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It's easier to put over an idea that you believe in yourself.

Realization of the worst isn't nearly so bad as endless uncertainty.

The idle poor spend their time envying the idle rich.

Free advice usually isn't worth what it costs.

Preacher, politician, businessman: You will find a friendly personality your greatest asset.

Weather is unpredictable, but that doesn't keep it from being a leading topic of conversation.

Never before has Southport and this county been more thoroughly advertised than at the present time.

There ought to be a law that each criticism be accompanied by a sound suggestion for improvement.

It takes some longer to recover from a trip than it does others from on operation.

Stealing Your Hens

Chicken thievery, that lowly art so closely associated with impecunious negroes and watermelon-snatching, has developed in Columbus county into a highly organized and lucrative racket.

Modern purloiners are not content to steal an occasional hen when they get tired of fat-back and collard greens or when the preacher is supposed to eat dinner with them.

Farmers who have lost their flocks when poultry cars are scheduled to arrive state that the thievery is most noticeable in the county.

The problem is not confined to this locality. Poultry owners throughout North Carolina have had flocks stolen.

C. F. Parrish, extension poultryman at State College offers some timely suggestions. "We have two ways of combatting this trouble," he says.

Fox Hunters, Welcome

With no desire to question the contention of W. B. Keziah that the prowling house cat is the greatest enemy to Brunswick county quail, we should like to brew trouble for one of the natural enemies of the game bird—the fox.

About the best way to do this, we believe would be to encourage fox hunting down this way. We understand that this sport was once widely followed in Brunswick, but now the only fox hunters are visitors from other sections.

It is noteworthy that each hunting expedition made in this county by up-state visitors has met with fine success. There is no scarcity of the prey they seek.

Three times during the bird hunting season we heard of hunters who saw live foxes in the daytime—an unheard of occurrence in other sections of North Carolina.

killed. So we'd suggest that the ancient sport of fox hunting be encouraged among our local people; and we are the first to issue a cordial invitation to up-state followers of the "sport of kings" to come here to pursue Sir Reynard.

Good Idea

We commend the action of the local school board at Southport and Shallotte-Lockwoods Folly high schools for going ahead and electing their principals for next year.

It gives the principals an opportunity to proceed with school plans for next year, and it removes cause for doubt and speculation from the minds of students and members of the faculty.

In announcing the re-election of W. R. Lingle as head of the local school for another year, the school committee for Southport is placing its stamp of approval upon the aggressive, fearless program he has pursued in an effort to restore the local institution to its former standard.

Henry C. Stone is doing a good job at Shallotte high school, and his re-election for a fourth year as principal bespeaks the confidence that his school committee has in his ability.

The Farm Bill

March 12 has been set by Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace as the date for the referendum for the new Farm Bill. In other words, on that date the farmers themselves will be given the final chance to say whether they will be governed by the provisions of the Farm Bill this year.

Naturally, there is some discussion regarding the merits of this new program. It was drafted by farm experts, and they believe that it will be of lasting, permanent good for the American farmer.

Others, including Senator J. W. Bailey, are opposed to the bill and it is charged that too much government interference is licensed.

We are making no effort to persuade our readers. We have brought you all available information regarding this new farm program; we will do our best to keep you posted on each new development.

And if the Farm Bill receive the necessary two-thirds vote or approval on March 12, our advice to our readers—regardless of their previous stand—is to cooperate with the program one hundred per cent for one year.

The County Tournament

This is an open letter to principals of Brunswick county high schools and to the coaches of the basketball teams at these institutions regarding the 1938 Brunswick County Tournament.

There are five consolidated high schools in this county, and in past years it has been the custom to permit both the girls' and boys' team from each school to enter the tournament regardless of their records during the regular season.

The tournaments have been so arranged that play began on Friday afternoon, with one team in each division drawing a bye. After their Friday games, the two winners in each division have drawn again to see which must meet the holder of the first round bye on Saturday afternoon.

It isn't difficult to see the unfairness of that situation. A fresh team going into the finals has a good opportunity to upset a better, but tired, opponent.

We suggest that the county high school team showing the poorest record in season play in each division be dropped from tournament consideration. This will allow four teams in each group to begin their play on Friday in the semi-final stage.

The principal and coach of Southport high school have signified their willingness to cooperate with this program and withdraw their girls' team from the tournament entry list.

Southport School News

LIBRARY IMPROVEMENTS

The Southport high school library has become the center of attraction since the new magazine and newspaper stand has been placed. Through the help of Mr. Lingle and other school officials this gift was made possible.

The high school students wish to extend their thanks to the people who have donated books and magazines to the library and it is their hope to have one of the best libraries in this section.

The Southport high school Panthers will play Shallotte high school in a double-header at Waccamaw Friday night, February 25.

NO SMOKING

A plea is being made to all who use the school gymnasium to kindly refrain from smoking in that building.

CLASSBOOK

This week the senior class of Southport high school has been busy compiling a 1938 classbook. This has been a project of the English department under the supervision of Mrs. Josephine Marshall, senior class sponsor.

The booklet, with red covers and white pages to carry out the class colors, includes a class, Who's Who List, autographs, class picture and snapshots.

The main theme of the booklet is, "Good Manners in High School", covering manners to teachers, in corridors, in assembly, and in the classroom.

The class book editorial staff is: Editor, Edward Taylor; Assistant, Gene O'Brien; Art Editors, Katie Cox, Jane Shannon.

PRESENT PLAY

The Southport High School auditorium was well filled Friday evening when the junior class presented, "Here Comes Charlie", a three-act comedy.

FACULTY GAME

Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock there will be the most outstanding games of the season. The high school girls will meet the faculty.

EMBLEM SALE

The Junior class in continuing its campaign for funds for the Junior and Senior banquet by selling some attractive emblems carrying out the school colors of Red and White.

Dolphins Defeat Whiteville All-Stars

The Dolphins defeated Whiteville here Monday night 45-17. The locals were led by Willing, who made 18 points.

The locals led Whiteville throughout the game. At the half they held a 19-5 lead.

All of the Dolphins showed good fighting spirit, never tiring or slowing up although they held a good margin throughout the game.

This was the Dolphins second win over Whiteville this season.

LINE UPS

Table showing line ups for Dolphins and Whiteville players.

This season the Dolphins have won 11 games and lost 2. They have made 591 points to their opponents 342.

They play Loris here Thursday night at 8:00 o'clock.

"Did you ever hear anything so perfectly wonderful?" exclaimed daughter as the radio ground out the last notes of the latest tin gin jazz.

"No," replied dad. "I can't say I have although I once heard a collision between a truck load of empty milk cans and a freight car filled with live ducks."

WASHINGTON LETTER

Washington—Survey of sentiment at Capitol Hill this week reveals that the political masterminds fully expect, that in the absence of a definite recovery program, the country will like our British cousins "muddle through somehow".

The reaction to the White House price statement varies in political and business sectors. There is, however, a general feeling that the statement was essentially a compromise between factions within the official family as to questions of policy.

The President is also current that the President is desirous of insuring stabilization of prices for several months to end the current spell of cautious buying which is contributing to unemployment.

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But It's True

THE WATERFALL THAT WAS ONE MILE HIGH! THE MOUTH OF THE HUDSON—WHEN THE HUDSON EXTENDED OUT 100 MILES INTO WHAT IS NOW THE ATLANTIC OCEAN.



Some 500,000 years ago the Hudson river found its mouth a hundred miles out of New York, in what is now the Atlantic ocean. The end of the river came suddenly, in the form of the most tremendous waterfall ever known, as far as geologists are able to determine.

horney's nest at the Capitol with powerfully organized peace groups waging a campaign to curb the trend toward militarism. The big Navy boys have the upper hand in the game as the President is on their side having served as an Assistant Secretary of the Navy in the Wilson regime.

Expert Answers Farm Questions

Primary Factors To Consider In Selecting Hatching Eggs; Worms In Tobacco Beds; Spraying Peach Orchards

QUESTION: What are the rid of small worms in my tobacco plant beds?

What Newspaper Advertising DOES!

- When someone starts advertising, Someone starts buying; When someone starts buying, Someone starts selling; When someone starts selling, Someone starts making; When someone starts making, Someone starts working; When someone starts working, Someone starts earning; When someone starts earning, Someone starts buying;

An endless chain, so to speak, and the merchant who doesn't advertise and advertise regularly is breaking the links in this endless chain!

Merchants who live in his favored Eastern Carolina territory should be taking advantage of their exceptional opportunities to tell what they have to offer through the columns of their home-town newspaper.

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