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Of Spain's General Franco it may truthfully be said that it looks like the worm has squirmed.

A lot of people who aren't funny themselves are sometimes able to edit the actions of one of their fellows and come up with a humorous story.

Foresight is something that second-guessers claim they had.

There may be no such thing as luck, but fortune never seems to mis'some people.

Intemperance has killed more people in the dining room than it has in the bar-room.

When a young man's fancy lightly turns he usually isn't much good for anything else.

Hard times are when you don't have enough money for the things you need, but have plenty for the things you want.

In Which We Concur

In last week's Open Forum column Robert Marlowe, young Southport business man, was eternally right when he indicted the common practice of drunk voting.

Neither his open letter nor this editorial will be able to keep the drunks away from the polls in next Tuesday's election. Only the people, through the power of public opinion, can do that.

Negro Fishermen

Nowhere along the coast of North Carolina is there a town, regardless of size, that furnishes more men for menhaden fishing crews than does Southport.

Up and down the coast, from Delaware to Florida, the colored men of this community enjoy a fine reputation as able and dependable fishermen, and here in Southport it is recognized that these men make good citizens.

Our Visitors

Visitors to our section this week are members of the board of directors of the Outdoor Writers Association of America, a fine group of fellows for whom the primary requisite is that they be true sportsmen.

We venture that never before has this group met in a place more picturesque, in a community where hospitality was more genuine. If it is fishing they want, then 'tis fishing they'll have—and they can choose their own kind. Or, if it is hunting that interests them, nowhere else along the Atlantic seaboard will they find a greater variety of game for the ninrod.

No better evidence of the importance of this visit is needed than is shown by the presence of the Hatteras, flagship of the North Carolina navy, and of the important officials of the State Department of Conservation and Development. The fact that the directors of the Outdoor Writers Association of America chose North Carolina, and Southport, for their place of meeting deserves co-operation from the state officials down to the humblest citizen of this community.

These men are our guests for this week-end, and we can ask for no better reception than that they be accorded the same warm welcome that has earned for Southport its title—"The Friendly City."

Need Supplied

Approximately ten million disabling injuries occur in the United States annually, according to Mr. J. Berg, chairman of the Brunswick County Red Cross Chapter, co-incident with the beginning of a series of first aid classes this week at Bolivia school.

"What an appalling tragedy it would be if every citizen of the State of North Carolina was suddenly laid low by an accident," Mr. Berg pointed out. "Yet this number of persons receive disabling injuries each year, and a number equivalent to the total population of Charlotte, 100,000, are killed each year.

"Accidents are no respecters of states, cities, or of individuals," Mr. Berg said. "They invade every city, every state, and every country. They threaten persons on every street, at every place of work, and in every home."

The classes in first aid being sponsored by the chapter are a part of the national program of the American Red Cross planned to reduce the number of deaths and disabilities throughout the country.

"We are trying to spread a knowledge of first aid and its proper administration throughout Brunswick," Mr. Berg declared. "Our county has great need for more persons trained in caring for the injured, and for trained personnel in case of emergencies. I consider our ability to offer this course of training in this county one of the finest recent contributions yet made our people by the Red Cross."

Farm Taxes

We are in accord with what the Raleigh News & Observer has to say with regard to farm taxes.

"A dispatch in Thursday's paper from The News and Observer's Washington bureau contained the following startling statement:

"The North Carolina farmer paid a higher proportionate tax on his farm real estate in 1939 than any other farmer in the country, according to figures released today by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

"If that statement were literally true in a State where the entire burden of operating schools and roads has been transferred from land taxes to other taxes, including a heavy sales tax which the farmer also pays, the situation would be more than serious, it would be unbearable.

"Further in the dispatch, it is revealed that the statement is not literally true. It is based not on actual figures, but on weighted figures and figures weighted in such a way as to be quite misleading insofar as North Carolina is concerned. The basis used in weighing the figures is the five-year pre-war period, 1909-1914. That period is generally accepted as being one when agriculture was on a parity with industry in the nation as a whole. But the period is not representative for North Carolina from any aspect and because of that fact a different period was substituted in the Agricultural Adjustment Act for North Carolina's principal agricultural commodity, tobacco.

"From the standpoint of taxes, the period is even less representative in North Carolina. The large-scale development of this State had scarcely begun at the end of that period. That development did not really get underway until 1921. But once underway, it proceeded rapidly. Tax rates increased greatly in the twenties and public debts mounted at an even faster rate. Even before the depression came in 1929 taxes on land had become so burdensome that the State began in the late twenties to take over some of the functions of the counties. By 1933, the State completed the process of taking over both the schools and the roads. Since that time the major share of taxes on farm lands has gone toward payment of earlier debts.

"Debt payment has been slow, but taxes on North Carolina farm land are not now increasing, although such taxes increased last year for the county as a whole. In North Carolina in 1939, the average tax on farm land per acre was 38 cents as compared to a national average of 39 cents and the average tax rate was 98 cents as compared to a national average of \$1.16, with the averages in the sister States of Virginia and South Carolina 67 cents and one dollar, respectively.

"Taxes on North Carolina farm lands are still much higher than should be in consideration of the general sales tax of three per cent and the State gasoline tax of six cents a gallon.

BOLIVIA SCHOOL NEWS

The grammar grades are now taking part in the activity period. Various games supervised by the teachers are being played. Later on clubs are to be organized.

Friday morning the seventh grade gave a very interesting play entitled "How Stillwater Got The Library. Between acts some recitations were given. Those taking part in the program were Horace Lewis, Betha Danford, Wilma Galloway, Inez Mitchell, Travis Danford, Vara Lee Gore, Virginia Collum, and Louise Galloway.

An amateur hour was conducted here Friday night before our movie. There were several participants and their music was enjoyed. Following this the movie, "Fit For a King", was shown.

We have in our Library 630 new books for the elementary school. We do not have any new books for high school, but hope to succeed in getting some before the school term is out.

The circulation for the past week has been splendid. 246 books of fiction; and 465 books of non-fiction. Totaling 711 copies in all.

We hope to be able to have a public library club soon. All the parents are cordially invited to view the library.

On November 12 the grammar and eighth grades will give a joint dramatic performance at Bolivia school. Three one-act plays, all comedies, will be presented.

The Grammar grade department will present "Jayville Junction," and the eighth grade will present first "Object: Matrimony" and a blackface comedy "Winnin' Dat Gal".

Each of the three plays will be most entertaining, and everyone who has witnessed the evening's performance will leave with a lighter outlook on life.

You're bound to spend the evening laughing, so be ready to come and enjoy it with the members of the cast. A small admission charge will be made.

The 10th grade French class is enjoying making French posters which will be used in their class room.

The first basket ball games were played last Thursday night, Oct. 24, at seven-thirty. The faculty vs the varsity team, and the varsity teams won both games. Better luck next time teachers!

During the activity period, every student in the high school takes a part in one of the activities which are supervised by the teachers.

The Home Economics girls put their dresses, which they were making aside for two days last week, to have a canning project. In their canning project, they canned 417 quarts of beans. All the Home Economics classes took part in this project, and they would like to thank the boys that so graciously helped them keep the fires and remove the jars from the boiler.

The Home Economics classes enjoyed an educational picture last Thursday. It being "Sew To-Day The Modern Way"; was very interesting, for many of the girls had never studied cotton and how cotton thread is made.

There are going to be several clubs that the High School students may join this year. They are: Music club, Home Economics club, Literary club, Science club and Agriculture club.

The music club met last Tuesday and organized.

The Home Economics club met last Friday and organized. The other clubs will meet soon.

Selective Service Board Assigns Serial Numbers To Brunswick Citizens (Continued from page 1.) is one comprised of civilians and for civilians. Army life and army rules come later, he said, for those who are called after being passed on by local authorities.

- J. Collins Holmes; 2. James Earl Stone; 3. Joseph Manuel Hewette; 4. Samuel Grissette; 5. George O. Lewis, Jr.; 6. Wesley Keith Bowen; 7. James Aubrey Stanley; 8. John Dawson Lewis; 9. Norton Rockwell Holden; 10. Clarence Edward Hewett; 11. Fred Fullwood, Jr.; 12. Elmore Lee; 13. Hobbit Victor Stanley; 14. Lounza Devon Mintz; 15. Edward Wilson McKeithan; 16. Flander Roosevelt Hankins; 17. Onzolo Robinson; 18. Daniel Owen Hewett; 19. Charlie Hermon Caison; 20. Charlie Frederick Johnson; 21. Dempsey Lennon Hewett; 22. Johnie Moston Varnan; 23. Joseph Edward Hewett; 24. Herman Adolph Mercer. 25. Odell Yates Sellers; 26. Edward John Ballard; 27. Jefferson Hankins; 28. Charles Tilden Arnold; 29. Willard S. Reaves; 30. Moses Wesley Bowen; 31. Daniel Oscar Walton; 32. Thomas Brown; 33. Clemon Lester Milliken; 34. Willie J. Marlowe; 35. Douglas Harding Hawes; 36. Hubert Wesley Ferguson; 37. Douglas Swain; 38. James Curtis Hewett; 39. Clyde Wilson Benton; 40. Jack Johnson Galloway; 41. Otto Edward Clarida; 42. Aaron May; 43. Charles Harvey Wallace; 44. William Owen Spell; 45. Zeno Barnes Inman; 46. Fred McKennily Hewett; 47. Weston Thomas Sellers; 48. Augustus Norton Swan. 49. John Boyd Robinson; 50. Layton Carlyle; 51. Fred Douglas

- Hill; 52. John Hartford Caison; 53. Robert Ruffin Galloway; 54. Lloyd George Hewett; 55. Harvey Lee Kye; 56. Luther Franklin Benton; 57. Wilson Long; 58. Robert Bennett Hawes; 59. Purcell Oliver; 60. Lonie Whitfield Jordan; 61. Willie Richard Sullivan; 62. Ebert Lanier; 63. Etheridge Lane Willetts; 64. Tom Mintz; 65. Homer Edward Mintz; 66. Alvin Logan Mitchell; 67. James Hall; 68. Junior Myers; 69. Malon Graham; 70. James Wilbur Johnson; 71. Laurence High; 72. Earl G. Wilson. 73. Raymond Bryan Hudson; 74. Wayland M. O'Quinn; 75. Welson Dudley Hewett; 76. James Washington Hankins; 77. Royal Elbert Danford; 78. Horace Thaddous Johnson; 79. Niels Jorgensen; 80. Foster Israel Robbins; 81. Linnal Weston Willetts; 82. Harold Shepard Williams; 83. James Franklin Gore; 84. Hamilton Eugene McCumbee; 85. Oliver Goley Smith; 86. Lewis Vestus Jones; 87. William Earnest Herring; 88. Ned Stevenson; 89. John Edgar Bellamy; 90. Olis Johnson; 91. Dillon Ward; 92. Ruddy Lee Williams; 93. William Curtis Stevenson; 94. Dannie Washington Gales; 95. Andrew Jackson Cheers; 96. James Lennon Leonard. 97. Harley Kirby; 98. Lee L. Coleman; 99. Hildur Sorensen; 100. Rosevelt Frasier; 101. Wrlley Willis; 102. John Preston Lewis; 103. Jack Bertram Drew; 104. Eugene Ottaviano Inman; 105. Ruffie Alvin White; 106. William Rockwell Holmes; 107. Gardner McCumbee; 108. Clarence Causby Smith; 109. Ralph Burton Clements; 110. Charles Anthony Hewett; 111. James William Rivenbark; 112. Daniel Kern Reaves; 113. William Henry Walker, Jr.; 114. Daniel Evans Walker; 115. Otis Alvin King; 116. Daylton William Hollis; 117. Henry William Hewett; 118. George William Hewett; 119. Primray Ray; 120. Alfred Decatur Woodard; 121. Culbert Curtis McCall; 122. James Henderson Thomas; 123. James Daniel Barno; 124. Floyd Roosevelt Varnam; 125. Willie Boyd Robinson; 126. Willie Elbert McKeithan; 127. Willie Bryant; 128. Oscar Forney; 129. David Loyd Forymey, Jr.; 130. Albert Butler; 131. Lindsen Floyd Lewis; 132. Theibert Leo Long; 133. Dalton Cannon Best; 134. Joe Lewis; 135. Lawrence Richard Skipper; 136. Tyler Potter; 137. Dalton Bishop Simmons; 138. Benjamin Coley Fulford; 139. Carvin Gardner Roach; 140. Grady Weldon McGlamery; 141. Edward Porter Spencer; 142. Joseph Bernice McDowell; 143. Joseph Johnson; 144. Almond Lewis; 145. Moses Ward; 146. Ellis Otis Odell Smith. 147. Charlie Trueman Hewett; 148. Charles Buddy More; 149. Roland Clifton Wescott; 150. James Wilbur Flowers; 151. Albert Glen Trunnell; 152. James Edgar Jones; 153. James Williard Hayes; 154. Isiah Lofton; 155. Jesse Long; 156. Charles Curtis Parker; 157. Andrew Jackson Williams; 158. Thomas Calvin Barefoot; 159. James Pearlie Russ; 160. Abdul Harry Sell; 161. Kit Bland; 162. Elton Hewett; 163.

--- NOT EXATLY NEWS ---

Ed Newton went to Auburn and was a member of the glee club while there. On week-ends when he is home from his job in Raleigh you can find him in the choir at Trinity Methodist church. . . . We hear tell the Johnie Stiller, former Camp Sapona boy who is well known locally, has joined the Army. . . . Toraiph Tobiasen was Cadet Colonel while a senior at State College.

Add War News Dept: There was plenty of interest most of Saturday night in the bulletin board at the local postoffice upon which were posted names and number of Brunswick county registrants. . . . Claude McCall's contribution to the Open Forum last week rates a rave in any hats-off department.

It's nice to know that there are still people who are filled with the spirit of Americanism, and unafraid to speak up. . . . Robert Marlowe turned in another timely article for the Forum. Robert is often a contributor, and his writings are always interesting. Matter of fact, young Marlowe is becoming a regular reformist. . . . PIGSKIN REVUE:—Duke got going Saturday, and the Wake Forest deacons were smitten, 23-0. It was more of a ball game than it looks, scored at half-time being 3-0. Duke manpower turned

the tide in the second half. Carolina dropped a 1-point decision to mighty Tulane, 14-13. The Heels had this one in the bag until 2 minutes before the final gun, then a blocked punt and short dash—and bang. N. C. State continued to play over-her-heads ball during the first half, lead Mississippi State 10-6 at intermission. Visitors got organized after the half, however, and romped to a 23-10 win. Biggest second half reversal of form, however, was at Davidson when the Wildcats, after leading 7-6 for two quarters, played dead during the final two frames and were smothered 40-7.

MOVIES:—There's a big blow in store for patrons Friday night when Robert Preston and Dorothy Lamour (The Sarong of the Islands) reach here in "Typhoon" . . . Sunday was a better day for tennis than Saturday was for football. Ask any of the local Sabbath-tours who played over at Ft. Caswell. And it October 27th. . . . A weather-breeder, says Joe Ruark, coming with an expression we'd never heard before. "I get used to this, then along comes a cold and you feel it," he explained. There's your weather-breeder. And there's your this week's column.

Shelton LaRue Wright; 164. James Chalmer Hardin; 165. Glen Carter; 166. David Wadell; 167. Eddie Varnam; 168. Hobson George Davis; 169. Lacy Monroe Norton; 170. James Norvell Flowers; 171. Rudolph Stephens; 172. Robert Joseph Sommersett; 173. Patrick Henry Stanley; 174. Harris Lee Bellamy; 175. Archie Ellison; 176. Robert Thomas Benton; 177. Mack Brown Etheridge; 178. Norris Kelly Henry; 179. Edward Anson Babson; 180. James Arthur Baitty; 181. Bennie Ray Carlisle; 182. Ben Hankins, Jr.; 183. Henry David Hewette; 184. James Henry Lewis; 185. William Henry Gardner; 186. Junior Jackson; 187. Sam Hankins; 188. Nathan Hawkins; 189. George Oden Gaylord; 190. Royce Quincy Rabon; 191. Richard Henry Neal; 192. Earl Eldridge Medlin; 193. Fitzhugh Wilson Lovette; 194. John Daniel Johnson; 195. Doyle Fields; 196. Troy M. Danford; 197. Boyd Lance McKeithan; 198. James Homer Williams; 199. Loyd McDowell; 200. Frank Jones Jr.; 201. Harry Davis; 202. Willie Clarence Johnson; 203. Kellum O. Reynolds; 204. Robert Edward Hayes; 205. Earl Hewett; 206. Eddie LeRoy Swain; 207. George Jackson; 208. Willie Clemmons; 209. Wells Barnhill; 210. Vance Louis Frink; 211. Paul Marvin Holden; 212. Daniel Ellwood Sellers; 213. Wilbur Royce Sellers; 214. John Lee Blake; 215. Roddie Simmons; 216. Bryant Herman Grissett; 217. Carlie Hughes Johnston.

Paul Green Is Visitor Here Interesting visitors here the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Green of Chapel Hill. Mr. Green is author of the now famous Lost Colony play. While here they visited Bald Head island, in company with Churchill Bragaw of the Orton Plantation. They were much pleased with the island scenery and legends that have been built up around the picturesque spot.

Lightship Men Come Ashore Coming in from Suffolk, Va., last week, on her regular monthly job of bringing supplies and servicing lighthouses, the big Coast Guard tender, Orchid, turned ambulance and made two trips to and from Frying Pan lightship, carrying the crew ashore here for medical examination. No one was sick. The men were merely having the routine examination made by Dr. L. C. Fergus.

Duck Season To Open Saturday The duck and goose hunting season opens Saturday of this week. Although a lot of birds were being reported during the cold weather last week, the indications are that there will be poor hunting locally. Warm weather does not contribute to good duck or goose hunting and the temperature during the past several days could certainly not be

termed cool. Sportsmen says that a few days of cold weather will cause birds to congregate in considerable numbers on this part of the coast.

Danger Of Forest Fires Increased

No forest fires have been reported lately, but the glow from a small one could be seen near the Middle Road between Bolivia and Southport Monday night. Dry weather and numerous hunting parties are now constituting a source of forest fire danger.

County Forest Warden Duane Jones is again urging all hunters to aid in game conservation and the protection of timber lands by exercising all precautions against carelessly starting forest fires.

Boats From South Report Caught

Several menhaden boats stopping over here last week on their way north from fishing in Florida reported fairly good catches of menhaden having been made in the southern waters. At this time of year, catches reported from points north of Southport are of far more interest to the local fishermen. It is at this time that schools of menhaden work their way southward down the coast. Any reports of fish north of here is always received with interest. Unfortunately, there have been no such reports recently.

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