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Through This Preacher's Study Window

D. B. Alderman, Pastor
Burnsville Methodist Church



I heard a little jiblet of wisdom the other day that struck me in a way that had never struck me before. You have heard it many times before and maybe you too have never thought of it in this sense.

We were standing out in the Church yard at Winston-Salem, several men were talking. Suddenly one of the men said; "I was talking when I should have been listening. I should know by now I never learn anything new by hearing myself talk."

I immediately thought of the sermon which I had preached sometime ago, entitled, "Listen To God." The more I think about the wisdom that the man uttered and then think of those words of the Psalmist, "Be still and know that I am God," I see two of the main weaknesses of man's spiritual life. The first is, the man who never listens never learns. By not listening one cuts off the flow of knowledge inward. The Psalmist knew this long before our day. The man had suddenly discovered a great secret of truth.

Then the other thought is one who always insists upon talking and not listening never hears anything. Therefore, when we put these two thou-

ghts together, we have; "One who never hears anything, never learns anything."

So, we can add some other thought to this, when we do not hear, and never acquire any new knowledge, we do not see anything new. When one is listening to himself, he does not learn, hear, or see anything new; for all he heard, saw, or learned, he already knew. Therefore, we never learn anything by listening to self.

No wonder this world is in such turmoil, because we have spent so little time listening to God. It seems that we have insisted on talking to God, instead of letting God talk to us. The most valuable spiritual exercise for any person is to engage himself each day in a few quiet moments, undisturbed, listening to God, allowing the Holy Spirit to teach and implant Godly acts and ideas into his life.

The Psalmist gave even to our day a great step toward wisdom and more holy living. When we increase our wisdom we increase our spiritual power. Let us "Be still and know, listen to God."

Subjects for Sunday's messages—Morning: "The Measurement of a Man"; evening: "And When They Had Prayed"

POETRY CORNER

Contributed By
Edith Deaderick Erskine
Sponsored by Asheville Branch
National League American Pen Women

KIND GREETING

There are brown birds and grey ones.
Some stout and some slender.
Their cheer is in singing
In mornings' calm splendor.

The joy of the red bird,
The gay blue bird's laughter
Are like a kind greeting
That lingers long after.

Elta Handte-Blanchard

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

FEDERATION PLANS ANNUAL PICNIC

The Yancey County Farmers Federation Picnic, with an all-star line-up of entertainment is scheduled for Friday, July 4 at the Burnsville High School.

James G. K. McClure, president of the Federation, will serve as Master of Ceremonies program which gets underway at 10 a. m.

Outstanding performers expected to be on the program are Pan Handle Pete, the one man band, Farmers Federation String Band, Patsy Messer, acrobatic dancer, Brenda Rice and many other top notch entertainers. A special invitation is given to all singers, quartets, choirs, or any type of performers to perform at the picnics.

Short talks will be given on farm practices, poultry, etc., and service programs sponsored by the Farmers Federation.

Awards will be given at each picnic to the largest family present, youngest married couple present, the oldest married couple, the baldest headed man. The boys and girls will be competing for cash in the relay races after lunch, and the winning tug of war team will also receive a prize. The first place quartet will receive five dollars and the second place winner will receive three dollars. The winning choir will be awarded a complete set of song books, and the second place choir will receive the twelve song books. Prizes will be given to the people transporting the largest number of people to the picnic on their trucks.

A grand prize of twenty-five dollars will be offered to the best number at the entire series of Farmers Federation picnics, with fifty dollars going to the second and third best performers, respectively.

Watermelon and lemonade will be furnished free by the Federation, and a lunch counter will be operated on the ground for those who wish to buy their lunch.

PRESBYTERIAN NEWS
By Rev. Charles Moffatt

Fifteen pioneers from Mica-ville, Newdale, and Estatoa Presbyterian churches attended the annual Pioneer Camp of Holston Presbytery last week. The camp was held at Greeneville, Tenn. The following young people attended camp: Newdale—Donna Gay Hall, Johnny Edge, Glenna Edge, Eddie Dellinger, Patricia Brewer, and Eloise Brewer From Mica-ville: Anita Mc-Curry, Brenda English, Charles English, Jimmy Harris, Jimmy Marsh. From Estatoa: Hugh Teague, Tommy Storie, Jimmy Gibbs and Adell Gibbs.

The Newdale Vacation Bible School will begin Monday, June 16 and continue two weeks, to June 27. The staff is as follows: Mrs. Claude Dellinger, Carolyn Ensley, Mrs. Jack Young; primary, Mrs. Alma Smith, Beatrice Brewer, Mrs. Ted McMahan; junior, Evelyn Young, Betty Young; pioneers, Mrs. Margaret Thomas, Norma Edge. All boys and girls between the ages of 4 and 15 are invited to attend our Bible School at Newdale starting next Monday.

Preaching services this week will be as follows: 10:00, Newdale. 11:00, Mica-ville, 7:30, Estatoa.

Woman's Club Meets

The Burnsville Woman's Club will meet Thursday night at 8:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Hershel Holcombe, with Mrs. Frank Howell and Mrs. C. P. Randolph as associate hostesses.

NOTICE OF SALE NORTH CAROLINA YANCEY COUNTY

The Board of Education of Yancey County, being of the opinion that the Locust Creek Schoolhouse and site upon which it is located in South Toe Township, Yancey County, North Carolina, has become unnecessary for public school purposes, signed an order at a special meeting on the 26th day of May, 1952 directing the sale of The Locust Creek Schoolhouse and site upon which it is located:

Therefore, by virtue of said order and the power invested in the Board of Education by the laws of the State of North Carolina, The Board of Education of Yancey County will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at 11:00 o'clock a. m. on the 26th day of June, 1952 at the courthouse door in Burnsville, North Carolina, the following described property:

FIRST TRACT: BEGINNING on a spruce pine known as Potter's corner and runs an easterly course with D. N. Robinson's line 45 feet to the public road; thence a north-easterly course with public road 11 poles to a planted stone on the west side of the public road; thence a westerly course 120 feet to a planted stone; thence a southerly course 11 poles to a planted stone; thence an easterly course 75 feet to the BEGINNING.

SECOND TRACT: BEGINNING on a hemlock a corner of the school house lot and runs N. 30 W. with line of schoolhouse lot 75 feet to a stake a corner of said lot; thence N. 35 E. 164 feet to a stake; thence west 16 1-2 feet to a stake; thence S. 48 W. 250 feet to a stake at a branch then down and with the meanders of said branch S. 60 E. 138 feet to a stake at Avery Elliott's line; thence N. 51 E. with Avery Elliott's line 78 feet to the BEGINNING, containing 3-4 acres and 7 1-2 feet

EXCEPTION: Excepting such right-of-way over said lands to the public highway as D. N. Robinson may have reserved in the two deeds to the Board of Education of Yancey County, recorded in Deed Book 56 at page 547 and Deed Book 66 at page 216.

The above described tracts of land include the present Locust Creek School site and the schoolhouse located thereon.

The Board of Education reserves a right to reject any or all bids.

This 26th day of May, 1952.
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF YANCEY COUNTY,
By Frank W. Howell, Superintendent of Schools.
May 29, June 5-12-19

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