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 17;  
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 icles 16:23-29.

**Satan's Throne**  
 Lesson for February 26, 1950

**HOLD NO BRIEF** for him" is  
 a lawyer's expression often  
 borrowed by other people. A law-  
 yer who holds a brief for a man  
 has been employed to represent  
 him. It is his duty to present the  
 man in the best light possible.

Now we know about the early  
 church at Corinth from two sources:  
 Luke and Paul. The book of Acts  
 was written, among other reasons,  
 to show that the Christian church,  
 far from being a subversive  
 movement as its enemies claimed,  
 was a benefit to the world. Of  
 course this was true; but since this  
 was Luke's purpose, he naturally  
 omitted as much of the church's  
 shortcomings as he could, and  
 played up the good features.

**Church with the Lid Off**  
 Paul, on the other hand, writing  
 to the church at Corinth (and to  
 others as well), held no brief for  
 them. He was not trying to praise  
 them or to tell anybody how good  
 they were.

He knew them intimately; he  
 had indeed converted most of  
 the members. His letters to Corinth, from which  
 our lesson gives a small sample,  
 shows us a church "with the lid  
 off."

**Where Satan's Throne Is**  
**YEARS** AFTERWARD, another  
 Christian writer said of another  
 church that they lived "where  
 Satan's throne is." You might al-  
 most have said the same thing of  
 Corinth. It was a large commercial  
 city; people from everywhere fun-  
 neled into it. Like any city of this  
 sort it had earned a reputation for  
 wickedness of every kind—drink,  
 liquor, gambling, women, cut-  
 throat business, rotten politics—it  
 was all there. Even in the easy-  
 going Roman world, Corinth was  
 notorious.

Corinth was a sort of man-  
 made jungle, like our own  
 great cities today. It was a  
 sort of test case: If the church  
 could succeed in Corinth it  
 could succeed anywhere.

If the power of Christ could  
 make new men and women out  
 of the denizens of that great city,  
 there was no jungle, man-made or  
 nature-made where Christ could  
 not go. Can men and women be  
 Christian in the midst of a non-  
 Christian, even anti-Christian  
 world?

**Our Pagan World**  
**PAUL'S** ANSWER, of course, is  
 Yes: on one condition. You  
 must take your pattern for living  
 from Jesus, not from the world  
 around you. The big problem at  
 Corinth, which included all other  
 problems, was the fact that the  
 Christians there were acting too  
 much like the people outside the  
 church. Christians must be differ-  
 ent! Insisted Paul. This is not an  
 echo of a bygone time.

Our own world is a new Cor-  
 inth. Even into the remotest  
 village, the most isolated farm,  
 the world of our time pushes  
 in, by radio, movies, maga-  
 zines and papers and advertis-  
 ing, even by schools and clubs.  
 And it is a pagan world.

Take the movies alone, that fer-  
 tile source of most young people's  
 ideas. Hollywood's idea of mar-  
 riage—a temporary affair till bore-  
 dom do us part; Hollywood's idea  
 of a good time—liquor flowing  
 free; Hollywood's idea of success  
 —an immense house with an even  
 bigger swimming pool.

Not that there are no good mov-  
 ing pictures; but in general what  
 is made glamorous on a thousand  
 screens is anything but a Christian  
 world.

**And Be Ye Separate**  
**PAUL** KNEW it is not practical  
 to have no contact with evil.  
 He would not approve of Christians  
 going into monasteries where they  
 would henceforth see none but top-  
 grade saints. Christians have to  
 live in the world, even if they live  
 where Satan's throne is. But Chris-  
 tians ought to be different.

The world says: Drink makes no  
 difference; men of distinction all  
 do it. The Christian knows better:  
 Christ's man of distinction will  
 keep himself clean. The world  
 says: Let yourself go, follow your  
 impulses, look out for yourself.  
 The Christian knows better: he is  
 one bought with a price. We that  
 are strong ought to help the weak  
 and not to please ourselves. The  
 world says: Do as other people do!

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**Kinston Attorney In Solicitor's Race**

I wish to announce that I am a  
 candidate for nomination as Soli-  
 citor of the Sixth Judicial District in  
 the Democratic Primary to be held  
 on May 27. It is customary for a  
 politician to state the "urging of  
 friends" is his motive for announc-  
 ing his candidacy for public office.  
 However, not being a politician I  
 do not maintain this reason as that  
 which prompts me to run for this  
 office. Though my friends have  
 been encouraging, I am prompted  
 primarily by the urgency that some-  
 thing be done to speed up the ma-  
 chinery of our criminal courts. This  
 District has had crowded court  
 calendars, cases continued months  
 longer than necessary, witnesses  
 and jury members spending time  
 waiting around court unnecessarily  
 and justice has often been neither  
 speedy nor sure. It is the duty of  
 the Solicitor to see that this situa-  
 tion is corrected, cases handled  
 more promptly and the proceedings  
 organized so that serving as a wit-  
 ness or jury member will not be a  
 distasteful annoyance to people as  
 it sometimes is, but rather an in-  
 teresting duty.

Many people look upon the posi-  
 tion of Solicitor as a political  
 "plum" and one from which politi-  
 cal favors can be and are passed  
 out. I do not view it as such and  
 will be running for election not as  
 a politician but as a lawyer who is  
 sincerely interested in the improve-  
 ment of the administration of jus-  
 tice in the criminal courts. I will and  
 do pledge myself to an energetic,  
 diligent and impartial prosecution  
 of all violators of the law of the  
 District, without regard to who they  
 are, and a reorganization and plan-  
 ning of the courts work so that, so  
 far as consistent with efficiency, it  
 will be run for the greater conveni-  
 ence of jury members, witnesses,  
 lawyers and all others who have  
 dealings with the court.

The position of Solicitor is the  
 most important law enforcement  
 office in the District. For that reason  
 I sincerely urge the attention  
 of all interested citizens of the Dis-  
 trict to the campaign for this office.  
 This election will give them an op-  
 portunity to get something which is  
 much needed in this District -- a  
 more orderly and vigorous prose-  
 cution and enforcement of the crimi-  
 nal laws. It is, of course, several  
 months before the primary and I  
 probably will be unable to actively  
 begin the campaign for some weeks.  
 However, before May 27 I expect  
 to ask everyone in the District who  
 is interested in vigorous, impartial  
 and efficient law enforcement for  
 their vote and support.

Mr. Owens is a native of Foun-  
 tain, N. C. He is a World War II vet-  
 eran, age 30, and married to the  
 former Hazel Edens of Faison. They  
 have a six months old daughter.

**EXECUTOR'S NOTICE**  
 Having this day qualified as exe-  
 cutor of the estate of Gay Padgett,  
 deceased, late of Duplin County,  
 North Carolina, this is to notify  
 all persons having claims against  
 said estate to present them to the  
 undersigned, duly verified, on or  
 before one year from last publica-  
 tion date of this notice or this notice  
 will be plead in bar of their  
 recovery. All persons indebted to  
 said estate will please make imme-  
 diate settlement.

This the 20th day of September,  
 1949.  
 George W. Lloyd, Executor  
 Gay Padgett estate.  
 H. T. Ray, Attorney  
 3-10-6L. HTR

**1950 Potato Price  
 Support Scheduled**  
 The Department of Agriculture  
 announced the schedule of prices,  
 by States and by months, at which  
 it will support the 1950 crop of  
 Irish potatoes, and the major pro-  
 visions of the 1950-crop price sup-  
 port program. The support price  
 announced for North Carolina  
 Early Commercial potatoes is \$1.55  
 per 100 pounds through May, June,  
 July and August for U. S. No. 1,

**Eastern Duplin Farmers Showing Interest  
 In Limestone - Muddy Creek Draining  
 Proposal; Petitions Being Circulated**

Farmers of eastern Duplin County,  
 about 300 strong, expressed by an  
 overwhelmingly majority, an inter-  
 est in forming a Duplin Drainage  
 District in the Beulaville, Potter's  
 Hill section.

The exploratory meeting was  
 held in the Beulaville school at  
 which time experts explained to the  
 farmers what a drainage district is  
 and how it can be brought about  
 in this county.

The purpose is to provide the  
 organization to carry out a vast  
 land reclamation program along  
 Limestone and Muddy Creek and  
 the tributaries of the two streams.  
 Spokesmen at the meeting esti-  
 mated that the project, if under-  
 taken, would extend about 22 miles  
 along Limestone Creek and about  
 18 to 20 miles along Muddy Creek.

The extensiveness of the pro-  
 posed program is emphasized by the  
 estimated acreage of reclaimed and  
 which would be given added utility  
 and productivity.

Best estimates available say that  
 approximately 36,000 acres of land  
 contiguous to Limestone and  
 about 20,000 acres along Muddy  
 Creek would be affected by the  
 drainage project.

After the program was discussed  
 and explained, the farmers at the  
 meeting expressed the desire to  
 proceed with the organization of the  
 drainage district.  
 The first step was the appoint-

ment of a six-man committee, three  
 from Limestone Creek section and  
 three from the Muddy Creek sec-  
 tion, who will circulate petitions  
 in the attempt to gain enough signa-  
 tures in favor to warrant the call-  
 ing of an election.

These committees: (Lime-  
 stone Creek) Arthur Kennedy of  
 Beulaville; C. L. Quinn, Pink Hill;  
 and Leonard Kennedy of Beulaville.  
 (Muddy Creek) M. M. Thigpen, Joe  
 Williams, Beulaville, and Hardy  
 Parker, Chinquapin.

If enough support to the petitions  
 can be gained from the land owners,  
 the drainage district proposal will  
 be voted on and established if a  
 majority of those voting favor it  
 or if the owners of three-fifths of  
 the cleared land involved vote affir-  
 matively.

Should this sequence of events  
 favor the establishment of the  
 drainage district, a charter incor-  
 porating the area will be applied  
 for, a board of review established  
 through appointment by the Clerk  
 of the Superior Court, attorneys  
 employed, and other detailed pro-  
 cedures followed.

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 25—Birthday of Christopher  
 Marlow, Victor Hugo,  
 Buffalo Bill.  
 27—Henry Watworth Long-  
 fellow born, 1807.  
 28—First American railroad  
 chartered by congress,  
 1827.

**MARCH**  
 1—Admission day for Ohio  
 (1803) and Nebraska  
 (1867).  
 2—Texas Independence  
 day.  
 3—Birthday of George M.  
 Pullman, Alexander  
 Graham Bell.  
 4—Vermont admitted to  
 Union, 1791.

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 ply with market regulations.

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