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Then there's the lad who is a chip off the old blockhead.

Before you try to put a stop to a thing because some parts of it are bad, find out first if you will not also be destroying a lot that is worthwhile.

Some men work harder for relaxation than they do for a living.

Jack and Jill went up the hill—and people have been talking about them ever since.

There's an important difference in being thankful for your well-being and in gloating over your success.

The only unchanging feature of women's fashions is discomfort.

Sometimes we believe that the worst headache is the two-legged kind.

Kindness done without thought of gain should be doubly appreciated.

Unsigned Articles

As freely as we welcome news contributions to this newspaper, we have made it an unbroken policy not to print any unsigned article.

Reasons for this are numerous, but the chief one is that we shy away from circulating a news report the authenticity of which we cannot possibly establish.

Occasionally a top-notch news story hits the waste paper basket simply because the writer either did not know of this rule, or was too careless to sign his name.

Remember: If a story is worth writing it is worth taking the time to sign your name; and any story you are ashamed to sign is too sorry for us to print.

When the writer's name is on the news letter, we never print it unless it is requested. We simply want to know whom to thank or whom to blame for the news reports we circulate.

Three Deaths

Three deaths within two days last week left this community burdened with sorrow.

First, the life of Miss Minnie Ray Davis daughter of a prominent Southport family, was taken by pneumonia. The patience with which that young lady had borne her suffering for several years was a benediction to all her friends. The community was deeply sympathetic with the family.

The death of Dr. D. I. Watson occurred early Sunday morning, May 28. Although this venerable gentleman had been confined to his home for some months, news of his death cast a pall of sorrow over this community that had long felt the benefit of his noble life. In business, social, civic, fraternal and religious life he was a leader and this town long will bear the imprint of his influence.

The third death was that of Sam W. Watts, member of the board of aldermen, the county election board and a former Southport Postmaster. The suddenness of his passing was a tremendous shock to his host of friends. Sam Watts will be missed in this community.

Thus did the shadow of death darken the happiness in three Southport homes within the span of 36 hours. Once more there were reminders that death is unpredictable, but sure. In times like these it is a comfort to live in a small town, where sorrows are shared and where sympathetic friends and neighbors can do much to lessen the burden of suffering.

Saturation Point

A well-known citizen of Brunswick county who has been in business in this section for more than 30 years told us last week that he had been forced to

close down his mill because he was unable to secure labor.

"They won't work for me as long as they can hold on to their WPA jobs," he said.

"Don't you pay more than WPA, we asked?"

"Certainly. My wage scale is regulated by the Wage and Hour law. But that makes no difference. These men I've been trying to get had rather work half as hard for half as much."

He was embittered against the whole situation and we don't blame him; for in a county where the standard of living is none too high, where the average yearly income for each family is too small, he was getting a cold shoulder to his offer for steady, respectable, well-paid independent employment.

This is not intended to be a bombastic attack upon WPA, nor upon the men who hold WPA jobs. This organization has served a purpose in absorbing some of the unemployed in our county, state and nation.

However, it has always been our impression that WPA was an agency to tide over during an emergency the matter of making a living. Most of the men we have known on these rolls have welcomed their first opportunity to switch over again into private employment, the chief reasons being that they desired to be once more established in permanent work and that they wanted to be free of any feeling that they were participating in anything longer than they could help in Federal relief.

The functions of WPA should be so adjusted that its rolls could be expanded when unemployment is greatest; and that its membership could be cut when it becomes apparent that a labor shortage is affecting private industry.

Some Differences

"There is more than casual significance" thinks the Raleigh News & Observer "in the declaration of A. J. Maxwell, Commissioner of Revenue that highway funds have increased so rapidly that a \$40,000,000 road building program which the commissioner has estimated will make the highways of the state safe, may be started almost at once."

The Raleigh paper continues: "Nobody, apparently, has estimated the amount of money that will be required to put all the school children of the State who are now transported at public expense in safe school busses, or to prepare for these children school plants adequate to their needs, or to man these schools with teachers receiving salaries large enough to lift them out of the unskilled labor class, or to operate these schools for terms long enough to provide an educational opportunity equivalent in comparative standards to the achievements of our road building.

"Nobody has estimated how much it will take to spread the preventive health work of the State to cover with fair safety those North Carolinians in counties which are too poor to co-operate in the essentials of a public health program. "The difference is more than a matter of emphasis placed where the people of North Carolina want the emphasis placed. The highway propaganda, successful in getting North Carolina out of the mud, has now the motive power of highly organized interests who are placed in the very happy position wherein they find their own profits and a desirable extension of highway facilities may be served by the same popular and benevolent appeal for more than wider roads.

"It is a pity that the builders of school buildings, the manufacturers and salesmen of school equipment, the merchants who might find the teachers better customers for commodities on their counters, the landlords and the operators of boarding houses aren't numerous enough, powerful enough, and interested enough to band themselves together as a glorified and benevolent lobby for the aid of teacher groups and the mothers and fathers of the State in the cause of public education, one for all and all for one.

"In the case of roads, particularly, this procedure has been highly effective."

Commercializing Nature

It seems such a pity to us that so many of the places of beauty in this country have been commercialized. The most beautiful gardens, the older homesteads, the caverns, mountain peaks and a thousand and one other of the beauties of nature, created by our Maker for the enjoyment of His children, are barred to those who do not have the price of admission.

Onions are used to produce tears. Its enough to cry about when you sit next to somebody who's been eating them.

Just Among The Fishermen

BIG WEEK-END

Both in point of the number of sportsmen going out and in the catches they made, Saturday and Sunday were the most successful for sport fishing of any two days Southport has ever experienced. More than a hundred went out to fish on Saturday and about the same number went Sunday. Not a single failure or disappointment was chalked up, so far as the writer has been able to learn. The boatmen all did their utmost to give good service and the visitors were appreciative of it. In some cases where suggestions were made as to the use of boatmen, and as the writer was out of town all day Sunday, notes of appreciation were left. In such cases the parties all stated that they intended to come back soon, they were so pleased with their catches and the efforts of the boatmen in their behalf.

BLUE FISH HERE

The blue fish are definitely off Southport and it may be accepted as a fact that they will remain until late September. One boatman out Saturday led his party to the taking of 90 large ones. Other cases in which catches just as good occurred were made both Saturday and Sunday. Mackerel also bit well, and many large catches of trout were reported. An unusual thing about the trout, for this season of the year, is that many of them hovered around 3-pounds in weight. The blues, however, claimed most of the interest and attention.

RALEIGH PARTY ENJOYED TRIP

Half a dozen of the N. C. Unemployment Comp. Com. officials from Raleigh spent Saturday and Sunday here, going out fishing Sunday with Captain Alfred Newton of the Eva Mae. They got 89 large trout, blue fish and mackerel and to your columnist who had assisted in engineering the trip, they left a note indicating they had a great time and were appreciative of the local fishing. Those in the party were Dr. W. R. Curtis, R. B. Bullock, E. C. Newton, George Bland, George McAuley and Charles Council.

MANY CHARLOTTE FOLKS

Thirty-five or forty Charlotte people were here Saturday and Sunday, some for a trip to Bald Head Island, but most of them to go fishing. Among the folks from there who went fishing were Mr. and Mrs. O. R. (Ray) Stubbs. It may be mentioned here that the fishing boat of Captain James Arnold is named Ray Stubbs, after this visitor. Mr. Stubbs and his party spent both Saturday and Sunday out fishing.

RUTHERFORDTON FOLK

One of Saturday's most pleased parties of sportsmen was from Rutherfordton in Western North Carolina. Their catch was not so large in number of fish taken but that was made up for in size. They brought in some unusually beautiful trout and blues. Two parties from Durham, a party from Greensboro and several other parties who were not contacted all made exceptionally fine catches Saturday. On account of other matters we could not contact the large number of parties who went out Sunday, but all reports are that they made great catches.

TRY WEEK DAY FISHING

While Saturday and Sunday are the only days when many sportsmen can leave their work to go fishing, the folks who can get away on week days usually make a big success out of their trips. The week-ends find conditions crowded. It is sometimes hard to secure a good boat at such time and when the sportsmen are outside and at work they are sometimes annoyed by other party boats working all around them. When it is possible to do so it is a good plan to provide for a fishing trip to be made on a week day.

TOOK TROUT WITH OAR

Tommie Willis, nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Willis, got a trout last week in a manner that is a little unusual and distinctive. The little fellow saw the fish swimming in clear and comparatively shallow water near the shore and proceeded to "knock the stuffing out of it" with an oar, which he hastily obtained. It weighed two pounds.

OUTLOOK GOOD

This week-end will bring many sportsmen to Southport, more parties being looked for than were here last Saturday and Sunday when something near a record for good fishing was established. Of course, everything for next Saturday and Sunday is dependent on weather conditions. If the weather is good it can safely be put down that there will be a large crowd.

Winnabow News

Mrs. Marie Brock and little daughter, Virginia, returned to Richlands Sunday after a pleasant visit with Mrs. E. G. Goodman and Miss Lillie Sandlin.

Albert Lawson of Wilmington was a visitor here Wednesday.

Miss Mary Ellen Wescott of Southport spent the past week with her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Potter, and family.

J. L. Henry, Mrs. A. P. Henry, Mabel Fields and Adrian Phelps visited Tom Davis, in Wilmington, Wednesday the day being his 93rd birthday.

C. Ed Taylor and Mrs. John Gill of Southport visited Mrs. D. R. Johnson Thursday afternoon.

Miss Nellie Willetts left Thursday to spend some time with friends in Greensboro. While there she will attend the graduation exercises of Woman's College university of N. C. of which she is a graduate.

Glenn Tucker of Carolina Beach visited A. P. Henry Friday afternoon. Mr. Henry has been quite sick and is still not able to be out.

Mrs. Geo. R. Foulk and daughter, Elizabeth, returned home Friday from Pa. where she was called on account of her brother's death.

Rev. J. R. Potts, of Southport, visited in this community Friday afternoon and was a supper guest of Mrs. J. L. Henry. He remained at New Hope Church in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Zibelin attended the Rural Mail Carrier's Convention held at White Lake Tuesday.

The primary and junior classes of New Hope Presbyterian Church accompanied by Misses Gertrude Maulsby and Juanita Sowell, teachers and Rev. J. R. Potts, pastor, enjoyed a pleasant afternoon at Carolina Beach Thursday. On Saturday afternoon the young people of the church accompanied by the pastor enjoyed an outing to the same beach. Misses Constance and Margaret Bartlett of Southport also accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Coppola of Charleston, S. C., visited Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Lewis this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Ward and R. F. Hall of Wilmington visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zibelin Sunday.

Mrs. R. E. Williams and son of Wilmington visited Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Woodbury Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roach spent Sunday afternoon at Holden's Beach.

Misses Sue and Mary Stallings and Katherine Daniels of Wilson visited Miss Julia Taylor Sunday.

Kenneth Smelser and a group of young people from Wrightsboro are attending the Ben Lippen Bible Conference in Asheville this week.

Mrs. E. F. Bergman and son, Dick, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bergman spent Monday in Mount Olive.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sutton of Southport were visitors here Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Gertrude Maulsby left Monday to attend summer school at Boone.

Miss Sallie Betts Knox returned home Monday from a pleasure trip in Raleigh with her brother, Dr. J. C. Knox, and family. He accompanied her home and returned to Raleigh Tuesday.

Exum News

Friends regret to learn that Asa R. Edwards, of Bolivia, is a patient in the Doshier Memorial Hospital. Mr. Edwards is formerly of this community. His many friends and relatives wish him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. W. A. Phelps and Myrtha Phelps were in Southport Friday. The many friends of Burnice Little will be sorry to learn that his health is not good at the present.

Mrs. T. R. Phelps and son, Austin, and Bobbie and B. L. Russ were visitors in Chadbourn Monday.

Roddie Bennett made a business trip to Southport one day last week.

Lloyd McKeithan, who recently enlisted with the U. S. N., reports a nice time while he is on his way to Shanghai, China.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hewett, of the Mill Branch section, visited Mrs. Hewett's grandmother, Mrs. Luidie Cox, Sunday.

Cecil Lewis, of Leland, was a visitor here Friday. He is enlisted with the U. S. Army at Fort Bragg.

Boone's Neck

Winford Hewette, of Portsmouth, Va., returned home Monday, after spending a weeks vacation here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Hewette.

Mrs. Nomie Williams and daughter-in-law, Gladys Wolfe, visited Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Lewis and family Monday.

Mary E. Lewis has returned home after spending a while with Mrs. Raymond Taylor, of Georgetown, S. C.

Mrs. Elmer Long left for Charleston, S. C., Wednesday to be with her husband, who has recently accepted a position on the Henry Bacon Dredge. Lottie Mae Hewette is spending

But It's True

Advertisement for The Campan Tread of South America. Includes an illustration of a woman and text: 'THE SHOES WORN BY THE PRESENT QUEEN ELIZABETH OF ENGLAND AT HER CORONATION COST \$14,000...' and 'THE LATE THELMA TODD... ONCE LOST 34 POUNDS IN TWO DAYS !!'

NOT EXACTLY NEWS . . . By Gene O'Brien

E. H. Gray was in town Monday and was disturbed about the absence of Shalotte news in The Pilot. "Give me some paper and envelopes," he said, "and I'll get somebody to write you some news from down there." . . . The right-of-way has been cut, but the roadbed for the route to Long Beach has not been plowed up . . . Byron Drew and Valle Frederer are supposed to be about the best horseback riders in this section, but others like the way B. M. Hornsby, Kentucky native, sticks in his saddle . . . They say that one of the secrets of the success of the S. & W. Cafeteria chain, of which Frank Sherrill is proprietor, is their policy of giving a second cup of coffee free . . . They came to laugh but they stayed to cheer as Rightfielder Wolfe speared a towering fly-ball Saturday afternoon after a long sprint . . . We doubt if finer dahlias are grown anywhere in Brunswick county than those produced over at Ft. Caswell by Mrs. H. H. Thomas . . . Calendar Newton, now engaged in the interior decorating business in Charlotte, holds unlimited papers as a marine engineer . . . The engineer

experience of Iceman M. R. Sanders also gained on steamships. . . . Anybody passing a chance to hear Don Bestor's band tonight. Lumina is high-hatting the music of one of America's top-ten orchestras . . . Blue Barron's probably will draw better tomorrow nite at the lace . . . Although three-quarters of a century has passed, you still can pick up Civil War relics along the breastworks up the river . . . Forny Duval says that he has a mighty fine tree at his place on Waccamaw River that wants us to make a news photo of . . . A fresh water well drilled through the bottom of the brackish Cape Fear furnished the old quarant station . . . A draw-bridge near Southport at the ferry at Holden's Beach are the only means of crossing the inland waterway in Brunswick county . . . The Amuzu not only is showing pictures, it has been releasing them quicker than film for "Love Affair" in Wilmington by special messenger in order to get it up-state for the lease date in a large city . . . The space our facts run out even, so . . . Thirty.

NEWS BRIEFS

BENEFIT PROGRAM

A program will be presented Monday night, June 12, by Wade Manier and his Mountaineers under the auspices of Oak Grove Sunday School. The program will begin at 8 o'clock and a good time is promised for everybody.

LEAVE HOSPITAL

Patients released during the past week from Doshier Memorial Hospital include: Mrs. Frank House, Miss Doris Lancaster, Mrs. G. L. Milliken, Miss Arridella Long, F. T. Clemmons and Miss Claire King.

IN HOSPITAL

A. R. Edwards, of Freeland, is a patient at the Doshier Memorial Hospital.

HOSPITAL PATIENT

Mrs. Jack Thompson, of Supply, was a patient for two days last week at Doshier Memorial Hospital.

FOR TREATMENT

J. S. Oliver, of Southport, was a patient at Doshier Memorial Hospital two days last week.

FOR TREATMENT

Frank Clemmons, of Little River, S. C., was admitted to Doshier Memorial Hospital Saturday.

ENTERS HOSPITAL

Charles F. Arnold, of Shalotte, came to Doshier Memorial Hospital Saturday for medical treatment.

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Friends of Leaneir Kirby will be sorry to learn that he is ill at his home here.

ENTERS HOSPITAL

Rifton Hewett has returned home after spending the past five months with his sister in Virginia.

MEDICAL PATIENT

Howard E. Chance, of Southport, is a patient at Doshier Memorial Hospital.

AT PRESBYTERIAN

The Rev. J. R. Potts will preach Sunday at New Hope at 11:30 A. M. and at Southport at 8 P. M. His sermon subject will be: "The Three-fold Glory of the Church". The Young People's League of New Hope will meet 8 P. M. Friday at the church.

TONSIL CLINIC

Beginning Monday and continuing throughout the summer a tonsil clinic will be held at that time each week for children of school age and under. In arranging for this clinic Mrs. Lou H. Smith stated that a special rate for these operations has been secured.

FISHING TRIP

Spending Sunday, L. R. Jackson and Frank Hayes, tobacco warehousemen of Whiteville, expressed themselves as being very much pleased with the condition of the Brunswick county tobacco crop. Much fine grade tobacco is now in the making in Brunswick, they say. They estimate the increased acreage at about twenty per cent. The condition of the crop is much better than what it usually is at this season of the year.

BOLIVIA NEWS

Mrs. Earl Danford and children have returned from a trip at Myrtle Beach with Mrs. Preston Clemmons.

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Mrs. Frank Mintz was in Southport last week with her father, Mr. Edwards, who is a patient at Doshier Memorial Hospital.

BOLIVIA NEWS

Messrs Frank and Dallas Johnson and families went to Lillington last week to attend the funeral of their sister.

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Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Johnson and daughter, Lou, of Snow Camp were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Cannon.

BOLIVIA NEWS

Friends of Mr. Johnson, formerly Bolivia principal, will be interested to learn that he is building a summer home at Cape Fear Beach.

BOLIVIA NEWS

Mrs. Smith of Atkinson is spending sometime with her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Johnson.

Captain and Mrs. I. B. Bussell, Miss Lois Jane Bussell and Mrs. Py Stiller are spending several days in New York City.

Tom Gilbert, of Southport spent today (Wednesday) in Whiteville.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Fisher, son, Arthur, and daughter, Jacqueline, of Parkersburg, W. Va. are spending this week in the section.

Miss Anna Taylor left for Greenville, where she will attend summer school at East Carolina Teacher's College.

Miss Eleanor Sprunt Nierne, member of the staff at Phipps Psychiatric Clinic, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md., is taking her mother, Mrs. Frank Nierne.

Clarence Mitchell of Bolivia was a visitor here Monday.

Rev. R. E. Brown returned to his home in Louisville, Kentucky on Wednesday after having spent three weeks here with his brother, Rev. A. L. Brown, and his family.

Mrs. Preston Bryant left for day for Richmond, Virginia, to visit Mrs. C. J. Crozier for few weeks.

Miss Ann McCrackan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson of Rackan, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Braxton Craig Monroe.

Personal

Mrs. H. M. Shannon is visiting relatives in Augusta, Ga.

Miss Jane Shannon has arrived home for the summer after attending college in Florida.

Edward Taylor, student at Davidson College, arrived home Thursday to spend the summer here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ed Taylor.

R. E. Sentelle returned Saturday from a trip to the mountains of Western North Carolina.

James Wolfe and Holmes Harker, members of the crew of the dredge Chinook, spent the week-end here.

Julian Sutherland has returned to the Chinook in Norfolk after spending his vacation with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Mowery and sons, Billie and A. S. Mowery, Jr., of Salisbury, are spending several days here.