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## Legion Quite Active

The Wilkes Post of the American Legion is starting a new year and already has a membership as large as during the last twelve months' period. This speaks well for the organization and the activities it has carried out.

Having some knowledge of the Legion, this newspaper commends it to ex-servicemen and freely expresses the belief that all who can afford the small membership fee should become members. It has done great things for the needy veterans and this editor personally knows of families of veterans who have received almost indispensable aid from the Legion and the Auxiliary.

But the worth of the Legion does not consist wholly in what it does for veterans. It stands on principles of patriotic Americanism and readily supports any movement for the good of communities in which posts are located.

## Life Cheap In State

Asserting that life is cheap in North Carolina, the Greensboro Daily News makes some very pertinent comment about paroling a "prominent Sanford youth" from prison after serving about one year for three deaths during a wild ride. The News says:

Young Stout staged a wild ride from Pittsboro to Chapel Hill, during the course of which he struck down five persons, three of whom were fatally injured. For the three deaths he thus received about a year apiece in his original sentence, with no allowance whatever for the other two victims of his recklessness who were not knocked into eternity. That sentence seemed light enough; but it has worked out that he served only about four months for each of these snuffed out lives. Now who says life isn't dirt cheap in North Carolina? Obviously not the governor and his parole advisers.

It so happens that the governor apparently had cause for the parole, inasmuch as 11 members of the jury who convicted him and the trial judge recommended it.

If snuffing out three lives is not enough offense for serving three years in prison then what crime would be considered of sufficient notoriety for a life sentence? On the basis of killing three persons and serving one year, killing fifty persons with an automobile would probably justify a life sentence!

## Hunting Accidents

The hunting season has begun and nimrods have already taken to the forests in quest of game. During the latter part of November other seasons will open and the fields will be frequented by hunters with shotguns.

During the several years that we have been trying to gather and present the happenings of Wilkes county through a newspaper there has not been any single year that has not witnessed at least one fatal hunting accident. Every one of these could have been prevented by using care and the elimination of carelessness on the part of those who handle guns.

If all children were taught how to handle firearms as some are taught by their parents, accidents would be reduced to a minimum. They should be taught to handle guns at all times as if they were loaded and the safety was off.

Very few hunters have not at some time or other tried to shoot game with an empty gun, thinking it was loaded. Many accidents are the other way around, thinking a gun is empty when it is loaded. Consider that your memory may be at fault, although you are certain that the cartridges have been taken from the gun.

This writer remembers distinctly one fruitless rabbit hunt when, after he had been in the field for some time and a rabbit was jumped the hammer fell on an empty chamber. Then it was to be remembered that the gun had been unloaded in order to get snow from the barrel and had not been reloaded.

Let us turn this situation around and suppose that one was playing with a gun that he thought was unloaded. Some are so thoughtless as to playfully snap a gun at another's body. After someone is killed you may remember that the gun had been re-loaded.

## Schools and Parents

Local people who attended the district convention of the Parent-Teacher association here Thursday got a glimpse of what this organization stands for and what its purposes are.

The objectives could be summed up generally in the convention theme, which was "Home and School Co-operation." In that these lie the essentials of a successful educational system.

In looking over the convention, one could not fail to be impressed with the fact that about 98 per cent of those attending were women. No doubt practically all the fathers of school children must be at work in the day time but the fact remains that practically all of the P.-T. A. activities are carried on by mothers. It certainly is a tribute to them that they carry on such an organization and the fact that fathers take no more interest than they show does not speak so well for them.

This problem was discussed during the open forum Thursday and it was brought out that some meetings should be held in the evening in order to get attendance of the fathers and that they should be put to work in the P.-T. A. Probably these practices would help.

No one means to say that the fathers are not interested in the schools. They are, but the mothers, with perhaps more intimate contact with their children, take the most active interest in the education of their children.

# BRUCE BARTON

## Says

THERE IS PURPOSE AND PLAN

In a remarkable book called "Black Reconstruction," W. E. Burghardt du Bose says, "No American now believes in his religion. Its facts are mere symbolism; its revelations generalities; its ethics a matter of carefully balanced gain." This is one of those sweeping generalities that take in too much territory.

It is a fact that religion has been subjected to a series of shocks that have pretty nearly wrecked its traditional structure. Galileo shocked it with his discovery that the earth is not the center of the universe with the sun and stars circling around it. Darwin shocked it with his "Descent of Man." Religious people have been taught that man was created perfect and by sin fell. Darwin proved that man never was up. He is not yet up to the height which the continuing processes of evolution may make possible.

The astronomers shocked it when they peered through their telescopes beyond the clouds and found neither the streets of gold nor the pearly gates we once supposed were there. So religious people, robbed of the mental images of old and with no clear images to take their place, are bewildered and groping. In this sense they have ceased to believe.

But nothing has happened to the voice inside that speaks in silence, nor the sense of awe that is still under the stars, nor to the deep conviction that somehow there is a purpose and a plan that makes life significant and duty worthwhile. They even dared to affirm that this purpose and plan extends beyond the grave and no scientist can ever produce any proof that their faith is unfounded.

Bewildered and broken, the common man still has something in which he believes and even though that something be only one per cent of what he once was taught, he is one hundred per cent better off than as though he believed in nothing.

### LET'S DO LESS GENERALLY SPEAKING

The advertising manager of a corporation had an idea that his company could gather some good will for itself by broadcasting an hour of dinner music. The hour selected was from six to seven. The plan met with approval of the various department heads and the board of directors, but the chairman of the board interposed a vigorous objection.

"I never knew anything more absurd in my life," he sputtered. "Dinner music from six to seven! Why, nobody sits down to dinner before 7:30."

No argument would move him. Indeed, he burst into his office a couple of days later very triumphant.

"I told you so," he exclaimed. "I came in on my yacht from Newport and I had twenty guests. I asked each one of them 'what is your regular dinner hour?' Some said 7:30, some said 8 o'clock. Nobody eats from six to seven."

He had talked to twenty people on a yacht and he thought he was getting a cross section of the American people. Much of the bad judgment and trouble in the world originates from this habit of picking isolated bits of information and proceeding forthwith to construct a general statement.

Bacon remarked that it is the nature of the mind of man to the extreme prejudice of knowledge to delight in the special liberty of generalities.

Scientists, physicians, sea captains and airplane pilots do not generalize. Writers, orators, economists and politicians do to the vast annoyance and injury of the rest of the human race.

## FIRESIDE PHILOSOPHY

By G. M. DICKSON

Pharisees sometimes stand in the pulpits as well as upon the street corners.

The acid test of religion is, perhaps, not so much in the quantity as in the quality.

If a skunk is not worth skinning, what is it fit for?

It is very rare that a borrowed phrase is as weighty as one that is original.

A real scholar is one who goes two ways—he digs downward and yet climbs upward.

Age does not minimize true manhood—it enriches and ennobles it.

It is just as necessary to be a negative quantity in some things as it is to be positive in others.

While knighthood and chivalry was directly connected with the middle ages, it was no less a needful thing than now.

If one speaks, writes, and acts well, he has gone a long way toward the goal of success.

The fellow who is ahead of himself is in no better shape than if he were behind himself.

Devils do not sprout wings; neither do angels grow horns.

Some can see the sun through the clouds, while others can't see it when the sky is blue.

Apparently just a "little" mustache lends much dignity to its possessor.

Fools and cars are often seen together.

The only tragic thing about life is that it stops.

Merely because a person is slow to take a hint does not always mean that he is a "Solomon."

No "stilted" code of ethics will stand the test of time.

Gravitation affects material substances, but the mind, unaffected, flies beyond the constellations of boundless and endless space.

A right may be, and is sometimes included in a privilege, but this is not always the case.

Some men must have a degree to actually let it be known that they have been born into the world.

The alphabet or ABC's (barring technical methods of teaching children) should be the starting point on the race of life.

## FREE RUBY ELLINGTON IN SLAYING OF MATE

Henderson, Oct. 15.—Mrs. Ruby Wilder Ellington, 30-year-old blonde, was acquitted of the murder of her husband, Hartwell (Red) Ellington, 25, by a 13-man jury in Vance Superior court today.

She was tried for first degree murder, the only woman in the history of Vance county ever to face that charge. The trial had been in progress since last Thursday. She shot her husband to death in a North Henderson cafe July 3.

Stokes farmers have so far received more than \$40,000 in price adjustment payments on last year's tobacco crop.

## Outstanding Issue Is Human Rights, Roosevelt Asserts

Detroit, Oct. 15.—Asserting he was not afraid of the verdict, President Roosevelt tonight defined what he called the outstanding issue of the campaign: "Shall the social and economic security and betterment of the masses of the American people be maintained and strengthened or not?"

Speaking from the east lawn of the city hall to thousands of persons jammed around a flag-ornamented platform, the President expressed a belief that the people of America on November 3 would ask for continuance of the "present type of government" in preference to one that "put dollars above human rights."

In the heart of the country's vast automotive industrial district, he asserted 1936 promises to be the second largest year of automobile production in history, but added that the industry, and every other industry, still needs improvement in relationship with employees.

"It is my belief," he said, "that the manufacturers of automobiles and the manufacturers of many other necessary commodities must, by planning, do far more than they have done to date to increase the yearly earnings of those who work for them."

Referring early in his address to problem of relief, he argued that relief and work relief provided by federal funds "saved American humanity, and saved also the solvency of cities and states in every part of the nation."

The Chief Executive came to Detroit after an all-day stumping trip of Southern Michigan cities, which traced in reverse much of yesterday's political trail of Governor Alf M. Landon, of Kansas, his Republican opponent.

## MAN'S BODY FOUND HANGING FROM TREE

Thomasville, Oct. 12.—The body of John Burton, 66, was found hanging from a tree near the home of his brother, Ed Burton, on Cox avenue early this morning, having apparently hanged himself late last night. No cause for the act was known.

## More Labor Backs F. R.

New York, Oct. 8.—The Democratic National committee said today indorsement of President Roosevelt for re-election by "two more of the big railroad labor organizations" would be announced tomorrow in the newspaper "Labor."

## Women Who Have Pains Try CARDUI Next Time!

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## SURRY SCHOOL BUS WRECKED, INJURING SEVERAL STUDENTS

Pilot Mountain, Oct. 13.—Several students were slightly injured this morning when a Sliam school bus, operated by Jack Bass, overturned between Copeland and Sliam. The accident occurred when the driver attempted to change gears, it was reported.

Three of the students were brought here and received treatment at the office of Dr. S. F. Tilton, for bruises about the face and head. Others were taken to the office of Dr. Taylor Flippen at Sliam. None of the students were seriously hurt.

The bus was making connection with the Copeland bus in carrying students to school.

Beaufort County farmers report heavy losses of hay due to recent rains; however, the cotton crop is said to be the best ever grown in the county.

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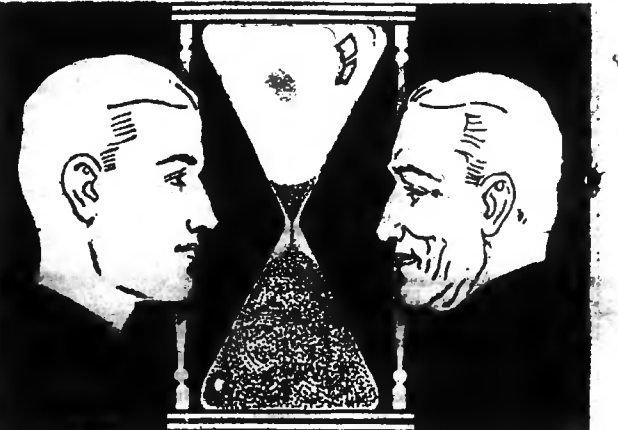
**SUBWAY MOTORMAN** (above). Clyde Smith, of New York City, likes a big steak—then enjoys Camels. He says: "I eat what I want when I want it—and then smoke Camels."

"I MAKE SURE to have Camels at mealtime," says Johnny Murphy (below), Bowling Champion. The flow of digestive fluids is increased when you enjoy Camels.



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