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Need Tennis Courts

North Wilkesboro, without a Y. M. C. A. or municipal playground, is badly in need of tennis courts for public use. Followers of this game are advocating the establishment of a few courts on the fairgrounds or some other likely location.

Tennis is truly a fine game. It is clean and offers the best of exercise for men, women, boys and girls.

It is quite probable that the relief administration would furnish labor in making the courts and labor is the principal cost. The cost of materials would be negligible.

During the summer people will have much leisure time, especially those who work only eight hours per day. How they spend this leisure time determines to a great extent what kind of people they are. Using at least a part of the time in clean recreation is beneficial in more ways than one.

Welcome B. Y. P. U.

On Friday and Saturday the regional Baptist Young Peoples' Union convention will be held in this city. Several hundred delegates will gather here, representatives of churches in the west central region of North Carolina.

The young people who will gather here are the future leaders in their denomination, future leaders in church, in civic and economic life. North Wilkesboro should welcome the young people and treat them in such a way that they will be favorably impressed with our city.

No doubt the young people of the Brushy Mountain Association, who made the standard of excellent with their organization, will do their part toward making the convention a success and the visit of the delegates delightful. Representatives of B. Y. P. U.'s in churches of other associations nearby will also join in creating an atmosphere of goodwill and courtesy. Basically we are a hospitable people, and let us show it!

Courts and Costs

Now that the laws of North Carolina provide a total of 12 weeks of court for Wilkes county the way should be found to handle the courts so that the costs to the county can be lowered.

The extra four weeks of court will cost the county a pretty sum of money, but this should be gained in reducing costs by not having so many cases docketed and fewer cases continued with witness fees and other costs continually mounting.

Wilkes county, considering its area and population, is by no means a criminal center and a study of the charges made to defendants on the docket will show a comparatively small number of felonies. Misdemeanors of the most common type make up nine-tenths of the criminal docket.

This can be attributed in part to lack of inferior courts with jurisdiction to dispose of some of the cases and an unwillingness on the part of many magistrates to shoulder the responsibility and duty of disposing of cases by acquittal, dismissal, or punishment as the facts may warrant.

If the criminal docket was kept as nearly clear as practical, court costs would not be so great and this method of dealing out swift justice should have its effect upon the would-be criminals.

The way the docket has been congested during the past few years throws little fear into the criminal or wilful lawbreaker. He gets out on bond and there is some probability of all the witnesses dying before his case can be reached. Possibly several years have elapsed since the offense when the case comes to trial and the solicitor finds it exceedingly hard to secure a conviction with a hasty resume of testimony from witnesses whose memory might not be as good as if would if the case had taken place only a few months or days ago. Trial of cases shortly after they originate would have many advantages over the present system.

Life Of The NRA

Unless congress extends the National Recovery Act in some form it will die a natural death in June.

People have had the opportunity to study this experiment and opinion is divided yet. Sincere leaders in political and economic life take widely separated stands on the NRA and indications at present point to the conclusion that congress will modify the measure and yet retain some of its main features.

Senator Borah is contending that the NRA monopolizes and for this reason he is opposed to extension of the measure. The American Federation of Labor wants it continued, principally for protection of workers.

It seems that a compromise is possible and that Borah and his following can be satisfied as well as labor. Arthur Brisbane, noted editorial writer, suggests maintaining minimum wages and hours and letting business work out its own salvation.

The worst of the depression saw wages going down and working hours growing longer while unemployment increased and purchasing power decreased. Competition in industry had gone to the point where it was "cut to survive" and every wage cut resulted in generally lowered purchasing power. Establishment of a minimum wage was probably the greatest benefit of the advent of the NRA and this feature may be retained.

The NRA, however, cannot be called a miracle worker, because there are still many unemployed, but it served a wonderful purpose in the year it was inducted in giving a better and more promising prospect to the laborer. The need of many of its features is still with us, but it is quite possible that a very different NRA will come out of the present congress and yet one that will fit the needs without putting very many strings on business.

Sunday School Lesson

By REV. CHARLES E. DUNN

THE HEAVENLY FATHER

Lesson for April 7th: John 14:8-24; Golden Text, Psalm 103:13

The lessons for our second quarter deal with a number of the central teachings of the Christian faith. The first of these is the doctrine that God is Father. Jesus put new meaning into this glorious truth. Perhaps the best way to prove this is to say that he made God an absolutely trustworthy channel of unending grace and power for all men. He found a local, tribal deity in the religion of his fathers, a God who limits His parental control to one particular people and place. By his example and teachings he made it clear that the Father is without frontiers in His out-reach. He embraces within His providential care the poor, the despised, the ignorant, and the misunderstood of every land. He found also, in the Jewish tradition in which he was nurtured, a God of physical might and vengeance, and it was his privilege to place a moral meaning at the heart of God.

To many today this conception of divine fatherhood is incredible. "How can God be father," they cry, "when the world is so saturated with disaster and pain?" Our trouble, as Dean Wicks, of Princeton, says, is that we wrongly assume that God be personal, everything else, too, should also be personal. And Dr. Wicks well expresses the Christian idea of God by comparing Him to the high-minded editor of a newspaper whose influence is altogether good. On the top floor is the editorial staff, the men who control that paper and see that its policies are beneficent. They, in turn, are dominated by the editor-in-chief, who has consecrated himself, with complete devotion, to the service of the journal and all its employees. Tragical accidents happen in that building on occasion, but the dominant force there is the noble personality of this editor. Even so the universe, at times, reeks with woe, but God's paternal love is pregnant at its heart.

Borrowed Comment

THE MONEY, HOWEVER, IS GONE (Reidsville Review)

We see where a gentleman has been convicted in Milwaukee of using the mails to defraud. He goes to prison, if the sentence is not reversed, for fifteen years but this does not return the \$2,000,000 he is alleged to have collected from suckers who wanted to get rich quick.

Readers of the Review are fairly familiar with what returns money will bring when invested, whether in bonds or in business. When a smart man comes along to offer ten per cent every two weeks it ought to be plain that, if he is so smart, he wouldn't need other people's funds. He would have plenty of his own.

The next time you hear of a scheme to get rich in a hurry without doing any work and without taking any risk, be wise for once and hold on to your cash.

A contemporary claims that the average span of human life has lengthened. It looked that way for a while, but we think the automobile has taken up all the slack.—Yakima (Wash.) Republic.

The price of seats on the New York stock exchange slumps another \$3,000. Now that there is nothing much to do with them but sit in them, nobody seems to want them.—Chicago Daily News.

Bedroom Week At Rhodes-Day Store

Prices Reduced On Large Stock Of Bedroom Furniture For Event This Week

This is "Bedroom Week" at Rhodes-Day Furniture Company's store here, according to a message portrayed in an advertisement on the first page of section two in this newspaper.

The store has a complete stock of bedroom furniture with suites to suit the taste of the most discriminating. In order to provide ample opportunity for all to attractively furnish their bedrooms at low cost prices have been marked down for the event this week and many attractive offers are made by the company.

Bedroom suites are offered this week as low as \$28.50 and on convenient terms with only a small down payment required.

Traveling Lethal Gas Death Cell Is Proposed

Raleigh, April 2.—The North Carolina House of Representatives today prepared an era of Roman holidays for the folks back home.

If a bill of Representative Peterson, of Mitchell, as amended by Representative Page of Bladen, which passed second reading, is enacted, future executions in the state will out-Barnum Barnum. Condemned felons, under the bill, would be gassed to death instead of electrocuted. But that isn't all.

The Page amendment provides that the gas chamber, built according to the best prevailing and architectural practice, be mounted on a truck and hauled to the county where the original crime was committed. There, all and sundry may watch the victim breathe himself to death and maybe profit thereby.

Generally Lauded The bill itself, introduced by a Republican who is a doctor and should know about such things, was generally lauded in debate as humane and "certain." Strangely enough to many observers, the measure developed practically no opposition.

What quarrels the House had were with its amendments, the first of which, also by Page, would have substituted public hangings for death by gas. This amendment was overwhelmingly defeated.

Another amendment by Representative Ray, of Macon, providing that the bill not apply to felons already condemned to the chair, was adopted. The bill would have passed its third reading today and gone to the Senate had not Representative Cherry objected to the Page amendment calling for the peripatetic lethal chamber as nullifying the bill.

After the amendment had been passed the House reconsidered its vote and, on motion of Representative Bowie of Ashe, carried the bill over until tomorrow.

Page, meanwhile, withdrew his amendment to rewrite it so it wouldn't gum the works if adopted.

The Senate, waiting for the revenue bill to be reported out of its finance committee, scampered over and around its calendar and finally lit on a local bill as something to wrangle about. This bill, by Senator Corey, of Pitt, was designed to repeal the absentee ballot law in his county.

Chatham Blanketeers Will Meet Guilford

Elkin, April 3.—The Chatham Blanketeers will be host to the strong Guilford College Quakers here in a two-game series Friday and Saturday, in what should be real first class baseball.

The Blanketeers showed up well in the two game with Duke University Blue Devils and will be in first class condition when the Quakers invade the local park Friday and Saturday.

Coach John Anderson will bring to Elkin a first class college baseball club, and the Quakers are rated as the outstanding team in the Little Six Conference.

The Quakers are undefeated thus far this season, winning five games without a defeat, and critics have rated Guilford to have the best team to represent the Quaker institution in many years.

Cow Is Suspected Of Being Cause Of 200 Sore Throats

Baldwinsville, N. Y., April 2.—Search for a single cow, suspected of harboring the streptococci causing an epidemic of 200 cases of septic sore throat in this village of 3,800 population, was pressed today as state health department doctors pushed their investigation.

Fisherman's Luck Miami, Fla., April 2.—President Roosevelt reported "very little luck" today in fishing off Long Island in the Bahamas group.

On the Gasoline Circuit by A. B. Chapin



Income Taxes Pick Up

Continuing to achieve gains of decidedly gratifying character, Charles H. Robertson, collector of internal revenue in North Carolina, and his associates obtained \$208,507,452.52 in the nine months ending March 31, 1935, constituting the first three quarters of the present fiscal year.

Dctn Visits Fort Bragg

Fayetteville, March 29.—Stopping at Pope field for refueling of his plane, Secretary of War George H. Dern this morning told Gen. Manus McCloskey that he was convinced that Fort Bragg needs additional buildings and stated that he would do everything possible to see that they are provided.

Two Die In Crash

Chicago, April 1.—Two men were killed Sunday when their airplane crashed in a field a short distance west of the airport in suburban Elmhurst. Sheriff Arthur Bennett, of DuPage county, said he had identified the pair as Cloude Morin, Chicago, and John Abbott, a Chicago used car dealer.

Closing Out All Tires In Stock

Prices on tires have been so unsettled in North Wilkesboro during the past several months that we have decided to close out our entire stock at prices that will not only move them quickly but enable automobile and truck owners of this section of the state to purchase their tire needs at lowest figures . . . our stock is fresh and complete . . . and includes a wide range of sizes . . . and positively every tire in stock is to go at this unusually large discount for cash.

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