

DEAR MR. PUBLISHER,
BY PARSON JONES

Dear Mr. Publisher:

My mama always told me everything had a purpose. God didn't make anything that didn't have a purpose. I always believed that til I took a good look at the modern family. Now I'm not too sure.

When I was a youngun the family had a purpose. My mama taught me how to cook and my daddy taught me how to work. The home was a place where I ate, slept, played, and learned a little bit about everything - even sex. Over the years society has either got smarter or else the family has got dumber. Now-a-days we let the state provide the education and the play for our kids. They eat at the hamburger places, and live in their cars.

Now there's a move on to teach 'em about sex in the schools. So, Mr. Publisher, I'm wondering what's left for the family to do, except to foot the bill.

It looks like we may make the same ole mistake with sex that we made with arithmetic. We thought by teaching kids to add and subtract it would make a better world. But we forgot to teach 'em how to be honest with their figgering. Now we're gonna teach sex like arithmetic, believing that as they know what to call everything and what it does, everything will be fine. Only problem is sex ain't arithmetic. It's emotional and it's moral. Sex involves love and you don't learn love out of a book. A kid is equipped for sex when he is equipped with love. And, I don't know of a much better place to get it than in the home.

Mr. Publisher, I gotta sign off for now and take my younguns on a picnic. Believe it or not, that may just help 'em out in their sex life some day. Who knows, they may even notice the birds and the bees.

Parson Jones

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor;

I don't know if this is the proper place to put this in the paper, but I feel that a "Letter to the Editor" is read by everyone so I hope you will publish this. I wonder if the people in Yancey County are aware of their blessings- and in this case I am referring to "man-made blessings."

We had a fire at our place on Bolens Creek Sunday afternoon which I think you are mentioning in your paper and this is what I am referring to. Have you ever stood in the middle of a field and watched a fire rage in every direction and not be able to put it out? This was our experience. There are four adults and a 14 year old boy in our family and all of us were fighting this fire within seconds after it started, and we could not stop it.

The smoke was spotted almost immediately from the fire tower above Burnsville evidently, because a truck with three men from the N.C. Forest Service was at our house just minutes after the fire started. Before they arrived we realized that we were unable to control it; the fire was coming very close to a vacant house which we own and store some family antiques in, so we called the Burnsville Volunteer Fire Dept.

Although our home is two miles from Burnsville, and this was at 1:45 p.m. on a Sunday afternoon, the men came, ten of them, in less than ten minutes from the time we placed our call.

Thanks to both groups the fire was out in a very short time. They saved the little old house and prevented a forest fire that

would have taken many hours to put out.

This letter has a two-fold purpose: A very sincere "Thank you" to the Burnsville Fire Dept. and the N.C. Forest Service for their exceptionally fast service and secondly, reminding the people of Yancey County that we should be very thankful for these two organizations. They are like insurance. We don't think much about them until we need them and then where would we be without them?

Sincerely,
 Mrs. Grace Banks

Add Victory To Vocabulary

There's one part of the world where the word "victory" is still used.

North Vietnamese officials recently told Cleveland industrialist Cyrus Eaton that they are determined to carry their fight against "U.S. imperialists" through to complete victory.

And they have a good hope of succeeding unless America restores the word to her vocabulary.

-Indianapolis News



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IN THE GREEN TUBE

Freedom, Priceless Commodity

A myth propagated constantly by so-called "liberals" who say it will make no difference to Asians if the Communists take over all Asia, is that Asians do not know what freedom is and do not care about it anyway.

We are skeptical about the motives of anyone willing... even eager, to bargain away

someone else's freedom. Aside from that, we would remind them that mankind has spent the past 7,000 years-- probably longer--in the struggle for freedom. To say that Asians are a special breed who do not desire this price-less though hard-won commodity is the height of insanity. -Indianapolis (Ind)Star.

WOMEN PAST 21 WITH BLADDER IRRITATION Suffer Many Troubles

After 21, common Kidney or Bladder Irritations affect twice as many women as men and may make you tense and nervous from too frequent, burning or itching urination both day and night. Secondly, you may lose sleep and suffer from Headaches, Backache and feel old, tired, depressed. In such irritation, CYSTEX usually brings fast, relaxing comfort by curbing irritating germs in strong, acid urine and by analgesic pain relief. Get CYSTEX at drug-gists. See how fast it can help you.

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