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A LIFT FOR TODAY

Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord Prov. 12:22.

No nation endures that bases its policy on falsehoods. No individual can hold respect without a reputation for truthfulness. Civilization, to survive, must be built on truth and integrity.

Individually and as a nation, we pray, Gracious Lord, that Thou wilt cleanse us from evil, and will fill our hearts with Thy Truth.

Need For Serious Thought

Town Councilmen and County Commissioners are in sort of a quandary so far as the property of the Edenton Navall Auxiliary Air Station is concerned. While a small ray of hope still exists that the government might use the base for some purpose, all indications point to the fact that it will be closed as per schedule announced some months ago by the Navy Department.

To substantiate the latter course, Mayor Ernest Kehayes recently received a letter requesting a definite answer as to whether or not the Town of Edenton is interested in taking over the base.

The request for this information is rather puzzling to Town Councilmen as well as County Commissioners, and any commitment will rightly depend upon under what conditions the government will release the property to the municipality.

It is no argument against the belief that the base property would be an advantageous incentive to attract industry providing there were no strings attached so that the government could move in when it so desires. No sizeable concern would want to locate where the permanency is doubtful.

Then, too, if the government requires the municipality to keep up the base, such as fire protection, insurance, as well as other requirements, it is obvious that neither the Town of Edenton nor the County is in position to shoulder the expense involved.

There is little doubt but that the property could be used to the benefit of the county as a whole provided the terms of transfer are not too involved.

Town officials, in the opinion of The Herald, acted wisely Tuesday night in instructing Town Clerk Ernest Ward, Jr., to write Navy officials in an effort to learn just what might be expected for the town and county to take over the base property.

Edenton had one very unpleasant and costly experience with the Edenton base which will not soon be forgotten. Whether it will be an asset or not, careful and serious consideration should be given before any action is taken either to take over the property or allow it to go by the board. Needless to say, Town Councilmen, as well as County Commissioners will welcome any suggestions or advice regarding what action will be of greatest benefit to the county as a whole.

Crime Is Crime

The FBI reports that last year juveniles under 18 accounted for an astounding 47.2 per cent of all the people arrested for such major crimes as murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, and so on.

This grim bit of information caused the children and the consequent lessening of parental responsibility—that is "the schools now taught at home." And the emphasis on the progressive theory of education has undoubtedly undermined self-discipline and respect for

The Journal also points to another farreaching change in our society: "Somehow we have allowed the age of a criminal to so tip the balance that a hideous crime by a person old enough to vote becomes the bewildered act of an unfortunate child if he is young hough to fit within the juvenile laws. Can it be that this attitude of softness is itself an others," Oh me! invitation to juvenile crime?"

Society, in self-defense if for no other reason, will have to realize that crime is crime, no matter what the age of the offender, and act accordingly. To quote the Journal again, there will be small chance of improvement in this intolerable situation "... until youngers are held more responsible for their crimes d until parents again become more respon-ble for their youngsters."

ost people overvalue compliments and un-

By Buff

One of Edenton's grand old ladies, Mrs. B. F. Francis, celebrated her 90th birthday Saturday, but her age doesn't prevent her from being active. On Wednesday Mrs. Francis was busy as a bee making fig preserves, aside from looking after other household duties. On Sunday she was the guest of honor at a dinner when a number of her relatives were present. Though not making a big hullabaloo about her birthday, Mrs. Francis now rather attractive and adds greatly appreciates the cards, flowers, visits considerably to the appearance and other remembrances from many of her friends. Here's one who also congratulates Porter is rather proud of the her upon her 90th birthday and, like a host of improvement, so take a squint friends, hope she lives to see many more at it as you drive by. birthdays. Howard Jackson, a son-in-law, was a guest at Sunday's dinner and he also celebrated his birthday Saturday. How old-I dunno, but he's not 90.

This letter was received just before going to press Wednesday from F. B. Eason of Wilson: "Dear Sir-A very brilliant fireball, or much? meteor, is reported to have passed in your vicinity on July 2, 1958, between 8 and 8:30 permanent policy now, since it P. M. We will appreciate having you request through your paper for those who witnessed this object to send in a report. When I came into your office some time back, I left with you our Bulletin No. 17, which, on last page, shows the questions which we would like answered. Though hardly ever does one answer in full, it takes a trained observer to complete each question. My latest informa- The program will be in charge of tion was that it passed over Wilmington and Harry Smith, Jr., and President was seen to explode out at sea. This object Ed Bond urges every Rotarian to also reported from Elizabeth City. Needless to say, but we are anxious to track it."

Anybody see the thing? Here's one who

Then another piece of mail was a Ceda-Card sent from Raleigh. Made of cedar the lected to date amount to \$195, size of a post card, the following message was 697.95. printed on one side: "Are all fishermen liars or do only liars fish?" Then on the other side of the Ceda-Card, the sender wrote "Is this the Editor of the Edenton Bladder? I

Well speaking about fishing, I don't seem to be able to catch many fish lately, but instead I catch red bugs. The last two times I went fishing I had to be tormented with red bugs even though I hardly left the boat. It seems that if I leave the city limits the devilish red bugs get intimate with me. Which re- was marred by errors with each minds me that Sidney White, David Goodwin team charged with five miscues. and a youngster were fishing in Yeopim River Saturday morning and catching just about all Edenton but gave way to Emthe white perch they wanted. Raleigh Hollowell and I fished on each side of their boat, TRY A HERALD CLASSIFIED but nary a white perch would bite. The irony of the thing is that Sid White was "kind" enough to throw the little fellows toward our boat so that we might catch a few but we didn't. Then when they quit fishing they left Chowan County. didn't. Then when they quit fishing they a stake so that Raleigh and I could fish where they were having so much fun. But gol darn they were having so much fun. But gol darn they were having so much fun. But gol darn they were having so much fish would bite our hook. Just don't understand.

Someone has said that the Goldfine-Adams ruckus now going on in Washington was a 'tempest in a teapot." Well, it's a tempest in a pot all right, but I wouldn't exactly call it a "teapot".

At the Commissioners' meeting Monday and at the Red Men's meeting, I was told by some farmer friends that many of the cantaloupes in the county are rapidly drying up, thus cutting down the crop. At any rate, the This grim bit of information caused the Wall Street Journal to inquire into the possible causes behind the soaring juvenile crime rate. One, it believes, lies in the interested assumption by the state of responsibility for children and the consequent lessening of pa-P & Q Super Market had some local cantagar Pearce." Well, the one I ate made me glad Ernest sold it to me, thus bearing out undertake to teach things that ought to be my contention that Chowan County cantaloupes and watermelons are tops.

> Speaking about crops, in driving through the country one cannot but be impressed how good crops in general look. But it's hard to suit every person. For instance, one fellow was pointing out that weather conditions were very favorable for crops thus far this year. but another farmer chimed in, "Yeah, we have had plenty of rain, but I had too much on some of my crops and not enough on the

A letter this week from M. Irene Beamon in Arlington, Va., was addressed, "Herald (The American-Herald, I Believe)." Nope, Madam, just plain Chowan Herald.

Little Bill Mitchener assists Percy Perry with the collection at the Presbyterian Church, helping Percy to count the money after the service and put it in his pocket. Well, the other day Bill went on his vacation, but before he left he advised his daddy, John Mitchener, thusly: "Daddy, while I'm

Perry. Help him to count the money before he puts it in his pocket."

If you haven't noticed, Mrs. W. W. Porter has made a big improvement on North Street. Mrs. Porter spacious old Moore which has been in bad state of repair. The big house has been repaired and just recently underwent two coats of paint. The house is of the neighborhood. Mrs.

Vets Question Box

Two years ago I converted my GI term insurance to a permanent plan policy. -Please tell me how soon I can borrow on my permanent plan policy, and how

A-You can borrow on your has been in force for more than one year. The amount you may borrow cannot exceed 94-percent of the cash seserve of your permanent plan GI policy.

ROTARIANS MEET TODAY

Edenton's Rotary Club will meet this (Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. be present.

TAX COLLECTIONS

Sheriff J. A. Bunch reported to the County Commissioners Monday morning that 1957 taxes collected during June amounted to \$1,684.78. Total 1957 taxes col-

32 JAILED IN JUNE

Bertram Byrum, Chowan County Jailer, reported to the County Commissioners Monday that 32 persons were placed in the Chowan County jail during June. Confinements ranged from one to

COLONIALS LOSE

Edenton's Colonials lost an Albemarle League contest to Camtuck Monday night at Camden. by a score of 12-9. The game Daly started on the mound for minizer in the seventh inning.

Legal Notice

late of Chowan County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the tenth day of July, 1959, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned

to the undersigned.
This the 10th day of July 1958.
SAMUEL S. ROSS, JR., Administrator Jy10,17,24,31,Au7,14c

North Carolina,

Chowan County.

The undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the estate of W. H. Coffield, deceased, late of Chowan County, this is to notify all persons having claims against

This the 10th day of July, 1958. MARY JONES COFFIELD Executrix. Jy10,17,24,31,Au7,14c

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