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Congress Is Giving Teacher A Hard Time



KING STREET

BY ROB RIVERS

Thirteen . . . Unlucky?

The other morning we got out bright and early to view the country for a few miles, and came mighty near having a collision. . . Before we got back, the little motor car, which we cherish in a sort of seventh-grade fashion, developed a ping, which became more noisy all the while, and which we found was due to the leaking out of the oil in the engine. . . When we got back to the office, we noticed by the calendar pad it was Friday the thirteenth. . . In spite, however, of the portents of bad luck, we didn't hit the other car, and our motor once again hummed sweetly when she had some oil in her whizzing innards.

FRIDAY AND THE THIRTEENTH have been traditionally viewed with alarm by the superstitious, and when the sixth day of the week coincides with thirteen something mighty grievous is said to be ready to march on the stage of human existence. . . Friday has been traditionally we believe, the day of executions, even from the time of the crucifixion. . . In the days of the court house hangings in North Carolina, a condemned man walked up the thirteen steps to meet the Sheriff and his rope, and to plunge through the trap into the mysteries of eternity on a dismal Friday. . . When the narrow gauge railroad bought a new engine after the rails came into Boone, they had engines four, eight, nine, ten, eleven and twelve, but the new one came through with fourteen on the head of the boiler. . . Of course she got ruined in a roundhouse fire in Alaska, anyway, so giving her a skipped number didn't help her.

book of stamps. I put them some place where they'd be easy to find. Some logical spot, no doubt."

WHEN RICHARD found the postage he helped us mightily on this week's column.

Favors For The Living

MRS. AUD WARD fetches us a couple of tomatoes from her garden which grew to a fantastic size. . . Our thanks to her. . . Sometimes we get cheese from Mrs. Ward, the kind she makes herself and which used to be made generally by Watauga ladies, and sold regularly in all general stores. . . When courtweek came and there were no restaurants, the stores in Boone needed to have plenty of crackers ready for the folks who didn't bring along their vittles.

Uncle Pinkney

HIS PALAVERIN'S

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

I was reading a piece in the papers where one of them Wall Street experts was advising folks to "build a second income." He was claiming the national economy was getting to the place where one wasn't enough. . . This fellow must have got lost crossing the New Frontier because we been in that fix for a long time now. It got started back during the second World War when Sadie took a job on the swing shift to help out on the war effort. When the war was over, prices got so high that Sadie had to stay on the swing shift to make both ends meet.

Fer instant, I saw some figgers the other day where six married women out of ever 100 was holding down jobs in 1940 and now 38 out of ever 100 was working full time helping with the family expenses, and they was predicting that in another 10 years about three-fourths of all married women in the nation would be coming home with a payroll check.

Furthermore, it ain't only the wimmen folks that is working on this "second income" project. I was reading a piece from the U. S. Labor Department that announced they was 3 million men in this country holding down one full time job and one part time job, and another 75,000 was holding down two full time jobs, working 8 hours on one and doing another 8 hours somewhere else.

I was raised up in the old school, Mister Editor, when a woman's place was in the home, as the old saying goes, but with the taxpayers trying to keep up the interest on a \$300 billion debt, old fashioned field tomatoes costing 25 cents a pound, and a pair of \$2 shoes costing \$18, most wimmen staying home ain't going to have no home very long.

This "second income" is a way of life that's been sneaking up on this generation of Americans and ain't had much publicity, but it is coming full bloom and this feller Wall Street is way behind the times.

Incidental, this new "equal pay" fer wimmen law the Congress passed is liable to foree more men into the two-job column. I was reading where one big manufacturer claimed it cost 30 per cent more to hire wimmen than men, on account of the constant turnover in wimmen employees. He allowed as how his firm was cutting way down on hiring wimmen and replacing 'em with men.

"I DON'T THINK steel filing cabinets—complete with a secretary to keep them in order—will ever replace editors and their roll-top desks.

"HERE'S HOPING you will be able to find things in your new quarters.

"Sincerely, RICHARD A. PENCE, Editor.

P. S. I'm going to mail this as soon as I can find that Yours truly, UNCLE PINKNEY.

Incredible Hatred

There will always be contentions and ill-will, it would appear, between some segments of the human race, and there will also be degrees of segregation, not alone by color necessarily, but between groups in all race categories, based on cultural attainment, on economic accomplishment, and on individual preference. But from where we sit we can't understand why so much hatred and bitterness should develop in the civil rights controversy—so much so, in fact, that four young Negro girls should have been blasted into eternity while they were going about their worship of the God of us all, in their own church in Birmingham Sunday. This act of unprecedented hatred and violence triggered the death of two more young Negroes the same day.

In a nearby church, attended only by whites, the minister announced the tragic crime, and asked that those concerned come to the altar rail and pray. All of the more than

five hundred responded. As in the case with all crimes, this act was not committed by the better element of Birmingham's citizenry, no matter how much they may be opposed to intergration, but rather by elements of what has been traditionally known as "white trash" in the South. However, it no less reflects on all people, to the extent that no man, from any region, should be expected to reach the degree of depravity necessary to perform such a heinous act against civilization itself.

Whenever people can't be secure in their churches and in their homes in this citadel of culture, there's something rotten. We deplore the death of these children, and would suggest that those enemies of their race who perpetrated this dastardly crime, have unwittingly given added impetus to the civil rights movement. We shall hope that when they are apprehended, they pay the supreme penalty.

Parents Can Help Student Record

Most young people, like most adults, rarely operate at full capacity, but parents can take steps to help the child who is classed by educators as an "underachiever," according to Changing Times, the Kiplinger Magazine.

An article in the magazine states that about half of all able boys and a quarter of all able girls are in this category—bright youngsters whose marks show they are not doing as well as they should.

"Lack of interest in school, rebellion, frustration and personal psychological problems are causes of underachievement," the article continues. "So are unsympathetic teachers and unsympathetic parents. Boys need approval from their fathers plus the knowledge that their fathers respect education. They need to

gain independence from their mothers. Girls need expressions of love from their fathers, and mothers who are not dominating and not dissatisfied with their role as wife and mother."

In boys, the tendency toward underachievement shows up as early as the first grade and usually is pretty clear by the third or fourth, according to Changing Times. Girls aren't generally spotted until the sixth grade. "Though many an underachiever appears to be sailing blithely along, most are deeply concerned about failure and are disappointed in themselves, their teachers and their parents," the article notes. "They know they could be doing better but don't know why they should or how to get themselves to make the effort."

Trees Vital To Parks

Since more than seventy millions of people will have visited our National parks before the current year is ended, we are reminded, that to keep our parks in top condition, a tremendous amount of behind-the-scenes work is done by foresters and other personnel of the National Park Service.

With these millions of people coming to the parks every year for a picnic, a week of camping, or to feast their eyes on the beautiful scenery, we are reminded that trees are an important ingredient in the over-all value of these National areas or recreation. And one of the big jobs of Forest Service personnel is guarding the forests against fires.

The trees, too, fall prey sometimes

to insects and diseases, which actually are said to kill seven times as many trees as forest fires. Foresters, we are told, use a variety of cultural practices and chemicals to hold this damage to a minimum.

Chemicals, of course, are being used by others than Park Service personnel to control insects, such as ticks and mosquitoes, and to keep ponds and waterways free of weeds. Foresters and scientists in government and industry are working to keep our national forest resources in top condition for the public benefit.

Visitors to wooded areas, whether in the Parks or not, are asked to be careful with fire when they visit the painted forests this fall.

From Early Democrat Files

Sixty Years Ago

September 16, 1903. W. R. Lovill has completed a new road to his Jones farm from the Silverstone side, and he reports an exceedingly good grade, for a mountain road.

John S. Williams, who is teaching on Elk, was in town Monday. He has discontinued his school for a period of two weeks, the foddering season.

Rev. L. C. Wilson will fill his regular appointments at the Baptist church in Boone next Sunday at 11 a. m. and at night.

Mrs. Leah Dougherty of Russellville, Tenn., is visiting relatives here.

T. J. Sullivan is repainting the pretty residence of J. F. Hardin in East Boone.

Attorney Frank A. Linney and wife spent a part of last week in Jefferson.

Mrs. Frank Norris of Soda Hill is visiting her parents in Boone.

Miss Edna Holsclaw of Vilas, has returned to Davenport College.

Mr. R. K. Bryan, who has spent several years in the west, spent Sunday and Monday of this week with his parents here, leaving Tuesday for Jacksonville, Fla. He has succeeded well, is in the best of health, and we were all glad to see him again.

Messrs. Roy Brown, Jerry Day, O. L. Hardin, Henry Perry, Romy Storie and L. E. Farthing, six of Watauga's brightest men, have entered the University of North Carolina it being

Thirty-Nine Years Ago

September 18, 1924. Mrs. S. C. Eggers is visiting relatives and friends in the Sutherland section this week.

Miss Lucy Ray, attractive little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ray of Tayloria, Pa. has been spending several days here with her cousin, Miss Pauline McGhee. She left for her home Friday of last week.

Miss Virginia Council, teacher in the consolidated school at Banner Elk spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Council in Boone. The young lady is highly pleased with her position and speaks favorably of the good people of that delightful section.

Mrs. Mary Graybeal, wife of Dr. Avery Graybeal of Grassy Creek, Ashe county, with her two handsome sons, has been a visitor at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. M. Payne. The doctor is expected up the last of the week for his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Duward Hartley and daughter Ann, of Los Angeles, Calif., have been visiting for ten days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hartley of Vilas. Other recent visitors in the Hartley home were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hartley and son Jeff of Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boone spent the week end at the home of Mrs. Esther S. Boone. They will visit relatives in Georgia before going to Boston, Mass. where Mr. Boone will enter Harvard University.

Mrs. B. G. Teams and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Triplett returned home Saturday after spending 10 days with Mrs. Team's daughter, Mrs. Emory Sylvester and Mr. Sylvester of Madison, Wis.

Mrs. Pearl Hartley, who has spent her vacation period at her home in Boone, left Thursday on her return to Fremont, N. C. where she will teach during the current school term.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Heffner, of Glen Alpine, announce the birth of a son on September 8th, at Grace Hospital, Morganton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Isaacs left Sunday for Robbins, N. C. where Mr. Isaacs will be athletic coach in the Robbins high school.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Adams of Wilmington, Del. are guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Angel this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendal Wilson left Tuesday for Athens, Ga. after spending a few days with Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Cooke.

Mr. A. E. Hodges, Jr. and Mr. Ralph Hodges left Saturday for Richmond, Va. where they will enter the University of Richmond.

Miss Wanda Hodges left Sunday for Norfolk, Va. after spending 10 days vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hodges.

Just One Thing

By CARL GOERCH

AFTER ANOTHER

There has been some speculation over the years as to the origin of the State motto, "Esse quam videri."

Francis Paschal, loyal alumnus of Wake Forest College, has this to say on the subject and he may be right.

"I think it probable that the Philomathean Society of Wake Forest was the agency directly responsible for the adoption of the State motto.

"Since 1835 these words—'Esse quam videri'—have been the motto of the society. In those days there was a much wider interest in such organizations, so it is only natural that the motto should have become generally known.

"Of course, the words were not original with the society, as you probably know without my telling you. Aeschylus, the Greek poet, had exactly the same idea in his works, and also the Roman historian, Sallust, in his 'The War with Cataline.' Iiv, in speaking of Cato, has the identical words: 'Esse quam videri bonus malebat.'

The General Assembly of 1893 adopted the words as the State's motto and directed that these words, with the date '20 May, 1775' should be placed upon our coat of arms upon the Great Seal of North Carolina.

"Nearly every state has adopted a motto, generally in Latin. The reason for their mottoes being in Latin is that the Latin tongue is far more condensed and terse than the English. The three words, 'Esse quam videri' requires at least six English words to express the same idea."

And in case you don't know your Latin, the translation of the State motto is "To be rather than to seem."

Mr. Ed Kanipe of Asheville calls our attention to the following bit of interesting information:

"During the 1897 session of the Legislature in Raleigh, State Senator James Hyatt, Yancey County, introduced the first bill in the state favoring woman suffrage. The members of the Senate voted to have the bill referred to the Committee on Insane Institutions."

We often think that we know where every town and village in North Carolina is located and then something happens which shows up our ignorance.

For instance, the other day we received a letter from Edwin Pate. On this letterhead it stated that Z. V. Pate, Inc., operates stores at Gibson, Laurel Hill, Osborne and Purvis, N. C. We certainly drew a blank on Osborne and Purvis.

The town of Marshall, 'way up in the western part of the State, has many individual characteristics, but we believe that the outstanding one is its high school building. So far as we know, the Marshall High School is the only school in the State that is located in the middle of a river.

As the various candidates announce for governor, to be nominated in the primary next spring, we couldn't help thinking of the way it was done in the good old days. The Democrats got together in convention and nominated the man they wanted to represent them in the election.

The convention system of nominating Democratic candidates for Governor continued through 1912. However, in that year, Craig had no opposition, so he was merely certified by the convention as the Democratic candidate. In his address to the Legislature in January, 1913, he strongly recommended the primary system for nominating Governors.