

### Once Upon A Time

Once upon a time, as ye oldsters will remember, magazine covers and photographic displays in newspapers were of literary giants, lawmakers, successful business men, great doctors, and great generals. Now, females, scantily clad, movie stars, or other glamorous stars of stage and screen, occupy the magazine covers, and pages of advertisement. In this world of glamor and pleasure are manifestations of the change in the sense of values which obtained sixty years ago. Spiritual values have been lost in the glitter and the song of materialism. Some psychologists are telling us that the rebellion of the youth of today is a rebellion against hypocrisy—against people who profess high beliefs on Sunday and deny them in everyday practice in their sense of values, and in their practices in business, and

in human relationships. Our sense of values has changed from integrity, moral and ethical principles, and landed squarely in the middle of the dollar sign. It has become, not a question of right and wrong, but is it profitable?

There have always been people who followed their own law of self-interest; but today the vast number of people and the rapid means of communication and involvements in so many aspects of human relationships, that the problems are multiplied, and more deeply affect our human society. We should all remember that one purpose of the Bible is to reflect human experience, and both Bible and history tell us that unless a nation is built upon righteousness that it will fall.

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### Puzzlement And Frustration

The general public is looking at something which is happening today, and doing so with amazement, confusion, and frustration. It is the deep impression made by recent court rulings which throws a protective covering over criminals, while providing no relief for the innocent victims of the criminals. To further complicate matters is the spectacle is that the profits of crime, enable criminals to secure the services of the best legal talent to defend them, and it is an easy matter for these lawyers to find loopholes to secure freedom to the perpetrators of crime. To the astounded laymen, it looks like a partnership between legal counsel and arch criminals.

We make this as an observation, not as direct charge. Through reports of trials in the press we witness the badgering, and what amounts to persecution, of witnesses, who are trying to tell the truth, but questioned by clever lawyers in such a manner as to make the witness make a slip that might provide the loophole for a verdict of not guilty—or a new trial. The excuse for these practices is that they are defending a principle, not a person—a complete denial of the fact that there is such a thing as common sense. How can people long respect the courts if they continue to rule against the people?

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### Religion In The Here And Now

By: Rev. Norvin C. Duncan

Last week there was a meeting in our city of a youth organization called the Beta society. It is composed of honor students from all over the state. I had some opportunity to note their conduct; and their membership in the society is evidence of their scholastic achievements. Their behaviour was in such marked contrast to what we see on the screen, and what we read in the newspapers, that it was a real thrill to see this fine group in happy enjoyment on the occasion of their gathering. It gave me, not only a feeling of personal pleasure to watch them, but a renewed faith in the new generation. They conducted themselves with great propriety, and I noted on the faces of many others in the cafeteria where we were dining, the same deep feeling of admiration and appreciation of these fine young people. I know that the local paper chronicled the meeting, but I did not see any special comment upon their fine behaviour. There are many people today who have high ideals, and high standards of conduct, but they get scant notice. It is the few who are rebellious, and who give the whole lot

of teenagers a bad reputation. And, it should also be noted that the rebels and protesters are parading their own poverty of ideals, and their lack of achievements. Noisy paraders are often like the backwoods preacher, who when his people complained about his loud preaching replied, "What I lack in lightning I have to make up in thunder."

The heart of the vast majority of our young generation is sound, and they will acquit themselves well in the tasks ahead of them. While we regret the bad examples of the few, we ought to take heart at the sight of the many.

Last year when a group of this order met in our city, a hotel clerk told me that it was the best behaved group that he had ever seen in the hotel. Our hats are off to the Betas.

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Fame, to the ambitious, is like salt water to the thirsty—the more one gets the more he wants.

The only time a horse gets frightened on the road nowadays is when he meets another horse.

Like an egg, a supposedly hard-boiled man is yellow inside.

The world will forgive you for being blue, sometimes forgive you for being green, but never forgive you for being yellow.

The one thing worse than a quitter is the man who is afraid to begin.

Faith is often the boast of the man who is too lazy to investigate.

Sometimes, when a man is in the public eye he is just a cinder. In their climb to fame, few except aviators, find it only one flight up.

Often when a person starts to rest on his laurels he discovers they are poison ivy.

If you think you're important remember this; A lot of men famous a century ago have weeds growing on their graves.

### Bowman Gray Race Won By Ken Rush

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.—The finest field of modified stock cars in Bowman Gray Stadium history will resume pursuit of track champion Ken Rush in Saturday night's continuation of the 19th session of stock car racing on the quarter-mile asphalt track. The season opened with a bang for both Rush and the municipal stadium in last week's event. Rush led all the way in the 40-lap modified

and sportsman main event of the eight-race NASCAR meet, and a crowd of 7,500 braved chilly weather to see the event. There were 27 cars on hand in the modified - sportsman competition, with at least a dozen of them rated as potential winners. All are expected to return Saturday night for the resumption of the battle. Among them are former track champions Perk Brown, Pee Wee Jones and Carl Burris -- all of them were in hot pursuit of Rush last week. Brown, of Spray, finished second. Third and fourth spots went to Virginians Paul Radford of Terrum and Bill Hensley of Ridgeway, in that order. Home town favorite Jones

took fifth place. Burris wound up eighth, after having mechanical problems. Ralph Brinkley of Lexington will be trying for a repeat victory in the 20-lap hobby (amateur) feature Saturday night. Brinkley nosed out Alfred Hill of Jonesville last week, with J. H. Whittington of Elkin taking third spot. It will be two home towners trying for repeat victories in the \$150 claiming (novice) division. Larry Butcher and Steve Maness won the 15-lap novice races on the opening program. Practice runs are scheduled to start at 6:30 P. M. Saturday, with the first race at 8:30 P. M. The schedule will include two 10-lap heats and a 40-lap main event for modified and sportsman cars; two 10-lap heats and a 20-lap feature for the hobby division; and two 15-lap claiming races.

### This Week's 60 SECOND SERMON

By Fred Dodge

TEXT: "The dull man is always sure and the sure man always dull." — Mencken.

A boring speaker, delivering a dry-as-dust speech, paused for a sip of water. Again addressing the assemblage he said, "I pause to ask myself a question." Instantly one of the crowd shouted, "And it's a mighty dull answer you'll get!"

A recent survey found that the average person spends about one-third of his waking hours being bored. Some people assume a bored pose to appear superior. Actually, if we are bored with all that there is in life to be excited about, we demonstrate our stupidity. Boredom comes from within, not without.

One educator has said that we teach our children to be bored by planning every detail of their happiness. Then when they run out of games or people who will make games for them to play, they are bored. Much of our crime, excessive drinking, gambling, use of narcotics, is the result of sheer boredom. The fault lies with those who were over-anxious to make others happy by planning every moment for them. In our economic lives, our physical lives, our spiritual lives, we must be free, even encouraged, to do for ourselves. Only in doing for oneself is growth and healthy maturity found.

### S/A Blalock Off Coast Of Vietnam

(HO774) USS KITTY HAWK (CVA-63) FHTNC) April 24--Seaman Apprentice John M. Blalock, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Blalock of Advance, N. C., is off the coast of Vietnam helping to launch air strikes against the enemy as a crewmember aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk. The Kitty Hawk's A4 "Skyhawk" and F4 "Phantom" jet pilots fly combat missions against enemy troops, installations and supply routes, and helps halt the infiltration of men and supplies into the South. The 80,000 ton carrier, home for more than 5,000 officers and enlisted men, is a combination floating city and fortress, airfield, arsenal and fighting force rolled into one compact unit. Kitty Hawk also serves as the flagship for Commander Task Force 77, the attack aircraft striking force for the Seventh Fleet.

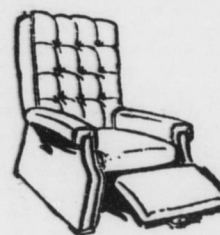
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