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EDITORIAL
Study Human Nature

Many readers constantly re- solve to improve their minds by reading intelligently-written books in the hope they will become better equipped to understand the many issues within this modern world. The impulse is good, and should be acted upon, but often in our search for the new we overlook the value of the old. For this reason, we would remind our readers that, with all modern issues, however expressed, human nature asserts itself much the same as it did in past ages. Therefore, the basic study for us is human nature and the solution for modern troubles is improved human be- havior.

By the general consent of al- most all mankind, the Bible has long been recognized as pre- eminent in the field of human nature, possessing fundamental guides for improving human be- havior. It might be a good idea, then, for all of us to give a little more study to the great truths set out in the Book of Books.

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A Year Goes By
 Another year has slipped into history, quicker than the one before it. The pace steadily quickens; and it's a time for reflection. What was accomplished? What can one do better in 1968? How many fellow citizens did you help in 1967? To how many did you bring some happiness or pleasure? How many did you hurt? And how did you honor your parents, your church, your community and those who have been loyal friends over the years?

Library Receives Christmas Gifts
 Two books have been given by the James Wilder family to the Perquimans County Library as Christmas gifts and memorials. These are, "The American Heritage History of the Thirteen Colonies in memory of Tommy Wilder and "Ship Models and How To Build Them", in memory of Mark Beers.

Other memorial books recently given to the library are: "More Than a Game", by Gallico, in memory of Fred T. Mathews; "Words Eternal" in memory of Frank Bray; "The Lord's Prayer, an Interpretation," in memory of Tommy Wilder; "Nature Book and Sea, Ships, and Sailors," poems, songs, and Chanties, in memory of Mark Beers; and "The Green Thumb Book of Indoor Garden- ing" in memory of Mrs. Mary Etta Winslow.

The library will be closed new Year's Day.

Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands was the first reigning queen to address a joint session of the U.S. Congress. This was on August 6, 1942.

The Cunard liner Laconia is credited with being the first cruise ship to circumnavigate the world.

Clay samples show that vol- canoes erupted off the Florida coast about 30 million years ago.

The first electric organ was built by Hiborne Lewis Roose- velt in 1876 and installed in New York City.

For COLDS take 666

Veteran's Administration
 Veterans seeking home loans guaranteed by the Veterans Ad- ministration are advised by W.R. Phillips, Manager of the Winston-Salem Regional Office, to be cautious about getting in- volved in "side deals" or tie- in-sales as a condition to pur- chasing a home.

There have been cases in which veterans have been re- quested or even required to purchase items of furniture or other merchandise, Phillips said. These are paid for in cash and not from the proceeds of the loan guaranteed or insured by the VA. In some cases the items have been so overpriced as to constitute additional con- sideration for the purchase of a home.

Sometimes these offers are legitimate and benefit the veter- an, and the VA has no ob-

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jection to such purchases so long as they are not paid for with the proceeds of the loan.

In any case, Phillips said, where the seller and purchaser have entered into a "side ar- rangement" to "tie-in-sale" in- volving personal property to evade the G.I. statutory require- ment that the purchase price of the home not be in excess of the reasonable value estab- lished by the VA appraisal, the VA is required to investi- gate the matter thoroughly.

In cases where a "side deal" or "tie-in-sale" appears to be involved, details must be re- vealed to the VA, which re- serves the right to inspect and appraise the items involved be- fore approving a loan.

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Countdown For A YEAR

Three, two, one . . . the minutes and seconds tick away the last moments of the old year. With dear friends I herald the birth of the new year, and together we sing, "should auld acquaintance be forgot."

Cries of "Happy New Year" fill the air, as I say fare- well to the old year that cannot come again. I recall days of joy and sorrow, frustration and success. I remember things not done that should have been, and accomplish- ments of which I am extremely proud. Beside the measure of the year's deficits, I total up its victories. The credit side far outweighs the debit, for over all the days I see the shadow of my church.

I end my retrospection, and rejoice in festivities. With God and His Church at the center of my life, I am fortified for whatever comes in the days ahead.

Your church is a source of courage and strength sufficient to every need. Attend your church, and face the future confidently.

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MAN'S RESPONSE TO GOD'S GIFT

International Sunday School Lesson for December 31, 1967

Memory Selections "Bring ye all the tithes into the store- house, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me how herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." — (Malachi 3:10)

Lesson Text: Malachi 3

The background for today's lesson is in the Book of Malachi, instead Micah. The undergirding concern, however, remains the same.

God had expected much of Israel as He led the Israelites out of bondage and slavery in Egypt and into the Promised Land . . . but Israel had disappointed Him in her response to Him.

Israel had committed every sin in the book . . . spiri- tually, morally, and sinned against her fellowmen. Idolatry, perjury, adultery, transgressions against neighbors . . . these were the order of the day, and the Lord looked upon this state of affairs with abhorrence. And these sins are still an abomination in His sight today.

One of the ordinances which Israel had flagrantly vio- lated was that of tithing. To the Jews tithing was a matter of law. To the true and devout, tithing is not a legal require- ment — it is a Christian PRIVILEGE. We cannot always be on the receiving end of life; we must give and somewhat ad- just the balance of the scales.

In Israel the tithes was to be one-tenth of the crops, which God had provided in His bounty; this tenth was to be brought to the temple and put at the disposal of the priests, ultimately to be used by them for the relief of the poor and needy . . . the purpose for which it was divinely in- tended.

But Israel had fallen down in her response to God's gifts, and had not honored her commitment to tithes. There had therefore been a long drought in the land, and a plague, and these oppressions would only be lifted if Israel ful- filled her appointed place in God's plan, rendering unto Him His just dues, and becoming an exemplary nation.

His just dues, and becoming an exemplary nation to those surrounding her.

We must be acutely aware of the fact that today's pas- sages refer explicitly to God's covenant people, who were bound to the laws of Moses. Today, as Christians, we are not bound by such laws. However, tithing is a reverent acknowledgment of God's blessings upon us — an acknowledgment which will bring us greater spiritual blessings than things material.

His work in behalf of the poor still must be underwrit- ten — and who has a better right to do the underwriting than those who are privileged . . . who know the blessings of good health, a comfortable living?

The day has just passed when we celebrated God's greatest gift to mankind . . . the birth of Jesus, who came into this world in lowly circumstances, who ministered love to the world during His short stay on earth, and who left His earthly existence in pain and travail of spirit in order that the lowest of sinners might be saved.

Can we accept such a gift without gratitude and humility, awed by His words? Can we blithely say "Thank you" . . . and then dismiss it from our minds? If we do, then we are guilty of sinning, as the Israelites sinned. We must tithes our time, our talents, our work in His behalf, and in some small measure — see that the storehouse of the Lord is well provided!

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