



"By Buff"

Heard & Seen

Today (Thursday) is January 25. So bringing arithmetic into play there are only eight more days until February 2 (and one of them is Sunday). And why this information? Well, just because if anyone does not list their property for tax purposes before February 2, they will be further burdened with a 10 per cent penalty added to their taxes. Listing of property has been in progress all during January, so that if any taxpayer is penalized it will be his or her own fault and no reason to blame Dallas Jethro, tax supervisor, or the county tax listers. And, too, having waited so long to give in taxes, it could very easily happen that a waiting list will be in the tax office so that no one will have any reason to become impatient for having to wait a long time to be waited on. Here's one who listed a couple of weeks ago and apparently every bloomin' person in the county whose last name begins with a "B" decided to list at the same time, so that a few trips were made to the tax office before Mrs. Sadie Hoskins yelled from her office, "All right, Mr. Bufflap, I'll wait on you now. At any rate, any who have not listed to date better slip around to the tax office for just as sure as you must die, so sure you have to list-and pay--taxes."

And speaking about deadlines, sale of state and city automobile license plates began early in January. The last day a motorist is allowed to drive with 1972 plates is February 15. Of course, an automobile owner will not be penalized for not displaying the 1973 plates after February 15, but there's a lot of law enforcement officers on duty and those who fail to comply with the law will be obliged to "tell it to the judge" and that will no doubt be more than the county penalizes for not listing property before February 2. So better slip down to Mrs. Goldie Niblett's office and the Municipal Building, fork up the price and get the new license plates, thus eliminating any run-in with the law.

Of course, we at The Herald office regret to lose a single subscriber. But we lost one last week when a letter was received from Mrs. Richard Watters, living in Lowell, Mich. Here is what she said:

"Dear Buff: Will you please cancel my subscription. I know we will miss The Herald, but we are traveling around so much now that my husband has retired. We can't keep up with them. Our subscription was due this month, but if we should owe for any papers, please bill us at our home address, 135 South Center Street, Lowell, Mich. 49331."

And while Mr. and Mrs. Watters are doing a lot of traveling why not include a trip to Edenton on their agenda?

With the recent snow now all gone, the grosbeaks have again returned. And they must have enlisted some reinforcements for my back yard at times is literally covered with them. I like to have 'em around, but wish I could convey my wish to them that they make it a little later in the morning so that they do not awaken a fellow with their gruff "conversation."

To receive so many pamphlets and catalogs creates a question of how in the dickens the various concerns get hold of a fellow's name and address to inform the recipients of so many "Wonderful Bargains." And then, too, if a fellow could raise flowers and vegetables as pictured in some of the catalogs, wouldn't it be great? And maybe I should take up a hobby of needle point work, embroidery and the like, for a catalog addressed to me this week contains many kinds of such kind of work which women mostly do in their spare time.

Counties Feel

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programs are on the way out and the schools will be looking to the county to keep the programs going.

"I'll have some solutions to propose," he said.

It was the general agreement of commissioners that consolidation of the schools would take looking at alternatives to a multi-million dollar capital outlay proposal.

At this point Chairman Phillips expressed that opinion that you don't have to offer new buildings to make consolidation palatable. "People should keep the best interest of the students foremost,"

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Public Parade

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being guinea pigs for some data collector.

It has also been noted recently that more than \$500,000 in grants have been received, or await approval at the funding level, not on the basis of new surveys, studies and plans, but on the basis of data collected in the past. This speaks most highly of the ability of some people who have come onboard the regional systems in recent months.

Leaders in the Albemarle must become more and more discontent with being the self-proclaimed "promised land" of the state. They must be coaxed, prodded, and coerced into positive action. Without such action the imaginary lines which divide us will gain in substance and prominence. Fences will become permanent barriers rather than be knocked down.

The challenge is so tremendous it would appear frightening to many. But there are others in the Albemarle, and the majority we believe, who are just angry enough to put on the armor and move into battle. For it is our heritage to be protected and our future to be pursued.

The Coates Texts

A bold move to make civics more meaningful in high schools has been taken by Albert Coates, professor emeritus at the UNC Law School. He has proposed that local officials become teachers.

Prof. Coates says his objective is to help teachers bridge the gap between government as it is taught in their senior high school classrooms, and as it is practiced in their local city halls and county courthouse. The preliminary results of his efforts indicate that his project will enjoy longevity in Tar Heel public schools.

The professor has authored four supplements to general texts on government now being used in senior high schools. In his texts: The Structure and Workings of Government; Laws, Law-making and Law Enforcing Agencies; The Rule of Law and the Role of Government, with a pamphlet on "Voting and Registration Procedures"; and Problems and Leaders in the Life of North Carolina, he has made a worthwhile contribution to teachers who desire to maintain the interest of the student.

In an open letter soliciting cooperation of government and school officials, Prof. Coates writes: "Let me repeat that most, if not all, beginning high school teachers are in the same fix I was in when I started teaching public law and government in the Law School of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill--knowing something about government in books and little or nothing about

Julie Suk

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Therefore, it is quite difficult to evaluate the program in a shorter time.

Mrs. Suk would like to see additional local financial participation (now it is \$100) so the program could span two weeks, with less frequent classes. Then a poet could teach in more schools.

In addition to the students, teachers benefit from having a poet in the schools. A poet-teacher conference is held in which the poet relates some of the experiences of the week. She makes comments about student reactions, which young people have indicated potentials as poets, and how teachers may devise more opportunity to encourage creative writing.

Swain is one of 68 schools in the state participating in the program this year. And Thursday afternoon as the eager students of Mrs. Susan Collins' fifth grade made their way to their seats, Mrs. Suk greeted them with: "Today we give monkeys away!"

It was said, not in the usual tone, but more in the voice of a circus barker than that of a poet. And this is probably what inspires young boys to set about writing verse about "Mirrors".

In making your future plans, don't count heavily on what you think other people will do for you.

government in action.

"Let me repeat that the local officials in North Carolina know more about the problems, structure, and workings of government in their own particular counties, cities, and towns than anybody else on earth, and I believe they can help the local senior high school teachers in their own counties, cities and towns double the value of their course in government, urban affairs and related subjects..."

In addition to holding the attention of the student with the presence of new teaching

personalities in the classroom, the students will go from their civics classes to the polling place, or public meeting, with a working knowledge of what it is all about. With 18-year-olds voting they have an obligation equal to public officials to stay informed so they can express themselves intelligently on public matters.

And in the process, public officials will be required to reassess their roles. "I am not asking for your money in this undertaking," writes Prof. Coates. "I am asking for something more precious than

that. I am asking for yourselves. I am asking you to take the knowledge, experience and insight you have gotten out of handling governmental affairs in your communities and put it back into the lives of teachers and students..."

Then he states: "The process of teaching your knowledge and experience to teachers and students in your senior high schools will compel you to review and rethink the problems, programs and processes of your own local government."

Prof. Coates, who made the

Institute of Government at Chapel Hill the foremost authority on government at the town, city, county, state and federal levels, has proven with his new teaching techniques and innovations that as a senior citizen he hasn't lost any of his old spark. He has passed the torch.

If now that torch is not picked up and passed along, then it will smother under the bushel. The students will suffer, having been half-taught. In the field of government, many times it is better not to have been taught at all.

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