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We haven't much sympathy for the man who takes an hour to explain how busy he is.

A cold is about the worst company you can have in winter, except a caller who is complaining about having one.

You've known people who are so everlastingly slow their stockings don't run—they just walk.

The closest some people will ever come to be associated with thrift is to be called a spend-thrift.

Some members of the younger generation are as quiet as a mouse—yeah, as Mickey Mouse.

Dry wit is just another way of saying that most men are funnier sober than they are drunk.

Shoulder Burning

County Forest Warden Dawson Jones was in town Friday and told us that he and his men probably would start the first of this week burning off the shoulders along the highway to Bell Swamp.

This reminded us of what we heard State Forester McCormick say recently at the meeting of district fire wardens of the Brunswick County Association. He was talking about plowing fire lanes, etc., and the value of this work, then added: "But it isn't the fires that are stopped by the fire lanes that is so important. When a man drives by a fellow's farm and sees him hard at work protecting his timber stand he'll think twice before he will permit any careless act of his to cause his neighbor serious property loss. Next thing you know, he'll be plowing him a fire lane himself."

That is one result of shoulder burning. Neither time nor funds will permit County Warden Jones and his men to work the sides of all roads in Brunswick, but when citizens of other sections learn that this is an approved method of fire control the chances are that there will be some private shoulder burning going on in the county.

Would Be Advantageous

Let us hope that tentative plans for the establishment of air pick-up feeder routes in this area similar to those now operating in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio and other states, by which all of Brunswick county would be furnished air mail service, materialize.

Advantages to be derived from this innovation for this community are too easily obvious to be enumerated here. If anything in local co-operation seems to be needed from Brunswick county to get the air mail service for this area, the people of our county may be depended upon for a full measure of co-operation.

To Keep Warm—Walk

No matter what your father and your grandfather and your great-grandfather did when they went hunting in cold weather, John Barleycorn definitely is not the patron saint of stimulants.

That, at least, is what Harold F. Enlows, director of Red Cross First Aid, has to say about the practice of imbibing great gulps of gurgling intoxicants to keep warm. It's been getting a bit chillier for the past week, so it might not be a bad idea to pass the information along, particularly since possum and rabbit and squirrel hunting will soon be in full swing and since the bird season opens tomorrow.

Whiskey, says Mr. Enlow, surges to the skin in a sudden flush which in reality is a very flimsy warmer-upper, since it is actually the beginning of a later depression. Alcohol reduces muscle energy, seriously affecting your skill in sports and your ability to endure physical hardship.

Moreover, the added recklessness and loss of judgment caused by alcohol will naturally tend toward accidents. The dilation of the surface blood vessels results in more rapid chilling of the body making a fellow colder than he was to begin with.

So, Mr. Enlow says, it'll be better to nibble at chocolates or raisins if you want to get quick energy in cold weather. It's safer, saner, and soberer.

The Home

Volumes of prose and verse and thousands of songs have been written about the home, but here is one subject that has never been over-stressed.

Repeatedly we hear the loud lament that the tempo of modern living is disrupting our home life and the influences that are a part of it. There are too many things to do, we hear, there is too much excitement and folks are going where their interest draws them.

Times have changed and a greater variety of amusements now are within the reach of the average family, that's true enough. But the same progress that made these things possible also brought into being additions and improvements for the home which more than make it possible for that primary institution to hold its own.

If your children trouble you with their restless, roving tendencies, stop for a moment and ask yourself if you have tried to make your home the most attractive place in the world for them. Recall how much you have spent for an automobile or on frivolous clothes and other non-essentials, then take inventory of what has been done to make the home improvements keep pace.

Is your home painted, so that the children may take a pride in its attractive appearance? Is it finished inside as well as you'd like to have it—as well as you could have it with very little money spent and some work, most of which you can do yourself? Do you have comfortable furniture, or have you been more concerned with keeping pace with the changing automobile models?

If parents are losing contact with their youngsters then it might be a good idea for them to sit down and take an honest inventory of the home plant, for from it has been generated some of the finest influences that have affected our nation.

Unmannered Motorists

A pertinent discourse on the lack of manners on the part of the American motorist engaged the attention of the Raleigh News & Observer last week.

The Raleigh paper quotes Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes as saying that American motorists have horrible manners, truck drivers the worst of all.

Then it continues: "There is something undoubtedly to what the Secretary says. Motorists—and that includes most of us—have much worse manners in their cars than they have on their feet.

"A gentleman who would not think of shouting at a woman to get out of his way on the sidewalk does not hesitate to blow a horn at her on the street. This condition was probably inevitable. The automobile is so new that beyond keeping to the right side of the road very little etiquette has developed around it. It took hundreds of years to hedge about the danger in knives with patterns of courtesy which made eating at the table with other knife wielders not only pleasant but safe. But as more dangerous than any knife in history, the automobile cannot be permitted to wait long for a system of manners as a basis for public protection."

And Herself?

(Elizabeth City Advance.)
... After the schoolmasters ladies night at Perquimans this month, one of the Jones girls from Edenton told me she enjoyed my singing.

So did I.
I've always liked to sing, but it isn't often I get a chance really to open up as I did as I went about my daily tasks when I was a boy on the farm. I've got too much consideration for those in my immediate proximity.

Trouble is I can't sing. My voice is awful and I'm off key besides.
But when Edmund Harding and his accordion are leading the way and drowning me out I can really let go. And when I do, I enjoy it just as much as Edmund does.

The lady couldn't have heard me, far as she was from me and near is I was to Edmund Harding.

But I take it she's one of those women who like to see a man enjoy himself.

Just Among The Fishermen

BY W. B. KEZIAH

CRUELTY A MERCY

Hunting wild hogs with dogs, the leader of the canines being a vicious bull dog which fastens on the ear of the swine and never lets go, may sound like a cruel and extreme measure. In fact, a Southport matron balled us out last week for our apparent lack of sympathy while relating the capture of a 200-pound wild boar on Bald Head island.

Our contention is that, in the case of old wild hogs that cannot be approached near enough for the huntsman to use a gun, it is only a bit of humanity to bring it to bay with a dog and thereby get in a position to put an end to its career. As in the case of several other wild animals, a wild boar when it has attained a fairly good age, is prone to develop savage tendencies. The brute has no conscience and no compunction about slaying all of its kind with which it comes into contact, and other wild animals that get within its reach. However, nature provides a very painful and lethal punishment for swine. His huge lower tusks slowly curl over the upper jaws, and in the course of weeks and months grow downward; gradually he can open his mouth less and less and finally the downgrowing tusks force the closing of the mouth to the point where he dies of sheer starvation. It is a great deal more merciful to run down an aged boar with a dog and put a quick end to it than it is to let it slowly starve to death.

A CHANGING ORDER

The agricultural sections of Brunswick have had their day, are still having and will continue to have it, even in a greater measure than now. The golden opportunity for farming in this mild, long growing climate has never approached being fully realized and taken advantage of. We do not hesitate to express our belief in the great undeveloped potentialities of the Brunswick farm lands. They have had a good day and they will see better ones.

The most marked changes, however, changes that are already taking place and with still more wonderful changes yet to come, are in our lands near the coast. Of little use for farming purposes, except for scattered spots, every inch of the Brunswick coastal lands are precious, and the value will soon become apparent. We know one point along the Brunswick coast where the ownership of all lands for a distance of fourteen miles has changed hands during the present year. It was bought up with the idea and intention to develop. The development is bound to come and with this will come the realization that all of our coastal country may be converted into something of great value. The changing order of things, the changing conception of value, will soon make the heretofore ignored coastal lands to outrank farm lands for the dollars they will bring.

WHEN YASKELL GOES AFISHING

When Yaskell fishes in Walton's Creek
And catches drum galore,
The only proof we ever have
Is his story in Watson's store.
He never catches just one or two—
It's always fifteen or more;
At least that's his same old story,
When fishing in Watson's store.

He never uses any bait;
The fish they love him so
They are eager to bite his naked hook—
When fishing in Watson's store.
By Wilson Doshier

SHORT OBSERVATIONS

We see by the papers that the cost of the Thanksgiving dinner will be lower this year.

The scenic view from the River Road is alright. At the same time we should not forget that a paved road there will speed up industrial developments that in a few years will lighten the burden of many a small Brunswick county taxpayer.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Announcement has been received here of the birth of a daughter, Kay Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. William Dunbar Davis, Jr., of Plymouth, Michigan.

GOOD HUNTER

M. B. Reynolds of Winnabow and party had the good luck to kill a fine deer while out driving recently. Mr. Reynolds is also good at coon and 'possum hunting. He usually gets one when he goes.

LEAVE HOSPITAL

Mrs. W. A. Johnson and Captain Bill Thompson, the latter of Southport, were discharged from Doshier Memorial Hospital Monday.

CHILD ILL

Little Kay Moore of Southport is a patient at Doshier Memorial Hospital.

Shalotte SCHOOL NEWS

Seventh Grade

Miss Williams' section of the 7th grade is getting ready for Thanksgiving. We are drawing pictures that represent Thanksgiving to put up in the room. We are also studying and writing poems about Thanksgiving.

The music teacher has formed a music club in which we elected a president, secretary and treasurer.

We also have a program committee, which gets a play up every week. We give it every Friday afternoon. We plan to have a Thanksgiving program on Wednesday.

Both sections of the seventh grade are forming a basketball team under the direction of Miss Williams.

Home Economics Class
The Home Economics class three has been studying entertainment in the home and the writing of invitations. The class decided to invite the faculty to tea November 23, Thanksgiving decorations and invitations were carried out. Each member of the class was selected to perform a certain duty.

Lena Chadwick poured the tea as hostess of the group. The following were in the receiving line, Jessie May Russ, Vernie Hewett and Mildred Andrews and Frances Pierce. The food was served by Bertha Sommerset, Ida Mae Roach, Louise Lewis, Elizabeth Robinson and Margaret Holden.

9th Grade Algebra
We have been studying signed numbers for some time now and we surely are enjoying them.

First we learned to add two positive numbers and get a positive number. To add two negative numbers you get a negative number and to add a positive and negative number you subtract and use the sign of the greater value.

Second we have learned to subtract signed numbers. To subtract, change the sign of the subtrahend and add. This was a little confusing at first because in the first group we learned when we added to subtract and now when we subtract we add, but finally the class mastered it.

Third, we came to multiplication. We learned to multiply two numbers with like signs we get a positive number. If we multiply two numbers with unlike signs we get a negative number.

Fourth, we came to division, the most interesting of all. We have the same rules for division as we had for multiplication, which is divide two numbers with like signs will give a positive number, and to divide two numbers with unlike signs we get a negative number.

Although, the signs have been rather hard for us to get, they have been interesting because they are unlike all other numbers we have ever studied in arithmetic.

5th Grade

We are trying to make our room look better. The boys have made a table, in the middle we are fixing a cement pool for fish. Flowers will be planted around the edges. The girls are bringing pot flowers and we are painting the pots and jars. We have made a Thanksgiving border for our blackboard.

Each Friday our class has a chapel program. Last week Elroy and Etherege Leonard took their program to the primary grades. They enjoy it very much. We get up our program without the help of our teacher.

We are making a special study of N. C. We made a booklet last week and painted the N. C. flag on the cover.

Sixth Grade

The sixth grade of Mrs. Stone's room is studying about France. Some nice maps have been drawn by the pupils. They are also making a scrap book of France.

All the pupils in this room has joined the Red Cross.

More interest is being shown in our basketball team all the time.

Drawing turkeys and making posters remind us that Thanksgiving is near.

Our class has finished decimal fractions in math and are now reviewing.

Thanksgiving Day

About three hundred years ago the Pilgrims came across the sea in search of religious freedom. They came ashore on Plymouth Rock and settled a colony. They had sailed three months on the Mayflower as transportation was very slow at that time.

They had a very hard time trying to live the first year, for it was an extremely cold winter. They traded goods with the Indians and got corn and a few other grains to plant. They were blessed with a bountiful crop and decided to come together in a day of thanks to God for what they had. So after gathering their crops they met in the fall and set aside a day for Thanksgiving.

Third Grade

There are twenty boys and 20 girls in Mrs. Teachey's third grade class. We are all trying to make our room one hundred per cent in attendance each day. We have a card to put outside our door when every pupil is present. We are very happy when we can put our card out.

SOUTHPORT SCHOOL NEWS

STAFF THIS WEEK

Editor-in-chief, Annie Margaret Watts; Associates, Doris Lewis, Eula Mae Smith, Brother Christian, Virginia McKeithan, Marcellus Cox, John Simmons, Claude Ford.

EDITORIAL SCHOOL SPIRIT

We have one great problem, yet we don't have to worry about it on all sides. We solve it partly on the playground and on the basketball court, but there is the question: Do we show school spirit in the classrooms and in the halls? There is evidence of some, but we should show more. Between classes still more citizenship is needed. Together the classes should cooperate and produce school spirit in order to have a good school. The classes need not be jealous of each other. This reveals very poor citizenship, beginning now, let's prove we have school spirit. The school, teachers, students and town need cooperation.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Due to the absence of our speaker for chapel last Wednesday, Mr. Lingle, our principal, took charge of our program. We were pleased to have Mr. Lingle conduct the program and it is hard to believe we could find a better speaker than our principal. During the program Mr. Lingle presented the "Student of the Week", who was Edmond Newton of the eleventh grade. There was no student honored in the elementary grade because of the fact that their work is so different from that of the high school. They will be selected once a month.

AVIATION CLUB

The Aviation Club work is dull now as no planes are being worked on. The boys have planes at home but will not work on them at club periods. We don't think we can have a good club unless the boys will cooperate. If boys continue to lose interest they will be like the Old Salt in the following joke:

Airplane Pilot to Old Salt: "Bail out quick; the plane is on fire."
Old Salt: "There ain't any water in here, and if there was I ain't got no can to bail out with."

SAFETY PATROL

The safety patrol, which went into effect Tuesday of the past week, is beginning to function well despite the lack of proper equipment such as badges, belts, and whistles which have been ordered recently. The boys will be ranked according to capability as in regular patrol forces. Below is a list of the members and the corners at which they are situated. The list is subject to change at all times. Any constructive criticism and suggestions relating to any of the above will be appreciated.

At Lancaster's, S. V. Russ and Eugene Spencer; Lewis', Joe Sam Loughlin and Edmund Newton;

Post Office, Paul Doshier and Marcellus Cox; Dummy, Harvey Outlaw and Carl Ward; Rouark's, Harold Aldridge and Jimmy Hornsby; Park, Rothwell Simmons and Wallace Moore.

At present, Edmond Newton is acting as chief.

BASKETBALL GAME

The girls tripped out on the gym floor last Friday night to play the faculty. The laugh of the night came when Mr. Livingston joined his sister teachers dressed in a pair of red pants, green socks and a bow of red hair ribbon tied in his curly locks. Despite the fun the girls buckled down and won the game with some hard playing. It was their first game and they were determined to win. High scorer of the evening was Gilda Arnold with twelve points. Pearl Mae Lewis was runner-up with ten points.

The boys' game with the little rough, but they made a good showing and a good try at winning. They lost, but lost like good sports. Scores for the evening were, Teachers 27, Girls 23; Boys 23, Fat men 32.

CLUBS

The Aviation Boys were entertained by the Outdoor Girls Friday night, November 24. The party was held at the home of Annie Margaret Watts, president of the club. Due to a misunderstanding of the date few were able to attend. Games were played and much fun had when the scavenger hunt began. Winners of the hunt were Eula Mae Smith of the girls and Brother Christian of the boys. Close competitors were Margaret Carr and Mr. Richards.

Refreshments of hot chocolate and cakes were served with favors of green and yellow mints. After the refreshments another game was played and then everyone bade the hostess goodbye.

DEBATING

Mr. Livingston has called for all of the pupils of Southport high school that are interested in debating. He is planning sometime

in the near future to have a debate within our own school. The debate topic for this year is "Resolved that the Federal Government should own and operate the Railroads."

ANNOUNCEMENT

The P. T. A. wishes to thank all merchants, salesmen, and friends for their cooperation in making the recent benefit bridge party a huge success.

SURGICAL PATIENT

M. L. Benton of Ash was admitted to Doshier Memorial Hospital last Wednesday as a surgical patient.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation and thanks to the many friends who were so kind to us during the recent illness and death of our Beloved Mother and Grand-mother, Mrs. Emma C. Lewis.
Her children and grand-children.

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