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**THIS WEEK'S BIBLE THOUGHT**

**RIGHT REASONING:** Let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow.—Isaiah 1:18.

**WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?**

Whose responsibility is it to break up the speeding on the streets of Hertford? The situation which exists now is dangerous. The recently widened streets of Hertford seem to constitute an invitation to the reckless to speed.

Especially is this true on the northern end of Church street, near the river bridge. Speeding is the rule rather than the exception in this section of the town.

We are killing on the highways of this state at the rate of three every day and injuring and maiming thirty-five or forty more.

Ninety-eight per cent of the fatal accidents occur on roads which are in good repair, according to statistics compiled by the Institute of Government and published in the booklet "Guides to Highway Safety." Further, it is stated that exceeding the speed limit causes more fatal accidents than any other act.

In the face of these facts automobiles are driven at terrific rates of speed over the bridge and around the first curve in Church street without anybody making any effort to prevent.

Nobody can deny that the situation exists. Nobody will deny that the situation is dangerous.

**HIT OR MISS**

Pauline Ryan's husband was in jail, awaiting trial for feloniously shooting a man, a pretty serious offense. Pauline, hearing that "Dr. Buzzard," who had only recently come to town, could work all kinds of magic tricks like releasing folks from prison, helping them find things that were lost, curing supposedly incurable diseases, and what not, consulted "Dr. Buzzard" on Sunday.

Yes, he told her, he could certainly get her husband right out of jail, could have him out in a few hours, in fact. The price would be fifty dollars, but he would accept five dollars down and she could have a whole year in which to pay the rest. It sounded reasonable enough to Pauline, and so she handed over the five spot, taking a receipt.

It happened that Pauline herself got into trouble that very night, got in a scrap with another woman, and herself was placed in jail. That wasn't so bad, because she was joining her husband. Probably there was method in Pauline's procedure. Anyway, after Pauline was locked up she told her husband all about the transaction with "Dr. Buzzard." Doubtless Pauline believed they would both be released forthwith. Not so her husband. The receipt she showed him didn't cut any ice at all with him. He promptly sent for an officer, told him the story and turned the receipt over to him. And so, to make a long story short, as the saying goes, the next morning found "Dr. Buzzard" himself in jail. So far he hasn't been able to work his magic on that lock on the jail. Later on a number of "Dr. Buzzard's" erstwhile associates joined the party in jail. They had been nabbed in connection with liquor operations alleged to have been carried on.

The witness in the liquor case knew right well that it was incorrect to call the point of the needle the "point" of the needle, as she had frequently heard. She just wasn't going to use such a word. And so when she was asked while on the witness stand how much liquor the defendant sold she said "three points." She went on to elucidate her remark by saying that at first he only bought one "point" but that later on he bought "two points more."

Men are responsible for more than 95 per cent of all highway deaths.

"Don't rush! Remember that on an average three people in this state each day never reach their destination. They are killed on the streets and highways. Thirty-five or forty more are crippled."

**TAKES JOB AT CANTON**

Jessie Taylor Newby, who held a o Miss Jessie Taylor Newby, who

held a position as librarian at the Hugh Morrison High School, Raleigh, last year, has accepted a similar position at Canton, and left Tuesday to take over her new duties.

**NEW HOPE NEWS**

Miss Wilma Banks, of Greensboro, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Banks.

C. C. Simpson, of Greenville, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. D. W. Simpson.

Mrs. Mozelle White Madre, of Service, spent Thursday with Mrs. C. W. Griffin.

Among those attending the funeral of H. J. Gregory in Norfolk, Va., were: J. B. Webb, L. R. Webb, C. W. Griffin, Roulas Webb, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dail.

D. W. Simpson and family, Mrs. B. S. Banks and Mrs. Mattie Simpson motored to Elizabeth City Saturday.

Watson Eure and family, and Mrs. G. W. Simpson, of Suffolk, Va., visited Mrs. D. W. Simpson Sunday.

G. L. Turner motored to Elizabeth City Saturday.

C. W. Newby, of Norfolk, Va., spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Newby.

G. G. Turner, of Elizabeth City, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Turner.

Miss Willie Hurdle is visiting relatives in Norfolk, Va.

Rudolph Banks, of Norfolk, Va., spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Banks.

Mr. and Mrs. Blakemore Small, Mrs. Ed Sutton and Archie Barelift were in Hertford Thursday.

J. E. Turner was in Hertford on business Thursday.

Mrs. Matt Spivey and family have returned after spending some time at Nags Head.

Miss Ruby Small is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Willie Small, at Weeksville.

Isaac Tatem and family, and Oliver Layden and family, of Winfall, visited at the home of William Humphries Sunday.

**Herbert Copeland Funeral Held Monday**

Funeral services for Herbert Copeland, 61, prominent farmer of the Ryland community, were held from the home on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with the Rev. Herman Parker, of Asheboro, a former pastor, and the Rev. Miss Bertha V. Smith, pastor of Piney Woods Friends Church, of which the deceased was a faithful member, conducting the service. Burial took place in the family burying ground at the home.

Mr. Copeland, who was an outstanding citizen of his community and held in the highest regard by all who knew him, died at 3 o'clock Sunday morning in Lake View Hospital, Suffolk, Va., after a few days' serious illness following a long period of ill health.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Callie Ward Copeland three young children, Marie, Melvin and Doris; four brothers, L. J. Copeland, of Hertford; C. F. Copeland, of Sunbury; X. E. Copeland, of Edenton; and Herman Copeland, of Suffolk, Va.; and two sisters, Mrs. John H. Ward, of Belvidere, and Mrs. E. C. Privott, of Suffolk, Va.

**Announcement**

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**Resident Of Edenton Buried In Hertford**

Mrs. Robert White, 30, of Edenton, a native of Hertford, who died suddenly at her home in Edenton, on Sunday, was buried in the family plot in Cedarwood Cemetery, in Hertford, on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. White, who lived for many years in Hertford, was greatly beloved by a large circle of friends.

Surviving are one son, E. G. White, President of Major & Loomis Co., and three grandchildren. James S. McNider, Hertford attorney, is a nephew of Mrs. White.

**REVIVAL SERVICES BEGIN AT WOODVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH**

Revival services will begin at Woodville Baptist Church on September 1st, and continue through the 8th. The public is invited to attend these services. The Rev. Mr. Potts, of Elizabeth City, will do the preaching.

**BIRTHDAY PARTY IN WOODLAND**

A party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wood in honor of John Elmer Wood, Jr., in celebration of his fourteenth birthday.

Many interesting games were played, after which delicious refreshments were served. He received many useful gifts.

Those enjoying John Elmer's hospitality were Miss Katherine Spivey of Richmond, Misses Ruby Mardre and Eloise Keaton of Bethel, Misses Annie Mae and Ida Perry Matthews, Katherine, Novella and Eunice, Laura Belle, Ruth and Blanche Cartwright, Elizabeth Nurney, Eleanor Jordan, Stella Mae and Beadie Benton, Doris White, Sallie B. Wood, Hazel Matthews, William Cartwright, J. L. Harrell, Jr., Davis Cartwright, Loy Harrell, Vernon Harrell, James Harrell, Sanford Lane, Amos Lane, Diana Matthews, George Wood, Floyd Benton, Jesse Wood of New Orleans, Mrs. J. S. Spivey of Richmond, Mrs. R. R. Keaton of Bethel, Mrs. W. M. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Benton and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wood.

**Perquimans Missing At Vets' Convention**

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Perquimans. Excitement must have run high when these men were taken away from their homes and carried off to nobody knew what destiny. Some of the men were married and had families, though many were mere youngsters, with mothers left in distress.

That a report made by a Union officer in May, 1862, sets forth that "At Hertford the inhabitants are for the most part very bitter in opposition to the Government" is not surprising. The bridges had been burned across the river (reports of the destruction of these bridges are contained in the records referred to), property had been destroyed, a man had been killed, shot down, in a skirmish which occurred on the streets of the town.

A reference to the "current" in Perquimans River, which in one place is referred to as "rapid" is amusing.

in the light of the fact that the placid Perquimans is anything but rapid, with no current to carry anything "rapidly down stream".

"The bridge over the Perquimans River is merely a floating raft", states one of the reports in the records, "fastened to the bank at either end by hawsers. The center of the raft is a draw for the passage of small craft, and is sustained by merely a chain and iron pin. This had evidently been removed by parties cognizant of our approach, and although great caution was used in moving over but a small number at a time, after a part of the advance guard had passed the draw sank, with eight men and horses on it. These were precipitated into the water, which at the place was very deep and rapid. All the men and six horses were, by means of ropes and small boats, safely landed. Two of the horses unfortunately were lost; one being drawn by the force of the current under the bridge, was drowned, the other carried so rapidly down stream as to render it impossible to regain him. After severe labor of about an hour, the draw was again fastened, so as with the greatest care to permit the crossing of my entire command, most of the officers and myself standing deep in water for nearly two hours, stationed at different parts of the bridge superintending the crossing".

That happened a long time ago. The grass has grown green over the graves of most of the soldiers of both the Union and the Confederate armies these many, many years. Many of the graves of the Confederate soldiers have been marked by the United States Government, through the efforts of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, that loyal band of women who strive to keep green the memory of these who fought for The Lost Cause.

On the tall granite monument, erected years ago on the courthouse square in Hertford to honor the Confederate Soldiers of Perquimans, there is engraved this inscription:

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