

New Bern parents, like others the world over, fall far short of perfection.

One way you can gain greater respect from your child is by keeping all promises, including threats. In past generations, Ma or Pa wasn't kidding about those grim warnings. One good licking was enough to convince the seat of your pants of that fact.

Modern parents -- too many of them--are afraid that stern measure will cause their youngsters to hate, rather than love them. This is a foolish approach. To begin with, love without respect is of questionable value.

We would hardly advise beating your child into a cringing, fearful youngster. That isn't the answer. Let your child know where he stands, and where you stand, while teaching him independence, initiative, consideration for others, and the joy in sharing.

When he or she is old enough to comprehend--and they do comprehend quite early--encourage them to do things without supervision. If your child is creative, a chance to express his own ideas is of utmost importance to him.

God has made us individuals. Just as no two snowflakes are alike, no two humans are alike, Naturally, parents should use their adult wisdom to guide their offspring in the right paths. What we shouldn't do is try to fashion a child in our own image.

One of the pathetic things about today's world, of course, is the way we shy away from being different. Conformity is considered necessary to keep pace with the status seekers. More power to the few who have enough spunk to just be themselves, as the Good Lord intend-

That's why children and old folks hold special appeal for this editor. The children haven't put on their mask of hypocricy, and the old folks have cast theirs aside. In between are the masqueraders.

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Tar Heels Nominate Candidates Saturday

North Carolinians vote Saturday to nominate two candidates for governor, lieutenant governor and insurance commissioner. Both the Democrats and Republicans will be represented on the ballots.

There are six candidates for the Democratic nomination, three of them being classed as leading contenders: I. Beverly Lake, L. Richardson Preyer and Dan K. Moore, with Kidd Brewer, R. J. Stansbury and Bruce (Bozo) Burleson completing the ticket.

Republican hopefuls The

are Robert L. Gavin, Charles W. Strong and Don Badgley. In the Democrats' race for

lieutenant governor are H. Clifton Blue, Jord R. Jordan, Jr., and Robert W. "Bob" Scott. The Republican candidates are Clifford Lee Bell and Robert A. Flynt.

For the Democratic nomination for commissioner of insurance, the incumbent, Edwin S. Lanier is being opposed by John B. Whitley and John N. Frederick. The Republican candidates are John G. Clifford and Ralph B. Pfaff.

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The Democrats will select from among John B. Wardell,

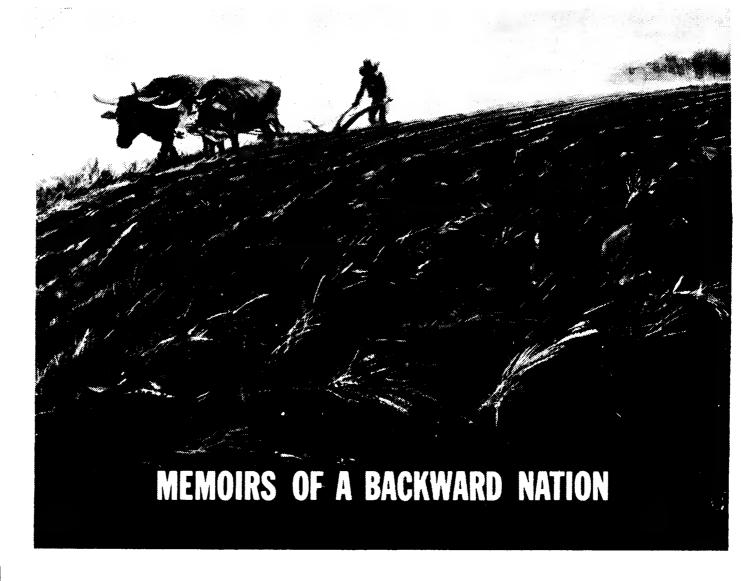
Jr., Frank Castlebury and the incumbent, Frank Crane, for their candidate for commissioner of labor.

The polls open Saturday morning at 6:30 and close 12 hours later at 6:30 p. m.

Honest criticism and sensitive appreciation are directed not upon the poet but upon the poetry.--T. S. Eliot

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