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Officers' Pledge

Physicians have their oath of Hippocrates and men of other professions have their standards of ethics and it just recently was brought to our attention that a pledge has been made for law enforcement officers.

It is the pledge which members of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the famous and idolized G-Men, live and work by and which other law enforcement offi-

We believe that the FBI pledge for law enforcement officers is worthy of repro-

cers are encouraged to assume. duction. It is as follows: "Humbly recognizing the responsibilities entrusted to me, I do vow that I shall always consider the high calling of law enforcement to be an honorable profession, the duties of which are recognized by me as both an art and a science. I recognize fully my responsibilities to defend the right, to protect the weak, to aid the distressed, and to uphold the law in public duty and private living. I accept the obligation in connection with my assignments to report facts and testify without bias or display of emotion, and to consider the Information, coming to my knowledge by virtue of my position as a sacred trust, to be used solely for official purposes. To the responsibilities entrusted to me of seeking to prevent crime, of finding the facts of law violations and of apprehending fugitives and criminals, I shall give my loyal and faithful attention and shall always be equally alert in striving to acquit the impocent and to convict the guilty. In the performance of my duties and assignments, I shall not engage in unlawful and unethical practices but shall perform the functions of my office without fear, without favor, and without prejudice. At no time shall I disclose to an unauthorized person any fact, testimony, or other information in any pending matter coming to my official knowledge which may be calculated to prejudice the minds of existing or prospective judicial bodies either to favor or to disfavor any person or issue. While occupying the status of a law enforcement officer or at any other time subsequent thereto, I shall not seek to benefit personally because of my knowledge of any confidential matter which has come to my attention. I am aware of the serious responsibilities of my office and in the performance of my duties I shall, as a minister, seek to supply comfort, advice and aid to those who may be in need of such benefits; as a soldier, I shall wage vigorous warfare against the enemies of my country, of its laws, and of its principles; and as a physician, I shall seek to eliminate the criminal parasite which preys upon our social order and to strengthen the lawful processes of our body politic. I shall strive to be both a teacher and a pupil in the art and science of law enforcement. As a lawyer, I shall acquire due knowlege of the laws of my domain and seek to preserve

and maintain the majesty and dignity of

the law; as a scientist, it will be my en-

deavor to learn all pertinent truth about

accusations and complaints which come to

my lawful knowledge; as an artist, I shall

seek to use my skill for the purpose of mak-

ing each assignment a masterpiece; as a

neighbor I shall bear an attitude of true

friendship and courteous respect to all cit-

izens; and as an officer, I shall always be

loyal to my duty, my organization, and my

country. I will support and defend the

Constitution of the United States against

all enemies, foreign and domestic; I will

bear true faith and allegiance to the same, and will constantly strive to cooperate with

and promote cooperation between all regu-

larly constituted law enforcement agencies

and officers in the performance of duties Moravian Falls of mutual interest and obligation"

The above pledge is very scriot, but any officer who does not or cannot consistently live and work according to the pledge should lose no time in turning in his badge.

Our Common Enemy

North Wilkesboro has one thing about which we cannot boast or point to with the recital in unison of the club pride and which we would not want to ad- invocation. Mrs. L. B. Laws led vertise as an asset.

That happens to be a tremendous supply of rats.

In North Wilkesboro we have rats of all descriptions and the pest has become

But North Wilkesboro has no greater months ago. Corot's paintings are supply of the pests than other cities and States has its share though pertowns, and no one should stay away be- haps his most celebrated works of

We have noticed by the papers, how-We have noticed by the papers, now-on his famous pictures "Just be-ever, that some towns are instituting rat fore Sunrise," "Forest of Fonexterminating campaigns. Not knowing talneblau," and "The Moat," almuch about the subject, we do not know though she confined her discourse whether or not such a campaign should be made here but we would mention that such a project might be considered and if there is any reasonable chance of exterminating rats or greatly diminishing their popula- Critcher; Jr., called the roll to tion it should be done.

Great damage is done each year by rats spring flower. Miss Harriet Mcand it is the duty of every person to make Googan gave a report on an honest effort to kill every rat on his

Facts About State

The Consumer Market Data Handbook Federation of Home Demonstraissued by the U.S. department of commerce gives some interesting facts about the economic status of North Carolina. Here they are:

In 1930 the percentage of people owning their homes in North Carolina was 44. Paul Vestal was selected to make Utah was on top with 61 and Georgia and a basic recipe for potato salad South Carolina were nied for the bottom which will be distributed to the

Sales per capita in North Carolina totaled \$146. Nevada led with \$482 and appointed a committee whose Mississippi was a poor last with \$89.

In 1935 North Carolina had 12 people per thousand making income tax returns. Mississippi was on the bottom with only 7 while Nevada was on top with 71.

North Carolina had 57 cars per 1,000 Critcher. people. Nevada was high with 103 and Mississippi was again last with 30.

The average value per farm in North Carolina was \$2,069. California was tops with \$15,466 and Alabama was on the bottom with \$1,347.

We can readily see that while North Carolina is not crowding the states on the use of a commercial paint rebottom, there is plenty of room for im-injuring the grain of the wood. provement. We have a balanced state, a greta state and one which has numerous grades of sandpaper and steel advantages. But because it is as good as it wool suitable for sanding. As a is is no reason to rest on our laurels and luli ourselves into complacency.

Safety Practices

Calling attention to the fact that three Critcher, Jr., and Miss Ruth Hubpersons were killed in North Carolina last month as a result of failing to take proper precautions when changing tires on the highway at night, Ronald Hocutt, Director of the Highway Safety Division, gave out

the following suggestions:

When compelled to make repairs or change a tire on the highway at night, the first processition to cheeve is pulling on the state of said decedent against the estate of said decedent against the estate of said decedent against the state of said decedent against the st first precaution to observe is pulling completely off the highhway or as far over on the shoulder as possible.

Flares should be placed on the highway some feet behind the car and also in front of it, but if you do not carry flares' you should by all means leave the dim lights on your car burning.

If working on the side of the car next to the highway, it is wise to move around to the other side when a car approaches,

"These are simple, commonsense precautions, and fatal accidents of this type County, North Carolina, this is to will be materially reduced if not entirely eliminated when all motorists follow such precautions in making repairs or changing tires on the highway at night", Hocutt the state of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigner day of the said da

TOPSY-TURVY WORLD

(Baltimore News-Post)

Everything seems to be going topsy-turvy in the world at present—even the weather.

Perhaps the elements have become demoralized by observing the bad behavior of the inhabitants of this planet.

A little more than a decade ago we thought we were in clover. Forecasts were even made that poverty was to be abolished.

But soon prosperity took a flop, and even the rich had to taste a morsel of poverty. Next, Old Sol got restive and flunked at his job

of keeping our planet warm. April is two-thirds gone, and gentle Spring is off duty in Baltimore after a winter of unconsconable

severity. Now Jupiter Pluvius is butting in to drench us

with floods. Dame nature seems to be chastising this weary world for waging a cruel war, and even the peaceful nations have to suffer.

Home Club Meets

The Moravisa Falls Home Demonstration Club mat Wednesday afternoon, April 17, in the home of Mrs. L. G. Critcher with Mrs. J. C. Critcher, Sr., as co-hostess The president, Mrs. C. F. Brethoil, called the meeting to order The program was opened with the devotional service. Mrs. S. C. Stewart discussed the life and works of Jean Baptiste Corot, the French painter of lovely landscape pictures. She compared Corot's works with those of his contemporary, Jean Millet, whose paintings she reviewed several art are found in the Lauvre chiefly to his beautiful painting "Spring," which depicts a scene of simple tranquility. In the absence of Mrs. W.

Scroggs, the secretary, Mrs. J. C. which each member answered with the name of her favorite meeting of the food committee which met with a committee from the Boomer club. She submitted the menu which the committees selected for the lunch to be served at the District meeting of the tion Clubs which will meet in North Wilkesboro on May 30th. General plans and suggestions were made for the district meeting and also for the meeting of the Council which is to take place on Saturday, April 20th. Mrs. different members who are to make the salad for the District meeting luncheon. Mrs. Bretholl duty it is to plan the kitchen arrangement for the new community house. This committee is composed of the following: Mrs. J. C. Critcher, Jr., chairman, Mrs. Grover Hix, Mrs. W. R. Hix, Mrs. W. C. Hendren, and Mrs. L. G.

As the demonstration phase of the month, Miss McGoogan removed the finish from an antique chair and showed the proper method of refinishing. She first used a homemade solution of lye paste for removing the old finish. This method was very effective. however, she recommended the She demonstrated the different permanent finish to the furniture she used linseed oil and wax which brought out the rich mellowness of the fine old wood.

At the close of the meeting the hostesses, assisted by Mrs. J. C. bard, served ice cream and cake.

Ads. get attention-and results. ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrato exhibit them to the undersigned at Parsonville, N. C., on or before the 8th day of April, 1941, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons in-debted to said estate will please

make immediate payment.
This 8th day of April, AD. 1940.
WAYNE RICHARDSON, Administrator of Mary C. Wood ruff, deceased.

I. H. Casey, Attorney.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as Administra-tor of the estate of Albert K. 1941 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All per-sons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.
This the 26th day of March 1940.

ALBERT K. PEARSON, Jr Admr. of Albert K. Pearson, Deceased. 5-2-6t (t)



IT'S COMENG-**MONDAY - TUESDAY**

WPA Told Net to Do Campaigning

Chief Harrington Warns Politicizing Will Not Be Tolerated

Washington. - Work Progress Commissioner F. C. Harrington ast night warned all relief workers and officials that he will not tolerate their participation in the coming political campaigns.

All WPA employees, it was aid, will be handed a letter from Harrington with their next pay checks emphasizing that the does not take part in politics, either directly or indirectly."

Regulations and assurance contained in the letter to more han 2,000,000 persons on relief "olls follow:

1. They are "entitled to vote r not vote, as you choose."

2. No one can force their disharge or change their wage rate because of their political affiliaion or their voting intentions.

No Legal Soliciting 3. They may not legally be solicited for contributions to a political campaign.

ess, Keep it that way."

"I will not tolerate any violation of the above regulations," Harrington wrote. "The WPA is not in politics and does not take part in politics, either directly or indirectly."

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

HENRY REYNOLDS CLEM WRENN AND WIFE MRS. CLEM WRENN.

The defendants above named will take notice that an action entitled

as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Wilkes county, North Carolina, for the foreclosure of a tax lien on lands n North Wilkesboro township, for delinquent taxes of the year

apply to the Court for the relief cation hereof or the relief sought demanded in said action.

4. Administrative or supervisory officials are prohibited from participating in political activity 4-25-4t (t)

This 28th day of March, 1 M. M. WOOD, Ex

of the estate of John Wood, dec'd. 5-2-5 (t) SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

North Carolina, Wilkes County. In the Superior Court
Mrs. Viola Merrick, Plaintiff,

L. A. Merrick, Defendant To the defendant, L. A. Merrick, bove named:

above named:
Hereby take notice that an action has been commenced in the Superior Court of Wilkes county, in which the plaintiff, Mrs. Viola Merrick, is seeking to obtain a divorce from the defendant, L. A. Marvick on the steutron granular seconds.

Merrick, on the statutory grounds of two years separation. The defendant, L. A. Merrick, The defendants are required to appear at the office of the Clerk required to be and appear in the of the Superior Court of Wilkes office of the Clerk of the Superior county, within thirty (30) days from service of this notice and boro, North Carolina, and answer answer or demur to the complaint or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will within thirty days from the public county.

will be granted.
This 9th day of April, A. D. 1940 C. C. HAYES

Clerk Superior Court of W County.

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NORTH WILKESBORO, N. C.

YOU MUST

REGISTER to VOTE

IN PRIMARY

SATURDAY, MAY 25TH

The Board of Elections Recently Ordered a

NEW REGISTRATION

Of All Voters in Wlikes County

REGISTRATION BOOKS WILL BE OPEN IN THE VARIOUS PRE-CINCTS BEGINNING . . .

SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH

AND ALSO FOR THE NEXT TWO SATURDAYS . . .

MAY 4TH AND MAY 11TH

Be sure to register so that you will be eligible to vote in the primary and general election. The registrar of your precinct will be at your respective voting places on the dates above mentioned, and you may also register between April 27th and May 11 if you will call at his home or place of business.

Wilkes County Board of **Elections**

By E. P. INSCORE, Chairman, J. C. GRAYSON, Secretary