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Inflationary Trends

IT IS NOT LABOR with its continued increased wage demands; industry seeking exorbitant profits; transportation in its efforts to meet increasing costs; the distributing agencies, wholesale or retail, adding to their "mark-ups" on merchandise or the farmers demanding increased prices for food products that are fundamentally responsible for the inflation for which we are paying. The actual culprit, at whose door we can lay the blame for it all, is the legislative and administrative branches of the federal government.

The cause is the deficit government financing policy followed by congress and the executive branch of government from 1931 to 1946. Today we are paying, in the form of devalued money, not only for the war expense but for all those boondoggling costs of the depression years.

To have the government operate on a deficit basis meant the continuous expansion of our volume of printing press currency. Today we have in circulation close to 160 billion of such currency as against about 17 billion of real dollar value currency of 1930. All of the expenditures of the boondoggling and war years had to be paid for at the time the expenditures were made. The people of the United States had to pay either then or later. To avoid a howl from the people because of increased taxes, congress and the administration resorted to the deceptive method of creating more money with which to pay the bills.

The government called them bonds. They were placed with the banks and the banks turned those bonds into bank note—printing press—money.

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THE present administration, or the present congress, is doing all too little to remedy the condition. The way to stop inflation is to save every excess dollar of government spending and retire that excess currency. That would cure the disease from which we are suffering. That, and only that, can save us from much more inflation. Government economy is the one road to honest, full value, money.

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GENERAL GRANT IS BETTER known in history as a weak president than as a great soldier. General Eisenhower will be known in history as a great soldier and a worthy and patriotic American. He might have suffered the fate of General Grant.

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THE BIBLE SPEAKS
International Uniform Sunday School Lessons

By LOUIE D. NEWTON, D.D.

SCRIPTURE: Acts 20:17-38; Ephesians 4:4-9.

Christian Character

Lesson for March 14, 1948

W H O is the most valuable person in your community? In many communities it has come to be the custom to select the Man of the Year or the Woman of the Year, the idea usually being to name the person through a process of sampling of public opinion, who has rendered the outstanding service of the year.

Sunday's lesson is a dramatic scene out of the long ago, picturing a community's tribute to a truly great man, the apostle Paul. Read Acts 20:17-38, and you will have the story.

LOVED AND HONORED

THE first impression I get from this story is the fact that these people of Ephesus loved Paul. They loved him enough to lay aside their work and hasten to the nearest seaport of Miletus to see him for the last time, and to bow down in his presence and honor him.

Why did they thus love Paul? Because he had told them about God. You need but read again the record of Paul's ministry in that important city of Ephesus to be reminded of how greatly he had served them in the name of Jesus.

Loved and honored! What a tribute to the worth of Christian character! Wouldn't you appreciate the tribute which they paid Paul as the goal out yonder to which you strive? Boys and girls of today may thus be honored tomorrow, if they will live for Jesus as Paul did.

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THE question then emerges, What am I worth to my community? When I come to the end of the journey, will the people who know me best honor and love me for what I have done?

I can see the people of Ephesus bowing on the dock at Miletus, kissing this weary old servant of the Lord. It is a beautiful scene. This tribute meant more to Paul than all the gold of Ephesus would have meant. It was compensation of abiding worth to him. And what is vastly more important, it was glory to God which must have evoked the praise of the angels about the great White Throne.

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On God's Word

John Wycliffe, in the introduction to his translation of the Bible into English in 1380, wrote as follows: "When the teachings of the Bible are generally accepted and acted on, then shall we have a government of, for and by the people."

Four hundred years later the American republic was established—the first great democracy—and it was successful because the Constitution and the Bill of Rights were founded on God's Word.

SHORT STORY
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Seventh Inning
Stretch

By FERN AUBLE

THE stadium was filled to capacity for the opening game and a swelling chorus of voices filled the air. The sun was a brilliant ball in a sky of blue. But Johnny Longstreet sat hunched in the dugout, his huge hands hanging loosely between his knees. The banter of his teammates was a meaningless babel to him.

"I wonder how she is by now," he thought miserably. His blue eyes darkened in despair as he thought of the interminable afternoon before him. He groaned and glanced over at Corky Blanton.

It was too bad that Chuck Leighton had sprained an ankle! Don said he'd be back in the lineup by next week, but next week was too late and Corky was depending on Johnny to pitch this opening game.

"How's it going, Johnny?" Corky dropped down on the bench beside him and laid a comforting hand on his knee.

"Gosh, Corky, I don't know. The Doc said she'd be all right, but I wish to Heaven I could be there with her." His knuckles whitened as he clenched his hands and Corky watched him with troubled eyes.

As Johnny took the mound for the top half of the first inning, a cheer rose from the stands. His heart warmed at the sound and some of the sag lifted from his shoulders. He looked at Windy Norton, who was catching, and nodded as he caught the signal. As he started his wind-up, a fleeting vision of Milly's scared little face crossed his mind. He knew when the ball left his hand, it was a stinker. Sure enough, Bill Lofton, the big Pirate shortstop, laid it on for a three-base hit. A groan went up from the crowd.

He got hold of himself and fanned the next three men up, leaving Bill Lofton stranded on third. As he faced the first man up in the second inning, Johnny's arm felt like lead. "If I just knew how she was," he thought. "If I just knew she was all right."

He tried desperately to keep his mind on the game, to keep from thinking about Milly, but in spite of himself, he failed miserably. He simply couldn't keep her out of his mind.

IT HAPPENED in the sixth inning. He walked the first man and the next batter up hit for a single, putting a man on first and third. A sacrifice hit brought in the first run of the game for the Pirates.

As the seventh inning came up, and the boys trotted out to their positions, Corky turned impatiently as someone tapped him on the shoulder. He took the note handed to him. His face spread into a huge grin and he ran out to the mound. "Well," Johnny thought, "here's

Johnny's arm felt like lead. Where I get yanked and I don't blame him. Any rookie pitcher could toss rings around me today."

But Corky simply handed Johnny the paper. Johnny read it and let out a whoop. The fans watched in bewilderment as they saw Johnny go into a dance. Then they saw his teammates come running in and cluster around him to break away with howls and back-thumpings.

Finally, everyone back in position, Johnny toed the mound and squinted at Windy, waiting for the signal. As it came, he gave a satisfied nod and started his wind-up. The ball whizzed over the plate and you could almost see the smoke trailing it. The next one was a beautiful slow ball that broke just right. Johnny grinned happily as the batter took a healthy swing at the next one and missed.

The Reds got two runs in the eighth, giving them a one-run lead over the Pirates and Johnny put them away one, two, three in the ninth. Not a very big lead, to be sure, but big enough, especially when you consider that Johnny hadn't really pitched much of a game before Corky'd brought him that little slip of paper at the beginning of the seventh.

Oh yes, the note? Well, it really wasn't a very big message: that is, not very big in words. It merely said, "It's twins, darling. Two future major league ballplayers. See that you make them proud of their Daddy today." And it was signed, "Milly."

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