

run, however, industry will have to depend upon increased mechanization and labor-saving machinery to keep costs down, while wages go up. In fact, it might even be said that the key to holding the price level comparatively stable is further mechanization in production systems.

### Pays Father's Debts

We ran across a news item in a metropolitan daily the other day that impressed us very greatly. We share the information on so our readers in the event that they did not see the item.

Johnny Mercer, who is one of the country's most successful song writers, is, author, as many song lovers know, of that hit tune of some years back, "Sentimental Journey." Johnny recently made a trip, for which that tune would have provided perfect mood music.

He returned to his home town of Savannah, Ga., and there he deposited a check for \$300,000 in a Savannah bank to pay off 500 persons who had invested in a real estate and insurance firm owned by his late father. The company failed twenty-eight years ago, during the depression.

Before his death, the elder Mercer cherished the hope of some day paying off the holders of certificates of deposit with the defunct company, and this hope was shared by his son.

Although Johnny Mercer has been a successful song writer for some years now, amassing a fortune of \$300,000, to pay off a 28-year-old debt takes considerable doing, even to a man whose income is registered in the upper brackets.

However, even though his father has been dead for some years now, Johnny felt a moral obligation to the certificate-holders that is seldom seen in these days. In our estimation, and we know in the eyes of those who received money they thought long lost, Johnny Mercer stands out as a man of unusual integrity.

against the complex George Malenkov placed an economic guide and improved the lot of the average man in Russia.

It is known that the Russian economy cannot keep pace with the U. S. economy in the fields of aircraft production, atomic weapons, and heavy industry without the effect being felt far more by the normal civilian population than in the case in the USA.

Yet, the Russians are keeping pace with a huge U. S. financial outlay and program in all these fields. Little is being left over for bettering working conditions, improving the supply of commodities, lowering prices and increasing production of consumer hand goods.

As a result a real pinch is continuing to grip the Russians, and it may be that pressure is building up in Russia for a solution to this dilemma. If that theory is correct, then it may explain the change in Russian tone in recent months and weeks.

There is also considerable speculation that Khrushchev may not be master of the Roost in Russia as long as some have assumed. This opinion is based, primarily, on the Communist party leader's behavior in Belgrade in early June.

The tale is now widely known, about Khrushchev's heavy drinking and anything but spartan behavior during his stay in Yugoslavia. But this conclusion may be a premature one. The theory is that other Communists will not forever allow the top man representing Russia to get by with such conduct, especially when he is in a foreign country.

This is perhaps an optimistic conclusion and one which should not be taken too seriously—though it could pan out in the end to be good prophecy.

But combined with recent testimony of both General Alfred Gruenther and Admiral Arthur Radford, the Russian situation is looking up a bit. Both of these distinguished military men have told Senators and Congressmen, in executive session, that something is wrong inside Russia. They both think this country, and the other democracies, should put up a firm front at the coming Big Four meeting in Switzerland.

Backing up this view, in Washington recently, was Chancellor Konrad Adenauer of West Germany. The aging Chancellor agreed that appeasement was not now in order and that the West is far more likely to get concessions—if any are to be gained—by maintaining a solid, strong front against Communism than by any other approach.

Adenauer is highly respected in Washington. Many government officials consider him to be the strongest U. S. ally active in Europe today and his record of fighting the Nazis, even before the war, adds weight to his thoughts and opinions in Washington circles.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

SIGNS OF NATIONAL DECAY

International Sunday School  
Lesson for July 3, 1955

Memory Selection: "Was to him that buildeth his house by unrighteousness, and his chambers by wrong; that useth his neighbor's service without wages, and giveth him not for his work."  
—Jeremiah 22:13.

Lesson Text:  
Jeremiah 22:1-9, 24, 25.

The lessons for the third quarter of this year concern the last days of the Kingdom of Judah, the exile of the people in Babylon and their return to Jerusalem. It also takes up a study of several of the prophets of Jehovah who lived and ministered during these crucial days.

Our lesson for this week concerns one of these prophets—Jeremiah—and the messages which he gave his people. Jeremiah was born at Anathoth, a little town just a few miles from the city of Jerusalem, not very far from the birthplace of the prophet, Amos. Early in life, Jeremiah went to Jerusalem to live, where he was the friend and counselor of the good King Josiah in his various efforts to reform the people of Judah.

Throughout the reign of the last five kings of the nation, Jeremiah continued to preach the inevitable judgment approaching his countrymen for their sin and repudiation of Jehovah, which culminated with the capture of Jerusalem and the captivity of a great number of the people of the Kingdom. They were carried to Babylon, Jeremiah was given the choice of whether he should accompany the captives or remain in the city of Jerusalem. He chose the latter. After remaining in Judah for a few years, he went into Egypt where, tradition asserts, he met a martyr's death.

As pointed out in our lesson for last week, Josiah was the last good king of Judah. After his death in battle, four cruel and treacherous men followed him as kings. The first was Jehoahaz, the son of Josiah, who reigned only three months. The king of Egypt deposed Jehoahaz and made another son of Josiah, Jehoiakim king in his stead. Jehoiakim reigned over Judah for eleven years, and the record declares, "He did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord his God."

After the defeat of the Egyptian king at the hands of Nebuchadnezzar, the Babylonian king, Jehoiakim was taken captive to Babylon, where he later died. Jehoiachin, his son, was made king, but he reigned only three months and ten days before the fall of Jerusalem and he was carried away into captivity with about eight thousand of the leading citizens of the kingdom, among whom was Ezekiel, the prophet.

Zedekiah was then made king by Nebuchadnezzar and was put under oath to be subservient to the Babylonians. After seven or eight years, Zedekiah made a treasonable pact with Hophra, king of Egypt, and in 588 B.C., Nebuchadnezzar, angered by Zedekiah's faithlessness, began the second siege of Jerusalem. In 585 B.C., it fell into his hands and he destroyed it, leaving the Temple completely destroyed, the city a mass of blackened ruins and only a remnant of the poorest people to live among the ruins.

During all these years, the prophet Jeremiah traveled up and down the land, warning the people that they were disobeying God and would be punished. While the priests and the people heard Jeremiah, they disregarded his warnings and persecuted him in every possible way, finally putting him in prison.

Unable to present his messages to them in person, Jeremiah called his secretary, Baruch, to him and dictated his warnings. Baruch wrote them down on scrolls and took them to the Temple, where he read them to the people. Word of the reading got to the chief men of the kingdom, who sent for Baruch and had the roll read to them. Although they realized that Jeremiah was a true prophet, they were still more responsible to the King and to the people for the safety and security of the kingdom. They recalled that the prophecy of Jeremiah would shake the confidence of the people in their government and its policies and, therefore, its revelation to the people was not expedient. Instead of seeking new revelations from the prophet, they...

WANT ONE GOOD REASON?

Of course you "ought to go to church," you say.  
But, you keep putting it off.  
Then here's just one of the many reasons why you should start going to church—NOW!  
As an American, you like to come and go where you please, and when. You like to speak what you please, and how. You like to pursue life, liberty, and happiness as you will. And in these United States you can—because we still have freedom. You can worship in whatever church you choose—or not at all.  
But this freedom of religion and all our other liberties should not be taken for granted. Throughout free countries, the Church is fighting the perils of communism, lest individuals be strangled into hopeless, plodding submission.  
Freedom, then, is reason enough. Go to church! Support and uphold the Church—NOW!

**THE CHURCH FOR ALL— ALL FOR THE CHURCH**  
The Church is the greatest factor on earth for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a schoolhouse of spiritual values. Without a strong Church, neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should attend services regularly and support the Church. They are: (1) For his own sake. (2) For his children's sake. (3) For the sake of his community and nation. (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and financial support. Plan to go to church regularly and read your Bible daily.

Day	Service	Time
Sunday	Leviticus	10:30
Monday	Deuteronomy	10:30
Tuesday	Mark	10:30
Wednesday	John	10:30
Thursday	John	8:00
Friday	John	8:00
Saturday	Isaiah	8:00

## News Report From Washington

Trouble in Russia—Khrushchev On Way Out? Gruenther And Radford—Adenauer's U. S. Visit

Washington—There is enough evidence now available to the U. S. Government to lead to the conclusion that a heavy strain is now being felt inside Russia. The most likely cause is thought to be continued emphasis on heavy industry and aircraft and atomic weapons programs in the USSR.

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## NOTICE!

### Taxpayers—Town of Winfall, N. C.

By order of the Town Council, in regular meeting, 1954 delinquent taxes in Winfall will be advertised July 8th, 1955.

The sale of the same will be held on Monday, August 8, 1955. Please make settlement now and save additional costs of advertising.

J. F. HOLLOWELL, SR.  
Clerk—Town of Winfall, N. C.

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## Perquimans Church Services

**HERTFORD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
James D. Matter, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.  
Morning Worship, 11:00 o'clock  
Evening Worship, 8 o'clock  
Mid-week Services, Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

**BETHLEHEM CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Joe Brickhouse, Pastor  
First Sunday  
11 A. M., and 8 P. M.

**BURGESS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Paul H. Quadey, Pastor  
Church services second Sunday at 11 A. M., fourth Sunday at 8 P. M.  
Sunday School at 10:30 A. M.

**PERQUIMANS CHURCH CHURCHES**  
H. M. Jamison, Pastor  
First Sunday:  
New Hope Church, 11:00 A. M.  
Oak Grove Church, 7:00 P. M.  
Second Sunday:  
Winfall Church, 11:00 A. M.  
Oak Grove Church, 10 A. M.  
Woodland Church, 7:00 P. M.  
Third Sunday:  
Oak Grove Church, 11:00 A. M.  
New Hope Church, 7:00 P. M.  
Fourth Sunday:  
Cedar Grove Church, 11:00 A. M.  
Woodland Church, 10 A. M.  
Winfall Church, 7:00 P. M.  
Fifth Sunday:  
Woodland Church, 11:00 A. M.  
Prayer Meeting each Wednesday at Winfall Church, 7:00 P. M.

**ANDERSON'S METHODIST CHURCH**  
F. M. Porter, Jr.  
Church School, 10:00 A. M.  
Morning Worship, 11:00 A. M., second and fourth Sundays.

**WOODVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Hugh Ross Williams, Pastor  
Church Services on second and fourth Sundays at 11 A. M.  
First and Third Sundays at 7:45 P. M.  
Sunday School at 9:45 A. M.

**UP RIVER FRIENDS CHURCH**  
James Rabenkamp, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.  
Church Services 11 A. M., and 7:30 P. M.  
Christian Endeavor, 6:30 P. M.  
Prayer Service Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. J. D. Stoner, Pastor  
Sunday School 10 A. M.  
Morning worship 11 A. M.  
Evening service 8 P. M.

**PINEY WOODS FRIENDS CHURCH**  
U. Virgil Pike, Pastor  
Church School 10 A. M.  
Morning worship 11 A. M.  
Youth People's meeting 7 P. M.

**WHITEVILLE GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Calab Goodwin, Jr., Pastor  
Sunday School 10:30 A. M., every Sunday except third Sunday.  
Church services every third Sunday at 8 P. M.

**HERTFORD METHODIST CHURCH**  
I. S. Richmond, Pastor  
Church School 9:45 A. M.  
Morning Worship 11:00 o'clock  
Youth Fellowship, 8:45 P. M.  
Evening worship, 7:30 P. M.  
Mid-week Fellowship, Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.

**BAGLEY SWAMP FELLOWSHIP METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Paul E. Shibley, Pastor  
9:00 A. M., Holy Communion, 1st Sunday.  
11:00 A. M., Morning Prayer, 2nd Sunday.  
11:00 A. M., Holy Communion 3rd Sunday.  
7:30 P. M., Evening Prayer, 4th Sunday.  
7:30 P. M., Evening Prayer, 5th Sunday.  
9:45 A. M., Church School, Every Sunday.

**WILSON CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Walter Perry, Pastor  
2nd and 4th Sunday at 10:00 A. M.  
Bible study on first and third Sundays at 11 A. M.  
Evening worship first and third Sundays at 7:30 P. M.

**CHANNEL HILL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Ralph Knight, Pastor  
Sunday School every first Sunday at 8 P. M.; preaching at 8 P. M.  
Sunday School every 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday at 11 A. M.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
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Sunday School 9:45 A. M., Worship at 11 A. M., CA, 1:00 P. M.  
Bible Study Services 8 P. M.

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