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BIBLE THOUGHT
THIS WEEK

Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.—Prov. 14:34.

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EDITORIALS

Paul Garrett, manager of the Lerman Brothers department store here, in a full page advertisement in the last issue of the Mercury, placed that enterprise squarely in line behind any progressive program which may be developed to promote Nicholas county.

The gesture of the Carlisle merchant comes at a most timely period and is one that should serve to rally all residents who believe in Nicholas county in to an aggressive group which will have the interest and the welfare of the county at heart as the many opportunities of the future approach.

The Garrett statement, which has attracted much attention in the county, calls on the citizenship here to awaken to meet the dawn of a great day in America as the post-war period grows nearer; to watch for opportunities to improve, to expand and to prosper.

While taking full account of the tragedy of war and of the anxious hours which still must be endured before peace comes, it is universally agreed that the responsibility of greatest responsibility of those who have remained at home, is to prepare a better place to live for those soon absent when they can return to take up the pursuits of peace again. That Nicholas county must meet this responsibility is pointed out succinctly in the Lerman invitation to the general public.

Every resident of the county should, and no doubt does, subscribe to the content of the Lerman page of last week. The county of Nicholas can be and should be recognized as one of Kentucky's best communities. Watchfulness of the future definitely can bring about a change for the better in all conditions here if all the people, as urged in the statement, band together in mutual purpose.

"Let's stand united for better rural highways for Nicholas county; full rural electrification for Nicholas county; better homes, better schools, better business, a steady payroll for Nicholas countians." As a maxim aptly expressed in the Lerman advertisement, that's a pretty good one for all of us to live by from this time forward.

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Roger Womack, general chairman of the 7th war loan drive in Nicholas county, and all those who assisted in raising loans to the government to a figure in excess of what was expected of the county, are to be warmly congratulated for the fine effort in getting a job done in a resounding fashion. All those who assisted should be interpreted as being both sellers and buyers of bonds. It would be a thing highly characteristic of the people who live here if, when the lists are finally cast and the records are known over the state that "Lo, Nicholas' name led all the rest," to paraphrase the old line.

GLANCES HERE AND THERE

By I. D. Zern

The severe storm here last Saturday night blew out a primary bushing on a transformer of the Kentucky Utilities power system causing an interruption of service which was remedied as quickly as possible by employees of the company. Such an incident is not a frequent occurance but, as Frank Hardesty said this morning, it is pity that the only two recent disturbances of an excellent service had to happen on Saturday nights. The rush of water accompanying the storm emphasized the problem of water disposal with which the city of Carlisle has to deal. Presence at the meeting of the city council Monday night would have assured anyone that steps are to be taken as soon as feasible to eliminate most difficulties now being experienced.

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The only disappointment in receiving a letter from G. M. Pedley, whose Pendennis Postscripts in the Princeton Leader is a highlight of each week in the life of exchange editors, is when he only writes on one side of the paper. As one of the fortunate recipients of "Duck's" sage correspondence, the "green-hand" management of the Mercury stands to profit immensely though attention to his keen and many times humorous observations. His letters are gems and, on occasions, excerpts from his sprightly comment are bound to find their way in to these columns. I am sure readers here will enjoy the originality and aptness of many of his remarks.

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Communications from Colliver C. Dawes, now in Atlanta, and from Stanley F. Berry, of the State National Bank at Frankfort, were among those which were received lately. I am told that Colliver, who recently resigned a Captaincy in the Marines after serving since the outbreak of the war, is a native of Nicholas county. During the first World War he saw active service in France as a lieutenant of an infantry company. Since resigning his commission, he is engaged in important civilian work for the government at Atlanta.

In France, in neighboring Paris or in Atlanta, Colliver's application to any task is always a helpful influence.

Mr. Berry, in extending good wishes to the Mercury, suggests that at any time a boost can be given Fleming county, his native home, to do this for him. I hasten to assure him this will be done at any time there are any boosts left over after boosting Nicholas all that is possible.

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Again the Mercury appears to be forced to come out without the "Over The Line" items from J. W. Jones, Harrison county correspondent and longtime reader of this newspaper. Since taking over, I have hoped that Mr. Rogers' weekly letter would continue to prove one of the paper's leading articles in the future as it has in the past. Its informative and often amusing quality, I am sure, is missed by Mercury readers when the letter fails to appear. I have not had the privilege of meeting Mr. Rogers, but I do hope, with you others, that he is in good health and won't fail us again soon.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS SAY

JOE BATES IS RIGHT

Joe Bates, Democratic candidate for Commissioner of Agriculture, has the right idea about how the campaign for that office should be conducted. He has announced that he will not make a campaign for the office, but will devote his time to the duties of the office if elected. He will not make it unlawful for a prospective employee to refuse to work for an employer because of his race, color or creed.

If he had, equally qualified, two applicants for a position and the one applicant was unsatisfactory because of race, religion or color of one of them and for that reason he refused to employ the guilty of violation the law and may be required to discharge the worker and employ the one whose racial, religious and color qualifications appeal to him, and employ the one whose racial, religious and color qualifications are unsatisfactory to him. In other words as between two applicants, equally qualified, you must select the one you don't like the most keen from discriminating against him you must discriminate against the one you do like. Quite logical and American, isn't it?

We think that Joe Bates has shown the high quality of courage and commonsense that characterizes statesmen by the stand he has taken on this bill. He knows that men and women of every race, color and creed will approve his every act that will help to live one another, nor can it eliminate prejudices, hates and intolerance from the hearts of them.—The Cynthiana Democrat.

BATHOS BACKFIRES AT BARDSTOWN

Some self-deluded citizens at Bardstown, over-enthusiastic about adding to the glories of Kentucky Home, which is located there, inaugurated last week what they call a "drive" with the backing of the Kentucky Colonels' organization. These amiable gentlemen arbitrarily decided to raise a slogan, frame an appropriate resolution, and Gold Buck Party to honor Kentucky Home.

This knew wasn't but the beginning of the end. Committees were appointed to visit the governor, the state legislature, the mayor of Bardstown, the Kentucky Home Committee, the Bardstown Chamber of Commerce, and the Bardstown Rotary Club. Committees were appointed to see that the governor and legislature were duly impressed with the importance of the occasion. Committees were appointed to see that the mayor of Bardstown was duly impressed with the importance of the occasion. Committees were appointed to see that the Bardstown Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club were duly impressed with the importance of the occasion. Committees were appointed to see that the Kentucky Home Committee was duly impressed with the importance of the occasion. Committees were appointed to see that the Bardstown Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club were duly impressed with the importance of the occasion. Committees were appointed to see that the Kentucky Home Committee was duly impressed with the importance of the occasion. Committees were appointed to see that the Bardstown Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club were duly impressed with the importance of the occasion. Committees were appointed to see that the Kentucky Home Committee was duly impressed with the importance of the occasion.

Then the committees all met and decided that Bardstown, as the home of Kentucky Home, should be the scene of the celebration. Committees were appointed to see that the governor and legislature were duly impressed with the importance of the occasion. Committees were appointed to see that the mayor of Bardstown was duly impressed with the importance of the occasion. Committees were appointed to see that the Bardstown Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club were duly impressed with the importance of the occasion. Committees were appointed to see that the Kentucky Home Committee was duly impressed with the importance of the occasion. Committees were appointed to see that the Bardstown Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club were