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EDITORIAL

POLITICALLY

A recent report which caused much speculation and comment, and by the way, it has been confirmed, is that M. Clarence Guppton, of the Gold Sand community, has entered the Sheriff's race and is talking nice to the "deer peepul."

Quite a bit of talk is being made with reference to the State Senate. The many friends of Senator E. F. Griffin express disappointment at his not caring to run again and are hoping he will reconsider and get in the race.

It now looks as if the Auditors office will have the largest number of contestants in the coming campaign with Fuller's stock selling highest.

Little is being said about the member of the House of Representatives at this stage, but there are dollars to doughnuts that this "dame" will not go lacking in admirers.

A HOPEFUL PROGRAM

The news of Washington indicating that the Federal government is about to take practical steps to encourage the investment of private capital in extensive building operations, large and small, is good news indeed.

All that private capital needs to induce it to invest in building enterprises is some assurance of reasonable return on the investment without having profits confiscated by taxation, and a fair measure of security when they lend their money on mortgages.

It is understood that this new cooperation between Government and Business will not add a cent to Government expenditures, which is also good news. Its effect, in the long run, should be to increase the volume of taxable property on which, and on the securities represented by mortgage investments and the incomes from new buildings, local, state and Federal governments can collect more tax revenue.

Federal efforts in the housing field have been focused upon "slum clearance" and providing homes for people who cannot afford to buy or rent modern dwellings.

A SHOCKING DECISION

If the precedent set by a judge in Lowell, Mass., is followed by other courts, it will be possible for drunken drivers to kill pedestrians right and left and go scot-free.

In court he was convicted of drunkenness and of reckless driving, but the judge acquitted him of manslaughter—because he was drunk!

An old, well-settled rule of law, laid down by Sir Edward Coke, the great English jurist, more than three hundred years ago, is that drunkenness is no excuse for the drunkard's conduct.

But the Massachusetts judge brushed that aside and handed down the amazing dictum that "manslaughter must result from willful, wanton and reckless conduct. If Curry was so drunk that he could not formulate his will, can it be said that he is guilty of being willful, wanton and reckless?"

If that view is adopted by other courts, and becomes prevalent, what curb is there on drunken driving, or upon homicide in any manner if all that the killer needs to do to go free is to plead that he was so drunk he did not know what he was doing? It is not only bad law,

LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

REV. J. D. SIMONS, Pastor
Mrs. Alice Uzzell, Organist

9:45 A. M.—Sunday School.
11:00 A. M.—"CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP."
6:30 P. M.—Baptist Training Union.
7:30 P. M.—"PARENTS—WITH OR WITHOUT HONOR?"

but a very definite added menace to the safety of the highways.

Automobiles are already taking a frightful toll of lives. Every effort of society should be to impose heavier punishments upon reckless drivers, not to lighten them. But here we have the shocking spectacle, while other communities are tightening the restrictions upon driving a car while drunk, of a judge exonerating a criminal because he was drunk!

It is to be hoped that this will prove to be an isolated instance, and that no other court will take the same view. Alcohol and automobiles must not be allowed to mix.

FINGERPRINTING EVERYBODY

It was contemplated by the framers of the Social Security Act that every person registered as eligible for Old Age pensions should have a record of his fingerprints filed with his identification card. The law still permits it, but that sure method of providing proof, ten, twenty or forty years hence that the applicant for a retirement pension is the same person in whose name the Security Tax has been paid for years was abandoned because of protests by people who felt that there was something degrading in being fingerprinted.

Fingerprinting has a sinister implication in the minds of the unintelligent, since its use is mainly in the identification of criminals. But there is no sound reason why everyone should not have his or her fingerprints recorded at some central point, for purposes of identification under many conceivable circumstances not connected in any way with crime.

Finger-prints have been proved, over a long period, to be the one characteristic of every human which is not duplicated in any other persons. Even identical twins have differences in their fingerprints. Chinese business men for thousands of years have used the fingerprint as a signature.

To be able to prove one's own identity in such convincing manner that it cannot be challenged would often be of great value to many persons. To be able to identify a lost child, a victim of accident unable to give his name, or the body of an unknown person are examples of real social values which would result from universal fingerprinting. Many thousands of persons have filed their fingerprints voluntarily with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington. Everybody should do so. Only those who have something they wish to conceal in their pasts have serious grounds for objecting to fingerprinting everybody.

WHAT'S WHAT ABOUT SOCIAL SECURITY

Question: What is the purpose of the Federal old-age insurance provision of the Social Security Act?

Answer: The main purpose is to provide an assured retirement income to wage earners when they have reached the age of 65, thus making possible the retirement of those older workers from regular employment and also increasing opportunities for employment and advancement of younger workers.

Question: I am 58 years old, earning \$30 a week. How much would I get in old-age retirement benefits at age 65?

Answer: Assuming steady employment at \$30 a week for 50 weeks a year during the next seven years, total wages would be \$10,500. Your monthly payment would be \$21.50 per month as long as you live.

Question: My husband just died. He was employed in a textile mill. How do I go about getting any benefit?

Answer: If you will go to your nearest Social Security Board field office they will assist you in filing the necessary forms to obtain a lump-sum benefit. Your husband's employer will also help you if it is more convenient.

Question: I worked until September in a restaurant and am now unemployed. Can I get any unemployment insurance?

Answer: The only State that is paying unemployment insurance this year is Wisconsin. All of the States in this Region will commence unemployment insurance payments in 1938.

Question: My husband is 76 years old and I am 73. We have nothing to live on. Can we get any benefits under the Social Security Act?

Answer: You should apply to your State Public Welfare Department. Under the Social Security Act public assistance is paid by the States, the Federal Government providing part of the money which the States disburse.

Question: I have read in the papers about 2 1/2 per cent of wages, but do not understand

what it means. Please explain. Answer: In simple terms, it means \$3.50 for each hundred dollars that you have earned.

Timely Farm Questions

Answered at State College

QUESTION: Should hogs be fed immediately before killing?

ANSWER: No—the animals should not be fed for at least 24 hours before they are killed, but should have plenty of water. This gives the hog time to get rid of all the contents of the stomach and intestines. It is also easier to get a good bleed when the system is not gorged with food and

STRANGE SUPERSTITIONS

By Edwin Finch



IF A MAN TRANSPLANTS A CEDAR THE NORTHWOODSMAN BELIEVES HE WILL DIE AS SOON AS THE LOWER BRANCHES GROW AS LONG AS HIS COFFIN

SIGNS INDICATING COMPANY CAT WASHING IT'S FACE SNEEZE BEFORE BREAKFAST FINDING SPIDER WEB.....

IN ENGLAND DRIVERS STICKS ARE MADE OF HOLLY, FOR IT IS BELIEVED THAT IT HAS THE USEFUL PROPERTY OF TURNING BACK RAINWATER IF THE OWN AT THE...

Delayed Take-off by A. B. CHAPIN



the meat always cures much better when the small blood vessels are free from food and blood. Never overheat or excite the animal before killing as this produces a feverish condition which prevents proper bleeding and causes the meat to sour while in cure.
QUESTION: How much land should be prepared for the home garden?
ANSWER: The size of the garden will depend primarily upon the size of the family, but ordinarily one-tenth of an acre will produce an abundance of vegetables for one person. If such crops as cantaloupes, watermelons, Irish and sweet potatoes are grown in the garden, then a slightly larger acreage will be necessary.
ANSWER: Where careful management and feeding is practiced, the requirements for the breeding flock are met. However, to secure maximum performances, the breeders must be in good body weight, free from parasites, and must not be crowded.
QUESTION: Should the poultry breeding flock receive any extra attention not given to the laying flock?

MURPHYS YOUR FOOD CENTER
GET YOUR PENCIL AND CHECK THIS AD. YOU WILL FIND MANY SAVINGS WORTH YOUR CAREFUL CONSIDERATION.
3 - 5c Pkgs. GOLD MEDAL MACARONI 13c
3 - 14 oz. cans CAMPBELL'S TOMATO JUICE .. 22c
22 oz. Can HURFF SPAGHETTI ... 10c
3 No. 2 Cans "Mayfield" CORN 25c
2 lb. jar White House APPLE JELLY 23c
RITZ, 1 lb. Package 22c
PORK & BEANS, 28 oz. can 10c
ORANGE MARMALADE, lb. jar 25c
PRESERVES, Asstd. Lb. Jar .. 22c
2 1/2 LB. JAR MINCE MEAT 33c
2 LB. JAR P-NUT BUTTER .. 23c
Get Your Clothes HOSPITAL CLEAN With CONCENTRATED SUPER SUDS IN THE BLUE BOX OUR PRICE 2 for 19c
Kellogg's Corn Flakes 25c 1 Cereal Bowl FREE with 3 Pkgs.
PRUNES, Californias, 80-90size, lb. 5c
SALAD DRESSING & RELISH, qt. jar .. 23c
APPLES, Cooking and Eating, peck 25c
SHREDDED COCONUT, lb. 20c
CAT & DOG FOOD, Delight, lb. can 5c
WALTER BAKER'S COCOA, lb. can ... 14c
CAMPBELL'S TOMATO SOUP, 6 cans. 45c
FRESH BLACK EYE PEAS, 2 No. 2 cans 25c
JERSEY TOMATO CATSUP, 2 - 14 oz. bot. 25c
Stateside DOG FOOD Its "Carotenized" Your Dog Deserves The Best, 5 lb. pkg. ... 35c
GUN SHELLS Box - 60c
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