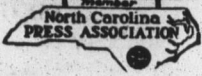


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Sorry Postal Service

Edentonians, like people in many other cities, are complaining about the postal service, and they have a perfect right to complain.

The new regulations of the Postmaster General's order of April 17, curtailing mail service have now gone into effect. This curtailment was made in the name of economy. What has happened, in brief, is that the Post Office Department, to save 70 millions dollars out of a 2 1/2 billion dollar budget, has cut home deliveries to one a day and stopped collecting mail in most places after 7 P. M. It has also closed windows in post offices that used to take mail in the evening and on week-ends. It has discontinued readdressing of letters mis-addressed and cut parcel post delivery to once a day. The mail still goes through, but it takes much longer. A letter that used to arrive overnight may be in the mails several days now.

The Morrison Bill HR 8196 to rescind the Post Office Department's cuts in mail service was recently approved by the House Post Office Committee. A similar measure S 3560 has been approved by the Senate Committee. They now await action in both houses.

Local Post Office employees are not to blame for the poor mail service, for they must comply with regulations. The only way to make wishes known is to write three letters, one to each United States Senator and one to the Representative in Congress. If you want to see postal cuts removed and full service restored, write the three letters. Complaining to local postal employees does no more good than barking up a tree.

The local postal situation was aired at a recent Rotary Club meeting, at which time Postmaster C. E. Kramer was asked to explain why service in Edenton has become so sorry under the economy movement.

As a matter of fact, The Herald has learned that local post office employees had worked out a plan whereby the delivery service would not have been affected and in reality as much or even more economy would have been realized. But because the plan did not conform to the regulations as set up by the order, the plan was disapproved, and, of course, we have what we have in the way of postal service. The situation is embarrassing to Edenton postal employees, for complaint after complaint has been registered with Postmaster Kramer. But because of "regulations" Edenton and other cities are the victims of poor service.

Truth is an interesting objective for human research but it is what many people fear the most.

The world might be a great deal better if some people were not so anxious to prevent anybody else from succeeding.

HEARD & SEEN

By "BUFF"

If anybody gets near Miss Frances Tillett, please do not pinch her. She is so thrilled at being in the new Chowan Hospital that she says it's just like a dream—and she doesn't want to wake up. I've been especially invited to go out and look the new hospital over, and I'm going to do it as soon as I get a few minutes to spare. That will be one time I'll be able to walk out the door without stopping at the cashier's desk to fork out a check or cash for being in the hospital.

Speaking about the hospital folks, I have a great deal of sympathy for the whole shebang. They just recently moved and so have I. If they hate moving as much as I do, they're a weary bunch of folks. I'm not fixed up yet and neither are they. Shucks, let's have a house warming together—when both places are fixed up.

If Policeman J. H. Allsbrook smells a bit musty, it is all because he hasn't taken a bath. And if he hasn't taken a bath it is because he is using his bathtub for a fishing pond. He went out fishing the other day and besides catching three fish about the size of a finger, he caught a nice bass. This one didn't get away, so he took the fish home, filled the bathtub with water and gave the bass a new home. To say the least, he gets a thrill watching his catch swimming around in the tub (he says he put it there for the benefit of his little daughter). At any rate, if he comes across with another story about catching another bass, I want to make an inspection of his bathtub to see if the fish is missing.

The Wright Memorial at Kitty Hawk is a good thing to learn if old age is creeping up on a fellow. Last week I took some relatives to Roanoke Island to see "The Lost Colony" and, of course, we climbed the stairs to the top of the monument. Next morning the old knees felt sore, but then I know of some younger people who felt just as stiff as I did.

And speaking about Nags Head and before some Edenton people send out a report, I got stuck in the sand and proper near the road leading to the monument. In turning around, the wheels of my car went off the hard surface and I was stuck with a capital S. A few Edenton people passed while two of us were digging in the sand to place some boards under the wheels, so that I thought I better report before some exaggerated news comes out of Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bond appear sort of heavy-hearted lately, for they have lost their pet dog. The dog is a black female with white under the breast. Mrs. Bond says the dog disappeared from their home and despite an exhaustive search, no trace of the dog has been found. Anybody knowing anything about the dog will make both Mr. and Mrs. Bond "wery" happy is they will let 'em know.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace White entertained a group of friends at a bingo party Wednesday night after the Pocahontas meeting and from what I hear, some very useful prizes were awarded. One lady won a "husband-tamer," which I am told was a rolling pin. Methinks it takes more than a rolling pin to tame some husbands.

Little Tommy Kehayes almost lost his nerve the other day when he went to the doctor to get a typhoid shot. "It will not hurt," he bravely told his daddy. But when he sat down on the chair and saw the doctor coming with the needle, he piped out, "Hold up a minute, doctor." After a few seconds glancing at the floor, Tommy straightened up and said, "All right, doctor, stick it in quick." And he did—after Tommy regained his nerve.

Letter To The Editor

Editor Chowan Herald:

For the past three years my wife and I have spent our summer vacations in your fine town. Each year we return to Florida with memories of a time spent with the friendliest and most hospitable people perhaps to be found anywhere. Today as we live in a darkened and desperate world atmosphere it is wonderful to find that the people of North Carolina especially possess a humorous, jolly spirit in every day life. I have traveled in other parts of the world and in numerous states but nowhere did I encounter so much ready laughter and good joviality as here in Edenton and environments.

Also permit me to congratulate Edenton for its general good taste in building architecture. The newer homes are held close to the original historic city of Edenton and thus a dignified and quiet atmosphere lends itself admirably to the past and present of historic Edenton.

Your main business district reminds me a great deal of our own layout in Clearwater, Florida. Both streets afford a view of water at the end of the street. With us it is the colorful

Gulf of Mexico.

At times I wonder if all of you Edentonians realize the real possibilities still lying partly dormant in the area comprising the business district.

I believe many a traveler could profitably be directed down the main street to the waterfront for a short stay to stop, look and see, if some of the business men would institute a paint-up campaign and dress up the more shabby store fronts in colonial colors. And some day, perhaps, be able to remove the unsightly old buildings on the water front, clean up the pier and install an open air recreation center, a colorful refreshment stand, benches and shade trees.

Perhaps a bandstand would be in place, for music always draws young and old. Recreation of this sort helps bring people together and keep many of the younger ones out of mischief.

Let's not forget the symbol of our nation, the red, blue and white wafting in the breeze on a toll staff at the end of the street with the water as a background.

Edenton, we salute you and a glorious future until our next visit.

ERIC B. PRIOR,
Visitor From Clearwater, Fla.

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Traffic volume on North Carolina's highways smashed all records again during July, the State Highway Commission has announced.

July travel ran seven per cent ahead of June travel and 18 per cent over July, 1949. On an average day 78,130 vehicles passed the Highway Commission's 20 traffic count stations in 24 hours.

Every month this year has shown a jump of from 14 to 18 per cent over its comparable month in 1949 with the July percentages showing a greater increase than any previous month this year.

In commenting on the report, Statistics and Planning Engineer James S. Burch said: "If history repeats, and unless the war situation intervenes, we may expect the August volume to set a still higher record."

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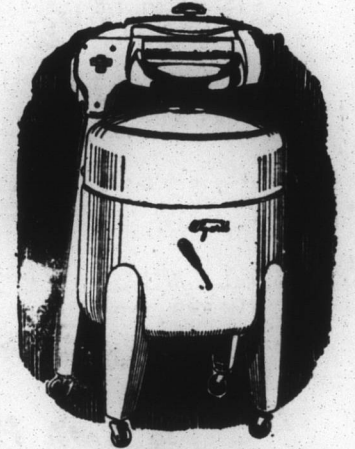
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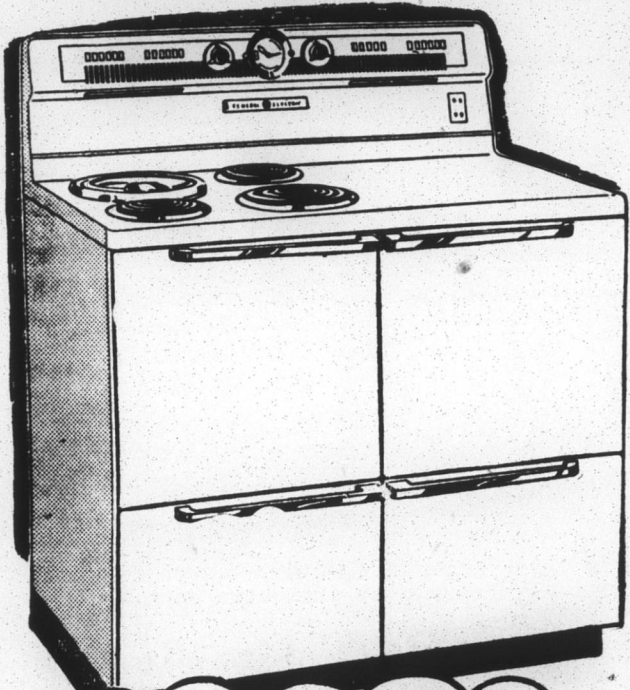
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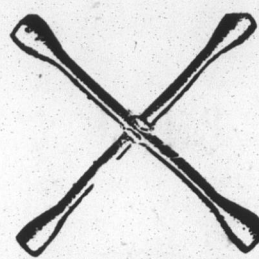
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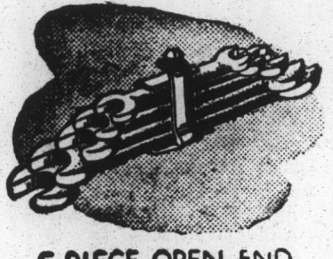
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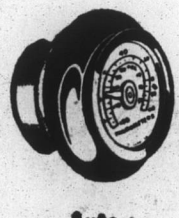
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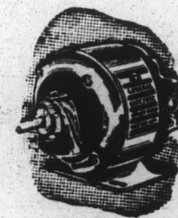
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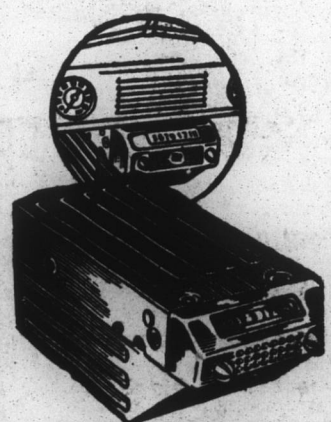
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