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A Jack-of-all-trades spends a good part of his time looking for work, but business is brought in to a specialist.

The extra effort usually provides the margin between winning and losing.

No modern device can spread dirt faster than the well-known grape vine.

Some folks believe more in fate than they do in faith.

When you find it necessary to make a man mad about collecting an account, be sure to make him mad enough to pay you.

About the biggest difference between a good little circus and a good big circus is the number of attractions you miss seeing.

Rare Spirit

Last week when a group of students from the local high school went over to the garrison grounds for a supervised recreation period it was discovered that the fall crop of sandspurs made conditions almost unbearable, particularly for the barefoot members of the group.

When this situation was called to the attention of M. F. Mollycheck, who has the care of the grounds in charge, he immediately made arrangements to have the grass mowed.

Co-operation of this kind surely deserves the appreciation of the school authorities, as well as the students themselves.

Doctor, Preacher, Hospital

If there is to be a financial surplus for the farmers of our section this year, now is the time. This is the harvest season, and most of the crops have been sold.

The banks and the time merchants are going to take care of themselves, for their obligations are, for the most part, protected by notes and mortgages.

There are other obligations, though, that we sometimes are prone to neglect because no pressure is being brought to bear. Notable among these are our pledges to the church, and it is only when we are brought face to face with the facts that we realize that it takes money to carry on our religious institutions.

Then there is the case of the doctor. True, there is a modern trend for doctors to be better businessmen, but most of their accounts for medical attention still are unprotected. This does not excuse our neglecting to pay, and now is a mighty good time to be sure that our record with the doctor is clear.

Finally, there is the hospital. In Brunswick county it is our own institution at Southport, and it is directly dependent upon the people to come in and pay their bills while they are able.

The Bear Trail

Today in Brunswick County Recorder Court they are trying two men for alleged violation of the game law. The case, we are informed, grew out of killing a bear out of season.

Now you can list us on the side of the game protectors. We believe that the conservation of our wildlife depends upon protective laws and their rigid enforcement.

But our zeal for game protection does not encompass bears that have been destroying crops and livestock. Our state law gives the citizens the right to protect his belongings, according to a recent letter from an official of the state game commission. His statement follows:

"Under our North Carolina game law any bird or animal which is committing a depredation may be taken at any time while committing, or while about to commit, such depredation. In other words, there is nothing in the law to prohibit you protecting your crops or your livestock, and a permit is not necessary."

So if the court today finds that the bear slain by today's defendant was causing crop or livestock damage, these men should be permitted to go scott-free.

Among Those Present

Approximately 13,000 persons, enough to populate a small city, who would otherwise have died in auto accidents during 1938, will probably live to welcome the New Year next January thanks, largely, to the tireless efforts of such agencies as the National Institute for Traffic Safety, The National Safety Council, The Automotive Safety Foundation, thousands of newspaper editors, and the casualty insurance industry.

The men and women who are directly responsible for saving these 13,000 human lives will receive little or no recognition for their tireless services. Their only solace will be found in dry statistics. They will not even receive the gratitude they so justly deserve from those whose very lives they have saved, because providence never labels its victims in advance.

In the first six months of 1938, highway fatalities decreased 22 per cent compared to 1937. And as the New York Times has observed: "Such progress is especially cheering in view of the enormity of the problem." The United States has what has been described as "the most enormous transportation system in the world, with 3,000,000 miles of rights of way, 30,000,000 pieces of rolling stock and an average of 80,000,000 passengers daily."

There are two things that you can and should do to promote safety on our highways. Observe every safety precaution your self and encourage others to do the same. Incidentally, next January, if you are fortunate enough to be among those present, you might send up a silent prayer of thanks to the nation's traffic safety workers—you just possibly are one of the lucky thirteen thousand.

History Repeats

The crucial world situation today had its counterpart in 1857 when the following article was published in Harper's Weekly. Notice how applicable it is to present day conditions:

"It is a gloomy moment in history. Not for many years—not in the lifetime of most men who read this—has there been to much grave and deep apprehension; never has the future seemed so incalculable as at this time. In our own country there is universal commercial prostration and panic, and thousands of our poorest fellow-citizens are turned out against the approaching winter without employment, and without the prospects of it.

"In France the political caldron seethes and bubbles with uncertainty; Russia hangs as usual, like a cloud, dark and silent upon the horizon of Europe; while all the energies, resources and influences of the British Empire are sorely tried, and are yet to be tried more sorely, in coping with the vast and deadly disturbed relations in China.

"It is a solemn moment, and no man can feel an indifference—which happily, no man pretends to feel—in the issue of events.

"Of our own troubles (in the U. S. A.) no man can see the end. They are, fortunately, as yet mainly commercial; and if we are only to lose money, and by painful poverty to be taught wisdom—the wisdom of honor, of faith, of sympathy and of charity—no man need seriously despair. And yet the very haste to be rich, which is the occasion of this widespread calamity, has also tended to destroy the moral forces with which we are to resist and subdue the calamity."

The Vacant Desk

One of the most forceful advertisements we've seen in quite a while appeared in a national magazine recently, showing the picture of a vacant desk in school.

The vacant desk was symbolic of the vacant place left in the hearts of her parents and friends when Little Mary's existence was snuffed out by an automobile.

Yesterday, Little Mary was like thousands of other school children. Her face was aglow with ecstasy as she gave the right answer to the teacher's question. Her brown eyes sparkled and her blonde curls tossed as she played with her classmates during recess. Little Mary will never answer another question, never play again... the car was going too fast around the curve and didn't see the little girl in time...

The vacant desk should be impressed upon the mind of every motorist. It should be a powerful argument for safe driving.

Just Among The Fishermen

WINDY WEATHER

As if we did not get plenty of windy weather during the summer, last week came along with blows from all directions. Three or four days of stiff east winds were followed by a pretty heavy south-east blow. For four days the weather man at Wilmington steadfastly promised us something different for "tomorrow". And he always went wrong. Late September seldom brings such continuous winds as we had last week.

FAT MULLETTS

Fishermen say that the mulletts have never before been so fat as they are this year. Another pleasing fact is that the September catch of these fish has been considerably larger than usual. It is understood that many tons of the fish have been taken from various points along the miles of Brunswick coast. The season is only just beginning and the fishermen are hoping for even better luck from now on. Their hope seems justified by reports of big catches further up along the coast.

STORY WENT FAR

A story in this paper two weeks ago covering the eight pound fresh water big mouth bass that was caught by Post Master Yaskell has traveled afar. The Civic Club sent it on to the State Publicity Bureau, that bureau and various news agencies picked it up and it is still going around and around. An eight pound fresh water bass is really a good sized fish and the Southport Post Office official is to be congratulated on his catch.

GETTING MANY SHEEPHEAD

The abandoned quarantine Station has been a popular place for disciples of old Izaak Walton all this fall. The sheepheads that cluster about the pilings have been furnishing the major attraction. Many hundreds of these fish have been taken there and keeper Charley Doshier is much sought after for the favor of giving sportsmen permission to fish on the dock.

PUPPY DRUM SEASON

Both Howell's Point and the site of the old brick yard at Walden's Creek will be popular places for fishermen from now on until sometime after Christmas. The chief attraction is channel bass, or puppy drum. At either place fishing may be done from the bank with pole and cork line. Using shrimp for bait and with a little knowledge of which tides to fish on, a person can have royal sport any day.

GULF FISHING PICTURES

Bugs Barringer, of the Charlotte Observer, is tentatively slated to go to the Gulf Stream with F. P. Summers of Charlotte and your columnist Friday morning of this week. The object is to get some real action pictures of Gulf Stream fishing and of the Fryer Pan lighthouse. Mr. Summers, the pioneer in Gulf Stream fishing at Southport, will provide the action. He never fails to get plenty of big fellows. The trip will be made on the E. M. Lewis of Captain Hulan Watts. The party will deliver a bundle of newspapers and other matter to the men on the Fryer Pan.

CONGRESSMAN COMING

Congressman J. Bayard Clark of Fayetteville, will be down either this week or next week for some puppy drum fishing. The Congressman is a strong devotee of pole and cork line work on his fishing trips. When he is out after the drum it would be a mighty fine rod and reel outfit that would draw his notice. He gets his kick out of seeing his cork plunge under and feeling the tug as the tightening line and hook makes connection.

MANY SPORT BOATS

The advices from the north are to the effect that the heavy increase in number of yachts bound south this fall includes a proportionately large increase in sport fishing boats is of interest here. Last fall around 150 of the elaborate sport fishermen went south. This year the number will run close to 200 and it is possible that many of the boats will stop here for a few days of gulf stream fishing before continuing on to Florida. If such is the case these boats will do much to publicize the local fishing.

BIG FLEET HERE NOW

The shrimp trawling fleet is still far from having reached its maximum strength, but it can now be said that a pretty large fleet is here and operating during all favorable weather periods. The number of the craft will increase largely in the near future when the quality and volume of the product becomes more tempting.

Southport School News

SHORT SCHEDULE

Due to the warm weather there will be a short schedule during the rest of September. School will take in at 8:10 o'clock instead of 8:30. School will close daily at 12:30 o'clock.

OUR TREES

We have some very old and attractive trees in our community, and the people seem to be proud of them. However they do nothing to preserve them. Trees get sick the same as people and should be cared for and kept healthy.

I think steps should be taken to preserve our trees and keep them looking healthy so they will have a long life. By William Holden.

CLUBS

This time last week school was just getting started, but now it is time to organize some clubs. Miss Setzer will have a Glee Club, Mr. Wonsavage and Mr. Livingston will have a boys' athletic club, and Miss Pittman and Mr. Livingston will have a dramatic club. Miss Craven will have charge of the girls athletic club. The school is looking forward to having better club work this year than ever before. By Leatha Arnold.

OUR SCHOOL

The pupils of Southport high school are not quite as proud of their school as they should be. The school grounds are not kept as clean as they should be, the inside of the building is kept much more attractive than the grounds. Therefore, we sometimes give people who pass by the wrong impression of our school.

Some people have said that you can tell a person's home life and how he was reared by his appearance. This is mostly true; but pupils of Southport high school, do not let our school grounds belie the inside appearance of our school. By John Lancaster.

SENIOR'S ELECT OFFICERS

Last Wednesday, the senior class of Southport high school, elected class officers for the school year 1938-39. The officers are John Hall, president; Mary Hood, vice-president; Delphia Lennon, secretary; and Lulu Brown, treasurer. The program committee consists of Louise Rees chairman, George Lewis and W. T. Fulwood. The social committee is Carrie Hewette, chairman, Leatha Arnold and John Lancaster. The class feels sure that it has class officers who are going to do their best to make this year a very successful one. By Rivers Wescott

WACCAMAW SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL BEGINS

Everything points to a very successful school year at Waccamaw and students and teachers alike are looking forward to their work. There is a record enrollment in the first grade, with more than 100 pupils. These have been divided by Principal Z. G. Ray into three first-grade sections.

NEW DEPARTMENT

This year for the first time there is a vocational agriculture department, the only one in Brunswick county. Leroy Mintz, who graduated last year from N. C. State College, heads this new department. The boys have welcomed the opportunity to study agriculture and there are thirty-three enrolled for this course. The agriculture building will contain class rooms and work shop and will be a big help when ready for use.

TO ORGANIZE CLUBS

With the preliminary work of getting things straightened out finally disposed of, students are looking forward now to the organization of the literary societies and other clubs. Friday afternoon has been set as the time for the society organization meetings.

Shallotte News

Shallotte, Sept. 21.—Byron H. Goley, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Goley, left Monday for Maryville College, Maryville, Tennessee, where he will take up his studies for the next year. Byron graduated from Mt. Holly high school in Mt. Holly, N. J.

Hubert Gray, of Belmont Abby school, near Charlotte, visited his friend, Lennon Swain, the past week.

R. D. White, Jr., left Monday for Louisville College, where he will take up his studies for the next year.

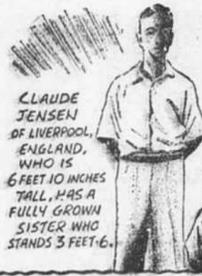
Misses Gladys Frye, Ida Creech, Vera Corley and Mesdames R. S. White, and Lillian Oliver were visitors in Myrtle Beach, S. C. Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. M. M. Rosenbaum was a visitor in Wilmington Wednesday.

But It's True



THE WATER-BUBBLE WHICH HAS BEEN KEPT INTACT FOR 14 YEARS... IN THE LABORATORY OF THE SUBARCTIC SCIENTIFIC ASSOCIATION.



CLAUDE JENSEN OF LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND, WHO IS 6 FEET 10 INCHES TALL, HAS A FULLY GROWN SISTER WHO STANDS 3 FEET 6.

THE ALLEGEDLY PERFECT PHYSICAL SPECIMEN... THE AMERICAN INDIAN IS MORE SUSCEPTIBLE TO DISEASE THAN ANY OTHER RACE!!



Keeping the water bubble intact has amounted to one of the most remarkable feats ever accomplished. It has been necessary to make sure that the bubble is not affected by any vibration. To make sure of this the association has spent something more than \$1,000 in the erection of steel supports. It has been established that the American Indian has less resistance to the diseases of civilization than any other race in the world. Even before Europeans came to the New World the average Indian lived only thirty years. Doctors say that the Jensen case is the only one known to science in which the same parents produced a giant and a midget.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gore formally Miss Letha Swain of Clarendon, visited relatives here Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. D. C. Andrews and Miss Agnes Andrews were visitors in Wilmington Friday.

Many of the people from here attended the Circus in Wilmington last Friday.

Mrs. M. H. Rourke gave a tea in honor of the school teachers and Mrs. Chandler Friday afternoon from five to five-thirty o'clock.

Misses Ida Creech and Gladys Frye and Mrs. Lillian Oliver were visitors in Wilmington Saturday.

M. H. Gatlin left Friday afternoon to visit his parents in Reelford.

Misses Clarcyce and Johnnie Mae Russ were visitors in Wilmington last Wednesday afternoon.

Revival meeting began last Sunday night at Chapel Hill church. Everybody is invited to attend.

Miss DeLa Gaye Robinson spent last week-end with her sister, Mrs. Houston Hewette, of Ash.

Chatham, England.—Most people know about the "golf widow" whose husband lives on the golf course.

Now the "darts widow" has arrived.

She is 22-year-old Mrs. Patricia Baker, of Cuxton, who obtained a court order for maintenance against her husband.

She complained he fell for the dart craze, spent most nights playing darts in public houses, neglected her and the home was broken.

Members of the Soldier Boy Baptist church were busy Wednesday morning making extensive repairs and improvements on the building.

OUT OF TOWN

R. E. Sentelle, Southport attorney, will be out of town all this week while attending to business matters in Western N. C. He will be back in his office Monday.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

There will be services at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock instead of 8 o'clock. The Reverend J. E. Potts will preach, his sermon subject being, "The Finished Work". Everybody invited.

CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS

Members of the Soldier Boy Baptist church were busy Wednesday morning making extensive repairs and improvements on the building.

Advertisement for THE STATE PORT PILOT featuring a woman's portrait and the text: 'IF YOU ARE GOING AWAY TO SCHOOL... LET THE STATE PORT PILOT Keep You Informed On What Is Going On At Home! PARENTS: Send THE STATE PORT PILOT to college with your children. Think of all the letter writing it will save you about local happenings.'

Advertisement for SPECIAL STUDENT'S RATE with a coupon form: 'THE STATE PORT PILOT may be sent to students only on a special nine months subscription for \$1.00 payable in advance. USE THIS COUPON THE STATE PORT PILOT, SOUTHPORT, N. C. Enclosed find \$1.00 for which please send THE STATE PORT PILOT for 9 months at the special student's rate to— Name... Street Address... City... State... Beginning Date...'