

My Typewriter Talks

by THE REV.
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Our pastor, the Rev. Donald Schalk gave a fine sermon the 11th of this month which turned out to be on "Christianity in Action," although his published theme was "The Story of the Widow's Mite." It was the story of Nesbitt Memorial Hospital's current campaign for capital funds for enlarging and modernization.

Probably every member of our congregation knew by experience something about this fine center of healing. When I was pastor here from 1936 to 1946 I made many visits to this hospital. During some of those years our daughter Dorothy was a student nurse and graduate from the school of nursing.

Thelma DeWitt was one of the instructors, and now is superintendent of the school of nursing. She was a Mt. Zion girl. Emma Parrish, now Mrs. Edward Miles was one of the nurses at the admissions entrance at the time when I was wheeled in as a patient. In those days there were no so many ambulances available and often I brought patients to the hospital. Occasionally I was an observer in the operating room in the days when the late Dr. Gideon Howell was a prominent surgeon. Years of visits made me aware of the quality and value of this small but efficient hospital in this community.

Years of my retirement have found me twice a patient in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. The care given me both times has made me realize the friendliness of the personnel toward the patient.

It costs a lot to build and maintain a hospital, to educate its nurses, to attract good physicians and surgeons, laboratory technicians, dieticians, and equip every facility with scientific instruments. Nothing in a hospital is free. Somebody has to pay for it. Somebody has to pay for the concrete, the bricks, the steel, the architects.

Somebody!

Probably I cannot remember all the nurses from around here who got their professional training at Nesbitt. There was Sandra Smith, Ruth Smith, I think, and Jane Lewis Lloyd, Phyllis Seiple, now Mrs. Wayne Rickert, Mrs. James Bonnie, Dymond Hollow, Dorothy Gilbert.

One cannot think of healing apart from the story of Jesus in his work in Galilee. Whether the doctor or nurse or technician individually thinks or himself or herself as an instrument in the hands of God for healing they are always in my mind as such and doing the work of Christ. I have been asked, "Do you believe in divine healing?" My answer is another question, "What other kind is there?"

TAXES!

Ever since I can remember I have heard people complain about high taxes. I used to hear it in country stores of my rural parishes. I don't complain so much about taxes as I go about my difficulty in computing my own. My figures have been lying around my study for weeks waiting to be added and subtracted and percentified. Last year when I could get them together I took them with me to a tax consultant and let him put them into some kind of I-OWE-YOU for me. This year it was worse. I couldn't seem to analyze and organize them and they became my symbol for a headache that would have to have more than aspirin to cure.

Form 1040 this year made out it was a simple matter to compute the tax just on the one sheet. Unless—and I came in for the "unless"—and the man go to his files for sheet after sheet, I should say schedule after schedule, a letter of the alphabet for each one.

On his desk was what looked like a huge blotter, only it wasn't. It was a pad of figur-

ing sheets with some columns at one edge. He figured all over that sheet. When I left I think he had to tear that off and begin a new one.

We were at it over an hour, I should say that he was at it. I didn't intend to do any of the work, that was for him to do... I hope when I get to the end of those 22 years that will bring me to the first century mark I will be through with computations of taxes!

When he got through I had the information that what I had yet to pay (I had paid on my estimated tax the first three quarters of the year) was more than twice as much as my last quarter was expected to be. But I couldn't, and didn't feel like arguing with the man. I hadn't watched his upside down figuring for I wouldn't have known any more if I did!

So I paid what I owed him for doing the work and went home to await the coming of the form from the revenue office which all I would have to do would be make out the check and send it in.

A few hours after I got home there came a phone call from this office telling me he made a big mistake in his figuring (he must be just like me!) and my payment to the revenue office would be about half of what my last payment on the estimated tax was instead of more than twice as much! Now if his revised figures are approved by the revenue office I will be very happy. So I am waiting and hoping I can pay the remaining tax and still leave something in my checking account.

One thing I have learned about this tax business and its possible deductions for contributions I am paying all my contributions by check so as to be able to verify them on the day of reckoning if necessary. It doesn't sound very much like New Testament words on giving when I insist on credit being given for every contribution I make! So I can use it as an income tax deduction! When I think of how large part of tax money goes to shoot more people (even before they get a chance to shoot us!) I am glad to figure some tax deductibles as going for religious, educational and charitable purposes.

Local tax money of our county that goes to support and provide for the care of those in our county home I think is a good cause. Also for the support of our schools of our area, and for teachers' salaries.

My typewriter is done talking for this week.

Only I should not omit informing my readers how near spring is to our hills. What is my unfulfilling sign? The arrival of the first plant catalogue! Seed catalogues will follow and my daughter with the green thumb devours them. She recalls "way back when" Howard Risley of abiding memory used to sit down on the floor even when it was press day at The Dallas Post and open the parcels of new roses he would be setting out as soon as the hurrying spring days would allow.

This catalogue delighted Catherine with its copy writer's use of appropriate English to describe these out-of-this-world's plants. To many modern writers and speakers seem not to know the possibilities of the English language, knowing too much about the lazy habit of using their knowledge of profanity instead of adequate description. "Forge about grandmother's lovely carnations... these are bigger, far more glorious in color... so much beauty for such little effort!" or "Quick flowering! Bears crops while still very young!"

When I look out our front window through the Glass House of colorful and budding possibilities I can understand Cathy's delight with each new plant or seed catalogue that comes. She knows something of the possibilities in doing things with plants. She has surprise seeds in it. I am supposed to guess what they are when they first show their little heads above the soil. She is quite proud of her two chestnut trees she grew from seed. As one who remembers when chestnuts used to drop from such trees in the fall of the year I, too, look with interest and hope at the progress of these young trees still small enough to live in the house.

Now, typewriter, you can go for this time.

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