



## BOTH WISHES CAME TRUE . . .

Payson picked up the wishbone that lay on the edge of his plate.

"Come on, Dan", he said to his cousin, who had eaten dinner with him. "Let's go outside and make a wish."

Payson's sister Marian followed, to join in the fun. The boys grabbed the ends of the wishbone, screwed up their faces, and pulled.

Crack! It broke, and Palson held the larger piece. Dan's face fell for a moment; then he shrugged his shoulders, and said:

"What's the difference? My wish wouldn't come true, anyway."

Payson asked, "Would you mind telling us your wish?"

"Might as well, since I've lost. I wish I would pass in arithmetic."

Payson and Marian knew of Dan's difficulty in arithmetic, and had that very morning wondered what they could do to help him.

"You and I can't be in the same room together if I don't pass to the next grade," said Dan, regretfully.

"You mustn't give up," said Marian. "Anyway, I don't think the wishbone could help. You should take your troubles to God in prayer."

"Don't you believe in wishing?" inquired Dan.

"Of course I do — wish all you like, but you'll have to help your wish along by doing something about it—and my idea is to ask God's help."

"Yes," said Payson, "Marian has the right idea. Just wishing is lazy. If you really want something, you must work for it, too. When the going gets tough, take it to Jesus, and ask His help."

"That's the way to talk," said Marian, with a gentle punch of approval. "Now we've ironed out the wrinkled problem, and it will be clear sailing for you, Dan."

"Marian always knows the answers and she's only a year older than we," said Dan, with great admiration for his cousin.

"Only a year," Marian teased, "that is 365 days. What do you suppose I've been doing all that time? Learning things, of course."

With thumbs thrust into her jumper pockets, she strutted in front of the boys, who laughed at her funny antics.

Payson pulled out his lower lip, as he often did when figuring out a real problem. "One thing about just wishing is that it's usually for something for oneself, and I believe that a good wish for somebody else is the most likely to come true."

He did not want Dan to fall behind in school, so he decided to change his own wish for skates, in favor of Dan's wish for a passing grade in arithmetic. He would do as Marian had suggested — help the wish along, by helping Dan.

"Let's study our arithmetic together, Dan," suggested Payson.

"Swell, if you're willing," Dan replied with

## Bad Bargains

A Sunday school teacher once remarked that he who buys truth makes a good bargain, and inquired if any scholar recollected an instance in Scripture of anyone making a bad bargain.

"I do," replied a boy. "Esau made a bad bargain when he sold his birthright for a mess of pottage."

A second said, "Judas made a bad bargain when he sold his Lord for thirty pieces of silver."

A third replied, "Ananias and Sapphira made a bad bargain when they sold their land and then told Peter a falsehood about it."

A fourth observed, "Our Lord tells us that he makes a bad bargain who, to gain the whole world, loses his own soul."—"Children's Friend."

## FOR USE

A soap manufacturer, not a Christian, was talking with a minister. Said the soap-maker, "The Gospel you preach hasn't done much good, for there's still a lot of wickedness and wicked people."

The preacher made no immediate reply, but they soon passed a child making mud pies. He was exceedingly dirty. It was then the preacher's turn and so he said, "Soap hasn't done much good in the world, I see, for there's still much dirt and many dirty people."

"Oh well," answered the manufacturer, "soap is useful only when it is applied."

"Exactly," was the minister's reply; "so it is with the Gospel we proclaim."—Australian Baptist.

## YOUTH RALLY AT OLD TOWN, ME.

Due to the fact that we are so far from Sandford, and our Young People unable to attend the Denominational Young People's Rally, we have planned a Rally here in Old Town with several of our churches co-operating.

Three great services on Memorial Day, May 30th—10.30 a. m., 2.30 p. m., 7.00 p. m.

The morning service will be led by Mr. Roy Farley with Rev. J. A. Moses as speaker, Old Town's former pastor.

The afternoon service at 2.30 p. m. will be led by one of the Young People from the Presque Isle Church with Rev. M. W. Bagley as speaker.

The evening service at 7.00 p. m. will be led by one of the Young People from the Crystal and Belvedere Churches. The speaker will be Rev. J. A. Blinn.

Those who play a musical instrument please bring it with them.

Hoping and praying for a grand day in the Lord.

Evelyn McGeorge, Y. P. Pres.

## "TO THE WORK!"

A life of service, fearlessly and happily rendered; with a heart that belongs to Him, and conduct that glorifies Him; lived out in His conscious presence, and lasting to our last day on earth: that is the purpose He has for His people, that is the aim of His salvation, which must be ours if we would satisfy His heart, and fulfil His good will for us.

Hubert Brooke.

a happy grin.

"Maybe you could help me in grammer—and do I need it!" said Payson.

Children's Friend.

## OBITUARY

The church at Royalton feels the loss of our only deacon very keenly. He passed away very suddenly in the St. John Hospital. Mr. Bordman W. Burke had been a faithful follower of our Lord for many years, also a stand-by in the church. Rev. L. Hicks brought the message; a number of other ministers also took part in the service. He leaves to mourn, his wife, and one son, to whom we extend our deepest sympathy, but we know that our loss is his gain.

We pray that God will raise up some men to fill the gap in the work of the Lord.

A. L. Stairs

Funeral service was held for the late Cpl. Carleton V. Agrelle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rethell L. Agrelle, of Old Town. The service was conducted by the writer, with a military service at the cemetery.

Cpl. Agrelle died August 10 1951, while in a Red prison camp in Korea. Surviving are his parents, four brothers, Paul, William, Wayne and Rodney; and one sister, Mrs. Ralph Daigle, of Costigan. May the God of all grace give strength to sorrowing hearts.

H. O. McGeorge

Funeral services of Dugald McClean, Black's Harbour, were held from his late home to Calvary Baptist Church, where an overflow crowd was in attendance to pay their respects to a worthy citizen of Black's Harbour, and one who will be much missed in the Community. Interment was in the local cemetery. Our sincere sympathy to the bereaved.

Fraser A. Dunlop

## WEDDINGS

Jeffery-Bradford — On April 5th Bertha Yvonne Bradford and Irving Thomas Jeffery were united in marriage by me. This was a church wedding.

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McVicar-Williamson — On the evening of April 23rd Reta Myra Williamson and Ralph Eugene McVicar were united in marriage by me at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Williamson, Black's Harbour.

Fraser A. Dunlop

## H. R. INGERSOLL'S SLATE

May 1 - 15—Home Missions.

May 31 - June 12—Gordonsville, N. B.

June 14 - 26—Killams Mills, N. B.

## "MOMENTS OF MEDITATION" FROM CJCH HALIFAX, N. S.

Rev. Ralph Hobson is conducting a weekly broadcast, "Moments of Meditation," from radio station CJCH, Halifax, N. S., 920 Kilocycles, each Saturday at 7.45 a.m.

## MORNING DEVOTIONS BROADCAST FROM CFNB, FREDERICTON, N. B. 8.30 - 9.00 A. M.

Rev. G. R. Symonds, 10th of each month.

Rev. H. S. Wilson—19th of each month.

Rev. B. C. Cochrane, 27th of each month.

Rev. J. A. Owens, 30th of each month.