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Many people refuse to believe that one can make an honest living save by the sweat of his brow.

In the long run almost everyone has more good luck than he has bad luck.

The man who tells you most frequently that he doesn't care a snap for public opinion probably dreads criticism more than anyone you know.

Its flattering to have someone confide in you—unless he confides in everyone else, too.

The trouble with the eleventh hour is that there usually is about eleven hours work left to be done then.

Don't believe more than half your friends say to you, nor more than half the things they say about you.

Basketball Prospects

Put this down right now as a fact: This will probably be the biggest year that basketball ever had in Brunswick county.

There is no secret as to the cause. Completion during the last season of high school gymnasiums at Leland, Bolivia and Shallotte leaves each consolidated school of Brunswick county equipped with an indoor court.

The boys and girls are all keyed up over the prospects, and in all five school communities this week they are scouring about for subscriptions to The State Port Pilot.

Church Fires

The devil, in the shape of fire, appears often in the House of God. And church fires are usually more than ordinarily destructive.

The National Fire Protection Association recently studied 154 typical church fires to discover their causes. It found that almost a third of the fires, 50, were caused by heating plant or chimney defects.

Better than 50 per cent of all church fires, then, are caused by three factors—heating equipment, wiring and lightning. Every one of these factors can be easily controlled.

The large number of fires caused by faulty wiring is equally understandable. Most church buildings are more or less frequently altered.

Churches are unusually attractive to lightning, due to high steeples and towers, which act as discharge points for accumulated static electricity.

If your church is worth worshipping in, it is worth making safe. See to it that your heating and lighting equipment is maintained always in first-class shape.

and have the work done by properly qualified craftsmen. That alone will reduce the fire devil's chance of entering the pulpit, by 50 per cent.

Politics And War

Since the war began in Europe, there has been quiet on the political front in this country. The attention of the great bulk of the American people is today largely centered abroad where history of the most momentous kind is being made.

President Roosevelt has several times said, in effect, that partisanship should be adjourned for the duration of the emergency—that national unity should be the paramount goal sought by all, Republicans and Democrats alike.

The problem facing the politicians is how to fight their verbal battles without alienating a public which feels strongly that this country must appear unified in the eyes of the world.

Of late, the only domestic issue of great moment has been our neutrality legislation. And over that the party lines split wide open.

Republican strategy now seems to be to bide its time and wait and see what happens. Leaders apparently feel it would be suicidal to take an aggressive partisan line now.

On the Democratic side of the fence, matters are somewhat simpler. But there is a big question mark there too—and it concerns the possibility that Mr. Roosevelt may be planning to do the unprecedented and seek a third successive term.

Some think the fact that the President has refused to say he will not run again—as was recently requested by Governor Landon, who said that would be of great benefit in furthering the national unity the President asks—indicates that he plans to. On the other hand, a Presidential declaration to that effect now would undoubtedly start a tremendous scurrying about among Democratic aspirants to the White House.

"Sordid Provedure"

We cannot share President Roosevelt's view of the Dies Committee's making public the names of 363 government employees alleged to be on a membership and mailing list of the American League for Peace and Democracy.

President Roosevelt characterized the action of the Dies committee on Un-American activities in publishing the list as "sordid procedure."

To that view we cannot subscribe. We take it that the revelations to the Dies committee was as much news to President Roosevelt as any other person, and it seems that he above all other Americans should want to keep out any possibility that there might be communism growing in this country.

Just Among The Fishermen

BY W. B. KEZIAH

GOOD PUBLICITY

Under a Southport date line stories and pictures of the venus fly-trap are now going the rounds of newspapers, magazines and scientific journals from coast to coast.

The pictures were desired. For the past ten days Bill Sharpe, who has the pictures in Raleigh, has been deluged with requests for them.

Southport has no lady devoted to fishing more than Mrs. Frank Mollycheck, wife of the keeper of the Cape Fear River Lights.

Last week Mrs. Mollycheck suddenly and unexpectedly found herself completely equipped with fishing tackle.

We have been about in various sections of Brunswick a great deal lately, accompanying visitors who were interested in one thing or another, ranging from fishing on up.

Not all of the folks here in Brunswick appreciate the value that lies in these woodlands. A crop is now being grown, already worth much in dollars and cents, and its value is increasing year by year.

Newspapers, far and wide, have been very kind to Brunswick county and Southport this past year. During the past week we have received clippings of Brunswick county stories that appeared in newspapers in sixteen different states.

The upshot of all of the interest on the part of the newspapers towards things in Brunswick is that this county now has a remarkable build-up to interest tourists, home-seekers and industrialists.

We have always been sold on the North Carolina State Advertising and the cooperation we have received from Bill Sharpe, Director of Publicity.

But, for all of our appreciation of the Advertising Department and the above individuals, we are out and out against the practice of the North Carolina Fisheries Commission using State-owned boats for fishing junks out from Beaufort, Manteo and other points.

It is encouraging to note that all civic organizations in our sister city of Wilmington appear to be wholehearted for the improvement of the River Road between Southport and the Brunswick River bridge.

There are various good reasons why this road should be improved. In a few years from now the increase in taxable wealth in Brunswick, growing out of development along this road, will enable the county officials to materially lower the existing tax rate.

Hairdressing provides jobs for 300,000 Britflahers.

Your Home Aent Says!

CLUB SCHEDULE

Friday, November 3, Northwest Club meets at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. J. J. Peterson; Wednesday, November 8, Waccamaw 4-H Club meets at 11:10 o'clock; Ash Home Demonstration Club meets at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. Jessie Purvis; Thursday November 9, Lockwood's Folly Club meets at the home of Mrs. Alline Hewett.

CHRISTMAS GIFT SUGGESTIONS

A display of inexpensive hand-made gift suggestions will be an extra feature of the November home demonstration club meetings, as will attractive methods of wrapping gifts.

LOCAL WINNERS

The following home demonstration club women won first place in the local canning contests held by various clubs during October: Bolivia, Mrs. Carl Ward; Ekum, Mrs. J. E. Dodson; Leland, Mrs. J. C. Chadwick; North West, Mrs. H. O. Peterson; Southport, Mrs. G. L. Norment; Town Creek, Mrs. Henry Zibelin; Winnabow, Miss Josie Reid; Shallotte, Mrs. J. W. Russ.

The county contest will be held at the office of the home agent on Saturday morning, November 4. The above winners will compete for county honors.

If any woman failed to enter her jars at the local club meeting and wishes to send them for the final judging she may do so. A quart each of fruit and vegetables are required, and the name and address of contestant should be placed under each jar.

The state contest will be held in Raleigh November 16, at which time 1st. place county winners will compete.

CLUB NOTE BOOKS

All secretary's note books which are competing for club prizes at the fall federation meeting must be in the office of the home agent ready for judging by Wednesday, November 8.

Each club secretary is invited to enter her book and thus represent her club in the contest. Judging will be done prior to the county meeting. Prizes will be awarded for the best secretary's book, and to the club with best attendance at the federation meeting.

CHRISTMAS FRUIT CAKE

From the Domestic Arts Edition of the American Woman's Cook Book comes this recipe for Christmas fruit cake, which I am passing on to you:

- 1 pound butter
1 1/2 pounds brown sugar
1 1/2 pounds flour
10 eggs
1 cup molasses
1 cup strong coffee
Juice and grated rind of 2 oranges
Juice and grated rind of 1 lemon
1 cup tart jelly
1/4 pound almonds
3 pounds raisins
2 pounds currants
1 pound citron
1 pound dates
2 teaspoons nutmeg
1 teaspoon mace
1 teaspoon cloves
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1 teaspoon soda
3 teaspoons baking-powder
Cream the butter and sugar. Add molasses, coffee, lemon, orange and jelly. Reserve two cups of flour in which to roll the fruit. Mix and sift dry ingredients, add mixture, mix well and add well-beaten eggs. Add the floured fruit and mix thoroughly. Bake in greased paper-lined pans. Over the top of the cake sprinkle the balanced shredded almonds. Cover the cakes with heavy waxed paper. Steam them two hours and bake in a moderate oven (300 degrees F.) for one hour.

BOLIVIA

Mrs. Troy Danford and little daughter, Mattie Speight, have returned from visiting Mrs. Danford's father at Laurinburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Joe Frink and children, Sam Fletcher, Gene, and Ramona, were honor guests of the Hallowe'en party given by the Girl's Auxiliary of Bolivia Baptist church at the home of B. R. Page.

Besides bobbing for apples, eating apples from a string, fortune telling, peanut throwing, and other games suitable to the occasion, the attendants were delighted with guitar music by little eight year old Sam Fletcher Frink.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Tucker spent the week end at Durham. The pie supper and fiddler's convention at school auditorium Friday night was well attended and receipts were good.

BEEF CATTLE

After nine Hereford beef cattle were brought into Harnett county three weeks ago for demonstration purposes, a large number of farmers have indicated a serious interest in beef cattle production.

SOUTHPORT SCHOOL NEWS

GOOD CITIZENSHIP

Students, although constantly reminded of it, do not understand exactly the meaning of good citizenship. Most of us take it for granted that as long as we don't do anything drastic, such as destroying the school property or skipping classes, we are good citizens.

HOME EC PROJECT

With the help of their teacher, Miss Louise Ward, the second-year home-ec. girls are progressing rapidly in making woolen skirts.

CRIME STUDY

The eighth grade has been studying crime in civics class. The students have learned that crime doesn't pay. We think this study is valuable and feel that the whole school should study this topic that causes much trouble and worry in the community.

SCHOOL SPIRIT

Basketball season is drawing near and a little spirit is in the air. But what we need is plenty of school spirit! Come on classmates, work up some school spirit to cheer our teams on to victory in their coming games.

PREPARING PLAY

On November 17 the Dramatic Club is going to present a dramatic play, "Son John", for the benefit of the school. See next week's column for further details.

spirit at games but show it in your classrooms, and show it in the right way. School spirit would help us, would it not?

ODDS AND ENDS

Wonder why the girls went a week without basketball practice?—It seems that they prefer anything to basketball practice—or perhaps they lack school spirit.

On the whole the boys have shown a good spirit, but one or two who can play have not come out for the team.—Come on, boys, let's show Southport that we want a winning team this year.—The eighth graders are well represented, having Rudolph Sellers, Olaf Thorsen and Brother Christian.—Claude Ford, also an eighth grader, is serving as manager.—Annis Jean Weeks and Mary Florence Moore were chosen to manage the girls' team.

These two books are gifts from Mrs. E. M. Hall. We wish to thank Mrs. Hall for these books. "Never since me and Willie Booth Lincoln was born" have we enjoyed any book so much.

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After the program games were played and stories were told. It was enjoyed very much by all.

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FOURTH GRADE

The fourth grade wishes to thank all those who helped in any way with their cake and candy sale. The sale was a success and we hope to soon have a nice coat room built in the back of our room.

The children in the fourth grade are enjoying hearing the story of "Miss Minerva and Willie Green Hill" which Mrs. Lingle is reading to us. She will soon finish this and will then read "Billy and the Major".

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Help Yourself- Help Your School



The boys and girls in Southport, Bolivia, Leland, Shallotte and Waccamaw high schools are working this week to obtain new and renewal subscriptions to The State Port Pilot.

For each subscription turned in they will receive 50-cents for the purchase of basketball warm-up suits or new uniforms. If one school obtains 100 subscriptions, a cash bonus of \$25.00 will be paid, making a total of \$75.00 for 100 subscriptions.

Help dress up your favorite basketball team, help the boys and girls safeguard their health during the coming basketball campaign.

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