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Wilkes Record Good

It is no secret that voluntary enlistment of 17-year-old boys in the navy has lowered and will lower calls by draft boards.

North Carolina led the nation in such enlistments last month, and Wilkes county was at or near the top among the hundred counties in North Carolina in number of boys, according to population, who enlisted. Wilkes had 17.

The navy likes young men, and operates on the theory that if a boy age 17 goes in to the service that a home is not torn up and that no essential business is disrupted.

The young fellows take to training like a duck to water, and the training and experience is good for them.

Use The Park

Now that the park here has been formally opened and with supervisors and watchmen on hand, greater use of the park is urged.

Through generosity of International Shoe company in allowing an area to be used, North Wilkesboro has a wonderful little park, which needs some additional playground equipment.

We urge that any who have playground equipment which they can donate for park use to do so at once.

Majestic trees, verdant grass and beautiful landscape are natural assets of the park area. Some equipment is needed to make it complete for recreational and social purposes.

Quit Squabbling

Patriotic Americans, regardless of political party affiliation, regret the squabbles and quarrels among high government officials in Washington.

The nation needs unity as never before, and when high officials, cabinet members and heads of important bureaus and agencies air their squabbles it is not a good example for the people.

The one important task now is to win the war. We have no fear that our fighting men will do their part, but we do not like to see disunity on the home front.

War And Behavior

Superior court dockets are light. Few major crimes are committed, yet local police or officers in other towns will tell you quickly and certainly that people are not behaving well.

This laxity in moral standards and general delinquency is a natural outgrowth of wartime psychology, yet it presents a public problem of greatest magnitude.

Police are finding that drunks, especially on Saturday nights, are very troublesome. They are finding that drunks are becoming meaner and "tougher."

Not only that, but there is a great increase in the number of women and teen age girls who are taken into local court on vagrancy charges. Many of these are of juvenile age or have just passed the juvenile age line as far as the law is concerned.

The armed services have the cream of the crop as far as men are concerned. Mentally deficient, diseased and those with criminal records have been rejected for service.

Ladies hesitate to walk down the street on Saturday night. There is little danger of receiving physical injury but there are drunks whose profanity and vulgarity are distressingly embarrassing.

Officers cannot solve the problem. They can arrest law violators and put them in jail which seemingly is an endless process. But they cannot get to the bottom of the problem.

The solution must come from the homes. There must be more strict adherence to the morals code of behavior in homes and parents must keep their children in check.

Keep Youth Busy

Busy youth finds no time for mischief is the theory on which the General Federation of Women's Clubs will base its national campaign against juvenile delinquency and crime.

Mrs. John L. Whitehurst, the Federation's president, and the department and committee chairmen, who inaugurated this campaign, have established as their first principle that the important thing is to provide young people with something to do — something worth while which will give them a sense of responsibility and make them feel they are aiding in national war effort.

This campaign will be conducted by the 16,500 federated clubs in every state in the Union, in Alaska and the District of Columbia, with a membership of 2,500,000.

Mr. Whitehurst said:

"Youth is our greatest national asset. We dare not waste it. We must guide the development of youth along constructive lines. The war has brought increases in delinquency and crime among our youth, resulting from diminishing home controls and a spirit of wartime abandon.

"The objectives of our campaign are to reduce delinquency and crime among youth; provide for cooperation between law enforcement agencies and all other groups whose activities are crime preventive in nature or purpose; to provide worthwhile sparetime activities for youth; to make better citizens of youth; to reduce the possibility of a post-war upsurge in crimes of violence similar to that experienced in the twenties.

"We want to impress on parents, through Parent Teacher Associations and other groups, the importance of home discipline, guidance, and control of youth, especially during war time, when the force of circumstances seems to be in the direction of weakening the influence of the home and increasing the temptations in the path of youth.

"Clubwomen must make a thorough study of their local problems of delinquency and crime by use of the police records and juvenile court records and those maintained by juvenile agencies."

Employed persons in the United States in May, 1943, totaled more than the country's population in 1880.

Restrictions in the use of steel in war model ice boxes save an average of 79 pounds of steel per ice box.

Borrowed Comment
SHOULD BE SUSPENDED
(Statesville Daily)

In a few days you will be required to hand over to the government five dollars, which the government should blush to take. For collection of the use tax on automobiles in the Eastern area, burdened with a gasoline shortage is not only grotesque, it also further aggravates an already inequitable situation by bringing added penalty to motorists in the drastically rationed sections.

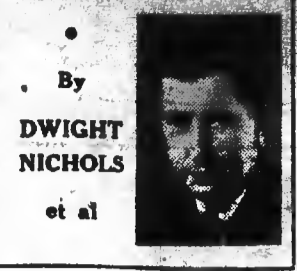
The repeal of the tax for the whole country would be in order if Congress were mindful of the ultimate effect of the imposition of a nuisance tax on the people. But abandoning it in areas where automobiles are either taken out of circulation altogether or so curtailed in operation that any additional toll on them is like tithing the bread the ravens are supposed to bring.

The \$5 use tax is irritating and galling to the automobile owner who already is burdened with a multiplicity of special fees, imposts and annoyances. It is an orphan that Congress itself has refused to support, because it has provided no money to collect it. The tax has no agency or administration of its own. Congress made a nuisance of it under the assumption that it was so small the people wouldn't gripe about paying it to postmasters or to collectors of internal revenue. What is more the enforcement of its collection and use is chiefly left to the whims of local police.

The revenue the tax brings in does not justify the bother. It serves no useful purpose in registering cars; it is not any dependable factor in draining off purchasing power in order to head off inflation, and the whole of it wouldn't pay the costs of five minutes of war. It cannot be defended for application against the entire country: It represents a disturbing prejudicial burden when applied against an area whose gasoline supply is so curtailed that the presence of the sticker on windshields but accentuates the joke that it is and the irritation that it causes.

Local law enforcement officials who fail to notice the absence of the little sign if payment, couldn't reasonably be counted derelict in their duty, if any.

ABNORMAL ABSURDITIES



By DWIGHT NICHOLS et al

We depare temporarily from our efforts at humorous writing to say something about one evil which is growing prevalent.

Following is nearly as possible the words of a conversation heard on the street here between two men:

"Well, my boy has to go to the army next month."
 "Why didn't you keep him out?"
 "I couldn't because I didn't have a suitable excuse."
 "I kept my boy out, and it didn't cost me but \$75."
 "How did you do it?"
 "I used my head. I furnished the money for some liquor, put it in an old car and sent him down the road to get caught. Officers caught him and the army would not have him."

That conversation took place on the street here. We didn't hear it, but a friend did. We regret that we cannot give the names of the participants, because the person who overheard did not know them.

And we pause to thank God that fathers who would do a thing of that kind are the exception rather than the rule in America.

Rather than let his son do his duty for his country, he deliberately put him in the position of having a criminal record.

And we have been informed that some young men have been turned down as illiterates when they have at least elementary school education. It is our information that some who have held jobs dealing with the public, where a knowledge of writing and arithmetic was essential, were turned down as not being able to read and write intelligently.

In some instances, the so-called illiterates have outwitted the examiners.

JUST CHATTER

It has been said that the man of the hour is the one who promises to wait a minute for his wife.

A man full of uncertainty must have had hash for dinner.

Famous last words: "I don't see how they could sell this stuff for 50 cents a pint."

There was a man who sat up all night trying to figure out where the sun went when it set. It finally dawned on him.

A TALE OF COWS

"Oh, what a strange looking cow!" exclaimed a sweet young thing from Detroit. "But why hasn't it any horns?"

"Well, you see," explained the farmer, "some cows are born without horns and never have any, and others shed theirs, and some we dehorn, and some breeds ain't supposed to have horns at all. There's a lot of reasons why some cows ain't got horns, but the big reason why that cow ain't got horns it because she ain't a cow—she's a horse!"—Ex.

NO EXAGGERATION

The old man loved to spin a yarn around the general store stove.

"Well, sir," he was saying this time, "so there I was—pinned to the tree by fifteen Injun arrows, and there I stayed for nigh a week."

"Uh-huh," put in a young fellow, winking at the others, "but didn't the arrows hurt you?"

The old man fixed him with a baleful eye. "Nope, son, only when I laughed."

NOT THE MILK!

Then there was the patient parent who didn't object to the young man sitting up so late with his daughter. It was his taking the morning paper when he left.

Questions-Answers
By State College

Question: How can I control worms on my cabbage?
 Answer: Extension entomologists at State College say that the best method of control is a dust mixture of one part of Paris green and nine parts of hydrated lime. The mixture should be dusted on the plants when there is a small amount of dew on them. The material is poisonous so, in cutting the cabbage heads, the outer leaves of the head should be removed. These leaves fit closely around the head and their removal takes care of all the poisonous residues left on the plant.

SPEARS FINED \$1,000
 A. L. Spears, proprietor of a doughnut shop, and bakery in Greensboro has been fined \$1,000 and given one year in Federal prison at Petersburg, Va., after pleading guilty in a black market sugar case before Judge Johnson J. Hayes.

No Cameras On Beach This Year

Any one who sees county people going to the beach this year? Well, don't bother to take your camera or binoculars with you, for they will just be something else to carry and you won't be allowed to use them.

Headquarters, Fourth Service command reminded the general public today that Public Proclamations No. 3 and No. 3 of the Eastern Defense Command forbid taking pictures or using binoculars in restricted areas along the Atlantic Sea Coast, including most ocean beaches from Maine to Florida.

The proclamations, dated September 7 and December 21, 1942, state in part that: "no person not in the armed forces or a member of an enforcement agency engaged the performance of his official duties shall use or operate at any time or place within any of the . . . zones . . . any camera, any binocular, field glass, or similar instrument in the nature of visual aid, or any signal device."

Coast Guardsmen, Army patrols, and local authorities enforce these orders. So, you will save not only yourself but those charged with enforcing the order a lot of trouble if you leave the camera and binoculars at home.

Requirements For Enlistment In the WAVES Lower

Raleigh.—Physical requirements have been modified considerably for enlistment in the WAVES, it was announced here today, by Lt. Cmdr. Charles B. Neely, and Tar Heel women are urged to make immediate application for specialist training.

Commander Neely, who is head of the State's Navy recruiting, said that several modifications had been ordered in the WAVES recruiting standards, and that "practically every healthy woman in the State is an outstanding potential WAVES officer or petty officer".

WAVES applications may be obtained at any North Carolina Navy recruiting station, located at Charlotte, Raleigh, Greensboro, Asheville, Winston-Salem, Salisbury, Wilmington, New Bern and Elizabeth City.

Age limits are 20 and 36 for enlisted WAVES; 20 and 50 for officers. No education beyond two year's high school is necessary. Married women are eligible, and single women may marry while they are in the service.

There are approximately 800 North Carolina women already wearing the trim WAVE uniform. Designed by Mainbocher, and fitted by expert tailors, uniforms worn by members of the WAVES present a picture of military bearing and efficiency.

Uniforms are furnished free by the Navy, and all other expenses are paid by the government. Every cent a WAVE makes is clear.

Plans for invasion paint a vivid picture why WAVES are needed in the Navy. Every woman who volunteers releases a fighting man to help in achieving victory. With the victor in this war described as the "one who gets there first with the most", the women in the WAVES take on a note of added importance.

Says Deaths In This War Less

New York.—Robert T. Merrill, commander in chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, said today on his arrival from North Africa that he would make a report on casualties and hospitalization which would be a pleasant surprise to the nation.

"I can say that considering the scope of operations, the casualties were much less than in the last world war. There were many less deaths," he said.

Merrill, an attorney from Havre, Mont., arrived at LaGuardia field on a Flying Ace of the American Export lines.

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