



WINNERS.—These nine young scientist had top displays in the Science Fair held here Friday, and are eligible to enter the State Fair in April. Front row are winners in the biological division, left to right: Preston Somers, Sue Elledge, Mary Alice Huss, Linda Jo Bennett, Jane Waldrop; back row, physical science: Patricia McIntosh, Roddy Morrow, Robert Biggs, and Clyde Hollifield.

15 Expected To Die In Easter Accidents

Charlotte—The N. C. State Motor Club estimates that at least 15 persons will die in traffic accidents on North Carolina highways during the Easter weekend.

Highway fatalities for the holiday period will be counted from 6 p. m. Friday through midnight Monday. The state's Easter traffic toll last year added up to 12 killed and 335 injured in 594 accidents.

Of the 619 driver violations reported, the leading causes of accidents were speeding, failure to yield right of way, following too closely, driving under the influence of alcohol and driving on the wrong side of the road other than in passing.

North Carolina's highway deaths for the first three months of this year are running neck and neck with the pace set in 1960, when the traffic toll reached 1,220, second highest on record. It was exceeded only in 1941, when 1,289 persons were killed.

Thomas B. Watkins, president

Beeswax Has Many Uses

Women can thank the bee for helping to beautify them.

The cosmetics industry is the biggest single user of beeswax in the nation. It's an ingredient in face creams, lotions, ointments, lipstick, rouges and other cosmetics.

"There are many other uses for this end product of the bee—so many that each year the U. S. has to import millions of pounds of beeswax," says W. A. Stephen, beekeeper for the N. C. State College Extension Service. "From four to five million pounds a year are produced in the U. S."

Dentists use it in preparing inlays and other dental fixtures; tailors and cobblers use it on thread; canvas-makers waterproof their product with it; manufacturers of electric wiring use it in wire insulation.

Beeswax once was a common source of light. Even today, all candles used in Roman Catholic churches are made mostly of beeswax.

"The fact that it's of virgin origin makes it especially attractive to the church," says Stephen. "And the purity of its light and pleasant aroma add to its significance."

The beekeeper himself is a consumer of beeswax. Many thousands of pounds are used every year in making foundations for beehives.

"Beeswax is unsurpassed today for the qualities which made it so useful to the ancients," says Stephen, "and we use more of it all the time."

Correct Covering For Kitchen, Bathroom Walls Is Important

Kitchen and bathroom walls need so much more cleaning than most other walls of the house that they usually are subject to more severe wear. Often the wall finish or covering is replaced because of damage caused by cleaning. One quality important for the wall-surrounding materials used in these rooms is resistance to scrubbing damage.

The Texas Experiment Station recently conducted an experiment as part of the southern region housing research project.

They tested 10 types of materials by scrubbing with three familiar kinds of washing powders for 30 minutes. A scrubbing machine which applied the cleanser with a damp sponge was devised for uniformity in these tests.

The cleaning powders used were (1) non-abrasive and water-soluble mixture, (2) mild abrasive and (3) moderately strong abrasive. Wall materials tested ranged from ceramic, plastic and various metal tiles to finished wall boards, fabrics and sheetings.

All wall materials tested had good resistance to scrubbing with the non-abrasive cleanser. No damage to any of the glossy surfaces was noted.

In contrast, scrubbing with abrasive or scouring-powders was found to damage the surface or the gloss of many of the materials. The mild and the moderately strong abrasives caused similar damage.

The ceramic tiles, porcelain-on-steel, stainless steel and vinylized fabric showed little change from scrubbing with any of the three cleaners. Plastic tiles, flexible rub-

ber and enameled steel showed some change after abrasive scrubbing.

Prefinished wallboard, enameled steel, thermoplastic laminated sheeting and copper tiles showed the most damage from abrasive cleaning. Generally, materials finished with a high gloss showed the most change after scrubbing.

In Fashion Now

Jacket suits are quite popular this spring. The jackets are short—just as they were during the fall and winter. They end at the waistline or come as low as the hip line.

Necklines are coming in for a lot of attention. A good many necklines on dresses and suits are opened up and filled with pearls, gold chains or crystal beads. Spring dresses sport touches of chiffon for all kinds of fanciful effects.

SUPPORTS TRUCK TAXES

Treasury Secretary Dillon told Congress recently that both Federal and state studies clearly show heavy trucks should pay a greater share of the cost of the Federal superhighway system.

Dillon and Commerce Secretary Hodges opened the Kennedy Administration's case for new taxes to bring in an estimated \$900,000,000 annually and keep the pay-as-you-go highway program on schedule.

Safe Entrance Is Important

If you plan to remodel porches or other entryways to your home, consider safety in planning. One suggestion is that the entrance landing should be at least 5 by 7 feet. Allow two feet of standing space on the latch side of the door. This gives enough space for a person to stand without having to step off when the door swings.

If there are one or more steps, provide both a hand rail for the steps and a guard rail around the porch platform. It's best to have an overhead protection to prevent rain, ice or snow from piling up on steps or landing. An outdoor light is needed that makes it possible to see steps and landing clearly after dark.

The treads of the steps should be wide enough to provide secure, steady placing of the entire foot. A usual rule for safe steps is to have the width of the tread and the height of the riser combined equal about 18 inches with the tread measuring about 11½ inches.

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JFK ASKS LATIN AID

President Kennedy has urged Congress to provide \$600,000,000 as the first step in aid to Latin America. He said there is "grave and imminent danger that desperate peoples will turn to communism or other forms of tyranny" if help is not forthcoming.

He wants the Latin American countries to join with the U. S. in a massive drive to improve living

conditions and thereby help oust "tyranny from a hemisphere in which is has no rightful place."

U. S. Marines, famous for their heroic amphibious landings of World War II, mounted camels in 1903 to escort an American diplomatic mission into Abyssinia.

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Hearing On Bank Opening Delayed

An April 19 hearing on Northwestern Bank's request that it be permitted to open a branch bank in Elkin has been postponed, Ben Roberts, state banking commissioner, said.

Roberts said the hearing was postponed because he had had insufficient time in which to investigate the request.

A public hearing has been tentatively set for the early part of July in Elkin, he said. Following this hearing, Northwestern Bank's request will be considered at the State Banking Commission in July at Raleigh.

Rufus Edmisten Gets Honor At UNC

Rufus Edmisten, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Edmisten of Boone, was re-elected to the Student Legislature at the University of North Carolina at recent campus elections.

Mr. Edmisten won over eight other candidates. There are only forty Legislators for the entire University.

Mr. Edmisten was also elected to the Inter-Dorm Council for a second term.

YOUTHS STEAL FIRE TRUCK

Crandall, Texas—Three youths stole the city's fire truck and raced over the north central Texas countryside with the siren screaming and the red light flashing.

They were followed by four youths in a car thinking it would lead them to a fire.

The three youths in the fire truck though the car following them was officers. They turned the truck into deadend road, two fled and one waited for police to arrest him.

Goldberg gratified by action in Congress.



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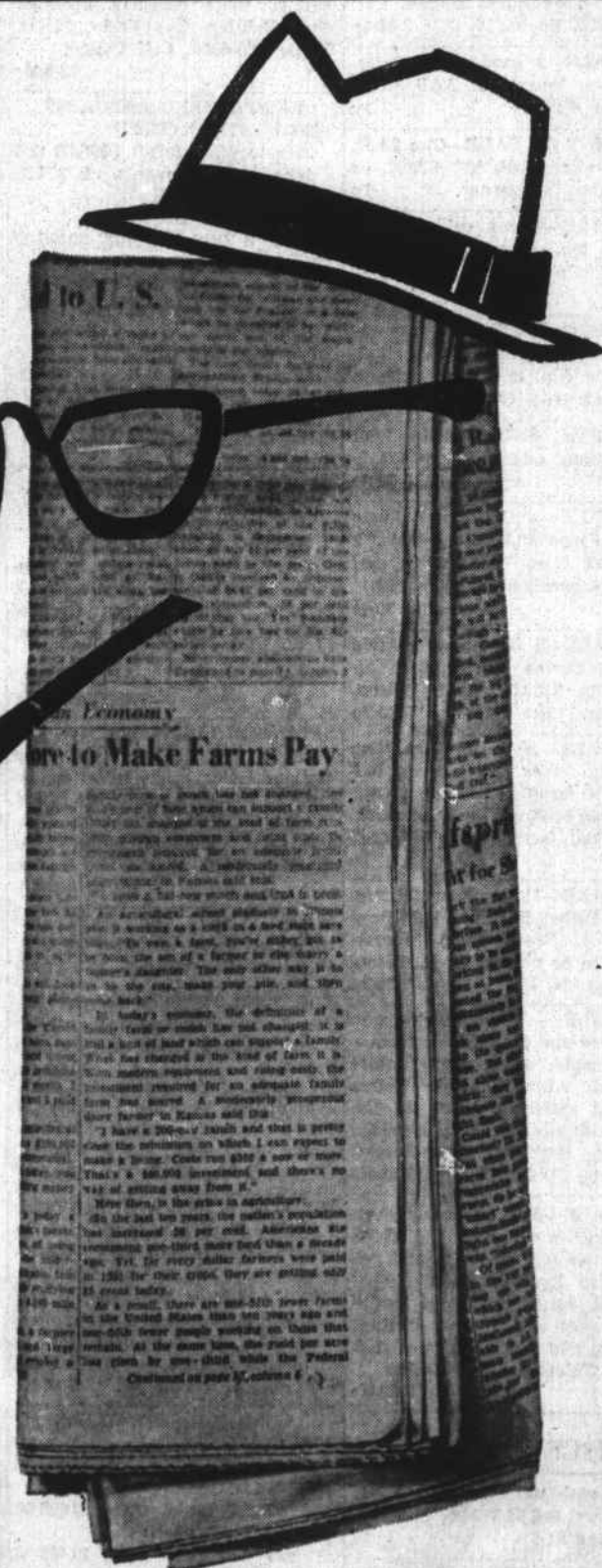
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