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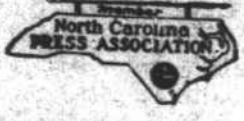
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## Paroled Criminals

Robert L. Jessup, of Mount Airy, was sentenced in January, 1937, to 15 to 20 years for murder.

The minimum sentence would have kept him in prison until 1952.

But last week Jessup killed another man at Mount Airy. He had been out of prison on parole since 1939, after having served only a little more than two years of his 15 to 20 year term.

On top of that, Jessup had been in court nine times after receiving his parole and before he committed his second murder.

That is clearly an indictment of the parole system which is practiced in North Carolina.

Parole officials explained that the nine times Jessup had been in court was after his parole was terminated in 1942.

But the question arises as to why the rush in terminating the parole?

If a person conscientiously intends to go straight, why should he want his parole terminated?

If Jessup's parole had not been terminated in 1942, he would have been sent back to prison where he should have been instead of being free to take a second life by murder.

The free handed manner with which paroles are distributed around to murderers, robbers and other felons is turning loose on North Carolina society the smartest and most dangerous criminals, and leaving them to prey upon society with reckless abandon.

Prison sentences in the eyes of the public have become a disgusting joke. The public knows too well that a 15-year sentence often means two years or less.

If a man deserves a 15-year sentence after being tried by jury and found guilty, is there any reason why he should not be compelled to serve at least a reasonable part of the sentence?

Is there any sound reason why a criminal who is paroled after serving two years of a 15-year sentence not remain under conditions of parole for the balance of the 15 years?

## Every 53 Seconds

Every 53 seconds a fire breaks out in the United States. Every two minutes an American dwelling catches fire. Every fifty minutes someone dies in a fire or from burns.

These grim truths were recently aired over the radio, by State Fire Marshal McCormack of Tennessee, who spoke on one of the weekly nationwide broadcasts sponsored by the National Board of Fire Underwriters.

Mr. McCormack further observed that nearly 1,000 fires occur in homes alone each day—and a total of more than 650,000 fires happen in this country annually. Ninety per cent of all these fires are the result of some careless act. "Careless use of matches and smoking," he said, "account for 30 per cent of all fires . . . Defective electric wiring and appliances, faulty cooking and heating stoves, and carelessness with gasoline and other inflammable liquids account for 46 per cent more!"

At the end, Mr. McCormack urged his listeners to organize their own fire prevention programs to correct the common hazards of fires in homes. This is the very essence of fire control. National and community campaigns, vital as they are, cannot do the whole job. The problem of fire prevention comes down to every home and every resident within it. And that is simply a way of saying that the problem of fire prevention comes down to you!

## Police Commissioner Urges Temperance Advertising

Police Commissioner Eugene Connor, of Birmingham, Alabama, has recommended to the Governor that the output of distilleries, breweries, and wineries be taxed to set up an advertising fund to promote temperance. In a letter to Governor Folsom, Mr. Connor proposed that the State itself "set up an advertising department to prepare advertisements to be run in the newspapers of the State depicting the evils of alcohol."

"Distilleries, breweries, and wine companies always print glowing, tempting pictures of their products which whet the appetite of people inclined to drink intoxicants," he said.

He suggested that the State advertisements might point out the evils and tragedies arising from drinking and this advertising could be paid for by the establishment of a fund based upon a one per cent tax on liquor sales. He also expressed support of the proposal to adopt the use of scientific tests for intoxication, and the establishment of means of rehabilitation for alcoholics. Mr. Connor's suggestions are reported by the Birmingham News (2-7-47).

## - THE - EVERYDAY COUNSELOR By Rev. Herbert Spaugh, D. D.



Marriage succeeds or fails at seven points of adjustment. Those about to be married should consider these thoughtfully and those already married could examine them with profit.

1. Physical. Many a marriage "goes sour" within the first few days because of ignorance here. There must be mutually satisfactory physical adjustment if the marriage is to be happy. It is physical attraction which causes a man and woman to marry. "Harmony in Marriage" by Wood (Roundtable Press) is recommended for all married couples, and those about to be married. The chapter on Physical Harmony presents valuable information in good taste.

2. Financial. There must be sharing of financial responsibility. Every married couple should make a budget and learn to live within their income. Use the ten-per cent plan,—give ten per cent to the Lord's work—save ten per cent. Where husband and wife work in the business world their incomes should be pooled. Each should know the other's income and financial responsibilities.

3. Psychological. It takes more than physical union to make a successful marriage. There must be a common denominator of tastes and companionship. Both husband and wife must enjoy doing things together and do them together.

4. Sociological. Husband and wife must learn to know, understand, and get along with each other's relatives and friends. Much domestic friction is caused by "in-law" trouble. Each must also learn how to fraternize with the family and friends of their mate.

5. Vocational. They must like the job by which they earn their living. Dissatisfaction here reacts against marriage. They must either learn to like the job or get another. A woman who dislikes housekeeping should never marry. If either dislikes children, they should not marry.

6. Parental. It takes children to complete married happiness. When they come, let them be accepted as the gift of God and treated as such. But they must not be allowed to monopolize the attention of father or mother. They must continue to be husband and wife as well as parents.

7. Spiritual. No marriage can be happy and successful without enduring spiritual foundations. Only the God-centered home can be lastingly happy. Husband and wife should unite in the same church. They should read the Bible daily and learn to pray together and aloud daily. "I" must become "we." Then both should seek the daily advice and counsel of God. They must learn to pray, "Not my will, but Thine be done."

At these seven points marriage either succeeds or fails. At each of these points there must be satisfactory adjustment and cooperation by willingness to "give and take."

Finally, the marriage machine must be lubricated daily with the oil of courtesy and appreciation, and it must be kept in repair.

## ABNORMAL ABSURDITIES



By  
DWIGHT  
NICHOLS  
et al

### KAFFEEN (Nots) WYSKRAI-

By the grapevine it has been learned that some members of the Coffee Club deserted the coffee table at a late hour to gather around a chopping block . . .

All members please note that Roy Forehand didn't pass around any cigars. It was a girl. When his second one was born he was around Borneo or some place trying to dig up enough points to get home from the army. He called the baby "Five Points," because it granted him enough points to come home. The last one was born March 15 and is "Tax Exemption." Some members had a notion to burn Roy's hat and after a look at his towering physique had another notion not to. Then came a question about whether or not it would be legal to burn the grandfather's hat. Decision expected almost any time, is the latest report . . . A schematale contributor hands this in:

I've everything the glamour girl  
Can boast of nature's graces;  
I've curves and lines the same  
as she

But not in the same places.

Here's the answer given to a man's question about what an election was for in a nearby town: "It is to determine whether we shall have a convention to nominate delegates who will be voted on as to whether they will attend a caucus which will decide whether we shall have a primary to determine whether the people want to vote on this same question again next year."

HOW HE GOT THERE—  
"May it please your honor," said a lawyer, addressing one of

NOTICE SERVING SUMMONS  
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North Carolina, Wilkes County.

In the Superior Court  
Johnson Sanders, Admr. of William H. Grimes, dec'd., vs. Mrs. John Grimes Roberts, et al.

Hirs-at-Law  
The defendants, Mrs. Elizabeth Grimes Jolly and husband, Bud Jolly, Mrs. L. S. Grimes Martin and husband, L. S. Martin, and Ell Grimes, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Wilkes county, North Carolina, to sell lands for the purpose of making assets to pay debts; and the defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said county in the courthouse in Wilkesboro, N. C., within thirty days after the 20th day of February, 1947, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

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C. C. HAYES,  
Clerk Superior Court of Wilkes County, N. C. 3-20-47

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the city judges, "I brought the prisoner from jail on a habeas corpus."

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CAUGHT OFF GUARD—  
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