

Commission States Improvements In Schools Needed

Findings of the State Education Commission's study advisory committees indicate that North Carolina has made much progress in education but that there is still room for improvement in the public schools of North Carolina, according to Executive Secretary W. H. Plemmons in an article in the June issue of "Popular Government", a monthly publication of the Institute of Government at Chapel Hill.

In the article, Plemmons points out that the Commission has reached no conclusions, but hopes to arrive at its recommendations at a meeting August 26-28. He describes the work of the 18-member commission through its 15 study and advisory committees composed of some 300 persons throughout the state, and says that "some general and some specific information" has been secured from every county in the state during the two-year study.

Some important findings of the committees to date, he said, include these:

1. The teaching load of some of the Tar Heel teachers is much too heavy.
2. More than 2,000 of our white teachers do not meet the minimum requirements for the standard class A certificate, and the teacher shortage is growing worse.
3. Far too few young people are entering the teaching profession to meet even our present needs.
4. There are thousands of handicapped children who are not receiving the special types of education they need.

5. The principal's time is consumed by too many duties that are not directly related to improving the educational program.

6. Too many children who ride buses must leave home from one and one-half to two hours before school opens and wait that long before returning home after school.

7. The larger the school, the larger the proportion of the pupils who graduate.

8. A large proportion of school plants are sub-standard and inadequate.

9. Too many schools are too small to provide an adequate educational program at a reasonable cost.

10. Vocational training is inadequate.

"Some one has observed that a more adequate educational program will cost more money," Plemmons says, "to which another replied that it would at the same time save money." A committee has already proposed a six to ten year school building program for construction and repair work.

Navy Opens Door For Aviation Program

The U. S. Navy has officially opened the door to 2,000 Cadets in its Naval Aviation Cadet Program during the coming fiscal year, and will continue the program with large yearly quotas thereafter.

The program is being reimplemanted to insure a continuous flow into flight training facilities, to man the Fleet Air Groups with young aviators and to provide a supply of newly trained personnel for the Naval Reserve.

All Cadets enlisted under this program will be released to inactive duty to await calls to active duty. They will be permitted to indicate their desired time of entry into flight training, and will be ordered to duty as nearly as possible to the date specified.

At the successful completion of flight training, the Cadets are commissioned either as Ensigns in the Naval Reserve, or as 2nd Lieutenants in the Marine Corps Reserve.

To be eligible for enlistment in this program applicants must have successfully completed two academic years at an accredited college, university or junior college. Candidates who are completing the latter re-

quirement during the current semester may apply.

Applicants should apply at the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, 1400 Pennsylvania Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C.

"Net Weight When Packed" Custom Is Held Illegal In State

It is illegal to merchandise commodities in North Carolina on the basis of "net weight when packed", according to C. D. Baucum, superintendent of the Weights and Measures Division of the State Department of Agriculture.

Baucum's statement was prompted by the discovery that a Raleigh market was selling hams which an inspector found to be one to four ounces short of the figures marked on the wrappers as "net weight when packed". On the inspector's orders, the hams were removed from sale until they had been re-weighed and properly marked.

Baucum cited a state law providing that "whenever a commodity is sold on a basis of weight, it shall be unlawful to employ any other weight in such sale than the net weight of the commodity."

The term "net weight", he added, means the weight of the commodity itself, exclusive of any wrapping or binding, crating or container.

At present meat prices, the weights and measures superintendent said, a short weight of a few ounces is of real significance to the average consumer.

Eat More Potatoes Home Agent Advises

Perquimans County homemakers on the lookout for budget-saving foods, will do well to put more Irish potatoes into the summer menus, Miss Nina Braswell, home demonstration agent for the State College Extension Service, said this week.

She emphasized the three-fold reason for this advice: First, intermediate crop Irish potatoes are more plentiful now—and until about mid-September—than at any other time this year; second, they are a highly nutritious, energy building food; and third, they are relatively cheaper than the less abundant foods.

"Moreover," the home agent pointed out, "Irish potatoes are a universal favorite and are one of the most versatile of all foods. They can be prepared in enough different ways to permit serving them at every meal without tiring repetition."

As for nutrition, potatoes contain vitamin C and important minerals, as well as limited amounts of protein. They provide more food energy for the money than any other vegetable, and at the same time are no more fattening than many other foods.

Miss Braswell urged housewives to take full advantage of the present abundance of potatoes, and to serve them more often.

Ontario. Mr. Bagley, a graduate of Perquimans High School and a former student at ECTC, served in the navy two years during the war. He is now affiliated with the Kaiser Company of Ontario.

COTTON PRICES CONTINUE ON DOWNWARD TREND

The downward trend in cotton prices continued during last week with spot off around 4.00 per bale. The Crop Reporting Board's first 1948 crop forecast was the primary factor in the week's decline. The forecast of just over 15 million bales exceeded trade expectations by about one million bales.

Middling 15/16 inch averaged 31.38 cents per pound in the ten spot markets on Friday, August 13, as compared with 32.17 a week earlier, and 34.30 a year ago.

MASSES NEXT SUNDAY IN PLYMOUTH AND EDENTON

The Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be observed Sunday, August 22, with the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 8 A. M. in the Plymouth Court House court room and at 11 A. M. in St. Ann's Catholic Church, Edenton, each including sermon on "The Immaculate Heart of Mary," Holy Communion, concluding in 45 minutes, followed by Sunday School, with confessions in Plymouth 7:45 to 7:55 and in Edenton 10:30 to 10:55 A. M., stated Father F. J. McCourt, rector, who invites everybody to all services. Week mornings: Mass and Communion in Edenton.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(Continued from Page Seven) eternal consequences and Christ labored as being the expression of a hostile attitude toward him... That his words should surprise both the

rewarded and the rejected is not strange for neither is conscious of the real weight and worth of things which become habitual, until they hear him say, "Ye did unto me." "Ye did it not unto me." And these words are full of illuminating power to us, for they reveal the secret motive and spring of every activity, and assure us of the true and eternal determination of life.



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Saturday, August 21—
Gene Autry and Sterling Holloway in "ROBIN HOOD OF TEXAS"

Sunday, August 22—
George Raft and June Havoc in "INTRIGUE"

Monday and Tuesday, August 23-24—
Errol Flynn and Olivia De Havilland in "THE ADVENTURES OF ROBIN HOOD"
Filmed in Technicolor

Wednesday, August 25—
Double Feature
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Ted Donaldson in "MY DOG RUSTY"

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Thursday, August 19—
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Friday and Saturday, August 20-21—
Johnny Mack Brown and Raymond Hatton in "CROSS TRAILS"
Also Chapter 1 "Tex Granger"

Sunday and Monday, August 22-23—
Judy Canova in "SIS HOPKINS"

Tuesday and Wednesday, August 24-25—
Bette Davis and Henry Fonda in "JEZEBEL"
Coming August 26—
"GREAT EXPECTATIONS"

Health and Beauty
By Dr. Sophia Brunson

Stimulants
Bob and his friend, John, are discussing health. John has been reading health authorities. Bob queries: "How about tobacco, John, have you been reading much on the subject also?"
"Yes, I have. There is no doubt about tobacco being a poison. Its effects, like all other toxins, is more detrimental to some people than to others. At any rate the athletic trainer has found that the use of tobacco lessens physical fitness. This is denied by ordinary smokers, because they are unconscious of it. But that is no evidence that it is not injurious, for many diseases come on so insidiously that the victims are not aware of them until they have reached the incurable stage. A tooth may give no evidence of decay until the nerve is exposed and then it is about gone. It was tested out in a well known college. It was found that those who abstained from tobacco during the college course had outstripped the users of tobacco in weight, height, growth of chest and lung capacity. Professor Pack, of the University of Utah, finds that tobacco-using athletes are distinctly inferior to those who abstain. Most findings of scientists on the subject of tobacco using, are practically in agreement. Tests on animals proves that tobacco really does induce arterial changes. I don't want arteriosclerosis or high blood pressure, so I have decided to cut my smoking down to a minimum, for I don't know whether I have the will power to quit or not. But if I had possessed this information when I was a youth, I certainly would not have begun the habit, for to say the least, it is expensive and tends to cause unpleasant breath."

BAGLEY-STARR
Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Starr, Sr., of Ontario, Calif., announce the engagement of their daughter, Grace Ione, to Lloyd Newby Bagley, of Ontario, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bagley of Hertford. Plans are being made for an early January wedding.
Miss Starr, a graduate of McKeesport, Penna., high school, holds a secretarial position with an architect in

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