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Neglect Is Costly

Every motorist knows that to neglect to change oil in his car at certain times or to neglect to put in oil when needed may cost him an engine overhaul job or an engine replacement costing fifty times what the oil would have cost as prevention.

Maybe it is a poor comparison but neglect of children may prove more costly than providing something to prevent them from ruin.

Practically every progressive city is providing parks and playgrounds for children. North Wilkesboro is sadly lacking.

It is indeed commendable that the Lions Club is providing a swimming pool here for the remainder of the summer. It should prove valuable as a recreational spot for children.

The law says that children must attend school until they reach the age of 14. The law says children under 16 shall not have regular employment and there are two years for children who stop school that could be called the crucial age. It is the age when they drift into crime unless their attention is diverted into wholesome channels. Wholesome recreation has proven to be a preventive for youth who without recreational facilities might drift with the current of bad influence.

Such projects as the American Legion's junior baseball program have been helpful in this respect. Supervised play and sport training is being afforded more than 100 boys in Wilkes this year. But baseball does not appeal to all, the girls, of course, are not included. It is in the towns where the need for recreational facilities is felt most keenly. In the country the youth can find a swimming hole, gather for horseshoe pitching and amuse themselves wandering over the hills and mountains.

Not so in the towns; there the child not in school is inclined to become a street urchin with days upon days of leisure time.

Some argument the other way is the point that children should not quit school at 14. It is true they should not do and all are not to be condemned. Some of the most brilliant people, among whom were Thomas Edison, were school failures and loathed the class rooms.

Parents who find themselves too busy making a living or earning money to give thought, time and means for promotion of wholesome influences and facilities for their children may pay dearly if and when they realize they have failed in the greatest job entrusted to them—rearing children who will carry on in some way or other when they reach the age of responsibility.

Scattered Comment

New York: Welfare Commissioner William Hodson discloses that more than twenty-five members of his staff had been beaten in the last six months by disgruntled relief recipients or applicants for aid.

Kingston, R. I.—Professor E. Rogers, of M. I. T., told the graduates of Rhode Island College today: "Your most secure and profitable career in the future will be on the public pay roll, supported by the rest of the population."

"Salt Lake City: The attempt of the Mormon church to take their unemployed off relief and WPA rolls has failed, President Heber Grant said today, not because the church is unable to provide for them but because 'Government funds have proved too great a temptation for a number.'"

"New York: Relief Workers arrived in private cars and a taxicab yesterday to protect the local WPA headquarters. Can you imagine what people coming

here in automobiles to protect relief wage cuts! exclaimed Colonel Somervell, WPA administrator."

In this nation we have a picture of a big hearted government doing apparently everything in its power to furnish work and means of existence to its unfortunate citizens who for various reasons have no jobs. And in that picture we find those same unfortunates actually forming unions and paying dues out of monies literally handed out by the government to provide for their existence. And we hear of instances where violence is used in efforts to get more for nothing from the government. The unscrupulous among the needy are making a racket out of government assistance.

The Outlook For War

That able student of public affairs, Walter Lippmann, has been making an on-the-scene survey of the European war situation. He gives it as his opinion that the danger of a general European war has passed, at least for the near future. He points out that France and Great Britain have prepared themselves in the past year or two for a stubborn defense against aggressions from Germany. And he makes another interesting point, which is that the lessons of the warfare in Abyssinia, in Spain and in China have made military men revise their former belief that a surprise attack by airplanes and motorized troops is bound to be successful against the best organized defense.

Unless Germany can win by a knock-out blow in a single season of campaigning her hopes of winning is gone, says Mr. Lippmann. In a long-drawn-out conflict the advantage is still with the defensive. "The terrorism of modern weapons causes the defenders to feel that they can expect no mercy, and that, therefore, there is no alternative but to fight to the death."

In a long defensive war Germany, even with Italy fighting on her side, would be at a disadvantage. The resources of practically the whole world would be mobilized against the aggressors. So Mr. Lippmann comes to the conclusion that the Hitler government will not precipitate a war unless and until it can, by peaceful means, gain control of the Danube Valley and so have free access to the resources of oil, minerals and food supplies of that region.

Borrowed Comment

HAMS AND HABITS

(Statesville Landmark)

"One thing about hogs," says the Raleigh Times "is that they are not 'drowned out' like tobacco, burned out like corn, or subject to boll-weevil like cotton." The Raleigh paper is moved to this comment in discussing the question: "Why not Carolina Hams from our own Smithfield?"

But did the Times editor ever raise hogs? If he has he probably knows that these burned-out, drowned-out, weevil infested crops are not alone in their worries. Hog-raising is no gray train. It has its problems and disappointments just like any other industry. But we are quite willing to agree with the Times editor that it is high time North Carolina producers should be creating their own market, without playing second-fiddle to Virginia by furnishing the hams that finally are marketed under a Virginia label.

That paper thinks that "Apart from the necessity of raising sacrificial pigs for summer barbecue, nothing is more hopeful about the rural scene than the departure of making a money crop out of swine that nowhere else can be raised as certainly and as on Central and Eastern North Carolina farms."

Without admitting sectional supremacy in North Carolina hog-raising advantages, we are agreeing that our farmers are neglecting a good bet in not making a money crop of swine by getting all that is to be had from them through processing.

Some of the best formulas for curing hams are held right here in Piedmont and Western North Carolina: recipes that out-smart the famed Virginia processes. Some of these formulas are long drawn out and tedious, but the results more than pay for the time. Others are short and snappy, and one in particular tends to longer profit without sacrificing quality.

All of North Carolina ought to be about the business of building and bolstering our own fame for ham production instead of enriching our neighbors

Traphill - Austin Community News

Mrs. Willie Brown and children, Billy and Louise, and Miss Maude Barker, all of Detroit, Mich., are spending sometime with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Barker, at Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Barker and Mr. Homer Barker, of Elkin, spent last Saturday with Mrs. Barker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Cockerham, at Austin.

Mrs. Mollie Pruittie spent one day last week with her father at Wilkesboro.

Misses Flora Staley, of State Road, and Mary Myers, of Benham, spent last week-end with Misses Bessie and Bertie Barker at Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyre Ross, of Thurmond, attended service at Austin, Tuesday night.

Leading Growers To Speak At Farm Week

Growers who have demonstrated on their own land how good farming practices build up the soil and increase farm income will be featured on the men's program for Farm and Home Week at State College, August 1-5.

These growers and extension specialists will point out the value of crop rotations in increasing crop yields and controlling insects and diseases, tell how livestock aid in soil improvement and balancing the farm program, discuss the importance of good seed, and show the place of poultry in a good farm program.

An address Tuesday morning on "Where Are We Going in Southern Agriculture?" by J. A. Evans, of the Georgia extension service, and two talks Wednesday and Thursday morning by Dr. O. E. Baker, senior agricultural economist, U. S. Department of Agriculture, will be of special interest, said John W. Goodman, of State College, secretary of Farm and Home Week.

The only addresses to be delivered on an evening program will be given by Gov. and Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey on Thursday. The other evenings will be kept open for band music and recreation.

Lynn Ramsaw Edminister, of the U. S. Department of State, will speak Tuesday morning on trade agreements with other countries and their importance in helping southern agriculture find a market for its surplus products.

Friday morning, representatives of various agricultural organizations will explain their programs for sponsoring agricultural legislation beneficial to the farmers.

The tours to be conducted in the afternoons will include visits to laboratories on the campus, the college animal husbandry farm, poultry farm, and tobacco experiment station, and to places of interest in the capital city.

Special Program For Women At Meeting

The annual meeting of the N. C. Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs on Thursday will head the list of activities for women at Farm and Home Week at State College, August 1-5.

Along with the transaction of business and the election of officers for the coming year, the federation will hear talks by prominent speakers, including Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey and Miss Grace E. Frysinger, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Another outstanding program will be given Friday, Honor Day, when certificates are to be presented to women who will have completed attendance at their fourth annual women's short course. The main speaker for Honor Day will be Judge Lois Mary McBride, of the Alleghany County Court, Pittsburgh Penn.

Tuesday and Wednesday mornings the women will attend classes in foods and nutrition, food conservation and marketing, home management and house fur-

Shooting The Rapids



Home Coming July 31st At Oak Ridge

On the fifth Sunday in July, commencing at 10 a. m., there will be held at Oak Ridge Baptist church, two miles northeast of Mountain View school, or Hays postoffice, a home coming service. All the members are requested to be present, also those who once were members out are now members at some other church, are especially invited. The public has a cordial invitation. Also all former pastors of the church are asked to be present and take part in the days program. We expect a singing choir from Liberty church in Davie county to be present, also other choirs from local churches to render music. There will be no public picnic but everybody is requested to bring dinner, which will be served family style on the grounds. There will be a sermon by the pastor or

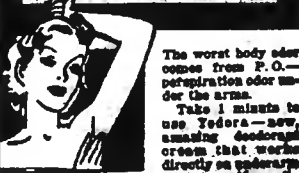
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