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Time is the best cure for embarrassment.

It usually pays to listen a while before you do much talking.

Local anglers are learning that you can't rush the fishing season.

There is a time in the career of almost every genius when the world suspects that he is a fool.

You'll find most people good listeners—as long as you are saying something nice about them.

After February 15 your best bird dog will be nothing more than an over-grown pet for the next ten months.

We'll bet that no wife ever had to listen to her husband's story of an argument that he lost.

High pressure salesmen would have a harder time if their victims could catch a glimpse of their banker just before they succumbed.

Human nature: buying numerous packages of flower seeds and letting the weeds take the flowers a few months later.

These filibustering Senators are setting a bad example to children who are advised not to talk until they have something to say.

Friends who borrow books may not be good mathematicians but they are often excellent bookkeepers.

School Kids

You will find us on the side of the school children every time we think there is a possible chance that they are in the right, but recently we have seen flagrant evidence that some of them are using the school busses as a means for imposing upon the public.

On a trip through the county one cold morning two weeks ago we came to a halt behind a school bus that was parked in the road. We stopped a safe distance behind the vehicle, and after a wait of three or four minutes the driver pulled off the road and waved for us to come on by. It was then that we glanced down a side road to our left and saw a sulky, sullen school boy sauntering along at his leisure toward the bus.

The inconvenience to us was negligible so that may be thrown out. But what about the twenty or thirty school children huddled together in that cold school bus? What about the children up the road that were out at their appointed places waiting for the bus to come? And what about the entire school bus load if every child took that much time to come out to the road? The kids wouldn't get to school in time to start back home.

That, and a couple of similar cases that we've seen recently, is a condition that should be remedied by the parents. It will be if they have any consideration for the school, or for their neighbor's children.

Publicity

Recently Wade Ison, sports editor of The Charlotte News, resigned to go to State College as publicity director. At Duke University is Ted Mann, a veteran newspaperman with experience in the larger dailies. Bob Madry, formerly a successful newspaperman in this state, directs the publicity program at the University of North Carolina.

All of these men draw good salaries, but the institutions which they serve believe they are worth what they get. Men in charge of these schools know the value of keeping the parents of their students informed about their activities. Old students and alumni, too, are more interested in their college when they have an opportunity to keep up with what's going on.

All of which makes it more than ever a puzzle to us why school principals of Brunswick county have not taken advantage of our repeated offer of a free school column. We have pointed out the value of keeping the parents and patrons of the schools in touch with the activities of the school children, their honor roll, their clubs, organizations and athletics. But on the whole the offer has a cold reception from the school principals.

A notable exception is W. R. Lingle, principal of the Southport school, who has kept his school column active except upon one or two occasions. There have been two columns turned in from Bolivia; two from Waccamaw. There were two from Leland, but both were written by someone outside the school. From Shallotte, the largest school in the county, there hasn't been a school column this year.

Lack of time is no excuse on the part of the school principals for not keeping the affairs of the school before the public. Col. Harrellson, Dr. Few and Dr. Graham didn't assume the duties of the publicity program at their respective schools. All they do is direct the policy, and pass upon matter of important details.

Principals of schools in this county can do the same thing in a smaller way, and they can use students or teachers instead of high-salaried writers to accomplish a purpose that will do their institutions a world of good.

Suggested Site

We do not know the government's policy in the matter of acquiring land for the erection of a hospital, nor do we know the attitude of the owners of the Caswell-Carolina Corporation toward the disposition of a part of their property.

We believe, however, that there is no better site in North Carolina for the erection of the new government hospital than over at Ft. Caswell.

The place has everything. Good climate—cool breezes in summer, warm Gulf stream in winter. Appeal—the ever-interesting ocean at the mouth of North Carolina's busiest river. Recreation—bathing and fishing for the convalescent and visitors who may come to see patients.

And, to top it all, a hot-water well with possibilities of development that defy exaggeration. A smart corps of government doctors can use the real and imagined curative properties of that ever-flowing mineral well to cure more patients than ever will come out of the operating room alive.

Of all the improvements suggested for Southport since we have been here, this one is the most greatly to be desired. We have the natural advantages, and if Dame Fortune (and the powers-that-be) will just be on our side this once, we'll forgive the loss of the fort, the loss of the Naugatuck, discontinuation of the quarantine station, consolidation of the coast guard stations, and the removal of Camp Sapona.

Fire Trap Schools

Again the North American continent has been the scene of a ghastly school fire—a small college in Montreal, in which the death list was more than a score. The hundred-odd pupils and students who were saved owe their lives to miraculously good fortune.

As many authorities have pointed out, the condition in thousands of American schools present a constant hazard to their occupants. And this is true not only of old wooden buildings which were erected before much was known of fire-resistive construction. Many a relatively new school, though handsome and massive in appearance, is honeycombed with unnecessary hazard. Inadequate stairways, doors that open inward, poorly situated fire escapes—these are but a few of the dangers that can be found in schools built at great cost in recent years, as well as in the ramshackle buildings of yesterday.

The school boards which have jurisdiction over these dangerous buildings did not consciously approve hazardous design and construction. They simply did not know any better. But here is a case where ignorance is no excuse—where, indeed, it is in the nature of a crime. No school should be built until qualified experts have examined and approved the blueprints. And every existing school—no matter how safe it may seem to the layman—should be inspected by experts in order to unearth and correct possible dangers.

Thousands of children have died in school fires that would not have occurred had the buildings been properly constructed. Every parent should demand fire-safe schools.

Waccamaw School News

The following pupils made 90 and above for the first month of the second semester:

First grade: Jean Bennett, Josephine Russ, James A. McKethan, Hazel Smith, Marshall Bentho, Wilbur Carlisle, Woodrow Long, Clem Russ, R. C. Smith, Kenneth Ward, Magalene Long, Isis Smith, Carrelee, Doris Smith and Clara Mae Smith.

Second grade: Joe Levy Evans, Guy Hughes, Raymond Ludlum, Talmadge Little, George Ellis Long, Edward Duncan, Marvin Ward, Madelene Evans, Lena Mae Gore, Janis Gore, Geraldine Formyduval, Ruby Avis Formyduval, Mildred Long, Retha McKeithan, Katie Ruth Stuart, Willie Mae Smith, Glenn Williamson, Doris Bland, Norma Jean Jenrette, Helen King, Marie Leonard, A. V. Russ, Lucille Sellers, Ina Mae Simmons, Lina Mae Stanaland, and Dovie White.

Third grade: Faxion Bennett, Ralph Gore, Cecil Jones, L. D. Jones, Earlee Smith, Jr., Wilbert Albert Stanaland, Delta Mae Babson, Hazel Mae Babson, Jacqueline Bennett, Doreen Inman, Annie Bell Hewett, Carol Dean Jenrette, Lorraine Jones, Hazel Mintz, Elean Russ, and Ella Mae Smith.

Fourth grade: Bennie Brooks Ward, William Ward, Annie Edwards, Florrie Mintz, Hilda Mintz, Bobbie Russ, Marie Parker, Mary Alice Hewette, Thomas King, Myrtle Coleman, Leo Simmons, Robbie Purvis, Joseph Piver, Madison Gore, Edna Mae Ludlum, Donald Allen, Roscoe Inman, Evelyn Lee Smith, Lloyd Edwards, Girdle Ludlum, Sarah Lee Smith.

Fifth grade: Hyton Babson, Jack Brown, Lathan Formyduval, Eunice Allen, Allison Bennette, Alberta Duncan, Elnora Jacobs, Victoria Jenrette, Carline Mintz, Lorraine Mintz, Mary Lee Russ, Margaret Smith, Pauline Wilson, Lena Inman, Odray Mae Long, Lucille Hewette, Ernestine McCumbee, Bernice Evans, Wilma Phelps.

Sixth grade: Bob Milligan, Emma Edwards, Virginia Williams, Glendola Bennette, Mary R. Harrelson, Annie Gola Ray, Florene Evans, Verda Mae Edwards, Esther Formyduval, Beatress Hill, Etta Mae Jones, Mary Emma Smith, J. B. Gray, Jr., Bervie Hewette, Dalton Phelps, and Byard Sellers.

Eighth grade: Mary Francis Dodson, Opal Norris. Ninth grade: Leslie Inman, Myrtle Beck, Mavis Brady, Teva Formyduval, Eula Mae Phelps, Muriel Ross, and Marjorie Jenrette.

Tenth grade: Willis Sellers. Eleventh grade: Cleo Stanaland and Addison Jenrette.

BASKET BALL

Southport high school boys and girls basketball teams came down to our gymnasium Friday evening to engage our teams in a game of basketball. The girls played the first game which was won by the Waccamaw team by the score of 30-3. The good guarding and entire team work of the home team kept the lasses from the other end of the county from scoring a single field goal. Both teams showed good sportsmanship during the whole game.

The boys' game was more spirited and the Waccamaw boys soon demonstrated that they had gone into the game to keep the visitors from marring their season's record in the county. The score was sixty-four to eighteen in favor of the home team. The good shooting of Jenrette, Evans, and Smith ran the score up very rapidly; and the work of the entire team kept the visitors from piling up a very large score.

Freeland News

Freeland, Feb. 7—Misses Pauline and Cleo Stanaland of Waccamaw spent Sunday afternoon with Misses Vera and Dorothy Simmons.

Miss Martha Mills Harrelson spent the week-end with Miss Lucille King.

Miss Dorothy Grey, who has been in training at James Walker Memorial, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Grey.

Nick, Edwin, "Billy" and Inez Harrelson Soles were visitors in this vicinity Sunday.

Miss Ora Mae Watts spent the week-end with Miss Ora Ann Milligan.

Miss Katy Lee Watts and Tom Jones were in this vicinity Sunday.

L. C. Stewart of Longwood visited Miss De Lena F. Duval Sunday.

"Fess" Evans of Ash was in this vicinity visiting Curtis F. Duval recently.

Gordon Batten and "Billy" Pierce of Hallsboro were visitors here Sunday.

Little Betty Fortny Duval is ill with symptoms of "flu" and ear confusion.

In Polk County, farmers are preparing to make one of their heaviest seedings of lespedeza. Seed are being purchased cooperatively for broadcasting over small grain.

SOUTHPORT SCHOOL NEWS

Following is the honor roll for the fifth month for the Southport school. Students with an average grade of between 93 and 100 are on the first honor roll; between 90 and 93 on the second honor roll.

First grade: First honor roll, Dot Watts, Jimmie Cox, Joseph Cox, Mary Sue Wallace, Barbara Prince, Jenrette Hickman, Jack Swan.

Second grade: First honor roll, Joyce Lancaster, Betsy Jane Galloway; second honor roll, Barbara Weeks, R. E. Sellers.

Third grade: First honor roll, Margaret McGee, Evelyn Muncy, Dorothy Ward, Lon Newton, Bess Miller Plaxco, Dorothy Prince, Billy Bowling; second honor roll, Anne McRackan.

Fourth grade: First honor roll, Sally Ann McNeil.

Fifth grade: First honor roll, Dorothy Cox.

Sixth grade: First honor roll, Annis Jean Weeks, Lula Marie Swain, Mae Swain, Eloise St. George, Rudolph Sellers, Inez Phelps, Glenn Lennon, Muriel Lee Jones, Joe Young Christian; Second honor roll, Marie Moore.

Eighth grade: First honor roll, Roderic Bellamy.

Ninth grade: First honor roll, Doris Lewis.

Tenth grade: First honor roll, W. T. Fulwood, John Hall.

Eleventh grade: First honor roll, Edward Taylor, Katie Cox, Louise Niernsee.

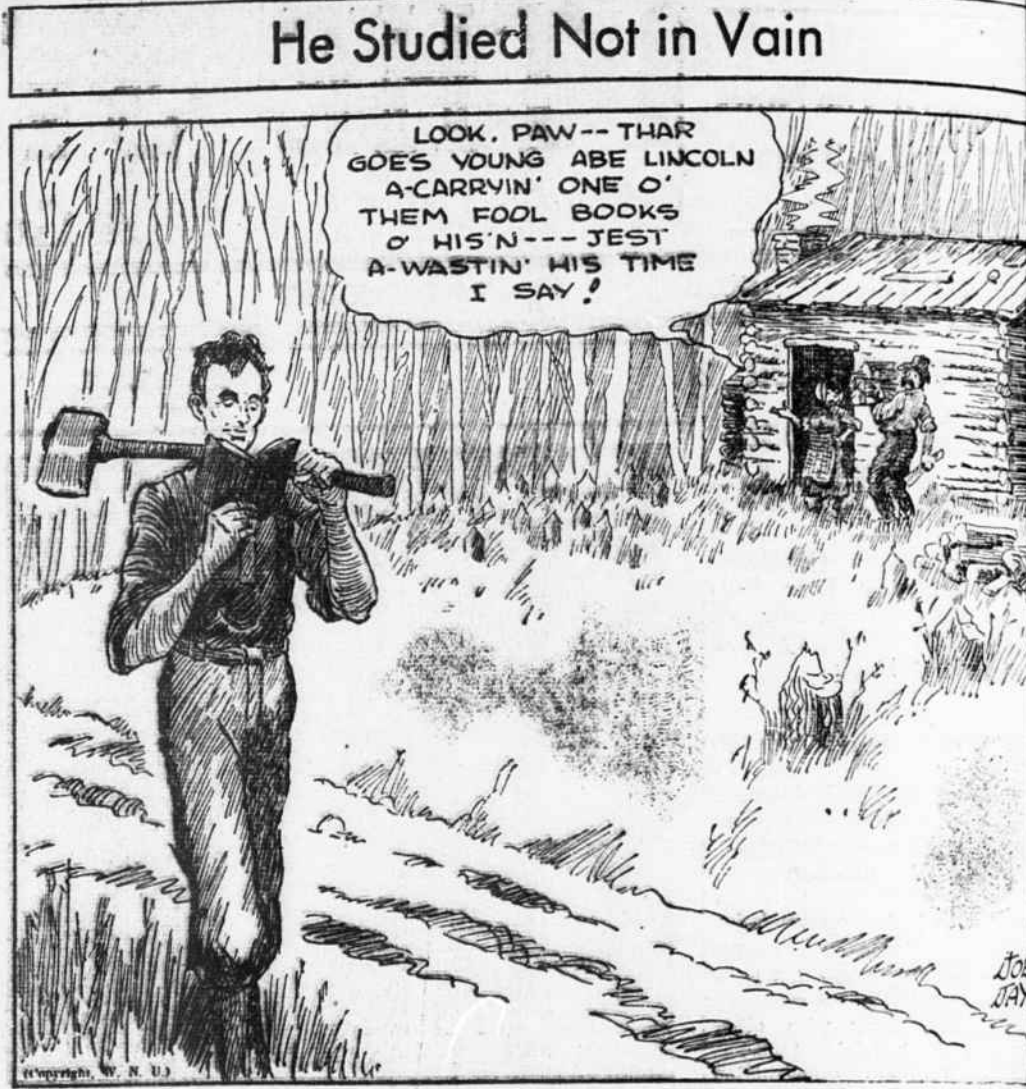
Bee Specialist Writes Article

Tells How Farmers May Control The Appearance Of Foul-Brood In Beehives On Their Farms

The apiarist of the State Department of Agriculture says that one of the most important things beekeepers can do to control American foulbrood in sections where it is known or suspected to be present is to check over their bees early in the spring before there are any days warm enough for the bees to fly freely and examine any dead colonies to see whether they died from foulbrood or not. It is easy to pick out the dead colonies in a yard on a day that is too cold for the bees to fly by giving the side of the hive a sharp jar and then listening for the buzzing of the bees inside. If no buzzing is heard after the hive has been jarred two or three times the colony is apt to be dead and should be examined closely.

In order to tell whether the colony had foulbrood or not the brood combs should be removed one at a time and examined closely. American foulbrood is caused by a bacteria which attacks the larvae about the time they are ready to be capped over in the cells. A few of the larvae die before they are capped over but most of them die after the cell has been capped. The diseased larvae first takes on a slight brownish color and sinks down in the cell losing the well rounded shape and pearly white color of healthy larvae. As decay continues the larvae mass becomes dark brown or coffee colored and often has a strong glue-like odor. The cappings are sunken, dark colored, and perforated with small pin holes. At this stage the dead larvae has a sticky,ropy consistency and will often rope out in thin threads two or three inches long if a toothpick or some similar object is twisted around in the cell a little and then withdrawn. The dead larvae continue to disintegrate into a sticky glue-like mass which finally dries down to a dark brown or almost black scale which sticks to floor of the cell so tightly that it cannot be removed without tearing up the cell. These dried down scales are often the only form of the disease found in dead colonies early in the spring because the brood has been dead so long it has all dried down into scales. These scales can easily be seen if the comb is held in such a way that the light shines on the floor of the cells. If there is doubt about whether disease is present or not assistance may be secured by writing the State Inspector, Raleigh.

Dead colonies which are found to obtain foulbrood should be removed from the yard at once and destroyed. Great care should be taken to see that all the honey and comb is thoroughly disposed of in such a way that the bees can not get to any of it, because the main way foulbrood is spread is in the honey. Burning is usually the best way to destroy them. If the bees are allowed to rob the honey out of a colony or two that have died from foulbrood all the colonies in the yard are apt to take the disease.



Mortality Rate In N. C. Declines

Infant Mortality Rate As The General Death Rate In The State On Decline, Report Shows

Raleigh—North Carolina's infant mortality rate dropped from 63.4 per 1,000 live births in 1937, the provisional report of the Division of Vital Statistics of the State Board of Health, of which Dr. R. T. Stimpson is the director, shows.

The maternal mortality rate dropped from 7.0 to 5.4, or, numerically, from 532 to 432.

been inspected and found free from American foulbrood. Any person who is intending to buy bees should for his own protection insist that they be inspected before he buys them.

Inspection service is free to all beekeepers who want it and can be had by applying to the State Department of Agriculture, Raleigh.

Considerable progress was made during 1937 in the work accomplished at maternity and infant centers conducted by the State Board of Health, of which there were 124 under way on December 31. These centers are under the supervision of and a part of the important work being done by the Division of Preventive Medicine, of which Dr. G. M. Cooper is the director.

The declines reported above are thought to be due, in a measure, at least, to this work, according to Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, State Health Officer.

During the year of 1937, the provisional report shows, births in North Carolina exceeded deaths by 544, more than two to one. The number of births reported during the year was 80,644, as compared with 76,321 the previous year, while the number of deaths was 34,100, as compared with 35,580 in 1936.

Birth Rate Higher In other words, the birth rate jumped from 22.1 to 23.1, while the death rate declined from 10.3 to 9.8, the report shows. The number of births in 1937, therefore, was 4,323 greater than

in 1936, while the number of deaths was 1,480 less.

Numerous declines in death from certain causes were recorded, while in some instances, number and rates increased. Deaths from cancer continued to climb, the rate increasing to 51.6 in 1936 to 54.1 last year numerically, from 1,785 to 1,937.

There was a drop in deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis in 1937 total being 1,732, as compared with 1,905 in 1936, the decreasing from 55.1 to 49.8.

There were only 79 deaths typhoid and paratyphoid in 1937 as compared with hundreds used to occur before the day of inoculation against that disease. The previous year the total was 72.

INFLUENZA DEATHS DECREASED There was a noticeable decline in the number of deaths from influenza, the 1937 total being 1,163 as compared with 1,663 in 1936, the decrease in rate being 33.6 to 25.1.

Among the evergreens that grown from seed are the hemlock, fir, spruce, and cypress.

NOTICE! NOTICE! 3rd Call For Taxes I will be at the places cited below at the time designated for the purpose of collecting 1937 Taxes. The penalty of 2 per cent will be effective after March 1st. Pay before that day and save costs! SHALLOTTE, FEBRUARY 19th and 26th 2:00 to 4:30 P. M. LOCKWOODS FOLLY, Kirby Store, FEB. 17, 9:30 to 10:30 a. m. LOCKWOODS FOLLY, Varnums Store, FEB. 17, 11:00 to 12:00 ROACHES STORE, FEB. 17th 12:30 to 2:00 P. M. BOONS NECK, J. D. Robinson's Store, FEB. 17th 2:00 to 3:00 P. M. VILLAGE POINT, Shallotte, Tripps Store, FEB. 18, 10 to 10:30 a. m. GRISSETT TOWN, Parkers Store, FEB. 18th 11:00 to 11:45 a. m. THOMASBORO, FEB. 18th 12:00 to 12:30 p. m. HICKMAN'S X ROADS, Bennetts Store, FEB. 18, 12:45 to 2 p. m. LONGWOOD, Browns Store, FEB. 18th 2:30 to 3:30 p. m. ASH, POST OFFICE, FEB. 18th 3:45 to 5:00 p. m. FREELAND, Simmons Store, FEB. 19th 10:00 to 11:00 a. m. EXUM, Bennetts Store, FEB. 19th 11:15 to 12:15 p. m. WET ASH, Mrs. M. E. Gore's Store, FEB. 19th 12:30 to 1:30 p. m. LELAND, Holmes Store, FEB. 22nd 10:00 to 11:00 a. m. NAVASSA, Lewis Store, FEB. 22nd 11:15 to 12:30 p. m. PINES SERVICE STATION, FEB. 22nd 12:45 to 2:00 p. m. WINNABOW, Henry's Store, FEB. 24th 10:00 a. m. to 12 Noon BOLIVIA, Willetts Store, and Elmore Motor Co., FEB. 24th 12:30 to 3:00 p. m. Chas. E. Gause TAX COLLECTOR