

From Where We Stand...

Packages Cost More Than The Food In Them

Fifty years ago, dad planted the buckwheat, and when it was ripe, harvested it and took it to the mill. Mother took the flour he brought home and mixed it with buttermilk she had churned from the milk she had taken from the cow. She added, some other ingredients and set the whole batter in a warm place until the next day. With some fresh flour, more buttermilk and other ingredients, added at breakfast time, mother would be ready to fry up a batch of buckwheat cakes.

This morning, the ten-year-old daughter got up three minutes before dad, went to the shelf and took down a box of ready mixed, self rising, nonlumping, buttermilk buckwheat cake mix, poured a few spoonfuls into a jar, added a prescribed amount of water, and in "ten shakes", by the makers instructions, poured out golden pancakes on the electric griddle, set according to instructions.

In grandmother's day, the rich could afford servants. In this day the housewife demands and gets her maid service built in. This is what the consumer pays extra for in the grocery store.

And new convenience foods are being dreamed up every day. Like the synthetic potato skin for those who... Well, anyway, many other innovations are available to release Mrs. American from the kitchen.

Most of us can't afford maids, but we all pay for built-in maid service at the grocery store... which is OK as long as the public consumer knows the package in many cases is costing more than the farm product in it. At least that's the way it looks from where we stand.

May Is Egg Month

It cracks, splatters and puffs. It is white or brown and oval, yellow and round. (Are you curious?)

A symbol of fertility, supreme in its simplicity, the acme of versatility.

Of course, it's an egg.

And May is Egg Month — when you can beat or bake, broil or boil, fry or dye one of nature's most incredible creations to lighten, brighten, thicken and quicken dishes for many meals.

Inside nature's own "armor-plated package" — the shell, fresh eggs contain Vitamin A for normal vision, growth and resistance to respiratory diseases.

Vitamin B1 (or thiamine) for good appetite and digestion, growth and steady nerves.

Vitamin B2 (or riboflavin) for healthy skin and eyes and normal body cell functions.

Vitamin D for the development and preservation of good teeth and bones.

Vitamin E for fertility and healthy muscular tissues.

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Protein to build and repair body tissues.
Calcium and phosphorus to build and maintain strong bones and teeth.

Iron and calcium to build healthy blood and protect against nutritional anemia.

And we're egging you on to eat more eggs every day in May. It is fine if you do it in June, July, August and September also.

The Justice Makes Sense

The experience of history indicates that those who condone or support the violence on American campuses and the disruption of educational routine on the grounds of preserving a necessary atmosphere of freedom in institutions of higher learning may be off on the wrong foot. Anarchy on the campus has virtually destroyed higher education in Latin America. The decline began in 1918 when students in Argentina were given a voice in running the universities.

The governments of Latin American countries have been trying to reverse the trend, but, in the meantime, standards have sunk so low that a Mexican professor was compelled to admit, "We produce bad doctors, but they displace witch doctors. We produce bad lawyers, but they are going to be clerks anyway, with some legal training. Our brilliant students we send abroad."

In the U.S., before the meaning of education dissolves in chaos, it might be well to heed the words of Supreme Court Justice Hugo L. Black who recently said, "I have always had the idea that the schools were to educate children and not children to educate teachers."

Across The Fence Row

A Clod Of Earth

When picking up a clod of earth

Consider what you hold;

A treasure of the greatest worth

—Far more than miser's gold

a tiny seed in its embrace

Sends up a living shoot.

There's beauty in a pansy's face;

There's wealth around its root

This clod may hold a wealth of food

Or clothing for a score

When God created earth he called it good.

Why should I ask for more?

Today I hold it in my hand,

Tomorrow it holds me

And so at least I understand the word — Eternity.

"I've about reached the end of my tolerance for our society's one-sided sympathy for the misfit, the ne'er-do-well, the drug addict, the chronic criminal, the loser — in general, the underdog. I feel it's time for someone to stand up and say: 'I'm for the upperdog!'"... (From and address by Miller Upton, President of Beloit College).

The smallest good is better than the grandest intention.

One way to create plenty of parking space is to use a few atom bombs.

The worst mistake a farm manager can make is to assume he knows enough."
— James Jacks, Thornton, Miss.

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 near normal with daytime highs in the 60's and over-night lows in the 40's. Mild Saturday and a little cooler thereafter. Normal high-low for the period is 71-47.

Rain may total one-fourth inch or less, falling as showers about the middle of next week.

THE BIBLE SPEAKS
BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

YOUR VERSION

Lesson for May 4, 1969

Background Scripture Exodus 34:27-32, 29-30, 2 Kings 22:8-13, Jeremiah 36:27-32, John 21:24, 25, 2 Peter 3:15b-18, Revelation 1:11, 19

In the year 1536 William Tyndale was chained to the stake, strangled, and then burned at the orders of England's King Henry VIII.

His crime? He was hunted down in Antwerp, Belgium, and discovered in the process of translating the Old Testament into the English language!

Of course, this was not a complete surprise to Tyndale. He knew that his life was endangered by his work. He had already translated into the English tongue the New Testament, which was smuggled into England in great numbers. Copies were hunted down, confiscated and burned at the direction of the Bishop of London.

Tyndale was regarded as a subversive by both church and state. In those days, only the highly educated could read the Latin Bible, and there were no English versions allowed. Public notices in England warned: "No women, nor artificers, nor apprentices, journeymen, serving-men, yeomen, husbandmen, or laborers shall read the Bible in English to himself or another, privately or openly on pain of a month's imprisonment."

His work of translation was an act of disobedience to the laws of England. Yet, Tyndale's purpose was not to subvert his nation, but to convert it. He was consumed by one single-minded desire: to put the Bible into the language of the people. "If God spare my life," said Tyndale, "I will causeth a boy that driveth a plow shall know more of the Scripture than thou (a learned man) dost."

His last words were, "Lord,

Dangerous reading

The gospel according to you

It is also the most dangerous translation. Many people will not pick up and read hotel Bibles or take advantage of the reasonable prices and attractive editions. The only Bible translation they may ever read is "the Gospel according to you," the Bible translated into your life. And that can be dangerous, or at least risky. Just as the king rejected Jeremiah's prophecies, so people will reject the "treasure" in your earthen vessel. And just as Baruch had to record that scripture again, so you may have to continue to make the Bible come alive for those around you.

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open the king of England's eyes. His prayer was answered, for one year later, this same King Henry VIII commanded the Bible to be published in England and appointed to be read by all of the people. The English Bible came into being at a fearful price.

A risky translation

In our nation today, bringing the Bible to people is not so dangerous a vocation. It can be bought in any department store, found in any motel or hotel, purchased at newsstands in paperback. Every public library carries a variety of translations and editions. Brides carry white Bibles as they walk down the nuptial aisle. There is little danger today in producing, selling, or owning this book.

Yet, perhaps this atmosphere of polite acceptance is deceptive. Perhaps there is as much resistance as ever to its message. There is at least one translation that may experience some resistance.

Four clergymen were discussing the merits of various Bible translations. One preferred the King James Version because of its matchless Elizabethan English. Another chose the Revised Version of 1881 because of its literal and accurate translations of the original languages. James Moffatt's version was chosen by a third because of its up-to-date vocabulary. The fourth, however, said: "I like my mother's translation best."

"Your mother?" someone exclaimed, "I didn't know your mother made a translation." "Oh yes," was the reply, "she translated it into life, and it was the most convincing translation I ever saw."

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NOW IS THE TIME...

By Max Smith
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To Spray New Alfalfa Seedlings

Spring seedlings of alfalfa that were made without a nurse crop, and a herbicide such as Eptam, not used just prior to seeding, should be sprayed with 2, 4, D-B when the growth is 1 to 2 inches high. At this stage the weeds are easier to kill with the recommended amount of material. Many growers will not notice many weeds at this stage and delay spraying until the weeds are larger and thicker, and then it is too late. Spray when the weeds are small to get control and to get a good stand.

To Be Careful With Fertilizer Placement

Again we caution against the placing of nitrogen or potash

fertilizer in direct contact with either seeds or plant roots. Both of these fertilizer elements will injure sprouts and roots and reduce stands. Seeds that have been inoculated such as legumes and soybeans should be seeded separately from the fertilizer.

To Be Careful With Treated Seeds

In most cases there is some seeds left after the planting of any crop; most of these seeds have been treated with chemicals to control insects or diseases and may poison livestock and poultry. They should not be left lying around the barn or garage where children or livestock can get to them. Store them in the original bag or container.