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As one philosopher puts it: "It's our contention that you'll see more false faces on election day than on Hallowe'en."

Now that it is certain that the ice man didn't plant that Munich bomb, maybe the Nazi's will find that Mr. Chamberlain fetched it with him in his umbrella that other memorable visit.

Last Week's Tragedy

One moment little DeWitt Chipman was a happy, rollicking child, full of life and energy; the next he was a bruised, crushed little body forever stilled by death. It is hard to take in, for it seems so impossible.

With all the caution and thought given to the matter of safety in the transportation of school children here in North Carolina, it is always distressing to the school authorities when serious accidents occur, and even when no blame is charged to the driver, as was the case near Thurmond last week, such a tragic ending weighs heavily on the heart and mind of the young man whose hand was on the controls. It couldn't be otherwise.

It seems so heartless and brutal to say it, yet it is a pity that every child who uses the buses in Surry county could not have viewed the broken body of little DeWitt. If the sight would spur even a few of them to greater caution, his tragic passing would not have been in vain. Seven-year-old children do not pause to think things through, of course, but they are impressionable, and we think any parent could well take the trouble to call the children together and recite in detail the circumstances of this tragedy. If it would save just one in all of Surry from a similar fate, it would be worth while. There is every reason to believe that DeWitt's school mates who witnessed the fatal accident will never forget it, and, remembering, will be watchful and careful in the future.

It is agreed that no blame attaches to Carl Harris, the operator of the bus, and there must be much consolation to him that his past record as a careful driver is recalled at this time.

The sympathy of the entire community goes to the parents of the child in this tragic hour for them—a tragedy that we hope may be spared for other homes in this community and county for many decades to come.

Would Have Felt Better About It

We believe the people of North Carolina, even those quite unfriendly to the sales tax, would have preferred to see the courts answer adversely every point raised by Paul Leonard in his suit brought to test the validity of the levy, rather than reflect on the treatment the case has received.

The United States Supreme Court has refused to review the case on the ground that it does not raise a substantial federal question. And so the case is dismissed with a wave of the hand, but without that final word as to the merits of the case, or answer to the issues raised.

Suit was brought by Leonard as secretary of the Fair Tax Association, who claimed that the tax is discriminatory and unconstitutional. In the brief to the State Supreme Court, there was detailed enumeration of sales tax procedures that were held to be unconstitutional, one of which was that the law was enacted by an unconstitutionally constituted legislature. The State Court deftly sidestepped that issue and made technical denial of some of the other claims. Neither from the State's highest tribunal nor from the court of last resort for the nation, has the question of constitutionality been answered. And we believe the people of North Carolina are disappointed that it hasn't. Even if it had run counter to their own notions about it, they would have felt better about it if the courts had given something definite to tie to.

One does not have to have a trained legal mind to determine that the constitution has been openly and deliberately ignored in its call for reapportionment of representatives in the legislature following each national census. One also knows the reason for this, and knows that if the members have been named other than by constitutional procedure, then under constitutional government they are not supposed to make laws that must be obeyed. As to the question of discrimination, the layman not versed in the technicalities of law, cannot say, but those who have studied the workings of the sales tax, have countless exhibits that convince that there is now, has been, and will be discrimination in the manner in which the law is administered.

But the Supreme Court has turned a deaf ear to the appeal that it review the

case, and nothing else can be done about it, unless the law's unfriendliness turn to the ballot box—and that is too much to hope for.

True, if the Supreme Court had consented to consider the merits of the case; had pronounced the general sales tax unconstitutional, that would have put North Carolina in a heck of a mess, for thus the State would lose the millions of revenue from this source. If the courts had this in mind, then it is just as well that they walked softly.

Simple Facts, Simply Told

Mrs. Roosevelt's "My Day" syndicated pieces appearing in many of the newspapers throughout the land, is a simple recital of the simple happenings and observations of the First Lady of the land, who has won the hearts of all of us in spite of our prejudices. Because these daily talks are so simple in their get-up as compared with the frills employed by the professional columnists, we are inclined to pass them up, and failing, miss some real gems of thought.

For instance this simple observation that followed a recent visit to a Farm Security Administration project in Tennessee, is not calculated to stir the emotions, but it is significant just the same: Said Mrs. Roosevelt: "Space was provided in every barn to store the farm machinery."

There is no beating the intellectual toms there: no opinionating about the hellishness of war or the desirability of peace; no thesis on the brotherhood of man, and so on, and so on. Mrs. Roosevelt was simply stating a truth long delayed, for space in every barn to store farm machinery is an ideal never before attained in any considerable community, and its significance is in the economic value of such a program.

That simple observation, simply told, prompts one writer to wonder: "Has the millennium arrived?" For he with many of the rest of us who are getting gray around the temples, was remembering back yonder when the farm machinery was the "Orphan Annie" of the farm. If we didn't leave the plow sunk in the earth at a corner of the field we did no more than drag it barnward, meaning sometime to house it against the weather. Likewise the other farm tools, including such delicate mechanisms as the reaper and the mowing machines. We meant well by them, but the barn, even the lean-to, was crowded, and of course we couldn't do anything about it when snow was on the ground. And nobody will ever know the loss this negligence brought to the farmers of this land.

Mrs. Roosevelt comes and reminds of one community where the barns provide a special place for these tools when their vacation time comes. Truly, this gal is worth reading after after all.

An Issue Suggested

There is the complaint that North Carolina voters don't seem to be taking much interest in the gubernatorial race. Maybe it's because they are waiting on formal announcements, or marking time to find which way the administration is leaning, so they can hop the band wagon and go to town.

However, the Greensboro Daily News suggests one plan that would bring on the rousements. If none of the five or six party stalwarts who have let it be known that they are willing for the political lightning to strike them have not that dynamic personality that North Carolina has become accustomed to when we go to choose a governor, or if none of these have an issue upon which they are willing to base a crusade the Greensboro paper suggests this as an issue that might impress: "the divorcement of certain functions of the State government, noticeably the conservation and development service and the State highway work from party politics."

Editor Godbey reasons that a candidate running on such a platform "would not be elected, and would not expect to be. There is needed for this sort of candidacy a man who has no wish or inclination to hold the office of Governor. The sum total result of his campaign effort and any expenditure he or others might choose to make would be suggestive. It would be labor in behalf of an idea, a principle; it would be sowing good seed, most of which might fall on unresponsive soil, but some of which might eventually yield harvesting for somebody else."

We wouldn't want to bet our last two-bits that such a candidate would be elected. It would be such a novelty to hear a candidate admit that the ultimate salvation of the State does not depend on his election; that he doesn't want to be elected; doesn't expect to be elected; craves only to exalt a fundamental and righteous idea—it would be so unique and unusual, that barring the influence these departments usually exercise to keep the voters herded and in corral, they'd be liable to go trooping to the ballot boxes, as enthusiastically as did Texans who stampeded to the tune of "Daddy, Pass the Biscuits."

At the risk of being herded into a highway prison camp along with the editor of the Greensboro paper, we are joining him in the conviction that the designated departments ought to be divorced from party politics—but that doesn't mean that we'll go unshaven until that eventuates. For there is abundant evidence that these services are freighted with too much political value, ever to permit their divorce.

We are too set in our ways to vote for an idea instead of a winner, unless, as we just remarked, we are swept off our feet by the novelty of a candidate who wants votes for other reasons than to get elected.

THE 4-H CLUB ORGANIZATION IS COMPLETED

Hundred New Members Received; All Have Projects to Attend

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

Yadkinville, Nov. 22 (Special)—The enrollment of 4-H boys and girls in the clubs has increased from 275 to around 375 this year. So far as possible the same officers that were elected last March are still serving but in all the clubs some one officer had dropped out for some reason or other and new ones have been elected to take their place.

Each club member is required to choose one or more projects and keep a record of that project. Every club member carries the health project and will take part in the 4-H Health Contest held in March. No member will be allowed to attend the 4-H Camp which is to be held in August and the 4-H Short Course in Raleigh unless they have kept a record on their project up to date.

Some of the projects that the boys and girls have chosen are: Foods and Nutrition, Clothing, Room Improvement, Food Preservation, Home Beautification, Poultry, Gardening, Pig, Calf, Corn, Tobacco and Wild-life Conservation.

The clubs meet twice a month in the schools and splendid co-operation has been received from the principals in arranging for the meetings. One meeting a month is a joint meeting at which time the boys and girls give a program on farm and home practices. The other meeting is a separate one with the girls studying project work with their leader and the boys discussing their projects with the assistant agent.

This year the assistant farm agent, Mr. W. A. Banks, is working jointly with the home agent and the 4-H boys and girls in conducting the work.

The following is a list of clubs and their officers:

Forbush Club—President, Betty Davis; vice-president, William Doub; secretary, Pansy Dinkins; club reporter, C. D. Spillman; girl song leader, Anne Davis.

West Yadkin Club—President, Billy Allen; vice-president, Ralph Dobbins; secretary and treasurer, Faye Hoots; club reporters, Errol Ireland, Billy Wood; girl song leader, Lucille Myers; boy song leader, Hubert Dickerson.

Fall Creek Club—President, Hauser Douglas; vice-president, Joyce Hinshaw; secretary, Laverne Prim; girl song leader, Rosella Brown; boy song leader, Joseph Hobson; club reporter, Frances Collins.

East Bend Club—President, J. L. Poindexter; vice-president, George Martin; secretary and treasurer, Ellen Martin; girl song leader, Julia Williams; boy song leader, Bobbie Wall; club reporter, Mary Ruth Martin.

Courtney Club—President, Alvin Fulk; vice-president, Avonell Hobson; secretary and treasurer, Elizabeth Sofley; girl song leader, Bertha Lee Miller; boy song leader, Bob Maynard; club reporter, Marie Miller.

Yadkinville Club—President, Arthur Lee Saylor; vice-president, Donald Hudspeth; secretary and treasurer, Ruth Davis; club reporter, Loyd Gordon; girl song leader, Edith Garner; boy song leader, George Hudspeth.

Jonesville Club—President, Claude Haynes; vice-president, Mozelle Kimmer; secretary and treasurer, Frances Swain; club reporter, Doris Haynes; girl song leader, Helen Wall; boy song leader, Claude Haynes.

Boonville Club—President, Curtis Hobson; vice-president, Harold Stinson; secretary and treasurer, Dorothy Fleming; club reporter, Wenona Fleming; girl song leader, Thelma Renegar; boy song leader, Fred Coram.

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Wanted: Intelligent person, well-known in the town and county, to enroll people in the only hospital association in the state paying the surgeon's fee, in addition to all other hospital expenses. Reply to Box 560, Elkin, N. C. ttc

Another Thanksgiving



Lost—Blue speckled hound dog, weighing about 20 pounds. Reward for information concerning whereabouts. Faller Coe, Elkin, N. C. ttp

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

Wanted—good used adding machine reasonable. I have for sale a \$30 Coleman gas heater in good condition for \$7.50. The Rendezvous.

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. ttc

For Sale: Tourist home, nine rooms, two baths, good condition, steam heat, oil equipment. Large lot. Elmer on Estelle Cockerham, Elkin, N. C., Box 363. 11-30p

Strayed: two black pigs, one male, one female. About 10 weeks old. Liberal reward for return or information. Patterson Nixon, State Road, N. C. 11-23p

Learn hair styling. Be an expert beauty operator. We assist in securing employment. Enroll now. Write for catalogue and rates. Hinshaw School of Beauty Culture, North Wilkesboro, N. C. 11-30c

Wanted—2 rooms suitable for light housekeeping. Phone Melton at 250. ttp

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

Wanted to buy all kinds of cattle, calves and pork hogs. See Bub Price at Basketeria. ttc

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