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**A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**



They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands. **Isaiah 65:22**

**WHERE IS YOUR HOME**

Right now the home you want to build is in the tree, the iron ore pits, the clay banks and the quarry. Lumber and building material dealers and contractors can build all the homes America needs—if building materials are available. But unless production of materials is unblocked, no one can build homes. Whether a house is labeled "Public Housing" or "Prefabricated Housing" or a "Privately Built Home"—all are bidding for the same supply of materials.

What has happened that all these essential building materials are lacking? Have we exhausted raw material supply? Or plant production?

No! But the irresistible force of industry has run into an immovable body!

It is still more profitable for the lumber mill to cut items for export to foreign countries, or to cut logs into sizes used by industry than it is to manufacture lumber for home construction. Premium prices for industrial items have been granted in some instances during the war, but now that peace has come, price adjustments encouraging home construction lumber have not been made by OPA.

Price adjustments are needed to obtain maximum production of hardwood flooring, millwork, ceiling, siding, and plywood.

Recommendations have been made to the OPA repeatedly, but action is not forthcoming.

The Building Industry stands ready to build the homes Americans need. But until the production and flow of materials is unblocked by OPA, thousands upon thousands of homes for Americans and veterans will go unbuilt!

**FIRST BAPTIST QUARTET SINGS**

The Baptist quartet sang Sunday evening at the Sandhill schoolhouse for the last meeting of a two weeks Revival. Mrs. R. T. Hill, Mrs. J. W. Ealy and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stone went with them.

**Staining Shingle Roofs**  
Thorough staining of shingle roofs every two or three years is a relatively easy and inexpensive practice which may add years to the life of the roof. Shingle stains come in various attractive colors.  
**Candy Ingredients**  
Ingredients used in making an average one-pound assortment of American candy come from as many as 29 countries. The "English" walnuts are grown in France.



**ROOFING!**

Mica Surface Smooth Roofing, Medium 45 lb. Roll. Price \$1.69  
Mica Surface Smooth Roofing, Heavy 55 lb. Roll. Price \$2.12

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**REG'LAR FELLERS**

ARE YOU GONNA FALL FOR THAT FORTUNE RACKET AGAIN, ZOOBIE?  
WHY NOT PINHEAD?  
YOUR WEIGHT AND YOUR FORTUNE!

THEY'RE FAKES! I'VE SPENT A BILLION DOLLARS ON THOSE MACHINES AN' NUTHIN' THEY EVER SAID CAME TRUE!

OKAY-- GO AHEAD! THROW YA MONEY AWAY-- YOU'LL NEVER GET RICH THAT WAY!

THE MACHINE IS STUCK! I BETTER JUMP ON IT!

WHIRRRR!

THE FORTUNE RACKET!

**ECHOES FROM THE MOUNTAINS**

H. Grady Hardin.

Note: So many people have asked me for a poem used in a recent sermon that I use it for this week's "Echoes".

The author is, so far as I know, unknown.

Three monkeys sat in a coconut tree  
And talked of things that were to be.  
Said one to the others, "See here, you two,  
There's a rumor afloat that can't be true,  
That man descended from our lofty race—  
To think of such is a great disgrace.

No monkey ever beat his wife or  
Starved her child or spoiled her life.  
And you'll never know a mother monk  
To leave her babies with others to bunk;  
Or pass them on from one to another  
Till they scarcely know who is their mother.

And another thing you'll never see,  
A monk build a fence 'round a coconut tree  
And let all the coconuts go to waste  
Forbidding all other monks a taste.

Why, if I build a fence 'round this coconut tree  
Starvation would force you to steal from me.  
There's another thing a monkey won't do.  
Go out at night and get in a stew,  
Then use a gun, a club, or a knife  
To take another monkey's life.

Yes, man descended, the ornery cuss,  
But brothers, he didn't descend from us!"



**SURVIVES MIGHTY ATOM . . .** The broken mirror on the battleship "New York" may indicate luck ahead for the old lady of the fleet, which came through "Operations Crossroads" virtually unscathed. Left to right, Rear Adm. W. S. Parsons; Maj. Gen. A. L. McAuliffe, Vice Adm. W. H. P. Blandy, and Secretary of Navy James V. Forrestal inspect USS New York on A-plus-1 day. Soundphoto.

**Town Officials And Civic Leaders Endorse Colored Citizens Recreational Program**

We the undersigned, as citizens of Black Mountain Township, heartily endorse the efforts of our colored citizens to provide a Recreational and Community center for their people, and pledge them our whole hearted support.

Our colored citizens did not come seeking help but some of our public spirited citizens realizing their need and being impressed with their earnestness and zeal, offered to enlist some public cooperation. One of our generous citizens agreed to contribute \$500. provided the colored citizens would raise \$500.00 from their own people and a like amount from the white citizens. This fund of \$1500.00 supplemented by the work already done and to be done by the colored members, will provide recreational facilities for the entire colored community, a play ground for the children, an athletic field for the youth and adults, and a community center where groups may meet for movies and other forms of entertainment. At present the colored people have no such privileges. These facilities will also put at their disposal the services of various agencies hitherto denied them.

They already have property adjacent to their churches and school which is well adapted to the development of such a community center. Once the center is established the colored citizens will carry on with such assistance and direction as they may need from a well chosen committee of white citizens. Already one white citizen has assisted in the organization of a play ground and preschool for the young children and will continue to direct such activities with a member of the colored group as supervisor.

As soon as the colored citizens have completed the campaign

among their own people they will begin a canvass among their white friends. While \$500.00 is the minimum amount to be contributed by the white citizens in order to secure the conditional gift of \$500; an additional \$500.00 could be used to great advantage. So it is hoped that the response will be liberal on the part of each one approached.

A lift to our colored neighbors now will help them secure privileges which they rightly deserve and should inspire them to greater effort and better citizenship.

Signed: J. L. Potter, J. C. Northcott, L. C. Jumper, Dr. F. H. Richardson, Ben R. Hunter, Dr. S. M. Bittinger, Herbert Sanders, Ernest E. White, Ronald Finch, A. W. McDougle, Thad. C. Burnette, Douglas Jones, Dr. Hight C. Moore, Mrs. N. L. Perkins, Dr. L. Nelson Bell, Miss Sallie Liddell, Mrs. H. W. Baucom, Mrs. J. O. Williams, Mrs. C. C. Uzzell, Mrs. L. E. Phillips, Mrs. Douglas Jones, Mrs. Tom Sharp, and Mrs. A. F. Tyson, Jr.

**NOTICE**

We now have 8X8X16" cinder blocks in stock. Stanley carpenter tools- Aluminum door strips Basemetn ventilators Coal chutes Angle irons Glass Brick Cement Brixment. Black Mountain Lumber Company, Inc. Phone 3231

**Lock Poisons**

Keep insecticides, lye, and poisonous or injurious cleaning compounds out of children's reach, preferably in locked cupboard.

**Dance Treatments**

Many crippled people can dance easily and smoothly even though they walk with a decided limp. Dancing is being used in treating disabled veterans as well as people suffering from mental shock.

**Trace Malayan Ancestry**

Roots of the Malayan peoples are traced to the neighboring island of Sumatra, but racial strains have been complicated by Chinese, Arab and East Indian blood. Chief Malayan occupations are farming and fishing. Major crops are rubber and rice. Minor crops have included coconuts, pineapples, coffee, tea and bananas. "Horsepower" to do heavy hauling and till rice fields is contributed by the water buffalo. Among old arts and crafts are pottery manufacture, weaving, lace-making, wood carving, basketry, and metalworking.

**Life-Saving Spiders**

A spider web of wire helped save the lives of thousands of men adrift at sea in lifeboats during the war. The web was a radar device which weighed slightly more than a pound and which reflected the radar signals sent out by planes or ships. The reflections showed up as pinpoints of light on the search craft's radar scope, indicating the raft's position.

By Gene Byrnes

**GO TO SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHURCH SUNDAY**

**PRAYER FOR THE WEEK**  
(It is suggested that you tear this prayer out and place it in your Bible to be used as a basis for family devotions each morning of the week.)

Our Father, help us to live today with the determination to end better than it was begun. Give us the enthusiasm that comes with the start of a great adventure, and teh high purpose that will bring closer to thee. In the name of the Christ. Amen.

**Poets Corner**

—: A SMILE —:

"Let others cheer the winning man  
There's one I hold worth while;  
Tis he who does the best he can,  
Then loses with a smile.  
Beaten he is, but not to stay  
Down with the rank and file;  
That man will win some other day,  
Who loses with a smile.  
By Louise Craig.

—: IN PLACE OF MOTHER —:

One wet day when it rained and rained,  
Mother went shopping and was detained.  
Some callers came. It was up to me to entertain her company.  
I felt quite proud I must confess,  
So I went up stairs and changed my dress;  
I very deliberately powdered my nose  
And practiced my most assuming pose.  
With confidence I descended the stairs,  
And entered the room with my grown-up airs.  
For goodness sake! They had all gone away!  
I had quite forgotten to ask them to stay.  
By Louise Craig.

**THE TRADGEDY OF A LITTLE COOK**

"With eager hands I measured,  
And beat, and stirred so hard  
To make the eggs all frothy,  
And mix flour up with lard.  
Dad's favorite pie was pumpkin.  
So a golden, spicy pie  
Was ready for his luncheon.  
Placed to catch his eye.  
The lovely pie was cut, friends.  
Excuse me if I halt!  
I'd put into my pie, folks,  
Not sugar, but—plain salt.  
By Louise Craig.

**Married And Engaged**

Mrs. Benjamin D. DOWIS is former Miss Louise Brown. Her marriage took place July 20 at the home of the Rev. J. W. F. Gerald, pastor of the West Asheville Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Messer. Black Mountain have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Violet Louise Messer, to George Douglas Tatham of Black Mountain and Andrews, S.C. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tatham Andrews. The wedding will place in August.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hodson yesterday for Birmingham, to meet his daughter-in-law on a visit in Black Mountain.

Mrs. Thomas W. Lay and son Tommy, of Bartow, Fla., visiting her mother and brother Mrs. R. S. Garland and son Black Mountain. She was here two and one half months. She yesterday for her Florida home.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. P. Cowhard, of Ridgewood, daughter, in Mission hospital.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Reid, of Montreat, a son, in Mission hospital.

Lt W. G. Gordon, who is mentioned at the Naval Air Station in Charleston, South Carolina was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Mex Flack, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ealy. Miss May Ealy of Indiana, Ind., visited John Ealy and family Wednesday afternoon. This was the first of a five weeks visit to the northern United States from lower Canada.

Friends of Mr. Robert D. D. are glad to hear that he is improving, after a serious illness of ten days. He is the mailman on Black Mountain Star.

Keep Knives Sharp. Sharpen hollow-ground knives by resetting their edges by stroking the blade with a degree angle with a fine-grained stone. For best results in setting the edge, use light strokes made at right angles to the edge of the knife — the strokes men use in shaving.

**Jumper's Pharmacy**  
Phone 3331  
Black Mountain, N.C.

**Popular Match**  
Prior to the U. S. - Mexican war, one of the most popular forms of this was the fire producer, consisting of a bottle of sulphuric acid and 50 chemically-treated slivers of wood. The combination sold for \$2, or four cents a light, as compared with one-sixtieth of a cent per match today.