Mars, the unscrupulous zod of war, rages throughout the world. -Virgil

All Four Amendments Need Approval Saturday

On Saturday North Carolinians will determine at the polls their wishes on four constilutional amendments. The most discussed of the four is the school amendment set up by the special July session of the legislature, which, if passed, would authorize expense grants for private education and would authorize a local vote to suspend local

The legislature approved the program of the seven-man advisory education committee who worked from last August until May in devising what is known as the "Pearsall Plan" - named after Tom Pearsall, who was chairman of the seven-man committee.

Our own Senator William Medford was a member of that committee and we know of the long hours that were spent in studying the problem and coming up with a plan designed, as the committee put it, "To find a way to preserve the public schools."

The proposal which the constitutional amendment would provide simply means that any given school district in the state, by a vote of the people could close a school in the event the situation became "intolerable." The closing of the schools in one district would in no way affect the remaining schools in the state.

Governor Hodges is a strong advocate of the plan, which found ready approval in the General Assembly, and other men and women of North Carolina who have long been interested in the betterment of the educational program in North Carolina have publicly come out favoring the approval of the constitutional amendment. Senators Kerr Scott and Sam Erwin, Jr., are among those who have advocated the passage of the amendment in Saturday's election. Following the unfortunate outbreak in Tennessee, Governor Hodges and Senator Erwin and others said that if Tennessee had the constitutional arrendment which is being presented to North Carolina voters on Saturday, the situation in Tennessee might not have come to the forefront.

It seems apparent to us that the men who have devoted so much time and study to this program, and have proven in the past their undivided interest in our school program, are advising North Carolina the proper steps to take in this serious matter.

We feel that in the absence of any other proposed program, and in view of the decision of the Supreme Court, we have no alternative but to amend our constitution with the proposed school amendment,

that each of those should be given our apord, changing the date for convening the ary; and third, authorizing a married woman te exercise powers of attorney conferred upon her by her husband.

It's strange but the less one knows, the ersier it is to form an opinion on any given subject.

A dictionary does you no good unless you use it; the same observation applies to your

In time and place a harmless lie is a great deal better than a hurtful truth.

-Roger Ascham.

Lifesaving Program Vital For 4-H Clubs

We do not know how much time was devoted at Camp Schaub this summer in teaching the 4-H club members who attended the camp lifesaving and water safety measures, but we do know that it was well worth while and that one 11-year-old girl in Haywood County attributes her life to the fact that her 15-year-old brother took the course and remembered what he learned and was able to apply it in time of emergency.

Fifteen-year-old Clifton Shook, Jr., demonstrated the value of this training last Friday as he brought the limp body of his 11year-old sister, "Kitty", from a small pool to the bank and with the aid of others was able to revive her after she had been under the water several minutes.

This heroic incident came less than 24 hours after a group of Haywood County women, meeting at the Courthouse, had gone on record urging that more young people become members of the 4-H clubs and that the 4-H club program include more basic studies that would benefit the members throughout

After the incident last Friday involving this 4-H club member, we believe and feel that the lifesaving program will be made a greater part of the summer camp program.

Right at the moment we do not know all the requirements necessary for a candidate to receive a Carnegie Medal given those who save a life, but we feel that Clifton, Jr., certainly deserves one. We know he is not seeking it and will not seek it - he was richly rewarded when a few hours after the incident as "Kitty" looked up into his face and gave him a smile that could only come from a heart that was bubbling over with admiration and gratitude.

Miss Sallie McCracken

Last Sunday Miss Sallie McCracken, native of Haywood, was honored at the Mills Home Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, where she has been associated in that important work for the past 60 years.

Many deserved tributes were paid to Miss McCracken, and the following morning the Raleigh News and Observer carried an editorial that perhaps expresses the sentiment of all North Carolinians and many outside

The editorial was as follows:

This does not seem to be the season for picking the North Carolina Mother-of-the-Year. But when that time comes in North As to the other three amendments, we feel Carolina this year, it would be no mistake to give the title to a maiden lady, Miss Sallie proval in Saturday's election. The first a- McCracken, who has for sixty years worked mendment is for increasing compensation with the children at the Mills Home Baptist for members of the General Assembly; sec- Orphanage. The "children" to whom she has devoted her life now number about 6,000. General Assembly from January to Febru- And as one of them said, "She has woven herself into the moral fibre of 6,000 like me who came under her influence." Not many mothers can claim such a record in the essential meaning of mothering.

> A Colorado man dislocated his jaw six times by yawning. Did he ever think of shutting off the TV?

Don't play around too much with "schemes." Hard work pays much better dividends.

"Guess who's calling?" seems like a mighty good excuse for hanging up the

VIEWS OF OTHER EDITORS **Pearsall And Stanley Plans**

Although the text of measures to effect the socalled Stanley Plan in neighboring Virginia has not been made public, enough has been revealed to show the contrast between what is proposed for the Old Dominion and the Pearsall Plan which has already received legislative clearance and awaits outcome of the September 8 constitutional refer-

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endum to become operative in North Carolina,

Thirteen bills will be offered in the special session of the Virginia General Assembly to carry out the governor's program. But the key measure, according to the Associated Press, "is the one that amends the general appropriations bill to require withholding of state school money from any school system that integrates-voluntarily or under court order." Thus the Old Dominion would have rigid, inflexible controls, which could very easily choke its public school system to death, centered in Richmond, with the final decision left not to the people but to the governor or General Assembly. In North Carolina, the pupil assignment act will

take precedence and in extreme cases, where any school is truly endangered, decision will be left to the people themselves. There is no statewide, inflexible policy; rather North Carolina's policy is as flexible as the attitudes or wishes of every community within its borders. The state will not withhold money; the closing of any school is made exceedingly difficult and the responsibility in every in- | John's bridge tournament, stance will be pinpointed.

Those in North Carolina who are attacking the Pearsall Plan-and their sincerity we do not question-must take cognizance of what has happened.

The Pearsall Plan, for all of its uncertainties and imperfections, shines when laid alongside what Virginia is offered and similar school strangulation steps which are indicated over the South, North Carolina, avoiding a battle between extremes and staving off such pressure as has been built up in Virginia, is going its wonted middle course. Its school plan is flexible and final action will rest directly upon the people.-Greensboro Daily News.

at the polls! Governor Hodges is asking North Carolinians to study the public school amendment to be voted on in a general election September 8. He has fully endorsed the amendment, known as the Pearsall Plan. Signs such as these have been placed in strategic places in North Carolina. The space was given by an

SAMPLE BALLOT OFFICIAL BALLOT ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

- 1. To vote FOR any amendment, make a cross [3] mark in the square to the left of the word FOR.
- To vote AGAINST any amendment, make a cross mark in the square to the left of the word AGAINST.
- If you tear or deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and get

SPECIAL SESSION SCHOOL AMENDMENT

- FOR constitutional amendment authorizing education expense grants for private education and authorizing local vote to suspend local schools.
- AGAINST constitutional amendment authorizing education expense grants for private education and authorizing local vote to suspend local schools.

REGULAR SESSION AMENDMENTS

- FOR amendment allowing limited necessary compensation of members of the General Assembly.
- AGAINST amendment allowing limited necessary compensation of members of the General Assembly.
- FOR constitutional amendment changing the date for convening the General Assembly from January to February.
- AGAINST constitutional amendment changing the date for convening the General Assembly from January to February
- FOR amendment authorizing married woman to exercise powers of attorney conferred upon her by her husband.
- AGAINST amendment authorizing married woman to exercise powers of attorney conferred upon her by her husband.

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Back Over

J. R. Boyd, president of the First National Bank, goes to San Francisco, Calif, for the American Bankers Association meeting.

Sydney Truesdale returns to Duke University after spending the summer with his parents, the Rev. and Mrs. R. S. Truesdale.

The Misses Mary and Catherine Palmer enter Brevard Col-

Throngs enjoy flower garden of W. T. Shelton on Pigeon Street.

10 YEARS AGO

A. J. Hutchins of Canton is named on the planning committee for construction of greater Wake Forest College,

Spare stamp 51 is good for

Miss Mary Patricia Gwyn will be presented at Debutante Ball in

Mrs. W. T. Hannah wins St.

Billy Davis gets discharge from the U. S. Navy; enrolls at Mars Hill College.

5 YEARS AGO James N. Swift is enrolled at Georgia Tech.

Mrs .Samuel Clement Satterthwaite dies at 93. Balloons rise above town as

Kermit Hunter launches "Crusade

Letters To Editor BOGEY IS DEAD

Editor, The Mountaineer: Some careless, irresponsible

motorist struck Bogey close to her home last Tuesday. She was able to stagger to the feet of her owner, Mrs. William Hannah.

For Freedom"

Miss Elsie Jane Green is bride of Edgar Jackson Noland.

Edwin Rodgers returns to Miami University where he is studying toward his Master's Degree.

Dr. and Mrs. Elmer T. Clark attend Ecumenical Methodist Conference in Oxford, England.

SCOTT'S SCRAP BOOK

BUCCANEER.

IS SAID TO HAVE BEEN THE FOUNDER

OF THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

where an emergency call was answered by a local veterinarian. who was unable to save this matriarch of dogdom

An English setter, Bogey was 18 years old, a childhood pet of Mrs. Hannah's sons and daughter. Her affable personality and cordial manner had won a host of friends among Waynesville residents as well as summer visitors who had become accustomed to her daily jaunts down Haywood Street, her friendliness and apparent ownership of the Town and Country Shop, where she would wait for Mrs. Hannah.

Bogey has been buried with her favorite blanket and pillow but she will be long remembered in the hearts of her many friends, Mrs. Elaine Hudson.

FERMENTED MILLET

SARA-DUINGE WOMEN OF AFRICA

HOW LONG A LINE

OF LIGHT WOULD FLUORESCENT LAMPS MAKE THAT WERE. MADE IN THE U.S. DURIN

THE PAST 18 YEARS.
IF WIRED TOGETHER AND ILLUMINATED ?

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By R. J. SCOTT

By Frances Gilbert Frazier Far more appalling right now than war and rumors of war, is

Rambling 'Round

the ghastly epidemic of baby brutalities and murders. One can rarely pick up a daily paper without reading where a baby has been kidnapped, stolen, beaten, abandoned or killed by murder. What has happened to the human race that such things can happen in a civilized country! Even wild animals protect their young

When the culprits are apprehended, they are immediately put through mental tests but in far too many cases these tests do not confirm mental aberrations . . . unless the greed for revenge or money can be termed mental digression. The frantic and agonizing hours spent by parents while awaiting news of their abducted babies cannot be comprehended by those who have never experienced such a tragedy. How a mother who abandons her child can have one second's peace of mind is beyond understanding. The most terrible aspect of this horrifying situation is that It has spread so suddenly into an infectious disease for which some remedy must be found to stop its contagion

Heard in passing: "She said I was making a mountain out of a mole hill, and I'd like to ask her who started the mole hill in the first place."

We have been the grateful recipient of a 12-inch ball point pen, and we are getting a big kick out of the fact that it will be time before we write "The End". At first, the length sort of us off base a bit but, as always, usage brought about routine and we've learned to keep our "balance" and proceed normally.

How mankind has learned to demand instant reaction! There was a time when we found no fault with the constant dipping of a pen into an ink well (or bottle) with the usual upsetting of same, and the blots incurred. Then came the fountain pen and we decided that our labors were limited to an occasional re-filling. Along came the ball point, self-liquidating, and laziness rode the page! What next to make work less desirable?

Playing "hard to get" is usually the quickest way to win.

We regretfully say good bye to our recent visitors at Lake Junaluska and the Methodist Assembly. It has been a great privilege and pleasure to have met and known the many personages from other countries who, for the first time, have learned our Southern way of life. Many have said it was a revelation to find such a deep understanding between peoples of so many different races

But all have been drawn together by a common bond of religion and humanity, a bond that ever tightens with the years. While this has been a world conference, we eagerly anticipate the return of many who will come back to renew friendships made this year, and they will find the same hearty welcome awaiting them,

> September morn is here again, The month that leads us into fall Get out the coats and blankets, too, Then vaporize the old moth ball!

Views Of Other Editors SAFETY FAIR

A Farm and Home Safety Fair held recently in Haywood County is believed to be the first of its kind in the nation. The oneday exposition dramatized the po- cidents in the coming months. tential danger spots in the home

and around the farm. A project of the Thickety com- munities and counties,

with other organized communities and Home Demonstration clubs in the county, it should awaken farm families to the many dangerous conditions and situations in the home and around it. Such an awakening will cut down on ac-

The theme of the fair well could be copied by other com-

Tennessee's Governor Now Figure to be Reckoned With Fire-and-Brimstone Style Has Powerful Vote Impact

Special to Central Press Association

WASHINGTON-Tennessee Gov. Frank Clement's evangelistic, fire-and-brimstone convention keynote has brought him national political stature and the 36-year-old newcomer will be a figure to reckon with when presidential politicking gets underway

Despite criticism from some quarters, most observers conceded that Clement's speaking style and unbridled oratory has a poten-



tially powerful impact on voters. Some delegates were so worked up by the ferver of his speech, they promptly began talking about a Clement-for-President boom immediately. However, advisers to the you governor counselled waiting for another

The plans for Clement now call for him to run for the United States Senate in 1958 which would give him a platform to launch a presiden-

tial venture two years later. A major hitch to Clement's time-table, however, is the fact that to win a Senate seat in 1958, he would have to unseat Sen. Albert Gore

Governor Clement who is a young and popular newcomer himself. • FARM AMMUNITION-The Democratic-controlled 84th Congress may have given the Eisenhower administration some power-

ful financial ammunition to use in this year's political battle for the farm vote. Before adjourning, the Senate and House okayed more than five billion dollars to aid farmers and most of the money will be dis-

tributed by the Agriculture department. The biggest appropriation was two and a half billion dollars extra in borrowing power for the Commodity Credit corporation which will be used to beef up farm prices and encourage overseas sales. Another one billion, 200 million dollars was voted for the new soil bank program and one and a half billions was appropriated to promote sale of surplus farm products abroad in exchange for

department to buy perishable farm commodities whenever the secretary decides that market prices are too low. Of course, the Democrats will keep a careful eye on how the funds are allocated and will be prompt to claim credit for generosity among the farmers wherever and whenever possible.

foreign currencies. A half billion dollars was approved for the

· SUEZ SESSION-Should open conflict break out in the Middle East as an outgrowth of the Suez canal crisis, President Eisenhower is expected to summon Congress swiftly into a special session. Short of outright hostilities, however, no such action by Mr

Eisenhower is anticipated. The administration is firmly opposed to the sending of American troops into the area, no matter how hot the situation becomes Should Britain and France have to resort to armed force, however, the United States might quietly see to it that strategic materials

would be available to the two European allies. • HST TO THE HUSTINGS-Despite former President Harry S

Truman's abrasive tactics at the Democratic convention, you can look for him to wage a vigorous campaign on behalf of the party this fall.

Democratic strategists know that he has im-

mense vote-getting popularity in city areas and is willing to help wherever he can.

Another factor will be the fact the Republicans will continue to use his record as a target and the man from Missouri isn't likely to sit silent while he is under attack.