

TODAY and TOMORROW

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MOTTO marks faith

Driving over the new Merritt Parkway in Connecticut a short time ago I noticed that on the pillars at each end of the railings of all the bridges there was a decorative design with some lettering, apparently in Latin. I stopped long enough to read the motto. It is: "Qui transtulit sustinet." The best rough translation I could make was "He who brought us across sustains us."

What a splendid motto for a bridge, I thought. I said as much to a friend, who replied: "Why, that design on the bridge is the Great Seal of the State of Connecticut and that is the state motto."

That set me to thinking about the clear, simple and unshakable faith of the early colonist in the power of God to protect and preserve them. "He who brought us safely across the ocean still protects us." Faith like that seems

rare today; and aren't most of the troubles of the world and its people largely due to their loss of faith in the power and wisdom of God? I think that is so.

TRUST in Divinity

The United States of America has two mottoes. The one on the Great Seal is in Latin, and reads: "E Pluribus Unum," which means "From many, one," signifying the union of states into a nation. But a more familiar national motto is one stamped on the silver coins: "In God we Trust." The founders of the Nation believed in God and in His power to guide and protect the new nation. When the Constitutional Convention of 1787 was about to break up in a row over state jealousies and distrust, Benjamin Franklin suggested that the delegates pray for Divine guidance. His plea was effective. Petty differences were sunk and, after the inspiration of the daily prayer the Convention drafted the charter of a new nation.

How many statesmen of these times put such reliance upon Divine guidance, such faith in God? Does the motto on our coins mean the same to politicians of 1937 as it did to those of 1787?

I believe that some leader in public life could swing the nation back to that faith by demanding

that those who administer the nation's affairs put more trust in God and less in man-made devices and schemes.

COOPERATION with God

The trouble with many people is that either they have no trust in God at all or they have too much. I have never been able to believe that mere faith in God is enough under the Divine plan. The individual or the group must cooperate. Oliver Cromwell had the idea when he exhorted the soldiers of the Commonwealth before the battle of Naseby: "Trust in God, my boys, but keep your powder dry." Three hundred years ago Algernon Sidney wrote: "God helps those who help themselves."

The trust in God which our forefathers had and proclaimed to all the world, was simply faith that if they lived righteously, dealt justly, and did all they could to help themselves, they would be helped and sustained by the Divine Spirit, lacking which men lose courage and belief in themselves. The old spirit of America speaks in the last stanza of the National Anthem:

"Then conquer we must, for our cause it is just
"And this be our motto: In God is our trust."
That spirit has kept the Star-

Spangled Banner waving for 150 years.

FAITH in self

Faith in Divine guidance, these Americans of old understood, is faith that if one does his best to order his life according to the rules of right conduct which are the foundation of all religions, he will gain moral strength and courage to face hardship without complaint and to remain unharmed by material success. They did not believe in personal miracles, nor do I.

The sort of faith which some profess, that they are particular pets of Providence and do not need to take any precautions against illness, financial difficulties or any other disaster, seems to me more like silly credulity. But the faith which rests upon the realization that if one so orders his life as to win and retain the confidence and respect of like-minded people he need have no fear of being overwhelmed by untoward circumstance.

Faith in God is, after all, faith in one's self. The Divine Spirit is inside of ourselves. If it is not, we are lacking in confidence and courage; if we have it and live by it we are not afraid of anything.

FRUITS of the spirit

Much confusion and wrong thinking arises from the concept of God as a humanlike individual demanding obedience to arbitrary laws. The best definition of God that I know is in the Westminster Catechism, which says that He is "a spirit, infinite, eternal and unchangeable in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth."

A spirit with those attributes moving the hearts and controlling the lives of men is what all the great religious teachers have tried to make people understand and believe in. The conception is the fruit of ages of human experience. And when people are guided in their lives by such a spirit, it follows that truth, justice and wisdom govern them and all like-minded people. A community, state or nation imbued with that Divine Spirit would indeed be the happy land of which our fathers dreamed when they adopted the motto: "In God We Trust."

Loye, joy, peace, long-suffering, (in the sense of patience) gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance are, St. Paul tells us, the "fruits of the Spirit." Anyone can have them for himself. If every American had them, figure for yourself what a great nation America would be.

Will Be Held For Three Days; Doors Open At 9:30 A. M.

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equipment, pointing the easy road to smooth home management.

They may seem like a tall order for one motion picture, but this entertainment is no ordinary film.

True, it was cast, directed and filmed in a famed Hollywood studio, but it was assembled thoughtfully and patiently to bring more than passing amusement. Every-day happenings were dramatized in the sound plot. Behind the sparkling humor and suspense that are so necessary to screen stories, was a deliberate plan—an ambitious determination to carry instruction, inspiration and worth-while home news to women in every community.

The camera and the home specialists got together on their vigorous investigation, and The Tribune was quick to snap up the chance to offer the interesting result.

Never has the camera been more faithful than in this motion picture Cooking School. Never has a model kitchen been portrayed so accurately and in such detail.

The camera took its time and it took its close-ups, so that every person attending will have a "large as life, and twice as natural" view of each operation. There will be no "orchestra circle at this entertainment, since the back row guests will have an equal chance to peer into the busy mixing bowl, watching the deft steps of measuring, creaming, sifting and thorough mixing, not overlooking the final work of baking, roasting, French frying or freezing.

For this is no half-hearted demonstration. Each delicious dish will be completed and shown with such realism that there are sure to be hungry "ohs" and "ahs" from the audience. If any stray husbands get into the theatre, they are certain to ask: "When do we eat?"

Troubled by left-overs? Haunted by never-ending jobs? Tired of housework that seems like drudgery?

The cure: New wrinkles will smooth the brow of the weary housekeeper; that is, new house-keeping wrinkles leading to economy in time, effort and dollars.

Not only does this picture school show new dishes, styles and interesting ways to serve every-day meals and party feasts; but it demonstrates how to make intelligent use of the ingenious me-

chanical servants that take the guess work out of housework.

To the fun of watching an expert cook at work in a model kitchen is added the real job of studying the practical possibilities of such full-time servants as an electric refrigerator, a smartly-styled range, and other cooking accessories and convenient laundry equipment, designed to take the gloom out of Monday.

There is nothing formal and "up-stage" about this screen Cooking School. Informality, hospitality and neighborly welcome are joined in the picture, meaning that a good time will be had by all, as the saying goes.

What about recipes? Naturally every guest of The Tribune will want to test these tantalizing cures for menu monotony. Free recipe sheets will be distributed daily. And other things will be given away—valuable gifts that will find long and useful life in many a home.

Guests at the school will want to meet and remember the friendly local firms and nationally-known products that are helping The Tribune in this community undertaking. Participating in the Cooking School are:

"Does your house run you? If so, why not accept the Tribune's invitation to join the neighborhood Cooking School party, starting Tuesday, February 1 at 9:30 in the Lyric Theatre.

Remember the dates and opening hour February 1, 2 and 3. Doors open 9:30 a. m. Picture starts 10:00 a. m.

Yadkin River Dam And Its Effect

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This estate has lands in both Yadkin and Davie counties and ends near the site of the dam, causing all the low lands to be covered. The estate has a total of 2916 acres and about 2300 acres in river bottoms will be covered in event the dam is built. The estate of the late A. Dinkins, consisting of 1600 acres, is mostly river and creek bottom, with about one-fourth in Forsyth county.

Largest Taxpayer

The Steelman estate is the largest taxpayer in Yadkin county, paying \$428.00 in Yadkin county and \$455.00 in Davie county. The Dinkins estate pays \$176.65 and estate of the late Henry F. Shore pays \$156.00. A large part of the Shore estate is river bottom lands and will also be covered by waters.

As an example of what the dam

backwaters will do, the bridge across the Yadkin river at Eron will be 10 feet under water. This will mean a new bridge which is required to be 20 feet above normal waters, or 30 feet higher than at present. Three and a half miles of new road will have to be built between the river, on the Yadkin side, and Conard's old store, the last place where the backwaters touch the road.

Forsyth county is not affected as much as Yadkin and Davie, as the Forsyth side of the river is

lined with rolling lands. It is estimated that 8,000 acres of land will be covered in Yadkin, about 4,000 in Davie and about the same in Forsyth. It is said that according to the government survey the town of Farmington will be under four feet of water unless a wall is built to protect it. Backwater will reach the lowlands near Yadkinville, 15 miles from the dam site.

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