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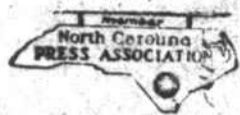
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## A Home Is Burning Now

Somewhere, as you read this, a home is burning. Irreplaceable possessions are being swiftly turned to ash. There is a strong likelihood that someone is dying the most horrible of deaths—cremation alive.

It may be trite to say that your home can be next on the grim list of these disasters. But that is true. And if that happens, the chances are the fire will begin from one of your causes. Check your own habits and premises and answer these questions:

First, are you careless with matches and smoking materials? This accounts for 30 per cent of all fires.

Second, is your heating equipment—stoves, furnaces, chimneys, etc.—faulty? Twenty-four per cent of all fires begin here.

Third, are you careless in using kerosene, gasoline and inflammable cleaning materials? They give 12 per cent of all fires their start in life.

Fourth, is there anything wrong with your electrical wiring and appliances? Failure to make repairs in time to this equipment causes 10 per cent of all fires.

If you can answer no to all of the questions asked above, your home is relatively safe from fire. But think, look and inspect before you make that answer. In the case of heating and lighting equipment, have an expert make a periodic check. Don't guess—remember that the owner of that home which is burning to the ground this minute probably thought it was safe too—and he was horribly wrong.

## A Message From Our State 4-H Club Leader

By L. R. HARRILL, State 4-H Club Leader  
In the observance of 4-H Club Week, Wilkes County Farm boys and girls and leaders join with a million and a half other 4-H members in formulating plans for working together for a better home and a better World community. Your 4-H Club, with its objective, "Training Farm Youth in the Art of Living," offers one of the best, possible means for accomplishing this objective.

The 4-H Club contributed in a large measure to the success of the war effort. Now that Victory is ours youth must do its share in establishing and maintaining world peace. There is no better way or place to begin than to begin at home. There is no better or more beautiful spot on earth than the section where you live—(home). What could be more important than working together through the 4-H Club for a better home and community.

The measurement of your success in this undertaking will be measured in terms of knowledge, skill, and character. The training you will receive in 4-H Club work will provide the knowledge, the practical application and the actual act of doing the job—making the garment, making over the room, feeding and training the calf, the preparation of the seed bed and a hundred other things will provide the skills, the lessons learned, the development of wholesome attitudes, and helpful and honest habits will provide the character training so essential to a successful 4-H career.

The 4-H Program in Wilkes County under the leadership of Mr. D. D. Williamson, Mr. R. D. Smith, Miss Margaret C. Morrison, and Mrs. Annie H. Greene,

provides unequalled opportunities for training rural youth for better living through economic, physical, social and spiritual growth and development. The economic objective is developed through better practices in agriculture and home-making by thrift, money management, and wise spending; the physical objective is developed through good food, health and clothing habits, improved sanitation, more adequate housing, good physical training, medical examinations and follow-up work; the social objective is developed through developing proper ideals and attitudes for wholesome relationships in the homes, neighborhoods, and communities; through family living, club meetings, 4-H camps, Achievement Days, picnics, and community organizations, and the spiritual objective is developed through 4-H Church Sunday programs, vesper services, practicing honesty in everyday living, devotionals, and developing a charitable attitude and a greater appreciation for the finer things of life.

The Committee on un-American Activities is asked to investigate Sam Hall, self-styled leader of the Communists in North Carolina. First question for the committee is whether Comrade Hall is big enough to be seen with the naked eye or whether the committee will have to acquire a microscope.—Greensboro Daily News.

Delaware teachers offer to punch a legislator in the nose for saying that they distorted facts. Shucks, coming from a politician that wasn't intended as a reflection on them, was it?—Greensboro Daily News.

Native of Arizona is named ambassador to Court of St. James'. And don't you know the British wish he would bring an over-supply of that nice dry air with him?—Greensboro Daily News.

Remember those we pass on the ladder of success going up—we might have to pass them going down.

**LIFE'S BETTER WAY**  
WALTER E. ISENHOUR  
Hiddenite, N. C.

### WHAT YOU CANNOT BUILD YOUR LIFE UPON

What you cannot build your life upon you had better let alone. Watch your habits and don't let them wreck you. Guard your thoughts, your tongue, your deeds and acts of life. You can't build your life upon disobedience to God and His holy word. You can't build upon falsehood and deception. You can't build upon dishonesty. You can't build upon idleness and laziness. You can't build upon error and false doctrines, vain efforts and mere hope.

Neither can you build your life upon money, or the material things of this world. You can't build upon pleasure, worldliness, popularity and earthly fame and glory. It will soon fade and pass away. You can't build your life upon education, nor some mere profession, or avocation, or position in the business world. You cannot build your life upon your good works, if God is not with you and in you. You cannot build upon unsound principals, or upon low aims and worthless purposes.

Watch the foundation upon which you build, and watch your building material. If you would build a great and sublime life you must build upon the Christian religion. You must build upon truth, upon the Holy Bible, upon prayer and the love and grace of God. You certainly can't build a great life upon atheism, modernism and forms and types of religion. You cannot build your life upon the prayers of others if you do not pray yourself. You cannot build upon the lives of your ancestors, even though they may have been saints. This is indeed a good background, but you must build for yourself. Start on the right foundation, use good material and do good work. You are your own builder, by the grace of God, and it is up to you as to what your life is and shall be.

Remember if you fail to build a good, great, noble and sublime life you are cheating and defeating yourself. Multitudes of people cheat themselves out of the best things of life, and perhaps wonder what is wrong and why they don't make of life a success. You cannot build upon the devil's foundation, nor out of his material, and build great, and build for heaven.

## ABNORMAL ABSURDITIES



By DWIGHT NICHOLS et al

### 4-H CLUB WEEK—

This is 4-H Club Week throughout the nation, and we'd like to use this space once for a worthy cause, to which all of our 12 readers say a fervent "Amen!"

Being a former 4-H Club member, we think we know what we are writing about. And of course our readers will say that is no indication, based on our past record.

For about ten years we belonged to 4-H Clubs and in that time learned that the four H's did not stand for "hog hominy, hell and high water."

The 4-H Club program in Wilkes county has expanded greatly since those years, and is now more diversified with a great variety of excellent projects for boys and girls to choose. In our day we stuck to corn except for one unfortunate venture in pig raising with a sow which didn't aim to let us enjoy any success. Incidentally, we still think a pig project would be a paying proposition.

Our 4-H club history included one trip to the North Carolina State Fair when that institution was really a big agricultural fair with midway concessions a sideline instead of the main attraction. Our few dollars were diminishing rapidly with hotel bills, etc., and a check from the fair for prizes won on corn was most welcome.

This week we pay tribute to the 4-H boys and girls and are glad to give the remainder of this column to a poem and an article about the 4-H flag:

**WHAT THE 4-H FLAG MEANS—**  
The 4-H Flag is an emblem to me  
Of work and play and sincerity.  
Of hours of work and hours of fun  
Of a job to do and a job well done.

The 4-H flag of green and white  
Symbolized a worthwhile fight—  
A fight for knowledge, for health and heart,  
A fight for a club of which we're a part.

The 4-H flag of white and green  
Tells of a growth that's pure and clean;  
A growth of health of heart and mind,  
A growth of all that is really fine.

And each short moment of each lifelong day  
As down life's river we wend our way,  
At every turn and on every crest  
Will be the word, "Not the biggest—the best."

And as life slowly draws to an end  
We'll be better companions, better friends,  
For no matter whether we're the

### ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

North Carolina, Wilkes County.  
The undersigned, having qualified as administrator of the estate of William H. Grimes, late of Wilkes county, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned administrator at North Wilkesboro, N. C., on or before the 18th day of February, 1948, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will make prompt payment to the undersigned administrator.

This 18th day of Feb., 1947.  
JOHNSON SANDERS,  
Administrator of the Estate of William H. Grimes, dec'd.  
Larry S. Moore, Atty. 4-3-67M

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spoke or hub. We will profit because of the 4-H Club.

### 4-H CLUB FLAG—

By A Former 4-H Club Girl  
What's a flag? What's the love of a club for which it stands? Maybe it begins with the love of your fellowmen. It is boys and girls at work. "It is the farmer riding his great machine in the dust of harvest, the dairyman going to the barn before sunrise. It is small things remembered, the little corners of the land, the houses, the people that each one loves. It is summer and winter, rain and sun and storm. It is a lasting part of what we are, each of us and all of us together."

The nation, the members and the flag—the nation is a continent; the members are eager rural boys and girls, the flag is a symbol of what 4-H Club work may aspire to when we have learned to be hopeful, courageous—when we have made the best better.  
The green in the flag, nature's most common color, is emblematic of springtime, life and youth; the white symbolizes purity and high ideals. This flag means striving to make the best better.

## Support Y. M. C. A.

## Demonstration In Thinning Shortleaf Pine Friday, Mar. 7

By JOHN E. FORD (Farm Forester)  
Do you know how to take care of your timber crop? To get the most out of a crop of timber, both as to improving the quality of the crop trees and increasing the quantity of total wood grown on an acre, certain cultural operations are necessary. One of the most important forest practices is proper thinning. On Friday, March 7, Mr. R. W. Graber, State Extension Forester, will be in charge of a meeting to be held on Mr. W. C. Wolfe's farm of State Road at 1:00 p. m. Anyone interested in making their timber crop more profitable are invited to attend the meeting.

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Not for a veteran who comes home to lie long months in pain. Not even during those up-and-about weeks that seem like a tedious lifetime.

Some things help, though. Things your Red Cross does.

Recreation, hobby fun, work with the hands—those help.

Advice on family problems and anxieties—that helps.

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