

SCHOOL SYSTEM DISGRACE

Dr. Knight Plays Tar Heel Complacency—Says Tar Heels Are Backward and Have Failed in Thing Aycock Died For.

"North Carolina is as low educationally as any other state in the Union," stated Dr. E. W. Knight, of the university of North Carolina, in a forcible speech delivered before the Civitan club in Raleigh at lunch the other day, as reported in The Times.

"I'm going to quit lying about my State," said the speaker, "and try to tell the truth."

"We Have Failed" "We have failed in North Carolina to give every child the thing that Aycock died for, and since he died I have not seen anybody in North Carolina willing to die for any cause."

Speaking of Dr. Edward Mimm's book, "The Advancing South," Dr. Knight said: "Dr. Mimm's book is the most provincial document that has come out of this section for years. We have done great damage in North Carolina by glorifying our small efforts to make them appear great achievements."

Explodes Boasts Like a man sticking pins in a bunch of balloons, Dr. Knight exploded many of North Carolina's boasts with the recitation of a few facts.

North Carolina has the shortest school term in the United States, he said.

North Carolina does less for the training of teachers than any other state in the country.

North Carolina is continually in the midst of a mass of educational litigation.

There are more automobiles on the North Carolina highways than books in the North Carolina libraries, he claimed.

Attacks Inferiority Speakers and boosting writers were given special attention by Dr. Knight who stated that they gave out a false impression by hiding all but the complimentary facts. Complacency, self satisfaction, he said, was the order of the day in North Carolina.

Concerning county schools, Dr. Knight said, "North Carolina county school superintendents are the most inferior people we have in the State's education work." He was highly complimentary of the underpaid teachers who struggle each summer for additional training and compared them with the "Lazy superintendents" and other school officials. He excepted the Wake county and Raleigh school superintendents from his indictment, saying that they were both high class men.

North Carolinians don't read, said Dr. Knight. He stated that of 60,000 volumes of the Life of Letters of Walter Hines Page, one of the state's most distinguished sons, only 200 have been sold in North Carolina.

What North Carolina needs, said the speaker, is a tradition which can't be acquired by boasting but only through education itself and the continual training of the educators.

CONSIDER AND REFLECT

These cases in which persons are arrested and punished for selling water for liquor, or having taken cash with order for same fail to deliver, present one of the many phases of legal procedure that are cause for wonder. The sharper who plays on the rather common craving for stimulants, and the credulity of the thirsty, for gain, is of course guilty of fraud. He is in the rather curious position of having taken money to do an unlawful act, and having failed to perform according to agreement he would also be liable to punishment. He is in bad on either horn of the dilemma, but he deserves no consideration. But what about the other party to the proposition? He attempted to procure the performance of an unlawful act. He attempted to secure a violation of the law by the payment of money; in effect by bribery. Having in turn been defrauded, as he deserves, he turns to the law which he has attempted to undermine and demands that he be avenged of his adversary. He paid for a violation of the law, the state was not fulfilled, he demands that the defaulter be punished. The complaint is heard and heeded. Chew on that for awhile.

In ordinary cases the who in any way contributed to the performance of an unlawful act, who knowingly and willfully aided and abetted in its performance, directly or indirectly; or who was an accessory before or after the fact, who had knowledge that it was to be performed or had been performed and took no action in the matter, is held a participant in guilt or equally guilty with the principal.

If one entered into a contract with a burglar to furnish the cost of the explosives to blow a safe, on condition that he share in the loot, and the burglar failed to blow the safe and kept the money, he would hardly run whimpering to the police and demand that the other party to the agreement be arrested for fraud.

But the principle is the same in the liquor case. In the latter case one enters into a conspiracy to secure the performance of an unlawful act. When his co-conspirator fails him, defrauds him he calls on the law he has conspired to violate to avenge him, and he is heard. If he said that one party to the conspiracy is guilty of fraud is a separate act while the other is not guilty because the violation which he attempted to procure was not actually performed, the same answer could be made in the safe-blowing conspiracy suggested by way of illustration. But in that case he who attempted to have the act performed would hardly complain to the law because it was not performed; and if he did he would probably get in jail.

It all seems to point to the fact that either the courts or both, have failed to make power, or both, have failed as yet to take the prohibitions law seriously. The law denounces, with a wealth of detail, about everything in connection with liquor—manufacturing, selling, transporting, possessing, and other things too tedious to mention. But the citizen may enter into a conspiracy for the violation of the law, and if his fellow conspirator plays him false the loser can, and often does, go whining to the police and, with a display of virtuous indignation, demand that his co-conspirator be punished for playing him false.

For failing to violate the law as he is that the other party to the conspiracy took his money and didn't perform as promised. But in reality, the complaint is this: I hired this fellow to violate the law and he failed

and refused to violate it. And the courts solemnly proceed to punish the conspirator who failed to fracture the statutes, as he promised. The prosecuting witness may not be commended, but he gets away in the guise of the virtuous citizen who is but doing his duty in denouncing all crooks to the watch. Great, isn't it? —R. R. Clark in Greensboro Daily News.

DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK

(By Edson R. Waite, Shawnee, Oklahoma.) THAT it is one thing for a merchant to work up a good trade and another to hold it. THAT the modern way to hold it is by advertising, quality and service. THAT some merchants improve their business through their own initiative and some because competition wakes them up and forces them to get busy. THAT successful sales are made through advertising; it brings buyers to a store. THAT successful merchants let advertising help to build their business.

THAT the success merchants have built their business on a foundation of quality, well advertised. THAT advertising stimulates business. THAT regularity in advertising keeps the successful merchant before the public all the while. SNAPPY, GOOD-TO-LOOK-AT ADS ATTRACT BUSINESS. Copyright 1926

Furman Thompson, 22, of Mt. Glead, died at a hospital in Wilmington, Sunday from an auto accident Saturday near that city on Route 20 when a truck darted into the road from a blind crossing.

IN DAYS OF OUR FOREFATHERS

Women Prepared Their Own Medicines

The wise pioneer women learned to gather, in woods and fields, the medicinal herbs and plants used in their remedies.



From roots and herbs, Lydia E. Pinkham's dressing and Vegetable Compound, the beneficial effects of this dependable medicine are vouched for by hundreds of women. Mrs. Wm. Kraft of 2338 Vinewood Ave., Detroit, Mich., saw a Pinkham advertisement in the News one day and made up her mind that she would give the Compound a trial. At that time she was very weak. "After the first bottle," she writes, "I began to feel better and like a new woman after taking six bottles. I recommend it to others and always keep a bottle in the house."

Mrs. Gust Green of 401 Lincoln Park Boulevard, Rockford, Illinois, found herself in a condition similar to that of Mrs. Kraft. "I was weak and run-down," she writes, "but the Vegetable Compound has helped me and I feel better now. I recommend it to all women who need more strength."

WHEN SISTER GOES TO COLLEGE

(By James Evans Quick) There seems an awful hurry Down at our house today, Ever'thing is worry, hustle; And goin' wrong some way. My toes have all been trampled And I've been called "a fool"; For sister's goin' to college As we kids start out for school.

The dress-maker has been busy Makin' all the finest things, And "sis" looks like an angel Jest a-sproutin' of its wings. Her beau gave her a present, She says 'tis a "jool" Which she's goin' to wear at college While us kids are 'tendin' school.

Aunt Jane gave her a Bible And she's got a memory book, A hope-chest full o' treasures Where us kids ain't 'lowed to look. The twins start in to cryin' Jest for addin' to the fuss And pa has pulled his check-book 'Till he's purty nigh to cuss.

I'm wearin last year's breeches That my pa has worn before, Ma has made them over 'Cause the seat was split and tore. But "sis" has got the fixin's For the weather hot or cool, And we kids raise the dickens As we're startin' out for school.

My throat is feelin' lumpy And my stummick's feelin' sick, For now who's gonna help me With that darned old "rhythmic"? I got a brand new teacher, Who I know is mighty "er-udite" And sister's goin' to college While I have to go to school!

But vacations must be ended, The knowledge must be learned; The road of life must be traversed And wisdom never spurned. To fight life's rugged battle We must have a worthy tool, So sister goes to college And we kids start out for school. Clio, S. C., Aug. 9, 1926.

CONVENTION MARKS HEIGHT GREATEST SALES ACTIVITIES OF CHEVROLET COMPANY

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DEBUTANTE BALL IN RALEIGH SEPT. 16 TO FEATURE 5-DAY FALL FESTIVAL PROGRAM.

Raleigh, Sept. 8.—The annual debutante ball of the fifth annual fall festival staged by the Raleigh Merchants association which will be held in the city auditorium on the evening of September 16th, will be the most elaborate social event of the festival. At this interesting social event forty-five of North Carolina's most beautiful and popular girls will make their formal bow to society.

Each year Raleigh citizens and visitors from neighboring cities look forward to the debutante ball as the most popular social feature of the State. These balls are always largely attended, not only by dancers but by hundreds of spectators. The lovely young debutantes in their white frocks together with the hundreds of dancers in the beautifully-decorated auditorium make a gorgeous scene which is well worth attending. At this time grows that Dame Fashion decrees for the coming season will be worn by a number of North Carolina's most beautiful women.

Hal Kemp's orchestra, a sextet of musicians, composed in the main of students of the university of North Carolina, will furnish the music. This orchestra has recently had engagements at the Metropolitan theatre of Atlanta, Ga., and the National theatre at Greensboro. Several members of the orchestra were members of the Paul Spaecht orchestra which played for the Prince of Wales in 1924, during the ocean voyage of the prince to this country.

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ably with American small types for speed, endurance, power, comfort and luxury. Nor do I believe that an American car, patterned after the European car, will satisfy."

The convention marked the height of the greatest sales activities in the history of the Chevrolet Motor company during its phenomenal growth to the largest manufacturer of gear-shift cars in the world. Besides the men from the 32 sales zones of the company, prominent officials of the General Motors corporation, the General Motors Acceptance corporation, the Chevrolet Motor Company of Canada, Ltd. and other subsidiaries of the General Motors were at the meeting.

At the opening session R. H. Grant general sales manager of the company gave the keynote of the convention "1,000 more cars per day". His address was heard by a sales organization serving more than 8,500 Chevrolet dealers and included regional and zone managers, division representatives and sales promotional and service promotional representatives.

Mr. Grant stressed the recent accelerated development of the company which he said "made it possible for Chevrolet to set up the most remarkable sales and production record of any maker of gear shift cars." He outlined to the delegates the part each member of the sales organization was to play in merchandising the tremendous increase planned in production. He told also of the service to be rendered dealers through national and local advertising campaigns under the Chevrolet co-operative advertising system.

Tuesday sessions were devoted to talks by officials and department heads of the company. Every graphic aid that would bring home forcibly to the convention the plans of the company was used during these sessions.

Wednesday delegates transferred their sessions afloat to the Steamer Tashmoo for an all day ride on Lake St. Clair river and the Detroit river. Thursday was devoted to an inspection trip to the Chevrolet factories at Flint and to the 1125-acre proving ground of the General Motors Corporation at Milford, Michigan.

Cost of Lumber

The man who has bought a small board and paid a dollar or more for it will be interested in the statement made by the United States Forest Service that the average price of every 1000 feet of lumber used during 1924 was \$12. But the Government statement shows that the gross freight bill on lumber during that year amounted to about \$408,000,000. In consequence the freight charge often more than doubles the price of lumber to the consumer.

Kansas City, Sept. 6.—(AP)—United States Senator James A. Reed of Missouri announced definitely today that he would not be a candidate for he would re.Noci linacp Car Cuh for renomination in 1928.

Engineer Blamed for Collision Chicago, Sept. 7.—(AP)—An engineer who lies babbling incoherently in a hospital was blamed today by railroad officials and fellow workers for a rear-end collision last night of two Chicago and Northwestern passenger train, to heed two warning signals persons and injury to a hundred.

Frank Walters, vice-president of the road, in charge of operations, reported officially that the failure of Louis J. Smith, pilot of the suburban train, to heed two warning signals caused the train to plough into the rear coaches of the local train bringing back from Elroy, Wis., and intermediate points several hundred holiday merrymakers.



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What the World Is Doing

(As Seen by Popular Mechanics Magazine)

Stencil Guide for Neck Shave Saves Using Mirror

Self-administered neck shaves are simplified with the help of a celluloid stencil that fastens to the back of the head



with strings and a clasp and has slits in the edge to guide the razor. The accessory makes a mirror unnecessary and can be used both for the side and rounded styles.

Solve Mystery in Language of the Honey Bees

That bees have a language by means of which they can communicate with one another about new-found feeding grounds, the kind of flowers to visit and their general direction from the hive, appears to be proved through experiments made by a German scientist. He found a swarm of bees would visit the place where sugar was exposed immediately after one of them had fed and returned to the hive to spread the news. This the bee does by a peculiar dance. By marking bees with colors and feeding some while leaving others unfed, the experimenter proved that only those which had been fed would start the dance that brought swarms to new feeding grounds.

Movies for Ship Passengers to Cure Seasickness

Seasickness is believed to be due partly to strain on the eyes caused by the constantly shifting planes of the ship. To counteract the effects of this movement

and thus possibly spare passengers unpleasant illness, experiments are under way in filming special motion pictures for exhibition on liners. They are expected to have a soothing effect on the eyes and enable persons to regain a complete sense of balance. As many ships are already provided with equipment for displaying the reels, no additional expense will be involved, and the pictures themselves will afford another source of entertainment on long voyages.

Removing Grass along Fence

Grass along fence posts can be burned away with a common gasoline blowtorch without injury to the posts. If a wet gunny sack is taken along, the grass will burn quickly and the gunny sack is then used to quench the embers. This is an easy and simple method and eliminates the danger of burning the posts close to the ground.

Kennel on Running Board Has Glass Windshield

For the convenience of dog owners wishing to take their pets with them on automobile journeys, a compartment has been designed by an English motorist to carry his bulldog, which acts as guardian while the car stands unattended. The upper part of the enclosure is of glass, and it can be placed on either end of the running board.



Scratches can be removed from furniture by rubbing well with a solution consisting of equal parts of salad oil and vinegar, using a soft rag. After the scratches have disappeared polish can be applied.

Radio Test Light Saves Tubes

A useful radio test light can be made from the base of a burned-out tube and a double-contact auto-lamp socket. Remove all glass and internal wiring from the base, leaving the metal shell and the four prongs intact. Connect the two terminals on the auto-lamp to the filament prongs on the tube base by means of lengths of a small flexible wire, soldered in place. Place the socket in the position shown, and run melted sealing wax around it, holding it firmly until the wax has set; place a 6-volt, 2-ep. auto lamp in the socket and the test lamp is complete. To test the circuit, place the lamp in the tube sockets in the regular manner and note the result. If the circuit is correct, the lamp will light.

Cleaning Spark Plugs

Few car owners "enjoy" disassembling spark plugs and laboriously removing carbon particles with a knife and scraper. A good method of doing this is as follows: Immerse the plugs in a fruit jar, partly filled with muriatic acid; the length of the bath may be from 10 minutes to an hour, depending on the strength of the acid and the condition of the plugs. Afterward, wash the plugs in water. Heat treatment is another good method of cleaning spark plugs. The plug is taken apart and the porcelain are placed in a hot lye bath, a saturated solution being used. The shells are placed in a fire, heated almost red and are then plunged in cold water.

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