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interesting facts in connection with the libel laws, both in England and America. The question of truth or falsehood is not primarily the consideration at issue. To tell the truth about a man may constitute libel under the law. Moreover, the situation is not improved by the use of such expressions as "it is alleged," "it is charged," "it is understood," "it is said," etc. These expressions do not possess the slightest value as a defense if it can be shown that what was published was really damaging to the person bringing the suit. English laws are much more strict in this matter than are those of the United States, but even here libel is a question of damage, rather than a question of truth. The libel laws appear to have been framed when it was the desire to protect scoundrels in high place. They should be revised. It should never constitute libel to tell the truth. Society will be better protected when all the facts can be made known without fear of action in the courts. Any one who is damaged by having the truth told about him does not deserve compensation.—*Christian Evangelist.*

Editorial Readers Lead

How much political influence does the newspaper of today wield? To what extent are editorials read? What percentage of other departments of a newspaper gain attention of their readers? Are evening or morning editions preferred? These are the questions put to hundreds of citizens at Tacoma, Wash., lately by the class in journalism at Puget Sound College and duly answered.

The average answers are very much to the point, and strangely enough the answer to the specific question, "Do you read the editorials?" the people quizzed answered in the affirmative 156 times; nay, 16 times, and occasionally 20 times. To the question relative to what page of the newspaper is first read, the editorial page again takes the lead.

What page of the paper do you read first brought this showing: Front page, 12; sport page, 30; editorial page, 35; comics, 33; society, 10; locals, 1; features, 7; with the financial page grading 7 and the advertisements attracting next attention.

Deductions are easy relative to this survey. It is logical to conclude that with the editorial page as favorite, the newspaper still maintains its prestige in political leadership. Likewise sports pictures and local news are of prime interest, while general news makes its appeal to the reader according to his mental and physical interests.—*Columbia Record.*

Good News for Women

Women are more healthful than men because they wear more sensible clothing, according to an eminent doctor and teacher of hygiene in one of the leading universities of the world. He finds the temperature of the surface of the body of men to be 87.8 degrees, with 77 per cent humidity, while the surface temperature of women is 80.6, with humidity of 55 per cent.

The heavy clothing of men keeps out sunlight, raises humidity, while the porous clothing of women permits rays of light, prevents the overheating of the body, and women are not exposed to the extremes of heat and cold.

Much has been said against the moral side of women's methods of dressing, but there is no proof that the styles of the day are not more sensible than at any time in the history of the nation.

Women will not lose their health nor their self-respect from the present average style of dress, which we are beginning to appreciate.

Money and Justice

Loeb and Leopold, the notorious murderers of little Bobby Franks, seem to be hopeful of being paroled in about six more years, all because of an error in the commitment papers.

After the court had sentenced each to a 99-year prison term for kidnapping and each to life imprisonment for murder, a decree was entered forever denying parole. Yet it now appears that the committing clerk made an error in drawing the mitimus. Now, in a case of such note, supposed to be handled by a competent court, it is a mystery why such a mistake should occur. It has already been written—that "money talks." In this case it looks as if "money writes."

One of the troubles that seems to beset people is dishonesty. In cases where there are lots of money involved, it is almost impossible to steer clear of corruption, simply because men get money to perform tricks.

It may be that some officer of the court set the pen slip and changed the meaning of the court's decree, or it may be that some expert has changed the record since the decree was recorded, yet the belief prevails that money did the job.

Many people say they should be released, anyway, as a few years is long enough to keep anybody in prison. In this case, each of these young murderers are secretaries with easy jobs, pleasant work, good food, good sleeping quarters, and are supplied with plenty of magazines and papers, so it would seem that they are getting as good in life as they deserve.

The pity of the whole thing is that money has such wonderful power to overthrow justice.

Penalizing the Truth

A New York man has secured heavy damages in the English courts from the *London Sunday Express* as the result of a libel suit which he brought against the British publication. The trial revealed one of the

WORK FOLLOWS WELL PLANNED FARM PROGRAM

Booklet Recently Published Explains Program of Extension Division

The efforts of county agents, extension specialists, and administrative forces of the State College of Agriculture to build a better rural life in North Carolina are founded on a well-planned program of work developed from the needs of the people.

In a booklet just published by the agricultural extension division, "Building a Program of Agricultural Extension," the plans and methods of conducting this work are explained. "Through a program so balanced that there is something of direct interest to every member of the farm family, improved practices are demonstrated and their adoption urged in order that there may be a profitable and economically sound agriculture and a more satisfactory home and community life in the State," says the publication.

As a result of this careful planning, they are headed and how far they have gone. Just how all this is done is explained in Extension Circular 169, which is available free of charge on

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You worked hard to raise this crop of tobacco. Then why not sell it with folks that will work hard for you. Warehousemen—every one of them—is what the Roanoke-Dixie is made of. They know you, and they are glad to see you and work hard to get the highest dollar for your tobacco.

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Bring us your tobacco and watch us sell it. Our business is to get you the high dollar and send you home satisfied. Yours to please,

MAJOR GARDNER	SIMPSON & STRICKLAND	RAWLS & LASSITER
114 27.00 \$ 30.78	314 14.00 \$ 43.96	100 20.00 \$ 20.00
56 29.00 16.24	160 30.00 48.00	208 28.00 58.24
76 37.00 28.14	62 34.00 21.08	116 37.00 42.92
178 38.00 67.64	42 31.00 13.02	104 39.00 40.56
144 40.00 57.60	334 25.00 83.50	528 Total \$161.72
230 45.00 103.54	376 15.00 56.40	Average \$30.56
74 45.00 33.30	118 23.00 27.14	Dr. Rhodes & Rogers—Tips
872 Total \$337.24	144 21.50 30.96	70 17.00 \$ 11.90
Average \$38.67	80 17.50 14.00	244 19.00 46.36
TAYLOR & MOBLEY	382 26.00 99.32	224 31.00 69.44
52 28.00 \$ 14.56	134 43.00 57.62	260 35.00 91.00
264 30.00 79.20	256 33.00 84.48	798 Total \$218.90
196 36.00 70.56	364 44.00 160.16	Average \$27.30
162 39.00 63.18	2766 Total \$739.64	BARBER & SPRUILL
50 43.00 21.50	Average \$26.70	94 18.00 \$ 16.94
724 Total \$249.00	SALES NEXT WEEK:	28 16.50 21.12
Average \$34.39	Mon., Oct. 1 2nd Sale	150 26.00 39.00
JOHN M. BOWEN	Tues., Oct. 2 1st Sale	218 28.00 61.04
32 18.00 \$ 5.76	Wed., Oct. 3 3rd Sale	336 30.00 100.80
100 20.50 20.50	Thur., Oct. 4 2nd Sale	300 34.00 102.00
72 29.00 20.88	Fri., Oct. 5 1st Sale	1126 Total \$340.90
100 30.00 30.00		Average \$31.16
236 33.00 77.88		R. S. COREY
540 Total \$155.02		78 23.00 \$ 17.94
Average \$28.70		52 20.00 10.40
		106 39.00 41.34
		96 43.00 41.28
		332 Total \$110.96
		Average \$33.40

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