

The Everyday Counselor

Rev. Herbert Spough, D. D.

Courtesy being one of the most admirable human traits, I have often wondered why more emphasis has not been placed upon it by our schools. According to THE MARION STAR (S. C.), the state of South Carolina is launching a vigorous program of courtesy training in their high schools.

"At first surveys will be made in business firms amongst employees and customers to determine what courtesy problems are most common and what can be done to correct them. Films and posters will be used to call to the attention of the public and clerks the fact that courtesy is contagious and does pay dividends."

That training will be initiated in the form of a "Courtesy Promotion Week." After this, classes will be conducted in both high schools and business firms to train youths and adults to be more courteous, thereby rendering more effective service in the field of distribution. This is a part of the program of work in Distributive Education being conducted in South Carolina.

This is an interesting angle to the problem of Distributive Education, which is becoming a part of our school systems throughout the country. It brings the schools closer to business and industry which will employ our high school graduates.

We Americans are an impetuous

and somewhat intemperate people. We drive things through to a conclusion, and often at the expense of the feelings of others.

There is a school of modern psychology, of which Dale Carnegie is an outstanding exponent, which teaches that appreciation and encouragement accomplish far better results in getting the most out of people, than force and pressure. They tell us repeatedly that courtesy, consideration and appreciation pay big dividends. Those of us who have tried this program know that it works.

It is fine that courtesy programs are being launched in our schools. Every encouragement should be given to them. But if they're to be truly effective, such a program must originate in the home. Much good teaching in the school can be totally counteracted by bad example and practice at home. That puts the problem squarely in the lap of us parents. That's where it ought to be.

Too many marriages are going on the rocks today due primarily to the lack of courtesy and appreciation between husband and wife. A marriage which started out beautifully and serenely, all too quickly becomes a domestic battleground. If there are children, they are inevitably drawn into the disorder and confusion. If parents aren't courteous to one another, they probably aren't courteous to the children. Naturally the children then follow their example.

The most closely knit unit in the land should be the home. Parents and children should certainly stand together remembering the old saying, "Blood is thicker than water." A home bound together by love, courtesy and appreciation will stand up under any set of circumstances.

Yes, courtesy commences at home, and no better rule for it has been devised than the Golden Rule.

Mrs. Pike, N. C. President Of H. D. Clubs Is In Europe

Mrs. Walter Pike, now in Europe, representing the Home Demonstration Clubs of this section, writes another interesting letter to her fellow club members, as follows:

Dear Club Members: Since it is impossible to write each of you personally, I am sending greetings to you through the press. This time it is from Holland, the headquarters of our Conference.

We arrived at Southampton, England, September 2nd and spent the first night at Bourne-mouth, England's famous seaside resort. From there we traveled through the beautiful English country-side to London, where we spent two full days sightseeing and being entertained. There were two teas, one of which was attended by our Ambassador Douglas' wife.

On Friday night we left for Holland after a very wild scramble through the customs.

Saturday morning found us on the coast of Holland and all I ever dreamed about it has come true. Of course, there is still much evidence of the devastation of war and we shall see more, but the way these people have gone forward with their reconstruction is amazing.

Tomorrow night we go to the Hague to be entertained by our own Ambassador Baruch.

The food here is good but I have a feeling that it is like putting on the best for company.

Postage and cards are very high so if any of my messages are very brief you will understand.

Details of all the trip will have to come later. Best wishes to each.

Sincerely,
Alma Pike.



By Mrs. Ed M. Anderson

Jack Frost got down to business over the week end and set the leaves to turning. He also rushed things up for farmers. Corn has to be cut, apples gathered, sweet potatoes dug and many other seasonal tasks performed. So along with the beauties of Autumn come necessary tasks.

There is something about the smell of grapes, apples, newly cut corn, pumpkin pies and the crisp cool air and of course football, and other features of the Fall of the year that we like very much.

Apples and Apples!

Alleghany has apples and apples, sweet, sour, juicy and mellow. We were presented one the other day called a "banana" apple. It has a flavor similar to this tropical fruit, too but we thought tasted better. We think there is nothing better than apples grown in this section of the State.

Hats off to the Greens

Congratulations to the Tom Greens, who have another new daughter, and by this time Tom probably has a new hat too. Homer Edwards and Cleto Choate

upon individuality; the shiftless are rewarded at the expense of the industrious; they rule by force and the ruthless hand of cruelty. Instead of Jeffersonian democracy, a gloomy picture faces all their victims, and no hope for even one ray of light to brighten their pathway.

We endorse the efforts that are being made to get rid of communists. None should be allowed to hold office. Every one who is found to be disloyal as a private citizen should be deported to another clime.

While we pray to the God of Battles not to wave the red flag again and engulf the world in seas of blood and probably annihilate the human family from the face of the earth. As much as we deplore war and as a Christian nation shall use every means to avert it, but when all these means fail, so long as we live in the "land of the free and the home of the brave," so long as Old Glory waves over a free nation; so long as the Statue of Liberty beckons lovers of liberty to our shores, and so long as we think in terms of our posterity; just that long shall we endeavor to head off every attempt (by whatever means are necessary) to destroy our sacred heritage.

C. M. DICKSON,
Silas Creek, N. C.

Whole sale and packer stocks of canned vegetables carried over from 1946 are much above last year's low stocks. Green pea stocks appear unusually large.

July 1 prospects indicated that yields for North Carolina's 1947 corn crop will equal the all-time record of 27 bushels per acre harvested in 1946.

Open Forum COLUMN FOR THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

RUSSIA AND COMMUNISM

Perhaps the gravest problem facing the world today is Russia and Communism. Notwithstanding the Lend-Lease program, which probably saved Russia from the domination of Hitler and his regime, she has not only failed to show the least amount of appreciation for the same, but has blocked every move to bring about peace and save the world from utter destruction.

Upon every question she has been in the minority, and has not failed to use her veto powers despite the appeals and entreaties of practically all the major powers of the world. She has dodged the main issues upon every occasion and upon irrelevant technicalities pretends to defend herself. To all close observers and fair-minded men there appears to be only one motive—too apparent to disguise—and that is to finally attempt to dominate the world. She has a form of government which permits a degree of slavery which is as bad, if not worse, than existed in the darkest days of Medieval Ages.

To carry out this program, she decries skilled labor, thrift, intelligence, and industry for the masses. Her propaganda is to array class against class, and does this family through communists who are scattered in different parts of the world. These communists believe in "common ownership." They put no premium

made a bon-fire of his old one in the middle of the street, Monday.

Tom would have had the general Chief Brant Taylor take action on the matter, but Chief said substantial witnesses would not make statements concerning the so-called arson.

Playing the Game

The Sparta Yellow Jackets, defeated by Booneville, Friday, put up a good battle, nevertheless, according to all accounts of those who witnessed the clash. "Our boys played an unusually good game, particularly during the first half when Booneville was held scoreless," one fan reported.

Let's go out Friday afternoon and see them play Rural Retreat here at home. The Yellow Jackets deserve our support.

Football, in the Air

Football, like Fall weather, is in the air. This was very evident around here Saturday, judging from the number who either went to the Duke-State or Georgia-Carolina game. Jim Graham, loyal State College alumni, admitted that he was proud of the backfield defense of his Alma Mater, but that what was needed was a tail back to do some scoring! And there were some Duke fans, who wished for the same.

Many of those, who stayed at home, enjoyed the broadcast almost as much as if they had been there. Amos Wagoner says he became so intent on listening in, that even customers had to wait a while, at least until Carolina scored.

Dairy Business Grows

The dairy business in Alleghany county is a growing one. Down at Laurel Springs on the Doughton-Meadows farm, where once roamed the State's finest Herefords, are some Holsteins and a dairy barn. "We have some more work to do, but we are milking cows," J. H. Doughton said in discussing the transformation now going on there.

Literally Booked-Up

We ran across something in Sparta the other day that was literally booked-up for some time to come. No, it was not a show, moving picture or any similar attraction, or form of amusement, but the office of the efficient superintendent of schools, Miss Clyde Fields. They were text books, new and old. Some were in the process of being recalled from service and others just being inducted. We arrived at one conclusion, that a book room was needed or that the office of Miss Fields had growing pains. If you don't believe it is booked-up, take a look.

A Get-Well Card

Here goes a get-well card to Mrs. Edwin Duncan, known to her many friends as Bessie Lee. Her

Conservation Farming News

H. E. Singletary and T. E. Greene

Roy Chapel, of the Ennice community, has recently bought a farm. He was assisted last week by the Soil Conservation Service in getting the fields sampled. Roy plans to improve all of his farm by applying lime and phosphate and strip crop one crop field to prevent erosion.

C. P. Carico, of the Edmonds community, plans to seed a field to alfalfa next fall. He has soil samples taken to determine the necessary fertilizer and lime for best growth.

Soil samples were made last week on E. L. Williams farm near Sparta, this work was done by the Soil Conservation Service for the purpose of finding the needs for best growth of pasture and crops.

Underwood Medly, of near Barrett, had two fields sampled a few days ago. Underwood is a veteran and is working on his father's farm. A good job has already been done in getting fields in good condition, but strip cropping and permanent hay is planned as a further improvement.

M. W. Collins, of the Edmonds community, is planning to rearrange his crop fields, getting more cropland under the same fence and making them more convenient to the barn. He is making

Duncan, active in many social and civic organizations in this section, continues ill and continues to be missed. Bessie Lee's cheery smile and every-ready help in whatever needs to be done mean much when there is something to be done. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

You Asked For It!

Someone asked Ruth Caldwell, at the B. & T. Drug store the other day, why she was serving Spam sandwiches. In her pleasant manner she answered, "Because people ask for them." And so it is with the column. Believe it or not, there are those readers who ask for it!

ing plans to seed two acres of alfalfa next year. The Soil Conservation Service will assist in strip cropping and soil sampling.

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Elkin, N. C.

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Three 10 Lap Heats
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Management Bill France

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