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All some young men seem willing to spend on a girl is time.

To add up, a gal's pretty nearly got to have a good figure.

Some of this "boogie-woogie" music is about as soothing to the ears as a mosquito singing in your ear at night.

Must Pay Sales Tax

The other day we saw a copy of a letter from one of the leading mail order houses to a customer telling her that retailers engaged in business in this state are required to collect a sales tax on all merchandise sales, whether by mail or over the counter.

Thus is removed one of the incentives contributing to an unreasonably large volume of mail order business that goes out of Columbus county annually, and robs our home merchants of trade they rightfully deserve.

Dear Victory

An emperor of ancient times, after winning a great battle, said this: "One more such victory, and I will be ruined." His losses of men and material had been so great that victory left his people weary, exhausted, and low in morale.

Some think that maybe Hitler's fate even if he finally subdues Russia. At a conservative estimate he has lost, in killed and wounded, 1,000,000 men, and they are the cream of the Reichswehr. In the meantime, his main opponent, the English, are suffering almost no casualties and are growing stronger fast.

Trade Restrictions

President Roosevelt's recent appointment of an Economics Defense Board is generally regarded as proof of the Administration's intention to wage economic war against the Axis on a big scale. The Board is headed by Vice-President Wallace, and its other members are the Secretaries of State, War, Navy, Treasury, Commerce, and Agriculture, and the Attorney General.

Economic warfare will mean the use of all this country's vast resources to advance the cause of the democracies, and to oppose the purposes of the dictatorships. A start has been made in the case of Japan. The Administration is obviously prepared to squeeze the little island empire to the limit. Our present Far Eastern policy says, in effect, that if Japan will call off her current program of conquest, we will continue to buy her silk and sell her the raw materials she so sorely needs—while if Japan insists on going ahead in the East, she need expect nothing else from us than ruthless economic sanctions and possibly a naval war.

When it comes to Germany, our technique must of course be different. We have had almost no trade with the Reich since the war began. Battleground of the trade warfare in this case will be Latin America. Despite all our past efforts, Germany is still a big factor in many countries south of the Rio Grande. Job ahead is to destroy Germany's Latin American influence, and disrupt her plans for bartering her manufactured goods for South America's raw materials.

At the moment, it looks as if most of South America is ready to play along with this government. Uncle Sam isn't loved without reservation down South, but thinking South Americans regard him as a far better friend than Herr Hitler. In the case of South American countries which hesitate to adapt their economic and military policies to ours, polite threats of trade penalties and even military pressure may be used. This government is dead certain that South America must be saved for the democratic cause if the war is to be won, and it will not hesi-

tate to do anything possible to keep South America in line. Vichy's complete sell-out to Hitler will also form the basis for U. S. action. Few will be surprised if American marines eventually take over Martinique and other French Islands in this hemisphere. And if Vichy goes ahead with her plans for a joint French-German "defense" of strategic Dakar, many expect that we will have to send our Navy in to do the talking for us. Control of Dakar means control over trade routes and military positions which are vital to this hemisphere. From a naval point of view, Dakar is a fairly tough nut to crack, but our admirals think it could be done with dispatch.

Russia's entry into the European war, in the opinion of most, has made our early participation unlikely. For the time being at least, there is nothing for us to do but send materials abroad. If the American flag does go into battle, it is much more likely to be in the Pacific or off Africa than in Europe.

What To Do When These Army Convoys Meet You

We haven't seen anything sent out by the public relations department of the U. S. Army Camps in this vicinity informing the public yet about what traffic should do when a convoy of army vehicles comes through the city, or when you are meeting them on the road.

However, it is our understanding, and certainly it is logical enough, that these convoys are to be regarded the same as an ambulance or firetruck. They are to have right-of-way, and when a motorist sees a convoy coming through it is his duty to park at the nearest point, and wait until it has passed before proceeding.

It will greatly facilitate the flow of this army traffic if motorists will bear in mind these facts.

NOT EXACTLY NEWS

Three Eagle Scouts and one Star Scout who spent three days last week camping out on Long Beach went away with a fine impression of the hospitality of the management. Seeing their tent pitched on one of the back lots Tuesday afternoon, E. F. Middleton, manager for Carolina Lands, Inc., stopped and asked why they decided to pitch their tent there. "It's the only place we have permission," one of the boys told him. "Come on up here and I'll show you a lot where you can camp right out next to the surf," he said. Any time that the subject of beach resorts comes up where those youngsters can hear it they'll be likely to put in a good word for Long Beach.

Captain H. T. Bowmer reports that on Wednesday he and a party of three other Southport men were treated to the very rare sight of two sea bouys burning at once. He was sober, he said and could prove his story—by Yaskell, Bill and Charles Wells. Then it was that he added the information that the bouy tender was standing by ready to pick up the extra light after servicing the location. . . . "They didn't cure a single leaf of tobacco this year in the barn Mr. Bennie Williams built on his farm near town to replace the one he had burned last year.

The Dan Gregory dance was jam-up, but left Saturday and Monday sort of up in the air as anti-climax dates. Dan and the band had a few days off last week, and by popular vote of the outfit elected to come on down here to spend their lay-off at Southport. . . . Hard luck champion of the week is A. J. Walton, of near Southport, who lost 14 shoats last Wednesday. Heat prostration is said to have caused the trouble. Some of the pigs weighed as much as 100-pounds.

Pretty Boy Robert Taylor, is "Billy The Kid," a western dressed up in Sunday-go-to-meeting clothes. This is the feature attraction Monday and Tuesday at the Amuzu. . . . And that reminds us of the young lady who saw us at Shallotte last Wednesday night on our way home with The Pilots after a day in Whiteville and came over and wanted to see one a minute. Just as we were about to suggest that she keep the copy as a sample she volunteered the information that her folks subscribe, that she just wanted to look at the theatre program a minute to see what was on in Southport this week.

Andrew Parker says that there were 500 soldiers at an outdoor show they put on in his front yard a week ago last Sunday night. "The eight by eight floor beams in my front porch were groaning," he said. . . . Sparky Sell, local barber, was down on the waterfront at low tide one day last week when a stranger said to him: "Looks like you've been having it pretty dry down here, Friend." Sparky looked at the water, then admitted that it had been right smart dry. "I hear they had a big freshet up the river yesterday, though," he stated hopefully, "and we're all expecting to see the river rise right sharp within three or four hours." "No?" The visitor doubted. "Yes," he was assured. "I tell you what: If you're going to be in town any time you watch what I tell you. She'll go up three or four feet. You're going to be mighty surprised how fast the water can rise around here." And when Sparky answered the call of duty he left his landlubber friend watching for the first signs of flood water.

Just Among The FISHERMEN



BY BILL KEZIAH

This week we feel it only fitting to say a few words of appreciation of hunting and fishing editors, sports writers and, last but not least, several of our personal friends among the Outdoor Writers Association of America. The whole bunch has been doing much this year to put Southport on the map. Through their aid the town has gained hundreds of new friends and the way has been paved to make thousands more.

Starting near home, the boys on the Wilmington Star-News have been very helpful, but they had their own beaches and fishing centers, Wrightsville, Carolina Beach, Fort Fisher, etc., that naturally called for more sport fishing news attention. The Wilmington papers have been a valuable aid.

Jumping from Wilmington, John Derr, sports editor of the Greensboro Daily News, has been a steady and consistent booster of the Brunswick county fishing. The Greensboro area sends more sportsmen to the lower North Carolina coast than any other area of the state. This is especially true with the number that have been coming to Orton Plantation and its famous freshwater fishing pond.

The Raleigh News and Observer and both its sport and state news editors have also been very helpful. Along with news, the News and Observer has carried an ocean of good publicity about Brunswick county during the year.

Jimmie Briggs of WRAL broadcasting station at Raleigh has also been wonderfully helpful. Jimmie is rated as one of our best personal friends. He does not seem to have ever grown tired of putting hunting and fishing news of the lower North Carolina coast on the air.

Not the least of the Brunswick county friends in Raleigh is Carl Goerch, publisher of The State Magazine. Carl and his magazine have been the most valuable publicity assets of North Carolina. Goerch not only spreads N. C. abroad, he educates North Carolina people to what North Carolina has. With all of his general boosting, we believe that he holds

a softer spot for Brunswick than he does for any other section of the State. He has repeatedly said he intended to live at Southport when he retired. (We hope it will be a long day before he has to retire.)

The Charlotte Observer and Charlotte News have both also been very much interested in Brunswick county, but the fact that our geographical location and their difficulty in getting good mail connections to Brunswick has always stood in the way of their devoting much attention to this part of the state. This is regrettable, since practically their entire circulation is to points nearer the Brunswick coast than to any other coastal section of North Carolina.

In about every central and western section of North Carolina there are newspapers that have carried stories of Southport fishing at some time or other in the year. When a party comes from anywhere a story is invariably sent the home town newspaper, along with the stories to established sources for the use of general matter. This course is also followed with regard to papers in South Carolina and all other states. The Columbia, S. C. State has been very helpful. Several editors who got irregular matter with a local touch have written to express their appreciation.

Getting around to the Outdoor Writers of America, there is our esteemed personal friend, Bob Wilson, of the Washington Times-Herald. This year Bob has devoted more of his column to the lower North Carolina coast than he has to any other section of the nation. With its big predated issue, the Times-Herald has a national circulation and he is supposed not to neglect other points. He does not, but so great is his faith in the Southport fishing, this section comes in for the lions share of the valuable publicity he sends out. Bob has been to Southport three times this year.

Not far from Bob, over on the Washington Daily News, where he holds down the position of hunting and fishing editor, is Don N. Carpenter. Don came to Southport last fall and has been coming ever since. He is a real fisherman with the ability to discern what constitutes a good fishing hole. He thinks that our heretofore more or less private fish hole at Southport is destined to become famous. We think he is right. Don was here this weekend.

J. Hammond Brown, the All Outdoor man of the Baltimore News-Post, (incidentally he is president of the OWAA,) has been here only once but he is coming again this fall and will be leading a galaxy of bright and shining light from among the membership

of the OWAA with him. "Brownie" was not so well early in the year. In fact, an attack of pneumonia caused him to come darn near to kicking the bucket. He has not been getting to Southport as much as he wanted to, and he writes us he has been homesick for the old place. While he could not come, he has consistently hammered away with publicity for Southport. Gal Two Among Fishermen . . . ?

Johnnie Mock of the Pittsburgh Press has been unfortunate in that he has never yet gotten to come to Southport. This is an omission in his far-flung knowledge of hunting fishing that, we understand, he will rectify this fall. Anyway, he is to be brought to Southport before the snow flies in Pittsburgh, it never flies here. Johnny has been good to Southport, even if he has only been paving the way to come here and has not yet arrived.

There are lots of other good friends among the Outdoor writers and other people whom we would like to mention here. Not having the space at the moment, but will have to defer mention of them for the time being. We have them all in mind and will get around to throwing either a brickbat or bouquet at them on some other occasion.

SOCIETY

ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Smith, of Bolivia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Doris Aline, to Sgt. Maron J. Nichols of Camp Davis. The marriage will take place this month.

HONOR VISITORS

Mrs. W. S. Wells entertained at a couple party at her home Thursday evening honoring Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Keister of Albany, N. Y.

Bridge was played at four tables, with high score prize for ladies going to Mrs. H. T. St. George and high score prize for men to her husband, Mrs. Keister received an attractive guest prize. Delicious refreshments of pie a la mode and an iced drink were

served. Couples playing were the host and hostess, the honorees, St. Georges, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Styron, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Yaskell, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Willing and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones. Mrs. Charles Wells came in for refreshments.

JOINT HOSTESSES

Mrs. R. J. Kiddoo and Mrs. James Harper were hostesses on Friday afternoon and evening to a number of their friends at bridge in the home of the latter.

At both parties fruit punch and Toll House cookies were served. High scorer for the afternoon was Mrs. J. G. Christian who received a box of novelty soap. Mrs. William Styron binged and received a dresser set. Mrs. H. T. St. George received the traveling prize, a fingertip towel.

Mrs. Robert Thompson was high scorer during the evening and received a compact as prize. A bottle of polish remover pads was given as traveling prize and was won by Miss Hazel Young, of Savannah. Mrs. Robert Jones received a handkerchief as bingo prize.

Others who were there in the afternoon are: Mesdames J. W. Ruark, H. W. Hood, L. T. Yaskell, E. H. Cranmer, Pearce Cranmer, Joe Young, Jr., Joe Young, Sr., J. D. Sutton, R. C. St. George, C. Cannon, M. R. Sanders, and Misses Ethel Farrell, Eleanor Russ, Elizabeth Watson, Marion Watson, Dickie Cannon, and Single Alston.

In the evening there were: Mesdames James Prevatte, Kenneth Kinsler, J. W. Thompson, Percy J. Farrell, Fred Willing, James Carr, H. C. Corlette, Martin McCall, H. B. Smith, Elizabeth Gilbert, Rufus Doshier, Vienna Leggett and Misses Winnie Willis, Mary Lee Norment, Evelyn Loughlin, Genevieve Eakes and Ethel Farrell.

BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. L. T. Yaskell and Mrs. L. C. Fergus entertained their friends at bridge and Chinese checkers Friday morning at the Fergus cottage on Long Beach.

Mrs. E. F. Middleton won the high score prize among the bridge players and Mrs. Arthur Weeks for the Chinese checkers. Mrs. Joseph Young won the bingo prize. Mrs. Pearce Cranmer and Mrs.

Rudolph Mintz were each ed with guest prizes. Refreshments of cookies and sandwiches were served. The following guests were present: Mrs. W. S. Wells, James W. S. Derr, Thompson, Joe Young, Jr., Styron, H. T. St. George, Wells, Claude Chastain, Young, Sr., Mabel Martin, O'Brien, Holton Waller, Huntley, John Davenport, Fred Covington, Jackson, an, E. F. Middleton, H. J. W. Ruark, M. R. Sanders, C. Cannon, William Willis, George, J. D. Sutton, J. C. tian, Martin McCall, R. C. J. W. Thompson, Kenneth I. B. Bussells, Fred W. Cranmer, Percy J. Farrell, B. Smith, Percy J. Farrell, abeth Gilbert, C. G. Bussell, Armstrong, W. G. Bussell, Weeks, H. H. Thomas, George Y. Watson, R. L. son.

MRS. MINTZ HOSTESS

Mrs. Foster Mintz entertained at a lovely party last day afternoon honoring Belle Hillburn, who will be at Campbell College. The was beautifully arranged with summer flowers and a red and blue motif was carried in the party appointments and refreshments.

Several interesting games contests were enjoyed during evening. Misses Jessie M. Charlotte and Juanita C. received attractive prizes as winners in the contests. Leta Joanna Mintz presented the of honor with a number of going away gifts from the present.

Delicious ices, cakes and were served to the guests: Mesdames S. P. D. Johnson, Geo. Cannon, Willetts, Kenneth McKelvey, Frank Mintz, Archie son, and Misses Juanita C. Jessie Mosby, Audrey and Elaine Gaine, Mabelle and Betty burn, Iula Johnson, Millie Bobby Johnson and Mrs. Sullivan.

MEDICAL PATIENT

R. M. Lancaster of Bolivia, Doshier Memorial Hospital as a medical patient Friday

THIS CAN HAPPEN TO YOUR MONEY



Yeggs Get \$150 In Sunday Haul

Sutton Brothers Service Station Victim of Robbers' Sunday Night; Safe Stolen

The Sutton Brothers service station, one mile northeast of Elizabethtown, was the scene of a slick robbery Sunday night after the station had closed, and out of approximately \$150 and a small safe. The burglars entered the station through the back door, and made off with safe which contained approximately \$150, 15 or 20 of which was in silver dollars. The safe was found later on the White Lake road, approximately three miles from the station. It was smashed. Investigating officers are of the opinion that the robbers were driving a pickup, but no tangible clues were left for the officers to work on. Coroner Sutton stated that the burglars evidently knew what they were searching for as the safe was the only item that was missing Monday morning. The robbery was not discovered until Monday.

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If desired, payments can be mailed direct to me at the following address:—

DR. ROSENBAUM, Station Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

SIGNED, Dr. M. Rosenbaum.