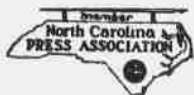


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**BIBLE THOUGHT FOR WEEK**

**NOTHING FINE AND BEAUTIFUL IS EVER LOST:** For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love, which ye have sowed toward His name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.—Hebrews 6:10.

**Notes And Comments**

No little comment has been made regarding the aid the local Boy Scouts furnished at the fire occurring here last Saturday. It was a "good deed" well done, and the boys can be congratulated for starting off "Boy Scout Week" in such a fine manner.

Hats must be doffed to the ladies again. Hertford's Parent-Teacher Association ladies are making the most of February, which has been set aside by them as "Curtain Month" and are actively and quickly raising a fund to supply a curtain for the Grammar School. More power to them, and we are dead certain they will accomplish their aim.

Notes In The News: The decision to hold a fire drill, we think, is an excellent one. While no direct criticism is made, certainly more efficiency can be applied in the Fire Department. With brand new, and exceptionally fine equipment, there should be no excuse for the Fire Department answering a call without every man having a specific job to do... and do that at each fire. We suggest NOT one fire drill. BUT regular fire drills. Practice has a tendency to make perfect.

**Education For Country Living**

Recent statistics from the United States Office of Education show that only one in five of the rural high schools in the Nation is making a serious attempt to prepare youth for rural living. A study of 1,238 representative schools in centers of 2,500 or fewer population indicates that the traditional academic curriculum is still the usual set-up. Only one-third of those entering rural high schools graduate although the number entering has doubled in the last decade.

Educators and interested laymen are focusing their attention on this serious problem. Denmark, through its Folk High Schools, has blazed a trail. The United States needs secondary school education for rural youth that will show them the satisfaction and rewards of country living, instead of focusing attention on urban occupations and opportunities.

The curriculum should include a combination of practical and cultural subjects; it ought to prepare boys and girls to make a living, and at the same time develop their interest in art, leisure-time activities, and cooperative living. The satisfactions of country living are increasing steadily. Educators have both a duty and an opportunity to make rural education more meaningful and purposeful in terms of life values.—Christian Science Monitor.

**SO WHAT?**

By WHATSO

**INFANTILE PARALYSIS CAMPAIGN FOR FUNDS.** The March of Dimes and the dance went along to the merry tune of well over a hundred dollars this year! So far as we are aware that is the largest sum this county has ever raised for the purpose of fighting infantile paralysis, and we extend heartiest congratulations to all who took part in the campaign. The dance committee, under the efficient leadership of Mr. Silas Whedbee—Mr. Whedbee is also chairman of the Red Cross—netted forty dollars, far and away above any amount previously raised at a dance; the Boy Scouts, directed by Scoutmaster Pitt, and the children of the county, di-

rected by the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Johnson, are to be thanked for the balance which at this moment is not entirely in hand. Perhaps the most satisfactory incident of the campaign was the action of the colored school. It would seem that the colored boys and girls, some way or other, were forgotten in the making of campaign plans. But they were not going to be left out in the program for good works—not if they could help it—so the colored school asked to be allowed to help and did so to the amount of something over nine dollars.

**THE QUESTION OF AN A. B. C. STORE FOR PERQUIMANS COUNTY** seems to have stirred up a lot of talk. Some of it is interesting, some very foolish. The arguments pro and con are not always to the point. For instance to liken an A. B. C. store to a saloon is just as logical as to compare the merits of a symphony orchestra with the merits of a Farm-All tractor! The presence or absence of an A. B. C. store in Hertford will in no way affect the drinking habits of the people of Perquimans County. Our people who want wines or liquors are getting them when they want them and there is no trouble about it. You go to Elizabeth City or to Edenton and get what you want at the market price under legal circumstances or you don't go quite so far and get what you want at premium prices with no particular respect for the law. In either case, the citizen is getting what he wants and the other county is getting the revenue on the article sold. Off-hand, it would seem worth while to keep the revenue in the county. Also it might be worth while to use the A. B. C. store to help stop the illicit traffic now carried on. It seems passing strange to us that the individuals and organizations now opposing so loudly the perfectly legal A. B. C. store have made no move, nor raised a voice against the illegal traffic that is going on.

**HERTFORD SALUTES HERTFORD.** That was a graceful gesture of the local Rotary Club to write to the club in Hertford, England. No doubt that letter to the Hertford Club in the Old Country contained a check of around a hundred dollars to show that the sympathy of the local Rotarians was practical as well as emotional. The good work of the Rotarians is indicative of the general attitude of the citizens of Hertford. There is a very general desire on the part of our people to make evident in some practical way their sympathy with the English people. Our folks are getting pretty sensitive when visitors from other towns ask what is being done in Hertford for the sufferers in the land that once was Merrie England. Of course, the answer to any question as to what we, as a community, are doing to help the world's sufferers in this greatest crisis of modern history is—NOTHING. Well, not quite nothing. A comparatively few of us did join the Red Cross at the time of the Annual Roll Call, but we would have done that under any circumstances. The fact of the case is that many in this community have approached the chairman of the local Red Cross Chapter to see if it would be possible for some sort of work for war victims to be organized here. It would appear from the results obtained that it is not within the range of the Red Cross activities to undertake the leadership of such work. However, relief work for war sufferers—the homeless, the wounded, the refugees—is being carried on in communities throughout the land no larger than Hertford. Under what leadership is it being done? Why are the good people of this community denied the privilege of expressing their sympathies in good works? We do not know; but we do know that we are a bit ashamed. If any reader of this column—granting that it has one or two—can make a suggestion we would be delighted to have it.

**TO THE INDIVIDUALS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT—CONGRATULATIONS!** Due to your devotion to duty and the fact that you had new equipment to fight with you saved Hertford from a pretty damaging fire last week. We should like to report some of the remarks we have heard from appreciative citizens and also some of the statements from individual fire fighters themselves. Space forbids. Perhaps next week. Any way, we are for you, smoke eaters! And you did eat some Saturday, didn't you?

**SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**

FORGIVENESS AND GRATITUDE

International Sunday School Lesson for February 16, 1941

Golden Text: "Be ye kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, even as God also in Christ forgave you."  
Golden Text: Luke 17:1-4, 11-19

The seventeenth chapter of Luke includes the teaching of Jesus on several different subjects, the probability being that they were words spoken by Him at different times, perhaps, under different circumstances. The first two verses concern the heavy responsibility of those who cause others to sin. Verses 3 and 4 admonish mankind to be forgiving to every brother. Then comes a comparison from nature to illustrate the power of faith, followed by a lesson in humility contained in a parable. Emphasis on gratitude is revealed in the story of the ten lepers and the closing of the chapter contains a statement of conditions which will take place before the second coming.

Jesus was interested in the development of life to the fullest extent for each individual—a development recognizing the primary importance of spiritual and eternal values. He fully understood that very often these higher qualities were contrasted unfavorably by the world with material things of lesser worth. Jesus knew that one who sought to live by the principles of his kingdom would necessarily encounter temptations and obstacles as he pursued his way through a material world. While one who fell a victim to such delusions and traps would be harmed, Jesus spoke the greater condemnation which would be visited upon that one who caused him to stumble. Apparently greater punishment awaits those who deliberately entice striving men and women from the path of rectitude than those weaker ones who succumb to the wiles and allurements craftily placed in their way.

An unforgiving spirit may be a cause for stumbling to others and to that extent there seems to be the possibility of a thought connection between the first four verses. Jesus warned his disciples that a forgiving spirit was necessary for his kingdom, insisting that if one was done wrong he must forgive the evil doer. Some emphasize the words, "if he repent" as the condition precedent for the Christian requirements of forgiveness for wrong, but while this particular text may allow such an interpretation, it would be so much out of harmony with the example and teaching of Jesus, that it should be rejected. As a matter of fact, on the cross Jesus prayed for the forgiveness of those who were executing him, that they knew not what they were doing. Failure to realize wrongdoing negatives the fact of repentance.

The apostles asked Jesus to increase their faith. The supplication indicates that the apostles realized the insufficiency of their faith and recognized in Jesus a power to increase it. Jesus answered that faith "as a grain of mustard seed" would perform the impossible.

The parable in verses seven to ten concern the attitude of the servant. When he has performed the duties laid upon him by his master, he should not expect any unusual reward as a matter of right because he has only performed his duty. So, the lesson is, when the follower of Jesus has performed his task, he has no right to self-complacency and pride for doing what he should have done. The reward that comes to him will be a matter of generosity from his Creator. This parable was directed particularly to the pretentious followers of Judaism, who paraded and boasted of their righteousness. In this day we can also

**Negro PTA To Sponsor Charity Program**

The Parent-Teachers Association of the Hertford Graded-High School met in regular session Tuesday night, February 11, at 8 o'clock, with President J. H. Tucker presiding.

During the report of standing committees, it was revealed by the chairman of the welfare committee that a total of 112 school-age children scattered throughout the four welfare districts—Bethel, Saunders Grove, New Haven and Hertford—had been clothed sufficiently to remain in school or enable them to enter school through the efforts of the P. T. A. and its many friends.

In order to enlarge this clothes drive, the welfare committee of the local Negro organization is sponsoring a musical program Sunday evening, February 23, at 8 o'clock, in the High School Auditorium. Bishop Davis and the well-known Junior Choir of the Apostolic Church in Portsmouth, Va., will be featured on the program coupled with music from two outstanding quartettes of this section.

Your presence at this program will spell clothes and shoes and school for some needy child. May we have your support?

see examples of pride of religion in many.

As Jesus proceeded towards Jerusalem he met ten lepers who hailed him with the request for relief from their malady. Jesus instructed them to go to the priest, whose duty it was to examine and pass upon those who had suffered with leprosy so that if cured they would no longer be subject to the ban against contact with others. The ten lepers set out and as they proceeded, an act of faith on their part, they realized that they had been healed. Only one, a Samaritan, Luke alone informs us, returned to Jesus to thank him. The others, too eager to re-enter their own lives, either were too careless to give thanks to their benefactor, or put it off in the expectation of doing so on some other day.

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**LEGALS**

North Carolina, In The Perquimans County. Superior Court Oliver Cromwell Holley, Plaintiff Vs.

Essie Mae Lilly Holley, Defendant **NOTICE OF SUMMONS IN ACTION FOR DIVORCE**

The defendant, Essie Mae Lilly Holley, take notice: An action entitled as above has been instituted in the Superior Court of Perquimans County, North Carolina, for the purpose of severing the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant, and for the purpose of obtaining an absolute divorce, and you will further take notice that you are required to be and appear before the clerk of Superior Court of Perquimans County, North Carolina, at the Court House in Hertford, North Carolina, on the 14 day of March, 1941, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff or else the prayer of the complaint will be granted in accordance with the relief demanded in the complaint now on file in said office.

This 12 day of February, 1941. W. H. PITT, Clerk of Superior Court for Perquimans County, North Carolina. feb.14,21,28,mar.7.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We want to take this means of thanking all our friends and the Hertford Fire Department for their kindness shown us during the recent fire.

MR. & MRS. WILLIS JESSUP.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to take this means to express our appreciation and thanks to the Hertford Fire Department, the Boy Scouts, and friends and neighbors who assisted us when our home burned last week.

MR. & MRS. J. ELLIE WHITE MRS. IRENE PETERSON

**HIS WEIGHT IN DIAMONDS FOR 275-POUND AGA KHAN**  
How 70,000,000 Mohammedans are busy collecting precious stones for the jubilee of their already rich leader. An unusual story in the February 23rd issue of

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