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A good politician won't make too many commitments too early in the campaign.

Every boy needs an older sister, and every girl needs an older brother.

The most serious arguments usually start over the most trivial matters.

It doesn't take much hot air to fan into flame the hopes of a prospective political candidate.

Lady Luck is required to take an awful lot of blame from fishermen, hunters and gamblers.

An actor sometimes is called a ham, but we've yet to see one which we'd call exactly delicious.

Simile: As rare as a golden wedding anniversary in Hollywood.

About the only thing we can count on in this changing world is the appearance of bill collectors at the end of every month.

Radio comedians have it over those on the stage. You can't throw rotten tomatoes over the air.

In the old days there weren't as many books on child-raising but there were more woodsheds.

The world would be a much better place if we spent as much time looking for good qualities as we do finding fault with our neighbor.

Recently we heard of the longest newspaper subscription in the history of the world. It is good for 1,000 years, and is transferable by will.

Some people spend so much time talking about themselves that they never have an opportunity to find out what others may think about them.

Golden Rule

If Brunswick county is to escape the ravages of forest fire during the spring months, then residents of this county must apply the golden rule to their program of fire control.

In the first place, it will be physically impossible for the forest warden to know immediately of every blaze that flares up. This being true, it is to the interest of property owners to extinguish small fires whenever and wherever possible.

No matter if the fire is not burning near your property, your neighbor will appreciate your thoughtfulness and labor if you will put out an early fire on his property.

If it appears that a fire is about to get out of control, the sensible thing to do is to notify the forest warden.

Negro CCC Camp

Representatives from district headquarters for the Civilian Conservation Corps were in Southport Monday to attend a joint meeting of the board of county commissioners and the Southport board of aldermen.

The question for discussion was the establishment of a side camp of fifty Negro enrollees at Southport. The offer was made before the meeting, and Major Metts, spokesman for the CCC command, said that the wishes of the citizens would be followed.

Members of the board of aldermen opposed the establishment of the side camp here. Open doubt was expressed that strange Negroes of nondescript background would be accepted by Southport's colored citizens, who were described as being of a superior type. Even in the face of losing every possibility of the re-establishment of a CCC unit here, Southport citizens stood firm in their resolve.

Members of the board of county commissioners, on the other hand, favored the side camp. A group of CCC enrollees, be they white or black, is greatly to be desired during the coming months when threat of forest fire is at its height.

We offer a suggestion to which neither can object: Let's accept the side camp—even try for a full fledged encampment—but let's establish the camp site out in the county at some point that will be centrally located with regard to work projects.

This will afford the county its desired protection, and at the same time will not impose upon the citizens of Southport a condition which they feel is undesirable.

Personal Expressions

We always welcome expressions from our readers, regardless of whether they are friendly words of encouragement or criticism. We pass along a few.

Cary Pigford, of Ash, says that he enjoys The Pilot. He is blind, but has it read to him every week. Mrs. Roy Robinson subscribed to this newspaper this week before leaving for her new home in Boston. She says that she is going to depend upon The State Port Pilot to keep her informed of what goes on in her old home town for the next year.

Hulan Watts says that every time a decent catch of shrimp is made we run a story in the paper that results in a sudden deluge of new shrimpers. Mrs. S. W. Watts likes the increase that has been made recently in Southport social items. The newspaper is about the only way shut-ins have of keeping up with their neighbors, she says. Tom Meshaw writes from Georgetown, S. C., that he missed a couple of copies of The Pilot while his boat was being transferred from Morehead City. Mail me a couple of back copies if you have them to spare, he asks.

Mrs. Kenneth Kinsler made arrangements to have us send the paper to her at her new home at Ft. Brady, Mich., before she left last week. She told us that she seldom missed a copy of the paper while we were sending it to her in the Panama Canal Zone. Mrs. Lennon Swain wants us to send The Pilot to her at Church Point, La. I am starved for home news, she said. Bill Payne told officers in Charlotte that things were getting too hot for them in North Carolina. "It got so every little paper had our pictures," he complained. We wonder if he was talking about a cut of him we ran in The State Port Pilot while he was using his Brunswick county hideout?

Rules For Safety

At its recent annual Congress, the National Safety Council reaffirmed its declaration of war on accidents, and asked for:

- 1. More and better uniform traffic laws, especially in the matters of standard signs and signals and drivers' licensing requirements. 2. Stricter, fairer and more intelligent enforcement. 3. Efficient safety organizations in every state, county and community. 4. More and better traffic engineering, resulting in safer highways. 5. Periodic inspection of all motor vehicles by properly equipped stations operated or closely supervised by state or city. 6. Intelligent safety instruction in all schools. 7. More research into the physical causes and preventatives of accidents.

Vote On War

The suggestion of resurrecting the proposed Ludlow resolution giving the people of the country the right to have a say by popular vote before war can be declared has met with considerable opposition recently.

Now there seems little doubt that the proposal will ever find its way back to the floor of the Senate or the House of our National Congress.

While not ideally framed in its original, the proposal had many points which perhaps should have deserved the consideration of the people. Yet there were other points which confounded the issue in the minds of the American people.

Our Washington Letter

Undoubtedly, the absorbing question of the week has to do with the time lag between contemporary White House conferences with business, labor and farm leaders and the announcement of a fixed governmental policy. The sanguine hope is expressed that the primary effects will be felt at an early date as a means of reviving public confidence. It is realized, of course, that concerted action on a vast scale requires more time than that of a single individual or unit.

The bright thread of politics is vividly clear in the pattern of discussions at the Evcut Mansion. The animating spirit of the talks being one of mutual helpfulness for national security has, in a sense, discounted the ever-present political factors—a development which will probably make the gab-fests something more than a lame endeavor to face problems arising from a definite business recession. On Capitol Hill, critics of President Roosevelt are charging him with "blowing hot and cold" on policy revision for staging a comeback to prosperity. Private enterprise has adopted a cooperative attitude although spotted by a watching and searching skepticism. These postures are easily accounted for in Mr. Roosevelt's conflicting public statements which leave the country in a quandary.

Far-sighted spokesmen for powerful business groups realize that despite his great power, the Chief Executive is handicapped by political considerations. Readjustment of Administration policies, which have been interwoven for five years, requires fatiguing efforts. The radical elements—the 100 per cent New Dealers who were largely responsible for the innovations of the Roosevelt regime—cannot be lightly thrown aside or ignored. The worth and weight of their influence in Presidential councils is not entirely overlooked by those who have been invited to confer with Mr. Roosevelt. On-lookers who followed these deliberations closely feel that the lofty objectives of the left-wingers toward a government based on social needs must be greatly modified in a compromise plan for the nation's welfare. All observers agree that the whole subject of policy-making is so vital that it cannot be treated with levity or indifference.

It would be a mistake of the first order to assume that everything is hunky-dory at these White House chats. The suggestions offered by the various guests and the President are always subject to challenge—otherwise the conversations would be polite and futile. Oddly enough, it was the demonstration of concern on Capitol Hill at the special session as to the future of American business that had much to do with the present series of Presidential conferences. Yet, resentment is creeping out among the solons that Mr. Roosevelt is privately bothering to take the legislative branch of the government into his confidence. Congress will, however, have full opportunity to consider the policies when the recommendations for legislative action are forwarded from the White House. Meanwhile, prominent business tycoons are giving a Senate committee an earful in public testimony on causes and suggested remedies for the slump in trade.

The larger corporations which afford employment to vast numbers of citizens cannot see much relief from government action in the pending tax bill. The hearings before the House Committee on Ways and Means showed that the revision of the tax laws if downward would be designed to assist the smaller business enterprises. A retroactive amendment to the undistributed profits tax for 1937 is desired by industry but resisted in powerful Congressional and Treasury circles. It is known that representative men having small business have stressed the need for tax relief in talks with the President and with the legislators. The big investment houses and banks are skittish these days as the President openly demands restrictive legislation for holding companies. Heretofore, his objective was confined utility holding groups but is now broadened to reach the banking fraternity which demands from corporations which they have financed.

Bolivia Junior 4-H Club Meets

The regular Junior 4-H club meeting was opened Thursday by saying the club pledge. The minutes of the last meeting were read. The roll was called, then members read the health creed together. There were 12 members present. The meeting was held in the eleventh grade room at Bolivia high school. The club adjourned to meet again on February 17.

Laying Plans To Pay Unemployed

Extensive Preparations Being Made To Pay Weekly Benefits To Eligible Unemployed Workers On Last Of This Month

Raleigh, Jan. 26—Extensive preparations are now in progress in the Unemployment Compensation Division of the N. C. Unemployment Compensation Commission for paying the weekly benefits to eligible unemployed workers meeting the requirements of the law when they become due the latter part of January.

A claims division has been set up to check on the records of all workers whose claims are received to find if they have the proper work record. More than 35,000 of these claims were received during the first week, but many of the workers will return to work before the two weeks waiting period is completed, and in such cases, no payment will be made. If the eligible workers remain unemployed for the third full week, then they are due benefits for that week, and the checks for that week are to be sent out by January 28 or soon thereafter.

One distressing condition exists, that of workers who are unemployed and whose employers have made no quarterly reports, or incomplete quarterly reports on their earnings. In such cases, payments cannot be made to workers, as due for the Commission has no record of work on which to base payments until the Commission has obtained this data from employers.

Field deputies have been instructed to proceed with prosecutions of employers who have not made their quarterly reports for the first three quarters of 1937, on the ground that they are obstructing the payments by failure to report on their employees. The maximum fine for such failure under the State law is \$200, or imprisonment for not longer than 30 days, or both, and each day of such failure constitutes a separate offense.

OPEN FORUM

A column dedicated to opinions of the public. A monthlies for the views and observations of our citizens and readers for which we accept no responsibility. Contributions to this column must not exceed three hundred words.

Jan. 24, 1938 Editor The State Port Pilot: Southport, N. C.

Dear Sir: We think that Northern and Central North Carolina counties are getting well fed up with the mythical East-West political lines. I know that a lot of people in Brunswick, the most southerly county, are that way. Why should all of the Young Lochinvar's have to come from the West to consort with the Jackasses on our Eastern crest? It is about that way, or vice-versa. The lines have become so sharply drawn that, apparently, the whole state government is centered on either the East or West. Northern, Central and Southern counties get very little notice or consideration. Certainly, about the only consideration we have ever had down here in Brunswick was a recommendation that we put up money for the branch of the North Carolina Fisheries, Inc. It might be added that we were also given pronounced double-cross in the matter of a CCC camp.

Winnabow News

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Getting a Bit Unruly



Using Heat In Drying Cotton

Waste Heat From Internal Combustion Engines Now Used To Dry Damp Cotton, Says Ginning Specialist Utilizing waste heat from internal combustion engines to dry damp cotton is the latest wrinkle in the ginning business, says J. C. Ferguson, cotton ginning specialist of the State College Extension Service. During the current cotton ginning season, North Carolina ginners have used four different types of driers for the conditioning of seed cotton. All of the twelve gins using driers have reported an average of one grade improvement in sample and certain savings in operating costs. All commercial driers at present use steam radiators as a source of heat. This means the

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addition of a small boiler where steam power is not used to drive the gin, Ferguson explained. Therefore, many ginners consider the addition and operation of a drier prohibitive in cost. Because of this condition, experiments have been started in the utilization of waste heat from internal combustion engines, which power most gins. While a small amount of work has been done, there is sufficient evidence to indicate the possibilities of such an arrangement. It has been found that most internal combustion engines require for best operation a cooling water temperature of 160 to 180 degrees. If sufficient air is passed through the radiator to carry off such heat, there is seldom any difficulty in maintaining constant working temperatures, Ferguson said. The work has also shown that some heat can be captured from the exhaust gases and from the exhaust manifold of the engine.

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