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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR WEEK

LOVE SURVIVES ALL: Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contented.—Song of Solomon 8:7.

VERY WORTH WHILE

It wasn't Edison or Marconi, but someone once said, "Every cloud has a silver lining," so the next time your favorite radio program is interrupted by static or the announcer's voice with a "Special News Bulletin," remember this little incident which on Sunday night proved radio's worth to mankind in more than mere phases of entertainment. It proved that radio, more than anything that has ever gone before, is capable of saving lives, alleviating suffering, and easing distraught minds.

For Weekly readers who may have missed the incident we refer to, here is what happened: In Philadelphia, it seems that two jars of honey mixed with a deadly portion of arsenic had disappeared from a parked car. The owner was frantic, realizing that he alone knew that the jars labeled "honey" were sure to destroy human life if used as a food, its only evident use.

The mixture was to have been used in the extermination of rats—but not human rats such as the one who stole it from the car.

Hour after hour, at thirty-minute intervals, the warning went out by radio . . . to the unknown thief or anyone else who may oddly come into possession of the deadly mixture, "If found it may prove fatal. All persons are urged to exercise extreme caution," said the announcer time and again through the broadcasting hours of Sunday night.

The warning was sent over the air by the division of public safety, Philadelphia, and The Weekly sincerely hopes that the "right" person was one of the millions who heard the strange bulletin. No other medium of communication, we believe, could possibly have notified so many people in such a short space of time.

ONLY HUMAN

Holding a public office and trying to please all concerned is a tough assignment even for the most tactful diplomat, so, when a group of unassuming business men, elected to stations of guidance in their community, occasionally reach an unpopular decision, let us consider for a moment that they are not, and do not pretend to be, seasoned politicians.

The idea of moving the town office to a spot in the business section probably was presented to the city councilmen as a plan which would immediately bring down loads of public acclaim. "After all," they probably said, "other cities have their municipal headquarters in the business section. Surely Hertford will like the idea."

Their first error was in not sounding out public sentiment on the project first, which is shown by the petition as not favoring the move at all. Then, when they learned all of a sudden that the idea was not nearly so popular as they anticipated, plans had gone too far to back out.

"An office on the highway will strengthen our chances of getting a State Highway Patrolman," was the next item which sounded like a clinching argument for the move downtown. Had they stopped to consider this for a moment the councilmen would have realized that an "office on the highway" evidently carries very little weight one way or the other, since patrolmen in both Edenton and Elizabeth City are headquartered in offices off the highway. However, local policemen will be provided with headquarters in the downtown office.

So, again we say the commissioners are human like ourselves, and being so are subject to being swayed by what sounds like a good proposition at the time, and subject to making decisions which sometimes strike an unfavorable note.

OUR SENTIMENTS

Salutations, congratulations, greetings, and other expressions of approval are hereby extended the Elizabeth City Chamber of Commerce.

All these noble thoughts are brought on by the chamber's advertisement in last week's issue of The Perquimans Weekly. "Before You Cross the State Line—Try to Buy It at Home," said the ad, and we agreed with them wholly. "Part of Every Dollar Spent in North Carolina Helps

After Dark!! . . . by Rice

DID YOU KNOW THAT THE LIGHT YOU SEE BY IS REDUCED FROM 10,000 FOOT-CANDLES OF LIGHT WHEN THE SUN IS SHINING TO A FRACTION OF 1 FOOT-CANDLE AFTER THE SUN HAS SET?

WHEN YOU DRIVE A CAR AT NIGHT REMEMBER!

THAT HEADLAMPS PROVIDE ONLY 200 FEET OF ADEQUATE VISIBILITY—ON A WET OR FOGGY NIGHT JUST HALF THAT.

THAT AT 50 MILES PER HOUR 200 FEET IS COVERED IN ABOUT 2 1/2 SECONDS

SLOW DOWN AFTER DARK!!

Build Your Roads, Maintain Your Schools!

That's the idea we've had in mind all along. "If you cannot Find it in Your Home Town—You Can Surely Find It in Elizabeth City," and we like that, too. We'd love to buy it in Elizabeth City, if it isn't in Hertford, and advertising of this sort is winning much favorable mention for the body and building good will for the town.

And over in Elizabeth City, if you don't find it there, try Hertford before you cross the State line. In other words, spend that Christmas bankroll in North Carolina if you possibly can. Other states do not help us maintain our schools or keep our roads in repair.

TIME TO ACT

Seventy-four needy families are facing a dreary Christmas, and Christmas is only nine days away. A little time in which to do an awful lot of thinking and giving. It will take the cooperation of every person in the county to cut that number of families down to nothing.

And while we're on the subject, there are only seven more shopping days until Christmas. So, look out—don't let it catch you napping.

MARY TOWE CIRCLE MEETS

The Mary Towe Circle of the Hertford Methodist Church met Monday evening at the home of Miss Mary Towe with Mrs. W. H. Pitt as joint hostess.

The president, Miss Mary Towe, presided over a short business session in which the Society decided to send food to some needy families at Christmas.

Miss Mary Towe had charge of an interesting Christmas program with Mrs. Martin Towe, Miss Mary Wood Koonce and Miss Jeanette Feilds taking part.

During the social hour names were drawn and each person was presented with a lovely gift.

The hostesses served delicious refreshments to the following: Misses Jeanette Feilds, Hilda Knowles, Ruth Davenport, Mattie Butler, Mary Wood Koonce, Patricia Stephens, Bernice White, Helene Nixon, Ruth Nachman, Spivey Roberson, Katherine Jessup, Sara Brinn, Grace Knowles, Elizabeth Knowles, Mary Elizabeth Feilds, and Mrs. Martin Towe, Mrs. Edgar Feilds, Mrs. Morgan Walker and Mrs. J. H. Towe, Sr.

WINFALL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bagley and Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Dillman spent Tuesday in Norfolk, Va.

Misses Jessie and Polly Baker were in Elizabeth City on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jordan and little daughter spent Sunday in Washington, N. C., with Mrs. Jordan's parents.

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

Mrs. Luther Nixon, Mrs. M. M. Dillman, Mrs. Charlie Bagley, Mrs. David Trueblood and Mrs. Bill Bagley were in Elizabeth City recently.

Mrs. William Bryan of Oxford, is the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Winalow.

Mrs. Johnny Lane, Mrs. Nonie Nowell and Miss Myrtle Umphlett were in Elizabeth City Friday.

Mrs. Aubrey Umphlett is spending some time with her parents at Newland.

Somebody ought to invent a dry cleaning process for jokers.

WHO KNOWS?

1. When did the Spanish civil war begin?
2. Is there a monkey colony in the Western Hemisphere?
3. How much money did John D. Rockefeller give away?
4. What is meant by China's "scorched earth" policy?
5. Who is known as "Cactus Jack"?
6. What American explorer is now in the Antarctic?
7. When does Congress convene?
8. Does the Wage and Hour law permit employees to sue for wages and overtime payments improperly withheld?

THE ANSWERS

1. July, 1936.
2. An effort is being made to establish one on the island of Santiago.
3. \$531,000,000.
4. The destruction by fire of every thing useful rather than permit it to fall into the hands of the Japanese.
5. Vice-President Garner.
6. Lincoln Ellsworth.
7. January 3, 1939.
8. Yes.

Timely Questions On Farm Answered

Question: What is the best fertilizer to use on newly planted fruit trees?

Answer: One-half pound of nitrate of soda or its equivalent should be used on apple and nut trees the first year and one-quarter pound of soda on the peach, pear, plum, and cherry trees. If the commercial 5-7-5 mixture is used the application would be two pounds for the apple and nut trees the first year and one pound for the peach, pear, plum and cherry trees. The fertilizer can be applied at any time during the dormant season up to within a month of blooming time.

Question: How much skim milk, clabber, or buttermilk can be used as substitutes in the laying mash?

Answer: This depends upon the amount available on the farm. If three gallons are available each day, this amount may be used as a substitute for all the dried milk products, one-half the fish meal, and one-half the meat meal recommended in the mash required for 100 hens. One gallon may be used in place of the dried milk products each day for 100 hens. The success of these substitutions will depend upon the regularity of the feeding and, if an ample supply is not available at all times no substitutions should be made.

Question: When should lettuce plants be set in the field?

Answer: For the early spring crop in Eastern North Carolina the plants should be set in January and early February. In the upper Piedmont and lower Mountain sections the plants are set in the field in late February and early March. Much care should be taken in transplanting lettuce to the field. The tap roots should be set straight in the ground and the plants set to about the depth they grew in the bed. Do not cover the growing bud and do not set weak or diseased plants. Early planting is necessary as lettuce that does not mature before hot weather is usually of poor quality and often does not head at all.

David, the Shepherd

By Molly Chittick

"YOU can't go out to tend the sheep tonight, Judah," David heard the choke in his mother's voice. "The lion's claws have wounded you sore. I will find someone to send out with them."

"He is hot, so hot," she whispered to David after his father had fallen into a troubled sleep. "It will make him sick unto death if he goes out on the plain."

"Fear not, mother. I will go. Now that I am fourteen, I can prove myself a man. I will go, like my great forefather, David the king."

Rebecca bade him good-by tenderly. "Had I a son older, I should send him. But you are all I have. Take care. The lion may return."

So David drove his father's flock out onto the plain where the shepherds watched their flocks by night. The cool breeze from off the mountains made him draw his cloak close



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about him. He kept his staff in his hand, even as he sat on the hard ground watching his flock.

Suddenly over the hill before him he saw a group of men approaching. That was a surprising thing, to see men wandering about at night. But there was nothing alarming in their action. They seemed filled with excitement and joy.

Now one of them called: "Who is this, guarding his sheep here? Oh, is it you, David, son of Judah? Come with us. We have seen your star, brighter than any star of the morning. It is moving, and we are following it. Come with us."

David was on his feet, listening with boyish excitement to their tale of the words they had heard from the heavens, as an angelic host praised Jehovah. His heart burned within him, and he was eager to accompany the band of shepherds.

Then he heard one of the young lambs: "Ma-aa-aa." The answering bleat came from a distance. The mother had wandered off in search of tender morsels. David heard again his mother's warning and replied:

"I have come to guard my father's flock. I cannot go with you." "We left our sheep, David. This is the king we are about to see. We must go. You are a fool to stay here with these few sheep, when the king is to be seen."

"I came here to tend this flock. It is not mine, but it is my task," was his only reply.

When they saw that he would not accompany them, they made haste.

At first his excitement over the tale the shepherds had told him kept him awake. But gradually his eyes grew heavy. He was almost asleep when he heard the "Ma-aa-aa," of a young lamb again. He jumped to his feet, conscious that he had forgotten to hunt up that wandering mother. With staff in hand, and his sling ready to use, he listened intently for a moment. Then he saw the sheep, standing some distance from the others, its head raised listening to something he could not hear. But David knew what there was to be found there. With the starlight shining full upon it, crouched a lion ready to spring.

Swift as the David of old, the lad swung his sling, and the stone went straight into the head of the crouching animal.

"I am glad, my son, that you were so faithful," his mother praised him in the morning. "Your father was beside himself, wild with his illness, and had I not been able to tell him you were with the flocks, he would have gone out, sick as he was. And now you have slain a lion. Your fame will go before you."

"But mother, I did not see the king," and David's voice trembled. "Do you not think the king would have scorned a lad who would desert his post of duty from idle curiosity? Nay, my son, you have done your task faithfully and well, and proved yourself a man."

Bethlehem Once Unimportant
The city of Bethlehem, birthplace of Jesus Christ, was considered least important among ancient Palestine towns before the Nativity. But tradition has it that the birthplace of Jesus was desecrated by a pagan temple of Adonis before the Emperor Constantine built the Basilica of the Nativity in A. D. 330. The Basilica is one of the oldest churches in Christendom and has a history 1,800 years old. The original building is still standing but it has been altered by additions.

CHAPANOKE NEWS

Mrs. W. H. Elliott and Mrs. Raleigh Lee Byrum were in Elizabeth City Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Branch and son, of Portsmouth, Va., spent Friday night with Mrs. Branch's mother, Mrs. P. L. Griffin.

Mrs. John Symons entertained as guests at dinner on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Parker and Mrs. Bertha Coppersmith, of Portsmouth, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Everett Bright, Mrs. Pattie White and Mrs. Daisy Perry.

Miss Cora Layden, of Hertford, and Miss Hazel Bright spent Saturday night with Mrs. Daisy Perry.

Emmett Stallings, of Portsmouth, Va., spent the week-end here with his family.

Miss Al Whitehead spent Saturday in Elizabeth City.

Misses Hilda and Ardell Byrum were in Elizabeth City on business Monday.

Mrs. Madison Trueblood, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Trueblood and children, from near Winfall, visited Mrs. Louis Lane Sunday afternoon.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS MEETS

The Judson Memorial Sunday School Class of the Hertford Baptist Church met Friday evening with Mrs. G. R. Anderson.

The president, Miss Pattie Rogerson, presided, and after the business

meeting a Christmas program was rendered.

During the business meeting new officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. D. M. Jackson; vice president, Miss Katherine Campen; second vice president, Mrs. Beattie War; secretary, Mrs. Wilford Boyce; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Johnson; reporter, Mrs. Tommy Miller.

During the social hour the hostess served a delicious sweet course.

Members attending were Mrs. Chas. Johnson, teacher, Mesdames Wilford Boyce, Tommy Miller, Josiah Elliott, Bessie Ward, Sidney Layden, Arthur White, D. M. Jackson, G. R. Anderson and Charlie Elliott, Misses Pattie Rogerson and Katherine Campen.

Two visitors, Mrs. R. A. Sutton and Mrs. Tom Sutton were also present.

ENTERTAINS BRIDGE CLUB

Miss Helen Morgan charmingly entertained the members of her bridge club on Tuesday evening, December 6th, at her home.

Prizes were awarded to Mrs. C. R. Holmes for high score and to Mrs. Henry Clay Stokes for low score.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess to the following: Mesdames T. L. Jessup, Henry Clay Stokes, George Barbee, Charles E. Johnson, C. R. Holmes, and Misses Elizabeth Knowles, Mary Sumner and Alma Leggett.

NOTICE TO ALL AUTOMOBILE OWNERS

By order of the Town Council of the Town of Hertford at their regular meeting held on December 12th, 1938, it was ordered that all automobile and/or truck owners residing in the Town of Hertford shall purchase license tags for the Town of Hertford, and have same on automobile and/or truck on or before January 15th, 1939. Said license tags are available at the town office.

Town of Hertford

By W. G. Newby, Clerk

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