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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR WEEK

CHRISTMAS JOY WAS LONG FORETOLD: For unto us a child is born, unto to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.—Isa. 9:6.

THE LAST MILE, CHRISTMAS VERSION

Two more shopping days 'til Christmas, the last mile, and just two more days to do your bit for the county's less fortunate before Christmas morning dawns in its annual splendor to the accompaniment of bursting fire-crackers and the laughter of joyous children to whom Santa brought "just what I wanted."

There are still plenty of opportunities for those who feel the urge to "do something for somebody," but the time is short. The welfare department is in a position to lend information if you can't find a needy family in your personal investigation. We do not believe last week's seventy-four families have been entirely taken care of, yet.

OUR ERROR, PARDON US

A slip-up in the make-up department may cause slight confusion this week in that four pages of today's paper are dated December 29. There is no harm done by the error, however, and so we pass it off as one of those things "that just happen sometimes."

Coming out a day earlier this week piled up work on several members of the force and the date line mystery is the result of the rush in getting the paper "to bed."

OUR SENTIMENTS, TOO

From the Elizabeth City Independent we draw inspiration on a subject which has long impressed us as needing more space before the public and more publicity about "who shares and why."

Unfamiliar as we are with the situation as it applies to Perquimans County alone, the Independent's comment, we believe, can be applied equally well to one community as to another.

Here is what The Independent says, while talking about Unemployment Compensation:

"While the State Unemployment Compensation is a god-send to honest people who lose their jobs because of factors beyond their control, and also to the aged who can no longer hold their positions because of the disabilities inflicted by age, it also provides an excuse for moochers and irresponsibles to hatch up some pretended cause for quitting their jobs and drawing the compensation they have coming to them.

"There is a certain element of 'don't give a damn' workers, who, if they can get enough money to buy their cigarettes and liquor, can mooch their bed and board off of relatives. It is this kind of people who are causing so much dissatisfaction with the present set-up and belittling a system that should be a benefit to all working people.

"The fact that some workers know they can still draw a weekly allowance from the State, makes them immune to reprimands for inefficiency, insolent to suggestions that they improve their work. They stand ready to quit their jobs upon the slightest provocation that may give them a loophole to say the loss of their job was through no fault of their own. It is the shirker and the moocher that makes the honest worker's job so hard to carry on. But we have long ago given up the hope of ever living in an Utopia in this world."

CORRECTION: IT'S ON CHRISTMAS EVE NIGHT

The State Theatre is presenting a Christmas Eve double bill featuring Bela Lugosi in "Dracula," and Boris Karloff in "Frankenstein," instead of Christmas Night as was erroneously stated in last week's issue.

The program of horror movies, touring the country and breaking box-office records, will start at 11:30 on Saturday night, announces Manager Littleton Gibbs.

FIVE TONS FROM ACRE

From one acre of kudzu, H. C. Carson, of Rutherford County cut five tons of hay from the first growth and allowed the second growth to remain on the land. It now forms a mat about three inches thick and acts as an erosion control. Mr. Carson says kudzu also makes fine pasture if not grazed too closely.

Chewing The Rag With Lucius Blanchard, Jr.

Many Hertfordians visited Norfolk within the past week to view showings of the long censored European movie, "Ecstasy." Most of those who saw it, upon returning, seem to agree that "Ecstasy" is several years behind time; would have been delightfully shocking twelve years ago, but is a pretty futile film today.

The time-worn gag line, "For Adults Only," failed to disappoint the youngsters, who being harder to convince than the grown-ups, didn't care about seeing it anyway. Which incidentally bolsters our faith in the younger generation.

A flock of terms have been used by many local people who saw it to describe the much-talked-of movie (and few of them were complimentary). They include "putrid," "lousy," "it stinks," and gradually worked up to "interesting," "all right," "entertaining," "not so hot," and there was one explosive "phooey." All of which gives "Ecstasy" a back seat when good movies are discussed.

The "Marrying Justice" has gone in for a bit of discreet advertising, and all who enter the doors of Walker's on Church Street are greeted with a neat sign on the wall which announces that T. E. Raper is a Justice of the Peace. Mr. Raper has tied several marital knots in the past twelve months, and while Hertford continues to gain fame as a wedding center, the Justice will get his share of the business. We agree with him... it pays to advertise.

We deeply regret an error in last

week's issue of our favorite weekly newspaper which stated that a midnight program would be staged at the State Theatre on Christmas night. A mixup in signals between "Whitey" White and ourselves is responsible for the mis-statement, and here's the correction: Manager Littleton Gibbs set us right and says that the midnight movie will be on Christmas Eve instead of Christmas night.

We were right, however, in saying that the program would be a double feature starring Boris Karloff in "Frankenstein" and Bela Lugosi in "Dracula." Just a little something to quiet the kiddies if they have trouble in going to sleep on Christmas Eve night.

A young lady acquaintance of ours wants to buy an old spinning wheel. She's a former Hertford girl (very pretty, too) who wants the wheel to decorate a corner in her home. Can anyone help us to locate a spinning wheel for her?

And just before closing shop for the week-end we almost forgot to wish all our good friends a very Merry Christmas (readers and non-readers). And to anyone who may have taken exception to anything that appeared in this paper during the year, or whose name was inadvertently left out of a social item, or who ended up in print with the wrong initials, or bears us ill feeling for any other reason, well—to him or her, The Perquimans Weekly wants us to extend wishes for a very Merry Christmas, too.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS SAY

SPREADING OUR FAME

The value of the state advertising program and the competence with which it is being carried on both by the Eastman-Scott Company and by the auxiliary state bureau at Raleigh under the direction of Bill Sharpe is clearly shown in the growing frequency with which divers phases of North Carolina life are being featured in the leading newspapers and magazines of the nation.

Only recently a story concerning "Tweetsie," the narrow gauge railway train which has run for a half century between Boone and Johnson City, Tenn., complete with graphic pictures, appeared in the magazine section of the Christian Science Monitor. Other features pertaining to North Carolina include pictures by Mr. Sharpe showing scenes in "Jugtown," and various other articles and pictures including scenes in the Great Smokies, and so on, which have appeared in magazine and rotogravure sections of New York, Pittsburgh, Detroit, Chicago, Minneapolis and other metropolitan papers anon.

That this publicity is having the desired effect is apparent from the increasingly large numbers of tourists who have visited North Carolina this year. And the end is not yet. At the present rate of increase in popularity the Old North State will be one of the leading tourist states in the Union by 1945 or 1950.—Twin-City Sentinel.

Preliminary figures of the Bureau of Census show the United States to have a population now of 130,215,000.

Hints for Homemakers
By Jane Rogers



WHEN your teen-age daughter comes home with the news that she has been elected chairman of the "Prom-Trotters" committee for this year, you can be certain that for the very first dance she is going to come clamoring for a recipe for punch. So clip this for your file and have it ready and waiting. It's easy to prepare and has a zip and tang that is refreshing and stimulating and very acceptable to the teen-age thirst.

- From Trotters Punch**
- 1 gallon fresh orange juice
 - 1/2 gallon fresh lemon juice
 - 1 gallon cherry juice
 - 4 gallons canned unsweetened Hawaiian pineapple juice
 - 1/2 gallon grape juice
 - 4 gallons water
 - 1/2 pint strawberry syrup
 - 3 pounds cane sugar
 - 12 quarts ginger ale
 - Slices of oranges, lemons and pineapple
 - block of ice.
- Mix all ingredients except ginger ale, sliced fruit and ice, and let stand overnight in a cool place (refrigerator preferred). Before serving time, place clear block of ice in bowl, pour in punch, and add ginger ale. Garnish top of ice block with sliced fruit. Approximately 350 servings (15 gallons).

Births And Deaths Decrease In State During November

Deaths From Preventable Accidents Also Lower

There was a decrease in both births and deaths in North Carolina in November, 1938, according to figures just released for publication by the State Board of Health's Division of Vital Statistics, of which Dr. R. T. Stimpson is the Director. Last month, 2,462 North Carolinians died, as compared with 2,762 in November, 1937, while births last month totaled 6,053, as against 6,423 the corresponding month a year ago.

There was a drop in the number of deaths of infants under one year of age and in maternal deaths, the total for the former being 407, as compared with 431 a year ago, while only 24 mothers died last month, as compared with 44 a year ago—a sharp decline.

Deaths from preventable accidents dropped from 144 in November, 1937, to 121 last month. Fatalities from automobile accidents reported to the State Board of Health last month totaled 81, while the total in November, 1937, was 96.

Fifteen people died of burns in November, this year, against 23 last year, while homicides dropped from 37 to 23, but there was one more suicide, the 1938 November total being 27, as compared with 26 last year. A drop of 24 occurred in cancer deaths, while pneumonia deaths were up only 2, but 42 died of influenza, as compared with only 27 in November, 1937. There was no other outstanding increase or decrease, Dr. Stimpson's figures show.

NEW HOPE P. T. A. MEETS

The regular monthly meeting of the New Hope Parent-Teachers Association was held Tuesday evening, December 13, at the Community House.

The meeting opened by singing "Joy to the World." The devotional was led by Mrs. I. A. Butt. The following program was rendered: Song, "Silent Night"; poem, "Above a Newborn Babe" by Mrs. Clarence B. Goodman; song, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"; reading, "Along About Christmas" by Mrs. J. T. Lamb.

Following the business meeting, a social hour was enjoyed during which refreshments were served by several members of the group.

OLDER CLUB MEMBER

Though he is over 70 years of age, J. T. Daniel, of Granville County, joined the 4-H corn club this season and has produced 102 bushels of corn on his club acre. He is said to be one of the best farmers in the county.

Check

A doctor says he often wonders how much sleep the average man really wants. Just another five minutes.—Passing Show.

CONDITION

Any marked improvement in milk and butter prices during the next few years will depend on further recovery in business and a rise in the general level of prices, says John A. Arvey, of State College.

Christmas A Year Late

By Edith Kirkwood

"TOMORROW'S Christmas day, tomorrow's Christmas day," little Dorothy was singing as she was prancing about the dingy apartment. She'd stop to roll up the sleeves that were continually slipping down over her hands. No wonder they didn't stay up, for the dress was one that Helen, two years older, had outgrown. Mother had meant to make it over, but she was too tired when she got home from cleaning house for other people all day.

"Hush up, Dorothy. Mother will be coming in pretty soon, and she'll cry if we say anything about Christmas," Helen reminded her.

"I don't see why. Christmas is a time to laugh, and not to cry," Dorothy responded philosophically.

"Don't you remember last Christmas, and how daddy didn't come home with our packages?" Helen couldn't believe that even so little a sister as Dorothy should forget that. For daddy had never been heard from since that Christmas eve.

As Dorothy started to reply, Helen warned her: "Sh—, there comes mother," and the youngsters were silent when she entered. Mrs. Bond, tired and absorbed in her own anxious thoughts, did not heed their un-



Mrs. Bond was roused by a knock at the door.

childlike quiet. Her apathy had developed that trait in them, and she was unaware of what her sorrow was doing to her children. She busied herself with the simple meal, and Dorothy's faint, "Mother, is Santa coming tonight?" was the cause of her only break: "My poor baby, I'm afraid Santa doesn't even know you exist," she sobbed. She was getting them into bed, and they were soon asleep, their pillows wet with their tears that Santa was not coming. Too tired to sew, and in deepest depression, Mrs. Bond was roused from her inert brooding by a rap at the door.

A caller was unheard of. No one came to see her, for she had repelled all kindly offers of assistance when her husband disappeared. She ignored the knock. When it came again it was a significant signal, two short raps, repeated three times. Her husband's knock!

Quivering with excitement, she moved toward the door. Her fingers were trembling so that she could hardly turn the key. The door opened, and she gasped, "Tom!" as the sturdy, well-dressed man exclaimed, "Barbara!" and took her in his arms. Then, after a long embrace, he led her to the big chair she had just quitted, and drew her on his lap while they talked together.

"I left you Christmas eve to do the last-minute shopping. But an icicle struck my head, and knocked me unconscious. I couldn't remember who I was or where I lived. I went to a hotel and after a few days got work as a salesman. I told my boss my predicament, and he has been very kind. Today, Christmas shopping somehow brought back to me who and what I was. And I couldn't wait to find you!"

"But how did you ever trace us?" Barbara asked. "I thought I left no clues. I thought you had deserted me, when we found you weren't an accident case."

"Deserted you? You? My poor child," and he drew her close again. "I did have a heck of a time, but old Jack, the baggage man, finally told me where you had moved to. But now we must get ready for last year's Christmas. And next week we'll get out of this hotel." Tom's influence was apparent.

"My dear, my dear, I don't mind the hotel, now that you are safely home," Barbara whispered.

"All right, Babs, old girl. But stop crying down my neck if you are really glad to have me back," but his tender kiss belied his joking words.

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Popular Christmas Carols
Probably the best known Christmas carol is "Adeste Fideles," composed in 1700 and sung in Roman Catholic churches ever since. It was adopted in England in 1841 and sung in Protestant churches as "O Come All Ye Faithful." Among the more popular Christmas carols are "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," "Christians Awake," and "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing." St. Ambrose is said to have written one of the first Christmas hymns in 340 A. D.

WHO KNOWS?

1. What nation has been referred to as the "Colossus of the North?"
2. Why are certain nations referred to as "Latin" Americans?
3. How long has France been in possession of Tunisia?
4. Is the U. S. constructing a large liner?
5. Who is Mrs. Hallie Flannagan?
6. How much is invested in farm mortgages?
7. How old is James Roosevelt?
8. How many Senators have announced for Roosevelt in 1940?
9. What is the relative air forces of Great Britain and Germany?
10. Where is Douglas Corrigan?

THE ANSWERS

1. The U. S.
2. Because of their descent through Spain and Portugal.
3. Since 1881.
4. The America, 26,000 tons, to be launched in 1939.
5. Project director, Federal Theatre Project.
6. About \$7,000,000,000.
7. 31 on December 23.
8. Three.
9. Estimate: Germany 4,000; Great Britain, 3,000.
10. Now making personal appearances in larger cities.

MINNIE WILSON CIRCLE MEETS

Minnie Wilson Circle of the Hertford Methodist Church met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. R. M. Riddick.

Mrs. T. S. White, president, presided over the business meeting Mrs. B. G. Koonce had charge of an interesting program, the subject being Christmas. Mrs. H. C. Stokes and Mrs. Herman Winslow gave readings, after which Ben Koonce played "Silent Night." Miss Katherine Jessup sang a Christmas anthem.

Each member brought an attractively wrapped gift to send to the orphan at the Methodist Orphanage which the Circle clothes. The hostess served delicious refreshments.

Another Timely Gift Suggestion

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aid, and the white ones get considerable aid. We are black this year, but the new map will show this county as striped, like Chowan and Pasquotank Hertford, Northampton and Washington and others.

"The county is not rich and cannot do a great deal, but, after all, a library is a collection of books, and if the individuals themselves will give enough books we will have a good library, money or no money.

"Carry, or send yours to the library, or get in touch with Mrs. J. G. Roberson and she will see that they are called for. But preferably, carry them yourself, acquaint yourself with the library, and get into the habit of visiting it and using it. "If you are not already acquainted

with its activities you will likely be surprised at the large collection of its books. More and better books will increase the circulation tremendously."

TWINS SET RECORD

Des Moines, Iowa.—A total of fifty-two sets of twins were born in the state of Iowa during July, setting a new all-time record, according to the State Health Department.

LEGALS

NOTICE

Sale of Valuable Real Estate
By virtue of a Deed of Trust executed to me by H. W. Bateman and wife, Missouri Bateman, for certain purposes therein mentioned, and which said Deed of Trust bears date of January 1, 1926, and is registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Perquimans County in Book 14, page 357, and default having been made in the payment of said Deed of Trust, I shall on January 23, 1939, at 10:00 A. M., at the Court House door in Perquimans County offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described lands, conveyed in said Deed of Trust:

First Tract: Beginning on Body Road at a ditch and running Westerly to ditch at Honey Pod Lane; Thence Southerly along ditch to another ditch; Thence Westerly along ditch to another ditch; Thence Easterly along ditch line of H. W. Bateman and Lillian Jennings to the Body Road; Thence Northerly along Body Road to place of beginning, containing 36 acres, more or less.

Second Tract: Being one tract of woodland on the East side of the Body Road, bounded on the North by Bateman, on the East by C. T. White, on the South by Bateman Heirs and on the West by the Body Road, containing 5 acres, more or less.

Third Tract: Adjoining lands of E. P. Parker, E. E. Bateman and others designated as Lot No. 2 cleared land and Lot No. 1 of Woodland of the division of Virginia C. Bateman lands, less 36 acres and 5 acres respectively conveyed to J. M. Wilson Ex. and others. For further description see Deed Book 15, page 472, which is especially referred to.

The above three tracts embracing all lands we own or have interest in, in Perquimans County, except 6 acres.

J. C. BLANCHARD, Trustee.

Posted this Dec. 22, 1938. Dec. 23, 30, Jan. 6, 13

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of H. C. Wilder, deceased, late of Perquimans County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Winfall, N. C., Star Route, on or before the 19th day of December, 1939, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 19th day of December, 1938.

H. G. WILDER, Administrator of H. C. Wilder.

Dec. 23, 30, Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, 34.

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