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Sunday School Week

What do public school officials think of Sunday Schools? Dr. John J. Theobald is Superintendent of Schools in New York City, controlling the teaching and preparation for life of one million boys and girls. Here is what he says about Sunday Schools:

"Man's two greatest adventures are exploring the world around him and the world within him. Whether he probes with a microscope, he's on the high road to adventure, and his preparation must begin early in life. Sunday Schools of all faiths stress the principles that start young people in the right direction."

To focus attention on the importance of our nation's Sunday Schools, the Laymen's National Committee, Inc., a non-sectarian, non-profit organization, has been sponsoring a National Sunday School Week in April for the past fifteen years. The observance this year will be from April 13 to 19. The slogan is "MAKE EVERY WEEK SUNDAY SCHOOL WEEK."

Let's start our children in the right direction by giving them a chance to learn the Word of God in our Sunday Schools.

April is cancer control month

APRIL is a time of meaning for all of us . . . of hope for those who have cancer . . . of gratitude for those who have been cured . . . of sober foresight for those whom cancer may strike.

APRIL is a time of concern, of concentrated concern, for . . . we must always be concerned about a disease . . . that strikes in two out of every three homes . . . that kills 4,000 children every year, between one and 14 . . . that kills 255,000 Americans every year, 75,000 of them needlessly.

APRIL is a time for opening the mind and saving those wasted lives . . . for discarding superstitions about cancer, and unreasoning fears . . . for learning the facts, including the Seven Danger Signals . . . for finding courage, borne of hope and knowledge, to act in time.

APRIL is a time to act . . . to make that date for a health checkup . . . to guard your family and . . . to give yourself maximum protection, should cancer strike.

APRIL is a time to join the Cancer Crusade . . . to support the educational program that is saving lives . . . to provide every dedicated and talented scientist with the tools . . . to find the answers to cancer and save lives forever after.

It can't be blamed on defense

Senator Byrd of Virginia says: "Contrary to general understanding, recent great increases in federal spending have not been for defense and foreign aid. They have been for domestic-civilian programs . . . Since 1954, expenditures outside of defense, atomic energy, and foreign aid categories have grown from $19.1 billion a year to $3.4 billion. This is an increase of $14.3 billion, or 75 per cent."

In other words, basic needs aren't responsible for the swollen budgets. Non-essentials and luxuries are. To quote him once more, "Our people must remember that the very foundation of our system rests upon the fact that the people must support the government. It is not the purpose of government to support the people."

True Leadership

The electric utilities of this country are going steadily ahead in the work of harnessing the atom for peace-time service—and in attempting to bring costs down to where they will more nearly compare with those of electric plants using the conventional fuels.

To take a very recent example, more than 30 of these utilities have teamed together to design, develop and build an atomic plant featuring a nuclear reactor concept never before tested in a full-sized generation station. Authorization for the project, which will cost some $24,500,000 has been asked from the Atomic Energy Commission. It is to be of 60,000 kilowatt capacity. The reactor will be gas-cooled and fueled with uranium and thorium encased in graphite—a combination designed to permit higher operating temperatures and longer fuel life.

Plans call for completing this ambitious installation in 1962. It may be that the new type of reactor will justify all the high hopes the engineers and physicists are placing in it. It may be that it won't. The atom still holds many mysteries, and very complex scientific as well as economic problems have yet to be solved. But, whatever the success or failure of this kind of reactor or any other kind, the utilities are thoroughly exploring all possibilities. And they are confident that, ultimately, all the barriers to economical power production from nuclear sources will be removed.

This is the road to real and permanent achievement. And it is the way to assure the United States of true world leadership in the great atomic-for-peace campaign.

Option petition is filed Tuesday; two buy interest in Ratliff Bros.

Thursday, April 6, 1939

A petition signed by 509 legal voters of Nicholas County was filed in the office of County Clerk John P. Sage Tuesday requesting County Judge D. M. Curry to call a local option election in the county on Saturday, June 19, 1939.

Orders and measurements were taken at the city school Tuesday for uniforms for the members of the Carlisle high school band.

Local buyers are making contracts for the purchase of wool and offering 25 cents per pound.

Local National guard unit receives orders to be on duty at Churchill Downs on May 6, Kentucky Derby Day.

Ralph C. Bonar, former agent for the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, has been retired by the company because of ill health.

DIED—Mrs. Susan Yancey Watson Sr. of Clarksburg, W. Va., at Tucson, Arizona.— Charles Lane Grannis, 46, at his home in Ewing last Thursday morning. — David Patton McClanahan, 69, native of Nicholas County, March 30 at his home in Carmi, Ill., following a long illness.

Thursday, April 10, 1919

W. F. Clark and son, Lon Clark, purchase interest in the business of Ratliff Bros. Co.

Wise Colliver sells his residence on the corner of Locust and North streets to Dr. O. S. Kash for $2,500.

Carlisle tobacco market closes after selling approximately nine million pounds for an average of $37.44 per hundred.

Dr. T. E. Hutchings elected county livestock inspector by fiscal court at salary of $250 per year.

Courier - Journal announces that Henry Watterson, editor of the paper since 1868, and editor-emeritus since last August, has requested that he be retired.

Carlisle-Parent-Teachers Association reorganized with the following officers: Rt. H. M. Potts, president; Mrs. Eda S. Taylor, vice president; Miss Mary F. Fisher, secretary; Miss Elizabeth Brown, treasurer.

Guarantors of Carlisle Chautauqua meet and elect following officers: S. B. Lander, president; S. C. Vaughn, secretary; John N. Ross, treasurer; executive committee, I. B. Ross, Henry Kennedy, W. E. Darragh and Wyatt Insko.

MARRIED—Miss Ruby Reed and George Linville, both of Carlisle, on the 6th.— Miss Mary Jefferson Legge, and Stanley Galbraith, both of Carlisle, on the 4th.

DIED—Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Caldwell of near Millersburg.

A Little Yappin'

by Nellie Crump

A Dollar Apiece.

From a reliable source I hear that the Easter Sunday School attendance at the Rose Hill Methodist Church last Sunday was 75, which is quite a record for any little country church. But that was not enough! Their offering was $75 —a dollar apiece—little, big, young and old—which is another record. The offering goes to the orphanage at Versailles. Attention Sweazys!!

—yap—

Truth Stranger Than Fiction.

How time flies! It is a year now since The Mercury and I dissolved partnership. Strange as it seems, we are both surviving—getting along mighty well it seems, which I never thought possible, after "going steady" for 47 years.

—yap—

Good in Arithmetic.

Discussing our food budget for the past month—Little One and I—we decided food was going entirely too fast. With her chin in her hand, the problem was solved, "Miss Nellie, we just eat it up too fast, don't we?"

—yap—

Moving Day.

The past week, Saturday mostly, was really moving day. Mr. and Mrs. Smoot moved somewhere over in town and Mrs. Byra Baker, who had been a patient in the Johnson convalescent home for several weeks, bought and moved to the home they vacated on McCracken street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Hunt and family moved from the home of J. W. Sudduth on McCracken street to their home on the Lower Jacksntown road recently purchased from Mrs. Byra Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Green and baby moved to the home of J. W. Sudduth. That's really getting about.

Mr. and Mrs. John Koehler (Lillie Snapp) have also gone to housekeeping in a cottage on High street.

—yap—

No Idle Hands

Are there times when you do not know just how to spend a few hours? Here's a tip. Mrs. Hamer Miller has solved her problem. With some extra time on hand since retiring after 27 years as teacher of the ladies' class of the Christian church, plus an accumulation of print, nylon and rayon scraps, she decided to do a bit of old-fashioned quilt piecing. An expert with needle and thread, she has completed her fifth quilt—three crib size and two large ones. The "baby" quilts she has given to close friends. No time for idle hands.

And the Light Came.

Several months ago I began reading "The Silver Chalice" by Thomas B. Costain. At that time, with all the big words and proper names, I felt sure I could never complete the 500 pages and more, so I wrapped the book carefully and put it away for the time being. Alone on a recent rainy Sunday afternoon I thought of that book my intentions have been good all along. Anyway, the book must be returned to the owner! So I began reading again. Slack-tracking a few pages thus getting the mind and memory on friendly terms once more, the story so far became so clear it seems incredible—even the big names—I recalled who did what. Now reading at a spare moment I am about half-way through and feel it among the most entrancing and enjoyable books I've ever read (they have been many). By all means read it. Chances are you won't like it at first but keep doggedly at it and as the story unfolds you will be so glad you have read such a wonderful book. Just keep reading and the light will come.

—yap—all . . .

Washington Reports

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JOHN WATTS

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This is a very extraordinary library. You don't even have to see any of its 36,000,000 books and special collections to be impressed. For this massive structure, east of the Capitol, is built in the richest Italian style, three stories high, literally graced and gilded with marble mosaics, statues, ornate reading columns and sweeping foyers and staircases.

Constructed by and for Congress in 1897 (the original was burned by the british in 1814) the Library of Congress is the largest and best treasure chest of knowledge in the world. Its usefulness today extends beyond Congress to other government agencies, libraries and the general public.

Here, in its quiet reading rooms, galleries and pavillions, you will find exhibits of precious engravings, rare books, first editions—the original of the Constitution, the Declaration of Independence and the Gutenberg Bible—first book printed from movable type.

Adjacent to the Main Library is the massive five story Library Annex, built in 1939, that provides a 10,000,000 volume capacity. Pneumatic tubes and electric book carriers transport materials between the two buildings and the floors to be available anywhere on request in but a few minutes.

Special features of the Library include a Legislative Reference for Congressmen (60,000 inquiries were handled by specialists alone in 1957), a national lending program for the Blind, a photoduplication service to provide microfilms of research materials, and the National Union Catalog on cards (12,000,000 information about 8,500,000 books printed before 1956. The Library, on its 26 acres of floor space, and 250 miles of book shelves also contain the world's periodicals, nearly 2,000,000 items of music, over 2,900,000 photographic negatives, phonograph records of music — historic speeches, poems and American folk songs—rare prints and the first motion picture reels. Here too is the world's largest law library.

Sponsorship of chamber music concerts and literary readings in its Coolidge Auditorium is still another Library service.

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Tobacco Comments

Our tobacco participation under Public Law 480 continues to move along at an increasingly better level. Efforts to build up our trade levels under this program have been fruitful from a comparative standpoint. Recently, movements of tobacco and tobacco products involved $6,100,000 to Uruguay, $3,500,000 to France and $400,000 to Iceland. Estimated poundage of unmanufactured tobacco involved in 11,350,000 pounds a substantial portion of which is expected to be Burley.

On Thursday of this week further consideration in executive session by the House Agriculture Committee will be had upon the bill designed to stabilize and protect our tobacco support price levels and to preserve and continue our 90% parity concepts. I am hopeful the Committee will act promptly and that the measure can be acted upon by Congress before the end of the month.

Thought From The Past

"Difficulties are things that show what men are."—Epictetus (Circa A. D. 0)

KENTUCKIANS IN WASHINGTON

By Gil Kingsbury

BUYING POWER:

Don't overlook the purchasing power of American servicemen stationed at camps and forts in Kentucky. About 43,000 soldiers, sailors, marines, and airmen are on duty in the Commonwealth.

You can get some idea what that means if you realize that the military population is just about equal to all the folks in Pendleton, Mason, Fleming, and Bracken counties.

So, when the boys in uniform get paid, Kentuckians share the wealth.

DOING ALL RIGHT:

Kentucky Congressman Natcher gave a report to the House of Representatives the other day on the rural development program in Butler County. Apparently, the project is working fine.

Under federal guidance and local cooperation, Butler County—Morgantown is the county seat—has established a local health unit, put up three modern buildings, increased employment, improved roads, and accomplished a lot of other things.

It was a heart-warming report.

VETERAN PROGRAM:

Uncle Sam has been giving aid to Kentucky veterans who want to build a new home, remodel an old one, or purchase a farm. Up until about the end of the year some 467 former servicemen have taken advantage of the direct-loan program.

There must be a demand for such help because the Veterans Administration has 2600 more applications. However, there's a lack of money—not an unusual situation—to meet all demands.

There are, incidentally, about 315,000 veterans living in Kentucky.

MONEY MATTERS:

A Kentucky congressman, who doesn't want his name used, tells this story:

A banker went to his doctor for a checkup.

"You," said the physician to the banker, "are as sound as a dollar."

Whereupon the banker, in sheer fright, fainted dead away.

Blackberry lines sought by UK horticulturists

LEXINGTON, KY. — Kentucky Experiment Station horticulturists are seeking "exceptionally good blackberries"—with an ulterior motive.

There is a good demand for blackberries, says Carl Chaplin, fruit specialist, and black berries would be a good, profitable crop for Kentucky farmers if present varieties generally are not satisfactory, as much of the fruit fails to develop properly. Reason for this is not known, but a virus is suspected.

Some of the standard varieties are selections from wild blackberries. Chaplin pointed out. Some of these strains growing wild in the state should make good commercial varieties.

So if you have a favorite blackberrying spot where the berries are larger, sweeter and more numerous, notify Chaplin at the horticulture department at Lexington. He is collecting such wild strains with the idea of developing good commercials for Kentucky, a variety suited to Kentucky conditions and not subject to the failure noted in present varieties.

The consumption rate of cheese increased 13 percent from 1957 to 1958, according to the Agricultural Marketing Service. In 1957 it was 5.1 pounds per person, and the following year 5.9 pounds. The main factor in the increase was thought to be the high price of red meats.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor.

Inclosed you will find $2.50 for 1 year I enjoy reading the home town paper very much.

Thank you

Yours truly.

Miss Clara B. Lemons

392 Stoner Ave.

Paris, Ky.

1042 Lincoln

Redding, Calif

March 30

Dear Sir:

I am sending Money Order

THE LABYRINTH

TODAY'S meditation

THURSDAY, APRIL 9

Read Luke 16: 20-31

As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things. (II Corinthians 6: 10.)

The Christian who walks humbly with his God is the richest of all. He may be poor in the world's eyes, having neither silver nor gold, nor lands, nor houses. Yet he has treasures the world can neither give nor take away.

We read in the Bible the parable of two men, one with great wealth, the other a beggar. Who was rich? The one who had great riches lost his soul. Lazarus had no money, but with the love of God in his heart, he found rest to his soul.

So with us. We may be poor, but if we have God in our poor house, grace at our scanty meal, and prayer by our hard bed, we are rich. As having nothing, we yet possess all things. Death does not deprive us of our possessions.

Between us and the next world is a door, and death unlocks it. We pass into a new world of new things as surpass man's finite understanding. In eternity, we shall see the King in all His beauty.

PRAYER: Our Father, we thank Thee that we Thy servants enjoy a peace which the world can neither give nor destroy. We are not anxious about the approval of men; to hear Thee say: "Well done," is enough. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Heaven is mine, for I accept Christ as my personal saviour

Martha E. Butler (Newfoundland)

World-wide Bible Reading—1 Samuel 9: 1-14

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

PUZZLE No. 566

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By C. D. Smith

FOR AND ABOUT TEENAGERS

Parents Are Not Infallible

"Are parents infallible? Don't answer too fast, dear friend, for sometimes, they, too, make mistakes in their judgement of people! How can they tell you that this person or group is all "wrong" and that someone else is perfectly all right for you to associate with—and be right all the time?"

Parents do make mistakes, of course. And sometimes they make mistakes in evaluating the character of the friends their children choose for themselves. The mistake can be an honest one. Unless we totally know someone for a period of time, our opinion of them is based upon what we know of their background and what other people tell us about the family or the individual.

As a rule, however, parents do not generally tell their children that one of their companions is "wrong" for them — or forbid them to be friendly with another girl or boy. Usually they have a heart-to-heart talk, explaining why they are doing as they do, and then leave it up to their children to choose their own friends and, by the same token, most parents do not like the role of "suggesting" who is right and who is wrong for their children—particularly teenagers who are learning to think and act for themselves. But, sometimes, their responsibility as parents makes it necessary that they take some action.

Teenagers and their parents should be able to "talk it over." The wise parent, who suggests that a friend or companion is undesirable, will be prepared to give some logical reasons. The teenager understands and accepts more readily if he is shown, rather than told to "just take my word for it."

In any event, the teenager is obligated to submit to parental authority. If he believes his parents are wrong about one of his friends or associates, he should make every effort to convince them that they are wrong . . . or be convinced about his own error in judgement.

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