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THIS WEEK'S BIBLE THOUGHT

THE PRESENT ALONE IS OURS
 Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow.—James 4:14.

SEGREGATE FEEBLE-MINDED

Mrs. W. T. Bost offers a plan consisting essentially of the establishment of ten or fifteen district "hospital homes" for feeble-minded and the removal of all persons in this classification from the hospitals for the insane, and the jails. Also, as the provision of funds for the care of the old, dependent children and the blind becomes adequate and inclusive—the social security program—the county almshouses could be done away with entirely.

Reference is made to especially horrible conditions existing in the Mecklenburg county jail. But conditions in county jails and county homes are always such that he would sleep well of nights and enjoy the blessings for which he returns thanks when sitting down to meat needs the faculty of ignoring them. And the tragic over-crowding of the insane asylums is a condition co-extensive with their history.

In the past couple of decades much of the ancient reproach has been removed from the counties' custodianship of their citizens who have no other resource in their age and infirmity: but county homes are not equipped to care for the feeble-minded and cannot do so except at the expense of the comfort and happiness of their other charges.

If there is reasonable expectation that the idea advanced by Mrs. Bost will do what it is designed to do—and there is, or she would not advance it—it is well worth trying. The elemental soundness of it cannot indeed be questioned. That the feeble-minded ought to be segregated needs no argument. And it will be a bright day in the history of the State when the last county "poorhouse" closes its doors.—Greensboro Daily News.

THAT SUMMER HALF HOLIDAY

Once again the season rolls around when the summer half holiday begins to loom upon the horizon, a bright spot.

The Perquimans Weekly is informed that there is a movement on foot to begin the half holiday in June this year, instead of waiting until July, as has been the case in former years.

This is well. The Perquimans Weekly wishes to commend those employers who favor this extra month of half holidays.

The person who has never worked at a job on which he had to report at a regular hour each morning, to have only a brief period for lunch and work until a certain hour in the afternoon, day in and day out, cannot appreciate what it means to have one half day in each week during the hot months, when he can do whatever he pleases.

The summer half holiday has become an institution. All over this land of ours, in cities and in small towns, wherever the business houses are progressive and up-to-date, this half holiday is a part of the summer program.

It wasn't always so. Twenty-five years ago the summer half holiday was unknown. Its institution is just another of those changes which have come about in recent years and which indicate that the world is getting better, that there is more feeling on the part of the employer for those who work long hours.

Yes, the world is certainly better in many respects. There is more consideration on the part of employers for the employes.

And like all good things, its reaction is good. The man or woman who has a brief respite from the grind of his work returns to the job refreshed and encouraged to do a better job tomorrow.

A WORTHY CAUSE

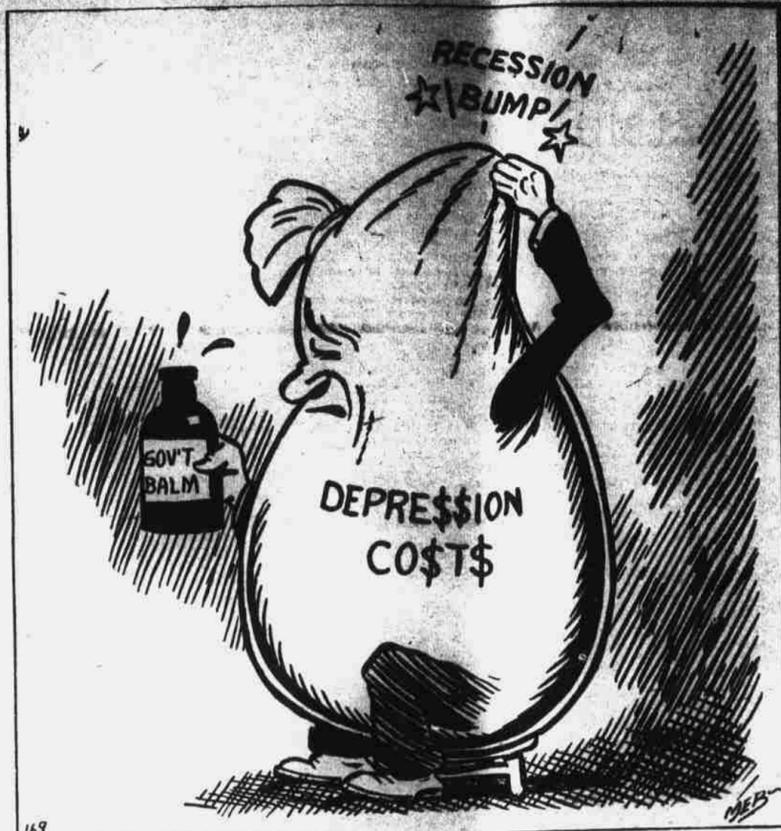
Don't forget to buy a ticket to the concert which the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class will give here next Wednesday night.

For many years, as far back as the oldest citizen remembers, the Singing Class has made an annual visit to Hertford.

Their entertainment is always good, well worth the price of admission.

But just because you may not plan to attend, don't fail to buy a ticket. Somebody will be glad to use it, some child, perhaps who hasn't the price of a ticket, and the price will help swell the fund for taking care of the children at the orphanage.

THE SORE SPOT



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

TESTING DISCIPLESHIP BY SERVICE

International Sunday School Lesson for May 15, 1938

Golden Text: "Come, follow me."—Mark 10:21.

Lesson Text: Mark 10:17-31

As Jesus started from Galilee on his last journey to Jerusalem, he took the usual route through Perea, east of the Jordan. After discussing with the Pharisees who met him the question of divorce, he crossed over into Judea and here little children were brought to him for his blessing. While here, a young man, wealthy, attractive in person and religious in intent, rushed up to him and asked the renowned question, "Good Teacher, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?"

Never was there a time when the truths of this lesson were needed more in the world than today. The selfish grasping for material possession is all but crowding out the desire for heavenly treasures. Surely Emerson was right when he declared, "The worst thing about money is that it so often costs so much."

he went away sorrowful: for he was one that had great possessions." We do not interpret this advice of Jesus to the young man as applicable entirely to every man, for wealth has its missions to perform and the conscientious realization of this truth by rich men often create great and lasting beneficial agencies for mankind. However, Jesus knew the heart of the rich young ruler, and he knew that he, like many moderns, gauged every man by his wealth, not by intelligence, character, or service. How hard, Jesus said, is it for a man obsessed with the supremacy of wealth to appreciate the value of the soul or the spiritual assets of life. The poor widow, casting her two mites into the temple treasury, was used later to emphasize to his disciples that it was not the size of the gift but the spirit of the giver which indicated the amount of blessing to be received.

PENDER ROAD NEWS

Raleigh Perry, who is a member of the F. M. F., stationed at Quantico, Va., spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. R. A. Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Perry and little son, of Sunbury; Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Sutton and their son, Sidney Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hobbs and their daughter, Alice Brinn, from near Elizabeth City; Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Perry and their daughter, Annie Ruth, from near Edenton; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stallings, of Washington, D. C., were dinner guests of Mrs. R. A. Perry on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Perry, Mrs. W. E. Curtis, Miss Bessie Haste and Miss Jeanette Perry called at the home of Mrs. R. A. Perry Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Raymond White, her son, Irvin, and daughter, Francetta, of Manteo; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bassinger and two children, of Plymouth; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lane and son, and Roscoe Lane, of Buxton; Mr. and Mrs. Willie Lane and two children, Mrs. O'Neal and two sons and daughter, of Manteo, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ed Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Sutton and two children, of Hertford; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wood and Mr. Scott, of Elizabeth City, and Mrs. Sarah White visited Mrs. Mary Wood Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Moody Matthews entertained a few of their friends on Wednesday evening. Music and games were enjoyed. The guests included Misses Esther and Pencie Ward, Frank Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Matthews, Miss Blanche Daynesport, Mr. and Mrs. Moody Matthews and three children and Robbins Blanchard. Delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. E. J. Proctor, of Bethel, spent Sunday with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Proctor.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Harrell and daughter, from near Norfolk, Va., spent Sunday with Mr. Harrell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Harrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Stallings and son, William, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Bateman, near Elizabeth City.

WHO KNOWS?

1. Does Great Britain desire to build 45,000-ton battleships?
2. Has the A. F. of L. approved the new Wages and Hours Bill?
3. Does the "naval expansion" bill appropriate funds for beginning construction of any warships?
4. When was the Library of Congress established?
5. How many persons use the English language?
6. How many students attend American colleges and universities?
7. Where is the tomb of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant?
8. What is the population of Alaska?
9. When did the navy dirigible, Akron, crash?
10. Who led the American League in batting in 1937?

THE ANSWERS

1. No.
2. Yes, through President Green.
3. No.
4. In 1800.
5. About 230,000,000.
6. 1,250,000 in 1937.
7. In New York City.
8. 1930 census; 59,278.
9. April 4, 1933.
10. Gehringer, of Detroit, with 371 average.

WINFALL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Hollowell and son, Joel, Jr., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Whedbee.

Misses Jessie Baker and Hazel Bright spent Saturday in Williams-ton.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pierce had as their guests on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Lester Pierce and children, of Newland, and Roy Pierce, of Chapanoke. Mrs. Horace Baker, Miss Louise Wilson, Miss Dona White, Mrs. Thomas H. White, Mrs. John Simpson and A. White motored through the Shenandoah Valley and visited the caverns recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Minton, of Elizabeth City, spent the week-end with Mrs. Minton's sister, Miss Myrtle Umphlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. White spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Elliott, near Chapanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Harrell, of Norfolk, Va., spent the week-end with Mrs. Harrell's sister, Mrs. Joel Hollowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Morgan had as their guests on Sunday Miss Helen Morgan, of Norfolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Byrd, of Durham; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Rully, of Berkeley, Virginia.

Mrs. Bill Bagley and small daughter, Nancy, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bagley.

Mrs. Audrey Umphlett spent the week-end with her parents near Newland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Stanton had as their guests last week-end Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Goodman, of New Hope, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harrell and small son, of Edenton.

MR. COPELAND IMPROVING

The many friends of L. J. Copeland, who were distressed to learn of his sudden illness on Tuesday, will be glad to learn that his condition is improving.

Mr. Copeland, who has been in feeble health for some time, came down town on Tuesday and was taken suddenly ill, being carried home in an ambulance. Though still confined to his bed, he was much better on Wednesday afternoon.

FILM FORECAST AT STATE THEATRE
HERTFORD, N. C.

Friday Only.



The audience becomes part of a delightful family in "Judge Hardy's Children," third of the "Hardy Family" series, playing at the State Theatre Friday. They share the problems of the father and mother and the joys and tribulations of the children, and they laugh with the characters rather than at them in the homely, down-to-earth comedy scenes.

The picture, above all else, is intensely human. It deals with people everyone knows as next door neighbors. It is this charm which was notable in "Ah Wilderness!" that makes the series always a thing of joy.

The new picture, a sequel to "You're Only Young Once," takes the judge and his family to Washington. Mickey Rooney as the son, has a flirtation with a little French girl, Cecilia Parker as the daughter is infatuated with a young State Department employee, and lobbyists assail the judge who has been appointed to a Federal commission. Mickey gets thrown out of dancing school for teaching Jacqueline Laurent the "Big Apple." He gets his first tuxedo. He returns to his school sweetheart at home. So does Cecilia.

Lewis Stone plays the kindly judge and father. Fay Holden is the understanding mother. Robert Whitney makes his bow as a new and very adequate leading man and Leonard Penn plays his rival for Cecilia's love. Ann Rutherford is Mickey's home-town sweetheart. Janet Beecher contributes clever character work as the governess of piquant Jacqueline Laurent, new French discovery making her debut in American pictures. Ruth Hussey is beautiful and yet dangerous as the plotting lobbyist's wife.

George Seitz, who has directed the series ever since it began with "A Family Affair," directed the story with deft skill. The screen play is by Kay Van Ripper and is based on the characters created by Aurania Rouverol.

Many interesting scenes in the National capital serve as back-grounds for much of the play's action, including interiors of important Government buildings, the Lincoln and Washington Monuments, Library of Congress, the Capitol itself and the new Supreme Court Building.

Here's How

Parents are advised by an author never to neglect to say "Good night" to their children. After 8 a. m. it should be said in a whisper.—The Ottawa Journal.

Thursday Only — "Adventures of Tom Sawyer."



Tommy Kelly

Fifty juvenile extras were called for a school scene in the Technicolor picture, "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer," at Selznick International Studios. Four extra teachers were sent by the Los Angeles board of education to see that the children kept up with their 1937 studies while reciting before the camera the "three R's" of Mark Twain's day.

Principal of the studio school was Fletcher Clark, who was regularly assigned to instruct the juvenile members of the "Tom Sawyer" cast who had to attend classes while working. School board rules provide that one teacher be assigned for each ten children working on a studio lot, and it is also required that each child study at least three hours a day. Director Norman Taurog arranged his shooting schedule accordingly.

"Star" pupil of the cast was Tommy Kelly, juvenile "find" of David O. Selznick, and who plays the title role in the picture, with Jackie Moran, May Robson and Walter Brennan.

Classes for the children were held in a three-sided class room in a corner of the big sound stage, with chairs and tables provided by the head dresser utilized as desks.

Children of the cast in regular attendance at the school, besides Tommy and Jackie and their stand-ins were: Ann Gillis, Mickey Rent-schler, Cora Sue Collins, Philip Hurlic, David Holt, Georgie Billings and Marcia Mae Jones, with their respective stand-ins.

"The Adventures of Tom Sawyer" is scheduled to show Thursday night only at the State Theatre.

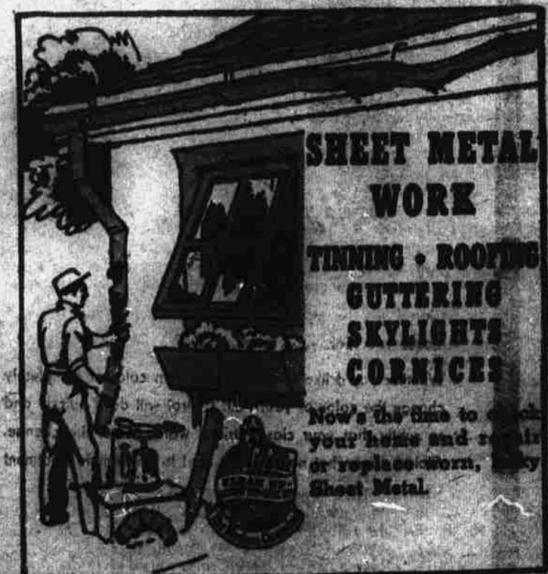
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