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## Fighting A Malady

There has been criticism that the infantile paralysis scare in North Carolina has been overworked to the detriment of business. Some declare that the number of cases in widely separated areas do not constitute just cause for alarm, and even the doctors are not wholly agreed as to the contagion of the dreadful malady.

On the other hand there are few of us who would openly measure human misery by the dollar yardstick; few who would accept the withered and helpless limb of a single little child for all the gold that would be left by the tourists who admittedly are keeping away because of the presence of the disease in this State.

But while North Carolina is getting considerable adverse publicity in connection with the more than three hundred cases of infantile paralysis in the State, ultimate good will come of it, because specialists from the United States Public Health Service, as well as private individuals are concerning themselves in the battle in the North Carolina sector.

This state has become the laboratory for the nation's first broad and intensive test of a preventive vaccine for the dread disease, and it is entirely possible that on this battlefield the groundwork for future welfare will be laid. The vaccine admittedly is only an experiment, but through this medium medical science has eliminated much suffering for the human race, and it is not too much to expect that the doctors are on the right track.

However in their caution they declare that too much reliance should not be placed on these injections. One specialist declares that "as a prevention, we have more than a hint that fatigue and strain are very bad for a child who has been exposed to polio. These important matters have more than once been neglected for serum."

The present rate of the development of the malady indicates only one person out of 1,000 would have paralysis. Of those suffering from the disease, it is said that only about 50 per cent will have any permanent effects and of that number at least half of them can be cured with the proper treatment. This is encouraging and reduces the cause for fear and alarm—important factors that make the fight all the harder when they exist.

A field survey is being made in which the co-operation of specialists, health authorities, doctors and nurses will be sought to contact with every case of infantile paralysis so that the latest and best methods of treatment may be administered, and it is quite possible that North Carolina will emerge from this potential scourge with a minimum of fatalities or permanent disabilities.

In the meantime, whether it is convenient or not, every plausible precaution should be taken against spread of the disease. There is too much at stake not to do so.

## Pardon Refused

Luke Lea, former United States Senator from Tennessee, and a world war hero, and who is serving a six to ten year sentence in the North Carolina penitentiary for conspiracy to defraud the Central Bank and Trust Company in Asheville, before it failed in 1930, has been refused a pardon by Governor Ehringhaus.

The governor's refusal will probably meet the approval of a large majority of the citizens of North Carolina, although the petition to the governor bore the signatures of outstanding leaders in the state, including some of our representatives at Washington.

Lea fought his case through all the available courts, determined not to serve the sentence named by the courts in this state. He entered the State prison at Raleigh a little more than a year ago, and his friends have been working for his release, in a determined and well-organized way, since that time. Possibly in order to make the pardon easy, the public was given to understand that evidence not presented at the trial would have the consideration of the governor, but Governor Ehringhaus found nothing to confirm the contention of innocence.

Concerning the petitions Governor Ehringhaus says: "Many of these letters do not go into the merits of the case, but recommend clemency on the basis of sympathy and personal regards. Hundreds of people have called in person, both upon the Governor and parole commissioner and urged favorable action. Everyone has been heard patiently and considerately and without thought or suggestion that the numerous appeals might take on the semblance of an effort to drive us into a wearied assent. The prisoner has every right to be proud of his friends, though we cannot permit either their prominence or number to influence our action. We must be governed by the records."

Governor Ehringhaus has not been notably free with his pardons to the common herd, and it is refreshing to note that all offenders look alike to him. The day is passing when men of wealth and influence may flaunt the law and get away with it.

## Laying the Groundwork

President Roosevelt's bold appeal for the Guffey coal bill, in which he is said to have urged its passage regardless of its constitutionality, is easily explained when considered in connection with other dubious bills he has stressed in the face of an adverse Supreme Court decision.

Primarily and on the surface he would have the Guffey bill passed in order to avert a coal strike, which is hanging in the balance for July 31. Should the Guffey bill fail, the strike, applying to the entire bituminous industry, would apparently be called under highly acrimonious circumstances.

But no strike is involved in other important sectors for which he is asking special legislation—legislation which follows some of the lines of the NRA and therefore reasonably certain to be unfavorably interpreted by the Supreme Court. By pressing dubious bill after bill, such as this coal bill, the Wagner labor bill, the AAA amendments, the TVA bill, the social security legislation and on down the line, the President may be laying the groundwork in national sentiment for a constitutional amendment. It may be that he is seeking to draw together into coalition all possible citizens who may personally feel the effects of an adverse Supreme Court decision.

That Mr. Roosevelt feels the constitution could be patched and mended to more nearly meet present day needs, was evidenced in his reaction to the Supreme Court NRA decision, when he declared that the nation had thus been shunted "back to horse and buggy days." And more than our statesmen are willing to admit, the President is not alone in this line of thought.

If the President is able to unite the nation's farmers, under AAA; organized labor, under the Wagner and Guffey bills; liberals and power consumers, under TVA; humanitarians and dependent persons under the social security legislation, he will have a great vested interest committed to constitutional amendment, in case the Supreme Court remains antagonistic to this legislation. In fact the coalition of all these groups would not leave a big field for the oratorical defenders of the constitution to appeal to.

The administration's disregard of the gold clause was sustained by a majority of the members of the Supreme Court, and it is conceivable that the Court would pause before literally up-setting the nation by nullifying these other provisions affecting such a large slice of the citizenship.

In expressing his favor for the Guffey bill the President said: "A decision by the Supreme Court relative to this measure would be helpful as indicating, with increasing clarity, the constitutional limits within which this government must operate. . . I hope your committee will not permit doubts as to the constitutionality, however reasonable, to block the suggested legislation."

Maybe we're wrong, but if the constitutional issue is to be a part of the next campaign, it looks like Mr. Roosevelt is doing some skillful maneuvering, and will be able to go before the people with a concrete and plausible argument.

## Legalized Lotteries

Down in Florida a formal resolution has been introduced in the state legislature to permit a state lottery system for the "laudable purpose of raising money for old-age pensions."

In Washington Representative Kenney, of New Jersey, has introduced a bill to legalize a national lottery which he estimates would bring in a billion dollars in annual revenue to the Federal government. He would authorize the government to conduct one lottery a month with tickets selling for \$2 each. Sixty per cent of the money, which he estimates would be about \$2,500,000,000 a year would be given in prizes and forty per cent would be divided among the Federal government and the 48 states.

It may be that neither of these attempts to upset the established will get any whither, but if either of them should it would be no more unthinkable that some of the proposals for raising money which have been either given serious consideration or enacted into law.

Gambling is apparently an almost universal streak in human beings. Some individuals are more inclined to "take a chance" than others, but the volume of recent subscriptions to foreign lotteries is such as would indicate that a considerable number of Americans are willing and anxious to flirt with Lady Luck, and the money they are sending across waters might as well be kept at home, according to the argument of the sponsors of the national lottery bill.

The government in pious dignity declares its abhorrence for this trafficking, denies the use of the mails in the transmission of money or counterfoils, yet when there is a winner, Uncle Sam reaches out a greedy hand and relieves him or her of around half of the winnings.

The trouble is that in letting down the bars nationally, the practice would become general in lesser governmental subdivisions, and all for the same "plausible" purpose—to raise money for this and that commendable purpose. At that, it should be remembered that the legalized lottery is but a bigger brother of the church "raffle" or any other "lucky number" arrangement—all of which are for laudable purposes.

The Greensboro News says: "Professor Forster, of State College, says the consumer and not the farmer, as suggested by S. Clay Williams, pays the processing taxes. And kicks less about it than the manufacturers and farmers put together."

It's plain disgusting, these pictures of fish caught by sportsmen on stream and coast, when we're harnessed down to getting out numberless other issues of this favorite family journal.

Add to list of optimists: The man who has already begun saving his money to play the national lottery.

# SOCIETY.

## Presbyterian Auxiliary Meets With Mrs. Fred Biddix

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church met at the home of Mrs. Fred Biddix on Gwyn Avenue Monday afternoon in the regular monthly business-social meeting. Mrs. T. A. Leeper was in charge of the program, assisted by Mesdames W. R. Wellborn and Morgan Hanks. The devotional period was responsive scripture readings. Tempting refreshments were served during a pleasant social hour.

## Willing Workers Class Has Watermelon Feast

The Willing Workers Class of the Sunday school of the First Baptist church, together with their husbands enjoyed a delightful watermelon feast on the lawn at the home of Mrs. R. L. Poindexter, on West Main street Thursday evening. About twenty-five guests were present. L. F. Walker, retiring teacher of the class, who has been recently elected as superintendent of the Sunday school, was given a remembrance by the class members. Mrs. C. N. Myers will succeed Mr. Walker as class teacher.

## Young Matrons Class Meets Monday Evening

The Young Matrons Class of the Sunday school of the First Baptist church met in the class room at the church Monday evening with a splendid attendance. Mrs. L. M. Stewart read the scripture lesson and directed the program, using as her subject "Making Friends". Mrs. Stewart was assisted in the program by Mesdames T. L. Parnell, Leslie Reinhardt, Seman Dobbins and Hugh Brannon.

Group number three of the class was in charge of the social hour and served delicious punch, sandwiches and cookies.

## Life and Romance of Robert Burns Is Theme of Wednesday Study Club

The Wednesday Study Club met at the home of Mrs. Hugh Royall, on West Main street, Wednesday afternoon in an enjoyable session. The program for the afternoon was in charge of Mrs. H. L. Johnson and featured an interesting study of the life and romance of Robert Burns, national poet of Scotland. Current events of interest were given by Mrs. Fletcher Harris.

A tempting collation in two courses was served the following members: Mesdames H. L. Johnson, Fred Neaves, Fletcher Harris, C. H. Brewer, C. G. Armfield and W. B. Lentz.

## Mrs. George Royall Is Hostess to Book Club Thursday

Mrs. George Royall delightfully entertained the members of the Thursday Book Club at her home on Church street Thursday afternoon. Following a brief business session and the exchange and discussion of club books a social hour was enjoyed. In a clever contest the award, a box of powder, went to Mrs. W. W. Whitaker.

A salad course, followed by an ice course, was served the following members: Mesdames J. L. Hall, F. W. Graham, G. P. Dockery, H. C. Salmons, W. R. Wellborn, J. P. Ipock and W. W. Whitaker. Additional guests were Mrs. C. N. Myers and Mrs. Jewel Banks, the latter of Kernersville.

## Miss Greenwood Is Hostess to Two-Four Club at Luncheon

Miss Maude Greenwood delightfully entertained the members of the Two-Four Bridge Club and sufficient guests to complete two tables at her home on Bridge street Thursday at an enjoyable luncheon. Summer flowers were used as centerpieces for the two card tables, where covers were placed for eight.

Following the luncheon bridge was played. The club award for high score went to Mrs. Paul Gwyn and Mrs. Eugene Sparger received the visitor's prize.

Those making up the tables were the following members: Mesdames H. L. Johnson, J. R. Poindexter, E. C. Grier, Paul Gwyn and E. S. Spainhour. Additional guests were Mesdames Eugene Sparger, Raymond Chatham and Hardin Graham.

## Mr. and Mrs. Brewer Entertain Club Members at Dinner Thursday

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Brewer entertained the members of the Fortnightly Bridge club and sufficient guests to complete three tables at Hotel Elkin Thursday evening. Upon the arrival of the guests at seven o'clock they were served an appetizing three course dinner. Summer flowers were used as a centerpiece for the lovely table, where covers were placed for thirteen.

In the bridge games the high score award for members went to Dr. and Mrs. Harry L. Johnson and the visitors' prize to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Poindexter.

Those making up the tables were: Dr. and Mrs. Harry L. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Schaff, Mrs. C. G. Armfield, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad

Hock, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Poindexter, R. G. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Brewer. Mrs. D. Boyd Kimball, Sr., of Henderson, mother of Mrs. Brewer, was a special dinner guest.

## Miss Frye Honors Brides At Lovely Tea Saturday Afternoon

Miss Carmen Frye entertained at a formal tea at her home in Boonville Saturday afternoon to compliment a bevy of charming brides. Mrs. Ed Hoyle and Mrs. Hillard Harrelson, of Cherryville, recent brides, and Mrs. W. L. Hutchens, of Concord, who recently celebrated her silver wedding anniversary, shared honors.

The receiving line was composed of the hostess, the honor guest, Miss Ola Angell, Mrs. Roy Boggs, of Statesville, also a recent bride; Mrs. Della Marlin and Mrs. Lula B. Fitzpatrick, of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. L. W. Hutchins, of Charlotte and Mrs. Lorenzo Boggs, of Statesville.

Mrs. Frank Woodhouse presided at the guest register and Miss Ruby Fleming directed the guests to the dining room where they were served an ice course. Miss Mary Lou Boggs, of Statesville, presided in the dining room, assisted by Mises Elizabeth Amburn, Ellen Hayes, Jean Riden, Lucille Fletcher and Estaline Boggs, the latter of Statesville. From the dining room they were directed to the west veranda, where they were served punch. Mrs. W. R. Frye said good-byes.

The guest list included forty-five, fourteen of whom were from distant towns.

## Poindexter-Lloyd Wedding in California June 29

Of profound interest to friends of the bridegroom here is the wedding of Miss Marjorie Lloyd to H. Turner Poindexter, which was solemnized in Wee Kirk o' the Heather, Glendale, California, on the evening of June 29, in the presence of fifty guests with Dr. Hardy A. Ingram, of Los Angeles, officiant.

Organ music and songs by Harry

E. Bierbaum, baritone, of Long Beach and Miss Jeanette Lloyd, soprano, sister of the bride, accompanied by Mrs. Bierbaum on the violin and Miss Wanda Carlson, pianist, preceded the ceremony.

Given in marriage by her father, B. E. Lloyd, the bride wore a gown of turquoise blue starched lace in regency mode, with a slight train and standing collar. Her accessories were of white. She carried a bouquet of Joanna Hill roses and lilies of the valley.

Attendants were brother-in-law and sister of the bride, Judge and Mrs. Burt L. Wix, of Glendale.

The bride, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Lloyd, of Van Nuys, California, was graduated from Miss Wood's school at Minneapolis and the University of California, Los Angeles. She has taught in the Long Beach schools for the past five years.

Mr. Poindexter is a native of Elkin and is the only son of Mayor James R. Poindexter. He was educated at the University of North Carolina. He is now associated with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company at San Pedro, where he and his bride will make their home following a wedding trip into the Sierras.

## FLOOD TAKES TOLL

Hankow, China, July 14. — The roaring Yangtze river moved nearer toward engulfing Hankow tonight when it ripped a section 10 feet deep and one-third of a mile long from the Changkung dike, principal bulwark protecting the city.

Alarms were sounded that the dike was disintegrating. The city took on mad activity to forestall the prospective disaster. The entire military garrison was called out for dike repairs while civilian authorities ordered thousands of coolies and refugees from other cities to help.

## CARD OF THANKS

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- Men's Brown and White Oxfords, were \$3.39, now \$2.79
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