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Health and Safety Tips

From
The American Medical Association

Hunt And Safety Tips ..... A ... millions of Americans will ... the fields and forests this ... hunt everything from cotton-tail to Canadian moose.

... 200 of these hunters will ... back dead. They'll be ... in accidents involving guns.

... back of almost every hunting accident is one cause, carelessness. Today's Health, the magazine of the American Medical Association offers some basic pointers to help you both to return safe from your hunting trip and avoid bagging a fellow hunter.

... what you're firing at before you pull the trigger. Be certain the rustle in the brush ... is a deer and not another hunter.

... climb through or over a fence with a loaded gun. Unload ... then reload after you've ...

... shoot at a flat, hard surface. Ricochetting bullets can kill or wound at long distances.

Never look down the barrel of a gun to see whether it's loaded. You can't tell by looking down the barrel anyway, and there's always the chance of an accident.

Always carry a gun so that you control the direction of the muzzle even if you stumble. Keep the safety on until you're ready to shoot.

Keep guns away from children. Never leave a weapon unattended without first unloading it. Store guns and ammunition safely out of the reach of children.

Unload guns carried into camp or home. Keep guns cased until reaching the hunting area. Always be sure the barrel is clear of obstructions, such as mud or snow.

Alcohol and guns definitely don't mix. Avoid drinking while you're carrying a loaded gun.

Above all, treat a gun with respect. Never point it at a human. It might go off.

SENATOR ERVIN SAYS

WASHINGTON - Congress is entering the eighth month of the current session. With most priority bills still pending, some assessment of what has been happening may be in order. A wide range of factors are involved in the judgment. Committees have been busy, but three of these might be mentioned as follows:

First, this session has witnessed more Presidential legislative requests than any other in recent years. More than 400 of these requests, More than 400 of these bills of varying urgency have come to Congress for action. In addition there are as usual thousands of bills introduced by members of Congress at the first session. All this produced a massive amount of legislation for committees to consider.

Second, most of the major legislative programs urged are and have for some time highly controversial. Congress has been asked at this session to enact legislative programs on transportation problems, aid to education, national debt limitations, costly foreign assistance programs, civil rights proposals, tax amendments, all of which have raised the most serious issues. Moreover, the vast majority of the recommendations for a host of new programs are running into resistance from the public which is becoming wary of increased Federal spending. Thus, a considerable number of proposals have not caused aggressive public expression in their favor.

The tax program which has been in the process of study for many months is illustrative of the problems presented to this Congress. Most members are aware of the fact that present high tax rates are in need of revision. At the same time, tax reduction bill must be considered in the light of what is being urged in the way of spending. Here the bill cuts across the basic economic philosophy that it is not sound to cut taxes and increase spending in times of relatives prosperity. Only a few days ago, the President when asked by a reporter "whether he would call the economy good, sluggish, or bad" is reported to have stated: I'd say good'. The general state of business may be having a considerable effect on many of the proposals.

Commingled with a difficult tax issue, Congress faces civil rights proposals which are seriously disturbing to vast numbers of citizens who are questioning the need for and the long range effect of the broad powers sought to be conferred upon a nebulous Federal bureaucracy.

Congressional committees have been studying the issues and endeavoring to render honest judgments upon them. As they weigh them, the legislative advice which the late Speaker Sam Rayburn gave comes to mind. He said once: "one of the greatest statements that was ever made by anybody was: 'Just a minute!.'" In my judgment, this is what Congress is saying before it acts on many of these legislative requests. It is also well to remember that it will be far better for Congress to defer action until it can write good laws than it will be for it to enact hastily concocted bad legislation.

Changes In Your Social Security

By: James P. Temple
District Manager

There seems to be a great deal of confusion among social security ... in regarding how their benefit is figured. It seems that this ... primarily from the erroneous ... that we base the benefit on ... earnings over a two ... year period for all benefi-

The number of years which we use in determining the per... average earnings depend upon ... a man reaches age 65 or ... reaches age 62. The number is equal to five less than ... of years after 1950, up ... year of attainment of retirement age (age 65 for a woman, age ... We still must consider ... as retirement age for ... though he may now retire ... at age 62.

... wish to estimate the amount of your social security benefit you should:

(1) List your earnings by years for each year after 1950 up to retirement age (age 65 for men and age 62 for women).

(2) Count the number of years after 1950 up to the year you attained or will attain retirement age and deduct five from this number. The result is the number of years that must be used in figuring your benefit.

Total all of the years with the exception of five years in which your earnings were lowest. Divide this total by the number of years shown in Step 2 to determine your average yearly earnings.

(4) Find the amount of your estimated benefit by checking a chart supplied by the Social Security Administration, such as Pamphlet OASI - 855. This pamphlet is free at your Social Security Office.

If your earnings were better after 1963 and up to 1951, you many include these years in figuring the average yearly earnings. Note that in this case the number of years determined in Step 2 above would be 14 more than if considering earnings after 1950 only.

If you have any questions concerning the computation of benefits or any other aspect of the Social Security Program, contact your Social Security District Office at 311 East Walnut Street in Goldsboro. Office hours are 8:45 a. m. to 5:00 p. m., and the telephone number is 735-6811.

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BIBLE FACTS OF INTEREST

BY: Ella V. Pridgen

The historical events around which the new testament is centered are indeed primary.

Christianity is through and through a historical religion and except for the coming of Jesus Christ into the world, his life, his teachings, his death and his resurrection and the establishing of the church as the community of his followers: we would have neither Christianity nor the New Testament. This does not mean that the writing of the record of these came first The events took place, the church was founded: and out of the experience and needs of the Christians of the first and early second centuries the writings came. We are apt to assume the New Testament came first. To the contrary, the church gave rise to the New Testament. The new Testament was written to create a second literature. Although the early Christian writers had the Old Testament as their scripture.

Not one of them had any idea that he was writing something that would itself become Holy Writ.

Nevertheless God used them as he had used the Old Testament story tellers, prophets, poets and seers, to write eternal truths that still inspire and quicken our spirits.

The New Testament is shorter than the Old. It contains only twenty-seven instead of thirty-nine books like the Old Testament, but it is even shorter than this would indicate because there is no long book in it, and some of the letters are very brief. It contains only three main literary types-letters, historical records, apocalypse all interspersed with spiritual and moral wisdom.

The marvel is that this one small book, a collection of still smaller books, survived the fires of persecution and the changing patterns of culture to remain after nineteen centuries, the world's most significant literature and greatest spiritual treasure-house.

Look at the books emerging from persuction - Hebrows, I Petter, and the Book of Revelation. The New Testment did not produce christianity. Christianity, on the contrary, produced the New Testament.

Next week-"The Gospel Story."

Nature's bank is the topsoil.

"The forces which rob us of millions of tons of soil every year are selective - they take the best and most productive portions of the soil and leave behind the least productive." - Karl B. Mickey, in "Hea lth From The Ground Up."

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The County Journal, devoted to the religious, material, educational and agricultural development of Duplin County.

Uncle Pete From Chitlin Switch SAYS

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

The fellows that writes them big headlines in the daily newspapers has long ago lost the common touch. Ever day we git a steady diet in big black type about the Reds pushing the line a few mile in Laos, or JFK and Bobby taking a stand on Civil Rights, or DeGaulle being agin this or that, and about onct a week we git a headline on how things is going in the British Parlament.

Actual, this don't sell no newspapers on account of the people ain't interesed. Everbody knows the Reds is always pushing the line a little here and there. In Cuba, fer instant, they got it pushed just 90 mile from Florida. What do we care about a few mile in Laos? And with a election coming up next year, JFK and Bobby has got to take a stand on Civil Rights about twict a day to keep the iron hot. And ole DeGaulle has been agin everthing except fresh air and sunshine since he took office. Scandals in the British Parlament is nothing to what we got in Guvernment here at home. See what I mean, Mister Editor?

They was at least a dozen items buried in the big papers last week that was big headline news and would've sold papers like hot cakes to the average American.

Fer instant, it was decided in North Carolina that counties would have to quit charging $3 a head tax on mules. The Governor allowed as how anybody "afflicted with a mule" shouldn't have to pay tax on the varmit. A headline across the top of the Chicago Tribune saying "N. C. Cuts Taxes" would create a sensation. This is probable the first real tax cut in this country since the Pilgrims landed.

The Russians has started building a $2 million Embassy in Washington. This item was buried back with the want ads. As tight as them Russians can git with a dollar - they was now 4 year behind with their U. N. dues--this is absolute proof the Russians ain't got no idea of ever dropping a bomb on Washington. But look where the papers put this item!

Then they was this little item buried back in the papers about a Sheriff in Georgia. He run on a platform that if he was elected he'd make the county so dry you'd have to prime a felow twict afore he could spit. The bootleggers put a time bomb in his car and blowed it to heaven. But the timing was bad and the Sheriff wasn't in it. The insurance company immediate cancelled the Sheriff's policy but he bought hisself two more guns and said he didn't need no insurance. Now these is the kind of items, Mister Editor, that'll sell papers. People just ain't excited no more about Laos, DeGaulle and Bobby.

Yours truly,
Uncle Pete

THE WAYSIDE PULPIT

D. E. EARNHARDT

I bow my knees to God. Eph. 3:16
Bow to God only, because you resemble what you worship. Worship the cross an dyou get crosseyed. Worship water baptism and you catch hydrophobia. Worship the moon and you become a moonshiner. Worship organization and you become a galley slave.

Bow to God because He is the Great First Cause. I heard a farmer say that God depended on man to make crops. But God furnishes the seed, the sunshine, the rain, the creative power of fertilization and growth, the mineral deposit in each grain of dirt, and the twelve children who are looking to the fields for bread.

Bow to God because in Him is your freedom. If you bow to men they will take you captive, blind you and hitch you to their mills. Your kindness and loyalty belong to men but your worship belongs to God only.

The Civil Defense Emergency Hospital

By: Ralph M. Colle Director

Duplin County is very fortunate to have stored in Wallace a simple but completely functional 200-bed general field hospital designed to be set up within a one-story structure such as a school, church building, or a community building. It is now stored in crates at the Maola Milk & Ice Cream Plant in Wallace, but it will be moved to a newly constructed building which is to be built in the next few months. Presently, it has a five day supply of drugs; but when it is moved, it will have a 30-day supply.

WHY HAVE THIS HOSPITAL? In the event of a nuclear attack, it is estimated that from 50 to 75 per cent of the 1,500,000 hospital beds available in the U. S. would be destroyed or rendered unusable. It would take numerous volunteers to operate it; but when all of the units in our country become operational, it is expected that in an emergency these field hospitals would provide nearly one-third of the additional beds required following a mass attack.

The unit we now have stored cost the Federal Government approximately $22,000. When the new building to be constructed in Wallace is completed, we will receive additional equipment and supplies which will bring the value of the 30-day unit to about $45,000. This will more than double the value of our present Civil Defense Hospital.

The hospital weights 23,200 pounds and requires 3,600 gross cubic feet of storage space. It contains equipment and supplies for emergency treatment, surgery, including multiple operating suites, X-ray, clinical laboratory and many other department requirements. It contains generators which provide all electrical requirements in the event of power failure.

Yes, this is very expensive equipment that we have received. We are, and should be, grateful that our county was the recipient. By receiving this hospital, large responsibilities are now on our shoulders. It takes manpower to operate the equipment. The hospital will be of little value if you that are qualified do not offer your services. It will not be operational until the needed staff is recruited and trained. It is planned that when the new building is completed and the hospital is moved that the staff will be assigned and training will begin. Dr. J. S. Blair, Jr., of Wallace is the Chief of Civil Defense Emergency Service and will provide leadership in making this hospital operational. PLEASE DO NOT WAIT TO BE CALLED UPON. CALL OR SEE YOUR COUNTY CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR IN KENANSVILLE OR CONTRACT DR. BLAIR IN WALLACE. Your Civil Defense preparation is only as strong as its weakest link. What have you done?

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THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

Forgiveness

Lesson for September 15, 1963

Bible Material: Genesis 37 through 50.
Devotional Reading: Matthew 5:38-44.

THE whole story of Joseph in Egypt makes one of the most fascinating tales in the world. There is not a miracle in it and yet it is more wonderful than many a story of magic, white or black. It is the story of a [illegible] boy who made a through all by his own. He came just as close to being king as a man could be, and certainly wielded power not second even to that of the Pharaohs. (Pharaoh, by the way, was not a personal name, but a title, like King or Emperor.) There is just one point in that story which takes our attention this week: the climax of the plot, we might call it, when Joseph finally confronts his brothers face to face, has those ruthless men in his power . . . and he gives them!

Love is the basis

What might have been a story of vengeance—evil for evil—turns out to be a story of good . . . good that is beyond most people's imagination even: returning good for evil. Joseph had never read the New Testament, and yet he acted just as if he had been reading the sermon on the mount. He has in his power the men who plotted against his life; and he forgives them. Why? The word "love" is not used in this story. Joseph himself may have been a sentimental man, but his biographer was certainly not. Joseph was brave, and chivalrous, and loyal; but these adjectives are not used by the inspired story-teller. He doesn't have to use the word. Just try telling the story to people who never heard it before, and ask them: Why did Joseph forgive his brothers? They will probably give the natural reply: He must have loved them very much. That's very clear, isn't it? What other motive could produce such whole-hearted forgiveness? So-called forgiveness, on any other basis, isn't the real thing. Men "forgive" others for shame, or because it's demanded of them by society, or to get rid of an unpleasantness . . . but the result is coldness and aloof suspicion, not true forgiveness.

Repentance the condition

But the day when Joseph forgave his brothers was not the first day he had seen them. Why didn't he forgive his brothers on sight? Why the delay? Why all that business of the state dinner, and the cup in the sack of grain? Couldn't he have forgiven his brothers right away? The reason for his waiting lay in the fact that when the brothers came to Egypt the first time, Joseph had no way of knowing what they were like now, in more than 20 years, much can happen. Had they changed, or were they all the same conscienceless devils they used to be? Joseph had to find out. The Judah who so eagerly offered his life for the life of his brother Benjamin was a different man from the Judah who sold his brother Joseph into slavery. Probably the others were different too; Joseph, a good judge of character, may have seen in their faces that they sympathized and agreed with Judah. Something real, something new had entered the picture. This new thing was repentance. The meaning of that word is transformation-of-the-mind, a new way of looking at life. True repentance is not a flash of regret, it is a continuing change of heart. Without it there can be no forgiveness. Readiness to forgive, yes; but not forgiveness; not even God offers forgiveness to those who will not repent.

Action is the proof

If forgiveness, like repentance, is an inward thing, an attitude, how can we tell when it is genuine? Well, the New Testament speaks of the "fruits of repentance" and might well speak of "fruits of forgiveness." We have good reason to believe that Joseph had repented because of the way he acted about Benjamin and Jacob. We have equally good reason for being sure that Joseph really forgave his brothers, by what he proceeded to do for them. True forgiveness is not an emotion, it is a decision to wipe out the past and leave the blackboard clean. It is not a germicide intended to destroy the germs of hate. Rather, forgiveness is positive, creative. It draws a brand new picture of life. It brings health. The forgiver proves himself by serving those he forgives. You can never see a forgiving spirit; but you can see such a spirit in the actions it inspires.

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The most rapidly expanding segment of American agriculture is the family farm with $10,000 or more worth of annual sales, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Agriculture is the foundation of manufacture, since the productions of nature are the materials of art.