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By: George Peck

The Struggle Continues

In a previous article I discussed the struggles of early man to attain economic security in this editorial I'd like to say a few things about man's struggle in modern times.

Empires always have been built on the simple formula of controlling large colonial populations that can be forced to fight for and buy things from the empire nation. This has been the only solution for an over-populated nation to overcome its lack of natural resources.

Spain, England and France were the first of three modern nations to engage in this colonization business on an extensive scale. The rule was that the first nation to conquer a so-called unenlightened country, could raise its flag thereon and receive undisputed title to the confiscated territory. The inventions of gunpowder and big ships made this a pleasant, lucrative and relatively safe undertaking. As a result Spain, France and England prospered.

Russia, backward and fully occupied with millions of square miles of undeveloped land took no hand in this territory-grabbing game. Germany was slow in realizing the economic advantage of this colonization racket, and when she finally did see the light, all the good claims had been staked out by this time. England and France and, to a lesser degree, Holland had garnered the cream of the crop.

As time went on, Germany felt the pinch. Finally, she demanded that England and France move over to make room for her. Meeting with a firm refusal, matters came to a head when the Kaiser decided that Germany was militarily strong enough to challenge the French and British Empires. She almost got away with it in World War I. In fact, only America's entrance into that war made the blockade of Germany airtight and starved her into submission.

Don't make the mistake of believing there were any ethics or

ideals mixed up with that picture. There were none involved. Of all the nations that were dragged into World War I, America alone can be suspected of having been motivated by lofty ideals, and there is reasonable doubt about that. Wars always have been and always will be strictly business.

The treaty of Versailles supposedly ended the War of 1914-18. Keen students of the situation at that time knew and so proclaimed that it simply set forth the terms under which Germany would recuperate and prepare for another try at world conquest. Any doubt about this has already been dispelled in Hitler trying it again in 1939.

Germany was crushed a second time and America again played the leading role in pulling the world's chestnuts out of the fire. But over Germany's prostrate body has risen another power seeking world conquest — the formerly backward Russia.

Whether our fears of Russia are real or not, we do know that sooner or later some nation, envious of our wealth and prosperity, will entertain the idea of attacking us. Our course, therefore, is clear. We must build and maintain armed forces and armaments so impressive that any ambitious would-be-conqueror will shudder at the mere thought of attacking America.

Thus continues man's struggle for economic security.

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SCRIPTURE: Mark 1:14-15 21-40, Luke 9:10-32
 DEVOTIONAL READING: Luke 9:40-5:3

Teaching Religion

Lesson for February 6, 1949

SOME PEOPLE, strange to say don't believe in Sunday schools. Most North American Protestants do, because Jesus did. The word may not be found in the New Testament, but the thing is there. If Jesus did not believe that religion could be taught, then he was guilty of wasting much of his time, for he worked at teaching in season and out of season. Dr. Foreman He was a product of the Sunday School, in a sense. During his childhood he would go to the synagogue school weekdays and especially on Sabbaths; we know that by the time he was grown it was his "custom" to attend synagogue service.

And in every Jewish community the synagogue was the place where for two hundred years and more, children and youth and older people had been taught the Word of God.

If Christians today are faithful to Christ's example, we also will keep at the job of teaching our religion to every child within our reach.

Body and Soul

READERS of the gospels will note that when Jesus went home from the synagogue on the Sabbath, his day's work was not done. He would spend hours, sometimes till far into the night, healing people brought to him for cure. Jesus ministered to mind and soul. Jesus was interested in personalities, whole people, not half-people. Our minds have to be fed, but we live in bodies, and bodies have no little to do with personalities. Jesus was not content with teaching sick people; he made sick people well. So the church today, if it is faithful to Christ's principles, will consider people as complete personalities.

The Common People

WE FIND that Jesus did not insist on university audiences. Indeed, he never spoke to a university audience. His teaching was always in the midst of groups of very plain people. There were great universities in those days, but it was not necessary for any one to be a graduate of one of them in order to enter Jesus' school, or to understand what he taught. He taught the plain people plainly.

In all our teaching we try to use the pupil's language and to put our Christian ideas in the thoughts that the pupils can understand.

At the best seminaries, young ministers-to-be are carefully taught how to put the great Christian doctrines in ways that the simplest people can understand. Teaching over people's heads is not teaching them at all.

God and Education

JESUS did not try to teach people carpentry, or arithmetic, or geography. No doubt he could have done so. But he had something more important on his mind, something which he alone could teach. He taught religion, or in other words he taught the truth about God, and about man, and about right relations between God and man. So the teaching church, whether in the Sunday school or in the books written by its scholars or in its schools and colleges, when it follows Christ's example, is always teaching religion first and foremost. We do not believe that religion is a secondary issue, something you can "take or leave."

Religion on Two Feet

JESUS did more than talk. He lived. His whole life and character were saying more loudly and plainly what his words said.

So the Christian church today, when it is faithful to Christ, must translate into actual living the faith she teaches in Sunday school lessons, in catechisms and books and sermons.

What we do, as Christians, speaks louder than what we say. Every Sunday school teacher needs to remember that what is said on Sunday is important, but what the teacher does on Monday is more impressive by far. The reason why Jesus was more effective than John the Baptist was that John, after all, was a Voice, while Jesus was a Friend. Are you who teach others about God simply a Voice? A photograph could do as well.

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 Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in and conferred by that certain deed of trust dated December 6, 1946, and executed by Willie Maneigo (unmarried) to the undersigned and recorded in Book 431 at page 319 of the Duplin County Registry. Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured, and the holder of the note having demanded that the same be foreclosed, the undersigned will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Courthouse Door in Duplin County on Monday, February 14, 1949, at the hour of 12:00 o'clock Noon, the following described lands:

Lying and being in the Town of Warsaw, and described as Lots Nos. 9 and 10 on a Map recorded in Book 216, page 78, also Lots 9 and 10 in Block 15, Book 216, page 173, of the Public Registry of Duplin County, and being the same Lots described in a Deed from R. D. Johnson, Commissioner of the Court to Elizabeth Moore, dated October 29, 1928, and filed for record on November 27, 1946, to which reference is hereby made.

A deposit of ten per cent will be required of the successful bidder as evidence of good faith.

Advertised this the 13th day of January, 1949.

E. Walker Stevens, Trustee.
 2-11-4t. EWS

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having this day qualified as Executrix under the last Will and Testament of Lott McArthur, now deceased, late of Duplin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against his said estate to present them to the undersigned Executrix on or before January 6, 1950, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment.

Daphne McArthur, Executrix
 2-11-6t. pd. YBG

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

The undersigned, having qualified as the Administrator of the estate of Maud Baker, deceased, late of Duplin County, Smith Township, State of North Carolina, and having qualified before the Clerk of Superior Court of Duplin County, this is to notify all persons who have claims against said estate to present their claims to the undersigned Administrator on or before the 3rd day of January, 1950, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 3rd day of January, 1949.

Cleon Smith, Administrator of the estate of Maud Baker, deceased,
 Rt. 2, Pink Hill, N. C.
 H. E. Phillips, Attorney
 Kenansville, N. C.
 2-11-6t. HEP

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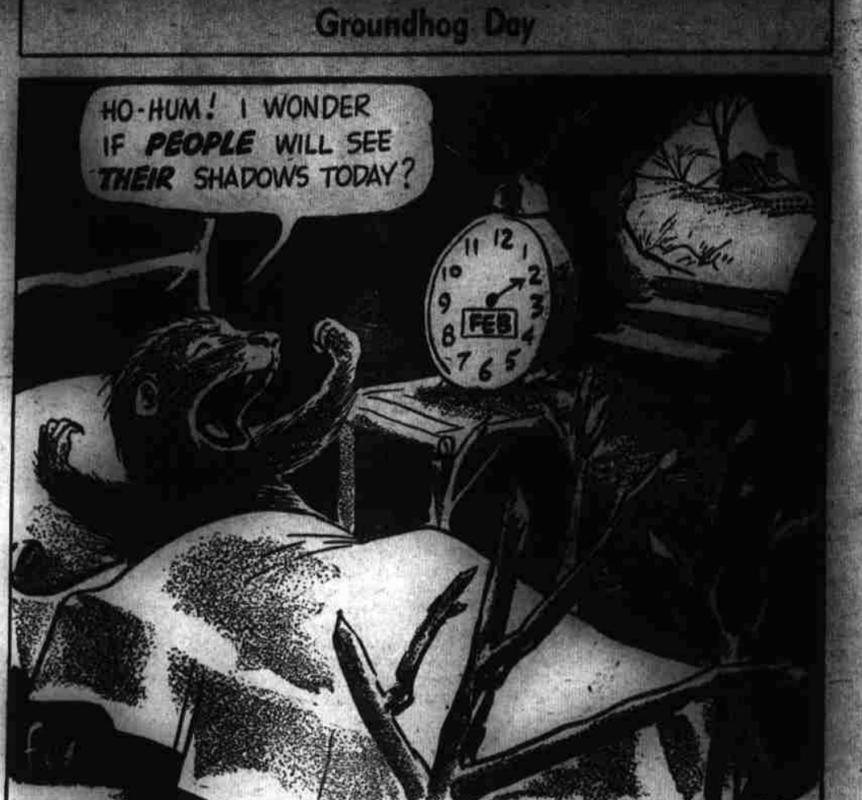
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