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JUST ONE THING AFTER ANOTHER

By Carl Goerch
Do you know the difference between an optimist and a pessimist? Wait a minute: if you even so much as think of getting off that old gag about the doughnut, there's going to be murder in the family. Funny how folks will hear some trite remark and then will repeat it on every occasion. "An optimist," says Orator John Smith, "is the man who sees the doughnut, but a pessimist sees only the hole."
And then Mr. Smith pauses to wait for the applause. Somebody ought to start throwing the furniture at him.

There are a whole lot of remarks of that type that have been worn out many years ago. In my line of work I have to take quite a few pictures. I'll direct Mr. Jones to please stand in a certain position so that I may take a snapshot. He complies with the request, but before I can take the picture, he grins from ear to ear and says: "Better watch out that I don't break the camera for you."
If I've heard that once, I've heard it five hundred times. Its got so that I hold my breath and strain my ears just listening for that senile remark.

Then there's the guy who gets up to make a talk on some subject or another and who suddenly takes a notion that something ought to be said about diversion and play. "We need our fun and amusement," he cries, "because all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy."
And, he, too, pauses to wait for expressions of appreciation from his audience. He's terribly disappointed if folks don't bust a few suspender buttons laughing.

Solomon took a couple of days off a long time ago and thought up a whole gang of bright remarks such as: "Spare the rod and spoil the child;" "A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush," and many others. They were first passed around about 2000 B. C. They've been passed around ever since. The thing that gets me is the expression of smug satisfaction that spreads over a person's countenance when he makes use of one of those old saws. As much as to say: "Listen to that, will you; ain't I the bright little fellow?"

There are some folks in the world who are original. They think up a bright remark occasionally and turn it loose among their friends. The friends grab hold of it and pass it on to their friends, without bothering to give the originator credit for it. Those friends, in turn, keep on spreading it and using it on every occasion. After a while the thing gets awfully monotonous.

One of the first expressions of that kind that I can remember is "23, skidoo for you!" How we used to holler it on all occasions! And weren't we the saucy little devils! No matter what was said, no matter what the subject of conversation be, "23—skidoo!" was always trotted out. Undoubtedly there are folks still living who use it occasionally and think they're getting off something original.

"Chees it!" was another one. And do you recall when the word "kid" was first used to designate something besides a young goat? It was "hello, kid!" "Oh you kid," from morning until night. Everybody was "kid," from the preacher down to the plumber and the baby. It was kid here and kid there. Oh, we were the giddy cut-ups in those days; what with our bicycles, stereoptical views and other things.

Conversation is a great thing, but when a guy gets up to speak and steals all his remarks from the Bible, Shakespeare, Milton, and modern wise-crackers, it makes his listeners grow very, very weary. It's another one of those things that somebody ought to do something about.

Woodrow Ellington, 18, of High Point was drowned near Edenton last Thursday night when he jumped overboard to save a girl, who is reported an expert swimmer and leaped out of the boat in fun.

The average infestation of boll weevil in Harnett County is not over 3 to 4 percent, though some farms have an infestation of 30 percent.

Three lots of hogs have been put on feed in Johnston County for shipment in September.

Cherokee Camp Closes First Period.

The first period of Camp Cherokee came to a successful close on Monday. Scouts from Burlington, Reidsville, Leaksville, Madison, Carrboro, Chapel Hill, Roxboro, and Graham were in camp during this session. All specialties—such as Wilderness camp for the older Scouts, leather craft, archery, bead work, metal craft, woodcraft, and general camp craft—played a large part in the program of the opening period. General Scout advancement also had its place in this program, as a total of sixty-eight merit badges were passed off. One Scout completed Eagle requirements.

The entire camp staff, consisting of O. B. Gorman, camp director; Horace Williamston, director of the Wilderness camp, assisted by Hillis Ellington; Dr. John Thornton, in charge of health and sanitation; George Koch and Harry Lee Bowling, craft director; A. L. Haskins, Jr., beading, archery, rifle range, and general camp decorating, assisted by Craig McIntosh and Nathan Walker; the supply department, headed by Almon McIver and Thomas Sharp; and Billy Ward, director of all nature work; all agree that more has been accomplished than could have been hoped for.

The Wilderness camp for older Scouts, being the only one of its kind in the entire south, has attracted much attention. Several Scout executives from nearby councils have visited this project, and several other have expressed their desire to do so. This camp is located about a mile from the regular camp. Here the older Scouts have been living in tents, while constructing outdoor ovens and camp kitchens. Adirondack lean-tos are being built. This requires that trees be cut and shaped. The sound of axes, cross cut saws, foot adzes, mauls, and wedges, is to be heard during the morning period, as trees are being cut and shaped for the structures. In this camp, afternoons are spent in Scout craft and Indian lore. Last Thursday night, the first Indian pageant ever given at Camp Cherokee was presented by the Wilderness campers.

Scout requirements have been passed off. A number have advanced from Tenderfoot to Second class, while Second class advanced to First class. Don McKee, of Chapel Hill, completed the Eagle Scout requirements. Several other Scouts are expecting to receive this coveted honor during the second period. A total of sixty-eight Merit badges have been passed off at the sessions of the Court of Honor, Forestry and Handicraft badges taking the lead.

The evening programs have not been neglected. Treasure hunts, camp fires, and night games have added much to the pleasure at camp. Each Thursday night, a number of visitors have been on hand to enjoy stunt night and Indian war dances.

The food and health at the camp have been exceptionally good. Several friends of the Scouts have made special contributions to the menu. Mrs. Wm. Bates, Jr., of Davidson, sent five gallons of ice cream for Thursday dinner. Several other friends have sent out special treats.

During the camp, visitors have been coming to the camp. Council officials have been in camp almost every day. Council President Geo. H. Clark was in camp opening night.

In the various craft departments, about one hundred and twenty-five craft articles have been made, such as bows, moccasins, copper trays, etc.

The next period opens today, with about sixty Scouts and leaders, the Scouts coming from Leaksville, Burlington, Graham, Reidsville, Chapel Hill, Hillsboro, and Roxboro.

Every Farm Woman Desires Pretty Yard.

A beautiful yard is more a matter of desire and appreciation than it is a question of money to invest in the yard. Beautiful yards may be built at small cost by using native shrubbery, properly placed. "If one can catch a vision of low shrubs growing about the base of the house and taller shrubs softening the corners, it will not be a hardship to go to the swamps in eastern Carolina or in the hills and mountains in western Carolina and get a supply suitable to the needs of each section," says Miss Georgia Pfland, Tyrrell County, home agent and expert in yard improvement. "Our swamps and mountains abound in native shrubs which are better suited to our needs than many we can buy and the only thing necessary to beautify the yard is a little planning and work." Miss Pfland held special classes

George R. Stockard, 81-Years Old, Cultivates His Farm.

(Greensboro News)
George R. Stockard, prominent farmer of southern Alamance county, is one who has demonstrated that happiness and success both may be attained by common-sense methods of tilling the soil. He has followed farming all his life, and still finds profit and contentment on the place where he was born more than 81 years ago.

Mr. Stockard, who lives near Saxapahaw, spent the week-end in Greensboro on one of his occasional visits to his daughter, Mrs. W. R. Hinton, 810 Olive street. He was accompanied by his young granddaughter, Miss Virginia Stockard, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robert M. Stockard, of Graham.

Mr. Stockard is a "hog and hominy" farmer. Low prices for tobacco do not necessarily worry him because long ago he learned to discard those things in which there is no profit. "It requires too much extra labor to get tobacco ready for the market," Mr. Stockard told a Daily News man a few days ago. He commented that, with the exception of cotton, farm produce this year is bringing the lowest figure he has ever known. He recalled a time years ago when cotton sold at four cents a pound.

But he does not estimate his crop in dollars and cents. He grows an abundance of those things called the necessities of life. He is especially enthusiastic about his prospects for a large corn yield this year and remarked that in one of his fields there is a spot, formerly a meadow, on which he believed he would harvest at the rate of 100 bushels an acre. Indications are for a bumper yield if the proper amount of rain falls, he said.

Mr. Stockard glories in fine livestock, hogs and chickens. And he always has an abundance of grain on which to feed them.

His 81 years rest lightly on Mr. Stockard. His farm work this year has fallen largely on his own shoulders, but he has carried the load as if he were still in his more youthful days. He mounts and rides a horse with agility, follows the plow hour after hour, does his own milking and performs many other chores that a full-fledged farmer has to attend in rounding out the day's work.

Mr. Stockard has never seen any profit in buying gasoline to fuel a tractor on his farm. He grows his own "fuel" for his horsepower which is supplied by sleek horses. Even in this modern age, old Dobbin still holds his place on the farm. He can march down a corn row and never break a stalk—but a tractor can't.

In yard beautification at his recent short course for farm women held at State College and her lecturers were some of the most popular on the program. She pointed out that landscaping this premises means more than simply planting the front yard. There are three areas to consider. Each of these calls for special attention. There is the front or public area, the private area, and the service area.

Keep the wide expanse of the lawn undisturbed and plant shrubs at the base of the house, in clumps near the entrance gate, or as a background along the border; to enhance the richness of flowers, said Miss Pfland. One should also keep in mind the congeniality of plants. Many charming effects are lost by placing hardy, coarse leaved plants too near the more delicate varieties. A few sorry bearing shrubs should be included to add interest throughout the season.

"Trees about the house are our best friends," says Miss Pfland. "If you do not have them now, get them and protect them."
Need More Livestock To Balance Agriculture.
The problem of a successful southern agriculture will never be solved until there is an adequate livestock industry to balance crop production and help to equably distribute labor on the farm throughout the year. "This is generally admitted by all who are familiar with our farms," says A. C. Kimrey, dairy specialist at State College. "However, few eastern farmers have been willing, so far, to accept this truth and prosecute the idea as a farm practice. Insofar as dairying is concerned, this failure to develop has been due in part to a lack of general markets. This objection is being met by the establishment of creameries located so as to serve the largest possible territory." Mr. Kimrey says if dairying is to help farmers of eastern Carolina produce a farm income, they must study the cow as a means of converting farm feeds into cash. The good dairy cow can make a higher

cash return for all classes of farm feeds, including grass pasture than can any other class of domestic livestock.

Even with the prevailing low prices for butterfat, a cow that will produce two and one-half gallons of milk each day testing 14 percent butterfat, or 8000 pounds a year, will return to her owner 32.10 a bushel for corn (32) a ton for hay \$20 a ton for cottonseed meal, and \$20 a season for pasture grazing. This is based on a price of 25cents a pound for butterfat and 39 cents a hundred pounds for the skim milk left. There is also an additional return from the calves and the fertilizing value of the manure. When these facts are appraised, Mr. Kimrey says more cows will necessarily be placed in the great feed-producing section of eastern Carolina. The result will be a brighter day for farming in that territory.

Re-Sale of Real Estate Under Deed of Trust.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by S. G. Walker and wife, Pauline Walker, to John S. Thomas, Trustee, dated August 2nd, 1929, and duly recorded in the office of Register of Deeds, Alamance County, in Book of Deeds of Trust No. 113, pages 355-356, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured as therein provided, and the holder of the note having demanded a sale of the property hereinafter and in said deed of trust described, the undersigned will, on

MONDAY, AUG. 24th, 1931 at 12:00 o'clock, noon, offer for sale at the Courthouse door of Alamance County, in Graham, N. C., to the highest bidder for cash all that certain tract or parcel of land situate in Alamance County, North Carolina, defined and described as follows:

Beginning at an iron stake; running thence S. 88 1/2 deg. East 219 ft. to a stake; thence N. 28 1/2 deg. W. 87 ft. to a stake; thence N. 88 1/2 deg. W. 175 ft. to a stake on said Glencoe Road; thence with said Glencoe Road 75 ft. to the point of beginning, upon which is situated a dwelling.

Bidding will begin at \$530.25. This sale will be held open for ten days from date of sale for increased bids, as provided by law.

JOHN S. THOMAS, Trustee.

NOTICE! Mortgagee's Re-Sale of Real Estate.

Under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain mortgage deed from Mrs. Nettie Sutton to Mrs. T. L. Fitzgerald, dated August 13th, 1921, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Alamance County, in Mortgage Deed Book 81, page 143, default having been made in the payment of the debt secured there by, I will sell at public auction, for cash, at the courthouse door in Graham, on

SATURDAY, AUG. 29th, 1931, at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, to-wit:

A tract or parcel of land in the County of Alamance, and State of North Carolina, in Burlington Township, adjoining the lands of Tucker St., Alamance Ins. & Real Estate Co., and others, bounded as follows:

Beginning at corner Brown's lot on Tucker St., running thence with said Brown's lot Southeast 178 ft. to corner of Alamance Ins. & Real Estate Co.; thence with line of said Real Estate Co. 90 ft.; thence with line of said Real Estate Company Northwest 178 ft. to a corner on Tucker St.; thence with line of Tucker St. 90 ft. to the beginning, containing .40 of an acre, and being one-half of Lot No. 49 1/2 in plan of the City of Burlington, N. C., on which is situated a five-room cottage.

This sale will be made in all respects as provided by law for mortgagee's sales. This is a re-sale and bidding will start at \$1050.00. This the 11th day of August, 1931. MRS. T. L. FITZGERALD, Mortgagee. J. Delph Long, Atty.

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