

# Teen Topics



— IN NEW BERN TODAY —

Students at New Bern High school don't think much of all this talk about shooting a rocket to the moon, and splattering dye on it. Even if the United States is able to do it ahead of the Communists, local teen-agers won't like it even a little bit.

The younger set is satisfied with the moon the way it is, especially when it's full, and messing it up for the sake of science would in their opinion be very stupid.

As one moon-struck student puts it, it would be awful to do your courting under a moon that looked like someone had thrown a bucket of paint on it. Maybe it wouldn't be much of a splotch, but like ink spilled on your suit or your dress, a little would go a long way in more ways than one.

Speaking of courting, students participating in a recent panel discussion at a PTSA meeting got kidded afterwards because they called parking and getting chummy with your girl friend or your

boy friend by their pet phrase—"Making out."

Our research shows that in the good old days when Grandma and Grandpa were getting around, it was called sparking or spooning. Mom and Dad called it pitching woo, petting, necking, and smooching. It seems to us that "making out" sounds a lot better.

But, getting back to the moon, or getting under it at the first opportunity, we want to repeat that we are very much against throwing dye on it. What good is it going to do to disfigure anything as pretty as that?

Whoever the scientist is who started it, we bet he is older than Methuselah and never had a date in his whole life. How could anybody who ever had a date and sat with his one and only in the moonlight be so foolish and cruel?

We hope if he or anyone else tries it that the rocket will backfire or something and fill his eyes full of the stuff.

## WRINKLES —

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seems to be getting quiet down in Lab, Virginia pops up with some fantastic idea.

The description of Eula Willis indicates that she is "witty, wise, big-hearted and never disagrees." Frances Davis was "cheerful, good natured and generous." Margaret Cannon—"our most popular girl!" had a "magnetic personality" and Mildred Chadwick was "a shining light in Latin. Her vocabulary is enormous, and she is always talking."

Mildred Arnold Gible was "reserved in her conversation" and "enjoys our greatest respect."

That's how some of your relatives and friends, as New Bern High school seniors, impressed classmates thirty years ago. Have they changed a lot, a little, or remained the way they were?

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# Veterans News

New standards for normal lung function in humans and a better instrument for doctors to use in testing lung function have been developed by Veterans Administration, the agency announced.

Both will be valuable aids for diagnosing the degree of lung damage in patients with lung disease, VA said.

The set of standard values for various lung function tests is for normal persons in all age groups of the veteran population. The instrument is a spirometer, or device for measuring the volume of air breathed. These resulted from a large-scale cooperative research program begun by VA in 1954.

The next phase of the long-term VA-Armed Forces study will be concerned with measuring and interpreting abnormal lung function in various diseases.

The researchers are studying emphysema, a condition in which the lungs over-expand and breathing becomes difficult and less effective. Emphysema is common in men and rare in women. It is associated with asthma and chronic bronchitis, but in many cases develops without apparent cause.

VA doctors hope to find drugs that will be more useful in treating this disease.

Pulmonary function tests also are being done on patients before and

## Looking Glass —

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planted for her that old time religion she was taught as-a youngster.

Most women are a bit touchy about their age, but you couldn't accuse Grannie Whitehurst of that. After all, when you've got ninety candles burning on your cake you can make light of anything. The designs on some birthday cakes are beautiful, but the arithmetic is terrible. Grannie would never have juggled numerals to appear younger than she actually was.

To begin with, all those years that Grannie lived added up to an awful lot of happiness. That was the only total she cared a hoot about. Other folks, getting along in years, are apt to reach a time in life when their idea of getting ahead is just staying even.

Inevitably, they arrive at a time in life when they exchange their emotions for symptoms, and would rather not have a good time than experience the discomfort of overing it. Unlike Grannie, they sour on the world, and end up wondering why there's nothing but bitterness left for them in the bottom of the cup.

"Let me grow lovely, growing old." That, as far as we're concerned, would be the perfect epitaph for Grannie—at peace with the world and with God, in a little country graveyard.

after chest surgery, to develop operative lung function values and to investigate how lung function changes after surgery, VA said.



Sometimes we are not very careful when sowing seed. Nothing can take the place of good seed bed preparation. The land should be prepared in such a manner as to assure fine soil particles so that they will come in close contact with the seed.

The depth of planting is very important and will be registered by the seed size. Such crops as cabbage, kale and lettuce should not be planted more than one-half inch deep. Tomato, turnip and pepper from one-fourth to one-half inch, while the larger seed, such as snap-bean, should be planted three-fourths to one inch. This is more or less common knowledge but carelessness when planting may materially reduce germination of the seed.

Many soils bake and crust before the seed has a chance to germinate and push out of the soil. Here is a suggestion: After you have planted your seed, mulch lightly over the row with either

pine needles or ground corn cobs. Both of these materials are light and will prevent most of the crusting and baking of the soil. These materials should not interfere with the growth of the young seedlings but you should make frequent observations and adjust the mulch as needed.

You are now, no doubt, familiar with nematodes which cause root knots. The knots formed by the feeding "eel worms" prevent the normal functioning of the roots by blocking intake and movement of water and nutrients. They present a knotty problem and can be serious, as many of you have found out. Your county agent can supply you with information concerning the control of this pest.

In the lower Piedmont and Eastern North Carolina, it is time to plant cool season vegetables such as cabbage, mustard, spinach, garden peas, onion sets, beets, carrots and Irish potatoes. Maybe some of you have already planted these crops, but not if the weather has been like ours. This is a good time to plant strawberries for next year's crop in the lower Piedmont and Eastern North Carolina. Better wait a while to do this job in the mountains.

## HE PLAYS SAFE

New Orleans, La.—Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence J. Martello were arguing heatedly in their home after she had accused her husband of trying to poison her. Martello stormed out and drove off in his car. She followed him in another. Catching up with him, she rammed his car three times.

Thinking Martello was driving a stolen car, Officer Fred Thorne joined in the 80-mile-an-hour chase, firing three times at the frantic husband. One bullet ripped a tire, and Martello stopped. He thought it was his wife shooting.

Later, at police headquarters, although he had more than enough money to bail himself out, Martello said: "Nothing doing. I'll stay here where it's safe."

## ON THE JOB

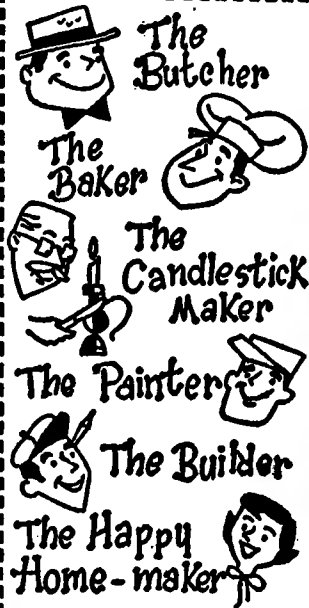
Peshigo, Wis.—Finding a diamond in a deep snow drift sounds mighty like finding the proverbial needle in the proverbial haystack. Police officer Stewart Jarvis, however, once more proved "our policemen are wonderful."

Miss Evelyn Brown reported dropping a diamond out of her ring into the snow as she stepped from a car. Jarvis shoveled the snow into a tub and melted it. In the second tubful, he found the diamond.

## Pretty Days Get Local Gardeners Mighty Busy

Local seed stores had a busy time of it on the pretty days that bobbed up the first of this week. Farmers and townspeople alike got planting in their bones.

Here and there around the city you could see home owners in their back lots. Sick of cold weather and rain, they wanted to make up for lost time and start their vegetables on the way to a bumper crop.



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