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WORDS

To tell a story simply is an art and one more rare than most of us realize.

"The story of the creation of the world is told in Genesis in 400 words.

"The greatest moral code in the world, the Ten Commandments has 237 words.

"Lincoln's Gettysburg address was given in 266 words.

"OPA changes the price of cabbage seeds and gets out a bulletin of 2,500 words to tell about it."

WE AGREE

Perhaps you read the very entertaining article written by Jonathan Daniels in which he advocated an "Old Maids Day" in keeping with the general idea of days for everybody and everything which is so universal.

Mrs. Roosevelt did not take to the idea and we are voting with her on the matter. The "days" are already so numerous that it is almost a hardship to keep up with them, so we are in favor of posing up the "gals" this time, for it might involve a number of delicate angles including establishment of an age limit.

ENCOURAGING

A recent statement by Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, regarding the cashing of war bonds gives encouragement despite the current opinion that a large number of buyers are redeeming them.

Mr. Morgenthau states that the conversion of war bonds (Series E, F and G) by their owners into cash has steadily declined since the inauguration of the October, 1944, simplified redemption plan.

"This reduction in the percentage of redemption reflects an increased realization on the part of the people of the soundness of the Treasury's advocated policy to buy and hold war bonds," says Mr. Morgenthau.

He further announced the percent of redemptions as follows since October, 1944: For month of October, 1944, percentage of total sales, 116; November, 1944, 1.08; December, 1944, 0.98; January, 1945, 0.89.

GOING UP IN SMOKE

We were watching a line which stretched far out into the street recently and upon inquiry we heard the word repeated by several in line in tones of exaltation, of deep appreciation and of great anticipation: "Cigarettes".

Having been asked by a number of smokers to bear them in mind at such moments of opportunity we fell in line to get the allotted packs, which were later appreciated beyond reason.

Then seated at our desk we picked up the following figures published by the Securities and Exchange Commission: The gross revenues of the six largest cigarette manufacturers in the United States in 1943 totaled \$1,553,032,000.

While during the same length of time the revenue received by all American electric utilities, privately owned and publicly owned for residential and farm services totaled \$1,100,000,000 or nearly half a billion dollars less than the receipts of the cigarette manufacturers.

DAIRY PROSPECTS

Haywood County has made great progress during the past few years in the dairying industry and there are still greater opportunities ahead in this field.

The war time demands for milk have stepped up production all over the country, yet at the same time the civilian has become more conscious of the health values of milk products and is consuming more milk than ever before.

For the dairying program to be profitable in times when money is plentiful and when it is scarce, it is a wise plan to lay a good foundation for production.

The United States Department of Agriculture is announcing a new nation-wide program to meet the war time need for more milk. A special committee has worked out an eight-point program that will help the farmer to secure more milk production in 1945.

The eight points featured in the program are:

- 1—Grow an abundance of high-quality roughage. 2—Balance your herd with your feed supply. 3—Keep production records on each cow in the herd. 4—Practice disease-control methods. 5—Produce milk and cream of the highest quality. 6—Adopt labor-saving methods. 7—Take care of your land. 8—Develop sound breeding programs.

The eight points are fundamentals of a profitable dairy program for the present and will also be good when conditions are different.

"HOMESIDE READJUSTMENTS"

We call your attention to the following editorial from The Christian Science Monitor because it contains food for thought for all of us here on the home fronts.

There is a growing uneasiness among those close to the readjustment problem of the returning veterans which calls for prompt recognition.

The source of this feeling is not to be found in the provisions of the Serviceman's Readjustment Act of 1944—the G. I. Bill of Rights—with its broad program for rehabilitation through hospitalization, education, loans and unemployment benefits.

No—the framework of readjustment as provided by law and regulation is ample, in fact more than ample in the opinion of many. As a Nation, the United States has marched far from the land-grant given to the ragged Continentals mustered out after the Revolution.

Where, then shall we look for the cause of this feeling—now no larger than a spot on the peace-time horizon? Right in our own mirrors! We—the families of our servicemen—are causing this vague but growing feeling of uneasiness among those studying the readjustment problem.

Farsighted, experienced observers call now for a "homeside readjustment". Too much, they say, has been emphasized about readjusting the fighting men. Incidents of Naval veterans removing their combat ribbons to avoid ill-advised questioning, and of infantrymen from the Italian front taking off their honored shoulder patches to escape thoughtless inquiries are straws in the wind.

It is the wartime duty of us all to search deeply into our motives as we eagerly press forth to help in the great opportunities of readjustment. Let there be no unwise probing into combat-packed hours. Let the Golden Rule guide our every step and temper our grateful enthusiasm.

Naturally enough we can find our readjustment guide in the Bible. Can we not turn as did Solomon when he was called on to face great problems and great opportunities and ask for "an understanding heart?" That might well be the start for "homeside readjustment."

Armchair generals are at it again with their predictions of an early end of the war in Europe. Could be, we reckon, only we haven't forgotten similar predictions back before Christmas and the way they turned out.

ALMOST QUITTING TIME?



HERE and THERE

By HILDA WAY GWYN

We wondered at the time our new press was erected how much the editor, W. Curtis Russ, seemed to know about it. In fact he spoke with the familiarity of an old acquaintance.

In the passing of Mrs. Jarvis Conant, Grace Howell Conant, the Lake Junaluska Methodist Assembly has lost one of its gems. As a business woman she had made a place for herself with the thousands of visitors who crowded the assembly each season.

CONGRATULATIONS Editor The Mountaineer Congratulations on your new and better press, all used in to you and The Mountaineer.

Why complain when most people are being patriotic? Well, does the preacher put opposing signs because most people are decent?

Better play our cards carefully Brazil and Argentina could build up and equip a military force equal to Germany's.

Life often seems out of line, at times, or rather the people who make it up, but there are always bright spots along the way that shine out against the clouds to counteract the gloom.

her affairs. She and her husband had not had time to reorganize money for a home, but she had been in the service for long and had an acre of land and a house for a small business.

Transactions in Real Estate Beaverdam Township Mrs. E. G. H. Bay

Letters To Editor Jonathan Township Grady Wilson, et ux, et al to Fred Caldwell, et ux.

THE OLD HOME TOWN By STANLEY Luke, is it real or is it this 'sight seeing' corn juice you poured out by mistake?



Voice OF THE People

What are your post war plans? One that suggested by M. H. Bowles.

Francis Massie—To carry on in the future and live as quiet and peacefully as I can.

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Jonathan Township Grady Wilson, et ux, et al to Fred Caldwell, et ux.

Pigeon Township Annie Theona Cook to Mrs. Mary Cook Foster.

Waynesville Township Frank Guy, et ux to J. H. Rogers, et ux.

Buy War Bonds and Stamps.

Inside WASHINGTON

Keep Your Eye on Ryukyus, Just 500 Miles From Japan Dairy Farmer Hopes By Selective Service

WASHINGTON—Keep an eye on Ryukyus, 500 miles south of the Japanese islands.

AMERICAN FARMERS, but hard on the manpower selective service and high wages in city war plants.

Perhaps harvest hit by the draft is the daily hands must be highly skilled in caring for machinery.

CHAHMAN BIRTHPLACE (D) of Kentucky Banking committee, has a story which he thinks is a situation in which he found himself during a hearing.

AN AMERICAN WOMAN is responsible for coins for the United States mint, who reveals all records for minting coins for friendly nations.

THE LAST WEEK HIGHLIGHTS ON THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By NEWMAN CAMPBELL, The International Union of Mine Workers Lesson on the above topic for March 25 is Matthew 21, 26, 27-1:56, the Memory Verse being Matt. 21:9, "Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest."

WE CAN just sketch the highlights of this long lesson. It starts at the town of Bethpage, at the foot of the Mount of Olives, when Jesus sent two disciples to the town to buy an ass and colt and bring them to Him.

Next Jesus went to the temple, and found there men trading in the large outer court, called the "court of the Gentiles." There was buying and selling, and doubtless loud and angry voices, and Jesus cast all the bargainmen out of the temple, overthrew the tables and seats of them that sold doves.

When Jesus had finished telling parables He told his disciples that in two days would be the feast of the passover and after that He would be betrayed to His enemies.

Next morning, when Jesus was bound, before Pilate, he found a multitude chosen for death so Pilate washed his hands of the whole matter, and was led away to His death by the Cross.

In the meantime Jesus, free of his perils, and took 30 pieces of silver to the priests. They would not accept it, so Judas threw them in the face and went out and hanged himself.

Jesus, without friends and tortured, was nailed to the cross, and when at last He died, a great darkness fell on the earth, the veil in the temple was torn from top to bottom, "the earth did quake and the rocks were rent." Too late, they had watched his agony and awe-stricken—"Truly this is the Son of God."

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BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS