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It's better to have your wife find a letter you forgot to mail than one you forgot to burn.

Ever notice? People stand up when they hear the national anthem—and fall when they start to sing it.

Almost always it's the fellow who is too slow in his work who thinks he is overworked.

Slight Slip

From a letter sent to a customer by a Sacramento, Calif., department store: "Although hundreds of letters and telephone calls come to us each day, we take a personal interest in each one." Reader's Digest.

The People's Fight

Last week in his charge to the Brunswick county grand jury Judge W. C. Harris told his courtroom audience that there can be no noticeable improvement in our law enforcement until each citizen feels that he has a personal responsibility in the matter of maintaining law and order.

"There is too much tendency to sympathize with a man who has been arrested," he said, "and many of us are all to compromise our place as good citizens to help law breakers escape. Our law enforcement officers cannot cope with their job of maintaining order under our modern day conditions unless they have the sympathetic interest and assistance of the good people who stand for what is right."

It seems to us that what Judge Harris said is in line with other recent remarks by jurists throughout North Carolina as they seek to restore in the minds of our people a sense of responsibility for stamping out lawlessness and crime. Judge Harris is right when he assumes that this program will be no more effective than the citizens themselves make it, for where crime is covered up, winked at and excused, there is little place for the officers to take hold.

It is time for us to realize that it is not smart to break the law and get away with it, and that a good citizen will have no part in covering up crime and helping criminals escape their just punishment.

Time To Donate

The campaign for funds for the March of Dimes in Brunswick county is now in full swing, and no doubt you will have an opportunity during the next week to make a contribution to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Two good things to remember in connection with this campaign are these: The National Foundation has set as our minimum goal this year a sum which is less than one-fifth the amount paid by national headquarters for treatment of Brunswick county patients during 1948; and the total amount spent in Brunswick county last year for benefit of polio patients was almost six times as much as was raised in the 1948 March of Dimes campaign.

The Shallotte Lions Club set a fine example last week when it raised the first substantial contribution to a benefit dance held in the high school gymnasium. There must be other important efforts if the Brunswick county goal is to be reached.

There is every reason in the world why each citizen of our county should feel a personal responsibility for the success of this campaign, so if through some oversight you are not contacted for a donation, make it a point to look up one of the volunteer workers and make a generous contribution.

Progress

According to the report of Tuskegee Institute, only two lynchings were recorded in 1948. This was in contrast with 1 in 1947 and six in 1946.

One of the victims was William H. Turner, a 26-year-old white farm tenant in Meriwether County, Georgia, charged with stealing cattle from his landlord. He was placed in jail but later released for lack of evidence. Upon leaving the jail, he was chased from the county by a group of white men, led by the owner of the stolen cattle, seized, beaten and his body burned. For participating in this mob violence, one person received the death sentence and three were sentenced to life imprisonment.

The other victim was Robert Mallard, 37, a Negro of Lyons, Ga. There was no charge against him. "His apparent offense was he had incurred the enmity of his white farm neighbors because of his prosperity. Motoring home late at night, accompanied by his wife, baby and two of his wife's young relatives, he was waylaid by a group of white men who blocked the road and shot him to death."

There was no punishment in this case and the record speaks for itself. However, the Tuskegee report is encouraging. "In at least seven instances," the report says, "lynchings were prevented by officers of the law. All of these were in the Southern States. A total of 19 persons, all Negroes, were thus saved from death at the hands of mobs."

Labor has a responsibility that it cannot ignore if the American way of life is to survive. This fact was emphasized recently by Rev. Russell J. McViney, the Catholic Bishop of Providence, when he said:

"It is a grave sin against justice for a workman to accept a day's wages when he knows he is not giving an honest day's work. Bricklayers used to lay 1,500 bricks a day, but now they're down to 400. . . . Drones and racketeers who operate under the aegis of union are bringing shame to unions."

RALEIGH ROUNDUP

PRESIDENT . . . He may deny it, but A. C. Edwards of Hookerton, in Greene County, is all set to become the new president of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation when this 75,000-member agricultural organization holds its annual meeting in Asheville early next month. A veteran legislator and one of the leaders in the Farm Bureau for many years, Edwards will succeed Cap Eagles of Maccllessfield, according to reliable information reaching this column.

THE JOHNSON FAMILY . . . Everybody around Raleigh is asking questions about "that job" Charles Johnson, former State Treasurer, has been expected to take. Last summer and fall the talk was that he was considering three or four positions. The Bank of Charlotte, it is understood, held a place open for him several months, and then finally took the man who handled his publicity in his bid for governor. For weeks now, newspapermen have been awaiting the announcement of "that job", but so far nothing has materialized.

As for Cousin Robert Grady, the feeling here is that his days with the Utilities Commission are numbered, definitely. Neither of these members of the Johnson family went to the Scott inauguration ceremonies. They preferred to sit at a little table in the Capital Drug Store here at the corner of Salisbury and Hillsboro streets and listen, in silence, to it over the radio.

BAISE OUT . . . Vance Baise, chief engineer with the State Highway and Public Works Commission, received a letter from Kerr Scott late last fall asking him to give up his position. Also receiving a letter of this type was Charles Flack, clerk of the Utilities Commission. Flack cleared out of Raleigh as the new Governor marched in. Baise decided to hang around a while, but now he finds it best to move along. This he will do this week. Will Rogers, assistant is looked on as the man most likely to succeed him. That's the way it looks from here.

IN AND OUT . . . You can put this down: Mrs. Sue Ferguson of Alexander County will not be reappointed to the State Board of Education. There has been some fast political footwork here, but she's out. When Mrs. Ferguson became a Presidential elector, she automatically vacated her position on the board. Scott will not do anything to place her back on the board.

However, don't count Alexander out of the State political picture, for W. P. Hedrick, tobacco marketing specialist with the N. C. Agriculture Department, is one of the wheels in the Scott organization. He paid Scott's filing fee and was for him, all out, when almost everybody else here in Raleigh, and elsewhere, was afraid to mention his name in a gubernatorial breath. Now, if a referendum is not forthcoming this corner thinks it is as dead as last week—Hedrick is the man being regarded as the next head of the ABC board. He is one of the original Scott-for-Governor men. Carl Williamson, former Raleigh postmaster and a political power until a heart ailment slowed him down, will confine his activities to farming when he leaves the ABC post. He succeeded Robert Grady Johnson of Pender County when Johnson went with the Utilities Commission. Johnson succeeded Cutler Moore, Clyde R. Hoey righthander from Lumberton.

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MIDNIGHT INTRUDER

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Gaurd and moved his wife and two children to Southport less than two weeks ago. The family occupies the lower floor of the H. W. Hood house just in the rear of the Hood residence.

Mr. Tadlock is supposed to spend most of his nights on the Coast Guard patrol boat, going home when he can. Friday night he was supposed to be on the vessel but he got off late and went home.

At 3 o'clock Saturday morning Mrs. Tadlock was awakened by a cloth touching her face. On the same instant she became aware of the odor of chloroform. She screamed and her husband awoke on the side of the bed awakened

and sprang up. The room was dark but both saw the form of a man disappearing through a doorway that led to a room occupied by the two children.

Mr. Tadlock was unarmed but he dashed after him. The fleeing man ran through three rooms, emerged from a side porch and jumped from it without bothering to take the steps and fled across the Hood yard. His shoe was lost while jumping the hedge but it was not found until next day.

Losing the man in the darkness, Tadlock hurried to a telephone and called Chief Hickman. Beyond finding the chloroform soaked handkerchief where it had been dropped as the intruder fled through the room occupied by the

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LEAVES SOUTHPORT	LEAVES WILMINGTON
**	7:00 A. M.
7:00 A. M.	*9:30 A. M.
9:30 A. M.	1:35 P. M.
*1:30 P. M.	4:00 P. M.
4:00 P. M.	6:10 P. M.
6:00 P. M.	10:20 P. M.

*—These Trips on Saturday Only.
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LEAVES SOUTHPORT	LEAVES WILMINGTON
7:30 A. M.	9:00 A. M.
10:50 A. M.	1:35 P. M.
4:00 P. M.	6:10 P. M.
6:00 P. M.	10:20 P. M.

Not Exactly News

W. T. Fulwood experimented with using a bloodhound for deer during this past season and was so much encouraged with results before his dog was stolen that he has since ordered another pup from the same kennel for use next season. . . . And speaking of unusual dogs, Tommy and Rusty Garner have the only Boykin retriever we have seen. This is a new breed, with characteristics of the Chesapeake predominating in this smaller strain.

They say that "June Bride" is the best Bette Davis show in several years. Its late show feature Saturday night at Shallotte theatre. . . . The Amuzu makes a nice gesture Thursday night with its benefit showing of "Lydia", beginning at 10:30 o'clock. This is for the benefit of the Decher Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, which is trying to raise the last few dollars to pay for the new electric range recently installed at that institution. Star of the show is Joseph Cotten, whose father formerly lived in Southport and who still keeps up with what goes on here by reading The Pilot each week.

Miss Evelyn Autry got a good break last week when she spent several days in Southport while reporting the January term of Superior

court. She is taking a course in stenotyping at Fayetteville, and the work here was in the nature of practical experience. . . . Friends who saw Mrs. Grace D. Jones at the Styron-Mulder wedding in Pinehurst Saturday were delighted with how well she is looking.

Few places in the county have had a more effective face-lifting job than the one that Merton Parker has done at the junction of Highway No. 130 with U. S. No. 17 at Supply. That's a big, good looking store and station that has there. . . . If that midnight prowler who entered the McNeil apartment at the Chas. Gause home Saturday night knew what we know he wouldn't have even got on the street with Gus and all of those guns.

They tell us that Ronnie Hood, Southport Baptist church team player, could help the high school squad a lot if basketball practice didn't come at the same time his paper delivery work starts. We know from seeing him go to touch football games that he is a natural athlete. . . . Johnnie Wooten, Leland high school star, is a navy veteran. This'll fill it.

children, the cork from the bottle and later the shoe, the officer could find no clues. There was no evidence of an attempt at robbery. Neither Mrs. McNeil or the Tadlocks could see clearly enough to say whether the intruder was a white man or negro. It all happened so suddenly and the rooms were so dark they were unable to give any description. Mrs. Tadlock, however, believes the intruder was a white man.

REA OFFICIALS

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wick and Columbus counties, entrained at Fayetteville and will return by train to the Cumberland city Friday of this week.

In addition to Mr. Bishop the following men composed the party: Foy D. Fowler, Tabor City; N. C. White, Whiteville; Fred Lay and Fronis Strickland, Tabor City; J. L. Robinson, Whiteville; C. B. Branch, Boardman; D. L. Mercer, Bolivia; A. P. Henry, Winnabow; W. M. Hewett, Shallotte; John B. Ward, Ash; W. A. Mintz, Freeland.

NEW PEWS FOR

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church. Young and recently ordained, he is said to be making splendid headway in building up the spiritual life of the member-

The church has always had a nice Sunday school. Tommy Holden has been superintendent of the Sunday school for more than 20 years. A splendid bunch of teachers are now joining him in further building. The Sunday school as well as the church is prospering.

COUNTY AGENT IS

profitable venture for more farmers to engage in. He based this belief on the fact that the Brunswick climate is such that year-round grazing is easily possible. He stated definitely that he believes that more beef cattle will increase the farm income in Brunswick.

Mr. Knowles has been county agent in Hoke county for the past 11 years. Previous to that he was assistant county agent, Wayne county for two years. He is coming to Brunswick is largely inspired by the belief that better soil and climate offer him a broader field for activities there where he has been.

Still hardly middle aged and possessed of a pleasing personality he brings a lot of energy and ability for his work here.

VISITING BROTHER

Leon Leonard, automobile dealer of Harrisburg, Pa., is spending a 30 day vacation at Shallotte with his brother, E. V. Leonard.

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