

EDUCATIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE REVEALS PEOPLE OF STATE WANT BETTER SCHOOLS

Readers of North Carolina newspapers want better schools, and they know exactly how they want their schools improved.

Preliminary returns to a questionnaire made available to all newspapers in the State by the State Education Commission show that the public is dissatisfied with the present schools. Here's why:

A salesman says, "In traveling through the northwest section of our State, I pass school buildings that are in appalling condition. I am sure you will agree with me that only a miracle has prevented a disaster."

He says "Small schools with inadequate teaching staff and curriculum are a serious weakness in our educational program. His letter is seconded by a farmer, who offers, "I would propose that the State lower the number of pupils required per teacher, or force some type of regional consolidation of the present inefficient plants. This would enable more students in our State to take advanced courses."

"A housewife demands "more fundamentals and fewer frills." She says "it is appalling to me when I listen to our young people read aloud. Even our high school graduates fail to pronounce simple words correctly."

A secretary suggests a compulsory marriage as "practical knowledge course in human relationship and that might reduce the divorce rate."

Lack of vocational training in many of the rural schools is hit by many of the newspaper readers who have sent in letters along with their answers to the questionnaires.

As a housewife says, "There is the lack of an agricultural teacher in some rural communities where agriculture is the chief source of income. This discrimination as regards schooling has been a constant drain on better rural life, because better thinking and more progressive parents have been forced to move to town in order to provide an education for their children."

A secretary adds "vocational classes should be added and some of the present subject requirements taken off."

A former school teacher who left the profession "because of low salaries and other disagreeable conditions" says that salaries for teachers should be raised considerably to attract those trained teachers who are now working in private industry. This former teacher adds that lack of interest on the part of parents and the general public is a serious handicap to better schools.

Among the good features of the present school system, the returns indicated, are "the desire to progress"; consolidated schools that make for better schools with more teachers, better equipment and a wider range of subject matter"; "improved lunch-room facilities"; "fine teachers in the schools of our State (who) are doing a really splendid job despite the handicaps," and "healthy discontent with things as they are."

SOIL CONSERVATION NOTES

C. N. Rountree of Route 1, Belvidere, recently seeded strips of bi-color and sericea lespedeza along the woods border of a field where the soil was washing. The bi-color lespedeza will furnish food for quail and other birds. The sericea lespedeza will help prevent the soil from washing and furnishes good cover for birds. These seed were furnished to the Albemarle Soil Conservation District by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission.

Preston Nixon of Route 1, Hertford, set some kudzu plants on a steep slope that was eroding badly. Kudzu is one of the best plants for erosion control and will also make good hay and valuable grazing. These kudzu plants were obtained from one of the Soil Conservation Service nurseries.

F. C. White of Belvidere is planning to have some lead ditches cut out with a dragline. The Soil Conservation Service technicians working with district recently surveyed these ditches and will stake them out to grade.

There are several good looking pastures in the county at this time. All of these had good seeding and fertilizing practices applied.

Sentinels of Health

Don't Neglect Them!

Nature designed the kidneys to do a marvelous job. Their task is to keep the flowing blood stream free of an excess of toxic impurities. The act of living—life itself—is constantly producing waste matter the kidneys must remove from the blood if good health is to endure.

When the kidneys fail to function as Nature intended, there is retention of waste that may cause body-wide distress. One may suffer nagging backache, persistent headaches, attacks of dizziness, getting up nights, swelling, puffiness under the eyes—feel tired, nervous, all worn out.

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Health and Beauty

By Dr. Sophia Brunson

The Days of Our Years

Human life has increased in length in America the last seventy-two years because of the improvement in medical science, public welfare, and general hygiene. "The American population is older. In 1850 only 2.6 per cent of our population were 65 years of age. In 1900 it was 4.1 per cent, and in 1940, 6.8 per cent. By 1980 it is estimated that those who are 65 years of age or over will constitute almost 15 per cent of our total population."

In the 90th Psalm, which was written by Moses, he says in verse 10, "The days of our years are three score years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be four score years, yet is their strength but labor and sorrow." This was probably written during the wilderness journey. Their lives at this time were hard and they suffered from great frustrations and discontent. Their lives were much shorter than they had been but few generations previously. Moses, who wrote those words, lived to a great age, yet we are told that his eyes were not rimmed, nor his strength abated.

The length of life depends upon many elements which affect it. Heredity plays a part. The habits, especially eating and drinking, have much to do with the years that we spend upon earth.

The chief reason that more people are reaching the age of 65 than in former years is because more infants are saved than formerly. Only 29 out of a thousand babies that are born now die during the first year. Only 50 years ago 200 out of a thousand died. The doctors and medical researchers are working day and night to control the infectious diseases and save lives.

Avoidable accidents are now taking its toll by the thousands. A certain class of people are even allowing their small children to play in the streets, where they may be crushed at any time under the wheels of a speed fiend. Many are killed by suddenly darting out into traffic from behind parked cars or moving vehicles. Accidents of all types are now fifth in the list of the causes of death. This can be controlled.

To prolong human life people should live sanely, biologically all their lives. After old age diseases start, the most that can be done is to give up bad habits, take life easy, and to find and eliminate, as far as possible, hazards that arise under the conditions that exist.

Now Is Good Time To Prepare For Canning

Housewives should begin now to round up their canning equipment and get it in order, says Miss Ruth Current, State home demonstration agent for the State College Extension Service.

"It's just as important to conserve food this year as it was only year during the war," Miss Current said. "Canning should be done by a budget and according to the number in the family."

Now is a good time to count jars and buy new ones if necessary, the home agent continued. There will be need for a water bath canner with rack. The gauge on the pressure canner should be checked for accuracy and safety, and jars, caps and rings should be in readiness when strawberries, cherries, garden peas and early corn ripen.

The Home Demonstration Division of the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service will be glad to supply a canning bulletin to anyone who writes for it, Miss Current stated.



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Writes From Korea

Frank Sutton, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Pennington of Hertford, who is a War Department employee at Saoul, Korea, recently wrote to his aunt and uncle on conditions in the Far Eastern area.

Pointing out that he left Philadelphia on January 30, and arrived in Korea February 26, after experiencing a voyage through rough seas from San Francisco to Okinawa, thence to the Port of Inchon, Korea.

As for the country of Korea, he wrote, "There was a big celebration going on as we arrived. Koreans were celebrating their independence. The radio and papers from the U. S. stated there was killing and fighting. However, we did not see or hear of any. So whatever you hear about this place, divide it in half and discount another part of it."

He continued, "This country is very beautiful. mountains, lakes and rivers dot the countryside. The people are small in stature but you don't see any in want of food. The livestock is in good condition, too. It is an Oriental country in every respect."

ONE MINUTE SPORTS QUIZ

1. Lloyd Evans is an outstanding name in what field of sports?
2. What boxer with a record of forty-three knockouts in forty-three pro. bouts stepped into the ring with Gus Lesnevich in 1947 and was knocked out by Lesnevich in the tenth?
3. Name the boxer who was awarded the Neil Memorial Award in 1946.

The Answers

1. Won the ten-mile race at the International Sideshow congress on February 1, 1947.
2. Billy Fox.
3. Tony Zale.

Sunday School Lesson

(Continued From Page Five) day and hard on Tuesday; to forget you have been injured and then, in moments of irritation, to remember it again and reimpose the penalty or speak again the bitter word. No: to be truly merciful is to have the temper all through life from morning to night, which is pitiful of wrong and forgiving of injury."

Zechariah warned the nation that Judah would live as long as she continued to serve God, but Judah refused to hear. As a punishment, fore-

told by Zechariah, God declared, "I will scatter them with a whirlwind among all the nations which they have not known." And the prophecy certainly was fulfilled. The Proverb, "Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people" (Prov. 14:34) is as true today as when it was uttered centuries ago. In the light of Israel's history, it is well worth remembering that national survival depends on a nation's meeting the standards of God and that a nation is just as good, or just as bad, as the average of the people who make up the nation.

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