

Capital Letters

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Waynesville . . . Your capital had its twenty-second safe robbery in eight months last week . . . Fred Fletcher, Bell Bread fairy talesman and son of A. J. Fletcher and nephew of Col. A. L. Fletcher, was one of seven elected to Raleigh City Council last week . . . This column has never thought W. P. Horton would run for Governor, but still thinks he would make a good one.

AFTER SEVENTY — Although Dr. Carl V. Reynolds is well past that three-score-and-ten, his reappointment as state health officer will be no surprise to anybody. A native of Asheville and a kin of Robert R. Hope Diamond and Friendship Reynolds, Carl V. has been head of the North Carolina Department of Health since 1934, coming here from Asheville, where he was city health officer.

He lives at the Sir Walter with his semi-invalid wife and trips along Fayetteville street, Raleigh's main drag, like a filly . . . a big cigar in his mouth. His older sister, who lived with him, died a few weeks ago, and he has had family worries which would have crushed a smaller man—but you would never guess it in his work. Dr. Reynolds says the way to have good health after 70 is to take good care of yourself before 40.

THE CASE OF THE FAITHFUL WIFE—Working under Churchman Walter P. Anderson, former chief of police of Winston-Salem and Charlotte, the state bureau of investigation gets into a little of everything these days—despite the long and frequent church travels of its boss. Within recent months, it has studied politics in Stokes county, for instance, milk prices in Durham and Raleigh, and a Western North Carolina minister's wife.

This preacher, who was away from home right much saving souls, didn't trust his good-looking wife too much, and finally came to the flat conclusion that she was unfaithful. She said she wasn't, but he had more faith in almost everything else, obviously, than in her. Upshot of the whole thing was that she agreed to a lie detector test. If it proved she was truthful, everything would be all right between them once again. Otherwise, of course, he would just have to do his missionary work closer home, and, this failing, a divorce. He brought her to his fellow churchman, Anderson.

His special detector operator was somewhere down east on an investigation. Well, nothing to do but call him. This fellow was somewhat surprised—to put it mildly—upon his return to Raleigh to find he merely had to give a test to a minister's wife, who had committed no crime.

He took her into the room, locked the door, for it requires around 8 minutes to get the person in the right frame of mind for the test. After about 40 minutes the minister began to be impatient. What could they be doing in there?

As time went on, he became worse—but they wouldn't let him in, for to do so would spoil all that was transpiring in that inner sanctum. Finally the little minister—now thoroughly vexed—got in touch with Attorney R. N. Simms, Jr., who called the SBI and asked them what in thunder was going on up there. The investigators—or maybe it was Anderson himself—explained as best they could. Simms understood—which is more than can be said for his scripture-quoting client. The tests proceeded.

Finally, the door was opened. The minister rushed in. The results showed the wife had been telling the truth, the case was closed, and the preacher can continue with his work.

OFF THE CUFF—Charles C. Enscoe of Greensboro, now in jail in Tennessee, claims to have made \$50,000 within the past year cashing worthless checks . . . The North Carolina Good Health Association is said to be looking for a man to succeed Harry B. Caldwell as executive secretary . . . the average salary of state-paid North Carolina teachers next year, not including city supplements, will be

NOW YOU TELL ONE!

SPIGLER-PALMER BECOMES A HABIT

HAGERSTOWN, Md.—(AP)—It's all in the family. Frank T. Spigler and Albert Palmer agreed today. Five Palmer sons have married five Spigler daughters in the last 14 years. This was the wedding record.

Elizabeth Spigler and Donald Palmer in 1934. Estella Spigler and Bernard Palmer in 1938.

Lula May Spigler, Estella's twin, and Paul Palmer, 1938. Norine Spigler and Harry Palmer, 1942.

Kathleen Spigler and Albert Palmer, Jr., 1947. The Spiglers have two unmarried daughters, but all the Palmer brothers have already married their sisters.

CAT IS NOT GREEN ABOUT GREEN LIGHTS

BALTIMORE—(AP)—A tortoise-shell colored alley cat, taking none of its nine lives for granted, gave some 50 astonished pedestrians a lesson on how to keep healthy.

The crowd stared when the cat waited on the north corner of a downtown intersection until the traffic light turned green.



then marched over to the northwest corner.

Once more waiting until the light changed, tabby stepped off the curb just as a car approached and retreated to the sidewalk to see if the auto would stop. It did, and the cat strode across to the northwest corner.

"If human beings crossed as that cat did, there wouldn't be any fatalities from jaywalking," a policeman commented.

JAIL HELPS SOLVE HOUSE SHORTAGE

HAGERSTOWN, Md.—(AP)—War veteran Harry Schaeffer, his wife and two young children were lodged in the nearby Chambersburg, Pa., jail—the only "home" they were able to find.

Schaeffer lost his job in Hagerstown because he was unable to find a place to live here after his eviction from a tourist cabin. In desperation, he turned to the Rev. T. B. Johnson of Chambersburg, who procured the emergency shelter at the city jail.

The Schaeffers expect another child within a few weeks.

MAYBE HE SELLS GASOLINE TO POLICE

ROCKLAND, Ill.—(AP)—A telephone tip that a prowler had been seen in a filling station sent four squad cars whizzing through the night. The police auto-



biles reached the scene. Seven officers, weapons ready, closed in on their quarry—who turned out to be the owner of the place.

\$2,025 . . . for nine months' work. And a nine-month-old Guernsey bull calf sold for \$15,000 at a cattle sale held near Durham last week.

Each day about 5,000 long-distance trucks enter New York City.

HERE and THERE

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other. We think of him in connection with the post office as we do some of the other old timers. They make us feel at home.

The Wilson Library Bulletin, an outstanding national library publication, carries in the current issue an interesting story of the Chero-

kee Reading club conducted by the Haywood county library in 1946—among suggestions for reading clubs to stimulate reading among young people. The account also has with it a picture of Miss Margaret Johnston, county librarian hearing Lane Prevost make a report on a book she had read in the club. If the idea, which of course has special significance in local color here is as successfully carried out as Miss Johnston and Mrs. Atkins did last year in Waynesville area, we know sponsors in other sections

will be grateful for the suggestion.

We read an account recently of a marriage counsel service, which is proving to meet the needs of many young couples, who are confused in their new relationship, and need help in solving their problems. Such a counsel must be a fine antidote for the divorce courts. We were amused at the following story told in connection with a point made in the article, which stated that Socrates may have been the first marriage

counselor on record. As proof the story was told of a young man who once came to him and asked whether or not he should get married and this was the answer. "By all means get married, and if you get a good wife, you will be happy, and if you get a scold like my Xanthippe, why they you will become a philosopher"—which illustrates as much as his famous writings that Socrates was truly a great philosopher.

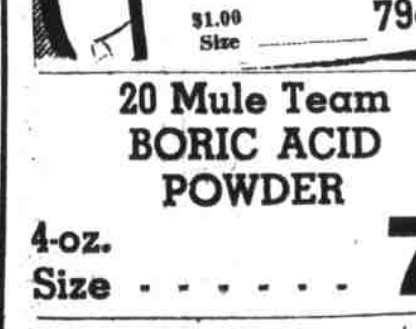
Want Ads Get Immediate Results

Washington Letter

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castle," the woman observes. There is a shortage of wooden shoes, too, though not all Hollanders wear wooden shoes. The shortage is because the particular kind of wood from which the shoes are

PRICE DETROIT—AP—Motor Car Co. announces increases ranging from 10 to 20 percent on new models of six and eight cars. Ten thousand load cargoes in each year. made was used for woods for fuel.

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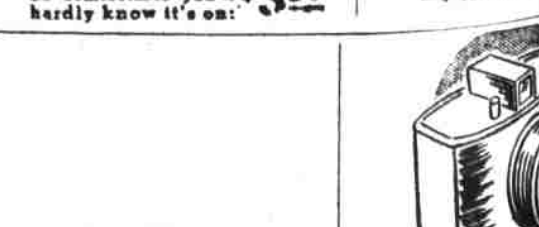
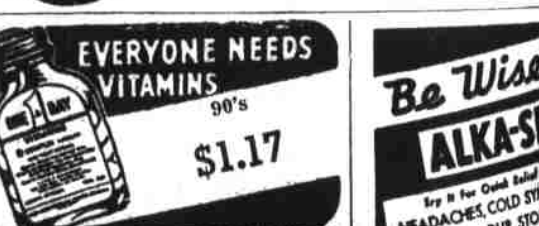


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