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Wealth's Tribute To Humanity

A check of the estate of the late James B. Duke reveals a shrinkage of \$156,240 since 1925, in an estate slightly less than \$76,000,000. This is, we take it, remarkable. We know of estates that have disappeared since 1925, along with banks, trust companies and what nots.

However, we call to your attention the fact that more than \$42,000,000 out of the total goes to charitable purposes, including support of Duke University, hospitals, orphanages and other philanthropic institutions.

The generosity of this tobacco magnate can be matched by the public gifts of other men in American life. It is the astounding tribute that wealth pays to humanity in the modern era. Men of wealth in the United States set an example along charitable lines that is not equalled anywhere, anytime.

Common Sense In Court

Found guilty of manslaughter a man recently stood before Judge Coyle, of White Plains, N. Y., for sentence. He had knocked a friend to the ground, after a quarrel which followed some drinking together. The friend died, leaving a wife and three children, the size of the family of the prisoner at the bar.

How many years would the sentence be? That was the question which agitated the defendant, his wife and children, who faced a hard struggle with the breadwinner in prison. What did the sensible judge do?

He suspended the man's sentence, upon condition that he abstain from alcohol and that he pay \$15 a week to the widow of his victim, so that she and her little ones will not be in dire distress. As the man was earning \$59 a week this should be paid without undue hardship.

The point we make is that both families were helped by the suspended sentence. The prisoner's family have him left to support them and the victim's family get money that otherwise would not be theirs. The judge was undoubtedly correct in describing his sentence as one "for the best interests of society."

One City Has Right Plan

One of the noticeable facts in the country's crime records during recent years is the number of young men who are continually falling into the hands of the law. Many reasons for this have been advanced by criminologists and much is being done in many states to keep first offenders from getting into further trouble.

Jersey City, N. J., is one city that is probably on the right track by trying to "nip" crime "in the bud." Mayor Frank Hague, discussing recently what his city is doing along the lines, said "crime should be stopped in the kindergarten and in the school."

"We deal with juvenile offenders," said the Jersey City Mayor, "through a Special Service Bureau under the direct supervision of an Assistant Superintendent of Schools, who has under him in this bureau a specially trained staff to deal with this all-important problem. No publicity is attached to the work of this bureau."

"When a complaint against a youngster is made, we investigate, call the child's parents, and scrutinize his environment. If anything is wrong in the child's home, we try to straighten it out. If anything is wrong in school, we have a talk with the teacher. We don't permit the teacher to pass the buck to the principal. We don't permit the principal to pass the buck to the truancy officer. We don't permit the truancy officer to pass the buck to the courts."

"I maintain that it is more important to correct the boys and girls before they reach a penal institution than it is to try and reform them after serving a term for a mischievous prank which labels them as social outcasts." There is much food for thought in Mayor Hague's remarks. We have always thought that too little was done to get youngsters on the right path when they first transgressed.

It is interesting to note in connection with Mayor Hague's remarks that, according to United States Department of Justice records, Jersey City has the lowest crime report of any city its size in the country. And this in face of the fact that it is only across the Hudson river from the country's greatest metropolis.

Louisa's Letter

CARELESS CRITICISM OF CHILDREN INEXCUSABLE

Why do some of us treat children as if they were deaf, dumb and brainless.

I think I have written before on discourtesy to our own children and to other boys and girls. But I do not think it will be amiss to take up the subject again.

As recently as the past week I had an intelligent looking woman stand up before her two children and say, "Mary is so much smarter than Pauline and Pauline is older of the two. I don't know what makes Pauline so dull. Somehow she just doesn't seem to catch on to things quickly."

I could not resist replying, "well I don't think you are helping her any by making such a statement in her presence."

Poor Pauline flushed and squirmed and looked embarrassed. I guess she will have a nice-

ly developed inferiority complex when her mother gets through with her. The ignorant woman will never realize that she has been a stumbling block in her child's way rather than a help.

I have heard women compare the looks of children within their hearing. These critics never even pretended to lower their voices. They discussed their little subjects feature by feature, with as much candor as if they were talking about inanimate figures of art.

"Jane's complexion is her great drawback. That muddy skin makes it hard to find becoming clothes."

"Yes, that is true, and her nose is the typical Jones nose, plenty of it."

"Very different from her little sister, isn't she? Patsy is a perfect doll baby, etc. etc."

How can people be so impolite just because they happen to be discussing a person of 9 years

THE BOOK

... the first line of which reads, "The Holy Bible," and which contains Four Great Treasures ...

by BRUCE BARTON

JEREMIAH BUYS LAND
Between the days of Isaiah himself and the times of the Unknown whose chapters conclude the book came the dark period of the exile, when Jerusalem was destroyed and its best families carried away captive to Babylon. To this dark period Ezekiel and Jeremiah belong.

Ezekiel living in Babylon, sought by his exhortations to keep up the spirit of his fellow-countrymen and fix their hopes upon a restoration of the Holy City and the reestablishment of their national life.

Jeremiah, in Jerusalem, held high the ideal of personal civic righteousness and spoke plain truths to the vassal king, who was allowed by the conquerors to maintain a pitiful remnant of authority and kingly show.

Jeremiah is one of the noblest characters of history and perhaps the bravest figure in the whole Old Testament. It is too bad that his book is so badly mixed up that the average reader can hardly follow it. He preached in the temple and in the palace and on the street corners, and even on the city dump; and neither promises nor threats could swerve him. Jehoiakim, the weak and futile king, let the temple go to ruin but fixed up his own palace with a rich lining of cedar and invited Jeremiah to inspect it.

"Very nice indeed," sneered Jeremiah. "As a king you're a

fine judge of cedar. Your father did justice to the poor and needy, and it was well with him."

But thine eyes and thine heart are not but for thy covetousness, and for to shed innocent blood, and for oppression and for violence to do it.

For such plain speaking and for his warnings that the Assyrians were sure to visit punishment upon the city, Jeremiah was cast into prison. Then occurred one of the most interesting business transactions of the Old Testament. The Assyrians as Jeremiah had prophesied, did come, and they made their camp in Anathoth, where he had his own little farm. Jeremiah had long wanted to buy an adjoining piece of land owned by a relative, Hanameel. That wily old man, seeing an army of Assyrians camped on the land, said to himself: "Jeremiah is down there in prison and probably hasn't heard that the Assyrians have arrived. This is a good time for me to unload on him." So he hurried to the prison, offered the land, and Jeremiah bought it. But Jeremiah was not fooled. He knew he was buying ten thousand Assyrians and he took care to have the purchase properly recorded in the presence of witnesses, and the documents safely put away.

For thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Houses and fields and vineyards shall be possessed again in this land.

HINTS FOR THE HOME

To prepare sand finished walls for wall papering first clean the wall thoroughly. Add plaster Paris to the glue size to make a thin paste. Brush this on and when it begins to set, rub the walls down with a rubber squeegee; the kind used to clean windows, thus producing a flat surface.

Stains on mohair upholstery, if not caused by the running of the dyes, can be cleaned with a mild soap and tepid water.

Householders in old structures who are troubled with roaches will find Sodium fluoride an effective remedy to rid the place. Use with a powder puffer and blow it through all cracks between the baseboard and the flooring, around the plumbing and in other places where you find the insects. Phosphorus is also effective.

In storing furniture the best method to preserve the wood finish is to wrap tightly with heavy paper. The use of wax, oil or other preservatives often presents problems later in trying to remove them without injuring the woods.

Before re-putting windows or glass door, where putty has dried and fallen away, the wood should be cleaned and painted with clear linseed oil or thin paint, thus closing the pores in the wood and preventing the oil being drawn from the new putty.

rather than one of nineteen.

Put yourself in a child's place and imagine two women giving you the same experience. How would you like to hear a conversation like the following:

"I declare Sallie is real dumb. She seems to be about the most dull witted one in her family."

"Yes, and her face is enough to stop a clock. I wonder if she has false teeth. There's something peculiar looking about her mouth."

What would you think and what would you do?

And right here let me say that children are much more sensitive than grown people. If



BLAINE ANDREWS

Blaine Andrews, 41, died at his home near Sparta on Thursday, May 10, following gun shot wounds self-inflicted the day before. No reason was given for the act, although he had been in declining health for three years.

Mr. Andrews was born in Alleghany county on May 13, 1892, a son of the late W. B. Andrews and Mrs. Docia Andrews, and had resided in this county the greater part of his life. He was a very prosperous farmer and in his passing is lost a good, faithful husband and father and noble and generous citizen. His passing brings sorrow to many but the greatest consolation is that he was ready to meet his Savior. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Leona Gentry Andrews, three daughters, four sons, his mother, three sisters, Mrs. J. S. Edwards, of Galax, Va.; Mrs. J. F. Stone, of Glenwood, Iowa, and Mrs. Charles Hooker, of Carson, Iowa, and three brothers, Mack, of Warland, Wyoming; Grady, of Dunlap, Iowa, and Reid, of Galax, Va.

The funeral was held on Friday at the Cherry Lane Baptist Church by the Rev. Mr. Walker, the Rev. Mr. Handy, the Rev. Mr. Martin and the Rev. Mr. Brooks in the presence of a very large crowd of sorrowing relatives and friends.

Interment was in Cherry Lane cemetery.

Pall bearers were: C. C. Gentry, Glenn Edwards, John Gentry, Kenneth Hudson, Bert Edwards and Ernest Gentry.

Flower bearers were: Misses Edna Gentry, Hazel and Ila Lyon, Wilma Crouse, Grace and Ethel Crouse and Mrs. Iva Edwards Fortner.

such talk makes you furious and embarrassed, how must a child feel after hearing herself publicly picked to pieces.

Think about this before you discuss your children or their little neighbors where they can hear you.

Yours,
LOUISA.

LOOKING AT WASHINGTON

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the board's conclusion, which, in some places was so condemnatory that its sweeping charges had to be made more parliamentary. Another story is that the report was sent to the Department of Justice because it contained charges against the members of a certain code authority, with the demand that they be prosecuted for conducting it in the interests of their business and against their competitors.

The move to exempt little businesses from strict code requirements and to junk a number of small codes was not a direct result of the Darrow report, although, maybe, it was hastened by it. For some time code officials have been studying the situation, with the discovery that 65 per cent of the time, personnel, money and effort was going to take care of industries that do not affect 15 per cent of the recovery program.

Gen. Johnson, pointing out that some little codes, not affecting 250 people, required as much time as big codes, declared, "We're not going to fool with them any longer." He says they can sign the President's re-employment agreement and go on the voluntary Blue Eagle basis, just like the highly localized service trades—dry cleaners, restaurants, bootblacks and other "little business."

While estimating that the Recovery program has put three to four million persons back to work, William Green, president of the A. F. of L., told a Senate sub-committee that he saw little hope of any considerable increase in employment through new codes. Along with the failure of the NRA and AAA to reemploy the vast number of unemployed he pointed to the failure to raise purchasing power to the level expected. With something like 10,000,000 unemployed it is evident that the crisis is not over. Mr. Green urges passage of the LaFollette \$10,000,000 public works bill, which would carry the unemployed over until private industry is able to absorb them.

It is interesting to point out that Republicans have won nine out of fourteen contests over seats in the House, which, it appears, is a bit unusual because the party in power, except in open and shut cases, has generally seated its own candidates. However, it may be that the Democrats, with 316 seats against the Republican's 116, were generous because they did not need the extra seats.

Reports from various states indicate an unusual rush to get on the Democratic bandwagon, thus indicating a belief on the part of candidates, at least, that the party is lined up for victory in the fall. Pennsylvania, an example, shows Democrats scrapping for nominations in districts where, ordinarily, the party candidate had no chance at all. In other states there is the same activity.

The city of Washington exhibits no sign of the depression, as far as the naked eye can see. Hotels, streets, theatres and restaurants are having good business, far ahead of last year, as visitors stream into the nation's capital.

NOTICE OF SALE

As Commissioner appointed under order of the Court in the case of R. D. Richardson, Administrator of Daisy Barnett vs. John W. Barnett et al, I will offer for sale at public auction at the Courthouse door in Sparta on the 18th day of June, 1934, at 10 o'clock A. M. the two lots of Daisy Barnett, adjoining the State Highway, S. C. Richardson, George Irwin and Beatrice Absher. Said sale to be made for one-half cash on day of sale, and balance on six months time.

This May 15th, 1934,
R. D. RICHARDSON,
4tc-14 AT Commissioner.

AMAZE A MINUTE

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NEW CITIES -
1700 NEW CITIES HAVE COME INTO EXISTENCE IN THE U.S. IN THE LAST FORTY YEARS.

some come for pleasure, others are drawn here by business and government problems and huge government construction projects attract others. The same activity is observed, too, although to a lesser extent, at many state capitals, where government, more prosperous than industry, is spending money under various recovery programs.

Nobody expects the foreign governments to make substantial payments on their war debts to this country and the subject being widely discussed here and throughout the United States is almost academic. Finland will probably meet her obligation on June 15th, but the rest of them will be in default, even under the recent ruling of the Attorney General, who held that past token payments prevented the stigma of default to Great Britain and others.

While thoroughly convinced that the war debts are just, and should be paid, this writer sees

absolutely no prospect of collection, regardless of how many epithets may be hurled at other nations and what legislation Congress passes. Nor should those who expect to understand the situation lose sight of the fact that the foreign nations, already the recipients of generous concessions in funding agreements and interest reductions, feel that they are unable to pay installments in dollars or gold or bonds of the United States.

Whether the foreign nations would be willing to pay their debts, if allowed to do so in goods or services, is speculation since our tariff, and other laws, exist for the express purpose of keeping their goods out and encouraging the use of American services. Anyway you look at it the problem grows and the longer the debts are pending the less likely is any collection.

See Castevens Motor Co. for radio batteries, tubes and service.—adv.

Nerves

Do they torture you by day? Keep you awake at night? What is it that keeps hospitals open and doctors busy? NERVES. What is it that makes your face wrinkled and makes you feel old? NERVES. Nine times out of ten it's NERVES that make you restless, worried, haggard.

Nerves

Do they make you Cranky, Blue--give you Nervous Indigestion, Nervous Headache? When nerves are over-taxed, you worry over trifles, find it hard to concentrate, can't sit still. Nerve Strain brings on Headache. Nervous people often suffer from Indigestion. There may be absolutely nothing wrong with the organs of digestion, but the Nerves are not on the job to make the organs do their work properly.

Nerves

Do they interfere with your work; ruin your pleasure; drive away your friends? You're cheating yourself and the man who pays you if you work when your NERVES are not normal. You can't have a good time when you are nervous. You can't make or keep friends when you are keyed up and irritable. You may excuse yourself, but to others you are just a plain crank.

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