

TODAY and TOMORROW

NAMES races

The commonest family name in America is still Smith, according to the largest list of names yet compiled. That is the list of 39,000,000 workers to whom Social Security numbers have been assigned. More than 470,000 of them are named Smith. The Johnsons come next, with 350,000 names. Next in frequency are Brown, Williams, Miller and Jones.

A man's name is no sure indication of his ancestry, since in America one's name is whatever one chooses to call himself. Most people, however, keep the names of their fathers and grandfathers. The preponderance of the names I have listed indicates that the dominant racial strains in America are still British, German and Scandinavian.

Smith is a name almost as common in Scotland as in England, though many Smiths are of German stock, their names having once been Schmidt. The names of Williams and Jones are distinctly Welsh. Johnson may be either Scandinavian, English or Scottish. Miller is English or German, and so is Brown.

JOBS ability

Speaking of unemployment, a friend said to me the other day: "The greatest area of unemployment is above the ears." He was trying to emphasize the truth that most people do not use their heads when looking for jobs.

A day or two later I saw a newspaper paragraph about a young college graduate who used his head so well that he got four jobs when he only wanted one. He took competitive examinations for engineering posts in the Army and Marine Corps and applied for Army service on the strength of his college record in the Reserve Officers Training Corps. Then he went out and hustled for a job in private employment, and got one. After he had gone to work he received notice that he had been appointed to the Army post and that he had passed both of his engineering examinations.

That boy, of course, had special qualifications. But the point is that he didn't sit down and wait for a job to come his way. He used his head and got four jobs! Almost everybody has some special ability. Too few use their heads to find where those abilities are needed.

WORK incompetency

A young friend of mine started in business for himself as a plumbing contractor about three years ago. He had no capital, but a lot of intelligence and moral courage. He knew his trade and was willing to work hard. He told me the other day that he had jobs for a dozen good workmen if he could find them. The trouble with most workers, he said, was they tried to get by with poor work and take things easy.

A building contractor I know will not hire young workmen because, he says, they don't use their heads and don't take their work seriously enough to master their trades. I don't know how far that is true generally, but I have an idea that it is pretty general.

I think that the idea that boys should be kept in school until they are 16 or 18 has made white-collar loafers out of a great many young Americans who could have become first-class artisans if they had been allowed to work when they were young enough to learn a trade.

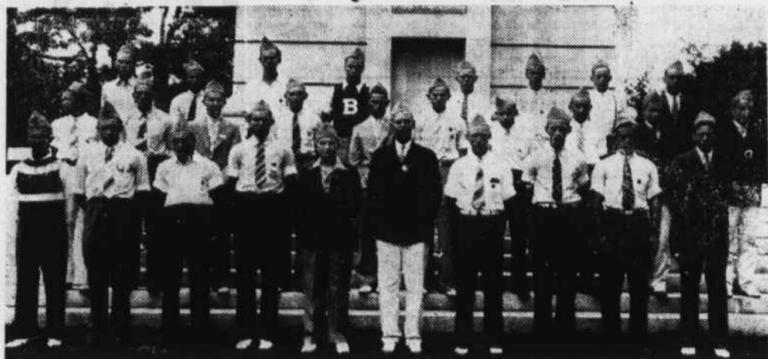
EDUCATION learning

There is a homely old proverb which says: "You can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear." All the schooling in the world will not make a scholar out of a person who is not capable of learning. Those who are capable will acquire learning and often wisdom in spite of lack of educational "advantages."

I was re-reading the other night Rudyard Kipling's autobiography. What struck me most forcibly was his efforts at self-education. He was under 16 when he quit school to go to work on a small daily paper in India. Inside of ten years his name was known all over the world. He was the greatest literary genius of modern times. No university could have given him the understanding of people and life which he learned at first hand from personal contacts and hard work.

One of the most respected leaders of the New York Constitutional Convention now in session never went to school beyond sixth grade. His opinions on public administration are eagerly sought. He is an educated man in the best sense of the word, but he educated himself. His name is Alfred

Young Tar Heel Farmers



Shown above are the newly elected-Carolina Farmers, the highest degree awarded to Young Tar Heel Farmers in this State and therefore coveted by more than 10,000 students studying agriculture in the high schools. These young men received this merit on the basis of both their scholastic records and for outstanding achievement in their farm practice program. They were chosen from the ranks of their fellows at the Tenth Anniversary State Convention held at State College recently. According to Roy H. Thomas, State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture, this is the largest number of boys being awarded this degree in any one year.

Reading, left to right in the picture are, front row: William McCracken of the Smoky Mountains National Park Chapter, Haywood county; Harold Francis, Smoky Mountains National Park Chapter; S. B. Lacy, Jr., of the Newland chapter, Avery county; Roy Williams, Burnsville chapter, Anson county; Richard Balley, Woodland chapter, Northampton county; Robert D. Boyce, Woodland chapter; Noel Auman, Seagrave chapter, Randolph county; Macon Lee Caudle, Mount Pleasant chapter, Cabarrus county; J. D. Eagle, Mount Pleasant chapter and Furney Todd, Wendell chapter, Wake county. Second row: Lee Barnhardt, Mount Pleasant; Cletus M. Best, Mount Pleasant chapter; Norris Hales, Wakelon chapter, Wake county; Ray Kiser, Tryon chapter, Gaston county; Archie Joyner, West Edgecombe chapter, Edgecombe county; Leslie Glenn Garner, Newport chapter, Carteret county; Phillip Murray, Spring Hope chapter, Nash county; Braxton Bunn, Spring Hope chapter; Lemuel M. Broome, Aurora chapter, Beaufort county; Samuel A. Tuten, Aurora chapter. Back row: Curtis Fitts, Reidsville chapter, Rockingham county; Allen Ballard, Contentnea chapter, Lenoir county; Hazel War-

CHARACTER education

The older I grow, the more I realize that the qualities which we call "character" are more important than learning or technical skill. A man may know everything in the books, be a master of his craft, but if he lacks character he is heading for disaster, no matter how high a position he may reach.

The world thought highly of Richard Whitney. He thought well of himself. He had intelligence, ability and qualities of leadership far above the average. But he had, also, ambition and personal vanity which made him believe that he was not bound by the ethical codes which men of honor follow. He is in Sing Sing prison today because, when he came to the test, he did not have the essential quality of character.

I knew, years ago, the most skillful engraver in the world. He had everything but character. He quit his job with the Government to become a counterfeiter. He is in prison now.

Education which does not build character is worse than no education at all.

The proprietor of a big store noticed an assistant dozing up against the wall of one of the departments. He consulted the manager about the matter.

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Timely Farm Questions

Answered at State College

QUESTION: How long can tobacco be held after curing before it is marketed?

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QUESTION: How can I prevent horns from growing on my dairy calves?

ANSWER: The development of horns can be prevented by applying caustic soda or potash to the horn buttons when the calf is from four to eight days old. Clip the hair from over and around the button, wash and thoroughly dry clipped surface and then apply the solution with a caustic stick. The stick should be moistened on one end and rubbed carefully on each horn button two or three times, alternating between the buttons until there is a raw place about the size of a nickel. Do not rub until the spot bleeds. Care should be taken not

to use too much moisture for if it gets in the eye it will cause blindness. Keep animals under shelter if there is a chance for rain.

She (her head on his shoulder)—And do you love me so much that you would leave home for me?

He—I love you so much that for you I would leave a baseball game in the ninth inning with the score—tied, three men on base and two out.

The lifeblood of the community flows through the medium of the local newspaper. The businessman, large or small, needs the newspaper. The newspaper needs the businessman. For the greater prosperity of both their interests are interlocking.

Terrace construction over much of the State was held up by rainy weather for several weeks, but as the ground began to dry out work has started again on fields where it would not interfere with growing crops.

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