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Something For Nothing

Ten years ago if someone had told us that 1,000 people in Wilkes county would try to obtain something for nothing we would have refuted the assertion, but that is just what has happened.

We learn from the welfare office that about 1,000 people are seeking to apply for old age assistance or aid to dependent children.

Everybody who knows anything about the county knows that many people do need help and that many people should have assistance, but one thousand people represents about one person out of every 40 in the county.

So much talk of old age pensions, the Townsend plan, etc., during the past few years has so stirred many of the misled aged people that they think old age pensions for everybody over 65 are here and that all they have to do is prove their age. They do not stop to think of where the money would come from and are content to believe that there is a Santa Claus money maker somewhere who can put out untold millions.

There are others, including many politicians, who say soak the rich to get money to give away. This makes popular ballyhoo but unfortunately is impractical because of the simple fact that only a very small per cent of the people are rich, that they are being taxed almost to the limit and that taxing manufacturing corporations can mean but one thing and that is increased cost of living to the laborer and farmer.

As a matter of fact, from one-fourth to one-third of the money expended for aid to aged, dependent children and the blind must be raised by the county, which has but one way of obtaining substantial revenue, an ad valorem tax on property and the property of the county consists mainly of homes and real estate. This brings this subject close home or into our homes.

We hope the worthy and most needy cases in Wilkes will be helped and that the law will prove to be as humanitarian as it has been proclaimed.

Majority Rule

Some would argue that a democracy is a form of government wherein a majority of its people may rule as they please but such is far from the case. To be a true democracy there must be just limitations as to how far the majority can legislate and rights of people whose opinions are not with the majority must be recognized.

If democracy were only majority rule let us suppose that some unit of government consisted of 100 persons and that fifty-one of those persons decided to legislate against the other forty-nine. Suppose that the 51 decided by majority vote to take all the property belonging to the 49. That would be majority rule, but would it be democracy? Or suppose that the 51 decided to kill the 49. That would be majority rule, but would be farthest from democracy.

Far fetched, one may say, and that no such outlandish things will ever happen. Maybe not, but they serve as illustrations to show the vast difference between majority rule and true democracy.

Majority rule combined with limits beyond which it cannot function create a state of democracy.

Those in the minority must be accorded the same rights and protection as those in the majority, and must have representation in matters affecting them or a state of democracy ceases to exist.

Court Cost Diminished

Seven years ago it took an average of nine weeks, 63 days, for criminal courts in Wilkes, Yadkin, Davie, Avery and Mitchell counties, which compose the 17th judicial district, for one term.

The spring term of criminal courts for all these counties consumed but 19 days (not weeks), and in each county except Wilkes, where a flu epidemic intervened, the docket was cleared.

And where court cost had been a source of headache to county officials of all the counties, the spring term of criminal courts paid out and left an average of about \$2,000 per county to go into the county school fund.

If that can be accomplished during one six-months period, why cannot efficient courts be the rule instead of the exception?

We could not expect such good results at every term because sometimes there are cases which will tie up a court for days at a time, running costs into the thousands, but those cases are the exception rather than the rule.

Judges sympathetic to county problems, diligent work by the solicitor, co-operation from enforcement officers, and co-operation by the lawyers can bring about a continuance of efficient courts.

In criminal actions of the type that compose the majority of cases on a court docket, some guilty or responsible party should be ferreted out and taxed with the cost. This party may be the defendant or the prosecuting witness who indicts because of prejudice, malice or because he is one of those individuals who is seeking witness fees.

More Than a Million

The 4-H clubs present an opportunity and a service to farm young people which they are using in increasing numbers. Read these encouraging figures:

"Four-H club enrollment in 1936 passed the million mark for the first time, exceeding the 1935 membership by almost 150,000 boys and girls. Early reports indicate the total may pass 1,190,000 members."

Baseball in Bible Days

With baseball season at hand, The Progressive Farmer claims that it is a very ancient game, going back to Bible days: "In what book was the first baseball game mentioned?"

"The Bible—Eve stole first, Adam stole second, Gideon rattled the pitchers, Goliath was put out by David, and the prodigal son made a home run."

Regardless of your opinion of Dizzy Dean, the champion popper, we are glad that the junior league in Wilkes so far has not produced any pitcher who is trying to imitate the "great one's" mouthpiece.

FIRESIDE PHILOSOPHY

By C. M. DICKSON

Take the loaves and fishes out of all issues and the "number" of one's friends will change very materially.

One doesn't have to "lie" and lay himself liable for laying plans to supplant his neighbors while "lying" on the ground and "lying" on him.

A lot of brotherly love that is dealt out these days is dealt out by the "sister." There's the same amount of sense in crying when one's tickled as there is in laughing when one's hurt.

A cobbler just hasn't time to keep his own wife shod if he keeps all the other folks in the community shod.

One difference between a fellow who takes advice from everybody and the one who takes it from nobody is that the former has a head full of "nothing" and the latter has his head empty of the same thing, so the odds is the difference.

As a rule, a good man is as eager to get out from politics as he is reluctant to get into them. There are but few men who fail to offer their services when they know that they will not be called upon to function.

Many men who claim to want jobs would, if they were to find them, "fall back like dead men."

When the preacher says, "Let us stand while we pray," nearly everybody will stand. "If he says, "Let us kneel," most people have rheumatism and cannot bow.

One necessary requisite to become an "aerial songstress" is to be able to hold one's breath for a long time.

Were it not for the law, many a man would be sent to the guillotine for merely telling the truth on some of the so-called "higher-ups."

The chief modern requisite for holding office is, "Is it politically expedient?"

Even a shirker is willing to share the spoils when the battle is won.

Why isn't it just as fair for a lawyer to law somebody as it is for a teacher to teach some one all the time?

Why Veneer Is Used In Modern Furniture

Much of the feeling against veneered furniture dates back to its early manufacturing days. The fine construction and good glues used in modern furniture making are far from what they were when the first veneered furniture was made. Veneered furniture today will last longer and serve better, under various conditions, than will solid wood furniture and possesses many advantages over solid woods from the standpoint of beauty.

Good appearance is essential in a furniture wood. Many woods that would be suitable for furniture making do not have the "figure" that is so pleasing to most of us. The beautiful effects made possible by the proper matching of figured veneer—effects that cannot be obtained with the costliest solid wood—are important features of veneered furniture, but the inherent structural advantages of this type of construction account for the fact that the bulk of the finest furniture produced today is veneered. In building a veneered table top, for instance, the manufacturer starts with a "core." Tests at the U. S. Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wis., have shown that woods that make the best cores are light in weight, that they neither shrink nor swell excessively with moisture changes, and that they are easily glued.

In high-grade veneer construction two layers, called "plies," are glued to each side of the core. These plies, which are selected for their strength and similar qualities are named "crossbands" because they are laid with their grain at right angles to that of the core. The face veneer, or side that shows, and back veneer are glued over the crossbands with their grain parallel with that of the core. The crossbands stabilize the panel, resist its tendency to shrink or to swell, and give it greater strength against splitting. If properly selected and glued, the crossbands also tend to keep the panel flat. Thin plywood panels made entirely of veneer are usually either three or five ply.

Plywood furniture, in addition to displaying highly figured cabinet woods to better advantage gives a more stable construction than solid wood. In contrast to solid wood, crossbanded panels change size but little with moisture changes, a property that makes plywood most desirable for this purpose. In summer, when the excessive winter dryness of the air in our heated homes has given away to the generous and varying moisture conditions of the outside atmosphere, solid wood swells appreciably, and may cause considerable annoyance. Both excessive shrinking and excessive swelling of this nature are largely done away with by the use of correct veneer construction.

Ford Glass Votes Dividend Toledo, O., July 13.—The directors of the Libbey Owens Ford Glass company voted today a dividend of \$1.50 a share, payable September 15 to the stockholder list of August 31st. The last dividend was 75 cents a share.

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PLANTS REOPENED

East Chicago, Ind., July 13.—Gates swung wide today at Youngstown Sheet and Tube company's "Harbor" plant, reopening without incident the last of the large steel mills closed by the 47-day-old strike on a seven-state front. Cheerful workers, many with "doodles"—steelmen's language for the familiar newspaper wrapped lunch—streamed past company and railroad police into the Indiana Harbor mill, which normally employs more than 6,000 persons. Plant officials said a virtually normal day force of 3,000 was on hand.

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SALE OF REALTY BY AUCTION

North Carolina, Wilkes County. By virtue of an execution from the Superior Court in case Klats Manufacturing Co., vs. J. E. Kinton and wife, Esther Kinton, to satisfy judgment of one hundred and two dollars (\$102.00), and interest on \$152.00 from 17th day of May, 1935, together with cost to the amount of \$4.45, I will sell for cash at public auction to the highest bidder at the Courthouse door in Wilkesboro, N. C., on Monday, August 2nd, 1937, the following described real estate, to-wit: Being in Reddies River township, Wilkes county, N. C.: Beginning on a maple in the old Moravian line and running south 87 degrees east with said line 183 poles to a stake in the Davis line; thence with the Davis line south 11 degrees east 97 poles to the mouth of the branch; thence up and with the branch 91 poles to the bridge; thence with the road south 6 degrees east 35 poles to the railroad; thence with the road south 36 degrees west 18 poles to a stake; thence south 79 degrees west 10 poles to a stake on the bank of the road; thence north 5 degrees

The 400-foot Central Tower of the 1936 Golden Gate International Exposition will tower higher than the summit of nearby Yerba Buena Island.



Over-indulgence in food, drink, or tobacco frequently brings on an over-acid condition in the stomach, gas, indigestion, heartburn, sour stomach, and flatulence. To get rid of the discomfort and correct the acid condition, take ALKA-SELTZER. Alka-Seltzer contains Sodium Acetylsalicylate (an analgesic) in combination with vegetable and mineral alkalies. Your druggist sells Alka-Seltzer by the drink and by the package. BE WISE-ALKALIZE

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