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Crime

North Carolina, like other sections of the country, seems to be in the throes of a crime wave which is a challenge to the citizens of the state. Drastic action must be taken in trying to combat and eradicate this tendency.

At the Roots

In his farewell talk to the members of the graduating class, M. H. Bowles, superintendent, struck at the very roots of American life and those of every nation when he made a plea for the founding of home with sound principles.

When he told his listeners to find God in the way it suited them he showed great tolerance which should make the people of every community understand that no matter to what creed you may belong, finding God as you understand Him is the aim of all religious creeds.

No nation is greater than its homes and we regret that during the war years, the American home was demoralized. The time has come for those responsible for its perpetuation to come back to the ideals of lasting quality which made this country the great power among nations that it is today.

Leaves a Monument

The following from the Raleigh News and Observer will be read with interest and approval throughout the state on the work of Mr. Ward:

T. Boddie Ward, who has just retired as State Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, leaves a monument to six years of untiring efforts for highway safety in this state in the form of the highway safety law enacted by the 1947 General Assembly.

Commissioner Ward was by no means the only sponsor of the new law, but it is generally conceded that the measure would not have been enacted except for his persistent support. The bill, as finally passed, was far from a perfect bill and many of its strongest provisions were weakened by amendments.

Mr. Ward was a good commissioner and his devotion to the cause of highway safety was beyond question. Both through his administration of his department and through his success in persuading the General Assembly to improve the traffic laws, he made a notable contribution to that cause.

Tours

We feel sure that the number of inspection tours will normally increase at the State Test Farm, as the farmers of this section of the state become more convinced of the advantages of scientific methods.

It was interesting to learn that the average inspection party is composed of from 30 to 50 persons, showing how widespread is the interest in the experiments at the farm, which in time will become in many cases the established agricultural practices in this area.

Justice Not Delayed

Magna Charta guarantees to English-speaking peoples that Justice (with a capital J) should not be "denied or delayed." The observance of both in our courts is essential. However, while Justice is not often denied by actual miscarriage, by delays Justice is often actually denied.

Too often men submit to injustice, saying: "It is better to compromise than go into court where delays for months—sometimes years—would virtually deny me my rights."

In view of the too frequent denial of Justice by delays, honor and praise should go to the county of Jackson, and the jury brought from Macon county, as a special venire. Two men in Jackson county committed a double murder about a month ago. And last week the trial ended in the conviction and sentence of the two men found guilty.—Raleigh News and Observer.

Expensive Housekeeping

This country is reported to be collecting an assortment of old castles and other swank establishments abroad for use as embassies and other headquarters buildings that is starting to worry economizers in Congress, who are wondering what the upkeep will amount to in dollars and cents.

Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia is the first to present an establishment to the United States as a token of appreciation for past favors.

It looks like this housekeeping for Uncle Sam abroad will become pretty much of a burden, even if it will enable him to put on a big front across the waters.

THE HOT FOOT



HERE and THERE

By HILDA WAY GWYN

"I always liked to draw, and I recall how often Prof. Allen used to tell me that if I studied more and drew less I would have a better chance of making good someday," said Tack Knight, well known cartoonist, who has made quite a name for himself in his chosen field of art, and was renewing old acquaintances in town last week.

"But do you know I really got my inspiration right here at home to become a cartoonist, for my first cartoon was published in the old Haywood Enterprise, of which John Norwood was editor. The theme was on the old Waynesville Board of Trade, and illustrated the fact that 'it was always asleep at the switch', which is certainly not true now of your very wide awake Chamber of Commerce, but this is 1947 and that was back in 1911," he commented.

Tack (Thackston) Knight, native of Dillsboro, moved to Waynesville with his family when he was literally a babe in arms, and his first home here was at the Dunham House, then known as "The

National Hotel," which his mother operated. Tack was quite a youngster, and was known all about town, for he had the same friendly happy-go-lucky personality then that he has now.

"I have run into some of my old classmates at the Waynesville school this week, among them Bess Lee (Mrs. James Gwyn), Linwood Grahl, and of course another one, who has moved to California, Josephine Thomas, now Mrs. Odie Buell. I see quite often, it is good to get home, for Waynesville will always be that to me. I remember Main Street as a country village scene and now it has the bustle and hurry of a city. I have played golf all over California, but there are no better courses than you have right here at your Country Club," he said.

Tack left Waynesville in 1913 with his mother, Mrs. Lura Knight, to make their home in San Francisco with his brother Charlie Knight, but came back on visits to his sisters, Mrs. Harry Rotha (Continued on Page Five)

Washington Letter

WASHINGTON — People came from Chicago, Boston and Baltimore recently to help members of the Washington Art Council conduct a symposium on the prospect of raising the cultural status of the capital city.

The Council is thinking in terms of making Washington an art center. So far James H. Whyte, Chairman of the Council, says consideration of the program is merely of an "investigatory nature."

Inez Boulton, former President of the University of Chicago's Renaissance Society, in discussing how Chicago achieved its status culturally, said: "We made art fun. We took away the awe of art that some people have. This sort of thing sounds easy here, but it would mean sacrifices for many of you to insure its success."

Miss Boulton didn't elaborate on the sacrifices entailed, but James S. Plaut, director of the Boston Institute of Modern Art, said he'd like to feel that Washington might lead the nation in cultural as well as "formal governmental matters."

Mr. Plaut added that at present the nation's culture is "too drastically concentrated in New York."

Ray H. Everett, director of the District of Columbia Social Hygiene Society, who has handled more than 16,000 marriage clients, believes the "worst is over in the nation's seven-year divorce epidemic."

However, he says what we really must worry about is the long range increase in divorce, which he says "goes on despite the end of war-born marriage difficulties."

Mr. Everett pointed out that as long ago as 1932, sociologists and statisticians warned that by 1967, America's increasing divorces will soar to one for every two marriages.

He lists five great causes of divorce as follows:

- 1. Financial insecurity.
2. Sexual maladjustment.
3. Recreational differences.
4. Health hazards.
5. Religious differences.
"But underlying all," he says, "the greatest enemy to marriage is emotional immaturity."

MIRROR OF YOUR MIND



Do most people have a love ideal?
Answer: Most of us, unfortunately, have two: one, our conscious picture of the sort of person whom our judgment tells us we should marry; and the other, an unconscious image, based on memories and associations carried on from childhood.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Do you think that the Universal Military Training program is needed by the United States at this time?
Hugh Rogers: "Yes, it is needed more than ever now. The only way to stay out of war is to be prepared—second to none."

WASHINGTON DISCUSSES WAYS TO BUILD UP HER CULTURE

BY JANE EADS
The War Assets Administration has sold \$15,000,000 in surplus property—from false teeth to factories.
These items went at bargain prices — one-third the cost which the government paid for the things, bought to wage war from grits to grazing land.

'STRAY' BULLET KILLS BABY

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—(AP)—Fifteen-months-old Frederick Adkins, Jr., died Thursday after having a "stray" bullet removed from his brain. A .22 calibre bullet pierced the baby's skull while he was being rocked in his grandfather's arms on the porch of their home last Monday night.

They'll Do It Every Time



Patched Up At Last

We have an idea that every American who reads of the latest relations between the United States and Argentina will be relieved that at last the two countries have patched up their differences—after a five year dispute—for the misunderstanding covered some very critical years.

For Better Health

If the county health department did no other piece of work, the pre-school clinics would be well worth the maintenance of the department.
In these clinics are checked many defects in the younger children which are not apparent to the eyes of the layman and might even go unnoticed by even the most loving and attentive parents until they reached an incurable stage.

Untimely

We have the feeling that the visit of Henry Wallace to our state at this time is "untimely." The attitude of Mr. Wallace, who seems to wish to stir up doubts and discontent, at a time when the people are trying to get back to a normal state of mind and business is not wholesome.

Inside WASHINGTON

Unions' Attack on All Labor Friends Urging Legislation Is Seen as Error To Seek Vice
Special to Central Press
WASHINGTON—A well-informed member of the congressional committees to oppose any and all legislation.

FROM THE FOG SURROUNDING developments of World War II... American investigators found "bonanza" when they took over the bobby in Washington during the conflict.

SPEAKER JOE MARTIN IS STANDING at the roads and his friends are attempting to coax him up—an intriguing road for 1948. They are urging Martin to make a bid for the Philadelphia nomination when the convention meets.

BAD WEATHER THROUGHOUT THE NATION 1947—output of American farmers, who turned out the greatest production of food last year.

By LAWRENCE Consulting Psych...
Answer: In the chaos of solving the application of the test, which have been in such doubt as to turn Dr. George Hottel's analogical book, "Can Science Scientifically study of logical and social not do they any artistic statement, us simpler notes, reach them. And the better way is just what we work

BROADWAY

BROADWAY STAGE SUCCESSES NOW GO ON TO SEE THE WORLD
NEW YORK — The legitimate stage beat politics by several eight years in going global, in fact so long ago that no one on Broadway, including the venerable dean of critics, Kealey Allen, is able to remember offhand the first foreign play to arrive here.

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