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Prayer For Today

We are grateful to Thee, O God, for every person who has shaped our lives. We thank Thee for our mothers, our fathers, teachers, friends, ministers, writers, and above all, for Thine infinite patient love and forbearance. We thank Thee for the supreme insight into Thine own love and purpose offered us in the life of Jesus Christ. Help us to make a fresh commitment to Him today, that we may love and live more like Him. Amen.

—Russell S. Hutchison, New Concord, Ohio, professor of Bible and religion, Muskingum College. (Copyright 1962, A National Council of Churches Religious Feature)

Those who are speculating on the political affect of Gov. Rockefeller's marriage can cancel their worries. The GOP brass will make that decision at convention time.

Charles Plummer was installed as president of the Greenville Chamber of Commerce and five minutes later was named Greenville's Man of the Year. That sounds like he would fit in mighty well as a Decatur citizen.

Putting It On The Line

John S. Knight, writing in The Detroit Free Press, asks the frank question, "Could Goldwater wince? Could any Republican beat Kennedy? This I doubt, providing the country is still prosperous in 1964 and Kennedy isn't taking the worst of it from Comrade Khrushchev. But until someone such as Goldwater heads the Republican ticket, the conservative strength in this country will never be tested. Why should the Republicans, basically the conservative party, fear to try it?"

Looking At Redistricting

Four plans for congressional redistricting in Alabama, making eight out of nine districts, have already been introduced in the legislature. Doubtless there will be a flurry of additional measures aimed at redistricting made necessary because Alabama did not keep up with the population parade in the 1960 census.

Introducing the four measures were Reps. Alfred Goldthwaite, Montgomery, and Mylan Engel, Mobile and Senators A. C. Shelton, Jacksonville and B. G. Robinson, Carrollton.

In summary these measures provide: 1. Mr. Engel's bill (H 67 would put Rep. George Grant of Troy (Pike County) into a district with Mobile.

2. Mr. Goldthwaite's bill (H 89) would create a district including Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties, and there is no congressman living in any of these counties now. Goldthwaite's bill would put Rep. Albert Rains of Gadsden and Carl Elliott of Jasper in the same district and would eliminate one of them.

3. Mr. Robinson's bill would create two districts without congressmen in them now, and would put Reps. George Andrews of Union Springs and George Grant in the same district. It also would put Reps. Bob Jones of Scottsboro and Albert Rains of Gadsden in the same district.

4. Mr. Shelton's bill would move Rep. Armistead Seiden into a district with Mobile and would move Tuscaloosa County into Mr. Elliott's present district. Democrats in Alabama for some years now have been split down the middle and if there was a time in which these differences should be dissolved it is now. Democrats cannot continue to fight among themselves and hold a solid congressional front.

This demands the passage of a satisfactory and fair redistricting measure. If congressmen are forced to run on a statewide basis again it is quite likely the Democrats will lose one or more seats in the national House of Representatives.

The nearness of the congressional campaigns brings us to make these observations:

1. None of the incumbent congressmen should have Democratic opposition in his own district so long as the legislature fails to pass a sound redistricting measure.

2. The measure offered by Sen. Shelton is the fairest bill yet offered. It will make for Democratic harmony.

We have talked with neither Rep. Armistead Seiden nor Rep. Carl Elliott, who would be affected by the changing of Mobile into Rep. Seiden's district and the addition of Tuscaloosa into Rep. Elliott's district, but it appears to us on the surface that both Mr. Seiden and Mr. Elliott would be returned to Washington by such districts and the majority of Alabamians would like to see such a result.

May the legislature return to session with the firm resolve to settle this redistricting issue in fairness and not listen to any voices which seek to tear the Democratic Party farther apart with chip-up efforts directed toward any congressional district.

Washington Calling—Is Too Much Spent On Race To Moon?

BY MARQUIS CHILDS

WASHINGTON — Something approaching a truly informative debate has begun over the nation's space program and whether too large a share of our scientific and technological resources are going into the race to the moon. That debate may well be expanded with similar questions raised about the extent to which the huge defense budget dominates scientific research and absorbs a high proportion of the country's brains and imagination.

To all inquiries along this line President Kennedy has replied that if the money for the moon race were cut back it would not be possible to get a consensus for additional funds for education and space research and large public works. Since this is so he implies that the money for the moon race will go full speed ahead in space and thereby reap the incidental benefits for the civilian economy from such spending.

Many members of his own party in Congress are becoming impatient with this attitude. They believe it is an admission of defeat before the battle has been joined. At the same time as Congress dawdles they are concerned over deterioration in large public areas notably in education.

Two nations with separate and distinct characteristics seem to be forming within the United States. One is the prosperous nation that benefits from large defense and space research contracts. Around the research centers new industry forms which is in turn in large part dependent on government contracts. This development is notable at the peripheries, in Massachusetts, California and the Southwest.

The other nation is afflicted with a kind of chronic disease of erosion and erosion of the industrial base. That is conspicuous in West Virginia and Pennsylvania. The Midwest, too, is feeling the pull of industry to the peripheries as the big missile and rocket contracts are concentrated there.

The huge defense appropriation has had a deleterious effect on the rest of the economy. More often than not Congress is in the TEXF context, and appears to be quarreling over who gets what or, as in the RB-70, is determining whether Secretary McNamara more than he asks for. But as the relationship between defense spending and the direction of the economy becomes ever more wrapped up there are questions that will not go unanswered.

Recently a group of specialists in disarmament, headed by Professor Seymour Melman of Columbia University, put out a study showing that the current level of nuclear deterrent provides an overall capacity of 120 times on the Soviet Union population. Even if this estimate is grossly exaggerated no one doubts that the direction of the economy is far in excess of military requirements and each year sees it increase. Therefore, the Melman group recommended a cut in the 1964 military budget of \$22 billion. If only because

Living Today

BY ARLIE B. DAVIDSON

Be A Good Example A good example will affect more people for good and will influence them than scores of spoken precepts.

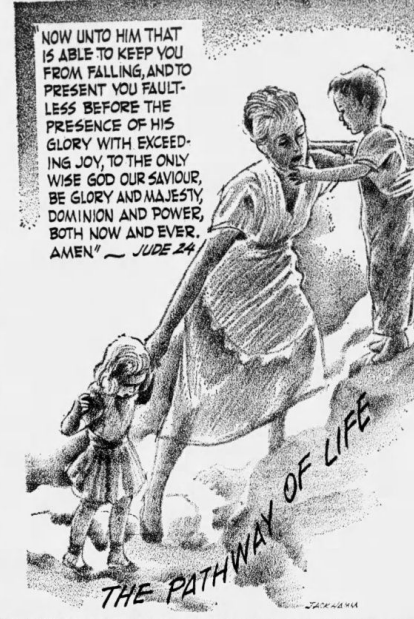
But it is easier to speak words of wisdom, than to live by them. People are likely to take the easy course and let others provide the application. A parent can tell his children how to live in a certain manner to gain success, efficiency, and happiness. Some will understand and follow them. But an example is far more effective and certain of good results.

So if you try to teach the importance of sacrifices and unselfishness, show what you mean by applying these qualities. If you would make honesty a common way of life, do more than plead for honesty. Be an example of honesty. If you would elevate good citizenship and a religious outlook to a good citizen and express your religious outlook in daily living.

If you tell people what to do, may be effective by doing it yourself. If you want to be followed you as a citizen or parent, be worthy of their following. Words can never take the place of an example. Actions speak as loud as words that people may not hear what you say. Be a good example.

DAVIDSON

A MOTHER'S BENEDICTION



DREW PEARSON SAYS—

U.S. Faces Problem Of Threat Against Jews

By DREW PEARSON

WASHINGTON — This week the world witnessed two great milestones of history linked together by tragedy. The 18th anniversary of the ending of a war that killed 6,000,000 Jews, and the 15th anniversary of the founding of a homeland for some of the Jews who survived.

Probably no non-Jew can fully grasp the awareness of a tragedy which wiped out one-third of all the Jews living in the world at that time. A comparable tragedy would be the murder of 100,000 Catholics, or 45,000 of the Protestants living in the world at that time.

In the view of this tragedy it is this as such a shocking and radical heresy, it had all the violent impact of a feather falling on velvet.

Yet the study pointed to certain basic facts about military spending in this country and in Western Europe. Despite constant prodding of the NATO allies, military expenditures in the United States are still less than 10 percent of the gross national product while in the European Common Market countries in 1960 military spending represents less than five percent of GNP.

What is important as the report noted, was that the 10 percent contains well over half the nation's scientists and engineers who serve the military. Senator Hubert Humphrey called attention to the contrast in a report of the Senate Small Business Committee last year. In Germany 85 cents out of each research dollar is private and goes into the development of new plant and equipment and new improved products.

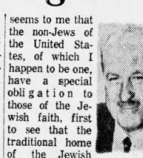
How long Humphrey asked, can the United States continue to compete for world markets with the Germans, the Dutch, the Belgians who are spending far more money on the civilian economy to develop cheaper and more serviceable consumer goods? The same contrast applies to the volume of new and improved machinery going into American plants and into European plants.

— 84 percent of the gross national product for this purpose in this country and 10.2 percent in the Common Market countries in 1962.

Unquestionably the President is right that there is a spill-over from space and defense spending with large benefits for the civilian economy. In the McNamara budget for fiscal 1964 there is \$385,000,000 for pure research and out of this can come incalculable gains. But this is incidental to the primary task of weaponry and the effect on the civilian economy for the long term rather than for the critical years ahead when America's position is at stake with the balance of payments still in precarious imbalance.

The two nations — the nation that drives on defense and space and the nation that seems exultant — are not inseparable. But it is only through hard and steady leadership seeking to use the full resources of the Federal government to end the decline in market fields such as education, that can be united.

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DREW PEARSON

seems to me that the non-Jews of the United States, of which I happen to be one, have a special obligation to the Jews of the Jewish faith, first, to see that the traditional home of the Jewish people in the Holy Land is preserved; second, that those responsible for the war-time murders be punished. Certainly we are obligated to make sure that those in part responsible for these crimes shall not be given haven in the United States.

At no time since Harry Truman reached out to recognize the shaky new government of Israel has that little country been in such grave danger as today.

Three Arab countries, Syria and Iraq on the north and Egypt on the south, have now formed a new Arab League. The Arab Republic and are trying to knock young King Hussein of Jordan off his throne. King Hussein's grandfather favored friendship with Israel and was assassinated because of that fact.

If King Hussein is knocked off the throne, war is almost certain in the Near East, and so far the State Department has hung back against any advance commitment to prevent war.

When Premier Ben-Gurion, worried over the mounting concentration of Russian-armed troops next to Suez, moved into Sinai and threatened the Suez Canal, President Eisenhower moved in to stop him. He also stopped French and British troops dead in the tracks.

But now that the reverse threatens Israel, the State Department has given no advance commitment to step in and prevent war.

WAR CRIMINALS IN U.S. Simultaneously the United States has been harboring three men charged with financing or inciting the war-time murder of the Jews, and the Kennedy Administration, which has a good record on religious tolerance, has made no move to deport them: The three men are:

Andrea Artucovic, head of the state police under the Nazi Republic in Croatia, and sometimes called the Himmite; and U.S. Artucovic was minister of the interior when some 700,000 Jews and Orthodox Serbs were murdered, thrown in wells, mutilated, made to jump off cliffs in a massacre as brutal as any that occurred under Hitler.

Artucovic has been officially charged as a war criminal by the Yugoslav government and efforts have been made to extradite him. The U. S. Supreme Court has ruled that he can be extradited. But Attorney General Robert Kennedy, too young to have known the horrors and tragedies of the last war, has not moved.

Meanwhile Artucovic lives comfortably near Long Beach, California. Nicolas Malaxa, the big Rumanian industrialist, has been charged by Rep. Jack Shelby of San Francisco and other California congressmen, with having financed the Iron Guard in Rumania which during the war began the massacre of Rumanian Jews.

Rep. Shelby cited German war documents officially published by the State Department, showing

that Malaxa had flown the Iron Guard flag over his factories and worked hand-in-glove with the Iron Guard, as well as financing them.

Various senators, including Ken Keating of New York, have asked Attorney General Kennedy why he permits Malaxa to remain at 1158 Fifth Avenue, enjoying the protection of the United States. He has ex-Congressman Frank Kowalski of Connecticut and Victor Antuso of New York, now on the New York Supreme Court, Rep. William Ryan, D-N. Y., and Rep. Cecil King, D-Calif., and others.

Viorel Trifa, a leader of anti-Semitic riots in Rumania, now living in Michigan as a high official of the Rumanian Dissident Orthodox Church.

Trifa was a member of the Rumanian Iron Guard which helped instigate an armed insurrection against the Antonescu government which had protected Rumanian Jews from persecution.

But on Jan. 20, 1941, Trifa, who bore the official title of "Chief of Fascist Students," delivered a rabble-rousing speech in the assembly hall of the Student Union in Bucharest before a green-shirted crowd which included various Nazi functionaries.

He blasted so-called "Judeo-British imperialism," and proclaimed: "We are marching with Rome and Berlin!"

Trifa was sentenced to life imprisonment for his crimes against the Jewish people, but managed to escape to the United States.

Rabbe Hers Guttman of Bucharest has written a letter to Rabbi David Hollander, president of the Rabbinical Association of the United States, asking why Trifa is permitted to remain in this country.

When I queried Trifa, his now known as Bishop Valerian, about his war crimes he replied that he was only 25 years old and that his speech was written for him by the Iron Guard and given to him to deliver.

Nevertheless, the incidents in which Trifa participated helped touch off the murder of 6,000 to 10,000 Jews.

All three men, involved in terrible crimes against their fellow men, are now living under the protection of the United States. WATCH THE TAXPAYERS' MONEY! A secret cost study complains that the Navy plans to spend \$17,000,000,000 on its carrier task force during the next five years. The Air Force only \$10,000,000,000 on continental defense. The study, written by civilian fiscal experts, says that Navy planes are four times more expensive yet less effective than Air Force planes.

Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara is sour on the Carrier, a two-engine cargo plane. Yet the Army has already purchased 205 of them at prices ranging from \$610,000 to \$750,000 apiece. And these figures don't take into account the cost of auxiliary equipment, spare parts, and special communications which is charged up to other budgets. There is a more interesting question: Why is the Army buying cargo planes? ... Senate investigators have confirmed the existence of an Aircraft, which joined General Dynamics in bidding on the controversial FTX fighter-plane contract, swung the real political weight. Grumman pulled political strings with the President's brother, Sen. Ted

CONFIDENT LIVING—It Isn't What Happens To Us That Matters Most But How We Face Calamities

By NORMAN VINCENT PEALE
HOW SOME PEOPLE RISE ABOVE CALAMITY

A remarkable 14-year-old girl in an East Coast town was stricken with polio when she was six. Physically she is helpless, unable to sit and having only partial use of her hands. Yet she maintains length through studies; and she has learned to paint, studying the brush with her shouder. She has more joy in life than lots of people whom no serious illness or incapacity ever touched. She is really on top of the tough deal life gave her. How do I know? A friend sent me a copy of some reflections which the young girl put down on paper. They speak eloquently for themselves.

"I think that without a doubt I am the luckiest person in the world," writes this remarkable young girl, "and here are the reasons why: "I was given the most miraculous thing of all, the gift of life, and with it the ability to reason right from wrong, and to remember all the happy moments of yesterday and dream of the possibilities of tomorrow."

"I was given two ears so that I may hear the lovely sound of the brook, the happy song of a robin on a spring day and the sound of rain as it cleanses and moistens the thirsty earth, giving to all things new life. "I was blessed with the gift of sight so that I am able to see the great beauties of nature and I had the fortune of being born in a country where beauty is boundless and we live in the best sky, the greenest grass and the brightest sun in the world."

"But I don't see always with my eyes, I see with my heart too. As a child I was on a summer day I know that God is near me, for I see Him in every flower and in every blade of grass. "I was given the most wonderful and understanding parents that ever lived . . .

"And if I regret mistakes I made today, there is always the gift of another tomorrow, a new day, a new beginning. Right now I make a secret vow in my heart that tomorrow I will be true myself, be a little more understanding, a little kinder, and thus make myself worthy of the many blessings God has so graciously bestowed upon me."

How wonderful that a 14-year-old person should have all that joy, and all that resoluteness to develop and improve herself, in spite of such misfortune! What explains it? How do some people rise above calamities that leave others crushed in spirit, bitter and defeated? There is a sentence in the Book of Job in which I think we may find a clue to the secret. "When He (God) giveth quietness, who then can make trouble?" The first essential for meeting great misfortune sturdily and finding the good in it is to have quietness, fairness, serenity at the center of yourself, deep within your mind.

Out of such quietness at the center arises simple gratitude—for the gift of life, for present blessings, for the advantages and the possibilities you do have. This thankfulness, in turn, opens doors to happiness and opportunity which otherwise would be closed. This is a sentence in the Book of Job in which I think we may find a clue to the secret. "When He (God) giveth quietness, who then can make trouble?" The first essential for meeting great misfortune sturdily and finding the good in it is to have quietness, fairness, serenity at the center of yourself, deep within your mind.

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Athen's Permits Show Big Increase

ATHENS — Building permits here for April totaled \$187,857, City Clerk Eugene Wood said Saturday.

This compares with a total of \$77,755 in April of 1962. A breakdown of the permits issued last month is as follows: amusement and recreation building, \$2,000; residential garage and car ports, two, \$500; service stations and repair garages, one \$400; office, bank, and professional building, \$171,457.

Summer Vacation Set For L'stone Schools

ATHENS — George Roberts, Limestone County Superintendent of Education, said Saturday that 6,928 pupils in the Limestone County School system will get out for the summer vacation on May 21.

Teachers will complete their work and records on May 22. NEW YORK (AP) — The Brown Research Council estimates that more than 50 million corn brooms are sold each year or about one a household. Benjamin Franklin is credited with being the father of the corn broom industry.

LEFT A MEMENTO

PHOENIX (AP) — A member of a house-robbing crew called police to tell them he had found hands and feet. Detective Richard Golden was dispatched and pronounced the find as bear paws. A taxidermist formerly had occupied the house.

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