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IT'S THE SAME OLD STORY ONCE AGAIN

Once again the United States Tobacco Association has said that the Roxboro Tobacco Market must open about two weeks behind the Durham and Oxford Markets.

We understand that warehousemen from the Old Belt tried to get our date shoved up a little. We know that they had a petition with thousands of names asking that the date be changed.

IT'S TIME TO GET BUSY

Other cities near Roxboro have start working for their tobacco market. Roxboro has done nothing. Once again we favor a drive of some kind to start tobacco growers thinking about the Roxboro market.

So far we have not heard whether the chamber of commerce is going to do anything or not. If this organization is not going to start the ball rolling an organization should be formed and an effort made to build up the local market.

Roxboro has a good chance to show a large increase this year. The same good set of buyers will be back and everything points to a favorable selling year.

Four large warehouses will be open and they can handle ten million pounds of tobacco. Why not try to give them at least six.

PAYNE AND TURNER PRAY

Bill Payne and Wash Turner went to their death Friday. They were led into the gas chamber at the State penitentiary and breathed heavily of the gas. Then they died.

Both men prayed before they were led into the chamber and both were praying as they breathed the gas. These men, who had lived a life of crime, wanted to get right with God before they entered the other world.

It's always the same. No matter how bad a person has been he generally wants to straighten up with the Master before he meets him and prayer seems to be the method that is generally used. Many people deny God for years and years, but few want to die with a denial on their lips.

WHO SAID RECESSION?

The State of North Carolina last week closed the greatest fiscal year in its history. It had collected and spent more money in the 12 months just ended than in any other similar period.

Furthermore, it had accomplished this without diverting one cent from the highway fund and with a \$5,000,000 surplus remaining as a cushion to fall back upon as it launches the second half of the 1937-39 biennium during which approximately \$79,000,612 will be spent from the general fund.

During the fiscal year, there was \$37,627,290.46 collected for the general fund, over a half million more than last year's total of \$37,089,925.98, and nearly a million dollars more than the General Assembly's appropriation for the year.

Total collections including highway revenues, for the year just ended amounted to \$69,675,569.50, nearly a million and a half dollars more than the record of \$68,184,327.04 of last year. There may be a recession, but the state of North Carolina

couldn't know much about it. Now with everything on the upgrade, the state should have another big year.

BLUE AND GRAY

The boys in Blue and the boys in Gray met again on the battlefield of Gettysburg last week. It was a grand and glorious occasion and one that they all enjoyed. Old Glory was waving proudly and the Stars and Bars also told a story to the world—a story of the South—albeit defeated in battle, was strong enough and proud enough to build again on the same ashes of a battle torn country.

There was one man missing at the reunion in Gettysburg who should have been there. That man was Captain E. Fletcher Satterfield of Person County. Captain Satterfield carried the flag in that battle and went farther than any other man toward the Union lines. Then he was killed. History recounts this story—it's no war myth and the monument on the Courthouse lawn in Roxboro tells the story—"Farest at Gettysburg."

LICENSE PLATES AT HALF PRICE

Roxboro Office Has Sold 4,435 Plates This Year, Says Miss Abbitt.

State automobile license plates went on sale here and at 45 other offices of the Carolina Motor club at one-half annual fee Friday, July 1, it is announced by Miss Nina Abbitt, manager of the Roxboro office of the club.

Plate sales throughout the State have been far ahead of the same date last year since last December. Through June 27 the sale was 533,736 plates compared with 519,212 for the same date in 1937—a gain of 14,524. Of this total 85 per cent or 440,769 have been sold at Carolina Motor club branch offices.

Sales at the Roxboro office have totaled 4,435 this year, compared with 3,957 for the same period in 1937.

Applicants for license at the bargain rates must certify that the vehicle has not been operated this year. Plates may be secured upon presentation of the white application card which is mailed from Raleigh, or if this card is not available, tags may be secured upon presentation of the title of the vehicle.

Since the Carolina Motor club in 1924 inaugurated the system of handling license plates at branch offices located throughout North Carolina almost 5,000,000 plates, valued in excess of \$60,000,000 have been sold. Officials believe that the total sale this year will pass the 600,000 mark for the first time in history. On four other occasions the annual registration has exceeded the 500,000 mark. The 1937 total was 586,535 and in 1936 it was 512,136.

Things are progressing rapidly at both the New York and San Francisco World Fairs which are scheduled for 1939.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By REV. HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, Dean of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. © Western Newspaper Union.

Lesson for July 3

A CHOICE OF LOYALTIES

LESSON TEXT—Joshua 1:2-6; 24:14-21. GOLDEN TEXT—As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. Joshua 24:15.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Choosing Sides. JUNIOR TOPIC—A Loyal Leader. INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—A Choice of Loyalties. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Man's Highest Allegiance.

"Lives of great men all remind us," according to the poet, that we too may make our lives sublime, and thus leave our footprints in the shifting sands of time. The study of biography is interesting, instructive, and often challenging. When we enter the field of Bible biography we bring into consideration an additional and fundamental factor, namely, the power and grace of God working in and through a surrendered life. All strength of character and ability is a gift of God, but its glory is largely veiled and its usefulness definitely limited, if not actually perverted, because there is no recognition of the foundation of true greatness, which is faith in and loyalty to God.

During the next three months we are to share in the study of the life stories of great men and women which will not only stimulate ambitions, but which also reveal what God can do through those who are ready to follow Him.

Moses, God's great leader for Israel, having brought them out of the land of bondage and through the terrible wilderness, is about to leave them. God's workman is about to die, but His work is to go on. God is not taken by surprise.

I. A Prepared Man Takes Command (1:3-6).

"Moses is dead; now therefore arise." Life is like that. "The king is dead; long live the king," is the cry of those who live under monarchies, as one ruler dies and his successor takes over the throne. Until that day when there shall be "time no longer," men must put away their sorrow and go on. Three words characterize the commission of Joshua—

1. Promise (v. 2-4). God gave the land to Israel. Every place that Joshua planted his foot upon was to be his possession, even as God has promised Moses. A river lay between; there were walled and armed cities to be taken; there were even giants in the land, but God promised it to Joshua; and he took it by faith.

God has given us many promises, too. If we are fearful, poverty-stricken, powerless Christians, it is because we do not believe God.

2. Power (v. 5). No man is able to stand against God's servant who is doing God's will, in God's way, in God's time. It was true of Joshua; it is true today. Men set up their opposition to God's plan and program with the assumed belief that because they have position, power, or money, they can readily crush the poor little band of Christian workers. Russia tried it. They even "abolished" God. But religion thrives in Russia, secretly perhaps, but none the less sincerely and successfully. There is no power of man or devil that can defeat the man who does the will of God.

3. Courage (v. 6). To serve God means to be assured of His help. Faith lays hold of that fact and the whole man becomes courageous. But observe that the foundation of courage is faith in God's Word, nurtured by meditation in it "day and night" (v. 7). The house of courage can be built only on that foundation.

II. An Experienced Man Gives Counsel (24:14-21).

More than two decades have passed since the appointment of Joshua to lead Israel. God has fulfilled every promise. Israel is in the Promised Land. Before the aged leader dies he calls the leaders of his people together to urge them to continue in the way of faith and loyalty to God. This he does by:

1. Example (v. 15). "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." No man can honestly and effectively call others to devotion to the Lord unless he sets them an example. No one takes any stock in the preacher or teacher who says, "Do as I say, not as I do." We are more than signposts; we are guides.

2. Instruction (vv. 16-19). Remembering God's dealings with them, the people declare their determination to serve the Lord. They spoke rather glibly. Joshua instructs them. God is not interested in lip service. He does not need them so much as they need Him. He does not look upon their confession of Him, if they continue to live in sin.

3. Warning (v. 20). God will visit His judgment on His people if they forsake Him and turn away—such is Joshua's warning. We who look back to the history of Israel know that they did forsake Him, and that the judgment of God is still upon them. "Be not deceived; God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" (Gal. 6:7) is God's warning through Paul to the Christian.

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Scores Die in Worst Rail Wreck in Years



In the nation's worst railroad tragedy in years, approximately 40 passengers were killed when the Milwaukee road's crack "Olympian" train plunged into the flood waters of Custer creek near Miles City, Mont. A midnight "flash flood" carried away the trestle spanning the creek and the train plunged into the raging waters. These two coaches bore many of the passengers who lost their lives.

George E. Stone In Hundredth Screen Death

To Be At Dolly Madison Theatre For Two Days, Tomorrow And Tuesday

The cat with the proverbial nine lives is a piker compared with George E. Stone, who died for the hundredth time recently.

The diminutive character actor breathed his last in a hospital bed after being mangled in a stamping machine in Warner Bros.' "Over The Wall," the melodrama written by Warden Lewis E. Laws that opens tomorrow at the Dolly Madison Theatre.

George doesn't die in hospital beds very often. But then again, neither is he frequently mangled in stamping machines.

He usually dies with a bullet in his back, which is only natural, playing mean little gangsters most of the time. Machine gun bullets have sent him into the great beyond a few times in pictures of the great war.

Other than these George's demise has come about in a great variety of ways. He's been in the electric chair three times, been hung by the neck until dead once or twice. He's only been drowned once.

The end came three times in auto smash-ups, twice by stab-bings, once by falling down an elevator shaft. There was a nifty bit of passing on in "Anthony Adverse" by driving a coach and horse off a cliff.

Of all of his hundred deaths, Georgie can't remember one where he just got sick and died. In fact George can't remember having lived through a movie.

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BANK LOANS EASED

Washington, D. C.—A sweeping liberalization of bank loan requirements is announced as a move to encourage the flow of private capital into industry. Chief of the new rules which both State and Federal examiners will follow after July 1st permit banks to make commercial loans for a longer period than nine months; also to invest in bonds of small local corporations not quoted on stock exchanges.

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REFLECTIONS

By R. M. SPENCER

JULY 4th.

Not long ago I overheard this remark: "What difference would it make if we had a dictator?" That man is not alone, that philosophy is all too prevalent.

In the year 1776 America threw off the yoke of Imperialism. The colonists were tired of being told how to think and what to think. They objected to the tyranny of an overlord, they objected to a taxation which was confiscatory, they disliked serfdom and leveling.

July 4th., is a birthday of Freedom. It was because of the sword of Cornwallis being handed to Washington that this youth and other youngsters are allowed freedom of thought, freedom of action, freedom of speech. It was because a mere handful of men were valorous that we have a nation. It was they who lighted the torch of freedom. They have handed it to us that we may hand it to our children, and in turn to be handed to our children's children.

July 4th., is the birthday of our heritage. There are one hundred and sixty two candles on the cake. Are we going to allow a few callow youths to blow out these candles and substitute the single candle of a dictator? Of course not. We are going to carry on the tradition of our forebears and dedicate ourselves again to the principles of freedom.

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