

# From Where We Stand . . .

## Food For Thought

It will take about 15 or 20 minutes to read this page. In that interval 420 persons will have died from the effects of malnutrition.

In the same time the world's population will have increased by some 1,770 persons — the difference between total births and deaths.

This means there will be 180,000 more persons for breakfast tomorrow.

Experts of the UN Food and Agriculture Organization estimate that there are 3,400,000,000 people in the world and that half of them are hungry.

Demographic specialists predict that the world's population — a billion in 1850 and 2 billion in 1930 — will be 7 billion by the year 2000. To feed so many people, global food supplies must be increased five-fold, or by 48 per cent annually.

World food production increased an average of 2.4 per cent a year from 1953 to 1956. Last year there was no increase. The prospect for this year is only "somewhat brighter."

## We Are Tired

This is a time of discontent. A time of not remembering what we are grateful for — but what we are ungrateful for. A time of sick humor, sick standards, sick people. The abnormal has been accepted as the norm. Old fashioned are responsibility, patriotism, loyalty, tolerance, love of fellow men. Indeed, even decent reserve in life to family and one's private and public conduct has been forgotten. We are negative. We are ugly. We are unclean.

Our religious sanctuaries have been used for psychedelic orgies. Our public streets for murder, terror and destruction. Our college campuses, institutes of learning, used for the mindless roars of reactionaries. Our lawful way of life set aside and criminals exalted during riots and "marches." Our country and ourselves ridiculed and hated for giving away that which we have earned by the sweat of our brow, which we go without to give to others. Our Constitution and ideals twisted for use to permit crime, pornography and hate to excel.

We are tired in this land of abundance of food prices beyond reach; that we must teach our children fear for their safety; that we must censor our family's literature, television and films and protectively audit their education; that we must strive constantly to improve our studies, vocations and personal property only to lose it to increased taxes and living costs, and that we must continually support and maintain as well as condone the conduct of those unwilling and

uncooperative to share and work in an environment that half the world would be envious to have, much less take.

We are tired of working toward our future and our children's future against those who think only of today and of self, laying waste to this great nation, its resources, its ideals. We are tired of labels — "neurotic" if you differentiate between right and wrong — "dogmatic" for idealism or religious concept — "rights" as a license for intellectual and physical terrorism to subvert constitutional law.

The malignancy in the world and in our Nation today comes not from God being dead, but from mankind's slow death from suffocation in the conditions he alone has created. Humanity spitting upon itself and choking on it. Man so passive to his environment — is he already dead? Without law and its observance, society destroys itself. Without responsibility to himself and his world, man is destroyed. Are we so without soul, dignity or integrity that this is no longer "One nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all."

We alone must vindicate the great wrong we are doing to ourselves. Unified, we must use our initiative and ingenuity to validate the trust of our forebears in our Nation. Regain our self-respect and, hopefully, our world trust, by swinging the pendulum in the other direction — the right direction.

— Interior Department Recreation Association News

## A Losing Game

We don't hear so much now about a little inflation being good for the country. We have reached the point where even the most slow-witted should perceive that they can't keep ahead of the game. According to official figures, the U.S. dollar lost 3.5 cents in purchasing power during 1967. This year, economists predict the dollar will suffer an even bigger loss. Federal spending and the huge budget deficit are cited as the principal causes.

During the fourth quarter of 1967, the average per capita income after taxes rose \$33 with all but \$6 of it eaten by inflation. As time goes on, if inflation is not halted, wage and income increases will mean less and less. Keeping up with inflation resembles trying to run alongside an express train as it pulls out of the station. The race should be called off. Inflation should be stopped at its source. Federal spending on limitless welfare programs that will gradually become meaningless as federal budget deficits mount, thus feeding the fires of more inflation, should be brought to an end.

## Across The Fence Row

I thought I was abused  
Because I had no shoes.  
Until I met a man  
Who had no feet.  
— Old Arabian Proverb

No man is such a conqueror as the man  
who has defeated himself.  
— Henry Ward Beecher

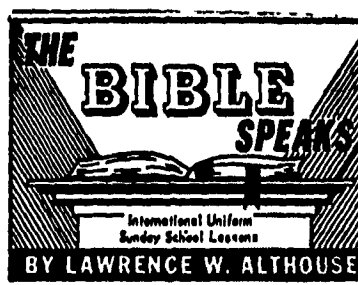
Talk is cheap because the supply always exceeds the demand.

## Local Weather Forecast

(From the U. S. Weather Bureau at the Harrisburg State Airport)

The five-day forecast for the period Saturday through next Wednesday calls for temperatures to average much above normal with daytime highs in the upper 80's to mid 90's and overnight lows expected in the mid 60's and 70's. Warm throughout the period. The normal high-low temperature for the period is 87-65.

Little or no rain is expected for the five-day period.



### THE LESSON

Lesson for July 14, 1968

Background Scriptures: Lamentations 5; Psalms 130, 137.  
Devotional Reading: Psalms 137:1-6.



Rev. Althouse

### In love with out sin

The answer, of course, is that there is another, easier way, but man is usually reluctant to responsibility. Today, for example, choose it. When we are in the midst of our folly, we are like the young lovers, completely unable to see things as they are. We are so head-over-heels in love with our sin that we will not listen to those who can see things clearly.

Something inside us keeps us from recognizing what should be sins, the hardest of all lessons, quite obvious to us. Not only do we refuse to listen, we bristle at those who try to tell us for our own good.

This is what Jeremiah had to counter. He had tried desperately to lead the people of Judah to acknowledge their sin and repent of it. But the people, complacent in their respectability, had been indignant that he should even suggest these things. Could he not see how regularly they attended to worship, how faithfully they kept the feast and holy days, and performed the required rites and rituals?

The prophet, however, was not concerned with their obvious piety, not the trappings of their religion, but the core of it: their relationships with one another. He did not question their regu-

larity in worship, but the effect that worship had upon their honesty, their integrity, their concern for the needs and rights of others. Their ardent churchmanship mattered little if they were not equally ardent in brotherhood and justice. And this, of course, is where they failed so miserably.

### Lament of chastened

The result was disaster. While there had yet been time to repent, the arrogant Judeans had refused to listen to Jeremiah, subjecting him to humiliation and abuse. Now, their country was in ruins, the temple desecrated and destroyed. It is a long way to fall from arrogance to humiliation.

In the Book of Lamentations we see these once-proud people driving through East Berlin, after the destruction of their narrow block after block of war-torn, ravaged buildings, many of them in 587 B. C. They are a different still recognizable as churches, people now: "Remember, O Lord, museums, and other public structures. I could not help but ponder the terrible price has been turned over to strangers pay for their sins, our homes to aliens. We have folly. One often become orphans, fatherless; our wonders why mothers are like widows . . ."

men must always (Lamentations 5:1-4 RSV) learn such bitter lessons. Isn't what they should have seen there some other fore: "Our fathers sinned, and way? Must there are no more; and we bear their always be such iniquities". (Lamentations 5:7) terrible waste, so they have learned that when a much needless generation becomes corrupt, subsequent generations must often help to bear the consequences.

They could not shrug-off the cor-rosive sins of their fathers nor claim that they were none of their man is usually reluctant to responsibility. Today, for example, choose it. When we are in the midst of our folly, we are like the young lovers, completely unable to see things as they are. We are so head-over-heels in love with our sin that we will not listen to those who can see things clearly.

Even more, however, they learned to acknowledge their own sins, the hardest of all lessons, quite obvious to us. Not only do we refuse to listen, we bristle at those who try to tell us for our own good.

How easy it is for us to see what they should have done, for us to understand what the prophet tried to teach them. But we are not asked to judge them. We need to learn from their mistake and, judging ourselves, learn the lesson that Jeremiah and today's prophets would teach us!

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## TRY A CLASSIFIED AD!



NOW IS THE TIME . . .

By Max Smith

Lancaster County Agent

**To Plant Cover Crop In Corn**  
The value of a cover crop to plow down next spring for either another crop of corn or tobacco should be recognized at this time. Growers who have not used atrazine as a weed spray may broadcast field brome grass or annual ryegrass after the last cultivation of corn, this grass will grow this fall after the corn is harvested and give some organic matter to plow down next spring; the value of a cover crop is more important on sloping land and on fields that are to be in a row crop for several years.

**To Mark Wet Spots**  
Local farmers having wet areas in cropland should make note of them at this time by marking the exact area; then later this fall or early next spring tile drains may be installed to remove the excess water and permit higher crop yields. Wet soils cannot be expected to yield maximum yields except in a very dry season. Regular farm drain tile placed from 3 to 5 feet deep in the wet areas usually more than pay for the cost.

**To Continue Feeding Dry Matter**  
Dairymen that are depending upon pasture for their summer forage supply should continue to feed hay or silage during the grazing season. Due to good growing conditions this spring, forage growth has been lush but it is high in moisture content; also, with the coming of hot weather many of the grasses will slow down and not give the amount of feed needed by the herd. Daily feeding of top quality hay or silage during the summer months will maintain milk production and enable the herd to utilize more from the pasture crops consumed.

## Farm News This Week

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