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-- Overlook On Life --
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 Note: The idea of "Overlook" is taken from the Overlooks provided for viewing panoramas along the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Benjamin Franklin was a neat man, neat not only in outward manner and appearance, but neat in his inner mind and attitude. This quality was undoubtedly one of the secrets of his greatness. If you read the Overlook for last week, you will recall that Franklin said that when he borrowed a book, he made it a rule to "return it soon and clean". This practice, I believe, was just one form in which a neatness that stretched over the whole range of his life and activity was manifested.

Let us ask what we mean by the words, "neat" and "neatly". Do they not signify deftness in the way we handle a thing, the opposite of fumbling and clumsiness? A ball player may be said to make a very neat catch. "Right on the nose" is a present-day expression that also describes a neat achievement.

Neatness also implies cleanliness. "Cleanliness is next to god-

liness" has often been quoted, and there are people who have mistakenly supposed that the words came from the Bible. The idea contained in them is undoubtedly Biblical, but the phraseology was that of John Wesley, one of the founders of the Methodist Church. Wesley, when he coined the statement, was indebted to Francis Bacon, who years earlier had clothed the thought in the following words: "Cleanliness of body was ever deemed to proceed from a due reverence of God". A good Christian faith indeed spurs people on, I believe, to be more neat and clean.

The famed school teacher of Buladean, Sam Brinkley, who boasted the longest beard in the world — it reached all the way to the ground — left a deep imprint in the memories and affections of many. One who knew him well is reported to have said, "He was the neatest man I have ever

known. I remember his shoes especially. It was always a source of amusement to me — that he could keep his shoes so clean — He carried a cloth to clean them if they got dirty". Another recollected that he once said, "Lad, walk carefully". The little boy replied, "So I can keep my shoes clean, Uncle Sam?" "Yes, but mostly so you can keep your life clean, my boy", was Sam Brinkley's reply. (These anecdotes about Sam Brinkley were taken from an article by Arthelia (Tillie) Brooks in the Toe Valley View, issue of September 20, 1956).

Sam Brinkley knew that real neatness was more than outward cleanliness and deeper than just a deft skill in manipulating things. He, like Ben Franklin, had trained his mind to be neat. These men learned to be neat in their thinking. Thoughts therefore came to them luminous and unconfused.

When the mind is clear, then acts and movements are more likely to be smooth and deft, without needless waste of energy. Even speech is affected, for men of the kind we are thinking of have learned the economy of words. Their utterances are pointed and meaningful.

Benjamin Franklin was frugal in his eating — a habit which might also be interpreted as the application of methodical neatness of mind showing itself in a severe disciplining of his natural appetites.

Neatness and accuracy go together, as also, conversely slovenliness results in confusion, error and loss of direction. The school boy whose arithmetic is not neatly done is more liable to make mistakes than the one who is careful to keep his paper neat. The reason for this is that on a messy paper, the eye is apt to mistake the columns, for example,



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March of Dimes volunteers here and throughout the country have been honored for the fight against polio in the issuance of a special three-cent stamp. The Post Office placed the stamp on sale throughout the country Wednesday, Jan. 16.

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in which a figure belongs, a RS fail to include it in the addition, or perhaps to add it in a column where it does not belong. The used we understand how neatness by a appearance is a great aid to N. C. per focus. It enables us to bring the right thing in the right place of gen. Whereas, on the other hand, all the siness, which is the accepted reme-neatness, has a conf of Hemor-Unnecessary or a doubt the markings draw as SUTHERINE away from what satisfactory re-make the or I have ever used." judg HERINE is especially recommended for the soothing relief of pain and itching in Hemorrhoid (piles). In many cases bleeding has been stopped. Ask for SUTHERINE at all drug stores. e un.

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This the 22nd day of Dec. 1956.
 Mrs. Helen G. Laurents, Executrix of the Estate of Charles E. Laurents, Deceased.
 Dec. 27, Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24-31

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Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by ELMO EDWARDS and wife, LOUETTA EDWARDS, dated 23 March 1955 and recorded in Yancey County Mortgage Deed Book 41, page 509, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and said Deed of Trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, the undersigned Trustee will offer for sale at public auction — the highest bidder for cash at the door of the Courthouse in Burnsville, North Carolina, at noon, on the 4th day of February 1957, the property conveyed in said Deed of Trust, the same lying and being in the Town of Burnsville, Burnsville Township, Yancey County, North Carolina and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING on an iron stake in the South property line of West Main Street and in the Northwest corner of the Tri-County Oil Company's lot, said stake being 20 feet South of the center line of the existing concrete paving and running thence S. 21-36 E., 146 feet with the Tri-County Oil Company's line to a stake in the center of the branch; thence a South-westerly course with meanders of branch to a stake in Roberts & Johnson Lumber Company line; thence N. 22-39 W. 196 feet with Roberts & Johnson line to a stake in the South property line of West Main Street, said stake being 20 feet South of the center of the concrete paving; thence N. 67-50 E., 112 feet parallel with the center of the Street to the point of **BEGINNING**, containing 0.45 acre.

AND BEING the same land described in a Deed dated 26 March 1955 from Roberts & Johnson Lumber Company to Elmo M. Edwards and wife, Louetta Edwards, which Deed is recorded in Yancey County Deed Book 114 page 177.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding and unpaid Town and County ad valorem taxes.

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