

TODAY and TOMORROW

ENTERTAINERS . . . rich field

Young men and women sometimes ask me for advice in shaping their careers. That is always a compliment, but I am not always sure that I can give them any advice of real value.

If the inquiring youngster has any talent for public entertainment, however, I always advise him to follow that line. The big money flows into the pockets of those who can stir people's emotions, not to those who try to stimulate their minds. If you can make people laugh or make them cry, stir them to sentimental blissfulness or arouse them to anger, you have something for which they will pay you more than they pay Presidents or heads of big corporations.

Where are the largest salaries paid? In Hollywood, to the great screen stars. Who gets the big money for writing? Not the serious thinkers whose book contains, sometimes, the distilled essence of wisdom, but the humorists, the romantic novelists, the story-tellers—in other words, the entertainers. In music, in all the arts, in the theater—even in the pulpit—the ones who get the money are the ones who are most skillful in playing upon the human heart-strings.

I know a Negro tap-dancer who earns more money every year than any bank president I know. He has the essential quality of showmanship. So if I see signs of showmanship in any youngster I always advise them to cultivate it. It is worth more than diamonds.

DICKENS . . . on the screen

At last the greatest novel of Charles Dickens—who was essentially a showman—has been put on the screen in a manner which preserves all of its comedy, its pathos, and its essential humanity.

If you who read this haven't yet seen the new film, "David Copperfield," by all means go to see it. Whether you have ever read any of Dickens' immortal stories or not, you will realize what a wonderful insight he had into the wellsprings of human conduct, and how keen an understanding of the comic spirit which pervades all life.

I am beginning to believe that the movie magnates have really seen a great light. The realization that there is more to life than crime and sensuality, and that there is a great public which is truly appreciative of the very best that it can get, seems to have come home to them.

I hope we have more pictures of the quality of "David Copperfield."

CRIME . . . too much

I think I can see signs that the public mind is becoming aroused over the prevalence of crime. The enthusiasm over the successful work of Federal agents in "getting" Dillinger and other outlaws indicates that those charged with law enforcement need not hesitate to adopt drastic measures.

It would be easy to wipe out crime if crime could be divorced from politics. Too many politicians and political organizations are in cahoots with criminals. The police commissioner of New York remarked the other day that he and his men could round up every important criminal were it not for the political protection those felons have managed to obtain.

Loopholes in the laws should be stopped up, but lawmaking is in the hands of politicians, and courts are bound by the laws. The tendency to regard any law, whether it is backed by public opinion or not, as more sacred than human lives and property, has been carried too far. I believe the reaction is setting in.

CHANGE . . . constant

No human institution ever stands still. Nothing else, much, does, either. Even the solid earth has sixteen different motions, pulling it every which way at once.

Anne Gould Elopes



NEW YORK . . . Anne Gould, great granddaughter of Jay Gould, founder of a great American fortune, eloped at 4 A.M. with Frank A. Meador an actor and native of Texas, to be married at Harrison, N. Y.

it was written.

DISTRIBUTION . . . faulty

I tried to buy some Northern Spy apples in a neighborhood grocery the other day. All I could get were fine-looking but—tasteless western apples, shipped from 2,500 miles away. Northern Spies grow only 250 miles from the New York market.

The same day my wife wanted some Florida oranges. None of the nearby stores had any but California, which we hold inferior. They had come 3,000 miles; Florida is only a thousand miles away.

Organized distribution versus unorganized marketing is the answer. Uncle Sam is paying a lot of attention these days to agricultural production. It would be of far greater public service to reorganize the distribution methods of food products.

VEAZEY ADDRESSES FARMERS

A large group of farmers interested in improvement of soils by preventing soil erosion and the use of proper cropping systems met Wednesday night of last week in the Franklin High School to hear A. H. Veazey, agronomist at the Deep River Soil Erosion Project at High Point.

Mr. Veazey made a very instructive as well as an interesting talk on the program carried on by the Soil Erosion Service in the project at High Point. He discussed the different types of terraces and other means of removing the water eroding from the land, along with outlets, check dams and other devices. After going into a full discussion of how they were built, etc., he made this statement: "that terracing alone will not prevent soil erosion."

Any system of economical soil improvement, consequently improved rural condition, must not only have proper terracing or other devices of removing water slowly from the land but must be accompanied with a cropping system that is worked out with the same goal in sight. A cropping system with legumes and grasses, close growing crops, with the other farm crops is a step toward a more profitable system of farming. Lespedeza has been found to be one of the best legumes in the Deep River area for soil building and preventing soil erosion.

It was a most interested group as was shown by the number of questions asked by the farmers who were brave enough to face the very rough night. The number and the unusual interest shown expressed a real desire and request that such a project here would meet with steady response on their part.

ACCUSED OF MURDER, NEGRO TRIES SUICIDE

Henderson, Jan. 28.—Jim Fogg, colored, attempted suicide in Vance county jail Sunday by slashing his throat with a razor blade. Fogg was being held without bond, charged with the murder of Bertha Fields, colored, some time in August. The body was found three weeks ago buried on a lot owned by Fogg.

A trusty at the county jail discovered Fogg's condition soon after the attempt to end his life and reported the matter to the jailer. Fogg was rushed to the colored hospital where the gash in his throat was sewn up and he was then returned to his cell. He is expected to recover.

Approximately three-fourths of the cotton parity checks for Cumberland county have been delivered.

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Run-Off At Henderson

Central Grammar (Henderson) High School has been selected as the place for the preliminary run-off, for high schools of Warren, Vance, Granville, Franklin and Person Counties, in the state-wide oration-essay contest to be staged by High Point College in March.

This run-off will take place at 3:00 p. m., Monday, March 18, 1935 in the auditorium of the Central Grammar (Henderson) High School. One contestant will be selected to compete with the representatives of the other seventeen districts of the state in the finals which will be held at High Point College March 29.

The successful contestants in each of the districts will be given a \$50 scholarship to the High Point institution. The one winning first place in the finals will be awarded an additional \$350 to be added to the \$50 district win to make a total scholarship of \$400. The second prize will be an additional \$150, which, with the district award, makes a \$200 scholarship for this place. The third best contestant will receive a total scholarship of \$100. Those not winning a place in the finals will be given the \$50 district scholarship.

Only two contestants from a high school may participate, and they must be seniors, and must register for the contest on or before February 20. All contestants must be recommended by the principal or a member of the school faculty.

The subject for the oration or essay is: "Do I Expect My College Training to Make Me More Useful to My Community, or to Increase My Earning Capacity?" It is to be confined within eight hundred words, and must be in the hands of the contest directors on or before March 1.

J. W. MERRITT DEAD

John W. Merritt was born Nov. 17, 1855, being the son of Maurice and Polly Merritt. Died Jan. 16, 1935, at the age of 79 years. On Feb. 9, 1881 he was married to Edie Ella Dent, who preceded him to the grave some six years. To this union two children were born, Eunice Merritt and Miss Lessie Merritt, both of Moulton community. He was one of Franklin County's most successful farmers. A lover of his family and home, and took great interest in his community and the church work. He was of a tender-hearted nature always ready to divide with his less fortunate neighbor. A great lover of little children, ever eager to make them happy. Needless to say he will be missed by his family, his friends and the community at large.

Burial services took place at Corinth Baptist Church, Jan. 17, 1935, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Carl Ousley, assisted by Rev. B. O. Merritt, of Trinity Methodist Church. Interment took place in the family plot at Corinth, there to rest from his earthly toils by the side of his wife who he had so deeply loved and mourned.

Fallbearers: J. F. Parrish, C. T. Hudson, George Fuller, Woodrow Hayes, Brooks Merritt, B. G. Green, of Raleigh.

Floral bearers: Bettie May, Jena Bledsoe, Mrs. M. I. Merritt, Mary Green, of Raleigh.

The floral tribute was especially beautiful, a silent attribute to the love and esteem of the deceased.

WATCH YOUR KIDNEYS!

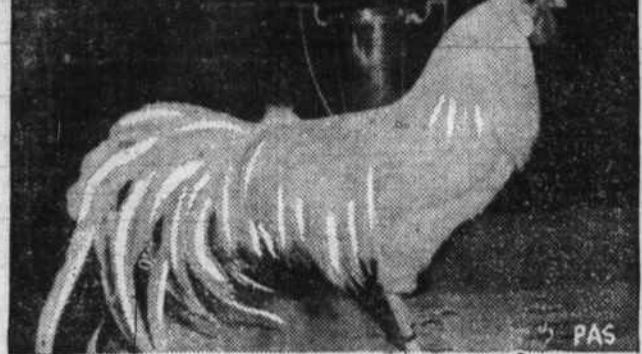
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White Leghorn Best Bird in New York Show



NEW YORK . . . "King," yearling white leghorn cockerel (above), bred and exhibited by D. W. Young of Whitehouse, N. J., walked off with high honors, judged the best bird in the New York show.

Sure You Have He: Your face is strangely familiar. I'm sure I have seen you somewhere. She: Yes, you have. You saw me standing in a street-car yesterday, all the way from Main Street to 196th Street, while you sat.

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