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-- Overlook On Life --

By WARREN S. REEVE

The idea of "Overlook" is taken from the Overlook's provisions for viewing panoramas along the Blue Ridge Parkway.

This issue of the Yancey Record comes out on the Thursday of Holy Week. Tomorrow will be Good Friday, and Sunday will be Easter. It was on Thursday night in those eventful days immediately before the death of Jesus that He had the Last Supper with His disciples. We therefore call this day "Maundy Thursday". "Maundy" is the form into which an old Latin word, "mandatum," which means "commanded," got twisted. From this same word, we get the word "Mandate". It was on the Thursday night of the Last Supper that Jesus gave to His disciples a "new commandment" — the commandment that they were to love one another. And so they said this Thursday was the day of the commandment, the "mandated Thursday". As the years went by, the pronunciation got changed and so at last it became Maundy Thursday. On that same night, Jesus washed the feet of His disciples, commanding them that they also should wash one another's feet. There have been groups in the history of Christianity that have taken this commandment literally and that, especially on Maundy Thursday evening, have washed the feet of others. This may be a very nice and appropriate custom and perhaps the observance of it in a symbolic manner may bring blessing to those who practice it. But most Christians would feel that it is unnecessary to be quite so literal as that.

The observance of the Sacrament of the Supper on this night is more widely practised, and in every state of our nation as well as in most countries of the world, there will be churches that will be having the communion tonight. I personally have quite a sentiment about Maundy Thursday communion, and I would like to tell you how and why I came by it. I have found that most sentiments that I feel as strongly as I do this one go back into childhood years. But in this case, such

is not the fact. For in the church of my boyhood, so far as I recall, there was never a communion service on either Maundy Thursday or Good Friday.

It was after I became a foreign missionary that the custom of going to a Thursday evening Communion Service became familiar to me. During the decade or more that I lived in that great city of the Orient, Osaka in Japan, I found that the dozen or so churches of my denomination united in the observance of a union Communion Service on the evening preceding the day of Jesus' crucifixion. Year after year, I — sometimes the only American in the group, or sometimes one of only four or five Americans — joined with a goodly number of Japanese pastors and church members in the remembrance of Jesus' death, as He gave institution in the Upper Room with His disciples on the night before His supreme self-offering on the cross.

The service was invariably conducted by Japanese in the Japanese language. At such a time, I always felt a thrill at the thought that the redemption accomplished by Jesus Christ was valid for people of every lineage and that a deep and precious intimacy between them and me of another nationality was being realized in our experience. The living Presence of Christ — the Christ of any and all who believed in Him, regardless of nationality — dominated the atmosphere. Thoughts went back affectionately to all that He did and suffered on that Thursday night long ago and on the fateful morning, the Friday of His death.

And so, even after eighteen years have gone by since I left Japan, Maundy Thursday Communion revives the feeling of affectionate intimacy with those Japanese followers of our Lord, some of whom are now in Heaven. "In the sweet bye and bye, we shall meet on that Beautiful

A Suggestion For Contestants In The Flower Box Contest



This attractive flower box arrangement is one of the results of the Flower Box Contest held each year in Neosho, Missouri, nationally famous as "The Flower Box City". Contestants in the local contest, sponsored by the Burnsville Garden Club, are listed in an article on the front page of this issue. The contest is still open to any Burnsville business places, churches, cafes, etc., who would like to compete for the prizes.

Shore".

Jesus gave no rules as to the days when Communion should be observed. He left that up to us to decide in the light of our own particular circumstances. But the Scriptures indicate that He intended that the Church should have communion services and have them fairly frequently, and that every Christian should attend them. For He knew how easy it is for us all to get slack in our religious practices and in our inner faith. The communion is supposed to be a periodical reminder of what Christ did for us, and in addition, through the symbolism of the ceremony as well as through the utterance of the sacred words that are an essential part of the service, to teach us the deep meaning of Christ's sacrifice on Calvary.

It is timely for us to appreciate the loving forethought of our Heavenly Father in providing this device, if we may with reverent intent call it that, to keep us from getting slack and from backsliding. Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, coming tomorrow, should in themselves spur us to remember Christ; and if we remember Him in the way we ought, we will find that there rises within us the WISH that we knew Him better. We will feel like saying "More about Jesus would I know!"

May each one of us discover a new preciousness in Maundy Thursday and Good Friday this year, and if we do, Easter will bring us a greater thrill than ever before.

TO THE EDITOR:

We wish to thank you for the space and time which you gave to National Library Week, March 16-22, 1936.

Every citizen in Yancey County must be aware of books and libraries as a result of your fine coverage of this event. Your interest and cooperation are keenly appreciated.

Grace Taylor Rodenbough, N. C. Chairman for National Library Week and Elizabeth H. Hughey, State Librarian.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE  
NORTH CAROLINA  
YANCEY COUNTY  
Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Mrs. Ida E. Allen, deceased, late of Yancey County, this is to notify all persons having claims against the Decedent to exhibit the same to the undersigned Executor at their home at Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C., on or before the 26th day of March, 1936, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons owing the Estate will please make immediate payment.  
This 26th day of March, 1936.  
Max Gardner and Connor Gardner, Executors of the Estate of Mrs. Ida E. Allen, Deceased.  
April 3-10-17-24, May 1-5

Obituaries

GUS FLACK

Gus Flack, 28, a native of Burnsville died at a Sanford, N. C. hospital Tuesday, March 25, after a brief illness.

Services were held in Burnsville at Griffith Chapel Church Sunday at 2 p. m.

The Rev. Grady Riddle officiated and burial was in Horton Cemetery.

Surviving are the widow; a daughter, Audrey; three sons, James Eddy, Terry Wayne and Timmy Lee; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Flack of Burnsville; a brother, T. J. of Burnsville; and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Flack of Burnsville. Holcombe Brothers Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

MRS. SALLY H. YOUNG

Mrs. Sally Horton Young, 82, died at her home in Burnsville, Friday, March 28. Funeral services were held Monday in Griffith Chapel in Burnsville.

The Rev. Grady Riddle and the Rev. Williams, officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Young was the widow of the late George Young.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Lester Young, Mrs. Kay Griffith, Mrs. Warner Wilson and Mrs. Jim Griffith, all of Burnsville, and Miss Lucy Young, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; four sons, Porter, Roy and Charles of Burnsville, and Paul of Brooklyn, N. Y.; a sister, Mrs. Pearl Griffith of Burnsville; a brother, Rom Horton of Mars Hill; 35 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren. Holcombe Brothers Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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**URANUS B. DEYTON**  
(pd. political adv.)

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