to your self you are long headed and if you can just make up your mind before some one talks to you otherwise, and will stick to your decision, you will make a success of your undertakings. You often lose friends by your straight forward talk. Attention and ease is your weakness.

April 25, 26—Possessing more than ordinary intelligence, and a strong determination you can adjust yourself to any circumstance that arises, especially if it pertains to those you love. But you have the unhappy faculty of taking your business troubles home with you and rehearsing and rehearsing them over to the annoyance of your family.

April 27, 28, 29—You are noted for your sudden and unlooked changes. You will quit one position and take up another without delay and most always make a success of it. You are either easily pleased or nothing will

## THIS WEEK in HISTORY

April 25—The name "America" used in a geography published at Die, in France, on this date, 1492.

April 26—Steamer Sultana sunk on the Mississippi, with loss of 1,100 men, most soldiers on way home from war, 1865. Martial law proclaimed at Vera Cruz, American flag raised at city, 1914.

April 27—U. S. Grant, 16th president, born, 1822. International Woman's Peace Congress opened at Hague; fourteen countries represented, 1915.

April 28—First steamer of the Pacific Mail service arrived at Vancouver from Yokohama, 1891. Struck in Colorado, President Wilson ordered troops to the scene, 1914.

April 29—Maryland refused to secede from the Union by vote of 13, 1861. Log of the Mayflower presented to United States by Great Britain, 1897.

April 30—United States bought Louisiana from France for \$15,000,000, 1803. Wireless communication between Washington and Panama Canal was perfected, 1915.

May 1—First telephone exchange in Missouri opened at St. Louis, 1876. Harry Leon Wilson, author, born, 1897.

please you, according to the mood you are in. Generally you are lenient, sympathetic and can be very self-sacrificing.

The North Carolina system transports 275,000 pupils to and from school on each school day.

The word hammer comes from a Scandinavian word, hammarr, meaning a rock.

The German government has banned the use of the inflammable hydrogen in Zeppelins, even for trial flights.

Botanically speaking, green peas are seeds, a tomato is a fruit, an onion is a bulb, and broccoli is a flower.

Birds are like humans—a little grouchy before breakfast—says a government scientist, from his own backyard observations.

### Congratulations Seniors...

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