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BIBLE THOUGHT

"Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people."—Proverbs 14:24. (Read Psalm 33:8-12.)

26 More Pints of Blood

Waynesville citizens have given 26 more pints of blood to the Red Cross blood bank. Each time the bloodmobile has been here, the citizens have responded with generous donations.

The use of blood is becoming more general every day, and countless lives are being saved. It is encouraging to note that the gifts of blood by citizens of this county are still up to par, and the response prompt.

Economic Wisdom

This country is apparently committed to the task of doing all within its power to bolster the economy of the whole world, part of which suffered terrible destruction during the trying years of the recent conflict.

We have been spending money right and left in our efforts, wasting some and using most of it to good effect. Some of the money is spent as a "calculated risk," meaning that we are gambling with it, such as loaning \$20 million to Tito in order to encourage him to keep his back "bowed up" at Stalin.

The money used to bolster the world economy comes from the pockets of the taxpayers, most of whom work pretty hard for every dollar they earn—that which they keep for themselves and that which goes into the tax coffers.

The question has been raised in our mind in recent weeks as to whether our country is represented by the smartest brains available at these economic conferences where they are spending our money. We have always believed that it takes politicians to run a government, but we think politicians need the advice and counsel of the smartest financial brains in the country—not just men who have obtained their economic theories in school, but men who have learned from actual experience.

If such men do not have the ear of our representatives at these conferences, then Mr. Truman needs to get something done about the matter at once.

—The Stanly News and Press

MIRROR OF YOUR MIND

By LAWRENCE GOULD Consulting Psychologist



Do handsome men prefer plain women?

Answer: I can't give a scientific answer, since I know of no researches or statistics on the subject. But I have known many strikingly good-looking men who seemed devoted to wives who were downright "homely" by most people's standards. With men who are vain, this might be because they don't want a rival in the family. Or again, the "glamour boy" may be so surprised with pretty girls' attentions as to reach the point where beauty loses its importance for him and he picks his wife for personality and temperament, not good looks.



Should psychiatry help select children's studies?

Answer: Yes, writes Dr. Lawrence S. Kubie in the Teachers College Record. Especially with young children, the first aim of education should be to lessen the split between a child's unconscious feelings and his conscious ones, so that he may understand

Is preferring a "white-collar job" neurotic?

Answer: That depends on circumstances. In itself, a wish for "social standing" or "prestige" is altogether normal, and in a community where a white-collar job assures these, that may well be a consideration in choosing what sort of work you will do. But to let your wish for other people's good opinion drive you into work for which you are unskilled, or which you find boring and frustrating, shows a lack of self-esteem and self-assurance which may well be called neurotic. If you're healthy-minded, your own tastes and talents ought to come first.

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The Tobacco Harvest Festival

It is welcomed news that the business men of this community will again sponsor a Tobacco Harvest Festival this fall. This will be the third consecutive festival to be staged here, and each year the event has grown in popularity as well as purpose.

The Tobacco Harvest Festival, in a way, takes the place of a Haywood County Fair. The occasion comes at a time of year when the chores on the farm are lighter, and just before the burley crop is taken to the market. It comes right at the Thanksgiving season, and is a logical time to commemorate the harvest of the golden burley, which means so much in a financial return to Haywood.

There are about 1,600 burley growers in Haywood, and this year it is estimated that about \$800,000 will be received for the crop. This means that the 1,600 farmers will get their share of the money, which is a sizable amount to spread over the county.

A lot of work will again be required to stage the Tobacco Harvest Festival, and many people will be called in to give a helping hand. We feel that all Haywood will join in and do their part.

A Big Game for Haywood

There are several big, and enticing football games in this section of the country next Saturday. But one of the biggest games of all will be at the polls in Haywood County. The expansion program of the Haywood County Hospital will be decided on next Saturday, and that is one of the most important events to come before the citizens of Haywood in a long, long time.

This is a game which the best team just must win—the need is too urgent, the gifts of other agencies too great to turn down.

Voice of Autumn

The owl has hooted in the evening darkness. The voice of Autumn has echoed across the valley. There is no mistaking it now, for although the green world is still green it has the gleam of dogwood berries turned scarlet and the shine of goldenrod in the fence corners and the glow of little white asters on the meadow. There is the cider smell of windfall apples in the orchard and the wine tang in the vineyard. You can close your eyes and know that the change is taking place.

Ripeness is fulfillment, and it comes not at the peak of Summer. It comes when the season begins to ease down the long hill toward Winter and ice, when the days shorten and the stars of night begin to gleam in longer darkness. Ripeness is a summation of long, hot days and simmering sun and warm rain and the flash of lightning across the Summer sky. It is the beauty of blossom brought to the succulence of fruit, the soft green of new stem toughened to the firm fiber of the reaching twig, the winged seed of a maple now rooted at the grass roots and finding sustenance in the soil. Ripeness is September, warm at mid-day, chill at dusk and covered with cool darkness at dawn.

The change is more than a matter of sunlight and day-length, for there is a rhythm in all growing things, a rest and a resurgence. The seasons belong to that rhythm, as do the day and the night. But so does the apple and so do the goldenrod and the asters.

The peak is past. The wave of the great rhythm now begins to ebb, and the cricket sings, the owl hoots, the crows call querulously. You can hear Autumn from any hillside.

—The New York Times

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



Looking Back Over The Years

15 YEARS AGO - Lachlan Hyatt is elected president of the student body of the Waynesville High School. Sarah Welch is elected vice president. Miss Anne Albright accepts position on the faculty of the Waynesville High School. Mountaineers win first games from Hayesville, 26-0. Mrs. Charles C. Tillett of Charlotte, vice chairman of the state Democratic Executive Committee, is honored at luncheon at Mr. Hardin's Tea Room. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Massie were among those motoring on Cherokee to observe the Cherokee Indian Fair.

Capital Letters

By EULA NIXON GREENWOOD

BAPTIST TROUBLES—Baptists who are as pious as prayerful are giving their backs for one of the hottest State Conventions in several years. The fight will occur right here in Raleigh... of November. Some Baptist laymen will attack the recent purchase of Fort Christwell for \$86,000. The State of North Carolina has offered this property as a gift at one time and turned down the offer. Senate Assembly has already cost the Baptists well over \$100,000 during the past two years, and the lease still has three years to run.

Object of much of the criticism is expected to be M. A. Humes of Raleigh, secretary-treasurer of the State Baptist Convention.

WAKE FOREST DRIVE—Efforts to move Wake Forest College to Winston-Salem have almost completely bogged down... and this may also come up for discussion at the Convention. Faced with the necessity of raising upwards of \$10,000,000, more money has been spent this year in the campaign than has been received. It is said, and nobody has denied the assertion, that those in charge of the drive had to borrow funds with which to meet the last payroll of the salaried workers.

EDUCATION NOTE—Robert Scott, son of the Governor, who has been studying at Duke University to become a physician, likes it so well here in Raleigh that he is switching schools and ambitions... and will be a student in animal husbandry at N. C. State this winter. Another Scott son, Osborn, studied at State and is now managing the Scott dairy farm in Alamance County.

SPEAKER—Former Senator William B. Umstead of Durham must be running for something, for he is making more speeches than any other private citizen, most of them to civic clubs. Senator Frank Graham's friends, with a wary eye on Umstead's activities, are getting out a few letters in his behalf and are presenting him to groups wherever possible, and whenever Dr. Frank will consent to leave Washington. Some time back, one of the late J. M. Broughton's friends was talking to Dr. Graham about a county in this State which looked all right for Broughton until about three weeks prior to the Primary. "They went in there with money, and the whole situation changed overnight," reported the Broughton supporter. "Do you mean that they actually bought votes for Mr. Umstead?" asked Senator Graham. To this—as soon as he had recovered—the informant gave a solemn nod. Afterwards, he was heard to say: "Dr. Frank Graham is a good Senator, but he's got a lot to learn." Once in a while, it is said, votes

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

How do you think the rate will go on the hospital bond issue—October 1?

Dr. Tom Stringfield: I think it will carry by a good margin. Very few of the people I have contacted are against it.

Henry Gaddy: It'll be another Truman landslide, in favor of the bond.

Margaret Vickery: I think it will pass.

J. H. Howell, Sr.: All I can say is I hope it will pass.

School Provides Home SOUTHBORO, Mass., Sept. 24.—When townfolk find their school superintendent, Roger K. Poole napping in the school Glee days, he's not loafing on the job. He was unable to find a place to live, so the school committee gave him permission to move into the school cellar with his wife and four children.

are bought in North Carolina, but the latest quoted price is around \$3.00, whereas one used to be able to get man and wife for one dollar—and 50 cents for the little girl just turned 21.

Letters To The Editor

FOOTBALL VS. STUDIES

Editor's note—The Mountaineer welcomes letters to the editor on current subjects, and asks that all letters be confined to 300 words or less. Views expressed in letters to the editor are not necessarily those of this newspaper.

Editor The Mountaineer: In your "Voice of the People" column, I have recently noted two or more "Voices" asking you to give more publicity to the High School football team. Having been a teacher on the High School and College level for most of my adult life before coming to this great American Museum of Natural History, I wish to speak for the other side of school life.

During those later years of teaching, after I had learned some fundamental things involved therein, I briefly formulated the doctrine that the function of a school, from primary progressively to University, is to teach students how to study and how to learn to think—in short, to function to develop brains and character. This doctrine I held before my students day in and day out and in the past fifteen months I have had assurances from scores of these former students, going back over 50 years, that this was a good principle to live by.

In the old days we had a "Waynesville Academy" or "High School" which surely could not be called such by modern standards. Yet from it went out students whose after work made outstanding places for themselves in the great world. But what about today? For more than 25 years I have carefully (Continued on page three)

Rambling 'R'

-Bits Of Human Interest News Picked Up—Of The Mountaineer Staff

Always a great admirer of good and bags, our attention was immediately drawn to one of the most interestingly dressed women we have seen in the city. She had her feet in the obby of the boot, seemingly a bit exhausted from waiting up stairs, our steep stairs. Suddenly she jumped down and that was exactly what she had done. It took a moment for the crowd to get related to her act. She was waiting for the opposite party to appear.

Heard in passing: "It's a lot of fun to dislike some people."

Little old lady at the bus. You've often found yourself with a favorite pencil which to avoid the three inch length and awkward to handle. Hunt up another, but find it place the two flat ends together and fasten them by stitching, a gummed tape around when they join. If one must have, you have the opposite party to appear.

Somehow, the dollar mark shrinks in comparison to the mark of friendship. Maybe it was wrong, but we think so.

SCOTT'S SCRAP BOOK



IS THE UNIVERSAL DRINK IN CHINA BECAUSE ALL DRINKING WATER MUST BE BOILED FOR SANITARY REASONS. A FEW OTHERS BOILED WATER PALATABLE.



IN ENGLAND A TELEPHONE OPERATOR IS KNC AS TELEF.

WHAT PRODUCT MADE FROM COAL IS SWEETER THAN SUGAR? SACCHARIN.

Inside WASHINGTON

MARCH OF EVENTS

U. S. Has Billion and Half Invested in Reclamation Bureau's Over Five

Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON—When Congress appropriated \$27,496,800 for the construction of a dam on the lower Colorado river to serve Indians at Yuma, and only \$10,000,000 would start an irrigation project, the rest would be used to buy land for the Uncle Sam today has \$1,500,000,000 invested in water for Bureau of Reclamation.

more than 5,000,000 of the 12 western land now under irrigation. Reclamation has supplied with water and that can be carried to irrigated lands not get enough.

Farms for thousands of acres carried out of deserts and lands only 500,000 acres live on farms and in towns water and hydroelectric power projects. This is 25% of population of 17 western states.

Reclamation planners have river basins and numerous water western watersheds drain. Water is one of the sources of the West. It is not only the correct farmlands, but it is the producer of hydroelectric homes and operate industries.

"Falling water is the one source of power, such as out depleting some exhaustible resources," according to Michael W. Struss, secretary of the "In terms of hydroelectric power we could have 10 to 15 times as much electrical energy as we could have from approximately 600 million barrels a year of oil."

Other Reclamation lakes will dot the West as power projects continue to harness the precious flowing both east and west from the Great Mountains.

You probably can get the best idea of the features of a big irrigation development by the 200,000-acre irrigation project in the Colorado of the Northwest.

Construction of the irrigation water distribution quire four earth-filled dams totaling six miles 23 quire four earth-filled dams totaling six miles 23 quire four earth-filled dams totaling six miles 23

This construction will necessitate the excavation of 28 million cubic yards of earth and rock, the use of 10 million cubic yards of concrete, and large quantities of lumber.

Three Reclamation demonstration farms are being the Columbia basin. They will show farmers the Columbia basin. They will show farmers the Columbia basin. They will show farmers the Columbia basin.

"We must see that the benefits from irrigation are spread widely among the people so that economic security and advancement will be made the greatest possible number of people," President Truman National Reclamation association.

In his last State of the Union Message to Congress defined the task of conservation as "not to lock up our resources, but to develop and improve them. He urged the development and flood control. Reclamation, navigation, and flood control. Reclamation, navigation, and flood control. Reclamation, navigation, and flood control.

these, he emphasized, should be "directly available to the people." Irrigation waters, he added, "should serve family farms and not land speculators." Reclamation Bureau activities today cover a development of irrigation and power agencies. Farmers get started on irrigated land, spawning projects, and being concerned on western irrigation projects opening up new farmlands for future industries, future electric plants for future industries, future electric plants for future industries.

"JET DEVELOPMENT"

