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**Preserving Records**

The news item in last week's issue of this paper concerning old letters, receipts and other data in possession of Mr. Osborn, of Jonesville, was interesting enough, but the interest of these old papers and their significance goes beyond the telling of how to travel in Texas or even the tremendous difference in the amounts that people in these parts shell out in taxes, in 1866 as compared with now.

What we are trying to say is that except in rare instances, we do not attach enough importance to the preservation of old records. Who among us has not yearned for some little patch of paper on which was written or printed something that would serve our purpose in argument or help us measure progress by comparison?

When these old records are carelessly thrown aside or lost by the individual, the loss concerns only him or her. But when records and documents that have to do with groups of individuals, such as lodges, churches and other organizations, are not preserved the practice becomes not only deplorable but almost tragic.

It would be interesting to be able to finger through records that had to do with the early days of this community; interesting to trace the progress of Elkin, step by step through the years or through these records study the development of this church or that organization. But we'll wager that the most careful search would reveal that somewhere along the route of time, many missing links would come to confuse and render the story incomplete.

In the final analysis it would be found that this fault is chargeable to the negligence of those who make the records and then fail to take the proper steps to preserve them. Sometimes these records concern matters that seem quite unimportant at the time, yet as time passes their value and importance is sensed—too late.

And so we are reminding secretaries that they have a responsibility which should not be regarded lightly. Records that are worth making are worth preserving and there are times when future generations will call them blessed if they have measured up. And as for the individual, every home should have a little niche somewhere to be used in preserving this record and that. There's no telling what it will mean in later years—to somebody.

**Making a Racket of It**

If it is our neighbor's house that burns, no matter what the cause, we thank goodness it isn't ours, and consider the loss wholly his. But some of it falls on us. For fires and fire losses help to determine the amount we must pay for insurance.

When an automobile turns turtle or in any way does property damage automobile accident insurance is affected, and when these accidents become noticeable in any given community the insurance rate for that community takes a hop—upwards.

Right now North Carolinians are much disturbed because the fire insurance rates on automobiles in this state are over 200 per cent. of the rate in Vermont and 168 or 170 per cent. of the rates charged in Nebraska. But we have only ourselves to blame. It does not just happen that here in North Carolina we burn 111 cars for every eight burned in New York. They are the same cars, made in the same way and all of them improved to reflect minimum fire hazards. We are either more careless when we take to the roads, or we have become racketeers in an insurance grab that cannot be excused.

There is plenty of evidence that the latter is the cause. It is alleged that in eastern Carolina cars are wilfully and deliberately destroyed in order to collect the insurance—more of them than in any other part of the state. In Surry county automobile dealers are offering a reward of \$50 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person who takes this course to obtain a little dough. But as we have pointed out, the public is or ought to be as much interested in halting this practice as the automobile dealers, for the public has to foot the bill—ultimately—in increased insurance rates.

The law is specific about this matter. It has teeth in it. But the trouble is that when a car burns under suspicious circumstances, those who probably could help to run a fire-bug to earth, consider that it is none of their business. It is very muchly their business and a good way to attend to it would be to go the limit in helping enforcement officials to get at the bottom of the facts.

We will have better automobile fire insurance rates in North Carolina when we

are more cautious ourselves and when we demand, for the sake of our own pocket-book, if for no other reason, that those who are making a racket of robbing the insurance companies—and us—curb their dirty practice and make themselves scarce.

**Not Boosting Their Product**

"A little money spent for continuous advertising is one of the best investments the dairy farmer can make," says John Arey, extension dairyman at State College. That being so North Carolina dairymen should back up and take a new start. For North Carolina's per capita milk consumption, four-tenths of a pint daily, could be doubled and still be below the standards set by nutritionists for good health and body growth.

We all know the story of that Atlanta man who developed the formula for a refreshing drink, and then set out to tell the world about it, with the result that today it is the most popular soft drink, and the measly little investment back yonder has grown into millions of dollars.

Advertising made Coca-Cola, made thousands want to drink it. Yet milk has so many more angles of appeal: as a body-builder for stunted babies; its valuable vitamins for adults and the thousand and one uses to which milk can be put in the home. A good advertising man really could go to town with—milk. Yet you seldom see an ad in the paper telling of the benefits of milk.

During June there was a concerted drive made to increase the consumption of milk and its products. Most dairymen had a part in it and it would be interesting to know the result, interesting to know whether our consumption average was increased or not. Arey, however, reminds that past experiences with milk campaigns in this State have borne results. Following these campaigns, a survey of dairies in each city showed that milk consumption had increased an average of 15 to 20 per cent., only to fall back again after the drive had dwindled. Arey says this furnishes conclusive proof of the need of constancy in advertising products such as milk.

Maybe the dairymen have all the business they can handle. Maybe they are not interested in new customers. Then because North Carolina is shy on milk consumption it would be a patriotic gesture to step up production, even if profit were not the motive.

**We Will Be Paying to Ourselves**

Governor Hoey, in his address at the convention of the Woodmen of the World in New York the other day said that Americans should not be alarmed at their large public debt of forty billion dollars, because we owe it largely to ourselves and not to other nations. And further:

"When you compare our resources and public debt with the resources and public debt of the other great nations of the world, you will realize our fortunate situation. Another ground for reassurance as to our financial strength is the fact that we have collectible obligations representing fourteen billions of our indebtedness, on which we are receiving interest and which is being liquidated as per schedule, which reduces our total debt to 26 billion."

Governor Hoey could have added that we have other assets to show for much of our expenditures, which if appraised at true value and considered in the light of an offset to the public debt, it would be further materially reduced. Hardly a community in the entire country that does not boast some public improvement in the form of athletic stadium, library, public park, needed bridges or highways, sewage disposal plant or hundreds of other projects, which while costly, do not represent public funds thrown to the winds.

Governor Hoey gave expression to a philosophy that is all too rare these days; a simple statement of fact that is overlooked by those of us who are constantly in search for something to criticize in a leadership that is supposed to be engaged in the gigantic task of keeping this nation to an even keel.

From the pages of every journal the printed word screams about lack of confidence in government and in our national future. If they could but realize it the authors of these pieces are contributing more to that lack of confidence than any other factor. Most of this professed apprehension has to do with our financial structure, and so, when measured by Governor Hoey's analysis, the worry about it narrows down to lack of confidence in our own ability, actually our own honesty among ourselves.

It would not be considered an economic tragedy if John Doe who is engaged in diversified activities, should find it necessary to bolster some of them with borrowed dollars that come from others or even secured by mortgages on the sounder of his holdings. He would thus be owing to himself, and if he couldn't muddle through he would have the consolation of knowing that it had been his privilege to spend the dollars represented in his debt.

The dollars that have been shoveled out of the federal treasury during the past five years are still here. More of us have been privileged to use them than ever before. And if now we must pay we will be paying to ourselves, not to somebody else. Obviously the Governor is right when he says that there is no cause for alarm—nothing to be bawling about.

Britain probably figures: what in the heck's the use of getting excited over the Japanese stripping of women when so many of them are tickled pink with pictures of them that way at the beach.

**THE DOCTOR Tells the Story**

by W.E. AUGHINBAUGH M.D.

**Eczema**

The skin is subject to many diseases, and the combination of diseases, and the conditions which bring about these maladies are numerous and increase with age.

Some of these diseases are purely local in character while others are systemic. If you are troubled with some skin eruption do not let yourself be obsessed with the idea that you have acquired or inherited some so-called "blood disease."

Among these skin troubles, perhaps the most common one to which mankind is heir is eczema. Indeed some physicians and most patients incline to the belief that it is a major affection; for there can be no question that it adds misery in almost unbearable quantities to those whom it afflicts.

Some have it in a dry form and others in a wet form, commonly termed "weeping eczema." It is non-contagious and it inflames the skin, always being accompanied by an itching and burning. Slight vesicles and pustules are present and the skin in and about them thickens and eliminates scales or crusts.

It is often associated with asthma and constitutes about 40 per cent. of all skin diseases—indeed there are few elderly people free from its ravages. With the decrease of general vitality and resistance, poor assimilation and elimination and a chronic or acute diabetes, gout, rheumatism, nephritis, one may expect eczema. I am certain that doctors will agree with me when I say that it is one of the hardest diseases to conquer that the medical profession knows. I had one patient, a wealthy man, of about seventy-five years, whose entire body was affected.

I accompanied him to most of the best specialists in this country and in Europe, who wrote various prescriptions for him and changed his diet repeatedly, without improving his condition. We simply exhausted medical intelligence and the materia medica upon him, and he had not benefited in the least.

Several teeth pained him and ulcers developed. The offending

**WANTS**

Wanted—Young lady for waitress, also a cook—man or woman. Must have experience. Address Capitol Cafe, Dobson, N. C. 7-7c

Travelers Accident Tickets for one day or more. Hugh Royall. tfc

Lost—Wahl fountain pen, green in color with initials "J. H. B." on clip. Finder please return and receive reward. J. H. Beeson, Elkin, N. C. 1tc

For rent: Cool, desirable downstairs apartment. Private bath, private entrance. Phone 126-M. tfc

For Sale—Two nice Jersey cows, about four years old. Fresh in July and October. Dr. S. M. Beale, Elkin, N. C. 7-27c

Wanted: Reliable tenant with stock and tools. Seed, small grain, corn, tobacco. Good river bottom, lights and water in building. Would board with tenant. Apply at once. C. A. Dimmette, Ronda, N. C. 6-20p

Do you want plenty of eggs from strong, fast growing young chicks? If so feed Panamin. We have it. Abernethy's, A Good Drug Store, Elkin, N. C. ttn

For rent: store building, State Road, 5 miles north Elkin, U. S. 21. Equipped, living quarters in rear. Remodeled. C. M. Royall, State Road, N. C. tfc

We buy scrap iron and metals. Double Eagle Service Co., Elkin, N. C. tfe

Delicious western steaks and fried chicken dinners at The Rendezvous. tfe

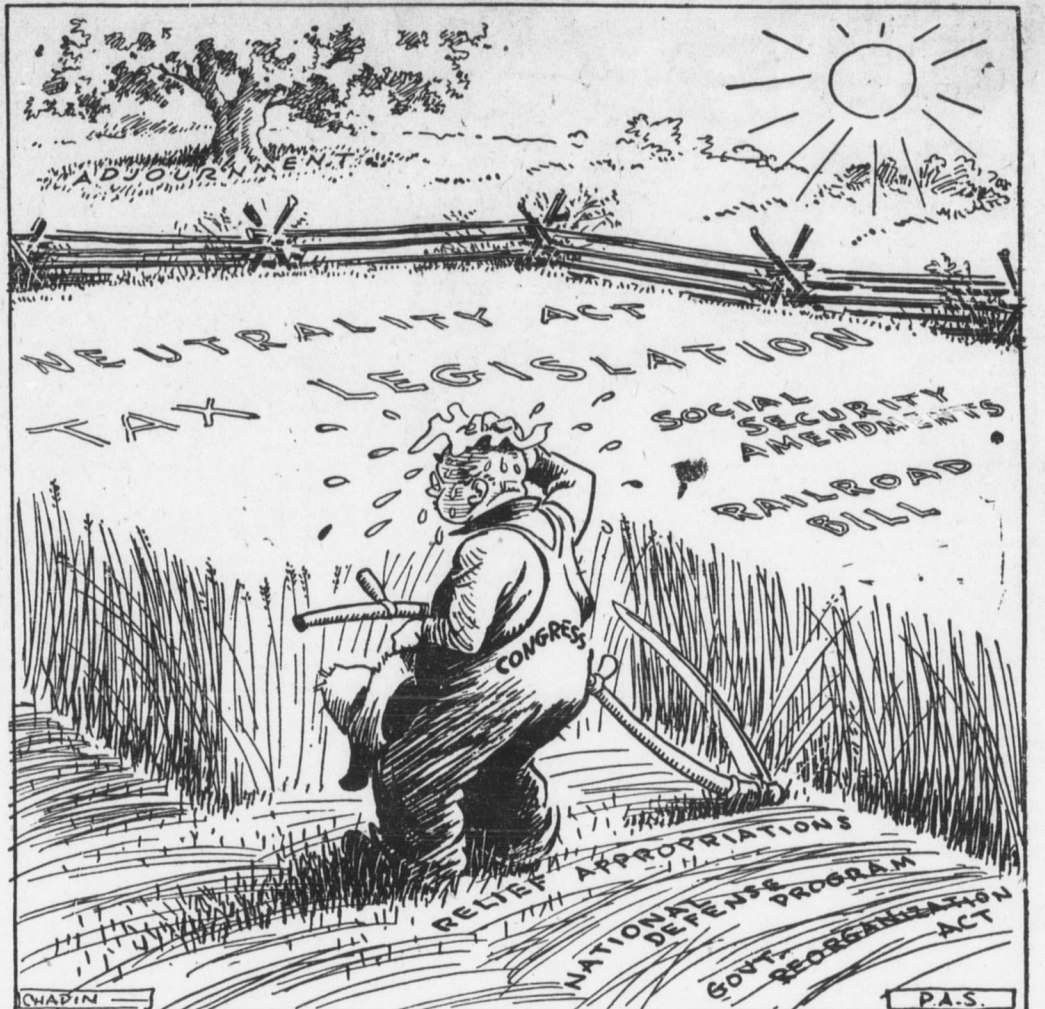
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Wanted to repair — radios. Our expert thoroughly knows his business. Prices right. Harris Electric Co., Elkin, N. C. tfe

Permanent Waves, \$1.00 and up. Shampoo and finger wave, 40c. Modern Beauty Shop, Louise Vestal, Ruby Gray. Telephone 340. tfe

Wanted: To repair your watches and clocks of all makes. Work promptly done. My prices are right. J. F. Talbirt, Main St., at new bridge. 7-6p

**Longing For The Shade**



teeth were extracted. He got a new colored cook, who said "Boss, I kin cure yo suah of dat trouble, if yo does what I says."

I told my patient to try anything. She fed him fried herring for weeks. Gradually his skin cleared and he became practically well, all of which convinced me that his particular case of eczema was due to some food allergy, or to a more understandable word—food poisoning. And I learned about medicine from that Negro woman.

**Aggravating**

"But, my dear, I haven't spoken for ten minutes."

"No, Henry, but you've been listening in a most aggravating manner, and I'm not going to stand for it."

**Monticello Cafe Is Now Under New Management**

Yes, now that we have taken over the Monticello Cafe we'll be able to serve you some very fine home cooked lunches (and I may add right here we have one of the best cooks I ever saw).

Our policy is: Good Portions, Best Quality and Moderate Prices.

You'll like our breakfast menu—always a little something extra. If you remember, we're the ones who originated the club breakfast: meat, one egg, toast, butter,

jelly, coffee and grits for 25 cents.

We are also serving a complete variety of sandwiches, prepared as you like them.

We, of course, comply with all the State Health Department requirements.

Here's the whole idea of this little column: We want you to come on down and eat some. We've told you what to expect and so help me it shall be done.

TOM SHUGART, New Manager of the Monticello Cafe, East Main Street, Elkin, N. C.

P. S. How's this: "A whole lot for not much."

—Advertisement.

The eyes of the cuttle fish weigh 25 per cent. of the entire weight of the creature.

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