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The only thing to match the optimism of a fisherman is the optimism of a hunter.

Stories are funnier when they are told the short way.

People who always are about five minutes late are the ones who rush the worst.

You'll have to dig back in the record book to find a fall with milder weather up to Thanksgiving.

We often wonder why some people don't use a little of the advice they are giving.

Readers tell us that the school columns are among our most readable features each week.

Christmas comes on the same date—December 25—this year, but the Christmas shopping season has been moved forward one week.

Don't envy someone who is doing well. If he had spent his time standing around worrying about someone else he'd never been able to reach his position.

Christmas Seals

The annual sale of Christmas Seals begins this week and will extend through the Christmas shopping season.

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Your Accident Bill

Accidents account for about 30 per cent of America's total motoring costs! This is the estimate of National Safety Council statisticians.

The direct cost of last year's accidents, according to the same authorities, was \$1,640,000,000. That is enough money to build or pave 550,000 miles of road...

It is statistically impossible to accurately determine the indirect costs of automobile accidents. But all experts agree that they are substantially greater than even the vast direct costs.

Here is a gigantic, totally unnecessary drain on the nation's economic resources. And, bad as that is, it is nothing compared to the human waste that the reckless and incompetent driver causes.

ly die as a result of the accidents. Blasted careers, parentless children, ruined homes—these are but three of the consequences of a heavy foot on the throttle...

We are now entering the winter season, in which the accident rate has always risen in the past. The most dangerous driving days are just ahead, with rain, ice, snow and early darkness to add to the always-present hazards.

Improvements

There are complaints that money is tight, that times are hard.

Locally, though, there is every evidence that progress is on the march. As our gauge we use the definite tendency for making repairs and improvements in local property.

There is a progressive spirit in any town that has building projects going on and repainting being done.

Gymnasiums

As soon as present work projects are completed, four of the five consolidated schools of Brunswick county will have indoor gymnasiums for the use of their students.

In past years it has been necessary to schedule basketball games for Southport or Waccamaw, for these were the only places where an indoor court was available.

The truck storage garage at Shallotte is arranged so the center section will provide ample room for a basketball court. Before the end of eight weeks Shallotte teams may practice and play their home games on their home court.

Leland keeps pace with plans to convert the old school house, lately used as a teacherage, into a gymnasium. This project, too, probably will be completed before the end of the basketball season.

This leaves only Bolivia, a school that has been distinguished in the past by consistently fine teams. We offer the suggestion that a project for a school gymnasium there be started...

Would Not Help

The Black-Connerly wage and hour bill, which will get consideration by the present special session of Congress, will contribute materially to the unemployment dilemma...

Surely that can be successfully predicted in the Southern lumber industry, and its associated crafts. When one machine can do the work of ten men, and more economically even at the present wage scale...

The situation as it will be can escape nobody with any amount of reason. The lists of the unemployed will be elevated steadily, more people will be walking the streets out of work...

Another aspect of the situation arises to befuddle the minds of the American public. How, with wages inflated without the basis of sound economic principles, will America compete with the foreign nations in the cultivation and manufacture of tobacco and cotton...

If the measure passes, it will mean that much of the tobacco manufacture and cultivation will go to Canada, which already has gained a foothold in this field, and that Japan, and China and the other cotton raising nations will sell America short...

We in the South think as much as anybody that labor should be paid a living wage, but to boost them without foundation, would amount to little more than inflation of the currency.

If Digonese were searching today for an honest man, he'd possibly use 50 cents instead of a lantern.

Currently, there perhaps aren't over two million people claiming to be members of the Four Hundred.

The weather, in view of coming political campaigns, will perhaps have variable winds.

Just Among The Fishermen

COLD BATH Dr. Rufus Doshier and a friend from Wilmington took a cold bath in the Cape Fear one afternoon the past week. It was not intentional.

BOATS FLOCK BACK About 20 upstate shrimp trawlers came back to Southport Tuesday night of last week. All of them were here previously in the season, but went to Morehead City ten or twelve days ago when a big strike of shrimp showed up there for a few days.

LEAVING FOR FLORIDA Mr. and Mrs. Lewis J. Hardee and little son are leaving this week for Fernandina, Fla., where Mr. Hardee will be engaged in the shrimp industry during the winter.

WANTS FISH STORIES J. C. Baskerville, one of the star publicity men with the Department of Conservation and Development, at Raleigh, advised the Southport Civic Club during the past week that they wanted all the fishing stories from down here that they could get.

DRUM STILL BITING Drum are still biting well. Postmaster Yaskell, Sergeant Lanier, Captain Myers and this department all made some pretty catches the past week.

Sportsmen Passing Through Thus far upwards of 100 sport fishing craft have stopped at Southport on their way to Florida waters for the winter. About half of them are Florida boats that have been in the north during the summer.

REPORT CATCHES A sunfish caught in Onslow county last week attracted nationwide attention and its picture was published in thousands of newspapers. The advertising value of the catch was enormous.

HUNTING STORIES Unusual hunting stories are also in order at this season of the year. The Civic Club will appreciate stories and photographs of good hunting, trapping and remarkable hunting dogs in Brunswick county.

Aaron approached a market stand on which some questionable looking fowl were offered for sale. "What do you sell these for?" he asked the buyers.

OPEN FORUM

A column dedicated to opinions of the public. A mouthpiece for the views and observations of our friends and readers for which we accept no responsibility.

Editor, State Port Pilot—Southport, N. C. Dear Sir:

Needed—someone to build and operate a first-class oyster roast in or near Southport. The desire for such an establishment has been so much discussed that the Southport Civic Club believes it will be a paying business if established and operated by someone who has experience in such a venture.

Communities in Brunswick and all along the coast, with no population backgrounds to guarantee business for such an undertaking, have paying oyster roasts. Southport with a good population background and with plenty of choice oysters easily available has no business of this nature and Southport people cheerfully go 30 or 40 miles to patronize establishments of this sort.

A good oyster roast at Southport, in addition to being in a field where there is no competition, would draw patronage from a long distance. In addition to oysters roasted and eaten on the spot, it would find a big demand for oysters shucked and unshucked, to be carried home by patrons.

There are various sanitary requirements, governing the operations of oyster roasts. The State Board of Health is very exacting in such matters. If such an establishment is built and operated at Southport, the general public can depend on its being first-class in all respects.

Winnabow News

Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Miller, of Geryman, Pa., visited Miss Ethel Satterfield last week.

J. E. Umstead, of WPA, Raleigh, was a caller here Thursday morning.

Mrs. Preston Savage spent the week with her parents at Supply.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bender and Miss Bertha DeVam attended the Baptist convention in Wilmington Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kye, Sr., left Friday to spend the weekend in Pittsboro.

Miss Ethel Satterfield spent Saturday afternoon in Wilmington visiting the parents of Dan Bennett, who was accidentally killed this week.

Miss Katherine Johnson left Saturday evening for Montreal to spend Thanksgiving with her sister, May, who is attending Montreal College.

Friends of J. W. Collins will be sorry to learn he is very ill at the home of I. D. Harrelson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Rabon announce the birth of a son, Thomas Mebane, on November 18.

B. R. Kinkead, who has been quite ill, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Knox, of Greensboro, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. J. J. Knox.

Friends will be glad to note that B. R. Kinkead, of Town Creek, is considerably better after a months serious illness.

Farmers Looking Out For Timber

More Provident Farmers Realize Importance That The Income From Timber And Timber Products Will Play

About one-third of the remaining timberlands of the country is in the hands of farm owners and these farmers are turning their attention toward securing greater incomes from this forest crop.

The principle of selective cutting is to remove only mature and defective trees and to reserve and protect the younger growth for future crops. Studies of the rate of growth of trees have determined the amount of wood produced by the woodlands in one year or in a number of years.

Advertisement for 'But It's True' featuring a large illustration of Napoleon Bonaparte and a smaller illustration of a soldier. Text includes 'HOUSE-FLIES ARE KNOWN TO HAVE TRAVELED AS FAR AS SIX MILES FROM THE STARTING POINT IN ONE DAY' and 'NAPOLEON WHILE A VIRTUAL PRISONER AT ELBA, BEFORE WATERLOO, MADE PLANS TO TAKE NORTH AMERICA, MAKE NEW YORK THE CAPITAL OF A WORLD EMPIRE...'.

The United States government, in connection with an attempt to determine just how effective flies are in carrying disease, dyed many thousands of them a bright red, had agents looking for them for miles around. It is estimated that the fly which remains active in one room throughout the day actually covers as much as 300 miles of space in 24 hours.

diameter-cutting limits vary with the species and the purpose for which they are to be used. Spruce for pulpwood, for instance, may be profitably cut to a diameter limit of 8 inches, but for standard lumber the limit may be 14 inches. The cutting size is not always strictly followed because weed trees may be removed to make room for more rapid growth or improvement of the species.

Advertisement titled 'The Early Bird Gets the Worm If He Knows Where to Look!' with a large illustration of a bird. Text includes 'Watch a robin on the lawn some sunshiny morning. A few hops, then a pause. A few more hops, and he listens again. Then, triumphant, he pulls out a fat, wriggling worm!'.

Reading the advertisements is for you what cocking his head is for the robin. Advertisers tell you just where are the juiciest buys. Cock your eye on the advertisements in this newspaper. They may save pecking on barren ground!

Advertisement for 'The State Port Pilot SOUTHPORT, NORTH CAROLINA' with a large illustration of a bird.