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"Through This Preacher's Study Window"

D. B. Alderman, Pastor
Burnsville Methodist Church



Each person preaches a gospel. Every day you live you write another sermon to go in your body of life. As St. Francis of Assisi implied to a student once, you are a walking sermon by your living each day, even if you do not say a word. Therefore, you are a book that someone reads and studies. You cannot say that you are not an influence to someone. No person liveth unto himself; no person is an island.

There are several characters in the Bible whose lives preached gospels but only three will be mentioned here. First we read of a man called Enoch. Because of his preaching in daily living we have heard much of him—that he "walked with God; and he was not; for God took him." Then we read of another man, Methuselah, Enoch's son, who lived 969 years. The only record we have of Methuselah is that he lived 969 years, begat children and died. The difference in what we know of this father and son is the difference of their daily preaching through living.

Now we have another man who lived about one-thirtieth of the years Methuselah lived, but know considerably more about him. A dozen verses in

the Bible will take care of all that is said of Methuselah, but there is a whole Testament of what Jesus Christ did for and means to the world. It is not how long you live, but how you live.

If we all preach a gospel each day, why preach anything less than the Gospel, that it is Eternal and worthwhile. Christians preaching today are preaching in a day of conflict. That is more the reason we should preach the Gospel. The Gospel is a truth and has all the preparations for any battle of life. God wants to know if we who call ourselves Christians are ready to use it. He asks today, where are the Christians "Where are the reapers?" We understand that "narrow is the way, and strait is the gate, which leadeth unto life," because so few travel the way. If more traveled it, the path would be wider.

Christians have a positive message of the rebirth if your soul. Your hope is based upon truths, dig deep into them, and live your years rich and full of glory. At this Easter time we should have a new resurrection deep in our souls, a new certainty, and a glorious Gospel to live every day as we preach.

POETRY CORNER
Contributed By
Edith Deaderick Erskine

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EARLY ROBINS

Too soon, young Friends, to build your nest—
More winter cold is coming.
Breathing chill out of the west
Wild animal clouds are booming.
Wait till the breezes whisper low
To the dogwood and violet bloom,
Wait till the brook has warmed the snow
Then fly to my apple tree room.
Welcome waits your homing there—
When living spring pervades the air.

Homer Casto, Weaverville, N. C.

THE HEART REMEMBERS

The heart remembers a lovely spring
The purple sheen of a martin's wing.
The rose-pink cheeks of a baby girl
The glint of gold in a silken curl,
The amber glow of a mellow light
Through alabaster shades at night;
The heart remembers a lovely spring
Like the diamond pendant dew drops bring.

Elta Handt Blanchard

(Poetry for this Corner should be sent direct to Edith Deaderick Erskine, Weaver Ville, N. C.)

Methodist Youth Fellowship Subdistrict Election

Yancey County Subdistrict of the Methodist Youth Fellowship will have its annual election of officers Monday, March 24, at 7:30 at Martin's Chapel Methodist Church in Newdale. The meeting will begin with a worship service planned by the Martin's Chapel MYF centering around the chance picture given in honor of Homer Young. Presidents of each MYF will give a semi-annual report. Following the business meeting, Jimmy Neill of Bald Creek will be in charge of recreation.

The nominating committee will submit the following slate of officers: President, Irma Jo Tipton, Bald Creek, and Shirley Ann Green, Martin's Chapel; vice president, Ann Cooper, Burnsville, and Jimmy Neill, Bald Creek; Secretary, Willa Ann Boone, Martin's Chapel, and Barbara Geuge, Celso; Treasurer, L. G. Deyton Jr., Burnsville, and Nina Gibbs, Celso; Worship, Sabra Sparks and Nelle Gibbs Celso, and Mr. Philip Nordstrom, counselor; Missions, Mary Jo Young and Dean Wilson, Bald Creek, and Mrs. Max Proffitt, counselor; Service, Barbara Young and Norris McMahan, Martin's Chapel, and Mrs. Florabelle Roberson, counselor; Recreation, Wally Koenig and Tommy Higgins, Burnsville, and Mrs. Daniels, counselor.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE NORTH CAROLINA YANCEY COUNTY

Having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of J. N. Presnell, deceased, late of Yancey County, this is to notify all persons having claims against the Decedent to exhibit the same to the undersigned Administratrix at her home at Newdale, N. C., on or before the 14th day of March, 1953, or this notice will be pleaded in bar or their recovery.

All persons owing the Estate will please make immediate payment.

This 14th day of March, 1952 Agnes E. Presnell, Administratrix of the Estate of J. N. Presnell, Deceased.
March 20, 27, April 8-10-17-24

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENT
I am a candidate for Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Yancey County, subject to the will of the Democratic Party on April 19, 1952.
I solicit your valued support
W. B. ROBINSON

ANNOUNCEMENT
I wish to announce my candidacy as member of the Board of Education of Yancey County subject to the will of the Democratic Convention of Yancey County on April 19, 1952.
I will appreciate the support of each and every delegate.
LOYD PORTNER

ANNOUNCEMENT
I hereby announce my candidacy as a member of the Board of Education of Yancey County, subject to the will of the Democratic Convention of Yancey County.
If nominated, I shall work for the best interest of all the schools of Yancey County.
J. YATES BAILEY

ANNOUNCEMENT
I wish to announce that I am a candidate for member of the Board of Education of Yancey County in the Democratic Convention of April 19, 1952.
I will appreciate the support of all delegates to the convention.
T. A. BUCHANAN

ANNOUNCEMENT
I wish to announce myself as candidate for member of the Yancey County Board of Commissioners, subject to the will of the Democratic Convention on April 19. If nominated, I will strive to serve the best interest of the citizens of Yancey County.
D. H. BRINKLEY

Bookmobile Schedule
Thursday, March 27: Jacks Creek, home of Mrs. Eula Hensley, 9:00 a. m.; home of Lark Wright, 9:30 a. m.; Clearmont School, 10:30 a. m.; Horton Hill Road, 3:00 p. m.; Bee Branch, home of Herbert Higgins, 3:15 p. m.; Green Mountain Post Office, 3:45 p. m.; Mrs. T. A. McKinney's Store, 4:00 p. m.
Friday, March 28: Burnsville Schools.

NOTICE

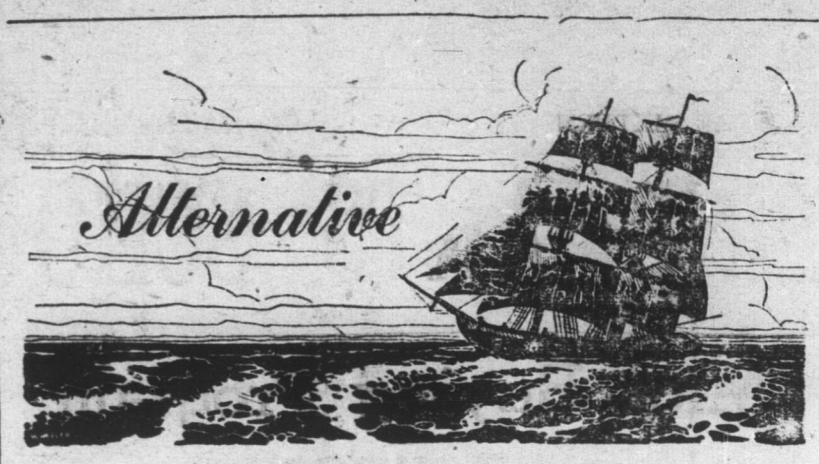
I have been informed that the Asheville Citizen of March 8th 1952 carried an article stating that my name together with Mr. James Proffitt, of Bald Creek, and Mr. Grover Hunter of Burnsville, had been sent to the Asheville Citizen as having been recommended to be members of the Board of Elections and sent in by some one representing the States Rights party. I called the editor of the Asheville Citizen trying to find out who took the unusual liberty to send in my name without my knowledge or consent, and was advised they received it from Mr. Dave Clark, Chairman of the States Rights party, Charlotte. I then called Mr. Clark by telephone and he advised me that the names were telephoned to his office from some one in Asheville unknown to his office, and that the Asheville informer had received the names from some one in Yancey County. I wish to make the following statements in order for the people of Yancey County to know the truth in this matter. First, the position I hold in the public health program through the North Carolina State Merit System forbids any employee to take any active part in sponsoring any political party, or individual (We are under the Hatch Act). Second, I am duly and legally registered with the political party of my choice and it certainly is not the States Rights party. I know of no reason why any one should have taken such liberty and authority in their hands without my knowledge. I will appreciate it very much if any one knows the person or persons responsible, if they will be kind enough to give me their name.
Jake F. Buckner

Martin's Chapel Membership Class To Meet
The Church Membership Preparation Class for boys and girls of the Martin's Chapel Methodist Church at Newdale will meet on Tuesday, March 25, instead of on Wednesday. All other sessions will be every Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 p. m. Miss Margaret Calbeck is teaching the "Membership Manual of the Methodist Church for Boys and Girls". A game period follows the study.

Bald Creek Women Study Book Of Acts
The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Bald Creek Methodist Church is sponsoring a special study course on the Book of Acts beginning Friday, March 21, at 7:30 at the church. Other sessions will all be on Thursdays, April 3, April 17 and May 1. Miss Margaret Calbeck will be the teacher.

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By RICHARD HILL WILKINSON

Alternative

THEY WERE WATCHING a movie the night that Alice came to her decision. They had been engaged two years then. They would have been married 12 months ago, but Jud didn't feel that they could get along on the commissions he made selling tours for the travel agency which employed him. He had ideas that he was working on that he had expected to materialize long since. He wanted to establish a freight line to haul lumber down from Maine under sail. Money in it. But he gave that up for an exclusive summer cruise idea, also involving sailing vessels. Alice liked anything having to do with the water, and both ideas appealed to her. It had been Jud's idea, his dreams of adventure, that had drawn her to him in the first place.

The summer cruise plans had gone by the board in favor of a travel agency of his own. He was working on that plan now.

In the dim light of the theatre she looked at him. He had a strange profile. The movie enthralled him. His title was "Mutiny on the Bounty".

Presently she looked away and Judd stirred. "O. K., let's get out of here."

If that wasn't like him! He never finished anything. Couldn't even wait to see the movie through.

They crossed the Common and Charles street and found a bench in the Public Garden. It was a warm night, moonless. Tremont street's electric signs winked at them through the trees.

"I must tell him," Alice thought. "I can't let this go on. Marriage would mean unhappiness for both of us. Never finishing anything."

"I'm glad you wanted to leave the show," Jud said.

"Glad! I?"

His arm went about her shoulder. "I got kind of nervous myself, thinking of what I had to tell you."

"Another idea?" she said, hating the sarcasm in her tone.

"The same ideas. I suppose they do sound shopworn, but when you get a good idea you can't afford to let it go by the board. I've got the money."

"What money?"

"Why, the money to begin operations."

She stared at him. "I didn't know you'd needed money to begin."

HE LAUGHED. "You can't very well buy sailing vessels without it. Kent Barker has been going over the plans. He's the bigwig I went to with the idea. He thinks as I do. We're buying four ships right away. Three of them will be in condition

by fall. We've already got contracts to begin hauling lumber."

"You mean you're actually going to—haul lumber under sail?"

"And make money at it, too. It was a cinch to pick up crews of unemployed sailors. We've got it figured down to the dollar. We can underbid our competitors by quite a margin."

"This winter we'll get the fourth vessel into shape. That involves more expense—installation of plumbing equipment, building new and bigger cabins, remodeling the whole thing. Next spring we'll advertise cruises under sail. The idea ought to have a big success. It's novel."

Alice swallowed something. Her eyes were starry. "Jud, that's wonderful!"

"Of course we'll have to have our own agency to promote this cruise-under-sail business. It's doubtful if any of the established bureaus would want to handle it. They wouldn't push it or give it the advertising afternoons. By the way, I bought you something."

He fished into his pocket and produced a tiny box. Alice's breath caught in her throat.

"Jud! It—it's—oh, I can't tell you how beautiful it is!"

He slipped the ring on her finger and kissed her.

"Now don't begin to fret about the expense because I quit my job. I'm beginning to work for Barker tomorrow. Incidentally, I'll probably have to spend most of the winter in Maine. Do you mind?"

"Oh, Jud! I won't see you at all?"

"At Christmas, perhaps, and then not again until spring." His eyes twinkled. "Unless you want to choose the alternative?"

"Alternative?"

"Well, we could get married now and take an apartment in Portland for the winter. Or we can wait until spring, and make the first voyage of the Alice our honeymoon trip."

Alice said in a small voice: "You won't there be others on the first voyage of the—Alice?"

"Let's hope so. If our plans go through there will be. That'll be a chance we'll have to take."

Alice looked at him. "If our plans go through," she repeated. She shook her head, laughed.

"Let's not take a chance. Let's get married now and take an apartment in Portland for the winter. Personally, I don't want to risk the possibility of your plans not going through and having to spend our honeymoon in the company of a lot of summer tourists."

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